

LCUUF NEWS OF THE WEEK



[LCUUF Website](#)

[Become a Member](#)

[How To Donate](#)

[Facebook](#)

[LCUUF Elected Leaders](#)

Issue 22

Aug. 20-Aug. 27, 2023

Attend our weekly services in person or via Zoom on Sundays at 10:30am CST. We are located at 261 Hidalgo, Riberas Del Pilar. To participate on Zoom use this link:

[Sunday Service Zoom Link](#)

Special Task Force Update

Two and half weeks after notification of our lease expiring January 31, 2024, please know that all is progressing well. Joani Ward and Larry Pihl have joined Lorna Dean and Paula Odom on the Task Force to search for a new location, and their valued input on locations and contacts have expanded the overall process. As of today, we have considered 38 locations/points of contact on the project. We are learning a lot about the cost of commercial real estate. It appears that an exclusive lease on a suitable property appears to be financially out of reach for the Fellowship at this time. We are thinking that sharing a property for a three to five year period may be the best solution while encouraging the Fellowship to look to the future by starting a Capital Campaign for our own building. Sharing a space may involve some concessions such as changing the time of our Sunday service. The right place for "now" will emerge and we look to your support as it unfolds.



[Click for Order of Service](#)



THIS WEEK:
August 20, 2023

"A Purpose Driven Life Or Project Driven Life"

Rev. Matt Alspaugh

Elizabeth Weaver: Service Associate

I've found that trying to develop and state a sense of Life Purpose or Mission has not worked for me; I just can't summarize my life's direction and intention in a simple statement. I recently discovered an idea that might fit me better, Personal Projects. This is the idea that we explore the projects in our lives, all those activities, big and little, in our daily lives. By reflecting on the ecosystem of these projects (there may be dozens, even hundreds) we get a sense of who we are and where we are going.



NEXT WEEK:
SUNDAY
AUGUST 27,
2023

"This is Your Life, Give it a Good Ending"

Presenter: Loretta Downs

Service Associate: Jane Castleman

Special Legacy Giving Presentation: Lorna Dean

Living fully means considering all along the way, how we are living and what we can leave behind as our legacy whether as actions, values, relationships, and/or tangibles.

Leaving a legacy is like tossing a rock into a pond. There is an initial splash followed by ripple effects that continue on once the rock has disappeared. You might have a small rock to throw, or a big boulder, but each one of us will leave *something* behind us. It's up to *us* to decide how far those ripples will travel!

Loretta Downs To Speak Next Sunday, August 27th

Loretta Downs is an internationally recognized speaker who is passionate about improving the end-of-life experience. Her perspective on the end of life is informed by more than 35 years of being a companion to AIDS patients, friends, family, hospice and hospital patients, nursing home residents, death doula clients, and their loved ones.



She is Past-President of the Chicago End-of-Life Care Coalition, a Certified Senior Advisor, End-of-Life Care Practitioner, Advance Care Planning Facilitator, and a member of a hospital ethics committee.

She has published numerous articles, been quoted in articles and books, and interviewed for videos, radio shows, and podcasts.



ZOOM Hosts Needed

Responsibilities are to sign on to Zoom at least 1/2 hour before services, and stay a few minutes after; collect joys and concerns via email, and on chat, and read those aloud. A volunteer could host once a month or more often. Anyone interested can contact Colleen, Trudy or Richard for more information or to

volunteer.



Remembering Susan Wagner

Susan Wagner, better known to us as Susie Cutie, or Suzie Cutie, passed away from pneumonia. Susie's son, Jeff, was with her, and she was visited by more than 80 members of her adopted Ixtlahuac n family. We share fond memories of Susie's stunning sense of humor and her willingness to host many fellowship events, especially some wonderful Easter potlucks.



Missed Sunday's service? Here is the video recording for Sunday August 13th.

Weekly and Monthly Events

Click on the + for info and links

Humanist Discussion Group-Wed Aug 23
11am



Wednesday August 23rd. 11:00am on Zoom

Billions of people around the world lack adequate access to one of the essential elements of life: clean water. Although governments and aid groups have helped many living in water-stressed regions gain access in recent years, the problem is projected to get worse due to global warming and population growth. Meanwhile, a paucity of international coordination on water security has slowed the search for solutions. Water stress can differ dramatically from one place to another, in some cases causing wide-reaching damage, including to public health, economic

development, and global trade. It can also drive mass migrations and spark conflict. Now, pressure is mounting on countries to implement more sustainable and innovative practices and to improve international cooperation on water management. We will discuss the implications and solutions to this problem. If you want to get the readings on this topic contact Bob Koches at : bobkoches@gmail.com

[Click to join on Zoom](#)

Zoom Women's Group: 1st and 3rd Mondays +

12pm - 1pm 1st and 3rd Mondays Monthly Catherine Luria, Facilitator: Contact CLuriaARNP@gmail.com for topics

Zoom Meditation Lessons: 3-4pm Thursdays +

Richard Clarke, Facilitator. To find out more contact: riberasmeditation@gmail.com

[Click to join on Zoom](#)

Coffee on the Plaza: Thursdays 10:30am +



Meet other UUs for weekly at Black Coffee on the Plaza. Bring a friend!

Open Zoom Conversation: Fridays 2pm +

Conversation is open to all questions. Email Richard Clarke at arunachalakinle@gmail.com

[Click to join on Zoom](#)



Birthdays Through August

Garrett Browning 8/29

Sue Boyczuk 8/31

Carol Johnson 8/31

Do you have a news item you would like included? Contact us at:

editor@lcuuf.groups.io

Newsletters are Available on our Website

Monthly newsletters from 2015 through March 2023 are available on the website.

Weekly newsletters are now online!

<https://lakechapalauu.org/lcuuf-monthly-newsletters/>.



**Lake Chapala Unitarian
Universalist Fellowship**

261 Hidalgo, Chapala
Mexico

You received this email because you signed up to be on our mailing list. If you no longer want to receive this email, click on the link below and indicate that you want to **unsubscribe:**

editor@lcuuf.groups.io

2023