



# NEWSLETTER

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the  
South Jersey Shore



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## January Services

We meet at our UU Center, Pomona Rd and Liebig Street, Galloway NJ (near the north entrance to Richard Stockton College).  
Services are at 10:00 am unless otherwise noted.

<b>January 1</b>	<b>Let It Burn, Let It Go</b> <b>Lay speaker Theresa McReynolds</b> <i>"The purpose of a new year is not that we should have a new year, but that we should have new eyes and new ears." – William Dean Howells</i> Theresa will invite us to share in a Burning Bowl Ceremony, a way to let go of the old year and invite in what you desire for the new year. It is a way to create space for new magic, new opportunities and new miracles.
<b>January 8</b>	<b>Playing Well With Others</b> <b>Rev. John Marsh</b> William J. Barber, in his book <i>The Third Reconstruction</i> , talks about a fusion of political groups, religious groups, labor groups and others working together to support a common set of values and a common set of goals. This gives us the opportunity not only to be more effective, but also to expand our souls.
<b>January 15</b>	<b>Martin Luther King Sunday</b> <b>Rev. John Marsh</b> <b>With special music by our Choir</b> King said he aspired to be a "drum major for justice." We might think of a drum major as a solitary figure. However, a drum major must be fused with the rest of the marching band. The reality is that the drum major is anything but a solitary figure. Let's revisit some of the history and receive some of the inspiration.
<b>January 22</b>	<b>Wisdom and Where To Find It</b> <b>Lay speaker Richard Grzywinski</b> Where do you go to find guidance when confronting moral or ethical dilemmas, or for help in dealing with the everyday emotional and spiritual challenges of modern life? Does having all the right answers accurately describe wisdom? Have you tried fortune cookies, Dr Oz, astrology, religious texts, the Magic 8-Ball, Poor Richard's Almanack, the writings on subway walls, your brother-in-law, or your Greek friend Sophia (I may need to explain that last one), all to no avail? Maybe there's a better way. We've invited someone to our service today who can give you all the answers you need. Can you guess who?
<b>January 29</b>	<b>What's Said in Baltimore...</b> <b>Rev. John Marsh</b> What's said in Baltimore... gets talked about everywhere, at least, so it seemed after William Ellery Channing gave a sermon there in 1819. Some might say he went looking for trouble, and he found us.

**Day of Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer**

On the day of our next Presidential Inauguration

January 20, 2017

**11 to 6 pm - OPEN HOUSE:**  
meditation, sitting, quiet conversation

**6 pm - Service**

**Margaret Circle** will meet on Thursday, January 5, 2017 at 1 pm in the UU Center Library. After a short business meeting and the sharing of Joys and Concerns, we enjoy light refreshments offered by Peg Gillies. We will have an open discussion, led by Kim Trotto, about women and politics in America -- How have we progressed (or not). She will share two short articles from the NY Times and invites others to do the same. Join us in this lively discussion as we look forward into the New Year.

**Book Lovers** will be CHANGED FROM FRIDAY TO **THURSDAY, JANUARY 19** at 7 pm in the UU library. (This is because of the prayer service scheduled for Friday from 6 to 8 pm.) This month Jesse Connor will lead the discussion for *THE GLASS CASTLE* by Jeanette Walls. "Remarkable memoir of resilience in a deeply dysfunctional family. Walls children survived brilliant, alcoholic father and artistic, totally irresponsible mother. Excellent." Hope to see you there!



Are you a past member of the **Chalice Table Crew**? Or have you wondered whether you might participate? From mid-January through early April there will be many opportunities for you to exercise your creativity. If you are interested, contact Margaret Rea in person on Sunday

morning or by telephone or email. There will be hand-outs, with information about the duties, available beginning January 1st. Check the Member Directory or call the congregational office to get the details.

***Interweave is looking for you!*** Interweave is our LGBTQ+ committee, and it's not just for members of those communities! Allies are more than welcome to our meetings, and we need everyone's help in order to pursue our goals of justice, equality, and community. Meetings are the third Sunday of the month after coffee hour. Please contact Matt Honig for more details.

**Racial Justice Task Force meets 6:30 p.m.,  
third Thursday of the month  
in the Downstairs Lounge**

**Support our congregation by doing what  
you already do – buy groceries!  
with gift cards for your local Acme or Shoprite!**

Using these gift cards for groceries nets the congregation 5%.  
We also have Fair Trade coffee, tea, and chocolate!

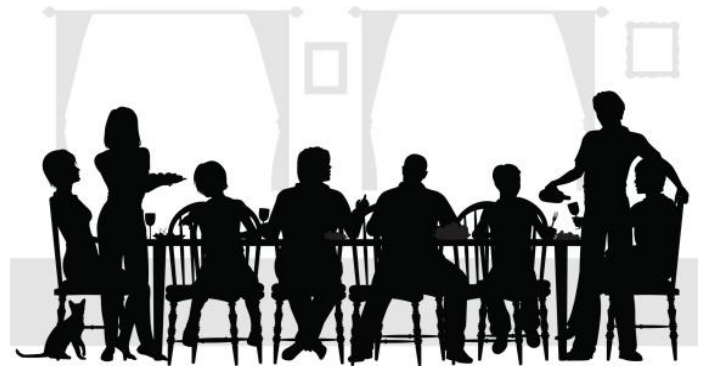
**Chocolate is back at the Fair Trade Table!**



## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH FAMILY PROMISE?

### We're Hosting Our First Families!

What a wonderful way to start the new year! We will be hosting families during the first week of the new year. This may be delayed by a few days and they may not arrive till Tuesday or Wednesday. Ask Debbi Dagavarian or Barb Morell how you can help.



### IT'S CIRCLE DINNER SEASON!

The first Circle Dinner of 2017 is scheduled for January 21. A basic description of these dinners is that 8 people meet in a designated member's home, and each person or couple is assigned a course to bring. On succeeding dinners, your assignment will be different, and with different people, so that you have a chance to socialize with many in our congregation.

There is a signup sheet in the sanctuary, or you may sign up by emailing Marie Taylor. Be sure to include your name, email, address and phone number, and indicate whether you are able to host. Sign-ups for our first dinner will continue until January 8. Schedules will be distributed as soon as possible, but by January 15 at the latest.

Additional dinners will be on  
February 18, March 18, May 20 and June 17.  
Signup for these will be at a later time.

Circle dinners are a great away for newer members and friends to get to know us in a fun, relaxed atmosphere. Please consider joining in!

"I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're doing something."

– Neil Gaiman

# In the Interim...



*"Don't Just Do Something! Stand There!"  
- Daniel Berrigan*

## **A Call for a Day of Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer**

On the day of our next Presidential Inauguration

January 20, 2017

This is an invitation to return to our roots.

Days of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer were, along with Days of Thanksgiving, part of the culture of the first European colonies in what is now the United States. They became part of our national culture and continued to be held through the administration of Abraham Lincoln.

Whereas Thanksgiving has become a vibrant part of our evolving multicultural society, Days of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer have lost their salt, and been curtailed into the Days of Prayer where – often at a Prayer Breakfast (let's get this thing over with before the real workday starts) clergy and politicians compete with each other to see who can speak the most words without actually saying anything – at least anything that would give the any offense to anyone within our national boundaries, which amounts to the same thing.

Our predecessors were not so faint-hearted.

After Bostonians protested the British Stamp Act, showing their displeasure by dumping tea in the Boston Harbor, the British responded by closing down said Harbor, blockading the entrance with their ships. The Virginia Legislature showed their solidarity with the people of Boston by calling for a day of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer for all able bodied citizens of Virginia. The political nature of such prayer was not lost on the Royal Governor of Virginia, who responded by dissolving the Legislature.

Some 35 years later President James Madison called for a day of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer at the onset of the War of 1812 and also other such days during the years that the War progressed.

Unitarian Minister William Ellery Channing used those occasions to question the legitimacy of what he considered to be Madison's rush to war. He was especially critical of threats to legally suppress public opposition to the War.

Here are some quotes from his sermons on those occasions (I have taken the liberty of editing them to use inclusive language):

The sad reverse which this country exhibits astonishes as well as depresses us. ...At such a moment it becomes each person to ask themselves what are their duties? What do the times demand? In what manner may they contribute to public safety?

Freedom of opinion, of speech, and of the press, is our most valuable privilege, the safeguard of all other rights. ...If rulers succeed in silencing every voice but that which approves them; --farewell to liberty. The form of a free government may remain, but the life, the soul, the substance is fled.

It is your duty to hold fast and to assert with firmness those truths and principles on which the welfare of your country seems to depend. Do this with calmness (and) with a love of peace.

A corrupt government, which has an interest in deceiving the people, can desire nothing more favorable to their purposes than a frenzied state of the public mind.

You will remember that we profess a religion which enjoins benevolence towards all humankind, even toward our personal and national foes.

Use every opportunity of allaying animosities.

... Though dishonored, though endangered, it is still our country. Let us not forsake it... Let us hold fast the inheritance of our civil and religious liberties...

In the spirit of those words I invite you to approach January 20th with an open heart and humility, to forsake breakfast, and (as your health permits) other meals on that day and to sit with yourself and possibly with others, in meditation and prayer.

Questions we might ask ourselves include:

- What are the causes and values we vote for when we cast ballots for individual politicians?
- What are our fears for the days ahead?
- What the things which give you hope, what would you consider to be the sources of your strength?
- What do you have to contribute to the common good?
- What are the organizations you might support in the days ahead?

One of my meditations for the day will be words by William Ernest Hocking which appear in the Blue Hymnal of the Unitarian Universalist tradition:

### **THE COURAGE TO BELONG**

There is no choice but to immerse oneself in the stream of history, accept one's time-location,

Breathe in – with shared memories and hopes – the contamination of tradition, become defined as the (person) of the cause, this party, this emergency.

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Failure to accept responsibility, refusal to take a stand on vital issues, timid rejection – as one must reject false tags – of the ties of a true belonging, these are denials of life – in effect they are deeds of death.

To understand the times in which we live, to add our weight to the scales on the side of (solidarity) and equality within valid difference, this is ‘life with shape and character’ – the one eternity worth having.

On Friday, January 20, starting at 11am anyone will be invited to join me in the sanctuary for meditation and quiet conversation. This will be followed by a Service of Prayer at 6 pm.

There will be time for all present to speak their prayers aloud in response to the following questions: What are the causes and values for which you cast your votes? What fears do you have? What do you have to contribute to the common good in the months and years ahead?

Yours,  
John Marsh



*Reminder:  
Dick Cheney  
made money off  
the Iraq War*



### 2017-2018 Annual Stewardship campaign is just around the corner.

**Would you be willing to host  
a small group gathering?**

Although 2017 has just barely begun, it is time to begin planning for our annual stewardship campaign. This year's campaign will be accomplished through small group gatherings beginning the **week of March 5, 2017**, and hosted by different members. **We are asking for ten members or families** who would be willing to host a small group stewardship gathering. It could be over brunch, wine and cheese, coffee and desserts, or soup and sandwiches. It can be in your home, at the UU center, or another location. The details are up to the host.

Once we have hosts, members will be able to choose the gathering that is most convenient for them. Each gathering will also have a facilitator to lead a stewardship conversation, and members will be asked for their pledge of support for the year ahead (2017 to 2018) at the event.

This year's whole community **Fellowship Dinner will be held April 22**, and will serve as a wrap-up to the stewardship campaign. If you are willing to serve as a host or a facilitator for the stewardship campaign, please contact Karen York, and please make a note of these important dates.



## What Happens Next

January begins a new phase of our Ministerial Search. Our committee has completed revising our congregational record, packet, and survey – instruments for prospective ministers to look at and determine if they might be interested in seeking our pulpit. By early January we hope to be given names of prospective candidates by the UUA Transitions Office. We will then read all the materials that these candidates have put out for us to see. If the committee finds a candidate promising, we will set up group interview through Skype. This, we hope, will be keeping us busy during January. The next steps will be checking the references of candidates whom we like and setting an opportunity for each to visit us. The congregation will not be a part of these visits.

For now, it is crucial for the congregation to understand that our search will be totally confidential. Difficulties and awkwardness will certainly arise if names of candidates get revealed to the congregation. Some ministers in search are not telling their congregations until or unless they find another pulpit they want to go to. Candidates who are not selected should not have word of this getting out into the UU community. If a candidate is known to someone in our congregation in the small world of ours, we cannot have some in the congregation lobbying for or against this candidate. To protect the identities of our candidates, we will not reveal to the congregation specifics of how we are progressing with our search. So please, do not ask us too much. But wish us well, and appreciate the long hours and emotional energy that are going into this search.

Betsy Searight  
Chair, Ministerial Search Committee

*Your Ministerial Search Committee is Jessica Dunn, Betsy Erbaugh, Helene Gentile, Jack Miller, Betsy Searight, Aaron Thomas, Paul Utts*

### Unsold spots for Auction Event



Rosemarie Noonan will lead the class through a series of slow, graceful, fluid movements to improve your spatial awareness, balance and coordination.

Saturday, January 21, 12 – 1 pm at the UU Center  
Cost - \$15

Signup sheet is in the sanctuary, or see Rosemary, or Betsy Searight.





So many of us deeply desire to live on the side of love when it comes to social justice movements. But what does that really mean? How can we be a nurturing, humble and steady hand on the side of justice in the face of violence and backlash?

The [Standing On the Side of Love \(SSL\)](http://www.standingonthesideoflove.org) website is excited to provide a sneak peak into **30 Days of Love 2017**. Each week we will share tools and resources to help congregations reflect, learn and act

around different sub themes of fortification. From worship resources and weekly actions to opportunities to honor courageous love within our communities, stay tuned on the SSL website for more information and resources.

- **Week One: Relationships and Movements**
- **Week Two: Covenants and Movements**
- **Week Three: Transformation and Movements**
- **Week Four: Commitment and Sustenance**

**30 days of Love** starts on **January 16** and runs through **February 14**, 2017. Resources are available from the Standing on the Side of Love website.

## Why 30 Days of Love?

*By Caitlin Breedlove, Campaign Director  
and Nora Rasman, Campaign Coordinator*

We know that many of us have met the last several weeks with rage, fear, cynicism, desperation, anxiety, and confusion. Many of us are looking at this moment and seeing that the stakes are as high as they have ever been - from climate justice, to LGBTQ justice, to gender justice, to economic justice, to Black liberation to immigrant justice - **this moment is about everything we value, everything that matters to us, the very questions of who we are and our existence.**

We know there are a lot of messages circulating right now. A flurry of strategies rushing to solutions. I know that many of us are hunkering down. Many of you, like me, are afraid for our families and those we love because they (and we) are Muslims, undocumented, of color, LGBTQ, women. Many of us who are white also fear what an atmosphere of encouraged and amplified hate will mean for the souls of our white children and grandchildren. Who will they become (and who will we continue to be) if these are the examples of what it means to be white? To be a white man?

We can be leaders in our communities in ways that seek to collaborate and long to see other aligned organizations and leaders succeed. We can lead in ways that are relentless

because love is not a feeling but an action, and love will propel us towards building community, protecting those marginalized, and creating alternatives. **Radical honesty and humility are needed because the beginning of 2017 is not a new chapter. It is a quite new journey.**

Stay tuned on our mailing list\* for weekly messages from us around the themes of fortification including relationships and movements (week of January 16), covenants and movements (week of January 23), transformation and movements (week of January 30) and commitment and sustenance (week of February 6). We'll be sending along weekly messages accompanied by additional resources as well as clips from our Organizing on the Side of Love online course that complement with the message.

\*Join mailing list here (scroll to bottom of page): <https://www.standingonthesideoflove.org>



**Thanks  
to  
YOU!**

Today more than ever, your support for Murray Grove provides *Sanctuary* for people in these stressful and difficult times. Your generosity creates a space for people of good will to find personal respite and to re-engage in healing the world's woes.

### **YOU made it possible for groups to learn how to EXPAND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

We've hosted Responsible Endowments Coalition, Diverse Revolutionary Unitarian Universalist Multicultural Ministries (DRUUMM), New Labor, and East Coast Solidarity Summer (ECSS).

### **YOU helped guarantee the future of our PRECIOUS ENVIRONMENT**

We've hosted Fossil Fuel Divestment Student Group and the Alliance for New Jersey Environmental Education (ANJEE).

### **YOUR generosity provided respite and the tools for people to HEAL AND GROW**

We've hosted Shamanic Healing Retreat, TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), Montclair UU Congregation Men's Group, and the First Annual Murray Grove Women's Retreat.

Learn more at <http://www.murraygrove.org>

# Board of Trustees HIGHLIGHTS

December 2016

The **regular monthly meeting** of the **UUCSJS Board of Trustees** was held on **Tuesday, December 13, 2016** at 6:30 pm in the Lounge at the UU Center, President Jim Gentile presiding. Chalice lighting opened the meeting, and joys and concerns were shared.

## >Agenda Items

• **Treasurer's Report.** Treasurer Karen York distributed her written report for December showing **account balances** (11/30) as follows: TD Checking (Operating funds): \$38,971.37; TD Savings (CC3/Capital funds): \$570.05; and Fidelity/Capital Reserves: \$13,589.10 (\$10,747.59 Operating). Prepayment of mortgage principal with CC3 funds was made on 12/1 in the amount of \$320.05; the current principal balance on **mortgage** = \$230,032.11 (12/19).

–**Ministerial Search support.** The treasurer noted that financial information has been provided to update the **congregational record**, and that the new negotiating team has updated the **minister agreement** from last year.

–**Parking lot lighting.** The treasurer reported that the Finance committee has discussed this matter, as two (and possibly three) of our parking lot light are now not working. [There are six (6) parking lot lights altogether, one of which has already been upgraded with a new fixture to take LED bulbs.] The estimated cost to retrofit is \$350 per light [Nor'Easter Electric LLC, Egg Harbor City], or \$1,750 for all five (5). **OUTCOME:** Board members expressed reluctance to deplete capital funds completely in the event of future building or grounds emergency; however, all agreed with the desirability of upgrading to LED lights as soon as possible. It was decided to remedy the present situation first, as lack of proper parking lot lighting is a serious safety issue, and then revisit upgrading the rest. Accordingly, *a motion to retrofit two (or three) parking lot lighting fixtures, at \$350 each, was adopted unanimously.*

–**Building use requests.** The treasurer reviewed recent building use requests, with no Board action required. **Of note:** Members *Sue Parks and Julie Spradlin* are planning to get married in the Sanctuary after the service on Sunday, January 15, with Rev. Marsh officiating. *Congregants are invited to attend.*

• **Minister's Report.** The following subjects were raised in Rev. Marsh's written Board report for December:

–**Inauguration Day service.** The Board discussed Rev. Marsh's proposal to put forward a "Call for a Day of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer" for Friday, January 20, 2017, with a religious service at 6 pm that day. It was agreed that this **Service of Prayer** take place as a quiet vigil among ourselves, and we may reach out through informal channels to other faith groups with whom we have a relationship.

–**Stewardship campaign.** Plans are now being set for the annual spring campaign, which will *open with a Sunday service on March 5, feature a series of meetings* at congregants' homes to review the budget and discuss planned giving, and *close with a Fellowship Dinner on Saturday, April 22* to celebrate reaching our funding goal for fiscal year 2017-2018.

–**Congregational archives.** Rev. Marsh has asked about how we handle this matter. In response, Karen York said that so far, our archives are not really organized at all, and materials have often been kept in people's homes. Quite a bit can be found on our website, too. She added that Betsy Searight has been the main preserver of the historical record. Suggested also has been that *UUCSJS Policies and Procedures* be assembled in one place, easily accessible to the congregation. **OUTCOME:** Overall, it was acknowledged that we have been weak in this area and a renewed effort should be made. No steps were taken at this meeting, but happily the subject is now back on the radar.

–**Performance review.** Board members were reminded that the mid-year minister performance review will be due in January. The appraisal is submitted to the UUA Transitions Office. In addition, a Board retreat will take place on Saturday, January 28 with Pat Infante, our primary contact staff person from the Central East Region of the UUA, to consider how the interim ministry has been going and make plans for the final six months ahead.

## • CRE Report—Toddler Room hire.

–**Child care needed.** In her monthly report, Heidi Jannsch, Director of Religious Education (DRE) requested that the Board consider hiring a Toddler Room supervisor, since we are seeing more and more babies and toddlers each week and her wonderful volunteers cannot always be present. The Children's Religious Education (CRE) committee has insufficient budget (\$100) to cover this cost. **OUTCOME:** It was determined that the Board propose increasing this budget to \$1,000 for next fiscal year, and immediately provide funds for January-June at \$30 per Sunday. (In addition to covering toddler care during Sunday services, child care will become available to parents attending committee meetings, and other activities, up to 12:45 pm on Sundays.) Accordingly, *a motion to authorize the sum of \$500 to provide Sunday child care in the Toddler Room [at \$10/per hour for three hours (10-1)], with the provision that any prospective hire pass the requisite background check, was adopted unanimously.* He/she will be interviewed, hired, and coordinated as an independent contractor by the DRE and members of the CRE committee.

• **Family Promise on the cusp.** President Gentile recommended that as many Board members as possible attend the **FPAC orientation session** scheduled for Wed., December 14 at 7 pm downstairs at the UU Center. Our UU Family Promise team, led by Deb Dagavarian and Barb Morell, anticipates that we will begin hosting on Sunday, January 1, 2017. [*Note:* This has now been *postponed* at least by several days.]

## • Racial Justice Task Force (RJTF).

–**UUA grant.** The president reported that we are still awaiting a budget regarding the \$8,000 grant from the UUA.

–**BLM sign.** Gentile also stated that the RJTF is making plans to re-dedicate a new Black Lives Matter (BLM) sign on Martin Luther King, Jr., weekend (January 14-15, 2017).

## • Resignation of Interweave chair.

The Board acknowledged with sadness that Sheila Stoner has stepped down as chair of Interweave due to health challenges. It was noted that we may need to cancel public notice of the monthly LGBTQ support group at the UU Center, which has been Stoner's mission, almost solo. It is hoped that there may be a possibility for new leadership, and the Board plans to follow up.

## • Congregational Strategic Planning.

–**Workshop opportunity.** *Strategic Planning* is among the topics to be covered at a Central East Region-sponsored workshop on Saturday, February 4 at the UU Church of Lancaster, PA, entitled "How to Be a Strategic Board." The workshop is free.

–**Team members needed.** Melissa Hutchison, as Program Council chair, reported that she has so far had no responses to her "shout out" by email for those interested in joining the effort to write a new 3-Year UUCSJS Strategic Plan. Hutchison said that she plans to continue to talk to people and ask for recommendations. *Feel free to contact Melissa to find out more!*

## >Adjournment

After extinguishing the chalice, the meeting adjourned at 8:25.

— Judy Pereira, *Secretary*

The **NEXT REGULAR MEETING** of the UUCSJS Board of Trustees will be held on **Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 6:30 pm** in the Lounge at the UU Center, 75 S. Pomona Rd., Galloway, New Jersey

## CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Lending a Hand in Children's RE

In the fall, our Children's Religious Education classes incorporated giving assistance and help to those in the larger community who need it. Our special collection for the food bank was a huge success (and much appreciated) and our preparations for participating in the Family Promise program have enabled us to explore the different ways that we can help those in need. We look forward in the new year to continuing to direct our children's attention to the part they can play by lending a helping hand to those around them.

Some of our congregants will also be helping in RE in a special way this winter as they assume the role of mentors for our Coming of Age students. Mentors' main responsibility will be to join the teens once a month during their RE time to engage in discussions, share personal experiences about being a Unitarian Universalist, and help the teens grapple with life's BIG questions. We are excited to be incorporating this part of the COA program for the first time, and appreciate the willingness of our new mentors!

Wishing all a healthy and happy new year!

Heidi Jansch, UUCSJS Director of Religious Education

## ADULT EDUCATION

### Shakespeare's Richard II

With Rev. John Marsh

Sunday nights at 6 pm in the sanctuary

January 15, 29 and Feb. 5

This is a story about an unhappy transition of power. It brings to mind Michelle Obama's comments about going low and going high. (Richard insists that those who would depose him must rise to his level; his deponents insist that he must lower himself to theirs). There is also much allusion to the sun and to gardens. Issues of power and powerlessness are a focus.

No prior knowledge of the play or Shakespeare is necessary. We will: go over the plots and subplots and talk about the issues they raise; read some of the scenes aloud to each other (bring a copy of your complete Shakespeare if you have one – there will be extras on hand); and watch portions of professional performances.

We will also provide warm drinks for cold nights!

## CONTINUING ACTION AGAINST SJ GAS PIPELINE

**Your participation is critically needed.**

Now that [Gov Chris Christie has replaced](#) two Pinelands Commission members who opposed the pipeline, the NJ Pinelands is under grave threat with 2 HUGE transmission gas pipelines **close to approval** by the Pinelands Commission. We need to network with all our environmentally conscious groups and stop them. *This is our Standing Rock!* Mark your calendars.

**Thursday, January 5, 7 pm**

Learn how to Write Comments and Spread the Word Against the Pipeline (hosted by the Pinelands Protectors Coalition).

Ocean Acres Community Center, 489 Nautilus Drive,  
Manahawkin, New Jersey 08050

Speakers: Jeff Tittel - Exec. Director of NJ Sierra Club

Dr. Jaclyn Rhoads - Asst. Executive Director - Pinelands  
Preservation Alliance

**Friday, January 13, 9:30 am**

Regular Pinelands Commission meeting.

Come early and make your opposition known! Seats are limited.  
15 Springfield Rd., New Lisbon, NJ 08064 (Pemberton).

**Tuesday January 24, 9:30 am**

Pinelands Commission Public Meeting:

Comments are being taken by the Pinelands Commission regarding the pipelines until deadline of 5 pm January 24.

Ocean Acres Community Center, 489 Nautilus Drive,  
Manahawkin, New Jersey 08050

**Comments to:** New Jersey Pinelands Commission  
P.O. Box 359  
New Lisbon, New Jersey 08064

Or email: [info@njpines.state.nj.us](mailto:info@njpines.state.nj.us)

*With great joy,  
you are invited to celebrate  
the marriage of  
**Julie Spradlin**  
and  
**Sue Parks**  
**Sunday, the 15th of January, 2016**  
**at 12 o'clock noon**  
*in the Sanctuary of the UU Center  
Galloway, New Jersey*  
  
*Light refreshments  
to follow**

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