

## Capital Area North District United Methodist Women Newsletter

### 2020 Leadership Team

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### **President's Message**

I am sure we are all looking forward to spring. This winter has been unpredictable, we have gotten a lot of fierce winds, as well as rain, sleet, fog, and snow. It's almost spring, right? Hope this winter hasn't been too hard on you ladies and your families.

And speaking of spring, our Spring meeting will be April 4<sup>th</sup>, at Lewistown Trinity UMC. We have an interesting program planned for you, so hope you will attend.

I want to remind Methodist women, that if you attend a Methodist Church, even though you do not have a Women's Unit, you are still invited to attend our District meetings, and if you want, bring a friend. You will get a chance to be introduced to and visit with our 2020 officers.

A reminder that Mission u will be July 16—19 at Otterbein University in Westerville, hope you are planning to attend.

Also, a reminder that any Unit that has something special planned, let Shirley Funt know, and it can be printed in our newsletter. Our newsletter goes out snail mail and email so it reaches a lot of women and churches.

Be Blessed, Stay Safe and Healthy, and we hope to see you at our Spring Meeting on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Blessings, Margie Hewitt

### 2020 Leadership Team contd

### **Nominations**

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### Committee Members

Kim Hoessly ~ Elizabeth Wilson Pat Waddell ~ Elizabeth Kellogg

### **Membership Nurture and Outreach**

New to the CANDO District Office are Membership Nurture and Outreach Co-Chairs Debby Steele and Pam Boh. Both attend Linworth United Methodist Church where they are members of the local UMW unit. Pam serves as President there, and Debby chairs the Fellowship Day Circle.

Debby and Pam have been busy "learning the ropes" about what this office entails, and they have come up with a plan to make reporting the local unit census accessible to individuals wanting to report online as well as those choosing to send a hard copy by U.S. mail.

Pam and Debby are in the process of sending out the membership forms along with instructions and addresses of where to send back the completed forms. **They are due to the CANDO Membership N/O Co-Chairs by March 1, 2020.** 

If you have any questions, please contact Debby at 614-659-7185 or Pam at 614-205-1011.

**Membership=** Momentum Encompassing Many Broadening Evangelism Recruiting Sisters **Helping Inspire Power!** 



### Meet CAN DO's Leaders

### President—Margie Hewitt



Many of you know me, but for those of you who don't I am the President of Capitol Area North UMW. I live in Bellefontaine and attend Hopewell UMC. I am originally from Fletcher, Ohio and attended Bethel UMC as a youth. I married Dan Hewitt on January 17, 1970 and in 1971 moved to Bellefontaine where my husband was stationed at the State Patrol Post. We have 3 children, Darian who lives in Houston, TX and Paula and Adam who live in Bellefontaine. We also have 2 grandchildren, 2 step grandsons, and 4 step great grand children. Dan and I enjoy riding his motor cycle, camping, riding the rails, and attending our grandchildren's sports events. I

volunteer on the S.O.W.E.R team helping to build houses in Frakes, KY.

I look forward to meeting you at the Spring and Annual meetings of Capitol Area North.

### Vice President—Carolyn Johnson

I was born and reared on the west side of Columbus, Ohio and graduated from West High School in 1963. I

have been a member of Asbury North United Methodist Church for 26 years and currently serve as Social Action Coordinator in our United Methodist Women's Unit.



My husband, The Reverend Michael Johnson, and I have 3 sons and 6 grandchildren and are enjoying our retirement years. My Mom, Emma Jones, who is 94 years young, still lives independently with the help of my 4 sisters, 1 brother and me. They are members of my home church, Hilltop United Methodist Church on the west side of Columbus.

I joined the UMW (it had a different name then) during my teenage years, following my Mom, Grandmother and Aunts and never left the organization. My sisters followed me into the organization and have been long-time UMW members. My sister, Peggy Broadnax

currently serves on the Nominations Committee for the Capitol South District UMW. It's in our blood.

Blessings to all!

### Treasurer—Shirley Adams

This is my second year as the District Treasurer. I have worked with United Methodist Women in my church-Bethel International UMC-since 1980. During the past years I have held the offices of treasurer, secretary and



Circle Leader. Currently Iam a co-Circle leader. As Iwas growing up my mother was an active member of the missionary group and I remember that my brothers and Iwent along to meetings with her. So it was natural for me to become a member once I became an adult.

This past year went by quickly. As a district we had a pledge of \$57,000 to the conference. We were only able to submit 83% of that pledge which totaled \$47,322.07. We also sent designated missions supplemental funds of \$4006.55 and \$700.47 to the Legacy Fund. I am hoping that this year we can meet our district pledge.



My name is Pam Evans and I am serving my first term, first year as secretary of Capitol Area North District. I became involved in United Methodist Women because I truly believe in their primary principle of helping women and children locally, nationally and around the world.

I have been a UMW member for about 10 years. During that time, I have served my local unit at Stonybrook United Methodist Church in Gahanna as circle leader, president and currently serve as treasurer.

On the district board of directors, I have been a member of the nominations, communications and now starting my first term as secretary. According to the standing

rules my duties include:

### Section 4. Secretary

In addition to the responsibilities stated in the *Constitution and Bylaws*, Handbooks, and Conference Standing Rules, the Secretary shall:

Understand the organizational form, Purpose, program, and the total involvement of the district organization in order to perform the responsibilities assigned to her and to assist the president – in addition to the responsibilities stated in the *Constitution and Bylaws*, Handbooks, and Conference Standing Rules.

Prepare an annual directory listing an accurate roll of local groups and their elected leaders, as well as District and Conference Officers, and the District Superintendent's office. This publication shall be prepared and distributed to Conference officers, district presidents and secretaries, and all local group presidents and secretaries no later than February 28 (sent electronically via email whenever possible).

Keep accurate and complete minutes of all meetings of the district organization and its Executive Committee. Transcribe and send to necessary parties following approval of the District President (District Officers, the District Superintendent's office, Conference President, and Conference Secretary).

Send notice of all District Executive Committee meetings.

Serve as custodian of all district records and official papers. All current materials are to be stored in a secure location. All archived materials (more than four years old) shall be stored in a secure location to be listed in the Standing Rules. Items to be archived include:

Records from district Secretary predecessor(s);

Secretary's Material – minutes (more than four years old), program books, directories/ yearbooks, and other pertinent information that may have historical significance.

Sign, with the president, all orders on the treasury and all official and legal papers, making certain they are properly dated.

Send a list of newly elected District leaders of the organization (including complete addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses) to the local presidents and the secretary of the Conference organization immediately upon their election, and report ad interim changes.

Serve as contact person for local group secretaries; provide resources and annually conduct training for local group secretaries at the District Annual Meeting, and as determined by the Executive Committee.

The Secretary shall serve as the Chair of the Standing Rules Committee consisting of the Secretary, the President, and three other officers appointed by the President. Be responsible for reviewing the Standing Rules, annually, or more often, as needed, and present the revised Standing Rules, after approval by the Executive Committee, for vote at the District Annual Meeting.

So, you can see that I have a huge learning curve, but I will serve you to the best of my ability. I challenge you to step outside your comfort zone and become an officer/leader where you are. With God's help we can accomplish great things for women and children.

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### **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN MISSION WORK PRIORITY AREA CAMPAIGNS 2020:**

- ◆ Criminalization of Communities of Color: Interrupt school-to-prison pipeline
- ♦ Economic Inequality: A living wage for all
- ♦ Climate Justice: Just energy for all
- ◆ Maternal and Child Health: End maternal mortality

### Membership/Nuture/Outreach

### Pam Boh



I am the new Mission Co-Coordinator for Membership Nurture and Outreach, along with Debby Steele. Both attend Linworth United Methodist Church in Northwest Columbus. Pam is the president of her local unit, where she has been a member for nearly 12 years. She also serves as the Stephen Leader Coordinator for Stephen Ministry at Linworth.

Pam has been married to her husband, Boris, for almost 35 years. They do not have children, but they have a 15-year old black and white cat named Freckles. Pam was an elementary teacher for 30 years in New Albany, Ohio, and Boris was an accountant with Nationwide Insurance for 35 years. They both are now retired and enjoy traveling and working on projects around the house.

Pam became involved in UMW through an invitation by a member to attend a Circle meeting. Soon after, she became co-leader of the Evening Circle, which led her to the presidency of Linworth UMW, which led her to become an officer of the Capitol Area North District of Ohio! She looks forward to working with the other CANDO officers and helping local units with all aspects of membership.

### **Debby Steele**

I'm your new co-Membership, nurture and outreach coordinator with Pam Boh. I'm a long time member of



Linworth UMC where I'm the Morning Fellowship UMW Circle leader, on the Linworth UMW Board, on the Altar Guild, and serve as Bereavement Ministry coordinator. I'm Sunshine Correspondent for our 55+ Linworthy Group so I'm also on the Linworthy Board. I attend the Searchers Adult Sunday School class and sing in the Chancel Choir. Ask me about our Morning Fellowship Circle, "Spice Girls" Ministry!! Like many of you I'm on lots of "to do "church lists. I was born and grew up in Massachusetts. I have two younger sisters. We were nurtured in the Congregational church and in a Masonic family where we learned a service to others lifestyle. I'm a recent widow with an adult daughter and two adult sons. I have six grand children. My hobbies include sewing, quilting,

knitting, volunteering and being in the Linworth Knotters Group. Knotters makes sleeping bags for the homeless. UMW is one of my joys because that's how I "was trained up". Proverbs22:6 and can honor my mother and mother- in-law. During my husband's 48 year federal government career we moved12 times. There was always a UMW where I could be of service and be at home. I hope I can help UMW grow and involve and "train up" young women to carry us forward.

### Social Action—Gail Burns

I am an active member of Crosswood UMC in Marion. We have a very active UMW. I live on a farm in Marion County with my dog Nutmeg and several outdoor cats. I have three brothers, eight nieces and nephews, 14

great-nieces and nephews and four great-great-nieces and nephews. I spend good times with my family.

As we move into a new decade, remember to pray for our country and the men and women we elected to be our leaders. We should continue God's work in our local communities for our climate/environment, for women and children's health, for economic justice for each of us, and to help stop the school to prison pipeline. Even little changes can help.

Blessings to each of you in 2020. I hope to see you at our district and conference meetings.

### **Communications—Shirley Funt**

It seems that I was destined to be an active United Methodist Woman. My mother and grandmother were both



active in UMW and its predecessor, WSCS. I would tag along with them or assist with their activities all the while learning through the wonderful Christian fellowship. My husband and I have been active members of Bethel International UMC for about 40 years. I currently am serving in my second round as president of Bethel's UMW.

My husband and I were married on September 6,1969. We are native Pennsylvanian's. I grew up in a small village in central PA; he is from the Gettysburg area. We met working with the Penn State Cooperative Extension Service 4-H Program in Franklin County PA. One of us worked for an extension service until 2005, when my husband retired. We moved to Columbus from Maryland 40 years ago. We have two daughters (Elizabeth and Caroline),

a son-in-law, two grandchildren (ages 18 and 12), and two cats (Socks and Mr. Cinders). Elizabeth and her family live in Puyallup, WA; she works for the Pierce County Health Department. Caroline is a fourth-grade teacher for Westerville City Schools. Our family, world travel, and mission work have been important parts of our lives.

I look forward to seeing you at district and conference events. Send me items for our future newsletters!

### **Nominations**

### Elissa MacLaughlin, Chair

Over the years I have held almost every UMW office either in my Unit or on the District. I have found it a



wonderful way to work closely with others and appreciate everyone's contribution to the important work of United Methodist Women. As a young mother of three young children and new to Cincinnati and the Methodist church, I found a wonderful support group in the United Methodist Women's group of Hyde Park Community Church; nursery care, circles of welcoming new friends, and stimulating programs with a forward looking social justice program emphasizing women's and children's issues. As a school librarian these were important to me. When I retired and moved to Westerville I again found a warm welcome in the United Methodist Women of Church of the Messiah and later as an officer in the UMW Capitol Area North District. I have enjoyed the diversity of our District containing urban and

rural churches with all working toward the same goal, a better and more just life for all and especially for women, children, and youth. When called by your nominating committee either local or District or Conference I hope you too will say yes to this important work.

### Kim Hoessly

I am a member at Church of the Master in Westerville where I serve as the Handbell Choirs Director. I live with my husband, Bud, in Columbus. I am currently a new board member serving on the Nominations



Committee. My mother, Pat Fippin, was an active UMW at Central UMC in Springfield OH and I grew up with her influence, but it wasn't until I was about 30 that I started to become involved myself. An invitation to join a new young women's circle and then to serve on our local board brought me into the fold. But it's not so much why we join an organization, but why we stay. My commitment was sealed the first time I attended Mission u and really saw what UMW was doing in Ohio, in the US and around the world. This is why I am a United Methodist Woman.

### Nominations Committee continued

### **Beth Kellogg**



I've been a member of UMW since 1994 at the Worthington United Methodists church. I'm currently the president of our WUMW but have also served on various committees as well as being our group's secretary. Being on the district board as a member of the nominating committee has allowed me to see what our UMW

does to promote mission at a broader level. I hope we, as a district, continue to promote the ideals of mission especially beyond our own borders.

### Elizabeth Wilson



I am a member of Ebenezer united Methodist Church and am originally from Ghana, West Africa. I am the mother of four and grandmother of eight. I am chaplain for my local Women's Fellowship unit.

### Pat Waddell

Bio will be included in the next newsletter.

### Spiritual Growth—Charity Campbell



I migrated to the US in 1973 from Ghana, West Africa. The first few years I lived in Brooklyn, New York. After college, I relocated to the Bronx where I worked as a child educator with the NYC Board of Education for over 20 years. In June 1993, the Ghana Methodist Church in the Bronx where I worshipped was accepted into the NYAC, thus the name became known as "The Ghana"

United Methodist Church". Soon after that the Women's Fellowship was inducted into the Metropolitan District of UMW. About seven years ago I relocated to Columbus, OH and started worshipping at Ebenezer UMC. With the help of Sister Kay Sroufe, the Women's Fellowship of Ebenezer became part of CANDO-West Ohio Conference. My humble prayer, as I continue to learn and grow is that God would grant me the wisdom of Solomon and the patience of Job to be a good steward, a kind Dorcas and a generous Lydia. In my spare time I love to read, write poems, cook, go to movies, sing in the choir, watch Jeopardy and find things to laugh about.



2020 Mission u

"Learning Together for the Transformation of the World"

Otterbein University

1 S. Grove Street

Westerville, Ohio

Four-Day Program: July 16-19

Day Sampler: July 18

### Studies:

- Spiritual Growth: Finding Peace in the Midst Of Anxiety
- Topical Issue: "Pushout: The Criminalization Of Black Girls in Schools"
- Youth: Managing Anxiety
- Children: Managing Our Emotions

Course materials may be purchased in advance by Calling the Mission Resource Center at 800-305-9857 or visit www.missionresourcescenter.org

### REGISTRATION:

Register at www.westohioumc.org, click on "Register for Events." Registration opens March 1–June 15. Early bird discount goes through April 15.

### Scholarships:

A limited number of scholarships are available for first time adult and youth attendees. Scholarships will be awarded as applications are received. Deadline for scholarship requests is April 15.

### If you do not have computer access or need help registering, contact:

Elaine Powers, Registrar 513-922-6088 Ebpowe00@gmail.com

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Marysville Women In Mission

### Huge!!! Annual Rummage Sale!

Friday March 13<sup>th</sup> 9am to 6pm & Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup> 9am to 1pm Bake Sale Saturday only

> First United Methodist Church 207 South Court Street Marysville Ohio 43040 937-642-4712

# Capital Area North Spring Meeting April 4, 2020 ~ 9:00ам—2:00рм

Lewistown Trinity United Methodist Church 8088 County Road 54, Lewistown, Ohio 43333

### Single Parenthood and Financial Impact on Children and Youth

Speaker: Bridget Hawkins

Logan County Child Support

Bring <u>toiletries</u> for the Logan County Women's Shelter

In preparation for the Spring meeting, you are invited to read *How the Woman at the Well Became the Well Woman* or *Resist and Persist: Faith and the Fight for Equality*.

### **Registration Form**

CAPITOL AREA NORTH DISTRICT Spring Meeting

Registration deadline is March 28<sup>th</sup>

NAME		CHURCH	
Email and/or Phone		Unit Office held	
Lunch: Regular	Vegetarian		

**Registration Fee \$12.00** includes lunch. Please return form and fee to Shirley Adams, 5264 Rockport St, Columbus, OH 43235. Checks should be made payable to CAN DO.