

# Start as You Mean to Continue

## New DRE Workshop

July 31-Aug 1, 2006 Murray Grove Conference Center

Monday 7pm - Tuesday 4pm

(precedes the UU Identity Module August 1-3)



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### Just the Facts

- What:** A day spent discussing what it means to be a Director of Religious Education in a UU Congregation - and how to foster a mutually rewarding relationship with that Congregation and other staff!
- Who:** This is for DREs within the first two years in their position paid RE Assistants and RE Chairs at congregations with no professional RE Leadership. Registration is limited, so sign up early!! Preference will be given to Metro NY DRE's.
- When:** July 31-August 1, Monday 7pm to Tuesday 4pm. Dinner will be available each day from 5:30-6:30pm, so plan to arrive early and stay late. The UU Identity Renaissance Module follows this Workshop August 1-3.
- Where:** Murray Grove Conference Center - near to the place where Universalist John Murray landed. 431 Rte. 9, Lanoka Harbor, NJ 609-693-5558 [www.murraygrove.org](http://www.murraygrove.org)
- Cost:** \$75 - covers room, meals, materials, and leaders. \$25 additional for late registration (after 7/25). Because of our advance expense commitments, we cannot guarantee refunds for withdrawal after the deadline. Refunds will be considered after conference costs have been met.
- Rooms:** Double occupancy rooms with hallway bathrooms. Single sleeping room - \$25 additional cost.
- Bring:** Three ring binder, paper and pen, resources to share, comfortable clothes.

#### Pat Ellenwood:

Pat Ellenwood is the religious educator at the Unitarian Universalist Society in Wellesley Hills, MA. Over the years she has served the Mass Bay District and the Unitarian Universalist Association in a variety of ways. She was the President of LREDA from 1999-02 and received the Angus H. MacLean Award for Excellence in Religious Education in 2002. Her essay, "Changing Lenses" appears in Essex Conversations. She recently completed 2 terms as LREDA representative to the Council of Church Staff Finances of the UUA and is currently the chair of the LREDA Grant Committee.

#### Andrea Lerner:

Andrea Lerner is the RE Program Consultant for the Metro NY District, serving 51 congregations in NY, NJ, PA and CT. She has been involved in religious education for 12 years, serving as DRE in Orlando, FL, San Antonio, TX, and Austin, TX, which range in size from 250 members to 700 members, and as informal mentor to DRE's from small congregations. She also served on the Board of the Liberal Religious Educators Assn (LREDA) for five years as Membership Chair.

### Tell Me More!

#### Start as You Mean to Continue: A Workshop for New Religious Educators

This is an exciting time to have chosen religious education as a vocation. We will explore the following topics: Leadership Skills, The Elements of Religious Education Programming, Planning for Professional Growth which will include information about the UUA Religious Education Credentialing Program and how it can work for you and your congregation. We will begin with some self-assessment strategies and end with a roundtable in which we will focus on your most pressing questions or concerns. We hope this time together will help make this challenging work more manageable and enriching.

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