

# Nature Coast Unitarian Universalist (NCUU) News

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## President's Message

This month has been very busy for me. My wife Barbara fell at home I took her to Seven River ER and they transferred her to Shands Medical Center in Gainesville FL, by helicopter. She had intracranial blood and they watched her closely for four days. She was transferred to Cypress Cove Care Center on SE 8th Ave in Crystal River, Fl. She is having Rehab for strength training. She is in good spirit but still has a bit of confusion. When her rehab is complete hopefully she will come home.

This month, I had a different subject to talk about but a little into this whole hospital trip. The thought struck me that even with the fall and the confusion caused by the fall, there was a lot to be thankful for.

All the people who took care of her at Seven River and Shands Hospital. They all knew what they were doing and were highly trained and very friendly and made Barbara very comfortable. They made sure Barbara had everything she needed and explained everything to her. Cypress Cove is doing the rehab. She is making progress and they are taking good care of her.

I also would like to say thank you to all the people who have called or visited and also to all the board members who stepped up to take care of board business.

Thanks, Rob

## **Sunday Services**

6/02/19 Speaker: Bree Hill

Background: Bree is a long time member of NCUU. She's in charge of the Grounds Committee, and a member of the NCUU Board of Directors. She is a virtual General Assembly delegate this year. There is no need for further introduction, because the biographical info she wants to release will be in her talk.

**Topic:** "Welcoming Congregation"

For you, for me and for our visitors: Summary: A History of welcoming congregations for UUA. NCUU and myself; why I am talking about this now; and the value of a welcoming congregation Background: Joe Wetzel has been a UU to LGBTQ visitors.

6/09/19 Speaker: Bing Futch

Background: Award-winning mountain dulcimer player since 1986. Full-time touring musician and producer of "Dulcimerica" on YouTube.

Topic: "Voice of the Mountain Dulcimer"

A selection of music played on the **Summary:** mountain dulcimer.

6/16/19 Speaker: Zack Cote

Background: He is instructor of English at College of Central Florida, Ocala and is a former adjunct professor at Valencia College. He is the instructor in charge of CF literary magazine. He spoke at NCUU last year about Zora Neale Hurston.

Topic: "The Book Thief"

**Summary:** By Markus Frank Zusak: a discussion of the father-daughter relationship.

6/23/19 Speakers: Joe Wetzel

for over half a century. He was once a professor, and is still a student. When his studies suggest interesting connections among apparently disparate historical or social activities he likes to share them with others. He especially enjoys comments and suggestions about his presentation.

**Topic:** "Life is Stronger Than Theory"

Summary: We shall discuss and give examples of the inspiring power of our nature to break the rules for the greater good. We do this individually or in sometimes even unorganized groups. History is replete with spontaneous examples that have had long-lasting and happy effects. Likely, none of the examples will be unknown to you, but appreciating them with this perspective may bring some pleasant and uplifting surprises.

6/30/19 Speaker: Rev. Carole Yorke

Background: Rev Carole Yorke has been a Unitarian Universalist minister in Florida since 1998. She has served the Spirit of Life UUs, the UU Church in Stuart, and First UU Congregation of the Palm Beaches, but is now retired in Port St Lucie where she lives with her five beautiful Pomeranians.

<u>Topic:</u> "Why Someone Should Not Be a Unitarian"

<u>Summary:</u> If you were to answer the question "what do UUs believe anyway?" with a recitation of our principles, I daresay that most everyone would agree – I mean, who would object to any of the principles of our faith? So where all those people if that is all that is required to belong to a UU church?

### **NCUU Board of Directors**

President	Rob DeRemer
Vice-President	Connie Hart
Clerk	Nancy Pettus
Directors	Tom Hibberd, Bree Hill, Shirley Leonard, Linda Myers, Nancy Pettus, Joe
	Verdi, and Don Wright

### **NCUU Committees**

Audio/Visual	Gordon Hart
Building	Matthew Ciszewski and John Comer
Calendar	Gordon Hart
Caring Committee	Judith Englert
Choir Director	Sally Smith-Adams
Denominational Affairs	Available
Facebook	John Comer, Connie Hart, and Nancy Pettus
Finance	Stan Brumaghim
Grounds	Bree Hill
Librarian	Tom Hibberd
Long Range Planning	Bob Madeiros
Membership	Holly Alexander
Music	Sally Smith-Adams
Newsletter	Amy Haiken
Nominating Committee	Judy Capone, Jeanne Wright and Peter Freeman
Photographer	Gordon Hart
Piano	Connie Hart, Sally Smith-Adams, Sheila Woods
Publicity	Available
Property	Matthew Ciszewski and John Comer
Religious Education	Available
Social Activities	John Comer
Social Justice	Available
Sunday Service	Pam Ricker
Treasurer	John Comer
Website	Gordon Hart, Amy Haiken

### **Board of Directors**

Our Board meeting is Monday, June 19th at 2 PM. If you want to place an item on the Board agenda, please send it to the clerk, Nancy Pettus, about a week in advance. (Second Monday of the month)

#### **Announcements and News**

#### **Potluck**

Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm.



#### **Caring Committee**

Judith is now the "Caring Committee" chairperson. So, anyone that needs a card, call or visit should contact me at 954-288-4994 or <a href="mailto:sewit67@hotmail.com">sewit67@hotmail.com</a>.

Thank you.
Judith



#### **Ladies Luncheon**

Our NCUU Ladies' Luncheons will resume in the fall.

-- Peg Gotz



### **Grounds & Gardens Day**

The First Friday of every month is Grounds & Gardens Day at NCUU.

Do you like to work outside in the yard and garden? Whether weeding, trimming, planting, raking, the NCUU Yard and Garden Crew always needs help. Please come Friday morning.

Bree Hill and others are usually there by sun up. (*The rest of us* usually *are not.*) We're normally done by 10:30 - 11:00.

Sally Smith-Adams



#### June Birthdays



If your birthday is in June, and your name is not on this list, please notify the editor:

ahaiken@yahoo.com. Birthdays will be celebrated the first Sunday of each month acknowledging all birthdays.

6/2	Carol Dinmore
6/4	Dave Koveleski
6/15	Bree Hill
6/16	Donald House

#### **Newsletter Deadline**

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Please remember that the deadline for July's Newsletter is **June 22 2019**.

Send to: ahaiken@yahoo.com and put 'For Newsletter' in the subject line.



Wireless amplifying headphones are now available at the rear of the sanctuary. See Gordon Hart for assistance on Sundays.



<u>ContactNCUU@gmail.com</u> with For Announcements in the subject line. Deadline is the Friday before Sunday service.

# Social Service Help Line

Wellcare, a health insurance company, has set up a help line for social services. If you need assistance, call 1-866-775-2192.

