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Dear Ministers, Directors of Religious Education, Newsletter Editors, Leaders and Youth of Prairie Star District:

Attached you will find a flier and application to present a workshop at the **2007 Prairie Star District Annual Conference**, <u>April 13-15</u>, in Minneapolis, hosted by First Unitarian Society of Minneapolis. The theme will be "*Nurturing Our Faith Communities*."

We invite you to consider the opportunity to <u>present a workshop</u> that speaks to either the vision or the nuts and bolts of nurturing our congregations and their members, especially youth. We are confident you will come up with creative, informative, stimulating and fun ideas for workshop topics relevant to UUs in Prairie Star District.

This announcement is going out this year **electronically only**. You will not receive it in the mail. Please forward it to anyone else who might want to know! Feel free to copy this flyer for your congregation's website, newsletter or bulletin board.

To be able to fund our annual conference at a reasonable cost to participants, it is essential that all attendees pay their fair share. We offer this opportunity to all leaders in Prairie Star District, expecting that workshop presenters will want to participate fully in the conference, complete the conference registration form and pay the appropriate registration fee. Also, exhibitors will be expected to pay a fee based on the hotel contract. Your cooperation in this is greatly appreciated.

Please note that the deadline for returning workshop applications is **October 10, 2006**. <u>To submit a workshop application</u>, complete and save the attached document, then attach it to an email (to <u>uuseverson@prodigy.net</u>), or print and send it by regular mail to:

Eric Severson, PSD Workshops 1316 Market Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

The committee will be selecting the workshops in October and cannot guarantee space for admissions received after the deadline. We look forward to hearing from you with your workshop ideas.

See you in Minneapolis, April 13-15, 2007!

Best regards, Annual Conference Program Planning Group

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