



Carry The Vision...

by Judy Vasby, President

Dear Sisters,

This is my last message to you as I complete my four-year term. It has been a wonderful time of service for God and missions, as well as a time of strong personal growth. Thank you for the opportunity.

I ask you to keep the vision—all that our Purpose implies—and help others catch it by giving it away enthusiastically. Through following our UMW Purpose, we can experience a well-rounded Christian life, full of J-O-Y (Jesus. Others. You).

That being said, let me remind you of our Conference Goals for the next Quadrennium:

1) Improve communication between Conference and District counterparts. We need to help each other

Catch—and keep—the Vision. The same should happen between district and local officers. Keep in touch; keep connected.

2) Support LEGACY (Limitless Energy: God Advocating for Change and Youth) Women in efforts to engage young women and teens. This group is planning events in each district/region of Wisconsin Conference. Encourage teens and young women in your area to join them. Pay their way. Take them. They are our future.

3) Provide effective training for District officers, incorporating insights from STOMP (Spirit-fully Transforming Our Mission Purpose). Training is important. It makes our jobs easier, because we don't have to waste time trying to figure out what to do. It's part of the communication theme of goal 1. The same applies, then, from district to local officers. When training is offered, make it a priority to participate. It will keep us connected and will make your life easier.

4) Make/exceed our Pledge to Mission. In the past few years, Wisconsin Conference has fallen seriously short of making our pledged amounts. I have attributed this to the slow economy, more of our members retiring and living on fixed incomes, and also being less able to do big fundraisers, and units diverting their mission money to support the local church or to projects that are not United Methodist.

Remember these three simple rules:

1) Pay your Pledge to Mission **first**.

2) Budget more for your UMW Pledge than for the total of all other items.

3) Empty your treasury at the end of the year, keeping back only enough to start the next year. With the excess money, you can pay more to the Pledge and give the rest to specific projects that support the needs of women, children, and youth locally, in Wisconsin, and around the world. Read about our mission work in **response** magazine and on our website (www.unitedmethodist-women.org).

To paraphrase 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3: I want you to know that...I always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in my prayers. I continually remember your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

So please, remember our Purpose—and 'Carry the Vision' forward, putting faith, hope, and love into action in support of women, children, and youth!

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FROM THE EDITOR

by Stacy Ganzer, Editor and Website Administrator

One of the articles in this issue actually brought a tear to my eye, it was that personally moving for me. Thank you, Karen! We will greatly miss your wisdom, your faith and your leadership. You have truly been a blessing to all of us.

As I sit here and try to put words to the screen (no, I don't actually write things out longhand and then type them into the computer, anymore), I am amazed by all that we do as an organization and all that we will accomplish in the future. I am also amazed by the advances we have made in technology in such a short time.

Was it only a few short years ago that our own website (www.wisconsinumw.org) was just a figment of my overactive imagination? Yes. Yes, it was. The Wisconsin church conference actually hosted a page for us when I first started as Communications Coordinator. I had some pretty wild dreams, back then. Three years later, we are still going strong. We also have a presence on Facebook (www.facebook.com/wisconsinumw).

For my recent 25th Wedding Anniversary, (yes, ladies, I really am that old), I got two very cool gifts from my family. One is an iPhone 5 and the other is a MacBook Air. Now, you're probably thinking that there was a much better way for my family to celebrate this momentous occasion—yes, I'm talking about giving a Gift To Mission in our honor. I struggled with this for about

two days. Probably drove my family nuts, because I kept putting the laptop back in the box. I didn't feel I deserved such a generous gift. After all, couldn't that money be used to help women, children and youth, instead?

But then I thought about Karen's words in that article (pg. 9). God-sightings. They happen all the time and we often don't "see" them, because we are so busy living life and worrying about stuff.

My camera is my chalice. I wrote that in an article that was published this past year in UMW News. To most people, a camera is simply a tool they use to take a picture, capture a moment. Post that picture on Facebook and your friends and family get to see what you are up to and maybe share a few laughs along the way.

Computers, smart phones—technology is here to stay, ladies. We might think we don't need it or can't learn to use it, but the reality is that we are called to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this world. We now have the technology to do that without having to travel by camel or donkey. If Jesus were here today, he would probably have a smart phone, a computer, a website and over a billion followers on Facebook! Well, since he isn't here in the flesh at the moment, I guess it's up to me to be his hands.

So, I will use my God-given "chalice" and the new toys that my family gave me to spread the Gospel of Jesus throughout the world.

God directs my keystrokes and I respond to his calling. He shows me a world of color and light and I share His creation with others through my 18MM lens.

May God richly bless you during this Christmas Season and may he show you your "chalice" in the days to come, if he hasn't already done so.

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FINDING...BOOKS!

by Gloria Carter, Program Resources

One good thing about the flurry of UMW activity that Fall always brings is the opportunity I have to talk with people about Program Resources. From those discussions, I want to share some ideas for encouraging participation in the Reading Program.

Whether you're new to the Reading Program and just hoping to read five books for Plan 1, or you're going for the big time—Plan 3 or 4—here are a few places you can get books if you've already read the ones in your UMW library (or your UMW doesn't have a collection of Reading Program books).

- Check out the public library. Yeah, you've heard this before, but we often forget this invaluable resource.
- Look for friends with books. Are there others in your local church who have books to loan? At your local UMW meetings and events, women could bring their already-read books for a book exchange or loan.
- Connect with other UMW groups in the area. Another group may have books your group doesn't. Try an "inter-library loan." Exchange a few books for a few weeks that would give both groups new books to read. Or maybe groups in the same area could send out lists of the books they have to each other and allow members of other groups to check them out. If any of you already have such a system in place, I'd love to know how it's working out.
- Some of the Reading Program books are available as e-books at a lower price.

So, now *you've* got a book, and it's so good that you just have to share it with others. How can you do that?

- Many of you have been in book groups where you either 1) all read the same book and discuss it, or 2) one person reads and reports on a book to the group. Remember, listening to a book review won't get you credit, but it may inspire you to read it yourself.
- You might also consider having some of your members read the book aloud to others. People who don't like to read might enjoy hearing the book read, instead—a sort of UMW version of NPR's Chapter-A-Day. In my view, both those who read and those who listen to the whole book should receive credit, just as you would if you listened to an audio book.
- A final idea is for young moms. Suggest books they can read with their children and then suggest they form a group to discuss the book. Young moms might also read the children's mission study on migration. Create mom-teen groups to read and discuss some of the teen books on our book lists.

If you have ideas for getting the most out of the Reading Program and its books, please share them with me. The sharing of ideas is a great part of our creative, supportive fellowship.

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FIVE CHANNELS OF GIVING

by Kay Putman, Conference E&I

The end of the year is fast approaching. Scary, isn't it? But we must also look ahead to 2014.

First, however, have you sent in your Pledge to Mission for 2013? Have you ordered your Special Mission Recognition pins? Gift to Mission cards? Your district treasurers have these or can order them for you. Don't forget World Thank Offering or those Gift in Memory cards!

Once you take care of those five Channels of Giving, you're ready to schedule your programs for 2014.

Get out your Mission Today guidelines and start planning.

Why use the Mission Today guidelines? What an amazing way to fill up your program schedule for the coming year! There are so many suggested ideas in Mission Today to help you find programs that will engage your members in missions!

Have you asked someone from your district or from the conference to give a program? Don't forget the Prayer Calendar and the Program Book. You can also use **response** magazine for program ideas. Oh, my! So many choices! But there is surely enough to fill up your program schedule for 2014...and then some.

Getting off to a good start for 2014 means first tying up all the loose ends for 2013. Thank you for your hard work and for your contributions to women, children and youth around the world!

See you in 2014!

Kay Putman,
Education and Interpretation



VOLUNTARY AND INTENTIONAL MEMBERSHIP

by Shirley Carpenter, Wisconsin Conference Membership Nurture and Outreach

Membership in United Methodist Women is voluntary and intentional. Any woman may become a member if she chooses to belong, is committed to the Purpose, and is willing to be involved in global mission through United Methodist Women. Her willingness to organize for mission through participation in the organization may take many forms: Prayer, Giving (Mission Giving and other channels), Using her talents and skills, and Study.

Not all women in the United Methodist Church are automatically members of United Methodist Women; though all are welcome and encouraged to belong. Let us all work to encourage other women to become new members from among our churches and the community.

In your local organization, organize yourselves in ways that help you fulfill the Purpose, best use the gifts of your members, and meet the needs of your community in the world. Your programs should help accomplish mission and ministry in your personal life, church, community and the world. Our work is mission, which includes advocacy and service. At this time, our special emphases are immigration, environment and climate change, domestic violence and human trafficking.

To be in mission requires funding. When we give, we give in the knowledge that what we have was given by God. Our gifts and pledges are given in order to accomplish God's mission in the world.

While any woman can join United Methodist Women, elected leadership must be women who are

willing to commit their talents, time, energy and effort to serve God's mission. Presidents at all levels must be members of the United Methodist Church. Local elected leadership has a counterpart on the district and conference level.

Be aware of opportunities and resources to foster spiritual growth in your local organization. Identify local opportunities to work with others. Participate in educational opportunities (See you at Mission u!). Participate in the Reading Program. Look for printed and electronic resources. And, most importantly, support the organization through your Mission Giving and special gifts to mission.

All local members are members of the district, conference, jurisdiction and national organizations. This is reflected on our membership report, which goes to the United Methodist Women National Office (formerly Women's Division).

Thank you to each member/local organization for all you do to make life better for women, children, and youth around the world. That is MISSION!

If I can be of help to you in any way, please contact me.

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Do you still have a plastic nametag sleeve from one of our Wisconsin Conference UMW events (e.g. Mission u and Annual Gathering) in your possession?

We really need to get those back so we can use them for future events. We are very conscientious of how we use our mission money, and we really don't want to buy more sleeves if we don't have to.

PLEASE RETURN THOSE NAMETAG SLEEVES TODAY!

You can send/give them to any conference officer and we will take care of getting them to the next event coordinator. THANK YOU!!!

REALITY MEETS THE SEVEN P'S

by Stacy Ganzer with Velma Hockenberry, *Historian*

Sometimes bad things happen to good people—even members of United Methodist Women and officers on local, district and conference levels. We never know when the Good Lord will call us home.

We have lost some incredible sisters throughout our illustrious history. This actually happened recently on the Wisconsin Conference team. Lorna Rinck (Nominations Chair) and Joan Moc (Treasurer) were still very active in United Methodist Women when they passed away unexpectedly.

Their deaths were so unexpected, in fact, that neither had a chance to pass their officer materials on to someone else on the conference team. Accounts remained unsettled for months and records were misplaced or lost. Not only are these women greatly missed for their untiring efforts on behalf of women, children and youth, their devotion to Christ, and their relationships with us, but our conference was left reeling in many unexpected ways from the loss.

In the case of Joan, the financial accounts that she was responsible for were suddenly inaccessible. No one was allowed to gain access without the family's permission and presence. And this created a number of obstacles that seemed insurmountable at the time. Our president had to take over as treasurer and had to open new accounts. Life continued on and the money was not completely lost, but a great deal of time was spent trying to get things back to "normal". This could have been avoided, of course, if we had made provisions in advance for such an unforeseeable situation.

In Lorna's case, nothing so vital as money was involved. But the information that the Chairperson of Nominations keeps is almost as valuable to the nominations committee as the money is to the organization as a whole. Tenure is a big factor in this. Records are vital. Names. Phone numbers. Email addresses. The Chairperson of Nominations keeps track of all of it. We were just blessed that Lorna's family was gracious enough to release that information as soon as they found it. The problem was they had no idea where it was located. They didn't find it until months later.

So, what does this mean for the rest of us? Why is it important to mention this at all? The answer is simple. My father-in-law used to say it best when he spouted the 7 P's to his kids. I think those 7 P's, modified a bit for United Methodist Women, can really help save a lot of aggravation in the long run. The 7 P's stand for: Proper Planning Prevents Poor Participation and Panic. (I left out one of the more colorful P's in order to make it less crude). Fairly simple, huh?

In engaging those 7 P's, here are some guidelines that your district and local organizations can use in order to prevent the Panic from happening:

1. All financial accounts should have at least one, if not two, additional elected leaders besides the treasurer as signatories on them. The treasurer, president and secretary or nominations chair should be adequate—unless they all ride together in the same vehicle to and from events. Use your best judgement.
2. Label everything—boxes of records, envelopes, correspondence, notebooks, bank account statements, etc.—that has anything to do with your office. Put a sticker that says United Methodist Women on it. Then keep it all together in one place—not the basement or attic.
3. Make sure your family is aware that you are an officer of United Methodist Women and let them know where you keep the materials for your office and who it goes to in case of emergency. This includes any computer passwords that might be needed to access records.
4. Make provisions in your Last Will and Testament to indicate who to contact on your executive team if something should happen to you, especially if you are undergoing a surgical procedure or have a medical condition that could, heaven forbid, lead to your sudden passing.

I hope this helps all of us properly plan for the unexpected and unforeseen, so we can continue to pass along the wonderful traditions, records and history of each level of our organization.

Assembly Bus/Hotel Package

Registered for Assembly? Great, now get on the bus!

Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women is offering a lodging/transportation package for 2014 Assembly for members and guests of Wisconsin Conference UMW.

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Return: April 27, 2014

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You have until February 1, 2014 to fill out a registration form (see page 6 or visit our website www.wisconsinumw.org) and reserve your spot today!

We welcome all ages and will be following Safe Sanctuary policies for anyone under 18 attending without parental or guardian supervision. If you have any questions, contact Laura Pfeffer (608-592-5228, pfeffer.umw@gmail.com). We look forward to having you join us for the whole Assembly experience.



**SAVE THE
DATE**

Mission Action Day

Saturday, April 5, 2014

ISSUES HIGHLIGHTED:

- **Human Trafficking in WI**
Presented by Pastor Heather Brewer, Bloomer/New Auburn UMC - WI Initiatives, what you and your church can do in response to Human Trafficking.
- **Elder Abuse**

Peace United Methodist Church
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2014 MISSION ACTION DAY IS COMING!!

by *Ruby Dow, Mission Coordinator for Social Action*

The Mission Team is looking forward to the 2014 Mission Action Day, which will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2014 at Peace United Methodist Church in Kaukauna, WI. Speakers for the day are:

- **Heather Brewer**, Pastor Bloomer/New Auburn UMC. She will speak on Wisconsin Initiatives and what you and your church can do in response to Human Trafficking. Individuals attending the 2013 session requested that Heather be given more time to discuss Human Trafficking in Wisconsin.
- **Lieutenant Steve Elliott**, Appleton Police Department, will speak on the local response to

Human Trafficking.

- **Diane Mandler**, Supervisor of Crisis Intervention and Adult Protective Services with the Outagamie Health and Human Services Department will speak on Elder Abuse.

Registration forms will be available in January 2014 with a March 15, 2014 deadline for registration. The registration fee will be \$12/person.

Please put this on your calendar and plan to attend this very informative Mission Action Day.



Ruby Dow
Wisconsin Conference UMW
Mission Coordinator for Social Action

GOD SIGHTINGS

by *Karen Stimeling, Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth*

Nancy Moffatt, former Chippewa/Heartland District Superintendent, has been courageously battling cancer. Each of her Caring Bridge postings is a faith witness to the reader. I personally appreciate her continued ‘God-sightings’ throughout the good and bad experiences with this disease. That said, I know I am more in tune with GOD-SIGHTINGS in my life and thank Nancy for putting a special name to them.

Before I continue, I need to share a strange habit I have. When I read a book, I may surf ahead to see if all the characters are still present in the story—sometimes reading the last line of the book first. I KNOW! It is strange. When I read a magazine, I flip the pages from the back to the front. I might even read the last of an article, then realize I really want to read it in its entirety. Well, this leads me to a recent God-sighting.

In May, I received the United Methodist Women NEWS issue. I read the back and front pages, inside the back page, and continued reading from the back. A wonderful picture embracing community, joy, and inclusiveness caught my eye. The writer also had my attention as I read the text. So, of course, I turned the page forward to read the article. The author realized her camera was her ‘chalice’ to facilitate change in this world. I think this was her God-sighting. After

reading this wonderfully drafted piece, I finally looked to see the author’s name—our own Stacy Ganzer, Communications Coordinator for our Wisconsin Conference. I have always appreciated Stacy’s gifts, but sharing her unexpected personal, heartfelt talk with God leading her to the chalice discovery was my God-sighting.

Isn’t it true that when we relinquish our lives, Jesus promises to use them? Ken Gire, in his book, *Intense Moments with the Savior*, writes: “I’ve learned my strength is not found in how intensely I struggle...but in how completely I surrender.” “Give yourself fully to God,” wrote Mother Teresa in *Life in the Spirit*. “He will use you to accomplish great things on the condition that you believe much more in his love than in your own weakness.”

I pray United Methodist Women will be the body of Christ, using intentional prayer to accomplish great things. Perseverance makes us ready to be the living sacrifices Paul describes in Romans 12:1 as “holy and pleasing to God.” And of course, thanks God for Stacy’s witness.

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GREEN UPDATE: COMMUNITY GARDENS AS MISSIONS

by *Laura Pfeffer, National Green Team 2009-2012*

This year at Annual Conference there was an additional day of learning for laity at the end of the formal sessions. Many different workshops were offered for attendees. The workshop day was open to anyone wishing to attend, not just members of Annual Conference. I decided to attend a workshop on “local mission” little knowing that it would actually be about community gardening!

Rev. Dawn Ramstad and her husband led our session in English.

Rev. Maribel Celiz led a separate workshop on the same topic in Spanish (want other resources on environmental justice in Spanish? Try <http://www.eco-justicia.blogspot.com/>). All three had started their work in

Beloit turning church lawns (did you know that lawn is the number one US crop?) and blighted spaces

into gardens. By combining urban renewal with the power of faithful volunteers, a thriving mission outreach was created.

Empty lots where gangs and drug users lingered were transformed into pumpkin patches. Planted as “Shar-

ing gardens.” All of the food was available for any who wished to use it—after all you cannot steal what is being given away. Food was also collected for canning or for use in the local food pantry allowing for even greater abundant blessings to be shared.

So? Why not trade in that lawn mower for a hoe and start your own mission outreach?

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Article taken from Laura's Summer 2013 Green Team Update on the Wisconsin UMW website: www.wisconsinumw.org



The quadrennial theme for our conference is “Living the Fruit of the Spirit”. We must plant new seeds to reap a harvest of mission!

CHANGES ARE COMING!!!

2013 is quickly coming to a close (Christmas is right around the corner, ladies!) and, before you know it, 2014 will be here in all its splendor. Well, maybe not splendor. Then again, who knows. Anything is possible through Christ.

As the New Year approaches (at lightning speed), we look forward to some changes on the Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women Executive Committee. Mainly, new faces will join us or familiar faces will move to new positions.

Laura Pfeffer, who we all know and love as our Secretary and former Green Team representative, assumes the role and responsibilities of Conference President. Yes, that’s right, she now gets to sit in the “big chair” and, well, chair our meetings. She also gets to travel to all the wonderful board meetings that Judy Vasby once attended as our representative. We wish Laura all the best and many blessings in her new position!

You also might remember another familiar face that joins the Executive Committee in 2014. Michelle Hopp, who is currently serving on the Nominations Committee, is our new Spiritual Growth Coordinator. She fills some awfully big shoes, but we are confident that Michelle will do a great job leading us in the devotional and worship portions of our meetings and events. Pray for Michelle as she leads us with God’s blessing.

Last, but certainly not least, we have a newbie joining us in 2014. Although Leah Sailor is not new to United Methodist Women, she is filling the position of Conference Secretary and is new to the Conference Team. God is good. We are so happy He encouraged Leah to step up and say “Yes!” to this exciting opportunity.

Please pray for the 2014 Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women Executive Committee as it works to fulfill our Purpose in Christ!

GIVING THANKS FOR WORLD THANK

by *Mary Rather, Conference Treasurer*

Like many of you, we celebrated "All Saints Day" on the first Sunday in November at our Church. As we remembered those who have gone before us, I got to thinking of all the wonderful women I have had the privilege to know through United Methodist Women.

Last week, my Circle had a "World Thank Offering" program. Memories of all of these great women came flooding back to me. I especially remembered Miriam Ott. A long time ago she told me she put 10 Cents a day into her blue offering box. I try to do this, too. Each November, when we bring our blue offering boxes and dump them together, I remember Miriam and all the other great women who have gone before us.

I am looking forward to Thanksgiving in a few weeks. By the time you read this, however, we will probably already be into Advent. I hope and pray you will take the time to count your Blessings and remem-

ber the "little blue box." Be very thankful and very generous. Fill that box to the very top in honor of all that you are thankful for.

Last year our Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women contributed over \$22,000 to the "World Thank Offering." Let's see if we can increase that amount in 2013!

Members of Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women, you are some of my many blessings, and I am thankful to you and for all you do for this organization.



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WERE YOU THERE?



Wisconsin Conference
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of United Methodist Women
held October 18-19, 2013 at Asbury UMC, Madison



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PURPOSE

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2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Conf. Team Retreat	January 10-11	@ Black River Falls
Mission u conference call	March 8	conference call
MISSION ACTION DAY	April 5	@ Peace UMC,
ASSEMBLY	April 25-27	@ Louisville, KY
Conf. Team Mtg.	May 10	@ TBD
MISSION U 4-DAY	July 28-31	@ Wausau, Westwood
Mission u Overview Day	August 1	Conf. Ctr.
Conf. MEGA Meeting	August 22-24	@ Pine Lake Camp
CONFERENCE ANNUAL	October 17-18	@ Asbury UMC,
GATHERING		Madison
Conf. Team Meeting	November 7-8	@ Shawano