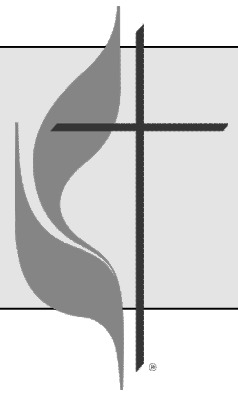


October  
2011

# Women Talk

Waynesville District • United Methodist Women  
Western North Carolina Conference



## Waynesville District Leadership Festival Officer's Training

November 5 • 9 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Waynesville First UMC

566 South Haywood Street • Waynesville, NC 28786

**Directions to Waynesville First UMC:** From US-74, take exit 102 for US-276 toward Waynesville/Brevard. Turn right onto US-276 S/Russ Ave. Continue to follow US-276 S. Turn right onto N Main St. Take the 3rd right onto Church St. Take the 1st left onto S. Haywood St. Church will be on the right.

## Relax & Renew Retreat

Saturday, October 22 • Hinton Rural Life Center in Hayesville, NC

Last chance!! Don't forget about the Relax & Renew Retreat. At least 2 ladies from your unit should attend. Please contact me if you would like to register.

Bette Sloan, Membership, Nurture & Outreach Coordinator  
580 Belleview Rd., Franklin, NC 28734 • 828-524-2381 • bsloan@dnet.net

**Directions to Hinton Rural Life Center: From Asheville, Waynesville/Lake Junaluska:** [*Travel time from Waynesville/Lake Junaluska is about 1 1/2 hours*]

- Follow I-40 (East or West) to exit 27 (signs will indicate 74W, to 19, to 23, and to Waynesville)
- Follow US 23 South/74 West towards Waynesville (stay in left two lanes)
- Continue on through the Waynesville exits (you will pass a rest area on your left) and Sylva exits
- Take exit 81 (sign will indicate Dillsboro, Franklin, Atlanta) and follow 23 South (also 441S and 64W)
- Go through stop light in Dillsboro and continue 16 miles to Franklin (you'll pass "Gold City" on right)
- In Franklin you will go through 4 stop lights, but do not leave highway; the road will become US 64 West in Franklin
- Follow US 64 West over the mountains (about 32 miles) towards Hayesville
- If using GPS, do not follow instructions to turn left on Lakeview Drive. After passing Lakeview Drive your GPS should re-set and guide you to continue further on US 64 West
- Turn left at Hinton Center Road (If you pass through a stoplight, you have missed Hinton Center Road)
- Go straight at the stop sign (Oak Forest UMC on right); road ends in Hinton's parking lot

## President's Greeting

To Unit Presidents and All UMW Members,

This is my last newsletter article to you as President. My term ends December 30, 2011. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you and say that I am in awe of all that you do.

Waynesville District was awarded honors:

- FIRST PLACE
  - Highest # of participants in the children's Reading Program – 52
  - Highest % of units participating in the Reading Program – 53%
  - Mission Studies
- SECOND PLACE
  - Highest % of Local Units Visited (shepherdess )
- THIRD PLACE
  - Highest per capita in undesignated Mission Giving - \$34.89
  - Highest # of units par-

ticipating in all four Plans of the Reading Program - 8.

I know that if every Unit would carefully fill out the Mission Today and the Charter Club forms, Waynesville District would be FIRST in those two. I have talked with you, and I know you have fulfilled many of the criteria. Please make an extra effort this year when filling out the end of year forms and give your Unit the credit it deserves.

As you know WD's Officer Training event will be Saturday, November 5, 2011, at Waynesville First UMC. I urge you to support your officers to attend this important training to learn the latest UMW information to be more effective officers and to "Celebrate our History" in light of the coming change in districts.

By the time you read this, you will have received an invitation to attend WD's "Refresh

and Renew Retreat" at Hinton Rural Life Center on Saturday, October 22, 2011. We have not received some of the pre-registration forms. If you have not mailed yours, please do so today.

Being your District President has been a highlight of my life and a supreme privilege. Most of all, I've enjoyed meeting all of you, my sisters.

See you at District Officer's Training.

Peace and good health,  
Velma A. Zeek, President  
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Otto, NC 28763



## District Vice Presidents

Finally a hint of autumn is in the air and before we know it the holidays will be here.

By October all local units should nominate and elect the officers who will lead them next year. Please remember to notify your district secretary, Rae Harper, including each woman's address and email address. This is very important for communication within the district.

Be sure to mark your calendar with November 5, 2011, for the officers' training festival at Waynesville First UMC.

It is also time to look at the criteria for being a Mission Today Unit. There are still three months to complete these criteria so that your unit will be awarded this honor. Let's aim for more Mission Today units than ever!

Blessings,  
Peg Kieffer, Vice President  
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# Committee on Nominations

Greetings Ladies,

I hope you are enjoying the cooler temperatures and watching the lovely fall colors descend down the mountains as much as I am. God has certainly blessed our little corner of the world with its beauty.

As of this moment our district is still without a Vice-President. I know there is someone out there with the skills and interests to be a part of our district team and take on this responsibility. We really do work as a team with all members willing to help where ever needed so that no one's load is too heavy.

Our UMW organization is one in which we can all be truly proud to be a part. We do amazing things with our missions bringing relief and hope to so many women, children and youth around the world. How can you not step up to the plate and take leadership responsibilities in you local, district or conference levels to keep this amazing organization moving forward in its missions?

If you or you know of someone willing to serve as district

VP please contact me or Sharon Cooper.

Also, who out there loves to scrapbook? We are looking for an historian to take pictures at our district meetings and place them in scrapbooks along with other pictures sent in from our local units of all their exciting events. Linda Stanton has been doing a great job the last four years and is now moving on to be our Program Resources mission coordinator. If you have an interest in this area please contact me.

I look forward to seeing you at the Leadership Festival next month. It is extremely important for all officers to attend to learn the responsibilities of the position you hold in your unit.

All units this last quarter should be carefully looking at the criteria for becoming a Mission Today Unit and members of the Charter Club. Check off the activities you have accomplished and these last few months do what is necessary to complete as many more as needed to meet the criteria. Check with all your members as you fill out the re-

ports, as often the person filling out the reports is unaware that one

member may have attended a district or conference meeting or participated in a social action that will meet a requirement. If you have any questions please check with your shepherdess or contact any district officer for information.

May the Son shine in your lives always,

Julia Leatherwood  
Committee on Nominations

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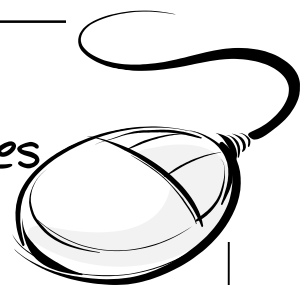
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Visit the UMW Conference website to find resources, calendars, past issues, registration forms . . . anything you need, you can find there.

[www.wnccumw.org](http://www.wnccumw.org)

Also check out pictures from Assembly on Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/wnccumw](http://www.facebook.com/wnccumw)





## District Secretaries

Greetings to all Waynesville District Secretaries,

As we start to wind

down this year of 2011 (where has the year gone?), it's time to start thinking about the end of the year forms that need to be filled out and sent in for your Units Performance, 5 Channels of Giving, etc. and 2012 Local Unit Officers listing. When filling in your report for officers in 2012, please be sure to include your current minister's name and

address, not necessarily the church's address. This is the only way we know for sure who your minister is. Please be accurate and legible with your information. Please remember this information needs to be sent to 3 different locations the - Mission Resource Center, PO Box 660275, Dallas, TX 57266-0275. The Communications Coordinator, Elizabeth Corle, 1195 Brown Rd. Otto, NC 28763 and myself, Waynesville District Secretary (address below).

This is the last Woman's Talk of 2011 thank you for your

cooperation throughout 2011 and I hope you have a wonderful fall (There's a bit of coolness in our mornings) and a blessed holiday season. Keep all those who won't be with their families at this time of year in your prayers.

In His Service,  
Rae Harper, Secretary  
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## Unit Treasurers

GREETINGS TO ALL UNIT TREASURERS...

Thank you to all Treasurers for getting your 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter information to me on time. You sure make my job a lot easier. And if there is anything I can do for you, just let me know.

The Walk For Missions 2011 that was held prior to our Annual Meeting raised \$200 for Missions. If you have any more Walk monies, they can be sent to me at any time.

Also many of you have submitted your Chicken Feed, but if your unit still has Chicken Feed monies they can be sent to me any time before December 1. These monies will be split between UMAR in Hayesville and Missions. To date I have received \$1,686.91.

If you need any Gift To Mission and Gift In Memory Cards, they can be purchased at all District Events as well as by calling or emailing me. The Gift To Mission Cards are \$5 each and the Gift In Memory Cards are free.

Please reserve the date of NOVEMBER 5. This is our Western District Leadership Festival Officer's Training from 9 to 12:30 at Waynesville First. This is such a helpful meeting for all officers, but especially Treasurers. Last year a lot of you attended. Let's try to get 100%. I learned so much from you and I hope you learned from me.

Christ has no body now on earth, but ours. We are his hands, feet, eyes, hands, and body on earth. We must be compassionate and do good on earth in his name.

Yours In Service To Christ,  
Naomi Walker, Treasurer

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# Mission Education & Interpretation

Is your unit actively pursuing becoming a "mission today unit?" You still have plenty of time to meet the criteria if you are diligent. You must make and meet the pledge to mission to the district, complete 12 of the criteria with 6 of those marked with an asterisk (\*). So strive to become a mission today unit.

We will be collecting UMCOR kits & cleaning buckets at our leadership training November 5 at Waynesville 1st UMC. You will fulfill #22 of the criteria to become a mission today unit. Waynesville District has turned in to date the following for a total value of \$3,995:

- 115 birthing kits
- 80 health kits
- 8 layettes
- 83 school kits

- 4 sewing kits
  - 14 cleaning buckets
- One unit gave \$72 to be sent to UMCOR Sager Brown.

I do not know of the value of the bulk items turned in to create kits:

- 55 packs of notebook paper and tablets
- 131 pencils
- 7 erasers
- 18 boxes of crayons
- 8 pairs of scissors
- 3 pencil sharpeners

Some of the units took kits to the conference events. Thank you everyone for supporting in hands on projects.

Mark your calendars for our the 2012 Mini School of Mission March 24, 2012, at Maggie Valley UMC. Rev. Dr.

Ken Carter, our district superintendent, will be leading our Bible study — *The Journey: Forgiveness, Restorative Justice, and Reconciliation*. Pam Carter will be leading the study on Haiti. They both taught these courses at our Conference School of Missions this summer. We are so fortunate to have such talent in our district.

If you have any questions, please contact me. I always look forward to visiting with you.

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## NOMINATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION AWARD 2011

**PURPOSE:** The Purpose of the Social Action Award is to recognize an individual or group who has impacted a change for social justice.

**CRITERIA:** The Social Action will be creative and/or innovative. An individual or group will have extended involvement over a period of time with a commitment to human welfare and social reform. The activity will be a bridge builder connecting and interacting with other cultures. The Social Action will serve to improve or change the life or situation of others. It will be a life-altering experience for nominee and/or group. This action should serve to combat racism and other social injustices.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Nominee(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

All information should be completed and accompanied by supporting documentation relative to the social justice accomplished. On a separate page, no larger than 8-1/2 x 11, describe the nominee's Social Action taken. Photographs, audio or video tapes, display materials, films or scrapbooks should not be submitted as they will not be considered in the nominations. All submitted material becomes the property of Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women.

**Applications must be postmarked by 2/15/12 (pending Standing Rules Committee decision).** The nominee will be selected by the WNCC UMW Social Action Committee and will receive recognition at the 2012 Annual Meeting.

**Mail application(s) to:** Martha Phillips  
Conference Social Action Coordinator  
PO Box 49  
Linville Falls, NC 28647

**Have a Question?:** Contact Martha Phillips at 828-765-7009 or [mwphillips@wildblue.net](mailto:mwphillips@wildblue.net)

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**Scholarship  
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The Scholarship Program assists members of the United Methodist Church who live within the bounds of the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church pursue an academic course leading to a church-related vocation other than ordained ministry. Scholarships have been helping deserving students called to be spiritual leaders in the United Methodist Church since the 1940s. Recipients must attend one of these five colleges or universities:

**Bennett College**

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**High Point University**

**Pfeiffer University**

The Scholarship Program is funded by the General Scholarship Fund and seven endowed scholarships: Fannie Mitt Case, Carrie Forbis Ferguson, Ronda Robbins Memorial, Weaver Memorial, Ethylene Shelley, Herbin-Motley and Ernest R. Ellis and Lithie Phillips Ellis.

Contributions to the General Scholarship Fund are encouraged. Scholarships can be endowed at any time. This is a wonderful way to assist in perpetuity those called into ministry in the United Methodist Church. As United Methodist Women, we emphasize the importance of Mission Giving. It provides ministries with women, children and youth that are funded by Women's Division.

Giving to our Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Scholarship Funds is encouraged after fulfilling our responsibility of giving to the five-channels of Mission Giving.

Application Deadline:  
**March 1 of each year**

If you have questions, wish to contribute to or endow a scholarship, or need an application, contact the Scholarship Committee Chair:

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Phone: 704-545-6910  
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