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And take Note!

United Methodist Women Rummage & Bake Sale April 7, 3:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m. and April 8, 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

We need your gently used clothing, kitchen items, toys, etc. brought down to the church the week of March 28. You may drop your items off in the Fellowship Hall (please put them on the stage) during church hours. Baked goods will be needed for both days. Grab your favorite recipes and turn on the oven!

This project is the UMW's outreach to the local community. Monies generated from the sale also support UMW mission outreach projects



UMW Executive Committee

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- Marietta Van Fossen Secretary, 397-1133
- Angie Richards Treasurer, 392-7904
- Norma Siekkinen, Assist Treasurer, 397-4386

You are invited.



All Daughters Banquet

May 5, 2010

6:30 J.M.

Gay Street United Methodist Church

Fellowship Hall

Meal by the Summer Work Mission Team (tickets may be obtained from the Summer Work Mission Team)

Free will donation will be taken for the meal.

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2010 Glora Wysner UMW Circle Meetings

~Linny McNeill

| April 14 | Hostess—Maurine Scott | Program—Marge Winkle |
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| May 12 | Hostess—Trish Rankin | Program—Trish Rankin |
| June 9 | Hostess—Norma Siekkinen | Program—Carol Topping |
| July 14 | Hostess—Linny McNeill | Summer Picnic—Social party |
| August 10 | Hostess—Janet Jennings at Lakeside | Program—Marti Moody |
| September 8 | Hostess—Emily Gordon | Program—Trish Rankin |

November 10 Hostess—Bonnie Magaw or Janet Jennings Program—Kathleen Breneman

Alternate Hostess: Shirley Workman

Hostess—Marge Winkle

October 13

Other Dates:

April 7 & 8—Rummage/Bake Sale April 10—District UMW Meeting

May 5—All Daughter Banquet

June 2—UMW Church Luncheon

December 1 - All Circle Church Luncheon





In Your Prayers

Please keep in your prayers the United Methodist Women's Assembly 2010 April 30– May 2 in St. Louis, Missouri

Program—Maurine Scott

This event represents one of the largest and most diverse groups of women of faith from the largest denominational faith organization for women, United Methodist Women. A historic quadrennial event that attracts thousands, United Methodist Women's Assembly has taken place since 1942, and has always been a gathering place to rejoice and mobilize women in mission for women, children and youth.

Glora Wysner Offerings Explained

~Trish Rankin

Since we had some new people present at our Circle meeting the three offerings were explained. The basket is for the Sunshine Fund where we send cards, flowers and small gifts to those suffering from loss or illness. The envelopes are for our pledge to the conference and it is for a year, paid usually monthly. The

World Thank offering we chose to collect monthly in hopes of amassing a large amount to give in November. It goes to those in need globally. And the bible fund is to provide bibles to other countries and occasionally to a local need.



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School of Christian Mission Event dates to your calendar:

July 16—Mount Union One-Day Sampler for Adults and Children

July 16-18—Mount Union School of Christian Mission Event for Adults, Young Women, & Children

September 10-11—Lakeside School of Christian Mission Event

<u>Topics</u>: Spiritual Growth—For the Love of God: John's Letters; Mission Study— Joy to the World: Mission in the Age of Global Christianity; Geographical Study—The Beauty and Courage of Sudan

The Closet—Stats

Since opening in October 2009, The Closet has given out the following taxables:

152 packs [4 or 6 to a pack] of toilet paper

25 packs of diapers

93 bottles of dish detergent

54 bottles or boxes of laundry detergent

99 bottles of shampoo

156 bottles or bars of hand soap

71 bottles of hand sanitizer and deodorant

~Peg McCracken

71 tubes of toothpaste

58 toothbrushes-some of which were packs of three [for a family]

44 razors, individual or packs of three

101 boxes of tissues

47 pkgs. of sanitary napkins

Miscellaneous items, such as household cleaners, as were donated.

Should you want to support the mission work of The Closet, make your check out to Gay Street UMC and mark in the memo line "The Closet."



Norma Siekkinen reported to the Glora Wysner Circle that from the \$3,000 given to The Closet by the church they have bought toilet paper, diapers, shampoo, sanitary napkins and other taxables.

Fun Time at Glora Wysner Circle Meeting ~Linny McNeill

The Glora Wysner United Methodist Women group met Wednesday, March 10 at Nancy Vail's home. A beautifully decorated table was spread with apple crisp dessert, cheddar cheese slices, chocolate and nuts. At each place setting were beverage coasters which had interesting questions on the back such as "What trait do you wish you had?" Our members especially enjoyed sharing their answers, having a bit of fun,

and learning a little something new about each other.

Everyone was quite relieved and happy that the snow had finally melted and the birds were singing outside Nancy's open windows. We were all very thankful for a warm spring day after such a long winter!



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"We are neighbors:" Dominican women rush aid and compassion to Haiti quake survivors ~Paul Jeffrey



Rose Michel, a 10-year old survivor of the Jan. 12 earthquake in Haiti, lost both her legs when the orphanage she was living in collapsed. Here she gets attention from Maura Senfre, a volunteer from the Dominican-Haitian Women's Movement (MUDHA). Photo by Paul Jeffrey.

Thirty-six hours after a massive earthquake ravaged the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince, a convoy of 15 vehicles left Santo Domingo, capital of the Dominican Republic, for the journey overland into the midst of Haiti's despair. Organized by United Methodist Womensupported Dominican-Haitian Women's Movement (MUDHA), the caravan brought 88 people, 30 of them doctors or nurses, along with food, medical water, supplies and tents. The group started working in six different makeshift camps, providing medical care and other services to traumatized quake survivors, and sent a delegation bearing relief supplies to the isolated southern port city of Jacmel.

The Dominican volunteers also took over a church-run orphanage and school that had collapsed outside the city of Leogane. Three people had died, and the 78 orphans who survived were left with no one to care for them. The Dominicans set up tents cooking and started food while also providchildren – ing the

among them a girl who lost both legs in the orphanage collapse – with love and compassion. Residents of the area started coming to a clinic the Dominicans established beside the crumpled orphanage.

According to Marisol Baez, a MUDHA promoter among Haitian workers on Dominican sugar plantations, the volunteers have tried to help the children recover some sense of normalcy. "We wash their hair and do manicures of the girls' nails, and engage all the children with games and other activities," she said. "Then an aftershock will come and they'll scream and instantly flash back to the terror thev lived through. But we're here to help them begin to overcome their fear."

Ms. Baez said the group continues to raise support in the Dominican Republic and bring supplies and volunteers across the border into Haiti.

"What happened here could just as easily have happened next door in the Dominican Republic," said Ms. Baez. We're neighbors, and

when your neighbor suffers, you run out in the street and help them. That's what neighbors do. MUDHA has long pushed the importance of solidarity between neighbors, and this is our biggest opportunity to practice it. Haitians are our sisters and brothers. Haiti is the home of our ancestors. I'm proud at this moment of being Dominican, because my people have demonstrated to the world what it means to be in solidarity."

**The Rev. Paul Jeffrey is a United Methodist Missionary and Response magazine's senior correspondent. Mr. Jeffrey was on assignment in Haiti following the devastating January earthquake with the ACT Alliance.

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THREE RIVERS DISTRICT UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Spring District Meeting April 10, 2010



Rev. Dr. Valerie W. Stultz

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m Coffee and Refreshments 9:00 - 10:00 (Program will begin at 10 am)

Utica United Methodist Church 626 North Street, Utica, Ohio

\$6.00 (includes lunch) \$1.00 without lunch

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Valerie W. Stultz, Canal District Superintendent

"If WE (UMW) weren't here"

Offering for the day will be divided in the following way one-half will go towards our Pledge, the other half will go towards UMCOR.

| UNIT NAME | PERSON MAKING RESERVATIONS | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| PHONE | _ | |
| NAME OF REGISTRANTS | NAME OF REGISTRANTS | We will pay for |
| 1. | 6 | teens and young |
| 2. | 7 | women under 23 to |
| 3. | 8 | attend. Indicate |
| 4. | 9 | name and age |
| 5. | 10 | when you register |
| Total Amount Enclosed: | | them |

Children are welcome and need to be pre-registered by April 3, 2010 so child care is in place. Bring a sack lunch.

Send Reservations to: Three Rivers District UMW (Make check out this way)

% Sharon Mozena, 1517 Law Head Lane, Zanesville, OH 43701 before April 3, 2010

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Deadline for the next issue is: April 22, 2010



Gay Street United
Methodist Women Circle Dates

April 14, 2010

Dorcas Circle - 9:30 a.m. at Barbara Jones' home

Glora Wysner Circle - 1:30 p.m. at Maurine Scott's home

April 21, 2010 Sarah Circle - 7 p.m. at the church

