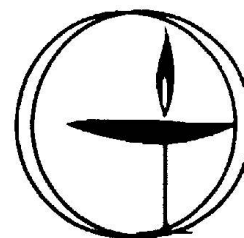


ALLIANCE NEWSLETTER



**Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church
9601 Cedar Lane, Bethesda, Maryland 20814-4099**

Marion Carlson, *president*

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The Alliance of Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church is an affiliate member of the church open to all interested women and men. Its purpose is to promote programs and activities of a cultural and community nature that support Unitarian Universalist principles. In furtherance of these purposes the Alliance raises its own funds and establishes its own budget.

**Alliance Day
Thursday, October 11, 2007**

**The Rev. Heather K. Janules
Assistant Minister and
Minister for Pastoral Care
Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church**

Writing a Different Story: A New Chapter in the Struggle to End Racism

For decades, Unitarian Universalist communities and other progressive institutions made great strides in dismantling racist laws and prejudices throughout America. Yet, race-based prejudice is still alive. Racism is still active in our schools, our neighborhoods, our churches and our relationships with one another.

How is racism currently at work? Why are churches so monocultural? How can we as ethical people of faith engage in the struggle to end racism in this modern era?

Our presenter, Cedar Lane Assistant Minister Heather Janules, shares these questions. Using resources from the Unitarian Universalist Association—the February 2007 “Now is the Time” conference and the new Adult R.E. curriculum “Building the World We Dream About”—she will lead participants through a discussion about racism and the role of storytelling as an agent of personal and cultural transformation.

The Schedule for Alliance Day

- 11:30 a.m.** A relaxed time for socializing
- 12 noon.** Potluck lunch. Please bring a main dish, salad, or dessert to serve six or eight.

Hospitality Assignments for Alliance Day

<i>Greeters:</i>	11:15	Dorothy Bedell, Lura May Dillow
<i>Set-up:</i>	10:30	Delilah Foster, Jean Thompson
	11:00	Margaret Levchenko, Betsy Sutherland
<i>Clean up:</i>		Marjorie Rynas, Henry Bedell
<i>Tablecloths:</i>		Sally Lauben, Katherine Potts
<i>Beverage Table:</i>		Karl Grimm, Beryle Lednicer, Jeane Robertson, Beverly Warner

Choose your hospitality tasks!

Sign up for your favorite hospitality task for next month as you check in at the monthly Alliance luncheon. Each of us should volunteer for at least two tasks during the year, as we are able.

If you have signed up for a hospitality task and you find you will not be able to fulfil the assignment, please do your best to find a substitute. If you cannot find a substitute, call Jean Schaible, 301-879-0956.

***Of Mice and Men* at Olney Theatre Center, Wednesday, October 17, 2 p.m.**

Members and friends are invited to attend the production *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck on Wednesday, October 17, at 2 p.m. at Olney Theatre.

“This American classic is about a devoted friendship. Lennie, a strong man with the mind of a child and George, a smaller man with quick wit struggle to find work and make a life for themselves at the height of the Depression.”

Tickets cost \$19.50 and will be sold and distributed at the October Alliance meeting. Make your check payable to Alliance or pay by cash. Carpools are encouraged.

Arlene Goldman

Request for Cookies

Homemade cookies are needed for the Memorial Receptions. Brownies and bar cookies are especially useful. Please mark them with your name and the date and put them in the freezer on the right. Thank you in advance for helping.

Martha Lisle

First Friday Book Club  11 a.m. Rooms 1 & 2

Everyone is welcome! Bring your sandwich and socialize.

The Alliance First Friday Book Club will meet on **October 5**. We will be discussing the book *All Aunt Hagar's Children* by Edward P. Jones.

Jones has filled this collection of 14 stories with people who call Washington, D.C., home. Yet it is not the city's power brokers that most concern him but rather its ordinary citizens. *All Aunt Hagar's Children* turns an unflinching eye to the men, women, and children caught

between the old ways of the South and the temptations that await them further north, people who in Jones's masterful hands, emerge as fully human and morally complex, whether they are country folk used to getting up with the chickens or people with centuries of education behind them.

Jackie Burge and Diane Wallenmeyer

Fourth Thursday Classic Film Series – 10:30 a.m. in the Library

On **October 25**, our film will be *Mrs. Brown*. The film tells the story of Queen Victoria (played by Dame Judi Dench) and her relationship with a Scottish servant, John Brown (played by comedian Billy Connolly), and the subsequent uproar it provoked. Brown had been a trusted servant of Victoria's then deceased consort, Prince Albert. Victoria's chief servants thought Brown might help to ease the Queen's deep, apparently inconsolable, grief over the prince consort's death in 1861. The plan succeeds all too well.

Sarah Reese

Alliance Bridge Every Tuesday – 10 a.m. in the Library.

All Bridge players are welcome! No partner needed. Bring a sandwich and play through lunch.

Next Alliance Board Meeting: October 18, 10 a.m.

Next Newsletter Deadline: October 25

ALLIANCE MEMBERSHIP DUES 2007-2008

Join now! Dues are \$12 per person. You will receive a copy of the membership directory. Please be sure to fill in your current address and check whether you are a church member or nonmember. You may pay your dues at the October meeting or mail your check with this form to the attention of the Alliance Membership Chair, Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church, 9601 Cedar Lane, Bethesda, MD 20814. Make check payable to: CLUUC Alliance.

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