

Heartland District United Methodist Women

FALL 2013

NOTES FROM PRESIDENT

Greetings to my UMW Sisters!

Here we are in August already and the nights are so cool, it feels like fall approaching too soon. I hope many of you are planning on attending our Heartland District UMW Annual Gathering September 21st at Wausau First UMC. We are looking forward to seeing you! Mission u went well and the studies were very good. There were 26 first timers this year, that is exciting.

I know that many of you are disappointed that we are not having clusters this year, we will reassess at the beginning of 2014 as we plan. It would be my suggestion that local units make some plans to get several units together, maybe have a program and brain storm on what your units might like to see happen in gatherings in the future. Our last issue of the "Jubilate", I asked all of you to pray that we have some women come forth to help with leadership. I have not received any calls in response. Right now we don't have anyone on the Nominations Comm. So it is up to each of us, you and those of us on the District Team at this time to suggest or ask women to come forward. I again ask you to put your thinking caps on and also pray for leadership for our Heartland District United Methodist Women to bring forth members that would like to serve on Our Team. It is a great experience!!

As members of United Methodist Women we reach out in Mission and strive to learn more about our world around us through reading "Response", our Reading Program and Mission u studies.

I hope to hear from many of you in answer to prayers. Christ's Love,

Sue Claflin, Heartland Dist. UMW President

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NOTES FROM VICE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends-

I look forward to seeing you at the Heartland District Annual Gathering at First United Methodist Church in Wausau on September 21.

REGISTRATION FEE IS \$12. (includes checks lunch) Please make payable to: HEARTLAND DISTRICT UMW. Mail to: Sharon Gisselman, 401 Fifth Street #436, Wausau, WI 54403 Phone 715-848-1021 or 715-845-6775 The church is located at 903 Third Street. Take the Bridge Street exit off Highway 51 and go east to Third STREET (not Third Avenue). As you are going east you will go over the Wisconsin River. Third Street will be the first traffic light after you have gone over the bridge. Turn right onto Third Street and continue to Fulton Street. Turn left onto Fulton and the church parking lot is on the right side just after the turn onto Fulton.

Sign in and informal gathering begins at 8:30 a.m. Program: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Don't forget to bring items for the school bags, layette kits and sewing kits that we will send to the Distribution Center.

It is a wonderful world when United Methodist Women are in mission. But it is a challenging world when we think about the possibilities for mission and the work that needs to be done. Life is not easy for women and children in many parts of the world.

I just returned from India. My daughter Sara Koss and granddaughter Catherine Koss accompanied me on this trip. We took over 200 pounds of supplies--such things as lessons and teaching materials, vitamins, underwear, school supplies, peanut butter, kool aid, Jello, candy, lots of soap and deodorant, 25 pairs of flip-flops, quilting materials for sleeping mats, etc. This was a follow-up to an ESL program that I had been part of previously. We interacted as tutors with

the children at Phillip and Timothy Stains Memorial Home in Madurai. We organized "teaching" and craft activities using English as much as possible. We also traveled to the tribal areas near Ooty and Gudalur. We saw lots of bonded labor and how the global economy affects the efforts of missionaries.

This year no applications were accepted for children to come to the Home. Current funding is inadequate to feed, house and educate more children. Sponsorships are down. There is also an effort to keep older children in technical training schools or college programs. Even if a student is able to obtain a "government seat" in a college or training program, the student still has incidental costs and the need for some "pocket money." Unfortunately, most missionaries do not have an emergency fund when a student needs eye glasses, a vehicle breaks down, or there is an unanticipated school expense.

What does all of this mean? It means more children grow up without adequate food, medical attention or access to quality education. When a child becomes a burden to parents or the extended family (when there are no parents), there is an incentive to put the child to work.

I heard a lecture earlier this year by Siddharth Kara. He is the first Fellow on Human Trafficking with the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He is an economist who has done much research on human trafficking throughout the world. He has written extensively on the profitability of human trafficking and his research showed there will be more people affected by human trafficking where it is profitable. Kara's research showed that the people most affected by sex trafficking and bonded labor live in----

- 1. South Asia 335,000 (people approximately)
- East Asia and the Pacific 315,000
- Western Europe 180,000
- Central and Eastern Europe 125,000
- 5. Latin America 90,000
- 6. Middle East 80,000
- 7. Africa 65,000
- 8. North America 10,000

So why is that important to us? Profitability is something to think about when we set our mission priorities. This research suggests we need to give more support to schools and programs that are working to expand alternatives that will deter human trafficking.

Sharon Gisselman Heartland District Vice President 401 Fifth Street #436 Wausau, WI 54403 Phone: 715-848-1021 or 715-845-6775

NOTES FROM SECRETARY

Dear Fellow Secretaries,

It seems that I only have an article in the Jubilate when I'm asking you to take on another task. But you need to know that local unit secretaries are an important link for the Heartland District and the Wisconsin Conference to communicate with your local unit. Both the district and the conference depend on you to collect and provide information about your local officers — names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses. Without your help communications would definitely be more difficult, and in some cases there might be no communication between the local unit and the district or conference.

We may not always take time to say "Thank you," but we do really appreciate your efforts. It takes extra time and probably some phone calls to collect all of this information. We are grateful for your help.

In this issue of <u>Jubilate</u>, you will find the officer information page. Please remove it from the <u>Jubilate</u>, complete the information for the offices which your unit fills and mail it to the Heartland District Secretary, Carol Anderson at N3697 Nickols Rd., Black River Falls, WI 54615. You could also e-mail the information if that is easier for you. Again, thank you for your help.

Carol Anderson Heartland District Secretary 715-284-2456 cmaeander@yahoo.com

NOTES FROM PROGRAM RESOURCES

The Reading Program for 2013 is nearly over. Remember report forms are due to me by August 31st. I have already received quite a few reports. If you send your report(s) via email, please list the book titles by category and the plan you chose (chornby@centurytel.net). If you mail the reports to me, please use the report form if at all possible. Report forms are available online for printing at the following site: www.missionresourecenter.org. No report form, just list the book titles and the categories plus the plan you chose on a sheet of paper and drop it in the mail to me: Carol Hornby 411 Van Buren St. Black River Falls, WI 54615. If you have questions, please give me a call at 715-284-9655 or call the Mission Resource Center at 1-800-305-9857. Remember certificates for completion of reading plans will be given at the District Annual Meeting on September 21 at Wausau First UMC. See you there!

The following DVDs are available from the Wisconsin Conference UMW audiovisual Resources:

- As Little Children (3 minutes)—from Assembly 2010
- God's Transforming Mission—The 21st Century 18 minutes (2010)
- The Sudan Project—This DVD is about Michael Slaughter's challenge to his congregation to spend ½ of what they normally spend on Christmas and give the other half to the Sudan Project. Find more information on the Sudan Project at www.thesudanproject.org
- United Methodist Women: in Faith-Hope-Love in Action (2010)
- Resources from Assembly 2010: Live Joy 8 ½ Minutes; Assembly Recap 15:40 minutes
- Resources from 2010 Regional School of Christian Mission: The Vision—Harriet Jane Olson 10 minutes; Rosangela Olivera—Regional Missionary Latin America (8 minutes); Elmira Sellu— Regional Missionary, Sierra Leone 7:15 minutes.

Contact Gloria Carter, your Conference Secretary

of Program Resources: 608-849-7589 or <u>carter5397@tds.net</u> for more information regarding these materials.

I encourage your units to use these resources to add a different perspective at your meetings this year.

Carol Hornby 411 Van Buren St. Black River Falls, WI 54615 715-284-9655

NOTES FROM SPIRITUAL GROWTH

As fall approaches the leaves will change color and things will begin to get ready for winter. Let us all give thanks to God for the gift of these changes, knowing that after the fall will come winter which will give way to spring and then summer. All things change and we, with God, will move on with the changes. I too am making a change and will not be serving in this capacity next year. My move will take me out of the Heartland District. I want to thank all of you for the wonderful support and friendship that you have shown me in the last two years. I will treasure it always. You have so enriched my life and my relationship with our god.

The annual meeting will be held on September 21 at Wausau First Church. During this meeting we will be honoring those women who have left us this year to go on to Eternal Life. I need the names of those women from your unit who have died by September 1. Please email or snail mail them to me.

Thank you and God Bless to All

Jean Dimmick, Spiritual Growth 11596 Lakeland Drive Arbor Vitae, WI 54568 Email: edimmick@ charter.net

NOTES FROM NOMINATIONS

Nominated to continue in their positions:

Vice-President: Sharon Gisselman

Mission Coordinators of Education and Interpretation: Sharon Powell

New nominations:

Membership Nurture and Outreach: Betty Foemmel

Positions open at this time:

Mission Coor of Social Action Mission Coor of Spiritual Growth - although I have someone considering this

We need women on Nominations!!!

Sue Clafin

BY-LAW REVISIONS

The following changes have been approved by the Heartland Leadership Team at the July 13 meeting. UMW members present at the September 21, 2013 Annual Gathering at Wausau First United Methodist Church will vote on these changes.

Local units are asked to review these changes prior to the Annual Gathering. Underlined words and phrases will be omitted or replaced by the wording in bold face type.

STANDING RULES

The following standing rules shall govern the action of the District as long as they are in harmony with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Women's Division National United Methodist Women (National UMW).

SECTION 4 No officer shall serve in leadership responsibilities on District, Conference, or <u>Women's Division</u> **National UMW** simultaneously.

SECTION 2 District Team Meetings

- a. The Mission Team of the District shall be composed of the elected leadership of the District, Conference, <u>Women's Division</u> **National UMW** officers that reside in the District, and the District Superintendent.
- c. The Mission Team members are expected to attend all Mission

Team meetings, District
Workshops, District Annual
Meeting, District Retreats,
Conference Workshops that apply
to their office, Conference Annual
Meeting, and School of Christian
Mission Mission u or Mission
Alive (if available). They should
give advance notice to the District
President if they need to be
excused.

ARTICLE IV - FUNDS

\$60.00 Special Mission
 Recognition (certificate and pin)
 to the District Superintendent at the end of her/his term of office in addition to the appropriate SMR.

SECTION 4 Order with the Mission Resource Center

j. The Treasurer shall place an order with the Mission Resource Center for <u>new materials</u> the Mission Sampler published by <u>Women's</u> <u>Division</u> National UMW to be sent to the Vice-President and to the Secretary of Program Resources.

SECTION 5 Officer Expenses

g. All Team Members shall attend School of Christian Mission
Mission u at District expense. This includes registration, meals, housing and mileage to and from school. Team members may attend week-long four day school, drive-in overview day, or weekend school (if available). Team members are to pay for their own books.

SECTION 7 A Gift to Mission will be given to recognize local units for being a "Mission Today" unit, a "5-Star" unit and a Reading Program participant. A certificate will be given to "5-Star units who have increased

their total giving from the previous year. (omit this sentence)

SECTION 2 District Newsletter ("Jubilate")

a. Shall be sent to all Heartland District Team Members: Heartland District Pastors: Heartland District Superintendent; President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer of each local unit in the Heartland District; Wisconsin Conference Officers; President, Vice-President, Secretary, **Treasurer and Communications** Coordinator of each of the other Districts in the Wisconsin Conference; the Bishop; Women's **Division National UMW Members** living in Wisconsin; and Jurisdiction Members living in Wisconsin.

HMONG HOUSE OF GOOD NEWS

From Hmong House of Good News:

Thanks to all who participated in the Mission u offering for Hmong House of Good News. At the end of the week, including Overview Day, you had donated \$1663.07! It broke down into these categories: Director-\$471, Cook-\$81, Food-\$266, Rent-\$116.07, Transportation - \$216, Not specified - \$513. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and sacrifice. When pooled together, the total amount will keep Hmong House going for 2 weeks. Without your help, the elders would not have this wonderful place to come to.

In addition, you collected enough Nature's Touch bottle caps and milk labels, as well as Glazer donut ovals, to total \$148 cash reimbursement from the Kwik Trip company. Thank you so much!

But please note, that program is ending on October 1, 2013. There has been no indication that Kwik Trip will continue it. SO - please make arrangements to collect all the Moola caps/labels and Glazer donut ovals that you can during August & September and get them to Judy Vasby by

Saturday, September 28th, so that she will have time to count and ship them all on Monday, September 30th. Some districts will have their annual gatherings for women to bring Moola donations to; other districts will have to figure out another way to collect the items separately. It can be expensive to mail caps/labels/ovals, so try to send your collections with someone who can connect with Judy in person, because of traveling to south central Wisconsin anyway.

Thanks so much for your help.

Here is contact information for Judy: Phone:608/576-0173. Email: vasby.umw@gmail.com
Address: 3000 Clearview Rd.,
Cambridge, WI 53523

"MOOLA CAP & LABEL" PROGRAM For HMONG HOUSE OF GOOD NEWS!

If you have collected the Milk Moola Products caps or labels from Kwik Trip gas stations for Hmong House of Good News, that program will be ending. Please bring those caps or labels to Heartland Dist. UMW Annual Gathering in Wausau. We have to get them to Judy Vasby before Oct. 1st. We will see they get to Judy by that date.=

RACIAL JUSTICE PROGRAM (2012 PROGRAM) THOUGHTS, WORDS, DEEDS

- Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at 1 pm, Mauston United Methodist Church, 420 Suszycki Street, Mauston, WI
- Sponsored by New Lisbon and Mauston United Methodist Women
- Program will include viewing "16:49," a DVD about homeless teens in the Janesville/Beloit areas

Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law? Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22: 36-39)



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

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

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

Focus groups are:

- > Four different "hands-on" work areas
- District Leadership Training
- Charter for Racial Justice (in Spanish)
- Serving the Earth
- Disaster Response

Scholarships

25 scholarships are available on a first-come first-serve basis. The scholarship covers registration for the event (your motel reservation is on your own). Registration forms and other specifics will be available at **Mission u** in Wausau.

Registration

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

Lodging

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

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

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

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

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 4, 2013 - \$25.00 (incl. Sat. lunch) LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 12, 2013 - \$35.00 (incl. Sat. lunch)

If you register after October 12th, you will need to make your own lunch arrangements for Saturday. Please PRINT. If registering for more than one person, copy and complete a separate form for each person. Name _____ Address City_____ State ____ Zip Code _____ Church District Please check all that apply: Female Male Teen (Teen only: Age) First time attending UMW member Clergy Guest (not a member of UMW) Office, if any, you hold on the district level: Child Care: Child Care needed Friday evening for _____ children, ages_____ Child Care needed Saturday for children, ages_____ Please pick up your children and take them to the first lunch seating. Also, please provide a sack lunch for each child or include \$7.50 for each child in the registration total. Emergency contact information: Name Relationship _____ Phone: Day ____ Evening ____ Requesting a scholarship (25 scholarships available, awarded to the first 25 to make a request). Requesting First Lunch Seating. Diabetic or other dietary limitations (Please describe): Please make checks payable to WISCONSIN CONFERENCE UMW Mail to Registrar: Nancy Flath, R2170 County Road Q, Ringle, WI 54471 Email: niudvflath@gmail.com Phone 715-446-3252 TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$

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

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

LEGACY Women

Girls' Night Out

Friday night and Saturday October 18-19, 2013

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

Cost: \$5.00

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

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

Registration Deadline: October 4, 2013

For directions, visit Google: http://goo.al/maps/YZWDc

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	GIRLS NIGHT OUT REGISTR	
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Send this registration form and payment to: Chelsey Ganzer, 159 E. 10th Street, Fond du Lac, WI 54937 Questions? Contact: ganzerchelsey@yahoo.com or jmayeshiba@yahoo.com

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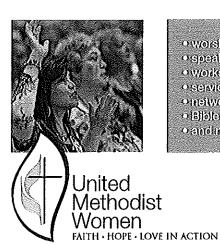
Will you accept the call? Will you make It happen? Will you come to Assembly 2014?

Come expecting powerful worship, dynamic speakers and amazing music.

Come expecting to celebrate our Wesleyan heritage and to shape our future together.

Come expecting to talk about challenging and complex issues in a real way.

Just don't come expecting all the answers. It's also about the questions.



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• and much morel



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United Methodist Women Unit Officers for 2014

Secretaries,

Please complete this information and send to Carol Anderson, N3697 Nickols Road, Black River Falls, WI 54615 by October 30. Thanks!

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Thank you for your help.

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Education and Interpretation

We are into the last half of our year and if your unit has not completed enough criteria to become a Mission Today unit there is still time. All members can try to do at least one criteria. In our spring, <u>Jubilate</u>, the list of all the criteria was included. As unit leaders, run off copies for your members to take and read and hopefully each member will try to do at least one thing.

This year we had eighty-one percent of our Heartland District units qualify for Mission Today awards for the year 2012. That is great. At the conference meeting that I attended and that had a special meeting for E and I co-ordinators, Our conference E & I co-ordinator, Kay Putnam said that of the 169 units reporting 89 were Mission Today units for 2012. That is about 53 percent so Heartland District did very well.

Hopefully some members of our UMW units will be able to go to Mission U. You will be able to learn a great deal from any two of the three offered studies. My eyes and heart have been opened over the years of participating with other Christian Women. Whether or not you choose to go to Mission U, the frist sentence of the foreword in the study of "The Roma of Europe" says it all.

From Hebrews 13:2 - Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Whether we do mission work locally or the other side of the world, we have wonderful directions and rewards from that verse.

Send your local unit report, which is included in this newsletter, to me by the 1st of December.

Mission Co-ordinator of Education and Interpretation. Sharon Powell 23448 Emperor Ave. Tomah, Wisconsin 54660 Phone 608-372-3120 E-mail shalarpowell@centurylink.net