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## The Clara Barton Sisterhood

Universalist Clara Barton, one of our most famous foremothers, was a distinguished leader of her day. Noted for organizing nursing services and supplies for soldiers during the Civil War, she was also founder of the American Red Cross and was actively involved in that organization until she was well into her 80s.

In order to both honor her example and celebrate today's women, UUWF created and maintains the Clara Barton Sisterhood. With a donation of \$80 to UUWF, a congregation, an individual, or a women's group can honor a UU woman who is 80 or older and whose life and work you wish to recognize.

Your Clara Barton Sister will be awarded a certificate suitable for framing and a letter recognizing her accomplishments. Simply provide as much of the following information as possible and send, with your check for \$80, to: Clara Barton Sisterhood - UUWF, 3322 N. 92nd Street, Milwaukee, WI 53222. *Please allow four to six weeks for processing.*

Name of Clara Barton Sister \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Women's group/congregation/individual presenting this award \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Individual contact person if we have questions \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/email of contact person \_\_\_\_\_

This Sisterhood is to presented on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like the letter of award sent to an individual rather than to the recipient's above address, please provide their name and surface mail address below.

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On a separate sheet of paper, please describe in a paragraph the reason you are recognizing this individual. You may wish to include information about your candidate's service to her current and/or previous church(es), district or denominational activities, professional and/or community service, political or social commitments, awards she may have received, or other unique experiences she may have had. The information will be used to personalize the letter accompanying the award; samples of the relevant paragraph of the letter follow:

"You are being honored, in part, for your active church membership, which has included service as a delegate to General Assembly and as a member of the Social Action and Denominational Affairs committees. Your generous financial support over the years has also been greatly appreciated. In the wider community, your long-time commitment to furthering the cause of world peace is another activity for which you are being recognized."

"As those who nominated you for this honor wrote, you are being recognized 'because Jane Smith is one of the most enthusiastic, energetic and creative persons – not only in our Alliance but in the congregation as well.' Noting that you had come to the X Fellowship after over forty years of membership at the UU Congregation of Y, they wrote that you 'immediately joined our newcomers group and is now doing much to keep all newcomers involved and happy'."

". . . for your lifetime of active involvement in Unitarian Universalism, at both the First Unitarian Society in X – where you served as secretary of the board and comptroller – and at the Unitarian Church in Y, where you served as president of the Women's Alliance from 1997-2001. Your professional career in banking – at a time when it was still largely a man's field – has also been valued and appreciated."

". . . for your active church membership, which has included dedicated involvement in the religious education program as well as service as the congregation's secretary, assistant treasurer, and head of the Music Committee – to mention just a few of the positions you have held. Your strong support of the church's ministers and your participation in wider denominational matters at General Assembly is also being recognized."

". . . for your active membership in the First Unitarian Society of X and in its Women's Alliance - in both you are known as 'a person to approach when there are problems to be solved.' Your service as a member of the church board and many committees - including two Search Committees and the Trust, Aesthetic and Memorial Committees - has been greatly appreciated, as has been your work on the Women's Alliance board . . ."