



## Deb Coon, President

This is my last column as President of Chalice's Board of Trustees. What a mix of emotions! There's certainly relief. And joy at imagining that time is going to open up in front of me.

But I'll confess to a bit of wistfulness, too, a feeling of loss.

I've been privileged to serve this congregation during a particularly exciting and productive moment in Chalice's history, thanks to plans laid in place by my predecessors. We have now spent our first two years with our new minister, Rev. Sharon Wylie, and our first two full years under Policy Governance. The Board really *does* spend its time now working on ensuring that everything we do as a congregation serves Chalice's mission in the world. We keep our mission and our vision at the forefront – we create our policies around it, we review our programs in terms of it, we plan for the future to ensure it. That is very rewarding work.

As I think back on all the changes that Chalice has embraced in the past couple of years, it's a little breathtaking. We welcomed Rev. Sharon and helped establish a framework for smooth collaboration between the Minister, Board, and Coordinating Team to ensure her and our success. We took steps to provide all our half-time staff members with retirement benefits and access to health care. We created a policy book to guide the Coordinating Team and congregation. We received a matching grant to help us build our Cottage, then quickly raised funds and practiced patience as we built it. We took initial steps to pursue a new major use permit with the County. When annexation to Escondido became a viable possibility, we shifted gears and filed the paperwork for annexation. Meanwhile we received a major challenge grant to help us fund construction of our planned Phase I campus improvements. We voted to select our congregation's third Charity Partner, and we will feature a dozen different charities – nominated by

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## Sunday Services

**Service at 9:00 and 11:00**  
**Chalice Unitarian Universalist Congregation**

**June 1 – Rev. Wendy Fish, pulpit guest**  
"Belonging"

This service will explore how our sense of belonging in a place and with a people changes over time. What remains constant amidst those changes?

*We are delighted to welcome Rev. Wendy Fish, who served as the minister of Chalice UU Church (one of our earlier incarnations) from 1995-1999. Recently retired from parish ministry and hospital chaplaincy, Rev. Fish lives in Portland, Oregon.*

**June 8 – Rev. Sharon Wylie**  
"Look With Gratitude"

Today's service welcomes new members and offers appreciation to the many volunteers who help make Chalice a vibrant and thriving community.

Congregational  
Meeting at 1:00

**June 15 – Rev. Sharon Wylie**  
"Roots Hold Me Close"

Our Father's Day service invites us to reflect on our connections to generations and traditions that have come before us.

**June 22 – Religious Education**  
Multigenerational Services  
"Where the Spirit Resides"

At our 9 a.m. service, the children of Chalice will share the true meaning of home, from their family home, their Chalice home, and their earth home.

"Reflections of Yesterday, Visions for Tomorrow"  
At our 11 a.m. service, Chalice's middle schoolers will openly share their spiritual journeys and how the light of our community continues to guide them along the path to their own truths. This is our annual Coming of Age service.

**June 29 – Social Justice Committee**  
"Water As A Basic Human Right"

For the past six years, UUs have worked toward passage of California legislation that declares all residents have a basic human right to water that is safe, sufficient, accessible and affordable. Two guest speakers will discuss local challenges to accessing clean water, and changes made since the bill's implementation. A screening of the film "Thirsty for Justice" will follow at 1:30 p.m.

**Religious education for ages 4 and older is provided during the 9 am service.**  
**Childcare for all ages is available at both the 9 am and 11 am services.**



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#### **Welcoming Congregation**

We are pleased to be designated a Welcoming Congregation by the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, and as such we honor and value the racial, cultural, economic, religious, physical ability, sexual orientation and gender diversity of our members and visitors, young and old.

## Board of Trustees Meeting Highlights

### May 13, 2014 Board of Trustees Highlights

For a complete copy of all Board minutes, please go to:

<http://members.chaliceuucongregation.org/index-php?title=Board of Trustees>

- Jim Idell went over the Capital Campaign Report for our exciting new construction. The Theme is "Putting Down Roots". Kick-off will be at the June 8 congregational meeting.
- Welcome to our two new members: Phil and Dani Comer.
- There have been some changes to the Religious Education Committee. Due to lack of volunteers there is no longer a committee and Rev. Sharon and director of RE Jackie Austin-Singer are researching alternatives to the committee structure. There may be only childcare in the summer, possibly no RE program.
- The Membership Committee is now the Pathways Team, to reflect a mission that encompasses more than membership numbers.
- Our new transportation coordinator is Hope Campbell. Hope will be helping those who need transportation to Chalice or to other necessary venues.
- The Coordinating Team has purchased new mobile, storable tables for the cottage.
- Please put June 8 on your calendar for our annual congregational meeting. We will be voting on new members of the Board of Trustees as well as approving changes to the by-laws and the budget for the next year. We'll also launch our Capital Campaign. We need a quorum to conduct any business so we hope to have a large turnout. We Need YOU !! Absentee ballots are available for anyone who cannot attend. More information is in the letter being sent to all congregants.

## Coordinating Team (CT) Report

### **June Coordinating Team Highlights**

The Coordinating Team coordinates, integrates, and advocates the methods for accomplishing the Congregation's goals in accordance with the Board's Policies. The Coordinating Team is composed of Delynn Kelly, Callie Leef, Kathleen Swift, and Rev. Sharon Wylie.

- Coordinating Team purchased new tables for the cottage. These are mobile and storable.
- Coordinating Team reviewed committee budget requests and provided recommendations to the Budget Team.
- We have new leadership for the Membership Committee: co-chairs Rita Hill and Carol Molek.
- Membership Committee has a new name to reflect a mission that encompasses more than membership numbers: Pathways Team.
- We have a new Transportation Coordinator: Hope Campbell. Many thanks to Jean Meadowcroft, our previous Transportation Coordinator!
- The next Council of Chairs meeting will be Saturday, July 12 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.



## Minister's Message

### Beloved community,

Let's talk about fires.

In 2007, wildfires in San Diego forced every single member of my immediate family to evacuate their homes. Living near SDSU, my husband, Peter, and I were the only ones *not* evacuated. There was a moment in time when it seemed that fires might even come that far south, and I remember thinking, "There's almost no place left to evacuate."

My sister's house burned down that year. It brings tears to my eyes just to write that. The loss of one's home is the loss of one's center of being.

I have relatives who refuse to evacuate when requested. Some of them can be talked into leaving. Others refuse and insist on staying to "defend" their home. Any time there is a fire, we argue about this.

It's important to me that you know this because there will undoubtedly be times in the future when many of us are evacuated from our homes because of wildfire, and I cannot state strongly enough how much I encourage each of us to evacuate when requested.

Each time there is a wildfire, authorities remind us to please evacuate when requested. People who refuse to leave their homes are a distraction to fire fighters. And people who say "I'll know when it's time to leave" are counting on finding cleared roads and a safe way to exit their area.

I understand that our homes are important to each of us, but nothing is so important as our safety and wellbeing. And the best way we can support our fire fighters and other first responders is by following their instructions.

In the event you are ever evacuated from your home, please find a way to let me know. You can call, text, or email me directly, or you can also call the church office and leave a message. If you are on Facebook, you can post your status directly to Chalice's page, so the community knows that you are okay. It is important in times of uncertainty and crisis that we are intentional about staying connected.

Finally, I am forming a "Fire Care" task force to help us get through the fire season. I am picturing that this task force will develop a communal care plan that helps us know, for example, who might have a spare room to offer those who are evacuated, and who emergency contacts are, especially for those congregants who may live alone. If you are interested in serving on this task force, please let me know.

**Bright blessings, Sharon**



### Rev. Sharon Wylie

Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 1-5 pm  
Appointments outside office hours are based on availability  
Office phone: 760.737.0393  
Cell phone: *[not for public]*  
Email: *[not for public]*

### CONTINUE LEARNING ABOUT PRISON REFORM

Congregants interested in deepening our "New Jim Crow" discussion are invited to join the "Second Saturday Study Group" to continue to engage with prison reform issues. Please contact Rev. Sharon with any questions *[not for public]*

June 14, 10 am-noon (Chapel): Book discussion of "Uncommon Community: One Congregation's Work With Prisoners" by John Speer. (Book is available from the UUA Bookstore.) You don't need to have read the book to attend and participate.

July 12, 10am-noon (Cottage): Guest speakers from First UU Church of San Diego will talk about their SOLACE program, visiting detainees.

August 9, 10am-noon: Program TBA. We may watch the Frontline film "Prison State."

### Pastoral Care Team,

in consultation with Rev. Sharon, provides support for those in the congregation in need. This can take the form of cards, flowers, meals, temporary transport, and personal visits. We also visit members who cannot attend services.

If you or someone you know is in need of pastoral support, please contact Rev. Sharon or Nancy Hurt, Lay Chaplain Convener, at *[not for public]*





## Religious Education



Jackie Austin-Singer

### *Greetings from RE!*

As we approach the end of the church year I want to take this time to thank all of our dedicated volunteers who give so much of themselves to enrich our children's lives and our community as a whole.

The children and class leaders are hard at work preparing for June 22nd. This year we will have two different services. The **9:00 service** is our traditional RE Sunday. This year we will explore the concept of home as it relates to family, our church community, and our world community.

The **11:00 service** is our coming of age service. Our middle schoolers will share their credos with the congregation. They are having an overnight camp out at Chalice on June 13th to focus on their credos, to celebrate this milestone, and to have fun, not necessarily in that order. We will also honor our RE volunteers.

Please plan to attend both services. RE Sunday is an annual tradition the children will remember fondly throughout their lives. Our middle schoolers have attended Chalice for years. Many of you have watched them grow. Even if you have never actively participated in the RE program, you are part of their lifetime church experience. Children learn best by observing the actions of others and you have taught them well. How fortunate to have such a loving and supporting Chalice family!

Peace

*Jackie Austin-Singer*

Religious Education Director

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congregants -- as our monthly Justice Sunday beneficiaries. We successfully raised the funds to hire a new staff person -- a Director of Congregational Life (see the letter enclosed in this newsletter) -- who will help us connect more deeply with each other and with our local community. Finally, we are about to embark on a major Capital Campaign and I am confident that we can succeed.

Chalice is thriving. Its leadership and ministries are strong. As I move on to the new role of past president, I look forward to watching the congregation continue to thrive in Andi Stout's capable hands along with an outstanding Board, Coordinating Team, and Minister.

I thank the congregation for allowing me this sacred service.

## Forum on Child and Youth Protection Policy June 22<sup>nd</sup> between services

**We need to get the word out!** The Board and RE Department collaborated on a new policy to better protect our children and youth, as well as our RE and childcare workers. The approved policy is now in effect.

We will be sending a copy of the new policy to all congregants in mid-June, and will be holding a brief Q & A between services on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, the RE services.

**Please attend the Q & A whether or not you are a parent of an RE child. It takes a village to raise a child, and to protect a child.** We will view a brief but very important video produced by our insurer, Church Mutual. It is not recommended for children under 13, but is recommended for all adult congregants.

Childcare will be available if you notify Kathleen Swift a week in advance (by June 15<sup>th</sup>).

## INTERFAITH COMPASSION Come & Change Lives, Instill Hope, and Be a Light in the Darkness

The Poway Interfaith Team will present the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Interfaith Summer Nights Program on four Thursdays, July 10- July 31, 6:45-8:30pm at the Community Church of Poway. Members of Chalice will present on July 31. Representatives of twelve different faith traditions will share inspiring stories from a personal point of view. Each Thursday there will be interfaith dialogue and a chance to share ideas about creating a more compassionate and just society. The purpose of the Poway Interfaith Team (POINT) is to consort with the followers of all religions in a spirit of friendliness and fellowship and to increase community awareness and understanding of different faith traditions. For more information contact POINT representative Gary Cagle at [gbcagle@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gbcagle@sbcglobal.net). Poway Community Church is located at 13501 Community Rd., Poway, CA 92064.

## Grunion Run Concert

There are still a few tickets available for the "Grunion Run and Friends" concert coming up on June 14th at 7:00 pm. The night will be filled with good music, good times and good friends. A number of Chalice musicians will come together to make this a memorable evening. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Wine and beer will be available for purchase.





## Sunday Worship Music – June Highlights

- Jun 8:** Amy Throckmorton will be singing "Let It Go" from *Frozen*
- Jun 15:** The Chancel Choir will be singing a selection from the Dvořák's *Mass in D Major*

## Calendar of Upcoming Music Department Events

- Performance of Dvorak Mass at St. Mary Magdalene  
Sunday, June 1 @ 2 pm
- Cabaret performers perform at PowPAC in Poway -  
Sunday, June 1 and Monday, June 2 @ 7 pm
- Grunion Run and Friends* in Concert  
Friday, June 14 @ 7 pm
- UU Musicians' Network Conference (First Church SD)  
July 16 to 20

## PowPAC Performance

On **Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm**, selected numbers from Cabaret 2013 will be performed as part of a fundraiser for PowPAC, Poway's Community Theater at 13250 Poway Rd (this is NOT the theater next to Poway High School). Anyone interested in attending should contact the PowPAC Theater box office at (858) 679-8085 for ticket information.

## Joint Choir Performance of Dvorak Mass

Chalice's Chancel Choir and the First UU Church Choir will participate in an upcoming concert by the New City Sinfonia. The combined choirs will present sections of Dvořák's lovely *Mass in D Major* on a program that will also include the dynamic Symphony No. 2 by Alexander Borodin, as well as Mozart's Flute Concerto in G Major. The concert will take place in the beautiful Church of St. Mary Magdalene on **Sunday, June 1st, at 2:00 p.m.**

The church is located at 1945 Illion St., in Bay Park, on a hill overlooking Mission Bay. At the top, the church is on the right, parking on the left. A freewill offering will be accepted at the door.

The 40-member New City Sinfonia is a community chamber orchestra sponsored by the North City Continuing Education Center. Under Director Daniel Ratelle, the Sinfonia has presented free concerts of music both familiar and new to the San Diego Community for over 25 years. Excerpts of past concerts can be found on YouTube, under "New City Sinfonia."

## Music

Sound Bites  
Tim McKnight



## Spotlight on Susan Sklar

### Brief Biography

I was born and raised in Indianapolis, Indiana in a family of professional visual artists. I was a "cradle" Episcopalian and more or less happily stayed with that religion until 1977 when I started attending the Baton Rouge UU Church with my second husband whose background was Judaism.

My earliest memory of singing was as a preschooler sitting at the piano with my mother and learning little children's songs from children's songbooks. We were lucky to have music in my elementary school in Indiana and I loved singing from the songbooks in music class. We moved to Madison, New Jersey when I was 12 and at that point I began singing in the Episcopal Church youth choir and in all available school choirs. I was chosen to sing solos at church and school and was soon singing in any and all musical groups in both church and school. I especially enjoyed the high school musicals put on during the school year and in the summers each year. I think at this point you could say singing had become my life.

After high school I followed some Indiana cousins south to Louisiana State University where I graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Music in Voice. After my first husband's brief stint in the army during the Vietnam War, we returned to Baton Rouge where I again sang in church choir and in several community chorus's, including eventually the Baton Rouge Symphony Chorus and the Gilbert and Sullivan Society. During this same period I began working at the Baton Rouge Arts Council, where I became program director managing a wide variety of arts programs, from a public walls mural project to visiting artists to a dance series. When my children Rachel and Ben were born I stayed home to raise them and for a few years helped raise my two older stepchildren Maury and Gloria.

After 25 years in Baton Rouge, La. I moved with my two children to Austin, Texas where my parents had retired. During most of the 20 years I lived in Austin I was very busy taking care of my aged parents and raising my children, so sadly I was not singing and didn't join either an Episcopal Church or a UU Church. About 5 years ago I did

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## Coming Events

### Women's Book Discussion

Participating in our book club is a great way to meet many of the women of Chalice as well as share in your love of books. On Tuesday, June 17th, at 7:15 we will gather to discuss "The Likeness" by Tara French. Rita Hill will be our leader. We always meet the third Tuesday of every month in the Common Room of Chalice.

We encourage all women readers to join us. Our group is always interesting and fun as we discuss the book and other issues important to all of us.

The book for July is "The Bean Tree" by Barbara Kingsolver

Please contact Kathy Johnson if you have any questions at  
[not for public]

### Readers' Theater Group



Our June meeting will be held on Monday, June 23rd at 7 p.m. in the common room. We will be reading aloud Shakespeare's comedy **Midsummer Night's Dream**. This beloved play "portrays the events surrounding the marriage of the Duke of Athens and Hippolyta. These include the adventures of four young Athenian lovers and a group of six amateur actors, who are controlled and manipulated by the fairies who inhabit the forest in which most of the play is set. The play is one of Shakespeare's most popular works for the stage and is widely performed across the world." Newcomers and listeners are always welcome at our gatherings. Please contact Deb Coon [not for public] in advance, so that we'll know to expect you.

### Chalice Dine-Out

We will dine at Akai Hana, a restaurant with a long history in Rancho Bernardo, on Wednesday, June 25th at 6 pm. The address is 16769 Bernardo Center Dr. #11. They do not have a website, but their cuisine is Japanese.

Please call or e-mail Gracie Hinman, [not for public] or Colette Jones, [not for public] by Tuesday, June 24th, to join us. Our group is growing and we enjoy having everyone of you!

### High School Teen Group

Chalice will offer a high school teen group starting this summer (when schedules are less hectic) to become a year round class. Rev. Sharon Wylie, Amy Jones and Paula Gonzales are planning a meeting with all interested teens. Together we can design the class that will be fun and enriching. There are many ideas! Contact Paula or Amy if you have any questions, AND to let us know when your teen's school year ends.  
Amy: [not for public]  
Paula: [not for public]

### Stitch? Knit? Crochet?

### Fiber Artists Welcome

**Dianne Decker-Houser**  
The Chalice Knitters are taking a summer sabbatical. They will return, renewed and renamed in October. Join the Fiber Arts Group when we start meeting in October. For questions, please contact Dianne Decker-Houser at [not for public]

### Ladies Out to Lunch Bunch

The Ladies Out to Lunch Bunch will meet on Friday, June 20 at the Sand Crab Tavern in Escondido. The address is 2229 Micro Place, near Hwy 78 and Nordahl/Mission Road. We meet at 11:30 AM. Please RSVP by June 18 to Carol Simpson at [not for public] or email for questions.

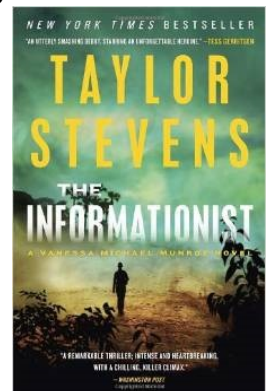


### Chalice Readers

On June 27th at 7:00 PM at Chalice we will discuss *The Informationist* by Taylor Stevens, an excellent work in the mystery-crime genre. Vanessa Munroe, a heroine with the background and no hold barred attitude of Lisbeth Salander created by Stieg Larsson, is a gumshoe for the twenty-first century. Vanessa has forged a new life in Texas as an "informationist," a person who specializes in gathering information about developing countries for corporations. She can't resist the mystery or the paycheck, and the first third of the story is a riveting procedural about how an informationist does business; information is the commodity of our age. Fans of Sherlock Homes will enjoy finding the maneuvers at the end worthy of patience with the puzzling middle and a tad reminiscent of Sherlock Holmes' matter of the Copper Beeches.

You've got questions?

Email them to John Drewe at [not for public]



- Peg Briggerman

Every 'church year' the Social Justice Committee is both honored and tasked to present one of the Sunday worship services. Last year, Joanna Welch Laskin led our service, presenting an overview of Immigration issues in San Diego County and specifically, the Dream Act. You may remember that our guest speaker was a 'Dreamer'; a high school senior from a 'blended' family whose parents were not documented, but who had raised their children in the Escondido area. UURISE, a group of UU's who happen to be lawyers, and who have helped many Dreamers attend college, were helping her raise the required fees, and submit the forms. Chalice people who were there that day responded by contributing the cost of the fees, and our 'Dreamer' is now completing her Freshman year at San Marcos.

This year our Justice Service will be on June 29. The topic will be the 'Human Right to Water', and be centered around the passage of California Bill (AB685) in 2012 which states that all residents have a basic human right to water that is 'safe, sufficient, accessible, and affordable for daily living'. UU's across the state were an integral part of publicizing the problems facing not only farm workers who live with agricultural runoff and poisoned wells, but Native Americans whose traditional lands lie along ancient rivers which have been dammed. Closer to home, Chalice member Andrea Seavey first brought our attention to the proposed Gregory Canyon Landfill which would be built adjacent to the San Luis Rey River in North County. The proposed build site covers several aquifers which supply about 15% of Oceanside's drinking water.\* Fortunately, that project is now cancelled due to the major backers' bankruptcy. We hope it stays cancelled.

Two guest speakers will guide us through this complex subject, so that we can better understand what is happening in our part of North County and how we can help bring drinking water to the people in our community. that is safe, sufficient, accessible and affordable. Our first speaker is Barry Pulver, a hydrolic geologist currently with the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board. Barry also spent years working at the County of San Diego, Dept. of Public Works where he managed closed landfills and burn dump sites. Our second speaker, Joy Williams has a Master's degree in Public Health and is the Research Director of the Environmental Health Coalition, a community-based environmental justice organization. Joy delivered testimony to the San Diego Regional Waterboard regarding the Gregory Canyon Landfill, stressing the unsuitability of the location and its proximity to surface and groundwater sources.

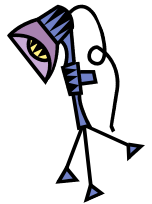
Following the second service, an afternoon session will begin at 1:30 featuring a movie made for the UU Service Committee (UUSC) by filmmaker Ian Slatterly. 'Thirsty for Justice' chronicles residents' testimonies, graphic examples

of their problems, and the long, difficult process to pass AB685. The UUSC was instrumental in encouraging people throughout the state who suffered from the lack of clean water to become community organizers and activists for the bill. It took six years, but the right to clean water is now the law in California. Our guest speakers will be adding their analysis and comments during the two hour session, and the audience is invited to ask questions. (Personally, I hope to spend some time before June 29, to research work done in other states to provide the same rights for their residents.)

Other area churches, community groups and the San Dieguito and Palomar UUs will receive invitations to the afternoon session. Snacks will be available for purchase, and water will also be available on the patio for this public event.

\*ABC News 10 San Diego

### ***Spotlight on Susan Sklar*** ***continued from page 5***



finally join Wildflower UU in Austin and immediately joined their choir where I quickly became one of the choir librarians. I moved to California in June 2013 to be near my daughter Rachel who lives in Encinitas with her husband Kiumars and baby son Grant. My son Ben still lives in Austin where he works as a photojournalist. Singing, and especially church choir, has been a thread throughout my life, which I am happy to still be able to participate in, even after some 20 years of not singing.

#### **Fun Fact**

Since my parents and aunt passed away I have been managing what I fondly call "the family art business". I'm an only child and only grandchild, so with three professional artists in the family ( my grandfather, father and aunt) I have inherited a small museum of paintings, prints and drawings left in their collective estates. My work since the mid 1990's has been organizing, documenting, photographing, cataloging and of course marketing, through art dealers and auction houses, all of this art. Another form of arts management, which I must say I really do enjoy. So while music and singing was my personal artistic path, arts management and administration has turned out to be a professional calling which I just sort of fell into, but which has brought me as much joy and fulfillment as music.







## SUUN Cluster Kick-off Event UU Fellowship of San Diegoito

1036 Solana Drive  
Solana Beach CA 92075  
**Saturday, August 23, 2014**  
**4:00-8:30PM**

Be sure to save the date! It will be BBQ on the patio and live music in the open air amphitheater as SUUN invites the Cluster to kick off the year of activities with a fun, family friendly event. Chalice's own Grunion Run will be playing, among others. Volunteers will be welcome. Watch this space for further information.

*SUUN Notes: Susan Riegel Harding has stepped down as President, and **Chalice's Morgana Mlodoch** has been named interim President. SUUN thanks both for their service. Congratulations Morgana!*

### Nominations

It is with great enthusiasm that the Chalice nominating committee submits the following slate for our annual meeting on June 8, 2014.

Susan Spoto Vice-President  
Debi Streett-Idell Secretary to the Board  
Stuart Holmes Second-term Trustee  
Jerry Carter Second-term Trustee  
Eli Jones First-term Trustee  
Lloyd Kelly Nominating Committee

Our thanks to all who have accepted our nomination and who are so able and committed to serving Chalice in these leadership roles.

## Watch GA Opening Program at Chalice

**Wednesday, June 25**  
**From 4:30 to 6:00**

Reverend Sharon invites all Chalice members and friends to come to the chapel on **June 25 from 4:30 - 6:00 pm** for the second annual watching of the opening ceremony of the UUA's General Assembly, or GA. This is the once a year gathering of UUA's to develop goals, share ideas and make plans for the future. Those who watched last year found it well worth taking time from their busy schedules. Following the session, a pot luck will be held.

Sharon will be an off-site delegate to GA and Chalice is entitled to four delegates in addition to Sharon. If anyone is interested in being an off-site delegate using your computer and phone, please talk with Sharon.

Next year, GA will be in Portland, OR and we hope many members will be traveling to Portland as delegates or interested observers. Watching the plenary session this year at Chalice will give you a taste of what GA is about and may encourage you to plan for next year.



## Chalice Builds Escondido Homes for Habitat for Humanity

This year we are going to help build homes with Habitat for Humanity right here in Escondido. We have two scheduled days: Friday, July 18 and Saturday, July 19. We'll need 15 workers each day. They need helpers of ALL skill levels and physical abilities — you don't ever need to have built anything before nor do you need to be able to do heavy lifting. They will find tasks for everyone who shows up. See the enclosed flyer, which tells you how to sign up and makes it as easy as clicking with your mouse. If you don't know how to do that, call Deb Coon at [not for public] and she'll get you signed up. Please sign up and help Chalice help our local community! Learn more about our local Habitat for Humanity's work at: <http://www.sdhfh.org>





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May 23, 2014

Beloved community,

We have some good news to share!

As you will recall, our pledge drive this year named a hope that we might increase pledging enough to fund a new half-time staff position, the Director of Congregational Life. This position would provide professional leadership in the areas of social justice and membership/volunteer coordination/leadership development (the job description is on the back side of this letter).

At our April 6 worship service, Rev. Sharon shared an additional hope for that position: that we fill it with an ordained Unitarian Universalist minister. A minister would not only bring the skills of a professional religious leader for the areas identified, but would also be able to lead worship once a month, when Rev. Sharon is not in the pulpit.

Many of you were deeply inspired by this vision of a new staff person, and our pledging for the coming year increased 10% over last year. Thank you for your generosity! But a 10% increase was insufficient to fund the half-time position, and it seemed that our dream might need to be postponed.

However, a generous congregant has stepped forward with a \$105,000 donation to fund the new position for the next three years. This will allow us to fill the position knowing that we can offer some level of stability to the person we hire. We will have a few years to continue to increase pledging in the hopes of funding the position for the long term. And we will be able to offer enough salary to pursue having someone trained in ministry fill the position.

Hiring an assistant minister for the Director of Congregational Life position is not like searching for a called and settled minister. We will not go through the elaborate search process that resulted in Rev. Sharon's call. A Hiring Task Force appointed by the Board will oversee the hiring process. Once the congregation approves the budget on June 8, a timeline and process for hiring can begin.

We hope you join us in looking forward with anticipation to this exciting new era for Chalice.

Sincerely,

Rev. Sharon ☺

Rev. Sharon Wylie  
Minister

Deborah Coon  
President, Board of Trustees

## **JOB SUMMARY**

The Director of Congregational Life helps congregants to strengthen their connections within the Chalice community and to deepen their commitment to Chalice's mission. The Director of Congregational Life is enthusiastic about meeting people and helping them to find places in our congregation and is also passionate about involving congregants in the work of seeking justice in the wider world.

## **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

- Develops and coordinates regular (at least quarterly) service or justice projects that attract multigenerational participation from within and beyond the congregation.
- Promotes Unitarian Universalist principles by ensuring the visibility of these projects in our local community, as well as in media and social media outlets (including Facebook, Youtube, Twitter, etc.).
- Builds connections in the Escondido community by representing Chalice Unitarian Universalist Congregation at meetings of interfaith justice and service groups.
- Ensures that the congregation is aware of actions and programs offered by the UU Justice Ministry, Standing on the Side of Love, and the UU Service Committee.
- Ensures that Sunday morning is a time of welcome, hospitality, and orientation to all who are present.
- Oversees the pathway by which visitors become members, including helping to maintain an accurate membership database.
- Recruits, trains, and supports volunteers in shared ministry.
- Identifies the interests of underserved or inactive members and develops and promotes new programs to meet their needs.
- Works with the minister to ensure Chalice programs nurture the spiritual lives of congregants of different generations and demographics.
- Participates in congregational and cluster leadership meetings as needed.





**Chalice Unitarian  
Universalist  
Congregation**

# **Build With Us in Escondido!**

537 North Elm Street, Escondido, CA 92025



**Friday  
July 18**

**8:15 am – 3:30 pm**

**Saturday  
July 19**

**8:15 am – 3:30 pm**

**For more information or to sign up:  
Click the link below or scan the QR code**

**<http://vhub.at/chaliceuu>**



**All volunteers must register on the website link provided prior to the build day. Directions to the property, and specific work details will be emailed to you after signing up for the shift. Volunteers break for lunch at 11:30 am for 30 minutes. Must wear close toed shoes. Tools and safety supplies will be provided.**

# **Standing on the Side of Love T-Shirts** **from the Unitarian Universalist Association**

**Order Form - Return to Deb Coon (President's mailbox) by June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

**Adult Unisex Tees \$20 each**

Size	Qty
S	
M	
L	
XL	
2X	
3X	
4X	
5X	



**Long-sleeved Tees \$25 each**

Size	Qty
S	
M	
L	
XL	
2X	

Qty Adult Unisex \_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_

Qty Long-sleeve \_\_\_\_ x \$25 = \_\_\_\_\_

Qty Woman's cut \_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_

Qty Youth tee \_\_\_\_ x \$15 = \_\_\_\_\_

**GRAND TOTAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Woman's Cut Tees \$20 each**  
 [These shirts are more fitted and run smaller than unisex tees.]

Size	Qty
S	
M	
L	
XL	
2X	

**Youth T-Shirt \$15 each**

Size	Qty
XS	
S	
M	
L	

**Payment:**

- ☐ Check Enclosed (payable to "Chalice UU Congregation")
- ☐ Cash





The Poway Interfaith Team Presents  
The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Interfaith Summer Nights

## *INTERFAITH COMPASSION*

*Come & Change Lives, Instill Hope,  
& Be a Light in the Darkness*



Thursdays, July 10- July 31, 6:45-8:30pm  
Community Church of Poway  
13501 Community Rd., Poway, CA 92064

July 10 –Speaker's (adult & youth)  
Personal Compassion Stories  
*Jewish, Christian, Hindu*

July 17 – Speaker's (adult & youth)  
Personal Compassion Stories  
*Catholic, Unification, Bahai*

July 24– Speaker's (adult & youth)  
Personal Compassion Stories  
*Christian Science, New Thought, Sikh,*

July 31 Speaker's (adult & youth)  
Personal Compassion Stories  
*Guest: Don Higginson, Mayor of Poway  
Mormon, Unitarian Universalist, Muslim*



*Fun and Compassionate Activities  
for the Whole Family!*

Enjoy: Music

Inspiring Stories

Videos

Dialogue Groups

Activities

Free Gifts

Refreshments

- Learn the Power of SOCKS!
- Carry the Compassionate Torch
- And more....

*Leave with ideas for creating a  
Compassionate Family*

**"Love and Compassion  
are necessities not luxuries.  
Without them humanity  
cannot survive."**

*-HH The Dalai Lama*

*Donations Graciously Accepted*

*Bring A Can of Food for Interfaith Community Services*

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*Consort with the followers of all religions in a spirit of friendliness and fellowship.  
To increase community awareness and understanding of different faith traditions.*

# June 2014 \*\* Chalice Calendar - Meetings & Events



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> <b>9 am &amp; 11 am Service</b> Rev. Wendy Fish, "Belonging" <b>11 am Spirit of Chalice</b> <b>3:30 pm Zen Meditation</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <i>CA Primary Election</i> <b>6 pm Taiji</b> <b>7 pm Yoga</b>	<b>4</b> <b>9 am Cracker Barrel</b> <b>10:30 am Women's</b> Meditation & Study <b>7 pm Bruno Groening</b>	<b>5</b> <b>8 am Zen Meditation</b> <b>7 pm Chancel Choir</b>	<b>6</b> <b>12 pm Coord</b> Team	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <b>9 am &amp; 11 am Service</b> Rev. Sharon Wylie "Look With Gratitude" <b>11 am Spirit of Chalice</b> <b>12 pm Congregational Mtg</b> <b>3:30 pm Zen Meditation</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>2 pm Caregiver Support</b> Group <b>6 pm Taiji</b> <b>7 pm Yoga</b> <b>7 pm Board of Trustees</b>	<b>11</b> <b>9 am Cracker Barrel</b> <b>10:30 am Women's</b> Meditation & Study <b>12:30 pm Talking &amp; Doing</b> Group	<b>12</b> <b>8 am Zen Meditation</b> <b>7 pm Ministerial Support</b> <b>7 pm Chancel Choir</b>	<b>13</b> Teen Overnight	<b>14</b> <b>10 am 2nd Saturday</b> Study Group <b>7 pm Grunion Run</b> Concert
<b>15</b> <i>Father's Day</i> <b>9 am &amp; 11 am Service</b> Rev. Sharon Wylie "Roots Hold Me Close" <b>10:15 Choir Warm up for 11</b> <b>11 am Spirit of Chalice</b> <b>1 pm Music Committee</b> <b>3:30 pm Zen Meditation</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>6 pm RE Committee</b> <b>6 pm Taiji</b> <b>7 pm Yoga</b> <b>7:15 pm Woman's Book</b> Group	<b>18</b> <b>9 am Cracker Barrel</b> <b>10:30 am Women's</b> Meditation & Study <b>7 pm Bruno Groening</b>	<b>19</b> <b>8 am Zen Meditation</b> <b>7 pm Lay Chaplains</b> <b>7 pm Calix Group</b> <b>7 pm Chancel Choir</b>	<b>20</b> <b>11:30 am Ladies</b> Out To Lunch <b>12 pm Coord</b> Team	<b>21</b> <i>Summer Solstice</i> <b>8 am RE Sunday</b> Rehearsal <b>11 am Board Retreat</b> <b>5:30 pm Child Care for</b> <b>6 pm Circle Supper</b>
<b>22</b> <b>9 am &amp; 11 am RE Sunday -</b> 9 "Where The Spirit Resides" 11 Coming of Age Service <b>10:15 am Forum : Child Protection</b> <b>11 am Spirit of Chalice</b> <b>3:30 pm Zen Meditation</b>	<b>23</b> <b>7 pm Readers'</b> Theater	<b>24</b> <b>2 pm Caregiver Support</b> Group <b>6 pm Taiji</b> <b>7 pm Yoga</b> <b>7 pm Worship Team</b>	<b>25</b> <b>9 am Cracker Barrel</b> <b>10:30 am Women's</b> Meditation & Study <b>12:30 pm Talk &amp; Do</b> <b>4:30 pm GA Opening</b> Ceremony <b>6 pm Dine-Out</b> <b>7 pm BGC Friends</b>	<b>26</b> <b>8 am Zen Meditation</b> <b>7 pm Chancel Choir</b>	<b>27</b> <b>7 pm Chalice</b> Readers	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> <b>9 am &amp; 11 am Service</b> Social Justice: "Water As A Basic Human Right" <b>11 am Spirit of Chalice</b> <b>12:15 pm Lunch &amp; Movie "Thirsty for</b> Justice" <b>3:30 pm Zen Meditation</b>	<b>30</b>					Changes are made often to the Chalice Calendar. For the most up-to-date information, including meeting locations, please refer to ChaliceUUUCongregation.org - There is a "Calendar" button at the bottom of the page., where any one can view the calendar.