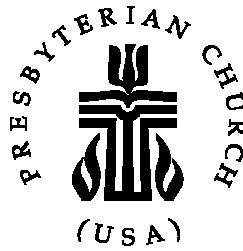


PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF EAST TENNESSEE PRESBYTERY



HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING WINTER 2010

FROM THE PWPCT MODERATOR

The Moderator's Brown Study

PWPCT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Each year at the Annual Spring Gathering we as Presbyterian Women award a scholarship to one of the ministerial candidates/inquirers under the care of our Presbytery.

Through March 8 our PWScholarship committee will accept applications from those eligible candidates who want to be selected to receive this scholarship. One candidate will be selected as winner and announced at the Gathering.

Funds for the scholarship are collected at the PW Annual Gathering. *The amount of the scholarship the individual will receive is solely dependent upon the amount of offering received.* If your church is unable to attend the gathering but wants to participate in the scholarship funding please mail your check to:

Lisa Pitts
2028 Southern Oaks Drive
Maryville, TN 37801

We ask that each local church group contribute as a group to this fund. Individual gifts are also very welcome.

Past recipients have been so grateful for our support and as a result personal relationships are established. In turn we have benefited by knowing the candidates and sharing their experiences during their seminary days.

It is with regret that we accepted the resignation of JoAnn Fowler, who was the elected Moderator of PWP this year. PWP will miss her contributions to the work and leadership of Presbyterian Women.

I am the one filling the office since her resignation. You may wonder about me: who I am, where I come from, what I believe is important in and out of PW..

Know this, I want to meet you personally - You by church - You by PW's. I want you to invite me to your events or just for fellowship or to ask questions of me and me of you.

I've been trained for this PW position by doing it in another presbytery. I used to tease them, "If you feed me, I'll come." They did! I did! My sisters, I offer you the same tease or challenge, feed me, I'll come! Regardless, I'll come for any reason. I'll come to meet you, to talk to you about Presbyterian Women, to talk about why we do or don't do things the same way as they were done before.

Big group, small group, or one or two, I want to know you - REMEMBER.....*YOU FEED ME, I'LL COME!!!*

And..... this is going to be an exciting year! Only every three years does PW Synod have a Gathering Retreat and Market Place! This is the year! The Gathering will be In Huntsville, Alabama on June 3 – 5 and will be one of the best Synod Gatherings in several trienniums.

The Market Place is going to be made up of crafts from all the churches in the Presbytery. Each church is being asked to bring 10 items to be sold in the Market. There will be speakers and leaders from all over the country. All profits will be used for Synod mission efforts.

Next fall we hope to offer more programs for the women of the Presbytery such as Spiritual retreats, Leadership Enhancement days and Mission Opportunity support. There are new and different ideas about all of these areas which would enrich our ministries and lives. Life in Christ is exciting and interesting.

It is going to be a great year!!!

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**THE ANNUAL SPRING GATHERING
SECOND PRESBYTERIAN, KNOXVILLE
FRIDAY, APRIL 23RD Registration
begins at 9:30, MEETING AT 10 AM
PLAN TO BE THERE!**

NEWS FROM PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN EAST TENNESSEE PRESBYTERY

La Follette

First Presbyterian Church

PW's are trying a new meeting time this year on the second Thursday of the month at the church gathering for lunch, Bible study and business.

We are in charge of the Congregational Annual Thanksgiving Dinner. We set up, decorate the tables, bake the turkeys, make dressing and gravy. Others bring desserts and sides. A short program of Thanks is presented and the PW Thank Offering is received.

Throughout the year PW collects warm hats, gloves, socks of all sizes to be given to clients of Food Life Service just before Christmas.

Our ladies give to Morgan Scott Project, Bachman Academy, Newton Child Care Center, Sunset Gap Community Center and local needs. For Sunset Gap Center we collect Campbell labels. Knit prayer shawls are given to those who are sick or in need of special prayer. Monthly cards are sent to our shut ins.

It is our tradition in the spring to plan a special PW Birthday Celebration and Offering.

From our small group of women, we count five Elders, two on the Pastor Nominating Committee, three women sing in the choir, the church pianist and a Sunday School teacher. Three of our members work each week at the Food Life Service in LaFollette!

Trinity Presbyterian Church, Chattanooga Welcomes

all women of the church to participate. Four active circles including a new circle for our Spanish speaking women share Bible study, service and fellowship as our major purposes. Circles meet September through August and are studying Joshua this year. We contributed to the Least Coin, PW Churchwide Mission pledge, PW in the Presbytery pledge, UTC campus meals and ministry. The 2009 birthday offering was open for the congregation to participate. \$500 was given. Our activities include gifts and contacts with shut in members at Valentines, Easter and Halloween.

Fairmont Presbyterian Church

Both night and day circles combined to host the Fall Gathering for all of Area 1 churches. It was a very successful gathering. Area 1 churches attended and over 50 women were present.

Monthly our day circle has a bible study and then enjoy lunch together.

The night circle has dinner and then a study together.

In November we had our traditional Thanksgiving Dinner, prepared and served by both day and night circles.

Decorating the Chrismon tree, a Christmas Brunch and Silent Auction which provides funds for our mission projects during the year were all part of our holiday celebration. During the Christmas season the night circle had a party exchanging gifts and collecting toiletries for the Women's Shelter. The day circle had a luncheon. Prayer partners were revealed and sweatshirts were brought for the Unicorn Project at Wartburg. The Christmas cantata was well attended. PW prepared and served brunch.

When the January snow storm arrived PW supplied 21 people with a cap, gloves, socks, cheese and crackers packs, water and blankets.

Area 3 Fall Gathering

This first joint Gathering of PW women from Area 3 was a success. Since Cluster 7 found the Knoxville gatherings to be more convenient, the 70 participants came from Clusters 8 and 9 - an excellent turnout. The Presbyterian Women at Second Presbyterian Church excelled as hostesses - we enjoyed "the best five dollar lunch in town" and everyone received a cross-stitched PW bookmark as a reminder of the wonderful day.

Fall Gathering **Chattanooga/Cleveland**

It was a wonder-filled day of worship and workshops. Held at Second Presbyterian Church on October 24, seventy women gathered for the half-day event. Including an overview of the Joshua Bible study by Dr. Don Kaller (HR), a DVD presentation of Women in the Bible, in-depth survey of the Mission Yearbook of Prayer led by past PWP moderator Loretta Teter and a comprehensive look at Newton Child Development Center presented by Rev. Sandy Winter, Skip Stevens and Newton director Madeline Swanson. All the workshops provided in-depth information and each was well-attended. During lunch the women were asked to sit together by their PW office.

The afternoon session began with a skit, "Driving Home from the Churchwide Gathering", dedication of our annual pledge forms and closed with communion led by Dr. Perry McCallen of Second Presbyterian Church.

NEWS FROM PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN EAST TENNESSEE PRESBYTERY

MOWBRAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CAN BE CALLED BY ANY NAME:

Our name is PHOEBES... Mowbray is a small church without formal circles but the Phobes group is an active group of twenty or so committed women. We meet once a month from September to April. Each meeting has time for prayer, study and education as well the business of many activities. In the spring of last year we provided fruit baskets for Mowbray Volunteer Fire Department and local school bus drivers, treats for the staff of the "Good Shepherd Outreach Ministry" and the staff at Sequoia Nursing Home (in appreciation of their good work). Last fall we contributed \$150 to East Tennessee Presbytery, we supported "Room in the Inn" purchasing and delivering needed products as well as a Halloween Party for church children and in the community.

November is the month of our major fundraiser, we have a luncheon and sell donated crafts, canned goods. We raised \$1550. \$1,000 was given to a family in need. For Christmas in lieu of exchanging gifts we brought several gifts to be distributed to Newton Center for Children and a check for \$500 was presented to a scholarship program at Sequoia High School for development of leadership skills. An additional check of \$400 was given to a family who lost everything in a fire.

News from Northside Presbyterian (Chattanooga)

Presbyterian Women sends Congratulations to Jane Ensign!

Jane was named a Valiant Woman for 2009 by the Chattanooga chapter of Church Women United. Jane was honored for the many years of service she has given to Church Women United, Northside Presbyterian Church, Presbyterian Women and the Chattanooga community. We are very proud of Jane and her history of giving, volunteering and involvement.

This year's Caps for Kids program provided sixty-nine knitted caps for children in our community. Forty five caps were donated to the Newton Child Development Center which meant each child found a warm cap to wear on Christmas morning. Twelve stocking caps were given to Northside Neighborhood House and twelve to Salvation Army offering through our church. Thank you to all the knitters! Caps for Kids is an ongoing mission project for us. Circles I, II and III served lunch on Tuesday for three weeks at UTC Presbyterian Campus Ministry.

Northside Presbyterian Church

Cleveland

PW had a variety of projects in 2009. The Christian Crafters met every week. PW hosted a community storytelling event, operated a prayer chain by phone, volunteered their services to Hospice, participated in PW spring and fall retreats. We provided food and fellowship for shut-ins, funerals and visitations, collected Campbell soup bar codes for Sunset Gap and hosted a MDA fund raiser and fashion show. Many food items, clothing and household items were provided for The Caring Place a mission for low income families. Every month PW provided items for Bradley Rehab Facility.

PWP ARE 'THINKING WOMEN - OPEN TO NEW IDEAS AS WELL AS FAITHFUL TO PROJECTS OF LONG STANDING.....EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!

Take this 'For instance.....

First Presbyterian Soddy Daisy looked beyond their traditional projects to reach out to their community to help in a GREEN and profitable way. They made news when they hosted COUPON 101 classes in January and February at the church. The sessions were open to anyone for a nominal cost and included two class opportunities: grocery store coupons and drug store coupons. By the way did you know that you can donate your expired coupons to the United States military? -they have extended expiration dates for six months beyond the listed expiration date! Many tips of how to and where to are included in these classes. A nominal fee is charged. Contact Shana Ivarson for information: 432 504 5201, ivarsonsa@comcast.net.

**ANNUAL SPRING GATHERING
FRIDAY, APRIL 23RD IN KNOXVILLE!
SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
REGISTRATION FORM CAN BE FOUND
ON THE ADDRESS SHEET.**

PRESBYTERY REPORT – Loretta Teter

reports: East Tennessee Presbytery welcomed Bob Hill as a member of the Presbytery and accepted his call as minister to the UTC campus ministry.

The Presbytery also voted to:

- 1. Pay in full the remaining balance of the debt on UTC's Campus Ministry house on Vine Street.**
- 2. Hire a consultant to research and present a study on the outdoor ministry at the John Knox Center.**

COME SEE COLUMBIA DAY

Mark your calendars for Thursday, April 22, 2010 to attend "Come See Columbia" Day at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. This special gathering for women from the Synod of Living Waters and the Synod of South Atlantic will be the first meeting with the new CTS President Dr. Steve Hayner.

Coffee and registration begins at 9 a.m. Dr. Rodger Nishioka, Benton Family Assoc. Professor of Christian Education, will lead our Morning Worship at 10 a.m. Lunch will be offered in the dining hall (\$10 payable that day), followed by guided tours of the campus and visits to the newly established historical library (recently moved from Montreal).

Now is the time to make your plans to visit CTS for "Come See Columbia" Day.

A limited number of rooms (double occupancy) are available on campus for a nominal fee, should you wish to arrive a day early or stay the night of April 22nd. Contact Barbara Poe: poeb@ctsnet.edu or 404-687-4566 for reservations.

Throughout its history, CFC has been an organization that addressed the concerns of ministers, missionaries, and Christian educators. Each year, scholarships are offered to those men and women who have demonstrated strong academic and leadership qualities. These scholarships provide relief to students with family responsibilities.

6 scholarships and 1 fellowship were awarded this year.

You will meet these recipients following the worship service and be inspired by their stories and grateful hearts, as they relay how these gifts have blessed them and their families.

Gifts may be mailed to: Gift Box 325 CFC
P.O. Box 520, Decatur, GA 30031-9954.

Mark your gift identifying yourself as a member of the Presbytery of East Tennessee. You will receive the Seminary's quarterly newsletter, *Vantage*, to keep you informed on classes and activities at the Georgia campus.

CONCORD PRESBYTERIAN

If your PW would like to have a speaker who has a relevant message for today from the past: contact Sonja DuBois. Last fall the Concord PW were privileged to have Sonja tell her life story..

She is active in P.W. and a member of Erin Presbyterian. Sonja and Mr. DuBois brought a "friend" Beverly Beiman and her husband who were visiting from Israel.

Sonja's story is compelling. Although never a prisoner, she is a victim of the Holocaust. Her entire family was killed at Auschwitz, a notorious German death camp in Poland. Sonja (birth name Clara) and her birth parents Mauritz and Sophie Van Thyn lived in Holland when the war began. It was then considered a safe haven for Jews.

In 1940 when Germany invaded Holland difficult and harsh restrictions were imposed upon Jews. Privileges were denied, star symbols on outer clothing were required and Jews were denied work. Many vivid impressions from childhood still haunt Sonja. When her parents were ordered to report to the train station, they feared the worst and made a noble decision. The Van Thyn's took Clara to an underground agency. It was their last glimpse of each other.

The agency took Clara to a foster home and later she went to the Willem Van der Kaden family who adopted her. She called them Mom and Pop. They renamed her Sonja. They risked their lives by keeping this dark-headed toddler in a country of blondes - just as many others took risks to save these "hidden" children - clerks who granted food stamps - pediatricians who asked no questions. The family stayed in Holland for several years before immigrating to the U.S.

Sonja's friend Beverly with her family lived in Europe for several years before the Nazi occupations. Years later when she found a photo of Sonja's birth parents in her family album Beverly was able to locate Sonja. The two women are cousins. Sonja was 60 years old before she saw that picture and finally knew what her parents looked like.

Sonja emphasizes the suffering caused by the Holocaust when speaking -the dangers of racism - the importance of speaking up. One person can make a difference. She considers it her sacred duty to speak of this horror. We are grateful that she spoke to us. It was indeed a learning experience.

ALL WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF EAST TENNESSEE!!

...LET'S DO A GOOD WORK TOGETHER THIS SPRING...

...PWPCT asks us to all work together...

Together in A Service/Mission Project!

Due to the earthquake in Haiti, the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance known as PDA needs to replenish the Hygiene and Baby Kits.

Let's see how many Hygiene and Baby Kits we can make!

**Bring the completed kits to the Spring Gathering at
Second Presbyterian Church in Knoxville on April 23,2010**

LISL WILL PERSONALLY TAKE, THEM FOR US TO

FERNCLIFF DISASTER ASSISTANCE CENTER IN LITTLE ROCK!

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS GOOD OFFER AND SAVE YOUR POSTAGE!

...CRITICAL... CRITICAL...CRITICAL...

SEAL ALL ITEMS IN A CLEAR ZIPPER GALLON PLASTIC BAG

(if you don't do this EACH bag will have to be opened at customs)

Count and place all your completed kits in large trash bags.

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HYGIENE KIT

BABY KIT

1 HAND TOWEL
(16"by 28" approximate size
no fingertip or bath towels)

1 WASHCLOTH
1 WIDE-TOOTH COMB
1 NAILCLIPPER
(no metal files/emery boards)
1 BAR OF SOAP
(bath size in a paper wrapper)

1 TOOTHBRUSH
(in original pkg.)
NO TOOTHPASTE!

6 BAND AIDS
(adhesive bandage strips)

.....IMPORTANT!.....

DO NOT ADD TOOTHPASTE.
(it will be added with an
extended expiration date just
prior to shipping)

6 CLOTH DIAPERS
(have to be cloth)

2 T-SHIRTS OR UNDERSHIRTS
(no onesies)

2 WASHCLOTHS
2 GOWNS OR SLEEPERS

2 DIAPER PINS
1 SWEATER OR SWEATSHIRT

2 RECEIVING BLANKETS
(one can be a hand knitted or
a crocheted baby blanket)

.....IMPORTANT!.....

ITEMS SHOULD BE NEW AND
UNDER 12 MONTHS IN SIZE.

Wrap items inside one receiving
blanket and secure with both
diaper pins.

Want patterns?

Contact Lisl for information.

ALL PW'S KNOW ABOUT HOUSEKEEPIN'
GET OUT YOUR GOLDENROD DIRECTORY
...CHANGED, ADDED, NEW INFORMATION - 'HOUSEKEEPING...

Pg. 3 – Together in Mission Lisl Jackson's email: lisl.Jackson46@gmail.com

Pg.4 & 13– Cluster 4 leader, Eleanor Barker's house number is 4716. New email address: elsbarker@ATT.net

Pg.9 – First LaFollette: treasurer: Leah Snyder: 16 Perry Smith Lane, Maryville, TN 37714, 423 566 8644

Pg.10 – New Hope: the treasurer is Shirley Gary, not Gray.
Shannondale Presbyterian is currently without a contact person as Mildred Truan is deceased.

Pg.13- Concord: moderator Mary Larson's email: Ralmwllc@aol.com.

Pg.13 – Erin: Pat Sexton is the moderator. Address: 517 Elkmont Rd. Knoxville, TN 37922 – 865 693-3187. Betty Gibbs is the secretary. Betty's email: dgibbs99620@comcast.net.

Pg. 15 – Parkway: Contact is Lois Rawlins. Her daughter will be the email contact. She is Cindy Turner: cardinal882000@yahoo.com

Pg.16 – West Emory: Mod. Sharon Carroll-Moore: SKCM5154@comcast.net

Pg. 27- New Hope, Chattanooga: Historian is Jessica Parks 423 326-9935.

Pg. 28 – Northside Cleveland: Pat Stonecipher is also the secretary/ treas. Her email: pcstone@hgt.net

Pg.37 - for your information from Mary McMillan, add:
Presbyterian Planning Calendar: 1-888-728-7228, ext.5368
HORIZON subscription number is 1-866-802-3635.
Mary had some interesting calls trying to reach these numbers!

CALENDAR EVENTS AHEAD IN 2010
EVENTS FOR ALL PW WOMEN EAST TN PRESBYTERY

APRIL 22, THURSDAY – PW DAY AT COLUMBIA SEMINARY

APRIL 16-17 - LOAVES AND FISHES, SEQUOYAH HILLS, KNOXVILLE

APRIL 23 FRIDAY – PWP ANNUAL GATHERING, SECOND KNOXVILLE

**JUNE 3-5 OUR SYNOD OF LIVING WATERS TRIANNUAL GATHERING
IN HUNTSVILLE, ALA. (Call MOT KRICK pg.3 goldenrod directory).**

.....PWPCT MEETING SCHEDULE at 10 am.....

MAY 1, SATURDAY CT MEETING AT MADISONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN

AUGUST 7, SATURDAY CT MEETING AT JOHN KNOX CENTER.

NOVEMBER 10, CT MEETING AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN ETOWAH

From the Moderator:

Leonard Bernstein wrote in "West Side Story"

"Something's Comin', Something Good!"

Fantastic Events Planned Just for You From

PW in our Synod & our Presbytery

PW in East TN Presbytery

In our Presbytery

April 16 – 17 at Sequoyah Hills PC, Knoxville
The Loaves & Fishes Experience

General Assembly Moderator Bruce Reyes-Chow
will be the Keynote Speaker. Plan to come now!

PW in our Synod of Living Waters

Triennial Gathering to

"Celebrate God's Goodness"

June 3 – 5, 2010, Huntsville, Alabama

Some of the Leadership and Speakers:
Rev. Louise Lawson Johnson will lead the Bible
Study on Revelation. Sylvia Washer, former
executive presbyter and church educator, will be
a Keynote Speaker. Rev. Leah Ellison Bradley is
from Louisville Seminary. Music leaders,
Brenda & Bill Davis. Brenda is Music Director at
Fellowship Presbyterian Church in Huntsville.



MARKET PLACE FROM

ALL OVER OUR SYNOD

Women in all the churches in the
Presbyteries of our Synod of Living
Waters are making and bringing crafts
of every description: paintings, stuffed
animals, clothing, quilting, jewelry,
jellies and jams and much, much more.

Proceeds will support 3 different
missions of our PW Synod.

Registration forms will be mailed on 2/12

PW in OUR Presbytery – East Tenn.

Friday, April 23, 2010

Annual Spring Gathering

*Life of Faith Challenged
by Secular Society"*

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Betsy Berry,
a participant in the PW Global Exchange to
Eastern Europe in 2008, will share slides and
stories beyond the articles in *HORIZONS*.

**INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS SERVICE
BASED ON OUR STUDY OF JOSHUA.**

*SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED TO ONE OF OUR
PRESBYTERY'S INQUIRERS OR CANDIDATES.*

*Special Music Provided by Second Presbyterian's
Scholarship Students. FABULOUS!*

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21st, IS THE LAST DAY TO
CANCEL REGISTRATION TO RECEIVE REFUND.**

**REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE ANNUAL
GATHERING IS ON THE LAST PAGE
BELOW YOUR ADDRESS LABEL.
NOTICE THE DEADLINE DATES INCLUDED**

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF EAST TENNESSEE PRESBYTERY

**REGISTRATION FORM ANNUAL SPRING GATHERING
SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, KNOXVILLE, TN.
Friday, April 23, 10 a.m. Registration begins at 9:30**

Child care will be provided as requested. List the name of each child on separate sheet.
Mail with registration form. Bring a sack lunch for each child. Drinks will be provided.

-----CUT OFF HERE - FILL OUT - MAIL AS INDICATED BELOW-----

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

Deadline to Register: Tues., April 13th

.....COST PER PERSON IS \$7.00.....

NAME OF CHURCH: _____

**NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE # OF PERSON FILLING
OUT THIS FORM** _____

**SEND ONE CHECK FROM EACH CHURCH
PAYABLE TO PWPET AND MAIL TO:**

**LISA PITTS
2028 Southern Oaks Drive
Maryville, TN 37801**

NAMES OF THOSE ATTENDING:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____
- 9. _____
- 10. _____
- 11. _____
- 12. _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____