



Greenwood District United Methodist Women News-A-Plenty

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Willie Jo LaGroone, Greenwood District President

From Your District President

Greetings to Greenwood District UMW. As we embark upon a new year, hopefully you are geared up and ready to journey for Christ to local and Conference Mission Events, Mission U, Mission Trips and other events that you find listed in this newsletter.

Since the last newsletter, I have attended Conference and District Meetings, Officer's Training and kept abreast of the UMW changes. Our new Officers are settling into their new positions and ready to assist the local units throughout the Greenwood District (please see listing of officers on page 9).



Directly following our last District Meeting, we received sad news about the death of Ms. Margie Knuckles, a long time member of the South Carolina United Methodist Women, the "lady with the big smile." Condolences were also extended to the family of our Conference Chairperson of Nominations. The Greenwood District was deeply saddened by her demise. Our heartfelt sympathy was extended to all UMW families who have lost loved ones.

**District Day Apart
March 9
McCormick UMC**

Please note all upcoming events in this newsletter and plan early to attend. Invite non-members, youth, mid-age and teenagers to attend and witness Christ Inspiring Women in Missions throughout the Greenwood District. Invite teens /young women to the District Day -A- Part.; as we receive a Godly message on "**Breaking Generation Barriers.**"

Changes: School of Mission is now Mission U, Women Division; and, World Day of Prayer. We have always lived during changing times since the beginning of the world. But, while we live in changing times we continue to serve/have **faith** in an **unchanging God**, who has **unchanging love** which gives us **hope** that empowers each of us to continue services to women and Children in "**Love/Faith/Hope.**"

Willie Jo LaGroone

South Carolina Mission Projects Emphasis Months

FEBRUARY: Wallace Family Life Center, Bennettsville

APRIL: Columbia Bethlehem Center

JULY: Rural Mission Incorporated, Johns Island

SEPTEMBER: Killingsworth, Columbia

NOVEMBER: Bethlehem Community Center, Spartanburg

News from District Vice-President



A New Year Brings New Opportunities to

Focus on UMW Mission

By Harriet Creswell, Vice President, Greenwood District UMW

It is hard to believe that 2013 is here! It seems as though it was yesterday that the new millennium arrived, and we were worried about “Y2K” and the problems we would have because of it. None of it happened; we survived the transition, and now we find ourselves with a new set of worries—unemployment, outrageous prices, and constant reminders about the sad state of health care in our country. The *United Methodist Women* remains committed to serving those people in need of help. As you plan projects and programs for your units, keep in mind our purpose: 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. Every program and project should reflect one of these goals. I look forward to serving as your vice-president; if I can be of any help to you, please feel free to call or e-mail me.

Please put the District Day Apart, March 9, at McCormick United Methodist Church, on your calendars. Join other women for a morning of fellowship. The theme for this year’s Day Apart is *Breaking Generation Barriers*. We can expect a wonderful day of inspiration and praise, as we look toward the future of United Methodist Women.

“COMMIT TO THE LORD WHATEVER YOU DO, AND YOUR PLANS WILL SUCCEED.”

-Proverbs 16:3

Harriet Creswell

2013 Calendar of Events

February 19—Legislative Advocacy Day—Epworth Children’s Home—Columbia, SC

April 15-19—Mission Trip, Henderson Settlement, Kentucky. Check out their website at www.hendersonsettlement.com for photos and information.

May 3-4, 4-5—Spiritual Growth Retreat—Lake Junaluska, NC (See more information and registration form in this issue).

May 18—Come Together/Be Together—Edisto Fork UMC, Orangeburg, SC

June 2—Gwd. District Executive Committee Mtg.-Trinity UMC, Greenwood, SC

June 9—12—South Carolina Annual Conference—Florence, SC

July 25—28—Mission U—Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, SC

September 28—Greenwood Dist. UMW Annual Meeting—Broad St. UMC, Clinton, SC

October 25-26—SCCUMW Annual Meeting—Bethel UMC—Spartanburg, SC

November 9— UMW Officers’ Training—Columbia, SC

November 14—Killingsworth Gala—Sewells, Columbia, SC

November 16—Greenwood Dist. UMW Officers’ Training - St. Mark UMC, Greenwood, SC

2013 SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT

“A Woman’s Place ...”

SESSION I – May 3-4, 2013

SESSION II –May 4-5, 2013

Lake Junaluska Conference Center

Lake Junaluska, North Carolina

The 2012 Spiritual Growth Retreat was a great success. Our speaker, Jean Padgett, Christian Speaker and Bible Teacher of Chapin, SC, was an inspiration to all. She presented a spirit-filled weekend as everyone learned new and better ways to “Make Room for God”.

It is a pleasure to announce that Dr. Arnetta Elizabeth Beverly, Senior Minister, St. Matthews United Methodist Church, Greensboro, NC has graciously accepted the invitation to be our 2013 Spiritual Growth Retreat speaker. The theme is “*A Woman’s Place ...*”

Come with a cheerful heart and receive ways you can better serve our Lord and Savior. More detailed information will be in the March, 2013 issue of the **Mission Echo**.

Important!!! Please make your **Lodging Reservations** directly with Lake Junaluska using the instructions included in this issue. Also, a **Registration Form** is on page 4 of this issue. Please fill out and mail along with your registration fee to **Pam King, Registrar** (address is on the form).

Upon arrival at Lake Junaluska, Hotel and Retreat Registration will be in the Bethea Welcome Center – (Take Exit 103 and as you enter the grounds via the Main Entrance, it is the first building on the left.)

Prayers and blessings to you and your families.

Ann Efird,

Retreat Chair

RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM

**SC United Methodist Women Spiritual Growth Retreat
May 3-4 and May 4-5, 2013
Lake Junaluska Assembly – Lake Junaluska, NC 28745**

Send only \$10 (\$15 if commuting) with this form. Make checks payable to SCCUMW

(Please print legibly or type)

NAME _____ E-Mail _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

DISTRICT _____ CHURCH _____

Check here if you are a Commuter. It is required that you add \$5/person (\$15 total Registration Fee) if you are not staying in one of Junaluska's hotels or lodges (i.e., The Terrace, Lambuth Inn, Lakeside Lodge, Apartments, Mountainview or Sunnyside Lodge). Commuters will not receive confirmation.

IT IS "IMPORTANT" THAT EACH ADULT SEND A REGISTRATION FORM AND FEE

-----PLEASE CUT HERE AND SEND ABOVE TO REGISTRAR-----

**HOTEL & RETREAT REGISTRATION WILL BE IN THE BETHEA WELCOME CENTER
(Take Exit 103 and as you enter the grounds via the Main Entrance – first building on the left.)**

***** IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE HERE *****

Hotel Check in is after 3:00 PM and Check out is by 11:00 AM – Registration from 1:30 to 4:00 PM - Program Resource Room is located in the upper level of Harrell Center – Room 202.

NOTE: The Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center's switchboard number is 828-452-2881. Please leave this number with your family in case of emergencies.

EARLY ARRIVALS: If you are coming early for Session I and want lunch on Friday, which will be served at Terrace only, the cost will be \$11.00 and meal tickets should be purchased at the hotel front desk. If you are coming early for Session II and want lunch on Saturday, which will be served at both the Terrace and Lambuth Inn, the cost will be \$11.00 and meal tickets should be purchased at the hotel front desk.

SC UNITED METHODIST WOMEN SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT
Session I – May 3-4, 2013 and Session II – May 4-5, 2013
Lake Junaluska Assembly – Lake Junaluska, NC 28745

RETREAT LODGING INFORMATION
(PLEASE READ CAREFULLY)

Please make your lodging reservations with Lake Junaluska by calling the Lake Junaluska Reservations Department at 1-800-222-4930 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Reservations must be made by March 1, 2013.

Or you may make your reservations by Booking Lodging Online

Go to www.lakejunaluska.com and under the accommodations menu, select Reservations, then Book Lodging Online

Enter your Group Code – **Session I – 321082** or **Session II – 826993** in the bottom left of the screen, click submit

Enter the number of adults and children in your room, how many rooms you need and your check in and check out dates, children are 11 years and under

Please refer back to the dates for your event if you are unsure which dates to enter

Click continue to view available rooms.

Click reserve on the room you want to book

Log in if you have booked lodging online with us before and have an account with us, or click continue if you have not booked lodging online and create your account.

Proceed with entering your personal information to book your room.

Receive automated confirmation email when finished booking, a second confirmation from reservations@lakejunaluska.com will follow with more detailed information, including cancellation policy.

For your Information – 2013 Room Rates

(All rates include one night's lodging and 3 meals (dinner, breakfast, and lunch))

	DOUBLE	TRIPLE	QUAD
Terrace (2 double beds, private bath)	\$84/person	\$67/Person	\$61/Person
Lambuth Inn (var.bed types, pvt.bath)	\$84/person	\$67/Person	\$61/Person
Lakeside Lodge (2 dbl beds,pvt.bath)	\$71/Person	\$61/Person	\$55/Person
Junaluska Apartments	\$66/Person	\$58/Person	\$55/Person
Mountainview/Sunnyside Lodge- (dbs beds and bunk beds, pvt.bath)	\$66/Person	\$58/Person	\$55/Person

(Children 11 years old and under who stay in the room with their parents are free and children 5 years old and under receive meals free.)

(RATES DO NOT INCLUDE \$10.00 REGISTRATION FEE/SEND WITH REGISTRATION FORM)

Greenwood District United Methodist Women District Day Apart



Breaking Generation Barriers

Saturday, March 9, 2013

McCormick United Methodist Church

200 Gold Street, McCormick, S. C.

Registration: 9 – 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service: 10 A.M.

Speaker: Mary Beth West with *Child Evangelism Fellowship*



Join Hands Across The Ages As We Celebrate Many Ways To Worship Together!

McCormick UMC is located at the intersection of Gold Street (which is also Highway 378 and 221) and Pine Street in downtown McCormick. Highways 28, 221, and 378 all pass through the downtown McCormick area.

Parking Available At Left Side and Rear of Church

Gently Read Book and Bake Sale

St. Mark United Methodist Church, Greenwood, SC

Saturday, April 13 from 8 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Founders Hall—Bypass Campus

Book & Bake Sale

From Linda Woods Secretary of Program Resources



Hello, I'm Linda Dykes Woods, the new Program Resource Person. I look forward to meeting and working with you this year. Don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions. It's not too late to start reading and participate in our 2013 Reading Program. You have until August to complete the reading list. Remember the Reading Program is a learning opportunity for us.

The Mission Resource Center has moved and changed names. It is now located in Duluth, GA and the new name is United Methodist Women Mission Resources. It is a new easy to use e-store that accepts orders at www.umwmissionresources.org; toll free number is 1-800-305-9857; Fax 1-770-280-0061. A new customer service email is cs@umwmissionresources.org.

You can get your books from any source and many can be found in your local library. It's a great idea to share your books and help each other out.

The Reading Plan guide lines are:

Plan I - 5 books each year: One book from each category: Education for Mission (EFM), Leadership Development (LD), Nurturing for Community (NFC), Social Action (SA), Spiritual Growth (SG) Selections from 2009- 2013 reading lists if not included in previous reports (including youth titles), Regular reading of **Response Magazine**

Plan II - 10 books each year: Two books from each category: EFM, LD, NFC, SA, SG Selections from 2009-2013 reading lists if not included in previous reports (including youth titles), Regular reading of **Response** and **New World Outlook** magazines

Plan III- 15 books each year: Two books from each category: EFM, LD, NFC, SA, SG, **Plus** five additional books from any category, Selections from 2009-2013 reading lists if not included in previous reports (including youth and children's titles), Regular reading of **Response** and **New World Outlook** magazines

Plan IV- 20 books each year: Two books from each category: EFM, LD, NFC, SA, SG, **Plus** ten additional books from any category, Selections from 2009-2013 reading lists if not included in previous reports (including youth and children's titles), Regular reading of **Response** and **New World Outlook** magazines

Be sure and visit our resource room at Day Apart on March 9 at McCormick United Methodist Church. I can be reached by email at woodslinda@live.com or by phone at 864-229-5608 and my mailing address is 109 Ronnie Drive, Greenwood, SC 29649.

Linda Woods

Report From Our District Treasurer

It's great news to share that our district met its pledge to the state!! (noted below)

Undesignated Givings of \$35,803.49 (pledges)

Designated Givings of \$19,795.40 (missions)

Thanks to ALL UMW groups that gave generously - keep up the good work!

***Sarah Deal*, Greenwood District Treasurer**



From Susan Davis
Education/Interpretation Coordinator

It's All About Missions

United Methodist Women in Mission
are communicators of love in action!

“I now remind you to stir into flame the gift of God Which is within you..”

2 Timothy 1:6

“Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you will give will be the measure you get back.”

Luke 6:38 (NRSV)

Generosity has a grace all its own.

Challenge our limits and let's never limit our challenges!

Let's remember our conference missions: Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg, Bethlehem Center, Columbia, Wallace Family Life Center, Killingsworth Home and John's Island Rural Life Center.

Give generously to these.

A Gift In Memory is a good way to honor a deceased loved one or give tribute to someone who has touched your life in a meaningful way. The minimum for this gift is \$5.00. A Gift to Mission is another way to honor someone for his or her Christ-like mission service or to give in the name of a loved one or deceased member. \$5.00 is also the minimum. Give this to your treasurer and she can send it in with her quarterly report.

Also, the Prayer Calendar and Response Magazine are excellent resources to learn about missions.

Please continue to work on your Mission Today requirements.

For further information about the United Methodist Women mission program, go to the web site: <http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umw/give/>.

Susan Davis

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Mission Trip April 15-19, 2013

Henderson Settlement

Frakes, KY

Henderson Settlement is a Methodist affiliated organization whose purpose is to meet the basic needs of people in southeast Kentucky and northeast Tennessee. It is one of the four institutions of the Red Bird Missionary Conference and is located in the mountainous area of southern Kentucky. Lots of information and photos can be seen on their website (www.hendersonsettlement.com) or by searching Facebook for Henderson Settlement.

While there we will be working in the thrift shop, greenhouse and other areas at the main campus. We will be housed there and meals will be provided for us.

Travel will be by motor coach and our pick up points and times will be determined at a later date. There will be stops in Columbia and Spartanburg, and then we will travel on to Frakes on Monday, April 15. Participants may board the bus at either stop. We will leave the settlement early on Friday, April 19 and again stop in Spartanburg and Columbia.

The cost of the trip will be \$350 per person and can be paid in installments as indicated below. This amount includes bus travel and meals and lodging at the settlement. There will be an additional cost for lunch on the traveling days.

Cost of Trip - \$350

\$150 and registration forms due by December 31

Additional \$100 by January 31

Final \$100 by arch 15

Mail form and remittance to:

Jane Scott

780 Charlotte Thompson School Road

Camden, SC 29020

Home: (803) 425-9121

Cell: (803) 463-9121

jrscott780@att.net

The complete schedule will be sent with the acknowledgement of the January 31 payment.

Mission Trip 2013
Henderson Settlement, KY
April 15 – 19, 2013
Registration for Travel

Please complete all information on this form. You may photocopy additional forms as needed. One form per person needs to be returned along with the appropriate registration fee. It is recommended that you keep a copy of your completed form.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Pick up Location (Columbia or Spartanburg): _____

Email: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Phone: _____ Optional Phone: _____

Medical Problems that we need to be aware of: _____

Doctor's name and phone number: _____

Cost \$350 Total – includes travel, housing and meals (except lunch on travel days)

\$150 due to December 31, 2012 - \$100 due by January 31, 2013 and balance of \$100 due by March 15, 2013

Return form with remittance to:

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Specific information about times will be distributed with confirmation notification.

Greenwood District United Methodist Women

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Click on Greenwood

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