

## **Join the Parade on Sept. 19**

Get on the bandwagon – or at least walk between the floats – with other UUs from Community and neighboring North Texas congregations at the annual Pride Parade in Dallas on September 19. The event, now officially called the Alan Ross Texas Freedom Parade, is a popular, high-spirited show of support for the rights of alternative sexuality. In recent years, members of our congregation have joined about 150 others UUs and hundreds more supporters from the area in standing up for the cause.

Car pools will be arranged to leave the Community UU parking lot after the Sunday service, between noon and 12:45 p.m., to First Unitarian Church in Dallas, where shuttle transportation will be provided to the parade staging area. If you prefer to drive on your own, be aware that some streets in the parade area will be closed to regular traffic and parking will be scarce.

The parade will start at 2:00 p.m. and run from Cedar Springs Road at Douglas Avenue to Lee Park, which is at Turtle Creek Blvd. and N. Hall Street. It's just over 1 mile in length and will take about 30 to 45 minutes to walk. Be prepared by wearing comfortable shoes and bringing sunscreen, a hat or an umbrella. Wear a Community UU shirt if you have one; see the contact information below if you'd like to get one. We'll have placards to carry and hand fans, printed with information about Unitarian Universalism and our principles, to distribute along the parade route. There'll be booths to browse in a festival atmosphere at the park..

Our involvement is being coordinated by Community's Social Action Committee. For more information, or to get in on a car pool or buy a T-shirt, contact Shirley Houston ([houstonshirley@att.net](mailto:houstonshirley@att.net), 972/392-2774 home, or 972/207-3949 cell phone).