



March 2018

# Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship

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A Member of the Unitarian Universalist Association

## Mar 4 ROSANNE GULISANO: **Lifestories: Create a Memoir**

Writer Rosanne Gulisano will share ideas to motivate and inspire you to organize your thoughts and write the stories of your life for future generations. Writing and speaking about memoir writing since 2002, she also has facilitated memoir workshops for libraries, ESILL programs, park district programs, clubs and churches as well as for community college classes. Ms. Gulisano is the author of seven memoirs for clients who do not wish to do the writing themselves, but want their stories told.

Introducer: Jule Moon

## Mar 11 JULIAN MCPHILLIPS:

### **Civil Rights In My Bones: More Colorful Stories from a Lawyer's Life and Work**

Julian McPhillips has earned a reputation as a determined advocate for the rights of consumers, falsely accused criminal defendants, immigrants and the environment. Having grown up in Cullman, Alabama, and attended Sewanee Military Academy, Princeton, and Columbia Law School and practiced law on Wall Street, Julian returned to Alabama in 1975 as an Assistant Attorney General. His private law practice from 1977 to date has involved significant civil rights and public interest work, which led to numerous awards from the Southern Poverty Law Center, NAACP, and other civil rights groups. McPhillips became involved in Don Siegelman's cause for principle, not pay. In 2002 he ran unsuccessfully for the Democratic nomination to challenge first-term Republican incumbent Jeff Sessions for a U.S. Senate seat in Alabama.

Introducer Dana Roberts

## Mar 18 CHARLES EARL: **The Enlightened Mr. Parkinson**

In the early 19<sup>th</sup> century only the wealthy or nobility could afford an M.D. while the common folk went to an apothecary instead of a doctor. James Parkinson, an apothecary who had studied under a noted surgeon, observed and wrote about the terrible disease that was later named after him. His work is still studied today, a testament to his keen power of observation and description. FUF member "Charlie" Earl grew up in rural western Ohio during the Great Depression. After the Navy and the GI Bill solved his money problems, he graduated from Bluffton College and taught history and math. A graduate degree from Miami University allowed him to become a high school counselor. After thirty-six years in education, he retired in 1990.

Introducer: Helen Earl

## Mar 25 TAMLIN ALLBRITTON: **Art and Diversity in Fairhope**

Art is a universal language and a powerful tool in discovering more about yourself and others. Using the *Beyond Art* curriculum, developed specifically by Tamlin Allbritton to help art students engage with others who are different from them, a pilot study occurred this summer in Fairhope to see if creativity will bring together people of different religions, family upbringing, socioeconomic status, race, etc. The measurable outcomes were significant. *Beyond Art* is Allbritton's workbook to help facilitators teach classes in their own family or community...and make a difference. An expressive Art Specialist for more than twenty years, she has worked with brain-injured patients, eating disorder clients, military veterans, at-risk children, families, and couples, and believes that art is a way to express genuine thoughts and ideas, when words are not enough.

Introducer: Jane Finger

## SUNDAY SERVICE 11:00 AM

MUSIC PRELUDE BEGINS 10:45 AM

All visitors are warmly invited to participate as our guests.

Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship welcomes and embraces people of any age, race, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, ability, language, or cultural background.

TED discussion group 9:45 am. Current Events discussion group 10:15 am

Teens' Fellowship 10:00 – 11:00 am. Children's Fellowship 11:00 – 12:00 pm

Spirit Enrichment Group 5:00 – 6:00 pm

Last Sunday of the Month Potluck: Bring a dish and join us for fellowship and conversation. Mar 25, 12:15 pm

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## MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP BUSINESS

### February Board Meeting HIGHLIGHTS

Saturday, February 13, 2018

- Addressed a concern regarding the description of FUF on the website [joinmychurch.org](http://joinmychurch.org).
- There are two volunteers for the Chair of Membership committee. Publicity also still lacks a chair.
- *Fairhope Courier* “Upcoming Events”, listed each Friday, and *Natural Awakenings*, a monthly magazine, were suggested as additions for publicity.
- Don Seigelman, the subject of the film and potluck meeting to be held February 25th, is planning to attend in person.
- Approved unanimously a motion to match donations to the FUF Scholarship up to 10,000.\*

*Submitted by Sheena Patrick, Recording Secretary*

### March Board Meeting AGENDA

Saturday, Mar 10, 2018, 1:00 p.m.



1. Approve February 2018 Board meeting minutes
2. Treasurer's Report
3. OLD BUSINESS
4. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Publicity Committee
  - B. Membership Committee
  - C. Welcoming Committee
  - D. Building Committee
  - E. Program Committee
  - F. Education – FUF UU

To add agenda items, please promptly notify Keith Ward or Ray Ables. Board meetings are open to all friends and members.

*Submitted by Keith Ward, Chair*

\*The Board at its February meeting approved unanimously a motion to match donations up to \$10,000 to the Scholarship Fund. The matching money will come from the Endowment Fund. This Fund of \$25,000 was set aside after the building was completed to support worthy FUF activities, such as scholarships and charities. The idea of matching the donations is to create a perpetual fund which can over time grant scholarships from the interest money the fund earns.

*Submitted by Michael Patrick, Board Member-at-Large*

### Financial Summary

	January	Actual YTD	Budgeted YTD	Surplus/ (Deficit)
<b>Support and Revenue</b>				
Contributions	3,351	3,351	4,167	(816)
Other Revenue	284	284	614	(330)
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<b>3,635</b>	<b>3,635</b>	<b>4,781</b>	<b>(1,146)</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Building	2,382	2,382	3,096	714
Committees	906	906	1,404	498
Donations	0	0	281	281
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>3,288</b>	<b>3,288</b>	<b>4,781</b>	<b>1,493</b>
<b>Net Operating Increase/(Decrease)</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>347</b>

## SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE



### Great Fundraising News!



After the total collected for Guest at Your Table was announced at Fellowship, more donations were handed in. The total donation sent to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee to support human rights projects was \$525.75. This is the highest amount collected in many years!

In addition, an anonymous donor in our fellowship agreed to match \$426 of the amount collected as a donation to the FUF Nursing Scholarship at Coastal Alabama Community College. That's almost enough for the \$500 scholarship we send to the College each trimester (and have been sending for more than 10 years.) If you would like to contribute to the Nursing Scholarship, denote "Nursing Scholarship" on the memo line of your check. Every donation helps.

Watch this space for information on this year's upcoming fundraiser, the Second FAVORITE FURRY FRIEND Contest.



### March Macaroni Madness

March is Macaroni Madness Month! We will continue to collect pasta items, pasta sauce, and other non-perishable items to serve with pasta in April to donate to Ecumenical Ministry's food pantry.

*Submitted by Lynne Switzky*



Harvey Switzky, Chair  
Brisa Ables  
Kathleen Fendelman  
Angela Flowers

Social Action Committee Members  
Serena Low  
Mary Matthews  
Heart McQueen  
Vivian McMurry  
Jeanine Normand  
Eloise Rogers  
Freya Sonenstein  
Sharon Spielman

Lynne Switzky

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Art Exhibit Opening Reception

Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3 – 5pm



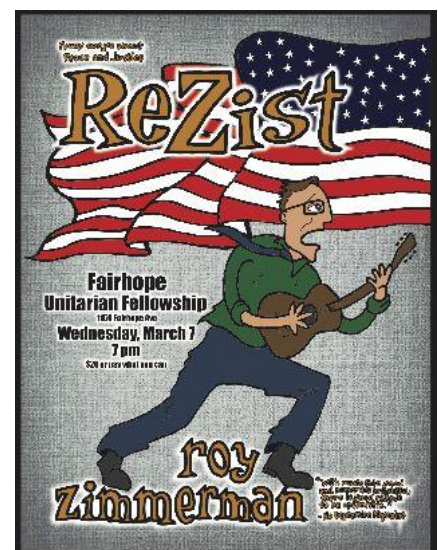
The exhibit will feature the photography of the Eastern Shore Camera Club.

Come join the fun and meet our local photography "shutter bugs".

*Submitted by Melinda Hicks, Chair*

### Concert

Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm



## FUF ACTIVITY DETAILS

### SPIRIT ENRICHMENT GROUP

Each service is a conventional UU Service with prelude, chalice lighting, a reading, inspiring music, meditation and a prayer from the UU hymnal acknowledging human suffering in the congregation and in the world. A video presentation of a thought-provoking sermon by a UU minister follows on topics such as compassion, kindness, love, atonement, life purpose, beauty, spirituality, UU history, and theology. A closing UU hymn precedes the chalice being extinguished.

#### February Programs – 5:00 pm

- Mar. 4 “Prophetic Women”, Rev. Barbara Prose, All Souls Unitarian, Tulsa, OK  
Mar. 11 “A UU Salvation Story”, Gracia Walker Basham, Williamsburg UU, VA.  
Mar. 18 “Star Wars Theology” Rev. Barbara Prose, All Souls Unitarian, Tulsa, OK  
Mar. 25 “An Evangelical Christian and a Unitarian Universalist on a Plane”, Rev. Tandi Rogers, UUA Growth Strategist.

### SUNDAY TED DISCUSSION

The “TED Talk Discussion Group” meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 sharp in the room adjacent to the Children’s Classroom. Often moderated, the group chooses among several suggested TED Talks and other short videos on a wide variety of topics. After the Group watches the video, an interesting discussion often follows. All ideas are welcome.

### FUNCTIONAL LIFESTYLE YOGA CLASS

FLY meets at 6:00 pm every Wednesday except the first one of the month. Specifically tailored toward “functional fitness”, this class also incorporates principles of yoga. “Functional fitness” refers to the ability to maintain independence and reduce risk of injury or accident due to diminished or dysfunctional physical capabilities of the activities performed for daily living. The class is designed around the fitness levels of the participants and all are welcome. (Please bring a yoga mat and towel.) There is no charge but donations will be accepted gratefully to help cover the cost of opening the facility during these hours.

#### SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wednesday at 5:00 pm is the deadline for information to be included in the weekly bulletin. Submit to Mary Matthews.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Regularly Scheduled Events

#### Sundays

- 9:45–10:45 TED Discussion Group (Please be on time)  
10:00 – 11:00 Teen’s Fellowship  
10:15 Current Events Discussion Group  
10:45 Pre-program Music  
11:00 Sunday Program  
11:00 Children’s Fellowship  
5:00 – 6:00 Spirit Enrichment Group  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: Environmental Action Committee, 12:20  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Social Action Committee, 12:20  
Last Sunday of every month: Pot Luck Lunch, 12:15

#### Tuesdays

- 3:30 – 4:30 Choir Practice

#### Wednesdays

- 3:00 UU Coffee Plus  
3:00 – 4:30 Back Porch Folk Singers Practice  
4:30 – 5:45 Meditation/ Discussion  
5:00 Weekly Bulletin Deadline  
6:00 – 7:00 Functional Lifestyle Yoga (Except Mar 7)

### Other Events

- Sat, Mar 3:** Art Exhibit Opening Reception, 3-5 pm  
**Tue, Mar 6:** Memoir Workshop, 9:30 am  
**Wed, Mar 7:** Roy Zimmerman Concert,  
**Sat, Mar 10:** FUF Board meeting, 1:00 pm  
Game night, 6:30 pm  
**Thu, Mar 8:** Nonfiction Book Group, 9:30 am  
**Sun, Mar 11:** Environmental Action Committee, 12:20  
**Tue, Mar 13:** Memoir Workshop, 9:30 am  
**Sun, Mar 18:** Social Action Committee, 12:20 pm  
**Tues, Mar 20:** April Newsletter deadline, 5:00 pm  
**Thu, Mar 22:** Nonfiction Book Group, 9:30 am  
**Sat, Mar 24:** Game night, 6:30 pm

### NEWSLETTER

Submit calendar events or articles specific to the Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship by the date noted in the newsletter calendar section. For events, please include all pertinent information. Members and Friends are invited to submit poems, quotations or other brief words of wisdom to be published as space allows.

Provide written copy or email,

“FUF Newsletter” Subject ln, to [Janef09@gmail.com](mailto:Janef09@gmail.com)

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