Greenwood District UMW Annual Meeting

“Keeping Faith in the Midst of Change”

Editor Jessica Brodie (left) and Assistant Editor Allison Trussell

Guest Speaker: Jessica Brodie, Editor
SC United Methodist Advocate
Saturday, September 21, 2019
McCormick United Methodist Church
200 Gold Street, McCormick, SC 29835
Phone: (803) 852-2394

Registration - 9:15 AM Assembly - 10 AM

Hope To See You There!
News from District President

By Joyce Crouch, President, Greenwood District UMW

The end of my first year as being President of Greenwood District United Methodist Women is approaching fast. I want you all to know what an honor it is to serve as your president. I have attended many meetings and events and have learned so much about UMW that I did not already know. Thanks for keeping me in your prayers.

Come Together, Be Together was held Saturday, May 18th at Trinity UMC in Spartanburg. Greenwood District had 7 women in attendance. Thanks to those of you who attended. Maybe we can be represented by a larger group next year.

Mission U was held July 18-20th at Spartanburg Methodist College. Greenwood District was represented by 2 women. I do hope we can get more ladies to attend next year.

The District Executive Committee met on August 11th. We are working on our slate of officers for next year and preparing for our District Annual meeting on September 21st at McCormick UMC. Our theme is “Keeping Faith in the Midst of Change.” Our guest speaker will be Jessica Brodie, Editor of the SC United Methodist Advocate. Please make plans to attend this important meeting.

Please check out the information in this issue of News-A-Plenty for information regarding upcoming reports that will be due before our annual meeting in September. I know it seems that we are always being asked for reports; however, we want your units to be recognized for the great work you do. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Please be in prayer for Greenwood District United Methodist Women. We are very important to the United Methodist Church!

Again, thanks for all you do for United Methodist Women.

Joyce

MEMORIAL LISTS DUE

Please submit names of all those members who have passed away during the past year (since the last Greenwood District UMW Annual Meeting in September, 2018) to:

Joyce Crouch
110 Crouch Drive
Kinards, SC  29355
jmcrouch59@yahoo.com

This information is very important so these names may be included in our memorial service and in the Annual Meeting program booklet. Thank you!
News from Greenwood District Treasurer

By Marcia Miller

Hello, UMW Ladies!

It is time to wrap up our giving year! Please take a look and make SURE you have given to each of the Mission Requirements to get your 5 Star Award. They are Pledge to Missions, Special Mission Recognition ($40), Gift in Memory and Gift to Mission (at least $5 each) and collection for World Thank Offering. To achieve the Gold Seal, please give to the four UMW Mission Projects: Bethlehem-Columbia, Bethlehem-Spartanburg, Wallace Family Life Center, and Killingsworth Home.

This is so important to make your UMW unit a success!

If you have questions, you may email me or call my cell number.

(Please see my contact information on page 10 of this newsletter).

Thanks sincerely for all you do!

Marcia

Reminder of District Reports Due From Local UMW Units

The following are due immediately: (See Contact Information on Page 10 for submitting)

- Reading Program (send to Barbara Gates)
- Mission Today Form—Form on Page 13 (send to Barbara Barber)
- Memorial List (send to Harriet Creswell)
- Charter for Racial Justice – Diamond Units Form—Form on Page 12 (send to Mary Ann Bayer)
- 2019 President’s Report– Form on Pages 6 & 7 —due by September 15 (send to Joyce Crouch)

Five Star/Gold Seal SC Mission Award (determined by Marcia Miller, Treasurer, based upon your unit’s budget and quarterly reports—see Treasurer’s update above for more information)

The following is due by December 31, 2019 or earlier:

- Local Unit Officers List (Send to Betty Swann, Secretary—Wilma Doyle, Membership Coordinator)
My Experience At Mission u

Dear Sisters In Christ,

I just wanted to share with all of you what a wonderful experience I had this year at Mission u on July 18-20 at Spartanburg Methodist College. I hope that more of our ladies will want to attend next year. Good Lord willing, I certainly hope to attend next year, and hope to see some of you there, too!

Blessings,

Mary Ann Bayer, Greenwood District UMW Social Action Coordinator
47TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

OCTOBER 25-26, 2019
BUNCOMBE STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 200 BUNCOMBE STREET, GREENVILLE, SC 29601

For Registration Information contact Diane Talley, Registrar at (864) 419-4463 or email: talleydiane@bellsouth.net

Theme: “CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES”

NAME: ____________________________ (PLEASE PROVIDE NAME AS YOU WISH FOR IT TO APPEAR ON NAME TAG)

ADDRESS: _______________________________________________ CITY: ___________________ ZIP: ___________________

BEST CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: ________________________ DISTRICT: _______ CHURCH: __________________

E-MAIL ADDRESS: ___________________________________________ DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: __________________________

CHECK ALL OF THE FOLLOWING THAT APPLY:

___ First Time  ___ Conference Officer  ___ Past Conference President  ___ Clergy
___ Under 40  ___ District Officer  ___ Unit President  ___ Mission Director
___ Age 14-30  ___ Voting Delegate  ___ Missionary/Deaconess

___ Nursery Needed—Number of Children/Ages

In case of emergency please contact __________________________ PHONE: __________________________

Will you be at dinner Friday night? ______ Will you be at lunch on Saturday? ______

NOTE: Meals require a meal ticket from your registration packet.

WORKSHOPS

Select your first, second, and third choices for Friday afternoon—you will be assigned one of your selections!

___ Prayer Walking Our Cities  ___ UMW Through the Years  ___ Public Education Impact on the Community
___ Reclaiming the Man: Soteria  ___ The Trail of your Pledges  ___ SWITCH: Combating Human Trafficking
___ Free on the Inside—Experiencing God’s Forgiveness and Grace in Prison  ___ Limitless
___ Communicating Your Vision  ___ CIRCLES USA—Helping Hand Out of Poverty

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-- ~ FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25-- ~

REGISTRATION: 11:00 AM – 3:00PM (FOLLOW SIGNS)
(Anyone arriving after 3pm may still register prior to Communion Service.)

Optional Pre-conference Activities and a Tour of the Triune Mercy Center will be available during registration.

SESSION 1

2:45PM OPENING CEREMONIES/BIBLE STUDY (REV. DONNA THOMAS)—SANCTUARY
4:15PM WORKSHOPS
5:30PM DINNER MEAL TICKET REQUIRED
7:00PM KEYNOTE SPEAKER: HARRETT JANE OLSON—COMMUNION—SANCTUARY
8:30PM AFTERGLOW AND FELLOWSHIP

-- ~ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26-- ~

REGISTRATION: 8:00AM – 9:00AM (FOLLOW SIGNS)

SESSION 2

9:00-10:30 AM GENERAL BUSINESS, INFORMATIONAL MOMENTS, MEMORIAL SERVICE, SPECIAL MUSIC—SANCTUARY
10:45AM-12:15PM GENERAL BUSINESS CONTINUED—PRESIDENT’S REPORT, ADOPTION OF BUDGET, LOVE OFFERING, PAST CONFERENCE PRESIDENT’S GREETING
12:15PM LUNCH MEAL TICKET REQUIRED

SESSION 3

1:15PM ELECTION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS/CLOSING—SANCTUARY

Send Registration along with $35 fee (payable to SCCUMW) to: Diane Talley, 47 Jones Creek Circle, Greer, SC 29650

Registration DEADLINE: October 15—Registrations postmarked after Oct. 15 & any onsite registrations will be $45
PRESIDENT’S REPORT FOR 2019 (for September 1, 2018—August 31, 2019)

Unit (Church or group of churches) ______________________________________________________

President ____________________________________________________________

President’s E-Mail ___________________ President’s Phone Number __________________________

President’s Address ____________________________________________________________

Membership totals:

Total number of members in unit ______
Total deceased this year ______

Names of Deceased:
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________________

Pledges and contributions:

Actual amounts sent in to District Treasurer:

Pledge to Missions _______World Thank Offering _______Gift in Memory $5/card_______
Gift to Missions $5/card_______ Special Mission Recognition (at least $40) ______
Call to Prayer & Self Denial _______ Killingsworth _______
Wallace Family Life Center _______ Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg _______
Bethlehem Center, Columbia _______ Rural Mission _______

Participation: (since September 1, 2018)

District Events (Number of people from your unit attending each event):

Annual Meeting 2018 (at Wightman UMC, Prosperity) ______
Day Apart 2019 (at Troy UMC, Troy) _______
Officers’ Training 2019 (at Broad Street UMC, Clinton) _______

Conference Events (Number of people from your unit attending each event):

Annual Meeting 2018 (at Central UMC, Florence) _______ Officers’ Training (Columbia) _______
Legislative Day, 2019 (at Epworth) _______ Spiritual Growth Retreat (at Lake Junaluska) _______
Come Together, Be Together _______ Any Other Conference Events _______

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Mission Education/Mission Today:

Total Number of Reading Participants:_______
Total Number of subscriptions to Response _________
Use of Program Books (yes/no) _________
Use of Prayer Calendar (yes/no) _______ How used?

Racial Justice Diamond Unit (yes/no)_______

In what public school system is your unit located? __________________________

Did your unit complete activities to support Campaign for Children? (This can be any activities that support the welfare, education, nutrition, family life of children in your community.)__________

What other projects or activities would you like others to know about?

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Send this report (Pages 6 & 7) to:

Joyce Crouch
110 Crouch Drive
Kinards, SC  29355
jmcrouch59@yahoo.com
By September 15, 2019
News from Greenwood District UMW Nominating Committee

By Susan Botts-Petty, Chairman

The Nominating Committee is in search of the following two leaders on our District Leadership Committee:

**Communications Coordination**
Leader works actively to fulfill the Purpose and find creative ways to assist communications within United Methodist Women.

**Social Action Coordination**
Leader works with the Leadership Team to engage members in service and advocacy for justice as it is rooted in our biblical tradition. She encourages work on the quadrennial priorities of United Methodist Women’s national office for the greatest potential impact for change.

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in taking one of these Leadership positions, please call me or one of our committee members:

Susan Botts-Petty, Chairman
864-391-7093 (c)
Linda Woods 864-344-7799 (c)
Ellen Schumpert 864-443-2422
Betty Staples 864-229-6122
Carolyn Cantrell 864-221-0271

We will try to fill these positions by the Annual Meeting on September 21, 2019 at McCormick UMC.

Thank you for your consideration.

Your Sister in Christ,

Susan

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McCormick United Methodist Women Craft Show & Cookie Factory

McCormick UMC, 200 Gold Street, McCormick, SC  29835
Saturday, October 5—9 AM to 2 PM
Proceeds Go To Missions
Searching For The Oldest United Methodist Women’s Unit in the Conference—Could It Be Yours?

All Units of United Methodist Women in the Greenwood District are asked to search your records to determine just when your group first began as an organized unit. This information can either be sent to Zella Williams, Greenwood District Historian (and she will then send it to Sue Owens at the Conference Level), or it can be sent directly to Sue. Zella’s contact information can be found on page 10.

Be Sure To Send This In—Information Is Needed by September 15!

Rural Mission Gets New Purpose

The Rural Mission site at Johns Island, SC is getting a fresh start and new purpose. This property was transferred as of May 31 and will become the United Methodist Church’s Sea Islands Camp and Retreat Center.

Greenwood District United Methodist Women express appreciation to Bishop Holston for designating the first night’s offering at SC Annual Conference this year to go to the United Methodist Women’s Legacy Fund.

As of July 18, 2019

Legacy Fund total is $27,988,234 Goal is $60,000,000

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Charter for Racial Justice Diamond Unit Award

In order to receive a Diamond Unit Certificate, a minimum of three activities must be completed. Certificates will be presented at your District Annual Meeting on Saturday, September 21.

Please return this form to Mary Ann Bayer, District Social Action Coordinator at address below immediately!

P. O. Box 137, Saluda, SC 29138, maryatbayer@gmail.com, (864) 992-8713

____ 1. Watch a video relating to concerns addressed by the Charter for Racial Justice.
____ 2. Give a book report on a UMW Reading Program book selected from Social Action area.
____ 3. Share articles from Response magazine relating to racism.
____ 6. Use a program on racial justice or human rights from the UMW Program Book.
____ 8. Give a Unit report about an experience; i.e. attendance at a music or theatrical performance by persons of a different culture, race, or ethnic background.
____ 9. Send at least one UMW member to Legislative Day.
____ 10. Participate in post card writing or email to support legislation on behalf of the economically deprived or challenged.
____ 11. Experience worship, Bible study, or UMW unit program activity with ethnic group different from your own.
____ 12. Attend or host an international tasting party, culture fair, or other international event.
____ 13. Participate in a Bible Study on racism.
____ 14. Celebrate Black History Month in February.
____ 15. Suggest and plan your pastor (or pulpit choir) an exchange with a pastor/choir of another race.
____ 16. Plan an event with a unit of a different race or ethnic background (a Celebration, Worship, Vacation Bible School, Service of Prayer and Self Denial).
____ 17. Other (Collect items/funds for UMCOR Kits—collect items for other community social welfare/educational purposes.)

Church Name: ___________________________ Church Address: ___________________________

______________________________________________
MISSION TODAY ACTION FORM

Unit President: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Unit Name: _____________________________ Number of Members in Unit: __________________________

Units, which include all circles, must complete at least 10 of the following items. All units must complete #1.

Check if your unit:

_____ 1. Made and met its Pledge to Mission.

_____ 2. Used the Prayer Calendar at each General Membership Meeting of the unit to pray for people in mission and for our mission work with women, children and youth.

_____ 3. Added at least one or more members to its roll.

_____ 4. Had at least one member who subscribes to Response Magazine.

_____ 5. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend Mission u and/or a district or local mission study.

_____ 6. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the District Annual Meeting.

_____ 7. Had at least one member (other than a conference or district officer) attend the Conference Annual Meeting.

_____ 8. Had at least two members who wrote to at least five people listed in the Prayer Calendar—at least once during the year.

_____ 9. Participated in the Campaign for Children.

_____ 10. Is a Five Star Unit, contributing to all five channels of Mission Giving.

_____ 11. Had at least one person complete one of the plans in the Reading Program.

_____ 12. Invited a district or conference officer, other than a member of the unit, to one unit meeting during the year.

Check if your unit, circle, or subgroup:

_____ 13. Included a Response Moment where an article from Response Magazine was lifted up as a way to tell the mission story in at least three meetings.

_____ 14. Had at least two programs from the Program Book.

_____ 15. Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice Policies in at least two ways.

Please Send Completed Form To Barbara Barber, Greenwood District Education/Interpretation Coordinator, 2381 Harmon Quarters Road, Prosperity, SC 29127. bbarber@newberry.k12.sc.us, Phone: (803) 924-4250

Due Immediately!
New Structuring of Greenwood District UMW Clusters

In an effort to better serve the UMW units within the Greenwood District, the number of Clusters of churches in the district have been downsized from 6 to 3 as indicated below. Each Cluster has a leader who serves as liaison between Church Units and the District mittee. This information is shared to know what your Cluster number is and also who your Cluster Leader is. Cluster Leaders are communicating with the churches to keep them informed of Green events. Cluster Leaders should for the churches in their cluster; good if UMW Unit Presidents Cluster Leader to be sure she has contact information.

Cluster 1
Leader: Wilma Doyle
(864) 227-8356
grewil7@embarqmail.com

Aldersgate
Bethel
Cambridge
Ebenezer
Harmony
Harris
Hodges
Lowell Street
Lupo
Main Street – Greenwood
Matthews
Mays
McCormick
Mt. Bethel – Greenwood
Mt. Carmel – Ninety Six
Panola
Rehoboth
Republican
St. Mark
St. Paul – Plum Branch
St. Paul – Ninety Six
Tranquil
Trinity – Greenwood
Troy
Ware Shoals

Cluster 2
Leader: Cassandra Daniels
(864) 543-4638
san.daniels@kyahoo.com

Broad Street
Capers Chapel – Pomaria
Central
Central/Sandy Springs – Laurens
Epting Memorial
Ephesus
First – Laurens
Hopewell – Sharon
Lewis Memorial
Mt. Carmel – Laurens
Mt. Pleasant – Pomaria
New Hope – Pomaria
O’Neal Street
Soule Chapel
Springdale
St. James
Trinity – Newberry
Trinity
Waterloo
Wightman
Zion – Prosperity

Cluster 3
Leader: Brenda Bruner
(803) 278-2293
brendabruner100@comcast.net

Bath
Belvedere
Bethany – Saluda
Capers Chapel – N. Augusta/Beech Island
Edgefield
Emory
Grace
Harmony – Johnston
Johnston
Langley
Leesville
McKendree
Monetta
Nazareth
Pentecost
St. John – Batesburg
St. John – Graniteville
St. Paul – Saluda
Trenton
Vaucluse
Warrenville
Zoar
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.