

ONE ISLAND FAMILY

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SERVICES AT ONE ISLAND FAMILY:

ONE ISLAND FAMILY HAS ENDED OUR REGULAR SEASON OF SUNDAY SERVICES until we reconvene in October!

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE BEEN PARTICIPATORY IN SERVICE PLANNING, ORGANIZING, FACILITATING, SHARING AND HELPING IN EVERY WAY!

We welcome our **UUA AFFILIATE MINISTERS** on a regular basis:
Rev. Bob Murphy and Rev. Doug Slagle

LOOKING TO FALL: Your Service Coordinators are seeking your ideas for unique services and your connections to invite guest presenters! Send your information to us via jbt22ster@gmail.com and we will do the follow up!

SAVE THE VERY SPECIAL DATE OF NOVEMBER 10! We will be planning a LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT as part of a SOCIAL SUNDAY service.

SUMMER STRETCHES INTO FALL! WATCH FOR UPCOMING NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT OUR GRAND REOPENING IN OCTOBER!

IN THE MEANTIME, WE INVITE YOUR PARTICIPATION VIA THE FOLLOWING:

CARING AND SHARING: Send your news for inclusion in our summer newsletters! Think of your travels, your adventures, your favorite new reads and books, movies, and don't forget pictures!

send to: office@oneislandfamily.org AND jbt22ster@gmail.com

and HERE IS A GRAND UPDATE FROM OUR DEAR FRIENDS THE SMITHS!!

CARING AND SHARING:

FROM MARILYN SMITH:

Jim and I are settling into our new home in Islamorada. We love having quality time with our family who live here- Cale, Margie, Corley (home from college for the summer) and Layne! Our daughter Saralyn and her husband J. came for several weeks and worked virtually as they do when home in California.

I've joined a book club at the Florida History and Discovery Center. One recent book we read was "Hemingway's Girl" by Erika Robuck. It's an historical novel that seemed very well researched with details of Key West history and Hemingway during the 1930's. I loved it!

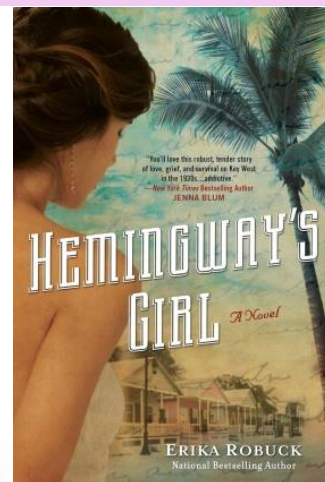
Another book by "K: Wilkinson "It Had to be You: A Florida Keys Story" helped me get acquainted with the Upper Keys history - I even learned that folks here with deep roots from the Bahamas call each other "Conchs!" I had to check that out with my Key West Conch friends and apparently, it's true. The names of many early settlers of this area are historic names familiar to me from Key West history. (Albury, Pinder, Thompson, etc.) There's so much to explore!

We're staying active. I attend the Aqua Fitness program and Founder's Park (which I call ' Boot Camp in the pool" rather than aerobics!!) Jim gets out every day to walk or run five miles before the sun rises. We are grateful to be near good medical care at Baptist Health. Jim recently had a successful heart ablation in Miami and our drive home took less than an hour and a half! I've been doing physical therapy for my knees while I consider future replacements.

So, if you have reason to pass this way, please reach out- We'd enjoy 'doing lunch' seeing you and getting re-connected to our UU family!

Our address is

87851 Old Hwy P-2, Islamorada, FL 33036.



REPORT FROM ANOTHER ISLAND - NANCY 3. HOFFMAN, MUSIC DIRECTOR



I thought that One Island Family would like to get a report from Peaks Island, Maine about my summer. The Umbrella Cover Museum has been extremely busy. Fun visitors have been some friends from Key West - including Sherry Read and her husband Larry Nolt, also Lori (Trumpet Bob) Wandras and her friend Mary, and Snow Philip (left) and family. (Photos below).

The New Brackett Church has successfully turned from Methodist to UU and UCC - their minister Will Green did a Zoom talk for us this past season - and he is a very active part of the Peaks Island Community.

My Klezmer Band, The Casco Bay Tumblers, is going to be recording a new album next

week - please keep us in your thoughts for a great and smoothly running recording session. It is very exciting! I'll post a picture of us, too. You can Google the band or the museum for more information.

I do not have exact plans for returning yet, but expect to be back for services on November 10th. And I look forward to seeing all of my One Island Family again soon!

(in the first two photos I am pointing at the umbrella cover from Key West).





VOLUNTEERING AT COOKING WITH LOVE



Great photo of Joy volunteering at Cooking with Love
Read more about this awesome and much needed program in [Keys Weekly](#).

CLIMATE CHANGE

As Unitarian Universalist we need to raise awareness of climate change issues and understand how we can contribute to Social Justice. To help us understand the issues and what action we might take there's a Climate Justice Revival meeting, Sept 28-29. See the below email for more information.

We need a team leader to organize our participation in the Climate Justice Revival.

Please let me know if you'd help by leading this effort.

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HABITAT HOME BUYER PROGRAM APPLICATION CYCLE IS NOW OPEN



Habitat Homebuyer Program Application Cycle is Now Open!

Five 3-BR Homes will be available to purchase



Attend an Information Session:

- **Monday, 8/19, 5:30pm** at Douglass Gym, 111 Olivia St, Key West
- **Thursday, 8/22, 5:30pm** at Bernstein Park upstairs meeting room, 6751 5th St, Stock Island (con traducción al español)
- **Friday, 8/23, 5:30pm** at Big Pine Key Community Park Recreation Center, 31009 Atlantis Rd, Big Pine Key
- **Monday, 8/26, 5:30pm** on Zoom: Meeting ID: 925 0991 3819, Passcode: 230125

Scan the code to go to online applications



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