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Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! What a wonderful time we had at our two Mid-Winter Events with almost four hundred blessed participants!

Our theme was the Green Team in Mission where we learned how to be better stewards of God's beautiful creation!

Loved seeing so many NEW faces and meeting so many NEW friends and hearing all about the exciting events in your Local Units! Be sure to submit an article for Pacific Waves, so we can share your ideas!

Your passion & dedication to United Methodist Women is inspirational! We always thank God for you!

Season of Lent is upon us as we prepare ourselves to welcome the risen Christ!

Precious prayer filled time is a solace as we spend more time with God and remember our Purpose to "experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ!"

In this time as we seek to be more faithful disciples, we pray this is a life transforming time when the Holy Spirit fills you and empowers you to spread God's love and peace.

Really excited about all the future holds including our Mission Coordinator for Social Action, Suzy James attending the Cal-Nevada Legislative Event in Sacramento, our monthly UMW 101 in different languages in your Districts, and your participation at each District's Pre-Annual Conference briefings, where UMW always has a strong presence to support acts of mercy and justice.

In an effort to keep you informed about where your mission money is going, please read the updates in this issue about our National and Local Mission projects, which you help keep alive! We will be planning a Conference wide tour of the six in Southern California & perhaps a tour while we are in Hawaii for the first School of Christian Mission.

To all of you who give so much of yourselves, "May the Lord bless you and keep you: May the Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious unto you: May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." (*Numbers 6: 24*)

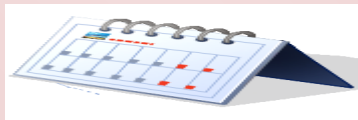


*Soaring ahead with Christ's love,
Leanne Nakanishi, President*

Sister in Christ,

The Annual Mid-Winter Events, in California and Hawaii, on February 19 were **AWESOME**. The theme was “The Green Team in Mission”. Our keynote speakers were Heather Wilson, Western Jurisdiction United Methodist Volunteers in Mission Coordinator and Tupou Seini Kelemen, Women’s Division Director. The attendance at both locations were great— approximately 300 in California and 100 in Hawaii. Resident Bishop Mary Ann Swenson and Hawaii’s District Superintendent Rev. Tom Choi attended the event in Hawaii. Many, many thanks to Pastor Mike Eggleston, Donna Padgett and the United Methodist Women (UMW) of Whittier First UMC, Whittier, CA for hosting the California Event. Many, many thanks to Pastor Samuel Domingo, Barbara Clegg and the UMW of Keolumana UMC, Kailua, HI for hosting the Hawaii Event.

We, the California-Pacific Conference UMW Mission Team, thank our UMW sisters, family and friends for sharing that beautiful day with us.



Save the Dates

- Jun 18 UMW Lunch at Annual Conference, Redlands, CA
- Jul 8-10 School of Christian Mission, Camp 808, Wahiawa, HI
- Jul 24-24 School of Christian Mission, Biola University, La Mirada, CA
- Oct 21 D’LITE, Holman UMC, Los Angeles, CA
- Oct 22 Annual Celebration, Holman UMC, Los Angeles, CA

Keynote Speaker, Harriett Jane Olson,

Deputy General Secretary Women’s Division

“We are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us.”

To all my sisters ,

March 2011

As your new conference treasurer, I have been learning many new things about the workings of the conference finances. My report contains only a few of these things and future reports will share more details.

I announced at the CA Mid-Winter event that the conference had met our 2010 pledge to Women's Division. \$263,750.00 pledge and Five Star giving total \$309,458.27. 2011 pledge is \$250,000.00

I have started sending pledge money to Woman's Division which totals \$30,403.05 to date. We have a long way to go, but the women of California-Pacific United Methodist Women are committed to mission work. I encourage you to help within your local units to find ways to help meet our 2011 pledge.

The conference's \$100,000.00 pledge to the Methodist Hospital ER still needs \$22,881.39 to meet our obligation. In order to raise the remaining money this year, the Conference Executive committee brainstormed and is making the following suggestion. There are approximately 10,000 members of the California-Pacific Conference United Methodist Women. If each women would contribute **.50 cents for 4 months**, that would be equal to \$2.00 per member. \$2.00 times 10,000 women equals \$20,000.00. Making a small sacrifice of .50 cents isn't much when you think of the good it will do. With the \$1,400 that is being sent in March, the Methodist Hospital ER pledge will be fully supported.

Many of you have received donation letters directly from the hospital. If you choose to donate, be sure to send your donations for the hospital through your district's treasurer. This will be another way to help meet the conference's ER pledge.

The May C. Chun Scholarship Fund has been established at the California-Pacific United Methodist Foundation. Donations can be sent directly to the foundation.

For units that need paperwork showing our non-profit status, I have the forms to fill out from the General Council on Finance and Administration to receive the 501-C-3.

Thanks for working to make a better world for women, youth and children. Loraine Hartranft



Membership Nurture and Outreach

Spring in southern California is gorgeous with new green growth and an abundance of beautiful flowers. The abundance of spring can be compared with this time of year for UMW units. UMW units are planning retreats, fund raising events and mission studies. The spring for UMW is creating opportunities for women to grow in faith and support mission around the world.

It is not easy for us to schedule all the activities we are expected to do or want to do, but we will make time for UMW, when it becomes a priority that we support because we know that serving the needs of the world deepens our relationship with God. The following is a quote from the UMW News newspaper, by Harriet Jane Olson, deputy general secretary of the Women's Division, "*At each UMW meeting you are surrounded by a community of the willing. No one is there because they are required to be there. You gather because you need one another and the world needs you.*" I pray that is the sentiment that can be conveyed to UMW members and non-members in your church and unit.

Thank you to all the units who sent their 2010 Local Unit Membership Report to their district Membership Nurture and Outreach Coordinator. The Coordinators worked hard to reach each unit that did not respond to the initial mailing of the forms because the information on the forms is critical for Women's Division to be able to provide materials and staff to serve all our members.

On the form, one of the boxes to be checked is a description of the type of unit. The label of "**cluster**" seems to be a gray area for many so I want to quote you a response I received from the MN&O staff person of Women's Division. "*If the women from the inactive unit moves to another established unit then it just has **gained new members**, not become a cluster unit. The money would go to the district as the former unit no longer is functioning. A **cluster unit would be if several units shared a set of officers**. A district unit would be a unit formed from perhaps several inactive units but under the authority of the district.*" There are a few units that have considered merging with other units and it is important that everyone understands the procedure. There is a form for the new cluster unit that goes to the Conference and Women's Division and can be obtained from your district MN&O.

May you take time to smell the roses this spring and take joy in your support of UMW missions with your unit sisters?

Jacque Howard,

Cal-Pac Conference MN&O Coordinator



Committee on Nominations by Barbara Miller

In past articles I have told you about the duties of the Committee on Nominations, who may serve as a leader, how to determine term and tenure of officers, and how to look for candidates for your slate. All of the information is in The Handbook which is available to you and should be purchased for your committee to use. If you missed any of these articles and would like a copy, feel free to contact me at barbara@lantoga.net or call me at the number found in the Conference Directory, and I will see that you get it.

By now the search for candidates for your slate should be well on its way; do not wait until a few weeks before the slate is due to start your search! Be mindful of diversity of: age, ethnicity, education, employment, and marital status.

Names should be discussed within your committee before offering anyone a position on your team. Offer a position to one woman at a time; if the first one does not accept the position, offer it to a second woman, and so on. Do not invite a woman to join your team just to fill a position; instead, match the skills, experience, and talent of a woman with the needs of your team. It is probably better to keep a position open than to just give it to a warm body. Remember the need for confidentiality; do not discuss your slate outside your committee until you are ready to present the slate to the team. Ask the women on the slate to also remain quiet about their position until the slate is published.

The slate comes to the team as the Committee's recommendation and does not need a vote of approval by the team. If there is dissension by the team regarding any name, the committee should reconvene to discuss the problems lifted by the team. The CON is responsible for assembling a slate they think will benefit the team, and the final decision is theirs. They may keep the slate as is, or decide to remove a name and find someone else, or leave the position open. The team must be apprised of any changes; the revised slate can be mailed or emailed to the team.

The slate is to be published 30 days before an election so people have time to study the slate, and know who they are voting for. At the time of election, there will be an opportunity for names to be lifted from the floor to be considered for every elected position, but that is for a future article! Good hunting!

Mid-Winter Event Fair Trade Sales By Barbara Miller

Ladies, what great fair trade sales we had in California! It was the **best ever** for a Mid-Winter Event. Our starting inventory was worth \$985, and our ending inventory was worth \$24. We collected \$408 in candy bars alone. After expenses, and adding 50 or 60 cents per item sold, we netted \$152.25, which will go, toward our pledge to Women's Division.

To me, the benefit to the small farmers who grew and produced our products was more important than the profit we made. It pleases me to know the farmers got fair prices for their labor, which enabled them to pay their bills, and gave them the opportunity to send their children to school. There was no human trafficking involved, no child slavery, and the chocolate was conflict-free (no weapons were purchased with the sale of the cacao).

I encourage you to sell fair trade items at your churches, and buy them when you see them in markets. They are delicious and make great gifts. The best web site I have found for purchasing is at <http://interfaith.equalexchange.com>. When you register as a church or UMW unit you are able to purchase products at wholesale prices. Reminder: due to warm weather, chocolate bar sales end April 30, and won't resume until October 1, so buy soon and stock up for the summer.

Ladies, keep up the good work. Support social justice one bite or sip at a time. *Barbara*



***2012 Quadrennial Event
United Methodist Women***

***June 1-3, 2012 – Portland, Oregon
Waterfront Marriott Hotel***

All are welcome!!!

March 2011

Hello United Methodist Women Sisters,

I bring you greetings from your Western Jurisdiction Leadership Team (WJLT) and a special invitation. As you may know, in 2012, United Methodist Women will hold the Western Jurisdiction Quadrennial Event – a time for worship, learning, and doing some important business.

The “important business” is the election of the Western Jurisdiction Leadership Team for United Methodist Women for the 2013-2016 Quadrennium and the election of the Western Jurisdiction Directors for the Women’s Division of The General Board of Global Ministries. The directors that are elected will set policy, make funding decisions, oversee national mission institutions, determine areas of social justice focus, plan the next Assembly and other events nationally and internationally – all for United Methodist Women. In addition, some of them will represent United Methodist Women on the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church.

The Quadrennial Event, where these new directors and the WJLT will be elected, will be held June 1-3, 2012 at the Waterfront Marriott Hotel in Portland, Oregon. The theme for the event is “Fire in My Soul” and is taken from Jeremiah 20:9 “. . .within me there is something like a burning fire . . .”

For United Methodist Women, this “fire” is our passion for mission with women, children and youth here and around the world.

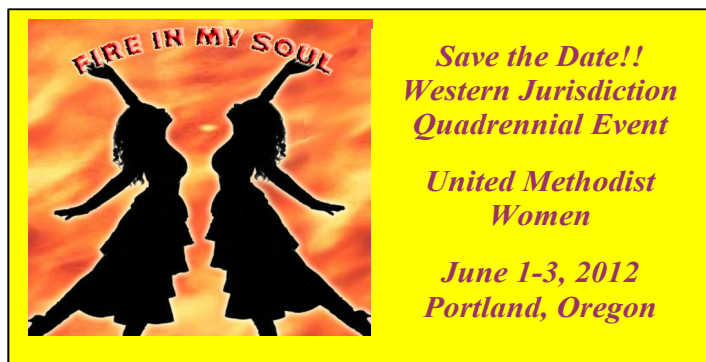
I hope that you will mark your calendars and plan to attend this exciting event. All United Methodist Women and friends are encouraged to attend. This is your opportunity to meet those women who will be representing you over the next four years and making decisions that will affect United Methodist Women for years to come.

Registration forms and information will be available at the 2011 Schools of Christian Mission and other summer and fall meetings. This information will also be available on the Oregon-Idaho Conference website www.umoi.org and the Western Jurisdiction UMC website www.westernjurisdictionumc.org by June 1, 2011. If you would like more information about this event, please contact me at bjdlmcomber@live.com.

I always thank God for you. You are truly the hands and feet that put faith, hope and love into action. May God bless you in all that you are and do.

Peace and blessings,

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Report of the Conference Board of Global Ministries

February 26, 2011

I attended this meeting along with Angie McCard and Grace Han. The first two hours of the meeting were spent sharing information about the Conference Restructuring Process in a discussion led by Rev. Thomas Hill. There will be one district superintendent eliminated this year and for the present eight districts will remain. In the future it is expected that there will be five district superintendents and the districts will be re-aligned into five districts. It seems that financial concerns are driving the many changes. Attempts are being made to cut costs wherever possible.

With the average church having eighty-seven members, the conference is subsidizing pastor's salaries where needed. It is very difficult to close a church. Thirty percent of the members of the church closed will not transfer to the church with which they merge. Year before last 83% of the apportionments were paid and last year 77%. Staff and clergy will need to be reduced in order to meet the budget. An interesting discussion developed about fund raising and the fact that if asked for more money, 30% of the congregation will double their gift.

The Conference Board of Global Ministries has been put into the area of "Resourcing Mission Engagement" in the new restructuring plan. It is included as a part of the larger area called Justice and Compassion Essential Ministries Teams.

There were two breakout sessions. Angie was assigned to Division of Mission Education and Cultivation. In lieu of a Mission Festival, they are working on a work trip.

I went to Division of Outreach and Social Justice. The conclusions from my group for next year are as follows:

2/3 of the available money will be divided among the eight districts. The remaining 1/3 will go to projects with the greatest need.

John Camphouse will work on developing a PDF file for the grant applications.

The grants will be given primarily to ministry to the poor and the secondary outcome is some act of witness.

Following the completion of the breakout sessions, oral reports were given by the delegates from the groups represented. Angie and I reported on the Mid-Winter event and the School of Christian Mission for this summer.

Kandy Nunn is resigning as chair of the board and Shirley is resigning as secretary. They were thanked by the board for their many years of faithful service.

Submitted by Jacque Howard, UMW Conference Representative

Deadlines and Details from the Communications Coordinator

2011 School of Christian Mission

Hawaii: Camp Pineapple 808,
64-1488 Kamehameha Hwy
Wahiawa, HI 96786
July 7-9 Korean Language

July 8-10 English

California: Biola University
13800 Biola Ave. La Mirada, CA 90639
July 21-23 Korean Language

July 22-24 English

Spanish

Tongan

More information on form page

United Methodist Women —Save the Date

June: Annual Conference 6/16-19
United Methodist Women's Breakfast

July: School of Christian Mission , HI
School of Christian Mission , CA

Finance Committee
Membership Nurture and Outreach Committee
Meet with the eight district counterparts

September: District Election of Officers

October: District Leadership Training Event (D'LTE)
By Invitation Only
October 21, 2011

Annual Celebration and Election/Installation of 2011
-2012 Conference Team
October 22, 2011
Holman United Methodist Church
3320 W Adams Blvd., Los Angeles, 90043



Cal-Pac Conference
United Methodist Women* (UMW)
Make someone's life easier today
Send in your registration to
School of Christian Mission

before the deadline. Forms available in this
newsletter and also on the website.

cal-pac.org/pages/details/1690

Can't attend?: Sponsor a youth, young adult, or woman
Or make a donation . No amount too small (remember "two pennies")

Make check payable to UMW , mark the memo line
and mail to Conference Treasurer

Deadline for June Pacific Waves, May 10th. Please email information to: donnaj0964@aol.com.

Bridge - Building....



The make-up of the Bridging Class is intentionally intergenerational on a one-to-one basis. Our hope is to encourage young women 18+ to continue coming to School in the summer by helping them to discover the gifts of community and experience that their 'more seasoned' sisters in Christ have to offer as they learn and grow together.

And.....those same 'more seasoned' women will be gifted as well by the presence of their younger sisters in Christ as they share their perspectives and learning styles. There is much to be gained by learning, listening and discussing together.

One more thing....Many of our young women may not be able to afford to attend SOCM without some financial assistance. I hope that you will look for young women in your local churches who you would like to encourage to become involved with United Methodist Women. Providing young women with the opportunity to experience our "creative, supportive fellowship" at a School of Christian Mission may be a good 'investment' for the future!

Blessings,

Roni Kuester, Bridging Class Facilitator

This summer the Bridging Class will be offering the Spiritual Growth Study:

"Coming Out from the Side of Grace: Forgiveness and Reconciliation"

The textbook, *"The Journey"*, is available from the Mission Resource Center now.

MISSION COORDINATOR FOR EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION

Sisters in Christ,

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13.

I am happy to say that we are doing God work, and I love that. The Conference increased our Mission Today Units by twenty-nine. As Mission Today Units, we are doing what is expected of us as United Methodist Women.. We are the trend-setters, the truth seekers, and the doers. All of the District Presidents have a Mission Today form that has the minimum requirements for becoming a Mission Today Unit. You can also find this on our webpage. Together we can reach the goal of sixty-five percent of local units being recognized as a Mission Today Unit. If you have questions please contact your district Education and Interpretation Mission Coordinator or email me (hj5ft6@yahoo.com).

The deadline for the School of Christian Mission Scholarships request is quickly approaching; must be in my hands by May 1. Funds are limited this year because we have two schools, and we are trying to encourage the women from Hawaii to apply. We split the funds, and any scholarships that are not used by the women of Hawaii, will go back into the fund for California. I encourage all women to stop and apply today, don't wait until the last minute.

I hope to see more women at SCM, and it would be nice to see more young women, last year we had about one hundred. This year let's make it two hundred young women, as they are the future of UMW.

Angie McCard

Join United Methodist Women's -2011 Ubuntu Explorer Journey to Brazil!

Join United Methodist Women in São Paulo and Fortaleza on an **Ubuntu Explorer Journey with the Confederation of Methodist Women in Brazil Sept. 18 – 30**. Experience Brazil and its people while working alongside Brazilian Methodist women in their campaign to raise awareness about violence against women, youth and children.

- Learn about the root causes of human trafficking, its criminal tentacles in the United States and take action to advocate for its victims.
- Volunteer with human trafficking survivor service providers.
- Participate in educational trafficking prevention activities with women and children.
Strengthen the capacity of all to combat human trafficking at the global level.

Estimated cost for the excursion is \$3,000, which includes international airfare and all accommodations in Brazil.

Contact Betty Gittens at (212) 870-3719 or BGITTENS@UNITEDMETHODISTWOMEN.ORG.

Application deadline is May 31.

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
OF THE
CALIFORNIA-PACIFIC ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

May C. Chun Scholarship Fund: Established in January of 2011 to honor the memory of May C. Chun, who served as President of the Conference United Methodist Women (UMW), the fund provides support to a member of United Methodist Women coming from Hawaii to the Mainland for the Annual Meeting.

Neva Robertson Fund: Established by a bequest from Neva Robertson in December of 1999, this fund provides funds annually to the Conference UMW with no restriction of their use.

Dorothy Bohannon Scholarship Fund: Established in April of 2004 by the Bohannon family to honor the memory of Dorothy, a devoted United Methodist Woman, this fund provides scholarship support for participants in the Schools of Christian Mission.

Above is a summary of the three funds that benefit the Conference United Methodist Women. The Neva Robertson Fund is the result of a bequest that was left to the California-Pacific United Methodist Foundation for the benefit of the Conference UMW. Because of its nature (it is an asset of the Foundation), we encourage you to donate to the May C. Chun and Dorothy Bohannon funds. There are still many members of UMW who remember them and may want to honor them.

To make a donation, please send a check made payable to the Cal-Pac United Methodist Women and mail to the Cal-Pac UMW Treasurer, Loraine Hartranft or to the Foundation. Please be sure to put "May C. Chun" or "Dorothy Bohannon" on the memo line.

A special thank you to Jan Berentsen, Executive Director of the California-Pacific United Methodist Foundation for providing the above information as well as managing these funds so conscientiously, so they continue to grow and provide scholarships to so many women, children, and youth in our Conference.

The Reading Program Banner

Thank you to all the United Methodist Women (UMW) who participated in the Reading Program. This year the Reading Banner was awarded to the District that had the highest percentage of their membership completing a Reading Program Plan. The results for books read in the year 2010 are as follows:

Hawaii District	4.64%
Long Beach District	1.11%
Los Angeles District	9.63%
Pasadena District	Incomplete
Riverside District	7.71%
San Diego District	6.24%
Santa Ana District	7.25%
Santa Barbara District	5.36%

Congratulations to the women of the Los Angeles District! **Keep reading Cal-Pac UMW!!**



Q & A:

Q: How do I submit a book title for evaluation for the Reading Program?

A: Brenda Thompson of the Mission Resource Center does the research for many of the titles, basing her searches on: current events, concerns /issues in which the UMW is involved, global and local issues, spiritual and physical health, the Church, family issues, aging, and other topics of interest. Publishers also send in books they would like United Methodist Women to read and that might fit into the Reading Program categories. Many of the book recommendations also come directly from UMW members. If you have a suggestion, please submit your title to:

Brenda Thompson bathomps@gbgm-umc.org

Q: How can I become a Reading Program Book Evaluator?

A: Submit your Name, Address, Telephone Number, and E-mail Address to Régan Pope at rpopel1977@yahoo.com. Your information will be forwarded to, and the Mission Resource Center Evaluator Liaison will contact you.

Régan Pope, Secretary of Program Resources

PS: The Children & Youth Reading Program has already begun. Please encourage your children and youth to participate! A separate Reading Banner will be awarded to the District with the most children and youth participation.

HAWAII DISTRICT REPORT ON OUR NATIONAL MISSION,
SUSANNAH WESLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

April 2011

Carolyn Steuer, Cal-Pac United Methodist Women Representative

The Susannah Wesley Community Center in Hawaii is the lead article of the *UNITED METHODIST WOMEN NEWS*, (Volume 4/Number 1) which came out last month. The headline reads "**Susannah Wesley Center Plays Key Role in Helping Victims of the Largest Human Trafficking Case in U.S. History.**" Please take time to read this UMW newspaper. It is free and your Program Resources Secretary can have it available for you if you have not already received it in the mail or you can go online and look at it.

The news story centers on farm workers from Thailand who came to Hawaii legally with the promise of better pay for their work than what they could earn back in their native country. These migrating workers entered legally with temporary work visas and passports (held by the contractor), plus paid high fees. Once here, they were not paid as promised, could not obtain their visas and passports back from their employer to return home, and were threatened with physical harm if they tried to leave. The Susannah Wesley Community Center, who works with recent immigrants, became aware of this situation, investigated further, and the Center helped in obtaining legal services. Before Susannah Wesley Community Center became involved, these workers had approached the U.S. Dept. of Labor as well as Immigration and Customs Enforcement, where several were deported while filing reports. It took the efforts of Susannah Wesley Community Center and the FBI to help with meetings and investigations.

The Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 describes this situation with a number of different terms: involuntary servitude, slavery, debt bondage and forced labor. Human Trafficking is more than sex trafficking, which accounts for about 10%, the other 90% is forced labor and/or domestic servitude cases. The company hiring these Thailand workers is Los Angeles-based contractor, Global Horizons Manpower, an employment agency.

Susannah Wesley Community Center has been reaching out to immigrants since 1899. At that time, it was to help the Japanese and Korean immigrant women working on the sugar plantations, offering English and sewing lessons. In only a few years, it became a home for immigrant girls who were orphaned, abandoned or neglected by parents unable to care for them. By 1921, "The Home" housed up to 100 girls ranging in ages from 4-20, and they became known as "Susie Girls". Hawaii's Senator Daniel Inouye's mother was one of these orphaned girls and he continues to be a strong donor to Susannah Wesley Community Center.

In 1957, the "Home" transitioned into the Susannah Wesley Community Center, a multiservice agency serving the needs of a diverse population, but remaining true to its roots by reaching out to each new wave of immigrants. They continue to help immigrants learn to function in their English speaking skills. They run a "C-Base High School" program that allows youth who have difficulty in the traditional high school setting to earn a "Competency Based certificate of graduation" which is accepted by the community college system, plus other services for youth in this low-income area of Honolulu

Women's Division owns the property of Susannah Wesley Community Center, but the Center operates the programs. Recently Hawaii State government made big cuts in their support to non-profit organizations, like Susannah Wesley Community Center. We need to "step up our giving" as United Methodist Women as our Mission Giving supports our National Mission Institutions.



New Entra Casa in San Diego District

Currently the board is in the process of updating the by-laws of the organization and making administrative changes to increase the transparency and effectiveness of the operation. It is also exploring new options of career training for the women. Once a quarter a tea, on a Sunday afternoon at the house, sponsored by the Associates group, provides fellowship with the clients and the community. The last tea was on Feb. 13 with a Valentine theme and the next event this spring will be a music festival at the Chula Vista UMC. on May 1, 2011. The festival is a fund-raiser with a donation of \$10.00 which includes refreshments.

Jacque Howard,
Cal-Pac Conference United Methodist Women Representative

Metro Good Neighbor Center, San Diego

“San Diego councilman wants nonprofit to coordinate efforts.” Metro Good Neighbor Center Director, Essie Birgans, has seen a shift lately in the type of needy resident her programs serves – more needy residents.

Metro Good Neighbor Center, an offshoot of the Metro United Methodist Urban Ministry, provides food and clothing four days a week at its distribution center at 906 N. 47th St., San Diego. It is one of several nonprofits in southeastern San Diego the City Council President Tony Young hopes to recruit into an initiative to end hunger in his district.

Councilman Young spent about forty-five minutes at the Metro Good Neighbor Center speaking with staff, volunteers and patrons. He said he will continue to visit more in order to get ideas and learn how to handle the need more efficiently. According to Rev. John Hughes, CEO, Metro United Methodist Urban Ministry, the number in need is exploding and in January Metro Good Neighbor Center **served 2,179 people”**.

Ruby Roberts,
Cal-Pac Conference United Methodist Women Representative



Toberman Neighborhood Center National Division Project in Cal-Pac Conference

April 2011

Giving a report of "what's happening" at Toberman, is not an easy task. Board meetings are not the beginning or then end, but a core of dedicated Toberman friends who work together toward the same goal; *"to provide social services to low-income individuals and families in the Harbor area, helping them move from poverty to self-sufficiency."*

January began with "Toberman Healthy Family Fun Fair" that provided the opportunity to come to the campus and see not only what Toberman had to offer, but a chance for the community organizations to reach out to those in need. Staff and volunteers assisted in paperwork, while professionals provided exams. Information, exams, food, and fun we all free!

A grant, received last year, made it necessary to move offices and change some programs. This was all accomplished without closing or turning away anyone in need. It meant moving some offices and changing some programs but with the same emphasis on education, employment, and counseling as needed. **Success stories:** 140 clients increased their cumulative incomes, Food Pantry distributes 550 bags of groceries per month, over 100 youth leave violent gang activity behind, in 2010" 100% of our middle school students went on to high school."

Volunteers are the heart of Toberman, and one well known to United Methodist Women is Rosemary Zettler. Membership chair of the Toberman Auxiliary finds Rosemary involved in many aspects, but her passion is "crafts with the children." The flower garden and tiles made by the children last summer is just one of her crafty ideas. Her "quilt show" (from heirlooms to new pieces) held in February 2011 proved to be a successful fundraiser, and she was happy to find a way to recycle the PVC pipe that she used to display work. George is excited to have his garage back! Rosemary was presented with a special thanks you plaque at the March Board of Directors meeting.

The major fundraiser, Annual Gala Dinner Auction, held at the Manhattan Beach Marriott, on April 9, 2011 still has a few tickets available.. The theme *"The Heart of a Champion - a Lifetime of Helping"* honors basketball sports legend Bill Walton. For more information, please call 310-832-1145 x119.

Tours of Toberman campus are available on request. Visit Toberman online at: www.toberman.org.

Donna Johnson

Cal-Pac United Methodist Women Representative to Toberman Board

**Methodist Hospital Women's Auxiliary News
April 2011**

Greetings from the Methodist Hospital Women's Auxiliary,
If you do not live close to Arcadia, you may have never been to one of our general meetings which are held the 4th Mondays of January and September. You have all heard of the Conference commitment of \$100,000 for the North Tower Building Fund.

I would like you to know more about our Auxiliary and invite you to become a member if you have not already. If you live too far away to attend the meetings you can join and support the spiritual welfare of all who are served by Methodist Hospital. Your dues plus the profit from the gift shop (The Present Place) go to support the Chaplain Program at the hospital. You will also receive the *Greensheet Newsletter* three times a year.

The membership year starts in February and donations are as follows: Regular – up to \$29, Sustaining - \$30 and up, Life - \$100 or more. Unit membership is \$50 and up. Send membership donation (tax deductible) to Methodist Hospital Women's Auxiliary, 300 W. Huntington Dr., Arcadia, CA 91007.

Encourage all members to join. Membership envelopes are available from your District Representative or Membership Chair - Lena Knowles, 1841 Citrus View Ave., Duarte, CA 91010.

Thank you so much and blessings.

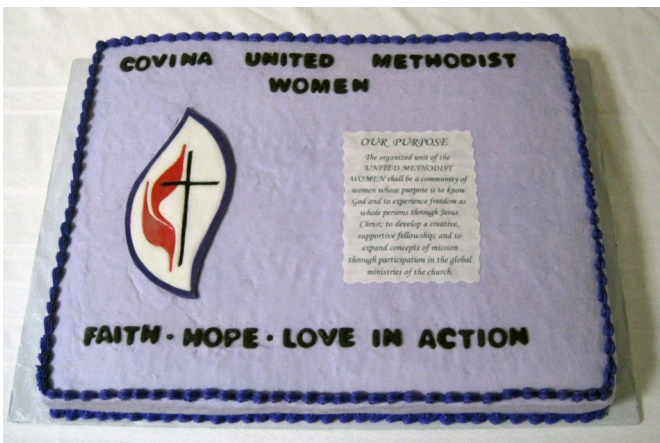
Delora Brown,
President Methodist Hospital Auxiliary

Conference Mission Team Spiritual Retreat and District Treasurer's Meeting





*United Methodist Women's Sunday
Covina United Methodist Church,
Pasadena District
(see article on page*



"Cal-Pac Units Rock"

United Methodist Women (UMW) Sunday

Celebrated at Covina United Methodist Church (UMC)

Do people in your congregation ask questions like: Where does the money that UMW raises go? What projects do you support? What do you do for the community? Why don't you give your money to the church?

Our local unit at Covina UMC decided to try to answer these questions on UMW Sunday on January 30, 2011. We based our morning services on the theme: "being called to serve." Our greeters, ushers, acolytes, readers, and choir were all female. Our unit president, Kim Dugan, highlighted our unit's activities in 2010. She presented a Special Mission Recognition pin to a member of our congregation for her tireless service to the church. We chose four children's books from the Reading Program to add to our UMW library, and dedicated them in memory of four UMW members who had passed away in 2010. Our guest speaker, former missionary to Africa Patsy Barrett, spoke about moving mountains, and how Women's Division Undesignated Funds helped send her and her husband to Botswana for two years.

After church services, all were invited for a free luncheon where UMW members cooked and served a hearty soup and a homemade cake. We had six tables set up with displays and officers standing there to answer any questions about UMW. The topics were:

"Where the Money Goes" (Loraine Hartranft, Conference Treasurer)

"Social Action" (Barbara Miller, former Conference Mission Coordinator for Social Action)

"Program resources" (Sharon Shellman, Pasadena District Program Resources, and Joyce Gandy, local Program Resources)

"Methodist Hospital in Arcadia" (Mike Driebe, President of the Foundation Board for Methodist Hospital)

"Missionary Program" (Patsy Barrett, Conference Committee on Nominations)

"Membership and outreach" (membership pamphlets and a scrapbook highlighting our activities in 2010).

Representatives from two of our National Missions were invited but were unable to attend.

About seventy people attended the luncheon. They raved about the soup and the delicious cake, and took advantage of the opportunity to talk with knowledgeable people about UMW. We offered an awesome learning experience, and we recommend you try this in your unit.

Barbara Miller, Covina UMW

Editor's Note: Cal-Pac UMW is unique! We are separated by desert, mountain, and ocean; but "are as close as a phone call." This is one unit's story! Please share yours., as together we celebrate the joys, and learn from the challenges.

"Ain't no mountain high enough, ain't no desert hot enough, ain't no ocean wide enough, to keep us away from you"

Purpose of United Methodist Women

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.

La unidad organizada de MUJERES Metodistas UNIDAS será una comunidad de mujeres cuyo PROPOSITO es de conocer a Dios, y para experimentar libertad como personas enteras por Jesucristo; desarrollar una confraternidad creadora y sostenedora; y para expandir conceptos de misión por participación en los ministerios globales de la iglesia.

연합감리교회 여성교회는 여성의 공동체로서 그 목적은, 하나님을 알고, 예수 그리스도를 통하여 온전한 인간으로서 자유를 체험하며, 창의적이고 상호 협력하는 친교를 도모하며, 교회의 세계선교에 동참함으로써 선교에 대한 이해를 넓히는데 있다.

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**Responsibility for Unpaid and Not Cancelled Registration for Conference Events
(Standing Rule 10.2.6)**

In an effort to be better stewards of our Mission Money, the Cal-Pac Conference United Methodist Women will have to start collecting unpaid registration money for those who register, do not pay in advance, and then do NOT show up at the event.

The Conference pre-pays for all meals and printed materials in advance based on the number of people who register.

When you do not show up, we have already paid for your meals and program book.

This money could have been sent towards our pledge to help improve the lives of women, children, and youth, but instead, it is wasted mission money and a waste of paper.

You may not think \$15 may make a difference in the lives of others, but \$15 may be a whole week's salary or a much needed meal for some in other parts of our nation and world.

It is so vital to our ministry that when you register IN WRITING:

- (1) You pay in advance and NOT at the door
- (2) When you do not show up and have an emergency, you must let the Registrar know in ADVANCE, so that your meal and printed materials are NOT ordered for you

Of course, there may be situations when you may not know if you can attend in advance. If that is the case:

- (1) You may pay the late registration fee at the door, but will not be guaranteed a meal nor a program book (you should be prepared to bring your own lunch)



Heather Wilson, Keynote Speaker CA



Leanne Nakanishi



Tupou Seini Kelemen, Keynote Speaker HI

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
CALIFORNIA-PACIFIC CONFERENCE
2011 Application for Partial Scholarship to
Attend School of Christian Mission



Scholarship funds are available to provide financial assistance to women within our Conference who are seeking a spiritual, educational, and supportive community experience. Applications are available to any woman living within California-Pacific Annual Conference.

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ 18 or older _____

District _____ Church _____

E-mail _____ Language _____

PLEASE PROVIDE IN 250 WORDS OR LESS, WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION, WHY YOU NEED THE SCHOLARSHIP, AND HOW YOU WILL SHARE THIS EXPERIENCE. PLEASE USE ADDITIONAL PAPER. PUT YOUR NAME AT

THE TOP OF EVERY ADDITIONAL PAGE. ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED
NO LATER THAN MAY 1, 2011.

Please complete this form and send it to: Angie McCard ,13772 Golden West St. #703 ,
Westminster, CA 92683 or E-MAIL IT TO HJ5FT6@YAHOO.COM

____ Have you applied for and/or received any other scholarships for the 2011 School of Christian Mission, if so from whom and for what amount:

____ Have you sent in your SCM application?

From the Editor

Greetings my Sisters,

Pacific Waves (pdf format) will be crossing the ocean as fast as it crosses the street beginning with this issue! I am excited, and a little on edge, but together we will work out any problems. Personal discussions and emails answered many questions already; for example, what if you can't open the email attachment or your computer is set up to decline emails with graphics or photos. On request, I will send a document without graphics. Information will be the same, just no photos.

Check the webpage for updated information between publications of the newsletter. Share with us events that have been successful in your local unit. Lifting a local unit success story, or problem and how it was solved is another way we stay connected from local units to Women's Division.

Next issue of *Pacific Waves* will be published in June; **deadline** for articles **May 10**. Cultural Corner will feature an article from Emma Vega, our Spanish Language Coordinator. Share your local unit success story, something insignificant to you may help another unit overcome a challenge.

Online sites

Cal-Pac United Methodist Women direct link www.cal-pac.org/pages/detail/1960

Cal-Pac United Methodist Women facebook www.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&qid=43695877083

Women's Division webpage www.new.gbqm-umc.org/umw

Join UMW online community www.umwonline.com

Stand up against genocide <http://www.savedarfur.org>

Eradicate Human Trafficking www.nightlightinternational.com

Fight global poverty www.one.org





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Hawaii - July 7-9 (Korean)

July 8-10 (all other languages)

California - July 21-23 (Korean)

July 22-24 (all other languages)



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