

Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women

Annual Gathering



*Living
the
Heart
of
God*

October 18-19, 2013

**Asbury United Methodist Church
6101 University Ave., Madison, WI**

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

DISTRICT OFFICER TRAINING

Conference Executive Committee Members

Morning and afternoon sessions will be offered for District Officers to get together with their respective Conference counterparts and learn what the new handbook says about job duties and what the Conference, Jurisdiction and National levels expect from District Officers (e.g. reporting forms, treasurer reports, Mission Today, etc.).

Morning sessions: Communications Coordinators; Treasurers; Program Resources; Spiritual Growth; Social Action; Nominations.

Afternoon sessions: Presidents; Secretaries; Vice Presidents; Membership Nurture and Outreach; Education and Interpretation; Historians.

LA CARTA PARA LA JUSTICIA RACIAL EN ESPAÑOL (morning only)

Nuestro Equipo de la Conferencia de Wisconsin ha desarrollado un programa listo para usar de la Carta para la Justicia Racial. Cada año ponemos un énfasis especial en este documento. Aprenda cómo su unidad puede utilizar fácilmente este recurso para abordar temas sobre la justicia racial. Este taller será presentado en Español por Martha Boyer bajo la dirección de Judy Vasby, en Inglés. Martha ha sido miembro de UMW por muchos años sirviendo en el Distrito de Coulee como Secretaria y luego Tesorera y en la Conferencia en el comité de nominaciones.

WORKSHOP ON NOMADS MISSION VOLUNTEERS (morning only)

NOMADS began in 1988 in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas. Methodists from Illinois, Iowa and Indiana were Winter Texans and someone finally said, "I am bored, there must be some good we can do here." So they approached local Methodist churches and offered their services. That first year there were 24 members who completed five projects in Texas and Oklahoma. NOMADS grew as an all-volunteer organization under the North Central Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church. Membership grew, and in 2001 NOMADS incorporated and became an organization under the General Board of Global Ministries. NOMADS also contracted a full-time program administrator and started offering summer/fall projects in addition to winter/spring projects. After Hurricane Katrina in 2005, NOMADS began doing disaster recovery work in Mississippi. Currently, NOMADS offers about 150 projects each year and has over 1000 members. NOMADS on regular project and drop-ins donated a total of 102,000 hours of volunteer labor in 2009. Five Disaster Response Projects have been offered during 2013 in Mississippi, Texas, Indiana and Iowa with a total of 10,600 hours of donated labor.

ACTIVITY TABLES

Morning and afternoon

- **Labels and Stamps:** Sort and cut Campbell labels; trim the cancelled postage stamps from the envelopes. Bring your own scissors to cut paper.
- **Project Patricia:** Cutting material for menstrual pads for women and girls in third world. Bring scissors that can cut cloth.
- **Items for India:** Making bookmarks and cloth squares for bed pads. These are going to children in India.

Morning only

- **Project Linus:** Tying quilts.

Afternoon only

- **Northcott:** Counting and packing the items brought for Northcott.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS (cont'd)

WORKSHOP ON PROJECT RESPECT (afternoon only)

This project addresses domestic sex trafficking, local prostitution, and labor trafficking in the Madison area. RESPECT provides a safe space, advocacy, comprehensive case management, counseling, crisis intervention, peer support service and alternative to incarceration services on an outpatient basis in order to assist women in leaving prostitution and to help them into essential community services in order to address a woman's health, economic, and family needs so she can develop a safe, constructive lifestyle.

RESPECT also does outreach for HIV Prevention Intervention for high-risk behaviors as a result of funding from the Madison AIDS Network, the State Department of Public Health and Center for Disease Control.

WORKSHOP ON DISASTER RESPONSE (noon hour during both lunches)

This workshop explores the various aspects of disaster response, including necessary training and the importance of Volunteer In Mission (VIM) trips.

"In keeping with UMCOR's mission to provide response and recovery to people and communities when disaster strikes, we have designed training at every level—local church, district and conference—to better enable everyone to be faithful to God's call to bring hope to those who are suffering. It is UMCOR's belief that the ability to respond efficiently and effectively depends on the preparation of our 'heart and hands.'"

WORKSHOP ON SOUTH SUDAN (morning and afternoon)

Denise Baumgarten recently returned from teaching a school term in South Sudan. She will share her experiences there and also talk about her tour of Uganda.

LAUGHTER YOGA (morning and afternoon)

She's back! Barb Flouro, a certified Laughter Yoga Leader from Ladysmith, will once again lead a workshop on Laughter Yoga. If you missed her at Mission u or just want another opportunity to tune up your funny bone, join Barb for some chuckles, snickers, giggles, guffaws and tee hees that will have your sides splitting and leave you wanting more...laughter!

SAVE THE DATE! MISSION ACTION DAY

Human Trafficking

Saturday, April 5, 2014

Elder Abuse

Peace United Methodist Church
2300 E. Wisconsin Ave.
Kaukauna, WI 54130

YOU WILL BE INVITED TO VOTE ON THESE MATTERS:

Proposed Changes to Standing Rules

(For consideration at Conference Annual Gathering – from committee meeting August 24, 2013) *Italics* are words to be removed and **Bold** are words to be added.

#	ARTICLE	Section	Line(s) beginning	Changes
#1	All relevant articles	All relevant sections	All lines containing the words “Regional training”	All references to <i>Regional training</i> shall be changed to Mission u training
#2	ARTICLE V – Mission u	Section 2: Mission u Committee Membership	“a. The committee for Mission u shall be composed of...”	Insert “ Young Women’s Coordinator ” to list of officers on the Mission u committee between Communications Coordinator and Dean.
#3	ARTICLE V – Mission u	Section 3: Mission u guidelines	“b. Newly Ordained Elders or Elders transferred...”	Change the word <i>commuter</i> scholarship to registration scholarship and strike the words “or 4-day Mission u”. New statement would be: “b. Newly Ordained Elders or Elders transferred into the Conference, or newly consecrated Local Pastors shall receive a registration scholarship to overview day for the year of Ordination or Transfer to be used that year or the second or third year following ordination/consecration.”
#4	ARTICLE V – Mission u	Section 3: Mission u guidelines	New item e	e: Mission u shall offer childcare services for Mission u as determined by the committee. This could include on-site childcare or stipends offered to help offset the cost of child care arranged by the participant, i.e. 2013—Up to \$25/day for the first 5 requests with registration.

Conference Executive Committee to be elected at Annual Gathering include:

President: Laura Pfeffer (15); Secretary: Leah Sailor (15); Education and Interpretation: Kay Putman (15); Spiritual Growth: Michele Hopp (15); Dean of Mission u: Dee Klawitter (15); Assistant Dean of Mission u: Gail Burgess (15); Native American Representative: Billie LaBumbard (15); Secretary of Program Resources: Gloria Carter (15); Education and Interpretation: Kay Putman (15); Committee on Nominations: Bernice Kohlman (15); Cheri Gibeaut (15); Marcene James (17).

2014 proposed A&MD budget total:	2014 Wisconsin Conference UMW proposed Pledge to Mission:
\$130,860.00	\$290,000.00

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME

Childcare will be provided for children 11 and under for those who pre-register. (see the registration form on page 8). It is important that we have an accurate count in advance so that we have enough childcare workers and adequate space. There is no charge for this service. However, mothers are asked to pick up their children and take them to the first lunch seating. Please provide a sack lunch for each child or plan to include \$7.50 for each child with your registration.

LEGACY Women

Girls' Night Out

Friday night and Saturday
October 18-19, 2013

Guest Speaker: Marva Usher-Kerr, National Office
of United Methodist Women
Special visit from Wisconsin UMC Bishop Hee-Soo Jung.

Cost: \$5.00

Wellspring United Methodist Church
5702 South Hill Drive
Madison, Wisconsin 53705

Young women in 7th – 12th grades are invited. Bring your Bible, sleeping bag (or blankets), pillow and a change of clothing. Snacks provided Friday night. Breakfast and lunch provided on Saturday. Invite a friend and come have some fun!!!

Registration Deadline: October 4, 2013

For directions, visit Google: <http://goo.gl/maps/YZWDc>

LEGACY WOMEN GIRLS NIGHT OUT REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____ Age _____

Local Church _____

Emergency Contact Name _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____ Relationship _____

Send this registration form and payment to: Chelsey Ganzer, 159 E. 10th Street, Fond du Lac, WI 54937

Questions? Contact: ganzerchelsey@yahoo.com or jmayeshiba@yahoo.com

Living the



Heart of God

Friday evening

5:30-6:30 p.m. - registration

6:30 p.m. Gathering in Song/Welcome/Worship

7:00 p.m. - Keynote speaker, Pastor Ouk-Yean Kim Jueng, Rockford
District Superintendent of the Northern Illinois Conference of the
United Methodist Church.

8:00 p.m. - Communion

Saturday

8:00-8:45 Registration and refreshments

8:45- Gathering in Song and Worship

Election/set budget/approve standing rules

Pledge service

10:30-11:30 **Focus Group Session 1** (go to your first focus group)

Lunch + Program Resources + Disaster Response Workshop

1:00-2:00 **Focus Group Session 2** (go to your second focus group)

Retirement/installation of officers

3:00 p.m. Sending forth

Wisconsin Conference Annual Gathering of United Methodist Women
Madison Asbury United Methodist Church
6101 University Ave. Madison
Friday-Saturday, October 18-19, 2013
“Living the Heart of God”

Friday evening will begin with Keynote Speaker, Rev. Ouk-Yean Kim Jueng, Rockford District Superintendent of the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church.

On Saturday, we will continue *Living the Heart of God* through our work as United Methodist Women when we conduct the necessary annual business, praise God through worship, and participate in several mission focus groups.

Focus groups are:

- Four different “hands-on” work areas
- District Leadership Training
- Charter for Racial Justice (in Spanish)
- NOMAD
- Disaster Response
- Laughter Yoga
- South Sudan

Scholarships

25 scholarships are available on a first-come first-serve basis. The scholarship covers registration for the event (your motel reservation is on your own).

Registration

- EARLY REGISTRATION (before October 4th) the cost is \$25.00, which includes the Friday evening session that begins at 7:00 p.m. and lunch on Saturday. After October 4th, registration is \$35.00.
- Those who register after October 12th are welcome to participate in the programs, but you will need to make lunch arrangements at one of the local restaurants. Sorry, no exceptions.

Lodging

Blocks of rooms are being held at Country Inn & Suites and Fairfield Inn. Please make your own room reservation by contacting one of the two hotels below:

Country Inn & Suites
2212 Deming Way, Middletown
Phone # 608-831-6970
Price: \$79.00 for Double Queen rooms
Will be held until September 18th

Fairfield Inn & Suites, Marriott
8212 Greenway Boulevard, Middletown
Phone # 608-831-1435
Price: \$89.00 for King rooms
Will be held until September 18th



**WISCONSIN CONFERENCE ANNUAL GATHERING OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
OCTOBER 18-19, 2013**

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 4, 2013 - \$25.00 (incl. Sat. lunch)

LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 12, 2013 - \$35.00 (incl. Sat. lunch)

If you register after October 12th, you will need to make your own lunch arrangements for Saturday.

Please PRINT. If registering for more than one person, copy and complete a separate form for each person.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Church _____ District _____

Please check all that apply: Female Male Teen (Teen only: Age _____)

First time attending UMW member Clergy Guest (not a member of UMW)

Office, if any, you hold on the district level: _____

Child Care:

Child Care needed Friday evening for _____ children, ages _____

Child Care needed Saturday for _____ children, ages _____

Please pick up your children and take them to the first lunch seating. Also, please provide a sack lunch for each child or include \$7.50 for each child in the registration total.

Emergency contact information: Name _____

Relationship _____ Phone: Day _____ Evening _____

Requesting a scholarship (25 scholarships available, awarded to the first 25 to make a request).

Requesting First Lunch Seating.

Diabetic or other dietary limitations (Please describe): _____

Please make checks payable to **WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UMW**

Mail to Registrar: Nancy Flath, R2170 County Road Q, Ringle, WI 54471

Email: njudyflath@gmail.com

Phone 715-446-3252

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Driving directions to the church will be provided in your confirmation letter.

AS A COURTESY TO OUR HOST CHURCH AND PLANNERS, PLEASE BE PUNCTUAL. LET'S BE PARTNERS IN GOD'S MISSION AS WE LEARN, WORSHIP AND GROW TOGETHER.

WHO'S INVITED?



Seasoned women
"Between" women
Young women
Diverse women



Employed women
Retired women
Active women
Inspired women!



Praying women
Sharing women
Mission-minded
Caring women!



AND PASTORS!
So please bring yours
along!

*Scholarships available to the first 25 people who request one.
See the registration form on page 8 to apply.*

Assembly
2014
Louisville,
Ky.



April
25-27



will you



- worship
- speakers
- workshops
- service
- networking
- Bible study
- and much more!



for women
by women



www.assembly2014.org

A discounted combined lodging (three nights stay at a local hotel) and charter bus transportation package is now available through Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women. Please sign up at Annual Gathering or contact Laura Pfeffer (pfeffer.umw@gmail.com or 608-592-5228) for details.

We will also offer assistance in the early online registration process for those who wish to register at Annual Gathering.

Early online registration ends November 30, 2013.

2012 Wisconsin Conference Membership Report

District Name	Total Units	# Units Reports	Cluster Units	District Units	Online Units	District Members	Members 01-Jan-12	Added	# Lost by Death or other reasons	Members 31-Dec-12
CAPITAL	29	29	0	1	0	0	1115	52	48	1119
CHIPPEWA	55	55	1	0	0	10	1467	70	104	1433
COULEE	43	43	0	0	0	1	1223	27	127	1123
HEARTLAND	33	33	0	0	0	1	917	47	159	805
METRO NORTH	21	21	0	0	0	9	740	13	45	708
METRO SOUTH	27	27	0	0	0	0	857	44	69	832
NICOLET	28	28	0	0	0	2	813	30	76	767
WINNEBAGO	25	25	0	0	0	0	715	23	70	668
TOTAL	261	261	1	1	0	23	7847	306	698	7455



LOOKING AHEAD 2014 MISSION U

4-day Mission u: Monday-Thursday, July 28-31, 2014
Overview Day: Friday, August 1, 2014

Westwood Conference Center & Fairfield Inn & Suites
Wausau, Wisconsin

2014 Studies:

- How Is It With Your Soul
- The Church and People with Disabilities
- Roma of Europe

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**CATCH
the
VISION**

PURPOSE

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose Purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

www.wisconsinumw.org

Register Now!

For the

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United Methodist Women
Asbury UMC, Madison, Wisconsin
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