

# Yadkin Valley District UMW Newsletter

YVD Newsletter October, 2014

Volume 2, Issue 4



Enjoy the remainder of 2014, but do not forget to prepare for 2015!

## 2014 Leadership Train-

### Leadership/Development Training

ALL Local Unit Officers in the

Yadkin Valley District

First United Methodist Mocksville

310 North Main Street, Mocksville, NC 27028

**Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**

9 AM – Noon

Hands on Project: Monetary Donations, divided equally  
between The Children's Home and Undesignated Giving

Child Care available if Jayne Walker is notified by November 8<sup>th</sup>

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### 2014 Events:

#### Remainder 2014

- ◆ November 15—  
Leadership Training  
First Mocksville UMC

### 2015 Events:

- ◆ YVD Mission Study
- ◆ YVD Prayer Breakfast
- ◆ Spiritual Growth @  
Lake Junaluska
- ◆ School of Christian  
Mission
- ◆ WNCC UMW Annual  
Meeting
- ◆ YVD Annual Meeting
- ◆ YVD Leadership Training

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Directions to  
First Mocksville  
at the bottom of  
page with  
Martha Isenberg's  
Education Article

### Corrections from our YVD Annual Program:

We apologize for omitting the following Units in Annual Program.

Please add the following Units to your programs:

Ardmore, Lewisville, Yadkin College, and Yadkinville

- ◆ Mission Study list,
- ◆ Mission Today list,
- ◆ Gold Charter for Racial Justice



**President: Darlene Gardner**



**Happy Fall Y'All!**

We are in one of my most favorite times of the year now – autumn. Just can't beat God's paintbrush on those trees and shrubs. How about that abundance of gorgeous produce – pumpkins, Indian corn, apples, etc.? It is also one of my favorite times of the year in United Methodist Women. We in the Yadkin Valley District have experienced our District Annual Meeting and our Conference Annual Meeting at Lake Junaluska. Hope you were able to attend one or both events. If you did, I know you were blessed as I was. The Lewisville UMW did a wonderful job hosting our District Annual Meeting and we were all blessed by the Harmony Grove Dulcimer Ensemble and Rev. Dana McKim. Thanks to Jamie Smith and her committee for a great meeting.

This year's Conference Annual Meeting was one of the best I have ever attended. Yvette Richards was fantastic and if Deaconess Barbara Campbell didn't stir your fire for UMW, "your wood must be wet", so the expression goes. We have so much to proud of, both as a District and as a Conference. For the 13<sup>th</sup> year in a row, the Western North Carolina Conference led the nation in mission giving. And as a District, we received eight different recognitions at Annual Meeting. It is about more than money. We must remember what our giving does, changing lives for women, children, and youth around the world. Our dollars and hands on mission kits will go so much further because we have combined our efforts. As we reach out to others to join us, let us continue to make women aware of what the United Methodist Women has done and continues to do. As we live out our purpose, we truly are the hands and feet of Christ in our world today. As Yvette Richards told us on Sunday morning, now is the Western North Carolina Conference UMW's season. We can lead our sisters in other Conferences by example. Finally, a huge "thank you" goes out to everyone from our District that participated in Late Night at Annual Meeting. Our Yadkin Valley Flappers were a huge hit. Thanks especially to Carolyn Payne for her excellent poetry and Polly Caudle for teaching us the Charleston! What fun we had! Check out our Facebook page for pictures.

Don't forget our upcoming officer training on November 15 at First Methodist in Mocksville. This is an opportunity for everyone to "get on the same page" as we look forward to 2015. Even if you are continuing in your present office, please come to "Shine - letting our light shine so that people can see the good things done in the name of our Father in Heaven."

*As always, thanks for everything you are already doing for  
United Methodist Women – turning Faith, Hope and Love into Action.*

In His Service,  
Darlene



**Vice President: Jamie Smith**

What a busy, exciting summer we've had! I enjoyed seeing a lot of you at our August UMW Annual Meeting! The ladies at Lewisville United Methodist Church did a great job hosting our event, and our speaker, Rev. Dana McKim, brought a powerful message!



The Conference Annual Meeting is now behind us and it also was a very good weekend full of activity! Thanks to all who helped us meet our goal of 400 in attendance to be able to keep our spot in Stuart Auditorium. We heard a lot about our 145 year history, and a lot about our work in missions. I think everyone left the mountain ready to continue the task of being the hands and feet of Jesus!

Don't forget that we're still available for a "LUV visit" if your unit needs that to complete the requirements for a Mission Today Unit.

I'm looking forward to another good year with the Yadkin Valley United Methodist Women and hope to be seeing ALL of you at our upcoming events! "Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people". Ephesians 6:7



Grace and Blessings!  
Jamie Smith, Vice President



**Treasurer: Donna Ireland**

Greetings to my UMW Sisters!



I have completed the third quarter remittance for the Yadkin Valley District and want to share the information with you. Total undesignated giving (the Five Channels of Giving) to date is \$104,878.51. Total designated giving (specific places/projects, etc.) to date is \$15,013.25. Total Giving is \$119,891.76. Our district pledge for this year is \$163,000 and only the undesignated giving counts toward achieving this. So this means that we need to collect about \$58,200 during fourth quarter so we can meet our pledge. It sounds like a lot but I know we can do it.

As we get ready to finish up our year, I ask that each local unit prayerfully consider what they can send as their final remittance. I would hope that each of you would make an effort to give in all five channels. This is what helps the district meet our pledge. Many units are just sending in Pledge Money which is only one channel of giving. Remember, you can make a \$5 donation in each of the other channels and this will count toward giving in all five channels. Some units have already paid out for the year and I would hope that you would also consider sending additional mission dollars – no matter how large or small. Every dollar adds up and helps us meet our pledge. Our financial goal this year was to increase our pledges by 14.5%. Please consider doing this if your unit can afford to do so. At the YV Annual Meeting, local units were recognized with a Gift to Mission card if they gave in all five channels in 2013. We had 73 units that met this goal. However, there were a few churches whose names were not on the list printed in the annual program. These churches also gave in all five channels: First – Mocksville, St. Mark, and Yadkin College. If you receive your local unit folder (will be mailed in the near future) and there is not a Gift to Mission card there and you gave in all five channels, please let me know. I want to say thanks to the units that have given in all five channels but would like to see every church do this. 100% of our churches giving in all five channels would be an amazing feat. And, just think how many children, youth and women that our mission dollars will be helping. It gives me a good feeling to hear about all the places and people that UMW are helping as we “make it happen”.

It's not too late to give your District and/or Conference Love Offering. The District Love Offering can be sent to me and the Conference Love Offering is sent to Martha Phillips, our conference treasurer. Her address is as follows: Martha Phillips P.O.Box 49 Linville Falls, NC 28647. Your love offering is a gift above your five channels of giving. Many thanks to the units that have already sent in their love offering.

I was fortunate to sit in front of Yvette Richards (the National President of UMW) at the WNCC Annual Meeting at Lake Junaluska during the business meeting. She had already recognized our Conference for being Number 1 in giving in the entire United States for 13 years. She said she wanted to find out what we were doing and bottle it. She listened to the reports that were being given and was taking notes the entire time. I wanted to tell her that the main reason we achieved this honor for the past 13 years was that we had the most generous women that understood that we are the hands and feet of Jesus – not only locally but around the world as well. I really can't speak for the other districts but I know this applies to the women of the Yadkin Valley District. You make me so proud to say that I belong to Yadkin Valley. I appreciate getting the opportunity to serve as the treasurer for the YV District. Call me if you have questions. I would love to come do a program for you on where your mission dollars go or just sit back and visit. I have never left a meeting where I did not learn something to take back to my own unit.

Don't miss out on the upcoming events: the Ubuntu Day of Service on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at the Bethlehem Center in W/S, and the Leadership Development Training (Officer Training) on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at First UMC in Mocksville. Hope to see you at one of these events.

Blessings,

Donna Ireland



**Secretary: Debbie Norman**

As your unit's secretary you play a vital role in the record keeping and history of your unit. If you find something you need help with, contact me and together we'll discover the answer. And, I would like to share some information just for Secretaries:

**Secretary Tips.**

- ◆ Include full names in your meeting minutes. Since the minutes are part of your record history, it will be helpful to have the first and last name.
- ◆ Document your meeting minutes as soon as possible. You may not be able to understand your notes the longer you wait!

I hope these help you, I'll share a few more in future newsletters as well.

This newsletter contains planned event information so be sure to read and make note! Please make sure that everyone in your unit is aware of these events. I hope you and as many as possible from your unit will attend. You'll see your friends and make new ones!

And, I wish every UMW unit a wonderful Autumn Season! May all your unit events be fun, interesting and successful as we strive to provide support for women, children and youth in our neighborhood, our community, across America and throughout the world!

Blessings to you all!

Debbie Norman, Secretary

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**Leadership Development Coordinator: Jayne Walker**

Greetings UMW Sisters!

It is my pleasure to invite you to the annual Yadkin Valley District Leadership Training Event. This year we will meet at First United Methodist Church, 310 North Main Street, Mocksville, North Carolina, Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Gathering and Registration will be from 9:00 - 9:30, Opening 9:30 - 10:00 and Classes 10:00 until completed, but no later than noon. Light refreshments will be served. Our hands on will be monetary donations to be split equally between the Children's Home and Undesignated Giving. Childcare for the event can be provided if you contact Jayne Walker (336.492.2229 or [jaynewalker@lycos.com](mailto:jaynewalker@lycos.com)) by Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Training will be held for all Officers (president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer), Program Resources Coordinators, Historians, Parliamentarians, Communications, Nominations, Mission Coordinators, or any other position you may hold in UMW.

This is a wonderful opportunity to review our responsibilities and learn any new information our district officers have to present. We also gain so much from sharing ideas with each other, as well as being encouraged and refreshed by the fellowship we enjoy. Please mark your calendars and plan now to attend!

Our theme this year is "Let Your Light Shine" and is based on the Matthew 5:16:

***Let your light shine before people that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven.***

United Methodist Women takes the light of Christ to many dark places in our world. That is possible because of the commitment and dedication of our members. God gifts us and equips us to serve in so many different ways. Thanks to all of you for your willingness to let Christ shine through you!

See you on November 15<sup>th</sup>!!

Peace & Love  
Jayne Walker

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**Program Resources: Debra Lawson**

This year has been a wonderful experience for me in serving you as Secretary of Program Resources. I have enjoyed meeting and serving you at each event. I was really impressed by the number of women who completed reading program plans. I do want to apologize to Antioch UMC for not acknowledging them at the Annual Meeting. There were five women who completed Plan I and one woman who completed Plan II. We are about to end the year and you must have read at least one book from the four categories to qualify as completing Reading Program Plan I. Please keep on reading and encourage others to read. Share with others in your group the books you have read. The 2015 books are now available. They all looked like good reading. I look forward to seeing you at the District Leadership Training. I will try to answer any questions you have about the Reading Programs. I also will have books for Reading Program, Program books, and Prayer Calendars for 2015 available for you to purchase at the meeting.

Blessings,  
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**Reading Program 2015:**

The reading Program encourages members to think critically about current issues through an annual selection of member-reviewed books. It offers an excellent opportunity to deepen your spirituality and to broaden your understanding of our mission work.

**Communications Coordinator: Lois Shields**

Dear friends,

It has been my pleasure serving you as the YVD Communication Coordinator for the last two years. This opportunity has brought me many blessings and new friends. I have learned so much from you. I would like to thank the UMW groups that welcomed me to join their meetings. I had "2 great teams of district ladies" supporting me the last two years that assisted with the proofing of the newsletters prior to going to press. Thank you, Thank you!!!



I am looking forward to seeing everyone in a few weeks and at functions next year as we The United Methodist Women of the Yadkin Valley District continue to serve in Faith, Hope, and Love in Action.

Blessings,  
Lois Shields  
Communications Coordinator



Also I want to include "special thank you to a secret proofer".....  
I dearly appreciate you and your guidance from the past, present, and I know you will always be there for me and many others in the future!

*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."  
Philippians 4:13*

**Education and Interpretation: Martha Isenberg**

At our Conference Annual Meeting at Lake Junaluska, I helped collect kits for the UMCOR mission truck and it was amazing to see what was turned in. Although bedding kits were requested for this meeting, many other types of kits were brought too. Here's the total of those collected:

<u># kits</u>	<u>Value per Kit</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
102 bedding	\$50	\$5,100
88 birthing	\$8	\$704
258 health	\$12	\$3,096
249 school	\$11	\$2,739
22 layette	\$35	\$770
83 sewing	\$18	\$1,494
3 cleaning buckets	\$55	\$165
Bulk items to help make kits	\$260	
Cash for mailing and to purchase supplies	\$1,793	
<b>Grand total for all the above collected</b>	<b>\$16,121</b>	



Let's give ourselves a hand for this, as it will make a significant impact on families in crisis situations trying to deal with life! I urge you to continue collecting these kits for UMCOR and take a tour to the collection center and volunteer to help for a day. Our district mission study for 2015 will be "The Church and People with Disabilities." This is a topic that affects us all and something that our churches must address. Details of time and place will be in the first newsletter of 2015.

Blessings,  
 Martha Isenberg  
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**Driving Directions to First Mocksville — Leadership Development Training: November 15th**

**Lexington / Thomasville:** Take I-85 Business s/US-70 WUS-29 S; merge onto US-64 W toward Mocksville; Turn right onto US-158 E /South Main Street; .3 miles destination will be on the right.

**Kernersville:** Merge onto I-40 W towards Winston-Salem. Take the US-601 exit, EXIT 170 toward Mocksville/Yadkinville. Turn left onto US-601 S. Turn left onto S Main Street/US-158 E/US-601 N continue .3 mile (if you reach Williams St. you have gone about .2 mile too far)

**East Bend:** US-421 South to EXIT 242 towards Tanglewood. Right onto Lewisville/Clemmons Road. Merge onto I-40 West toward Mocksville/Tanglewood. US-601 EXIT 170. Turn left onto US-601 S. Turn left onto South Main Street/US 158 - 601 N Main. (if you reach Williams St. you have gone about .2 mile too far)

**High Point:** I-85 Bus S / US-70 W / US-29 S toward Thomasville, Merge onto US-64 West towards Mocksville. Right onto US-158 E/S Main Street (destination just past East Church Street, if you reach Pine Street you have gone .1 too far)

**King/Germanton/Walnut Cove:** US-52 S to I-40 West; Take the US-601 exit, EXIT 170 toward Mocksville/Yadkinville. Turn left onto US-601 S. Turn left onto S Main Street/US-158 E/US-601 N continue .3 mile (if you reach Williams St. you have gone about .2 mile too far)

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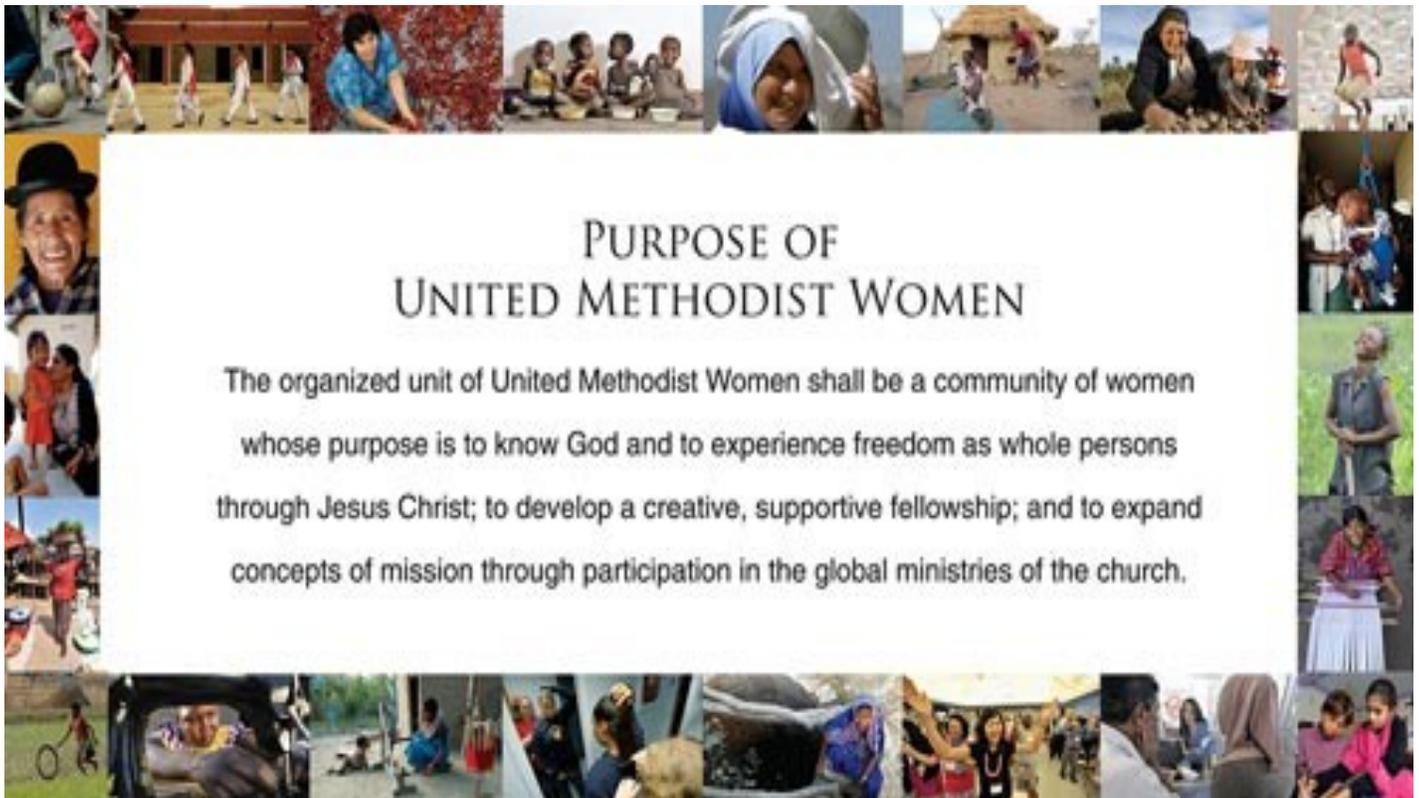


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### Mission Today!

### Make a Difference....Become a Mission Today Unit



**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.