

New Members—Feb 11, 2007

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Carolyn Beahrs

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Carolyn and her husband, Dick, have four children and one grandchild. They have recently relocated to Berkeley. Carolyn loves to ride her bike and hike in Tilden and has recently taken up painting.



Helen Bliven

Helen is a recycled person—a recycled FCCBite, a recycled Berkeleyan, a mother (3 sons), a recycled mother (4 grandchildren), and a recycled pet owner (2 cats). Her hobbies include: yarn and stitchery hand crafts, gardening and raising iris. She is a community activist, currently working on getting Medicare cards made with picture IDs to help deter medical fraud and invites support in this venture.



Sara Chatfield

Sara is a graduate student at Cal in political science. She grew up in the Unitarian Universalist Church in Northeast Ohio. She loves to bake cookies to relax in her spare time.

Chris Coelho

Chris grew up on a farm in Brentwood that raised cattle for a living and Chris has been a vegetarian for almost ten years. He just married in August 2006 to the most awesome person in the world. Chris is a passionate environmentalist with “overbearing opinions that often get him in trouble with family and friends, but they love him anyway.”



Gracy Lane Huntley

Gracy is from Pinedale, Wyoming, a very small community located between two awe-inspiring mountain ranges, where she loves to run around all summer. She is currently a sophomore at UC Berkeley, on the Cal Women's Crew team, and is intending to major in the life sciences and thereafter join the Peace Corps. She tries to breathe in every moment with gratitude for the very precious gift of life and life in community and compassion with others.



Vanessa Irwin

Vanessa is a stay-at-home mom of her loving boys, Johnny and Liam. She has been married for three years. Her goal after the boys are in school is to go back to school to finish her teaching credential.



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Elisa Iha

Elisa has grown up in several states (CA, MT, OH, IA, MN) and has a strong background with the UCC family. She is interested in photography and traveling and she loves to cook. She is excited about starting a new life in CA and exploring the FCCB community.



Abe Langseth

Abe grew up in Minneapolis, MN, and moved to San Francisco this past summer to study neuroscience at UCSF. When he's not in class, he likes to explore the city and he plans to run several races in an around San Francisco this spring. He is very thankful for the community he experiences at FCCB and for the new friends that he has made here.

Carrie Vermazen

Carrie moved to Berkeley from Iowa with her college roommate from St. Olaf College in August 2005. She is an avid knitter and is excited about joining the FCCB knitting community. She is in the middle of a career transition.



Cordelia Strandkov

Cordelia was born and raised in a UCC church in Minneapolis, and is currently in her second year of the Masters of Divinity program at PSR. She is an artist, currently working primarily in fabric and fibers and calligraphy. She studied visual art in high school and college and focuses her electives at PSR in Religion and the Arts. She majored in women's studies at Smith College, and is very interested in issues of equality, empowerment and justice for all people.

Jim Weller

Jim is a third year divinity student at Pacific School of Religion, preparing for UCC ordination. Previously, he completed a Bachelor of



Theology and Philosophy degree at Holy Names University in Oakland. Jim lived in Santa Cruz for many years. He is a retired land title examiner. Jim is unmarried and has two teenage daughters, Anna and Maggie, and a toddling grandchild, Gracie.



Jennifer Fisher and Karen Tyger

Karen Tyger

Karen is an adventure girl—snowboarding, mountain biking, surfing. If she's not in church, it's likely a powder day or great waves. She's a music lover, who plays clarinet in the Piedmont Community Orchestra and saxophone in a jazz band. She's an electrical engineer, who works at WALCOMM designing displays for cell phones.