

Upper Ohio Valley Presbyterian Women Connecting Link

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Moderator Judy Miller and Secretary Alcinda James welcomes the UOV Presbyterian Women to Oakridge Presbyterian Church for the Spring Gathering in April.

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The business meeting of UOVPW was called to order by Moderator Judy Miller following the worship time at the Spring Gathering, "Created to Shine". ..29 women were present.

Because there will be no Synod Gathering this year as Churchwide is held in August, our synod had some unfinished business. The purpose of the meeting was to: Elect Leaders for Synod of the Trinity, and vote on a change in the Bylaws of the PW in the Synod of the Trinity, We also had to Elect Leaders of Upper Ohio Valley PW, and approve the budget for 2018.

Leaders for Synod were submitted by Grace Marable, Moderator of PW Synod of Trinity 3-5-18.

Mission Coordinator, Judith Jerry, Treasurer, blank, Racial Ethnic Coordinator, Katie Blume, Search 3 year term, Dorothy Rudy, Search 2 year term (replacement) Earlissa Marable, and Resource Coordinator 1 year (replacement), Motion to accept slate as presented, passed unanimously. Also changes in Bylaws: Article 4 Section 4 part B. (copy included) Motion to accept changes as presented 28 to 1. Motion passed.



Leaders for UOVPW were presented by Phyllis Conley: TIS Judy Miller; Cluster 1 Leader Phyllis Conley; Mission Interpretation, Betty Jane Myers; Search Committee: the three Cluster Leaders, with each rotating as the chair. The positions of Vice Moderator and Resources/Issues remain open. Judy Miller asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Jane Rose nominated Nancy DeStefano as Vice Moderator, Nancy accepted with the understanding that after she receives her MDIV, if she takes a call she may need replaced. Karen Edwards nominated Rachel Dieringer for Resources/Issues, and she accepted. A motion was made to elect the slate as presented. Motion seconded, and passed, unanimously. The new leaders were installed. See page 2.

Judy Miller asked treasurer, Catherine Maxwell to present the 2017 Financial Report, and the 2018 proposed Contingent Budget. Both were explained by Catherine, and then a motion was made, seconded and passed to accept both as presented.

The business meeting was closed and the program proceeded with our guests from the SHACK!

"Created to SHINE!"



The Ladies of Wellsville Oakridge Presbyterian Church hosted the Spring Gathering starting with a wonderful brunch with a variety of breakfast omelets, muffins, and fruit. Coffee, tea, and juice drinks were also offered.

A Power Point Presentation on the 2017 Synod Gathering was displayed as the ladies gathered in the sanctuary. Following the introduction and welcome to Oakridge, Karen Edwards proceeded with the worship service, beginning with an original song by Mary McElroy.



Installation of leaders was part of the business meeting. **Resources/Issues:** Linda Barlow (2017-2019) and Rachel Deringer (2018-2020); **Together in Service:** Judy Miller (2016-2018); **Mission Interpretation:** Nancy DeStefano (2017-2019) and Betty Jane Myers (2018-2020); and **Cluster Leader:** Phyllis Conley (2015-2018). Nancy DeStefano is also serving as Vice Moderator through 2019.

Nancy DeStefano and Alcinda James performed in a skit about preparing for the **Gathering in Louisville, Kentucky**. Of course one needs the proper comfortable clothing and traveling light is also important. The program book is great for planning the activities, tours, and seminars we might attend.

The Upper Ohio Valley Presbyterian Women who attend can support Mary McElroy on her appointment to the Search Committee in the East Central Region.



It is still not too late to register by going to the Presbyterian Women's website to register for the Gathering !



The SHACK



The van shown here is transportation for the “Shack.” Two adult representative who have experience working with the children from toddlers to teenagers at the “SHACK.” They brought their daughters with them to attest to the value the **Shack** has made in their lives. The youngest of the two was very enthusiastic about her **Shack** experience at summer day camp, swimming activities, and after school programs. The teenage daughter was shy about her experience at the **Shack** but because of her

“shyness, she made a terrific Bunny at Easter time!

SHACK Program Offerings

The following programs are open to everyone:

Before and After School Care

Snow Day and Holiday Care

CACEP serving dinner 3 times/wk

Summer Camp

\Summer Nutrition

Playgroup

Happy School

Positive Parenting Program

CSAs seasonal offering fresh veggies

West Run Transitional Housing Outreach

Mom’s Group at Marjrie Gardens

Fathers Hand

Home Repair program

Roller Skating Parties

Pool Parties

Basketball Rental

Respite

Pre-preschool

Family Fun Nights

International Parent Group

Starting Points Mylan Park Elemj

Newborn Baby Outreach

Arnettville community Center Food Pantry



MISSION FIELD TRIP
WEDNESDAY JULY 11
East Wheeling Neighborhood

9:00 AM —1:00 PM LAUGHLIN CHAPEL

Interaction with children (1st to 5th grades) including story reading, crafts, and LUNCH. We will have “hands on” activities with the children.

1:00 PM —3:30 PM INFORMATIONAL AFTERNOON

Visit and learn about “Ohio Valley Grow” gardens.

Visit the **HOUSE OF HAGGAR** for the homeless.

Stop by **YOUTH SERVICES SYSTEM** to learn about the Winter Freeze Shelter, the **LAZARUS HOUSE** and **MARY MARTHA HOUSE**, both for recovering drug addicts,

This will be an all-day field trip with moderate walking!

If you have more questions or need more details call:

Betty Jane Myers (304-905-9190) or Nancy DeStefano (304-650-6015)

Call Betty Jane to sign up by July 1st



AUGUST 18

**SING TO THE
LORD !**

**PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN'S
PRAYER**

RETREAT

**at the SEEDS OF HOPE FARM
From 9:00 am til 1:30 pm**

**\$7.00 will cover the cost of
lunch and registraion!**

**COME SING
WITH MOSES
DEBORAH
HANNAH
MARY**

**MARK YOUR
CALENDR—
YOU DON'T
WANT TO
MISS
IT!**

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**CALL Mary BY
AUG.12 at 740-
769-7546
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**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S FALL
GATHERING
SEPTEMBER 29, 2018
KIRKWOOD CHURCH, BRIDGEPORT
COME CELEBRATE
PW'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY**

FESTIVITIES BEGIN AT 9:00 WITH BRUNCH

- ◆ **THERE WILL BE WORSHIP,**
- ◆ **LEADER HELPS FOR THE NEW BIBLE STUDY, "GOD'S PROMISE- I AM WITH YOU",**
- ◆ **AND THE FOLLOWING WORKSHOPS TO CHOOSE FROM AND MUCH MORE!!**

-MODERATORS AND TREASURERS

**-SPIRITUAL GROWTH ACTIVITIES TO ENHANCE YOUR QUIET
TIME OR STUDY GROUPS**

-HANDS ON MISSION PROJECT

**-SPICE UP YOUR PROGRAMS OR SPECIAL EVENTS
(FOCUS WILL BE ON ADVENT)**

Festivities will draw to a close @ NOON!



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PW Puzzler

A Grateful Heart for Presbyterian Women

Word Scramble

Unscramble each of the jumbled words using the clues to the right. Copy the letters in the numbered cells to other cells with the same number to solve the mystery phrase!

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. slsbgnesi 2. lfymia 3. fhati 4. vole 5. edantv 6. esynperatbir 7. omntuycrm 8. eciric 9. irngca 10. bsubeyldit 11. ghiskgvaitnn 12. eldrtiuag 13. iuelvcsni 14. mrssthica 	<div style="text-align: center;">Clues</div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Count your _____! 2. We often gather with _____ during the holidays. 3. _____, Hope and Love 4. The greatest of these is _____. 5. The time of waiting for the birth of Jesus 6. Our Reformed tradition. 7. PW is a _____ of women. 8. A small group of Presbyterian Women is often called a _____. 9. We are an inclusive, _____ community of women. 10. We gather for prayer and _____ (2 words, no space). 11. In November, we celebrate the holiday of _____. 12. The feeling of being thankful. 13. We are an _____, caring community of women. 14. The holiday that celebrates the birth of Jesus
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Download this (and many other resources!) at www.presbyterianwomen.org.



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Moderator's Message:

Dear Friends of UOVPW,

We flew from winter to summer and we're getting ready for more activities while the weather is nice.

You will be hearing all about them in this newsletter. I hope you are encouraged to participate in some or all of these projects, because our Christian faith is strengthened by our Christian fellowship. **I John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.**

I am looking forward to seeing you and enjoying your company this summer and fall.

Blessings, Judy