

# High Desert Dispatch: August 2018

**Bulletin of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Silver City**  
**Join us at 3845 N. Swan Street, 10:00 a.m. Sundays**

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Silver City is a diverse group of religious independents seeking knowledge, spiritual sustenance, fellowship and opportunities for service to others. Our programs encompass humanism, liberal Christianity, earth-based spirituality, Buddhism and many other traditions. The members themselves plan and present the Sunday programs. **Please join us.**

## Sunday Programs

(All Sunday Programs begin at 10:00 unless stated otherwise)

**Aug 5<sup>th</sup>** We will be viewing a **TED Talk** titled, "**If I should have a daughter ...**" presented by spoken word poet Sarah Kay. The talk inspired two standing ovations at TED2011. She tells the story of her metamorphosis -- from a wide-eyed teenager soaking in verse at New York's Bowery Poetry Club to a teacher connecting kids with the power of self-expression through Project V.O.I.C.E. -- and gives two breathtaking performances of her poems "B" and "Hiroshima." There will be **Child Care available** [but it is not a Family Program Sunday.] The moderator is Nancy Cliff.

### **Aug 12<sup>th</sup> "Ro-Buki in Rhyme: Reflections on Blowing Zen"**

Samarpan David Kent presents an autobiographical poem which was inspired by the Shakuhachi that came into his life 5 months ago. David will read the poem after providing some background info about the Shakuhachi & its use in Sui Zen practice. David has been a student of Zen since 1970 when, one fateful day, in the Univ of WA Bookstore, he discovered a newly published book: D.T. Suzuki's, "Zen Mind, Beginner's Mind." Lynda Aiman-Smith, PhD will be the moderator. This is a **Family Programs Sunday**.

**Aug 19<sup>th</sup> — "Masters of Tradition" — Bayou Seco** — Ken Keppeler & Jeanie McLerie - They are recipients of the 2017 Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts featuring music in New Mexico that they have collected for the past 38 years & an exploration of this musical quest will be the focus of their program. Come join us for music, stories & insights into our musical history in NM. A guaranteed toe-tapping experience for all. Ron Gabioud will be the moderator. **Child Care** will be available. (No Family Program)

### **Aug 26th "The Role and Responsibility of Community Newspapers"**

by Silver City Daily Press Editor Christine Steele and Reporters Benjamin Fisher and CP Thomson. Ms. Steele said, "...my plan was to bring all of us in the Daily Press newsroom.... and we each may say a few words. While I am the editor, we are a team and I thought having each of us there would offer a better perspective." Elaine Carlson will be moderator. This is a **Family Programs Sunday**.

## Calendar of Building Events

(Please note the schedule in the building and on the website.) Contact the office coordinator (575-538-0101) for scheduling.

**PFLAG** – 1<sup>ST</sup> Tuesday of the month 7:00 pm

**Silver City Camera Club** – 1<sup>ST</sup> Wednesday of the month 7:00 pm

## Board Members

Barbara Gabioud, Board Chair  
Susan Golightly, VC  
DeAnna Mooney, Treas.  
Jane Riger, Sec.  
Paul Michaud  
Zoey Cronin

## Membership

Nancy Cliff & Heidi Ogas  
**Caring**  
~Open~

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### **News from the Board:**

The Board met on July 15<sup>th</sup>. This meeting was quite successful with the following highlights:

- The Board unanimously approved Treasurer DeAnna Mooney's carefully crafted reports from May, June and the Annual Summary 2017-18.
- Survey results created by Zoey Cronin and the Strategic Planning Council were discussed. Further discussion planned for August.
- The Board is looking into training provided through our insurance company regarding children's safety issues.
- Paul Michaud is looking into Fire Marshal regulations.
- Bob Bryant, new Building Loans Manager, will issue a call to the congregation for \$2,500 to replace the loan of a member who is leaving the area.
- Susan Golightly is updating the committee chairs list.
- Family Programs Director, Chellee Chase, is organizing a parents' committee and the revised website has FP information added.
- The Board voted unanimously to create a UUFSC Memorial fund to cover costs of memorials and as an ongoing fund for possible purchases (plaques, bench for labyrinth area etc.).

Next Board meeting will August 19, after the program.

Jane Riger, UUFSC Board Secretary

### **FAMILY PROGRAMS UPDATE**

The UU Children's Programs in August will include "The Golden Rule" on August 12 and "Having the Best School Year Ever" on August 26. The Parent Advisory Committee will meet for the first time after the service on August 12. We will discuss program objectives and set regular meeting dates for the future. For information or input on the UU Children's Program, contact Chellee Chase, Family Program Coordinator at [chelleechase@gmail.com](mailto:chelleechase@gmail.com).

**Chellee Chase FP Director**

**UNDERWRITING Update** on GMCR/KURU Wonderful news that donations to support underwriting for 13 weeks at 4 spots a wk was funded and will begin in August. Tune into one of these programs: Ramblin Radio Revival, Roots and Branches, Local Flavor or Earth Matters to hear our 'blurb'.

**FOOD PANTRY** Please continue to support the monthly distribution at the Commons of non-perishables (boxes, cans, paper goods) for folks in need. Place items in baskets near front door.

Check **EL REFUGIO Wish list** (posted in Community Room) for needed items: regular size bottles of shampoo, lotion, deodorants, feminine products, etc. and place in baskets. **THANK YOU!**