

The Acorn

March 4, 2018

This Week's Meetings and Events

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February Half-Basket Report

2/04/18

Hopi Service Trip
\$274

2/11/18

La Casa de Maria
\$603.50

2/25/18

Everytown for Gun Safety
\$411.50



On Humility

Rev. Tamara Casanova Suzuki

What do you think of when you hear someone described as “humble?” To some this quality may suggest a weakness of character, while others may see it as a strength. Join us this morning we explore what nurturing humility might mean in our lives.

Sunday March 4

10:00 A.M. Worship
11:30 A.M. Town Hall (S)

Monday March 5

2:00 P.M. Daytime Book Group Meeting (C)

Tuesday March 6

11:30 A.M. Good Relations Ministry (offsite)
4:00 P.M. Pastoral Care (C)
7:00 P.M. Sangha (S)
7:00 P.M. Covenant Group Facilitators Meeting (FH)

Wednesday March 7

6:00 P.M. Adama (S)
6:30 P.M. Covenant Group

Thursday March 8

7:00 P.M. Choir (S)

Friday March 9

10:30 A.M. Hookers & Needlers (C)

Saturday March 10

No Scheduled Events

Sunday March 11

Daylight Savings Time

10:00 A.M. Worship
11:30 A.M. Souper Sunday!

S=Sanctuary; FH=Fellowship Hall, C=Cottage

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Upcoming Sermons

March 11: *Divided We Fall: Race, Economics and Faith* Evan Junker

Today Live Oak welcomes Evan Junker, Executive Director of the Unitarian Universalist Justice Ministry of California. Evan will be reflecting on our role as UUs in working for justice at the intersection of race and economics.

March 18: *Savoring Life as a Conscious Practice* Jeanne Northsinger

Live Oak member Jeanne Northsinger, a student and practitioner of earth-centered practices, will guide us in an exploration and celebration of our capacity to experience our aliveness.

Children's Religious Exploration

The curriculum "Love Connects Us" is winding down, we are on the 14th of 16 lessons. This week we will be looking at the last line of the Blake Covenant, which is "To help one another". We will look at the various ways we can be of service in different ways, and also how to work co-operatively. Always a reminder that we have Grace doing child care so bring your young uns.

GOOD TO KNOW: Our own Lura Pearson and Rebecca Jamgochian are performing in a student produced music show to benefit the victims of the January 9 mudslides in Montecito. All high schools in town are represented as well as some junior highs. Also HIGH on the talent quotient. Kenny Loggins is a key part of the artistic team and will perform that night as well. Friday March 9 at 7:00 PM at the Marjorie Luke Theatre at SB Junior High.

More info: <https://teenssingforsb.com/our-story/>

GAME NIGHT MARCH 9 @ 6:30: Religious Exploration is looking for hosts for the March Inter-generational Game Night. The time is 6:30 on Second Friday March 9, and it's just a lot of fun for everyone. Hope you can make it and if you would consider hosting, I will give you extra Gummy Bears. New games compliments of Lis! !! Thank you Lis!!

COSTUMES.... As I look to future growth of RE, it would be great to have a costume and prop box for such things as drama games and role playing. RE currently does not have a costume box, so Live Oak... do you have any fun items that can be in a costume/prop box. Silly is fun, but really anything that can transform a kid from... well... a kid, into something else. Jackets, hats, wigs, glasses, gloves, capes, scarves, purses, belts, I guess the list can go on and on.... And I believe you all get the idea. Just drop it off at RE!! Thank you so much!!

"The best way to not feel hopeless is to get up and do something. Don't wait for good things to happen to you. If you go out and make some good things happen, you will fill the world with hope, you will fill yourself with hope." -Barack Obama

Joys and Sorrows

As a community we hold all in our loving thoughts and prayers

- * Rev. Tamara: Gratitude for the wonderful way Live Oakers joined together to create a meaningful memorial service for Rev. Bets Wienecke, Live Oak's Minister Emerita.
- * Peter Haslund: the husband of Bets, sent thanks to the mighty army of volunteers who helped to make the service and reception memorable.
- * Holly Cook: Shared that her daughter Leslie is happy to be at a Buddhist retreat in Myanmar (Burma) and is doing well.
- * Marie Arnold: Noted the obituary in our Acorn newsletter sharing that former member Vashte Doublex has died. Marie recalled that it was Vashte who introduced her to a collage class and self expression through art. Vashte and also helped Live Oak become a Welcoming Congregation.
- * Gail Boehme: Shared the death of Diane Riffle's husband. Diane was a member here and has a stone in our Memorial Garden.
- * Helen Gordon: Gratitude to her doctor who has her feeling much better, with enough energy so she can function on the LO Board. Her sorrow is that she still has balance problems. She is happy to have special parking spaces in our parking lot.
- * Roberta Weissglass: Shared her joy at having had a delightful time caring for 2 granddaughters ages 5 and 7. She also had an opportunity to be with her two older grandchildren, ages 13 and 16. The younger one is preparing for a special trip to Italy, while her older granddaughter will be going with the international organization, buildOn, to Malawi in Africa to build a school.
- * Aletha Solter: Share joy that she has had a new book published. It is titled Cooperative and Connected: Helping Children Flourish Without Punishments or Rewards.



Souper Sunday Continues!

A BIG thanks to the fabulous FUUn Team and its fearless leader Diane Green for hosting Souper Sunday on February 11! This was a super-duper Souper Sunday meal, and the FUUn Team did a terrific job. **Our next luncheon is set for Sunday, March 11**, and will be hosted by Live Oak's wonderful and talented Choir. Who knows, maybe you'll be serenaded while you eat! Mark your calendar now.

These luncheons continue to be a wonderful way to build community while also supporting Live Oak's fundraising budget. Please continue to support this program, and the hosting groups, by joining us each month. And remember, visitors eat for free as our guests - **perhaps you want to invite a friend to attend Sunday service and then enjoy lunch with you on March 11.**

Stewardship News

Our Stewardship Drive this year will be a series of small group events in some members' homes. This Sunday you will once again have the opportunity to sign up for a Stewardship event happening in a home you choose to attend. Please look for our table this Sunday and choose a time you can join one of our Stewards and Hosts to participate in a time of sharing, fun, food, and pledging your support to Live Oak. If you cannot sign up in person for the events, please note the times and events below and call **Carter and Wendy Morgan (683- 5303)**, and we will help you find an event that works into your schedule. We are so appreciative of the hosts and stewards making this all happen. Be sure to sign up soon to get the spot you want! Pledge packets will be given out again March 4th, so be sure to look for yours so we can save the postage :-)

In gratitude, Your Stewardship Team

Jim Pearson, Jim Wells, Roberta Weissglass, Carter and Wendy Morgan

- * Monday, March 5th, dinner at 6:00 at Liz Zok's home, Goleta
- * Tuesday, March 6th, lunch at 12:30 at Roberta Weissglass' home, Santa Barbara
- * Thursday, March 8th, dinner at 6:00 at Carter and Wendy Morgan's, Goleta
- * Friday, March 9th, dinner at 6:30 at Jim Wells' home, Santa Barbara
- * Monday, March 12th, dinner at 6:00 at Michael Wittman and Marie Arnold's, Santa Barbara
- * Tuesday, March 13th, dinner at 6:00 at Lars and Colleen Poulsen's, Santa Barbara
- * Wednesday, March 14th, dinner at 6:00 at Debbie Mackie's, Goleta
- * Thursday, March 15th, dinner at 6:00 at Barbara Eggemeyer's, Santa Barbara
- * Saturday, March 17th, brunch at 10:00 at Melanie Jacobson and Jim Pearson's, Goleta
- * Sunday, March 18th, dinner at 6:00 at Jane Gray's, Santa Barbara
- * Tuesday, March 20, dinner at 6:00 at Bea Hamlin's, Santa Barbara

Social Justice News

Join us in building our Live Oak community with a discussion after the March 11 worship service. Evan Junker from the UU Justice Ministry of California will be speaking in our service and will join us in our discussion of his topic "Race, Class and Economics."

Community Activities

March 8: SB Progressive Coalition 6-7:30 p.m. at SB Red Cross (2707 State St)

March 12: PFLAG Meeting (LGBTQ , a parent, a family member, a friend or ally,) 7:00 p.m. " Grandma, I'm Gay...A Special Coming Out Story Across Generations," First United Methodist Church, 305 E. Anapamu St. at Garden Entrance to parking off Garden Street behind church.

March 14: Enough! National School Walkout 10-10:17 at any High School

March 20: Film and discussion: "The Land Speaks Arabic," Hosted by SB Anti War Collective and Jewish Voice for Peace-SB, at St. Michael's University Church, 6586 Picasso, IV

March 24: March for Our Lives Santa Barbara, 11am-2pm De LaGuerra Plaza

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Social Justice News Cont.

Action Alerts: Putting our UU Values into Action

Protect the Pacific Ocean! The Trump administration has released the most aggressive offshore oil plan ever. Now through March 9. Comment online on [the draft plan](#). Tell that we have had enough oil spills and to remove the Pacific Ocean from the plan.

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Honeysuckle Possums

Coming Soon to Live Oak!! The Honeysuckle Possums



Saturday, March 31 at 7:00PM

The Honeysuckle Possums are a high-energy, all-woman band, playing bluegrass, originals, and old-time mountain music. Their music has taken them all over California and they continue to gain praise for their beautiful vocals, carefully crafted harmonies, and spirited style.

Questions? honeysucklepossums@gmail.com

Happy Birthday to the following friends and members celebrating upcoming birthdays !

Michael Wittman 3/4, Hal Hill 3/4, Jim Pearson 3/5, Roberta Weissglass 3/7
Laurette Valentine 3/17, Lars Poulsen 3/22, Mary Ince 3/25, Christy Harter 3/25,
Ken Johnson 3/27, Sibyl Cabeen 3/28, Paris Psaros 3/29, Kristin Ingalls 3/29,
Wendy Morgan 3/30

Consider renting Live Oak for your next event. Call 805-967-7867.