



Ambassadors of Benedictine Women of Madison

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Purpose: The Ambassadors help Benedictine Women of Madison spread the word about the sisters community, its work and mission, and especially to invite single women to explore our way of life and entertain a call to becoming a member.

Ambassadors are people who have experienced the sisters community through prayer, retreat, volunteering, sharing a meal or serving on a board or committee and are supportive of the sisters' mission and work. Ambassadors desire to take an active part in spreading the word and inviting people to join the sisters.

Benedictine Women of Madison will provide:

- Ann Moyer as the primary contact for Ambassadors
- education about the skills necessary for living in community, the desired characteristics of women who might be called to community and other topics as appropriate
- information about Holy Wisdom Monastery and current activities
- ten emails a year with information and updates
- brochures and flyers about current activities
- a gathering and/or dinner to plan ambassador activities

What the Ambassadors can do

- Take flyers and brochures about Holy Wisdom Monastery activities to their church, UW, Edgewood, coffee shops, other places
- Tell friends and acquaintances about the sisters community
- Talk to people they know at seminaries, colleges, spiritual guidance programs and other locations about HWM, give them our materials and help negotiate an invitation for Lynne/the sisters to visit where appropriate. Be in contact with Lynne about this.
- Take our display to a conference or fair and represent us as needed
- Invite and introduce people and groups to the monastery.
- Help the sisters brainstorm and plan further ways the ambassadors and sisters can get the word out.
- Research places on the web where we might have a link, list VIC and/or retreats, etc.
- Other?