Marion District Officer’s Training Kick-Off for 2017!

Who— All are Invited!
What— Marion District Day Apart
When— Saturday, April 22, 2017 (See registration form inside)
Where— Belin Memorial UMC, Murrells Inlet

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Upcoming District Event
Greetings,

I hope all is well with you and your unit. Just a reminder of those things which need to be included in your overall program planning:
- Call to Prayer & Self-Denial
- Use of Prayer Calendar – write to mission personnel
- Use of the UMW Program Book
- Registration of membership – unit and individual (See info on the process)
- Participate in the Legacy Fund

Attend a District event
Read books off the UMW Reading List
Plan to attend Day Apart
Plan to attend Mission U this summer

If there’s anything I can do to help, please let me know. Enjoy the beautiful weather. Together we can do great things through mission and ministry of United Methodist Women.

Marion District UMW

The Committee on Nominations needs names of potential leaders to fill vacant positions on the Marion District Executive Board as required. Please encourage members within your units to submit names of those who are willing to serve.

We will have several open positions to be filled in the year 2019. Persons to fill those positions must be presented to the Executive Board by November 2018. Not to mention the possibility of an office vacated at any time due to some emergency. Therefore, it is not too early to add names to our talent bank. We may not contact you immediately for a position, but rest assured that eventually you would be contacted.

If no one has contacted you, and you wish to serve please print and complete one of the forms included in the newsletter and forward to Nominations Committee Chair:

Druscilla Leach
705 N 5th Ave
Dillon, SC 29536

Share your talent with us!!
Hello Fellow UMW,

It appears that Spring has sprung! I hope you’re enjoying this warm weather we’ve been having. It was good to see many of you at our Officer’s Training in Aynor. We hope you found the information helpful. Thanks again to Aynor UMC for hosting again this year. Kudos also to the ladies of Brown Swamp UMC for doing a fantastic job hosting our Mini Mission U! We had a wonderful time in your beautiful church. Our study leaders were awesome and the food was delicious!!

We have a few more cluster meetings to go and I’ve enjoyed myself thus far. As always, thank you for how you carry out Faith, Hope and Love in Action.

Our next big District event will be Day Apart in April at Belin UMC in Murrells Inlet. A registration form is included and I hope you’ll do your best to attend. The new Spiritual Growth Coordinator Marian David is already busy planning what I’m sure will be a fabulous event! Let’s show our support. There are other upcoming events in the Conference that I invite you to check out: Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lake Junaluska, Come Together Be Together in Florence, Tri-District Retreat in North Myrtle Beach. Information on Mission U in Spartanburg was not available for this issue but you may find information in the Conference newsletter, The Mission Echo. Have a great Easter and I hope to be seeing you soon!

Peace & Blessings,

Jane Crawford
843-632-0159 (cell) ; 843-774-4129 (home); crawfordjane56@yahoo.com

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I Have a Talent Tell me how to share it with United Methodist Women

Name _______________________________________________________

Phone________________________________________________________

E-Mail________________________________________________________

Church Name & Location________________________________________

Circle preferred contact: phone or email

Please return form to a member of the Committee on Nominations or mail to: Druscilla Leach

705 N 5th Ave
Dillon, SC 29536
Marion District United Methodist Women

A Day Apart Retreat
Saturday, 22 April 2017
Belin Memorial UMC
Murrells Inlet, SC

9:15 a.m.—— Registration, Refreshments, Resource Room
9:45 a.m.—— Gathering
10:00 a.m.—— Program
Lunch & Resource Room following the Program

Registration: $13.00 (Lunch included)
$5.00 (without lunch)

Name(s): __________________________________________________
________________________________________________
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Address________________________________________________
Phone_____________________ Email________________________
Church_________________________________________________

_____ persons @ $5.00 each (Lunch not included) Total___________
_____ persons @ $13.00 each (Lunch included) Total_____________

Mail Registration by 15 April 2017 to:
Beth Davis
342 8th Ave
Aynor, SC 29511
The SC UMW Social Action Committee chose **Education Equality** as our continued major theme for 2017 as it forms the base of all social justice issues. Additionally, we shall continue our **Racial Justice** focus, including a beginning study of disparate criminal justice and mass incarceration. **Poverty, Health Care, Human Trafficking** and **Climate Justice** also remain as major issues for United Methodist Women.

As a result of the SC Supreme Court long-awaited decision in the case of Abbeville v. South Carolina, the SC House of Representatives commissioned a Task Force. Access the full document at [www.scstatehouse.gov](http://www.scstatehouse.gov) to Committee Postings and Reports to (bottom of page) Special, Select Study or Other Committees to **Education Policy Review and Reform Task Force Final Report**. The Subcommittees prepared lengthy recommendations covering a wide range of issues, including Transportation and Facilities Infrastructure, Academic and Financial Accountability, Leadership Development, Educator Recruitment/Retention/Effectiveness/ and Professional Development, High Quality Learning Opportunities to Elementary/Middle/ and High Schools.

With the exception of increased funding for school buses, none of the other fourteen (14) bills presented in the House was passed by the end of the legislative session in June. However, the 2017 Legislature began with 59 pre-filed Bills pertaining to SC Education with 23 additional bills. Most remain in House and Senate Education Committees, however, four have progressed and need our UMW attention:

- **H 3220** to Establish the SC Education and Economic Development Coordinating Council and to provide for membership, duties, and functions (brief summary) – Passed the House, now in Senate Education Committee.
- **H3221** to require the SC SBOE to develop and adopt a statewide program for fiscal accountability for School Districts and methods of remedy.
- **H3427** to enact the “**SC Computer Science Education Initiative**” Favorably passed by the House Education Committee, debate postponed to 3-21-17
- **S.27** Provides for the appointment of the Superintendent of Schools, instead of election. Passed Senate Education Committee, on to Senate Judiciary 2-7-17

**EFFECTIVE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY:**

Locate your SC Legislator at [www.scstatehouse.gov](http://www.scstatehouse.gov) (may also send emails via site)

Identify yourself as UMW woman, citizen, mother, interested constituent!

Keep it simple, specific (Bill #), handwritten, personal, short! POST CARDS ARE GREAT!

Urgent Issue – Phone call or e-mail

Less Urgent – Post cards, never letters, never mass produced!

PUBLICLY PRAISE POSITIVE ACTION -

**QUALITY EDUCATION IS FOR ALL OUR CHILDREN.** ONLY with quality education can we effectively impact all of the other social inequities – poverty, unemployment, crime, & punishment.

TAKE UMW ACTION AND PRAY!!

*Linda Eichenbaum*

lve2551@sccoast.net
Charter for Racial Justice
DIAMOND UNITS - 2016

Historically, our Methodist heritage is one of advocating and seeking justice for all of its citizens. Our founding mothers have a proud history of highlighting social concern and taking direct social action. Recent history has re-emphasized our need to appreciate and address the racial and cultural attributes of our members, our communities, and our society.

The South Carolina Conference Charter for Racial Justice Committee has established the Diamond Unit criteria to engage United Methodist Women in significantly addressing racism and renewing their commitment to the Charter for Racial Justice. During the program year, qualifying Units have completed and documented at least three of the activities noted below, at least one of which must be a starred (*) activity.

Diamond Unit Requirements

*Provide each member with a copy of the Charter for Racial Justice.
*Watch a video relating to concerns addressed by the Charter for Racial Justice.
*Share articles from Response and New World Outlook relating to racism.
*Give a book report on a UMW Reading Program book that relates to minority group.

1) Have a program on racial justice or human rights from the UMW Program Book.
2) 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.
3) Send at least one UMW member (non-District or Conference officer) to the annual Legislative Day event.
4) Participate in post card writing to support legislation on behalf of women, children, and youth on social justice issues.
5) Have two or more members from your Unit participate in Church Women United activities.
6) Participate in a Bible study on racism. A helpful resource: UMW website.
7) Celebrate one or more of the following months: African-American Month (February), Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (May), Hispanic Heritage Month (September) or American Indian Heritage Month (November).
8) Plan a pulpit/pastor exchange with a pastor of another race.
9) Plan an event with a Unit of a different race/ethnic background. (A celebration, Vacation Bible School, worship service, Call to Prayer and Self Denial), and give a Unit report.
10) Participate in a UMW Social Action Mission Study.
11) Invite a minority person or group to speak about their country of origin.

Unit: _______________________________ Prepared by: _______________________________
Address: ____________________________

Mail/Email to Linda Eichenbaum, Social Action Chair -- 5905 Falcon Landing Circle, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582 ; (843) 902 2750 or LVE2551@sccoast.net

Submission Deadline: September 20th
Membership Nurture & Outreach Report

It is now time to submit your 2016 Census Report. The last day for submitting the reports is **March 30, 2017.** Last year Marion District did an excellent job of submitting reports and we had an increase in membership over the previous year (2014). We are continuing with the online Census Report. Procedures and web addresses are listed below.

These are the procedures for submitting the 2016 census report: (this data will go directly into the national office)

Step 1: Go online to this web address: [www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2016](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2016)

Step 2: Complete the form online. Make sure that you submit the form.

Step 3: Email or call me. (Let me know that you have completed the form: sadsawlife@yahoo.com or (843)479-7125) **Please provide me with a church name and membership count.**

This year 2016, MNO is introducing some new techniques, instructional videos and tools, to assist in accurately completing the 2016 Census form. The link for viewing the videos is listed below.

Membership is excited to introduce the, *myUMWmembership.log* which is designed to capture each member’s demographic information so that the national can customize your experience as a UMW member. The login for completing the individual member’s data is [www.myUMWmembership.log](http://www.myUMWmembership.log) . Once the membership log is completed, the UMW member will receive a *MEMBERSHIP CARD* for their files. All leadership charged with inputting the census data will be sent the membership log to account for each member on the census. Please assist senior members with completing the demographic information. The written instructions for the census and “*myUMW*” are attached as pdf files with the links listed below.

Opening: [https://youtu.be/ZAZncrnL6t4](https://youtu.be/ZAZncrnL6t4)
Census: [https://youtu.be/0ZRQ0I-7IMw](https://youtu.be/0ZRQ0I-7IMw)
Membership: [https://youtu.be/HyfhJ9CDp4g](https://youtu.be/HyfhJ9CDp4g)

I have attended Marion, Georgetown, & Grand Strand Cluster meetings to distribute forms to help you complete the Census Report and personal demographic information. Contact me if you need help.

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Come Together Be Together 2017 conference event will be held at Cumberland and Central UMCs in the Florence District. These two churches will set an example of an African American and Caucasian group of UMW working together to accomplish a goal. Our theme will be “Sisterhood of Community.” The conference will be held on May 20, 2017 starting at 9:00am. A registration form is included in this newsletter. Hope you can attend!

**Sarah Woods**

**Marion District MNO Chairperson**
South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women
Membership Nurture and Outreach
Come Together Be Together
Saturday May 20, 2017
“Fun for all Ages and Stages of United Methodist Women”
Cumberland United Methodist Churches
163 S. Coit Street, Florence, SC 29501

Event Theme: Sisterhood of Community

9:00 – 9:50 Registration
9:55 – 10:05 Centering with Music
10:05 – 11:00 Greeting/Music/Speaker
11:15 – 12:30 Workshops
12:40 – 2:00 Lunch/Sending Forth at Central UMC

Registration of $20.00 postmarked by May 5, 2017. Fee includes lunch and materials. Request for special dietary needs or child care must be received by May 5th.
Registration fee is $25.00 postmarked after May 5th. Final postmark deadline is May 15th.
Checks postmarked later than May 15th will be returned.

With regrets, no on-site registration will be available.
Come with your smiles, unique hats and blue accessories to enjoy beautiful Florence. Donations of certain items will be collected for the five mission projects, please see Mission Echo for specifics! If you bring items, Limitless will do the separating! Gift cards from Bi-Lo or Wal-Mart are also welcome.

Cut here and return bottom portion with check made payable to SCCUMW
Mail to Gladys Lemon: 304 Scotch Range Road, Summerville, SC 29483

Name________________________________________________________________________________________________
Address______________________________________________________________________________________________
Church________________________________________________ District:______________________________________
Home Phone: ______________________________________ Cell Phone: _____________________________________
Child Care: Number of Children________ Ages___________________________________
(Participants must bring a bag lunch for any child attending)

Please select first, second and third choice for your fun workshop!

Bible Study _____ Dirt, Plants, Orchids - Fun _____ Scarf Wrapping (head & neck) ____ Zumba ________
Health & Wellness_____ Ministering to the Grieving________ Witnessing as Faith Leaders ________
Planning for Retirement _____ Protestant Prayer Beads _____ Limitless Team (ages 14-30) ________

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How To Be In Mission In South Carolina

**Campbell Soup Labels.** Wallace Family Life and Bethlehem Center-Spartanburg both have been collecting soup labels. The part that needs to be saved is the "label for Education" section and UPC code from the label.

**Box Tops for Education.** You can find an elementary school close to you that might want these box tops. If not, the Conference E&I Coordinator will take them to a school near her.

**Pull tabs from soda cans, adult beverage cans and aluminum cans.** These will be taken to Ronald McDonald House in Greenville. Colored pull tabs are used to make bracelets that sell for $8, the price of a room for a family for one night. If a family cannot afford $8, they use the proceeds from bracelets to fund their room.

**Gift Cards.** All five mission projects can use gift cards. If you are giving a card for use at a particular grocery store or office supply store, make sure there is one close to that mission. Overall, Wal-Mart gift cards can be used by just about any of our projects.

**New Postage Stamps.** All five mission projects in our Conference can use new stamps for mailings that go out every year.

**Killingsworth.** If you have a Kroger near you, sign up for their community rewards program. Go online to [https://www.Kroger.com/communityrewards](https://www.Kroger.com/communityrewards) and fill out the form. The number for Killingsworth is 89702. You will be asked for this number as you sign up.

**Canceled Stamps for Marion Mission Storehouse.** By now we all know of the stamps that need to be trimmed leaving a 1/4 inch border around it and sent to this storehouse to be sold for profits used to send shoes, clothes, and medical supplies to Methodist Churches in Zambia and Republic of the Congo. This is an easy way to get everyone involved in mission.
Needs List for Five Missions

Killingsworth Home
- Toilet paper, paper towels
- Sugar, Non-Dairy coffee creamer
- 13 gallon tall kitchen trash bags
- Kleenex in regular rectangular boxes
- Laundry detergent-no pods or HE
- Pine Sol or Mr. Clean
- Large bath-sized towels, hand towels, and wash cloths in pale colors
- Heavy duty aluminum foil, plastic wrap, gallon and quart-sized freezer baggies
- Snack pack cereal

Rural Mission
- Paper products: plates, cups, toilet tissue, paper towels
- Ivory soap-liquid and original, Dawn dishwashing detergent
- Institutional pots, baking pans, coffee pot, mixing bowl
- Institutional utensils - spoons, forks, colander
- Bond paper, envelopes, postage stamps
- Janitorial supplies
- Lap top computer (2), printer and ink for printers

Columbia Bethlehem Community Center
- Toiletries for campers - toilet paper, hand soap, paper towels
- Chips, Cheez-its, Little Hugs, fruit drinks, crackers
- Gift cards for Office Depot and Wal-Mart to purchase supplies needed for camps

Wallace Family Life
- Circular rug for children's room
- Copy paper, butcher paper ,arts & craft kits/books
- Construction paper
- Shoe-box size storage bins and Tote-able sized bins
- Gift cards-Walmart, Bi-Lo, IGA

Bethlehem Center, Spartanburg
- Food for the food pantry
- Snacks for After School Program
- Sewing and Craft materials for Seniors

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Mission Today Action Form

Unit President ___________________________________________ Date________________

Unit Name & Location____________________________________ Number of members in unit____

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

___ 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 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 meeting during the year.

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.

Send form by September 20, 2017 to:

Barbara Manning, District E&I Coordinator
P. O. Box 106
Hamer, SC 29547-0106

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Marion District United Methodist Women
POTENTIAL LEADER’S INFORMATION FORM
TO BE COMPLETED BY POTENTIAL LEADER

Type or print (attach additional sheets as needed)  Date: ____________________

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Professional Skills, Job Experience

Office(s) held in United Methodist Women:
Office:                                      Date:
Local:  ____________________________________
        ____________________________________
District: ____________________________________
        ____________________________________
Conference: ________________________________
        ____________________________________
Jurisdiction: ______________________________
        ____________________________________

Additional experience on the local, district, conference or general church level (other than United Methodist Women) or in the community:
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Other talents or skills specify: _______________________________________________________

Which office(s) on the United Methodist Women's Leadership Team would you most like to hold if given the opportunity to serve?

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Why are you interested in the position(s) and what qualifications do you feel you have for the office(s) of choice? _______________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Would you be able to use your gifts and talents to uphold and strengthen United Methodist Women through the PURPOSE of the organization? __________

Is it possible for you to be away from your home or employment for:

- Full day ______ Yes or No
- Weekend ______ Yes or No
- Extended time ______ Yes or No

I am sorry but I am unable to accept an office ______

Please keep my name on file and contact me ______ year

Please give any other information you feel is pertinent: _______________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

Return a Copy to: Marion District Nominations Committee
Drucilla Leach
705 N 5th Ave
Dillon, SC 29536

or

Email: druzenileach@aol.com
2017 Spiritual Growth Retreat Registration Form
South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women
April 29-30, 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

- - - - - - - CUT HERE AND RETURN TOP PORTION TO REGISTRAR LISTED BELOW - - - - - - -

-Friday, April 28-
Registration: 1:00pm-4:00pm In the Bethea Welcome Center
Retreat registration after 4pm in Stuart Auditorium
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.

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TRI-DISTRICT SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT

BAY WATCH RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER
2701 South Ocean Boulevard
North Myrtle Beach
(5 minutes from Barefoot Landing Shopping Complex)

DATES: September 8-9-10, 2017
RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY AUGUST 1, 2017
NO REFUNDS

FEE INCLUDES:
OCEANFRONT ROOM FOR TWO NIGHTS (Friday and Saturday)
TWO FULL BREAKFAST BUFFETS (Saturday and Sunday) in the Hotel Restaurant “Blue Bistro”
ONE LUNCH BUFFET (Saturday);
ONE DINNER BUFFET (Saturday)

PACKAGE RATES

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(Note: Each oceanfront room has two double beds in the bedroom and a full size Murphy Bed that pulls down in the living room. The suite includes a full kitchen and the bath has a tub/shower combination)

Select your roommate(s) and send your package fee to:
Judy Lienemann, Marion District
1478 Sedgefield Drive, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576-8653
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The Legacy Fund

United Methodist Women is celebrating its 150th anniversary by strengthening and passing on its mission inheritance with the Legacy Fund. The forward-looking permanent endowment will provide a firm foundation for generations of United Methodist Women to come as they engage in mission with the women, children, and youth of their day.

The Legacy Fund’s income will ensure a regular source of support for the core expenses of being in mission. It will provide for administration of United Methodist Women's grants, scholarships, mission personnel, membership nurture, and leadership development, as well as enable the organization to make much-needed technological updates to its data and communications operating systems.

The total program of United Methodist Women is mission. United Methodist Women service, advocacy, and transformative learning opportunities equip members to be agents of change and to promote the empowerment of women that is essential when addressing the root causes of so many harmful conditions affecting women, children, and youth. The Legacy Fund will provide a stable source of support for core expenses of mission, and in doing so, it will free future generations of United Methodist Women to raise and budget their Mission Giving dollars in different ways that enable them to connect even more directly with women, children, and youth.

Every member of United Methodist Women is invited to contribute to the Legacy Fund. Any amount is welcome. Consider commemorating the year United Methodist Women foremothers first organized for mission with gifts in increments of 1869: $18.69, $186.90, $1,869, etc. Or you may want to honor United Methodist Women’s years of service with gifts in increments of 150: $15, $150, $1,500, etc. Members are also invited to name the Legacy Fund in their will or as a beneficiary of an insurance policy or pension.

Gifts to the Legacy Fund can be made in several ways:

- **Online:** unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund
- **By Phone:** 800-278-7771 (Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. [EST])
- **By Mobile Phone:** Text LEGACY150 to 41444
- **By Mail:** Make checks payable to United Methodist Women 475 Riverside Drive, Treasurer’s Office New York, NY 10115
  Write “The Legacy Fund” in memo section.

On March 23, 1869, eight women gathered at Tremont Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston, Massachusetts, to organize for mission focused on the needs of women and children. They started the Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society, a predecessor organization of United Methodist Women. The women raised money to send Clara Swain, a doctor, and Isabella Thoburn, a teacher, to India as missionaries to serve the nation’s women and girls.

Those visionary women left a legacy that has moved generations of women for almost 150 years to engage in mission focused on the needs of women and children. In the twenty-first century, women still need to organize for mission. Please make it happen with a gift to the Legacy Fund.
Frequently Asked Questions About
The Legacy Fund / 150th Anniversary Celebration:

What is the Legacy Fund?
- A key element of the 150th anniversary celebration in 2019.
- A designated fund (endowment) of the United Methodist Women National Office. (Only interest can be expended.)

What is the purpose of the Legacy Fund?
- To assure the continuation of ministries with women, children and youth, worldwide, into the next 150 years.
- To enable United Methodist Women to respond more adequately to new and emerging needs.
- To minimize the risk of severe budget fluctuation in years of recession, regional financial crisis, or change in giving by the membership.

How will the funds be used?
- The program of United Methodist Women is mission. Interest from the Legacy Fund will be added to Mission Giving funds to formulate the national budget of United Methodist Women. (Mission Giving is the largest source of that budget which includes grants to National Mission Institutions such as the Bethlehem Centers in Charlotte and Winston-Salem, international programs and projects, program resource production, training and more.)

Why should I give to the Legacy Fund?
- The Legacy Fund is OUR special anniversary gift to future United Methodist Women members and ministries.
  - To “pass on” the legacy we have inherited. “To stake out our legacy for future generations.” (January 2015 response, page 3). Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India, is an outgrowth of the work of the first missionary of our organization. The College motto is: “We Receive to Give.”
  - Because we believe in the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women and want our daughters, granddaughters, nieces and friends to share our sense of meaningful “sisterhood.”
  - To be part of the joyous celebration in 2019 culminating 150 years of ministry.

How does the money get to the National Office?
- Gifts are given to the local treasurer who sends the Legacy Fund money and commitment cards to the district treasurer following regular procedures. There is a line on the local treasurer remittance form for the Legacy Fund.

Does a Legacy Fund gift count for the individual or unit Pledge to Mission Giving?
- No. This is a special additional gift to celebrate the 150th anniversary. In fact, it is critical that we sustain and even increase our Pledge to Mission Giving during this five year campaign; the needs have never been greater.

How do we give? Annually? All at once? What about non-cash gifts?
- Each person can determine a schedule of giving; any schedule is appropriate.
- Non-cash gifts of stock, property, life insurance, etc., can be given through the United Methodist Women National Office. Contact the treasurer’s office at 212-870-3740.

How do I get a Legacy 150 pin?
- When you turn in a commitment card, you will receive a pin at your district annual meeting.

For more information visit:
United Methodist Women National Office - www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/150
OUR PURPOSE

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.

The next issue of The Tie will be June 1st. Please send all information by May 15th. Happy Easter! Lynn

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