



### **GREETERS AND HOSTS**

If you are volunteering to host please serve light refreshment.

If you arrive early and wish to greet - kindly welcome guests and invite them to sign the visitor's book.

All members are invited to serve your congregation by greeting and hosting. If you wish to volunteer, contact the editor or sign the sheet in the foyer.

### **Calendar**

- Tues & Weds: Holistic Health Center
- Mon, Weds, Fri: Food Pantry
- Thursdays  
Freethinkers AA-7:30
- 7/4 and 8/1  
Step By Step-7:30pm
- 7/17 Congregational Conversation 7pm
- 7/26 Poetry Lovers  
Share Session 7:30-9:30
- 7/28 Beyrer Pool Party  
Fundraiser 3-7pm
- 8/11 Marc Addams at  
Bellport UU, Sayville

Submit articles for the next Newsletter by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month to [fscad@optonline.net](mailto:fscad@optonline.net)  
*Submissions welcome!*

# **The Bay Watch**

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## **July-August 2012**

### **Statement of Mission**

We, the Unitarian Universalist Society of South Suffolk, are a church fellowship that creates a safe home for all people in their spiritual search. We offer services of worship, religious education, and community outreach in an atmosphere that promotes serenity, compassion, mutual support and fun. We celebrate the inner spiritual spark that connects us all.

**THANK YOU** for turning off cell phones and please, no clapping during Service.

**PLEASE NOTE** There is no parking in the driveway during Service.

**Worship begins at 10:30 A.M.**

### **SERVICES OF WORSHIP**

**Our summer services will be lay led as is our tradition and concentrate on our 7 principles**

**July 15:** Jack Finkenberg

**July 22:** Brian Whittaker

**July 29:** Dave Chapman

**August 5:** To Be Determined

**August 12:** Elaine Lockwood

**August 19:** Norm Roscoe

**August 26:** Ellie Gariaputto

**July 4 and August 1:  
Step By Step-7:30pm  
Note new time**

Step By Step is a ministry for all people striving for spiritual growth. In UU-style services, we examine the twelve step program of recovery alongside teachings from the world's many faith traditions, in the hope that we may better understand each. Rather than focusing on any particular form of addiction or compulsion, Step By Step focuses on what we see as the root cause of them all: spiritual malady.

**July 17: Congregational  
Conversation**

There will be a congregational conversation Tuesday July 17 at 7PM in the RE room. A sample budget will be discussed but no vote will be taken on this evening. Input is welcome. A proposed budget will be sent to all before a final vote is taken at a date to be determined.

**July 26: Poetry Lovers'  
Share Session**

7:30 to 9:30 in the sanctuary. Share your poetry-writing experiences. Bring a poem you've created and share, bring something that inspires your poetic thoughts. An item? An article? A picture? Or alternately just come to listen, bring a friend.

**July 28: Beyrer's Pool Party  
Fundraiser**

Nancy is once again opening the Big House at 11 Dana Lane up for a UUSSS PoolParty/Fundraiser. Anyone who has been to previous fundraisers knows that it's a fun way to stay in touch, have a bite, support our spiritual home and get wet all at once. Burgers, hot dogs and ice will be provided. Bring a dish, bring a drink, bring your trunks. Suggested donation \$5.00 Kids free. 11 Dana Lane, East Islip NY 11730. Route 111 Islip Ave south, left at Main St., 4<sup>th</sup> block on right is Dana Lane. 11 is the Big one.

**August 11: Marc Adams at  
the Bellport UU in Sayville**

This event will be held either at the Bellport fellowship's new home, the former Sayville Library on the corner of Collins Ave and Main St., Sayville or across the street at the Congregational Church. 6pm followed by a pot luck.

Marc Adams is a Humanist minister who has spoken to more than 160 Unitarian Universalist congregations, humanist groups, colleges and universities around the U.S., primarily on the topic of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender issues. He is the author of nine books including *The Preacher's Son* and *Do's & Don'ts of Dealing with the Religious Right*. His newest book, *It's Not About You: Understanding Coming Out & Self Acceptance*, deals compassionately with the issue of disclosure reaction. Marc Adams' presentation covers a dark side of life: growing up gay the son of a fundamentalist Baptist minister, attending Jerry Falwell's university and coming out. He bridges the serious discussion with humor and all-encompassing human compassion. People from all walks of life who have heard Marc Adams speak find themselves enlightened, uplifted and inspired.

## **New T Shirts Still Available**

Many thanks to Emily Napear for taking over the inventory and distribution of the new UUSSS T Shirts. What? You don't have one yet? The new T-shirts are available in S, M, L, XL and children's M and L. Only \$12 with proceeds toward more UU Pocket Guides for new members. See Emily for more info.

## **Freethinkers AA Group**

The Freethinkers AA group meets Thursday's 7:30pm in the RE Room.

Contact [fscad@optonline.net](mailto:fscad@optonline.net) or [x54bassman@optonline.net](mailto:x54bassman@optonline.net) for more information.

## **Recyclables – New Cans In The Corner**

The congregation has private carting which precludes UUSSS from recycling. When possible please pick up a small batch of recyclables to include with yours at home.

## **Committee Vacancies**

Openings are available for a Membership Chairperson. See any Board member with questions. If you would like to help with the Buildings and Grounds Committee or have any questions, suggestions or requests see Brian W, Carl R or Bill V.



Have something you want to get rid of but would prefer not to throw away? Do you like the idea of someone else getting use out of an item you don't need and having the congregation benefit at the same time? Please contact your editor with details regarding the item you wish to list.

## **Little Red Wagon**

We are looking for a donation of a wagon for use as a transporter for bulky items from foyer. If anyone has an old wagon wheel it down or we can pick it up.

## **Let's Talk UU Principles**

A fun and informative seven principles study/discussion group. The discussion will continue Thursday June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm for those interested in learning more about our faith.

## **Social Justice**

Do you have a Social Justice issue that is of particular concern to you? Would you like to see others moved to action regarding the issue? See our Social Justice Director Jack Finkenberg to coordinate possible further action. Information on social justice issues and community topics can be found in the foyer. Check the wire basket and bulletin boards and feel free to take any of the items that interest you.

## **The Eclectic Cafe**

The Eclectic Café thanks all reading whom have come out and enjoyed our great line up over the past season. We'll see you next season.

## **Hosting**

Think about signing up for hosting. It's easy to bring something to nosh on (home made is not a requirement but certainly welcomed) and get the coffee brewing. A sign up sheet is in the foyer.

## **Baby Naming Contest**

Bring in a picture of yourself between the ages of 1 and 7 years old and write your name in light pencil on the back (or post-it). Our Program Director Jo-Ann Israel will collect all pictures and mount them on poster board (delicately, with removable adhesive gum). The person with the most correct names wins. We'll take a picture of ourselves with our pictures.

## **Friends and Membership**

Thank you to all who have signed the information sheet in the foyer in order to be kept up to date on happenings and getting the Newsletter. For those who would like to inquire as to how to become a pledging member please talk with a board member, Rev. Karyn or a trustee.

## **From the Editor**

My apologies for not getting a July Newsletter out on time. We've been going through some growing pains and will continue to I'm sure. It's all a part of growing up. We are all growing up, changing. That's a normal part of life and the life of any entity. I finally decided it was time to eradicate the lovely Poison Ivy that had been growing, and dutifully coming back yearly, next to my driveway. I thought I was being as careful and covered as possible and washed thoroughly and showered as well. Still got hammered, the rash at the crook of my elbow is worse than any rash I can remember having. After Calamine, Aloe and Bacitracin on and off at various times I tried hot oatmeal covered with plastic wrap. Two helpings today a week later and I think we're on to something. Thanks for the tip Damon.

There are seven principles, which Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

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