

# UUTC UPDATE

APRIL 20TH, 2018



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNTY

A WELCOMING CONGREGATION

## QUIET REVOLUTION IN A SLASH & BURN WORLD

Susan Sklar

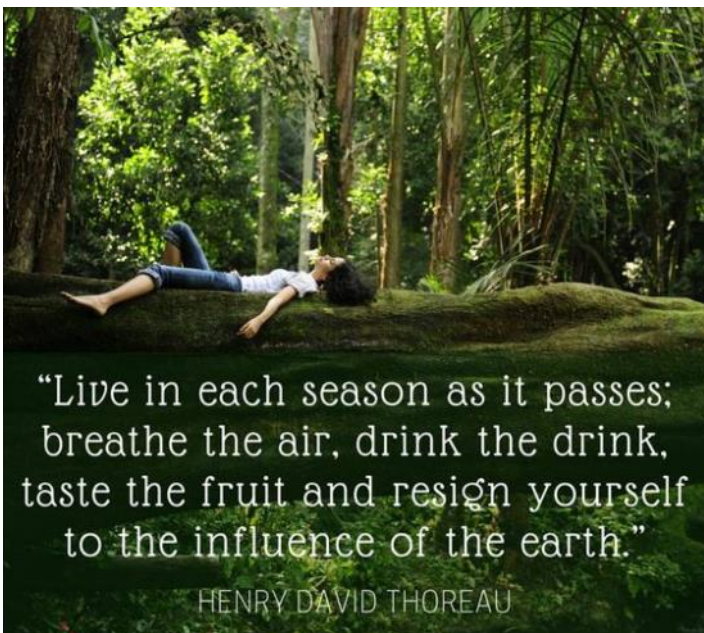
Sunday, April 22nd at **9:15am** and **11:00am**

My sermon begins with a personal #MeToo story and describes how my work as an advocate for Mother Nature led me to a workable life. It ends by recognizing the deep importance of UUTC's dedication to Social Justice. *Note: This sermon will not be recorded.*

*Join us for coffee at 10:30am!*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR — BUDGET FORUMS

Our Budget Forums are where you have the opportunity to review and gain clarity on how your pledges are spent in the furthering of UUTC's Mission. Please take advantage of one of these two meeting times to have your questions answered—this goes a long way towards keeping our Annual Congregational Meeting both relevant and brief! The first Forum is **Thursday, May 3rd at 6:00pm**. The second meeting is **Saturday, May 5th at 2:00pm**. Hope to see you there!



“Live in each season as it passes;  
breathe the air, drink the drink,  
taste the fruit and resign yourself  
to the influence of the earth.”

HENRY DAVID THOREAU

## COMING UP at UUTC

Admin out of the Office: Apr 23rd —27th

**Muffins with the Minister — Mon 4/23 @ 10**

**Sikhism Class — Mon 4/23 @ 5:30pm**

Men's Group — Tues 4/ 24@ 9am

Board Meeting — Tues 4/24 @ 5:00pm

SMART Recovery — Tues 4/24 @ 6pm

Eclectics — Wed 4/25 @ 9:30am

Sierra Club — Thurs 4/26 @ 6:30

## GROUNDS WORK DAY • SATURDAY, APRIL 21ST

Mark your calendar to help tidy up after winter! You do not have to be a member of the Facilities Team to help out. Bring rakes, pruning saws, pruning snips, backhoes (just kidding)... whatever tools you like to use. A couple pole saws would be helpful. There is lots to do, and the more folks come help, the more fun it will be. The day starts at 9:00am, we will wrap up at noon and there WILL be coffee!



### NEXT PRESIDENT ELECT? NEXT TREASURER? LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

Your Nominating Committee has been working hard since early February but has not found the right person for President Elect or Treasurer 2018-2019. Are you the one who can grow into either position?

The key word is **grow**. *We will have your back.*

**President Elect:** Listen, Learn, help make decisions, and be a candidate for President in 2019-2020. Think of this as a “good judgement” position for someone who enjoys working with others in a covenantal group. The hard work of the interim period is over.

**Treasurer:** Feels scary, but mostly requires schedule flexibility and a willingness to look at spreadsheets. Usually served as three consecutive one-year terms. Management skills a plus. Prepare to be invaluable to our bookkeeper, Finance Committee and Stewardship Team. Free training time with Dave Roberts in June and July!

Work with (and enjoy!) rising **President, Peter Mockridge** and continuing **Board At-Large members—Cantey Carpenter and Brigid Fox**, in addition to our other new candidates. Let your Light Shine by contacting **Bart Renner** at 317-608-7342, **Virginia MacDonald** at 828-862-6505 or **Susan Slocum** (assisting Peg Hall) at 828-708-0322. **The Board meets on Tuesday, Apr. 24th to approve a ballot for the Annual Meeting, May 20th. The Nominations Committee would love to present them with a complete slate. Call today!**

## COMING APRIL 29TH — OPAL STRING QUARTET

The Opal String Quartet will share with us Beethoven's monumental Quartet in C# minor, opus 131. For the better part of a year, the quartet has been studying this piece, one of the composer's last and most experimental works. The work is performed in seven continuous movements without pause. The piece (featured in the film *The Late Quartet* starring Philip Seymour Hoffmann and Christopher Walken) begins with a brooding fugue and blooms into soaring melodies, an expansive theme and variations, a quirky, satirical scherzo, and a ferocious finale.



For more information or to register for reserved seating, go to our [website!](#)



## SAFE GETS THE BIG CHECK

S.A.F.E. extends a big thank you to all who contributed to the Big Check in March! Your gifts totaled \$1590. Remember to make your Social Action checks out to UUTC with the agency's name on the memo line. Thank you!

## A SERVICE TO REMEMBER

Friday the 13th is now a beautiful part of UUTC's history. To help us all remember and celebrate, a photo blog of the event has gone up on UUTC's website.

Visit our Blog [here](#), and enjoy! When you arrive on the page, just click the image to start cruising through the pictures. A wonderful evening to revisit!



## "BREVARD CARES" Community Cleanup: Saturday, April 28th, 8:00 AM to noon

Please consider participating in community cleanup projects for "Brevard Cares" on Saturday, April 28th, beginning after an 8:00 AM snack at the Police Station, 114 W. Jordan Street. This is the eighth annual Community Cleanup. In the past there have been projects to help clean up our parks, trails, cemeteries, and deserving agencies such as Stacy's House. Help represent UUTC as we join in with other local churches, youth groups and civic organizations in this worthy effort.



Frequently, **people say that they would like to participate in local social action beyond writing a monthly check to deserving agencies.** **Here's your chance:** The City of Brevard Police Department is organizing this outdoor property cleanup for the elderly and those who need assistance. With enough people volunteering from UUTC, we would like to focus on projects helping our members, friends and neighbors. If you know of someone who could use some help in cleaning up around their home – yardwork and spring cleaning – please let us know.

Please bring sunscreen, gloves, rakes, shovels, tree trimmers, wheelbarrows and yourself! Dress appropriately for being outside. Families are welcome!

Mark the date on your calendar and sign up on the list on the counter.

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy or Phil Davis at 877-4555



## SANDWICH SUNDAY! NEXT WEEK!

**Next week** is Sandwich Sunday! Bring a sandwich and something to share and stay after the second service for lunch with the crew. Added benefit: spending time with terrific people. Bring fruit, veggies, chips, dip or other finger foods to share. Donations appreciated to offset the cost.

Sandwich Sunday meets in the Social Hall (or outside if the weather is delightful) and is a true highlight of the month for many. Come enjoy!

## MEET NEW MEMBERS JC & ELAINE!

Janice (JC) Canon and Elaine Shaver have been married for 33 years and have 6 four-legged children. They moved here from Denver, CO for retirement/semi-retirement. Janice's work was in psychotherapy and Elaine's was in accounting.



They share talent and interest in music and singing and share that with UUTC in our choir and as a duo. **Their next duet is this Sunday!** Reasons for joining UUTC are John Austin, the choir, freedom to worship without dogma, and an accepting congregation.

Other interests for JC are art and photography while Elaine enjoys reading and gardening. They have also been spotted at Fellowship on Tap at Quixote's!

They both participated in the New Member Welcoming Events of April 8<sup>th</sup> and were pleased to be so welcomed. Look for them at a Social Circle Dinner in April, May or June!



## THE LIGHT I CARRY • SUUSI 2018 • WCU

This year's Southeast Unitarian-Universalist Summer Institute (SUUSI) catalog has been released and is ready for download at [suusi.org](http://suusi.org).

SUUSI will be held from July 15-21 on the Western Carolina University campus in Cullowhee, NC, in the heart of the Smoky Mountains. The catalog lists hundreds of workshops, nature trips, and sports & games activities available, as well as this year's lineup of worship leaders and concert hour musicians.

Many people prefer the electronic version of the catalog, but if you'd prefer a Kindle version or paper copy, [you can order one through Amazon for \\$11](#). Both the electronic and the paper catalog are full of glorious color pictures of SUUSI at its best.

Registration will open on April 1, 2018 at 7pm. **Be sure to register by May 23 to receive \$50 off the registration fee for *each member* of your family group.**

Questions about registration? Contact our registrar, Connie Moore, at [registration@suusi.org](mailto:registration@suusi.org). Coming to SUUSI for the first time? Our newcomer coordinator, Dianna MacPherson, would love to hear from you and answer your questions. Contact her at [newcomers@suusi.org](mailto:newcomers@suusi.org).

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## IF YOU ARE A MEMBER, THE BEST DIRECTORY IS ON YOUR SMARTPHONE



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Contact Directories are really important for us all to stay connected. But did you know that the **ChurchLife** app is available to Members? It is easy to use and is the most up-to-date resource for reaching other Members and Friends of UUTC.

You can download and install the app from either Google Play or the Apple App Store. **Before you can use it, however, you will need a password from our ACS database.**

**To get that password, go to our Member page on the website:** <http://uutc.org/member/>, scroll down to the red "ACS" logo and click on it. It will direct you to the ACS

login/get a password page. On that page, **look below the login** box for "Need a Password," and enter your email there. This will connect you to ACS and they will email you with a way to select a password to use with the **ChurchLife** app.

*If you do not receive an email from Access ACS/UUTC within a few hours, and you use Comporium email, call Comporium Tech Support and ask them to release this email from your Spam folder. Since the email does not look like our "usual," they assume that it's bad stuff and are trying to protect you. They will ask you to verify the last four digits of your SSN to make sure you are you, and they can fix this very quickly. Then you can complete the password process and start connecting!*

## CREATING THE CAPACITY TO SERVE — A SOCIAL ACTION ARMY

Social Action is gearing up and we need YOUR help to meet our UU commitments. When we looked at what we had already done this year – and took a closer look at a jam packed April – we decided to recruit a cadre of potential volunteers whom we could contact to cook or donate food for the many needs we are asked to facilitate. This month of April, for example, we are responsible for food deliveries to The Haven and to Sharing House's "Get Ahead" program. If you're interested, sign up on the sheet at the front desk or email Susan Zelle ([swzelle@yahoo.com](mailto:swzelle@yahoo.com)). Your name will be put on an email list that our SA organizers could reach out to for help. If you prefer to be contacted by phone rather than email, we are glad to do that as well.

## **UUTC BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA**

**April 24, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.**

**04/17/18 Member Count - 178; Friend Count - 72**

<b>Welcome</b>	Carol
<b>Opening Words</b>	Cantey
<b>Approval of March Minutes</b>	Kay
<b>Approval of Email Votes</b>	Kay
<b>Standing Updates</b>	
Minister's Report	Rev. Ilene
Treasurer's Report	Dave
Administration Committee	Peter (Liaison)
Finance Committee	Alison Marlett
Property Committee	Margaret Kimble
Advisory Council	Leslie Keir
<b>Old Business</b>	
Nominating Committee Update	Susan Slocum
#52 Varsity Update	
<b>Board Calendar Review</b>	Kay
<b>New Business</b>	
Sponsored Projects Priorities	
Oxford House Discussion	
<b>Adjourn</b>	

***Board Budget Forums: May 3 at 6:00 p.m. and May 5 at 2:00 p.m.***

*Next Board Meeting: May 22 at 5:00 p.m.*



## GLOBAL ART PROJECT FOR PEACE

*Katherine Somelofski*

**FLASH** - UUTC's contribution to the 2018 Global Art Project for Peace will be winging its way to BULGARIA on Monday April 23! That means ALL remaining contributions for our book of Visions of Global Peace need to be turned in by noon on SUNDAY, April 22.

The goal now is to add pages to the book

started by our 4-12 year-olds. Your vision can take on any form that fits on a page for the book - put your vision in a statement, write a poem, draw a picture, create a collage, ANYTHING WORKS. It's your vision of Global Peace. Place your submission with the book by the nametag boxes in the lobby.

**We'll be receiving a piece of art from the group in Bulgaria with whom we were matched.** When it arrives, it will be displayed for all to see.

Just think, thousands of visions of Global Peace circling the world at the same time. BE A PART OF THE ENERGY OF OUR BELIEFS SURROUNDING THE GLOBE!

If you would like to learn more about The Global Art Project for Peace, check out [www.globalartproject.org](http://www.globalartproject.org). Over 145,000 people on seven continents have already participated since 1994. Won't you join us in 2018?!

### WEEKEND FOOD FOR THE HAVEN

Please help the homeless residents of The Haven by providing weekend meal items (either cooked at home or purchased) on **Friday, May 11th**.

Contact Sue Null for more details, 828-877-2550. Sign up at the front counter and many thanks for your assistance.

### 5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION

UUTC will be collecting food for Sharing House at the end of the month. **Baskets will be available in the lobby for your donations April 22 and 29.** Please take with you a list of most needed items from the basket on the counter.

The non-food items most needed by Sharing House are diapers, laundry detergent, tampons, toilet paper, and paper towels. These items cannot be purchased with food stamps.



## SOCIAL ACTION AGENCY FOR APRIL — CHILDREN’S CENTER



The Children's Center of Transylvania County (CCTC) grew out of concern of a group of local community members who felt that abused children should be represented by an organization whose sole function was to advocate for these children.

CCTC conducts the “Baby, Think It Over” program, the Nurturing Program, and others. The Nurturing Program matches trained volunteers and mentors to provide skills to help manage children without turning to violent methods.

Want to lend a hand? Ana Sandin volunteers at the Children’s Center Emporium. Ask her about her experience! The Emporium is one way that CCTC raises funds for these programs.

You may scan the image above with your phone camera and make a donation today.



## 2017-2018 SPONSORED PROJECTS—WHAT WE’VE ACCOMPLISHED

With a couple months left to go, we’ve already met some major goals for the year. Three large projects are under our belts—rehabbing the nursery with new flooring and shelving, installation of the table closet, and replacement of the vast majority of our lighting with LED fixtures.

	Expenditures	Estimated	Actual
Nursery - Recessed shelving		-\$850.00	-\$810.78
Nursery Flooring		-\$1,386.70	-\$1,537.04
Book racks for 22 Choir chairs		-\$75.00	-\$111.00
second headset mic [under assessment--system difficulties]		-\$600.00	
microphone for choir		-\$700.00	-\$598.99
Vestibule: electrical/lighting		-\$434.00	-\$383.00
Vestibule: flooring		-\$1,100.00	-\$1,096.34
Teal Hymnal, 14 copies		-\$230.00	\$227.60
Glass Magnetic whiteboard for small classroom, 8'x4'		-\$700.00	
Peace Pole + lighting		-\$950.00	
LED lighting, S.H., foyer, ofcs, clsrms, nursery		-\$4,671.55	-\$3,461.80
LED lighting, dimmers, occupancy sensor			-\$395.40
LED lighting -- additional row in Choir area		-\$425.00	
Table closet in social hall w/sliding door		-\$1,600.00	-\$1,561.19
Complete sanctuary paint job (including all drywall repair)		-\$4,750.00	
Removal of 21 white pines		-\$1,925.00	
replacement PPA hearing assists (1)		-\$100.00	-\$111.00
Memorial Garden commemoration expansion--tree		-\$1,334.00	
fireproof file cabinets 4 drawer & 2 drawer		-\$2,000.00	
Choir blinds [awaiting bid--Aesthetics selection complete]			

From the list on the left, you can see, in purple, completed projects. In green are items that Teams voted for at our April Team Meeting night.

Red text indicates items needing further “work” before completion, and bold print (Memorial Garden work) has some votes, but needs input from the Board.

Sponsored Projects are not covered by pledges, which go directly to the Operating Fund. Funds for Sponsored Projects are discretionary contributions made outside or in addition to pledges.

# THE “YOU” IN UUTC SOCIAL ACTION

## BREVARD CARES

This annual event is a great way to be of service. Last year we had the largest group to participate! Yard or trail cleanup are common chores. Check the bulletin board and front counter for more information! **Event takes place April 28th.**

## WEEKEND FOOD FOR THE HAVEN

**Help the residents of The Haven by providing weekend meal components on Friday, May 11th.** Donations should be delivered to the Haven (Behind Bread of Life) between 3:00 & 5:00pm. Contact Virginia MacDonald for more details (828-862-6505). Sign up at the front counter, and thanks!

## AAUW BOOK DRIVE

The AAUW Book Drive raises funds for scholarships for women who attend our local colleges. Declutter your bookcases, and bring your finds to the yellow box in the foyer! If you have a large number of books and need them to be picked up, call Penny Davies at 828-966-9393.

## PACK THE PANTRY—SHARING HOUSE

Coming **May 19th** is the biannual event where our community is encouraged to help load the larder for Sharing House. Join us at Food Lion to hand out shopping lists and encourage folks to make a contribution to meeting the needs of our neighbors. Sign up sheet available soon!

## Inclusive. Intentional. INVOLVED.

*Our Mission, as a welcoming, inclusive community acting from love, compassion and respect is:*

*To support individual spiritual journeys and  
To promote social, economic and  
environmental justice.*



Latest UUA Southern Region Newsletter [HERE!](#)

SOUTHERN REGION



## KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING!!!

**VIEW** our “insider” [church calendar](#). For previous issues of the UUTC Update, click [HERE](#).

**SEND** news for this newsletter by 10:00am on Wednesdays.

## CONTACT US

**Need Pastoral Care? Call Rev. Ilene at (877) 510-5603.**

**Church office hours** are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until noon and by appointment. The church telephone number is **828-877-6121**. **Our mailing address** is UUTC, PO Box 918, Brevard, NC 28712. Our website is [www.uutc.org](http://www.uutc.org). Our church is located at the corner of Varsity Street and South Broad Street in Brevard. Our email address is [admin@uutc.org](mailto:admin@uutc.org).