

Thursday, August 26, 2010

Weekly Announcements - Tahoma Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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Final Friday Sandwich Making

Tomorrow, Friday August 27, is the last Friday of the month -- when volunteers meet at 5:30 p.m. in the TUUC kitchen to assemble sandwiches and other meal items for delivery to downtown Tacoma's Friday Night Feed, which aids people who are homeless. Come lend a hand! Contact: Connie Andersen or Betty Maier with questions.

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Saturday, August 28---Crystal Mountain Chairlift Ride/Hike: 4 miles roundtrip, 200' gain, \$20/person chairlift---incredible views and exciting chairlift ride! Carpool 9:00 a.m. from church or 9:30 a.m. from River Road Fred Meyer in Puyallup. Contact Fran tatooshie@yahoo.com or Felice felicedav@mindspring.com or 253-756-4977 for details/signup (signups are required). We share gas cost for carpooling with drivers.

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COFFEE SALES TO BENEFIT TUUC

Coffee prices will increase with the next order. If a couple of volunteers come forward to package coffee from 5 pound bags to 12 ounce bags, the price will increase \$1 (from \$7 to \$8 for 12 ounces). If we continue to order the coffee already packaged in 12 ounce bags, the price will increase to \$10 for 12 ounces. Please call Joan Benderson at 253-566-4334 to volunteer to package the coffee into smaller quantities.



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August 29, 2010 ~ 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service "**Music's Mighty Message**" -- John Hargis. A music-inspired service launching from "All My Life's a Circle," a Harry Chapin song.

Change for Change on this, the fifth Sunday in August, will be collected for Pakistan flood relief via Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (see next article).

The following Sunday, September 5, will be the last worship service on the 10:30 a.m. summer schedule. Starting September 12, two services will be held each Sunday: 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. September 12 will be Water Communion Sunday. See more details in the [September Dialog](#).



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from Unitarian Universalist Service Committee:

Since the world learned of the floods now devastating Pakistan, conditions have worsened dramatically. As of August 23, the Pakistani government estimates that **17.2 million people** are affected by the floods — **more than the Haiti earthquake, the 2005 South Asia earthquake, and the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami combined.**

The growing enormity of this humanitarian disaster has compelled UUSC and the Unitarian Universalist Association to launch our [UUSC-UUA Joint Pakistan Flood Relief Fund](#).

Most recently, rivers flowing from the flooded areas in the northwest have swelled with water and are

deluging the Sindh and Punjab provinces in the south. This is sure to have serious long-term implications for all of Pakistan. The fertile Punjab is the breadbasket for a country where a third of its population of 170 million people live below the poverty line.

Donations to the [UUSC-UUA Joint Pakistan Flood Relief Fund](#) will be put to immediate use, since UUSC already has partner organizations in the region. Bedari, which worked with UUSC in the 2005 South Asia earthquake, is working to protect women and children displaced by the floods. Barakat, a UUSC partner in Afghanistan that also works in Pakistan, is helping refugee families who have fled to the district of Attock.

Please help us help the people of Pakistan recover from this unfathomable disaster — [give to the UUSC-UUA Joint Pakistan Flood Relief Fund](#).

via Karen Forchione and Social Action team:

We will be giving our Change For Change to this fund on the last Sunday of this month, but feel free to give sooner if you want to. I am sure they can use as much as we send.

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Jr. High Parents - Our Whole Lives

The mandatory Parent Meeting will be Sunday, August 29, from 6 PM-8 PM with an optional potluck dinner from 5 PM-6 PM. **Please let Lori know if you plan to attend the optional potluck, so she can have enough drinks and dessert for everyone.** Youth are not required to be at this meeting. If you have a time conflict, please let Lori know and she can find a way to accommodate you. dre@tuuc-wa.org (253) 476-2799

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ATTENDANCE ~ Sunday, August 22, 2010

10:30 a.m.: Total= 131 Sanctuary= 100 R.E.= 23 Adult Helpers= 2 Staff= 6

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NEXT PUBLICATION DUE DATES:

August 30 - Monday noon - any items for next **Caring Community** email message.

September 1 - Wednesday noon - any items for next **Weekly Announcements** email message.

September 1 - Wednesday noon - any items for Sunday September 5 **Order of Service**.

Monday, September 20 - 3:00 p.m. - any items for the **OCTOBER Dialog** newsletter. (Exception: Board of Trustees news is due by end of Wednesday, 9/22.)

IMPORTANT: If your announcement includes a **date for the TUUC calendar**, please contact **both** administration staff members:

(1) **Mike Field** via admin@tuuc-wa.org, [for facility coordination and church calendar] and

(2) **Laura Karlin** via editor@tuuc-wa.org, [for publications].

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Monday Night Meditation, TUUC Sanctuary, 7:00 p.m. - 8:45pm.

If you care to, join us on Monday evenings for meditation in the vipassana tradition.

We typically sit or walk in meditation for 30 minutes, listen to a recorded dharma talk, and then have a short discussion in the spirit of awareness. No previous experience or preparation is necessary. All are welcome.

Monday, August 30, "The Kawa Model" - led by Jean Baumgartel.

Please note that there will NOT be meditation session at TUUC on Labor Day, Monday, September 6.

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There will not be an **Adult Spiritual Development** class on Wednesday evening, September 1.

Please see [the September Dialog](#) for information about the new three-session series beginning Wednesday, September 8: "Rise Up and Call Her Name: A Woman-honoring Journey into Global Earth-based Spiritualities", facilitated by Mary Rhine.

A potluck dinner to meet Rev. Fran Dearman, Consulting Minister to TUUC, will be held from 5:30 pm - 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall before the ASD class on Wednesday, September 8.

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TUUGG - Tahoma **U**nitarian **U**niversalist **G**uitar **G**roup

Meets every Thursday, from 7 to 9 PM, in TUUC Sanctuary

Guitarists and ALL musicians are WELCOME to our TUUGG jam session! Feel free to bring song(s) you would like to share with us, either solo or with us playing along (bring 4 copies of chords of a song you like). Contact Teri at wolfwail@poetworld.net or 253-225-9954. Please RSVP just in case we cancel the meet one particular week (We can't tell you that it's cancelled if we don't know you're coming!). As we progress, we'll hopefully play our guitars and other instruments in some church services. A strong vital TUUGG Guitar Group can help the TUUC!

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from Karen Forchione, Social Action Committee:

Thanks to all who helped with school supply donations! You can see the excitement of the kids while they are getting set for school.



School supplies giveaway helped 316 kids!

Thanks to the generosity of churches and agencies throughout Pierce County, Associated Ministries was able to serve 316 low-income children by providing free school supplies on Friday, August 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Supplies ran low by 11 a.m. due to overwhelming demand- another sign that many families are still seriously impacted by the economic recession. However, staff referred many families to other upcoming school supplies events, including one to be presented by World Vision on Saturday, August 28 at People's Park in the Tacoma Hilltop from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Special thanks to

everyone who helped local kids get back to school.

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Kudos & Thanks

from Associated Ministries: So many thanks to all of you who sent in school supplies that were delivered by Karen Forchione. 316 families were helped by these supplies, 40 percent more families in need this year than last, and they didn't have enough! Thanks to the givers! --via Nancy Farrell

This **"Kudos and Thanks"** section is about noticing someone else's kindness or effective, generous service for the good of the church and its members. Who do you want to thank or high-five? Send the editor an email at editor@tuuc-wa.org with the subject KUDOS or THANKS.

... About this Weekly Message

These Weekly Announcements are for church business, event updates, committee news, schedule changes, program/class/member-fellowship invitations,and (Kudos & Thanks) to acknowledge others' service rendered in support of TUUC.

To respond regarding announcements you see in this message, please begin a new message directed to the contact person indicated, instead of choosing "REPLY ALL" in your email program, since this is only a one-way announcement listserve.

Please send new announcements to Laura Karlin, editor@tuuc-wa.org / 460-5117 by noon on Wednesdays for inclusion in the next Weekly Announcements message. If your announcement includes a date, please also contact Mike Field, church administrator, at admin@tuuc-wa.org / 474-4646 to ensure facility coordination and TUUC calendar posting. Thank you!

TUUC Online Calendar can be seen at <http://www.my.calendars.net/tuucadmin>

September 2010 Dialog Newsletter can be seen at <http://tuuc-wa.org/Documents/Dialog-2010-09.pdf>

TUUC 2010 Winter/Spring Program Guide can be seen at <http://tuuc-wa.org/Documents/2010-WinterSpring-Program-Web.pdf>



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