

NICOLET NEWS

#1 Nicolet District United Methodist Women February, 2011

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From the President's Pen

Hello, Nicolet District members,

A new year is upon us with new persons taking on new offices on the Nicolet District Team. I am Amy Genske, your *new* president and I pray you will bear with me as I learn about all the things involved with being District President. I have just officiated at my first Nicolet District United Methodist Women Team Meeting and found it to be an eye opener regarding the rules and regulations for our district.

District Team Sisters have been assigned to units for 2011 and are listed in this newsletter. Your president should be contacted very soon by your "sister." If not, please feel free to contact her, or any member of the District Team, with questions you have or to request a visit from a District Team member.

One event coming up very soon is the Winnebago/Nicolet District UMW Retreat. It will be held at Camp Lucerne on Friday evening and Saturday, April 1-2. Winnebago District is in charge this year and Mary Lainberger will be the speaker. I hope many of you will be able to attend this spiritually refreshing overnight retreat. Details and sign-up information are included in this newsletter.

The emphasis in the 2011 Program Book is "Finding Peace." How do we find peace in a busy world when our personal lives are filled with busyness, disruption, disagreements, and other unsettled emotions? How do we develop a deeper spiritual practice to help us find peace? Using the programs in the Program Book will help us find moments of peace and reconciliation in our lives.

The Program Book also includes a Pledge Service, Call to Prayer and Self Denial, World Thank Offering and suggestions for UMW Sunday. It is important to have the Program Book as well as *Response Magazine*, *New World Outlook*, and the Prayer Calendar.

We on the Nicolet District Team pray that all our units and members have a wonderful and healthy year.

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Check it out.....

Have you seen our wonderful new Wisconsin United Methodist Women website? If not, go to wisconsinumw.org. It has the Conference newsletter *Catch the Vision* and will have District newsletters as well. There is information on upcoming events, and forms and all sorts of other information. There are links to the Mission Resource Center and you can even order Reading Program books and other UMW material. Check it out!

Vice-President

We are into the implementation time for United Methodist Women program plans. Many good ideas came from the Vice-Presidents Meeting at the 2010 Annual Day of Celebration in Brillion. It was good to hear new ideas and the shared activities that many units are doing.

The Program Planning section of the 2009-2012 Handbook has worthwhile tips and suggestions for local programs. Mission Today Goals include many ideas as well:

- ▶ Use the Prayer Calendar and *Response* magazine at every meeting
- ▶ Do at least two programs from the Program Book
- ▶ Do a Mission Study each year
- ▶ Implement the Charter for Racial Justice in one way
- ▶ Ask a District Officer to attend a unit meeting

In addition:

- ▶ Incorporate "green" information in programs
- ▶ Plan programs to other facilities in your community

Members should plan to attend the Retreat in April, School of Christian Missions in August, Annual Day of Celebration in September, Conference Annual Gathering in October, and any other meeting where you can meet and share ideas with other United Methodist Women. These are valuable learning times that may be spent with other interesting women. Then take a closer look at how you can use the ideas in your local unit.

Peace,

Ruth Wiersma, Nicolet District UMW Vice-President

Treasurer

I am your new Nicolet District UMW Treasurer and I would like to introduce myself. I am a retired elementary teacher, wife, mother of three and grandmother of six, and I live in Brillion.

Many volunteer jobs fill my spare time such as volunteering in the elementary school library, Brillion Food Pantry, Friends of the Library, and of course, United Methodist Women.

I have been Brillion Unit treasurer for many years, but I realize I have much to learn about the job of District UMW Treasurer. I hope you will call or email me if you have questions. If I cannot answer your question, I will search further.

I am anxious to meet many of you during the coming year.

In Christian Love,
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From the Secretary's Desk

Wow! I have completed my first year as Nicolet District United Methodist Women Secretary. The year just flew by. I have learned a lot about the Nicolet District of which I was not aware, and I have met a lot of wonderful people, all of whom are a joy to work with.

I would recommend working with the Nicolet District UMW Team because I have found it personally gratifying to work with people who are compassionate and understanding of each other and dedicated to Mission.

We have two positions open on the team: Mission Coordinator for Membership Nurture and Outreach, and a member of Nominations. If you are interested in serving on the team, please contact Ceil Schneider, Chair of Nominations.

The 2011 Nicolet District UMW Handbooks are on their way to each unit. Please look it over and let me know of any incorrect information. Preparing the handbook was a challenge for me, and I learned a lot about the computer and about the Nicolet District. We are quite large and I am now aware just how far it is for some to travel to scheduled events. I hope we have scheduled events this year so it is easier for more of you to attend.

I hope to meet you at the Retreat in April, the School of Christian Mission in August, the Nicolet District Annual Day of Celebration in September, and the Conference UMW Annual Gathering in October.

Sandy Klein, Nicolet District UMW Secretary
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Spiritual Growth

It's a new year with new officers on the District Team so I'm going to fumble my way through a newsletter article. To say that as Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth I don't know where to begin would be an understatement.

This is where I usually spend quiet time talking to my God. Any time I'm in a quandary I'm right there "spilling out my guts" as one might say. But he's always there and I always know all I have to do is ask. Be it for strength or a solution to a problem, he's always there just waiting.

Sometimes I feel a little guilty for using up so much of his time, but in this quiet time I feel HIS gentleness and I am humble. Every time, when all is done, I feel such a peace and am able to solve my own problem. That's what he give me – a confidence and an energy to proceed.

This time I heard his message to me saying "Remind the ladies who we are. We *are* the mission ladies – here to work out our purpose "To know God, 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.

Need anything more be said? I think not.

God Bless

Joan James, Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth
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Social Action

The Nicolet District United Methodist Women Team has identified two primary Social Action issues for emphasis in 2011: Domestic Violence and Immigration Reform. We chose these because they work together.

Illegal immigrants and new legal immigrants, especially from third world countries, are more likely to be objects of violence and discrimination, and their children may run into more difficulties at school. We have a large and growing immigrant population in the Nicolet District and domestic violence is always with us.

Domestic violence affects as individuals, as a church, and in our schools and communities. One in four women in the United States will experience domestic violence in her lifetime; for Hispanic women it is one in 2.5. More than three women and one man are murdered by their intimate partners in this country every day. Intimate partner violence costs more than \$5.8 billion each year in the United States.

Prior to September 11, 2001, the United States approved 70,000 legal immigrants for entrance in the U.S. However, since then we have averaged only 26,000-28,000 per year because of protracted review procedures. Those especially needing relief from war, discrimination and violence in the home countries are finding it more and more difficult to get relief from the U.S. Party as a result of these issues, approximately 85,000 persons enter the U. S. illegally every year. We benefit and prosper as a result of their labor; yet we deny many of them basic rights such as fair wages, health benefits, social services, and the opportunity to be with their families.

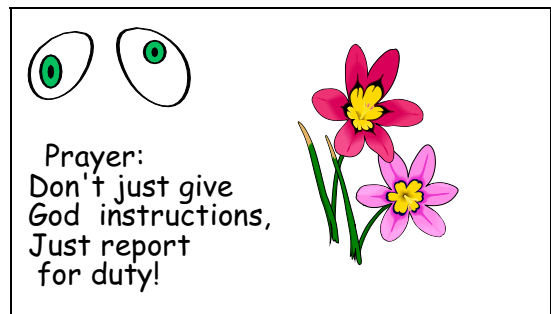
The Nicolet District Team recommends that our local units also adopt those two issues for 2011 and do the following.:

- Pass a formal resolution at your next meeting on your concern over domestic violence and immigration reform including a decision to emphasize these issues at each of your meetings this year.
- Educate your members about these issues at each of your meetings.
- Establish goals for 2011 on how you will emphasize these issues and send them to me.

Resolve to contact your local, state and federal governmental representatives about your stand and your church's stand on these issues.

Jackie Ackerman, Mission Coordinator for Social Action

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Membership Nur- ture and Outreach	Unfilled			2011
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	Unfilled			2014

As you notice, the Nominations Team has been unable to find someone to fill the Mission Coordinator for Membership Nurture and Outreach position and another Nominations Team member. If you would like to join the Nicolet District UMW Team, or would like more information about the positions, please contact Ceil Schneider, Chair of Nominations, at 920-853-2646 or kennethschneider2646@msn.com .

NICOLET DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN TEAM MEMBERS SISTER UNIT ASSIGNMENTS - 2011

District Team Member	Units Assigned to	District Team Member	Units Assigned to
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Each District Team member is responsible for contacting her sister units and maintaining communication with them as liaison between the Nicolet District and the local unit. She is available to answer questions and to help in every way possible.

Membership Counts

Hello to all United Methodist Women units and members,

I was Nicolet District UMW Mission Coordinator for Membership Nurture and Outreach for the 2009-2010 term. I have moved on to be Nicolet District UMW President. At this point we have no one to replace me for Membership Nurture and Outreach. So, if anyone is willing to do this job for 2011-2012, please let Nominations Chair Ceil Schneider know.

One of my jobs was to count Nicolet District UMW membership. All units are required to complete the UMW Local Unit Membership Report. This report and instructions for completing it were included in the Local Unit Packets distributed at the Nicolet District Annual Day of Celebration in October in Brillion.

The completed report was to be sent to me by January 15, 2011. I have received 27 of 29 reports and am in the process of contacting the last two units to get their report

Thank you to those units who have returned their report.

The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church says: "In every local church there shall be an organized unit of United Methodist Women." At this point I

have found eleven churches in the Nicolet District that do not have a UMW unit.

Wisconsin Conference UMW wants each Wisconsin District UMW Team to contact each church that does not have a United Methodist Women unit. The Nicolet District UMW Team has sent letters to these churches in the Nicolet District. The pastors will be contacted for their agreement to allow District UMW officers to visit and assist in organizing a UMW unit. Circuits will also be contacted in an attempt to get as much information as possible. *Please pray for the teams as they work on this mission* as we will definitely need guidance from above.

And, remember to invite ALL women to be a part of United Methodist Women, "a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ."

"Giving to another is the greatest gift we can give to ourselves."

Amy Genske, past Mission Coordinator for Membership Nurture and Outreach

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A Few Good Women Needed

God did not give a spirit that makes us afraid, but a spirit of power and love and self control. As we enter the second month of the new year, Nicolet District United Methodist Women is in need of two women to complete our slate of officers.

We need someone to replace Amy Genske as Mission Coordinator for Membership Nurture and Outreach. There is a specific report for which this coordinator is responsible that gathers information required by Wisconsin Conference UMW. Wisconsin Conference UMW has been making an effort to contact churches that don't have a UMW Unit in their church. District Membership Coordinators, District Presidents and all conference officers have been working to accomplish this.

Our district is also in need of another member of the Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee is the committee I now chair. This committee has the task of finding a committed slate of officers. Yes, there are several responsibilities for each members of the district team and, yes, some positions require special skills, but as I began this article we have not been given a spirit that makes us afraid.

Each member of the district team is expected to attend:

- ✓ team meetings, usually held 5-6 times a year
- ✓ the Annual Nicolet District Day of Celebration
- ✓ a few various other Conference UMW events.

The UMW Handbook 2009-2012 explains the duties of the office much more fully than I can possibly do in this article.

There are perks that go along with being a district officer. Unlike just being a member of a local unit, you are paid mileage to attend the meetings you must attend. Mileage and overnight arrangements are also paid for the Conference events you are expected to attend.

It is wonderful to work with a group of caring women. If you are able to give of your time and talents in this way, please let me or any member of the Nominations Committee know. Unit presidents and past-presidents, please give the Nominations Committee suggestions from your unit of anyone you think would be a great district leader.

Friends in Christ,

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Directions to Lake Lucerne Camp Center From the North/South

Take Hwy 41 to Oshkosh. Take Hwy 21 (Exit 119) West through Omro and RedGranite. At Hwy 73 in Wautoma, turn Left. Proceed South for 5 miles, turn left on County Road YY. Lake Lucerne is a 1/2 mile on the left. Take the first left after entering the camp.



Love in Action

In September when Nicolet District United Methodist Women unit presidents met, we shared our local Love in Action missions. I have tried to condense them into the following:

Fund Raising: Local units do various fund raisers for various causes, some for local food pantries, for their local church, for ministry students, and for various mission projects. Most make sure they make their unit Pledge to Missions and by doing so help to do the mission projects to which our Wisconsin Conference UMW pledges.

Helping Children: Operation Christmas Child/Shoebbox Christmas for children around the world; Christmas gifts for families in need; school supplies for needy children; honoring baptisms and confirmands in various ways; Cold Weather Trees collecting clothing for cold weather; serving or helping in Vacation Bible School; collecting Labels for Education, Box Tops for education, and milk bottle caps either for local schools, Northcott House, Red Bird Mission, or another mission; providing church camp scholarships; We Care packages for those out of high school; providing safe Halloween treats for trick-or-treating; and providing School of Christian Mission scholarships for teens or young women.

Helping Senior Citizens: Giving gifts for the elderly at Christmas Easter and Thanksgiving; visiting and sending cards to shut-ins; giving notes, trays favors and meals to nursing homes/assisted living residents; conduct sing-alongs or other programs at nursing homes and assisted living facilities; and holding UMW meetings at such facilities.

Various Other Mission Works: Gift in Memory Cards; cards/gifts for 50th anniversaries; Special Mission Recognition pins; work at food pantries; cooking and serving at funerals; Prayer Shawl Ministry; Seafarer Ministry; making meals or getting needed items for those at homeless shelters; collecting and organizing materials for Wisconsin Conference In-Gathering; and planning meals or events getting other community women interested in mission work.

Congratulations! You are doing an awesome job showing LOVE IN ACTION in the Nicolet District.

Ceil Schneider, Past Nicolet District President

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN MISSION TODAY UNIT CRITERIA

To become a Mission Today Unit a unit must meet eight of the following criteria, including four of those marked with an asterisk (*):

1. Use the Prayer Calendar at each general meeting to pray for mission workers and projects.*
2. The unit will make and meet its Pledge to Mission.*
3. The unit will add at least two members to its roll.*
4. The unit will have at least two members subscribe to Response magazine.*
5. The unit will use two programs from the Program Book for United Methodist Women each year.*
6. The unit or circle will conduct at least one mission study a year.*
7. The unit will implement the Charter for Racial Justice Policies in at least one way during the year.* Some suggested plans of action: Plan a joint unit meeting with a unit of a different racial/ethnic background, using programs from the Program Book; develop bi-racial/cultural or multi-racial/cultural Koinonia groups; hold a joint Vacation Bible School; hold pulpit exchanges; share joint worship services on special occasions; encourage the church to sponsor a refugee family; etc.
8. At least one member of the unit (other than a Conference or District officer) will attend the Conference School of Christian Mission.
9. At least two members (other than a Conference or District officer) will attend the District or Conference Annual Gathering/Meeting.
10. The unit will have at least one person join the United Methodist Women's Action Network to receive and respond to legislative information.
11. Members will write to five persons listed in the Prayer Calendar each year.
12. The unit will participate in the Campaign for Children in at least two ways.
Possibilities for action: Help sponsor a church or community program related to children and youth needs; sponsor a Children's Sabbath, promoted by the Children's Defense Fund; get involved with children in mentoring, tutoring and "Big Sisters" programs; write letters, email or call congressional representatives and/or others in Government regarding children's issues; Visit your local schools; attend a school board meeting; learn how our schools are funded; etc.
13. The unit will be a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving.
14. Each unit or circle will include a Response moment where an item from the magazine will be lifted up as a way to tell the mission story.
15. Have at least two people from the unit, circle or subgroup complete one of the Reading Program Plans and report on one of the books read; encourage all members to complete Plan One, have a book review program.
16. The unit will invite a District or Conference officer, other than that of a member of the unit, to one of the unit meetings during the year.
17. Make a pledge to care for God's creation and become a "Green" United Methodist Women unit—information on How to Become a Green Unit is available at www.umwonline.org/environment or by contacting Women's Division Community Action.
18. Hold a mini-Spiritual Growth retreat; watch the video "Resurrection Road" and get the accompanying study guide "Resurrection Women".
19. The unit will contribute at least \$25.00 to Wisconsin Conference School of Christian Mission.

Mission Education and Interpretation

A “thank you” to all 28 units for submitting their “Mission Today” form for 2010. (Yes, we did have 32 units. However, some have merged with other units or become inactive.) We have 16 units that qualified as a Mission Today unit. Congratulations for all your consistent efforts in fulfilling our goals in mission.

Unit Education and Interpretation Coordinators and officers need to share a copy of the Mission Today with members and work with them to ensure they understand the 19 Mission Today requirements. To qualify as a Mission Today unit, a unit must complete 4 of the 7 starred) items (listed below) and at least 4 from the remaining 12 criteria. You do not need to have a large membership to fulfill these requirements. We have 3 units with less than 10 members that qualified for 2010.

1. Use the Prayer Calendar at each general meeting
The Prayer Calendar is a daily devotional with a daily focus on a specific mission area, and birthdays of our missionaries and staff of Global Board of Global Ministries. The 2011 calendar is filled with great children's art from mission areas. It includes lists of current mission personnel and GBGM staff with place of service and address, retired missionaries, and United Methodist Mission Institutions. It is also a great day planner for those that need one, (like me.)
2. The unit will make and meet its Pledge to Mission
Use the “Pledge Service: Finding, Giving and Living Peace” in the 2011 Program Book, and the “Membership Joys” brochure which contains a **Pledge to Mission Card and Membership/ Pledge Card.**
3. The unit will add at least two members to its roll.
Invite new members in your church and friends in your community. You do not have to be a member of a United Methodist Church to be a member of United Methodist Women, and I believe if your unit is doing interesting and worthy projects for mission locally and internationally the ladies will join you in your efforts.
4. The unit will have at least two members subscribe to *Response* magazine. (I am going to get a clarification on this; some units cannot afford 2 subscriptions, so possibly sharing will work.)
5. The unit will use two programs from the Program Book each year. World Thank Offering Service, Call to Prayer and Self-Denial takes care of that

plus there is a Pledge Service, UMW Sunday, Mission Studies/Spiritual Growth, Social Justice/Action and Celebrations. These programs are great for Unit Meetings.

6. The unit will conduct at least one mission study a year. (Use your Program Book for this or do one from School of Christian Mission.
7. The unit will implement the Charter for Racial Justice Policies in at least one way during the year. Suggestions are listed on the criteria form.

All the literature listed above is available from Mission Resource Center, 800-305-0957, or check with Elaine Brill, Nicolet District Program Resources.

New World Outlook is full of amazing information about the missions of The United Methodist Church. This year *New World Outlook* is celebrating its 100th year of publication.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR JUNE 22ND.

This is the date for our working mission trip to United Methodist Children's Services in Wisconsin in Milwaukee and have a great lunch at the Hmong House of Good News. We are working on the pricing for the busing and lunch. I will be sending out more information as it becomes available as well as the registration form.

REMINDER: Wisconsin Conference UMW and Nicolet District UMW are encouraging your financial supper for Red Bird Mission as well as sending all your Labels for Education and Boxtops for Education. Check the packet your president received at the Annual Day of Celebration last October which included a Red Bird packet.

We also have 2 copies of the DVD “*Mission Appalachia, The Story of Red Bird*” available for your use. The presentation runs for 58 minutes and would be great to present to your congregation. Let me know a couple of weeks of weeks in advance of when you need it.

I hope to see you April 1-2 at Winnebago/Nicolet Districts Retreat at Lake Lucerne Retreat Center.

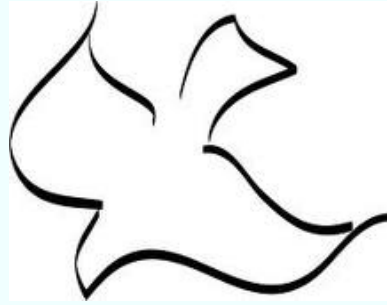
“Peace – Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” Psalm 133:1

Jan Stanko, Nicolet District Mission Coordinator
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Editors Note: Many of the resources listed above are available through wisconsinumw.org Resources Link.

Also, check out “UMW-Tools for Leaders” which includes the new logo, and a Brandbook on how (and how not) to use it. The Brandbook also include helps for secretaries and newsletter editors on how to write about United Methodist Women. Enter “UMW-Tools for Leaders” into your search engine.

*One Body
One Spirit*



**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN RETREAT
WINNEBAGO AND NICOLET DISTRICTS**

April 1st and 2nd, 2011

At Lake Lucerne Camp and Retreat Center

W6460 Cty Rd YY, Neshkoro, WI 54960

Friday check-in time is 5:30 with **potluck** dinner to follow.
(Bring your favorite dish to pass for a potluck "comfort food" dinner.

Beverages and place settings will be provided)

Saturday Breakfast is included for overnight guests.

Saturday check-in time is 8:30am.

Lunch is provided for overnight and Saturday only registrants.

You are invited to a spiritual experience of being pampered,
encouraged, and filled to overflowing.

Friday Evening events include:

Spa Time with Laura Pfeffer, a master "All Natural" Home and Beauty Treatment Mixologist;
Movie Time; "Make It, Take It" Project; Chocolates, Laughter, and Fun

Our facilitator for Saturday is Mary Lainburger, who will entertain and delight you.

Registration Deadline - March 12th

Name _____ District _____

Church/Unit _____

Address _____

Email address _____

Special dietary needs _____

Friday night and Saturday with lodging - \$60 (linens are provided) _____

Saturday only - \$15 _____

Send completed registration and payment to:

Andrea Willetts - 1501 S. Welmar St., Appleton WI 54915

Make checks payable to Winnebago District UMW

MABEL HEIL SCHOLARSHIP Requirements & Instructions

The Mabel Heil Scholarship is made possible by earnings from a trust established for the United Methodist Women, Wisconsin Conference, to carry out terms of the will of Sarah Mabel Heil. It has now become a scholarship fund that will continue under the auspices of the Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women. There have been very few changes in the way it will continue.

Requirements: for scholarship consideration.

YOU must:

- Be a female member of Wisconsin Conference United Methodist Women.
- Submit a written answer to the question "In what ways do I consider myself a worthy student?"
- Send a completed application form to the contact person and postmarked before May 1 or October 1.
- Request that a letter of recommendation be sent to the contact person by either: the president of the local United Methodist Women or the pastor of the local church.
- Request that a letter of recommendation be sent to the contact person from a church member who is not a member of your household and is not a relative.

Applications: 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 for the following semester, you must send a request. A form will be sent with your check.

Priority: Women responsible for others and returning to the employment field will be favored. All women applying will be considered if requirements are met on time.

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 January 15.

To request a scholarship form:

**Yvonne Fiary,
203 E. Greenwood
Rothschild, WI 54474
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Application and two (2) letters of recommendation **MUST** be postmarked no later than May 1 or October 1 to be considered.

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The organized unit of 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.

Dates to Remember in 2011

- March 26 - Love in Action - Exploring Infant Mortality, Franksville UMC
- April 1-2 - Winnebago/Nicolet Districts UMW Retreat, Lake Lucerne Retreat and Conference Center
- June 22 Milwaukee Mission Trip to United Methodist Children's Services, Milwaukee
- August 2-5 School of Christian Mission - 4 Day School
August 6 One Day School (Saturday)
Ramada Inn, Stevens Point
- September 24 - Nicolet District UMW Annual Day of Celebration and Officer Training
- October 21-22 Wisconsin Conference UMW Annual Gathering
Black River Falls UMC