

# North Central Connection



## President's Message

Summer is here and I'm sure all the local units are busy with fund raisers, banquets, and planned outings. Our Spring Meeting was highlighted by the giving of sixteen (16) 5 Star and All Star awards and sixteen Honorable Mention Awards. Several Gold, Silver and Bronze awards for Mission Today and Reading Awards. Every unit has worked hard during the past year to achieve these awards. Our program was a very inspirational message by Rev. Duane Carlisle. Thanks to Jean Soard for organizing this meeting.

The 2017 Mission U Hands-On Project is Children's Christmas Shoeboxes for Red Bird Mission was a great success with over 400 boxes. Thanks for everyone's help in making Christmas special for the children there.

Please be sure to put the dates listed in the next column on your calendar.

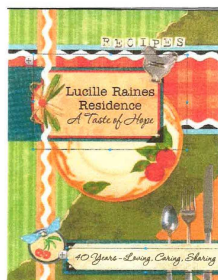
Have a wonderful summer and see you this fall at the Fall Meeting. Blessing to each and everyone.

[Marilyn Chittick](#)

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## *A Taste of Hope*

Recipe Book by  
Friends of Lucille  
Raines  
Residence:  
Celebrating 40 years  
of Ministry in 2017



### Features:

- History of Lucille Raines
- 500 recipes from folks whose lives have been touched by Lucille Raines
- Favorite & Specialty recipes
- 24 pages of hints and resources

Minimum \$15 donation

## Calendar of Events 2017

- September 23—NC District Fall meeting—Fishers UMC—Jeff Newton, Speaker
- October 6-7—Conference Annual Gathering—Columbus Asbury UMC
- October 21—North Central District Executive Board Meeting—Tipton
- October 27-29—Silent Retreat in Evansville
- November 4—Leadership Development & Officer Training—Christ UMC in Westfield

### 2018

- May 18-20—UMW Assembly in Columbus OH

*Christianity is a lifestyle, not an event.*

*Every morning when you look in the mirror, remind yourself "today I will reveal the image of God to everyone with whom I come in contact." At the end of the day ask "How did I reveal God to others" and as importantly, "How did they reveal God to me." EVERYONE is*

### Legacy Fund

March 23, 1869, eight women gathered at Tremont Methodist Episcopal Church in Boston, Massachusetts, and organized what would become United Methodist Women. Celebrate their dedication and foresight with a special gift to United Methodist Women and the Legacy Fund.

Gifts go to **The Legacy Fund**, a permanent endowment that will support the mission outreach of future generations of United Methodist Women as they address the needs of women, children and youth of their day.

We are hopeful that every member of United Methodist Women of Indiana will make a gift to the Legacy Fund of at least \$18.69 per year over and above her Pledge to Mission for five years (2015-2019)

You can give any of the following ways:

- Online at [www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund)
- By Phone: at 800-278-7771 (8am-6pm EST)
- Text: Legacy150 to 41444 on your mobile device
- By Check: United Methodist Women, 475 Riverside Drive, 15th floor-Finance, New York, NY 10115.
- Be sure to add project number 3001147 to your gift.

### Treasurer's Report

At our District Spring Meeting at Frankfort, April 29, women of our units celebrated work done last year. Special recognition was given to:

- **Five Star and All Star Units.** Sixteen churches were recognized for achieving this status in 2016.
- **Honorable Mention** was awarded to an additional 17 UMW units who worked hard to achieve this mission goal.

Thank you to all local treasurers who are using the Remittance Form when sending in funds. It is important I know how you want your contributions applied. (copy on page 10)

As of July 31, the North Central District has forwarded 38% of our 2017 pledge to the conference treasurer. Thanks to all units for making this possible. Many units will be forwarding pledges in the remaining months of the year, and I have confidence our goal of \$30,000 for 2017 will be met.

The UMW District Executive Committee met in July and voted to keep the \$30,000 Pledge to Missions as our goal again for 2018.

We do not expect to exceed our \$5,250 expense budget this year; therefore, it was approved that our budgeted expenses for 2018 will also remain the same amount.

Please continue to educate and encourage one another, work together and participate in expanding UMW missions.

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[dalejoann@embarqmail.com](mailto:dalejoann@embarqmail.com)

## Membership-Nurture and Outreach:

Greetings!

Since I was unable to join you at Mission U this year due to obligations at my church, including a fish fry and garage sale in July, I've been reviewing my packet from Evelyn, our Conference MNO chair. I want to pass along the following information.

Give yourself a pat on the back as we had 41 UNITS respond to the 2016 Membership Census, Great Job! The units with 40 or more members are: Carmel UMW, Christ UMW Westfield, Fairmount UMW, Fishers UMW, Kokomo Main Street UMW, Lapel Trinity UMW, Marion First UMW, Noblesville First UMW, Anderson First UMW and Carmel St. Marks. Our membership for our district is 275 and over all the districts in the conference we have 10,696 members. The conference would like to know if your unit has two circles including a night one, so I'll be looking forward to discussing that with you at our September meeting. We need to reach out to our young women so a night circle would help them since most work during the day.

This year Central, Northeast, **North Central** and Southeast were represented at Limitless but we need to do better. Six Districts were without a representative.

God Bless, See you All in September,

Connie Pearson, MNO Coordinator

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## Spiritual Growth

The Spiritual Growth study at Mission U this year was "Living as a Covenant Community", led by Rev. Mary Kathryn Pearce. Over the course of four days, she shared many words of wisdom as to how God has brought us into a covenant community and how we are to live out that covenant. You will find these thoughts and challenges scattered throughout this newsletter. I challenge you to look for them!

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### North Central Mission U Attendees



Back Row, from left: Patricia Cosby-Wilkins, Janeen Burrows, Brenda Crawford, Barb Schmenner.  
Seated: Phyllis Hackler, Alesia Harris, Barb Burgher, Pauline Neal, Linda Schenk, Vicky Burney

## Education & Interpretation

What a celebration for all who attended Mission U or Sampler Day on Saturday and the opportunity to hear Rev. Mary Katherine Pearce again for the spiritual study, Missionary Conferences of the UMC in the United States/Glenna Brayton and Climate Justice/Pauline Neal. They announced on Saturday Sampler Day on Friday they had counted 450 school boxes for Red Bird Mission and many more were received on Saturday. Thank you to all you participated.

With summer here and a busy time, don't forget to include working on your mission today form. If you attended the Spring meeting, Mission U or Sampler Day, VBS for children, assisted on youth & adult program, give your unit a point. Lord we pray you will keep our children, youth, & adults safe returning to school.

Blessings,

Pat Ford, E&I Coordinator 765-948-3215

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## Lucille Raines Residence

Greetings from Lucille Raines Residence

We have been doing a lot of celebrating recently. The lobby has been updated thanks to our friends at Lowe's and the decorating talents of Kathie Clemenz.

The Open House in May celebrating our 40th Anniversary was well attended. If you weren't able to attend, plan a TTL/D for your group. Even though we are all saddened by the passing of Evelyn Saffer, we celebrate her life and recognize that we are all better for having known her.

We celebrate sober birthdays and the other ones too. Carolyn Marshall was recently surprised on her birthday with a pizza party planned by Mariea Straider, program director. Every day is a celebration of life. The residents at Raines do enjoy receiving words of encouragement so please keep sending your cards and letters. I receive a birthday list quarterly and if you are interested in sending birthday cards, send your request and I will be more than happy to share it with you.

Taste of Hope cookbooks are still available and would make excellent Christmas gifts. When they are gone there will be no more.

Raines Fest will be in October so if you have any items to donate for the Country Store just let me know and I will make arrangements for pickup.

Please continue to pray for the Lucille Raines Residence, the residents and the staff.

Safe Journeys,  
Brenda Crawford  
PO Box 21  
Windfall, IN 46076-0021  
(765) 437-4576  
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## Arts and Crafts Marketplace

Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

St. Mark's UMC, Carmel

Come and shop the unique vendor tables, and have a light lunch at the Candy Cane Café. Homemade baked goods will also be for sale.

For vendor table registration, contact Ada Hoffmaster 317-706-0639,  
[ahoffmaster@indy.rr.com](mailto:ahoffmaster@indy.rr.com)



*Our culture has created a new trinity "Me, Myself and I". We are to witness to the culture, not be defined by it. Meeting in our small groups helps us hold each other accountable. The heart of the matter is the matter of the heart.*

## Program Resources

Have you checked out this year's reading list? It has some amazing books. The books are easy to find. Many of the books on the lists are available at your public library in printed form and large-print version as well as electronic books and audio books. Your local unit may have some of the books or you can order them directly from [www.missionresources.org](http://www.missionresources.org). Of course, you can also order copies from on-line resources such as Amazon. Share copies with your fellow women. Consider setting up a book club also within your unit and sharing your thoughts.

We hope you will expand your background of current issues and participate in the Reading Program, but at least try to read a few of the books. I think you'll get hooked. Books from the 2012 to 2017 reading lists are available for credit.

The following women completed the Reading Program in 2016:

**Level I:** (5 books, 1 from each category)

Linda Drake, Main Street Kokomo  
Lydia Fourman, St Mark's Carmel  
Donna Davis, Fowlerton  
Dorothy Hoover, Main Street Kokomo  
Sally Hubbard, St Mark's Carmel  
Joyce Landis, St. Mark's Carmel  
Kathy Lentz, St. Mark's Carmel  
Barbara Schmenner, St. Luke's Carmel  
Susie Nuss Ulery, St. Luke's Carmel  
Jane VanDyne, St. Luke's Carmel

**Level II** (10 books, 2 from each category)

Charlotte Boone, Fowlerton  
Donna Davis, Fowlerton  
Pat Ford, Fowlerton  
Fran Hageboeck, St. Mark's Carmel  
Phyllis Jean Smith, Grace Kokomo

**Level III** (15 books)

Terry Grotenhuis, Grack Kokomo

**Level IV:** (20 books)

Phyllis Hackler, Ford Street  
Ruth Jackson, Anderson First  
Francie Seybert, Anderson First

Copies of the new 2017-2020 UMW Handbook are also available from the website. It's recommended that your unit has a copy of this handbook.

Happy Reading!

Terry Grotenhuis

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## Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is currently looking for a UMW member of the North Central District willing to serve on the Executive Board as Vice-President. Our 2017 Vice President moved out of state and can no longer serve in that capacity.

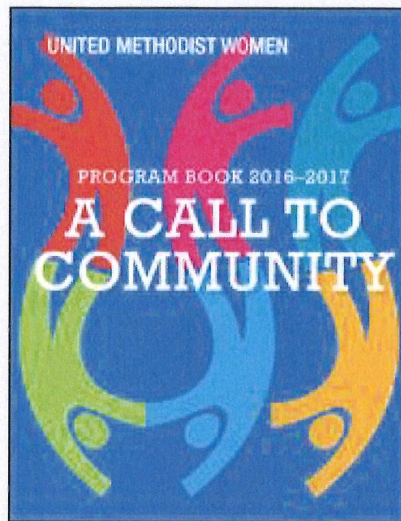
Actually, the Nominating Committee is always looking for UMW members who would be willing to serve in any of the offices on the current Executive Board. The Vice-President's position is just our most immediate. We have included the form to fill out to be nominated on the pages 7 and 8 of this newsletter, and ask that you give serious consideration to becoming involved.

If you would like more information on the Executive Board and duties of each officer, please contact Phyllis Hackler at [Hackler79@aol.com](mailto:Hackler79@aol.com) for more information. Phyllis's address for your applications is: 515 Center Street, Pendleton, IN 46064 .

*How do I move WITH God, not different, not before. We cannot be set in our ways, we have to be willing to accept a new call. Ask "What do I need to let go of for there to be new life." UMW has been handed to us. How are we to hand it to the next generation?*



## BOLD LOVE



### United Methodist Women of Indiana 9th Annual Meeting October 6-7, 2017

Asbury United Methodist Church  
1751 27th St at Forest Drive,  
Columbus, IN 47201

**Friday Evening Meal** will be at 5pm EST  
Hands-On Project to follow 6-8pm EST  
(we will be enjoying fellowship with karaoke while making dorm room decorations for Ascent 121, a residential recovery program for those recovering from human trafficking)

**Saturday Registration:** 8:30am EST  
**Meeting:** 9:45am-3pm EST

**Speaker:** Liz Pitcher

**All Worthy of Love--A Human Trafficking Outreach**

FIRST NAME	<input type="text"/>	LAST NAME	<input type="text"/>	PHONE NUMBER	<input type="text"/>
STREET ADDRESS	<input type="text"/>				
CITY	<input type="text"/>	STATE	<input type="text"/>	ZIP CODE	<input type="text"/>
EMAIL ADDRESS	<input type="text"/>	CHURCH	<input type="text"/>		
local/district/ conference officer	<input type="text"/>	DISTRICT	<input type="text"/>		

Select all that apply

<input type="checkbox"/> Friday Dinner \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> NO Childcare Needed
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Registration & Lunch \$15	<input type="checkbox"/> Childcare Needed Friday #____
<input type="checkbox"/> Not participating in Friday Evening Hands-On Opportunity	<input type="checkbox"/> Childcare Needed Saturday #____
<input type="checkbox"/> I desire to serve in Friday's Hands-On Opportunity	

Total Due: \$\_\_\_\_\_ **Deadline September 27th**

**Hands-on Mission Opportunity:** Help support the efforts of All Worthy of Love by bringing items for hygiene kits: travel-sized shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotion, washcloth, razors, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant and small agape items such as chapstick, nail file, q-tips, hair brush, etc

**Area Hotel (at your expense):** Sleep Inn, 2335 Jonathan Moore Parkway, Columbus, IN (812) 372-7200

**Make Checks Payable to UMW of IN and Send Registration To:** Kay Keller, 8099 Outer Lincoln Ave, Newburgh, IN 47360  
Questions? contact Kay via email: pianokay@yahoo.com or call her at (812) 202-9627

*Pictures and video will be captured during the event by conference representatives for news and promotional use including social media. Registering for the event gives permission for one's image to be used. Names of children and youth will not be used with photos.*



## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN MISSION

(To be completed by prospective leader)

Type or Print (attach additional sheets as necessary)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Local Church \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ 20s \_\_\_\_\_ 30s \_\_\_\_\_ 40s \_\_\_\_\_ 50s \_\_\_\_\_ 60s \_\_\_\_\_ 70s \_\_\_\_\_ 80s+

Languages Spoken \_\_\_\_\_ Race/Ethnic Group \_\_\_\_\_

Employed: \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes (\_\_\_\_\_ Full-time \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time)

Professional skills, job experience \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

### Office(s) held in United Methodist Women

Office(s)	Dates of Service
Local	
District	
Conference	
Jurisdiction	

Additional Experience on the local, district, conference, or general church level (other than United Methodist Women) or in the community \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Special Talents or Skills: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Areas of Special Interest or Concern:**

<input type="checkbox"/> secretarial	<input type="checkbox"/> recruiting members	<input type="checkbox"/> publicity
<input type="checkbox"/> communication	<input type="checkbox"/> social issues	<input type="checkbox"/> workshops
<input type="checkbox"/> computer	<input type="checkbox"/> creativity	<input type="checkbox"/> newsletters
<input type="checkbox"/> accounting/bookkeeping	<input type="checkbox"/> recording minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> retreats
<input type="checkbox"/> organization of details	<input type="checkbox"/> public policy	<input type="checkbox"/> music
<input type="checkbox"/> nominations	<input type="checkbox"/> public relations	<input type="checkbox"/> youth
<input type="checkbox"/> program planning	<input type="checkbox"/> community building	<input type="checkbox"/> children
<input type="checkbox"/> administration	<input type="checkbox"/> inclusiveness/pluralism	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Would you be interested in serving as an officer in the District or Indiana Conference?** ☐ YES ☐ NO

If Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ District (Which District? \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Indiana Conference ☐ Either/Both

**Which office(s) on the District United Methodist Women's Team would you most like to hold given the opportunity to serve?**

<input type="checkbox"/> President	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Nurture & Outreach
<input type="checkbox"/> Vice President	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Action
<input type="checkbox"/> Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Growth
<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/> Program Resources
<input type="checkbox"/> Chair of Nominations	<input type="checkbox"/> Communications
<input type="checkbox"/> Education & Interpretation	

**Why are you interested in this position and what qualifications do you feel you have for your office(s) of choice?**

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**Would you be able to use your gifts and talents to uphold and strengthen United Methodist Women through the PURPOSE of the organization?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Is it possible for you to be away from your home or employment for:**

Full Day \_\_\_\_\_ Weekend \_\_\_\_\_ Extended Time \_\_\_\_\_  
Yes or No Yes or No Yes or No

\_\_\_\_\_ I am sorry but I am unable to accept an office this year. Please keep my name on file and contact me in \_\_\_\_\_ (year)

**Please give any other information you feel is pertinent:**

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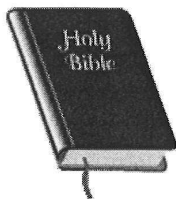
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**Mail the completed form to:**

Phylliss Hackler 515 Center Street, Pendleton, IN 46064





# United Methodist Women of Indiana

## 2017 Silent Retreat

*There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven...a time to be silent (Ecclesiastes 3:1, 3:7b)*

**When:** October 27-29, 2017

(Registration and check-in is Friday 6-745pm —Indianapolis time)

*Retreat starts at 8pm Friday with 36 hours of SILENCE featuring guided meditations and activities concluding with Sunday worship and lunch*

**Where:** Sarto Retreat House,  
4200 N Kentucky Ave, Evansville IN 47711  
(812) 424-5536

**COST:** \$150 per participant (Limited to the first 55 to register)

**Facilitators:** Lexa McCampbell & Barb Bugher

<b>REGISTRATION INFORMATION</b>		<i>Deadline: Wed October 11, 2017</i>	
Name:		Phone:	
Address:			
City & Zip:		Email:	
Church:		District:	
<b>Special Needs:</b> <b>Handicap Accessible:</b> Yes    No    IF yes, please specify <b>Special Diet:</b> Yes    No    IF yes, please specify <b>Other:</b> _____			
<b>Accommodations include</b> a single room with bath for 2 nights and 5 meals: Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner and Sunday breakfast and lunch			
Please send completed registration with your check made payable to <b>UMW of IN</b> to:  <div style="text-align: center;">           Martha Lewis, registrar            931 East Highway 150            Hardinsburg, IN 47125-8539            Phone: 812-620-3492  <a href="mailto:candymaker65@gmail.com">candymaker65@gmail.com</a> </div>			
<i>Cancellation Notice: Please be mindful that UMW of Indiana Conference incurs certain fixed costs due to contractual obligations. Because of our desire to be good stewards of mission funds, participants are asked to give at least 7 days notice of cancellation.</i>			

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN THE REMITTANCE FORM FOR ALL TREASURERS (Indiana Conference)			
Local Unit: _____		District: _____	
Conference: Indiana		Period From: _____ To: _____	
<b>MISSION GIVING</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
1. Pledge to Mission			
2. Special Mission Recognition			
3. Gift to Mission			
4. Gift in Memory			
5. World Thank Offering			
TOTAL MISSION GIVING (Lines 1 thru 5):			\$ -
<b>DESIGNATED GIFTS</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>	
6. A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial			
7. Supplementary Gifts			
A Brighter Future for Children and Youth			
Assembly Offering			
Scarritt-Bennett Center			
Magazine Fund			
National, International, & UMCOR Projects (If additional pages are needed, please complete the Supplementary Gifts -- Details Form)			
NAME OF PROJECT	ADDRESS and/or PROJECT/ADVANCE #		
Total from additional page--Supplementary Gifts --Details Form			
SUBTOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY GIFTS (Line 7 only):			\$ -
8. Bequest (Please attach a copy of the Will or excerpt of the Will.)			
9. Other Designated Gifts			
TOTAL DESIGNATED GIFTS (Lines 6 thru 9):			\$ -
<b>CONFERENCE MISSIONS</b>			
Lucille Raines Residence			
Raines Special	For: _____	Given by: _____	
Mission u			
Youth & Young Adult Service Scholarship			
Special Outreach			
Total Conference Askings			\$ -
<b>MEMO TOTAL - TOTAL GIVING FOR MONTH (Including Special Mission Recognition Orders)</b>			<b>\$ -</b>
Less: SMRs (and other as applicable) remitted previously (Enter as a positive number)			
<b>TOTAL REMITTANCE</b>	Check #: _____	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
Treasurer: _____		Address: _____	
Phone: _____		Cell: _____	
E-mail address: _____		Date: _____	



# North Central District Fall Meeting

Saturday, September 23, 2017  
1 to 3 pm  
Registration begins at 12:30 pm

## Fishers United Methodist Church

9691 E. 116th Street  
Fishers, IN 46037

Speaker: Rev. Jeff Newton, Kokomo Urban Outreach

### Come and Celebrate

R.S.V.P. by September 19

to: Marilyn Chittick

1705 S Williams Rd Frankfort, IN 4604

765-654-6870

Chittick39@gmail.com

Please be sure to indicate if you need Childcare when you R.S.V.P.



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Church  
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United  
Methodist  
Women

FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

**Our Purpose**

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.