



November 2018

## MINISTRY COUNCIL

### CIRCLE OF LIFE

We wish to send our condolences to Nancy Mack's family and friends. Nancy, a long-time member of the Unitarian Society of Ridgewood passed away recently.

Additionally, we wish to acknowledge the passing of long-time member, Glen Daum. Glen was a musician, composer and coordinated many Jazz Night Fundraisers for the USR.

## STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL



Please save the date for our annual Society auction Saturday evening, January 26, 2019. Snow date is Saturday, February 2, 2019.

The forms for submitting your generous offerings will be available on the website on or about November 1st.

## MEMBERSHIP COUNCIL



### First Wednesday Brown-Bag Lunch

Please come to the next First Wednesday Brown-bag Luncheon on November 7, 2018 to be hosted by Brietta Savoie at 1 p.m. at her home in Glen Rock, N.J. She will provide dessert and beverages. Please R.S.V.P. to let her know that you are coming and to let her give you directions if needed. Parking is free in the parking lot right across from the front door. Hope to see you there. All are welcome.

### UU Class

We invite you to join Rev. Dr. Sarah Lenzi and Jeanne Nametz, our Religious Education Director for an upcoming Unitarian Universalist class (UU class). The class is scheduled for Sunday, November 11th, 11:30 a.m. in the Reeb conference room.

The class will cover UU theology and history in addition to the history of the Unitarian Society of Ridgewood.

Please RSVP to Ann Pareti at [usr.membership1@gmail.com](mailto:usr.membership1@gmail.com). Let her know if you require child care. Thanks.



## SAFE CONGREGATION RESPONSE TEAM

### AED/CPR Training

It is that time of year again. Please read and consider registering for this training. The Safe Congregation Response Team is offering AED/CPR training on Saturday, January 5, 2019 (snow date: January 12) from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. It will include basic CPR for adults, children and infants as well as AED training. The team is pleased to offer this excellent training free of charge for the first 10 people who register. Please see flyer on page 8. To register, email Chandrika Chowdhry at [usr.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:usr.secretary@gmail.com). Questions? Email Carol Loscalzo.

## SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES COUNCIL

### November Plate Collection

This November half of all monies collected during services will go to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC). The UUSC is the Unitarian Universalist's social justice arm. It is a nonprofit, nonsectarian organization advancing human rights together with an international community of grassroots partners and advocates.

There are actually two ways for you to support the work of the UUSC: through monies collected at November services and by participating in UUSC's annual campaign drive "Guest at Your Table". Place the box for Guest at Your Table on your dinner table and contribute the cost of a meal. Support the Unitarian Universalist's social justice campaigns. This allows the world to see how our faith impacts the world. Thank you for your generosity! Boxes can be returned through the month of December.

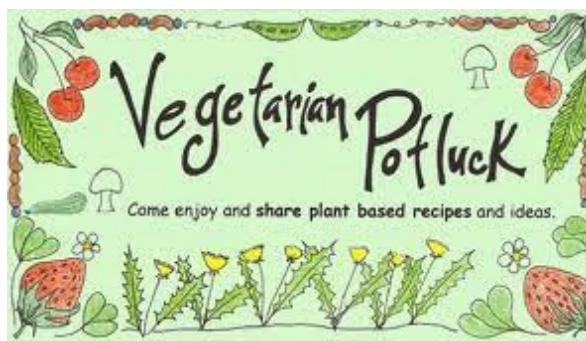
## SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES COUNCIL



### Environmental Justice Committee and the Hunger and Homeless Committees

invite you to a vegetarian pot luck on Sunday November 4th, 5:30 pm in  
the Fellowship Room

The question at the heart of the environmental justice movement is ...'who reaps the benefit and who bears the burden of our modern industrial society'.



### So what's food got to do with it?

Lots! Food is moved across the country on diesel trucks often through urban neighborhoods where children suffer extreme rates of asthma. Land is stripped of nutrients when cheap growing practices are implemented. Pesticides are used which pose health risks but are consumed by low income people who can't afford food grown otherwise.

These are all Environmental Justice issues. It is poor people, people of color, and billions of animals who bear the burden of our food system.

Nearly 15 percent of global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions are due to production of meat, dairy and eggs. Livestock is the world's largest human-related land user, taking up 30 percent of the Earth's entire land surface, including 33 percent of the global arable land for animal feed production. The global demand for meat increases the pressure to clear forests and valuable land for raising livestock and growing food, thus contributing to land degradation, deforestation and the accelerated loss of rainforests.

### So what's food got to do with it?

Why, the same thing as love does - showing respect for the earth, its living creatures and each other.



See flyer on page 6. Bring your recipe for a cook's share and don't forget to bring a can of food to donate to a local pantry.

# SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES COUNCIL

## Save The Date

The Environmental Justice Committee invites you to a Friday night at the movies.

"Revenge of the Electric Car"

comments to follow by Paul Rosengren

Friday, December 7, 2018 at 7:00 pm

light refreshments



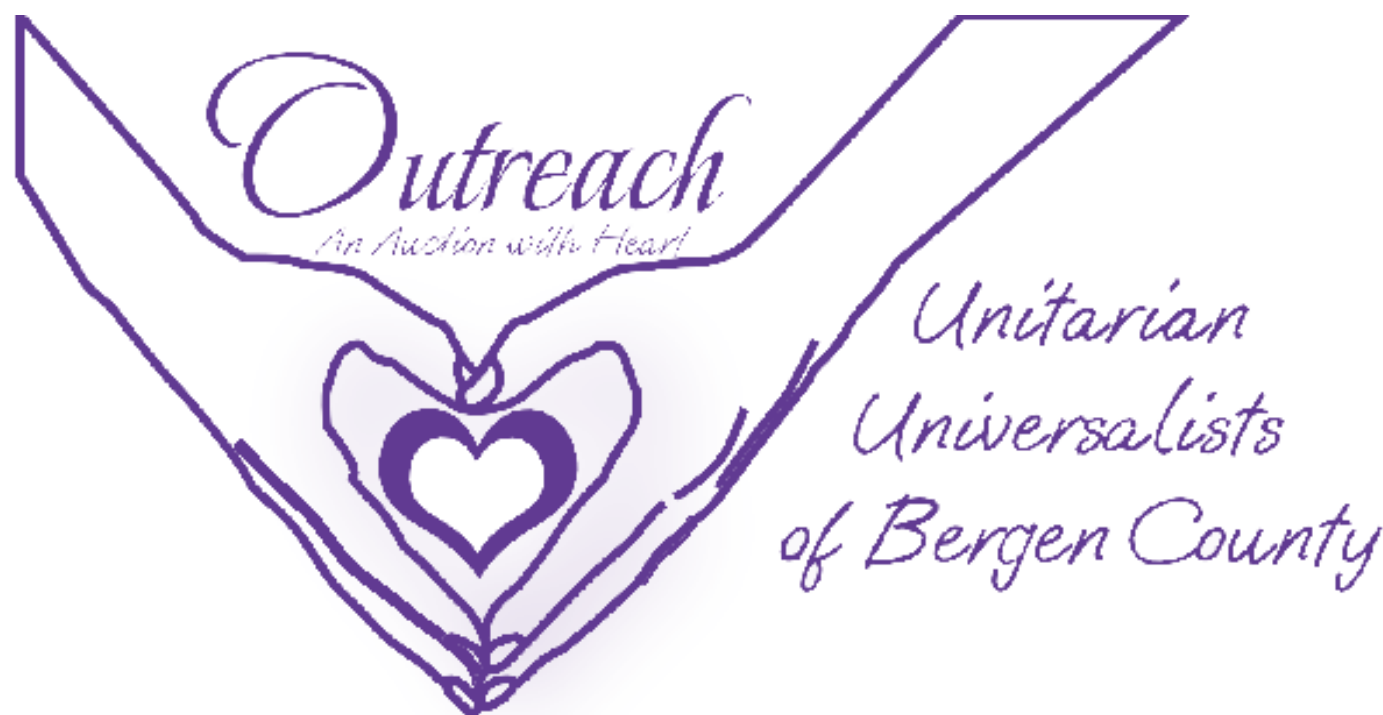
## GOTV Campaign

The Social Responsibilities Council is committed to a GOTV campaign between now and the election on Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Deadline for voter registration has passed. The SRC table has Applications to Vote by Mail. As we all know, one of the major obligations of citizenship is to vote. You must also be a resident of the county for at least 30 days before the election. You can submit an Application to Vote by Mail Ballot (formerly called Absentee Ballot). It must be received in the County Clerk's office 7 days prior to election. A voter can also apply in person to the County Clerk until 3:00 p.m. the day before election. Click here for the Vote by Mail Ballot application. <http://www.bergencountyclerk.org/services/22> Legislation was recently passed so that if you voted by mail in recent elections, you will get a ballot in the mail. If you received one, you can opt out, but will be asked to fill out a provisional ballot at your polling place.

The Council will also have sign up lists at the SRC table this Sunday if you need a ride to the polls or if you would like to volunteer to drive people to the polls. Thank You!

## Plate Collection application deadline – November 21, 2018

In 2009, the USR Board granted the Social Responsibilities Council (SRC) approval to use the Offertory Collection at Sunday services to collect money for social justice causes, as determined by the SRC. The deadline to submit applications for the next cycle is Wednesday, November 21. The Council will consider all requests made by members and friends of the USR. The cause should be consistent with the mission of USR to be "a beacon of justice and love in the world". The applications are on the USR website. Please complete the form and submit it to the office or send to Carol Loscalzo. Questions: ask Carol or any member of the SRC. All social justice chairs and co-chairs are on the Council.



# **18TH ANNUAL UU OUTREACH AUCTION OF BERGEN COUNTY**

**NOVEMBER 3, 2018 AT 6:30PM**

**Central Unitarian Church**

156 Forest Avenue,

Paramus, NJ, 07652

Helping our friends and neighbors in need in Bergen County

**Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Palisades**

**Central Unitarian Church**

Since our first Auction in 2000, we have raised over \$560,000 with 100% of the proceeds going to our designated charities.

This year all proceeds will support:

**Community Meals, Inc.**

**Northern NJ Sanctuary Coalition**

**Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)**

**Bergen Volunteer Medical Initiative (BVMI)**

**The Defining Moment Foundation**

**Holley Childcare and Development Center**

Join us for an evening of fun, great food, live auction and Tricky Tray while we support our Bergen County charities in need!

Tickets: \$35

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# You Are Invited to a Family-Friendly Vegetarian Potluck!

**When:** Sunday, November 4

Dinner starts at 5:30pm

**Where:** Fellowship Room



**What:** Please bring a main course, side, salad or  
dessert to share with your fellow UUsers

(soft drinks are provided)

No RSVPs necessary.

*\*Consider labeling your ingredients and bringing a copy  
of your recipe to share with other potluckers.*

*\*Please bring canned food for a food pantry collection.*

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**THE USR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE and HUNGER & HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEES**

Did you know that, accounting for all factors, livestock production worldwide is responsible for a whopping 18 percent of the world's total greenhouse gases, as reported by the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization. That's more than the emissions of all the world's cars, buses, planes, and trains combined.

# CRAFTS in RIDGEWOOD

**FREE!**  
ADMISSION

A Fundraising Event to benefit the Youth Development Program C.A.M.P. in Paterson, NJ



*Reception:\**

**Friday evening**  
**November 16th**  
**\*7PM - 9:30PM**

**Saturday**  
**November 17th**  
**10AM - 5PM**

*27 years of fine crafts hand-made for the holidays*

- ◇ Sculpted, Stoneware and Raku Ceramics
- ◇ Functional woodenware
- ◇ Handcrafted jewelry and accessories
- ◇ Fine art photography and prints
- ◇ Quilts
- ◇ Holiday decorations
- ◇ Baskets and Glassware
- ◇ Original art greeting cards, boxes and books
- ◇ Pillows and knitted items
- ◇ Soaps, body creams
- ◇ Japanese folk art
- ◇ Children and Family items
- ◇ Handcrafted birdhouses

For information, please call  
the USR office at 201-444-6225  
or Marcy at 201-825-7264

The Unitarian Society  
of Ridgewood  
113 Cottage Place Ridgewood, NJ

# SAVE THE DATE SAVE A LIFE

A red square graphic with a white heart in the center. The text 'AED/CPR' is written in large white letters across the heart, and 'Training Opportunity' is written in smaller white letters below it. A white ECG line runs horizontally across the middle of the square. Below the square is a dark red horizontal bar containing the date and snow date in white text.

**AED/CPR**  
Training Opportunity

**Saturday, January 5th, 2019**

Snow Date: Saturday, January 12th

## **FREE AED/CPR Training Opportunity**

for USR Members and Friends

Certification will cover adults, children and infants

## **Saturday, January 5, 2019**

## **9 am to 12 noon**

(Snow Date: Saturday, January 12th)

**Fellowship Room**  
The Unitarian Society  
of Ridgewood  
113 Cottage Place  
Ridgewood, NJ

To register, please email the USR secretary, Chandrika Chowdhry at [usr.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:usr.secretary@gmail.com) or call 201-444-6225.

Email Carol Loscalzo at [closcalzo2@aol.com](mailto:closcalzo2@aol.com) if you have any questions or require additional information.

Childcare available with two weeks notice:  
email [usr.dre1@gmail.com](mailto:usr.dre1@gmail.com)

Sponsored by the Safe Congregation Response Team



# SAVE THE DATE!

## words of choice

**Sunday, January 13, 2019**

Doors Open at 2:00 | Program begins at 2:30 pm

*A woman's right to choose soars in a tapestry of 12 powerful  
'shorts' – serious and comic. These are stories from the heart: humorous and tender;  
poignant and riveting; from theater, spoken word, comedy poetry, oral history and  
journalism. Smart, funny, endangered!*

### **Reproductive Freedom Is What We Want! –And What we Deserve!**

Are you looking forward to December and holiday plans? Think way beyond that, and mark your calendar NOW for the REAL event—a fascinating, moving, and (unfortunately) timely production by acting group Words of Choice sponsored by the Reproductive Justice Committee of the Unitarian Society of Ridgewood, and Northern New Jersey Chapter, National Organization for Women.

**Speaker:** Dr. Lynn Roberts, editor, "Radical Reproductive Justice"

#### **Location:**

Unitarian Society  
of Ridgewood  
113 Cottage Place  
Ridgewood, NJ 07450  
[www.uuridgewood.org](http://www.uuridgewood.org)

**REPRODUCTIVE  
JUSTICE  
COMMITTEE**

**THE UNITARIAN  
SOCIETY OF  
RIDGEWOOD**



Northern New Jersey  
Chapter

Child Care provided with 2 weeks notice. Please email Jeanne Nametz at [usr.dre1@gmail.com](mailto:usr.dre1@gmail.com)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7:30 Adult Choir/ Fellowship	2	3
4 <b>10:00 Service - Rev. Sarah Lenzi</b>  5:30 Vegetarian Potluck/Fellowship Rm	5 12:30 Monday Lecture Series/ Fellowship Rm  7:00 BOT Meeting/Conf. Rm  7:45 Zen Meditation/Fellowship	6 7:30 Connections/Youth Rm	7	8 7:30 Adult Choir/ Fellowship	9	10
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18 <b>10:00 Service - Rev. Sarah Lenzi — Thanksgiving Service</b> 11:30 Music Comm./Upstairs Mtg Rm  11:45 P&J Mtg/Conf Rm	19 12:30 Monday Lecture Series/ Fellowship Rm  7:00 Sunday Service/Conf. Rm  7:45 Zen Meditation/Fellowship	20 7:30 Connections Group/Youth Rm	21	22	23	24
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## **Unitarian Society of Ridgewood**

### **Mission Statement**

Growing in mind and spirit,

We act together as a beacon for justice and love,  
Transforming self and world. Adopted May 17, 2009

### **Invitation to Participate**

Welcome! For over a hundred years this Society has been a place where free-thinking, broad-minded persons have come to participate in a vibrant, liberal religious community. In fulfillment of our current congregational mission we create a safe and loving environment that supports personal growth and provides ways for each individual to make a difference in the larger community.

We offer a stimulating Sunday service, an excellent religious education program for children and youth, and many educational, spiritual and social activities for adults. Every Sunday our Social Responsibilities Council has a table set up during Social Hour with information about social justice and charitable opportunities.

### **Anti-Racist Congregation**

This Society is an [anti-racist congregation](#) committed to reflecting this commitment in the life and culture of the entire organization. Adopted May, 2002.

### **Living the Welcoming**

We have been a Welcoming Congregation since 1998, supporting the rights of bisexual, gay, lesbian and transgender people.

### **Safe Congregation**

This Society is a Safe Congregation where practices and procedures serve to ensure all members, friends, adults, children and youth are treated with respect and protected from harassment and abuse.



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**NOW accepting articles for Nov. 24th deadline**  
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