

Weekly Bulletin, Sunday, 16 December 2018
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Bulletin submissions due noon, Wed. 50 word limit.

The UUCD Office is Closed Dec 21-Jan 1.

- Bulletin submissions (email & printed) for Dec 23 & 30 are due by 9am, Tuesday, Dec 18. 50 word limit.
- 2018 Tax Deductible Donations to UUCD: deliver in person or mail (postmarked) by Dec 31, 2018.



Together, We Celebrate!
You're Invited! Generous Fun Event (details soon!) dinner in the Social Hall on February 2nd.

UUCD Hosts Interfaith Rotating Winter Shelter Jan. 13-20.

Volunteer sign ups in Social Hall. Roles for everyone in our congregation! Details: Lindsay Weston, lawweston@sbcglobal.net interfaith-shelter.org



James Lee-Jobe, "My own son died homeless in Santa Cruz. It's a hard fact to face. He kept it from us until very close to the end, trying to hide his drug abuse. Word gets around. On December 1st, we did an early in-take to start off the shelter season, and a homeless walked up to me as I was leaving and asked me, 'Are you the one whose son died?' I said yes, it's true. There was a hard silence, then he said, 'Thanks for being here for us. Must be hard.' And he walked away. In that moment, it was a little less hard."

© **Families:** All families can help unload the truck our first Sunday morning, Jan 13.

If you are 10 years old, or already good in the kitchen, sign up to cook something at home to bring: guests would be delighted to have you join them in eating it! Older kids may be able to help on the kitchen crew with a parent.

High school aged teens may connect with a mentor or do an overnight with a parent.

© Volunteers we especially need: **Overnight, Drivers, Intake:** Intake Volunteers needed at St. Martins Episcopal Church. You can greet guests as they arrive, or sit down with each guest to assess if they can participate in community or need medical or social services. Commit to: 4:45-6:45pm each evening that they volunteer. Shadow experienced Intake workers until you are comfortable doing it on your own.

World Café: Sat., Dec. 15, 10:30-noon, Social Hall. This event will guide the UU Church of Davis's Board of Trustees as it chooses priorities for the immediate future. Childcare available. Coffee, tea and snacks served. Sign-up at the table in the Social Hall. RSVP to snoopsscooby@att.net



Worship Dec 16, 9:30 & 11:15am, Namecalling: Humility not Humiliation; Alex Haider-Winnett; Juuliebells performs. In this time of darkness and stillness, listen to our deepest longing; hear what calls us to be together.

Friday, Dec 21, 6pm, Solstice Celebration & Potluck Dinner; Grainne Grant & Rev. Morgan McLean. Singing, sharing, ritual candle-lighting as we look toward a new year to be reborn with the sun. All ages welcome to this lively service! Bring a dish to share after.

50% of December Offering benefits NVCF Camp Fire Relief Fund, <https://www.nvcf.org/> Based in Chico. Check UUCD; memo: Offering.

Gift Cards for Evacuees: Target, Safeway, Raleys: Sunday: Add your card to the large glass jar.

Dec 23, 11:15am ONLY, The Wholly Family, Rev. Banks. How is your family sacred? Child Naming Ceremony to welcome children to UUCD: Connect with Rev. Morgan to learn more and to sign-up: RevMcLean@uudavis.org.

DECEMBER 24, CHRISTMAS EVE Candlelight

4pm; Multigenerational; Rev. McLean; Celebrate the season through story and song! All ages are welcome to participate in our "no rehearsal" pageant.

7 & 9pm; Traditional; Rev. Banks, Rev. McLean, Alex Haider-Winnett. A night of peace and goodwill with carols, readings, homilies, UUCD Choir. We end with candlelight: individual flames can illuminate the world.

Christmas Eve Offering: 50% Fire Relief & 50% Interfaith Rotating Winter Shelter

Dec 30, 11:15am ONLY, Return Again; Rev. McLean. For The New Year we ask, What do we want to leave behind? What do we want to carry forward?

January: Return to 9:30 & 11:15am Sunday worship



Life Odyssey, Dec 16, 12:45-2pm, Sanctuary: Kirk Ridgeway & Stan Dawson. *Moderated conversations with congregants who lead profound and meaningful lives reflecting UU values. Bring a light lunch.*



Mystery and the Winter Stars, Dec 16, 6:30-7:30pm, Ted and Eleanor Swift bring several telescopes for you to peer into the mysterious winter sky. The 46/Wirtanen comet will brighten the eastern sky soon after sunset. Inside the social hall, Rev. Beth Banks will share stories about stars, winter skies, mystery, and serve light refreshments. Bundle-up for stargazing and come inside for warmth. Cloudy/rainy weather: cookies and stories will still be inside 6:30 - 7:30pm.

Upcoming Circle Dinners: Feb 9 & May 4. Sign up after the Holidays in the Social Hall or reply to the email invitation in Jan. *Ask the Karens: Russell or Urbano.*



Thank you to everyone who contributed notes of encouragement to the students at the AB540 & Undocumented Student Center! Apples from Pat Ballinger's tree, Satsuma oranges, and the notes were delivered on December 10.

Opportunities to Create Community!



Brains & Brawn The UUCD Board invites folks with expertise related to project prioritizing and planning for facilities improvements to step forward. We are investigating the viability of creating a new *Facilities Special Projects* committee. If this exciting new opportunity sounds like it may be a fit for you, let Board Chair, Walt Fulde, know how your skills might be a match: wfulde@gmail.com



Openings for New Ushers on the Worship Team Being an usher is something that almost everyone can do: long-time members or newcomers. Ushers greet people at the entrance to the Sanctuary, make sure guests have a seat, and sometimes introduce new people to friendly members. Ushers often know about special events happening in the service and can answer questions as people enter the Sanctuary. Ushers facilitate passing the baskets at the time of the offering.

If you're interested in ushering this winter season, please Sign-up for a 30-minute training in Beth's office on Sunday, Dec 23, 12:45-1:15pm (cookies and organic satsuma tangerines included). During our training, we'll walk through how to use the on-line sign-up and go over usher responsibilities. James Lee-Jobe offers his support as Lead Usher and ushers schedule themselves on the on-line sign-up. RSVP to help us plan by signing up in person in the Social Hall, or by emailing: jamesleejobe@gmail.com

Expect to volunteer 2-3 times in the season. If you come to love this easy, fun way to create community, you can continue for another season, but we want to create an opportunity for everyone.

UBUNTU: No One Is Apart Honor MLK Day 2019 in a community of voices! **Sun. Jan. 20, 2pm & Mon. Jan. 21, 7pm at UUCD.** Listen, sing, and be lifted up as you lift others. Contributions to STEAC taken at the door (\$5-\$20 suggested). Featuring: Conspiring Women; The Free Range Singers; Johnny Flores, Steve O'Neill & Obin Sturm; Directed by Laura Sandage. *Supported in part by the City of Davis Arts & Cultural Affairs Program*



Immigration Justice Team (IJT) News—As we share holiday joy with family and friends, we are aware of the continued plight of many migrant families and immigrants facing harsh Administration policies. Here are ways you can offer support, solidarity, and love at this time of giving:

★ Buy *Dreaming America*, a collection of poems by incarcerated youth. IJT is selling the book to generate funds for legal defense for youth. Sunday is the last sale.

★ Faithful Friends (visitation program for 175 immigrants detained at the Yuba County Jail) holiday book drive (*replaces holiday card project of past years*). Books provide momentary escape from detention. Order books:

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2PANTPUVST9UY> ; shipping address "Multiculturalism Rocks!"

★ Love Knows No Borders, a national effort of the UUA, UUSC, UU College of Social Justice, American Friends Service Committee, and other faith groups kicked off Dec 10 in San Diego. UUA President, Susan Frederick-Gray, and other UU ministers were among the more than 400 faith leaders who marched to the wall to protest current border policy. Witness this non-violent action: <https://migrantjustice.afsc.org/> Bay Area rallies <https://migrantjustice.afsc.org/events>

★ Ways you, your family, UUCD might volunteer. <http://uudavis.org/justice/immigration-justice-team/> Contact IJT team members (*Rev. Banks, Steve Burns, Karen Friis, Sharon Hale, Stefan Harvey, Jeannette Hogan, Pat Moore Pickett, Kathy Robertson, Jose Torres, Alex Haider-Winnett*) about IJT organizing a church activity.

★ We hope you read your Immigration Justice Team's op-ed (*Take a Stand for Poor Immigrants*) in last Sunday's *Davis Enterprise*, in which the IJT called for justice as mandated in UUCD's Sanctuary Declaration. The Immigration Justice Team also submitted comments on the public charge proposal.

★ Thanks to those who donated to the S.P.E.A.K. request of last week. We look forward to learning about their trip.



Other Voice Poetry Presents: "6 poets 6" all UUs: Allegra Silberstein, Charles Halsted, Carlena Wike, James Lee Jobe, Dorine Jeannette, Beth Suter! Fri, Dec 21st, 7:30pm, UU library. Enjoy 6 well-published UUCD poets, cookies, fellowship; bring your poems for open mic. We'll "pass the hat" to raise \$ for Alex's Campus Ministry Winter Retreat. jamesleejobe@gmail.com

Do You Like Our New Website? We do! And we thank Jim Gasperini, our web design consultant, whose tech know-how removed many web design obstacles. Jim has a side business in freelance WordPress design and maintenance for non-profits (including several UU churches, an anti-pipeline activist organization, and an organization of history writers). If you have WordPress design work you'd like help with, we strongly recommend Jim. He is professional, knowledgeable, and enjoyable to work with. jim.gasperini@gmail.com

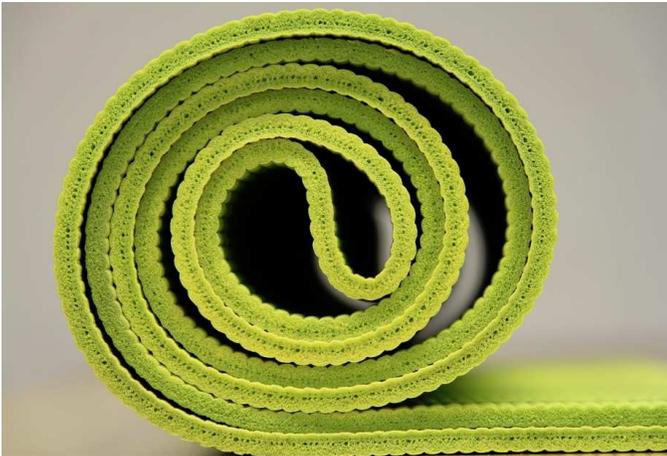
Sage-ing International's Deepening the Sage Within workshop series, Jan 12-March 9, Davis Community Church. Deepen your Elder Spiritual Journey guided by certified facilitators including Kate Raymond, UUCD Lay Community Minister, and Mary Anne Ingenthron, Sage-ing International co-chair. Details/register: 530-753-2894 x106; dccpres.org > *Integrated Spirituality*. UU-friendly experience. Space is limited.



Caring Corner ♦ Pastoral Connection: 530-341-3490: call this number to be put through to the cell phone of the minister on-call, care@uudavis.org

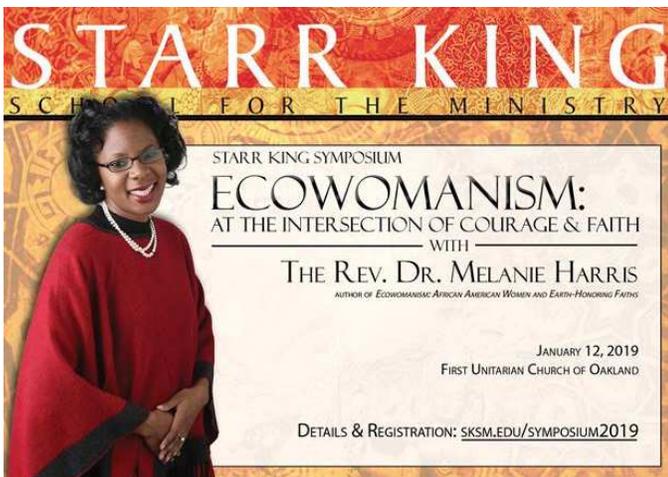
See and hear **Eldridge Moore's** memorial service: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2BycVJ69Lx8&feature=youtu.be> or <https://youtu.be/2BycVJ69Lx8>

Glacier Circle has one lovely home available. Please contact Stan Dawson to learn more. 756-0327

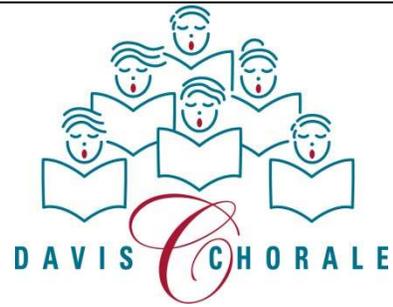


Yoga for the New Year with Perry Gee: New beginner/intermediate yoga class at a convenient time for working people. First class: 5:30pm, Wed, Jan. 9, Social Hall. Details: pgee2013@gmail.com

The Quilting group won't meet in Dec. Next, Jan 12.



Starr King Symposium: "Ecowomanism: At The Intersection of Courage & Faith," Jan 12. Urban retreat: study, dialogue, food, art, music, community-building, service, celebration of the Spirit of Life We cultivate multi-religious, counter-oppressive, just, sustainable communities. Register: www.sksm.edu/symposium2019



Davis Chorale Concert Series (Alison Skinner, Dir.): info@davischorale.org Annual Holiday Concert, Dec 15, 7pm, Davis High School Brunelle Hall. Britten's St. Nicolas and Bach's Magnificat; chamber orchestra, 3 Bach trumpets, soloists, children's choir. \$15.

Annual Holiday Concert for Families Dec. 22, 10am (45 min), Davis Community Church. Tailored to young children. Carols for sing-along. Free; donations welcome.

Messiah Workshops Prep for Sing-Along, Dec 22, 1-5:30pm, Davis Veterans Memorial Theater. Free.

Messiah Sing-Along Dec 23, 4pm, Davis Veterans Memorial Center Theatre. Attendees sing with Chorale, chamber orchestra, soloists. Bring score if you have it. Free. Donate to IRWS.



WhaleCoast Alaska: UU eco-cultural and spiritual program for people looking for an authentic Alaskan experience. Operated by 4 UU Alaska fellowships – Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, and Sitka – with home stays, dinner parties, activities, and transportation for the guests. <https://whalecoastak.org/>

Securing Our Buildings: For the safety of our staff and congregants, everyone is asked to please check that ALL doors and windows are closed and locked. If no one is in a building (even for 5 min) lock the doors. Notify office@uudavis.org if you find a space unsecured.