



GOOD NEWS!

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Meeting Tuesday September 7th
Wesley Hall 9:30 AM



Courtesy Texas Conference

The United Methodist Women are excited to announce that their first General Meeting program for the 2010-11 year will be our own Rev. Cynthia Fierro Harvey, who will tell us all about her new position as Deputy General Secretary of UMCOR in New York City. All are invited to come

and hear Cynthia!

You might want to check out Cynthia's blog at <http://new.gbqm-umc.org/umcor/> to read some of her inspiring words!

Hostesses are the Common Thread Circle.



President's Corner

Welcome back to another exciting year for UMW at MDUMC!!

Your Executive Board has been working hard all summer making plans for this year - especially the Hearts & Hands people - and, from what we heard at the last meeting, it is sure to be another huge success. The General Meeting programs are all set for the year, and I hope you will watch for the announcements each month because we have more special treats in store for you.

It is an honor to serve as President for this organization! Our first Board meeting was like a beehive with excitement - with greetings and sharing our enthusiasm for doing the wonderful things we are able to do to benefit women and children all over the world. Each person is a

joy to work with and together we are a great Unit.

I thank God for each of you!

Karen

Women's Dinner

17th Annual Women's Dinner
Wonderfully Made
Monday, September 27th at The Well
featuring Kirsten Hart



Come join the fun, laughter, tablescape viewing and good food!
Tickets go on sale, Sunday, September 5th



Thank You From Children's Ministries

Dear UMW,

I wanted to offer thanks to all the ladies from UMW who, in some way, helped make this year's VBS such a success. I heard many times that "this was the BEST VBS ever!!"

Thank you to all the ladies who graciously gave of their time and talents to this year's effort. Your presence was noticed and appreciated, and was a blessing to the VBS team who couldn't have done everything without you! UMW ladies could be found leading or assisting in preschool classrooms, leading or assisting with elementary groups, helping with mission projects, serving thousands of popsicles over four days, serving in our "lawn chair brigade" as security, baking for and/or helping coordinate the serving of snacks and drinks to over 150 people who frequented our volunteer snack room each day, selling tickets to Family Fun Night, preparing crafts for the children to finish and lending a helping hand anywhere there was a need. What a wonderful show of support for our Children's Ministries area!

Thank you ladies!

With appreciation,

Betsy Snapp



Hearts and Hands

Volunteers:

At our General Meeting on September 7, please take the opportunity to sign up to work at Hearts and Hands and have first choice of time and area that you would like to help. You may also volunteer by contacting Louise Kiel.

Bake Shoppe and Pantry:

If you would like to help stock the pantry, but do not feel able to do any preserving, we are looking for people who are willing to

help underwrite some of the expenses involved in preparing the jellies, jams, preserves, pickles, etc. There will be a sign up sheet at the General Meeting.

Also, if you have any excess fruit and vegetables, we will happily put them to good use. Contact Shirley Morgan or Lori Hinnenkamp if you have contributions.

Otherwise, look through your recipes and think about what you can bake or preserve for H&H "Bake Shoppe". We need all the goodies we can get since we sell out every year! We need lots more Pantry Items this year (jalapeno jelly was requested a lot) , and as always cakes and pies sell out first. We also need lots of candies, cookies, cupcakes, nut and fruit bars, cheese straws, fudge, etc. and have them in adorable decorated containers, they go even quicker!

Thank you in advance for all your help.
Shirley and Lori

Silent Auction:

The Silent Auction committee has been going strong! Each year it's fun to see what has been donated for auction. We always love to receive art work, jewelry, restaurant vouchers, and theater or sports tickets. Hand crafted pieces always sell well, and dinners, teas, or special gatherings are especially popular. This year we also plan to put together some unique themed gift baskets. So be thinking about what special items, interests or skills YOU may have to offer. Do you have a vacation home you could offer for a weekend stay? Or have you brought back special mementos from an overseas vacation? All ideas are welcome! If you have questions or would like to make a donation, please contact Trish Brice, Jane Erskine or Mary Allen Yelverton. Thanks for your always generous support!

Publicity:

With Hearts and Hands just around the corner, you may like to help us let everyone know they are welcome at the market. If you would like to put a sign in your yard, we will be handing them out at the October General Meeting to be used starting October 18, one week before Hearts and Hands. If you live on a cul-de-sac this may not be the most visible place in your subdivision and we are not intending to place them on public property as we will save them to use from year to year. There will be a sign up sheet at the September General Meeting and you may also call or e-mail Linda Morgan to say you would like to display a sign.

Bumper stickers have also been purchased. We have tested them and they peel off very easily without any residue so we hope you will place them on your cars so they will be seen in and around Houston.

Also, contact Linda if you would like to order a polo shirt with the Hearts and Hands logo embroidered on it. They cost \$20.

Preview Party:

Monday, October 25, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.,

Hor d'oeuvres will be served 6:30 - 7:30 pm.

Tickets are \$10.00 and are on sale every Sunday in October between services as well as the Information Desk, starting Sept. 15.

There will be limited tickets sold at the door the night of the Preview Party.

Get a jump on your holiday shopping-First peek at the merchandise.

Proceeds benefit UMW Outreach programs.

Santa Maria

Santa Maria Hostel provides women with substance abuse problems a safe place to stay and recover in a facility with their children.



Over the past year MDUMW has been helping Santa Maria Hostel and **on the evening of Tuesday, September 7, we have the opportunity to give them assistance in preparing for their fund raiser.** Santa Maria along with other organizations is having a "Run for Recovery" 5K race and walk event on Saturday, September 12.

On the Tuesday before the event we will be stuffing the packets for those participating in the race. **If you would like to join other UMW members in this activity, please call Mary Sue Yeager.**

2010 Hands-On Project

This year's hands-on-project is birthing kits. They are a little tricky to assemble, but if you would like to do so, here is the list of items that need to be in each kit. If you would prefer, you can make a donation of \$8 to "buy" a birthing kit. Make your check out to MDUMW and we will write one check for UMCOR. **All kits and money collected will be turned in at the Fall Festival at the end of this month so please turn them in by September 24th.**

Birthing Kit Assembly

Birthing kits provide the essential items to promote a safe, clean delivery and to encourage good aftercare.

Birthing Kit Items Value: \$8 per kit

- 1 Hotel-size bar of soap (1 oz. and up)
- 1 pair of clean latex gloves
- 1 square yard of clear 4 mil plastic sheeting
- 3 pieces of clean string each 12" long
- 1 clean single use razor blade (carefully wrapped to protect it)
- 2 flannelette receiving blankets, each 1 square yard.

Important Kit Assembly Information

- All items included in kits must be **NEW** items
- All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items, nothing more.
- Do **NOT** include any personal notes, money or additional materials in the kits.

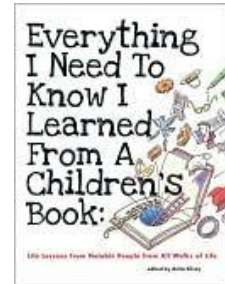
Holly Hall Book Review

Wednesday, September 29, 2010

"Everything I Need to Know I Learned From A Children's Book: Life Lessons from Notable People from All Walks of Life" by Anita Silvey

Reviewer: Rose-Mary Rumley

Verlyn Bounds will have ticket order forms available at the General Meeting.



Taste of Wesley Luncheon

There will be a Taste of Wesley Luncheon on September 16th benefitting Wesley Community Center. The cost per ticket is \$10. For more information click on the link below.

[Information for Taste of Wesley Luncheon](#)

If you would like to attend the luncheon, contact Karen Ward.



Mission Stitchers

Mission Stitchers are excited about celebrating their tenth year helping needy women and children. We hope all of you will visit our booth in the gym at Hearts and Hands. Members have been working all year to make lovely gifts for you to purchase. All money raised goes to missions.

Thank you for your support in helping others.



September Circle Meetings

Betty Landrum Circle will meet Tuesday, September 21, at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Lavella Chrisman, 1702 Beech Bend. Dr. Norma Evans is co-hostess. The program: "One thing exciting that I did this summer". Be ready to share!

Bible Circle will meet Wednesday, September 15, at 1:00 p.m. in D126. We will have our pledge service and make plans for our study for the year, "Abiding in Love".

Common Thread Circle will meet on Tuesday, September 21, at 9:30 a.m. in Room D220. We will continue working on our many projects for area hospitals. Also, everyone is welcome to join the Common Thread Circle members every Monday afternoon at the Town and Country Starbucks. We enjoy coffee and cake while we stitch and chat from 2 - 4 p.m.

Edith Moore Circle will meet on Tuesday, September 21 at 9:30am at MDUMC in Room D127. After the meeting, they will have a luncheon catered for them by our own Grayson Taylor.

Mary Lee Marshall Circle will meet on Monday, September 20, at 6:30 p.m. for light refreshments, the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Music Circle will meet on Tuesday, September 21, at 9:30 a.m., at MDUMC in the narthex for refreshments and the business meeting. After that, we will move into the choir loft for the program: "Getting to Know Stephen Distad".

Reading Circle will meet on Tuesday, September 21, at 9:30 a.m., at MDUMC in Room D222. The book "Where is God When it Hurts" by Philip Yancey will be discussed.

Women of Spirit will meet on Tuesday, September 21 at 10 a.m. at MDUMC in Room D219. We will have a pledge service, and go over the year's activities.



Dates to Remember

- September 10 Church Women United - Human Rights Celebration
Theme: "Living the Challenge, Differently Enabled, Uniquely Called"
Speaker: Mr. Steven P. Lufburrow,
President and CEO of Goodwill Industries
Payne Cathedral of Faith, AME Church
2701 Lee Street, Houston, TX 77026
Registration and Refreshments 9:30 a.m.
Program and Business 10:00 a.m.
- September 16 Taste of Wesley Luncheon
- September 25 Texas Conference Fall Festival
- September 27 Women's Dinner
- September 28 Executive Board Meeting
- September 29 Holly Hall Book Review
- September 30 Art Exhibit at Holly Hall from 5:30pm to 7:30.
Wine and hors d' oeuvres will be served. Students of Nancy Pruden,
a local artist and teacher, will be exhibiting their work.
- October 5 General Meeting
- October 25 - 27 Hearts and Hands 2010