

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Week of March 8, 2020

Officer of the Day: Jim Wolfe
Listening Devices: Dan Reid

SHARE THE OFFERING: Borders and Beyond Family Fund supports UUCSR's Borders & Beyond Ministry, which provides faithful accompaniment to asylum seeking families. It helps families cover necessities such as legal and medical bills and additional costs associated with resettling in this area.

ADULT EDUCATION: Criminal Justice or Injustice? There are 2 workshops left in John Mutz' series: March 11th, 1-3 pm, features a program at the SRJC working with formerly incarcerated students, and March 13, 1-3 pm, a discussion of local civilian oversight of the County Sheriff's Office. Many detective novels build their plots around specific religions. How and why? **Detective Fiction and Religion** presented by Carol Daeley (April 22, May 6, May 27, and June 10, 6:30 - 8:00 pm) will discuss 3 novels from this vantage point. Starting in April, back by popular demand, **Seniors in Transition**, led by Linda Proulx. April 16 - June 4th, 2-4 p.m. Class is currently filled, but please sign up on the waiting list if you are interested.

ELDER TALES: Saturday March 21st from 2-4 PM in the Founders Room - Don't miss another wonderful opportunity to know more about one of our members. This month, Claire Whitfield will let us in on some of the fascinating details of her life. She will share a short film about astronauts' wives as well as talk about her interesting experiences. All are welcome. Bring finger food to share, if you'd like. Hope to see you there!
Women Together

NEW ART EXHIBIT March and April: Thank you for supporting our Jan. & Feb. art exhibit - "Pushing Paint" Bertha Jean & "Ready, Shoot, Aim" - Joseph McCarty The next exhibit will be up March 9th. - Photographer - Elizabeth Craven in the foyer and March 12th., - Artist - Barbara Jacobs - in the Narthex

GET READY FOR NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS! This exciting new program is now getting started. All congregants have been placed into neighborhood groups that will meet three or four times a year in members' homes for fellowship and fun, and for collecting feedback on how you'd like to see our congregation evolve. More information is displayed in the social hall. Expect to hear soon from your group facilitator to schedule the first meetings. Get to know your UU neighbors and welcome newcomers!

UU SATURDAY SAUNTERS March 21 Shiloh Regional Park. We'll be heading to the pond on the Creekside Trail, a favorite for wildflowers, then taking Pond trail to North Ridge trail to return to the trail head where we'll picnic. Meeting at the park at 9:30 am. Bring water, lunch: No dogs allowed on the trails. For more info or to sign up contact Gretchen P. .

ALL-UU SUMMER CAMP: This year's camp will be at Enchanted Hills in Napa on the weekend of Sept. 18-20. Come meet new people, bond with family and friends, explore nature, learn new crafts, eat good food, and have an all-around fun time. We hope to see you all there! If you have any ideas for workshops or any questions, send an email to uucsrcamp@gmail.com

25 MILLION STITCHES: Raising Awareness about the Refugee Crisis UUCSR's RE Committee is launching a multigenerational crafting project with the program 25 Million Stitches beginning this Sunday and continuing in the coming weeks. 25 Million Stitches is a collective art installation that aims to create panels of cloth that display 25 million stitches of thread, the estimated number of refugees worldwide. The children and youth will have the option of stitching for this cause during RE and we invite adults to come to the table in the Narthex to complete a few stitches, as well after each worship service in the coming weeks. It will be simple stitching and you don't need to be familiar with embroidery to do it. Find out more about this project by visiting <https://www.25millionstitches.com/>

ECODESK: come learn about the cutting edge in the Rights Movement: Sonoma County has its own Rights of Mother Earth Ballot Initiative, and is working to build momentum and coalitions with the national and international Rights of Nature Movement and with Community Rights initiatives in California and nationwide.

CUUPS MEETING TUESDAY: Have you noticed the longer, warmer days? The Spring Equinox is March 19, when light and dark are in perfect balance. If seasonal changes affect you, we understand. Come join us. We meet **Tuesday, March 10**, from **5 to 7:00** in the **Founders Room**. For more information: CUUPs@uusantarosa.org See you there. Blessed Be!

THE OLDER AND BOLDER WOMEN'S GROUP: will continue meeting in the Green Room on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. You are eligible if you are a congregant who has passed her 80th birthday. Coffee at 10, meeting at 10:30. For questions call Phyllis Clement.

THE UU UPDATE: UUCSR monthly newsletter: Submissions for the following month are due by noon the Monday which follows the 3rd Sunday. Send to newsletter@uusantarosa.org. Submissions for April newsletter are due by 12 pm Monday, March 16.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS & ORDER OF SERVICE INFORMATION deadline is **Wednesday at noon**. Send to announcements@uusantarosa.org. **WE HAVE ONLY 1 PAGE FOR ALL SO PLEASE BE BRIEF!**