



SUUSI 2004 CommUUnity NUUS

Southeast Unitarian Universalist Summer Institute

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 2004

"The mission of SUUSI is to provide a one week experience evoking the best within us, in concert with Unitarian Universalist principles. SUUSI offers the opportunity to share an intergenerational environment of love, personal freedom, ethics, and joy in an intentional, nonjudgmental community."

LIVING TOGETHER in the SUUSI COMMUNITY

FAIR USE FORM FOR COMPUTER USERS
Please **SIGN** this form (from your check-in packet) and return it to the Info Office.

TAKE YOUR GARBAGE OUT TODAY
It's "hump day" so hump your garbage & recyclables out to the dumpster!

BANNER CARRIERS
Please remember to pick up your banner immediately after the morning theme talk on Friday.

TIPS FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE
Sunscreen: Apply sunscreen each morning, even if it is a cloudy day. Those UV rays are still streaming in...and melanoma is on the rise. Protect yourself while having fun!

LA LECHE LEAGUE COMES TO SUUSI
Breastfeeding? Pregnant and interested? La Leche League offers support and information. Casual meeting near PY & NRE courtyard at 4:30 Wednesday & Thursday.

TOWN MEETING AND CANDIDATES FORUM
There will be a town meeting and candidate's forum during Community Time TODAY. Come out and support your SUUSI community:

4:30—5:00: Clarification of youth board participation and opportunity for Q & A.
5:00—5:30: Board candidates for the youth at large position will be introduced.
5:30—6:00: Board candidates for the adult at large position will be introduced.

ELECTION NEWS
Remember to vote during meal times on Thursday in front of Owens Food Court. Look for the voting tables and two smiling members of your SUUSI Board. Voting times: **6:45-9 am; 11:30 am-1:30 pm; 4:30-7 pm.**

PLEASE TAKE TIME TO VOTE!
The Candidates this year are: Adults: Alice Alexander (1 year term); Bill Gupton (3 year term); Youth: Jennifer Teeter.

STAR CAR
If you have mobility challenges and need a ride in the Star Car, sign up at the Info Office between 8 am and 7 pm (x1-8663). The Star Car needs volunteer drivers! Sign up at the Info Office.

MESSAGE AND RIDE BOARDS
If you have a message it is attached to our message board in the SUUSI Info Office (Payne 1002) next to the RIDE BOARD.

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

Minister of the Day: Jaco ten Hove Contact Info Office (x1-8663) from 8 am—7 pm
After hours visit the VT Guest Services Desk at Peddrew-Yates

24 Hours	Common Ground Café: Slusher Tower 1st Floor Lounge
6:00—9:30 am	Breakfast: Owens Food Court
7:45—8:45 am	Health Office, Payne (Next to Info Office)
7:45—9:45 am	Late Registration/Check-In: Payne 1B (Drop/Add Office)
7:45—9 am	Nature Tent: Outside Owens
8 am—7 pm	SUUSI Info Office: Payne, 1st Floor (540.231.8663)
8:45—12:15	Youth Program: Pritchard
9—9:45 am	Theme Talk: Owens Ballroom: Davidson Loehr
10 am—6 pm	SUUSI Store: Payne 2nd Floor
12—2 pm	Artisan's Bazaar: Payne 1st Floor
11 am—1:30 pm	Lunch: Owens Food Court and Hokie Grill
12 noon—1 pm	Health Office, Payne (Next to Info Office)
12 noon—1 pm	Book signing: Shanddaranon (Ken Langer) , <i>Self-Initiation for the Solitary Witch</i> , SUUSI Store
12:45—1:45	Nature Tent: Outside Owens
1 pm	SUUSI NUUS Deadline: SUUSI Info Office
1-2 pm	Ann Hoffman CD signing & chanting w/crystal bowl: SUUSI Store
1:45—4:15 pm	Youth Program: Pritchard
4—5 p.m.	Singing & Signing: Kristin Hall , SUUSI Store
4—6 pm	Artisan's Bazaar: Payne 1st Floor
4:15—6:00 pm	Drop/Add Office: Payne 1B
4:30—7 pm	Dinner: Owens Food Court and Hokie Grill
4:30—5:30 pm	Workshop Leaders Reception, Payne Hall 3001
4:30—6:30 pm	Community Time: Lee Quad Town Meeting & Candidates Forum
5—6 pm	Singing & Signing: Johnsmith , SUUSI Store
5—6 pm	Health Office, Payne (Next to Info Office)
7:00—7:45 pm	Worship: Field Outside of Owens (Rain Location, Owens Ballroom): Mary Ann Somervill, Kip Barkley
8:00—9:00 pm	12-Step Support, Peddrew-Yates 3rd Floor C10
8:30—9:30 pm	Family Concert Hour: Stephanie Corby , Owens Ballroom.
9:30 pm	Cabaret: Amy Carol Webb, Greg Greenway, Pete Leary & a SURPRISE GUEST!! Owens Ballroom All musicians' music on sale outside Owens Ballroom
9:30 pm	Serendipity: Pajama Party , Owens (Hokie Grill)
10 pm—1 am	Cache: Lee 2nd Floor Lounge
12 pm—???	Late Night at the Common Ground: Johnsmith , Slusher Lounge

ARTISANS' BAZAAR

We're open 12—2 pm and 4—6 pm. M-F in **Payne**. Drums, jewelry, cards, t-shirts, ceramics, and much more, all handmade by SUUSI artisans. Teens: special hours to-night from 10—11!

WEDNESDAY WEATHER

According to www.weather.com's forecast at print time, today should be mostly sunny with a high of 83 and a low of 66, and a possibility of isolated thunderstorms.



GATHERINGS

Theme Presentation

9—9:45 am, Owens Ballroom

Rev. Davidson Loehr, First UU Church of Austin, TX, *A Reunion with the Spirit of Liberal Religion*. Is a reunion with the spirit of liberal religion possible, knowing that it would seldom endorse a political platform?

Community Time

4:30—6:30 pm, Lee Quad; Town Meeting & Candidates Forum. Lots of fun, games, and cool stuff to do!

Evening Worship

7—7:45 pm, Field in front of Owens

Mary Ann Somerville, a CUUPS member, has grown in her Wicca practice, largely through interactions at SUUSI & SWIM. She is Director Elect of SWIM. **Kip Barkley**, a UU since 1973 and a member of CUUPS since 1990, is Gatekeeper of MoonPath CUUPS in Ft. Lauderdale. In 2002 he was welcomed as an Elder into the Covenant of the Goddess.

The Ritual of Diana's Bow is a ritual of empowerment. To the ancients, the crescent moon resembled the bow of the Goddess, Diana, the Huntress. That moon phase represents a time of new beginnings. Together we will cast aside the self-imposed limitations which may hold us back from what we would like to begin. We will let the arrow from Diana's bow propel us forward, empowering us toward the dawning of that which we desire. We will **Circle at 7:00 pm on the Owens Quad**, with the Owens Ballroom as a rain site. [Denominational Staff appreciates Mary Ann Somerville and Kip Barkley for gracefully stepping in at the last minute to lead the Earth-centered worship.]

NATURE

**Nature Tent hours: 7:45—9:00 a.m.
12:45—1:45 p.m.**

These Wed./Thurs. trips are still available:
#504 Nature Plants Backyard Habitat

W: 1:00—5:00 pm

#541 Bike Maintenance

W: 2:00—5:00 pm

#631 Mud Wallow

W: 1:30—4:30 pm

#709 Family Friendly Canoe

W: 1:00—5:30 pm

#724 Night Owl Canoe @ Whitethorn

W: 6:45—10:00 pm

#808 Teen Night Caving

W: 6:00—10:00 pm

#506 Winged Jewels

Th: 8:30 am—12:00 noon

#607 Kelly Knob

Th: 7:30 am—12:30 pm

#802 Rock Climbing

Th: 7:30 am—2:00 pm

All Nature trips leave from the Nature Tent outside Owens! Please be there **15 minutes early** and come fully prepared (full water bottle, the right footwear, etc.).

Didn't get into the Nature trip you wanted? Come to the Nature Tent and we'll help you go in lieu of a "no show" or, we can steer you toward other wonderful trips with open slots.

WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP CHANGES

Please check with the Info Office for up-to-date information. Do not assume that your workshop will be in the same location tomorrow or even this afternoon! And remember to **grab a schedule each morning** at breakfast.

DROP/ADD OFFICE

The Drop/Add office is located in Payne 1B. You can add and drop workshops here. Late registrations will also be done at this location at the same times. To change Nature trips you must go to the Nature Tent located outside Owens Food Court.

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 7:45-9:45 am

TWOB Q & A

Everything you always wanted to know about Teen Way Off Broadway: There are many rumors floating around about TWOB This year—here is the Truth.

TWOB performances (yes, two of them) are on **Friday night at 8:15 pm and 9:45 pm**. It will be held in the **Haymarket Theatre** in the **Squires Student Center**. There will be signs to direct you on Friday.

FREE tickets (as in complimentary, no money) are available for both shows. Va. Tech has strict fire code regulations (duh!) and will not allow more in the audience than number of seats. Babies on laps do not need tickets.

Tickets are blue (8:15 pm) and red (9:45 pm) and are available in the SUUSI Info Office and at Community Time.

NIGHTLIFE

WEDNESDAY

All Day - **Common Ground Coffeehouse** (Slusher Tower)

8:30 pm - **Concert Hour - Stephanie Corby** (Owens Ballroom)

9:30 pm - **Cabaret** - Featured Artists: **Amy Carol Webb, Greg Greenway, Pete Leary & a Surprise Guest!** (Owens Ballroom)

9:30 pm - **Serendipity - Pajama Party** (Owens Hokie Grill)

10 pm - **CACHE** (Lee Lounge)

12 am - **LateNight at Common Ground Johnsmith** (Slusher Tower)

FAMILY CONCERT HOUR

8:30 pm Owens Ballroom

Stephanie Corby possesses a rich, powerful voice that transcends the borders of musical style. This soulful songstress has successfully fused her classical, jazz and blues backgrounds into a distinct R&B-flavored acoustic sound. Ellis Paul says the following about Stephanie's voice: "*she has the kind of voice that makes the water part; loud, sweet and soulful...she could have saved Moses a lot of trouble.*"

LATENIGHT AT THE COMMON GROUND

Late-nighters...drop on by the Slusher Lounge after Cabaret closes. Swap songs, stories and laughs until we just can't stay awake any longer. SUUSI talent will lead us off. Wednesday night will be Greg Greenway! If you have any questions, see Eileen Baker (NRE 302).

REUNIONS

Do you have a Reunion event or story to share? Submit it to the SUUSI NUUS by 1:00 pm at the SUUSI Info Office in Payne.

THE LAUER FAMILY REUNION

The Lauer family is having a reunion at this Reunion SUUSI. Parents Karen and Denny came up from Fort Walton Beach, Florida and picked up daughter Amanda and son-in-law Eric who traveled from Phoenix to Atlanta. Meanwhile, daughter Kim came up from Tampa to complete the reunited family.

SUUSI STORE

SINGING & SIGNING

The SUUSI Store has a fabulous day planned for you! Come meet **Shanddaranon (Ken Langer)**, author of *Self-Initiation for the Solitary Witch*, and get a signed copy of his book. Then hang out with **Ann Hoffman**, complete with crystal bowl. She'll be chanting and signing CD's. **Kristin Hall** will be sharing her musical talents with us and signing CD's, and then we'll close the day with **Johnsmith** singing and signing his CD's.

12-1 Author Shanddaranon (Ken Langer) signing his book, *Self-Initiation for the Solitary Witch*

1-2 Ann Hoffman Singing & Chanting with Crystal Bowl

4-5 Kristin Hall Singing & Signing

5-6 Johnsmith Singing & Signing

COPIES OF THEME TALKS

Copies of Morris Hudgins' Theme Talk from Monday, and 'the complete' edition of Davidson Loehr's Theme Talk from today, are available at the SUUSI Store for \$2.00. We also have lots of great SUUSI logo items, an incredible assortment of books, and tapes and CD's of all the fabulous music you've been hearing at SUUSI this week. Visit the SUUSI Store in the Payne 2nd floor crossover lounge from 10-6.

HODGEPODGE

THURSDAY IS MOUNTAIN T-SHIRT DAY

Wear yours and show your support! One of the Mountain's newest staff is SUUSI's own Mark Evans. Look for him to hear more about how you can enjoy OUR Mountain.

No need to wait until next summer for a "SUUSI Experience." The Mountain Retreat Center offers programs all year. Pick up brochures for the Mountain Solstice and New Year's Celebrations available at the SUUSI Info Office.

SWIM NUUS

Did you know that SUUSI is not the only wonderful week of UU celebration? The Southeast Winter Institute Miami (SWIM) is December 26—January 1. There's nothing to warm your heart and body better than a Florida winter vacation with UUs! **Join us at Community Time on Thursday** to find out more. Refreshments, fun and fellowship AND drawings for FREE SWIM registrations!

SUUSI WEDDING?

Clergy, be prepared for future SUUSI Weddings. To perform a legal marriage, clergy must first register with the county clerk. This is a once-in-a-lifetime deal, no charge, and valid all over Virginia. The nearest court house is at 1 E. Main St., Christiansburg. Bring proof of ordination. Call 504.382.5760 for details.

—Kip Barkley, Religious Bureaucrat

ATTENTION GOLFERS

I will be playing golf TODAY at the Va. Tech Golf Course (on Duck Pond Rd.). Meet me at the Pro Shop at 1:00 pm. I would love some UU company! —Neil Van Name

between christmas
and new year's day
...there's S.W.I.M.