

High Desert Dispatch: November 2021

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.**

UUFSC Safety Protocol: We will not be serving food or drinks in the building until further notice. Masks will need to be worn in the building at all times. We will continue to serve refreshments on the patio, weather permitting.

Nov 7th * Daylight Savings time ends. Remember to set your clock back. --Rev Azima Lila Forest "Service of Universal Peace"** Rev. Azima will present a candle-lighting service honoring the world's major religious and spiritual traditions. This ceremony has its origins in the universal Sufi tradition. We call this path 'universal' because it honors the light in all the world's spiritual traditions. **Moderator: Nancy Stephens**

Nov 14th – Barbara Gabioud –" Growth of a UU Border Project" Barbara, a member of the Fellowship since 1994, will recount the story of the UU Border Justice project which germinated in May 2019 and continues to grow. It actively supports the migrant shelter in Palomas, Mexico and the work to create a sustainable shelter in Deming, NM. Both shelters are for legal asylum seekers with COVID thrown into the mix. (more info on page 2)
Moderator: Katherine Feist

Nov 21st – "The Annual Meeting of the Fellowship" We will begin at 10:00 a.m. with goodies on the patio. Members & friends may bring finger foods (muffins, fruit, etc) to share before the meeting. We are usually finished before/by noon. It's a good time to learn more about our Fellowship, how it works and to make your voice heard. We will learn about goings on from our coordinators & have time for discussion as we plan our future together. **There will be a new member ceremony during the Annual Meeting.**

Nov 28th – Pat Sterling– "Emily Dickinson: A Questioning Mind" Although Emily Dickinson never committed to becoming a Christian, her letters and poems reveal that she was keenly interested in issues relating to the practice of religion and the eternal questions concerning faith, immortality, and the nature of a supreme being. This program will explore several of her poems which best reveal her changing perspectives on these issues.
Moderator: Nancy Cliff

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Calendar of Building Events

(Please note the schedule in the building and on the website.) Contact the office coordinator uufellowshipofsilvercity@gmail.com for scheduling.

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The project is a community supported effort with widespread contributions from all corners of our county, our state and beyond. It includes packing 200 individual GoBags of food and water every week, as well as bi-weekly collections of food, clothing, medical supplies and more, depending on current needs. Gabioud also maintains weekly emails to anyone who is interested, with current shelter/border information and updated needed supplies. The last 3 weeks' posts are available on the UUFSC website uufsc.com. Click on the Palomas/Deming 2021 link on the left side of the page.

Notes from your Chair:

Time for another annual meeting! Mark November 21st and be ready to: Vote on our new Mission and Vision Statements; say thanks to those who are leaving leadership roles; elect officers for the coming year; and enjoy a "continental" breakfast on the patio before-during-after our meeting. Stay tuned for more details!

Please remember to put discussion and opinion items on the Forum listserv. A simple task, but one that helps us reduce communication "traffic" on our official UUFSC listserv. As a non-profit, we cannot endorse any candidates in elections...but I can encourage you to learn about all the candidates and make your vote count on November 2nd.

We will be having a **new member** recognition time at our annual meeting. We have about seven new members. If you are interested in being a new member, you can contact Nancy Cliff (ncliff49@gmail.com) or me, Carol Morrison (carolmorr@gmail.com) 575 223-8972 or any board member. Thank you!!

Here's a big shout out for our November babies!

If you'd like to include your birthday in the months ahead, please send an email to carolmorr@gmail.com.

November 5	Eva Engstrom
November 8	Ann Lowe
November 17	Chellee Chase
November 19	Paula Lynch
November 28	Bob Bryant