

Senior Sexuality Weekend:
Our Whole Lives
For High School Seniors

April 9 and 10, 2011
9:00am (Saturday) through 12 (noon) Sunday

at the
Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Montclair
67 Church Street
Montclair, NJ 07042

We are offering a weekend of sexuality education for high school seniors. This senior high school sexuality weekend will send our youth off to college or work with empowering human sexuality skills. The program will draw from *Our Whole Lives for Grades 10 – 12, Planned Parenthood Curriculum and other materials*. The program is open to **12th graders**.

The goal of the weekend is to gain knowledge, values and skills to lead sexually happy, responsible lives.

The curriculum is designed to help adolescents

- Affirm and respect themselves as sexual persons
- Become more comfortable and skilled in discussing and negotiating sexuality issues
- Explore, develop and articulate values, attitudes and feelings about their own sexuality
- Identify and live according to their values
- Develop skills for a just sexual morality
- Acquire the knowledge and skills for developing and maintaining romantic and sexual relationships
- Acquire the knowledge and skills needed to avoid unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitting infections
- Express and enjoy sexuality
- Assess the impact of societal, cultural, religious and familial messages

For more information about the curriculum, contact Sarahjane Rath (sjrath@optonline.net) or Karen Brown (Karen@muuf.org).

TO REGISTER: Visit <https://www.formdesk.com/uufirms/OWLSeniors>

There will be a brief (1 hour) parent orientation offered on March 26 at 1pm at the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship. This session is not mandatory and is offered primarily for parents of those youth who have not attended OWL. Please indicate on the registration form if you are interested in the orientation.

The facilitators are OWL trained and have taught OWL at many levels both at the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship and in the community. See the attached bio statements for details.

Cost is \$75 per person, to cover meals and materials. Participants will sleep overnight at the Montclair Congregation and should come prepared accordingly (bring a sleeping bag and pillow, blow-up mattress or sleeping pad, extra clothing for Sunday, toiletries, and clothes to sleep). Saturday lunch and dinner as well as Sunday breakfast will be provided.

Be aware that this is not a CON. This is a weekend of learning and we will need to be fresh on Sunday morning. Consequently, there will be a mandatory lights out on Saturday night at midnight.

About the Facilitators

Program Coordinator and Facilitator

Sarahjane Rath

Sarahjane has worked for many years in the field of sexual and reproductive health. She worked for Planned Parenthood of Greater Northern New Jersey as a sexuality Educator. She worked for University of Medicine and Dentistry in Newark in their Ob/Gyn clinic as an educator. Presently she works for the Centers for Disease Control in HIV Prevention, curriculum development and training. She is an OWL teacher for 7th and 8th grader, 10 – 12th grade and adults. She loves the field of human sexuality.

Facilitators

Matthew Rath

Matthew has taught OWL for grades 1 and 2, 5 and 6, and 7 and 8 at the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship. He is trained in OWL for grades 10 through 12. Matthew has been the co-advisor (along with Sarahjane) for the Morristown youth group (grades 9 through 12) for the past three years. In that capacity, Matthew has accompanied the youth group on the Habitat for Humanity builds in North and South Carolina for the past three years.

Kelly Schnur

Kelly has taught Our Whole Lives (OWL) for grades 1 and 2, 7 and 8 and Adults at the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship. She is trained in OWL for the full spectrum of ages from 1st grade through adults. She has been teaching this curriculum for over 10 years.

Tanya Van Order

Tanya Van Order is a trained 7th-12th grade OWL facilitator has been teaching this curriculum for 12 years. Tanya has been a member of the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship for 16 years and was raised UU. Together with other passionate volunteer educators, she has helped build the human sexuality program at the Morristown Fellowship to encompass all ages. Tanya has two adult children and works in the public/assisted housing field.

Gary Kunz

Gary has taught 7th and 8th grade OWL and adult OWL for 4 years at the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship and on Star Island. He has served as the president of the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship board from June 2009 through May 2010. Gary has two grown children.

Karen Brown

Karen Brown is a LifeSpan Religious Educator at the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship. Karen volunteered on the District Youth Steering Committee for many years as the DRE Representative in the Heartland District and served as a Director of Religious Education at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Indianapolis. She was responsible for the direction of youth programming and is a trained OWL facilitator.