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

May Theme: Creativity

May 6, Dr. Ruth Miller, "Buddha's Birthday." Throughout East Asia, this is the season for celebrating the birth of the Enlightened One who, around 600bce, introduced humanity to the possibility of a life without dissatisfaction, a life of peace and harmony, a life of creative exploration.

May 13, Gordon Terry, "Kirtan for Mother's Day." Prayerful music celebration for the Divine mother

May 20, Linda Smith and Bobbie Black, "Capture Creation, A Sharing of our Fellowship's Creativity and Inspiration" (*participatory*). So much of creativity is about attention: seeing connections, noticing the new, looking at things in a new light, appreciating what is trying to be born. And along with greater attention comes greater appreciation. The more we notice how abundantly creative this world is, the more we realize how lucky we are to be a part of it. So to honor this, **take a picture of one "act of creation" each day.** You decide what counts as "an act of creation." What it is matters less than

you noticing it. This assignment was in our Soul Matters material that we use for planning programs. I thought it would be interesting if all members and friends participated and sent me their photos of creativity for me to project during the program on May 20. Please bring art relating to noticing, even if you don't get me a photo. TEXT to (541) 294-1044 or EMAIL to: DRSMITH@DRLINDASMITH.COM

May 27, Ahlyn Bodhi, "Memorial Day Reflections." Using memories to Create Now and Forever; The Big Art is Our Life(s)"

Upcoming Meetings

Saturday, June 2, 2-4 pm. Water Remembers, Public Discussion facilitated by *Dr. Ruth Miller.* Evergreen Court (part of Baycrest Village, 3959 Sheridan Ave, North Bend).

In the 1990s a Japanese scientist captured the world's imagination with his beautiful photographs of the crystals that water forms when prayed over or surrounded by music. Only a few people have been able to replicate his work, but others have, sometimes accidentally, verified the principle. Dr. Ruth was part of the team who brought Dr. Emoto's work to this country and has continued to collect relevant research.

In this presentation and dialogue Dr. Ruth places his crystals in the context of both

older and more recent research and helps us to understand how water responds to its environment and what that means for us and for our wellbeing – now and in the future.

SCUUF Choir Practice, Every Sunday 9 am at the Dolphin Theater. Come and sing with us!

May 6, Noon. Program Planning following Rev. Ruth's discussion circle at the Dolphin

May 13. 9 a.m. before Sunday service. Service Leaders (*aka* Facilitators) meeting at the Dolphin Theater.

May 20, 12:30 pm. **Annual Meeting and Pot Luck** at the home of Kathy Maxham and Linda Smith at 660 18th Ave on Eastside. The Pot Luck will kick off at 12:30, and will be followed by the meeting and election. Bring a dish to share and a folding lawn chair if you have one. Friends are encouraged to participate in discussion, but voting is limited to members. In preparation for the meeting, the Board has prepared a proposed budget for fiscal year 2018 / 2019 (see adjacent column). We're sharing it with you now, per our Bylaws. (Yes, there will be a regular Sunday service at 10:00 am at the Dolphin!)

Directions to Kathy and Linda's House:

Car pooling is encouraged, and we ask that you park on the street. The driveway holds only a couple extra cars and is not easy to turn around in. You can use Kathy's directions below, but Linda thinks you may be happier with GPS:

1. Cross over the bridge to Eastside.
2. Pass the Coach House restaurant, and turn **right onto D Street**.
3. Pass the TNT Market and turn **right on 16th**.
4. Turn **left on Evergreen** and start climbing.
5. Take a **right onto 17th** (not well marked), then **left on Filbert**, still climbing.
6. At top of hill, you're at 18th Ave. Turn **left onto 18th**.

We're the **4th house on the right**. #660.

May 23, 7 pm, Coos Bay Library. Board Meeting.

Other May SCUUF Activities

**South Coast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2018 / 2018 FISCAL YEAR**

INCOME

Donations	8,000.00
In-Kind Donations	400.00
Virtual Thrift Store and Paypal	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total	11,400.00

EXPENSES

Rent	1,485.00
Advertising	470.00
Postage/PO Box	150.00
Telephone	300.00
Supplies	120.00
Insurance	275.00
Program Materials	350.00
Speakers/Minister	6,200.00
Hospitality & Membership	300.00
Virtual Thrift Store	60.00
Dues/Fees	2,700.00
Maintenance	250.00
Non-Profit Corp Filing Fee	50.00
Assets & Building Fund	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total	14,210.00

Developing a Covenant for SCUUF

On Saturday, March 3, 2018, we met to discuss a Covenant for our Fellowship. We created a first draft that was mailed to members and friends along with a request for feedback. On April 22, we met again, this time to address feedback and fine-tune the Covenant.

Our next step is to put this Covenant to a vote at our Annual Meeting on May 20. We are sending it to you now so you can review it prior to the meeting.

**Proposed Covenant for Our SCUUF
Community**

Acknowledging that how we agree to interact is part of our identity as a Fellowship, and building on a foundation of love, we, the members of the South Coast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (SCUUF) expect of ourselves and each other that we...

- I. Embrace the fullness of our humanity in joy and sorrow.
- II. Honor our diversity as a source of our

strength and growth.

- III. Communicate our agreements and disagreements with each other with kindness and support, accepting responsibility for our individual actions.
- IV. Promote justice and peace as opportunities arise.
- V. Participate actively in the life of this Fellowship by giving generously of our time, talent, and treasure.
- VI. Hold reverence for the transcendent mystery of All That Is, freely explore our spirituality, and celebrate the joys of discovery.

Important Notices and Notes

Can You Help?

You've heard about Asialee's Virtual Thrift Store. You may have provided her with items to sell to benefit SCUUF, or maybe you've purchased something from her. We've all benefited from the income she has generated for SCUUF as a result of her efforts.

Well, Asialee tells us that she is in need of storage space so she can store and track more items! Do you have some empty space you can let her use? It needs to be in town, dry, with an exterior entrance that can be locked. She already has utility shelving available, she just needs the place to put it.

Notes from the Hospitality Team

As part of the hospitality team, we are integrating a lending library. Some of the books need to be checked out and returned, others are free for the taking to be passed on and shared. We can keep this going if others have books they are willing to donate.

In addition we are asking the fellowship to bring flowers as they bloom in your garden since we no longer have the magnificent orchids from Betsy and Herb Kinney.

Big thanks to the Music Team, which is helping our Sunday services to bloom in another way.

Class: Create Your own Oracle Deck!

Access your inner knowing with a deck you create. Learn to read symbols for yourself and others. If you've always been curious about how this all works, here is a chance to see for yourself. Jessica L. Lloyd-Rogers has taught this class in two other states. This is the first time she will be teaching it in Oregon. The class will be taught in Charleston at Maxham Hypnosis Office. Fridays from 1-3pm. 4 Sessions - May 11, May 18, June 1, June 8. All supplies included. \$89. Register and pay by April 30 - only \$69. Questions? email: jessica.lloyd.rogers@gmail.com or text 541-294-2899.

**Questions about our UU Fellowship?
Considering joining our fellowship?** Touch base with our president, Kathy Maxham, during Sunday coffee hour, or give her a call at [\(978\) 400-8990!](tel:9784008990)

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