

Chair Notes... December 2014



A month ago, responding to feedback from the community, we instituted a new approach to the community announcement portion of our liturgies. We made a decision to strictly limit announcements to a total of 10 minutes - out of respect for our padre cadre, community members who have plans after liturgy, parents with children, and to make us a more attractive spiritual home to visitors who might turn into community members. For this new approach to work, it is essential that every announcement maker be respectful of others in line waiting their turn. Announcements should be 30 to 60 seconds each.

Announcements should be limited to the "what" and "why" facts of their message, and should leave the "when," "where," "how much," details to the required written blurb that is distributed over the NOVA listserv. A month into this new approach, we are going to make one minor change - since community announcements are a traditional part of every liturgy, moving forward it will be the responsibility of that week's liturgy planners to enforce the 10 minute limit. As chairs, we remain open to hearing any feedback about this, or any other aspect of our community life.

~ Brian & Carmela