

High Desert Dispatch: June 2024

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. Our Fellowship celebrates diversity and welcomes all, of every race, ethnicity, immigration status, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious background, mental and physical ability or disability, socioeconomic condition, and family structure. **Please join us.**

UUFSC Safety Protocol: On Sundays, masks are recommended, but optional. Refreshments and potlucks can take place in the building, as well as (weather permitting) on the patio.

June 2: Kevin Waters-Happenings at the Silver City Co-op

Kevin, the General Manager of the Silver City Food Co-op, will present information on the Co-op's upcoming move to 907 Pope Street.

Moderator: Art Thorn

June 9: John Bush (member) - DEI (Diversity, Equity & Inclusion)

Moderator: Barbara Bush

June 16: Cari Lemon - "Mastery Mindset" goals of mastering subjects, skills, or materials, and a belief that this can be done.

Moderator: Carlos Price

June 23: Special Sunday – at 10:00 come drum the Summer Solstice on the patio. At **10:30am** we will have our **Social time** (coffee, tea & goodies). At **11am** we will watch a livestream of the **UU GA service** that caps off the 5 day conference this year.

June 30: June 30: – Welcoming Team - UU the Vote for LGBTQIA+ Equity

– As part of UUFSC's "Welcoming Renewal" process, we will watch two short video interviews with UUs who work on LGBTQIA+ equity issues within and beyond the denomination, followed by a discussion of issues that are part of the political process this year and how interested voters can take action. The full "UU the Vote for LGBTQ Equity" program, including several other interviews, can be seen at <https://uuthevote.org/uu-the-vote-for-lgbtq-equity/> and all issues the UUA's voter engagement program is working on are available at <https://uuthevote.org/>

Moderator: Carol Morrison

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Join UUFSC Zoom Meeting 10am Sundays

<https://zoom.us/j/3800124194?pwd=QkxTNjV3UFIJQXNlbHpsSDZ5bUhwZz09>

Meeting ID: 380 012 4194 Passcode: UUFSC

Note from the Board Chair Carlos Price— Summertime and the living is easy! So says the song. But, not for everyone. Summertime might be a good time to redouble our social justice work of helping the hungry, the unhoused, immigrants, kids who are left alone at home with schools closed for the summer and many others in need. Support our social justice team with your time and money. Let's make summertime a little easier.

June Welcoming Days of Observance from Dave Becker



June is LGBTQIA+ Pride Month. Pride Month is celebrated each June to commemorate the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in New York City and celebrate the LGBTQIA+ community. Stonewall was a tipping point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the USA. The last Sunday in June was initially celebrated as "Gay Pride Day," but the actual day was flexible. In major cities across the United States the "day" soon grew to encompass a month-long series of events. Today, celebrations include pride parades, picnics, parties, workshops, symposia and concerts, and LGBTQIA+ Pride Month events attract millions of participants around the world. Memorials are held during this month for those members of the community who have been lost to hate crimes or HIV/AIDS. The purpose of the commemorative month is to recognize the impact that lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally. More information is available at <https://www.history.com/topics/gay-rights/pride-month>

June 2 is Native American Citizenship Day. This commemorates the day in 1924 when Congress passed legislation recognizing the citizenship of Native Americans. Almost 125,000 out of the estimated 300,000 Native Americans did not have citizenship in 1924 because of interpretations of the 14th Amendment that excluded Native Americans. More information at <https://nationaltoday.com/american-indian-citizenship-day>

June 19 is Juneteenth. Also known as Freedom Day or Emancipation Day, Juneteenth was established as a U.S. federal holiday in June 2021. This celebration honors the day in 1865 when slaves in Texas and Louisiana finally heard they were free, two months after the end of the Civil War. June 19th thus became the day of emancipation for thousands of African Americans. More information at <https://www.juneteenth.com/>

Children's Programs: The QUU Hut is open, & childcare is provided all Sundays. Religious exploration programming is on 2nd & 4th Sundays.

The Four Agreements Discussion Group will meet on Friday June 7 at 11am, in UUFSC Fellowship Hall. All welcome.

June 7, 6-9PM Family Fun Dance Dust off your old saddle shoes and take your poodle skirt out of storage, 'cuz we're having a good ol' fashioned, rock 'n' roll sock hop! Celebrating the music & dances of the 1950s. Live music by Joey & the Cruisers (aka Blues Dawg), featuring Joey "No Pompadour" Neri, Davey "Fretboard Wizard" Zaborac, Ricky "Vintage 1941" Spiegel, and Teddy "Backbeat" Whittemore. Fundraiser for Social Justice, suggested donation \$10. Come join us twistin' the night away!

Bereavement Support Group meeting June 10, 2024 at 1:00pm. Women's Club 411 Silver Heights Blvd. All welcome.

"High Tea," "Afternoon Tea and Talk" On June 10 & June 24 at 2pm – Contact Barbara - mudita.ymm@gmail.com

The Soul Collage group will meet on Wed June 12 from 3-6 pm in-person in the Community Room. All are welcome. All instructions and supplies are provided. Masks are optional, we run the air filter for better ventilation.

Social Justice team meeting June 14, 11am. All welcome.

Drumming for the Solstice! Join us on the patio at 10:00am on June 23 to welcome the Longest Day.

Want to help encourage more Singing in our Fellowship? Stand up and Sing with us! For more info contact Lynda lynda_aimansmith@yahoo.com or Becky becky57harwood@gmail.com

End of Life Workshops Weekly on Wednesdays June 19 – Aug 14, 9:30-11:30am. Talk to Lynda Aiman-Smith during coffee after programs, or contact Joanne for info & to register joannedemichele2010@gmail.com

Want to see your birthday in the newsletter? Contact Lynda at lynda_aimansmith@yahoo.com

June birthdays	Ken Keppler 6/1	Andy Payne 6/1	Lillian Connelly 6/3	Barbara Gabioud 6/8
Linda Price 6/12	Ivy Stephens-Etheridge 6/13	Susan Golightly 6/16	Kris Neri 6/24	

Is a UUFSC Fellowship Member or Friend in need of a Caring card? let Lynda know at lynda_aimansmith@yahoo.com

You can make your UUFSC donations online! <https://D4613CBD4D2624D9.chmeetings.com//Giving/D4613CBD4D2624D9>