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Mount Mary College Presents NEW Leadership™ Wisconsin Summer Institute

Program will focus on human trafficking

MILWAUKEE – (May 26, 2011) – Mount Mary College’s Women’s Leadership Institute will present NEW Leadership™ Wisconsin (NEW Leadership), an intensive six-day residential summer institute on campus May 31 – June 5, 2011. Undergraduate college students from around Wisconsin will be attending the training designed to encourage public leadership. The students who represent majors ranging from law, political science, medicine and social work, are already actively involved in community service work.

The six-day program will feature numerous speakers from public office, legal, law enforcement, higher education and non-profit organizations and will address lobbying, advocacy and activism, and public speaking skills. Speakers will also provide personal examples of leadership in these arenas.

According to Yvonne Lumsden-Dill, Executive Director of the Mount Mary College Women’s Leadership Institute, this year’s NEW Leadership program will focus on human trafficking. Program participants will learn from a panel of experts in the area and then work on an action project to address the problem. The panel will include:

- Dawn Jones, Special Investigator – Human Trafficking Task Force, Department of Justice, Eastern District of Wisconsin
- Ken Glaudell – Department of Homeland Security
- Carmen Mojica, CSW, and Deacon Steve Przedpelski – Franciscan Peacemakers Street Ministry
- Michelle Bryant – African World Enterprise LTD
- Tim Dewane – School Sisters of Notre Dame
The program also features "Go Lead: The Power and Art of Persuasion in Advocacy," the annual spring workshop held in collaboration with the White House Project and the Women's Fund of Greater Milwaukee. This portion of the program is open to the public and registration information can be found at http://www.mtmary.edu/WLIevents.htm.

A non-partisan program, the National Education for Women (NEW) Leadership Wisconsin is designed to address the under-representation of women in politics at the local, regional, state and national levels. The NEW Leadership Wisconsin program at Mount Mary College was founded in 2006. It is one of 21 state-based NEW Leadership affiliates throughout the country, and is the only site for this program in Wisconsin.

For more information on the Institute, contact Executive Director Yvonne Lumsden-Dill at 414-443-3606 or lumsdeny@mtmary.edu. Additional information can also be found at http://www.mtmary.edu/NEWL.html.

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Mount Mary College, founded in 1913 by the School Sisters of Notre Dame, was Wisconsin’s first four-year, degree-granting Catholic college for women. Located on an 80-acre campus in Milwaukee, the College offers more than 60 undergraduate areas of study for women and seven graduate programs for women and men. Mount Mary also emphasizes study abroad, service learning, and social justice initiatives. Its more than 1900 students enjoy small class sizes (average 13) and 95 percent of full-time students receive financial aid or scholarships. Through classroom instruction and community service, Mount Mary develops women to be leaders in their professions and their communities, serving as role models to inspire achievement in others. Visit Mount Mary College at www.mtmary.edu.

NEW Leadership™ Wisconsin is a signature program of the Women’s Leadership Institute of Mount Mary College. NEW Leadership™ Wisconsin has been developed in partnership with the NEW Leadership Development Network established by the Center for American Women and Politics (CAWP) at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey. The NEW Leadership™ Program has been named an "Exemplary Leadership Project" by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation for its resources and programs designed to encourage college women to take on public leadership roles.

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