



### **OCTOBER SERVICES**

The start of our Fall Season begins on November 6th. So we will not be holding regular Sunday services during October, but promise to keep you connected to our One Island Family happenings by our email and newsletter posts, and Facebook. ("One Island Family official")

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SUNDAY, October 16 at 9:00 a.m. Adopt a Highway. We haven't been able to do a clean up on our section of US 1 MM14 - 16 for some time. So it's time to give it a good cleaning. Thus we'll do it on Sunday Oct 16. We'll met at Baby's Coffee MM15 and start clean up at 9:00 am. Come earlier for coffee and build your energy level for walking the highway and picking up trash and recycle. Please watch the safety video – it's on the DOT website <a href="http://www.fdot.gov/maintenance/aahinfo.shtm#Safety Video">http://www.fdot.gov/maintenance/aahinfo.shtm#Safety Video</a>

If you need a ride please let me know. Dave Arnold, text 757-285-1609 or email dave.arnold@netzero.net



# ONE ISLAND FAMILY PRESIDENT'S NOTE OCTOBER 2022

As our summer winds down there's a lot of activity and excitement over Fall Planning at One Island Family. Your program planners have confirmed guest speakers for November worship, including our annual invitation to JT Thompson, and the return of one of our favorite Unitarian Universalist ministers, Rev. Doug Slagle. In addition, our multitalented Music Director, Nancy 3. Hoffman, will rejoin us with her return to Key West on November 1st. We will also be honoring Unitarian Universalist tradition with an ingathering Water Ceremony, celebrated by UU congregations all over the world.

Many of us have stayed in the Lower Keys through the summer months, and we have reconnected over lunch, for sunset watching, and by chance encounters around Key West. We have minded the physical needs of our building at 801 Georgia, and responded to the facilitators who hold yoga, meditation and other classes in our sanctuary. Your elected board has met regularly and will be announcing an exciting new option for online donations this fall. Our treasurer has kept our bills paid and our accounts balanced. Our recording secretary has provided detailed records of the monthly plans and activities of the board. Our dedicated administrator has kept us connected by responding to phone inquiries, and distributing our weekly e-newsletters and the monthly news to us all.

A good number of our dear members and friends have been away, either settled in their Northern homes or traveling to exotic places. We will welcome your return to our Southernmost UU Congregation! We need your energy, your ideas and your participation as our new season takes off. Who would be interested in a community pot luck Thanksgiving meal at One Island Family? Do we have creative artisans willing to join me in a holiday Wreath Making contest?

Let's look forward to sharing and caring for each other in person, again soon!

Blessed be, Marilyn Smith

#### ONE ISLAND FAMILY CARING CONNECTORS

**Toby Armour-** celebrated her birthday on Sept 27th. Best wishes, Toby!

Let's give special recognition to these One Island Family members for stepping up as volunteers for our UU family and our community:

**Karen Blackwell-** Vice President of our Board- for her dedication to research and development of one of our OIF special projects while traveling with her wife Barb Goldworm on a multi-state visit with their daughter and extended family along the northeast coast, and also taking care of her health! *Bravo, Karen!* 

**Dave Arnold** (with the expert assistance of Liz Levi)- for successfully purchasing, cutting and installing a custom Plexiglass panel for one of our unprotected bathroom windows. Also for locating, ordering, and coordinating delivery of a replacement window air conditioner for the apartment at the rear of our building. And for trouble shooting the issues of warranty coverage for our sanctuary a/c unit. *Thanks, Dave, for all you do!* 

**Sanling Ran & Greg Grace**- for becoming regular volunteers delivering food for Cooking With Love. *Thanks, for contributing your time and care for the families who count on MCC food deliveries!* 

Joy Taylor, Amelia Hanley, Marilyn & Jim Smith- for also being regular volunteers to the Saturday morning Cooking With Love program. We're making a difference in our community!

#### **UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST NEWS:**

We recently received a hand written note from Natalie Briscoe, Lead for the Southern Region of the UUA:" **Thank you for being an Honor Congregation** for the 2022-2023 fiscal year! Your generous gift makes it possible to support congregations, train leaders, and amplify our UU values world-wide!"

(Note: 9/27/2022) **Rev. Bob Murphy** has reached out to us offering resources for Mutual Assistance to our congregation with the approach of Tropical Storm Ian. We have contact information for UUA's Create Climate Justice coordinator, Rachel Myslivy. We also can look to our regional neighbors in the UU Florida SE Cluster. For One Island Family members in Key West, we may be activating our phone tree to check on each other and to find out what's needed once the storm passes! (Marilyn Smith)

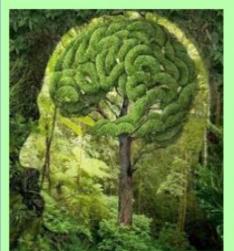
October 15, 2022 at 1:30 pm- The UU FLORIDA SE CLUSTER has invited us to the Annual Meeting 2022 and special program on the climate crisis. See the attached flier for "Ecological Civilization: Earth, Religion, and the Human Future". A zoom link is available for this remarkable free program. Let's tune in!!

## The UU Florida SE Cluster Annual Meeting 2022

# **Ecological Civilization:**

Earth, Religion and the Human Future

Saturday, October 15, 2022, 1:30pm



## **FREE**

"We humans face a defining choice: transition to a civilization dedicated to care for one another and the living Earth or bear the consequences. What might that future look like? How might we get there? And what might be the role of religion?"

# David Korten, author of "The Great Turning" will speak by video.

He envisions "an Ecological Civilization where human potential is maximized.

And domination is minimized."

## Also speaking are:

- Terry Lowman [Co-chair UUs for a Just Economic Community UUJEC]

  Introduction of the program; what is coming.
  - Lucy Hitchcock [Chair of UUJEC's Green New Deal task force]

    Localization to implement systemic change toward Ecological Civilization.
    - Aly Tharp [Senior Organizer, GreenFaith]

      GreenFaith actions/ways for congregations to be involved.
- Michael Cox [Cedars UU Church Green Sanctuary, Bainbridge, WA]
   Congregational and Interfaith examples of action.

And two sets of breakout small groups

What is your vision of a better world, an Ecological Civilization where we address the climate crisis, social injustice and economic inequality?

To Register reply to seuucluster@amail.com for Zoom link

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