



The Covenant Sound

Newsletter of the
All Souls Unitarian Universalist Community

Sunday Services at 11 am

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- Sunday, Feb. 3** 11 am **Chinese New Year** People the world over celebrate this holiday, but do we locally have an understanding of the significance this occasion holds? Billie Clark and some of her international students will share their perspective of this special time of year.
- Sunday, Feb. 10** 11 am **The 4 Agreements** Cheryl D'Angelo will share the insights she gained from this interesting book by Don Miguel Ruiz.
- Sunday, Feb. 17** 11 am **Explorations of Islam** Annaliese D'Angelo will share with the community what she learned about Islam while preparing religious education lessons for the children.
- Sunday, Feb. 24** 11 am **Writings of Richard Bach** Christopher Stoeckel's interest in the writings of Richard Bach, author of *Jonathan Livingston Seagull* and *Illusions*, have inspired him to share his perspectives with us. Christopher will be leaving the area soon after for a new duty station in Fort Benning, Georgia

Pastoral Care Committee

Our Bylaws tell us about the Pastoral Care Committee:

The Pastoral Care Committee assures that Community support of Members is appropriate to their need. Pastoral care includes services such as visiting the sick or arranging for Members to visit; and serving as a clearing-house to provide counseling referral or to coordinate a particular event; or providing temporary personal services to Members. This list is not all-inclusive and may change, based on the needs of the Community and the skills of Committee Members.

Guess what? We don't have a pastor. We don't have a Pastoral Care Committee. Now, our dear Community does a good job of taking care of us, but there is no committee. We are going to create one. The first step is to become EVEN Better LISTENERS.

Listener Training

One of the things we love about All Souls is that we are such good LISTENERS. We listen to each other and feel better for being with our friends at church. Often, we think of someone we haven't seen for awhile and call them up, go over to bring them some cookies, or send them an email. Each of us can rely on our All Souls Community for their support and love.

The Olympia Crisis Clinic Trainers will give us a crash course in active crisis listening February 10 after the service. Some of the things covered will be Naming Feelings, the Rescue Triangle and How to Avoid Getting Trapped in It, When to Listen, and When to Problem-Solve.

After the training, stay for lasagna and salad and pie; a time to debrief and enjoy our new group of listeners—even listen to each other!

February

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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<p><i>Let us know how you like this calendar.</i></p> <p><i>Sunday sermons are on the top line of each Sunday.</i></p> <p><i>Happy Valentine's Day!! You are the BEST!</i></p>						
<p><i>Chinese New Yr</i></p> <p>12:30 Road Clean-up 1:00 Board Meeting</p>	<p>7:00 Writer's Group</p>	<p>6:00 Craft Night</p>	<p>6:00 Craft Night</p>	<p>1:30 Finance Comm.</p>	<p>5:00 Family Movie & Potluck</p>	
<p><i>4 Agreements</i></p> <p>1:30 Listener Training & Potluck (see article)</p>	<p>7:00 BYOT Session (see article)</p>	<p>6:00 Craft Night</p>	<p>6:00 Craft Night</p>			
<p><i>Islamic Explorations</i></p> <p>12:30 Children's RE 9:00 Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>7:00 Writer's Group</p>	<p>6:00 Craft Night 7:00 Member Services</p>	<p>6:00 Craft Night 7:00 Member Services</p>		<p>7:00 Adult Movie</p>	
<p><i>Richard Bach</i></p> <p>12:30 Youth RE 12:30 Pastoral Care (see article)</p>	<p>7:00 BYOT Session</p>	<p>6:00 Craft Night 7:00 Worship Arts</p>	<p>6:00 Craft Night 7:00 Worship Arts</p>		<p>PNWD AGM (see article)</p>	

ASUUC Movie Nights

Film: Happy Feet

WHEN: Saturday, February 9, 5 p.m.

WHERE: All Souls UU Community, 6326 Martin Way, Suite 103, Lacey, WA

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When Mumble is born into a colony of Emperor penguins, he finds himself unable to be accepted by all other penguins, lacking the ability to sing a heartsong - a mating song which all penguins can perform from an early age. He does however have a talent for tap dance which is derided by his peers and scorned by the penguin elders as displeasing to their deity. Mumble's gift of dance is blamed for the possible cause of their food shortage, which is in reality caused by nearby trawlers depleting local fish stocks. After being virtually outcast by his colony he goes in search of the humans in an attempt to reason and communicate with them.

Bring an ingredient to add to our vegetarian soup; we will need to warm up from the ice.

Film: What the Bleep Do We Know?

WHEN: Saturday, February 23, 7 p.m.

WHERE: All Souls UU Community, 6326 Martin Way, Suite 103, Lacey, WA

CONTACT: Billie at 360-943-8317 or Patti at 360-491-3171 or patti_logan04@yahoo.com

What the BLEEP Do We Know— First released in theaters in 2004, *WTBDWK!?* went on to become one of the most successful documentaries of all time. Now distributed in over 30 countries, it has stunned audiences with its revolutionary cinematic blend of dramatic film, documentary, animation and comedy, while serving up a mind-jarring blend of Quantum Physics, spirituality, neurology and evolutionary thought.

Road Clean-up

Well, we had to postpone the Road Clean-up once again due to driving rain and snow. (Fifteen minutes after the decision was made, the sun came out.) We won't give up. Our Road needs us. After the service Feb. 3, those who are not on the Board will be the crew for Clean-the-Road. Join us, please. There will be a potluck lunch for workers after road cleanup is accomplished.

Build Your Own Theology (BYOT)

If you meant to register for this offering but did not, there are still some spaces left. You would be very welcome to join us for the remaining time. All who have attended in the past have declared that it is very worthwhile and it expands their understanding of their own beliefs.

Explore your personal beliefs and discuss religious subjects in a dynamic hands-on, experiential group approach. This program is designed to provide a systematic, disciplined, and communal approach to the process of building a new theology on the residue of the old. It is for anyone searching to explore their own belief system and learn about those of others as well.

The program consists of 10 sessions given every other week beginning Monday, Jan. 28 at 7 pm and will be lead by Patti Logan. The program is free. For any questions, contact Patti (491-3171 or 288-7701).



World Sacred Music Festival

You are invited to Interfaith Works' fourth annual Olympia [World Sacred Music Festival](#) from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 8, at the Minnaert Center for the Arts (part of South Puget Sound Community College). Fourteen performances and 6 workshops will be held on three stages.

Returning favorites include Salish singer/storyteller Che oke' ten, pagan drum & dance by Loping Camel, local Jewish choir Kol N'Shama, Raga Dharma with Indian sacred ragas, marimba performance & workshop, Olympia Jazz Senators performing the Duke Ellington Sacred Concerts with a 100-voice choir, and Persian ensemble Shabava. Some of the new treats will be Sufi dance of the whirling dervishes, shape note singing, an India temple dance workshop, and LaVon Hardison's gospel-inspired interfaith singing.

Admission is \$20 (\$15 for low-income, kids under 12 free). Details about the performers and the schedule are available at the festival website www.olsacredmusic.org.

Janice and Billie are happy to share how much they enjoyed past festivals. Wouldn't you like to come? Save the date: March 8!

All Souls to be Featured Organization of the Month for TC Pro-Net Web Site

TC Pro-Net has asked us to be one of their Pro-Net Picks for February. They started with the **Democratic Party**, the **Green Party** and **FOR (Fellowship of Reconciliation)**. We are honored (with our small size) to be the fourth group chosen. Our **Mission** statement, current activities, and future plans will be spelled out on a page of the TC Pro-Net web site.

Our Writers Group is preparing a response that tells folks what we are and what we plan to do in the Community. It will go "live" on February 5th. So, after February 5, look us up! To find the Featured Organizations, go to <http://www.tcpronet.org/home>. In the lower right hand corner, under Member Businesses and Organizations, click on Featured Businesses.

Thurston County Progressive Network is a communication and support network serving progressive individuals, businesses and organizations as we work together toward a just, democratic, sustainable and humane society.

TC Pro-Net provides internet tools for their members and the general public. They create networking opportunities such as: Lefties Night Out, progressive community building events and Progressive Spirits, an informal get together where people meet with like-minded folks and have a beer or a glass of wine and get acquainted. They provide training workshops and medical coverage both for their members and for the general community.

Chalice Lighters Money

The committee has met to draft how we wish to spend the Chalice Lighters money for a minister. It has been decided to advertise the position in order to get the best available candidate and to let others in the district know that we are here, alive, and kicking.

The position is to be for 9-12 months with a total of about 120 hours. We are expecting the minister to provide us with some suggestions and with mentoring only. There will not be much time for anything else. The specifics were drawn from the long range planning session last year and from the meeting on January 12.

We are now determining how best to advertise the position and to screen the candidates.

Needed for Our Space

If you have any of the following and no longer need them, please donate them to our space.
1 large soup kettle suitable for using when we prepare soup for our lunches
1 power strip with at least 4 plugs for use in the kitchen

Perspective Column

You are being offered an opportunity to have your writing published in the Olympian. Several of our members have written and submitted Perspective columns. The column is in the Saturday issue of the Olympian and it is well worth reading. "Try it, you might like it."

In cooperation with The Olympian, Interfaith Works coordinates writers for the weekly Saturday feature called *Perspective*.

Perspective provides an opportunity for persons who are seen as leaders in their faith community to present their faith-based perspective on current events or other issues.

Persons interested in being scheduled to write for *Perspective* should contact the IW Office Manager Janice Holz at 360-357-7224 or InterfaithWorks@comcast.net.

Newsletter

We would like to improve on the wonderful newsletter Billie and Janice have been putting together. It has always been a pleasure to read and has allowed us to enjoy all that All Souls has to offer us. We think a great big thank you is due to them.

We have made some changes to the newsletter format and would like to hear from you regarding the changes. If you have any other suggestions, please contact us.

If you have anything to share with our entire community, please write it down and send it to us. This is your newsletter.

Thank you Jean Holz (pnfr@comcast.net or 360-459-1251) and Patti Logan (patti.anne.logan@gmail.com or 360-491-3171)

PNWD AGM

The Pacific NorthWest District (of the Unitarian Universalist Association) Annual General Meeting is being held in Tacoma February 29-March 2. Many members of the All Souls community have already sent in their registrations. If you have not yet sent in your registration, you may still do so. Please check the bulletin board in the kitchen for details.

You may also participate by attending the Sunday services. These are free and should be quite electrifying.

If you have, or will, register for the weekend, staying at the hotel could be less expensive. Already five of our members have agreed to share a room and are looking for more like minded people. Jean has found that conventions are more thoroughly enjoyed when one stays at the convention hotel. She has agreed to take the lead in room sharing. Please contact her before February 15 if you would like to join the room sharing group.

Guest At Your Table

Please return your boxes as soon as possible. We need to make the final tally and send the money in to the UUSC (Unitarian Universalist Service Committee). Thank you for your support.

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NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The newsletter deadline for the February edition will be **Feb. 17** (earlier is great!)

OUR MEETING PLACE

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Directions: Take the Martin Way exit (#109) from Interstate 5 and head east. We are located on the NW corner of Martin Way & Carpenter Road (2 story dark green bldg.). Turn left (north) into the parking lot – last driveway before Carpenter Road. Use the door at the right -- the one with our phoenix chalice on it!

The mission of All Souls Unitarian Universalist Community is to build a warm, friendly and joyful home from which we respond to the spiritual, intellectual, ecological and social justice needs around us. We embrace diverse ideas and lifestyles as exemplified by Unitarian Universalist principles and stated in our by-laws.

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