

# SUUSI News 2001

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**SOUTHEAST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SUMMER INSTITUTE -  
Monday afternoon, July 23 2001**

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## **THE SCHEDULE**

4:30p	Dinner— Dietrick
5p	Deadline for SUUSI Board Nominations – INFO Office
5:30-7p	Community Time
8p	Deadline for TUES. am SUUSI NUUS – INFO office
8p	Medians lounge 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor Payne
7:30-9:30p	Dietrick Express
9-9:45p	Worship Service (Owens)
10:00-1:00a	Serendipity/Cabaret/CACHE
10:00- 2:00	The Common Ground Café

Faculty/Staff Zone. You saved yourself a little walking, but the faculty/staff walk back and forth many more times than we do. Please be considerate and move your car to the back of the lot tonight.

Medians!! (roughly aged 26-35). Welcome to SUUSI. The first of our daily meetings will be tonight at 8:00 PM in the lounge on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Payne. We'll be making mailbags to hang on our doors and just getting to know who each other are. We'll also be going over the schedule for the week of activities for us and with the young adults. So come on up for a little Median time between dinner and nightlife. See you there.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SUUSIships** - Help others attend SUUSI while having fun yourself, in 4 (count 'em, 4) easy ways

- Shop at the SUUSI store.
- Purchase gifts for yourself at the Artisans Bazaar and the used book sale
- Visit the Common Ground Café!
- Donate your key deposit

Also, simple straightforward donations will also be accepted... got your \$300 check from IRS yet?

**Volunteer – SUUSI is run by volunteers. You can help keep SUUSI moving (literally) if you volunteer to drive the Star Car!** Please sign up at the INFO office, or contact the Star Car coordinators Dave Salman and Nancy Mayer.

### **Be a Workshop leader in 2002!**

What's your passion? Got a hobby you love? What in your life is so fun for you that you'd love to share it with folks at SUUSI? Pick up a form this week at the INFO office or the Book Store and put your ideas in writing. Remember that workshops do NOT have to be all week, only involve sitting in a classroom and you don't have to have to be an "expert". See Jeani Jessen for questions.

[NOTE: We'll still be waiting for the leader of the "Procrastination is Healthy" workshop to turn in the forms, so we can schedule that workshop for this SUUSI.]

**Rev. William Sinkford**, Director of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) Department of Congregational District and Extension Services was elected President of the UUA at General Assembly last month. SUUSI is affiliated with the UUA as an official camp conference, and several Theme Talk/Worship speakers are UUA officials. Among other connections our teen director Michael Tino is the UUA young adult campus ministry director.

## **UPDATES**

Feel the call of the drum? R. J. Perz-Edwards will facilitate an ad-hoc workshop on West African Percussion 4p @ the Community Time tents, everyday

## **NO DON'T PARK IT THERE**

If you're parked in the Litton-Reaves parking lot, but in the front section nearest SUUSI space, you're in

**Did you join the 600+ people for the Banner Parade and Ingathering? Tell the editor about that experience.**



## **PLEASE SHARE YOUR UNUSUAL STORY**

People remember stories and their feelings. We know there are good ones. Please submit a short description about your exceptional or unusual experience in a workshop, nature trip, Cabaret, worship service, community time or just meeting in the cafeteria. Please leave a typed, or printed story in the white envelope taped to room 494 door in Slusher Tower. Include Name & number of event. Also if you have digital pictures we can download to a laptop we would appreciate it.

## **Ron For Life!**

With the cooperation of the SUUSI board I am making a special appeal for assistance with my life. A special handout will be available with the newsletter on how you can assist me, Ron Hardin.

## **RECEPTIONS**

**Corrections** – Receptions are in Payne 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Lounge. All receptions are in 3001, except Mountain, which is in NRW 140.

### 1991 Service Project Lives On!

For several years in the early 90's the SUUSI Service Project completed several large projects and numerous small ones at the Blacksburg Children's Shelter Home. Sadly, it closed recently after 25 years of operations.

In 1991, SUUSI constructed a large wooden play set. When the Shelter Home closed, SUUSI was contacted to see if we wished to reclaim it. It now has a new home! We express our thanks to Bob Underhill, who lives in the local area. He single-handedly (well, actually he used both hands...) disassembled and reassembled the play set at its new home, The Haven, a new homeless shelter here in Blacksburg.

### A View Behind the Scenes

SUUSI is like Brigadoon. It appears, like magic, once a year... and then poof, it's gone. During the other 51 weeks of the year, you can find SUUSI in the hearts and minds of 1,000 participants, and in their stories told to others about the magical week-that-was.

You can also find the next SUUSI being conceived and nurtured, slowly. Three times (in October, late January/early February, and early June), the Core Staff assembles to evaluate what worked and what should be revised for the next SUUSI. The Nature staff camps out in the woods in October and May, scouting for possible new trips, assessing safety concerns, and planning logistics.

Throughout the winter, Workshop leaders plan their programs, assemble their materials, and practice on unsuspecting friends and family. Registration kicks into high gear in May, after the annual catalog is distributed. Also, the Board meets at least once (and occasionally by teleconference) to approve the budget and develop new policies as necessary.

If you want to be part of the SUUSI leadership and help make Brigadoon emerge from the mists in 2002, come to the reception Wednesday, 4:30-5:30pm at Payne 3001 (crossover lounge).

### Perfume making Party

Tuesday 2p New Res East Suite 360  
Have you ever made your own perfume? Would you be interested in learning the tricks of the trade? Join an informal class this Tuesday afternoon. I have dozens of scented oils to choose from and years of perfume making experience. We will be working outside. Questions? Contact Stacy (New Res East Suite 360)

### NIGHTLIFE

#### Cabaret Monday

10:00 Relative Viewpoint  
10:30 Amy Carol Webb  
11:00 Carol Eagleheart  
11:15 Robert Thomas  
**11:30 Steve King.**

#### Common Ground Coffeehouse Monday

11:00 Liza Jane  
11:15 Isabell Call with Lyle Baskin  
12:00 ?  
12:15 ?  
1:00 David Nachmanoff  
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#### Cabaret Tuesday

10:00 Maggie McLaney & Lyle Baskin  
10:30 Isabel Call  
10:40 Devin & Mina  
10:50 M.E. Anderson  
11:00 Bo Changnon  
11:30 Phil Klein  
12:00 Lyn Wadley

### News from Teenland

The Teens will be producing page 2 of the SUUSI NUUS on Thursday. The editor anticipates a very creative project from our great teen UUs.

### BOOKSTORE Signings

Watch your SUUSI NUUS for information on special author signings and music and musician miniconcerts to be held in the SUUSI Store!

#### Schedule so far:

<b>Bonnie Whitehurst</b>	<b>Tuesday 12:00-2p</b>
<b>Meg Barnhouse</b>	<b>Tuesday 4:00-5:00p</b>
<b>Relative Viewpoint</b>	<b>Tuesday 5:00-6:00p</b>
<b>Carl Ulbrich</b>	<b>Wednesday 5:00-6:00p</b>
Dave Nachmanoff	Thursday 12:00-1:00p
Kim & Reggie Harris	Thursday 1:00-2:00p
Amy Carol Webb	Friday 1:00-2:00p

If any other authors or musicians are interested in scheduling a time, please come by the bookstore between 10:00 am and 6:00 p to set it up.

### A POEM TO MY FRIENDS AT SUUSI - BY MATTHEW SCHILLING

This year a part of me is missing  
A part of me is not whole  
Because I am not at SUUSI  
Something is missing from my soul.

I will not see the faces  
Of UU's full of cheer  
Which always seems to help  
Heal my soul each year.

I will not see the children's faces  
Who are seeing SUUSI for the first  
So filled with joy and wonder  
That their hearts would almost burst.

I will not see the teens  
Up there on that stage  
Creating awe and magic  
That only they can make.

I will not see the young adults  
So wild, untamed and free  
Who opened up their hearts  
And with loving arms accepted me.

I will not see the rest of you  
That for that week are there  
Who make this world seem  
So much easier to bear.

I will not see these things  
With my eyes of sight  
But I will see them in my heart  
And hold them with all my might.

For SUUSI is a part of me  
That I hold so close and dear  
And it truly saddens me  
That I will not see you all this year.

But these thoughts of you are what  
Keeps me striving through and through  
And I just wanted to say  
I miss you all and love you true.

