



## St. Lawrence District 2009 Slate

### Candidates for Election to St. Lawrence District Board

(Vote for two for three-year terms  
ending annual assembly 2012)

**Rev. Frances Manly**  
**Katie Replogle**

### Candidates for Election to St. Lawrence District Nominating Committee

(Vote for one for three-year term  
ending annual assembly 2012)

**Karen West**

(Vote for two for one-year terms  
ending annual assembly 2010)

**Karen Palmer**  
**Harsey Leonard**

### Candidate Nominated by the Youth Adult Committee for the Youth Trustee Position on the SLD Board

(One-year term ending annual assembly 2010)

**Mick O'Bryan**

## PROFILES OF CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### Rev. Frances Manly

The Reverend Frances Manly has recently retired from ministry of the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Niagara in Niagara Falls, NY, and continues to serve, part-time, as Consulting Minister at the Hamburg Unitarian Universalist Church. She sings in the choir at the UU Church of Buffalo on the Sundays when she isn't preaching. She served as chair of the SLD Long Range Planning Committee in 2003-04 and on the Program Consultant Planning Committee 2004-05. She was the SLD representative on the Board of Trustees of the St. Lawrence Foundation for Theological Education, 1999-2005, serving as president in her final year.

Over the years, she has taught English in a women's junior college, computer programming and applications in a boys' Roman Catholic high school, yoga and meditation in various places, and the occasional cooking class. She has served as Director of the Himalayan Institute of Buffalo, Director of Religious Education at the UU Church of Buffalo, Interim Director of the Modified Residency Program at Meadville/Lombard Theological School, and Director of the UUA's Renaissance Program, which provides basic training for religious educators. She received her M.Div. degree from Meadville Lombard in 1997.

### Katie Replogle

Katie Replogle has been a member of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Athens and Sheshequin for eleven years. She served on the UUCAS Board of Trustees from 1999-2007, first as trustee, then as secretary, then as treasurer, and finally as president.

She is a 2005 graduate of EAGLES. In 2007-2008, Katie chaired the Ministerial Search Committee which successfully brought the Rev. Darcey Laine to UUCAS. She has chaired the Worship and Membership Committees, and currently serves on the Committee on Ministry.

She is also the church pianist.

## PROFILES OF CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

### [Karen West](#)

Karen West, a retired elementary school teacher, describes herself as "a creative energy, compassionately connecting." She has been a UU in good standing since 1979 when she and her husband Chuck joined May Memorial UU Society in Syracuse, NY. Since that time, she has served as a Board member, VP and President for both MMUUS and All Souls UU Church in Watertown. Currently, she belongs to both ASUUC in Watertown and the UU Church of Las Cruces, New Mexico where she and Chuck spend 5 months each winter. Karen actually thrives on committee work. As regards the St. Lawrence District, she has been on the District's Growth Committee since its inception, chairing it for the first 2 years, and she served on the District's planning committee and the NYSCU nominating committee for a 3 year rotation.

Currently with the Growth Committee, she and Chuck give Membership Trainings around the state (presented at UU Amherst and Central Square this spring and fall, presented at NYSCU in Poughkeepsie in October). She also does an annual Chalice Lighter Training session in March for CL Ambassadors as a phone conference. Karen enjoys facilitating groups including Board retreats in our District and she helped to organize the "New Worship for a New Time" workshop on Nov. 15 in Rochester.

### [Karen Palmer](#)

Karen is a member of the Unitarian Universalist Society of Oneonta where she has been an RE chairperson, board president, and stewardship chair. She participated in the District's EAGLES program in 2005 and 2006. Karen has worked as a speech-language pathologist for 24 years. She has found great joy in serving as a St. Lawrence District Board member during the past 4 years.

### [Harsey Leonard](#)

Harsey Leonard has been affiliated with the UU faith since 1965 when he and his wife began attending the UU Church of Amherst, NY. He was a member of the Social Justice Council during the era of the BAC (Black Affairs Council) and BAWA (Black and White Action) committees.

Harsey is presently affiliated with May Memorial UU Society in Syracuse where he serves as the chairman of the Social Justice Committee, member of the Ministerial Advisory Committee, the History Committee and has served as Chairman of the ad-hoc committee on developing a Covenant of Right Relations.

Since 2006, Mr. Leonard has served as the chairman of the SLUUD Social Justice Council.

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