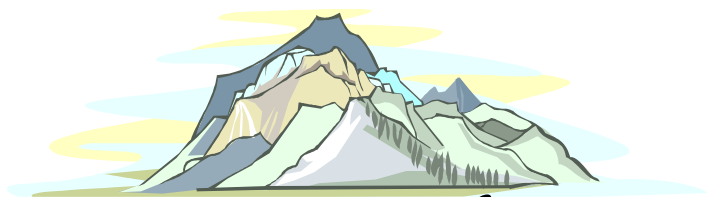


Grace United Methodist Church  
191 Bridge Street  
Corning, NY 14830

*Mountain View District  
United Methodist Women*



*Spring 2015 Echoes*

**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.

**MVD UMW 2015 DATES TO REMEMBER**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
March 28	Communion Breakfast	Coopers Plains
April 18	Day Apart	Horseheads
May 18	Spring District Dinner	Watson Homestead
July 17 - 19	Mission u	Cazenovia College
September 26	Fall District Meeting	New Beginnings
December 1	2016 Officer Updates due to Carol Preston	
December 15	2015 Final remittance to Karen Peterson, MVD UMW Treasurer	

## *Your Mountain View District United Methodist Women's Team*

**Please contact us if you - HAVE A QUESTION, NEED HELP, NEED A SPEAKER:**

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### **We Need You**

We are still hoping that three or four more people would like to come on our UMW District Team. The whole team meets three times during the year. Each team member chooses to help plan one of the four district events that take place each year. We do work as a team so it is that simple!! Give a call to volunteer or with *questions*. 607-562-3095.

Ann Rouse  
Nominating Chairman

### **REGISTRATION DATES- UPCOMING UMW EVENTS**

<b><u>RSVP By</u></b>	<b><u>For</u></b>	<b><u>To</u></b>
<b>MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	Lenten Communion Breakfast at Coopers Plains Community EVENT DATE – March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Marg John 962-5838
<b>MAY 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Special Mission Recognition write-up Karen Peterson (607) 739-3141 <a href="mailto:Dpeterson1@stny.rr.com">Dpeterson1@stny.rr.com</a>	
<b>MAY 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Spring District Dinner Karen Peterson (607) 739-3141 (Use registration form included in this newsletter) <a href="mailto:Dpeterson1@stny.rr.com">Dpeterson1@stny.rr.com</a>	EVENT DATE – May 18th

Mountain View Distict UMW

## *Lenten Communion Breakfast*

*9 am Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>*

*Coopers Plains Community Church*

*9 Race Street, Coopers Plains, NY*



***ALL are invited to attend***

**Reservations are requested to assist with planning by March 23,  
Contact – Marg John (607)962-5838**

Directions to Coopers Plains Community Church:

I-86, take exit 42

Coming from the East (Corning, Horseheads) turn LEFT on to the Meads Creek Road

Coming from the West (Bath, Avoca) turn RIGHT on to the Meads Creek Road

At the blinker light (Route 415) cross the intersection and go down the hill to Main Street, turn LEFT, then a quick RIGHT on to Race Street



Spiritual Growth

Dear Friends,

Looking through my Women's Devotional Bible, I was struck by a short meditation by Anne Ortlund, a Christian writer in California. Her meditation is based on John 17:1-26, which is a conversation between God the Son of God (Jesus) with God the Father. God's all-encompassing concerns are: the Glory of God and His Son Jesus, the wellbeing of all believers and the salvation of the world-that others will know and believe. As we prepare for Easter, re-read John 17:1-26. As Anne Ortlund writes, "You're on Holy Ground. Sit at Jesus' feet. Learn his thinking. And, give all you are to share His concerns, love His loves, and accomplish His purposes."

Have a Blessed Easter,  
Elfie Tompkins



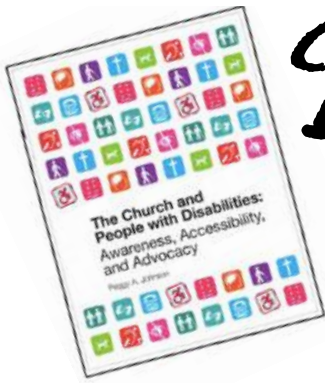
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**~ UMCOR Kits ~ Labels ~ Shoes**

**Pill Bottles**

(please include 5 cents per bottle for mailing –  
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Mountain View District United Methodist Women



# Day Apart

at



*Horseheads First United Methodist Church*

*1034 W. Broad Street, Horseheads*

*Saturday, April 18*

*Registration 9:30 am Program starts at 10*

*Bring a bag lunch*

*Communion following the afternoon program*



Morning Program on  
**Disabilities**



Afternoon Program on  
**How is it with  
your soul?**

DIRECTIONS to Horsehead First UMC—

**From the West:** From Route 86, take exit 52B and turn left onto Route 14  
At the light, turn left on to W. Broad Street, the Church will be on the right  
**From the East:** From Route 86, take exit 52B and turn left onto Route 14  
At the light, turn left on to W. Broad Street, the Church will be on the right

*Welcoming New People and New Opportunities* was the District Enrichment Day theme. We explored the parable of The Prodigal and His Brother. Do we always identify with one of the two brothers, or are we capable of identifying with either depending on circumstances? The Prodigal son was unconditionally welcomed home by his father! This led to discussion on the following questions: Who is and who is missing at our UMW meetings?

What specific things can we do to be more welcoming within our church family?

What can we do to help people in the community get to know United Methodist Women?

It was easy to identify who was missing at UMW Meetings – younger women, women of color, women with disabilities, etc.

**After brainstorming the following are specific suggestions that we can do within our church family**

Welcoming event for all women- personal invitations handed out

Event after church/ provide light lunch

Have a theme perhaps centered on PURPOSE: 5 minute each- ice breaker, social action issue, mission moment and spiritual growth experience, etc.

If event is not after church: Offer to pick up/ Pay for at home babysitter for young mom!

Soup and Salad Sunday- \$5.00

Mission Sunday: Provide light lunch

Participants bring articles for health and school kits- assemble/ articles for local organization in community/ articles for UNC with some info about the different programs

UMW Book Review- open to all women

Coordinate prayer partners/mentors/ secret pals- UMW member with new attendee

Put UMW event on facebook/ web site



**Suggestions to help people in the community get to know United Methodist Women**

Kid's Day- Saturday

Ice Cream Social / Chicken BBQ

UMW Ubuntu Day- mission project in community

Partner with organization in community- service project

Invite Neighbor to Dish to Pass meal at church

## Mountain View Newsletter blurb

**Request from the Treasurer**

**Please send mission money sooner rather than later. Your dollars make more of a difference in the lives of women, children and youth than sitting in the check book! THANK YOU!**







## Think Outside the Box

United Methodist Women is an organization that “thinks outside the box”! Do you know one of the most important facets of being prepared to think outside the box? It is our amazing UMW Reading Program and the new books recommended each year! Our 2015 Book List includes books on a wide variety of issues, concerns, and studies. Many have a most interesting novel twist. Some pertinent subjects covered this year are:

### Welcomed by God, Welcoming All

A New Dawn in Beloved Community (Social Action)

The Well women (Spiritual Growth)

The Chickens Build a Wall (Nurturing)

### Alzheimer’s disease

Sum It Up (Leadership Development)

### Immigration

Kind of Kin (Social Action)

Return to Sender (Social Action)

### Help Somebody and Help Yourself

Tough Cookies (Leadership)

Get off Your Donkey (Leadership)

### Poverty, Illness

What’s so Blessed about Being Poor? (Education for Mission)

Finding God in a Bag of Groceries (Spiritual Growth)

My Name is Blessing (Education for Mission)

### Bullying of All Kinds

Bully.com (Nurturing)

Vicious (Nurturing)

### Life Changing Illnesses

The End of Your Life Book Club (Nurturing)

The Round House (Nurturing)

The Well Women (Spiritual Growth)

### Faith Building

Help, Thanks, Wow (Spiritual Growth)

Praying to Change Your Life (Spiritual Growth)



The 2015 books are getting great reviews! You will be amazed at the diverse range of subjects, concepts and interest. Remember the 2015 UMW Reading Resource Catalog is always available. We have a supply (email: [dmflatt123@gmail.com](mailto:dmflatt123@gmail.com) or call 607-483-7677). The Reading List can be found online at [www.umwonline.org](http://www.umwonline.org) or by calling 800-305-9857. Catalogs will also be available on our Book Tables at Day Apart on April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Reminder:** encourage your UMW circle members to turn in all 2014 completed Reading Plan Tally list to Myrna Flatt, 212 Timothy Lane Horseheads, NY 14845. Knowledge is the key of how we can share our faith, hope and love on behalf of women and children.

*Mountain View District United Methodist Women's*

# *Spring Dinner*

*Welcome Everyone!!*

*Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>*

*Gathering - 5:30 PM      Dinner - 6 PM*  
*Watson Homestead*

***\$17.00 per serving***

***MENU ~ Salad ~ vegetable medley ~ Baked Chicken Breast***  
*~ real mashed potatoes ~ assorted fruit pies ~*  
*(Vegetarian option available)*

***RSVP by May 11 to -***  
***Karen Peterson***  
116 Greenridge Drive  
Horseheads, NY 14845  
phone (607) 739-3141 or  
email Dpeterson1@stny.rr.com



***Special Mission Recognition***



***Reading Program***



***Unit Recognition***

***Directions to Watson Homestead -***

From the Southern Tier Expressway (State Route 17 & Interstate 86) take Exit 42 (Coopers Plains). Follow signs from the exit (County Route 26 - Meads Creek Road) 3 miles to Dry Run Road, on the right. Follow signs to the Main Lodge of Watson Homestead. Free Parking.

# M-I-S-S-I-O-N 2015 Studies

## 2015 MISSION U

- 3 Dates – 3 Locations – 3 Studies

### Dates

- July 17- 19
- July 30 – August 1
- September 11 – 13

### Locations

Cazenovia  
Silver Lake (Asbury)  
Silver Bay

### Studies

- **Spiritual growth:** Pursuit of Happiness
- **Geographic:** Latin America
- **Issue study:** The Church and People with Disabilities
- **Children and Youth:** Latin America (Cazenovia only)
- The District and the Conference offer scholarships to first-time Mission U attendees. Contact Karen Peterson, MVD UMW Treasurer, for additional information. Please plan to attend an amazing weekend.



#### Always needed:

- ✓ Construction paper
- ✓ Poster Board
- ✓ Glue
- ✓ Foam Shapes
- ✓ Google Eyes
- ✓ Washable Markers
- ✓ Washable paint
- ✓ Children's DVD's
- ✓ Naptime Music CD's
- ✓ Bibs (prefer ones that tie or pull over the head)
- ✓ Clorox wipes
- ✓ Changing table pads
- ✓ Washcloths
- ✓ Baby wipes
- ✓ Outdoor toys
- ✓ Gently used children's sweat shirts and sweat suits will be accepted.

### Shoeman Water Projects – We Turn Used Shoes Into Water!

Shoeman Water Projects collects donated shoes – any kind, new or gently used – from schools, churches, businesses and shoe drives, exports [the shoes](#) to street vendors in places like Haiti, Kenya and South America and uses the funds from exporting for clean water programs in communities around the world.

The secondhand shoes are a valuable product for street vendors to sell at [affordable](#) prices. The end users are people who do not have shoes and cannot afford to purchase new shoes. The shoes protect the new owner's feet from foot abrasions, [parasites](#) and mites.

Funds generated from the export of shoes provide well [drilling rigs](#), [water purification systems](#), and [hand pump](#) repair. People who thirst receive fresh drinking water.

#### How Can You Help?

**You can bring shoes to the shoeless and water to the thirsty by making a shoe donation.** Gather [the shoes](#) you no longer wear and pair them by tying laces together or putting a rubber band around them. We need wearable shoes without holes. Any style of shoe is needed – from high heels to tennis shoes to flip flops.

**Bring Used Shoes to District Events; they will be delivered to Presho UMC for the Shoeman to collect.**

## Reminder to bring *to all District Events* ~ **UMCOR Kits** ~ **Labels** ~ **Pill Bottle**

(please include 5 cents per bottle for mailing – bottles do not have to be childproof)





## Health Kit

Health kits provide basic necessities to people who have been forced to leave their homes because of human conflict or natural disaster. Health kits are also used as learning tools in personal hygiene, literacy, nutrition, and cooking classes.

### Health Kit Materials

- **1 hand towel** (15 x 25 inches to 17 x 27 inches; Kitchen, cleaning, and microfiber towels not acceptable.
- **1 washcloth**
- **1 comb** (Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long; No pocket combs or picks please; Rattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6 inches of teeth.)
- **1 metal nail file or nail clippers** (No emery boards, please.)
- **1 bath-size soap** (3 oz. and larger sizes only; No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content; Do not remove from original packaging).
- **1 toothbrush** (Adult size only; Do not remove from original packaging.
- **6 adhesive bandages** (¾ inch to 1 inch-size; Common household Band-Aids.
- **1 plastic bag** (One-gallon size sealable bag only.)
- **\$1.00 to purchase toothpaste**

**Assembly Directions** - Set the \$1.00 for toothpaste aside to be included in a separate envelope. Lay out the hand towel flat on a table. Lay the washcloth flat in the center of the hand towel. Place all remaining items on top of the washcloth. Fold over the sides of the hand towel to cover all of the items. Fold over one end of the hand towel so that it covers all of the items. Grasp the bundle of items tightly and roll over the remainder of the hand towel tightly. Place the tightly rolled bundle in the plastic bag. Remove as much air as possible and seal the bag.

#### Important Notes

All items must be new.

Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.

Please remove all packaging, unless otherwise specified.

All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items, nothing more.

Do not include any personal notes, money, or additional material in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

**UMCOR is now purchasing toothpaste in bulk to be added to health kits before shipping to ensure that the product does not expire before they are sent. Do not put single dollar bills in each kit. Collect all money for toothpaste and shipping, then place it in a separate envelope and send along.**

## SPRING DISTRICT DINNER RESERVATIONS

**Due May 11, 2015 to:**

Karen Peterson, 116 Greenridge Drive,  
Horseheads, NY 14845;  
Phone - 607-739-3141 or email -  
[Dpeterson1@stny.rr.com](mailto:Dpeterson1@stny.rr.com)

**NAME OF CHURCH:**

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Please **PRINT** the names legibly as you want them to appear on the name tags.

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Total attending X \$17 ea  
\$\_\_\_\_\_ enclosed.

Please make checks payable to Mountain View District Treasurer and send one check per unit if possible.

Please attach additional pages if needed.



#### REMINDER TO BRING TO ALL DISTRICT EVENTS

**UMCOR KITS**

**LABELS**

**PILL BOTTLES** (5 cents per bottle)

**SHOES**



## SPOTLIGHT ON United Methodist Women

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 fall issue, and printing will be in August.

### School Kit Materials



- **1 pair blunt scissors** (Rounded tip only; No plastic scissors, please.)
- **3 pads of paper** (Spiral- or top-bound pads; 150 sheets or less of loose-leaf paper can be substituted for 1 pad; Combination of spiral, top-bound, side-bound, or loose-leaf paper is acceptable; No composition books, please.)
- **1 hand-held pencil sharpener** (Must be at least 1 inch long; Remove from packaging.)
- **1 30-centimeter ruler** (Hard or flexible; Cartoon characters are acceptable; No advertisements please.)
- **6 unsharpened pencils** (No advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please; Cartoon characters are acceptable.)
- **1 2-inch or larger-size eraser** (No advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please; Cartoon characters are acceptable.)
- **1 24-count box of crayons** (Only 24-count boxes, please).
- **1 14x16 inch cloth bag** (Homemade or purchased bags are both acceptable; Heavy-duty fabric only, such as denim, corduroy, drapery fabric, etc.; No advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please; Closures are optional but must be buttons, snaps, or Velcro sewn in middle of opening, if used.)

### Assembly Directions

Place all loose items on top of paper. Turn items sideways and slide into the cloth bag. Fold over the top of the bag so loose items don't fall out.

**REMINDER - \$1.00 per Health or School Kit for postage to be sent to:**  
**UNY Conference**  
**324 University Ave.**  
**Syracuse, NY 13210**  
**Memo Line Advance #3708**