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Dear Friends:

For the 30<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the Network of Religious Communities is proud to honor outstanding members of our religious communities for their volunteerism. On Thursday, April 29, 2010 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 guest speaker for the evening is **Mr. Rich Kellman**. Rich worked for 32 years at Channel 2 both as an anchor and a Senior Correspondent. He reported on over 4500 stories about the lives of ordinary people as well as great events of our time. Rich will share many interesting and exciting stories about hope and compassion. Come be inspired!

Make this 30<sup>th</sup> year of NRC awards a success by:

1. **Nominating** member(s) of your congregation or clergy. Your congregation may honor one or more people. **Please return the enclosed Nomination Form by April 12, 2010** for inclusion in our Souvenir Program.
2. **Appointing** someone to head up your ticket sales. Let us know ASAP who that person is using the **Ticket Chairperson Contact Information Form**. We want to support their sales efforts.
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 8, 2010**.
4. **Reserve seating** for the Appreciation Dinner using the enclosed **Ticket Order Form**. This form should be submitted by **April 22, 2010**.
5. **Recognizing** nominee(s) during your worship service the week before or after the Appreciation Dinner. We want everyone to know how much they are appreciated!

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

Sincerely,

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

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