

CO-PRESIDENTS

Ladies, I hope everyone is enjoying these summer months. A lot has happened within the United Methodist Church and globally, and we are still standing and able to do God's work. Our faith and commitment keeps us going.

I will be stepping down as the Co-President along with Dawn Titus. It was a pleasure serving as Co-Vice-President and Co-President but circumstances have led me in another direction. I will now be working on the Spiritual Growth Committee. Looking forward to getting started in 2024. Please pray for me and all the officers as we embark on another year of advocating for women, youth and children. God truly blessed us.

Your sister in Christ Linda Moore - 810-986-0573 Linhen60@gmail.com

I wish to thank my Co-President, Linda Moore, for her Friendship and Godly Spirit. She has been a joy to work with these past few years as well as the whole East Winds UWF & Blue Water UMW District Teams. As I leave the EWD UWF Team this year, I ask that you all continue to study God's Indelible Word, to pursue His truth, trust His Holy Spirit to guide you as you pray and serve others in Love!

It's been a pleasure working with all of you to serve our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ who said: "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me" John 14:6. NLT

Blessings to you all in Christ's Love,

Dawn Titus - 810-414-5018 dtitus5018@gmal.com

SECRETARY

Prayer and Spiritual Growth Breakfast was held on April 29, 2023 was held on April 29,2023.

There were 68 ladies in attendance at the Christ United Methodist Church in Burton. The presentation was "A Tour of the Holy Land". The program was presented by our guest speaker Pastor Julia Cramer. We enjoyed fellowship and a description photo journey through the Holy Lands, we sang hymns and prayed together. The Christ United Methodist Women in Faith prepared a delicious breakfast and were wonderful hostesses

I hope you can join us at the next Prayer and Spiritual Growth Breakfast in 2024. More information regarding this will be in the January/February "The Breeze" issue.

Cyndy Rossman 586-757-5146 cynrosiam@gmail.com

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EAST WINDS DISTRICT TREASURER

By the time you receive this newsletter, we'll be wondering where our summer went, and beginning to look forward to our East Winds District UWF Annual Meeting. I'm so thankful for all the Unit Treasurers whom I have met, and those who have reached out to me to assure me that we have your information correct. And very thankful for all the Mission Giving so far this year!

Mission Giving throughout the United States is down about 8% compared to last year, partially due to the fact that we're slow in getting back to our Pre-COVID activities. PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE MISSION NEEDS WE SUPPORT HAVE NOT DECREASED. We have been called by God to do all that we do, whether we're United Methodist Women or United Women in Faith. The programs to keep us organized, educated and growing in faith continue, also.

Our pledges to mission are wonderful and vital, but **did you know that becoming a 5-Star Person takes a minimum of only \$60? That's just \$5.00 per month!** If just 2 women in each of our units would participate in 5-Star Giving, we could give over \$9,000 directly to Missions! Wow! If our Presidents and Treasurers would <u>challenge</u> our members to support 5-Star Giving, this goal could be easily surpassed. My prayer is that we would all get super-excited about Mission Giving. What an easy way to make a HUGE difference in the lives of Women, Children & Youth beyond our walls.

And please come to the East Winds District Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 14th to celebrate who we are in Jesus Christ, learn of upcoming changes in our District, and meet your Leadership Team. We're here for you!

Kathie Abke, Treasurer 251 Weitzel Drive Bad Axe, MI 48413 989-269-8388 (Cell) kabke@hotmail.com

2024 PLEDGE FORM January 1,2024 thru December 31, 2024

Unit Name
Church
Pledge Amount
Unit Treasurer
Address
PhoneEmail_ Please fill out form and mail toTreasurer by Nov. 30, 2023 Kathie Abke, 251 Weitzel Dr., Bad Axe MI 48413 989-269-8388 (cell) kabke@hotmail.com

SECRETARY OF PROGRAM RESOURCES

I hope you are enjoying your summer and reading some of the wonderful suggestions on our Reading Program lists. Remember, you can use the lists from 2017 to 2023. The Romeo UWF reading group has read some terrific books this year including "A Knock at Midnight", "The Four Winds", "Being Sheila", and "Ida B, the Queen: The Extraordinary Life and Legacy of Ida B. Wells". We are currently reading "A Brave Face: Two Cultures, Two Families, and the Iraqi Girl who Bound Them Together". This book is about a two-year-old girl who was severely burned in a bombing in Iraq and her journey to this country for medical treatment and the relationship she developed with the woman who helped her come to this country. I highly recommend all the books we have read but "A Brave Face" and "The Four Winds" have been my favorites. The thread throughout these books is the strong faith these women have in God and their belief that He has a plan for them and will always guide them on their journey.

A new Reading Program form designed by one of our members is included. You can use the new form or continue to use the original one, entirely up to you.

Becky Laseke 11425 Kilarney Washington, MI 48095 586-337-1361 melaseke@gmail.com

EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION

Greetings from Flushing!! I am happy to be a new representative on the UWF District! I will be serving as the Education and Interpretation person on the Leadership Team. This means that I am here to help you with fundraising, transformative education, understanding where your mission funds go to and with programs for your Circle meetings. I have many many ideas for programs that I could share with you for programs at your Circle meetings. These include book reviews and other topics of relevance. Call me or email me with your interest and I will get right back with you! I will be glad to hear about your unit and how I many help!

Sandy Kitts 810-625-2124 Sbkitts1@gmail.com

VICE PRESIDENT

I am happy to be able to bring to you the information regarding our forthcoming East Winds District Annual Meeting on October 13th at Port Huron United Methodist Church – 828 Lapeer Ave., Port Huron, MI 48060. The Guest speaker this year is Kourtney James, Senior Attorney from Immigration Law & Justice Michigan (formerly Justice for Our Neighbors Michigan).

Enclosed in this issue is the registration form and information regarding in-gathering items. Please feel free to make copies for your local unit and help us to promote this event.

It is so great to be able to be together once again, furthering the Mission of United Women in Faith.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Sandy Weaver, 248-321-5218 clwsrweav@aol.com

NOMINATIONS

The East Winds District Nominating Committee has been working hard to assemble a ballot of 2024 Officers for the 2023 District Annual meeting of United Women in Faith (October 14th). Nominations is always looking for willing women to take on a leadership role. No special talent needed just the desire to be a part of the United Women in Faith Leadership Team. Women in Faith Again, like The United Methodist Church, is a connectional system. The major links of United Women in Faith are:

- The local group
- The district organization
- The conference organization
- The jurisdiction organization
- The national office

All groups relate to one another in a variety of ways; each group is empowered to structure itself in ways that fulfill the PURPOSE, best use the gifts of its members and meet the needs of its community in the world. Every level of the organization is connected in mission with Global Ministries. Please see the Proposed Ballot in this edition of The Breeze, and prayerfully consider saying "Yes" to being a part of our leadership. You will be blessed and we will be blessed with you.

Mary L. Allen 4287 Cayuga Trail Flint, MI 48532 810-732-1021 Marylynn081376@aol.com

SOCIAL ACTION

In our country and the world at this time there is so much that needs action. As we watched the people of Maui try to escape an unbelievable fire that seems to have happened in a green tropical paradise we feel stunned. But like so many disasters we are hearing about the people of Maui need help. But the sad part is that opportunists are wanting their place to become a prime real-estate chance for them to cash in and change the face of this island forever. This was not just a vacation paradise but it also holds cultural history and spiritual meaning to the locals. So we can help them greatly by supporting UM COR they need so much and will continue to have this need for quite some time.

Also, we need to watch the new and be diligent in looking for conflicts over the land. We surely can find ways to support the people to whom this land belongs. Write letters and contact Senators and others in government offices.

Will get off my soap box now. In hope and faith.....

Judy Chasney 989-553-0076 <u>imchasney@gmail.com</u>

COMMUNICATIONS

As Kay has decided to join the Conference UWF team as Membership, Kathy Freeland has offered to take over the Breeze! We would ask as you decide your future as United Women in Faith that you let us know if your unit decides to continue receiving the newsletter. If you decide to continue, please fill out the Local Unit Officers page and send it in so we have your mailing information.

Kay Fuller 2813 Gratiot Ave Port Huron, MI 48060 Kathy Freeland PO Box 195 Mayville, MI 48744

East Winds District United Women in Faith 2023 Annual Meeting Celebrating Social Justice



Kourtney James, Senior Attorney with Immigration Law & Justice Michigan (formerly Justice for Our Neighbors Michigan) will be our guest speaker. United Women in Faith have been generous and faithful supporters of the organization since its inception in Michigan in 2004. Ms. James will provide a brief overview of immigration in the U.S. and will share an update on, and stories from, Immigration Law & Justice Michigan's work.

Saturday, October 14, 2023
9:30 a.m. Starting Time
Port Huron First UMC, 828 Lapeer Ave Port Huron, MI 48060
Registration & Lunch: \$14 Meeting Only: \$4
Deadline for Registration: October 1st, 2023

Ingathering Projects

Dress for Success-uniforms for Cass Community School Children or money can be mailed or delivered directly to them. All Cass Community Items or donations go to:

Cass Community Social Services 11745 Rosa Parks Boulevard Detroit, MI 48206
Phone (313)883-2277 Fax (313)826-1391
(underwear, black socks, black pants, white shirt, blouse or polo type shirt for boy or girl)

All sizes needed Note: Kohl's will ship direct

OR:

Collecting school supplies for the Port Huron Area Schools Crayons, Markers, Erasers, #2 Pencils, Glue Sticks, Kleenex, Hats & Gloves

East Winds District UWF Annual Meeting Registration Form Deadline is October 1, 2023 Name:_______ Telephone:_____ Address:_______ Email:______ City:______ State:_____ Zip_____

Each person participating needs to fill out the registration form. Registration for \$14 – Payable to East Winds District UWF. No refunds but substitutions may be made. Meal tickets will be picked up at registration.

Childcare will be available. Please provide sack lunch for your child. Milk will be provided.

PLEASE MAIL TH8IS FORM AND REGISTRATION FEE TO: Kathie Abke, 251 Weitzel Dr. Bad Axe, MI 48413 Phone – 989-269-8388

2024 East Winds District UWF Proposed Ballot

OFFICE	NAME & CHURCH	ADDRESS_	PHONE & E-MAIL
President	Cyndy Rossman	4273 Grant St.	586-757-5146
	Brown City UMC	Brown City, MI 48416	cynrosjam@gmail.com
Vice-President	Sandy Kitts	5047 N. Seymour St.	810-625-2124
	Flushing UMC	Flushing, MI 48433	sbkitts1@gmail.com
Secretary		<u>.</u>	
Treasurer	Kathie Abke	251 Weitzel Drive	989-269-8388
	Bad Axe First UMC	Bad Axe, MI 48413	<u>kabke@hotmail.com</u>
Spiritual	Linda Moore	327 Allendale Place	810-233-5070
Growth	Bethel UMC	Flint, MI 48503	linhen60@gmail.com
Education &			
Interpretation			
Social Action	Judy Chasney	129 Bartlett St.	989-553-0076
	Harbor Beach UMC	Harbor Beach, MI 48441	jmchasney@gmail.com
Membership	Mary Ann Grace	4344 Cayuga Trail	810-733-6221 C-810-394-2755
Nurture & Outreach	Calvary/Hope UMC	Flint, MI 48532	marydg@comcast.net
Program	Becky Laseke	11425 Kilarney	586-337-1361
Resources	Romeo UMC	Washington, MI 48095	melaseke@gmail.com
Nominations	Mary Allen	4287 Cayuga Trail	810-732-1021 C-810-516-0402
Chair	Bethel UMC	Flint, MI 48532	marylynn081376@aol.com
Nominations	Doris Huntoon	631 Perry Creek Rd	989-860-2045
_	United Methodist Ch.	Grand Blanc, MI 48439	huntoondoris@gmail.com
Nominations	Kay Fuller	2813 Gratiot Ave.	810-334-0581
Nominations	Bethel/Worth UMC	Port Huron, MI 48060	fullerk04@sbcglobal.net
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Nominations	Linda Schramm	244 South Elk St.	810-404-4698
	Sandusky UMC	Sandusky, MI 48471	<u>lars@greatlakes.net</u>
Conference	Michele Weston	5158 Sandalwood Circle	810-694-6268
	Asbury UMC	Grand Blanc, MI 48439	mweston38@att.net

2024 BUDGET FOR MI CONFERENCE EAST WINDS DISTRICT UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

	PLEDGE TO MISSION		\$26,500.00
	ADMINISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (A&MD)		
OFFICER	EXPENSES:		
100	Postage (Not Newsletter)	125.00	
101	Office Supplies	50.00	
102	Telephone	0.00	
103	Travel (Including visitation to local units)	600.00	
104	Meals	200.00	
105	Printing	50.00	
106	Bank Expenses	50.00	
107	Audit	125.00	
108	Dependent Care	50.00	
	TOTAL OFFICER EXPENSES	1250.00	\$1,250.00
CONFER	ENCE EVENT EXPENSES: (Those associated with events,		
	including travel, meals, dependent care, scholarships)		
200	Conference Annual Meeting	525.00	
201	Conference Social Action Event	150.00	
202	Mission u	1200.00	
203	Other Conference Events		
	TOTAL CONFERENCE EVENTS	1875.00	\$1,875.00
DISTRIC	FEVENT EXPENSES: (Those associated with events,		
	including travel, meals, supplies, printing, dependent		
	care, honoraria, scholarships for local women)		
300	District Annual Meeting (net)	1,000.00	
301	Local Unit Leadership Training	100.00	
302	District Retreat & Prayer Breakfast	200.00	
303	Shepherds/Visitation		
304	District Prayer Event (see 302)		
305	Other District Events	100.00	
	TOTAL DISTRICT EVENTS (Exp over Dep from events)	1400.00	\$1,400.00
OTHER E	EXPENSES		
400	Newsletter/Publicity (including printing & postage)	2,000.00	
401	Resources and Literature	300.00	
402	SMR,GTM,GIM,etc (to give out for tenure)	900.00	
403	Church Women United		
409	Miscellaneous	100.00	
		3300.00	\$3,300.00
	TOTAL A&MD EXPENSES		\$7,825.00



REPORT OF COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS **UWF Reading Program**

MISSION EMPHASES						Name _				
	Spiritual Growth			Social Action		Nurturing for Community		Leadership Development	Education for Mission	PLAN CHOSEN:
response Check off the issues you have rea	regularly. 20	CITY, STATE, ZIP	ADDRESS	PRINT NAME	CONFERENCE	DISTRICT	LOCAL UNIT	on this form.	reading for Plan	Current Year:

Michigan UWF Conference 5th Annual Celebration October omen 28, 2023 Faith



"Turn On - Tune In"

Holt UMC 2321 N Aurelius Road, Holt, MI Registration opens @ 8:30 am

Keynote speaker: **Bishop Bard**



Local Mission Guest - House of Promise

Engaged in community outreach and engagement to help survivors of human sex trafficing

Hotel rooms are available at: Causeway Bay, 6820 S. Cedar St., Lansing, MI 48911 Phone: 517-694-8123 Use Code: UWF-27

Ingathering to benefit House of Promise: Gift Cards from Walmart, Meijer, fast food restaurants, Amazon, gas stations.

Register online at by October 21st at: https://my-site-102740-102533.square.site/ or scan the QR Code

Conference Annual Registration Form Registration Deadline is October 21, 2023

Name
Address
Phone Email
Please Check one:
District Office held
Home Church and City
Please check events attending:
\$7.00 - Friday Officer Training/Leadership Development \$18.00 - Saturday Celebration
TOTAL DUE (Make checks payable to: Michigan Conference UWF)
Dietary Restrictions:
Child care needed? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Names and ages of children:
Lodging is on your own. Hotel rooms are available at: Causeway Bay, 6820 S. Cedar St., Lansing, MI 48911 (517) 694-8123 Use Code: UWF-27

Mail by October 21st with check payable to: Michigan Conference UWF to: Audrey Putman, 1931 Loraine Avenue, Lansing, MI 48910 putman_family@yahoo.com (517)-482-2023

2024 Mission Today Unit Objectives United Women in Faith - Michigan Conference

Please print clearl	y!					
Name of Unit		District				
Name		Telephone				
City		State	Zip			
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Email						
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	a Certificate of Achievement upon c presented at their District Annual Me		categories between <u>January 1 through</u>			
<u>December 31,</u> to be p	resentea at their District Annuat Me	cetting the <u>following</u> October. City	eck the numbers completed.			
 Units comp 	leting any 8 or more objectives will be	e a "FAITH" unit.				
 Units comp 	leting 9 or more objectives, with 8 ast	terisks (*) will be a "FAITH" "HOI	PE" unit.			
Units comp	leting <u>17</u> or more objectives, with 10 a	asterisks (*) will be a "FAITH" "H	OPE" "JOY" unit.			
-	leting <u>25</u> or more objectives, with 12 a	* *				
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Mission Giving						
1.	*Made and met its Pledge to M	lission.				
2.	*Became a 5-Star Unit by contributing to all 5 channels of undesignated giving.					
2. 3.	Donated to local women's shelt	ter or children's/youth program.	B			
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Spiritual Grow	-					
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7. Membership	Attended a District Retreat, Spi	iritual Day Apart, or Prayer Breakfa	ast/Bruncn.			
<u> Wiember smp</u>						
8.	*Added one new member from	women who have joined the churc	th in the current year.			
9.	*Added one new member not in	ncluded in above.				
Attendance						
10	Invited a District or Conference	e officer (other than a member of th	ne unit) to one meeting			
1		another United Methodist Women's	,			
12	_	ted or other ecumenical group activ				
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13		han conference or district officer) a				
	strict annual meeting/celebration.	contended of district officer) to	minute and conference of			
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1	15. *At least one member (oth	her than conference or district	t officer) attended the <i>District</i>			
Ele	ected					

Mission Education 33. *Unit or circle conducted at least one *Mission Study*. 34. *Two members completed a *Reading Program Plan* and reported on one of the books. 35. Participated in but did not complete the Reading Program. *Used two programs from the *Program Book*. 36. 37. *Used the *Prayer Calendar* regularly in the unit meetings. Communicated with five persons listed in the Prayer Calendar, one from Michigan Conference. 38. 39. *Unit had two members reading *response* each month. *Unit included a response Moment during its meeting using an article to tell our mission story. 40. 41. Unit had one *Social Action* program. **Mission Action** 42. *Participated in a District or Conference ingathering project. 43. Had a member of United Methodist Women present a mission program for youth or children in the church. 44. Had at least one member visit a United Methodist Mission Project and report to the unit. 45. *Had at least one person receive and respond to legislative information from the United Methodist Women's Action Network. 46. Unit or member participated in a workshop, seminar, or book study related to social concerns that stimulated and enriched the total community. *Unit participated in the Campaign for Children in at least two ways. Possibilities are: 47. Co-sponsored with the local church, a Children's Sabbath. 0 Involved with mentoring, tutoring or "big sisters" programs. Communicated with representatives advocating for children issues. Attended a school board meeting. 48. Made a pledge to care for God's creation and worked to become a "green" United Methodist Unit. 49. *Implemented the Charter for Racial Justice policies in at least one way during the year. Possibilities include: Read books and articles about another race or culture. Sponsor an inter-ethnic event between two or more units. Recruit women of color to be members or officers of the unit. O Correspond with elected representatives to support legislation affecting issues such as immigration, affirmative action, civil rights, and programs for low-income persons, etc. 33. Sent this completed form to your District Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation by deadline date: February 1, 2024. This year our Unit qualified as a Mission Today FAITH HOPE JOY LOVE unit. (Circle all that apply)

Send to your District Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation:

East Winds: Sandy Kitts, 5047 N Seymour Rd, Flushing MI 48433

810-625-2124 sbkitts1@gmail.com

2024 Local Elected (or) Nominated Officers East Winds District, United Women in Faith

Please Print in black or type

Name of Church	UMW Membership Count
Church Address	
City & Z8ip Code	
Please List all officers. Return to your District Preside unit and church.	ent no later than December 1, 2023. This information is needed for communication with your UWF
President	Telephone()
Address	E-mail
City & Zip	
Vice-President	Telephone ()
Address	E-Mail
City & Zip	
Secretary	Telephone ()
Address	E-Mail
City & Zip	
Treasurer	Telephone ()
Address	E-Mail
City & Zip	
Any other officer you may have list below	
Officer	Telephone ()
Address	E Mail
City & Zip	
If there are other leaders in your unit, please	e list on separate paper with same information as above.
	yndy Rossman, 4273 Grant St. Brown City, MI 48416, Phone – 586-757-5

2023 East Winds District UMW

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President	Lake Orion UMC	Oajkland MI 48441	clwsrweav@aol.com
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Spiritual	Sandy Kress	920 Division St.	810-824-9321
Growth	Port Huron First UMC	Port Huron, MI 48060	sandrakress44@gmail.com
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	Bethel/Worth UMC	Port Huron, MI 48060	fullerk04@sbcglobal.net
Nominations			

East Wind UMW Kay L Fuller

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CURRENT RESIDENT OR

2023 DATES TO REMEMBER

September 9, 2023 EWD Team Meeting, Port Huron First

October 14, 2023 District Annual Meeting, Port Huron First

October 27-28, 2023 Annual MI Conf UMW Celebration, Holt UMC

November 11, 2023 EWD Team Meeting

January 17, 2024 Newsletter articles due to President