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.

UPPER NEW YORK UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
ANNUAL MEETING
MALONE CENTENARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
345 Main Street, Malone, NY
October 2-3, 2-15

Exploring Our Legacy Into The Future...

Friday, October 2: Gather at 4 pm for Mission Project Leadership training and meeting after dinner
Saturday, October 3: Gathering 8-9 am
Meeting will begin at 9:15
Cost: $25.00 for both days, $15 for a single day.
Registration to: Melanie Keith by September 25, 2015
299 Edwards Road, Wynantskill, NY 12198
Accommodations: Holiday Inn Express, Red Roof Inn, Four Seasons Camping at Deer River Campground (cabins available)

Bring a display to share your Legacy!
Your Mountain View District United Methodist Women’s Team

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to bring to all District Events

UMCOR Kits
Labels
Pill Bottles (please include 5 cents per bottle for mailing)
Shoes (please tie pairs together)
As the end of Summer approaches, I look back on a whirl of activities-family and friends visiting here at Keuka Lake, church and community involvement, health issues (including dealing with our elderly senior citizen dog), and the stress of dealing with everyday life and its uncertainties. Reflecting back on all these days, I “stand amazed” that through it all, the loving spirit of Jesus Christ has been right there with me. It is a humbling thought. Looking through my Bible to share a scripture with you, I find Paul’s words in Philippians 2: 1-11 to be a beautiful reflection for all of us as we gear up for our continuing spiritual journey together. Look up Philippians 2: 1-11. God Bless, Elfie

Welcome to the fall activities. I hope you all had a refreshing summer. Because we belong to United Methodist Churches and because we are United Methodist Women – we are part of the connectional system. We enjoy visiting with you by phone, e-mails, at UMW functions. We care for you and for your units and churches. As we contact you, let us know of your needs, joys, etc. And know that all women of the Mountain View District are welcome to come to the UMW Fall District Meeting.

God’s love and peace, Cindy Ellis (607-739-5185)

Hammondsport UMW had a challenging summer with involvement in many activities, starting with the Community VBS held during the last week in June. All of our area churches participate and their pastors were also helping on a daily basis. We had 65 children enrolled and 37 teens helped in various capacities. We raised $500 for the “Imagine No More Malaria” campaign and also collected food items for the local food pantry. In preparation for this event, Onalee Clark and Diane Albright held “Safe Sanctuary” training for 52 individuals, who included all of our Sunday School and VBS adult volunteers. A chicken BBQ was held in July, sponsored by the church Trustees. Several UMW members helped out. We raised over $1,400 for church building maintenance and upgrades. On August 7th, we put on our Annual Smorgasbord. Proceeds were split evenly between the church and the UMW unit account. Finally, our UMW wants to thank all of you who have been so faithful in contributing to our Pill Bottle Ministry, which we conduct in cooperation with Mr. Frank Curran of St. Gabriel’s Catholic Church, here in the village.

Attention UMW Presidents and unit members –
We would like to feature your unit of the United Methodist Women in one of the upcoming newsletters. Please contact any of the team members if you are interested in submitting, the next newsletter will be the winter issue, and printing will be in early January.

A special thank you to Carol Preston who is going off the District team in January. Carol has served faithfully on the UMW District Team for fourteen years as Communications Coordinator, Treasurer, Co-President and team member. We thank her for all the love, support and gifts that she has shared with us. We will you Carol!
Treasurer’s Message

Neighborhood Service’s Organization (NSO) provides much needed dental care to the underserved in Oklahoma City. 40 young people gathered for Thanksgiving dinner hosted by NSO, a UMW supported national mission institution serving at-risk and homeless of Oklahoma City. When one young man was questioned as to why he was only eating mashed potatoes, he responded, “My teeth really hurt!” After several visits to the dental clinic, he had all his teeth extracted with dentures made. He had been homeless since turning 18 when he aged out of foster care!  

The Status of Women
Carol Burnett attended the 59th UN Commission of the Status of Women. She is executive director of Moore Community House in Biloxi, Mississippi, a UMW related national mission institution, where she works to ensure women’s economic security. Moore Community House provides affordable, quality childcare and job training leading to higher paid jobs in the construction industry. Her role at the conference was to share how these services make differences in lives of low income women and their children; to make connections with and to learn from other women around the world doing similar work. “While it was discouraging to see how slow and small our progress is toward accomplishing our goals, it is inspirational to see so many women working together inside and out of their governments and in communities of all types around the globe to achieve equality for women!”  

UMW 2014 Conference Giving
The numbers reflect the total giving of UMW members for fiscal year ended December 31, 2014.  

Upper New York Conference United Methodist Women
Pledge $185,000 / Mission Giving-$207,737 / Designated Giving-$18,312 = Total- $226,035

UNY is one of 10 conferences that make up the Northeastern Jurisdiction
(Response June- p. 34-35)

Ladies, continue to be proud of the work we do in the units and the work we do in the district. Our monies do make a difference in the lives of women, children and youth. As of August 31st mission giving was $11,702.20 toward the pledge of $27,400.  
We can do it!
**A Memorial Service**

For all United Methodist Women in the Mountain View District whose date of death was between September 1, 2014 and August 31, 2015 will be held during the Fall District Meeting, September 26th.

All churches are requested to send names and dates by September 18, 2015 to:

Name: Cindy Ellis  
Address: 236 Segar Road, Horseheads, NY 14845  
Phone: (607) 739-5185  
Email: cellis6@stny.rr.com

NAME OF CHURCH____________________________

Please PRINT the names and dates legibly,

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**Proposed 2016 Budget**

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**2016 PLEDGE TO MISSION**

Unit ___________________________ Mission Giving Pledge $________________________*

Please ask one unit member to bring this form forward during the Pledge Service at the Fall District Meeting, Saturday, September 26, 2015. If no one from your unit can attend the meeting, please mail this form to:

Karen Peterson  
116 Greenridge Drive  
Horseheads, NY 14845

OR contact Karen at (607) 739-3141  
Email Dpeterson1@stny.rr.com  
by September 22, 2015

*Pledge to Mission, Gift to Mission, Gift in Memory, Special Mission Recognition, World Thank Offering
2016 UMW BOOKS AVAILABLE EARLY!

Hot off the press and available are the new 2016 UMW Reading Program books! They are listed and described online. Go to: www.umwmissionresources.org United Methodist Women – Portal Reading Program 2016 Reading Program

We have some intriguing titles on the 2016 list:

- **Coffee, Tea and Holy Water**
- **A Waist is a Terrible Thing to Mind**
- **Miss Brenda and the Loveladies**

There are a couple of repeat authors on the 2016 list also. J. Ellsworth Kalas’ great titled new book is, **I Love Growing Older, but I’ll Never Grow Old**. Remember he wrote, **Strong Was her Faith** (2014). Tim Tingle, author of **Walking the Choctaw Road** (2009) has a fascinating new book, **House of Purple Cedar**.

We should have several of the new books for sale at the Fall District Meeting, September 26, 2015 at New Beginning UMC, Elmira. Plan to come early and spend time browsing and buying at our new 2016 Book Tables. The new 2015-2016 UMW Program Book (Growing in Blessedness) should also be available if you would like to reserve a 2016 Program book, please send me an email dmflatt123@gmail.com or call (607-739-9551). Hopefully, the 2016 Prayer Calendar as well as UMW Reading Program catalog will be available.

Our UMW Reading Program offers a wonderful avenue to increase our knowledge in current issues, new places, people ideas as well as strengthen our spiritual foundation. It is a necessary component as we strive to open our minds, hearts, and hands in mission to the women, children and youth of our world.

Over 400 UMW books were read in 2014 by the women in our Mountain View District. Your 2015 Reading Program lists need to be listed and returned to me by **March 1st 2016**. Always have at least one UMW circle meeting be a Book Review and discussion meeting. The 2015 list contained such a wide variety of excellent books and topics. Questions, comments, concerns: please contact me.

Enjoy and share your summer reading!
Myrna Flatt, Program Resources

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**READING PROGRAM PLANS**

- **5 Categories:** Education for Mission, Leadership Development, Nurturing for Community, Social Action, Spiritual Growth
- **Selections from the 2011-2015 reading lists.**

**PLAN ONE:** 5 books with 1 from each category. Selections from the reading lists (including youth books). Regular reading of *Response* Magazine.

**PLAN TWO:** 10 books with at least 2 from each category. Selections from the reading lists (including youth books). Regular reading of *Response* and *New World Outlook* magazines.

**PLAN THREE:** 15 books. 2 books from each category plus 5 additional books from any category. Selections from the reading lists (including youth and children’s books). Regular reading of *Response* and *New World Outlook* magazines.

**PLAN FOUR:** 20 books. 2 books from each category plus 10 additional books from any category. Selections from the reading lists (including youth and children’s books). Regular reading of *Response* and *New World Outlook* magazines.

www.missionresources.org 800-305-9857
MTAINE VIEW DISTRICT UMW
DATES TO REMEMBER 2015 - 2016

2015

September 26 – Saturday – 9:30 AM
Fall District Meeting – New Beginnings UMC

October 2-3 - Friday-Saturday
Upper New York UMW Annual Meeting –
Malone-Centenary UMC - Theme – “Our Legacy”

December 15 – Tuesday
Final funding remittances due from Units to Karen Peterson

2016

January 15 – Friday
President’s Reports (2) due to Elfie Tompkins

February 20 – Saturday (Snow date – Feb 27)
Enrichment Day – Oakwood – 9:30 AM

March 1 – Tuesday
2015 Reading Program Reports due to Myrna Flatt
2015 Special Mission Recognition write-ups to Karen Peterson

March 19 – Saturday
Communion Breakfast – Avoca – 9:00 AM

April 16 – Saturday
Day Apart – Wellsville - 9:30 AM

May 16 – Monday - 5:00 PM
Spring District Dinner – Watson Homestead

June 16-18 Thursday-Saturday
Northeast Jurisdictional Meeting
OnCenter – Syracuse

July 15 – 17  Friday-Sunday
Mission U – 2016: Cazenovia
Spiritual growth: The Bible and Human Sexuality
Geographic: Latin America
Issue study: Climate Justice
Children and Youth: Climate Justice

September 24 – Saturday - 9:30 AM
Fall District Meeting 2016 – Bath UMC

Mountain View UMW District
Proposed Slate of Officers for 2016

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We would like to have two or three more people join us on the
district team. We have three team meetings a year and each
member helps to plan one of our four district events. Please let
any team member know if you can help in any way. Thank you!
Ann Rouse

MV District Spring Dinner, May 18, 2015 at Watson Homestead
Mountain View District United Methodist Women

We Are the Body of Christ Service, Advocacy and the Church

FALL District Meeting

Saturday, September 26, 2015

9:30 am – 2:30 pm

Elmira, New Beginnings UMC

Worship, Business meeting, Bible Study, Fellowship, 2016 Reading books, World Thank Offering, Memorial Service and Holy Communion

Bring your BIBLE and lunch, beverages and dessert will be provided
Childcare available- Contact Fran Woodruff (607) 734-2691

DIRECTIONS – From I-86 NY-17/Southern Tier Expressway. Take EXIT 56, Turn slight right onto NY-352/E Church St., Turn left onto NY-352/Madison Ave. Continue to follow Madison Ave., Madison Ave becomes Sly St., Turn left onto Maple Ave. go 0.7 Miles, Turn right onto E Miller St.