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Dear Friends:

For the 32nd consecutive year, the Network of Religious Communities is proud to honor outstanding members of our religious communities for their volunteerism. On Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., we will hold our **Annual Appreciation Dinner**. We will recognize individuals who have been chosen by their congregations to receive our Religious Service Award for their outstanding service to their congregation and/or community. We invite you to help us celebrate their wonderful contributions to our community.

Our speaker will be the Rev Brenda Girton-Mitchel, Director of the Center for Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships and former Associate General Secretary, National Council of Churches.

This year we are asking each congregation and religious organization to consider nominating a youth/young adult to receive a religious service award. You are certainly encouraged to honor others in your congregation or organization as well

Make this 32nd year of NRC awards a success by:

1. **Nominating** member(s) of your congregation and **returning the Nomination Form** by **April 16, 2012** for inclusion in our Souvenir Program.
http://www.religiousnet.org/downloads/download_files/2012Nomination_form.pdf
2. **Reserving seats** for the Appreciation Dinner by using the **Ticket Order Form**. This form must be submitted by **April 23, 2012**.
http://www.religiousnet.org/downloads/download_files/2012_Ticket_Order_form-1.pdf
3. **Purchasing** or encouraging your congregation members to purchase advertisements in our Souvenir Program. Copy the **Souvenir Program Advertisement Form** and pass it out to those who you think may be interested. It is a great way to share information about your congregation members or your own upcoming events. Deadline for ads: **April 16, 2012**.
http://www.religiousnet.org/downloads/download_files/2012_Advertisement_form.pdf

We sincerely hope you can be a part of this special event. Thank you for your support of the NRC and the many programs we sponsor connecting faith groups in WNY.

PS. All Presbytery Congregations are considered member congregations due to the membership of the Presbytery of WNY. That means tickets are \$35.00 each.

Sincerely,

Dr. G. Stanford Bratton, Executive Director
Network of Religious Communities