



June 2018

Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship

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Jun 3 FUF MEMBER PANEL: Words of Wisdom From Our Elder-“est”

Centenarian Ottilie Halstead, Nonagenarian Jule Moon, and “almost there” Prad Mather and Helen Garrett will address questions asked by Introducer Jane Finger such as “What advice would you like to have gotten when you were younger?” “What do you like about being your age?” “What is something you would do differently if you could have a do-over?”

Introducer: Jane Finger

Jun 10 HANH HUA: To Promise Happiness: The Hua Family’s Journey to Mobile, Alabama

Last September, Hanh Hua’s family celebrated their 25th year living in the U.S. One of their daughters, Hanh, will describe the 1992 journey of how the Hua family made Mobile its home base after many attempts to emigrate to the U.S. from Vietnam. A graduate of Murphy High School and Boston University, Hanh worked in international health as a malaria program officer in Hanoi, Vietnam, with the Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI), a part of the Clinton Foundation. Now living in Daphne she is a realtor at Bellator Real Estate & Development and, in her spare time, serves as the secretary of the Baldwin County Democratic Executive Committee and the secretary of 2018 – 2019 Azalea Trail Maids for the Mobile Jaycees. Hanh strives to revitalize and build community in her role as a realtor and enthusiastically promotes civic engagement as a basic duty of being American and the reason her family came to America.

Introducer: Ken Hudson

Jun 17 PAT CASSADY, HELEN GARRETT, ANNE ARMSTRONG, RIVA FRALICK, DEL ARMSTRONG: About Our Fathers

Back by popular demand, our Father’s Day program will be consist of several FUF members each presenting a short remembrance of their own fathers.

Introducer: Jane Finger

Jun 24 THERESA LACY: Plants Used by Native Americans--Medicine and More

Author and freelance journalist Theresa Lacey will describe and discuss indigenous plants and how we use them today. A writer since she was old enough to hold a pencil, Lacey has now published more than seventeen books and contributed to roughly twenty others. The latter anthologies include the New York Times Bestselling *Chicken Soup for the Soul* series and her 800+ stories and articles have appeared in such notables as *Southern Living*, *Vanderbilt Magazine*, and *Good Housekeeping*. One of her Chicken Soup FTS stories was featured on “Good Morning America” in April 2016.

Introducer: Rodney Hoffman

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

Children’s Fellowship 11:00 – 12:00 pm

(Evening Program will not meet June – August)

Last Sunday of the Month Potluck: Bring a dish and join us for fellowship and conversation. June 24, 12:15 pm

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MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP BUSINESS

May Board Meeting HIGHLIGHTS

Saturday, May 12, 2018



- Beginning in January, financial contributions made at the Sunday Service have been negatively affected by lower attendance. Spring yard sale revenue also decreased.
- The endowment fund will match scholarship donations until they reach \$20,000.
- Lucy Mercer, chair of publicity, wrote an excellent article on FUF that was published in the *Baldwin Times*.
- Katya Grineva, piano soloist, will play at the Sunday service on July 1. (See insert for details of her second FUF concert.)
- The Irish band Brock McGuire, which has also played previously at FUF, will be invited to return for another concert in October.

- Tomm Johnson will assist Phil Strniste with building maintenance.
- New Grounds Chair is Anne Armstrong.
- Kate Mercer will attend the hall bulletin board.

Submitted by Sheena Patrick, Recording Secretary

June Board Meeting AGENDA

Saturday, June 9, 2018, 1:00 p.m.

1. Approve May 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

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

Financial Summary

	April	Actual YTD	Budgeted YTD	Surplus/ (Deficit)
Support and Revenue				
Contributions	3,702	13,338	16,667	(3,329)
Other Revenue	604	1,326	2,458	(1,132)
Total Support and Revenue	4,306	14,664	19,125	(4,461)
Expenses				
Building	2,583	10,261	12,383	2,122
Committees	1,451	4,725	5,617	892
Donations	550	876	1,125	249
Total Expenses	4,584	15,862	19,125	3,263
Net Operating Increase/(Decrease)	(278)	(1,198)	0	(1,198)

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Donation Basket Needs for Summer

During June we will continue to collect snacks for children who are out of school for the summer. In July and August we will be collecting school supplies, so watch for sales in local stores.

Fantastic Furry Friends

We postponed judging the Fantastic Furry Friends Contest because we have not received enough entries. Please send your entries (picture of your cats or dogs) with \$15 to Mary Matthews by June 15. The dates for voting are TBA. Mabel, a winner of the last contest, says “This contest is fun and no animal is harmed by the contest!”

Nursing Student Scholarship

All money raised will replenish the FUF Scholarship Fund for a student in the nursing program at Coastal Alabama Community College. The Fund has been helping needy students since 2004.

PREVIOUS PROGRAM

May 20 Flower Sharing

Thanks to Irene Wegner FUF’s first presentation of the Unitarian Universalist “Flower Communion” occurred during the May 20 Sunday morning program. Flowers brought by most attending, as well as those beautifully made by the Children and Teen classes, were gathered and placed on a table in front. After an explanation of the origin and almost seventy-year history of this program, the children and teens put all the flowers into baskets, which they passed throughout the congregation. From the baskets, members chose a flower to keep that was different from the one they each brought. The myriad combination and selection of flowers represents the ideals of the diversity, acceptance, and brotherhood of all humanity.



FUF ACTIVITY DETAILS



SUNDAY EVENING PROGRAM

The Sunday Evening Program will not meet during June, July and August.

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.

NON-FICTION BOOK GROUP

Just over ten years ago the late Ed Lawrence, then the highly respected president of the FUF, asked Charlie Earl to form a Non-Fiction Book Group. From the start individualism and consensus dominated its practice. Unlike most book groups, its members do not all read the same book or author. Instead each reads and reports on whatever he or she is reading at the time. Usually it can be a book, but may be a pithy article or pamphlet. Participants summarize their reading in ten minutes or so, before general discussion. History, biography, economics, and current politics are favorite topics, but nothing is banned, except fiction.

The group meets at 9:30 every other Thursday morning in the FUF office unless public holidays clash. After a couple of hours someone will mention lunch. The hungry convivial will then adjourn to a local café chosen by consensus.

Despite its negative name, newcomers joining the Non-Fiction Book Group could have a positive experience.

Submitted by Robin Fabel

GAME NIGHT

A great way to meet Fellowship members and friends, Game Night meets the second and fourth Saturday of each month at 6:30 p.m. We have a variety of board and card games, and new games are always welcome. New players are invited to learn a game or share one they know. For information contact Pam Perkins – perkinsp947@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Regularly Scheduled Events

Sundays

9:45–10:45 TED Discussion Group (Please be on time)
10:15 Current Events Discussion Group
10:45 Pre-program Music
11:00 Sunday Service
11:00 Children's Fellowship
2nd Sunday: Environmental Action Committee, 12:20
3rd Sunday: Social Action Committee, 12:20
Last Sunday of every month: Pot Luck Lunch, 12:15

Wednesdays

3:00 – 4:30 Back Porch Folk Singers Practice
5:00 Weekly Bulletin Deadline
6:00 – 7:00 Functional Lifestyle Yoga (Except Jun 6)

Other Events

Tue Jun 5: Primary Election – VOTE!

Thu Jun 7: Non-Fiction Book Group, 9:30 am

Sat, Jun 9: FUF Board meeting, 1:00 pm
Game night, 6:30 pm

Sun, Jun 10: Environmental Action Committee, 12:20

Sun, Jun 17: Social Action Committee, 12:20 pm

 **July Newsletter deadline, 5:00 pm**

Thu Jun 21: Non-Fiction Book Group, 9:30 am

Sat, Jun 23: Game night, 6:30 pm

Fri, Jun 29: Katya Grineva

Piano Concert,



6:30 pm

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

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

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.

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