

San Gabriel Unitarian Universalist Fellowship ***Georgetown, Texas***

Announcements for January 29 – February 12, 2010

CURRENT EVENTS AND SERVICES

Saturday, January 30—the last Saturday of the month is Game Night. Genie and David Barnes will host this event starting at 7 pm. Let them know (if you haven't already) that you are planning on being there. Snacks are welcome. Reach them at d_and_g_barnes@hotmail.com

Tuesday, February 2—Board meeting at Genie Barnes at 1:30 pm. Call if you need directions.

Wednesday, February 3— the Dining Out group will meet at Carmine's at 5:30 pm on this date so mark your calendar. Carmine's is in the shopping plaza southeast of Walgreens. They have no liquor license so BYOB if you so choose. This is the same plaza as Goodwill and has a large Kelly Moore sign at the entrance. Questions contact Barbara at sabrejet86@suddenlink.net or 240-4592.

Thursday, February 4-- UU Women's Book Club will be held at 10 am at the home of Linda Vandebrake. Please contact Linda if **you are or are not** attending at lmvb22@hotmail.com or 876-5953

Friday, February 5--Rev. Mark Skrabacz "Living in Interesting Times" What are we to make of our times? How are we engaging today's chaos? What can we hope for in these times of uncertainty? Join with us to hear some stories and to share our own.

Saturday, February 6--9:30 am-12:30 pm-Rev. Mark Skrabacz—The Balance of Mind & Body—Experience meditation and yoga in their simplest and most basic forms. This workshop will assist you in consciously developing a meditation practice. It will also introduce helpful physical postures and breathing techniques to effect a centered, calm and alert presence. For further information, contact Caroline Mackey at 864-7948.

Monday, February 8th--is the **Ladies Sack Lunch** at noon at the home of Barbara Horning. Everyone is welcome. Barbara lives at 205 Palmetto Drive or you can reach her at sabrejet86@suddenlink.net

Thursday, February 11—Irene Benetar, neighbor to Barbara Horning welcomes being our docent for the Holocaust Exhibit from the Hatikvah Holocaust Education Center traveling exhibit showing at the Georgetown Library. Carpooling is recommended as parking may be difficult. We will meet as a group at the Georgetown Library, 402 W 8th St at 2 pm to tour the exhibit.

Thursday, February 11 - RIDGE will meet at 6:45 pm in Room 3 of the Activities Center in Sun City. The reading selection will be Part One of [The Age of Reason](#), by Thomas Paine. For more information contact Larry Walker at klwalker@suddenlink.net.

FUTURE HAPPENINGS AT SAN GABRIEL UU

Sunday, February 14—10 am--Roe Mackey -"Are You a Humanist?" How and where does Humanism fit into Unitarian Universalism? If one would read the first few pages of the UUA Bylaws – specifically **ARTICLE II Principles and Purposes *Section C-2.1. Principles.** And go to line 23 -- The living tradition which we share draws from many sources: (There are 6 sources and one is about Humanism) Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries. Humanism is a major source of our Principles and Purposes. On this date we will briefly discuss the history of Humanism and the modern beliefs of Humanism.

Thursday, February 18—UU Women's Book Club will be held at 10 am at the home of Jean Erdenberger. Give her a "heads up" either way—coming or not. Reach her at mejean3@verizon.net or 868-0687.

Saturday, February 20—the third Saturday of the month is Circle Supper night if/when someone offers to host the event. If you are interested contact Barbara Horning.

Thursday, February 25—R.I.D.G.E. The next RIDGE meeting will be in Room 3 in the Activities Center (Atrium Building) in Sun City. Time will be from 6:45 to 9:00. BYO food and drink. The reading selection is will be Part Two of The Age of Reason, by Thomas Paine. For more information contact Larry Walker at klwalker@suddenlink.net or 864-2874

Saturday, February 27—Game Night starts at 7 pm. We need a volunteer to host this February event. Contact Barbara Horning at sabrejet86@suddenlink.net or 240-4592 if you are willing to help.

Sunday, February 28— the Reverend Chuck Freeman—will speak at the 10 am service about "The Almost Church". In the past 40 years or so Liberal churches have been shrinking, while Evangelical churches have thrived with compelling innovation, becoming a cultural force. As the nation has turned more "conservative" and Evangelical churches have flourished Liberal churches have turned inward in reactionary safety. Church consultant Michael Durall writes specifically about the UU movement, calling us the "Almost Church." Perhaps this has been a necessary stage in our collective development. A handful of our churches are moving beyond reaction, heartily advancing our liberating message. Is San Gabriel ready to join this positive procession?

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

March 16, Tuesday—20th annual Soup Supper benefiting the Caring Place from 5 to 7:30 pm. Your \$10.00 ticket will provide you with soups (with participation from local chefs) cornbread and dessert. A silent auction will follow. We will be selling tickets and hope you will buy them from UU.

June 19, Saturday—this is an all day benefit for the Caring Place at Schwertner Ranch titled Fiesta of Caring. Save the date. More information will follow.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

[UUSC/Haiti Website](#)

Check out this link http://www.uusc.org/content/conditions_remain_critical_haiti for more information on Unitarian involvement in Haiti and how donations are used. This is a different link than posted 2 weeks ago.

Resource Link

Keep in mind the link to U.U. Association of Congregations website where there is a wealth of information on so many topics of interest to Unitarian Universalists. The link is <http://www.uua.org/aboutus/index.shtml> They have volumes of information so if you want to be well informed start with this site.

Time and Location of Services

San Gabriel UU Fellowship services are held on the first Friday evening, and the Second and Fourth Sunday mornings of each month. Friday services begin with coffee at 7:00 pm and Sunday morning services begin with coffee at 10:00 am. Please join us for upcoming services and activities.

The Activity Center/Atrium can be reached if you are coming from the South on I-35. Exit 261A and turn left on to Williams Dr. at the stoplight and drive about 6 miles. You will turn right at the stoplight into Sun City and continue on Del Webb Blvd. You will pass a stoplight, pass the Legacy Hills Golf sign and turn right on to Texas Drive. The Activity Center/Atrium is the large building on your right.

For more information about San Gabriel Unitarian Universalist Fellowship email Bruce Barker at brucegbarker@yahoo.com

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