

Register Online at www.mwls.org

or use this Registration Form (please write legibly)

Sunday through Saturday, July 15 - 21, 2012

Name _____

Home Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

Home E-Mail _____

Emergency Contact (Name, Phone) _____

Congregation _____ District _____

Cong. Address _____

Cong. Phone (_____) _____ Cong. E-mail _____

Leadership Position _____

T-Shirt Size: (circle) S M L XL XXL XXXL

Help us with rooming assignments by providing the following information:

Early Bird Night Owl Physical Needs (_____) Gender Identity _____

Participant Signature _____

I am requesting scholarship assistance.

Preferred Communication method: e-mail hardcopy

Tuition and Fees Breakdown

Students per Congregation:	1	2	3	4
Congregational Fee	\$550	\$600	\$650	\$650
Tuition	\$495	\$990	\$1,485	\$1,980
Total	\$1,045	\$1,590	\$2,135	\$2,630

Mail all forms, letters, and payments to:

*MidWest Leadership School
c/o Jeffrey Reed, Registrar
984 Buttermilk Creek Drive
Fond du Lac, WI 54935*

*e-mail:
registrar@mwls.org*

Registration and Payment Instructions:

By May 1: Send this completed form and \$150 non-refundable tuition deposit.

By Jun 1: Send balance of tuition, full congregational fee, and Letter of Recommendation.



When

July 15-21, 2012 (Sunday–Saturday)

- Plan to arrive between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m., Sunday, July 15, for check-in and campus tours. (No early check-ins)
- Except in extraordinary circumstances late arrivals will not be admitted to school.
- Re-convene at 5:00 for dinner, orientation, and worship.
- Depart at noon on last day (Saturday).



Where



MidWest Leadership School is held on the beautiful campus of Beloit College in southern Wisconsin. The turtle, which is the symbol for Beloit College, is also the symbol for MWLS. There are several sacred burial mounds on the campus.

For many native American cultures, the turtle symbolizes the planet Earth and a combination of strength, persistence, and the need to stick out your neck to get somewhere!



Facilities & Travel

- Meeting and living quarters are air-conditioned and nonsmoking.
- Lodging arrangements are suites with four single bedrooms, a shared common area, and a shared bath.
- Dining hall provides a full range of food choices, including vegetarian (included in tuition).
- **Handicap Accessible.** Notify the Registrar of your needs so that appropriate room assignment can be made.
- Flying? If you fly into Chicago's O'Hare or Midway Airports, contact Van Galder Bus Co. for ground transportation to Beloit. (800-747-0994).
- Questions? E-mail or call the Registrar: Jeffrey Reed at (920) 926-1664, e-mail: registrar@mwls.org

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MWLS

MidWest Leadership School (MWLS) – is a part of the Unitarian Universalist Association’s nationwide network of leadership schools. Complementing other district offerings, this school offers a week-long intensive program in which leadership and group dynamics can be developed and reflected upon. Led by lay and ordained staff with a deep understanding of UU congregations, a combination of lectures and small group encounters heightens understanding and the ability to navigate group process. By immersing the student in a milieu both supportive and challenging, the MWLS experience provides leadership tools and skills, develops the student as a leader, and deepens the student’s Unitarian Universalist identity and understanding, all designed to prepare students for leadership in UU congregations and beyond.



Curriculum

The program includes UU history and theology, elements of worship, leadership, group and system dynamics, and developing and sharing personal belief statements. All of these elements are essential for today’s congregational leaders. It uses an intense set of workshops, discussions, intimate small groups, worship preparation, personal theological exploration and growth sessions.

Participants explore alternative ways of looking at issues and finding solutions to problems through a combination of presentations, exercises, and discussions. The program is designed to provide insights, confidence, and enrichment for each participant’s congregation, work, and personal life.

Graduates return with new skills, materials, ideas, resources, and connections to enhance their leadership effectiveness.



Who Is It For?

UU leadership schools exist to continue the tradition of fostering effective lay leadership in the UU community for people ages 18 and older.

Are you currently—or soon to be—in an active leadership role on the local or district level? Could you benefit from knowing more about how groups work, grow, and develop? Do you want to know more about consensus building or conflict management, healthy congregational growth, addressing social justice issues, or working with volunteers? If you answered yes to any of these then MidWest Leadership School is for you!

Registration is open to applicants from member congregations in the three sponsoring Districts (Central MidWest, Heartland, and Prairie Star) and to seminary students not yet in candidate status.



Your Commitment

The week long experience is designed as an integrated curriculum. Each person who enrolls contributes to the learning experience.

Participants are expected to make a commitment to the formation of this intentional community, *to stay the entire week*, and *to attend all scheduled classes and gatherings*.



MidWest Leadership School is a program of the Central MidWest District of the Unitarian Universalist Association in collaboration with the Prairie Star and Heartland Districts.



MWLS Details

- Maximum number of enrollees is 44.
- Registrations are processed based on the date received.
- **SPACE IS LIMITED.** Get your application in early to reserve your space.
- MWLS staff encourages congregations to send teams and have structured the Congregational Fee accordingly.
- Attendees in preexisting relationships are requested to attend as separate individuals. According to school policy, they will be assigned to separate sleeping areas.



Fees & Tuition

Congregational fee is dependent on number of individuals sent: \$550 for 1, \$600 for 2, and \$650 for 3 or 4 attendees.

Individual tuition is \$495 for each student.

We are able to offer partial tuition assistance on a limited basis as a scholarship from the FlameKeepers Fund.

Contact the Registrar to apply for a scholarship.

Scholarship applications must be postmarked by May 15th in order to qualify for assistance.

Scholarship applications are reviewed on a first-come, first served basis.

The FlameKeepers Fund, established in 1996, has supported MWLS by offsetting general operating expenses of the school and offering tuition assistance scholarship on a limited basis. FlameKeepers donors include students, alumni, staff, and other supporters throughout the districts. Opportunities to contribute to the FlameKeepers fund will be available at MWLS in Beloit.



Registration Procedure

The deadline for registration is May 1st. Registration can be done online easily and quickly at <http://www.mwls.org>. Or registration can be done on this form or a photocopy of the form.

Complete Registration Includes:

- A \$150 non-refundable tuition deposit per person (**May 1**).
- Congregational fee: \$550 for 1, \$600 for 2, or \$650 for 3 or 4 attendees (**Jun 1**).
- Signed letter of recommendation for each participant from a minister, board president or chair (**Jun 1**).
- Any remaining tuition/fee balance (**Jun 1**)

Enclosed:

\$ _____ Non-Refundable Tuition Deposit (\$150 per student)
 \$ _____ Congregational Fee
 \$ _____ Remaining Tuition (less deposit).
 \$ _____ Donation to FlameKeepers Fund

- * Notify the Registrar immediately in case of cancellation.
- * No refunds after June 1st (barring extreme emergencies).

Minister, Board Chair, or President’s Recommendation

Please include a signed letter of recommendation for each participant stating why you recommend the person for MidWest Leadership School.