

High Desert Dispatch: January 2011

Bulletin of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Silver City
Join us at 3845 N. Swan Street, 10:00 a.m. Sundays

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Silver City is a diverse group of religious independents seeking knowledge, spiritual sustenance, fellowship and opportunities for service to others. Our programs encompass humanism, liberal Christianity, earth-based spirituality, Buddhism and many other traditions. The members themselves plan and present the Sunday programs. **Please join us.**

Happy New Year to All

Sunday Programs

(All Sunday Programs begin at 10:00 unless stated otherwise)

Jan. 2 - Healthy living in the New Year with Melvyn Gelb & Maryann Finn.

Jan. 9 - Marilyn Alcorn talking about adult daycare needs and available resources.

Jan. 16 - Tyler Connoley, Gila Regional hospice chaplain.

Jan. 23 - Kim McCreery, Ph.D. The New Mexico Wilderness Alliance

Jan 30 - TBD

Calendar of Building Events

(Please note the schedule in the building and on the website.) Contact Sandy Sanderson home (575-654-5040) or the office (575-538-0101) for scheduling.

12 Step Recovery – AA: Tues. 7 a.m. Contact Jerry 534-4866, or Heidi 388-1004

Mogollon Mountain Dulcimers: 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Contacts: Peggy Spofford (tachysphex@cybermesa.com) or, Mary Bourn (marybee@gilanet.com)

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On January 6th (Thursday) at 7:00, Fran and Barbara will be hosting a **free movie** event at the fellowship. Marta Green is lending us *9500 Liberty* that tells the story of a Virginia county that passed a law in 2007 similar to Arizona's SB 1070. "Under pressure from anti-immigration groups, officials in Prince William County enacted a controversial measure requiring police to step up their efforts to identify and detain suspected illegal aliens. Filmmakers Eric Byler and Annabel Park detail the turmoil that the new law stirs in the community, as well as the efforts of local citizens to resist what they regard as an unconstitutional assault on individual rights" (Netflix). It is about an 80 minute film. Cider will be provided and you are encouraged to bring popcorn and snacks to share.

Adult RE coming in February! "Sharing Our Spiritual Journey" will be co-facilitated by Connie Thibeau-Catsis and Maxine Sanderson. We will meet each Fri. from Feb. 4 through April 29th. Time: 11:30 am till 1:00 pm. (this is **NOT** a lunch meeting) We will meet at the Fellowship. A flyer with more information and a signup sheet will be available in January.

From Coordinator -- Some news and reminders for a new January: We are slowly making progress on the bathroom remodels, with a few backward steps and then forward steps. Thanks to all the help on forward steps.

Keep in mind to help our program chairs with ideas for our Services, and to suggest to Board members topics for their consideration at the retreat on January 15th. Fellowship support helps all of us. There should be lots of photos and some local news articles of Holiday parties and activities involving our members and friends that I can post on our bulletin board.

Sandy Sanderson

A proposal for a Fifth Sunday contribution to donate to the cause Azima mentioned last week -- to Heartsong & Brain States for veterans. What do you think?

So Much More Than Just a Baby Sitter

by Elaine Carlson

Recently we hired a child care worker and her name is Kimberly Medin. Her regard for the children and her enthusiasm will immediately be apparent to anyone who wants to observe her when she is on duty. The Fellowship was lucky when we acquired her for the position.

Kimberley is 14 years old and is in the eighth grade. She loves the science classes she took last year and is taking this year. She tells how both instructors set high standards and the classes were tough but she is grateful she learned a lot and gained an appreciation of the world. She is convinced of the importance of science and sees a future for herself in that field.

Her favorite singer is Bruno Mars, who she is convinced can put on a good show. She has a love of music and is an accomplished violinist--although she is a bit modest and merely says, "I play the fiddle." She has performed with Ken and Jeanne of Bayou Seco.

Reminder: Bring canned & non-perishable foods as well as shampoo, soap, etc. for the Food Pantry & place in baskets by entrance door.