



# The PSWD Network

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## UUMFE calls all congregations to participate in International Day of Climate Action

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Social justice, creation care, stewardship, Earth community, beloved community – there are many ways we can name and express our moral and spiritual perspectives on climate change. UUA Ministry for Earth invites Unitarian Universalists to join with us in prayer, meditation, action and celebration on United Nations Day, Saturday, October 24, 2009 in our collaboration with 350.org in a day of action for climate justice.



At General Assembly last June, UUMFE began inviting people to sign a pledge to participate in the 350.org Day for Climate Action. We are providing a registry for congregations to communicate and share ideas with one another about this Day of Action. (See web address below.) The UUA Green Sanctuary Program, UUA Washington Office for Advocacy, UUA State Advocacy Network, UUA-UNO (United Nations Office) and others are collaborating on building participation in the 350 event.

350 represents a scientific benchmark for a safe climate – yet there are also deeply moral and spiritual reasons for getting the world back below 350 ppm of CO2 in our atmosphere. 350.org is an international grassroots network mobilizing a global climate movement united by our common call to action. 350.org is an independent and not-for-profit project spreading an understanding of the science and a shared vision for a fair policy that will create bold and equitable solutions to the climate crisis. (see page 3)

## Welcome to Ministers

It is that time of the year when we welcome new ministers to the Pacific Southwest District. This year it is not as much welcoming new ministers as it is welcoming people who have already served in the PSWD to new positions.

Two newly settled ministers are familiar to many in the District: the *Rev. David Miller* at UU Fellowship of San Dieguito and the *Rev. Kent Doss* at the UU Fellowship of Laguna Beach. Three other ministers who have served congregations in the District will serve as consulting ministers this next year: the *Rev. Tom Owen-Towle* at Tapestry Congregation in Mission Viejo, the *Rev. Stefanie Eztbach-Dale* at the UU Church of the Verdugo Hills, and the *Rev. Ken Maclean* at the UU Church of the Desert in Rancho Mirage.

We welcome four interim ministers to the District: the *Rev. Stephen Furrer* at UU Community Church of Santa Monica; the *Rev. Alicia Forsey* at UU Church of Long Beach; we welcome back to the PSWD the *Rev. Linda Bunyard* at UU Congregation of Las Vegas and the *Rev. Roberta Haskin* will serve as interim in her fourth congregation in the PSWD at UU Congregation of Green Valley.

## Welcome New DREs

This year PSWD welcomes five newly hired religious educators into our congregations – *LeAnn Williams*, Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara; *Donna Pratt*, UU Congregation of Northwest Tucson; *Connie Cordain*, UU Fellowship of Flagstaff; *Regina Johnston*, UU Church in Surprise; and *Desiree Hernandez*, UU Church in Anaheim. *Danielle Bell* continues her position with the UU Congregation of Las Vegas, now as the permanent Director of Lifespan Religious Education.

# REjoice

RE News for the PSWD

*I am only one, but still I am one.  
I cannot do everything,  
but still I can do something.  
And because I cannot do every-  
thing I will not refuse to do the  
something that I can do.*

-Edward Everett Hale



In August, we lost two dear members of our larger PSWD UU community, Kevin Drewery, formerly of UU Congregation of Las Vegas, and Ed Burditt, from the UU Fellowship of San Diego. Kevin and Ed impacted many lives beyond the doors of their congregations, and both of them had a steady presence at our PSWD Youth Camps at de Benneville Pines.

Kevin opened almost every camp with the above quote, and it epitomizes the ways Kevin and Ed lived in the world. Both of them gave back passionately to Unitarian Universalism, but they also were deeply involved in their own local communities.

August was a time of grieving for me – the month began with the loss of Kevin, and ended with the surprising news of Ed’s death. It is impossible for me to think about the beginning of the church year without imagining district life without them in it. Yet, Kevin and Ed’s dedication and creativity formed vibrant threads that will forever be woven into the tapestry that makes the PSWD. Kevin’s thread gleams with purple, and Ed’s is as strong as leather.

As we begin this new church year together, let us remember that we may be one – one person, one congregation, one district – but still we are that one. Each of you matters. Here in PSWD, none of us are alone. We have a much wider community with which to bond, and when we reach out, whether to one other person, or to link with another congregation to do justice ministry, or with several congregations to effect a larger prophetic voice, those strands in our PSWD tapestry become more varied, more unique, more pronounced. Watch the pswd website ([www.pswduua.org](http://www.pswduua.org)), subscribe to PSWD-L (if you aren’t already), and check out UU Legislative Ministry of California ([www.uulmca.org](http://www.uulmca.org)) to keep up to date on opportunities for engagement near you.

I look forward to connecting with you in the coming year.

With peace and hope,  
Tera Little

# Reverend

## Marguerite D. Lovett,

of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Long Beach, becomes Minister Emerita after 18 years of service to the congregation...



Rev. Lovett’s last Service at UUCLB was, appropriately, the annual Animal Blessing. Appropriate, because it was she who brought the tradition of that Service to the church when she became minister nearly two decades ago. Over the years, she has been personally involved with dog rescue organizations, and many of the animals at the service were rescued or from the pound.

Rev. Marguerite was known throughout the greater community as Vice President of the Long Beach Interfaith Clergy Association, Long Beach Ministers Alliance, and the National Conference for Community and Justice. She was one of the Founders and has continued on the Board of the Long Beach Interfaith Community Organization (ICO).

In her retirement she is delighting in reading, her garden and spending more time with family and her dogs. She will continue her work for social justice and animal protection. Members and friends of UU-CLB are grateful for the time spent learning and growing with the Rev. Lovett.

# Tribute to Kevin Drewery



On Thursday, August 6, Kevin Drewery lost his valiant struggle against AIDS. For those of you who know Kevin, a lasting memory of him will be his love for youth ministry and his sometimes misunderstood advocacy for children and youth whose challenging behavior caused other adults to give up on them.

For those of you who did not know Kevin, he began his involvement with YRUU as an advisor at the Silver Springs, MD congregation. Kevin was also Director of Lifespan Faith Development at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Las Vegas, NV and most recently Director of Religious Education at Mission Peak UU Congregation in Fremont, CA. Kevin also served as a UUA trainer for the Our Whole Lives and the Sexuality and Our Faith programs.

Kevin was a Congregational Consultant for the Pacific Southwest District of the UUA, where he has played a wide variety of roles, including facilitating new DRE start-ups and Religious Education retreats, PSWD Leadership Resources Council, and youth camps ministry team. As the Dean of Elementary Camp and Chaplain at Middle School and Senior High Camps at de Benneville Pines, Kevin's enthusiasm, organizational skills and focus on spirituality will be missed for years to come.

Among numerous distinctions, Kevin received the 2007 Pacific Southwest District's award for Distinguished Service to the Cause of Unitarian Universalism by a Religious Professional. This is only the second time this award has been given to a non-ordained religious professional. Before becoming seriously ill, Kevin was in his second year of study for his Master of Divinity degree at Starr King School for the Ministry.

Kevin will no doubt be remembered by his constant creative energy, awe-inspiring worship services, beautiful purple alter

cloths, and Lego chalices that he designed for at least two congregations.

Kevin is no longer with us in body, however, his spirit will live on in the hearts and minds of the UU children, youth and adults who he ministered to and with during his well lived, yet too short life.

-Rev. Monica Cummings



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For more information about the International Day of Climate Action, visit the UU Ministry for Earth website at <http://www.uuministryforearth.org/350.htm>. We have included ideas for events your congregation can organize, links to our partner organizations and a registry for our collaboration with 350.org.

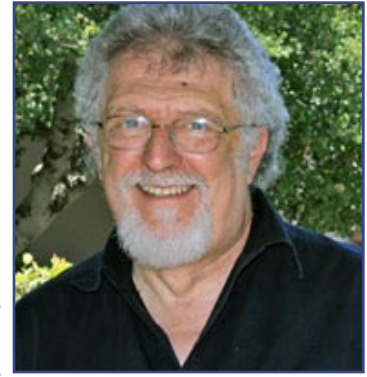
Also, please register with 350.org and sign the "Interfaith Call for 350", which states in part:

"...We come together as people of faith to call on the world's leaders to commit to decreasing carbon dioxide (CO2) levels in Earth's atmosphere to below 350 parts per million, the stable and safe upper limit for the world's people, creatures, and future generations...."

To help spread the message of 350, Unitarian Universalist minister Fred Small has written "Three Five O", a thrilling anthem for climate justice. We hope to circulate a video of "Three Five O" for online posting and viral networking. Production of the video is already underway, but more funds are needed to complete it. Make your tax-deductible donation at the UUM-FE website!



# Ken's Corral



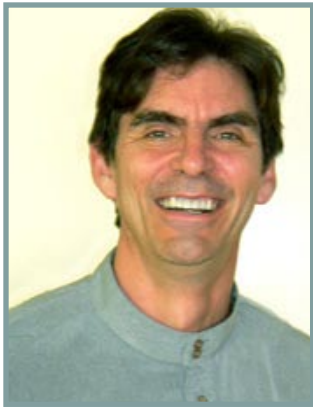
One of the reasons I enjoy living in the Pacific Southwest District is the beautiful and varied landscape. It is great living only two hours from the Grand Canyon, I'm not able to get there as often as I'd like, but I live next to a National Forest with great hiking trails and a wonderful lake. It saddens me that the yelling about health care and the racist rhetoric used by many who oppose the current administration has hidden the fact that our natural world is still in jeopardy. Too many politicians continue to refuse to recognize the threat of global warming and are actively working to make any legislation addressing it too weak to have any impact. Even successful programs like the reintroduction of wolves to the Rockies and the Southwest are under attack and wolf hunting is sanctioned by state and federal rules. There are too many environmental concerns to list but I believe the bottom line is that our earth will only be saved if people of faith come together to work for our interdependent web.

I urge you to explore how you and the congregation where you are active can address these issues locally, nationally and internationally. There are many faith based resources available. The group, Unitarian Universalists for Earth Ministry has been working for many years on environmental issues from a UU perspective; you can visit their web site at <http://uuministryforearth.org>. The Unitarian Universalist Association staff has taken over the UU Green Sanctuary program, (only four PSWD congregations are certified Green Sanctuaries) you can get information about this project at <http://www.uua.org/leaders/leaderslibrary/greensanctuary/118737.shtml>. One group that many Unitarian Universalists are working with is 350, working together on the climate crisis, one project with which 350 is taking the lead, is organizing for the International Day for Climate Action on Saturday, Oct.24. Visit their web site at <http://www.350.org/>. One other group I would like to mention is Earth Ministry, while based in Washington State; they offer many resources at their web site <http://www.earthministry.org>. One interesting piece is a free copy of "Irreversible, Irreplaceable", a DVD available to churches for free through Earth Ministry/WAIPL, it features beautiful images of threatened species and interviews with religious, scientific, and environmental leaders.

No matter what you choose to do personally or with your congregation I do believe that it is up to us to bring about the change we want for our planet. It is a moral imperative if we are going to leave a livable world to our children and grandchildren.

– Ken Brown

# Thoughts from the President



Following the PSWD board's annual retreat, I posted this status on FaceBook. [For the uninitiated, it is common to refer to oneself in the third-person in a FB postings.]

*Michael Sallwasser is feeling affirmed and inspired by the PSWD Board retreat this past weekend.*

*The board has forged a strong team that is committed to serving the cause of Unitarian Universalism and shifting from the dominate culture paradigm to a multicultural framework that will lead us into the future.*

*This was my second retreat as District President and I am grateful to the outside consultants, Kathy Rickey and Paula Cole Jones, the staff, Rev. Dr. Ken Brown and Tera Little, and the board members for making our time together so meaningful.*

As President, it is important for me to acknowledge, celebrate and express my thanks for the contributions of others. It is even more important that my gratitude be authentic.

While having two outside consultants was unprecedented and a stretch of our financial resources, it was a wise investment in the future of our district that will well serve our member congregations – the board's source of authority and accountability. I believe the effectiveness of Kathy and Paula was enhanced by the orientation, in-gathering and identity-sharing prepared by our capable Executive Team, Ken and Tera. Their centering work created a framework for the weekend.

Kathy Rickey, a member of Pacific Unitarian Church and trained facilitator, guided the board through a series of three teambuilding and formation sessions, beginning with learning our leadership styles. In addition to better understanding ourselves and others, we also understood the value of our varied perspectives and realized we were blessed to have so many styles of leadership at the table. Such diversity is what makes us strong.

The second session, following Saturday breakfast, was to create a covenant. We began by naming the values important to us as a board. Openness, respect, and commitment were three of the dozen or more ideals we called out. Next we discussed the actions and behaviors we would covenant to practice to make our values present whenever we gather. (When the final language is adopted, we will certainly share the covenant with you.)

The final teambuilding and formation session was the most important and built on the previous two sessions. We made clear to ourselves that the work we do is religious work. We are certainly not the board of directors of a for-profit enterprise, but neither are we the board of governors of a secular non-profit organization, however lofty its goals. We are the Board of Trustees of the Pacific Southwest District of the UUA – a faith-based association of congregations engaged in bringing a healing message to a hurting world.

With the board primed to receive and analyze information as a cohesive team, we assessed the testimony we received at district assembly.

*I choose the word testimony, mindful of the definition "a public profession of religious experience." When the board members engaged ministers, DREs, presidents and young adults in conversation at District Assembly, we asked them to share their vision for the future, what they cherish and hold dear, what they love, we invited them to speak from their Unitarian Universalists experience, which are inherently deeply religious.*

While we have not completed our analysis, the board is excited about the possibilities for refining our vision, how the Executive Team fulfills that vision, and reassessing the manner in which we, as a board, govern. We also listened to the district staff share the state of the district, which they have also been sharing with you and will continue to communicate. (Look for updates in their columns.)

Following the state of the district, Paula Cole Jones, a member of All Souls Church, Unitarian in Washington, D.C. and lead consultant for JUST Change, presented a district-centric strategy to support congregations and systemic change, developed to guide our association into a multiracial, multicultural future. By appealing to our head, heart and gut, she painted for board members and staff, a vision "where all souls are welcome as blessings and the human family lives whole and reconciled."

(UUA Leadership Council 10/1/2008)

# Remembering Ed Burditt

Starting mid-afternoon and continuing late into the evening, the sessions with Paula were a transformative experience that called to everyone. For me, both as an individual and as President, it deepened my commitment to bringing this covenantal vision to the congregations of our district and enlisting everyone in seeing that this vision relates to everything we do as a religious community.

On Sunday morning, inspired by Paula Cole Jones and grounded as a team, thanks to Kathryn Rickey, the board set its agenda for the coming year. As we worked through our calendar and goals, it occurred to me how much we had grown together as a team in less than 48 hours. As I told the board, I witnessed the thoughtfulness with which we spoke to and engaged each other in conversation. Great attention was given to seeing each person as unique with differing styles and approaches, all valid and all focused on creating the Beloved Community.

I do not know what the coming year will bring, but one of my spiritual learning edges is striving to be open to what will be revealed.

living my faith,  
Michael Sallwasser



In August, Ed Burditt passed away. Ed was a very active member of the UU Fellowship of San Dieguito, and he was a steady presence as a youth advisor at PSWD Sr. High camps and conferences. Many youth and young adults know Ed - perhaps they attended a workshop, were encouraged to write poetry, or got to hear one of his many stories about his life-long political action and advocacy. Ed got so much joy from being a caring adult in their lives, and he saw the potential, the great light, in each of the youth and he had much hope



they would for themselves realize that. Ed many of the went through youth minis- beaming with would give young adults following their

and faith that create a path that would re- kept track of youth who our district try program, pride as he updates on who were dreams.

Ed was in the ming up sup- a special memorial at camp for youth advisors who have died while still active in youth ministry. Ed was passionate about social justice and equal rights for bisexual, gay, lesbian, and transgender people. His commitment traveled beyond the church doors - In San Diego he was an active volunteer at Mama's Kitchen (a Volunteer of the Year at one time), active in support of the Storefront (for homeless teens), and worked at the youth drop in center in Hillcrest as part of The Center.

midst of drum- port to create

Ten years ago he served on the search committee for the PSWD Program Consultant position. At his home church he taught youth "Our Whole Lives" and long before that "About Your Sexuality" and made a lasting impression on many of our youth, young adults and families throughout the Pacific Southwest District.

He had finished a week as an advisor at Senior High camp at de Benneville Pines about a month before his death. Staff for Sr. High Camp always looked forward to the freshly baked treats Ed would bring to share - scones, bread, and desserts. This was part of his ministry with the youth. Ed loved poetry, and often led a poetry workshop for the campers.

A memorial service for Ed is being held on Sunday, September 27, 3 pm at UU Fellowship of San Dieguito

- Rev. David Miller & Tera Little

# Fall at de Benneville

...is always wonderful. While it remains hot down the hill, the temperatures at camp are just right during the day (usually in the 70's), and for sleeping well, nice and cool at night. The camp is at almost 7,000' in what might be the only "temperate zone" in Southern California!

Because our weather is so beautiful at this time of year, we have many churches and organizations that hold their retreats here in the fall. Both the LA-Valley Cluster and the Channel Cluster of UU Congregations will be here. Tapestry and Orange Coast share a weekend in October, Fullerton and Las Vegas are together in November and the San Diego Cluster's Women Together group will be here for their bi-annual retreat in October. Registration forms, cost and contact information is on the de Benneville website under the "Come to Camp!" link on our home page.

Several outside user groups will be in camp as well. Orange County Adult Children of Alcoholics has their 12-step Fall Mountain Retreat and Patti Londre holds her Camp Getaway: for Mothers & Others. Both retreats are open to UU campers who would like to join the weekends. If you're interested, contact information is on our website for these retreats.

The number of school groups coming to camp this fall is lower than usual, likely because of the state of school funding and anticipation of cuts in educational budgets. De Benneville will again be hosting two of Camp Bravo's school groups and the Rainbow Pride Youth Alliance will be returning for their second year at camp. We are proud to provide a site for this organization supporting the Inland Empire BGLQT teen community and questioning youth.

The camp will sponsor several events this fall. Our Yoga & Wellness Retreat is at the beginning of September, the fall Camp for Homeschooling Families

is the second week of November, and we'll have our annual Thanksgiving Holiday Celebration for everyone who would like to let someone else cook but still enjoy a feast and time with family and friends for the long weekend.

Our fabulous Music in the Mountains retreat takes place November 6-8. Along with folk and acoustic music, we're planning to expand the vocal portion of the weekend to include choral music. Check the information page on the camp website for more information—and bring your choir to camp!



Did you know that de Benneville maintains a page on our website specifically for the PSWD camps? You can register for PSWD events, see the dates for future camps, download camper packets, and learn more about PSWD youth, family and young adult camp programs. Currently, a link is available for the Renaissance Module at camp, October 29-31 and you can register online for the fall and winter Youth Camps.

We will hold our annual Fall Work Weekend October 30-November 1. We rely on the volunteer help of our camp supporters to get ready for winter. During this busy weekend, we pack away pool furniture, drain fire hydrants, paint trim on the cabins, rake leaves, stack wood and repair steps. You supply the labor, and we, in appreciation, feed you well and give you a comfortable bed to sleep in. What a great way to enjoy the camp and the mountains for free! Reservations are required because our Work Weekends have become quite popular.



De Benneville is grateful for the ongoing support from so many people. You help us remain strong during these difficult economic times. Volunteers work tirelessly, organizing church retreats, youth camps and programs during camp-sponsored events and helping with

maintenance and building projects.

Our campers attend church weekends, send their children and grandchildren to youth camps, and come to weekend retreats and Family Camp in the summer. Then they invite their friends and relatives to come to camp too. Keeping our events full helps

the camp fulfill its purpose, allows registration fees to remain reasonable and pay the bills as well.

Donors loyally send funds to build and keep the cabins, kitchen, plumbing and lodge in good order. Scholarship donations allow us to include children, families and adults in camp events, even if they are unable to afford to attend. In all the many ways you support de Benneville, we appreciate your generosity!

To communicate with our Camp Manager Janet James, please email [uucamp@aol.com](mailto:uucamp@aol.com). For registration assistance, contact Caroline Quintanilla at [caroline@uucamp.org](mailto:caroline@uucamp.org). You can also find us on Facebook or log onto our website at <http://uucamp.org>



## Cambria UUs Talkin' Trash

Well it's not exactly Cash for Clunkers, but the UU Community of Cambria (UUC) is operating a once-a-month free electronic recycling center at the local farmer's market. Townsfolk bring their discarded TVs, PCs, audio equipment, cell phones and other electronics to our booth and we collect it and drive it to the local recycling center. As a new congregation with limited resources, we wanted



to find a way of helping the community while gaining visibility in our local area. To promote our center, we passed out fliers, put up posters, placed our notice in the calendar section and wrote a letter to the editor. It's been a huge hit and has created a lot of buzz in the community. Last week we filled up a pickup and an SUV plus gave a dozen more PCs to a computer club. An unexpected benefit is that we're working with the Cambria Computer Club to supply old PCs that can be rehabilitated and given to disadvantaged kids. How's that for a win-win!

For more information contact me at [lakinco@aol.com](mailto:lakinco@aol.com) or at (805) 927-1349.

- Bill Lakin, UUC

## Looking Forward to DA 2010

SAVE THE DATES! April 23rd and 24th of 2010 the District Assembly meets in beautiful Santa Barbara, California at the historic Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara. We are following a different format this year with DA opening, workshops, and business meeting all taking place in a Friday evening/Saturday day format. This leaves all day Sunday for you to explore the riches of Santa Barbara! Our



keynote speaker on Friday evening will be the renowned Rev. Mark Morrison-Reed (shown at left) He is a noted author and speaker who focuses on diversity and reconciliation.

If you are considering and idea for a workshop, now is the time to start formulating a proposal. Only 16-18 workshops will be presented this year so competition will be tight! More info will be forthcoming with specifics about the theme of the workshops in the next couple of weeks!



## Accessibility for all at Universalist Unitarian Church of Santa Paula

Demolition began July 20 at the Universalist Unitarian Church of Santa Paula to remove the early 1950's-era restroom addition. The Gothic and Romanesque building, constructed in 1891, is the oldest church in Santa Paula and was among the first Universalist churches on the West Coast. It is being renovated with a wheelchair lift and new, accessible restrooms. A

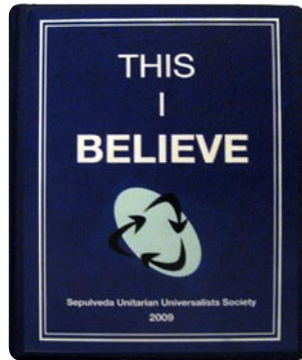


request from long time past member Patricia Burson funded the renovations. The project at the church, which also hosts the popular Santa Paula Concert Series of performances four times a year, is expected to take 20 weeks to complete.

## A Never-Before-Done Tribute to Spiritual Diversity

No Church in America has ever attempted to collect the biographies and the religious beliefs of its congregants and publish them as a book, that is until now. Of course, in most churches that would be a redundant exercise as all members generally affirm the same creed. Unitarian Universalists on the other hand honor each individual's distinct journey and quest for meaning while promoting social justice, diversity, and mutual goodwill.

The results, published as THIS I BELIEVE in August 2009, reveal an interesting range of beliefs from believers in God to Agnostics and skeptics.



Most of the respondents to the questionnaire didn't begin their journey as Unitarian Universalist children, but were raised in other religious traditions. Approximately 19% came from a Jewish background, 21% from a Catholic upbringing, and the balance from traditional protestant churches. "The word that popped up most frequently in their statements of beliefs was "freedom", declared Richard Weekley who instigated and coordinated the publication. "I didn't have to check my mind or science at the door," declared Lynn Prager who has been a member for 22 years.

Besides statistics like 16% of the congregants were born over seas and that 18% came from New York there are other tidbits to relish. One member heard Martin Luther King, Jr. speak in person and another actually met Eleanor Roosevelt and later worked for President Bill Clinton. Member Ardys Dewey was always mentioned by name in a Lenny Bruce monologue when she was present.

"I believe this book will truly enhance networking and increase the connections that members make with each other," observed Weekley. "The photo section will help us put names to faces while appreciating each member's beliefs and journey. I visualize the Onion (the congregation's nickname) as a magnetic beacon whose light has pulled and attracted individuals from around to world to meet regularly for nourishment, solace and inspiration."

## Trash to Energy Tour

On August 26th, six UU's accompanied a group from the League of Women Voters for a tour of the Southeast Resource Recovery Facility (SERRF). We met at the Long Beach harbor to learn about the process and facility that takes in trash, burns it to make electricity, and disposes of the smoke and ash with very little residue to pollute the environment. As landfills become more scarce the process becomes more interesting. SERRF was funded by a bond issue in the 1980's, and it has successfully paid its way by selling electricity to SCE and charging for handling solid waste.

As you can see, hard hats were required to go through the 9 story building complex. Unitarian Universalist church members were well prepared and very interested. Members from UCC Santa Monica were Rebecca Crawford, Sherry Handa, Melanie Sharp, and Sandra Trutt, who arranged the tour. Doriane Tippet, and Linn Jackson joined us from Pacific Unitarian Church. Mr. Charles Tripp, Mgr., was our guide.

- Sandra Trutt



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# PSWD DISTRICT CALENDAR

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## SEPTEMBER 2009

- 18-20 Jr/Sr High Our Whole Lives (OWL),  
Live Oak UU Congregation, Goleta, CA
- 19 Health Care Reform Training by UULM CA,  
First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles, CA
- 28-30 UUMA Retreat, Mary & Joseph Retreat  
Center, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

## OCTOBER 2009

- 17 UUSC CA Encuentro  
UU Church of Long Beach, CA
- 24 Winter Super Camp Sign-up
- 29-31 Philosophy of Religious Education Renais-  
sance Module, de Benneville Pines
- 31 Neighborhood Church Green Fair

## NOVEMBER 2009

- 6-7 UULM Leadership Summit  
Sacramento, CA
- 14 Leadership Resources Team Meeting

## DECEMBER 2009

- 4-6 Coming of Age Retreat  
de Benneville Pines
- 27- Senior High Winter Camp  
Jan 1 de Benneville Pines

## JANUARY 2010

- 22-24 District/Cluster Leadership Weekend  
Chalice UU Congregation, Escondido, CA
- 25-28 UUMA/LREDA Retreat, Mary & Joseph  
Retreat Center, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

## FEBRUARY 2010

- 12-15 Elementary Winter Camp  
de Benneville Pines
- 12-14 Young Adult Social Justice Conference,  
First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles, CA
- 28 Leadership Day  
UU Church of Santa Paula, CA

## MARCH 2010

- 22-29 Young Adult Water Justice Road Trip  
(cosponsored by UULM CA & PSWD)

## APRIL 2010

- 23-24 PSWD District Assembly  
Santa Barbara, CA

## JUNE 2010

- 23-27 UUA General Assembly  
Minneapolis, MN



PSWD Board and Staff at August retreat. L to R, back row: Rev. Ken Brown (District Executive), Ellie Chamberlain (YRUU representative); Tom Loughrey (UUA Trustee); Al Weiss (Trustee); Michael Sallwasser (President); Bob Couch (Treasurer); Bruce Celiz-Hagen (Vice president); front row: Carolyn Saunders (Trustee); Janet Weider (Secretary); Tera Little (Director of Lifespan Programs); Rev. Carolyn Owen-Towle (Trustee)