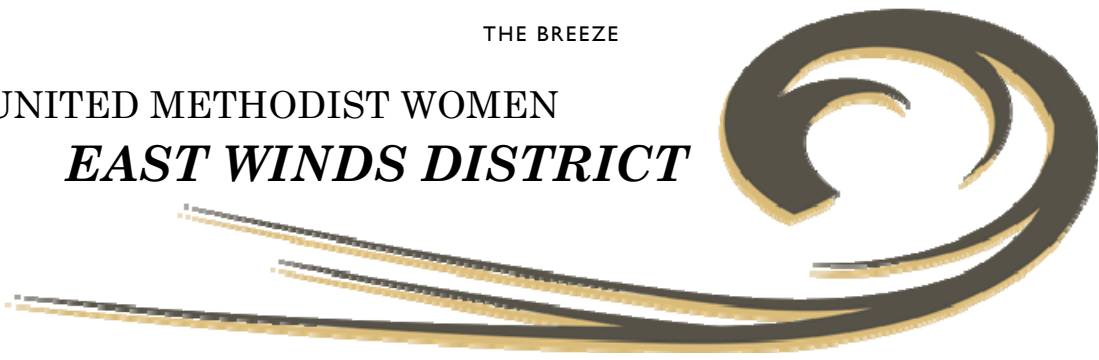


UNITED METHODIST WOMEN *EAST WINDS DISTRICT*



January 2019

Co-President**Lynn Geer (810) 327-6723 (248-425-7602)**

I am Lynn Geer, your new East Winds Co-President, serving with Alberta Gunsell. Our outgoing district presidents and the Michigan Conference United Methodist Women leadership team have been most generous with sharing and teaching. I have much to learn. I am looking forward to the January Michigan Conference team building retreat I will be attending in Dewitt.

I am a retired educator. Most of my years were at Croswell-Lexington Schools in southern Sanilac County. I attended Cros-Lex, taught there, and my now deceased husband and I raised our four children as they attended there. I was an administrator for 12 years until I retired 16 years ago. I have been attending and am an active member at Lexington United Methodist Church since my wedding in that church 56 years ago. Family, traveling, and reading are my passions.

I am looking forward to a new adventure with all of you in our new East Winds District.

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Co-President**Alberta Gunsell (810) 621-2374**

I am Alberta Gunsell, Co-President for East Winds United Methodist Women. I am coming from the Crossroads District where I have served as Secretary and Vice-President. Currently I am a member of the Duffield United Methodist Church and am the Financial Secretary for the church and Vice-President for our UMW. Duffield is a country church with an average of 35 to 45 people that attend Sunday Worship Service. Duffield is located between Swartz Creek and Durand.

I am very excited to be serving as the Co-President for East Winds. There have been and will be challenges to face as we take two districts and make them one, but we are on to a great start. The Leadership Team is a great mix of women from both districts. We have taken ideas from both groups and tried to incorporate them to provide events this next year that will be exciting and bring together a great group of women for fellowship, serving God, helping with missions and making new friends.

I am finding out that there are extremely large shoes to fill, even bigger than I imagined, that are being left by Kathy and Susie. I admire both of them for the excellent jobs that they both did. I am attending meetings and trying to learn what I can do to help the East Winds United Methodist Women grow in our faith. I am looking forward to seeing old acquaintances and making new friends on my journey this next year. God Bless every one of you and hope your Christmas was Merry.

~Alberta Gunsell

Co-Vice President

Dawn Titus (810) 414-5018

Blessings to all in this exciting 2019 New Year! The 150th year of United Methodist Women who are still upholding the great tradition of helping women, children & youth around the world! I feel honored to have served the old Blue Water District as Co-President this last year with our very capable 5th year President Kathy Freeland who will be moving on to the new Central Bay District. I've also served 4 years as Blue Water's Spiritual Growth Coordinator and am now privileged to work in our new East Winds District as your Co-Vice President with newcomer Linda Moore from the old Crossroads District who attends Bethel UMC. I'm looking forward to getting to know & work with Linda as well as all of the Crossroads ladies!

We are filling out our 2019 calendar with those churches that have volunteered their facilities and UMW groups which you'll find in the 2019 Event Calendar in this newsletter.

We will be looking to fill the 2020 calendar so Please contact either Linda or myself if you would be willing to allow us to have a District meeting at your church! They will vary in size from 15-18 ladies to 150-175.

Keep Warm & Many Blessings,
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Co-Vice President

Linda Moore (810) 233-5070

Hello East Winds United Methodist Women! I am looking forward to joining your District UMW Team as your Co-Vice President with Dawn Titus.

I have been a member of Bethel U.M. Church since 1975 and a member of the UMW since 2005. I've held various positions and I'm currently the Vice President for our unit. Becoming the District Co-Vice President with Dawn is an honor.

In addition to my UMW position at Flint, I'm also a member of the Worship committee, Stewardship committee and I sing in two choirs. I have three grown children and 3 wonderful grandchildren. In my spare time I enjoy reading, bowling, line and ballroom dancing. I especially enjoy spending time with my family. I also enjoy traveling. I've taken several trips in the U.S. and a three week visit in England.

I have been retired for two years and I now work part-time for the Maternal Infant Health Program and I have a booth at Collette's Vintage and Antique Mall.

As 2018 comes to a close let us not forget the blessings God has bestowed upon us and the many, many blessings bestowed upon others through our love, prayers and missionary work. 2019 is going to be amazing.

Peace and Blessings,
~Linda D. Moore

Co-Spiritual Growth**Cyndy Rossman (586) 757-5146**

Hello, East Winds District United Methodist Women! Let me introduce myself, I am Cyndy Rossman, from Brown City UMC. I am the Education and Interpretation officer in my local unit. I have enjoyed being a United Methodist Woman and learning new things through the use of the program book and Mission U studies. As a member of my local church I have served on Trustees, Outreach, Worship, Christian Education, and Delegate to Annual Conference. I have lead worship, taught children's Sunday school, helped with Vacation Bible School, and our American Heritage Girls troop MI7043. I am an Advanced Lay Servant. The last two years I have been speaking at Omard UMC, once a month, as part of their "Pulpit Supply Team".

I am looking forward to the Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lions Bear Camp, April 12 & 13, 2019. Our speaker is Rev. Sari Brown, pastor of Harbor Beach UMC and Port Hope UMC. The title is "Many Faces of God: Experiencing the Divine as Women." We will be discovering ways to understand and connect with God as women, and honor all our diverse expressions of the divine as sisters in Christ.

Please save the date. I hope to see you there.

Your sister in Christ ~ Cyndy Rossman

Co-Spiritual Growth**Marie S. Weaver (810) 516-8842**

Greetings Sisters in Christ,

A New Year brings new beginnings. I am honored to be a part of the new East Winds District of United Methodist Women mission team. My name is Marie Weaver and I have served on the former Crossroads District UMW mission team as SPR and Spiritual Growth. I am a member of the Halsey United Methodist Church in Grand Blanc where I am active in a variety of ministries. It will be an honor to work alongside Cynthia Rossman in Spiritual Growth for 2019. The Spiritual Growth Retreat is set for April 12 – 13 (see enclosed flyer). Plan to attend and get acquainted.

Blessings,

~Marie S. Weaver (810) 516-8842

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Program Resources**Linda Nixon (248) 693-1618**

Hi, my name is Linda Nixon and I am from the Lake Orion UMW. I have worked several years as our local PR chair but being the District PR, and a newly combined District, is altogether different. Please, stay with me while I get the information together and sort what you need out of it.

I will be contacting every UMW unit either by email, snail mail or phone. I am not a techie. I have a tablet that usually gets me email but I cannot print from it.

For now, get reading and encourage your unit to read. Do a lesson on two or three books from the list from 2014---2018, maybe an extra incentive for reading all five groups; ask the men's group or the teens to read. Make a handy display and have some fun with it, but Read, Read, Read.

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Treasurer

Doris Huntoon (989) 860-2045

A new United Methodist Michigan Conference! A new East Winds District! A new United Methodist Women District Team that includes much of the old Crossroads and Blue Water Districts! A new Treasurer for that new district in that new conference! That would be me! Many of you know me as the Blue Water District VP, but I would like to introduce myself to those of you who don't. I am Doris Huntoon from Marlette, a lifelong member of Marlette United Methodist Church. I am retired from a family business, Huntoon Lumber.

My main job now is volunteering! I absolutely love being a part of our District Team (both the old and the new). Like all of us, I help with many activities at church. I also have been on mission trips to Kenya, the Amazon, and Haiti. I volunteer at the hospital gift shop, the library, free volunteer medical clinics, reading with Kindergarteners, and any and every other way I can find to help people. But it is never all work and no play- I love to walk, ride bike, play tennis, swim, ski, read, go to concerts, plays, and more than anything travel! So you are likely to find me anywhere in this beautiful world that God has created.

And I always want to keep in mind our UMW purpose of being a community of women, of knowing God, of experiencing freedom in Christ, of being a creative and supportive fellowship, and of expanding mission locally and globally in the church. United Methodist Women is one of the largest, most active women's opportunities in the world to reach out and help others. Be bold- be a part of UMW!

Blessings,

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Outgoing Treasurer (Blue Water)

Bonnie Dunstan

It is with a sad and heavy heart that I leave Blue Water District as your treasurer. I've only been a part of the team for two years, but everyone has made me feel so welcome, and when I had problems one of the team members was always there to help. I've enjoyed going to Spiritual Growth Retreats, Mission u events as well as the district and conference UMW meetings. Doris Huntoon will be coming on as East Wind's new district treasurer. She's not new to the team but new as treasurer. I wish you well, Doris, as you will have a wonderful group of ladies to work with.

I hope all local treasurers remember that I cannot accept any money from you in December. You will need to wait until January 1st to send any monies to Doris and then checks will need to be made out to East Winds not Blue Water. If any funds come to me after November 30th I will have to return them to you as my books will be closed.

I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

~Bonnie Dunstan

Secretary

Kathie Abke (989) 269-8388

Hey, ladies! Welcome to the new East Winds District of United Methodist Women! Having been on the Leadership Team of the Blue Water District for the past 4 years, I couldn't imagine leaving this special part of United Methodist Women. I have learned so much more about who we are in serving God all over the world, and where the "creative, supportive fellowship" is alive and well. Being a District Officer is so very enlightening, so very nurturing, so very rewarding!

So, here I am serving as Secretary of the East Winds District, with some of the same women who served in different capacities in the Blue Water District, and some new faces joining our Leadership Team from the Crossroads District. These are exciting times, as we make new friends (but keep the old), and renew our commitment to work for the betterment of women, children and youth wherever God calls us.

My prayer for 2019 is that more women will get involved in United Methodist Women, be open to serving in their local units and learn all they can about what we have done for the past 150 years – and what amazing things we are doing going forward. God has exciting things for us to do, no matter how young or old we are!

I'm looking forward to helping in any way that I can so more women can experience the joy I've found in the fellowship of United Methodist Women. I'm excited! Get excited!

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Social Action

Myrt Kohn (810) 346-2027

This is both a "farewell" and a "starting something new" message. First, it has been a real honor to be a part of the Program Resources. It is very important to keep informed and encouraged about our mission to extend God's love to those who need it most. One very important way to do this is to read informative and inspirational books that help us understand the scope of this mission. I will always feel the need to continue educating myself about mission work. I encourage you to continue reading and if you haven't been reading, there is no better time to begin this quest for knowledge! As always, my message to you is to READ ON!!!

I am now beginning a new mission emphasis as I begin my tenure as Mission Coordinator of Social Action. My mission is to define and promote priority social issues. We should be focusing on these issues with prayer, study (Reading Program), and action. I will attempt to promote and interpret the Biblical basis for social action. There is much work to be done in this time of social unrest. I am asking that you pray and work with me as I am starting this new endeavor. If you have any comments and/or concerns I would like to hear from you. There is so much now in the news and on social media that it is important that we search the scriptures to find what God expects of us.

~Myrt Kohn

Membership Nurture and Outreach

Judy Chasney (989) 553-0076

As we prepare for the coming of the Christ Child it is also a season of anticipation for our new District. I am so grateful for the women who have worked countless hours to meld the Blue Water and Crossroads United Methodist women into one group. The future looks bright with all these great women working toward the common goal of mission, not only in our East Winds area but throughout the state, our country and the world. Together we can surely do so much more.

Since I am continuing my term on Membership, Nurture and Outreach I must say it has been such a blessing working with the gals in the Blue Water District. I know that the East Winds will offer much of the same support and spiritual growth. And on that note I am happy to say we have our Prayer Breakfast scheduled for April 27th at Port Huron First UMC in Port Huron. Our speaker will be Julie Cramer of Melvin UMC. Julie is a candidate for Local Pastor and will bless us with "Amazing Grace Through the Ages". I look forward to this event and meeting many new faces.

Blessings to all,

Judy Chasney
Harbor Beach UMC

Education and Interpretation

Judy Stambaugh (989) 658-8817

I want to thank the United Methodist Women of the East Winds District, for electing me to serve as the Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation in 2019. I encourage you to continue your mission to women, children and youth. As in the past, the ingathering project "Dress for Success" will continue to collect school uniforms for Cass Community school children. This consists of black pants, white tops, black socks and underwear for boys and girls in various sizes. Watch for sales on these items throughout the year and begin your shopping early.

Now is a good time to find the Mission Today Unit Objectives page in this newsletter and try to meet as many of the objectives as you can during the year. The Prayer Calendar makes a great way to journal your joys and concerns and features contact information for mission personnel you can remember with a card, e-mail and most importantly prayer.

Keep reading Response magazine to learn about your mission dollars at work. The United Methodist Women's Reading Program is another opportunity to learn more about how we can make a difference in the world. Challenge yourself to read from the reading list in 2019.

May God be with you as you complete your mission work.

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Nominations Chairperson

Sandy Weaver (248) 321-5218



I am excited to be serving as your Chairperson of the Nominations Committee for the next two years.

I have always been a member of an organized unit of United Methodist Women since joining the United Methodist Church several years ago. I have been a member of the Lake Orion UMC for 28 years and am a Charter Member of our local unit.

I have always been focused on local and global missions, most recently serving as the Executive Director of Love INC of North Oakland until a year ago. Love INC mobilizes the local churches

to be the Body of Christ in serving the needs of the community.

The church has always been my "family" as we have had to relocate throughout the 52 years of our marriage.

I have enjoyed attending many of the District Meetings and Retreats and have also attended four United Methodist Women's Assemblies.

It is during these gatherings that I have come to know many of you, but find I will definitely need your help as we fulfill the many new positions for our District, especially with the reorganization recently. Many of my friends are now serving in other Districts.

We are currently needing to fill the position of Co-Chair as Treasurer. If you know of someone who you feel may be a good prospect, please let me know and I will contact them.

This will be a challenging year for me as I become familiar with the job requirements. Therefore, I'm asking for your prayers!

As we begin this season of Advent, I pray that you and your family may find peace as we prepare for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas as well as the return of His second coming.

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Outgoing UMW/East Winds District Historian Report

Lynda Brooks

I have been hooked on the Hallmark Christmas series this year. The movies emphasize family and friends and of course, romance. As a district officer and historian, I always felt that the district women were my family also as I reflect on the women and missions we accomplished.

Now it's time for the East Winds district to keep track of the traditions left by the Port Huron and Blue Water district women's happenings. And time to add new ones and begin traditions of your own.

Hope to see everyone at your retreat and /or prayer breakfast.

With sincere love in Christ,

~ Lynda R. Brooks

Outgoing (Blue Water) Education & Interpretation**Rhonda Powers**

"Thank You" to all who gave so generously to the mission projects at the District Annual meeting last October in Lapeer. School uniform clothing items for Cass Community Social Services and personal care items to be used as Bingo prizes at Grand Rapids Community House were greatly appreciated. Local units' reports indicate that you are all doing a great job of supporting local missions also. They include women's shelters, pregnancy centers, hospitals and nursing homes, school supplies for local schools, winter coats/ hats and mittens, camp scholarships and prayer shawls. The loving and giving spirit of the Blue Water District United Methodist Women units never ceases to amaze me and is greatly appreciated by the recipients.

As another new year begins, it's a good time to celebrate your local unit's accomplishments from 2018 while setting new goals for 2019. Continue to use your Prayer Calendar, read *response* magazine, participate in the Reading Program and attend district and conference sponsored events. Find the "Mission Today Unit Objectives" page in this newsletter and try to meet as many of the objectives as you can throughout the year. Lastly, I would also challenge your members and your local unit to be 5 Star persons/units. A copy of the 5 Star form was included in the President's pack distributed at the district annual meeting. Make as many copies as needed. It's as simple as completing the form and writing a check! The mission dollars generated by the 5 Star program are used around the world to help women, children and youth.

I want to end by saying how much I have enjoyed serving on the Blue Water District UMW mission team. I have met some amazing women who will be forever friends. Not only is my term as E&I ending, but my church will be moving to the new Central Bay District, so I will also be leaving the East Winds District. I will miss seeing all of you, but I look forward to making new friends while I keep the old ones!

May God continue to bless your mission work!

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Outgoing (Blue Water) Social Action**Lynn Geer**

Blue Water District blends with Crossroads and this union gives additional punch for all of us United Methodist Women as we continue with our 2016-2020 issue priorities. Economic Inequality, Racial Justice, Climate Justice, and Maternal and Child Health cry out for our Social Action. Be sure your calendars are marked for Keep Making Peace Day in East Lansing on Saturday, April 6. This is my last Social Action article but I am not going away. Thank you for the opportunities.

~Lynn Geer

Conference Education and Interpretation Coordinator**Michele Weston**

Hello Everyone ~ I'm so happy to be serving the new Michigan Conference UMW, having just completed four years as the Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth for the Detroit Conference. I feel very blessed to serve the Michigan Conference as E&I and I trust we can help each other as we Grow in Learning and Understanding this role for all the Michigan Districts.

The first clarification I want to share with you is about reporting your Mission Objectives to your District E&I Coordinator each year. The updated form to be sent to your units is the same as the one prepared by the Detroit Conference E&I some years ago, and has been agreed we will use it for the new Michigan Conference beginning in 2019. Our 2018 E&I Coordinator, Nancy Cline, explains some clarifications for us as follows: "Basically the way things would work is that this year everything that a unit did from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 will count towards meeting their Mission Unit Objectives and they will receive that recognition at their **next** Annual Celebration in **October of 2019**. (This is a new procedure for the Detroit Annual Conference Units, but not for West Michigan Units). The same will apply to the Reading Program. All books read from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 will count towards the recognition they receive at their **next** Annual Celebration in October 2019.

It is understood that some things that were done in 2018 will be counted twice. That is because from January 1 of 2018 until August 31, 2018 or into September, some units received their recognition for the things they accomplished at this year's Annual Celebrations held this October (2018).

The reason for the change is to make all reporting based on the same time line -- the calendar year. This is the same thing we do for our election of officers. It just made sense to have all reports and awards be based on the same time line. Our Treasurers already do all their summaries and audits based on the calendar year." The new Michigan Conference has agreed with this updated and consistent reporting time frame.

I have updated the form for all the Districts to send to their Local Units. Before sending it out to the Units, the E&I District Coordinator needs to fill in their name and address for the forms to be returned to them, as well as the deadline date to return the completed forms. As they are for an entire twelve-month period, the calendar year of January through December, you need to fill in the deadline date sometime shortly after the end of the year.

This first year may be a little confusing for all of us with the new reporting guidelines, but we are here to learn and understand and grow our new UMW Michigan Conference.

Blessings to all of you for a wonderful 2019. I look forward to growing with all of you. Of course contact me if you need anything explained and we'll learn together! ~ Michele

**Purpose of****UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

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.

EAST WINDS DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

2019 Dates to Remember

Saturday April 6	Keep Making Peace Day East Lansing (9-4 PM)
Fri & Sat April 12- 13	Spiritual Growth Retreat Lion's Bear Lake (see flyer)
Saturday April 27	Prayer Breakfast Port Huron 1st UMC (see flyer)
Fri-Sun May 30- June 2	Michigan Annual Conference Traverse City UMC
Wed-Saturday July 10-13	Mission u of the West ~ Albion College
Saturday July 20	Mission u of the South ~ Southfield Hope UMC
Thursday August 15	Mission u of the East (One Day) ~ Lake Huron
Fri -Sat August 16-17	Mission u of the East (Two Day) ~ Lake Huron
Saturday October 12	District Annual Meeting Davison UMC
Mon-Tues October 21-22	Mission u of the North ~ Gaylord UMC
Friday-Sat. October 25-26	Michigan Conference UMW Leadership Training & Annual Conference Howell UMC



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United Methodist Women - Michigan Conference

Please print clearly!

Name of Unit _____ District _____
 _____ (_____) _____
 Name Telephone

 City State Zip
 Email _____

A unit will receive a Certificate of Achievement upon completion of one of the following categories between January 1 and December 31. Check the numbers completed.

- Units completing any 8 or more objectives will be a "FAITH" unit.
- Units completing 9 or more objectives, with 8 asterisks (*) will be a "FAITH" "HOPE" unit.
- Units completing 17 or more objectives, with 10 asterisks (*) will be a "FAITH" "HOPE" "JOY" unit.
- Units completing 25 or more objectives, with 12 asterisks (*) will be a "FAITH" "HOPE" "JOY" "LOVE" unit.

Mission Giving

- ____ 1. *Made and met its Pledge to Mission.
- ____ 2. *Became a 5-Star Unit by contributing to all 5 channels of undesignated giving.
- ____ 3. Donated to local women's shelter or children's/youth program.
- ____ 4. Offered scholarships to *Mission u* and/or other United Methodist Women activities.

Spiritual Growth

- ____ 5. Observed a Call to Prayer and Self Denial.
- ____ 6. Participated locally in a retreat, prayer vigil or Bible study.
- ____ 7. Attended a District Retreat, Spiritual Day Apart, or Prayer Breakfast/Brunch.

Membership

- ____ 8. *Added one new member from women who have joined the church in the current year.
- ____ 9. *Added one new member not included in above.

Attendance

- ____ 10. Invited a District or Conference officer (other than a member of the unit) to one meeting.
- ____ 11. Had a combined meeting with another United Methodist Women's unit.
- ____ 12. Attended Church Women United or other ecumenical group activity.
- ____ 13. *At least one member (other than conference or district officer) attended a conference *Mission u*.
- ____ 14. *At least two members (other than conference or district officer) attended the conference or district annual meeting/celebration.
- ____ 15. *At least one member (other than conference or district officer) attended the *District Elected Leadership Training*.

Mission Education

- ____ 16. *Unit or circle conducted at least one *Mission u Study*.
- ____ 17. *One member completed a *Reading Program Plan* and reported on one of the books.
- ____ 18. Participated in but did not complete the *Reading Program*.
- ____ 19. *Used two programs from the *Program Book*.
- ____ 20. *Used the *Prayer Calendar* regularly in the unit meetings.
- ____ 21. Communicated with five persons listed in the *Prayer Calendar*, one from Michigan Conference.
- ____ 22. *Unit had two members reading **response** each month.
- ____ 23. *Unit included a **response** *Moment* during its meeting using an article to tell our mission story.
- ____ 24. Unit had one *Social Action* program.

Mission Action

- ____ 25. *Participated in a District or Conference ingathering project.
- ____ 26. Had a member of United Methodist Women present a mission program for youth or children in the church.
- ____ 27. Had at least one member visit a United Methodist Mission Project and report to the unit.
- ____ 28. *Had at least one person receive and respond to legislative information from the United Methodist Women's Action Network. Call: (202) 488-5660,
E-mail: umwanet@gbgm-umc.org
- ____ 29. Unit or member participated in a workshop, seminar, or book study related to social concerns that stimulated and enriched the total community.
- ____ 30. *Unit participated in the *Campaign for Children* in at least two ways. Possibilities are:
- Co-sponsored with the local church, a Children's Sabbath.
 - Involved with mentoring, tutoring or "big sisters" programs.
 - Communicated with representatives advocating for children issues.
 - Attended a school board meeting.
- ____ 31. Made a pledge to care for God's creation and worked to become a "green" United Methodist Unit.
- ____ 32. *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.
 - 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: December 31, 2019.***

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:

Judy Stambaugh
5351 Bad Axe Rd
Ubly, MI 48475-9794

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East Winds District United Methodist Women
Spiritual Growth Retreat
April 12 & 13, 2019

"Many Faces of God: Experiencing the Divine as Women"

Discovering ways to understand and connect with God as women

Retreat Leader----Rev. Sari Brown



Location:
Lions Bear Lake Camp
3409 North Five Lakes Road
Lapeer, MI
Phone – 810-245-0726

Music by: Liz Rayba

Registration & Check-in: 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. on Friday
Dinner: Friday – 5:30 p.m. Opening Session: Begins at 6:40 p.m.
Saturday Morning Registration: 8:00-9:00 a.m.
Breakfast: 8:00 a.m. Opening Session begins at 8:45 a.m.
Dismissal – 2:00 p.m. on Saturday

Fees: Early Bird Discount – registration must be received by Monday, April 01, 2019

\$55 for whole retreat - \$45 for commuters - \$25 for Friday & \$30 for Saturday attendees. Includes meals, snacks, and Continental Breakfast. **All others received after April 01, 2019 – Add \$5.00 to cost!**

Bring: Comfortable clothes (loungewear, not dressy), Bible, notebook and pen, bedding (pillows, sleeping bag, etc.), towel, washcloth, soap and a flashlight....puzzles, knitting or other crafts or games are welcome.

Directions from I-69 and M-24: go north 4.5 miles, turn right onto Daley Rd. Go 3 miles, turn left onto Fish Lake Rd. Go 3.2 miles, turn right onto Kings Mill Rd. Go 1 mile, turn right onto Five Lakes Rd. (dirt road), go 1 mile. Camp is on the right.

Directions from north: Take M-24 south to Burnside Road. (Bryan's Market is on the corner) Turn left. Proceed to Fish Lake Road. Turn right. Proceed to Kings Mill Rd. Turn left. Go to Five Lakes Rd. (dirt road) and go 1 mile. Camp is on the right.

Mail Registrations to: Cyndy Rossman, 4273 Grant St., Brown City, MI 48416

Phone # 586-757-5146 or e-mail cynrosjam@gmail.com

Make checks payable to: East Winds District United Methodist Women

Local units – Please copy **individual registration forms** for your women!

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Name: _____ Overnight _____ Commuter _____

Address: _____ Saturday Only _____

_____ Roommate Request: _____

Phone: _____ Dietary Needs: _____

E-Mail _____ Accommodation Needs: _____

Local UMW Unit: _____

East Winds District United Methodist Women

1st Annual Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

Program and breakfast + picking a prayer partner



...Through the Ages

Speaker: Julia Cramer

Melvin UMC, Candidate for Local Pastor, will be looking at "Amazing Grace" through music over many decades. Come and enjoy a wonderful program.

Port Huron First United Methodist Church

828 Lapeer Ave., Port Huron, MI 48060

Please send reservations by April 22, 2019 to: Judy Chasney

129 Bartlett St., Harbor Beach, MI 48441, Phone # (989)553-0076

Church _____

Phone _____

Number Attending _____

Child Care Needed for _____ Children. Age(s) _____

Dietary Restrictions? (Gluten Free) _____

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United Methodist Women Membership Census 2018

Instructions and FAQ's:

United Methodist Women Conference unit presidents are urged to complete the 2018 annual census report by March 30, 2019.

A video to help complete the census is located at the beginning of the form and a PDF of instructions is available for download at the link below:

▶ http://umw.convio.net/site/DocServer/Instructions_for_Completing_the_2018_Census-word.pdf?docID=641

There is a link to the census as well on the main page at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org.

Frequently asked questions follow; if your question is not answered below, please don't hesitate to contact the Office of Membership.

Are we still using the Census Excel Spreadsheet to report the unit's number?

The census has been paperless for three years; we are using an online format to enter data.

Where is the 2018 census form located?

The census link is located on the main United Methodist Women webpage. The instructions and link are also found in the forwarded e-mail from your District Membership, Nurture and Outreach leader.

▶ www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/census2018

When is the census released?

The census is released every year and sent out to all Conference Leadership on October 1st and is due by March 30th of the following year.

Is there a simple step by step instruction sheet on how to report the unit membership numbers?

Yes, we have instructional videos and printable instructions located on the website

I am having a problem finding my Church on the census form?

If you have any difficulties finding your church information, please contact the Office of Membership at 212-870-3725.

How do my District Membership Coordinators figure out who has not responded before the deadline?

Conference Presidents will receive a preliminary report in early March that can be shared with the district membership coordinators.

We are having trouble accessing the membership information units entered online.

Please contact your district or conference leader after March 1st for a preliminary report.

Note: At this time, we are unable to accommodate the request for individual census updates; however, after the census is closed your conference and district leadership can assist you with your individual requests.

Is there a way that we can make corrections after the information is already entered? Or can we check to see if our unit's number is in the system?

Feel free to contact the Office of Membership:

Phone: 212-870-3725 or E-mail: mrodriguez@unitedmethodistwomen.org

After I entered the numbers in the census form, how do I know if you received the information?

A "thank you" message will appear on the screen as confirmation that your answers were successfully submitted to national office.

If you have further questions, please contact the Office of Membership:

Phone: 212-870-3725 or E-mail: mrodriguez@unitedmethodistwomen.org