

# Our Whole Lives

## Sexuality Education for leaders of Elementary OWL

August 4-6, 2006 Murray Grove Conference Center

Friday 7pm - Sunday 3pm



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### Just the Facts

- What:** Fifteen hours of Our Whole Lives Training for Elementary School OWL Leaders
- Who:** This is for Leaders who want to facilitate OWL in grades K-1 and/or 4-6. DREs, RE Chairs and Ministers are also welcome. Registration is limited, so sign up early!!
- When:** August 4-6, 2006. Friday 7pm to Sunday 3pm. Full participation is required for certification as an OWL Leader. Avoid the Friday afternoon "shore" traffic and come early in the day. There's a swimming pool and dinner will be available at 5:30, so come early and relax before we start. **We must start on time!**
- 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:** \$250, covers room, meals 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. Private Room - \$50 additional cost.
- Bring:** OWL curriculum materials (your church should supply curriculum prior to training), three ring binder, paper and pen, resources to share, comfortable clothes.

### Leaders: Myra Aaronson and T. Michael Rock

Myra Aaronson, MS Ed. is an OWL trainer for K-1, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12 levels, has been leading OWL and its precursor, AYS, since 1996, at Central Unitarian Church in Paramus, NJ, where she is the OWL team leader. Formerly an educator with Planned Parenthood of Greater Northern New Jersey, she currently works as the Health Educator at a school-based youth services program in a middle/senior high school.

Myra continues to study as well as teach, and recently completed the requirements for certification as a school counselor in NJ. She has chaired the Youth Advisory Committee at her church and serves as a mentor to young people in the congregation. Helping people grow towards becoming sexually healthy adults is one of her passions. Among her others are her partner and her daughter.

T. Michael Rock has been training teachers to facilitate sexuality curriculum since 1993, first as a trainer for the United Church of Christ, and then as part of the original training program for *Our Whole Lives: Sexuality and Our Faith*, a curriculum jointly published by the United Church of Christ and the Unitarian Universalist Association. T. Michael has also led several workshops and seminars on "talking with youth about sexuality" and "understanding your sexual ethic as a key component to your spiritual life". He serves as an Associate Minister in Providence, Rhode Island, and teaches Ethics at a private, all-girls, Quaker High School. T. Michael has also written articles and curriculum resources for churches around the issues of sexuality, justice, and nonviolent communication. As a lobbyist and active speaker for the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, T. Michael is also an advocate for change on the personal and global level.

### Tell me more!

*Our Whole Lives* is based on a philosophy of comprehensive sexuality education which helps participants make informed and responsible decisions about their sexual health and behavior. It equips participants with accurate, age-appropriate information in six subject areas: human development, relationships, personal skills, sexual behavior, sexual health and society and culture. Grounded in a holistic view of sexuality, comprehensive sexuality education provides not only facts about anatomy and human development, but also helps leaders to clarify their values, build interpersonal skills, and understand the spiritual, emotional, social and political aspects of sexuality as well.

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