

High Desert Dispatch: June 2016

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)

June 5th – Open Program -- Rather than a formal program, this Sunday's program will be informal and unstructured. The Fellowship will be open and the "Open Program" will depend on those attending. An "Open Program" would be whatever the folks who show up want to discuss, sing, read, or play. Coffee and refreshments, provided by Hospitality Committee, would be available as usual.

June 12th -- Ron Hamm – "Ross Calvin: Interpreter of the Southwest" Ron, an author and journalist, will speak on his book "Ross Calvin: Interpreter of the Southwest". Calvin was an Episcopal clergyman and writer, and also an accomplished botanist and lifelong gardener.

June 19th -- JJ Amaworo Wilson -- "Living with the damned" JJ discusses his novel, Damnificados. When JJ Amaworo Wilson was wandering lost and jet-lagged in Caracas, Venezuela a few years ago, he came across an enormous unfinished skyscraper inhabited by squatters: ex-gang members, ex-drug addicts, alcoholics. He discovered they'd created an extraordinary functioning community in this tower. He turned their unforgettable story into a novel, Damnificados. JJ will describe the inspiration for the novel, and its themes, which encompass community, social justice and magical realism.

June 26th -- Doug Abbott – "Ten Commandments to Avoid Extinction" Doug will moderate a discussion on the 20 minute video "Ten Commandments to Avoid Extinction" by Michael Dowd. Doug is a fan of Michael Dowd, who Doug heard speak at a WUULF summer camp several years ago.

Calendar of Building Events

(Please note the schedule in the building and on the website.) Contact the office (575-538-0101) for scheduling. (Coordinator – Harriet Rogers)
Silver City Camera Club – 1st Wednesday of the month 7:00 pm

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George Ruebelmann,
Acting Chair
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Jane Riger, Sec.
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News from the Board:

The Board met on May 15th. With the addition of Susan Golightly and Van Smith as At Large members, and George Ruebelmann continuing as Chair; we are coming together as a strong, effective governing body with good leadership continuity. Lynda Aiman-Smith has taken on the role of Adult Religious Education Chair, and she has some creative ideas for workshops and trainings.

At the recent meeting, more time was spent refining the Perpetual Calendars for Board Responsibilities on a monthly basis, and also the Perpetual Work Schedule for Budget Process/Semi-Annual Meeting duties for yearly budgeting. These guidelines help establish smooth planning for the current and future boards. Thanks to Carol Morrison for getting the calendar started and to Nancy Cliff and Barb Gabioud for expanding the concept.

The next Board meeting will take place Wednesday, June 1st, 10:30 am at the Fellowship. We'll brown bag it and the meeting will focus on redefining the duties of various positions at UUFSC. The next general Board meeting will be held Tuesday, July 19, 10:30 am at the Fellowship. This will also be a brown bag meeting. Any interested UUFSC members/friends are invited to join.
Jane Riger, Secretary

Remember to bring non-perishable foods (esp. canned beans and tomato products) for the Food Pantry distribution. Please place in the baskets by the front door.