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#### **Gay Street United Methodist Women Newsletter**



"Think Globally, Act Locally"



Sing Unto the Lord a New Song

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#### **Annual Celebration 2010**

Faith, Hope, Love in Action

An Overnight Event for Adults & Children

October 8 - 9, 2010

Church of the Saviour

2537 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights, 4118

North Coast District

**<u>Friday</u>**: 6:15 p.m. Registration and get acquainted time

7:00 p.m. Children age 5-12 snacks & crafts with Judy Kidder

Jeanette Kraus, Mission & Evangelism, Sing-along with Marla Hum; Skits by each District; snacks & games, dismissal to hotel

Saturday: 9:30 a.m. Registration for those not registered

10:00 a.m. Processional with District banner, Children gather for program:

"Hugging the World: Faith, Hope, Love in Action"

Business Session, Lunch, Worship Service with Dr. Maggie Jackson - Women's Division Director, Installation of Officers, Communion led by Bishop John

Hopkins, 3:00 p.m. Closing

#### Directions & parking

#### Accommodations

Call the Clarion Hotel at 216/831-5150 now to make your reservation for Friday, October 8!

#### Reservations must be made no later than Monday, September 27, 2010.

Be sure to say you are with United Methodist Women, East Ohio Conference.

Map & directions to the Clarion Hotel, 26300 Chagrin Blvd., Beachwood, OH 44118.

Check in: 3:00 p.m.

Two double beds per room (two to four persons can stay in one room and split the cost). \$69 per room EXCLUDING tax.

Childcare will be available with pre-registration. It will not be available without advanced notice.



September 21st - International Day of Peace

<u>A Call to Pray for Peace</u>



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#### THIRD ANNUAL OVERNIGHT CELEBRATION!!!

The tradition of an overnight for Annual Celebration will continue. The celebration will take place in Cleveland Heights. An overnight gives us opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones. We will meet Friday, October 8, at Church of the Saviour UMC in Cleveland Hts. for fellowship, message from Jeanette Kraus, and more fellowship.

Rooms can be obtained at The Clarion at 26300 Chagrin Blvd., Beachwood, OH 216-831-5150 (Exit 131 on I-71). There is a block of rooms being held for us. Tell them you are with the East Ohio Conference UMW and you will get the rate of \$69 plus tax of about 15% for four in a room per night (about \$18-20 per person). There will be two queen beds. A continental breakfast will be provided at the hotel on Saturday. Make hotel reservations early.

For those coming on Saturday, there will be a continental breakfast served at the church.



#### ANNUAL CELEBRATION REGISTRATION FORM

#### Must be postmarked by September 27, 2010

Please send your Unit's reservations together in one mailing. Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Tickets and travel directions will be mailed to the contact person. In case you do not receive your tickets, they will be at the registration table. Please include a list of all persons attending.

| CONTACT<br>PERSON'S NAME                         | PHONE  |
|--|--|
|  |  |
| ADDRESS (Street, City, Zip)                      |  |
| Email  | Church Unit  |
| Name of Unit Voting Delegate                     | District   |
| Please include youth age 13 and older attending. | (This includes Friday snack and Saturday lunch.) ge 5-12(This includes snack with Friday movie, Satur- |
| TOTAL ENCLOSED:                                  |  |
|  | . (Please check if needed) Circle: Friday Saturday Both; Bring r Saturday's meal. (Ages of children)   |
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Send completed registration form and check payable to East Ohio Conference UMW to: Janet Sutton, 4195 Cherokee Trail Brunswick, OH 44212 Ph: 330-225-0392

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## Bible Study: Entertaining Angels

~Julie Taylor

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Hebrews 13:1-2

This Scripture passage reminds us to help others, whether we know them or not, and to act with kindness. It tells us to show hospitality to strangers. But what is hospitality?

Synonyms evoke similar yet different feelings: welcome, warmth, kindness and generosity.

We all have an idea of what we think it means to be hospitable. We have experienced the hospitality of others. Most often, we recognize it as welcome, joy at entertaining guests, feeling at home away from home.

Hospitality is going out of your way to help someone with no expectations about what you could or should receive in return. Hospitality is a generosity of spirit that provides cheerfully for another's needs.



Julie Taylor

#### Meeting people's needs

Hospitality is, perhaps, most easily recognized by travelers who journey from well known places to unfamiliar places. During their sojourns, they experience vulnerability that comes from being out of their element. They are vulnerable to unexpected mishaps, transportation problems, unfamiliar customs.

Sensing vulnerability, others may choose to help travelers or take advantage of them. Having a car break down or being involved in an accident or getting lost are times of great vulnerability. Often we are rescued by strangers.

This is where Mary and Joseph found themselves just before Jesus' birth. They were vulnerable travelers on a journey required by their government. Though likely accompanied by extended family, they found themselves looking for shelter in an overcrowded city.

The innkeeper offered them hospitality in an animal shelter because there was no place for them in the inn (Luke 2:7). Not ideal, the stable provided protection from the elements. It was enough.

Providing hospitality does not require meeting people's needs with the best there is. It does require being open, willing and creative in responding to people's needs whether presented directly when someone asks for help or visible when we see those who are marginalized.



There are so many in our society who are in need of the generous, warm, welcoming, kind hospitality offered to them by strangers called by God to practice hospitality. As United Methodist Women and our predecessor organizations have in the past, let us continue, as an organization and as individuals, to extend the hand of hospitality through our ministries to women, children and youth. These strangers are desperately in need of the hospitality we can provide.

Excerpts from article in Response click on http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umw/response/bible-studies/index.cfm?i=30382 to see the complete article.\* Julie Taylor is executive secretary for children, youth and family advocacy for the Women's Division of the United Methodist General Board of Global Ministries, based in Washington, D.C.

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~Linny McNeill

## Glora Wysner Circle's Adventures



Our gracious Host & Hostess, Irwin & Janet

presentation).

On Tuesday, August 10 the Glora Wysner Circle of UMW embarked on another adventure at Lakeside, guests of Janet and Irwin Jennings. The Gay Street Church van was once again very capably driven by Becky Stewart and those members and friends making the road were: Kathy Blackburn, Carolyn Dunham, Rosa Lee Hogg, Barbara Humphreys, Bonnie Magaw, Linny McNeill, Janet Schisler, Maurine Scott, Shirley Workman, Marge Winkle and Garnette Yanchek. Also joining

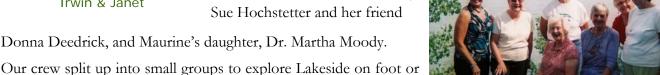
us for lunch were Irwin's sister,

Marti's sons

Sue Hochstetter and her friend



Bottom row: L-R, Marge Winkle, Maurine Scott, Shirley Workman, Linny McNeill, Janet Schisler, Carolyn Dunham; top row: Kathy Blackburn, Barbara Humphreys, Bonnie Magaw, Janet Jennings, Rosa Lee Hogg, Garnette Yanchek, **Becky Stewart** 



Our ladies grace Lake Erie shore



The women work very hard and have traditional roles and jobs like Americans in the 1950's and 60's, such as clerical work. Gender roles are very divided. Interestingly, the nursing profession is mostly filled by men. Many older Palestine-Israeli women cannot read. Now, in the younger generations, education is much more stressed. Women who marry must be very compatible with their husband's family or the marriage won't work, because the families stay close-knit. Adult women don't go swimming and even some girls wear scarves in the pool. Rules are: "No knees, No shoulders, No cleavage!" At home with their families, friends and neighbors, the women take off their long head scarves and many wear western clothes under their long garments. There is much variety in clothing.

Donna Deedrick, and Maurine's daughter, Dr. Martha Moody.

volunteers cover their own travel expenses.

by golf cart, meeting later at the Lakeside Women's Club to hear Marti Moody speak on her experiences in Israel teaching English and building bridges between cultures. While there, she stayed with a Palestine-Israeli family and absorbed local customs. All the

accompanied her in this mission (and were in attendance at her



Marti Moody making a point

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Gazebo Gals

### GW Circle's Adventure at Lakeside—Continued from page 4

The Olive Harvest is a big job and quite a big deal for the family gardens, because Israelis produce 90% of the food they eat. They have a twelve-month growing season. Meals are large and lavish, with food scooped up with pita bread instead of forks. There is not much prepared or pre-packaged food since they grow and make most of their meals from scratch.

This informative talk, complete with map and slide show was enjoyed and appreciated by all.

For those unfamiliar with Lakeside, it is a summer community on Lake Erie in existence since 1873, a Chautauqua experience of spiritual growth and renewal, education, cultural enrichment, and recreational pursuits.

Be sure to join us for the next GW Circle meeting at Marge Winkle's home, Wednesday, September 8, 1:30 p.m. with the program presented by Trish Rankin.



Ladies of the Round Table



Maurine surrounded by daughter, Marti and grandsons, Jack, Simon, Eli, Michael



**Butterfly Ladies** 



Checking In?

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Deadline for the next issue is: September 23, 2010



# y Mark Your Calendar

September 8, 9:30 a.m. ~ <u>Dorcas Circle</u> at Marietta Van Fossen's home

September 8, 1:30 p.m. ~ Glora Wysner Circle at Marjorie Winkle's home

September 15, 7:00 p.m. ~ <u>Sarah Circle</u> in green parlor (room 102) at church

October 30, 9:30 a.m. ~ <u>UMW Annual District Meeting</u> at Coshocton Grace UMC, Jan Walsh speaker.



Lakeside Takes a "Turn" for the Better.



Don't forget the Rummage/Bake Sale, September 1, 3 p.m.—7 p.m. and September 2, 9 a.m.—3 p.m.

