

District Awards Honor Individuals and Congregations

- **Winifred Latimer Norman Award** honors an individual in the area of social justice.
- **Unsung Unitarian Universalist Award** honors an individual for unrecognized service.
- **Award for Excellence in Religious Education** honors an individual in the area of RE.
- **Mendon W. Smith Award** honors a congregation dedicated to UU purposes and principles.
- **O. Eugene Pickett Award** honors a congregation contributing most to growth of the District.
- **June Z. Gillespie Award** honors an individual fostering District or national level participation.

Nominations Due March 1, 2009

Each year, the UU District of Metro NY honors individuals and congregations by presenting awards at the District Annual Meeting. Nominations for all but two awards come from UUs like you.

Submit a nomination at uumetrony.org/awards&scholarships/awards or call

Laurie Golson, Administrator (914-271-7861), for a mailable form. Nominations must be submitted online by or postmarked by March 1, 2009.

Please help the District recognize the outstanding work of individuals and congregations by submitting one or more nomina-

tions. Consider putting award nominations on your congregation board's agenda or posting this flyer on your congregation's bulletin board.

Awards will be presented during the 2009 District Annual Meeting.

Winifred Latimer Norman Award, named to honor a former District UUA Trustee, is given to an individual who has demonstrated extraordinary commitment and service in the field of social justice and/or racial concerns.

Unsung UU Award is given to an individual who has simply "been there" for his or her congregation and has made substantial contributions to UUism that have gone unrecognized.

Award for Excellence in Religious Education honors a UU whose achievements include several of the following: contributed to the quality of religious education at the congregational level, affected more than one congregation, contributed to the quality of religious education at the District level through leadership and/or publications,

made good advantage of opportunities for continuing professional education, been innovative in the development and/or use of religious education resources, brought dignity to the profession of religious education.

Mendon W. Smith Award, underwritten by the family of the late Mendon W. Smith, former District Treasurer and Finance Chair, is presented to a congregation that has demonstrated outstanding dedication to UU purposes and principles and to strengthening our liberal religious faith.

O. Eugene Pickett Award, named to honor a former UUA President, is presented to a congregation in recognition of its growth, help in organizing new congregations, consistency as a UUA Annual

Program Fund Honor Society, and participation in District activities. The District Board nominates candidates for this award. The recipient of this award is the District's nominee for the UUA's O. Eugene Pickett Award.

June Z. Gillespie Award, named to honor a former District UUA Trustee and District President, recognizes an individual who has encouraged congregational participation in denominational affairs at the District or national level. The District Board nominates candidates for this award.

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