Anderson District Officers Training

Officers Training for all Anderson District UMW who will be serving in your local units in 2017 will be held on Saturday, January 28, 2017.

The training will be held at St. Andrew UMC in Easley. Registration begins at 9:00 am.

This is a very important training event, and we strongly urge all local unit United Methodist Women officers in the Anderson District to attend this event.

Also, if you are working to form a new UMW unit or reorganizing a local unit in your church, you will want to attend this officers training event.

So, mark your calendars:
Saturday, January 28, 2017
St. Andrew United Methodist Church
309 Pelzer Hwy, Easley, SC 29642
9:00 am - 11:30 am (Registration 9:00-9:30 am).

We will serve morning refreshments, but will not be providing lunch for this event.
You do not need to pre-register to attend this training.

United Methodist Women Mission Initiatives
The entire program and organization of United Methodist Women focuses on mission. Our mission initiatives include:
- Providing opportunities to grow spiritually
- Equipping women & girls to be leaders
- Providing transformative educational experiences
- Organizing for growth & flexibility
- Working for justice through service and advocacy

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Committee on Nominations
Chair - Carrie Anderson
There is an old saying, “Time flies when you are having fun!” And I hope each of you have had as much fun as I have this past year. It just doesn’t seem possible that the year of 2015-2016 is over. But it is, and now it is time to gear up for another fun year in 2016-2017.

I am reminded of the story of an old woman who during World War II joined a group of American soldiers who were marching through a French town. As she joined their ranks she carried a broom. One of the soldiers smiled at her and said, “You can’t do much with that broom!” “No”, she replied, “but I can let people know whose side I’m on.”

Some of us may think that we are not very qualified or equipped to do the job God has called us to do. But God is pleased to use anyone who will give whatever she has to serve Him. So what equipment do you have? A computer? A hammer? Cooking skills? Sewing skills? Loving Skills? Effective service requires only one thing: a willing heart! God can and will use whatever you give him.

Ladies, let’s not forget to send your list of unit officers to me as soon as possible. The form is in this newsletter on page 11.

Also the UMW Membership Census 2016 is due by March 30, 2017. This census can be accessed on line at: www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2016. Many of Anderson District units did not report last year and we want to have 100% participation this year. See more information on page 6. Anyone needing help can call me.

LET’S HAVE A GREAT YEAR! Kate Hyder
864-360-7208 | cappyhyder@yahoo.com

Scenes from the 44th Annual Meeting of the Anderson District United Methodist Women at St. Luke UMC in Walhalla. Theme: “Blessed to be a Blessing”

- Gathered in the sanctuary
- Collection of non-perishables for area food banks
- A candle lit for our departed saints
- Music by the New Harmony UMC Adult Choir
- VP - Shelby Henderson, speaker - Rev. Pattie E. Gordon, and President - Kate Hyder
# ANDERSON DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN 2017 CALENDAR

_Blessings for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!_

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Nearly limitless resources are available for members and leaders through the website of United Methodist Women at [unitedmethodistwomen.org](http://unitedmethodistwomen.org). Learn more about:

- leadership roles and responsibilities,
- membership resources,
- program and event ideas,
- the UMW Reading Program,
- spiritual growth, social action and mission resources,
- educational resources (in other languages as well),
- events and observances,
- UMW merchandise and gifts,
- multimedia resources; and so much more!

Additional resource information can be found at [umwmissionresources.org](http://umwmissionresources.org) or call 800-805-9857.

Go online to get your FREE subscription to *United Methodist Women News*, an 8-page newspaper for and by United Methodist Women. Hear stories of mission from United Methodist Women locally, nationally and globally and stay updated on UMW events and important news. Is your unit doing something amazing in mission service? Submit it to UMW News.

Get your copy of the 2017 Reading Program Catalog and make a commitment to participate or increase your level of participation in the UMW Reading Plan this year. The Reading Program includes regular reading of *response* - the print and digital magazine of women in mission!

Contact the Anderson District UMW Secretary of Program Resources - Judith Polson for assistance. 864-353-4877 | jpolson29621@yahoo.com
Hello Anderson District United Methodist Women,

I am reporting on updates learned at the Leadership Training Meeting held on November 7, 2016.

As you are aware the "Campbell Soup Label" initiative was to be null and void as of last summer, well good news, they have extended this initiative until August 2017. The label must say "Labels for Education" and they only want the UPC code. So trim those labels and start your collections again.

Other updates:

- Pull tabs can go directly to any Ronald McDonald House if you are collecting them. Also, to ensure that the tabs are aluminum, use your kitchen magnet and see if the tab sticks. If it does it's not aluminum and do not send these.

- Cancelled stamp collections: Please trim your stamps leaving ¼ of an inch border. For stamps that are pasted to the top of the envelope, just trim the sides that are available. The only stamp not allowed is the pre-registered stamp. Non-profit stamps are acceptable. The stamps are sold and the profits are used to send shoes, clothes and medical supplies to Methodist Churches in Zambia and the Republic of the Congo. Also, for clean water wells in third world countries.

- Gift Cards are needed for all five mission projects. Make sure that the card can be used anywhere, like Walmart, or General Dollar Stores, etc.

- New postage stamps are also needed in all five missions.

- We need Crafts for Mission U next year. 2016 craft donations were down therefore the revenue raised to help our five missions was down too.

Ladies, we appreciate all that you do but like anything else we need more and more of your help. Please get these updates to your units and circles and if you need any more information please do not hesitate to notify me, as the Anderson District UMW E & I Mission Coordinator.

The "Mission Today" form will be in the next newsletter so that you can get started on filling in your "Mission Today" requirements and it will be complete by August next year. As you complete an event check it off.

Blessings!
The ADUMW Leadership Team is finalizing plans for a suitable location to hold Day Apart in 2017. The challenge is to find a venue that will accommodate our gathering and is affordable; as we aim to be good stewards of our funds.

For now, we ask for your prayers as we plan the best event possible for this special time of fellowship and a day set apart to be blessed, and praise our Lord and Savior.

Save the Date ~ for the Anderson District UMW Day Apart
Saturday, April 1, 2017

Johnnie Jackson
864-915-2625 | johnniejackson2625@gmail.com
Most of you know the origins of United Methodist Women, but it bears repeating ~

On March 23, 1869, eight women gathered at Tremont Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston, Massachusetts, and organized the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, what would become United Methodist Women. Those women raised money to send a doctor, Clara Swain, and a teacher, Isabella Thoburn, to India as missionaries to serve the women of that nation.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN is MISSION!

Excerpts from an article by Harriett Jane Olson, General Secretary - United Methodist Women
Respnsibly Yours: Pass On the Legacy • RESPONSE: JULY/AUGUST 2014 ISSUE

Recently a small group of retired deaconesses and former staff and directors led us to establish a five -year fundraising plan for The Legacy Fund. The Legacy Fund is a forward-thinking permanent endowment with income dedicated to strengthening United Methodist Women. We have a great legacy, and every one of us is part of extending that legacy to those who come after us. I can't wait to see what we can do as a part of this celebration. Let’s continue to celebrate the dedication and foresight of our foremothers in mission as we lead up to our 150th anniversary in 2019.

Consider your gift to The Legacy Fund as the celebration continues!

Communications Coordinator ~
Cynthia Keesler

Information to know about your
Anderson District UMW newsletter.

The NETWORK NEWS is published quarterly; in December, March, June and September. The AD UMW is able to qualify for bulk mailing postage rates by mailing a minimum of 200 pieces. We order 215 copies from the print shop and those printed copies are to be mailed to the following:
- the District Leadership Team members,
- local unit presidents, treasurers, secretaries and/or communications coordinators, circle leaders,
- churches where no organized unit exists,
- and yearly subscribers.
Remaining copies are mailed to as many of the mission coordinators as possible.

Recipients are based on the most current mailing lists on record. Help keep these lists up to date by communicating with the President, Secretary, and Communications Coordinator when officers are finalized and when there are any changes to the information. The mailing list will be updated for the March 2017 issue.

Individual subscriptions (a printed copy) are available at a cost of $5 per year (4 issues) by sending a request to the District Treasurer. Include your name and address with a check made payable to: Anderson District UMW. She will then notify me and you will be added to the mailing list.

An e-mail distribution list exists and those on that list receive this newsletter electronically (in PDF format). Anyone can receive the newsletter via e-mail. Contact me at any time to request to be added to the e-mail distribution list.

I welcome contributions of news stories and digital photos from your local membership, unit and church activities relating to Mission in ACTION! Space permitting, they will be included in future newsletters.

The Network News and The Mission Echo of the SCCUMW can be found online (in full color) at umcsc.org/umw. You can also visit unitedmethodistwomen.org to discover more about your United Methodist Women!

Submit items for the MARCH issue by February 16th

Please send information to adumwcc@aol.com or call 864.276.4406

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Legislative Advocacy Day 2017
“Passion, Vision, Action”

“As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is also dead.” James 2:26 NIV

Tuesday, February 21, 2017 (Weather make-up day Feb. 28)
Epworth Children’s Home
2900 Millwood Ave., Columbia, SC 29205 803-256-7394

9:00-9:30 Registration (no on-site registration)
9:30 Welcome
9:45 Greetings
10:00 Invocation
10:10-10:55 Epworth update-Rev. John E. Holler, Jr., President, Epworth
10:55-11:10 Break
11:10-12:05 Workshops
12:05-1:05 Lunch
1:05-2:05 Keynote Speaker-Clara Ester, UMW National Board, Vice President
2:15 Tours of Epworth Children’s Home

Registration Fee $20 (includes material, lunch and parking)
Postmark deadline Feb. 13, 2017 - Late registration $30-space limited to 400 attendees
Make checks payable to SCCUMW. Send form and fee to Rebecca W. Eleazer, 5116 Burke Ave., Columbia SC, 29203 803-754-0942

Name_______________________________________________________Phone__________________email________________
Address____________________________________________City_________________________________zip__________

Please check and complete all that apply to you:

____UMW Member and District____________________________________________

____Non-UMW member

____Invited your state legislators to attend (list names only if they are attending)

Senator_____________________________________________Representative_______________________________________

Special Dietary Needs_____________________________________________________________________________________

Childcare needed_____Child’s age_____ (please bring lunch and snack for your child)

Please circle ONE Workshop option

Public Education Issues Maternal & Child Health Human Trafficking Awareness
Every two years the SCCUMW organizes a mission service opportunity for our membership. It’s a time to gather with our sisters in Christ from across the state and take part in “hands on” mission together. The road trips and fellowship are enjoyable. There is also time set aside for leisure activities. Information about the trip is below but due to limited space in this issue it does not include the Registration for Travel form. That form can be found online at umcsc.org/umw - under the Events section and within the Mission Echo. Additionally, it will be emailed to everyone on the ADUMW email distribution list, which includes the unit presidents, so be sure to contact your president if you need a form. So... check your calendar, get excited about it with your UMW sisters and consider being a part of this trip in our nation’s capital. Act quickly, the registration deadline is December 31, 2016.

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
Mission Trip – April 3-6, 2017
Washington, DC

The 2017 Mission Trip is planned for a four day/three night trip to Washington, DC. There we will visit the United Methodist Building on Capitol Hill; this is the only non-governmental building on the square capitol. At the UM building we will have a one day seminar on “Human Trafficking” and we will also have a service day at a mission project recommended by the United Methodist General Board of Church and Society. While there we will have time to visit some historical sites in Washington, DC such as The Roosevelt Memorial, the newly opened Museum of African American Museum which is near the White House, the Cherry Blossom Festival, the Washington Monument, there will be lots of things to see and do. The cost of the trip is $275 per person to include your travel and lodging. Each person will be responsible for their meals. We are seeking lodging in Springfield, VA within 10 miles of Washington, DC. A complete schedule for the trip will be sent after receipt of the second payment.

Cost of Trip $275
$100 & registration form due December 31st
$100 due January 31, 2017
$75 due February 25, 2017

Mail form and remittance to:
Mary A. Jenkins
P.O. Box 1938
Orangeburg, SC 29116
(H) 803-536-5029 (C) 803-614-7630
agjenki52@att.net

★ Registration has begun for the SCCUMW Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lake Junaluska. ★ (see pg. 10) Contact the Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center at 800-222-4930 to make hotel reservations if you choose to stay at The Terrace or Lambuth Inn.
2017 Spiritual Growth Retreat Registration Form
South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women
April 28-29, 2017
Lake Junaluska Conference Center-Lake Junaluska, NC

For Registration Information, contact Elizabeth Duncan@843-757-3352 or email: lizzyduncan2000@gmail.com

THEME: “ONE IN CHARITY”

Name (please print name as you wish it to appear on nametag)__________________________________________
Address___________________________________________City___________________________zip__________
Phone #____________________________District_________________________Church______________________
Email address_____________________________________________________________

YOU MUST MAKE YOUR OWN HOTEL RESERVATION        Call 800-222-4930 for hotel reservations

Check all of the following that apply:

_____First time     _____Under 40     _____NOT staying at the Lake Junaluska Conference Center

In case of emergency please contact______________________________________Phone______________________

ONLY 1 retreat this year. Registration deadline is April 15, 2017  FEE $10
Registrations postmarked April 16 or later-FEE $15 *** FEE $20 if commuting (not staying at LJ Conference Center)

Make check out to: SCCUMW

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Registration: 1:00pm-4:00pm In the Bethea Welcome Center
1:00-3:45pm UMW Resource Room-Room 202 Harrell Center
4:15pm-5:30pm Session I-Stuart Auditorium-Room 202 Harrell Center
5:30-7:00pm Dinner-Meal Ticket Required
7:30-8:45pm Session II-Stuart Auditorium
9:00pm Evening Workshop-Bistro Room Harrell Center
9:00-9:35pm UMW Resource Room-Room 202 Harrell Center

—Saturday, April 29—

7:00-7:30am Morning Watch: Spiritual Walk-Memorial Chapel and at the Cross
Inclement Weather-Lambuth International Room
7:30-8:30am Breakfast-Meal Ticket Required
8:00-8:45am UMW Resource Room-Room 202 Harrell Center
8:30-9:00am Suggested Hotel checkout and key return at Front Desk
9:20am Session III-Stuart Auditorium

Send Registration along with fee (payable to SCCUMW) to:
Elizabeth Duncan
45 Foreman Hill Rd.
Bluffton, SC 29910

Hotel & Retreat registration will be in the Bethea Welcome Center. Take Exit 103 and drive about 1 mile until you see Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center front entrance gate on the right. Turn right and Bethea Welcome Center will be on your left.
**Unit Leadership Roster** - To be completed by the unit President or Secretary. Please return this list of your 2017 unit leaders no later than December 31, 2016 to Anderson District President.

Mail to Kate Hyder | 106 Biltmore Court | Easley, SC 29642, phone 864-360-7208 or email to cappyhyder@yahoo.com

### President
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Vice President
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Secretary
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Treasurer
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Communications Coordinator
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Social Action Mission Coordinator
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Membership Nurture & Outreach Mission Coordinator
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Education and Interpretation Mission Coordinator
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Spiritual Growth Mission Coordinator
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

### Chairperson of Nominations
Name _____________________________
Address ____________________________________
City  _______________________________________
Zip Code ___________  Phone __________________
E-mail _____________________________________

On a separate sheet of paper write the names of circles and their leaders and include their mailing address and email address so they may also receive district communications.
The Purpose of United Methodist Women

The Purpose is adopted by the General Conference of The United Methodist Church as the official mission statement of United Methodist Women.

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.

Out of the Purpose are four mission foci that relate to the mission initiatives and priorities of United Methodist Women.

- To be a community of women
- To know God
- To develop a creative and supportive fellowship
- To expand concepts of mission