## **Winchester Unitarian Society**

## Highlights February 7th, 2019



Photo: A participant in last month's Silent Retreat made a collage of images communicating "trust."

## **Upcoming Worship**

### Sunday, February 10th

#### 10:30 am All Congregation Worship, Sanctuary

Everyone worships together for the whole service. All Congregation Worship serves as religious education for the morning so there are no RE activities or Family Worship

## **Loving Our Bodies**

The Rev. Heather Janules
Worship Associate: Martin Newhouse

As we approach Valentines Day and celebrate LOVE, this service invites us to consider how our bodies - all our bodies! - are worthy of love and appreciation. (This service will be religious education for the morning so there will be no Family Worship service or religious education activities.)

This Sunday, we share our gifts with **Fenway Health**, a Boston-area healthcare network providing comprehensive care to the LGBT community.

## Music

There are many great opportunities for singing at the Winchester Unitarian Society.

**Adult Choir** rehearses 8:45 am on Sunday mornings.

**Children's Chorale every Tuesday** @ 6:15 pm in the Sunshine (Spirit Play) Room. All children grades 2-6 are most welcome.

Our Youth Choir every Tuesday @ 6:15 pm in the Meyer Chapel. All singers in

grades 7-12 are most welcome.

The more the merrier, so don't be shy about getting involved. Questions? Contact John Kramer at john.kramer@winchesteruu.org

## **Religious Education**

#### THIS SUNDAY

There will be *no Family Worship* this Sunday.

#### **Morning Groups**

There will be *no religious education classes* this Sunday.

#### **Afternoon Groups**

**Our Whole Lives** meets at **4:30** in the Wallace Room. This week we discuss the issue of *consent*. Sarah Milt leads.

# WUSYG Winchester Unitarian Society Youth Group

This Sunday, Feb. 10: Regular WUSYG meeting, 4:30-6:30 PM.

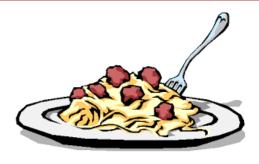
Also, a friendly reminder that program registrations and trip deposits are both overdue. We still need these from a few of you! Thank you for attending to this immediately if you were notified about either of these.

To see more upcoming dates and info about our upcoming events, please use <u>this link</u> to our latest newsletter.

Other dates and info about following us on social media can be found on our website: <a href="https://www.winchesteruu.org/youth">https://www.winchesteruu.org/youth</a>

## **Congregational News**

### All-Congregational, Inter-Generational Spaghetti Dinner!



#### Saturday, March 2, 5:30-7:30 pm, Metcalf Hall, Winchester Unitarian Society

We'll have regular and gluten-free pasta, meatless sauce and meatballs on the side, salad, rolls, and Hoodsies. Let's play games and have fun! All ages are welcome!

In case of inclement weather,
we'll hold the dinner on Sunday, March 3.

Sponsored by your Membership and Fellowship Committees.

RSVP by February 27. Questions? Email Marilyn Mullane.

View Evite and RSVP here

## Coming this June 1st: NOT YOUR AVERAGE RUMMAGE SALE



## **Recycling at its best!**

Our Rummage Sale will be June 1st, Winchester Town Day. **Start NOW to collect for our major 2019 fundraiser!** *Official drop-off will begin after worship on Sunday, May 26th.* 

The following items are needed:

- Antiques, art and collectibles
- Books and CD's (no textbooks please)
- Crafts, toys and games
- Clothing (women's, men's and children's)
- Electronics, technology items and video games
- Furniture-Indoor
- Holiday items (Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter)
- Home Goods (lamps, decorative items)
- Kitchen (small appliances, dish sets and utensils)
- Jewelry (old or good cosmetic)
- Musical instruments
- Plants
- Sporting goods (all sports)
- Women's boutique items (brand-name clothing, hats, purses)

We ask that all items be in good, clean, operable condition.

Questions? Email Betsy Bowles.

## Your participation is also needed!

Please attend our planning meetings: Tuesday March 5, 7-9 pm, WUS Chapel Tuesday, April 2, 7-9 pm, WUS Chapel

Or contact <u>Alison</u> if you want to help clean out the church building late February into March.

Visit the Rummage Sale webpage <u>here</u>.



Grief, Loss and Transitions Group Meets Wednesday, February 13th

7:30 - 9:00 PM, Parlor

Those living through times of bereavement, uncertainty and transition are warmly invited to this peer-led support group. Meetings are confidential and facilitated by a group leader. No RSVP is required.

#### **Open Question Dialogue**

The Standing Committee is hosting a series of open questions this year.

On **February 17**, we'll meet in the Parlor after church service to discuss "What's in a Name?": Should we consider changing the name of Winchester Unitarian Society to something that reflects our UU traditions, or something that reflects the communities we draw from? We have not made a decision about this; we want to hear from you!

Come and share your thoughts and ideas.

Moderated by Patty Cameron and Phil Coonley

#### **Joys, Sorrows & Transitions**

Our love and best wishes are with **Dave Kronberg** and **Cindy Stone** as they prepare to relocate to California after many years of membership at WUS.

This Sunday will be their last Sunday with the congregation.

(Cindy and Dave, we will miss you!)

If you are facing a time of joy, sorrow or transition in your life, our ministers and the Pastoral Care Associates are available to offer a listening ear, compassionate presence and, if applicable, resources.

Contact the office, 781-729-0949 or office@winchesteruu.org.

## **Social & Environmental Action**

**West Medford Community Center** will celebrate Black History Month by honoring the unique experience of African American veterans on Friday, February 8 from 8:00 to 10:00 PM, at 111 Arlington St, Medford. All are welcome.

The members of the WUS Racial Justice Book Group have organized **books on Racial Justice** to share with the congregation. **Come see our shelf in the library in Michelsen and borrow any book**. We request you return your book after a month.

Do you know about Faithify? It is your Unitarian Universalist crowdfunding platform. As a project of the UUA, Faithify is dedicated to promoting UU values around the world. Check out the current campaigns at <a href="www.faithify.org">www.faithify.org</a> For example, the Youth Group of the UU Area Church in Sherborn, MA (UUAC) is raising money for their West Virginia a service learning trip, sponsored by the UU College of Social Justice. Or help furnish a guest house at an important UU pilgrimage site in Transylvania.

**Engage in local and statewide advocacy with UU Mass Action!** For upcoming events, go to: <a href="https://www.uumassaction.org/new-events">https://www.uumassaction.org/new-events</a> or visit WUS <a href="https://www.uumassaction.org/new-events">Social Action & Outreach page</a>.

Engage in national-level actions with <u>UU's for Social Justice</u>.

## Highlights of Events at the Jenks Senior Center

www.jenkscenter.org

#### **DEEP Dive into Racial Equity**

Our Individual and Institutional Challenge in 2019 with Dr. Darnisa Amante, President/Co-Founder of The Disruptive Equity Education Project (DEEP) and Adjunct Lecturer on System Level Leadership at Harvard's Graduate School of Education.

Sunday, February 10 • 2:00 − 4:00 pm

Deep Dive into Racial Equity Flyer

## Hammer and Silicon with Sheila Puffer Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am (Coffee/cookies available at 10:00 a.m.)

For more information on events happening at the Jenks, please click **HERE**.



#### **Woburn Food Pantry**

Next time you go shopping, please consider buying extra *canned tuna* and *apple juice* for the Council of Social Concern's Food Pantry. These are the items they need this

month to stock their shelves. Thank you for your generosity.

## **Sunday Volunteers & Flower Dedications**



## Sign Up for Coffee Hour Refreshments

Help make Sunday mornings more welcoming and joyful by bringing refreshments for coffee hour! If you are willing to be contacted when <a href="sign-ups">sign-ups</a> are needed, please email <a href="Janet Nelson">Janet Nelson</a> to put yourself on the contact list.

Usually two people sign up to bring finger foods for one Sunday. We truly appreciate your willingness to be asked to help out in this simple way — thank you!

#### **Sunday Secretaries**

Sign up to be a Sunday Secretary for Sundays. Please contact the office at 781-729-0949 or office@winchesteruu.org if you're willing to consider it!



#### **Flower Dedications**

Dates are available for flower dedications. You may dedicate flowers in celebration of, in memory of, or in honor of someone and it will appear in the Order of Service.

The cost is \$45.00 (or you can bring your own flowers, but let the office know). Please click to sign up or use the sign up sheets in the foyer.



## Ongoing

Yoga, Meditation, Qi Gong, Caregiver Support Group,
Grief, Loss & Transitions Group and 350 Massachusetts Metro North
See Ongoing Activities at:

https://www.winchesteruu.org/news/ongoing-activities-groups/

## **Deadlines**

Sunday Morning Announcements Guidelines: Click here
For Highlights submissions: Wednesdays, 9:00 am
For submissions to the OOS: Thursdays, 9:00 am
Email to jenny@winchesteruu.org. No more than 250 words, please.

## **Staying Connected**

#### Visit the WUS website!

- Read the latest Highlights and Mystic Messenger in **the news section**.
- Want to know if a room is free, or when your meeting is? View **the calendar page**.
- Need the latest directory, or a list of committee chairs? Go to the members' section (contact the office for the password).
- Want to set up electronic giving? Go to the **How to Give page**.



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