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“Please share with your church.”

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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.

***Jubilate* distribution is changing!!!**

The ***Jubilate*** will be coming to you via e-mail this year. It is also posted on the UMW Wisconsin Conference website: <http://www.wisconsinumw.org/> The Leadership Team decided to give this a try - to save more funds for missions. Those local officers who do not have e-mail will receive a printed copy in the mail.

Please direct any concerns to Carol Anderson, N3697 Nichols Rd., Black River Falls, WI 54615 or contact her at cmaeander@yahoo.com.

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FROM OUR DISTRICT PRESIDENT - - -

Greetings to my Sisters-in-Christ!

While preparing to write to you, I was thinking about my time as a United Methodist Woman. I attended my first meeting when my children were one and two years old. The hook that brought me to the meeting was that childcare was offered, there would be adults to talk with, and someone picked us up and brought us to the meeting. My children are now both in their fifties and I am still an active member of UMW. The lively discussions about social action, the meaningful devotions that touched my soul, the mission education that showed me the world and the sisterhood that welcomed me and shared experiences with me in three different conferences kept me involved yet today.

It is a different time we are living in today. Most of you are reading this *Jubilate* on your computer since we are finding it to be a more cost-effective way of delivering it. We will still be mailing a copy to those who do not have email access. I remember preparing some district documents with a mimeograph machine when I first took a district position and now, I am typing on my laptop computer. The last district team

meeting was on zoom. I hope you are using all the resources available to you now. Check out the websites: unitedmethodistwomen.org & wisconsinmw.org. Use these resources and encourage your unit members to do likewise.

Are some of your members unsure about trying computers? Consider doing a training with your teens and young women as tutors. You might have a young woman who would be pleased to help but had never considered attending one of your meetings.

There have been many changes in my own life, but I know Christ has been with me through it all. Many of you can probably say that about your own lives. Shouldn't we be doing all we can to encourage more women to have these many experiences that United Methodist Women can provide?

I hope to see you at Pine Lake in May. Bring a friend!

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FROM OUR SECRETARY - - -

Thank you to all the North Central Unit Secretaries for updating local officer information. Your timely responses were greatly appreciated. If any changes come up throughout the year, please feel free to email me at gatestlsm@aol.com to update.

As I am writing this in February, my thoughts are on Valentine's Day, love, and spending time with our precious gift of a new granddaughter! The following is a Valentine's Prayer appropriate for anytime, not just Valentine's (Author unknown):

I said a Valentine's prayer for you and asked
the Lord above
to fill your heart and bless your soul with the
precious gift of love.
I asked Him for sincere love, the kind that's
meant to stay

Just like the generous love You give to those
You touch each day.
I prayed for love from family and from every
cherished friend.
Then I asked the Lord to give you His love
that knows no end.

SPREAD THE LOVE!!!

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MONEY MATTERS FROM OUR DISTRICT TREASURER.....

Greetings from the money desk!

Monies received from units were down in 2021 due to the fact that many units depleted their accounts in 2020 thinking they'd be back to meeting together, having fundraisers, special events and in general – just getting back to page one in 2021. Little did we know unvaccinated people and multiple COVID variants would cause us to go under cover again.

We can be very grateful, however, that our units came through with sacrificial giving sending in \$24,883.55 in the 5-Channel mission giving. That's a shade over 55% of the District's \$45,000 Pledge to Mission. As a reminder, the 5-Channel giving includes Pledge to Mission, Special Mission Recognition, Gift to Mission, Gift in Memory and World Thank Offering. As an aside, units also sent in \$1,424 for Call to Prayer & Self Denial, \$378 for Mission u and \$400 for two projects. These units are amazing!

Unit treasurers received their unit statement and other remittance info in Mid-January along with a 2022 Pledge to Mission form if to date none was on record with me. As a reminder –

1. Inform me asap of any changes to your address or phone number.
2. Let someone know where your unit records are kept in the event of death or other circumstance. (Unfortunately, this has happened as recent as September, 2021.)
3. It is good to have your unit financials audited annually.

It's my prayer, and that of many, to be able to meet together and praise the Almighty God who sustains us in all things.

Blessings in Christ,

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FROM OUR SPIRITUAL GROWTH COORDINATOR - - -

While preparing the arrangements for the upcoming District Spiritual Growth Retreat "Finding Peace in an Anxious World", I noticed those familiar pangs of worry and anxiety popping into my mind. How good it is that we have prayer for these times - times when we feel lonely, separated from friends and loved ones; for when that anxiety intrudes!

We know the Lord is with us always, and while it is human nature to become discouraged, the United Methodist Women of the California-Nevada and the California-Pacific Conferences remind us where our strength and hope lie. This is their prayer. This is our prayer.

O Holy Creator, we give you thanks for your grace and love.

We stand in awe before your glory,
that you have called us by name,
claiming our lives as precious in your sight.

As we face the uncertainties of these days,
remove our anxiety, take away our fear.
Set us free to be courageous and bold
as we respond to your call.

We know we are not alone! Open our eyes
so that we can see your face in the midst
of the challenges before us.

In our human frailty, strengthen us by your Holy Spirit,
that even through our brokenness,
your light might shine bright.

Guide our feet through the storm and help
us to dance your joy into our life together
as we seek to be faithful to Jesus Christ,
living his love into the world for all your children.

Amen.

(prayer printed in *response* Magazine, July/August 2020, p.46)

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Join us for the
North Central District United Methodist Women's
Spring Retreat



Saturday, April 30th

Set in the tranquil surroundings of Pine Lake Camp, our theme will be
"Finding Peace in an Anxious World"

Presented by Pastor Michele Hopp

Michele is a gifted speaker and a United Methodist woman who loves sharing this study. It is sometimes called "The UMW Serenity Prayer" and she has shared it at UMW events in the Southwest District online via Zoom!

Michele is a licensed local pastor and currently serves the Arlington UMC and Poynette Inch United Methodist Churches. Come and be encouraged in your faith!

- 8:30am Registration and refreshments
- 9:00am Gathering worship
- 9:30am Program with Pastor Michele "Finding Peace in an Anxious World"
- 12:00 noon Lunch
- 1:00pm Program continues
- 2:30pm Sending forth

Our mission focus will support Northcott Neighborhood House in Milwaukee.

The camp address is: Pine Lake United Methodist Camp, W8301 County Rd M, Westfield, WI
If you or a family member need to contact us during the Retreat, please call 715-297-8531 (Margaret Getzin).

Registration deadline is April 16, 2022
Mail registration to: Joan Burk-Miller, 606 E. Cassidy Dr., Wausau, WI 54401

Cost: \$20.00 (includes lunch); after April 16, \$25.00

Name _____ Unit _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Emergency Contact _____

Special Dietary Concerns _____

FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH & PROGRAM RESOURCES MISSION COORDINATOR.....

Prayers to all at the start of 2022. I would encourage you to continue finding creative ways to enjoy books. I am including a list of some of the books for each of the five categories, from captivating mysteries and heartfelt biographies to urgent messages about issues like immigration, racism and mental healthcare. There's something for everyone!

EDUCATION FOR MISSION (2022)

- *Finding Jesus At The Border: Opening Our Hearts To The Stories Of Our Immigrant Neighbors
- *First and Only: A Black Women's Guide to Thriving at Work and in Life
- *How to be an Antiracist

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (2022)

- *VanGuard: How Black Women Broke Barriers, Won the Vote, and Insisted on Equality for All
- *Becoming
- *My Little Golden Book about Ruth Bader Ginsburg

NURTURING FOR COMMUNITY (2022)

- *Becoming Grandma: The Joys and Science of the New Grandparenting
- *Before You Were Ours (A Novel)
- *The Boy Who Delivered Joy

SOCIAL ACTION (2022)

- *The Girl with Seven Names: A North Korean Defector's Story
- *The Leavers (A Novel)
- *Native: Identity, Belonging, and Rediscovering God

SPIRITUAL GROWTH (2022)

- *Love is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times
- *When God Made the World
- *The Time is Now: A Call to Uncommon Courage

For a complete list for 2022, please visit the website at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram

Choose and follow one of the four plans:

Plan 1: 5 books a year (one book from each category)

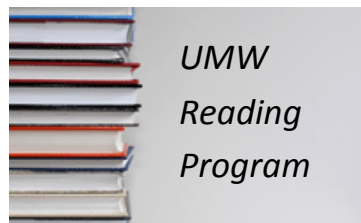
Plan 2: 10 books a year (two books from each category)

Plan 3: 15 books a year (two books from each category and five additional books from any category)

Plan 4: 20 books a year (two books from each category and ten additional books from any category)

Each of the plans can include selections from the 2017 to the 2021–2022 reading lists if not included in previous reports (including children and youth titles) and needs to include regular readings from the *response* magazine.

In addition, the website provides bonus book suggestions as well as Faithtalks: A Podcast Just for You.



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REPORT OF COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

(Send completed form to your secretary of program resources or equivalent according to your conference's schedules.)

I have completed the required reading for PLAN _____. The books I have read are listed on the reverse side.

LOCAL UNIT	PRINT NAME
DISTRICT	ADDRESS
CONFERENCE	CITY, STATE, ZIP

Current Year _____ NAME: _____ PLAN CHOSEN: I II III IV	Education for Mission	Leadership Development	Nurturing for Community	Social Action	Spiritual Growth	response
	Reporting Form Formulario de Información del Programa de Lectura 독서 프로그램독서 프로그램					

Additional books I have read to complete PLAN _____ of the Reading Program are:

Los libros adicionales que he leído para completar el PLAN _____ del Programa de Lectura son:

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- I have also read **response** regularly.
- También he leído **response** con regularidad.
- 나는 또한 읽었다 **response** 정기적으로.



2022 Sister Units:

Our District Team Members have the pleasure and responsibility of being the “Contact Sisters” for the following UMW Units. The District Team members welcome questions and/or invitations to assist the unit. The contact information for the District Team sisters is found in the articles in this newsletter.

Carol Anderson - Berlin, Markesan, Mauston

Joan Burk-Miller - Mercer, Minocqua,
Rhineland

Lynette Gates - Amherst, Black River Falls,
Trempealeau

Margaret Getzin - Almond, Port Edwards,
Wild Rose

Suzanne Goldsmith - Merrillan, Plainfield,
Sparta

Carol Hornby - Alma Center, Tomah,
Wautoma

Evelyn Schneider - Norwalk, Wausau First,
Wisconsin Rapids

Arlene Trull - Rockland, South Burr Oak,
Tomahawk, Wausau Wesley

Cindy Tyjeski - Antigo, Mattoon, Winding
River (New Lisbon)

PUT THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW!



North Central District

Spring Retreat: April 30 at Pine Lake

Team Meetings: April 30 following Spring Retreat at Pine Lake
July 16 at Tomahawk UMC

Annual Gathering: September 24 at Tomahawk UMC

Wisconsin Conference

Mission u: July 28-30 at Christ UMC, Watertown

Mission u (zoom): July 12, 14, 19 & 21

Annual Gathering: October 14-15 at Baraboo First UMC

FROM OUR NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE— . . .

As I sit to write this message, we have just come through some of the coldest days of the winter. It was 24 degrees below zero here on January 25, then 35 below on the 26th. Too cold. But looking out the windows, the day was beautiful and inviting – sunny, cloudless and bright. Hope of better days to come.

These last two years for UMW have given us some cold and wind chill too. Covid 19 and its variants have kept us apart. Meetings have been changed to Zoom meetings; the Annual Gatherings and Spring Spiritual Growth Retreats had to be canceled. The challenges have been great, but the dedication and service of our leaders have met the challenges with planning and hope for better days and for getting together soon.

Thank you to our Leadership Team members for their hard work to keep UMW going through tough times. I imagine they are as eager as the rest of us to get together again for worship, praise and learning.

Nominations is seeking new faces to add to our Leadership Team in 2022. The chart below gives the open offices and the duties of those offices.

Office	Duties
Secretary 2 year term	Record the minutes of all team meetings and of Annual Gathering business meetings. Collect and record contact information for all local officers in the North Central District. Provide this information to the Conference team.
Membership Outreach & Program Resources 2 year term	Plan a team building exercise for each team meeting. Assign team members to Sister Units. Help locals complete the membership census. Publicize and encourage participation in the Reading Program.
Social Action and Mission Education 2 year term	Research social action issues at the conference and national levels. Suggest three social action goals for the Leadership Team to emphasize throughout the year. Inform the Leadership Team and local units about UMW mission projects.
Committee on Nominations 4 year term (shorter terms are possible)	Committee members share in the task of finding candidates to fill vacancies on the Leadership Team.

Are you one of the women who can step forward and can offer leadership? Prayerfully consider the third verse and chorus of “Here I am Lord”. I think this verse speaks to UMW Missions and the work of all our women.

I, the Lord of wind and flame
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide
'Til their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord
If You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart
I will hold Your people in my heart
- United Methodist Hymnal, #593 Musixmatch
(Music and Lyrics by Daniel L. Schutte, 1981)

We all have gifts and talents. Most of us can find some time to share. The North Central District Leadership Team needs a few of you to give your time, your gift and your talent. Can we count on you? (You will gain more in faith, fellowship and friendship than you can imagine.)

For more information or to tell Nominations you are interested in joining the Leadership Team, please contact Carol Anderson (715-284-2456 or cmaeander@yahoo.com) or contact Carol Hornby (715-284-9655 or chornby@centurytel.net).

FROM OUR VICE-PRESIDENT

Happy New Year! I pray the start of 2022 has been good for everyone.

Your officer team has continued to meet and plan for upcoming gatherings. Put Saturday, September 24, on your calendar for the Fall Annual Gathering to be held in Tomahawk, WI. More information will be coming out a bit later.

While we are still cautious and finding ourselves at home, don't forget about the resources you can find on the Wisconsin UMW website. The website is:
<http://www.wisconsinumw.org/>

Under the tab resources, you can find links to the Mission Resource Center, UMW Online, UMW Mission Map, the North Central Jurisdictional UMW link, and links to the Methodist camps in Wisconsin (Yes, summer is coming!) and other UMC links (like UMCOR).

The information about Mission u is online, and this year you can attend in person or virtually. The choice is yours!

Don't forget about the Reading Program! You can google United Methodist Women and find the Reading Program and all of the recommended books for 2021-2022. This year you will have to get the books from your local library or bookstore, or

order them online. If you know of a great book that should be included in the Reading Program, you can submit it!

We are still in a pandemic, but our focus and the needs of women, children and youth continue. Please support the various missions with your pledge. Their needs are real and our support is very important.

If you are an officer and have questions or need help, contact your district officers and we will help in any way we can.

To each of us, please reach out to your Unit members. Call them and chat with them. Not only are they your UMW sisters - they are your church family. If you have missed their conversations, they probably have, too.

Finally, and probably the most important is - pray. Pray for each other and our units, as well as our district, that we will continue to be healthy and meet again soon.

Blessings,

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We know the pandemic has made our lives difficult in many ways. That may be why you have chosen not to attend Assembly this year. But please pray for those who will be attending the event.

MABEL HEIL SCHOLARSHIP

The Mabel Heil Scholarships are a result of funds from the will of Sarah Mabel Heil, a woman from Cuba City, Wisconsin. The first scholarships were granted in 1981. Since then more than 240 women have received help with their education.

Requirements and Instructions

Instructions:

Be a female member of Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women.

Submit a written answer to the question, "In what way do I consider myself a worthy student?"

Send the completed application form to the contact person by May 1 for the Fall semester or October 1 for the Spring semester.

Request that a letter of recommendation be sent to the contact person by the president of the local United Methodist Women or the pastor of the church.

Request that a letter of recommendation be sent to the contact person by a church member who is not a member of your household and is not a relative.

Rules:

Any member of Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women working to improve her education may apply.

Please have all letters written (preferably typed) on one side of 8 1/2 by 11 sheet of white paper using black ink.

All applications are photocopied for the committee members.

Scholarships are awarded one semester at a time. To be considered again DURING a one-year period, you must send a letter asking to be considered. AFTER one year, you will need to fill out another form and secure new recommendations.

If in any given year there is an increase of applications, these priorities will be followed: Women responsible for others will be favored. Women preparing to return to the employment field will be favored.

Application and two (2) letters of recommendation must be postmarked no later than May 1 and October 1 to be considered.

Schedule:

1st Semester: Apply by May 1; notified by June 1; check sent by August 15.

2nd Semester: Apply by October 1; notified by November 1; check sent by December 1.

Contact Person:

Lucy Silvester; 373 15th Ave.; Nekoosa, WI 54445

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MABEL HEIL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Please Print

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____ Birth Date _____

1. Local Church:

Name & City _____

Pastor _____

Are you a member of United Methodist Women? _____

2. Activities:

In United Methodist Women _____

In your local church _____

In the community _____

3. Education: (Give year of graduation) High School _____ College _____ Other _____

School you will be attending _____

Have you been accepted as a student? yes no Present (post high school) status:

Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____ Graduate _____ Other _____

Course of study _____

4. Family Status _____

5. Please answer the following question using an additional sheet:

IN WHAT WAY DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF A WORTHY STUDENT?

Mail to: Lucy Silvester
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Remember – if your church doesn't have a United Methodist Women Unit, you can still be a member of United Methodist Women.

BECOME A DISTRICT MEMBER! *Just contact our President:*

Evelyn Schneider (2415 Oakwood Blvd.; Wausau, WI 54403;

Phone: 715-842-0286; schneider.evelyn99@yahoo.com) for more information.

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