

This Courage and Renewal Retreat for Criminal Justice Professionals is made possible through a generous grant by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. It was created by the collaborative efforts of:

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Two introductory retreats were held in 2005 and 2006. An additional introductory retreat will be held in Winter 2006-07 for Drug Treatment Court Personnel.

These retreats are based on the work of Dr. Parker J. Palmer and the Center for Courage and Renewal in Seattle, Washington. They offer an opportunity to step back from one's busy day-to-day challenges and consider "the larger picture." Experiential in nature, they offer a time of personal reflection and transformation - a chance to examine questions that lie at the heart of who you are and what you do in your work and your life, and how and where they intersect.

We invite you to consider applying for the
Courage and Renewal Retreat for Criminal Justice Professionals
on September 11-14, 2006.

Space for this retreat is limited to 22 participants.

Application deadline: August 11, 2006.



Courage and Renewal Retreat

A time of personal and professional formation for
Criminal Justice Professionals

September 11-14, 2006

Seasons Retreat Center, Kalamazoo, Michigan

This introductory Personal Formation Retreat focuses neither on techniques nor skills required in our work, but on renewing the inner lives of professionals in the criminal justice community.

Facilitated by
Marianne Novak Houston and Beverly Coleman
Affiliated with the Center for Courage and Renewal
Seattle, Washington

Retreat Information

This introductory Personal Formation Retreat strives to

- ◆ renew heart, mind, and spirit through thoughtful reflection on the professional's life and work;
- ◆ allow for a reconnection to one's identity and integrity, identifying and honoring one's gifts and strengths, while also acknowledging one's limits;
- ◆ create a context for careful listening and deep connection that also honors diversity in person and profession;
- ◆ stimulate learning about and using *touchstones* that create safe, trustworthy space in the retreat circle and beyond;
- ◆ explore the connection between personal, individual transformation, and institutional renewal.

Instead of traditional models that concentrate on the techniques and skills used in our work, *this retreat will focus on renewing the inner lives of professionals in the criminal justice community.* It will provide time for solitude and personal reflection, and work in small and large groups. Archetypal stories as well as stories from our own journeys, wisdom readings from various traditions, poetry, and time in the natural world will provide daily fare in the retreat. Later in the retreat, there will be time to reflect together on the retreat itself, and explore ideas for future formation work for professionals in our community.

A generous grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation covers the cost for each participant.

A private suite and all amenities will be provided at *Seasons*, retreat center for the John E. Fetzer Institute, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Participants are encouraged to remain on-site for the entire retreat to ensure continuity of experience for all.

Retreat Schedule

Monday, Sept. 11	Welcome Reception Dinner & Evening Session	5:30 p.m. 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 12 and Wednesday, Sept. 13	Sessions, Meals, Reflection Time	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 14	Sessions, Meals, Adjourn	8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Application Form

Courage and Renewal Retreat for Criminal Justice Professionals
September 11-14, 2006
Seasons: A Center for Renewal, Kalamazoo, Michigan

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Postal code _____

This is my: Work address Home address

Day Phone _____

E-mail _____

Place of employment and role there: _____

Number of years in your present position _____

Please share with us, briefly, why you would like to participate in this retreat experience.

Please submit application, no later than August 11, 2006, to:

Marianne Novak Houston, Facilitator
10373 Lloy Street
Portage, MI 49024

Participants will receive confirmation of their registration by August 25, 2006