MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

WALTERBORO DISTRICT EVENTS FOR 2018

Registration for ALL meetings begins at 9:30 a.m.

- January 27, Walterboro District Officers Training, Carteret St. UMC, Beaufort, 29902
- Feb. 24, Beaufort/Walterboro Cluster, Wesley Grove UMC, Cottageville, SC
- March 24, St.George/Hampton Cluster Meeting, Bellinger Chapel, Fairfax, SC
- April 14, Quiet Day, Fisher Chapel, Hardeville, SC

South Carolina Conference Events for 2018

- February 20, Legislative Day, Epworth Children’s Home, Columbia, SC
- April 27 & 28, Spiritual Growth Retreat, Lake Junaluska, NC
- June 23, Come Together/Be Together, Woodland, UMC Rock Hill, SC
- July 26-28, Mission U, Spartanburg Methodist College, Spartanburg, SC

Registration for Legislative Day is attached to email.
I pray God's blessing upon each of you and your family for a very Blessed Christmas and New Year. Once again, thank you for your continued support. The Walterboro United Methodist women are on the move.

I am excited to start 2018 with all the Walterboro unit Vice Presidents. Last year we talked about how it is the VP's job to plan programs (that adhere to the UMW mission), so this year we will look at the revised 2017-2020 UMW Handbook and our local by-laws. I hope to see a full room of Vice Presidents at Carteret St church on January 27th.
District Treasurer’s Report

Walterboro District began 2017 with a whirlwind of news. Your new treasurer had many questions as well as the other new officers. It is difficult to sort through all the changes taking place in the United Methodist Women as well as in our country. United Methodist Women are committed to keep close watch over the impending changes and live by our UMW Purpose and our Vision by “turning faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world”.

Our giving for 2017 did not increase nor did it increase for 2018!

A special THANK YOU to all the unit Treasurers who took their time to report the giving of their units. I hope I was able to answer all your questions. If I didn’t I am sorry but please feel free to continue to contact me with any questions. I am also willing to travel to your churches and speak at your meetings.

**Five Star Units: (monies reported from October-September)**

Requirements of becoming a 5 Star Unit:

⇒ Pledge to Mission: This includes Pledge to Mission and supplementary gifts on special occasions.

⇒ Special Mission Recognition: Order pins to recognize someone special in your unit or church. Minimum $40.00. Complete an order form.

⇒ Gift to Mission: Complete form to order cards (single ($5) or in packs of 10 ($50).)

⇒ Gift in Memory: Give a gift in memory of a member, a friend or anyone, in any amount of $5 or more. Gift in Memory cards are free.

⇒ World Thank Offering-Gifts of gratitude usually collected during a special service or program.

Congratulation to the 5 Star units for 2017! Let's see if we can add more units for 2018!

Please order cards through me by completing an order form. I will have cards at the District meetings.

Again, THANK YOU. Please feel free to contact me if you did not receive your 5 star certificate or with any questions.

Enjoy family and friends for the Holidays. See you at the next training.

Thelma Hudson, District Treasurer

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Treasurer

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We want to welcome Cindy as our new Secretary of Program Resources.
The new 2017-2020 UMW Handbooks will be available at Officer Training on January 27th. The price is $12.50. Each Unit is encouraged to have the Handbook available for your membership.

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It has been an honor serving you in 2017 and I appreciate all the pictures and articles you have sent me to share. I encourage you to do the same in 2018.

Please remember that our next newsletter will be published in March, 2018. In God’s Grace and Blessings, Walda Letson

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**Education, Interpretation Coordinator**

**Ansonia Pinckney**

**Don’t forget**—bring your used stamps and pull tabs to Officer Training on January 27 at Carteret UMC. The used stamps will be sent to Marion Mission Storehouse to help fund shipping costs to send cargo containers to the United Methodist Church of the Congo and Zambia. They send shoes, clothing, medical supplies, school supplies, and some water well-drilling equipment. The pull tabs go to Ronald McDonald Charities to support families of children in local hospitals.

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**Leandra Roberts**
SCCUMW 2017 Annual Meeting
Walterboro District United Methodist Women
2017 Annual Meeting, Bluffton United Methodist Church

2018 Walterboro District Officers
In our last issue, I shared about our project for Days for Girls. I want to thank Sharleen Bennett again for leading all of us in the completion of it. We sent 240 completed kits to the headquarters in Washington. We also sent 200 extra shields, which they were so excited to receive because they needed exactly that amount to other incomplete kits. God does work wonders all the time.

Below are some of the pictures of our wonderful women who helped make this happen!
Days for Girls (DfG)

Every Girl. Everywhere. Period

“When women rise, we all rise”

What started as an “ah-ha” moment in 2008 has grown into a global movement, because of the incredible support from DfG Chapters, Teams, and Partners.

OUR Bluffton United Methodist Women Have BECOME A PART OF THIS VISION

Vision: Every girl and woman with ready access to feminine hygiene by 2022.
Mission: Days for Girls is dedicated to creating a more free, dignified, and educated world, through providing lasting access to feminine hygiene solutions and health concerns.

Thus far, Days for Girls has reached over 640,000 women and girls in 100+ countries. We can reach them all, with your help.
The target is to reach 1 million women and girls by the end of 2017.

Days for Girl is committed to supporting a girl throughout her entire lifecycle, from providing her with a DfG Kit, to teaching her health education, to offering training for her when she grows older, so that she can produce DfG Kits and support hygiene needs in her community.

When you give a woman or girl a DfG Kit, you give back days of education, health, and opportunity that would otherwise be missed.

When you provide a woman with the tools to make DfG Kits and to educate others about the importance of Menstrual Hygiene management, that cycle moves forward.

You may notice that these Kits don't look like traditional pads...and there's a reason for that. The bright colors camouflage staining. The absorbent liners unfold to look like a washcloth, which allows women to wash and dry them outside in the sun without causing embarrassment. All of these design choices add up to a lasting, easy-to-care-for solution.

1 drawstring bag to hold all components
8 absorbent liners
2 waterproof shields
1 bar of soap
1 washcloth
2 pairs of panties
2 Ziploc plastic baggies
The Walterboro District United Methodist Women

Officer Training

January 27, 2018

AT: Carteret Street United Methodist Church
4098 Carteret Street
Beaufort, S.C. 29902

Registration is from 9:30 AM—9:55 AM
Gathering from 9:55 AM—10:00 AM

For registration in before Jan. 20 the fee is $3.00
Registration taken at the door will be $5.00

Name______________________________________________

Church______________________________________________

E-Mail or Phone#________________________________________

Please send this back as soon as possible or no later than Jan. 17, 2018

To: Thelma Hudson
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843-893-2039

Please include your check payable to:

United Methodist Women-Walterboro District
The **Walterboro** District United Methodist Women

**Beaufort/Walterboro Cluster Meeting**

**February 24, 2018**

**AT:** Wesley Grove United Methodist Church  
735 Wesley Grove Rd.  
Cottageville, SC 29435

Registration is from 9:30 AM—9:55 AM  
Gathering from 9:55 AM—10:00 AM  
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**St. George/Hampton Cluster Meeting**

**March 24, 2018**

**AT:** Bellinger Chapel United Methodist Church  
634 Old Orangeburg Rd.  
Fairfax, S.C. 29829

Registration is from 9:30 AM—9:55 AM  
Gathering from 9:55 AM—10:00 AM  
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United Methodist Women-Walterboro District
PURPOSE of UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

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.

Please remember that our next newsletter will be published in March 2018. If you would like to submit an article in the Angelic Times, please send it three weeks before the beginning of March. You may get any forms you need from the website or Mission Echo.

www.umcsc.org/umw

Conference forms will not be printed in every newsletter; only the forms we need for the Walterboro District functions. (If you cannot find a form you need, please contact me at walda831@gmail.com)

Web Sites

Women’s Division: http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umw
SC Conference: http://www.umcsc.org/umw
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