



# Our Two Cents



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### ~ President's Message ~



It's my belief that one of the best ways to experience the full Purpose of being a member of United Methodist Women is to take advantage of opportunities outside the local unit. Many of you did that this summer by attending one of the **Mission U** (formerly called School of Christian Mission) events. More opportunities are coming up.

Each District is having an **Annual Meeting** this fall where you can reacquaint with old friends and participate in mission outreach projects. The district newsletters have registration forms.

In October, Harriet Jane Olson, Deputy General Secretary of United Methodist Women, will be the guest speaker at the **Conference Annual Meeting** in Portland. I know for many of you, it is a long way to travel, but the experience will be worth it. She will be sharing with us exciting new ways that United Methodist Women are responding with "Faith, Hope, and Love in Action." You and your unit can be involved by bringing items to fill UMCOR school bag kits. Registration forms are elsewhere in this newsletter. Also be sure to go to the [umoi.org/umw](http://umoi.org/umw) website to see Harriet's personal invitation to attend the Oregon-Idaho Annual Meeting.

Another opportunity to really step out of your comfort zone and experience what UMW's are doing is to plan to attend **Assembly 2014** in April in Louisville, Kentucky. This gathering of 10,000 women is an amazing event guaranteed to stir up a bunch of ways that you and the members of your unit can put your faith, hope and love into action. There will be

dynamic speakers from mission projects in the US and around the world; there will be inspiring worship services and amazing singing; there will be a day of service where members reach out in a variety of ways to the community of Louisville; you can even knit prayer shawls or sew baby blankets and send them to Assembly 2014. Go on line at [www.unitedmethodistwomen.org](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org) or see registration information elsewhere in this newsletter.

The theme of Assembly is going to be "**Make it Happen!**" You can make the purpose of United Methodist Women come alive by becoming involved beyond your local units. Make it happen. Attend your district annual meeting, the conference annual meeting, or Assembly. I'm looking forward to seeing you at all three.

Blessings and Peace,  
*Dixie Jacky, Conference President*

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Dear United Methodist Women,

The Annual Meeting is being held this year at Portland First United Methodist Church, 1838 SW Jefferson, Portland, Oregon. We are having a very special guest this year - **Harriet Jane Olson** – Deputy General Secretary of the United Methodist Women. The theme is “**Vision: Love in Action**” and we want to turn faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth. This year we are asking you to help with UMCOR School Kits. Registration and the list can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. Please bring items with you to the **UMW Annual Meeting Oct. 26**. Let’s fill Portland 1<sup>st</sup> up until it is bursting at the seams and let’s have a record turn out to welcome Harriett to the Oregon/Idaho Conference.

*Lynda Montgomery, Vice President*

## Annual Meeting Oct. 26, 2013



Harriet Jane Olson offers words of welcome as she looks forward to visiting the Oregon-Idaho UMW Annual Meeting. Use this link to watch the video: <http://www.umoi.org/videos/detail/26>

Don't forget to bring these supplies with you to the Annual Meeting for the UMCOR School kits:

- **Blunt scissors** - round tip only, no plastic scissors
- **Pads of paper** - 8 ½ x 11 spiral notebooks or top bound pads, sheets of loose leaf paper, no composition books
- **Hand held pencil sharpener** - at least one inch long
- **Rulers** - 30 centimeter, hard or flexible, can be cartoon characters, but no advertisements please
- **Unsharpened pencils** - No advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols please, cartoon characters are acceptable
- **Eraser** - 2 ½ inches, no advertisements, religious, patriotic, military camouflage or symbols
- **Boxes of crayons** - Only 24 count boxes please
- **No cloth bags please**



# Vision: Love in Action

## Oregon-Idaho UMW Annual Meeting

**October 26, 2013**

**8am to 3pm**

Registration begins at 8am, singing at 8:40am

**Portland First United Methodist Church  
1838 SW Jefferson Street, Portland, Oregon**

Send completed form by **October 12** along with \$12.00 registration fee to:  
**Shirley Blalock, 2445 SE Lake Road, Milwaukie, Oregon 97222**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Church and Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

*Childcare will be provided-bring a sack lunch for each child  
Registration by Oct 12—Please give number of children & ages*

Number of children: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_



### **Mission Project: Don't forget to bring supplies for the UMCOR School Kits:**

- Blunt scissors- round tip only, no plastic scissors
- Pads of paper- 8 1/2 x 11 spiral notebooks or top bound pads
- Sheets of loose leaf paper
- Hand held pencil sharpener (sharpener must be at least one inch long)
- Rulers need to be 30 centimeters, soft or hard, no advertisements please.
- Unsharpened pencils-no advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols please.
- Eraser size 2 1/2 inches
- Box of 24 count crayons only

Contact information for hotel: Ramada Portland East I-205, 9707 SE Stark St. Portland, OR 97216  
Phone: (503) 252-7400  
Email: ramada@inportland.com



# 2013



- September 14 Crater Lake District Annual Meeting at First Church, Eugene  
September 21 Sage District Annual Meeting at Boise First  
September 28 Cascadia District Annual Meeting, Woodburn UMC  
October 5 Columbia District Annual Meeting at Rockwood UMC, Portland  
October 25 District Officer Training Event, Montavilla UMC, Portland, Oregon
- October 26 Oregon-Idaho Conference United Methodist Women's Annual Meeting, Portland First UMC, Portland, Oregon**

# 2014

**April 25-27 Assembly 2014, Louisville, Kentucky**



#### **Make It Happen: Faith, Hope and Love in Action**

At the 2014 Assembly, we will celebrate, share sisterhood and remind one another how faith hope and love in action turns the impossible into reality every day. In more than 100 workshops women will help one another reach new heights in spiritual growth; develop leadership skills; cultivate new ways to strengthen our mission work; and learn more about environmental sustainability and best practices for incorporating these principles into our daily lives when we return home.

#### **Early Registration for Assembly 2014**

Women from around the country, mission partners from across the globe and even different faith backgrounds are planning to be present at the 19th quadrennial Assembly of United Methodist Women, April 25-27, at the Kentucky International Convention Center in Louisville, Ky. [Early online registration](#) opened Aug. 1 and will continue until Nov. 30.

#### **Incentive Plans for Groups Attending Assembly**

While planning your trip, be aware of the incentive plans designed to make it easier for groups to come to Assembly. [The Youth and Young Person Group Rate](#) waives registration fees for leaders who bring 10 or more young women 35 years old and under. [The New to Assembly Group Incentive Rate](#) waives the registration fee for the first 200 women who register 10 new persons to Assembly.

#### **Come Early: April 24, 2014**

You may want to come a day earlier, April 24, to be a part of the [Ubuntu Day of Service](#) within and around the Louisville, Ky., area. A Limitless reunion will also take place April 24 for the young women and allies who attended the Limitless: Redefine Tomorrow event in August 2012. Opportunities for new young women to join Limitless will be offered throughout Assembly.



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Follow this link to watch the Assembly 2014 video:  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cpRQTAEkcJE>

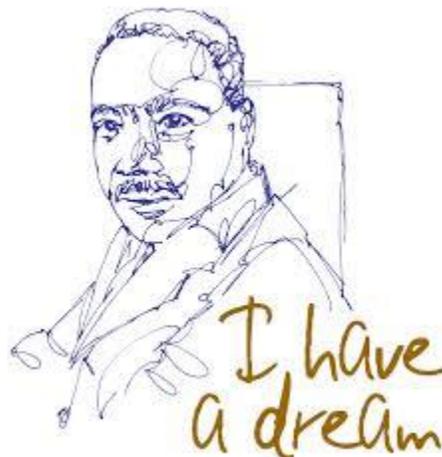
As our nation celebrates the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the March on Washington and Dr. Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech, I have been reflecting on the progress in civil rights. I know much progress has been made in some areas, however, as I listen to stories and interviews and ponder prison statistics, the Trayvon Martin verdict, unequal access to housing and employment, and now the gutting of the voting rights act, I realize there is still much to do. The issue seems overwhelming, but our Charter for Racial Justice and the new Oregon/Idaho Conference UMW Charter Club provide a blueprint for action.

An excellent publication, "UMW—Racial Justice Time Line" notes important moments of racial justice history in the United States and United Methodist Women. This publication is free and available from the UMW Mission Resources e-store (item #M5188). Copies of the Charter for Racial Justice are also available. We know that UMW from its beginnings has tried to build a community and social order without racial barriers. Racial justice is an ongoing focus of United Methodist Women. Involvement in racial justice goes back to our very beginnings; for example, Bennett College for African American women was founded in 1873. And UMW has a policy of reaching out to ALL immigrant groups. What a proud heritage.

Last fall Roz Collins and I visited the Rockwood Church to present the Conference Charter for Racial Justice Award to Rockwood for their support of the Latino people in their neighborhood. Each person in attendance was given a copy of the Charter and during the service the pastor led a responsive reading of the "I Believe" statements. The Charter really came alive and powerful as we read it in unison.

This newsletter includes a copy of the Oregon/Idaho Conference UMW Charter Club form (see page 6). I hope you will copy it and plan activities that honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and our United Methodist Women predecessors. Studying about racial justice and then engaging with others about racism is Social Action.

*Trudy Kayser, Mission Coordinator for Social Action*





## Oregon/Idaho Conference UMW Charter Club

(Charter for Racial Justice)

Unit \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_

### Unit Status

Check one of the following:

- Gold Unit** having completed 6 or more of the following actions  
 **Silver Unit** having completed 4 or more of the following actions  
 **Bronze Unit** having completed 2 or more of the following actions

### Team Actions Taken

Check all that apply for 2013

#### Unit Programming:

- 1 \_\_\_ Devoted a meeting to studying and discussing the Charter for Racial Justice Policies
- 2 \_\_\_ Used a program on racial justice/human rights from the UMW Program Book and/or "Resources for Racial Justice: Tools for UMW Leaders" handbook
- 3 \_\_\_ Participated in a bible study on racism
- 4 \_\_\_ Gave a book report on a Reading Program book selected from the Social Action area
- 5 \_\_\_ Invited an international guest to come and speak about their home country
- 6 \_\_\_ Shared local newspaper articles relating to racism (both positive and negative) at least three times a year
- 7 \_\_\_ Shared articles from *response* and *New World Outlook* relating to racism at least five times a year

#### Unit Enrichment:

- 8 \_\_\_ Display Charter for Racial Justice Policies AND lift up at least one issue at each unit meeting
- 9 \_\_\_ Supplied each member with a copy of the Charter for Racial Justice Policies
- 10 \_\_\_ Purchased and discussed two UMW Reading Program books about a different culture or written by someone of a different racial or ethnic background
- 11 \_\_\_ Participated in a qualifying UMW Social Action Mission Study
- 12 \_\_\_ Studied in-depth a particular issue relating to the Charter for Racial Justice Policies, i.e., racism, immigration rights, voting rights, racial/ethnic profiling
- 13 \_\_\_ Attended as a unit OR an individual gave a report to the unit about the experience of attendance to a music program, theatre performance by person(s) of a different culture, race or ethnic background

#### Beyond the Local Unit:

- 14 \_\_\_ Gave a Special Mission Recognition pin to someone who works to promote racial justice
- 15 \_\_\_ Sent one (1) member to Mission u to take the social action study
- 16 \_\_\_ Held a postcard writing party encouraging legislation favorable to the economically deprived or challenged
- 17 \_\_\_ Experienced worship with a church of an ethnic background different from your own.
- 18 \_\_\_ Hosted an international tasting party, cultural fair or other event
- 19 \_\_\_ Planned a worship experience for your unit or church with an emphasis on racial justice, i.e., UMW Sunday



The little booklet, Women's Ministries, Guidelines, has a quote on the front. It says, "I now remind you to stir into flame the gift of God which is within you.." 2 Timothy 1:6.

The section in the booklet called – Called to Spiritual Leadership states, "Each person is called to ministry by virtue of his or her baptism, and that ministry takes place in all aspects of daily life, in and outside the church. As a leader among the laity, your ministry is not just a "job", but a spiritual endeavor. You *are* a spiritual leader now, and others will look to you for spiritual leadership. What does that mean?

First, all persons who follow Jesus are called to grow spiritually through the practice of various Christian habits (or "means of grace") such as prayer, Bible Study, private and corporate worship, acts of service, Christian conferencing, and so on. Jesus taught his disciples practices of spiritual growth and leadership that you, as a disciple, are to share with others as they look to you to be a model and guide.

Second, it means that you always keep your eye on the main reasons for any ministry -- to help others grow to a mature faith in God that moves them to action on behalf of others, especially "least" (see Matthew 25:31-46). This is the ultimate goal of all that we do in the church."

We have a challenging endeavor in front of us as United Methodist Women as we stir into flame the gift of God.

*Shirley Manning Knepp, Deaconess, Spiritual Growth Coordinator*

## Education & Interpretation

Genie Regele

*"There is no need for me to write to you about this service to the Lord's people. I know your eagerness to help and I have been boasting about it."*  
2 Corinthians 9:1a

This is how the Apostle Paul might have viewed "Mission Giving". Take a few minutes, read and think about how these words relate to your unit's Pledge to Mission.

Have you wondered where your Pledge to Mission dollars go? First and most important, this money is used to support our national and international mission institutions and associated programs. Next comes support for advocacy for women, children and youth. Your money also supports our leadership training member support programs, education (think Mission u!), spiritual growth programs and the Reading Program. Support for Deaconesses and Home Missionaries is also important. Mission dollars also help support UMWonline and Response magazine to name a few more. This is a snapshot of how your pledge money is used.

I am looking forward to seeing you in October and will be available to answer questions you might have. If I don't know the answer I will point you to somebody who does!

"May God lift you up on eagle's wings and hold you in the palm of God's hand."

*Genie Regele, Education & Interpretation Coordinator*



**Judi Hanson**

In United Methodist Women we want all women to feel nourished spiritually, to have venues to develop leadership skills, and to grow intellectually through educational opportunities such as events, reading, study and active mission. We want the women who have already given of their time, energy and expertise to continue feeling as integral and vital persons in this organization. It is also important to us that women who have never been members of this organization feel invited and welcomed. We have great things to offer each woman.

With those goals in mind, there are opportunities to be involved with the upcoming Assembly 2014 in April. First of all, you could be a participant and attend this event. If you are unable to attend the event, you could provide scholarship funds for someone else to attend, or organize a fund drive to sponsor another person to attend.

For those with knitting, crocheting or sewing skills, you are encouraged to create a prayer shawl or baby blanket. These can be made from fabric or yarn. Take the finished items to your local church to be blessed and then pack them up and send them on to: **Linda C. Douglas, United Methodist Women, 475 Riverside Dr, Room 1504, New York, NY 10115.** These should be sent off by March 1, 2014 and will be distributed and displayed at Assembly 2014.

Registration information can be accessed through the Oregon Idaho United Methodist Women website. This includes information on lodging in Louisville. For the schedule of activities just click on Assembly 2014. Room reservations can be made by using the Hyatt link on the Oregon Idaho UMW conference website or by calling the Courtyard by Marriott Louisville Downtown at [502-562-0200](tel:502-562-0200) and asking for the Oregon-Idaho United Methodist Women Conference block.

*Judi Hanson,  
Membership Nurture & Outreach Coordinator*

Correct address for Assembly registration:

**United Methodist Women  
National Office Gift Processing  
P.O. Box 29925  
New York, NY 10087-9925**



**Rebecca Lowe Warren**

One hundred sixty-seven people attended Mission u 2013. 167! This number includes laity, clergy, deaconesses, and study leaders. The theme was *Learning for the Transformation of the World* with participants studying *The Roma of Europe*, *Poverty*, and *The Call: Living Sacramentally, Walking Justly*. Many thanks to the study leaders -- Gayle Woods, Rev. Bob Flaherty, Helen Van Nice, Karen Morray, and Dr. Roger Boe for their hours of preparation and heartfelt commitment to both their study topics and Mission u. Special praise goes out to Helen Van Nice who with two days notice repacked her suitcase and resources to substitute for an ailing Roger Boe at the Idaho School.

Looking ahead to Mission u 2014, the calendar dates are --- drum roll -- July 10 - 13 at George Fox University and July 24 - 27 at the Nazareth Retreat Center, Boise, ID. *The Roma of Europe* will be repeated.

*Rebecca Lowe Warren, Dean Mission u 2014*

# Nominations

Patti Meyer

## 2013 Proposed Nominations for Officers of OR-ID Conference UMW

Position	2014	2013
President	Dixie Jacky, Blackfoot, Sage	
Vice-President		Lynda Montgomery, Pocatello, Sage
Secretary	Jeannie Boese, Klamath Falls, Crater Lake	
Treasurer		Sandy Flaherty, Newberg, Cascadia
Communications Coordinator		Sherry Yang, Klamath Falls, Crater Lake
Secretary of Program Resources	Roz Collins, Gresham, Columbia	
Education & Interpretation		Genie Regele, Corvallis, Crater Lake
Membership Nature & Outreach		Judy Hanson, Portland, Columbia
Social Action	Paula Sadler, Tigard, Cascadia	
Spiritual Growth	Shirley Knepp, Salem, Cascadia	
Chair, Nominations	2016 Karen Morray, Eugene First, Crater Lake	
Nominations Committee	2017 Sue Anderson, Gresham, Columbia	2014 Gloria Jones, Astoria, Cascadia
	2017 Janice Stevens, Montavilla, Columbia	2014 Joni Pace, Idaho Falls, Sage
		2015 Irene Fernandez, Salem, Cascadia
		2015 Joyce Richmond, Baker City, Sage

The Oregon-Idaho Nominations Committee has been hard at work this year. We hope that you will approve this slate as it will be presented for a vote on Oct. 26, 2013 at our Annual Meeting at First UMC, Portland. We are looking forward to seeing all of the district nominations committees at the District Officer Training on Oct. 25 at Montavilla UMC in Portland. See you soon!

*Patti Meyer, Chair of Nominations*

*Members of Committee: Lisa Soule, Joni Pace, Gloria Jones, Irene Fernandez, Karen Morray and Joyce Richmond*



# Treasurer

**Sandy Flaherty**

We just completed two wonderful and enriching Mission u's . We have already scheduled the same places for next year and during the same time frame. So put them on your calendars and start saving for next summer. Also, encourage your units to put a line item in their budgets for scholarships to Mission u.

Also, at our Annual Meeting we will vote on the 2014 Budget (see page 11 for conference budget) and make our Conference and District Pledges. The exciting thing about our Pledges is we get to see faith forming. Each District decides with lots of thoughts and prayers what they should commit to in the coming year. We really do not know what each unit will submit during the year to meet their pledge. Sometimes units give less than they pledge and sometimes they give more. We all walk the walk of faith - trusting God to provide for the needs of others around the world through our mission giving...Faith in Action.

See you in October,

*Sandy Flaherty, Treasurer*



Proposed changes to the Conference Standing Rules are now available on the website at <http://www.umo.org/umw>. These changes will be voted on at our Annual Meeting on October 26 at Portland First United Methodist Church. If you would like a printed copy of the proposed changes, please contact Jeannie Boese, Conference Secretary, at [jboeseumw@charter.net](mailto:jboeseumw@charter.net) or 541-273-9579. Due to the late date at which the new bylaws were published, the Conference Executive Team has not yet had time to discuss all of the changes and how they will affect our conference. Therefore, at this time we have made very few changes to our Standing Rules based on the new bylaws.

## Email Correction

The email address for the chair of nominations committee is incorrect in the directory. The correct address is: [nominations.umworld@gmail.com](mailto:nominations.umworld@gmail.com) .



You can subscribe or unsubscribe to conference-related emails and newsletters by sending email to Sherry Yang, Communications Coordinator, at [yang.dexter@gmail.com](mailto:yang.dexter@gmail.com)

# Conference Budget

<b>Conference Budget</b>	2014
<b>Leadership Operating Expense</b>	
Audit	\$400.00
Directory	\$175.00
Leadership Recognition	\$300.00
Newsletter	\$450.00
Administrative Supplies	\$375.00
Gift to Mission/Gift in Memory	\$300.00
President to UMC Annual Conference	\$450.00
Program Resources	\$150.00
Resources & Literature	\$245.00
Executive Team Travel	\$500.00
Miscellaneous	\$75.00
UMC Conference UMW Display	\$100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,520.00</b>
<b>Committees</b>	
Charter	\$50.00
Finance	\$100.00
Boyd-Crane	\$25.00
Zimmerman Trust	\$25.00
Membership	\$50.00
Nominations	\$75.00
Mission u Site	\$50.00
Social Action	\$50.00
Standing Rules	\$25.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$450.00</b>
<b>Events</b>	
Executive Meetings	\$4,500.00
District Officer Training (DOTE)	\$3,500.00
Conference Annual Meeting	\$3,500.00
Seminars/Workshops	\$300.00
Training School (Mission u)	\$3,500.00
Conference Mission u	\$2,200.00
Conference Annual Retreat	\$600.00
Young Women's Event	\$150.00
Legislative Education/Event	\$150.00
National Seminar	\$200.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$18,600.00</b>
<b>Quadrennial Event Fund</b>	<b>\$2,200.00</b>
<b>Total Conference Budget</b>	<b>\$24,770.00</b>



# The Reader's Corner

Roz Collins

This is the time of year when units start preparing their 2014 budgets. Have you planned for your new resources for next year? Here's a list of items your unit should have for 2014:

- 2014 UMW Prayer Calendar \$11.00
- 2014 UMW Program Book \$10.00
- 2013-2016 UMW Handbook\* \$12.50
- 2014 "A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial" packet \$2.00
- A subscription to *response* magazine
- Access to copies of monthly issues of *New World Outlook* magazine
- Updated copies of UMW brochures and literature items

Remember to set aside money to purchase books for the UMW Reading Program. Are you considering youth books and books for children? What a nice way for your unit to contribute to your Sunday School programs while participating in the reading program! **The complete list of titles for 2014 is available on the UMW website** (below). I'll have copies of the books at our Conference Annual Meeting in Portland available for purchase.

Are you looking for some UMW logo items for your next special UMW event? Check out the e-store on the website: [www.umwmissionresources.org](http://www.umwmissionresources.org)

One last thing—more and more free information can be found on the website (above). If you have access to a computer, it is worth your while to check every so often to see what has been added. For instance, you can download the following free of charge:

- "5 Channels of Mission Giving" brochure
- Study leaders' guides for various mission studies
- Supplements for Mission u texts in Spanish and Korean
- UMW catalogs
- Reading program materials
- Retreat manuals
- Tools on Immigration and Racial Justice resources
- Back issues of UMW news
- \* Electronic version of the 2013-2016 UMW Handbook plus a separate file for the updated by-laws. (Beware: these files have many, many pages. If you want a hard copy of the handbook, it would be best to purchase a copy.)

Planning Ahead—did you know that if you subscribe to the UMW Annual Sampler (aka \$35.00 Mailing) you receive your personal copies of the new items as soon as they become available?

- April 2014: Both new text books for Mission u in 2014.
- August 2014: 2015 Prayer Calendar, 2015 Program book, plus a purse-sized date book

The items come to your door, but without the usual shipping and handling charges! What a deal! Call the UMW Mission Resources number and enroll for 2014. **1-800-305-9857**.

*Roz Collins, Conference Secretary of Program Resources (SPR)*

## Connect With United Methodist Women

The new [UMWonline](#) is a social network geared for United Methodist Women to share ideas and resources that help each of us live out the PURPOSE. Registration on the network is open to UMW members as well as friends. Much of the content is open to network members and non-members alike, some is open to members only, while other groups have been created as private - open only to invited members.

### Sign-in

The web address for UMWOnline is [UMWOnline.org](#). If you have an account with UMWOnline.net before, your username and password are still valid. Otherwise, you need to create a new username and password.

### Explore

Check out the various Groups or start your own group. See what members have already signed on. Use Chat and Forum to get in touch with old friends or meet new ones. Meet other women who share the same passion about social issues as you do.



Sign In

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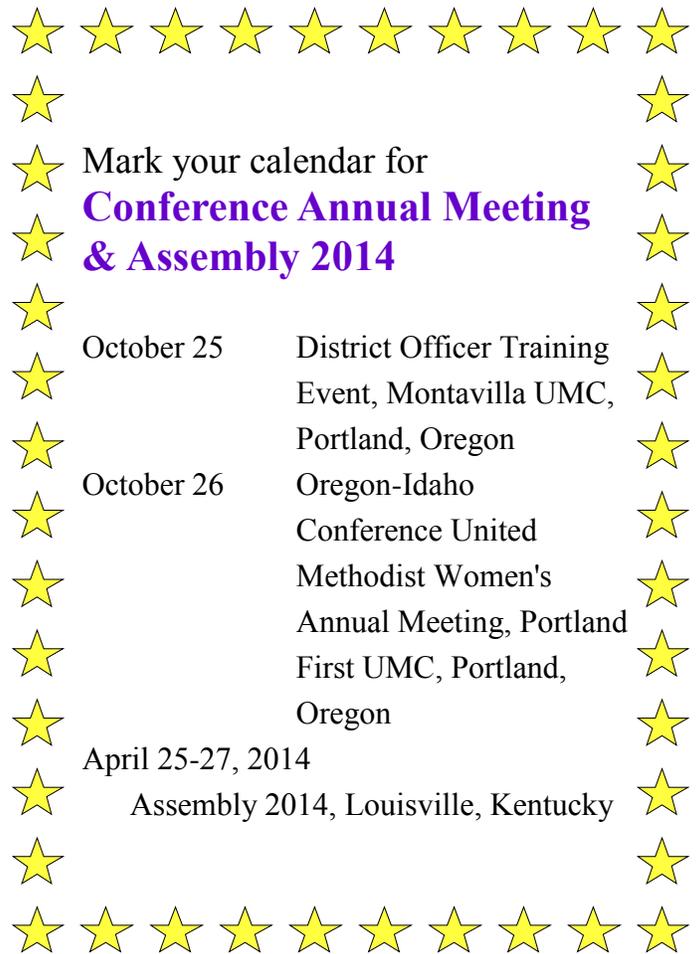
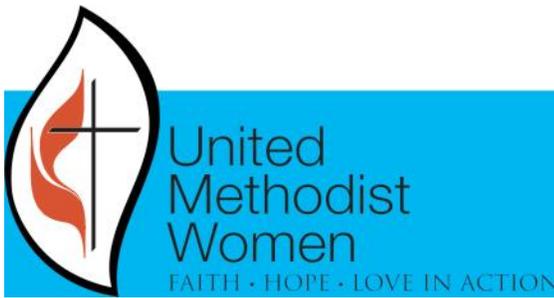
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