



# The Quest

August 15, 2017

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION AT SHELTER ROCK

*We aspire to be a loving religious community where we can grow spiritually and build a more just and joyful world.*

-SHELTER ROCK VISION STATEMENT



## UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

**Sunday, August 20, 2017 - 11:00 AM**

*"Welcome and Listen"*

The Rev. Natalie M. Fenimore

Our Unitarian Universalist community offers an open door – and people come in with many different stories to tell –How goes our listening?

**Sunday, August 27, 2017 - 11:00 AM**

*"What Makes God Laugh?"*

The Rev. Ned Wight

Humor is healing, and laughter lightens our lives. Many of us grew up thinking that risibility and religion were incompatible. Not so, claims Rev. Ned. His August 27 sermon is intended to substantiate this claim. He will be assisted by Angela Cesa and a number of lay readers from the congregation. Join us . . . and be prepared to smile . . . and even laugh.

**Sunday, September 3, 2017 - 11:00 AM**

*"Happy to be Happy.... and Have Meaning , Too"*

The Rev. Ken Reeves, Guest Minister

What is the secret to being happy? What makes that happen? What is the difference between happiness and meaning, and what is the source of meaning? This sermon considers the psychology and spirituality of happiness and meaning.

**Friday, September 8, 2017**

**Dinner - 6:30 PM, Worship - 7:30 PM**

**Free Coffee House with Jeffrey Gaines**

*Soulful Sundown*

The Rev. Jennifer L. Brower

Live band: The Cosmic Orchestra

***Soulful Sundown:***

***Where music resides at the heart of religious experience***

**Sunday, September 10, 2017 - 11:00 AM**

*"RE Orientation Speaker"*

The Rev. Angela Luke with the Rev. Natalie Fenimore

## TOUCHSTONES

The Rev. Jennifer L. Brower



Today, my family recieved in the mail an information packet from our son's school, preparing us for the fall and describing some of what our son can expect in seventh grade. The manila envelope contains so much paper! And so much more than sheets of paper... Each and every notice and bit of information points to a future yet to unfold. It is an important and exciting time that is steeped in the unknown.

As Nathaniel is looking into a future of wide open possibility I feel - to a certain extent – that I am, too. Tomorrow is the first day of my six-month sabbatical leave. A sabbatical, much like a Sabbath, is intended to be a time of rest and reflection, allowing one to return to the usual round of duties with new vision, deeper spiritual grounding and revitalized energy. The sabbatical (granted every fifth, sixth or seventh year of a ministry) provides the minister with an opportunity for personal and vocational enrichment. A sabbatical may include study and/or travel. However the time away from the usual duties of ministry is spent, it is intended to foster creativity, spark inspiration and reconnect the minister to her/his calling.

Although I have had the privilege of two previous sabbaticals, this one feels different. I am at a new developmental stage: I am now a mid-career minister. I must confess that a part of me is surprised by this fact. It is not unlike moving into middle age and wondering how and when that happened! This stage feels like unfamiliar territory. Ministers don't talk about mid-career ministry much. There is great emphasis placed upon beginning well, and the first stage of ministry. There is talk about – and workshops on - how to end well and leave your congregation prepared for a healthy future after your retirement. But not much about being in the middle. At this time, among other tasks and experiences, during this sabbatical – after 15 years of ministry with UUCSR – it is time to reflect upon my calling to ministry, how I have served you all and the Holy, and how I feel called to serve in the years ahead.

I will be on sabbatical from August 11, 2017 through February 10, 2018. But I will lead the September 8, 2017 Soulful Sundown service. While on sabbatical, I will be traveling to a number of workshops and conferences on topics such as worship and music and strategic planning.

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## TOUCHSTONES

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I plan to visit other congregations in New York (and maybe out-of-state) to see what can be learned from the work of others. I am going to spend generous amounts of time writing and I will be in search of all manner of new experiences.

A carefully crafted plan to cover all of the aspects of my ministry has been developed. If you have questions about the sabbatical, I invite you to contact a member of the Sabbatical Planning Committee. The committee members are: Steve Marston, Chair, Betty Gold, Rhonda Kessler, Tara Miner and Frank Teltsch.

Please be assured that pastoral care and lay ministry will continue to be provided by the ministry team, Caring Committee and Lay Chaplains. To request pastoral care – a visit or telephone call from a minister or another form of support – please contact the office of the Assistant to the Ministers. The office telephone number is (516) 627-6560 and the office of the Assistant to the Ministers can be reached at ext. 2941. The ministry team, Caring Committee Chair and Assistant to the Ministers will be working closely together to meet the needs of our members. If you experience an after-hours pastoral emergency (overnight or on a weekend) please contact the UUCSR live answering service at: 516-795-0329. The operator will connect you with the minister on-call.

If you have a concern or joy that you would like to have shared from the pulpit during worship and/ or printed in the Quest Milestones column, please contact the office of Assistant to the Ministers. Only with permission will a member's sorrow or good news be shared. The ministry team hopes that you will feel inclined to share the events of your life with fellow congregants.

Now, with immense gratitude for the opportunities of this sabbatical period – and for the wonderfully supportive and caring emails, telephone calls, cards and notes that I have received from so many of you, offering kind words and prayers for my sabbatical - I wish each of you every blessing during the next six months. I look forward to seeing you for a night in September and then again in February.

Yours in Faith,  
Rev. Jennifer

### Transportation Assistance

UUCSR offers transportation assistance to Sunday Worship and Soulful Sundown services for members who are unable to travel due to physical or financial limitations. Contact Kimberly Rossiter, Assistant to the Ministers, at [krossiter@uucsr.org](mailto:krossiter@uucsr.org) or 516.472.2941 for an application.

### UUCSR Expedition

*A Member Event*

#### Four Freedoms Park, FDR Memorial

*designed by Louis Kahn*

**Saturday, August 19, 2017**

*Meet at the "F" Train Roosevelt Station, 11:20 AM*

*Visit the Four Freedoms Park*

*Lunch will follow (location TBD)*

*Contact Ben Bortin ([bbortin@uucsr.org](mailto:bbortin@uucsr.org), 516.472.2934)*

## CONGREGATIONAL OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATOR

Adam Barshak



I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. I certainly had a good time at the congregation's summer concert and art reception on July 30. The weather could not have been better. As many are aware, the music committee has sponsored a summer concert conducted by our music director Stephen Smith for many years. This year the concert was held outside under a grand tent and followed by an art exhibit and reception for members and guests. The change was part

of new community outreach strategy that has been facilitated by the Publicity and Promotions committee. Two years ago, the congregation engaged a marketing firm, Austin & Williams to help identify ways in which the congregation could grow its engagement with the local community and introduce Unitarian Universalism. A&W suggested holding quarterly "Big Events" that would be repeated annually, breeding familiarity with our location for those who would not normally come to Shelter Rock. The events would be non-denominational in nature, hoping to draw a range of interested parties, with the expectation that some may be interested either immediately or over time with our religious purpose. With this lead up I'm pleased to share that the initial response was a rousing success. Through a robust advertising campaign and word of mouth, it is estimated that we had between 375-400 attendees, which is estimated to be approximately 100+ more than the average attendance in years past. A post production planning group reviewed the event, identified where we can improve in the future, and agreed that with minor changes the outdoor concert should continue to be held with the hopes of expansion of attendance. Acknowledgements of the efforts of all the volunteers who supported the event, Stephen for his conducting, the entire facilities team for their hard work in the set up and breakdown and Jen Sappell and Linda McCarthy who led our communication efforts as well as the Ministry team for lending their support. The committee will be engaged this congregation year in identifying a 2nd "Big Event" that could be considered for FY19 along with the concert. There are several other advertising and public relations activities that will be launched this congregation year, but that is for another article; stay tuned.

Sticking with the theme of communicating, if you are reading this article you have opened the QUEST in either print or electronic format. The Quest newsletter has been the primary means of communicating the Who, What, When and Where of congregational life for decades. Although there has been a shift to greater electronic dissemination, substantively little has changed over the years. It is unclear to the communications team, Publicity and Promotions committee and the ministry if the content and format still register with our membership. To help with that answer, a survey has been developed to help shape that answer and impact the future development of the Quest. The survey will be emailed on August 19, 2017. Paper copies will be available at the member reception desk in the lobby. Although names are required to avoid duplicate responses, all information will be compiled anonymously. Please take the time to fill out a survey so the committee, administration and ministry can best understand and support the needs of the membership on this matter.

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## CONGREGATIONAL OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATOR, *Continued from page 2*

Moving onto and closing with matters related to the property, work was completed on grading and paving the Veatch House parking lot. The sink holes, resulting from inappropriate backfill (tree branches, cement blocks) that was used in the construction of the lot, which had decayed, were removed and appropriate filler installed. Finally, the cracked bluestones around the property are being replaced to ensure safe walking paths. Work has been completed on the Veatch House steps and side walk as well as the courtyard with the main building and Chapel entrances to be worked on when a new shipment of stone arrives in early September. The Buildings and Grounds committee is considering a change to more robust concrete pavers for the future to avoid the seasonal replacement of the bluestone. The committee is also working with an architect to provide consultation for a lobby redesign that will provide for more lighting, better signage, enhanced traffic flow, an increased understanding of purpose and history for guests and as well as a greater sense of sacredness for the space given it is the entryway to the worship room. The committee will engage the congregation with the design concepts as they get formalized and considered for budgetary concerns.

Hoping everyone enjoys the remainder of summer.

## PUBLICITY & PROMOTIONS COMMITTEE

Jim Smith, Chair



"It takes a village to raise a child" is a well-known proverb. It also 'takes a village' to create an exciting summer concert event! From the early days of planning more

than six months ago to the final sweep of the broom at the end of this past Sunday's gala afternoon concert, reception and display of our beautiful campus, a village of people was rewarded with a five-star event. The bright sunshine glistened off the massive white tent on the lawn just beyond our lobby. Musicians gathered and maestro Stephen Michael Smith conducted a warm-up as gathering attendees waited patiently for the doors to open and the 400 seats to fill. Bob Nuxoll rendered Abe Lincoln's words with majesty as Aaron Copland's "Lincoln Portrait" wafted out over the listeners who filled every possible shady corner. Nathaniel LaNasa dazzled listeners as he drove the Worship Hall Steinway piano through Nights in the Gardens of Spain, G. 49 by De Falla. The sixty member orchestra completed the afternoon with Dances from the Ballet "Estancia" by Ginastera..

Straw hat guides then ushered the guests to the UUCSR Art Gallery for a glimpse at the retrospective show currently adorning the walls and then onto the Veatch House Ballroom filled with tasty desserts and beverages. Rooms filled with ambassadors for Shelter Rock's many programs awaited the curious visitors and an outdoor tour of the property took the curious beyond the lawn, butterfly garden and fountain geyser. Many lingered on late into the afternoon as the day wound down. This first effort proved most successful – we look forward to our next exciting afternoon at Shelter Rock.

Richard Bock

## FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mary Lou Kluger, Chair

**"Community is a gift you give yourself"**



*As of July 31, 2017, 188 pledges toward the Program Budget for 2017-18 have been received, for a combined total of \$142,372 toward a goal of \$232,000.*

### The UUCSR Pledge Campaign for 2017-18

Please support our wonderful, caring, open-minded, socially concerned, liberal religious community! Remember how important it is to receive cards and flowers when in the hospital. And how ours is one place where free expression, thinking, and questioning are honored. And a hub for inspiring services, programs, art exhibits, and concerts that occur in abundance.

If you have yet to make a pledge for the 2017-18 Fiscal Year, envelopes are available at the Welcome Desk in the Main Lobby, or can be mailed to you. Please contact Ben Bortin, 516.472.2934 and [BBortin@uucsr.org](mailto:BBortin@uucsr.org) if you would like a pledge envelope sent to your home.

**The Quest**  
**Take**  
**the Survey**

Please watch for the Quest Survey via email and print copy. Your opinion counts!





### **NEW GRANTEE SPOTLIGHT: The Transgender Law Center is Changing Law, Policy and Attitudes**

On Wednesday July 26, President Donald Trump announced that the U.S. plans to reinstate a ban on transgender individuals from serving "in any capacity" in the armed forces. The announcement immediately set off a wave of backlash from LGBTQ

advocates as well as retired military officers.

In response to the announcement, Veatch grantee Transgender Law Center (TLC) has been intensifying its efforts to organize within the transgender community. They have been recruiting pro-bono attorneys to co-counsel on impact litigation, organizing legal clinics, and taking on cases through their new pro bono project for trans immigrants. Transgender Law Center (TLC) works with transgender communities to change law, policy, and attitudes so that all people can live safely, authentically, and free from discrimination regardless of their gender identity or expression.

### **GROUNDBREAKING VICTORIES**

Launched in 2002 as a California-focused project of the National Center for Lesbian Rights, Transgender Law Center has grown to become a significant, independent, national organization—the largest transgender advocacy organization in the U.S. It engages in public policy advocacy, litigation, and movement building to advance the rights and opportunities of transgender people across the country. In 2012, TLC secured a groundbreaking decision when the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) affirmed that transgender people are protected from workplace discrimination under Title VII. This was the first time the EEOC made it clear that trans people are protected under Title VII. In 2015, TLC won a groundbreaking settlement with the California Department

of Corrections & and Rehabilitation that led to California agreeing to change some core policies about healthcare access and gender-appropriate commissary items.

TLC is connecting trans leaders from across the country to learn from each other's experience in change-making, through a national program when transgender leaders are trained in the craft of community organizing. They are engaging hundreds of youth in social media campaigns that lift up the experience of trans people in schools. Also, they are taking direct action at statehouses and other public sites. On Friday, August 4, hundreds of LGBTQ people of color and immigrants headed to the Texas State Capitol to protest SB 3 and SB 4, two bills targeting transgender and immigrant communities.

### **FAITH IN ACTION: THE INHERENT WORTH AND DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON**

The congregation is again at the forefront of addressing the core social justice issues of our day through the Veatch program's support of Transgender Law Center. We are leading by example in the field of philanthropy, which contributes surprisingly little to organizations that support trans rights. As trans and other marginalized communities come under attack the congregation's support of this work is more important than ever.

Transgender Law Center can be contacted at 510.587.9696 or [info@transgenderlawcenter.org](mailto:info@transgenderlawcenter.org)

*The Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program at Shelter Rock provides support for efforts within the religious and spiritual mission of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock where their purposes are best served by outside agencies acting under the Veatch Program and the Congregation.*



*Gathering of national trans rights leaders to gain skills and strategize upcoming work*

## LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Rev. Natalie M. Fenimore

Each year the UUCSR Adult Programs Committee, supported by Minister and Staff for Lifespan Religious Education, organize and support a series of classes, events and workshops to spiritual growth, enrichment and learning in our community. These programs are offered both at UUCSR and at Hadley House.

One of last year's courses was led by UUCSR member, Nina Weber, on the subject of "Resilience". Nina's presentation was echoed in an August 10, 2017 New York Times article, "How to Build Resilience in Midlife" by Tara Parker-Pope. Pope lists these active steps you can take during and after a crisis to speed your emotional recovery:

1. Practice Optimism: optimism is not of the reality of a bad situation but is framing situations in a more hopeful way
2. Rewrite your story: reframe your personal narrative to present your struggles as challenges and changes for growth and learning
3. Don't personalize it: tell yourself that the situation is not personal, pervasive or permanent
4. Remember your Comebacks: remind yourself of the challenges that you have personally overcome
5. Support others: build a strong support network for yourself and be a part of the support network of others
6. Take Stress breaks: use times of manageable stress to build your resilience
7. Go out of your comfort zone: build resilience by putting yourself in challenging situations and live in a way that enables you to develop skills to handle stress
8. Take a moment to look over the Adult Programs Booklet in September and plan to attend one of the programs offered. You may be interested in leading a program yourself or have an idea for a future program – if so, feel free to send an email or give a call to me or our Religious Education Coordinator, Jeanne Nametz at [jnametz@uucsr.org](mailto:jnametz@uucsr.org).

## LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Jeanne Nametz, RE Coordinator

### Beginning Anew

As we look ahead to the beginning of Religious Education classes, we are given the opportunity to begin anew. Every child, every teen, every volunteer and parent are invited to come as you are to begin anew. Come and re-enter our ongoing congregational life and RE community. Come, experience and remember what it is like to be part of a community that strives to embrace differences. As Rev. Natalie Fenimore, our Minister of Lifespan Religious Education likes to say "Ours is a community where questioning is welcome, kindness is nourished, and opportunities for service to others are provided."



We welcome all of our parents to experience RE in new ways by getting involved in our program. Contact any of the RE staff to see how you may renew your own congregational life through volunteering in RE. The RE Staff includes Rev. Natalie Fenimore, Minister of Lifespan Religious Education ([nfenimore@uucsr.org](mailto:nfenimore@uucsr.org)), Jeanne Nametz, RE Coordinator ([jnametz@uucsr.org](mailto:jnametz@uucsr.org)), India Harris, Youth and Young Adult Coordinator ([iharris@uucsr.org](mailto:iharris@uucsr.org)), and Carson Jones, RE Administrative Assistant ([cjones@uucsr.org](mailto:cjones@uucsr.org)).

In the words of Walt Whitman "afoot and lighthearted, I take to the open road, healthy, free, the world before me." May you feel the joy of beginning anew. See you in September!

**NOTE:** RE classes begin Sunday, September 17. All RE families gather in the Worship Room 11:00 AM for the Homecoming Worship Service. Children and teens exit part way through the service to gather in their classrooms. If you have not registered yet please go to [uucsr.org/RE](http://uucsr.org/RE)

### ASPIRING ARTISTS! SAVE THE DATE IN OCTOBER!

Come explore Asian brush painting: orchids, wild flowers and insects, with renowned artist Sungsook Setton's

### *Asian Brush Painting Workshop*

October 21, 2017, 12:30-3:30 at Shelter Rock Gallery

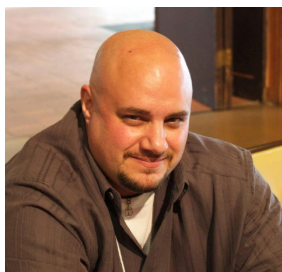
\$20.00 includes \$10.00 materials fee

Maximum 15 participants. Register with Elaine Corrao 516.472.2933 (Brown bag lunch)  
Sungsook and her student's artwork was displayed in the Shelter Rock Gallery this past June.  
Sungsook's book, "The Spirit of the Brush" will be available at the workshop.



## DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS

The Board of Trustees of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) has announced the appointment of Co-Moderators following the death of Moderator Jim Key in June. Mr. Barb Greve and Elandria Williams have agreed to serve as Co-Moderators until a special election for Moderator can be held at the 2018 General Assembly.



## REGIONAL AFFAIRS

### REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR LIAC DAY

Sponsored by the Long Island Area Council, LIAC DAY, a day of workshops and trainings in nine areas of congregational life, will take place on Saturday, September 16, 2017, from 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM at the UU Fellowship at Stony Brook, 380 Nicolls Rd, East Setauket, NY.

The cost is \$20. Childcare available if requested in advance. Breakfast and lunch will be available. Register at: <http://tinyurl.com/LIAC092017>. For further information and with any questions contact Rev Linda Anderson, [revlin23@gmail.com](mailto:revlin23@gmail.com)

#### Workshop Descriptions:

- Communications: practices and methods for communicating effectively both within and beyond the congregation.
- Conflict Resolution: 2 part workshop on congregational methods of dealing with conflict. Training in methods of listening to defuse conflict.
- Governance/Leadership: 2 part workshop regarding systems for identifying, recruiting, training, and supporting leaders.
- Membership: 2 part workshop presenting "Belonging", a three session orientation and renewal for newcomers and members.
- Pastoral Care: a pastoral "how-to" for lay pastoral care teams.
- Social Justice: building your impact by joining with others in the work.
- Stewardship/Finance: a conversation among participants to discover ways of collaborating among congregations for auditing and other financial matters.
- RE: will focus on topics of importance to children and youth.
- Worship: will focus on the role of the worship associate.

## CONGREGATIONAL AFFAIRS

**Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings:** September 12 and 14  
**Next congregational meeting:** Sunday, October 15, 12:45 PM

*Please see page 15 for a complete list of meeting dates.*

### Announcing Incoming Ministerial Intern at UUCSR

Hello UUCSR!



I am Nancy Reid-McKee, serving as the Ministerial Intern at UUCSR for the upcoming congregational year. I have been attending Starr King School for the Ministry part time for the last 3 1/2 years, and this year will complete my work toward a Master's in Divinity. I was raised in the Presbyterian church, was in the evangelical movement in my college years, but then

unchurched for many of my adult years. I became a Unitarian Universalist 17 years ago, and since then I have been very involved in social justice work and youth programs.

I received my BS degree in Psychology from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH. Later I earned a Master's of Nursing in Boston, MA. I have lived in many places, including the Navajo Reservation in Arizona for a number of years. Most recently, I have lived in Prescott, Arizona for 17 years where I raised my two children (my son Sam is age 22, and daughter Cody is 24). My husband (Clark) is a Physician Assistant working for the Veteran's Administration, and he is remaining in Prescott while I complete my internship with UUCSR.

One of my primary interests going into UU ministry is to find ways we can work toward growing our faith tradition in a sustainable way that builds community and compels us toward creating a more just world. I look forward to the many people I will meet and lessons I will learn from UUCSR in the coming year!

Blessings- Nancy

### Are you interested in being of a member of any of the following committees? You would be most welcome!

Shelter Rock Forum extends an open invitation for members to join the Shelter Rock Planning Committee. The Committee is seeking members who wish to participate in identifying and inviting notable speakers to educate, inform and inspire UUCSR members and our neighboring communities on issues focusing on "The Worth and Dignity of Every Person."

Additional opportunities exist in: Adult Programs, Art, Caring, Denominational Affairs, Green Sanctuary, Library/Bookstore, Membership, Member Events, Men's Group, Social Justice, and Women's Group.

Let Ben Bortin know, 516.472.2934, [BBortin@uucsr.org](mailto:BBortin@uucsr.org), or sign at the Welcome Desk...

## SOCIAL JUSTICE COORDINATOR

Claire Deroche



### Beyond the Headlines

With the announcement of legislation introduced in Washington by Senators Tom Cotton of Arkansas and David Perdue of Georgia and supported by President Trump, immigration is once again in the headlines. For weeks, the topic had taken a backseat to the investigations of Russia's attempts to interfere with US elections and the numerous personnel

changes in the administration.

When an issue as important as immigration policy is out of the headlines for any length of time, I get worried. What is happening that isn't being reported?

A little research turned up the answer: a lot has been happening, and it's only making life more stressful and dangerous for immigrant communities.

According to Royce Murray of the American Immigration Council, in the first 6 months of the new administration, the President has changed immigration enforcement priorities through executive orders. Instead of prioritizing only those with criminal records, now Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents arrest anyone they encounter who does not have documentation. The numbers say it all: arrests are up by 40 %. ICE has issued 75% more detainers, requests that law enforcement hold those suspected of being undocumented until ICE agents can pick them up. Finally, the number of people placed in removal proceedings is up by 47%.

One of ICE's tools for this increased activity is an uptick in agreements with local police that they will cooperate in the apprehension of undocumented immigrants. ICE now has agreements with 59 law enforcement agencies in 18 states. Jurisdictions that declare that they will not cooperate are threatened with the loss of federal funding for law enforcement activities.

Next ICE wants to speed up the deportation process by expanding the expedited process they use on the border. There are undocumented individuals who have been in the US for less than 15 days who are quickly processed and deported. ICE wants to use this same process in the interior of the country and to include individuals who have been here for up to 2 years. This means hiring more agents and increasing the number of detention beds.

Finally, the administration may seek to end the protections afforded up to 800,000 young people through DACA, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and TPS, Temporary Protected Status, which has helped 300,000 immigrants live and work in the US because of natural disasters in their home countries.

As a result of these policies, immigrant families who have been here for years and have contributed to our communities are being torn apart. Furthermore, through this new legislation, instead of embracing a course of action that would truly benefit our country, the administration is seeking to limit the number of

lawful immigrants to up to 50% of current levels over the next 10 years. The administration wants us to believe that this will help our economy and keep our own citizens employed. Yes, a recent study by ProPublica "estimated that for every 1 percent increase in U.S. population made of immigrants, GDP rises 1.15 percent." My conclusion: we turn immigrants away at our peril!

<sup>1</sup> <http://tinyurl.com/yaq28d5v>

<sup>2</sup> <https://projects.propublica.org/graphics/gdp#chart-holder>

## SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENTS (SRI)

### Brownie Lovers Offered A Special Treat!



Visit  
Greyston Bakery,  
Yonkers, NY  
Thursday, August  
17  
Departing UUCSR  
at

To reserve your spot, contact Claire Deroche at 516.472.2977 or [cderoche@uucsr.org](mailto:cderoche@uucsr.org). Members of UUCSR's Socially Responsible Investment Subcommittee (SRI) will be visiting our partner, Greyston Bakery, Inc. Interested members who have a social conscience and a decadent taste for chocolate are invited to join us. Our van only seats 15 so it's "first come first served."

Greyston was first contacted by the SRI sub-committee member, John Tilton, who was intrigued by their unique status as New York's first B-Corporation. B-Corps have a community benefit as their primary mission rather than that of increasing shareholder value. As CEO Mike Brady said in a TED Talk:

**"We don't employ people to make brownies,  
we make Brownies to employ people."**

**The SRI Sub-Committee of the Investment Committee is open and welcoming to congregants who want to do good and do it right! Please visit our regular meetings.**

## SOCIAL JUSTICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Every Sunday through August 20

**UUCSR Annual School Supplies Drive:** From Sunday, June 18 through Sunday, August 20, the Social Justice Committee will be collecting donations of new school supplies. These supplies will benefit at risk children and youth in the Village of Hempstead and the children of the refugee families we are assisting. On the easel in the main lobby, you'll find a display with post its of needed supplies. Please take as many as you are able, make the purchases, and place the supplies in the bin designated for the collection. Thank you for your continued generosity!

Wednesday, August 9

**Social Justice Committee Annual Potluck Supper and Planning Meeting,** 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM, Art Gallery. Attendees should bring a main dish for six to share. Beverages and dessert provided. We will plan our calendar for the 2017-2018 congregational year. New members welcome!

Wednesday, August 16

**Engage Deeply in Climate Action:** Grassroots Campaign Workshop, Social Hall, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM: This is a workshop to educate community members and discuss environmental issues impacting Long Island communities, and prepare to take the necessary action to put pressure on our legislators to protect our families and communities from the devastating effects of climate change. Together we will ensure a just transition for Long Island communities away from the extractive fossil fuel economy to an economy that is regenerative, resilient, and sustainable. Co-sponsored by the UUCSR SJ Climate Justice Task Force and NY Renews. For further information, contact [rmadden@lipc.org](mailto:rmadden@lipc.org)

Thursday, August 17

**Visit Greyston Bakery in Yonkers with Members of the Socially Responsible Investing (SRI) Subcommittee.** The SRI Subcommittee has made low interest loans to this Benefit Corporation to expand its services. They are a leader in open hiring allowing people who face challenges to employment to find steady, meaningful, and well paid work. Please see block ad on previous page of this Quest.

Saturday, August 19

**Cooking for Interfaith Nutrition Network (INN) Guests,** 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM in the Main Kitchen. Contact John Ryan at (516) 487-5571 for information.

Sunday, August 20

**SJ CoUUrage to Defy Hate Task Force Meeting,** Bride's Room, 12:15 pm – 2:00 pm: Bring your lunch. Join us to make plans for upcoming events.

Wednesday, August 23

**Together to End Solitary Confinement,** 6:30 PM in the Worship Room. Advocates for ending prolonged solitary confinement

gather on the 23rd of every month, remembering those who are in segregated confinement 23 hours a day. After a vigil in the worship room we will go to the art gallery for a screening and discussion of 13th: A Conversation with Oprah Winfrey & Ava DuVernay.

Thursday, September 7

**Cooking for the Guests of the Interfaith Nutrition Network (INN):** 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM, Main Kitchen. Meals cooked will be delivered to three shelters run by the INN. For further information, contact Verna Livingston, 516.883.7999.

Tuesday, September 12

**Poverty Amid Plenty on Long Island: A Truth Commission,** 4:00 PM- 9:00 PM, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish, Wyandanch, dinner included. Despite New York's great wealth, more than 3 million New Yorkers live below the federal poverty line, and millions more struggle to make ends meet. On Long Island, 35 percent of households earn less than the cost of living. Why is this? How are individuals, families and our communities impacted, and what is being done to respond? How can we create a more just community in which all our neighbors can thrive? Join us to hear people directly impacted by poverty and related injustices, direct service providers, advocates, faith leaders, and policy experts reflect on these questions. RSVP required. Go to <https://laborreligion.org/truthcommission/longisland> to register. For further information please contact Social Justice Coordinator Claire Deroche at [cderoche@uucsr.org](mailto:cderoche@uucsr.org) or 516.472.2977.

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR SHARING

**Non-perishable food donations:** Our donation drive continues and will next benefit the INN Soup Kitchen in Glen Cove. Suggested items: boxes of cold cereal; canned meats and fish with pop tops: tuna, chicken, salmon, sardines; peanut butter; and soups with pop tops. (Plastic jars, only, please!) Thank you!

**UUCSR Used Clothing Donations:** Please place gently used, clean items of clothing and shoes for children and adults (in well-secured bags) in the bin designated "Donations of Gently Used Clothing and Shoes." The clothing you donate benefits our congregational clothing closet and the United Veterans Beacon House. If you have any questions about donations or how to donate other items, please contact Social Justice Coordinator Claire Deroche at 516.472.2977 or via email. Thank you!

**UUCSR Social Action:** The Social Justice Committee now offers both non-perishable food items and gently used clothing to anyone in need in one convenient location: the hallway outside the main kitchen. If there's something there that you need, please take it. As a courtesy to others, please leave the pantry shelves in order and please rehang any items of clothing that you handle but decide not to take. Both the pantry and the clothing closet are managed by members of the Social Justice Committee. Please contact Social Justice Coordinator Claire Deroche at 516.472.2977 or via email with any questions. Thank you!



## MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC, and MORE

### MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC (...and some theater!!)

#### **TWO BY WHARTON** By Edith Wharton Adapted by Gary Mitchell



Music at Shelter Rock is pleased to sponsor a theater initiative by members of the congregation who wish to present live theater. **TWO BY WHARTON**, a double-bill of one act plays from the stories of the esteemed writer, Edith Wharton, will be presented on October 6, 2017 at 8:00 PM, and on October 8, 2017, at 1:30 PM in the Veatch Ballroom.

Roman Fever, is the tale of two American women revisiting the romantic city of Rome where past romances blossomed and the dreaded Roman Fever stalked. Now, in middle-age, these two women have their own young daughters in tow, and carry with them a fascinating secret that still remains even after all these years. Xingu, second on the bill, is a lively comedy poking fun at a women's literary club hosting a remarkable author. The three women of Xingu must approach culture in a pack, since facing it alone might be too dangerous. Armed only with aphorisms and their wit, they must face that formidable enemy: literature!

The two one-acts highlight the comic and tragi-comic impulse of one of Americans premiere women authors. Renowned in her own time, the author of *Age of Innocence* and *House of Mirth*, Edith Wharton was a prolific writer of short fiction, which enlarged the escapades and foibles of her "set" the two-hundred or so families that made up "Old New York" of the 1900's. Both a satirist and searing social commentator, Edith Wharton truly represents one of the most unique voices in her time and ours.

The Veatch Ballroom offers a splendid performance venue for these plays set in the 1920's. The architecture of the room is unmatched for evoking the style and period required.

Current casting includes Karin Lyngstad-Hughes, Suzanne Viverito, and Rachel Zampino. Directed by Gary Mitchell.

Don't miss this wonderful presentation of live theater at Shelter Rock! And it is free!

### Cabaret XV Cast Call

## CABARET

### AT THE ROCK

It is summer, but not too early to begin thinking about Cabaret XV – our Fifteenth Edition – raising funds for our Ed Miller Memorial Music Scholarship Fund! We are sending you this early-bird cast call for the show! Rehearsals begin in September and our show date is November 4, 2017. Please contact Richard Bock, Cabaret Music Director, at [rbock@optonline.net](mailto:rbock@optonline.net) or 516.922.6052 for details.

### COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Did you know the Communications Department staff of two (Jen Sappell and Linda McCarthy) are assisted by devoted UUCSR volunteers? All of the flyers, press, advertising, social media, signage, internet presence and more would not be possible without the stalwart support of regular volunteers. As their time and availability permits, they post calendar items to local papers, manage photo files, proof publications and more.

We couldn't do it all without volunteers!



Claire Bock  
Wostan Brown  
Giuseppina Iorfino  
Paul Kopelow  
Steve Marston  
Jo Rymer

Might you too like to help in the office, or from your own home computer? We'd love to have you join this team! Volunteers can choose simple tasks or learn new technical skills while helping to promote the Congregation. Call Jen Sappell, 516.472.2980 or [jsappell@uucsr.org](mailto:jsappell@uucsr.org) to get involved. Thank you.

## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Ben Bortin, Membership/Volunteer Coordinator



"In this refulgent summer it has been a luxury to draw the breath of life." That's how Ralph Waldo Emerson began his famed Divinity School Address in July of 1838.

Emerson had quit the Unitarian ministry six years before, but had been invited by Harvard Divinity School, a center for Unitarianism at the time, by graduating students to deliver a lecture. It turned

out to be a highly controversial, ultimately influential, and in my view inspiring sermon. Emerson claimed on that occasion that Biblical miracles were misguided, even, he said extravagantly, a "Monster." Not that there aren't miracles, he added. Life itself is a miracle. So are "the blowing clover and the falling rain."

I've run into everyday miracles this summer. First, the sheer "greenness" of it all --- bigleaf maple trees, sycamores, oaks, and the 100 foot tulip trees in the UUCSR woods, combined with greenswards, such as flow out in the congregation back yard, are so redemptive. So is the sunshine, dancing like diamonds on Manhasset Bay. And the other day, three dignified egrets sat together at the edge of Leeds Pond.

It's been a heart warming summer at the UU Congregation at Shelter Rock as well. It was a joy to hear a sophisticated sermon from a youthful alum, Emily "Em" Kianka, and a powerful message from Deacon Steven DeMartino on poverty. I thought the Summer Concert and all that followed on July 30, was a great numerical and program success. (Too many to thank, but certainly three cheers for the three Chairs, Richard Bock, Chris Hilke, and Jim Smith, and a shout out to the Music Director Extraordinaire, Stephen Michael Smith.) And finally, a moving ceremony commemorating the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

It is always a joy to introduce recent members, and such is the case with Ann Spero, who joined the congregation this past spring.

Ann was born in New York City and has lived fifty years in Bayside, New York. Her parents were of Sephardic Jewish background, but as Ann was married many years to a Roman Catholic husband, she didn't continue with Judaism.

At a fitness center, she met and enjoyed getting to know several members of this congregation. Karin Lyngstad-Hughes let her know of UUCSR, and invited her to tour the beautiful building and grounds. There is no substitute for person-to-person hospitality.

Ann is interested in exercise, and in reading. She has two devoted sons, each living not far away. She feels a kinship to our community already. "Everyone is so nice," she commented. It's summer, so in more than one way, a warm welcome, Ann!

Finally, a brief note that you are invited on an expedition to the FDR Memorial, designed by remarkable architect, Louis Kahn, Saturday, August 19. We meet at the F Train stop on Roosevelt Island, 11:20 AM that morning.

Blessings, Ben

## MILESTONES

**We share the sad news...** of the death of long-time UUCSR member, Edward (Ed) Simmons. Ed died suddenly on Thursday, August 10, 2017 in White Plains, New York during a visit with his older sister. A memorial service in celebration of Ed's life will be held at UUCSR on Saturday, August 26, 2017 at 11:00 AM. Condolences may sent to Ed's family c/o Catherine Simmons Smith: 6500 SW 94th St, Miami, FL 33156-1842

**We send wishes for a smooth and swift healing to...** Mary Watts who is recovering after a recent fall. Mary welcomes our outreach. Calls are welcome. Cards may be sent to her home address 14 Bayview Ct Manhasset, NY 11030-2203

**We extend our care to...** Sylvia Specht who has had a devil of a year. Sylvia has recently had to return to a physical rehabilitation center. She welcomes our good thoughts and prayers. Cards may be sent to be her home address 5 Virginia Rd, Syosset, NY 1179

**We send warm wishes to...** Meg Cohen who has had a knee replacement. For the time being, Meg is staying with her daughter Marielle. Cards may be sent c/o Marielle Wyette: 4221 23rd St. Bayside, NY 11361

## THANK YOU

### **From Florence Zaragoza**

I want to thank the Caring Committee, my friends at UUCSR, and the ministers for the very beautiful glass vase of tea roses and other gorgeous flowers. It certainly was a lovely surprise during the period of my convalescence. Thank you again for your very lovely gift.

Sincerely, Florence Zaragoza

**Hadley House** sends many thanks to Gilda Nobel and Barry Nobel for providing a wonderful classical piano concert in the Hadley House Lounge on August 11th. A selection of piano works by Chopin, Dvorak, and Beethoven were beautifully presented. One piece played with four hands was especially pleasing. The event was well attended by our residents and enjoyed by all.

Hadley House Residents' Association

### **From NAMI Queens/Nassau**

Thank you for the generous donation of \$955 raised at your Soulful Sundown Worship Service. Donations such as yours provide much needed services, education and advocacy on behalf of the people with mental illness and those who love them.

Ellen Ritz, Acting President

### **From Prevent Child Abuse America**

Thank you for the generous Soulful Sundown collection of \$821 This gift will help us support children and families nationwide. Together -- we are strengthening American families!

Ben Duffy, President & CEO

### **From GreenFaith Interfaith Partners for the Earth**

You made my day! Your July 6, 2017 gift of \$278.93 has arrived. (GreenFaith was the beneficiary of a Worship Service Collection.) We're putting it right to work, empowering faith communities to out their beliefs into action for the environment. Look at the good you are helping make possible! Thank you.

Fletcher Harper, Executive Director

# HADLEY HOUSE HAPPENINGS

Hadley House Residents' Council

Fellow Congregants, neighbors and friends—WELCOME! We are beginning this column in the Quest to better acquaint you with who we are, how we live and the enjoyable experience open to you.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that Hadley House is home to 42 UUs from UUCSR and other UU congregations, sixty-two years and older and capable of independent living? Hadley House is not a nursing home, but does provide a fruitful living experience for seniors wanting to continue to enjoy the Unitarian Universalist cultural experience in their Hadley House home.

While Hadley House does not reflect a luxury level of living, it is an affordable, comfortable, well kept, and well managed facility structured to the needs of seniors. It is located in a pleasant neighborhood, one block from the bay in Port Washington. Some residents feel it is UUCSR's "jewel on the hill".

If you are a senior and want the ease of companionship right outside your apartment door...Call Susan Bagnini, our social worker (516 944 8457) and request a tour. Add your name to the Hadley House wait list. You'll love it here! Remember, you can always change your mind in the future.

Let us introduce you to our two ninety-nine year old "wonder women": Evelyn Napolin and Olive Jordan. They have the vitality, stamina and looks of women much younger. They believe in the powerful combination of living independently in a supportive environment. Privacy is respected. Interactive workshops and gathering areas where we share the events of the day and our lives, contribute to their healthy success.



Our unique living environment at Hadley House is stimulating and friendly, and gives a feeling of an extended family to many. The range of ages spans almost 40 years, and yet age goes almost unnoticed. Social scientists tell us that being physically, spiritually and socially active as we age contributes to a meaningful and extended life. Who knows how much Evelyn's and Ollie's homes here in this enriched community has contributed to their longevity and well being?

Jerry Jalazo

## OUR ADULT COMMUNITY — EVELYN NAPOLIN

Evelyn is celebrating her 99th birthday with her family and friends at Hadley House this August. She has been a member of UUCSR for over twenty years since her late 70's.

"This was the first organized religion that I had ever joined! I had heard it was a liberal religion, with no one telling you what or how you were to believe. Because I believe in the democratic process, I was very pleased. To this day, those principles are utmost in my life. My affiliation with UUCSR has been a life long commitment."

When I first met Evelyn Napolin she was Program Director of Retired Executives and Professionals (REAP) for the Bryant Library. She was inviting me to be a speaker. I told her I'd love to.

"We don't pay our speakers," she informed me. "If I am inviting you it is because I think well of you. I believe if you have an expertise in something, it is important to share it."

Evelyn was raised in a small town in the foothills of the Berkshire Mountains in NW Connecticut. She attended a small schoolhouse with twelve children in each grade, and with a potbelly stove in each room.

Education was always important to me. It was the Luck of my Life."

Evelyn's father was an avid reader. He took her to the theatre to see plays which inspired in her a love of the Arts. She met her husband at a Classical Music Group. He was a published poet and New York City high school English Teacher. While raising their children, Evelyn completed her BA degree at Queens College. Her husband wrote poems for and about her throughout their life together as a symbol of their love.

A long time resident of Hadley House, Evelyn is very clear about what it has given her. In addition to the socialization offered, she says:

"I am here alone. When there's something to figure out — you figure it out. That is what makes you strong. I gave up driving at age 95 and REAP at 96. What gives me pleasure is maintaining the Hadley House Library. I encourage the residents to read the new and stimulating books as they arrive and maintain the correct chronology for everyone's pleasure. I have learned so much over the years. In my own way, I always feel that the better educated you are, the more Promise there is."

Lilyan Strassman





## GREEN SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

### Seagrass Beds and Our Water

Seagrass is beautiful to some people and ugly to others. Their tall waving grass blades of green and brown form underwater water meadows in bays and harbors. What most of us don't realize is how essential they are to the well-being of these areas, especially on Long Island. Nowadays, seagrass beds are rare sights, but they are so vital. What they do is store carbon, provide habitat and food for fish, shellfish, and waterfowl and help to stabilize bottom sediments. Their ecological benefits have been known mainly to those who are engaged in the fishing industry and also in the marine scientific community. These are the people trying to save and restore them along with some governmental assistance.

In 2009, a report from the New York State Seagrass Task Force found that the seagrass acreage in New York State had declined: 200,000 acres in 1920 to 21,803 acres by that year. This decline of seagrass in our waters is located primarily within the South Shore Estuary Reserve located along the southern coast of Long Island. Currently, about 90 % of the seagrass beds have disappeared, so that bays and harbors in New York and Connecticut are no longer dotted with them. The causes of the disappearance of our seagrass beds are due to environmental threats. First and foremost is nutrient overloading. This means excess nitrogen from fertilizer runoff that results in poor water quality. Also, the persistence of algal blooms, as a result, also impairs our water quality and the fishing and shellfish gear as well. In 2012, a new law, the Sea Grass Protection Act, was implemented in New York State. It instructed the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to "designate seagrass management areas and to develop management plans for those areas in consultation with local government, recreational boating interests, fishermen, property owners and other stakeholders."

One question we had is finding out what areas on Long Island, if any, still had good seagrass beds. Fishers Island is one. It is a 4-square mile island off the eastern end of Long Island. It possesses a few lush meadows of seagrass in spite of the factors polluting our waters: nitrogen pollution flowing into sewers and then into our bays and estuaries, etc., and rising temperatures of the seas due to global warming. The warming waters have substantially affected the seagrass growth also in New England and New York. Therefore, the program currently instituted by The Nature Conservancy of Long Island (TNC) is important. TNC of Long Island has linked up with the Fisher Island Conservancy and the Henry L. Ferguson Museum, state representatives and nearby communities to explore and develop procedures at Fishers Island toward restoration. This collaborative effort is what is needed.

However, as we know, there have always been former obstacles and oversights. The fact is that seagrass habitat often overlaps with the protected tidal wetlands in New York. (Tidal wetlands are those areas that border or lie beneath tidal waves, such as banks, bogs, salt marshes, meadows, flats or other lowlands. They are usually below an elevation of one foot above local extreme high water. Since they form in "low energy environments, they are protected from direct wave action. Next to tropical rain forests, they are the second most biologically productive resource on earth.") Therefore, the DEC has jurisdiction and regulates tidal wetlands through its

Tidal Wetlands Permit Program. The problem was that this permit program did not give the DEC any authority to specifically protect and restrict activities that harm seagrass. Fortunately, with the implementation of the Seagrass Protection Act, the Department of Environmental Conservation can finally regulate activities on land and sea. These include the authority to adopt rules and regulations to protect coastal and marine areas. Therefore, seagrass beds and seagrass restoration efforts can move forward. Our water on Long Island and in our region will hopefully will become cleaner and healthier. Let us save the seagrass and save our waters.

## ART COMMITTEE

### The Congregational Art Show opens August 20, 2017!

Members of the Art Committee hope that you had a chance to peruse the Artists' Retrospective Show which was featured during our Annual Summer Concert.

The upcoming show will be our eagerly awaited Congregational Art Show! We are looking forward to seeing what artistic treasures you all have to offer. We want to hear from the artists, poets, sculptures, photographers, and other creative people of UUCSR. The Art Committee invites you to be a part of the Congregational Art Show, and share your artistic vision.

We will be displaying in two categories: Adults, and Children, ages 6-18. Your artwork must be ready to hang or of a size to fit in our glass display case in the Art Gallery. Drop off for artwork will continue on August 17, so dig into those closets!

A registration information was mailed to the Congregation with complete details. If you did not receive your registration or if you have any further questions, please contact Elaine at 516.472.2933, [ecorao@uucsr.org](mailto:ecorao@uucsr.org) or Shirley Arlt, Art Committee Chair, at 516.697.4576.



### What's New at UUCSR?

We hope that you will also take a moment next time you are visiting the Veatch House to admire the newest quilts hanging in the stairwell. There are now two near the bottom, and one at the top, adding a wonderful splash of color to the staircase walls. One is a bright, bold and beautiful "Tumbling Blocks" by Renee Silver.

Thank you to the fabric artists who created and shared these with us all.

## WOMEN'S GROUP

### SAVE THE DATE

Annual Women's Group Membership Dinner

## CELEBRATING THE CENTENNIAL OF SUFFRAGE IN NEW YORK

Friday, September 22, 2017  
Social Hall

Dinner  
Dramatic Readings of Suffragists  
Line Dancing to Music of the Time  
Photos  
Videos



New York State was key to the national movement for women's suffrage. From Seneca Falls to New York City's Lower East Side, from Buffalo to Brooklyn, From Canton to Cattaraugus, people in New York State were leaders in the women's suffrage movement from 1848 until 1917, when suffrage was legalized in New York State and on to 1920, when the federal government passed the 19th amendment.

## CELEBRATE WITH THE UUCSR WOMEN'S GROUP!

*The UUCSR Women's Group presents*

### A Women's Rights Tour of Seneca Falls Columbus Day Weekend October 6 - 9, 2017

The UUCSR Women's group is going on a 3-day road trip to Seneca Falls, NY. We are celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Women's Right to Vote in the place where it all got started. We will be driving to the Finger Lakes district of NY.

#### *Highlights:*

The National Women's Hall of Fame  
The Elizabeth Cady Stanton House  
The Women's Rights National Historical Park  
Other stops along the way, including  
It's a Wonderful Life Museum  
The Harriet Tubman Home  
The Montezuma Winery



Limited space available on the van.

We are staying at Rodeway Inn in Weedsport, NY. Cost: \$200, which includes accommodations at the Rodeway Inn in Weedsport, NY for 3 nights, double room occupancy. (free breakfast and wifi is included). This price does NOT include Saturday and Sunday lunch and dinner in local restaurants. The trip includes walking, so wear comfortable shoes and clothing.

To reserve your space, send \$200 to Patti Paris by September 10. No refunds after that date. If there is an emergency and you are not able to go, and you have paid, we will try to fill your spot with another member, but you will be responsible for your entire fee. Questions, call Patti Paris at 516.883.7277 parislibrary@yahoo.com.

## PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please see UUCSR.org for additional details on all programs. See LIACUU.org for other area congregations.*

### **Wednesday, August 16, 2017**

Women Talk Daytime, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
Leukemia/Lymphoma Society Meeting, 6:00 PM, RE Rm 16  
Investment Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, Veatch Conf. Rm  
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19  
Climate Justice / NY Renews meeting, 6:30 PM, Social Hall  
NAMI Family Support Group, 7:00 PM, RE Room 15  
Committee on Ministry Meeting, 7:30 PM, Office Conf. Rm  
INISFADA-Zen Sitting Med., 7:30 PM, Ballroom, Terrace  
Greysheeters, 8:00 PM, RE Room 17

### **Thursday, August 17, 2017**

Yoga, 9:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
Literacy Nassau Tutor Training Workshop, 10:00 AM, Art Gallery  
SJC Family to Family Class Daytime, 10:00 AM, RE Room 15  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Room 206, 207  
Trip to Greyston Bakery with Members of SRI, 11:00 AM,  
Congregational Art Show - Receiving, 3:00 PM, Art Gallery

### **Friday, August 18, 2017**

Bridge Game Play ONLY, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom

### **Saturday, August 19, 2017**

Caring Hearts - Quilters, 9:00 AM, Room 204, 205  
INN Cooking, 9:00 AM, Main Kitchen  
Expedition to FDR Memorial on Roosevelt Island, 10:00 AM,  
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Art Gallery

### **Sunday, August 20, 2017**

Childcare, 9:30 AM, RE Room 2  
Music Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room  
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room  
UU Cafe, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
CoUUrage to Defy Hate Meeting, 12:15 PM, Bride's Room  
Love and Stitches, 12:30 PM, RE Room 15  
Congregational Art Show - Reception, 1:00 PM, Art Gallery  
Congregational Conversation - Jointly sponsored by COM and the Ministry Team, 1:00 PM, RE Room 4

### **Monday, August 21, 2017**

Greysheeters, 5:00 PM, RE Room 17

### **Tuesday, August 22, 2017**

Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom

### **Wednesday, August 23, 2017**

Manhasset HS, 8:30 AM, Art Gallery  
Together to End Solitary Confinement, 6:15 PM, Art Gallery, Worship Room  
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19  
Shelter Rock Forum Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 4  
NAMI Family Support Group, 7:00 PM, RE Room 15

Hadley House LLC TF Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Library  
INISFADA-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Ballroom, Terrace  
Greysheeters, 8:00 PM, RE Room 17

### **Thursday, August 24, 2017**

Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery  
Expeditions: Guided Taxi Ride in Freeport Harbor, 10:00 AM,  
SJC Family to Family Class Daytime, 10:00 AM, RE Room 15  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom

### **Friday, August 25, 2017**

Bridge Game Play ONLY, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom

### **Saturday, August 26, 2017**

Caring Hearts - Quilters, 9:00 AM, Room 204, 205  
Love and Stitches, 9:00 AM, RE Room 15  
Edward Simmons Memorial Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room  
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Veatch Ballroom

### **Sunday, August 27, 2017**

Women's Group Board Meetings, 8:45 AM, Veatch Conf. Room  
Childcare, 9:30 AM, RE Room 2  
Music Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room  
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room  
UU Cafe, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
Ethical Eating Meeting, 1:00 PM, Veatch Conference Room  
SGM - Training, 1:00 PM, Office Conference Room

### **Monday, August 28, 2017**

Greysheeters, 5:00 PM, RE Room 17

### **Tuesday, August 29, 2017**

Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
Agenda Planning Meeting, 6:30 PM, Veatch Library

### **Wednesday, August 30, 2017**

Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19  
NAMI Family Support Group, 7:00 PM, RE Room 15  
INISFADA-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Ballroom, Terrace  
Greysheeters, 8:00 PM, RE Room 17

### **Thursday, August 31, 2017**

Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery  
SJC Family to Family Class Daytime, 10:00 AM, RE Room 15  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom

### **Friday, September 01, 2017**

Bridge Lessons & Game Play, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom

### **Saturday, September 02, 2017**

Caring Hearts - Quilters, 9:00 AM, Room 204, 205  
YAC Retreat, 9:00 AM, RE Room 6, 10, 15  
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Art Gallery  
Lobster Fest, 6:00 PM, Veatch House



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### Sunday, September 03, 2017

Childcare, 9:30 AM, RE Room 2  
Bagel Breakfast, 10:00 AM, Social Hall  
Music Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room  
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room  
UU Cafe, 12:00 PM, Social Hall

### Monday, September 04, 2017

BUILDING CLOSED-Labor Day Holiday, 8:00 AM,

### Tuesday, September 05, 2017

Cornell Cooperative Extension, 9:00 AM, Social Hall  
Overeaters Anonymous, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
Nar-ANON Meeting, 6:30 PM, RE Room 19  
RE Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery

### Wednesday, September 06, 2017

Women Talk Daytime, 12:00 PM, Art Gallery  
Bridge Group, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Hadley House LLC TF Meeting, 7:30 PM, Veatch Library  
INISFADA-Zen Sitting Meditation, 7:30 PM, Ballroom, Terrace  
Membership Meeting, 7:30 PM, Art Gallery  
Greysheeters, 8:00 PM, RE Room 17

### Thursday, September 07, 2017

INN Cooking, 9:30 AM, Main Kitchen  
Yoga, 9:30 AM, Art Gallery  
AA Meeting, 10:30 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
NAMI Spirituality, 6:30 PM, RE Room 15

### Friday, September 08, 2017

Bridge Lessons & Game Play, 1:00 PM, Veatch Ballroom  
Soulful Sundown, 6:30 PM, Worship Room, Gallery, SH

### Saturday, September 09, 2017

RE Volunteer Orientation, 8:00 AM, Multiple Spaces  
Caring Hearts - Quilters, 9:00 AM, Room 204, 205  
Yoga, 11:00 AM, Veatch Ballroom  
RE Volunteer Welcome Back Dinner, 6:30 PM, Veatch House

### Sunday, September 10, 2017

SGM Second Sunday- Early AM Group, 8:30 AM, Office Conf. Rm  
Worship Committee Meeting, 9:00 AM, Bride's Room  
Childcare, 9:30 AM, RE Room 2  
Music Rehearsal, 10:00 AM, Worship Room  
Worship Service, 11:00 AM, Worship Room  
UU Cafe, 12:00 PM, Social Hall  
Men's Group Meeting, 12:15 PM, Veatch Conference Room  
Love and Stitches, 12:30 PM, RE Room 15

### Monday, September 11, 2017

Greysheeters, 6:30 PM, RE Room 17  
Cabaret XV Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Social Hall

August 15, 2017

## 2017-2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

### Board Meetings – 7:30 PM

*All Meetings in Ballroom*

Tuesday/Thursday, September 12 & 14  
Tuesday/Thursday, October 17 & 19  
Tuesday/Thursday, November 14 & 16  
Tuesday/Thursday, December 19 & 21  
Tuesday/Thursday, January 16 & 18  
Tuesday/Thursday, February 20 & 22  
Tuesday/Thursday, March 20 & 22  
Tuesday/Thursday, April 17 & 19  
Tuesday/Thursday, May 22 & 24  
Tuesday/Thursday, June 12 & 14

### Congregational Meetings

*All Meetings in Social Hall*

Sunday, October 15	12:45 PM
Sunday, November 19	12:45 PM
Sunday, January 21	12:45 PM
Sunday, March 11	12:45 PM
Sunday, May 6 (with Budget Hearing)	12:45 PM
Wednesday, May 9 – Budget Hearing	7:30 PM
Sunday, June 3 – Annual Brunch/Meeting	
12:15 PM Social Hall/2:00 PM Worship Room	

### Program Council Meetings - 7:30 PM

*All Meetings in Veatch House Ballroom*

Monday, September 11, 2017  
Monday, October 16, 2017  
Monday, November 13, 2017  
Monday, December 11, 2017  
Monday, January 08, 2018  
Monday, February 12, 2018  
Monday, March 12, 2018  
Monday, April 09, 2018  
Monday, May 14, 2018  
Monday, June 11, 2018  
Monday, September 10, 2018  
Monday, October 15, 2018 (Delay due to Columbus Day)  
Monday, November 12, 2018  
Monday, December 10, 2018

# Homecoming!

## Sunday, September 17, 2017

*Food, Games, Entertainment*

**Welcome Home!**

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August 15, 2017

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Next Quest: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 | Deadline for Content: Thursday, September 7 2017

## ANNUAL MEMBER EVENT

### **End of Summer Annual Lobster Fest** **Saturday, September 2, 2017** **Veatch House**

6:00 p.m. Cocktail hour

7:00 p.m. Dinner

#### **Returning Music by Dexter Wells**

**Sing-Along to Folk Music and  
Good Old Rock & Roll Songs**

Lobster Dinner or non-lobster dinners available.  
Limited to 125 Participants. No payments at the door.

Member - \$32.00 | Non-Member - \$37.00

Non-Lobster Dinner Member - \$20.00 | Non-Member - \$25.00

Children's Meal (12 and under/Non-Lobster) | \$10.00

**RSVP and PAY by Wednesday, August 30**

Sharyn at [sesposito@uucsr.org](mailto:sesposito@uucsr.org) or call 516.472.2960

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for 8 and a  
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