



Dulin United Methodist Women's Newsletter

October, 2009

"Who's At the Table?"

FROM THE DISTRICT: *by: Ruth Mulkey*

On the UMW bulletin board in the back hall of the church are displayed the two certificates awarded to your Dulin UMW Unit at the District Annual Meeting on Saturday, September 19th. Our Unit received recognition for participating in the Reading Program, and best of all for achieving a Six Star Mission Giving Award. This award means that we not only met our pledge to the District, we fulfilled the goal of generously supporting Mission Giving for mission projects for women and children. Thanks to Audrey Fawcett, our Treasurer, for helping us achieve this award.

Two events will be held this fall that deserve our attention and participation. First, the Virginia Conference UMW is holding its annual meeting at VUMAC in Blackstone, VA on October 24 and 25. Events held at VUMAC are always a blessing to those who attend. Please read the flyer provided to your fellowship and consider joining in this event. At this meeting an offering of \$1.40 per member, per unit will be collected to celebrate the 140th Anniversary of the work of Methodist women.

The second special event will be held on Saturday, November 21 at Gainesville UMC. For the first time the District Mission Team is planning an Advent Program. Drawn from our 2009 Program Book and focusing on the theme for this year "Who's at the Table?", we will be exploring the participants in the Advent story and identifying those who might take similar roles in today's society, Good food, good fellowship, and a worshipful approach to the Advent season. Come and join us at the table. Fondly, Ruth.

JOSHUA'S WAY: *by: Sandy Rudolph*

Our meeting was attended by five members and two guests, Ruth Mulkey and Dianna Woods.. Amy Henderson presented an abbreviated version of Food & Faith: Where Would Jesus Sit? from the UMW program book.. Margaret Walters could not be present but had provided an opportunity for us to assist in a Girl Scout project by donating gently used suitcases and many of our members were interested in doing so. She also reported she would again arrange for the Naked Bears for the Salvation Army.

Collections were held for the Church Women United dues and the Candle Burning ceremony. Beth Smith treated us to a crustless Key Lime pie. The "Get Loaded at Dulin" project is on track and everyone is looking forward to taking part.



RED BIRD MISSION: *by: Marquerite Clossman*

Six members met in the Multi-Purpose Room on September 3rd. Audrey Lemon presided and also gave a program on a book she highly recommends, You Can Soar Like an Eagle, by Nell Mohny. We collected for a special gift to Red Bird Mission to be given to Jennifer Wilder when she comes to Dulin on September 20th to speak about the Mission. We also collected for Candleburning and paid our \$1 dues to Church Women United.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED: *by: Marquerite Clossman*

Please circulate the CWU \$1 dues envelope and add your name to the list at your October Fellowship meetings. This will give each UMW member not present at the September meeting a chance to join. Return the envelope and list of names to me after your October Fellowship meeting.



PATTY MADDOX FELLOWSHIP *by: Harriet Hunt*

No information was available for this newsletter from the Patty Maddox Fellowship.

HERMANITA FELLOWSHIP *by: Anna Novak*

The Hermanita Fellowship had a great turnout at the Bear Rock Café on September 19th. We had a great lunch and conversation with Jennifer, the teacher from the Red Bird Mission school. She explained the history of the school and its current enrollment. She also told us about the surrounding areas and the demographics of the families who have sent their kids to the school. She was very grateful for our church's continued support. Our next meeting will be on October 4th, at Panera Bread in Falls Church. We will discuss our plans for sponsoring the Angel Tree and other service efforts. We will also discuss ways to reach out to new members of the church.

FROM YOUR EDITOR *by: Sandy Rudolph*

I will continue to be your editor through December, after which we will need a new Editor. Please give prayerful consideration if you can contribute your time to prepare, edit and forward the UMW Newsletter to the Dulin Office for copying and distribution starting with the January 2010 newsletter and let me or Amy Henderson know.

GET LOADED AT DULIN

The third annual "Get Loaded at Dulin" baked potato and chili luncheon will be on October 18 at noon. The Dulin Craft group will be offering their latest items for purchase as well. We are asking each fellowship to provide 4 dozen homemade cookies or bars for dessert. They may be delivered to the kitchen anytime Friday-Sunday. We hope to have a good turnout again this year. Please contact Beth Smith to confirm your cookie contributions. The donations from this fundraiser have provided the majority of our gift to local missions the past few years. If anyone would like to help with set up, clean up or food prep, please contact Amy Henderson. Everyone's participation is appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE

The UMW Fall Unit meeting will take place on Saturday, November 14, 9:30 a.m. We will have a speaker from the Falls Church – McLean Children's Center. Our unit has supported the center for many years by shopping for groceries and supplies for the children in their care twice a year. We can look forward to an informational and heartwarming presentation. A short business meeting will be held to elect next year's officers and prepare a budget. Additional details will be provided in the November newsletter.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:



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| Oct. 2 | 10:00 am, Church Women United Annual Fall Forum Meeting at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1545 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, VA. Bring a sandwich, dessert and beverage will be provided. |
| Oct. 18 | "Get Loaded at Dulin" Baked Potato Luncheon after the 11:00 am service. |
| Oct. 24-25 | VA Conference UMW Annual Meeting at Blackstone |
| Nov. 6 | 10:00 a.m.: Church Women United World Community Day meeting will be held at Dulin this year. Put this date on your calendar! Bring a sandwich. Dulin UMW will provide dessert and beverages. |
| Nov. 21 | District Mission Team Advent Program at Gainesville UMC |