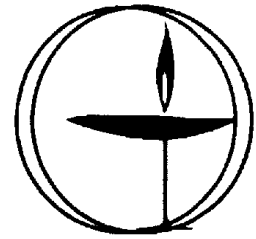


# ALLIANCE NEWSLETTER



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

Nancy Dayhoff, *Acting President*

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Barbara Gressman, *Editor*

**T**he 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.

## President's Message

We had a great turnout for our December meeting - wonderful food and delightful company. Thank you, all for helping to make it such a special occasion. Happy New Year, everyone!

We have some great programs coming up, thanks to our excellent program chairman, Len Adler

*Nancy Dayhoff*

**Alliance Day**  
**Thursday January 14, 2010**

## The Schedule for Alliance Day

- 11:30 a.m.** A relaxed time for socializing
- 12 noon** Potluck lunch. Please bring a main dish, vegetable dish, salad, or dessert to serve six or eight.
- 1 p.m.** Program
- Greeters:* 11:15 Marion Carlson  
*Curb Assistant:* Lois Delaha
- Set-up:* 10:30 Alison Tobias  
Diane Wallenmeyer
- 11:00 Barbara Gressman  
Bonnie Tyler
- Clean-up:* 12:45 Coralie Adler  
Betsy Sutherland
- Table Cloths:* Yuka Fujikura  
Ann Bechill



## Advocating for Health Insurance Reform Today

Avram Goldstein, Research Director for Health Care for America Now, the nation's largest health care campaign, will tell what it's like to make the career transition from journalist to professional advocate for national health care reform. He will talk about the state of the American health care system and provide a legislative update.

## 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 cannot fulfill the assignment, please find a substitute. (If you cannot find a substitute, call *Arlene Goldman*, 301-871-8367.) If you can help with clean-up, please also call *Arlene*.

## Social Responsibility

“One of the best small charities in the Greater Washington region”

I have just discovered a very interesting and worthwhile organization! It's Empowered Women International. This organization was founded by Marga Fripp a Romanian-born broadcast journalist and advocate for women's rights. Her idea was to create a community of support and professional development for immigrant women artists. EWI works with over 300 women yearly and provides business classes, marketing services, art promotion and referrals to help women integrate in the American culture and market place. I had the opportunity to meet Marga and her artists at a fund raiser in Silver Spring. The group currently operates out of Alexandra and they are hoping to open an office in Montgomery County. At this point they need about \$7,000 to do that. If you are interesting in helping financially, you can go to <http://empoweredartists.blogspot.com>. Or if you are interested in hosting a party contact Marga at [www.ewint.org](http://www.ewint.org)

*Jean Thompson (JPTJPT@verizon.net)*

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

Our film for **January 28** is *The Remains of the Day* nominated for three academy awards in 1993 including Best Picture and Best Actor, and Best Actress. It won the British Academy Award for Best Actor. It stars Anthony Hopkins and Emma Thompson.

Told as a series of flashbacks leading up to WWII, a butler tells of his lifetime with an aristocratic English family. His well mannered manners are tested when he falls in love with the housekeeper.

*Sarah Reese*



## Alliance Bridge Every Tuesday – 10 a.m. in the Library. \$2 donation

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

*Virginia Weise*



## 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 the second Friday, January 8, 2010** instead of the first Friday because of the New Year. We will meet in rooms 1 and 2 at 11:00 a.m. to watch the movie *Madame Currie*, starring Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon. The couple Pierre and Marie Currie won the Nobel Prize in 1903 for the discovery of radium. This is a wonderful portrayal of a woman's struggle for academic recognition in the world of men.

Inez Costanzo will provide refreshments.

In February, we will meet on **February 5**. The book we will be discussing will be *Shadow Country* by Peter Matthiessen. This is a long read—891 pages. It is about the Everglades, Florida. It won the National Book Award for Fiction in 2008.

Alison Tobias will provide refreshments.

Looking forward to seeing you.

*Lois Williams and Diane Wallenmeyer*

## Memorial Receptions – Cookies.

Thanks to all the generous cookie-bakers for answering our call to provide for receptions after the many memorial services we have had! Lovely cookies arrived in the Alliance freezer and we were able to provide love and support to grieving families and friends.

Please donate, label with date, and put in the separate freezer in the kitchen.



**Next Alliance Board Meeting:  
Thursday January 21 at 10 a.m.**

**Next Newsletter Deadline:  
Friday January 8**

