



Redwood Reachout

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Sunday Services

April 5:

10:30: **The Disinherited** — Rev. Julia Older

This Palm Sunday service is dedicated to Rev. Howard Thurman, who founded San Francisco's Church of Fellowship for All Peoples.

April 12:

10:30: **Miracles** — Rev. Julia Older

An Intergenerational Service: "We can see a thousand miracles around us every day. What is more supernatural than an egg yolk turning into a chicken?" S. Parkes Cadman

April 19:

10:30: **Our Fiftieth Anniversary Sunday** — Rev. Julia Older

Fifty Years of Fellowship! Special music, tender memories, and champagne toasts in celebration of our beginning, our evolution, and all that we have now.

April 26:

10:30: **Religious Experience** — Rev. Julia Older

"What is real?" philosophers of all stripes ask. And what are "the varieties of religious experience" that William James wrote about?

Invitation to Newcomers

Newcomers are warmly invited to join us for our monthly "Newcomer Circle" on April 5 after the service. (This month it's the first Sunday, rather than the usual second, because of Easter.) This is an opportunity for you to learn more about our Fellowship and to ask any questions that you may have about us. We'll meet in the Back Lounge at 11:45 for this 30-minute gathering. Childcare is available. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Johnson, Welcoming Coordinator, at 364-4995 or **phreeps @ pacbell.net**.

Setting the Table
Rev. Julia Older



I don't know what I don't know. I *know* that ... and it's frustrating. But, I do know that it is possible to put myself in situations where I am more likely to learn something new. You've heard me rant about this from the pulpit many times. It is a challenge to learn something new, not so much academically, which is hard enough, but I live the way I do because of how I see the world. Knowing that my view is limited, I want to be challenged. I want to put myself in the way of seeing the world in different ways. This requires effort for everyone who would like to be more spiritually awake and more welcoming to others.

By the time we are adults, we know a lot about life, which is good, but we have lost the fresh inquisitiveness of a child's mind, which is not so good. We tend to be stuck in the familiar.

I have had a provocative month with two special events. I got to be with other UU ministers for a short retreat. That was delicious. I do love my colleagues, and when we get together I always learn new tricks to bring home. But something even bigger happened: the PICO (People Improving Communities through Organizing) two-day clergy conference in Los Altos. That was a whopper.

I've been planning to go to India during my sabbatical next year as a way to step into a culture that is different from any I have ever experienced and learn something I cannot learn staying in my own familiar, middle-class, mostly white American reality.

I came home from the PICO gathering completely swamped with excitement. Sharing stories with people from right here who have had such different cultural experiences challenged me in profound ways.

There were leaders from many faith traditions, including Evangelical Christian, Catholic, Jewish, and one UU. Me. Just that was wonderful. But the power of the stories! Especially those that offered me glimpses of other worlds that exist all around me. I was surprised and moved and stimulated, and I'm looking for ways to extend and broaden that cross-cultural experience.

All stories told truthfully and from the heart have great power. Here at UUFRC, I hope that our committee gatherings all begin with checks-ins, and not just one-sentence ones, either. This relatively simple practice weaves us together and helps us feel more visible, less alone. Covenant Groups are probably the most important commitment we can make to build our sense of belonging and community. Thank you, Bill Welch, my hero, who has organized these groups for us for years.

These are stressful times for many of us economically. Talking it out may bring some perspective and relief. I'm on call from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. daily. "Take courage friend, we are never all alone."

Love, Julia

Setting the Table: Poetry and More

Here's a poem that tells, in very few words, a story about being brown in America.

What It Was Like, by Leroy Quintana

If you want to know what
It was like, I'll tell you
What my tío told me:
There was a truck driver,
Antonio, who could handle a
Rig as easily in reverse as
Anybody else straight ahead:

Too bad he's a Mexican was
what my tío said the
Anglos had to say about that.

And thus the moral:

Where do you begin if
you begin with if
you're too good
it's too bad?

CELEBRATIONS!

UUFRC's 50th Anniversary Celebration on April 19

Join us for a special worship service to celebrate UUFRC's 50th anniversary on Sunday, April 19, at 10:30 am. Reverend Julia will preach on "Not by Hope Alone." Founding members, previous ministers, and all friends and well-wishers of the Fellowship are invited to join in the festivities. As part of the celebration, we will dedicate the Fellowship's newly renovated room. It will be named the Vera and Earl Boyson room in honor of the many contributions the Boysons made to UUFRC over a long period of time.

It will be a regular Sunday service with Sunday School and childcare for children. The service will be followed by a reception with food and refreshments.

Nina Kalmoutis's Ordination on May 17

Please join us at the ordination of our former Intern Minister, Nina Kalmoutis! Nina will be ordained at UUFRC on Sunday, May 17, at 4 p.m. A reception will follow the ceremony. This is a momentous celebration for Nina, and hosting it is a great honor for our Fellowship.

We are looking for volunteers to help create a beautiful and memorable event for Nina. How can you help? Setup, finger foods, help in the Social Hall during the reception, and cleanup are just a few of the many ways.

Please consider helping! To volunteer for helping with food, drink, and the reception, contact Kathy Voss-Jensen at **voss_organizing @ att.net** (note new e-mail) or 650-367-1202. To volunteer for setup, cleanup, or other organizing details, contact Cindy Johnson at 650-364-4995 or **phreeps @ pacbell.net**.



***From Tracey Fecher
Director of Religious Education***



Last night was the Second Annual Spaghetti Fundraiser, Family Bingo, and Social Action Movie Night. Emily Lehr-Anning and I counted over 95 people who came to have dinner! We raised between \$550 and \$600 for My New Red Shoes. This event is sponsored by the RE Committee and the Social Action Committee, and it takes many, many people to put it together. The youth did a great job – making the salad and garlic bread, and helping set up and clean up as well. We cooked 21 pounds of pasta and enjoyed great homemade cookies together. I love this event. It is a truly intergenerational and is made possible by different groups working

together. I heard the movie (King Corn) was thought provoking, and I observed a raucous game of bingo.

Emily and I want to thank every single person who helped—those who scrubbed dishes, those who cooked pasta for hours, those who cut garlic bread with our church knives (no easy feat, I can tell you), those who came to eat and socialize, those who ran bingo and the movie, and those who did something to help without being asked.

Community service is an important part of what we do here together. Supporting other organizations, like My New Red Shoes, and getting involved with community issues, like affordable health care in California, are fundamental parts of UUFRC. It is also essential that we work together to support our building. I love to see our children and youth here participating in that work. It teaches them that what we have here is special and belongs to all of us.

There are several ways parents and children can serve together. Work days are a way that the Fellowship saves resources by putting our own sweat equity into the building. The next work day is April 18. There is much that can be done by parents and children alike—cleaning windows and baseboards, yard work, and more. There is no need to sign up beforehand, and you can come for a short time or all day. Parents can work with their children or find other adults doing a project appropriate for children. I hope you consider coming. If you need more information, contact Cal Sloan at **calsloan @ hotmail.com**.

The Ministry of Mowing is looking for help as well. This important committee keeps our yard mowed, edged, and cleaned up. A commitment of one to two hours every four to six weeks is all that is required. All the equipment is here at the Fellowship, and it is a great way to help your family gain ownership and pride in our building. If you'd like to sign up or would like more information, contact Peter Hartzell at **pdhartzell @ earthlink.net**.

We've selected most of the curriculum for next year. The RE Committee will begin recruiting teachers for the 2009–2010 church year on April 1. Teaching is not just for parents and is a great way to get to know the children and youth in our congregation. We need over 35 teachers next year for our growing program. I hope you will consider donating your time and talents to our children/youth next year. If you do, I promise you: you will learn and be touched yourself.

The oak trees in my yard are just putting out their new, soft, green leaves. I was looking at the morning light glistening off of the tree out the kitchen window this morning. Spring is coming and I am blessed. Enjoy the trees, flowers, and warmer weather.

Board of Trustees' March Meeting – *Lori Longo, Corr. Secretary*

Minister's Report: Policy regarding members who wish to advertise to the rest of the congregation: The board agreed to add room for small text-based advertisements at the back of the church directory and to allow advertisements on the email lists, provided that the advertiser limits him/herself to a single message. Ralph will draft guidelines on email etiquette, which will be periodically posted on the Yahoo email lists.

Welcome Coordinator's Report: Cindy Johnson spoke with the worship committee about overcrowding. When we anticipate crowds, we are being proactive and solving the problem. When a service is unexpectedly crowded, however, there's not much we can do. In the absence of any other ideas, greeters will advise latecomers to wait until the children are sung out.

Nominating Committee/Delegates to General Assembly, District Assembly, Leadership School: The board identified three people to serve on the Nominating Committee, which is responsible for nominating members for elected positions. Peter will ask members to serve on the committee, and invite members to participate in upcoming assembly meetings.

Financial Support: The board recommends replacing the role of the Pledge Chair with a year-round committee. This committee will serve two roles. First, it will think strategically about fundraising, creating a long-term plan for increasing revenue through both pledges and other sources. Second, the committee will own the annual pledge drive.

We discussed whether to hold a low-key "leadership circle" event for the church's biggest donors. Peter will seek advice from Bill and Liz, who have run similar events in the past. Depending on their input, he may set up an event as part of this year's pledge drive.

Budget for Upcoming Year: Our goal for pledge is an 8% increase over last year. An 8% increase would offset the loss of a major tenant, allowing expenditures to remain flat for the coming year. We recognize that an 8% increase is a challenging goal, given the current economic conditions.

Growth Statement: We discussed our thoughts about growth of the church, and we agreed that the board should take an official position on this issue. Ralph volunteered to summarize our thoughts in a statement.

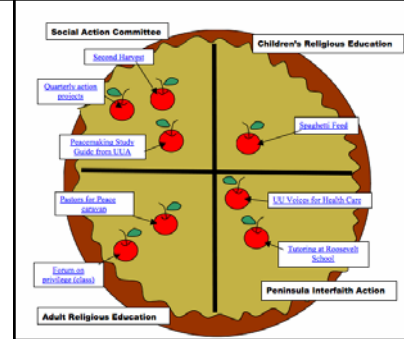
Sale of Items on Sunday: The board agreed that craft sales should be limited to fundraising events, such as the "marketplace" tables at the auction, the Christmas boutique, and the rummage sale. However, the Social Action table may be used to sell items that will directly benefit a nonprofit organization. The sponsors of those organizations may make an announcement after services, and they are encouraged to request a special Sunday offering.

The Vera and Earl Boyson Room: Funds for a small plaque and framed picture in the new Boyson room will be drawn from the Board discretionary fund.

Planned Giving: The Board suggests that we wait until fall to launch the planned giving campaign. The committee is developing a policy to guide the acceptance of gifts.

Scheduled Community Action Activities

- Letter writing, Saturday, April 4, 3:30 p.m.
- Healthcare Story Hour, April 5, noon
- Letter writing, Sunday, April 26, after church
- Service Project: Redwood City Annual Spring Cleanup
- Green Forum, May 3, 11:45 a.m.
- Letter writing, Sunday, May 17, after church
- Second Harvest Food Bank sorting, Wednesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m., Second Harvest warehouse in San Carlos



See the UUFRC web site Calendar and Community Action pages for updates.

UUFRC Coordinated Community Action

Members of several committees (Social Action, PIA, Children's RE, and Adult RE) met on March 15 to talk about coordinating their activities during the spring quarter and also to select a project for yearlong churchwide effort during 2009–2010. This meeting was an important part of the recommendations that came out of the World Café last September. The meeting was full of discussion, ideas, and plans (for a copy of the minutes, contact Susan McBain), and you will see results such as forums and service projects soon.

Our unanimous choice for UUFRC support for 2009–2010 was Roosevelt School, the Redwood City elementary school where 20 UUFRC folks volunteer as tutors each week. Roosevelt is a strong, well-functioning community with a commitment to serve all its students well, including the more than 80% who come from Spanish-speaking homes. There are many possible projects we could help with, from supporting the PTA to painting hallway murals and building a vegetable garden. Several of us will be meeting with the Roosevelt principal soon to plan further.

Relaxed Letter Writing Session, Saturday, April 4, 3:30 p.m.

Join us for letter writing to your favorite newspaper or to elected officials on issues of importance. Handwritten letters are much more likely to get attention than emails or petition signatures. This session is especially for those who don't like to try to write amidst the hustle and bustle after church, but would do better with a little company. Writing supplies, stamps, sample letters and information (focusing on health care and peace issues), tea, and fair-trade CHOCOLATE will be provided. Meet in the front lounge; if it's nice weather we'll move outside. For more information, contact Marianna Tubman at 367-7325.

PIA Local Organizing Committee Update – Beth Harrison

Ten people from UUFRC participated in a PIA Action at St. Matthews Church in San Mateo on the foreclosure issue in an effort to ensure federal stimulus funds address this problem.

Marguerite Sandoval from Roosevelt attended our March meeting to report on progress with parents overcoming language barriers at the school. English classes may be offered there soon. On March 14, Roosevelt School held a successful carnival, at which several UUFRC members volunteered. Pat Crawford reported on the substitute training initiative, which was well received by teachers and staff. We will research existing substitute training programs, including one in Sonoma County.

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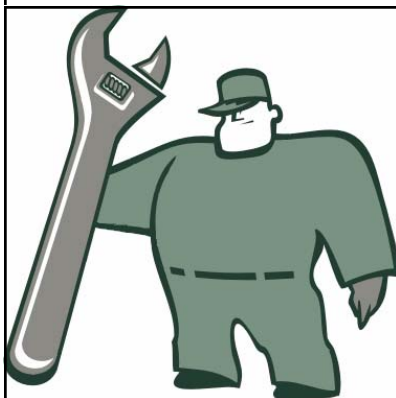
PIA Local Organizing Committee Update (continued)

Shelly Masur from the Redwood City School District Board spoke on the upcoming parcel tax campaign to support Redwood City schools. The vote will be June 2. The campaign will include phone banking, district walking, and helping solicit contributions. The website is www.yesonE.us. To help, please contact Shelly Masur at **shelly @ masur.us**.

The PIA Heroes Luncheon to honor community volunteers will be April 24. Our PIA LOC is sponsoring a table. We are selling flowers at Easter to support scholarships for this event. Our next PIA LOC meeting will be Wednesday, April 15, at 7 p.m. at UUFRC.

Building Committee: Church Workday April 18

—Cal Sloan, Chairperson



Please set aside the time to come join us on our **SPRING WORKDAY: SATURDAY, APRIL 18.**

In addition to accomplishing a good spring cleaning of the church, we will be fixing a few things. We will be scrubbing and repainting the kitchen, sprucing up the center of interest, and finishing up some exterior painting as well. Please bring your kids and have them work along side you for an hour or two.

Our workday also overlaps with the preparation and setup activities for our 50th year celebration on Sunday the 19th, so there is ample opportunity to help out on many fronts.

“UU 101” Class May 30—Learn More About UU Faith and UUFRC

Our next “UU101” class will be held on Saturday, May 30 from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Rev. Julia teaches this introductory class, beginning with reflection on your own particular faith journey. Topics covered include the roots of our faith tradition, our Fellowship history, what our church offers and is involved in, and the meaning of membership.

It’s a wonderful class to learn more about us, meet others, and deepen your connections to the Fellowship. A light breakfast will be served, as well as a tasty lunch. Childcare is available if needed.

MOCA Thank-Yous!

A big thank you to the following for hosting our April Sunday refreshments:

- The Spiritual Writing Group in celebration of the Ides of March
- Rebecca Judd in celebration of Ellie’s 6th birthday
- Alicia De Valliere in thanks for being at UUFRC

If you haven’t already signed up, think about hosting a Sunday this summer. The sign-up sheet is hanging right by the coffee pot. Questions? Contact Jeanne Dunford at **jeannedunford @ yahoo.com** or Miriam Morgan at **srednalrm @ yahoo.com**.

UUFRC Is Going Green(er)!!

Have you noticed that you didn't receive your *Redwood Reachout* newsletter in the mail as usual?? Did you know that our newsletter can be found on our website? It's at <http://www.uufrc.org/newsletter.html>

Postcards were included in the March mailing of the newsletter, informing everyone that copies would no longer be mailed out unless a request is made to our Administrator, Debra Schwab. Our intention is to save trees and decrease mailing costs.

If you wish to continue having your newsletter sent to you and haven't yet notified Debra, please do so now by calling the office at 365-6913 or emailing **office @ uufrc.org**. Thank you for participating in our ongoing efforts to take better care of Mother Earth!

Calling all Gamesters, Charades Fanatics, and Card Sharks!!!

Come to our casual Neighborhood Games Night
Friday, May 8, 7-10 p.m. at UUFRC

- Interactive parlor games (like Charades and Kick Yahtzee) in the Sanctuary
- Effervescent kids' games like Twister, I Spy, and Hoopla in the Social Hall area
- Serious table games of chess and Scrabble and cards in the Main Social Hall
- And loads of fraternizing in the Foyer!

Bring some pot-lucking snacks and drinks (beer and wine if you wish) and join the fun! Games appropriate for ages 6 to 106. Younger children welcome (but no child-care provided). Sponsored by George Sliter's fun-loving C-Group.

New Photo Album Group

Inviting all UUs to bring their photos and stories for a monthly get-together hosted by Elisabeth Rossi and Lori Longo. The first Wednesday of the month we will meet to work on our photo books, either traditional scrapbooks or digital photo albums, while we enjoy conversation and refreshments.

Children 10 years and older are welcome. The first meeting will be Wednesday, April 1, from 7 to 10 p.m. at Lori's house at 770 Bain Place, Redwood City. Call 365-0203 for directions or with questions.

A Week at Asilomar: The Final Stebbins Summer Gathering

Stebbins at Asilomar is a UU summer gathering on the Monterey Peninsula, held this year from Sunday, July 25, to Friday, July 31. Choose from daily workshops that stimulate the mind, nourish the spirit, and move the body. Dance, sing, discuss, learn, contemplate, and grow in an atmosphere of friendship and fun. Grounds include a heated swimming pool, volleyball court, pool and ping pong tables, and boardwalks that wind through the dunes of this dramatic oceanside retreat. This conference will be the last planned Stebbins, celebrating several decades of wonderful summers at Asilomar. For more information visit <http://www.serve.com/stebbins>

Committee and Group Activities

April 4 Hike – *Kaye Bonney*

Since we had to skip this hike in March due to the rain, we'll try again! Saturday, April 4, we'll hike around Almaden Quicksilver County Park, the site of a former mercury mine. We'll pass a few mine shafts and explore the remnants of English Camp, where miners and their families lived. Mostly though, we'll be hiking over open grassy hillsides and through oak woodlands. This time of year we should also see lots of wildflowers.

This hike is 7.8 miles long with 1,300 feet of elevation gain. We'll climb gradually up an old mining road, stroll along a ridge, ascend more steeply up Mine Hill, circle the hill, and descend back to the trailhead. Those who wish may take a shorter 3-mile loop up to English Camp and back.

Meet at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Redwood City, 2124 Brewster Ave. at Lowell, at 9 a.m., Saturday, April 4. I expect that we'll arrive at the park's Hacienda Trailhead by 10 a.m. We should finish the hike around 3 p.m. and return to the Fellowship by 4 p.m. Bring lunch and water. Dogs on leash are permitted.

Women's Group – *Geri Kennedy*

The UUFRC Women's Group will meet Wednesday, April 15, at 7 p.m. All UUFRC women are welcome to come to one or more of our monthly gatherings on third Wednesdays. We have lovely discussions and enjoy good company.

The general topic for April will be aging. Are there things you look forward to? Are there things that make you uncomfortable? Why do you have your feelings about aging?

We meet in the "cottage" at the back of the Kennedy's home, 263 Alameda de las Pulgas (between Brewster & Hopkins).

April Book Group

– *Carolyn Chaney*

The Book Discussion Group meets on second Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in the front lounge. We'd love to meet some more readers. Hope you will join us!

April 13: *A Mercy*, by Toni Morrison. A slave at a plantation in Maryland offers up her daughter, Florens, to a relatively humane Northern farmer, Jacob, as debt payment from their owner. Hardback, available at library.

May 11: *Dreams of My Father*, by Barack Obama. If you get the audio version, you will hear the book in Obama's voice.

June 8: We are considering these choices for June: *Bone* (Ng); *Invention of Air* (Johnson); *Empire Falls* (Russo); *Meridian* (Walker). Join us in April and help decide.

New Horizons Group

– *Jonelle Preisser*

Come join us at our regular meeting of seniors, April 10, 1:00-3:00 p.m., in the front lounge. Joanne McMahon will be returning from an Elderhostel in Mexico City and will tell us about her trip and its focus on Diego Rivera's art.

There will be time for more travel highlights from any of us.

Parent Support Group Begins **April 26** – *Susan Lehman*

The first Parenting Support Group will be Sunday April 26 at 9–10 a.m. Child care will be provided. RSVP to Susan at **susposdis @ yahoo.com**, or see her webpage at

<http://www.pdsuccess.com/slehman>

Who's Who and How to Contact Us

UUFRC Regular Events

Every Sunday ~ Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
Every Thursday ~ Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.
1st Sundays ~ Social Action Committee, 11:30 a.m.
2nd Sundays ~ RE Committee, 8:30 a.m.,
and Newcomer Circle, 11:45 a.m.
2nd Mondays ~ Book Discussion Group, 7:30 p.m.
2nd Wednesdays ~ Committee on Ministry, 7:15 p.m.
2nd Thursdays ~ Board of Trustees, 7:00 p.m.
2nd Fridays ~ New Horizons, 1-3 p.m.
3rd Mondays ~ Membership Committee, 7:00 p.m.
3rd Tuesdays ~ Worship Committee, 7:00 p.m.
3rd Wednesdays ~ Women's Group, 7:30 p.m.
and PIA Local Org. Comm., 7:30 p.m.
4th Mondays ~ Arts & Crafts Group, 7:00 p.m.
4th Wednesdays ~ Finance Committee, 6:20 p.m. ,
and UU Voices for Health Care, 7:30 p.m.
Last Thursdays ~ Newsletter assembly for mailing, 1 p.m.

See the Calendar of Events at www.uufrc.org for updates

To join our UUFRC e-mail group, send any e-mail message to: **uufrc-subscribe @ yahoogroups.com**. View some helpful info about the group by sending any message to: **uufrc-help @ yahoogroups.com**. (You needn't be a subscriber to receive the Help reply.) Once you have subscribed, you can post to the group by sending your message to **uufrc @ yahoogroups.com**.

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Contact a board member if you have ideas to share regarding the organization and governance of the church.

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Contact a Committee on Ministry member if you have issues to discuss regarding the shared ministry of the church. Examples include worship, outreach, how we are treating each other, and how the settled minister is serving the congregation.

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An Eater's Support Group

Dear larger people: I'm Alicia DeValliere, a relatively new member of UUFRC. And I love food — a lot!

I am looking for partners to promote healthier eating. If you are interested in forming a group or partnership for support while losing weight, let me know! You can reach me at 510-847-2295.

Calendar of UUFRC Events, April 2009

Wednesday	1	7p	Photo Album group (Longo home)
Thursday	2	7:30p	Choir Rehearsal
Friday	3		
Saturday	4	9a 3:30	Happy Trails Hiking Club Letter Writing to newspapers/officials
Sunday	5	10:30a 11:30a 11:45a 12n	Service: The Disinherited — Rev. Julia Older Social Action Committee Newcomer Circle Healthcare Story Hour
Monday	6	7p	Knitting Circle (Mentzer home)
Tuesday	7		
Wednesday	8		
Thursday	9	7p 7:30p	Board of Trustees Choir Rehearsal
Friday	10	1p	New Horizons
Saturday	11		
Sunday	12	8:45a 10:30a	Easter Breakfast Service: Miracles — Rev. Julia Older
Monday	13	7:30p	Book Discussion Group
Tuesday	14	7:15	Committee on Ministry
Wednesday	15	7:00	Build Your Own Theology PIA Local Organizing Committee Women's Group (Kennedy home)
Thursday	16	7:30p	Choir Rehearsal
Friday	17		
Saturday	18	8:30a 9:15a-4p	Church Workday "Let Justice Flow" Statewide Water Conference (Mt. Diablo UU Church)
Sunday	19	10:30a	Service: Fiftieth Anniversary Sunday — Rev. Julia Older
Monday	20	7p	Membership Committee
Tuesday	21	7p	Worship Committee
Wednesday	22	6:45p 7p	Finance Committee Build Your Own Theology UU Voices for Health Care
Thursday	23	7:30p	Choir Rehearsal
Friday	24	12n 8p	Newsletter deadline Chant Night
Saturday	25		
Sunday	26	8:30a 9a 10:30a 12n 2p	RE Committee Parent Support Group Service: Religious Experience — Rev. Julia Older Letter Writing to newspapers/officials San Francisco Accordion Club Concert
Monday	27	7p	Arts & Crafts Group
Tuesday	28		
Wednesday	29	7p	Build Your Own Theology
Thursday	30	1p 7:30p	Newsletter assembly Choir Rehearsal

April 18: “Let Justice Flow,” UULM Statewide Water Conference

Join UUs for a statewide conference on the California water crisis: “Let Justice Flow: California Water Justice and Climate Change,” sponsored by the UU Legislative Ministry, the UU Service Committee, and the Mt. Diablo UU Church. Learn from water experts, bring a curriculum back to your congregation, help UUs become advocates for the human right to water.

Saturday, April 18, 9:15 a.m.—4:00 p.m.,

Mt. Diablo UU Church, Walnut Creek

\$15 for adults, \$5 for students, including lunch

Child care, home hospitality, and rides from BART, Amtrak, airport by prior reservation

To register or obtain more information, visit www.uulmca.org.

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**May 1–3: Get to “The Heart of the Matter” at District Assembly**

Come to the annual District Assembly of the UU Pacific Central District (which includes UUFRC) on May 1–3. Join 400 Vibrant & Vital Unitarian Universalists for a weekend of laughing, learning, networking, and worship. Planned events include:

- Keynote Breakfast with Rev. Peter Morales, Senior Minister, Jefferson Unitarian Church
- Banquet Dinner with Rev. Laurel Hallman, Senior Minister (Ret.), First Unitarian Church of Dallas
- Workshops for everyone • YRUU Worship • Five levels of child/youth programming • PCD Annual Meeting • PCD Bookstore • Old friendships • New faces • And much more!

For more information, visit <http://www.pcd-uua.org>.

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