



# OUUF Weekly Update

An Inclusive Community

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December 8, 2019

## Upcoming Sunday Service

### Sunday, December 8

Please join us for coffee and snacks after the service.

### CANCELLED: Choir Practice, 9:30am

Contact: Joel Yelland at [joelyelland@gmail.com](mailto:joelyelland@gmail.com)

Congregational Meeting, 11:30am

Indivisible Sequim, 2:00pm

### Monday, December 9

#### Dance Exercise for

Parkinson's Disease, 10:15am  
Contact: Marsha Melnick, (360) 683 - 5712

### Religious Exploration Committee, 11:00am

Location: Home of Catharine Covert

### Tuesday, December 10

The Brunch - Lunch Bunch, 11:00pm

Location: Mariner Café, Penney's Shopping Center, Sequim

Contact: Rose Prestipino, [roseprestipino@gmail.com](mailto:roseprestipino@gmail.com)

### Choir Practice, 3:00

Contact: Joel Yelland at [joelyelland@gmail.com](mailto:joelyelland@gmail.com)

### Wednesday, December 11

#### Dance Exercise for

Parkinson's Disease, 10:15am  
Contact: Marsha Melnick, (360) 683 - 5712

### All Things Considered, Women's Evening Group,

7: 00pm, Member's Home  
Contact: Jean Stratton (360) 452-6719, [jeanmstratton@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmstratton@gmail.com)

### Men's Evening Group,

7:00pm, Member's Home  
Contact: George Stratton (360) 452-6719

### Thursday, December 12

Reflections Women's Group, newcomers welcome (scent-free)

Contact: Seri Mylchreest, [Serena@mylchreest.com](mailto:Serena@mylchreest.com)

### Sunday, December 15

Choir Practice, 9:30pm  
Contact: Joel Yelland at [joelyelland@gmail.com](mailto:joelyelland@gmail.com)

### OUUF

Potluck, 11:30am - 12:30pm. Please include written ingredient information with your dish.

OUUF Board of Trustees Meeting, 12:15pm



### Sunday, December 8

**Speaker:** Joseph Bednarik

**Sermon:** Sparking Joy, Delicate Light, Huge Darkness

**Description:** The winter holidays incorporate lights of all kinds, from menorah candles and the eastern star to New Year's sparklers and solstice bonfires. This sermon

explores the myriad lights of the holiday season, especially the light inside us all.

**Bio:** Joseph Bednarik serves as the Co-Publisher of Copper Canyon Press, a nonprofit literary publisher dedicated to poetry. He studied philosophy at Haverford College and speaks regularly at Unitarian-Universalist congregations in the Puget Sound region.



### Sunday, December 15

**Speaker:** Margo Reinhart

**Sermon:** The Bhavagad Gita-The Song of the Lord

**Description:** This message is based on the Bhavagad Gita which is a Hindu text revealed to the Hindu people in December 2000 years ago. In

the text the young warrior, Arjuna becomes despondent over the prospect of battle and has a long discussion with Lord Krishna who serves as his charioteer on compassion, duty, action, and renunciation.

**Bio:** Margo Rinehart has been a Unitarian universalist for over twenty years and recently earned her Master's in Divinity from Seattle University. She lives in Silverdale with her family, including her new cat, Chloe. Her sermon will help us wander through the mystery of never truly becoming our "best" self, as it is an endless journey of growing in depth of insight and breadth of actions. We will explore the questions of how our UU values open the gates of opportunity for walking toward being our best selves and the sometimes-painful lessons we learn along the way.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**REMINDER: The OUUF Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> right after the service.** Copies of nominee bio's, absentee ballots and the draft budget are available on the name tag table.



## HOLIDAY GIFTING TO OUUF!

Sunday, December 8, OUUF will hold a silent auction for a General Motors gift card worth \$1500.00 toward any new GM vehicle. The highest bid will receive the gift card which must be used before June 2020. The proceeds will go to OUUF to be

dedicated to the work of the Social Justice Committee. Thank you, Ren, for your most generous contribution.

## PLEDGE DRIVE

**NEW TOTALS:** We have received pledges of \$74,310 from 49 people as of 12/02/2019.

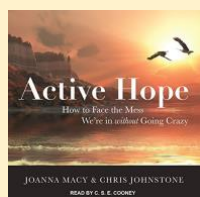
If you have not yet pledged, forms are available at OUUF on the table with the name tags. Don Hatler (DonaldHatler1936@gmail.com) is happy to answer any questions you may have about your pledge. A draft budget has been presented to the congregation by email and copies are available at the fellowship.



## The Brunch-Lunch Bunch is meeting Tuesday, December 10, at 11:00 AM.

Come and join us at the Mariners Cafe in metropolitan downtown Sequim. We share good conversation and perhaps a few tall tales. And it is a chance to see friends and make some new ones!

roseprestipino@gmail.com



**It is time for the next Community Read sponsored by the Interfaith Community in Clallam County.** OUUF will be sponsoring a group conducted by Bob Nuffer and meeting every Sunday starting January 12, 2020, from 12:30pm to 2pm. We will meet in the OUUF Fellowship Hall at 1033 N. Barr Rd. Port Angeles, WA

The book for winter 2020 is *Active Hope* by Joanne Macy and Chris Johnstone. The book is about finding and offering our best response to the crisis of sustainability unfolding in our world. It offers tools that help us face the mess we're in, as well as find and play our role in the collective transition, or Great Turning, to a life-sustaining society. Please purchase your book ahead of the first class and come prepared to discuss the first chapter. Contact Bob Nuffer to add your name to the list of participants at e\_nuff@msn.com or 360-477-3939. You can join at any time. We will be attending a *Celebration of the Journey* on Saturday March 21, 2020 to share with other groups throughout the county who have participated in the community read.



**CHRISTMAS POTLUCK.** Once again, your Christmas can be brightened by coming to our Christmas potluck on Dec. 25th (when else?). We will eat at 1:30 and have the White Elephant gift exchange. Let me explain the term. Long ago in India, white elephants were considered sacred. They could not be used for any labor and were to

be given only the best food. Maharajas would give a white elephant as gifts because they were useless and ate too much. Thus, a white elephant is something useless that you already have, and you want someone else to provide room for. Look around your house and find that White Elephant just sitting, waiting for a new home. Sign-up sheets will be at OUUF on Sunday. See you at Christmas!

Contact: Dana Casey at raven225@olypen.com or Pat Dusel at patdusel@hotmail.com

## THIS IS PNWD CHALICE LIGHTERS WINTER CALL FOR THE 2019-2020 CHURCH YEAR

Donations to this Winter Call and to the recent Fall Call will support a renovation project at the Anchorage Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (AUUF). Each person is asked to pledge \$20 to each call, but any amount is received with gratitude. Donations for this call will be accepted through February 29, 2020. For information on donation options please contact Dianne Whitaker, diannewhit@aol.com

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**HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE** Tags with a child's needs and wants listed are available on the table next to the sanctuary closet. If you wish to have someone else do the shopping you may donate money. A box will be on the "snack table" after service. Unwrapped gifts must be returned to the church in a bag/box with the tag attached by December 8<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!! Florence Bucierka

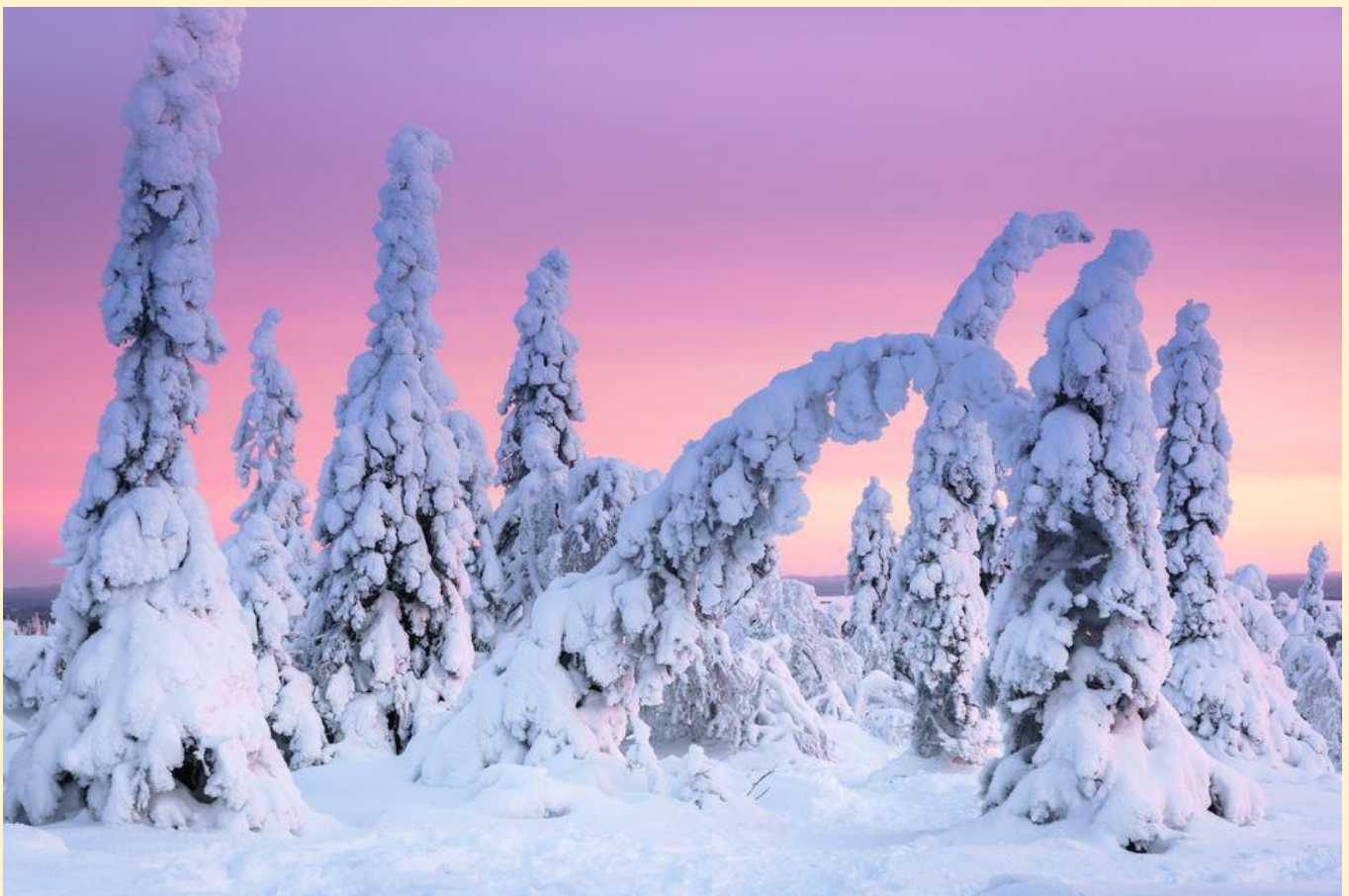
**The OUUF landscape team finished its work for the season at the end of October.** See the OUUF Facebook page for a picture of members Cynthia Green, Tommie Schwent, Pat Mac Robbie, Brian Barardo, Lou Foldoe, and Phil Zenner. Missing from the picture are Nancy and Kevin Duffy. Others who contributed this year are Kathy Gunn and Sarah Whelchel. The team planted seven Rhododendron bushes and five ferns that were donated by Sara Johnson. Thanks, Sara! If you see one of these hard-working team members, why not thank them personally? They worked hard. Rose Prestipino, chair

**VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED - GREETERS:** If you are available to give members and guests a warm greeting upon arrival, please contact Vicki Sensiba at [sensibag@hotmail.com](mailto:sensibag@hotmail.com) or 360-683-8914.

#### **OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Do you like to sing even if it is a little off-key? The choir is looking for more singers as many of our regulars have gone south with the birds. (email [joelyelland@gmail.com](mailto:joelyelland@gmail.com)). If you want to know about other opportunities email [diannewhit@aol.com](mailto:diannewhit@aol.com) or Elinor at [admin@olympicuuf.com](mailto:admin@olympicuuf.com).

**THIS IS A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT OUR COMMUNITY SHARING TIME IS FOR PERSONAL EXPERIENCES THAT BRING JOY OR SORROW** It is not a time for announcements about public meetings or other activities. Those announcements should be written out and given to the Service leader before the service begins.



## **ONGOING GROUPS**

### **Reading for the fun of it!**

Short Story Book Group  
First & Third Tuesdays at  
1:00pm

To learn more contact:

Kitty Hawks  
206-755-2832 or  
[alettehawks@yahoo.com](mailto:alettehawks@yahoo.com)

### **Tuesday Brunch**

Second and Fourth Tuesdays  
11 am at the Mariner Restaurant  
in the JCPenney mall in Sequim  
For more information contact:

Rose Prestipino,  
[roseprestipino@gmail.com](mailto:roseprestipino@gmail.com)

### **OOUF Men's Group**

Wednesdays, 7-9 pm  
At members' homes.  
For More information contact:  
George Stratton  
(360) 452-6719

### **OOUF Women's Groups**

All Things Considered  
Evening Group  
Wednesdays, 7-9 PM. At  
members' homes  
For More information contact:  
Jean Stratton  
360-452-6719 or  
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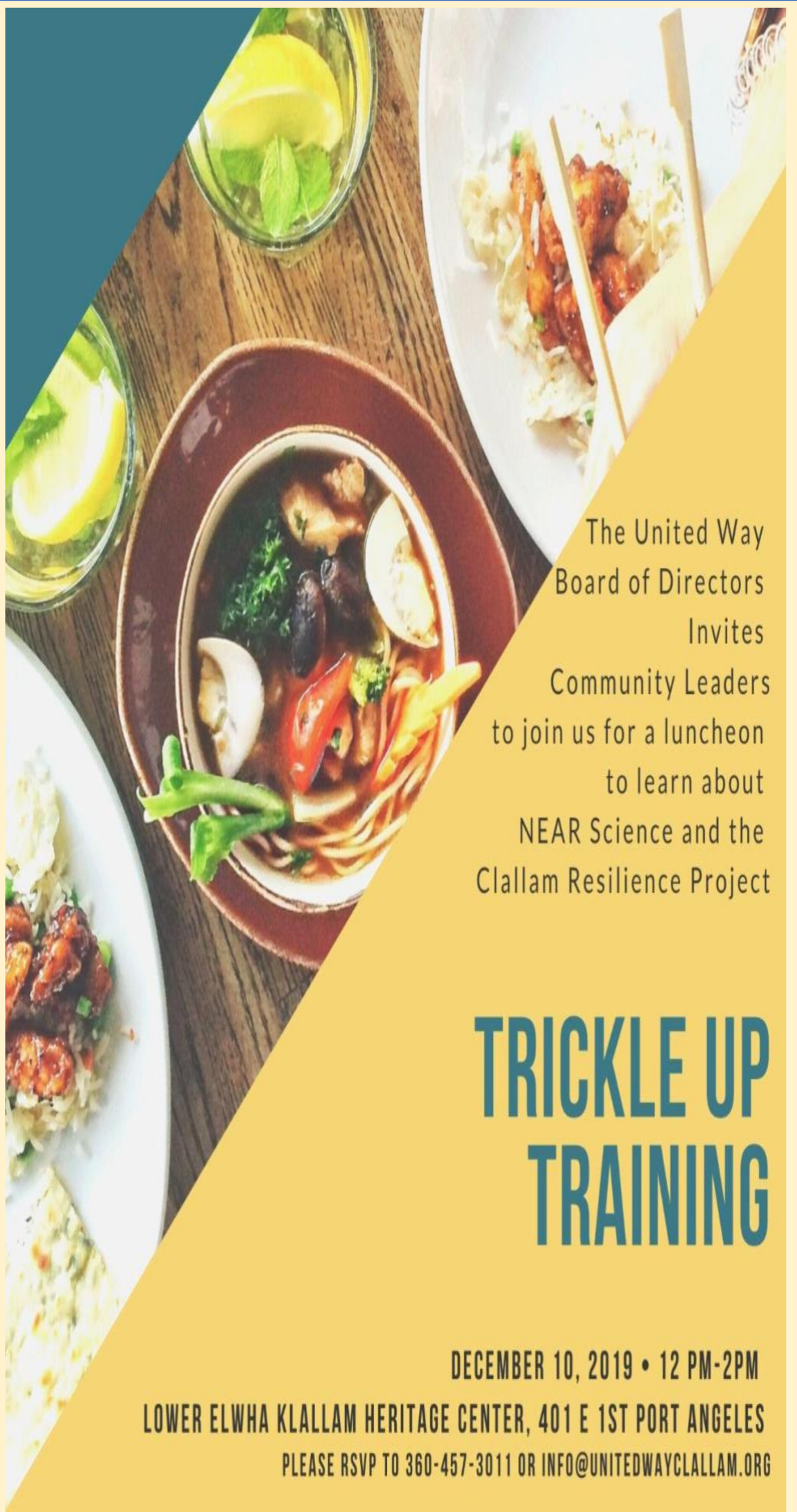
### **Reflections**

Second and fourth Thursday 1-3  
PM at the Fellowship Hall  
For More information contact:  
Serena Mylchreest  
[serena@mylchreest.com](mailto:serena@mylchreest.com)

### **Choir**

OOUF Sundays at 9:30 am and  
Tuesdays at 3:00 pm.  
Newcomers welcome!  
For More information contact:  
Choir Director  
Joel Yelland  
509-322-5328 or  
[JoelYelland@gmail.com](mailto:JoelYelland@gmail.com)

For details on how  
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The United Way  
Board of Directors  
Invites  
Community Leaders  
to join us for a luncheon  
to learn about  
NEAR Science and the  
Clallam Resilience Project

# TRICKLE UP TRAINING

DECEMBER 10, 2019 • 12 PM-2PM

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