



Spring Journal

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the South Fork



Free minds, open hearts.

My Year of Living Without a Car, 2016-2017

How many people can say they are lucky when they find themselves without a vehicle? In June of 2016, when my '99 Ford Taurus needed repairs that didn't make sense to pay for, I cashed it in at the going rate for scrap metal. And I was lucky! I was lucky because: I live just a few miles from my job so I can take the public bus or a taxi, and because one of my work friends carpooled me to work twice a week. I'm also lucky that I could bike and walk to and from work.

Good people sometimes let me use their cars! Friends and neighbors would see me out and about and offer to give me a lift. Sometimes a friend would offer to let me tag along for a trip to the beach or to ride shotgun so I could just get out of town. Once I rented a car to go to a family event in Nassau County and once to the Car-Less LI First Annual Fashion Bike parade held at Hofstra University. Sometimes I took a cab to the train station and then to NYC and beyond. The S92 took me to the Orient Point Ferry and from there I took buses to Maine.

I was quite fortunate that our very own UUCSF is right on the S92 bus route which runs on Sundays! And that our congregation started a green initiative and so I was introduced to Jeanne and now we frequently carpool together.

Others at UUCSF carpool as well. Kent and his daughter carpool with Tom, and sometimes I catch a ride with them to Hampton Bays. Sometimes Tom Murphy carpools with Ken Ettlinger. Many other UU members and friends have helped to keep me and others mobile, and connected to UU-related events and activities.

Some aspects of being without my own car were challenging. Though it's not legal to ride on sidewalks, I will confess to riding my bicycle on sidewalks when I felt I would be taking my life in my hands by staying on the street. And yes, not having a car at the ready was wearing at me, being unable to go to social events easily, especially in

the evenings and on weekends. One other area of hardship was getting to and from appointments, and sometimes I took a \$12 cab to the doctor's.

In September of 2017, a year after giving up my car, I finally relented and bought an SUV. Yes, I have increased my carbon footprint (and my expenses.) But now when I carpool I can be the driver sometimes. And I still take the bus when feasible. Let's all look at ways to reduce the amount of pollution we generate. Can we carpool more? Can we bicycle or take the bus more? Pamela and Carl have biked from Sag Harbor to Sunday service. Let's reach out to each other and to our elected reps to promote the use of ride sharing, the use of the public bus, and making the roads safer for pedestrians and bicyclists. Social connection is good for whatever you want to call it... the spirit, the soul, or just a feeling of well-being for us humans.

Addendum: Many people just need some help with the public bus schedule, and it helps to have someone to ride with at least the first time.

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From the Minister

The Reverend Kimberly Quinn Johnson

In keeping with our worship theme this month, I have been thinking a lot about “Risk.” *What does it mean for me as an individual to step into risk?* And, perhaps more importantly, *what does it mean for us as a community to be a people of risk?* This month—this year—that risk for me has been about de-centering whiteness. In my life, the risk has been to immerse myself in the writings, music, performance and visual arts of Black artists; to embrace more fully a Black aesthetic sensibility; to engage more openly with Black stories, history, ways of worship. Each of these is more risky than the last. Each is more public. Each requires a little bit more engagement with others. It’s one thing to be my Black self reading my Black books at home. It’s quite another to sing and clap and sway to African American spirituals in the front of our sanctuary.

And this is where ‘me’ becomes ‘us.’ What does it mean—*what can it mean*—for us as a congregation to de-center whiteness. De-centering whiteness need not mean centering Blackness as it has meant in my life. After all, *we* are not Black. And I don’t think *we* want to be. But I have been sitting with the question of how to attract more non-white people to our congregation. This is not my question—it was waiting here for me. I recognized it because for years, I have been sitting with the question of why our faith is so white. For decades, we Unitarian Universalists have tried project after project, initiative after initiative: Jubilee Anti-Racism workshops, Journey Toward Wholeness and Transformation, Beyond Categorical Thinking, Office of Multicultural Ministries, Mosaic. People

of color in our faith have been supported over the years by a variety of organizations and gatherings: DRUUMM, LUUNA, A/PIC, FOWH, THRIVE and now BLUU to name a few. And still, on the whole, we are nearly 80% white. In some parts of the country, and in some congregations, this percentage is much higher and the lack of racial and ethnic diversity is stark.

Yet, we as a faith community have historically been among the first in the fight for abolition, civil rights, and other iterations of racial justice—here and abroad. Our sources of wisdom—from earth-centered, to Jewish and Christian, to world religions—coupled with our covenant to accept one another and walk together, offering encouragement to spiritual growth—suggest that our walls should be teeming with a rich tapestry of people, holding an array of beliefs and identities. Instead, our worship, our aesthetics, even our organizational structures privilege a way of understanding and operating in the world that is largely grounded in a White, upper-class, Christian Protestant experience. This seeps down into our congregations, shaping our expression of who we are in the world.

What would it look like to de-center Whiteness in our faith, and more particularly, in our own congregation? It would mean de-centering our own experience—for the 90+% of us who are white *and* for the less than 10% who are not. It would mean making space in the center for a vibrant array of expressions of selfhood. Maybe it looks like Spanish-language literature in our fellowship hall, on our bulletin boards, and our website. Maybe it looks like more colorful walls and art. Maybe it looks like more movement in our worship. Maybe it looks like prayer. Maybe it looks like a Seder or an *Iftar*—or both. Maybe it looks like sanctuary. Maybe it looks like centering our environmental justice work around the local and global needs of people of color. I cannot tell you, for sure, what it looks like. That is the risk.

Making space for something else—for *someone* else, for a new way of being and doing—requires loss. To make room for something different, we must discard something that we have carried with us thus far. I won’t try to convince you that change is not uncomfortable; that loss is not painful. And I cannot promise you that our efforts will yield what we intend.

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Words from the President

The *Women's March* experience throughout the world and at home proved how moving and powerful groups of people, with a common purpose for equity and inclusion, can be. Martha Potter pulled us all together to go out and march, and we did so, whether in body or spirit. Eva's "*Pussy Power*" hat inspired me to find a pattern (it's a folded rectangle) and make my own (you can, too!). Our minister, committees, the Board, and we as individuals and as a congregation continue to embody how groups of people can act on social justice issues, moving toward a common goal. Yet I know this hat and the marches, and perhaps even our congregation can offend people whose values are different.

Opposing viewpoints are part of a healthy social, moral, and political dynamic. However, our UU principles and values and the *Women's March* seriously point out that it is never okay for any group to oppress, exclude, bring violence upon, belittle, disenfranchise, destroy, dishonor, or hate others, or our precious planet. One of my all-time heroes, Viktor Frankl, understood Nazi power and faced it head-on with a greater power: the freedom of choice in his responses to it. Our own responses will affect the course of time through our actions and words, no matter the outcome. The motto of the Girl Guides is to "*Be Prepared*." Stay informed. As a congregation, we are linked to these times together, and we can choose how we respond together.

It cannot go without notice that we have with us two empowered women who led us all, from the very beginning, to this point in our congregation: Mildred Granitz and Jeanne Wisner. Mildred, our founding member, will be 97 years old this July. As Jeanne and I learned from our recent visit with Mildred, she recalls everything about her starting this congregation in the 1970s up to our move to our present location. Jeanne, also a founding member arriving one year after Mildred, and who proudly went to DC for the *Women's March*, remembers our entire history as well, and is one of the people responsible for saving boxloads of loosely assorted newspaper articles and advertisements, photos, "ancient" newsletters and reports, first bylaws - you name it - as part of our story to becoming our present-day UUCSF. These very pages were the key



to writing what eventually became the 2006 "*Commemorative Album for the Dedication of Our Meetinghouse*," our history book bringing us up to our current location on the Turnpike.

The questions before us now are: "*What would we add to this history from 2006 to the present?*" "*What defined us as a congregation during the Obama years (Jan. 20, 2009 to Jan. 20, 2017)?*" "*How will we define ourselves during the Trump years?*" "*What will we stand by that will benefit this ailing world?*"

As we go journey together, be sure to look around and appreciate where we have been, what we are all doing now, and the choices we are making in life to **keep** what we hold dear.

Pam

Our minister, continued...

I can tell you this: De-centering any one experience lays bare the reality of our interdependence—that network of mutuality that King describes so beautifully. De-centering any one experience draws us closer to the beloved community, where we hear our own stories reflected in another's. De-centering any one experience opens us up to the promise of transformation.

I am reminded of the song in our hymnal, *Woyaya*, by the Ghanaian group Osibisa. (It is one of my favorites.)

We are going
 Heaven knows where we are going
 We know within
 We will get there
 Heaven knows how we will get there
 We know we will

Marching for Justice

On January 21st we joined millions of women marching in Washington, D.C., Manhattan and in cities throughout the world. This is the story of one bus ride from Bridgehampton to the nation's capital.



From left to right reading down: Don Schmitz and Sue Penny, Martha Potter, Margi Pulkingham and Sara Gordon, Eva Roberts-Vazquez, Jeanne Wisner and The Rev. Kimberly Johnson.



Martha Potter and Maryann Calendrilla organized a charter bus from Bridgehampton Commons.

With everyone on board at 4:15am we join 1,200 buses crowding the highways to DC.



We honor every individual's search for truth and meaning.



We marched down Independence Avenue to the Capitol where we met crowds of happy protesters everywhere we turned.

Action When We Returned

Right: On February 5th in the Meetinghouse we gathered to discuss the march and the new directions for the East End and the country.



Bottom: March 16 Unity Town Hall Meeting in Hampton Bays. UU participants from left, Grania Brolin, Pam Greinke, Michael Daly, Rev. Kimberly Johnson, Tip Brolin (partially hidden) and Jeanne Marie Merkel.



The Unity Coalition is organized to bring community members and leaders to share how the 2016 election impacts them.

Those of us participating commit to defend all people's dignity, safety and humanity, regardless of race, income, religion, immigration status or politics.

Two Days of Immigration in Texas: Are Non-US Citizens people too?

We participated in an educational trip focusing on immigration with the UU College of Social Justice in San Antonio. It was certainly an eye-opener. First, the US is quickly moving to close its borders. Second, basic human rights are being trampled upon – the right to an attorney, due process, a speedy trial – are not guaranteed for people who are not US citizens. Third, the for-profit private prison system is alive and well in the detention area, with incredibly poor treatment regarding food, sanitation, health and crowding. Fourth, secrecy and isolation are our government's operating procedures to treat people poorly and deport them as quickly as possible. Finally, facts matter less today and the immigration issue will be played out in the court of public opinion.

BUT, the story does not end with just the negative. We -- the UUA and UUSC (Service Committee) -- have a tremendous partner in RAICES. The non-profit RAICES advocates for families who are seeking asylum in the US. The young staff members' dedication and commitment is beyond admirable and is inspiring. Further, the First UU Church of San Antonio hosted us for an evening. This huge challenge of how to make a difference in family detention brought these two groups together, and the warmth of this community was quite a gift.

Details, Details, Details

The UU College of Social Justice (UUCSJ) is a joint venture between the UUA and UUSC. It hosts/sponsors many programs for young people as well as adults. The idea is to drive education via experiences.

RAICES (Refugee and Immigrant Center for Education and Legal Services) has been a partner of the UUSC for a number of years, where the work they do meets the UUSC's goals of supporting the most marginalized. Concentrating on family detention centers, and the abuses/deplorable conditions mothers and children experience there, is a good fit. RAICES also depends upon volunteers from UUCSJ with Spanish language or legal skills to help meet peak needs.

Insights, Perspectives, Thoughts

RAICES provided a picture of the asylum-seeking immigration process. They are working with families, mainly from Honduras, Guatemala

and El Salvador. In general, these women and children present themselves to a Border Agent, seeking asylum after entering the US. Being at risk, they are granted entry to present their case, but are first placed in detention centers. The conditions at the detention centers are deplorable and the wait agonizing. If successful in being released from detention, families are dropped off at a bus station with a ticket and very little else, with a very long process still ahead of them. RAICES attempts to explain passage and provides temporary housing. The bus station is heart-wrenching as mothers and children have nothing, are tired and confused but, hopeful, in longing for a new life. The backpacks with supplies that we brought were happily accepted, but felt so minute compared to their needs.

A highlight of our trip was an evening at the San Antonio UU congregation. They have embraced RAICES and the work they do, with a large number of congregants truly stepping up to the challenges. They supplied housing, transportation and welcoming for 20 RAICES volunteers last summer that came through the UUCSJ. They have currently signed up for year two.

After full days and additional reflections with our group, one has to come away demoralized. It defies one's ability to believe that this treatment of people exists here in the US. That non-US citizens are treated so differently (inhumanely) is shocking. We are used to the "bad guys" elsewhere behaving in this manner. The call to action is from Jonathan Ryan, Executive Director of RAICES. We need to be present. We need to press our case in changing/formulating public opinion. It's a new world. *Having right on your side is not enough.* We need to advocate constantly for what we believe.

Carol and David Holstein

New Member Profile –

Pamela Greinke



Pamela lives in Water Mill and has lived on the South Fork for 23 years, raising a son and daughter in Southampton. She has worked at The Retreat Domestic Violence Agency for eight years and is their Director of Legal Advocacy. She taught ESL to immigrant adults for 10 years through the Tuckahoe School and with OLA of

Eastern Long Island, where she was a board member for four years. She is a member of the Southampton Anti-Bias Task Force and Racial Justice East End. She is also a photographer. Pam has known about UUism in general, and our congregation in particular, because she was for several years a member of the UU Fellowship in Jamesport, and was also aware of us when we met in Water Mill.

She finds our congregation a pleasure to be with in many ways: she knew some people before she joined with us because of their activity in many of the same organizations she belongs to. She is happy to have found a group that shares her values, and is active in the local community. She is looking forward to finding more new friends among us. We welcome Pam to our congregation.

Myrna Truitt

Recycling the Hard-to-Recycle

Our goal is to educate and foster better recycling habits in our community, and to be a model for other institutions to follow. Many times, the things we don't know how to recycle accumulate while for example, old home electronics can be dropped at Best Buy or Staples. Research is also being done on types of plastics: which are recyclable, which to avoid buying. Thrift stores and charity organizations will do a home pick up for many recyclable items.

We will continue to collect batteries and lightbulbs at the UUCSF. Funding has been set aside to purchase a recycling cabinet to collect recyclables more aesthetically.

We will add a container for medicines. In addition, we hope to establish a white board with dates and times for recycling the hard to recycle items such as oil-based paint, pesticides, household cleaners, automotive fluids, pool chemicals, etc..

We are proposing to the Board the following changes to the fellowship room. I will be making a poster on "Where to Recycle", taken from a pamphlet from the Town of Southampton "What Do I Do With It Now?" Arden Edwards will be making a poster on understanding recycling symbols on plastics. Ken Ettinger will be creating a poster on the basics of composting. We will also be distributing recycling flyers and pamphlets provided by

the town of Southampton.

In all, we would be changing the fellowship room in the following ways: one recycling cabinet (to replace containers in the foyer), which will have the same wood finish as the kitchen cabinets. The cabinet will go near the kitchen area, in the northwest corner of the fellowship room. The white board would go with the cabinet. Three posters, a round life buoy that reads *UUCFS Green Sanctuary* (like Star island), and a wall hanging pamphlet distributor will go on the red southern wall of the fellowship room. The duration of this installation is subject to discussion.

Hilary Helfant

Living without a car, continued from page 1

mental or physical disability, but need a reasonable accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, you can apply for Suffolk County Accessible Transportation (SCAT) which provides door-to-door service. However, it costs \$4 each way. For more info about SCAT, call 631-853-8333.

Another tip: *Always get the number for the dispatcher*, not just for Suffolk County Transit. Different companies run different routes and you won't be able to check what's happening with the bus when Suffolk County Transit is closed in the evening or on the weekend.

Eva June Roberts-Vazquez

Reason for Hope

I recently went to Washington, DC to participate in a two-day event sponsored by the Citizens' Climate Lobby, or CCL as it is called by its members. More than 300 volunteers visited 350 offices of Republican and Democratic members of Congress to advocate action to reduce global warming.

CCL's proposal is to charge a fee on fossil fuels proportional to the carbon dioxide they emit, and to return the proceeds to the American people in equal shares. This will provide the incentive to move toward climate-friendly sources of energy. Low- and middle-income people will benefit because the rebates they receive will exceed their added energy costs. And far from being a job killer, it will actually increase the number of good American jobs by more than two million.

Some of the news, of course, was bad, but I believe it is important to keep our eyes on the positive. Here are some specifics:

1. There has been a significant shift among Republican members of Congress toward considering action against climate change. This is key, because unless support comes from both sides of the aisle, nothing will happen. While CCL's increasingly positive reception from Republicans doesn't mean they're all ready right now to endorse a specific proposal, it does indicate movement.

2. Recent polls show increasing support for climate action among Republican voters. This should encourage many of the climate-aware Republicans on Capitol Hill to go public with their support, which up to now has been politically dangerous in the GOP.

3. Several Republican Senators have spoken out in favor of climate action, including Lamar Alexander of Tennessee, Susan Collins of Maine, Lindsey Graham of South Carolina, and Chuck Grassley of Iowa.

4. Industry support for action on climate is increasing. What industry wants most of all is a policy that is predictable, that can be relied upon even when administrations change, and that uses market forces rather than regulation. CCL's proposal fits those needs perfectly.

5. There is increasing support in conservative media that have heretofore opposed climate action. For example, the Wall Street Journal recently published an article praising the Washington State initiative to put a price on carbon emissions there. Here

again, it is the use of market forces rather than regulation that is appealing to many conservatives.

On the second day of the program, I participated in four lobbying visits. Three happened to be with Democrats. The fourth was with our own Republican Congressman Lee Zeldin. Although Mr. Zeldin had once voted for a House resolution opposing climate action, more recently he has moved in a more favorable direction, and that came through in our meeting. He has joined the Climate Solutions Caucus, a bipartisan group of House members that is working to develop a plan that could win acceptance in Congress. Regardless of party, this is something we should applaud.

CCL's strategy is to avoid framing climate change as a partisan issue, but instead to approach constructively all members of Congress who will listen. CCL's leaders are convinced that there is a real possibility, even likelihood, that a critical number of Republicans will join with enough Democrats to get a climate bill through Congress this session, and that with the right incentives President Trump might be induced to sign it. There are no guarantees, of course, but there is reason for hope. This is no time to give up.

If you haven't yet joined the Citizens' Climate Lobby, go to www.citizensclimatelobby.org to learn more about CCL's proposal, and then click on the button to sign up. The more people that CCL can count as members, the more effective it will be. This is a unique opportunity to stand on the right side of history.

John Andrews



Photo: Michael Daly

Mother in snow.

Butterfly Garden

Butterflies are important little insects. Like bees, they are pollinators. They carry pollen from plant to plant, which plants need to make their seeds and to make new plants. Ninety percent of all plants need a pollinator to reproduce, but as the bee population drops, the role of the butterfly becomes even more vital.

Butterflies feed on nectar that plants produce in their flowers, providing the energy butterflies need to live. Butterflies need plants to live and plants need butterflies to live; and so, we decided to plant a butterfly garden at the Meetinghouse.

A butterfly garden is important and it is fun; full of the plants that attract butterflies and provide them with food. In the summer when the butterflies are flying around and the plants are in bloom we can see many kinds of butterflies, and perhaps be able to identify the many types that visit.

As for where should we build our butterfly garden? Since butterflies are cold blooded they need the sun's heat to warm their bodies. Also, we needed a location sheltered from wind because they don't fly when it is windy. So we chose a sunny spot by the side of the Meetinghouse. Close by is a small pond, since butterflies also like a source of water. Finally, it is a short walk from the playground so that all ages can enjoy it.

To build our garden, first we dug and pulled the weeds and then put them into our compost pile. We spread out a thick dark layer of garden soil for planting, and gathered oak leaves and shredded them into mulch to place around the plants to keep more weeds from growing.

We researched which plants would be the best, and we decided to use plants native to Long Island which are hardy and would not need to be watered and tended as much. *The Group for the East End*, which helps to preserve nature, provided money to

buy the plants because they agreed that building a butterfly garden was a very good idea.

We planted both host plants and nectar plants. Host plants provide shelter for the butterflies to lay their eggs, and when the eggs hatch into caterpillar larvae, they provide the right kinds of leaves to eat. Later, when they need a place to attach while turning into a butterfly, this is the plant they will also need. Some host plants in the butterfly garden are: false indigo, eastern sunflower, common milkweed, butterfly weed, partridge pea and goldenrod.

Nectar plants produce the right flowers to attract butterflies, such as the amazing monarch butterfly which flies for hundreds of miles fluttering its orange and black wings, and the beautiful yellow and black swallowtail butterfly. Many kinds of butterflies of different colors and sizes benefit from the nectar these plants provide. Some nectar plants in the butterfly garden are: New England aster, monarda (bee balm), black-eyed susan, cardinal power, joe bye weed and eastern prickly pear.

Our garden is organic, which means that we do not use pesticides which would harm the butterflies and their caterpillar larvae. We use compost made here at the Meetinghouse by recycling organic materials for fertilizer and shredded leaves for mulch. The garden is fenced in so that the deer stay out, giving the tiny plants a chance to grow larger.

Addendum:

*We planted the Meetinghouse Butterfly Garden in early summer 2016, with small seedlings. Many children and adults worked in the planting, watering and weeding. The seedlings have grown into larger plants and the first flowers started to bloom. Butterflies and bees began to notice. This year the plants will grow bigger and we hope that there will be even more flowers and more visitors; both insect **and** human.*

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When fear strikes, we stand on the side of love.

Time to Get Involved: Join One of Our 11 Projects to Get Us Certified As A Green Sanctuary

- **Partnership with the Shinnecock Nation on Water Quality Work** Work with the Shinnecock Nation promoting their environmental efforts with jointly conducted workshops, assistance with their program of EcoTours and Nature Counseling, and cooperation on water quality issues. **Lead:** [Sue Penny](#)
 - **Worship Services Centered on Environmental Justice** Your ideas are invited. **Lead:** [Sue Penny](#)
 - **Worship Services Centered on Environmental Science and Climate Change** Your ideas are invited. **Lead:** [John Andrews](#)
 - **Summer and Winter Solstice Celebrations** Incorporate appreciation and gratitude for the earth into our Winter Solstice and Summer Solstice celebrations. Sue and Jeanne will appreciate your help. **Lead:** [Sue Penny](#) and [Jeanne Wisner](#)
 - **Environmental Justice Curriculum** A five-session environmental justice curriculum titled “Our Place in the Web of Life: An Introduction to Environmental Justice.” You can help by planning to attend. **Lead:** [Rev. Kimberly Quinn Johnson](#).
 - **Environmental Science and Spirituality Days for Children** Work with Nancy Remkus and Sue Penny to develop pilots for a continuing program of environmental programs for children to be conducted over the next two years. Everyone who enjoys working with children is invited to help. **Lead:** [Sue Penny](#)
 - **Panel Discussions on Energy, Climate, and Science** Discussion sessions on environmental topics including “Good Science vs. Voodoo Science: How to Tell the Difference,” and “Energy Update: How are the U.S. and the World Doing on Carbon?” Bring your ideas. **Lead:** [John Andrews](#)
 - **Recycling the Hard-to-Recycle** Help recycle items not easily recycled at the Town transfer stations. See page 7 article. **Lead:** [Hilary Helfant](#),
 - **Green Transportation** Car-pooling, bicycling, improved public transport, more efficient cars, better trip planning, and improved opportunities for walking within our villages. See article page 1. **Lead:** [Sara Gordon](#) and [Eva Roberts-Vasquez](#)
 - **Reducing Our Carbon Footprint** Reduce energy use in our Meetinghouse, encourage energy audits in our homes. Take steps to reduce your carbon footprint. **Lead:** [John Andrews](#)
 - **Climate Change Activism** Help the Citizens’ Climate Lobby (CCL) advocate for action on the Federal level. Work with the UU Commit to Respond program. Participate in climate-related actions on the local level as well as in New York City or Washington, D.C. See article page 8. **Lead:** [Tip Brolin](#)
- Pitch in and help. Call or email one of our project leaders today.**



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