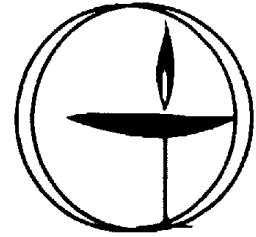


# ALLIANCE NEWSLETTER



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

Nancy Dayhoff, *President*

December 2010

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.

## Alliance Day Thursday December 9, 2010

### The Schedule for Alliance Day

<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	A relaxed time for socializing.
<b>12:00 noon</b>	Potluck lunch. Please bring a vegetable dish, salad, or dessert to serve six or eight. <b>Ham and turkey will be provided.</b>
<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	Program
<i>Set-Up</i>	10:30 Diane Wallenmeyer Jean Schaible
<i>Greeters:</i>	11:30 Marcia Phyllaier
<i>Curb Assistant:</i>	Earlene Green
<i>Receiving Food:</i>	11:45 Sue Mathias
<i>Clean-Up:</i>	12:45 Alison Tobias Fred Olson
<i>Clean-Up Serving Tables:</i>	12:45 Robin Larkin
<i>Table Cloths:</i>	Sarah Reese Ann Bechill
<i>Beverage Table:</i>	Norm Lauben Beryle Lednicer

### President's Message

December may be the darkest month of the year, but it is bright with celebrations with our families and friends. Merry Christmas, members of Alliance, and a very Happy New Year!

*Nancy Dayhoff, President*

### Program—Sing We Noel

Cedar lane members Leslie Backus and Susan Clark will lead us in holiday carols. Ann Meyer will provide piano accompaniment, and Music Director Henry Sgrecci will provide some special musical treats.



*Len Adler*

### Needed! Cookies for Holiday Gifts!

The Alliance will deliver cookies to the shut ins of our congregation again. Please bring homemade cookies to fill the containers that will be used as centerpieces on our luncheon tables and then taken to our members who can't make it to the luncheon.

The cookies should be delivered by 10:45 a.m. on December 9 (Alliance Day). If you prefer to bring them to church earlier, mark them "Alliance Cookies", and put them in the large refrigerator, which is second from the left in the line of appliances.

We need a few volunteers to deliver the containers later. Please call if you can help, or sign up at the luncheon to deliver them.



*Lois Delaha*

**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 three 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—Food Drive to Benefit MANNA Food Center

Alliance will have its own food drive at our December 9 luncheon meeting. Please bring a few non-perishable food items with you to the meeting.

**FOOD SECURITY:** What does the term food security mean? “The ready availability and assured access to nutritionally adequate and safe foods for all members of a household to have a healthy, active, and productive life.”

This year has been a particularly difficult year for many Montgomery County residents. Manna has seen lines of people each week who are facing food security issues. Senior citizens, unemployed and others facing financial difficulty have all been helped to obtain food.

*Jean Thompson*

## First Friday Book Club

**11 a.m. in Rooms 1 & 2**

The First Friday Book Group meets on the first Friday of each month in Rooms 1 & 2 and welcomes old friends and new.

Come talk about the book at 11:00 a.m. and socialize over refreshments at noon.

**December 3: *Half Broke Horses***, a true-life novel by Jeannette Walls: A story based on the author’s resourceful and hardworking grandmother (2009). Refreshments: The Book Group’s Annual Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon.

**January 7: *The Help*** by Kathryn Stockett: Mississippi maids and women employing maids come together in 1962 for a clandestine project that will put them all at risk (2009). Refreshments: Inez Constanzo.

*Lois Williams and Helen Strang*

## Fourth Thursday Classic Film Series

**10:30 a.m. in the Library**

No screenings in November and December due to the holidays. See you in 2011.

*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.



*Virginia Weise*

## Recipe of the Month:

People have been bringing many new, healthy and delicious recipes to the luncheons. If you have one that you would like to share, bring it to the luncheon or send it to me. As room permits, I will print it here.

*Barbara Gressman*

## Alliance Membership Directory

The Alliance Directory will go to press shortly after the December Alliance meeting. We want the Directory to include the names of as many Alliance members as possible; so, if you have not yet paid your 2010-2011 dues, please do so by December 9 so that we may list your name and contact information in the Directory. If you are not sure whether you have paid this year, please telephone Virginia Weise, 301-530-1869.

Thanks,

*Virginia Weise*  
*Membership Chair*



## Future Programs

Jan. 13: “From Segregation to Integration & Beyond”

Earlene Green

Feb. 10: Digital Photography

Mark J. Ratner

**Next Alliance Board Meeting:  
December 16, 10 a.m.**

**Note Early Newsletter Deadline  
For January’s News  
Due to the Holidays  
December 4**

