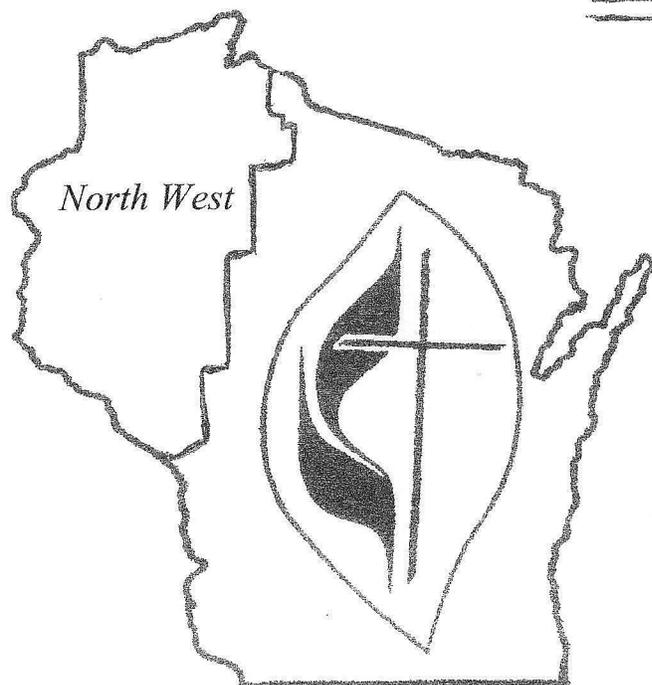


North West District
United Methodist Women

Newsletter

The WEAVER



August 2018



THE 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.

President Billie

“We have different gifts that are consistent with God’s grace that has been give to us”. Romans 12:6 CEB
“...be the best at showing Honor to each other.” Romans 12:10 CEB

Service for the Lord and others using our gifts.

Serving on the District Mission Team is fun and a supportive fellowship. We work together to plan and bring to all of you our Spring and Fall meetings. We invite you to join us—fill one of our open positions on the team.

We try to bring information from Mission-u, the Social Action Day and the Assembly that was held in Columbus, Ohio in May.

National UMW priority issues for 2016-2020:

- Maternal Child Health
- School to Prison Pipeline for people of color
- Economic inequality
- Climate justice

If you would like more information:

- 1) Check the webpage www.unitedmethodistwomen.org
- 2) Read books in the reading program
- 3) Do programs in our program book
- 4) Pray with the prayer calendar
- 5) Invite your “sister” from the District Mission Team to your local meeting

Come celebrate our 150 years in mission by attending Spring Day of Enrichment 2019 (historic dresses and hats recommended).

A UMW Sunday outline is on the Wisconsin UMW website: www.wisconsinumw.org

Billie LaBumbard
North West District President
missionbillie@gmail.com
715-939-0118

Vice-President What Is God Calling You to Do?

John 15:16 *"You did not choose me, but I choose you to go and bear fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name."*

What is God encouraging you to do for Him right now?

I tried to write this article several days ago. The deadline is getting closer, so I decided to get it written today. Before I got started, I did some local church work and then read the *Upper Room* for today, titled "Out of My Comfort Zone". The focus for the day stated, "Today I will embrace the changes God is pacing before me." I now know God is encouraging me to go in a different direction than I was heading.

I stepped out of my comfort zone when I became the District Vice President in 2015. God lead me to the District Team in 2014. At that time I was on the Nominations Committee. The Vice President position was open that year. God kept encouraging me to step up and take that position ~ but I was afraid to step that far out of my comfort zone. After all I was new to UMW. I had only been to one District event, how could I plan events when I didn't know what to expect. The only United Methodist Women I knew were those women in my local unit. How could I possibly be the Vice President for the District? It took a few months but He finally convinced me that "with God, all things are possible". He has provided everything I needed to fulfill my commitment to the position of District Vice President.

My term is up at the end of the year. God has someone in mind to take over. If that someone is you, please step up and let us know. Don't let the position go unfilled. Step out of your comfort zone and answer His call. He will be right there with you every step of the way.

Terry Giles

North West District UMW Vice President
715 463-2400 (home)
715 431-0420 (cell)

Treasurer Robin

Dear Sisters,

It has been a pleasure serving you as the District Treasurer for the past 5 years. I have enjoyed getting to know you and learning more about the UMW organization with you. At the end of the year, I will no longer be your Treasurer.

Please send your remittances to me before **Dec. 1, 2018** to ensure your unit receives credit toward Mission giving in 2018. Any remittances I receive after Dec. 1 will be returned to you. I am looking forward to seeing you at the District's Fall Gathering in Siren.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. I will do my best to respond to you in a timely manner.

Praying God will bless all you do in serving Him.

Robin Peterson, Treasurer
3487 120th St., Frederic, WI 54837
715-653-2382 RLHULA@yahoo.com

Our Secretary - Patricia

Time flies. Anyone over 65 will agree. How many of us worry about wasting time? We, however, who live our lives for God need not be concerned. An old English script states:

Only one life
Twill soon be past
Only what's done
For Christ will last

With time flying by, it is now time to submit your yearly officer lists, with names, addresses, e-mails and telephone numbers. **Your deadline is September 15!**

Please forward via email (pmcjec226@gmail.com) or send paper copies to:

Patricia Cederholm
E6734 870th Avenue
Colfax, WI 54730

Blessings to All

Patricia Cederholm

Social Action Coordinator

Summer Greetings to my UMW Sisters!

Have you ever thought of yourself as “the bold energy of God”? At our UMW Assembly this May, Harriett Jane Olson, our chief executive officer, challenged us with this thought. The theme for Assembly was “The Power of Bold” and focused on the four main social justice issues of UMW at this time - economic inequality, climate justice, maternal and child health, and mass incarceration. Harriet believes that we, as United Methodist Women, are as needed today as we ever have been and that we are in a position to make a change; we are everywhere and we have a wonderful connection.

One of the sessions I attended was a Town Hall forum on Economic Inequality. There were four passionate, talented panel members and I have pages of notes! A small sample of information shared includes the unprecedented wealth at this time that is held by the top 1% and the fact that work wages are now taxed more heavily than wealth. Also emphasized were the conditions of farm workers and domestic workers that are excluded from safety standards, the stagnancy of the minimum wage that is not a living wage, and the ways unions have provided for the needs of employees in the past. Some concluding thoughts from this forum include the importance of working together, the collective is powerful. Also we must support education for all, a living wage, the work of unions and continue to learn about these issues- including knowing our consumers and how they treat their employees. It is time to be bold and to walk together, because by uplifting everyone's lives we protect salaries, pension, and needed health care for all.

One of the scriptures shared in the church where I worshiped this past Sunday was Ezekiel's call to be a prophet (Ezekiel 2:1-5). I was struck by some of these verses and how they paralleled our path as UMW members. “*The Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet and I heard God speaking to me*” (vrs 2) and “*I am sending you... Whether they listen or fail to listen- they will know a prophet has been among them.*” (vrs 5) Friends, God is sending each of us as United Methodist Women to be bold and work on the problems of our time!

Blessings on this Journey of Social Action!

Laura Ida

Legacy Update

By Terry Giles- Vice-President

Plans are coming together for the Legacy Celebration on March 23, 2019, at Lake Street UMC in Eau Claire. Thank-you, thank-you, thank-you to the various units and UMW members who have stepped up and volunteered to do specific tasks for me.

At our rescheduled Spring Day of Enrichment in May, the packets for each unit were handed out or sent to you. In the packet you will find information about the Legacy Celebration. I hope you have read through the information and are thinking about what your unit is planning to do. The back page of the Legacy Information is a form I would like for you to fill out and bring to the Annual Fall Gathering at Siren UMC on September 22, 2018. If you are unable to attend that meeting, please fill out the form and send it to me at the address provided. If you have questions, please feel free to call me at 715 463-2400 (home) or my cell at 715 431-0420. The information you provide on the form will be helpful so I can plan how much space we might need in the various areas.

You don't have to provide something for each area mentioned. Please remember you will be responsible for taking home anything that does not sell. All proceeds (except for the Flea Market tables) will go to the Legacy Endowment Fund.

I will be available during lunch time at the Annual Fall Gathering to answer questions and discuss ideas with you. I look forward to finding out how you have decided to take part in the Legacy Celebration. *Terry*

WANTED:

Silent Auction
Items & Gift Baskets
for the
UMW Legacy Celebration
March 23, 2019
at Lake Street UMC
Please contact **Robin Peterson**
with donations and/or questions
715-653-2382 or
RLHULA@yahoo.com



Nominations

Hello to all of you busy Sisters in Christ! Are you having fun yet? It seems to me so much of the summer has already passed and I don't know where it went! When my birthday comes up (July 26) and all of the school materials is out I always feel like summer is almost "done for".

I am still LOOKING-LOOKING LOOKING for helpers on our District team. You know Paul reminds us that we are all given talents to use in our life--some of us many-- some of us one. Think hard what are your talents? Are you using them to the extent that our Lord would be happy with? Consult with the Lord and do some introspection on your part.

Can you spare days for planning meetings and two district Gatherings to further our most valuable work? Local Presidents, encourage those members on your team whom you see able.... and maybe yourself. I would like to hear from you.

Here is a thought I ran across:

There are all kinds of members--
"It is easy to join; just sign your name. But then what do you do?
Do you really take it to heart and do all you can to further the success of the organization?
Or do you just like to have your name on the book; it looks good.
Which kind of member are you?"

Join our friendly, enthusiastic team!
God loves you all; and so do !!

Evie O'Neil, Nominations Team Leader
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715 354-3197

Nominees for North West District 2019 Officers

Officers remaining in office:

President (2018-2019) Billie LaBumbard
Secretary (2018-2019) Pat Cedarholm
Spiritual Growth: (2018-2019) Jean Kissack
Social Action: (2017-2019) Laura Ida
Education & Interpretation (2018-2019) Liz
Dempsey
Membership Nurture & Outreach: (2018-2019)
Barbara Bender
Program Resources: (2018-2019) Annette
Pederson
Nominations: (2018-2019) Chair: Evie O'Neil
Class of 2019 Laurie Church
Editor: Marion Strandberg

Retiring Officers:

Vice President: Terry Giles
Treasurer: Robin Peterson

Open Positions:

Vice President
Treasurer
Nominations Class of 2020, 2021, 2022
Communications
Historian

Education & Interpretation Coordinator



Mission Today Reports Due December 1st

Packets you will receive at the Fall Gathering will contain the New Mission Report Form with an attached pre-stamped – pre-addressed envelope attached. If no one from your unit attends, the packets will be sent out to you so please remember to look for that in your unit packets.

E & I Coordinator, Liz Dempsey

What is a Ubuntu Journey?

If your first reaction is, what is it? That was mine. But the most important discovery is that if you can't go on a Ubuntu Mission Trip you can still have your unit or a group of close by units join together to experience the Ubuntu journey.

United Methodist Women's Mission Giving goes to support more than 200 programs in 75 countries around the globe. This year's mission trips to Bolivia and Peru have been filled by applicants. For information about these trips for future years go to e-mail:

ubuntu@unitedmethodistwomen.org or phone: (212) 870-3719 with your name and contact information. Ubuntu is an African word and proverb meaning "I am human because you are human."

As our globe gets smaller and smaller because of the information available to us on-line, acquiring a better understanding about how people live throughout our globe is much simpler. We need to ensure that we are acquiring accurate information and understanding of the challenges and reality of those environments. Cultural awareness provides us the opportunity to better understand our sisters in other parts of our world.

For those of us who cannot afford the travel to better understand our world neighbors, it was interesting to find that there may be ways to experience together what the Ubuntu Journey is all about. "Ubuntu Journeys are about women of faith coming together, though shared mission, to address social issues and discover new ways of working together, supporting one another, and growing spiritually."

Visit the on-line address that follows to see how you can experience, as a group, the Ubuntu journey. This on-line address provides a complete toolkit for the experience.

<http://www.ministrywith.org/downloads/ubuntu-toolkitweb.pdf>

Blessings to you and this fall take a Wisconsin journey near enough to return by the end of the day but far enough to get away from the city and view the wilderness with fall color.

Liz

North West District Education
& Interpretation Co-ordinator

Membership Nurture and Outreach

The big challenge for most of us is: "How do we get new members?" I'd like to share with you the first paragraph from the Membership Handbook. It says: United Methodist Women have a rich heritage. Our fore-mothers influenced and shaped the mission outreach program of our church. They addressed critical needs, advocated the rights of women, children, and minorities; they became involved in the pressing social issues in their communities, the nation, and the world.

We are now in the second century and are hoping to engage even more women in the program and PURPOSE of United Methodist Women. Terry Giles, our VP, has put a lot of time and work into the planning of the celebration of our heritage which will be on March 23, 2019 for our Spring Day of Enrichment at Lake Street UMC. I'm really looking forward to it and wouldn't it be nice if ALL of our members could attend? CHALLENGE EVERYONE!!

Barb Bender

Membership Nurture & Outreach Coordinator

Spiritual Growth

Book Review from the 2018 UMW Reading List
by Jean Kissack

50 Women Every Christian Should Know by Michelle De Rusha is on our UMW reading list for 2018 under the category of leadership.

Has anyone heard of Amy Charmichael? She has written many books and was a missionary in India for her entire adult life.

Amy Charmichael who lived from 1867- 1951 was a prolific writer. She was born in Ireland but wanted to be a missionary her whole childhood. She went first to Japan and then to India as the Keswick convention first Missionary. She says later "I had no more ability to be a missionary than a Skye terrier puppy". Once in India she found out about the practice of Hindu parents abandoning young children outside the temple as a devotion to the gods. Amy met a temple girl named Preena who told her about the abuse and neglect that she had suffered. Because of Preena, Amy started an orphanage in the town of

Dohnavur. She was often frustrated with "nominal Christians".

She expected young missionaries to pray long and hard about their decision to come to India. She said in her letters "Prepare your spirit for the new life. This is a battlefield and you are a soldier. Life is intense and difficult." She relied totally on prayer to God to provide resources at just the right time.

One of Amy's guidelines in any of her verbal or written communication, be it letters or books, was the "Five Questions" Is it True? Helpful? Insightful (she called it the "seed of eternity")? Necessary? Kind? You will recognize this as the saying I have put on a business card THINK BEFORE YOU SPEAK that I am currently handing out. At the time I did not know that this quote found on a plaque in one of Bill's catalogs was written by Amy Charmichael. I found it recently on page 237 of Michelle De Rusha's book.

Jean

Program Resource Secretary



As I was reading *Embracing Wholeness* in preparation for Mission u, I was reminded of the importance of taking care of ourselves and allowing ourselves "Sabbath time". Sometimes in the hustle and bustle of everyday life I get so busy with all the things I "have to do" that I don't take time to do that which brings me joy and rejuvenation. Summer especially seems to bring this out in me. As fall approaches, I plan to give myself more "me" time and get back to those things that bring me joy. That includes reading more which I haven't done much of this summer. I hope you have done better with your self care but if not, join me in my plan to take more "Sabbath time". Happy reading and if I can be of any assistance please contact me.

Annette Pederson

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NORTH WEST DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

**Annual Fall Gathering
Saturday, September 22, 2018**

Siren United Methodist Church
24025 1st. Ave. N
Siren, WI
715-349-2240

ANSWERING GOD'S CALL

Guest Speaker

Judy Vasby

Wisconsin's only active deaconess

Topic of Presentation

God Has A Plan For All Of Us

Mission Outreach Offering

Siren Salvation Army - Faith House

See page 9 of this WEAVER for more information on this Mission.

Registration . . .8:30am
Program 9:15am

Singing & Gathering . . . 9:00am
Sending Forth 3:00pm

Directions to Siren UMC

See page 9 of this WEAVER



REGISTRATION

Deadline: September 14th
Registration + meal \$15 – **no refunds**

Please attach names of all registrants to this form or copy form for each person. Please print names.

NAME _____ **UNIT NAME** _____

First time at a UMW gathering? ____ **Dietary Needs:** early lunch/ special foods (specify) _____

Childcare: \$3 per child/max \$5 per family. Number of children ____ Ages _____
(Please bring a sack lunch for each child)

Registrations:

Make checks payable to:

North West District UMW (memo: registration or Mission offering)

Mail Registrations and Mission Outreach Offerings to:

Robin Peterson
3487 120th St.
Frederic, WI 54837
715-653-2382

Questions: Call Billie LaBumbard at 715-939-0118 or e-mail at missionbillie@gmail.com for more information.

Annual Gathering at Siren UMC

Guest Speaker - Judy Vasby



I was born and raised in Wisconsin Rapids where I joined the United Methodist Church as a confirmand in 8th grade, kept affiliation through college, and got married to Kent there on the hottest day of August in 1970. In 1971, we moved to his grandparents' farm house near Cambridge and joined Willerup UMC. We have been married 48 years and have 4 daughters and 15 grandchildren.

I trained as a vocal/general music teacher and taught in Amherst, Johnson Creek, Monona, Cambridge, and Madison, with some time off for raising children. I joined United Methodist Women at Willerup UMC in Cambridge in 1971, served as "membership" coordinator and vice president, plus PEP Team member, in South Central District and into the change to Capital District. More recently I served at the Conference level as vice president, nominations committee member, and president. I was on the task force that started Hmong House of Good News in Milwaukee. I also worked in Wisconsin Conference Disaster Response efforts for many years.

I retired from teaching in 2003, and shortly after, seriously pursued the call to become a Deaconess. There were challenges along the way, but at Assembly 2014, I was consecrated. I have been appointed to serve Willerup UMC in Cambridge as the Coordinator for Caring Ministries and the historian/archivist for this church which is the oldest Norwegian Methodist Church in the world. I am Wisconsin's only active UM Deaconess.

Directions to Siren UMC 24005 1st. Ave.

From Eau Claire: Take US-53 N toward Spooner (65.7 miles). Take the WI-70 exit, At the stop sign, turn Left onto Highway 70/WI-70. At the stoplights, continue going straight. (25.47 miles). Enter roundabout and take the 2nd exit onto State Road 35 70/WI-35/WI-70 heading South towards Siren. Continue 2 miles and turn Right onto Bradley Street. Go 1 block to stop sign at 1st Ave. You will see the Church on the right and the Church parking lot on the left.

From Superior: Take WI-35 South (69 miles), After passing Burnett County Courthouse & airport you will be heading towards a roundabout. Bypass the roundabout by merging to the right onto State Road 35 70/WI-35/WI-70 (South). Continue approx. 2 miles and turn Right onto Bradley Street and go to stop sign. The Church parking lot on the Left and the Church is on the Right side of Bradley Street.

From St. Croix Falls: Take WI-35 North to Siren. At the stoplight, turn Left onto State Rd 70. Go 1 block and turn Right onto 1st Avenue. The Church parking lot and Siren Methodist Church are on the right side just past the white house on the corner.

Mission Outreach: Siren Salvation Army - Faith House www.Centralusa.salvationarmy.org/Faithhouse

Mission: Our mission is to provide a safe and secure environment to assist those in need to overcome unresolved issues as well as help the community in times of need.

Faith House Wish list: Copy paper, paper towels, toilet paper, feminine products, cleaning products, dish soap, garbage bags, shampoo and conditioner..

**2019 PLEDGE TO MISSION
NORTH WEST DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

THE _____ UNIT OF THE NORTH WEST DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN PLEDGE \$ _____ FOR 2019. WE REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF MISSION GIVING AND WILL ASK GOD'S HELP TO FULFILL THIS PLEDGE.

MISSION GIVING IS NEEDED TO MEET THE DISTRICT PLEDGE TO CONFERENCE

Please bring this form to the Annual Gathering September 22nd

or mail to: Robin Peterson
3487 120th St.
Frederic, WI 54837

****This is the pledge. Do not send Pledge Money until 2019****



**Women to be remembered during the Memorial Service
at the North West District UMW Annual Gathering September 22nd**

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM LISTING THE NAME/NAMES OF THE UNIT MEMBER/MEMBERS DECEASED FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2017 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2018 **IF THERE ARE NO DECEASED MEMBERS FROM YOUR UNIT, STILL SUBMIT A FORM**, THIS WILL BE PART OF THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP REPORT.

Our theme for the Fall Gathering is "We Are Called". We have all been called to do something. God has a plan for all of us. We want to especially remember the call of each of our deceased members this year. As you fill out the names of those members who passed away from your unit this year... also include a one sentence description of what you saw as their "calling" for your unit. If you had more than one member pass away, take some time to think of each individuals call. Again I remind you to limit the response to a short sentence. If there is more then one deceased, please attach another paper with her name and calling on it.

Unit: _____
Name of deceased: _____
God called her to: _____

Some examples to give you an idea of what we would like to hear:

- Took a leadership role in our unit.
- Was the funeral lunch lady for us.
- Lead Bible Studies for our group.
- Was our treasure (or president) (or secretary) for our unit.
- She always came up with fun things for our unit to do.
- Volunteered to work in the Kitchen cheerfully washing dishes.

Please send This Form by September 8th to:

Barbara Bender
328 8 3/4 St.
Prairie Farm, WI 54762
[**obbender@chibardun.net**](mailto:obbender@chibardun.net)

DEACONESS CALLING

Hi, I am a deaconess, and I'm calling YOU to become one, too.

Are you feeling restless in your spiritual life? In your work life? Are you feeling a need to go deeper in your commitment to God? Do you want to work for the Lord, but not become a pastor? Is so, that could be a call from God to become a deaconess!

A deaconess is a lay woman called by God to serve God by serving others. With her faith at the core, she takes her vocational training (job) into the community and show God's love through her words and actions.

She may be a teacher, a nurse, an accountant, a fire fighter, a photographer, a flower shop owner, or any number of things. Almost any vocation can qualify as long as there are elements of love, justice, and service, and as long as the woman has a deep relationship with God.

If you are feeling "the call", I will be happy to talk with you further about the process of becoming a deaconess. Contact me at ...

Email: vasby.umw@gmail.com

Cell: 608-576-0173

Blessings-

Judy Vasby

Wisconsin's only active deaconess

PS. I can do programs for units, circles, or churches. I just ask for help to cover travel costs.

HISTORY STARTS NOW!

To all unit secretaries — the work you do in keeping minutes of meetings is vitally important. Not only do the minutes keep your unit on track month by month, but they inform the future members about what was important to you in their past. Minutes connect the present to the future and today's women to those who came before.

Be sure to include full names in your minutes. In twenty years, or even in five, the last names of "Henrietta" and "Shirley" could be lost from memory and their connection to other unit or church members gone. While their contributions still will be recognized, their full personhood will be diminished when last names are left out.

In celebration of 150 years of Methodist women's mission work, I challenge you to go back to minutes from a meeting 15 or 20 years ago, or longer, and read them at a unit meeting. (Your local historian should know where to find them, but if you don't have an historian, it is YOUR duty to fill that position.) Enjoy the warm connection you feel with your sisters who came before you. Appreciate the Legacy they have left you. Contemplate what your unit is passing on to the future members. Remember... history starts now!

Judy Vasby - Conference UMW Historian

Email: vasby.umw@gmail.com

Cell: 608-576-0173

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE ANNUAL GATHERING



All are Invited to United Methodist Women Annual Gathering **Sacred Spaces: Encounters with God & Neighbor** October 19 and 20, 2018

First United Methodist Church, Waukesha, WI
121 Wisconsin Ave., Waukesha, WI

FRIDAY 2-4 PM: Preconference tour is to United Methodist Children's Services, Milwaukee
(Meet at First United Methodist Church and car pool to United Methodist Children's Service)

FRIDAY EVENING: District Leaders Training

Video by Harriett Olson, General Secretary, United Methodist Women, on "A Way Forward" for those not attending training, discussion led by Mary Lainberger. Register at 5:30-6:30 PM; program begins at 6:30 PM.



Sharon Day



Mary Lainberger



Sue Plasterer

SATURDAY SPEAKERS: Sharon Day, Anishinaabe grandmother and Water Walker, will lead the worship on Saturday morning; Mary Lainberger and Sue Plasterer will give background information at breakout sessions on "A Way Forward." Register at 8-8:45 AM; program begins at 8:45 AM; with sending forth around 3:30 PM.

REGISTER FOR PROGRAM BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
for Reduced Fee of \$27.00, Includes Saturday Lunch.
Contact Arlene Trull, 305 Becker St., Rothschild, WI 54474, aetrull@gmail.com

A block of rooms has been reserved under Wisconsin United Methodist Women until Friday, September 28 (1-4 persons per room) at Hampton Inn, 575 N. Barker Rd., Brookfield, WI 53045. To reserve a room, call: 262-796-1500 or reserve online at <http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/groups/personalized/M/MKEBFHX-UMW-20181019/index.jhtml>

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Wisconsin Conference Annual Gathering Of United Methodist Women October 19-20, 2018

Early registration deadline:
September 26 at \$27

Late registration deadline: *
October 3 at \$37

*If you register after October 3,
you will need to make your own
lunch arrangements for Saturday.

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

Blessings to you as we learn, worship
and grow together.



750 Windsor Street
Sun Prairie, WI 53590
888-240-7328
www.WisconsinUMC.org

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

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Email Address _____ Phone Number _____
Church _____ District _____

Please check all that apply:

Teen (Teen only Age) _____ If you are attending the Limitless gathering, only fill out the Limitless form.
____ First Time Attending ____ UMW member ____ Clergy ____ Guest (not UMW member)
Are you a district officer _____ or a conference officer _____?

Preconference United Methodist Children's Services (UMCS) tour 2-4 p.m.:

____ I will tour UMCS & meet at Waukesha FUMC at 1 p.m.
____ I will tour UMCS & meet there.
____ I am willing to drive & take _____ passengers.

Circle box lunch selection: Box lunches 1-5 will include sandwich, bag of chips, dill potato salad, fresh fruit salad, and a fresh bakery cookie

1. Smoked almond chicken/whole wheat wrap
2. Vegetarian wrap
3. Ham & cheddar cheese/roll
4. Roast beef and cheddar cheese/roll
5. Turkey and cheddar cheese/roll

Choices 6 & 7 includes a bag of chips, fresh bakery roll, fresh fruit salad, and a fresh bakery cookie

6. Chicken caesar salad
7. Sendik's house garden salad

Choice 8 (gluten free) – includes gluten free chips, confetti coleslaw, fresh fruit cup, and gluten free dessert

8. Sendik's House Garden Salad with vinaigrette dressing

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 lunch. Also, please provide a sack lunch or \$9 for each child in the registration total and specify lunch choice.

Emergency contact information:

Name _____
Relationship _____ Phone: Day _____ Evening _____

Photo release:

Photos will be taken at Annual Gathering and could be used in material to promote United Methodist Women. I permit my photo to be used by Wisconsin United Methodist Women to help share United Methodist Women with others.

Sign _____ Date _____

Special request:

____ I need a scholarship (25 scholarships available, awarded to the first 25 to make a request).

Please make checks payable to WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UMW

Mail to Registrar: Arlene Trull, 305 Becker St., Rothschild, WI 54474

Email: aetrull@gmail.com

Phone: 715-359-7756

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

SLATE OF OFFICERS FORM - LOCAL UMW UNIT - 2019

Please **print or type** the information on this form. **Include all information requested, including the area code for telephone numbers and email addresses if available. Please include your unit's meeting dates, times and places.**

PLEASE COMPLETE FORM AND RETURN BY SEPTEMBER 15TH

Local Church _____	Telephone No. _____
Street Address _____	City _____
Pastor _____	Zip Code _____

PRESIDENT _____	Telephone No. _____
Street Address _____	City _____
E-mail Address _____	Zip Code _____

VICE PRESIDENT _____	Telephone No. _____
Street Address _____	City _____
E-mail Address _____	Zip Code _____

SECRETARY _____	Telephone No. _____
Street Address _____	City _____
E-mail Address _____	Zip Code _____

TREASURER _____	Telephone No. _____
Street Address _____	City _____
E-mail Address _____	Zip Code _____

MISSION COORDINATOR FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH _____	Telephone No. _____
Street Address _____	City _____
E-mail Address _____	Zip Code _____

MISSION COORDINATOR FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE _____	Telephone No. _____
Street Address _____	City _____
E-mail Address _____	Zip Code _____

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<u>UNIT MEETINGS</u>	
DATES _____	
TIMES _____	
PLACE _____ (OTHER THAN HOME CHURCH)	

Please return by September 15th, 2018 to:

**Patricia Cederholm
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MILK MOOLA and YOU

Start Saving Those Milk Moola Caps & Slips

Yeah! With your help, Harbor House Shelters recently received a check for \$156.30. That represents 3,126 caps and milk bag slips that YOU collected.

Kwik Trip has taken over all the PDQ gas stations, which means that Milk Moola caps and plastic bag tops are available all over Wisconsin! So stop in when you drive by and get some milk or orange juice in sizes single-serve through gallon. Save the bottle caps and bag slips for UMW. We count them up and send them in for redemption at 5-cents each.

Please bring them to all district and conference UMW events. District Coordinators for Education and Interpretation will see that I receive your contributions. Or, another way is to send them with your church's representative to Annual Conference. There is a collection box at the Harbor House display.

Don't forget to rinse off your caps and slips before sending. Some have arrived smelling of sour milk or sticky with orange juice.

Also, be sure you send only Milk Moola items. They say "Milk Moola – 5" or have a cow face.

We DO NOT take Kemps, Prairie Farm, or any other brand of milk caps. Also, the bag slips need to be carefully cut along the scissors marked cutting line. Some slips have arrived with only the 5-cents circles and not the whole line, which includes the words "Nature's Touch." Kwik Trip will not accept those circles, so we lose 5-cents each time someone cuts them out.

Harbor House has a large need for funds to keep their programs operating to help homeless women and children. Please encourage your church members, neighbors, relatives, and co-workers to save Kwik Trip caps and bag slips for this good cause.

Got Milk? Milk Moola, that is.

Judy Vasby

Moola Coordinator

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PS- Those who live near LaCrosse, contact me about how to take your caps/slips directly to the redemption center.



NORTHCOTT NEEDS YOU

Northcott Neighborhood House in Milwaukee came into being through the efforts of Methodist women who were taking the census in 1960 in a low income area of Milwaukee and saw great need. Through the efforts of East Wisconsin Methodist Women, in 1961 a ministry was started in that neighborhood.

The day before Assembly began, I attended a meeting in Columbus, OH, of representatives from all the UMW National Mission Institutions. There are about 100 NMIs. The meeting was part of our national Legacy celebration, acknowledging our UMW history. Northcott is one of them. As such, it has a relationship with United Methodist Women across the nation, but more so with the units in Wisconsin. It does not matter where you live, Northcott Neighborhood House is part of your mission work.

Northcott currently is in need of financial assistance. During this past year, several furnaces have failed and needed to be replaced. While grants have paid for some of the cost, there still is need. Please consider sending a donation to Northcott Neighborhood House as soon as possible. Send it to your district treasurer, who will send it to the Conference treasurer, and then on to the national UMW treasurer, who will send the money to Northcott. We ask you to do it this way, rather than directly to Northcott, in order to show the national office that we are undergirding our own National Mission Institution. In this way, we will see what a big difference we can make collectively across our Conference. I will update you periodically on our total giving and Northcott's needs and success stories.

Judy Vasby - Conference Historian with special assignment to Northcott

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Go into the
world and do
well. But more
importantly,
go into the world
and do good.

Minor Myers Jr.

Clean Water Actions From Mission Action Day 2018



Conserve Water:

- Install low flow toilets or fill a plastic jug with water and place it in your toilet tank
- Take shorter showers or install water saver shower heads or share a shower
- Place a bucket on the shower floor to capture “warm up” water and use this to water plants
- Turn off the tap when you don’t need it
- Fix all leaks, stop all drips
- Only flush a toilet if you need to (if it is yellow, let it “mellow”)
- Wash your dishes in a full dishwasher rather than by hand

Tackle Trash:

- Pick up Litter and dispose of it properly.
- (Remember : Debris in our waterways doesn’t just fall from the sky; it falls from our own hands and eventually ends up in our lakes, rivers and oceans.)
- Take your commitment year-round – join local beach, river, or stream cleanups.
- Use reusable cloth bags for groceries and shopping instead of disposable plastic bags.
- If you come across a plastic holder for a six-pack of cans or bottles, cut the plastic rings apart and dispose of them properly.
- Use reusable or biodegradable food and beverage containers rather than using Styrofoam or plastic containers.
- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle – and avoid products with excessive packaging.
- Talk “trash” with your friends and family – spread the word about the trashing of our waterways!

Reduce Pollution:

- Know what goes down the drain. Remind family members to dispose of car oil, engine fluids, cleaners, medicines, or household chemicals in safe ways. Find approved motor oil and household chemical recycling or disposal facilities near your home and tell people about them (announce take back days in your church bulletin or newsletter).
- Recycle or refurbish electronic devices. Check out www.earth911.com for facts and resources. Go to www.wireflytradeins.com to turn your old cell phones, game consoles, and electronics for cash or donations to your favorite nonprofit organizations.

**Lake Street United Methodist Church
FALL BAZAAR
337 Lake St., Eau Claire**

SATURDAY, Oct. 20: Shop 9 AM – 2 PM
Coffee & Rolls available 9 – 10:30 AM
Lunch 11 AM – 1 PM

SUNDAY, Oct. 21: Enjoy the *Pancake Breakfast* and shop from 8 – 11:30 AM

Handcrafted items of Woodworking, Home Décor, Crafts, Candy, Pantry, Knit/Crochet/Sewing, Bakery, Card Shop, Christmas, and “old but nice” Vintage Treasures

Proceeds designated for local and global missions.
Free admission. Accessible to all abilities.

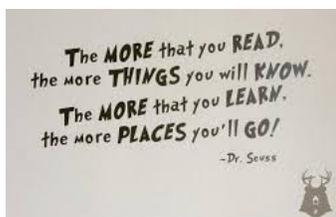
**Advertise Your Church/Unit's Event
at the
Annual Gathering In September**



Is your unit planning a fund raising event between Oct. and the end of the year? Would you like to get the word out to other units in our District? Bring a “flier” advertising your event to the Annual Fall Gathering in Siren and we will post them for you. Then be sure to take a look at what is going on in the North West District this fall. Plan to support some of the events near you. Maybe you will get an idea you can use as a fundraiser for your unit. Let's Spread the Word!

AND ALSO REMEMBER TO

Bring a couple of used books from our 2014 – 2019 reading-list, to trade at the Fall Gathering in Siren. We love that we can exchange books and read something new and keep our costs down.



**2018
IMPORTANT DATES**



August 4

Team Meeting in Siren

September 21

Team meeting in Siren

September 22

Fall Annual Gathering at Siren UMC

October 19-20

Conference Annual Gathering at Waukesha UMC

November 3

Team meeting at Birchwood UMC

December 1

Team Christmas luncheon at TBA

**DEADLINES
for Local Units**

Sept 14th – Registration for North West District Annual Gathering due

Sept 14th – Form due for Women to be Remembered at the Memorial Service at the September Annual Gathering

Sept 15th – Slate of Officer Report for all units due

Sept 22nd – Pledge to Mission Form to be turned in at Annual Gathering

Dec 1st – Reading Reports due

Dec 1st – Mission Today Reports due

Dec 1st – Remittances from all Unit Treasurers due

“It's worth making time to find the things that really stir your soul. That's what makes you really feel alive. You have to say 'no' to other things you're used to, and do it with all your heart.”

~Roy T. Bennett~

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