

# OLYMPIC UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP (OUUF)

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER | JANUARY 22-29, 2023



## 7 Principles of Unitarian Universalism

### Affirm & Promote:

The inherent worth and  
dignity of every person;

Justice, equity and  
compassion in human  
relations;

Acceptance of one  
another and  
encouragement to  
spiritual growth in our  
congregations;

A free and responsible  
search for truth and  
meaning;

The right of conscience  
and the use of the  
democratic process  
within our congregations  
and in society at large;

The goal of world  
community with peace,  
liberty, and justice for all;

Respect for the  
interdependent web of all  
existence of which we are  
a part.

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### *Upcoming Sunday Service*

**JANUARY 22, 2023**

**11AM**

**ATTEND IN-PERSON OR ON ZOOM\***

**SERVICE LEADER: *In-Person***

**JOSEPH BEDNARIK**

**SERMON:**

***SWOTing Our Religion***



### **SERMON DESCRIPTION:**

SWOT is an acronym for a classic exercise to help determine an organization's Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats. This Sunday, with a loving heart, steely eyes, and an open mind, we invite ourselves to be reflective and brave as we SWOT Unitarian Universalism.

### **GUEST SPEAKER 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.

*\*We invite you to join us at the Fellowship Hall for our hybrid service (in-person and online via Zoom). If you are unable to attend in person, please join us via Zoom. For the link, please contact John Huffstetler at [admin@olympicuuf.com](mailto:admin@olympicuuf.com) or call (360) 417-2665.*

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### **On Unitarian Universalism**

By Vivian Mulligan

As early as 140 CE a belief in Universalism was avowed in the Sibylline Oracles (a collection of oracular utterances that serve as a valuable source for information about early first millennium Gnostic, Hellenistic Jewish and Christian beliefs). Fast forward to 1770 when a distinct Universalist denomination was known in England, moving to the United States by 1780. Then in 1785, the Universalist Church of America was founded.

Unitarian congregations were established for the first time in Transylvania (present day Romania) in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. The American Unitarian Association was organized in 1825.

After consolidating in 1961, these faiths became the new religion of Unitarian Universalism through the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). Read more about Unitarian Universalist history [here](#).



# Announcements, Events, Committee News, and Things of Interest

## VOLUNTEER



**Want to contribute to OUUF by volunteering?**

We are searching for someone to help clean up after Sunday Services, including the kitchen and fellowship hall. If interested, please contact [admin@olympicuuf.com](mailto:admin@olympicuuf.com) or call (360) 417-2665.



## Olympic Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Care Team

The Fellowship's Care Team supports members and friends during times of need.

If you or someone you know needs support, contact the Care Team Coordinator: Catharine Covert (Covert@Olympus.net or text 360-461-9991) or Cynthia Green (cynthiagreen@outlook.com or text: 360-460-6596). Email or text preferred.

Please click below for more information, including updates on:

- ❖ Joyce Estep
- ❖ Dani Casey
- ❖ Azella

[1/16/23 Care Team Update](#)

## Exciting developments in our First Annual Hearty Party!

By Phil Zenner

Now there's even more to look forward to on **February 11th** from **11am to 2pm!** There will now be live music and guitar singalong, together with international chocolate tasting, hot food and dancing, fun and whimsical games for all ages, making Valentine's for the world, and a very nice prize raffled off to support The Answer For Youth (TAFY), helping the homeless in Port Angeles.



Young or old, you just won't want to miss this party!! Please put the date on your calendar now if you haven't already, and **invite all of your friends** to share the fun, at **no charge!**

Shareable flyer [here](#).

## Previous Sunday Service



**1/15/23**

Attendance info

On Zoom:	<b>31</b>
In-person:	<b>37</b>
Children:	<b>9</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>77</b>

**Sermon:**

**Rev. Dr. Lynn Ungar**  
**A Star to Steer By**

*\*When available a copy of the sermon is attached to the Weekly Newsletter email and the website.*

## Weekly Newsletter



Entries for the following week are due **NO LATER THAN 5pm Monday**

We reserve the right to edit your submission for clarity and brevity (including altering its content, length, and grammar). Lengthy posts may appear as a link to the OUUF website.

Email all entries to [admin@olympicuuf.com](mailto:admin@olympicuuf.com)  
Please indicate "Newsletter" in the subject line.

## Lunch, Pool, & Darts

By Cynthia Green

The outdoor bocci ball & shuffleboard games are stopped and will resume next spring. To replace them, we will have Monday afternoon pool and darts following lunch at the Oasis family bar and grill. Meet for lunch followed by playing pool and darts (about an hour and a half).

**DAY:** Mondays  
**TIME:** 1pm  
**PLACE:** 301 E. Washington Street, Sequim  
(In the shopping area just west of Pioneer Park. Look for the "Moon Palace" restaurant sign. It is in that shopping center.)



*For more information contact:*  
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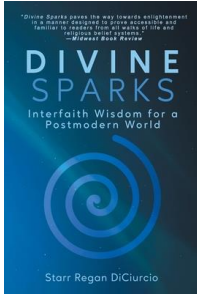
# Announcements, Events, Committee News, and Things of Interest (cont'd)

## Winter Book Read

By Bob Nuffer

Announcing the 2023 Clallam County Interfaith Winter Read: *Divine Sparks: Interfaith Wisdom for a Postmodern World* by Starr Regan DiCiurcio.

**Sundays 2pm** by Zoom, **starts January 29** (facilitated by Bob Nuffer)



The Interfaith Team chose the book *Divine Sparks: Interfaith Wisdom for a Postmodern World* by Starr Regan DiCiurcio. Divine Sparks offers meditations and practices from a variety of traditions around twelve universal themes: The True Self, Meditation and Mindfulness, Solitude and Community, Forgiveness, Created to Create, Saving Mother Earth, Gratitude, Embodied Spirit, Joy, Simplicity, Beauty, and A Prayerful Life.

Contact Bob at [e\\_nuff@msn.com](mailto:e_nuff@msn.com) to sign up.

## January February Potluck

By Rose Prestipino

We will not have a second potluck in January as February is coming soon enough. That date is **February 19**, and it will be held right after the Sunday morning service as usual.

Many thanks to all who made the last one so festive and delicious. We had **38 people** attend and all seemed to enjoy being together again.



*HAPPY NEW YEAR!*

## Green Sanctuary 2030

By Emily Beals



The Climate Action Forum presentations will begin on **Feb 5 at 12:30pm** (after the service).

Over the coming months they will include invited guest speakers, videos, panels, and other presentation formats. We are suggesting up to 30 minutes for the presentation and 10-15 minutes for questions. [Here](#) is the tentative schedule.

## Our Local Public Transportation

By George Will



We are fortunate to have local public transportation in both Clallam and Jefferson Counties. The service area stretches from Neah Bay or La Push in the West to Bainbridge Island in the East. In Clallam County, the Strait Shot bus will take riders to the Bainbridge Island Ferry Terminal for a grand total of just \$10. In Sequim, the Interlink service allows you to schedule a ride anytime in a wheelchair-accessible van. Reduced fare cards are available for seniors. With this, it is possible to ride to Lake Crescent, spend the day, and return for just \$2. In Jefferson Co., there are no fares at all! How can you beat that?

And more good news: busses and vans are scheduled to be electrified. ⚡ So no more fossil fuels. Learn more by visiting the county transit websites.

[clallamtransit.com](http://clallamtransit.com) | [jeffersontransit.com](http://jeffersontransit.com)

## Adventurers Group by Phil Zenner

This past Friday, the OUUF Adventure group had yet another fabulous outing, a lovely beach walk and lunch at Marlyn Nelson County Park at Port Williams. Fortune smiled upon us with nice weather, and everyone had a good time with this walk, led by George & Jolie Will.

We were also fortunate that Matt Mahowold captured both the attendees and Roosevelt Elk spotted along the way. Dorothy also made a great suggestion that we walk the newly restored Dungeness Levee next, a nice, easy, flat walk with more wildlife spotting opportunities.



**Stay tuned for details on that coming soon—we hope you'll be able to join us!**



Pictured left to right are Dennis, Jolie, Dorothy, Leslie, Emily, Brian, Phil, Pam, George, and Thomas. Matt gave up a photo op to be our photographer.

## Member & Friends Bulletin Board

### OUUF Trade Referrals

A list of contractor and handyperson referrals (for hire only – not volunteer). Click [here](#).

### Re-homing Market Place

Submitted by Dianne Whitaker

Re-homing means you find another home for them with someone who can use them. I recently re-homed a freezer, a paella pan, and a fire pit, among other items. What do you have to rehome? Send your name, the name of the item, and your contact information to me at [diannewhit@aol.com](mailto:diannewhit@aol.com), and I will submit the items to the Weekly each Monday.

*Do you have items  
in your home that  
are taking up space  
and gathering dust,  
because you no*



Brown, sturdy, comfy chair with spacious seat, arm rests at height to easily get out of chair – looking for new home. Contact Barbara Wiese's daughter Katherine, (360) 775-6373.



To good home: rug, as pictured. Approximate size is 7 ½ X 11'. In very good condition. If interested, call Vicki Sensiba at 571-224-8525 or via email at [sensibag@hotmail.com](mailto:sensibag@hotmail.com)

### Culture, Trauma, and Resilience Workshop

Saturday, January 21, 9:30am

Come, learn, and celebrate the resilience of indigenous women with Carolyn DeFord, Puyallup tribal member and social worker. Carolyn will share her knowledge and wisdom followed by discussion and the completion of faceless fabric dolls to honor those lives stolen by trauma. We will meet live at East Shore Unitarian (in Bellevue) on Saturday, January 21, beginning at 9:30am for coffee, fruit, and muffins; the program begins at 9:45am live (and on Zoom!)

**All those who identify as women are invited.** Mature teen girls interested in social justice themes are encouraged to attend with their mothers or honored adults as sensitive topics will be addressed. Childcare may be available with advanced notice.

[Zoom link](#)

Pre-register (no fee) with Lynn Roesch at [lynn.roesch@gmail.com](mailto:lynn.roesch@gmail.com).

*Sponsored by the East Shore Unitarian Church Women's Perspective and Indigenous Connections Team*

### Words to Live By

By George Will

Here are some words to live by that will resonate with many of our brothers and sisters in the Fellowship:

"Too often we enjoy the comfort of opinion without the discomfort of thought."  
-John F. Kennedy, 35<sup>th</sup> US President



# Event Calendar

January 22-29, 2023

OOUF is following Clallam County guidelines regarding the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.  
We recommend full vaccination for attending in-person services.

DATE	TIME	TITLE	LOCATION	ATTENDANCE	CONTACT
<b>Sunday</b> 1/22	11am-12pm	Sunday Service	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person and on Zoom	Contact: <a href="mailto:admin@olympicuuf.com">admin@olympicuuf.com</a> or (360) 417-2665
	2-3pm	Board Meeting	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person	Contact: <a href="mailto:admin@olympicuuf.com">admin@olympicuuf.com</a> or (360) 417-2665
<b>Monday</b> 1/23	9am-12:15pm	Dance Exercise and Tai Ji Quan Classes	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person and on Zoom	Contact: Marsha Melnick at 360-808-3109 or Peggy Scheideler at 760-518-4181
	1pm	Lunch, Pool, & Darts	Oasis Bar & Grill	In-person	Contact: Cynthia Green at <a href="mailto:cynthiagreen@outlook.com">cynthiagreen@outlook.com</a>
<b>Tuesday</b> 1/24	6-7pm	OOUF Women's Meeting	Member Home	Zoom	Contact: Jean Stratton <a href="mailto:jeanmstratton@gmail.com">jeanmstratton@gmail.com</a>
<b>Wednesday</b> 1/25	9am-12:15pm	Dance Exercise and Tai Ji Quan Classes	Fellowship Sanctuary	In-person and on Zoom	Contact: Marsha Melnick at 360-808-3109 or Peggy Scheideler at 760-518-4181
	1:30-8:30pm	Red Ribbon Dinner	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	
	7-9pm	The Evening Men's Group	Member Home	Zoom	Contact: George Stratton (360) 808-4477
<b>Thursday</b> 1/26	<i>*Currently no events</i>				
<b>Friday</b> 1/27	6-7:30pm	NA Meeting	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	
<b>Saturday</b> 1/28	1-3pm	Board Retreat	Fellowship Sanctuary	CLOSED	