

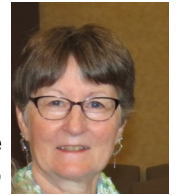


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Greetings Easter People,

It is hard to believe that Assembly is actually here. It seems like we have been planning forever! We finished with 69 people registered, that's 93% of our goal. Thanks to everyone who is attending.

Annual Conference is May 31-June 2 at Hershey Lodge. Each district should have a representative at Annual Conference. If any UMW are attending, please wear your Susquehanna scarf on Friday. If you don't have a scarf, please wear lime green or turquoise blue. It is always great to see how many UMW are at Annual Conference.

Annual Day is October 20 at Hicks Memorial UMC in Duncansville, in the Altoona district. The theme is Justice for Creation.

Thank you for your prayers and support as we go forward serving women, children, and youth world-wide.

In the Peace of Christ,
F.R.O.G
Cathy



On April 18 Phyllis Terwilliger spoke at Moms Clean Air Task Force Press Conference at the State Capitol in Harrisburg, PA. The day consisted of lobbying and holding legislators and the oil and gas industry accountable for protecting children, families and communities from pollution.

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SAVE THE DATE! – OCTOBER 20

We are excited that Hicks Memorial United Methodist Women have accepted the invitation to host this year's Conference Annual Day on **OCTOBER 20**.

Our program will challenge us to be active justice seekers and doers for **CREATION**.

Registration forms are included in this newsletter.

Send completed forms to: Gretchen Mackey, 240 C Menno Village, Chambersburg, PA 17201 by OCTOBER 6.



Gretchen Mackey, Vice President

TREASURER'S REPORT January—April 2018**Money sent to National as of April 30, 2018**

Pledge	20,715.36
Special Mission Recognition	505.00
Gift to Mission	67.50
Gift in Memory	645.00
World Thank Offering	1,326.71
Call to Prayer	4,162.69
Neighborhood Center	357.80
Red Bird	1,100.00
Mc Curdy	100.00

**Money sent to United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) as of April 30, 2018**

UMCOR 2,625.00

Money sent to United Methodist Children's Home (UMCH) as of April 30, 2018

UMCH 50.00

I hope you are all saving your pennies for the Legacy Fund again this year. Bring them, a check, or paper money to Annual Day in October. If you are not attending Annual Day, send me your check by October 10th so I can add it to the total for that day.

I want to encourage all units to send money to your District Treasurer throughout the year. Please don't wait until the end of the year. Think of it this way – you don't save all your bills to the end of the year to pay. UMW National needs to pay out to the many Mission units we support throughout the year. So if it's possible, consider sending in money quarterly or at least half way through the year. Thank you for all you do to support the UMW and it's many Mission units.

Hope to see many of you at Assembly!

Donna Speelman, Treasurer

Mission u registration/information form is attached. Please note Business Manager's address in this attachment is correct. Unfortunately the form that went out in a bulk mailing had an incomplete address. If you received this mailing, replace the house number "500" with the correct number which is "5009", It should read 5009 Chestnut Grove Road, Spring Grove, PA 17362.

Message from the Committee on Nominations

Your committee on nominations is actively looking for talented women to serve on the Conference team for 2019. We are currently looking for a Communications Coordinator and Registrar. We are looking for people who may be interested in the Treasurer or Vice President positions in the future. Please contact me, if you are interested in serving or know someone who would be an excellent candidate.

Sue Reisinger, Chair Committee on Nominations 1-570-743-1809 or cell 1-570-490-4439 suereis@ptd.net

You can also contact any of the committee members for information on these positions.

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LEGACY FUND UPDATE

We are well into year 4 of the Legacy Fund Campaign. This has been a time to reflect on the legacies of women who have advocated for women, children and youth these nearly 150 years. We've our own stories to tell and our own legacies to leave. Have you thought about yours?

To ensure that we are around doing this good work for another 150 years the national goal is to raise \$60,000,000 to endow the organization. To date we have raised \$20,197,087, or 33% of the goal. So we still have much work to do!

To bring it a little closer home, there are 10 conferences in our jurisdiction. We are #7 in our giving--\$19,192. We can do better! We can move up to at least #6!

--One way to do this is to continue to wrap pennies 😊 Just a small offering that can add up nicely when put together in that wheel borrow at this year's conference annual day.

--At the Friday evening session at the Assembly there will be a Community Gathering Offering that will benefit the Legacy Fund. Even if you are not attending Assembly this time around you can still send money to be included in this offering.

--Be creative! Come up with a fundraising idea. Just one bake sale, or one car wash by your youth, or one fundraising dinner at Texas Roadhouse can bring in \$\$\$. Why not bring some of your ideas to Mission u and we'll have a display board for you to post those ideas to share with others.

We are strong women, so let's get busy and move up to #6!

Judy Kennedy, Chair
Legacy Fund



National Day of Giving 2018 was a great success! We did it together!
We are pleased to announce United Methodist Women members, friends and partners raised \$270, 643.54 for the Legacy Fund.

Thank you! Together, we are building our legacy 😊

Understanding the School-to-Prison Pipeline

If you were able to attend last year's Conference Annual Day, you may remember the panel discussion (the theme was "Hope after Incarceration"). One issue the panel addressed was the School-to-Prison Pipeline. If you would like to know more about this important issue which affects children and youth, the United Methodist Women website has an excellent overview of the situation which would be helpful. You may want to print it out and share with women in your local organization.



Go to www.unitedmethodistwomen.org. Towards the bottom of the page, under the word "Advocacy" click on "Racial Justice." There you will find "One Page Introduction to the School-to-Prison Pipeline," a term describing how children and youth of color are rerouted by systems and institutions and funneled away from educational success towards the criminal justice system.

Be aware – be in prayer – show your care. Be *Faith, Hope, Love – In Action*.

Karen Barraco, Appointee
"Mass Incarceration and Criminalization of People of Color"

SUSQUEHANNA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN ANNUAL DAY OCTOBER 20, 2018

**Hicks Memorial UMC
1211 3rd Avenue, Duncansville, PA 16635**

JUSTICE FOR CREATION

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

- 8:45 AM – Registration
- 9:30 AM – Gathering Music
- 9:45 AM - Welcome
- 10:00 AM – Devotions/Offering
- 10:15 AM – Recognitions
- 10:45 AM – Break
- 11:00 AM – JUSTICE FOR CREATION
- 12:30 – Lunch
- 1:15 PM – Gathering Music
- 1:30 PM – Business Meeting

