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### From the Minister Rev. Lise Adams Sherry



Greetings!

We made it! Nelson (my partner), Tali (our dog) and I arrived on Monday evening after driving for 4 ½ days from Oregon. It was a beautiful, if short trip (Canada COVID rules=rolling quarantine) via Prince George and then west to the Cassiar Hwy. The last time we were on the Cassiar, 30 years ago, it was mostly gravel. Like then, we saw bears and other wildlife and still had to dodge a few potholes. We had one horrendous flat tire at Haines Junction, but it's all part of the adventure, right? Since arriving our main task has been unpacking (Thank you to the masked AUUF members who helped unload our van!) and remembering that we're still in quarantine until August 10. We have driven around a bit and one of our first stops was at AUUF. The flowers, Black Lives Matter banner, playground and bike rack all speak to a people who care about their community and their environment. I'm looking forward to working with such a group in the near future (and seeing the inside of AUUF!). This next week I'll be getting settled into AUUF and attending a few meetings via Zoom. I'm also hoping to hatch a plan and schedule so I can start to distantly meet multiple small groups of you in person—more on that later. Until then, be well and let's keep being here for one another.

Blessings, Rev. Lise (pronounced "Lisa")

# Introducing Rev. Lise Adams Sherry



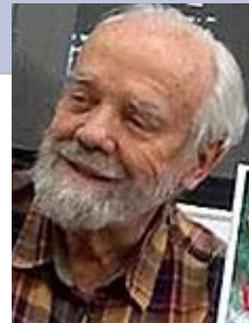
**Rev. Lise leading South Shore Citizens for [Refugee & Immigrant] Equality demonstrators in song (2/5/17)**

## Let's all welcome Rev. Lise Adams Sherry, our new Contract Minister.

Our journey with Rev. Lise Adams Sherry began August 2nd, 2020. Rev. Lise just drove from Massachusetts to Anchorage, with a stop in Oregon to visit family. We owe her a big AUUF virtual hug for making her transcontinental journey during these tumultuous days just to help us flourish. Rev. Lise's looking forward to learning about, guiding and sharing our collaborative AUUF ministry adventures. She received her M.Div. from Meadville Lombard in Chicago and comes to us from First Parish of Norwell, Massachusetts.

- Rev. Lise's interest and gifts for religious education are informed by her appetite for learning, her love of the arts, and her enjoyment of working with people of all ages. She is an OWL facilitator and is looking forward to working collaboratively with Rosene and our great RE Team.
- Rev. Lise feels pastoral care and rites of passage make up one of the more sacred parts of ministry. During these troubling times, she hopes people will come to trust her with their challenges and their joys. Lise has found that simply offering her presence can be one of the more empowering things she does as a minister.
- Rev. Lise describes ministry as an exciting, engaging, challenging and multi-faceted calling. She welcomes the chance to work with our Worship Associates and Megan as they collaborate on our Services. She loves that congregations are full of people of all ages, who are intentional about how they live and relate with our world. Such intentionality allows for reflection, learning from mistakes and moving forward in love. She believes that sharing ministry and life are truly gifts.
- Her first UU church included a Forum and she is fully supportive of our humanist activities.
- Our Board of Directors approved Rev Lise's 11-month contract on June 17th.

# Greetings from Our New AUUF Board President



Hello AUUF Members & Friends,  
It has just been a couple of weeks since I stepped onto our rapidly evolving virtual merry-go-round of Fellowship. I am already standing in awe of your Adaptability and Resilience. As your newly elected President, I encourage all of you to jump aboard our virtual teams. I will do my best to keep up with the pace you set.

**It's not Impossible:** You know, I never imagined for a minute that I would be plunging into my ninth decade hereabouts with my head virtually zooming through The Clouds, but here we are. It reminds me of the look of amazement on about a dozen young children's faces when they gathered around one of the fathers as he lay on the floor at a birthday party and they lifted him and carried him out into the yard where they unceremoniously dumped him on the lawn. It was a lesson never forgotten—it took Everyone Working Together to Accomplish the Impossible. "It takes a village" to make a Fellowship Flourish and we are committed to deepening our Bonds of Community during this time of social distancing.

**One Hell of a Year:** As a part-time volunteer member of "Team Amy", I was amazed at how quickly the year flew by. It has been a roller coaster ride filled with moments of grief, elation, sorrow, joy, apprehension, innovation, heartbreak and caring. We owe a big-elbow-bump-hug to everyone who sprang into action in March to create our Virtually Vital AUUF, to David O'Brien for guiding us through a tumultuous year, and to Peggy Robinson for keeping our ship on a steady course. To everyone who pitched in, Thank You for doing one hell of a fine job in circumstances without precedent in our lifetimes.

There is a lot of apprehension, stress and uncertainty in the air these days. Please reach out to one another in search of ways to ease each other's burden and nurture some joy. Our strength as a Community will be a key determinant of our health as individuals and as a Fellowship.

**Everyone Pitching In & Sharing the Joy of Fellowship:** That is All we need now. I invite each of you, member and friend, to devote a bit of your talent to nurturing AUUF. We will be offering all kinds of opportunities to serve, including UUA online leadership training. And, hopefully, by this time next year you can all carry me outside the building and unceremoniously dump me on the lawn because we all worked together to accomplish the impossible.

**We have An Opportunity:** ...To reshape our Nation, our Community, and our Fellowship. Our Nation is in the midst of a painful awakening which can be perverted to further the interests of the plutocrats or bent toward a more equitable future for one and all. That is what it means to "Bend the Arc of History". The forge is hot. Are you ready to plunge in and do some bending? Your creative energy will propel AUUF into the future. You can start by sending me your ideas about what AUUF should be doing right now in an email: [president@anchorageuuf.org](mailto:president@anchorageuuf.org).

**If You Need Help:** Please, please, let us know immediately—we need to hear from you sooner rather than later. As we welcome Rev. Lise in August for the final leg of our journey to a new Settled Minister, let's do everything in our power to flourish as a Fellowship.

Be safe. Be well. Wear your mask proudly.  
Shalom.

In your Service. –Sid

# Notes from Your July AUUF Board Meeting

- The Board met on July 15th and Welcomed new members Don Antrobus and Sid McCausland, as well as almost new member Kathleen Lucich. Elected officers for the coming year: Sid McCausland, President; Jenna Way, Vice President; James Dryden, Secretary; and Peggy Robinson, Treasurer
- Accepted the Treasurer's report that AUUF ended the fiscal year on June 30th in sound financial condition, thanks to the continued support of you, our members and friends, during this tumultuous time of virtual fellowship.
- Requested that the Building & Grounds Team review our proposed capital and maintenance projects and recommend the order in which they should be funded.
- Reviewed and approved a number of Team Charters among other items of business.
- Cancelled the Fellowship Picnic and Fall Frolic due to the spread of COVID-19
- Adopted a COVID-19 Protocol that will allow small groups that have used our building in the past to begin using our building again if they adhere to the Protocol.

## Fellowship Gatherings vs COVID-19

On July 15th, your Board determined that...

- Our face-to-face Fellowship Picnic and Fall Frolic must be cancelled.
- Large gatherings such as our Forum, Service, Choir and RE will not be able to return to our building before October.
- Small groups that agree to adhere to our *COVID-19* Protocol may make arrangements to return to the building. The Protocol is based on guidelines set by the Municipality, the CDC, and our Safer Congregation Team. Unfortunately, its implementation will be delayed due to the rapid rate at which *COVID-19* is currently spreading in Anchorage.
- At each monthly meeting your Board will continue to gaze into our crystal ball, review all relevant available information, and try to imagine our way back in our building. We will speculate about the next three months, but beyond that the Pall of *COVID-19* Uncertainty clouds all. So, we will keep updating you monthly as time marches on.

# Announcing the AUUF Community Directory of Businesses and Services

You are invited to list your business or service in our soon-to-launch AUUF Online Community Directory. During these tumultuous times we want you to have the opportunity to make everyone aware that you are one of us and you are ready and willing to offer your services or products to one and all. Your Board and Communications Specialist Kelly are working out the details, but the sooner we hear from you, the sooner we can launch the Directory.

Please send us a draft or mock-up of what you hope to fit into 2.5"x4" box, we will experiment with formatting before establishing our final publication guidelines. Be succinct and engaging. Your listing will be free for the duration of the Municipality's COVID-19 Restrictions. Your service and/or product must not conflict with our AUUF Principles and Covenant.

Send your listing to **[Kelly Spring communications@anchorageuuf.org](mailto:Kelly_Spring_communications@anchorageuuf.org)**

## Honoring our Rev. Richard Gay by Lending a Hand to his Family

As AUUF's vibrant minister from 1975-1986, Rev. Gay left a lasting imprint on our members and our Fellowship. His name comes up frequently in conversations with those who knew him.

On June 15th, Jerilee, his youngest daughter, began experiencing symptoms that led to the removal of an operable tumor in her brain. She and her husband manage two Humane Society operations in Oregon and have been getting by without health insurance.

Jerilee's brother, Rick, created a Go Fund Me page for his sister and her husband, Stephen Drynan. Rick forwarded the Go Fund Me link to AUUF. Such a request is usually be handled by our Minister, but being midstream in our transition, our amazing AUUF Alliance stepped up and fired off a donation. The Alliance and I want those of you who would want to know an opportunity to join the Go Fund Me campaign for Jerilee & Stephen.

The Go Fund Me link is:

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/d5855-jerilee-drynan-surgery-fund?fbclid=IwAR115ntCHc9mQaN-JV184D36VmNc6S1o2KAMMgJSX6LCm1NzDh1\\_wXLuW-AQ](https://www.gofundme.com/f/d5855-jerilee-drynan-surgery-fund?fbclid=IwAR115ntCHc9mQaN-JV184D36VmNc6S1o2KAMMgJSX6LCm1NzDh1_wXLuW-AQ)

In Fellowship, Sid McCausland, Board President

# Social Action-Women's Voices

By Dennis Arashiro

To commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the adoption of the 20th Amendment giving women the right to vote, take in the words of women.



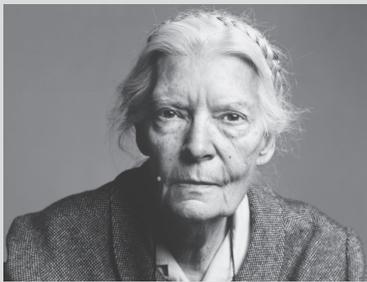
"It was we, the people; not we, the white male citizens; nor yet, we the male citizens; but we, the whole people, who formed the Union. ... Men, their rights and nothing more; women, their rights and nothing less."

- Susan B. Anthony, Women's right activist

"The world has never yet seen a truly great and virtuous nation because in the degradation of woman the very foundations of life are poisoned at their source."



- Lucretia Mott, Organizer of the Seneca Falls Convention, First Women's Rights Convention



"People say, what is the sense of our small effort? They cannot see that we must lay one brick at a time, take one step at a time. A pebble cast into a pond causes a ripple that spread in all directions. Each one of our thoughts, words and deeds are like that. No one has a right to sit down and feel hopeless. There is too much work to do. "

- Dorothy Day, Journalist and Social Activist

"Women in the country must become revolutionaries. ...We must replace the old, negative thoughts about our femininity with positive thoughts and positive actions affirming it, and more. But we must also remember that we will be breaking with tradition, and so we must prepare ourselves educationally, economically, and psychologically in order that we will be able to accept and bear with the sanctions that society will immediately impose on us."



- Shirley Chisholm, US Representative and Presidential Candidate



"When you see what happens in politics or business, I just had the opinion that money and power, you can't beat them, no matter what. So to me, this was a real example of strength in numbers and power to the people: If you come together and fight something huge, you can win."

- Dawn Dunning, Prosecution Witness against Harvey Weinstein

# Social Justice & Public Health By Dennis Arashiro

“The medical school (at Harvard) is all marble, with these grand columns. The school of public health is this funky building, the ugliest possible architecture, with the ceilings falling in. That’s America.”

- Laurie Garrett, author of 1994’s “The Coming Plague”

Laurie Garrett points out how we value individual clinical medicine over public health. So what do we risk by doing that? We may see an individual medical fatality in isolation, totally unrelated to underlying social conditions, the racial and economic inequities and the environmental toxins that led to that particular death. We may see a police shooting of an unarmed African American as a tragic but isolated incident, not part of a persistent and general racial pattern. We may mourn the death of a child playing with a gun without connecting it to the larger issue of firearm policy and law. Not seeing the forest of social harm and injustice for the trees.

The present pandemic has brought the weaknesses and limitations of our institutions of public health into focus, failings due to a dismissive and myopic view of public health. The refusal to see environmental desecration as a public health issue. The refusal to see gun violence as a public health issue. The refusal to see homelessness as a public health issue. The refusal to see addiction in all its forms as a public health issue. And yes, the refusal to see inequalities of race and wealth as a public health issue. It’s time we look beyond the trees to see the forest. It’s time we see not only the forest but realize that the forest is us.



Illustration, Determinants of Equity, King County Office of Equity and Social Justice  
Courtesy King County



## August Half Portion for Social Action goes to Alaska Literacy Program

By Kalen Saxton

The Alaska Literacy Program is our Half-Portion recipient for August. Since we can't pass the birchbark baskets for donations at our services, it is up to you to go the AUUF website and click the Donate button. Alaska Literacy Program celebrated the completion of their first summer sessions where 14 volunteers provided direct online instruction to 40+ students and distance education to an additional 20+ students. They maintained regular contact with students and volunteers that were not able to move to online program delivery.

They received emergency COVID-19 funding and amended their budgets to get a technology lending library filled with laptops, headsets and hotspots. They prepared for their first virtual training of new volunteers. All of these changes happened in less than three months. They are working hard to find a way to have a limited number of in-person classes while continuing to offer on-line courses in the Fall.

ALP's current funding is stable, but they do need unrestricted funds to help pay for utilities, repairs, and supplies. Donations of unrestricted funds will help pay for the costs of reopening the building and the increased need for supplies to keep everyone safe and healthy. They have cancelled the BizBee, a major fundraising source, and likely will cancel the Scrabble event. To keep classes accessible, they have waived all student tuition and materials fees and have developed the technology lending library.

The Board and staff of the Alaska Literacy Program take their mission of changing lives through literacy very seriously. The pandemic and national attention on systemic racism have laid bare the discrepancies that exist for so many marginalized communities. At ALP they know they are unique at a time of such division to have the opportunity to develop compassion and empathy for each others.

# Notes from Religious Exploration By Rosene Beachy



It was a brave new world in Peace camp this year as our Peace Camp team reconfigured all the normal plans to have a virtual camp! And our 5th year of UU Peace Camp, even though virtual, had a record 41 children /25 families participating. Bev and I had the very fun opportunity to set up a social distanced recording studio at the fellowship to record and hold the morning circles and singing. About half the kids showed up on any given day for the live video Circles. Other families participated in the recorded videos, stories read by our Jr youth, craft demonstrations and bicycle skills. Several families participated in the bike rides and thanks to some well-placed social distancing we even had an audience for the bike ride and started a new tradition with the “tube man” at an evening bike parade! Thanks to Elayne Hunter and Bev Grogan for many hours of planning and recording!

Summer Activities continue with recorded weekly Chalice Circles on the theme of Fairness and Anti-Racism. Summer RE Activity kits are being picked up by RE families, and the Camp bags are being brought back and refilled with ideas, projects and supplies for the next few weeks of summer until school begins.

Unfortunately, it looks like physical distancing from AUUF services and RE programs will continue through possibly much of the coming year.

We know this virtual world is causing a lot of stress as families juggle family life, childcare, working from home and soon, school. Our RE Team has discussed ways to keep a sense of community and connectedness for our families without being too overwhelming.

We know that many groups the kids have been involved in are not happening and social circles are smaller. We know you would like to keep that link to their faith community strong and intact which is why we will restart the live RE Chalice Circles in September.

We are planning now for virtual Sunday (morning or evening) Zoom circles for 4 age groups, Registration confirmations will be emailed to last year’s enrolled families. Forms are available on the RE Facebook group, and the AUUF website. We would love to have a few volunteers partner with our CYRE team members to provide some Sunday RE sessions for Preschool, Elementary and youth. We need people who would be comfortable using or learning to use the Zoom platform to bring short and interactive programs to our kiddos. Sunday activities will be based on the Theme programs from Soul Matters – which this year are being expressly designed with on line virtual experiences in mind. Activity packs will be available to pick up and do at home each month.

We would like to chat with you about ways AUUF can support you and how we can partner with you to keep a connection with your faith family during this time. Our CYRE Team will be making phone calls to families in August, but please feel free to call me or anyone else on the Team. (Elayne, Bev, Laura Krip, Dianna Polese, Andee Cordano, Jaime Olson).

Have a Wonderful Summer, and don’t forget to collect a bit of water from wherever your adventures take you that reminds you of a special place and special people you were with! We will have a virtual “Gathering of the Waters” Ceremony during the Homecoming Service in September when we kick off our fall program.

# VIRTUAL UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## Reflections on 2020 UUA General Assembly

By James Dryden 7/18/2020

The General Assembly (annual meeting) of the Unitarian Universalist Association was held June 24-28, 2020, as a large virtual Zoom meeting. It had been originally planned for a Rhode Island convention center venue but had to be reworked to a virtual meeting due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The change probably resulted in a much greater attendance than originally expected since the costs and time commitments were much less for the attendees although the organizers had more work. Technically, the conference had significant problems initially but they were ironed out. Generally, the organizers did an amazing job of pulling this together in a short space of time.

Attendance near 5000 made it the second or third largest General Assembly. The Zoom format was used to create some wonderful music choral performances that could not have been accomplished in a convention center. Undoubtedly, we were also able to have many speakers who would not have been available if they needed to travel. Attendance was increased at the lectures and workshops because it was not limited by physical space as it would have been at the convention center.

I attended as a delegate from AUUF so I participated in the business meetings. These meetings filled about eleven hours total of which about 50% dealt with procedural rules. We adopted Bylaw changes relating to filling vacancy of the moderator (Chair of the Board) Restatement of the investment priorities: supporting human rights especially those of minorities, indigenous people, LGBTQ, Black Lives Matter, disabled, and more. Statements of support for the Mashpee Wampanoag (New England indigenous tribe), other indigenous people against White Supremacist Colonialism, Black Lives Matter, Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism, and other organizations seeking racial justice reorganizing the internal anti-racist committee (JTWTC) efforts to strengthen support for Youth and Young Adult activities; and the UUA guidelines for responding to the pandemic.

Strong Assembly themes this year were indigenous people, colonialism, and white supremacy. There were at least a dozen workshops and lectures given each day in addition to worship services and business meetings. I personally focused on the workshops that addressed practical approaches to modifying congregational makeup and behaviors. These offered wisdom and experience that is hard to find elsewhere. The lectures and worship were all of high quality and some of the music was truly exceptional.

The <https://www.uua.org/ga/off-site/2020> webpage has worship presentations which will remain available to all through the summer.

-James Dryden

# General Assembly 2020 Delegate

By Stephanie Koonz 7/18/20

The last time I was a delegate to a UUA General Assembly was 43 years ago in 1977 in Ithaca, New York; we were housed at Cornell University. The setting was classical; we stayed in the college dormitory rooms. One thousand people attended. I was 34 years old, attending my 5th GA and hoping to get re-elected to the UUA Commission on Appraisal. Because I was running for a position, it seemed important for me to be present at the Assembly to speak to the gathering about my qualifications and ability to continue on the Commission to which I had been appointed two years earlier. I was the delegate from my home church in Northfield, Massachusetts. At the time, I was living with and caring for my mother who, six months earlier had been diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease; she was failing and would pass away a little over a month later at the end of July. She was living in Salem, Massachusetts and in the congregation where my father had been minister for 25 years 1935-1959. And so, after making arrangements, I boarded a bus at the Salem bus station for the journey to Ithaca and the 1977 UUA General Assembly. Interesting fact: In 1977 there were 1000 UU congregations with 144,832 members; in 2020 we have 1027 congregations with 152,921 members.

Fast forward 43 years to GA 2020. No buses to board, no campus or hotels and the setting was at home & comfortable. BUT we are in the midst of a world pandemic- people dying of Covid-19. No suitcases to pack, no special clothes to remember, no tooth brushes to forget food on demand sitting at home and the ability to attend many more workshops, worship services and chat spaces (conversations) than ever before. Five thousand people attended. There are similarities between the two GA's which I found comforting-The Service of the Living Tradition, the John Murray Distinguished Lecture, the Fahs Lecture, Ware Lecture, the Worship Services and even the Business Sessions. There are other similarities between the two GAs-not so comforting.

The most striking is our continuing struggle that we have with our relationships with "other" people. From 1967 through 1983, the denomination considered how to include more people of color into our congregations and administration. In 1967, the Black Affairs Council (BAC) formed from the Black Unitarian Universalist Caucus (BUUC) and served as a coordinating agency for UU efforts in the fields of race relations and Black empowerment. In 1968, a white support group formed to support the BAC and it was known as the Full Recognition and Funding of the Black Affairs Council (FULLBACK). Some UUs felt that the direction of the BAC was too separatist, and a group called Black and White Action (BWA) was formed in 1968 to provide a channel for the efforts of some UUs to achieve racial justice through more integrated means.

UUA administration mismanaged BAC funding and in 1970 BAC disaffiliated from the UUA. Three years later, BAC and BUUC split and two organizations claiming to be the BAC emerged, leading to a lawsuit. As UUA membership declined in general during this period, so did Black membership. BAC was officially disbanded in 1979 two years after the 1977 GA. (See: <https://library.harvard.edu/collections/black-empowerment-and-unitarian-universalism>) This year, the whole thrust of the assembly centered on our UU relationship to all "others"- Black, People of Color, LGBTQ, Indigenous, People without Homes and Disabled people, and our UU definition of our place in White Supremacy. To this end, I attended two workshops: "*Why We Want and Resist Diversity and Why Diversity, Inclusion and Equity Matters to your Congregation.*"

I have printed copies of both transcripts if anyone is interested. Keith Kron, Director of the Transitions Office at the UUA was one of the leaders of the first workshop; we have been working with him during our Interim and Contract Minister time here at AUUF. Question: From 1977 Empowerment to 2020 Inclusion-in 43 years? How are we doing?

# Worship Info for August

## Summer Worship: What's on Deck?

The summer 2020 collaboration between AUUF and the UU Fellowship of Fairbanks (UUFF) continues! We will alternate weeks hosting the services, and worship jointly on Sundays until mid-August.

## Here's what is coming up:

- August 9 – Rev. Jacqueline Duhart, “*How to Cross Over and Cross Back*”  
UU Minister Emerita, previously parish minister at the First Unitarian Church of Oakland – and a past member of AUUF
- August 16 – Our own Rev. Ruth Greenwood, UU Minister and member of AUUF
- August 23 – Rev. Lise Sherry, Contract Minister for AUUF will celebrate her first Sunday with us. Please join us in welcoming her!

How have summer services been working for you? We would love feedback on the series of services, our collaboration with UUFF, and holding services by Zoom. If you have comments or suggestions, please contact me! Marty Freeman, Worship Associates Chair [martyw@ak.net](mailto:martyw@ak.net)

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## Vote Safe - Vote from Home - Vote!

*All Alaskans can vote by mail from home.*



- ✓ It is easy, fast, and SAFE
- ✓ No waiting or lines
- ✓ No risk of COVID 19

**Deadline to apply for Mail-In Primary/General Election ballots is Aug. 8.**  
**Deadline to apply for a Mail-In General Election ballot only is Oct. 24**

Alaska is a no excuse “absentee” voting state – that means anyone can **vote from home** for any reason. “Absentee” voting basically means that you **are** choosing to vote by another option other than going to your polling station.

Anyone can apply to have a ballot mailed to them. You can apply **NOW!** Just complete an Absentee Ballot Applications at the Division of Elections Website. Two easy methods – all done online (paperless) or print, sign and send it back.

**All online (paperless):** <https://absenteeballotapplication.alaska.gov/>  
**Complete, sign and send back:** <http://www.elections.alaska.gov/doc/forms/C06%20Fillable.pdf>

## From The Forum Committee

The Forum has hosted excellent presentations and discussions each Sunday since we moved from our building to the House of Zoom. In August we are looking forward to more of the same, including:

- August 9 – *“Let’s Not Squander This Opportunity,”* By Anchorage Municipal Manager Bill Falsey.
- August 23 – *“Elections Matter—Why We Encourage Vote By Mail, and Combat Voter Suppression,”* By Joyce Anderson, of the League of Women Voters Alaska. A good way to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment.

We are also finalizing details on other Forum programs for the weeks to come, including presentations on the pros and cons of Proposition 2 (dealing with “ranked choice voting” and other proposed changes affecting our state elections), on issues facing teachers as ASD starts its new school year online, and others.

Looking for silver linings in the Covid-19 Cloud, because we are meeting on Zoom we have the opportunity to sometimes hear from speakers from around the state and the Lower 48 who otherwise might not be able to join us in person, or to address timely issues without always having to plan them a month or two in advance. So watch *Today at Your Fellowship*, [www.anchorageuuf.org](http://www.anchorageuuf.org), and the AUUF Facebook page for the latest news on Forum presenters, and remember to check the Speakers’ Bios Page on our website.

And as always, please pass along suggestions for topics or speakers you think would be of interest for future Forums (with contact info when available) to any of the Forum Committee members, Dennis Arashiro, James Dryden, Heather Flynn, Gabriela Gonzales, Lynn Hallquist, and John McKay—or email them to [\*\*mckay@alaska.net\*\*](mailto:mckay@alaska.net)

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