



Arlington Unitarian Universalist Church

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Kaleidoscope September 2007

Sunday	Sep. 2	10:00 a.m.	"Sunday School Gang" (for adults) led by David Tripp and Naren Jackson, focuses on Emerson and Transcendentalism
		11:00 a.m.	Laurie Willis presents "Two Fathers," a sermon by Rev. Victoria Weinstein
		12:30 p.m.	Finance Committee led by Larry Heath
Monday	Sep. 3	7:30 p.m.	Support Group led by John Reed
Sunday	Sep. 9	10:00 a.m.	<i>YOU: On A Diet: The Owner's Manual for Waist Management</i> , by Michael F. Roizen, MD, and Mehmet C. Oz, MD, reviewed by Glen Collier and Ken Sambell
		11:00 a.m.	Lester Robbins speaks [Safe Haven (Women's Shelter) collection]
		12:30 p.m.	Board Meeting led by John Blair
Monday	Sep. 10	7:30 p.m.	Support Group led by John Reed
Sunday	Sep. 16	10:00 a.m.	"Sunday School Gang"
		11:00 a.m.	Darrell Blackbear and the Bearclaw Drum Group perform Native American music
		12:30 p.m.	Social Justice Committee meeting
Monday	Sep. 17	7:30 p.m.	Support Group led by John Reed
Sunday	Sep. 23	10:00 a.m.	<i>Five Minds for the Future</i> , by Howard Gardner, reviewed by Ken Sambell
		11:00 a.m.	Do-It-Ourselves Service: Please bring something thought-provoking to share
Monday	Sep. 24	7:30 p.m.	Support Group led by John Reed
Sunday	Sep. 30	10:00 a.m.	Hoyt West presents "Can Christians Be Unitarians?" as part of The Fifth Sunday UU Newcomers' Program. All are invited
		11 a.m.	Sandra Mallie speaks on "The Cause and Effect of Sexual Harassment"
		12:30 p.m.	Last Supper (potluck lunch)
Sunday	Oct. 7	10:00 a.m.	"Sunday School Gang"
		11:00 a.m.	David Tripp speaks

Nursery and Sunday School are provided at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday.

AUUC Mission Statement -- Our mission is to provide a nourishing environment:

- In which liberal religious thought and spiritual growth are encouraged; where doubt is welcome and free choice is the rule
- In which we will be motivated to contribute to the betterment of all life
- In which we will teach and promote all of the other Unitarian Universalist values, embodied in the Seven Principles

Pledging: It takes \$50 per pledging unit per month to sustain the Arlington UU Church. Please give what you can. If you choose to make your contribution using the collection basket, use a special envelope or indicate "Pledge" on your check. Thank you for your support.

Meet Norman Cousins

Norman Cousins, 1915-1990, was a well-known and influential twentieth-century editor and writer. Though not a member, Cousins did at times attend the Unitarian Church in Westport, Connecticut, to which he donated a pulpit "In memory of Albert Schweitzer," about whom he had written two books. For him the pulpit "represented the importance of the spoken word, and the ongoing search for truth and justice." His lifelong concerns were world peace, world governance, justice, human freedom, the human impact on the environment, and health and wholeness. His primary platform for promoting his views was as editor of *Saturday Review* for the better part of forty years at a time when that journal was highly influential among better-educated Americans. He was also the author of a dozen books and hundreds of essays and editorials and, in his later years, a faculty member at the UCLA School of Medicine. Born in New Jersey and educated at Columbia University, Cousins became editor at *SR* in 1942 when he was 27. He commented later, "To work with books and ideas, to see the interplay between a nation's culture and its needs, to have unfettered access to an editorial page which offered . . . as much freedom as I was capable of absorbing - this is a generous portion for anyone." He dedicated himself early to the establishment of an effective world governance, for which he made more than 2,000 speeches. In the 1950s he helped raise funds for medical treatment of hundreds of Japanese injured or orphaned by the atomic bomb and adopted one of them. He once said "War is an invention of the human mind. The human mind can invent peace with justice." Also in the 50s he helped found the National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy (SANE). In the 60s he worked on obtaining the Soviet-American nuclear test ban treaty. For that and other work, Cousins received a medallion



from Pope John XXIII, the Eleanor Roosevelt Peace Award, the Family of Man Award, and the United Nations Peace Medal. Later in life he opposed American involvement in Vietnam, continued to oppose the nuclear arms race, and argued for a strengthened United Nations. "The essential lesson most people still resist is that they are members of one species. It is this that we all share - the emergence of a common destiny and the beginning of the perception, however misty, that something beyond the nation will have to be brought into being if the human race is to have any meaning." His several bouts with severe illness, and recovery from them, led him to write the books *Anatomy of an Illness as Perceived by the Patient* and *The Healing Heart* and teach ethics and medical literature at UCLA. In 1990 he received the Albert Schweitzer Prize for Humanitarianism and the Japan Niwano Peace Prize.

Adapted from:

harvardsquarelibrary.org/unitarians/cousins.html

Progress on Church Library, AUUC website and Church Sound System

The *ad hoc* Library Committee plans to have a simple-to-use catalog of the AUUC Library collection completed, and books available for borrowing, by the end of September. All books in the library, including books given by members and visitors, are being stamped to identify them as belonging to the church library. (Many of us bibliophiles tend to hold on to books so long we forget where we borrowed them!) New bookshelves have been donated and installed on the north wall of our coffee room to hold the collection, and a system is being developed to ensure ease of use by members and secure tracking of the books. This **newsletter** is now available **online** at arlington-tx-uu.org. A **CD player** has been purchased by the *ad hoc* Sound System Committee to add to our set-up in the sanctuary.



Cell phones should be turned off during the service.

Food in the Sanctuary: So we can all enjoy a snack and fellowship afterwards, please do not bring food into the sanctuary during services and forums.

Facilities Use Policy: Permission must be obtained prior to use from the church board or, at minimum, the church president. The fee is \$15 per hour unless another rate or free use is agreed upon by the AUUC Board prior to use. Copies of the policy are available upon request.

Support Group: For our members who are trying to get their lives straightened out or to search for just plain stress relief, we have organized a support group that meets at the church every Monday night at 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact John Reed, our dedicated problem-solver.

Side Porch Counseling: Arlington UU Church is sponsoring counseling services each Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. For a moderate fee, Dr. John Reed, LPC, provides counseling for personal problems, stress management and relaxation. Call 817-460-6481 for more information or an appointment. Or just drop by.

New Members Welcome: Membership in the Arlington UU Church is open to everyone 12 or older who is in sympathy with our purpose and principles. If you wish to join us, you need only sign a membership form in the presence of an officer of the Church. Active (voting) members must additionally make a financial contribution of record during the year prior to, and be on the roster at least 60 days prior to, any congregational business meeting at which they wish to vote. **Newsletter/Publicity:** Clara Blair, 817-265-3429, blairbards@sbcglobal.net