



Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

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November 2022

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*Unitarian Universalists affirm the worth and dignity of all human
beings and advocate freedom of belief and
an open search for truth.*

*The Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
meets weekly on Sundays at 11:00 a.m.
(September through June)
at the Stone Chapel and via Zoom*

President's Message November 2022

Welcome to November! 2022 has certainly gone fast.

Chapel services have been going well since mid-September and the hybrid service, that includes Zoom, has made it possible for many of our friends from out of the area and a few of our own members to connect with the services. The hybrid service capability has also made it possible to have ministers and presenters join us and provide informative sermons from afar. To help assist in the hybrid service production, we, KUUF, have temporarily hired Elaine Anderson, an Audio Technician, to set up the chapel AV (audio visual) equipment while Kathy and I are away for November and part of December.

You may have noticed that KUUF had placed advertisements in a few of the local papers for a chair setup person as well as an AV tech. If you know of anyone that would be interested, please have them contact me at: jimv@kuufnh.org.

Covid, while still a concern, has not kept us from meeting in person. While we are meeting, I still want to encourage people to stay up to date with their vaccinations and maintain a respectful distance while talking with each other.

We all have much to be thankful for and as Thanksgiving approaches, keep those things in mind and consider sharing with others.

Good health to you all and enjoy this month's Newsletter,
Jim Vashro, KUUF Board President

November KUUF Calendar

November 6	2am	FALL BACK 1 HOUR
November 6	11am	Barbara Meyers
November 8		Election Day
November 11		Veteran's Day
November 13	11am	Betsy Woodman
November 20	11am	Fiona Petersen
November 24		Thanksgiving
November 27	11am	Rev. Dick Dutton

November 6, 2022 Barbara Meyers

Re-memembering Our Wildness

What do we need to re-member about ourselves which can help us to fashion a new paradigm reflecting surviving and living together on this planet?

November 13, 2022 Betsy Woodman

The D-Day Ceremony

Escorting my veteran father back to Normandy.

November 20, 2022 Fiona Petersen

Learning to Walk in the Dark

How fear of the dark impacts our mindsets, biases, and prejudices. A different way of looking at darkness.

November 27, 2022 Rev. Dick Dutton

To Be Announced

To be determined.

Fall Back

It's that time of year again. We turn the clocks back an hour at 2am on November 6th, so make sure you set your clocks back before bed on the 5th!



Eggs \$4/Dozen

While Kathy is traveling, the chickens will continue to lay, and you may pick up eggs on Sunday morning at the Chapel.

Please contact Adriana by 617-888-5008 and she will have your order ready for you on Sunday morning by noon at the Chapel. She may have extras to sell in case you forget to call.

Save the Date

Coordinating with the Kearsarge-Sunapee Jewish Community for Passover at Veterans Hall in Newbury on April 4, 2023.



Membership

Do you want voting rights and help make decisions for KUUF's future? Or do you want to support and continue KUUF's wonderful services, projects, and ideals? Ask about MEMBERSHIP.

If you are interested in becoming a member
Please contact Kathy Vashro 735-5642 or 208-440 -1855



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

November 9	Liz Maloof
November 16	Don Bent
November 24	Nancy Stone
November 30	Lou Botta & Bill Hickey

"I cannot endure to waste anything so precious as autumnal
sunshine by staying in the house."
Nathaniel Hawthorne

This year KUUF is once again putting our Holiday support behind the Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice organization and become one of their community partners. We will be participating in the

KEARSARGE KIDS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



For 15+ years this program has helped local families in need have a joyous holiday season, especially the children! This year, we are bringing back the option for sponsors to purchase the “wish list” items requested by families for their kids!

How you can help?

1. **Adopt a family/families:** Shop for the “wish list” items of your family/families (detailed instructions will be sent to these sponsors).
2. **Purchase gift cards (Target or Walmart only)** in amounts of either \$25 or \$50. Then drop them off (with your name indicated if you wish) at the reception desk of Lake Sunapee VNA at 107 Newport Road in New London (Attn: Cathy Raymond): Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. no later than **Friday, November 18thOR**
3. **Make a cash donation** to help us purchase needed gift cards; mail to Lake Sunapee VNA in the envelope provided; check payable to **LSRVNA Elf Fund. OR**

If you wish to participate, please call the *ELF LINE* at 603-526-4077 X356 to let us know and to ask any questions you may have.

Join your fellow KUUF congregants to help make the children in the Kearsarge area have a wonderful Holiday by giving generously.

Your kindness makes all the difference. Thank you!



Pledge Reminder

Is your Pledge up to date? If you are unsure, please contact Ken Preston, Treasurer, for any information you may need. (tele 526-9823).

The financial health of KUUF depends on you!

Thank you to all for your financial support.

Directory Updates: Is Your Information Up to Date?

To keep the KUUF directory and email list current, please send Rose Jansen, the KUUF Administrator, any changes or additions. This includes:

- Mailing/physical address
- Email address
- Phone numbers
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Email: admin@kuufnh.org



BY THE NUMBERS

- 18% Board/ administration
- 10% Political/ religious groups
- 6% Librarians/ teachers
- 2% Elected officials
- 1% Students

1% Academic/Other

• **7% Other**
(includes filtering, access, databases, magazines, online resources, artwork, social media, music, pamphlets, student publications, reading lists)

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Each word and phrase in this graphic is cited from 2021 censorship reports

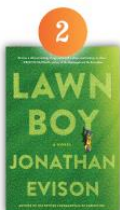
TOP 10 MOST CHALLENGED BOOKS OF 2021

The American Library Association tracked **729 challenges** to library, school, and university materials and services in 2021. Of the 1,597 individual books that were challenged or banned in 2021, here are the top 10 most challenged:



Gender Queer
By Maia Kobabe

REASONS: Banned, challenged, and restricted for LGBTQIA+ content and because it was considered to have sexually explicit images



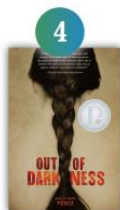
Lawn Boy
By Jonathan Evison

REASONS: Banned and challenged for LGBTQIA+ content and because it was considered to be sexually explicit



All Boys Aren't Blue
By George M. Johnson

REASONS: Banned and challenged for LGBTQIA+ content, profanity, and because it was considered to be sexually explicit



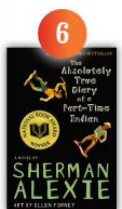
Out of Darkness
By Ashley Hope Perez

REASONS: Banned, challenged, and restricted for depictions of abuse and because it was considered to be sexually explicit



The Hate U Give
By Angie Thomas

REASONS: Banned and challenged for profanity, violence, and it was thought to promote an anti-police message and indoctrination of a social agenda



The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian
By Sherman Alexie

REASONS: Banned and challenged for profanity, sexual references, and use of a derogatory term



Me and Earl and the Dying Girl
By Jesse Andrews

REASONS: Banned and challenged because it was considered sexually explicit and degrading to women



The Bluest Eye
By Toni Morrison

REASONS: Banned and challenged because it depicts child sexual abuse and was considered sexually explicit



This Book is Gay
By Juno Dawson

REASONS: Banned, challenged, relocated, and restricted for providing sexual education and LGBTQIA+ content



Beyond Magenta
By Susan Kuklin

REASONS: Banned and challenged for LGBTQIA+ content and because it was considered to be sexually explicit



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CONTACT US IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WOULD ENJOY HEARING FROM US.

Thank you to those who have kept us informed of people's life changes, joys, and concerns. Thank you to those who are connecting with our congregation by driving, cooking, and making phone calls.

Please continue informing us - you are our ears and eyes for the congregation. Thank you!

Meals Needed for a Couple

Is anyone interested in making meals for a couple, they could use meals brought in (main course, vegetable, salad, bread).

Maybe several of us can make meals for this couple. They do have a deep freezer.

Contact Kathy 208-440-1855 jvashro@gmail.com



KUUF Endowment FUND

**Provides a lasting legacy for Unitarian Universalism
in our Kearsarge Sunapee region.**

Making a bequest to the KUUF Endowment Fund is a simple way to protect your values and help our congregation remain a voice for liberal faith throughout the Kearsarge Sunapee region.

You can name KUUF as a beneficiary in your will, trust, retirement plan, life insurance policy or financial accounts. Anyone can make a bequest and no amount is too small.

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**For further information, contact a member of our Finance Committee. Currently serving 2022-2023 are Tom Maloof, Sandy Wells, Henry Howell, and Ken Preston.**

Why was Superman so busy after the sun rose this morning?

Because it was daylight saving time.