Listening & Learning, 
Networking & Responding

A weekend conference for women religious who are lesbian, congregational leaders, or formation/vocation ministers

February 5, 5:00 p.m. – February 7, 2010, 1:30 p.m.
San Damiano Retreat Center
710 Highland Drive
Danville (near Oakland), CA 94526
925-837-9141

• Listen to the coming out stories of lesbian sisters--those who discovered their sexual orientation before they entered community life and those who came to this awareness during religious life.
• Learn from the stories of leaders and formation/vocation ministers who have companioned lesbian sisters and begun education about homosexuality in their communities.
• Network with other women religious while enjoying conversation, prayer, and laughter.
• Discuss how to respond by promoting awareness through LCWR, RFC, and NRVC.

Registration: $135 by Nov. 12 or $155 after Nov. 12, 2009
Includes accommodations, Friday supper, meals on Saturday, and Sunday breakfast and lunch.
Financial aid available.

Call: 301-864-3604, e-mail: info@NewWaysMinistry.org
or write Womanjourney Weavings, 4012 29th St., Mt. Rainier, MD 20712.
Conference Schedule

Friday, February 5, 2010
4:00 pm Check-in and Social in the Meeting Room
5:30 pm Opening Session
   Welcome, Sharing, Ritual Experience
7:00 pm Supper
8:00 pm Social or retire

Saturday, February 6, 2010
8:00 am Breakfast
9:00 am Morning Prayer
9:30 am Listening - Coming Out While in Community
   – Sandy Yost, CSJ
10:00 am Quiet reflection and small group sharing
10:30 am Break
10:45 am Listening - Coming Out before Entering
   Community – Deidre Jordy, SP
11:15 am Quiet reflection and small group sharing
11:45 am Break
12:00 pm Dinner
1:30 pm Large Group Response to the Storytelling
   How does your heart respond to the stories you heard? Do the stories evoke further questions?
2:00 pm Learning - Lesbian Sisters: Why Talk about It?
   – Julie Brown, RSM
3:00 pm Break
3:30 pm Learning - A View from Our Communities
   Panel:
   - Mary Ann Zollmann, BVM,
   - a BVM Community Member,
   - Diana Rawlings, ASC
4:30 pm Small Group Response
4:45 pm Large Group Discussion
5:30 pm Break
6:00 pm Supper
7:00 pm Ritual
8:30 pm Movie: Milk and/or Social

Sunday, February 7, 2010
8:00 am Breakfast
9:15 am Eucharist
10:30 am Networking and Responding
   - Reports on Past Year
   - What actions can be initiated with LCWR, the Religious Formation Conference, the National Religious Vocation Conference, and our own communities?
11:15 am Future Planning and Evaluation
11:30 am Closing Prayer
12:00 pm Lunch
1:00 pm Departure

We will try to provide transportation to/from the Oakland airport. Please arrive before 1:00 pm Friday and depart after 4:00 pm Sunday.

Overnight accommodations on Feb. 7: $75 (includes Monday breakfast, but not Sunday dinner).

Registration

I am registering for the weekend, Listening & Learning, Networking & Responding, February 5-7, 2010.

Make checks payable to New Ways Ministry.

Registration fee enclosed:

_____ $135 by November 12, 2009 or
_____ $155 after November 12, 2009.

Check all that apply:

___ Lesbian Sister
___ Community Leader
___ Formation/Vocation Minister

Name _________________________________
Congregation ___________________________
Address ________________________________
E-mail _________________________________
City ___________________________________
State _________ Zip ______________________
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