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SCUUF Programs and Activities for January - All programs will be held Sundays at 10:00 am at the Dolphin Theater.

January's theme: Possibility

Jan 06. *Dr. Ruth Miller.* "Epiphany and Possibility." Last night was 12th Night and today is Epiphany in the Christian tradition. The past 12 days have historical significance that long precedes the Roman Church and today is the celebration of an event that brought new possibilities into the world. Join Dr. Ruth Miller as she explains what's been going on these last couple weeks - and what they portend for the year to come.

Jan 13. *Panel.* "Celebrating the Dreams of Martin Luther King." A group reading and discussion led by Kathy Maxham.

Jan 20. *Robert Mahaffy.* "The Wise Advisor." The wise advisor and other individuals with the gift of prophecy surface occasionally. Their advice is usually (but not always) ignored or disbelieved. We'll look at some of these folks, covering a time span from the 5th century BC to the present day.

Jan 27. *Linda Smith.* "Health Care for All?" Taking a look at the possibility of covering all Americans. How can we afford it? Can we afford not to?

From the Board: New Year, New Ways

A frequent topic of conversation among SCUUF members and friends is whether or not the offering basket should be passed on Sundays. Historically, we have left it at the side of the stage and asked that people place donations there after the service. Some folks appreciate the low-key approach, while others believe we should pass the basket each Sunday and affirm our contributions to this community.

After years of discussion about this topic, the Board has decided to implement passing the basket on a three-month trial basis. In fact, we'll be passing two! Beginning in January, we'll pass a large basket with another basket inside it.

The large basket represents this Fellowship's current operations and what it might become. Your pledge payments and contributions to SCUUF can be put in the donations envelope you'll find in your Order of Service and then placed in the outer basket. The inner basket is for donations to a community organization that does work in alignment with our values and principles. Our initial three-month contribution will go to the Boys and Girls Club.

We know change can be challenging, so we thank you for your patience as we explore this option.

A Bit About the Boys and Girls Club of SW Oregon. Located on Walnut Avenue in Coos Bay, the Boys and Girls Club provides a tremendous range of services to the youth of our community. In low cost after-school and summer programs,

boys and girls can get help with homework, learn to play a musical instrument, play a variety of sports, learn about nutrition, take cooking classes, participate in fitness programs, and explore artistic expression. The organization is invaluable to working parents who want to be sure their children are in a safe, supportive environment.

Upcoming Meetings

Program Planning Meeting - Sunday, January 6 at the Dolphin Theater, ~Noon (following Reverend Ruth's dialogue circle)

Board Meeting – Monday, January 14, at 7 pm at the Coos Bay Library. Due to room availability, Board meetings have moved to the second Monday of each month.

Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans (CUUPS) chapter forming. Meeting at Suzann Robins' home the last Friday of the month with optional potluck at 6pm. Ceremony and/or planning at 7 pm around the campfire or in the dome, so dress warmly! If you need the address and/or directions, please call Suzann at [551-206-9830](tel:551-206-9830).

Dr. Ruth Miller book Club. We meet most Mondays from about 2:30 to 4:30, either at Evergreen Court or at Helen Thomas's home,

91551 Cape Arago Highway. If you have questions, please call Suzann at [551-206-9830](tel:551-206-9830) (yes, that is a New Jersey area code).

Taking Down the Holiday Tree at Shore Acres. We will take down the decorations on our holiday tree about noon, Sunday, January 6. If weather is nasty, we will postpone, hoping for better weather about noon, Sunday, January 13. Take the second entrance to Shore Acres and park at the fence behind the garages.

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