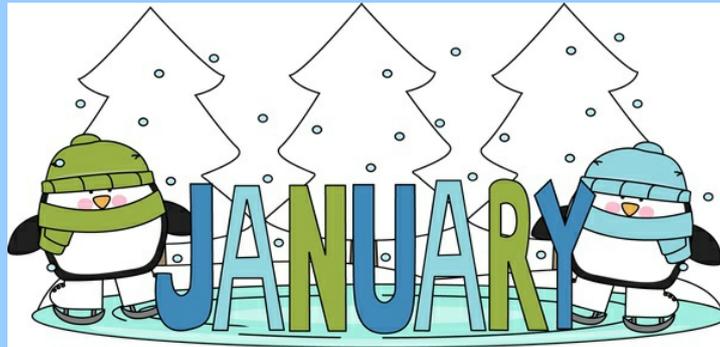




UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION OF PETOSKEY

NEWSLETTER - January, 2019



Happy 2019 to you all! The year is starting out with a bang with some good service programming and special events for us to attend. Here are some highlights.

On February 10th, we chocolate lovers are in for a treat as we try something new with a chocolate communion and Valentines Day service. Bring your sweetheart and your sweet tooth . . . Yum!

If you like to sing, then come Friday February 15th, at 7:30 pm when Jim Scott will perform a special Pete Seeger songfest at the Chapel sponsored by UUCOP. Jim is a life-long UU and he's visited more than 700 UU Churches over three decades of travels. Jim has collaborated with Pete Seeger and composed several hymns that are in our UU hymnal. There is a suggested donation of \$10-\$20 per person to provide Jim with some reimbursement for his time and efforts. Kids and students are free.

Another event that you might be interested in is a series of meditation sessions and dharma talks with teaching monk, Ryan Doran-Fisher from the Grand Rapids Zen Buddhist Temple. This will happen March 8 and 9 at the Chapel. While UUCOP is not hosting this event, we are spreading the word in case our members are interested in this nice opportunity. You will be getting an email about it later from UUCOP with all the details.

Many of you completed a survey regarding our "silent services". Thank you for that! The results have been tallied and discussed by the programming committee. A majority of those that completed the survey were in favor of continuing these services in some form. The programming committee (with board approval) decided to plan six "silent services" per year and six "food and discussion" services per year. These will alternate and be on the second Sunday of the month as a default.

I'd like to summarize the results of the special meeting we had at the end of December. If you will remember, our topic for the meeting was the sale of our Wildwood property. After much (much, much,,,) discussion, we voted to attempt a sale on our own with the nearby property owners and if this is unsuccessful, contract with a realtor for listing the property. We also agreed on preferred and minimum sale prices. You will hear more about this going forward.

Have you looked at our website lately? I've been so impressed with all the upcoming events and services that are shown there. We are booked into August, believe it or not, and I encourage you to check it out and mark your calendars for the services, potlucks, highway pickups, picnics, book clubs and concerts that are shown

there.

I wish you all a great 2019 and look forward to seeing you in church!

Sincerely, Kim Nowack

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