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Adirondack District

United Methodist Women



Fall 2016 Newsletter



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.

Upcoming Events

**Adirondack District Gathering will
be October 22, 2016**

**UPPER NEW YORK CONFERENCE UMW
ANNUAL MEETING
FRIDAY & SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 &
17**

**Central Endicott UMC
visit www.uppernyumw.org for details**

President's Message

WOW!! What a fantastic retreat we had at Ogdon Lodge at Skye Farm. If you missed the retreat, please make plans to attend the ***Fall Gathering in Plattsburgh on October 22***. I look forward to seeing each of you and hope to help you with your passion in life. The United Methodist Women strive to help children, youth and women in their lives to become all they can. We here in the Adirondack District have a goal of accomplishing just that. We look forward to all the input that you can give us to help you. My passion with the UMW is to protect those we endeavor to serve. Come and join me at Plattsburgh.

Jamiee Ross, President

From Carole Finke regarding our need for women to join us:

Nominations - what does that mean? It means you are willing to accept a position on the District UMW committee. It means that in order for something to be done we need a group of people who are willing and available to help with the continuing work of the Adirondack UMW. It does not mean that you have meetings every week or month.....NO it means that you agree to meet as a group probably 4 or 5 times a year to help with the planning, implementing and providing programming for your Sisters in Christ. If you are willing to take a risk and join a wonderful group of women please consider contact any of the officers listed in this newsletter and learn more about what positions are available. Also please feel free to talk with the committee at the Fall Gathering. Hope to see you there.

From Jane Collins, Adirondack District UMW Treasurer

**ADIRONDACK DISTRICT UMW
2017 Mission Pledge**

Name of your Unit _____

Treasurer Name _____

Address _____

Pledge Amount for 2017 _

Your unit will receive your pledge card in the mail. To learn more about where this money is used, come to the gathering in Plattsburgh.

The “Joy” of Friendships

Oil and perfume make the heart glad,
and the sweetness of a friend comes from his earnest counsel.

Proverbs 27:9 English Standard Version (ESV)

I have been a follower of the Women of Faith Tours from “Extravagant Grace to Loved.” About once a week, a segment from one of the women pops up in my newsfeed on Facebook. This week it was Luci Swindoll recounting a time when she was locked out of her house and she and Marilyn Meberg had to rely on another friend to help them. Luci used this quote from scripture to bring home her point and it was the catalyst I needed for this note to all of you.

I am no longer a person who uses perfume, but when I was young my favorite was “Joy.” Now I find the scent of fresh coffee, fresh mint, lilacs, balsam, and pine, to name a few scents that warm my heart. Aromas that we like give a calming effect and detract from those moments when we feel we have just one too many things on our list of things to do.

I am fortunate and blessed to have a few close friends who I can count on for those times when I just need to talk to someone. Whether it is a time to retell a hilarious experience I have had or to ask for help in making decisions, I can turn to these people and know that it will be an opportunity to talk things through if needed, or it can be a time to share something that brings laughter to the point of tears.

Regardless of the topic of conversation, I know that God has placed these people in my life for a reason. Just as God has given us the sweet aromas for us to enjoy, he has provided us with friends who enhance our days, simply by being someone we can share our lives with. True gifts, give thanks.

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Communications and Spiritual Growth

Do You Want to be a Star?

Fun, Food and Fellowship

Event: ADIRONDACK DISTRICT UMW FALL GATHERING
Date: Saturday, October 22, 2016
Place: Plattsburgh United Methodist Church
Time: 9:15 am REGISTRATION & FELLOWSHIP
10:00am PROGRAM BEGINS

Directions

Coming from the **North** or **South** - Exit 38S, merging onto Route 22S. Proceed less than a mile and at the light turn right onto Boynton Avenue. Proceed less than 12 mile and at the top of a small hill at the light, turn left onto Beekman Street. The church will on the right.

Coming from the **West** (or South) - Route 3 past I87 (exit 37) This will be Cornelia St. Go through several lights (about 1mile). At a large intersection with a light, a slight left staying on Cornelia St., down a slight hill through first light. At the second light turn left onto Beekman St. The church will be on your left.

Registration Fee \$1.00

Lunch Fee \$5.00

Registration due by October 15, 2016

Please remit registration fee when you send in form. Fee is not refundable.

Mail to: Gina Gratton
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REGISTRATION FORM FOR UMW FALL GATHERING – OCTOBER 22, 2016

Name of Church Unit: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Form Prepared By: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Number Attending: _____ Persons at \$6.00(Registration and Lunch) - \$_____

Please Make Checks Payable to **United Methodist Women**

Child Care Needed? Number of children: _____ Ages of Children: _____

Please bring necessary items for your child(ren).

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Our fall get together is only one of many exciting opportunities being offered for women in the Adirondacks and around the conference this year.

What is Mission U?

Mission U (formerly known as School of Christian Mission) was created by Methodist women in the early-20th century in order to educate women and inspire them to a sense of mission at home and around the world. The United Methodist Women remain dedicated to the planning and promotion of this program.

The schools were formed by and for women but over the years the demographic has changed as men, children and youth take advantage of this rich opportunity.

In our Upper New York Conference, Mission u is a “cooperative school”, sponsored by both Conference United Methodist Women and the churches of our Upper New York Conference. We welcome women & men and, in the case of the Cazenovia venue, children and youth.

We offer opportunities for study and fellowship in three different venues, each held on a different weekend in the summer. Each venue has its own special flavor.

At Mission U, we grow in understanding of the mission of the church in the current world context as we “learn together for the transformation of the world”. The three studies offered each year cover three aspects: spiritual growth, geographical and social issues.

Please watch for announcements in the spring for the summer 2017 program.

2017 Reading Program

Did you know?

1. Some titles are only available electronically? These titles can be read on any device. These titles are not available in print form, but they are not in the reading program inventory.
2. The United Methodist Women have an Amazon Store. www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/astore.
3. You can read any book you choose, that fits into one of the program categories and receive credit. Simply send a summary of your book in with your program report to the District Program resource person. Our person is Sylvia Dufford.
4. You don't need the “official form” just a written list will suffice. Submit this to your local unit.

Other Helpful Information

Visit the UNAC UMW website here: <http://uppernyumw.org> Almost everything you need to know for your unit can be found here.

Contact Florence Braunius at fbraunius@gmail.com for more information on the Adirondack District events or phone 518 548 3796. If emailing, please include a note in the subject line or I may not open your message.

