



### GUEST SPEAKER, LEE THORNTON

For the last ten years I have served on the Texas Conference of United Methodist Women and am now the retiring president. It is a bittersweet time. I am glad to have served on the Texas Conference UMW and but will now enjoy living in Missouri closer to my family. My home is now in the Ozark Mountains where I was raised and on back roads that have the names of many families I have known all my life. Besides my brother my neighbors are wild deer and turkey, but

also old friends from grade school, some who have been here and others who have retired and returned.

Besides UMW, I worked for the conference as a mission coordinator, as Case work manager for UMCOR after Ike and South district mission chair with three different District Superintendents. I love mission trips and have lead several as team leader and on others just went to serve.

I am retired from Amoco/BP. Because of my job I transferred to Texas and remained for nearly 30 years. Two of my daughters are in the St. Louis area. My third daughter is in New Orleans. I lost one son several years back and my younger son moved to Missouri with me. And of course my grandkids are in this area and many other family members.

So I am retiring again. This is my fourth try. After I retired from BP, I went back to work twice on special assignments with safety, and then I hired on with the conference for Ike recovery. But this time I plan to work with glass, to garden and to travel, and to have more time with family. I will miss everyone in Texas but you all are welcome to visit me in Missouri. We will rock on the front porch, drink ice tea and watch the seasons change.

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Focus Groups and Rooms			
Overcoming Obstacles So You Can Let Your Light Shine	Ashley Johnson	Craft 1	
Encountering the God of Surprises:  Transformed for Joy	Pastor Susan Grittman	Craft 2	
Environment	Bee Moorhead	Craft 3	
Better Neighbor	Scott Atnip	Craft 4	

### Schedule Fall Festival September 16-17, 2016

### "THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"

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3:00 - 5:00 p.m.Registration Roy Hall Service Center & Share Your Talents Roy Hall

Gift Shop

Western Night "Western Attire" 6:00 p.m. St. Lukes

PS 100 Band (Live 5:30 pm until) St. Lukes Blessing of Food Suzanne McDougle

Barbeque Banquet

#### **Picture Booth**

#### Saturday

7:30 a.m. Greet the Day Peace Chapel Breakfast (Overnight Guests) 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Cafeteria Service Center & Share Your Talents 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Roy Hall 8:15 to 9:00 a.m. Registration & Hospitality Roy Hall

8:45 to 9:00 a.m. Gather in Song St. Lukes

> Evelyn Duncan, Musician Tena Tyler, Song Leader

9:00 Welcome Lee Thornton

Welcome from Lakeview Matt Idom

Theme Song: "Christ the Light of the World UMH #188

Prayer Calendar/Prayer Suzanne McDougle Theme Scripture: Matthew 5:14-16 Suzanne McDougle

Spanish Miriam Aguila

Candle Burning Special Recognition Paulette Moore-Hall

Endrika West Announcements

Special Mission Recognition, James Parker Lee Thornton

Processional/Dedication of Kits Theresa Graham

### **Break**

10:00 a.m.	Hymn: "Here am I Lord"	UMH #593
	Call to Order – Annual Business Meet Roll Call Report of Standing Rules Committee Nominations Report	Dorothy Ringer Sumner Dorothy Ringer Sumner Sarah Tunnell Clark
	Elections  Mission Moment Adoption of Budget Pledge Service	Lee Thornton  Paulette Moore-Hall  Paulette Moore-Hall  Paulette Moore-Hall
11:30 a.m.	Recognition of Retiring Officers	Endrika West
	Installation of New Officers	
11:30 a.m.	Introduction of Guest Speaker, Lee Thornton	Endrika West
12:00 noon	Lunch	Cafeteria
12:30 – 1:00 p.m.	Service Center & Share Your Talents	Roy Hall
1:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Focus Groups	Location inside Cover
2:45 p.m.	Gathering Welcome Back	St. Lukes Lee Thornton
	Hymn: "Pass It On"	UMH #572
	Communion (as you complete communion offering will be taken)	inion
	Doxology	
	Closing Hymn: "God Be with You till	We Meet Again" UMH #672

# Please place evaluation forms in boxes provided in St. Luke's lobby Have a safe trip home!

### **MISSION CANDLE BURNING 2016**

Mission Candle Burning is an additional giving opportunity above the regular channels of mission giving. Through Candle Burning, United Methodist Women have the opportunity to honor or remember special persons in their life. This can be a gift of any amount for mission with women, youth and children who need help in the United States and around the world.

This year the total Mission Candle Burning dollars received is <u>\$4,312.56</u>

This amount represents <u>3 Hours</u>, <u>32 Minutes and 51 Seconds</u>

THE RECIPIENTS' NAMES WILL BE LISTED ON THE VIDEO
AS THEY ARE ANNOUNCED.

MISSION GIVING IS THE FOUNDATION FOR MISSION WORK THROUGH UNITED METHODIST WOMEN AND THE NATIONAL OFFICE. YOUR CONTRIBUTION ENABLES A FULL AND CONSISTENT RESPONSE TO HUMAN NEED, ESPECIALLY THE NEEDS OF WOMEN, CHILDREN AND YOUTH. IT AFFIRMS THE WHOLENESS OF THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST AND A COMMITMENT TO ITS PROCLAMATION IN WORK AND DEED. MISSION GIVING STRENGTHENS BASIC PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS. IT ALSO MAKES EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND EXPLORATION OF NEW AND EVOLVING AREAS OF MISSION POSSIBLE.

### **Minute for Mission: 2016**

Based on United Methodist Women members giving and the approved budget for 2016,\* the following calculations have been made to interpret the cost of mission for a specific time period. Use this information as you explain the value of United Methodist Women's mission work with women, children and youth in the United States and in countries around the world.

In reality, the true cost of mission is higher, when we consider inflation; however, these figures reflect the cost based on mission pledges and member's financial support.

### \$3,521.25\*

This amount represents 2 Hours, 12 Minutes and 56 Seconds.

\*Note: These figures do not include the designated gifts received, including Call to Prayer and Self--Denial offerings.

### **DEDICATION OF LAYETTE KITS FOR 2016**

We the United Methodist Women of the Texas Annual Conference present these Layettes for the care, protection and good health of Babies in the United States and around the world.

And my God "will supply every need of yours" according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19. (EVS)

#### PRAYER IN UNISON

DEAR HEAVENLY FATHER, WE THANK YOU FOR PLACING YOUR GRACE AND LOVE IN THESE LAYETTES AND FOR THE BLESSING OF THOSE WHO SO GRACIOUSLY PREPARED THEM. THANK YOU FOR HOW THESE LAYETTES WILL BLESS THOSE IN NEED AND THEY WILL SAY THANK YOU LORD FOR YOUR PROVISION. IN JESUS NAME WE PRAY. AMEN AND AMEN!

### UMW "HANDS ON" PROJECT 2017 FOR UMCOR Health Kit

Value: \$12.00 1 hand towel

15" x 25" to 17"x 27". Kitchen, cleaning and microfiber towels not acceptable

1 washcloth

1 comb - Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6". No pocket combs or picks, please.

Rattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6" of teeth

1 metal nail file or clipper - no emery boards, please

**1 bath-size soap -** 3 oz. and larger sizes only. No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content, do not remove from original packaging

1 toothbrush - Adult size only, do not remove from original packaging

6 adhesive bandages - 3/4" to 1" size common household Band-Aids

1 plastic bag - One-gallon size sealable bags only

\$1 to purchase toothpaste

### **Assembly directions**

Set the \$1 for toothpaste aside to be included in a separate envelope. Lay out the hand towel flat on a table. Lay the washcloth flat in the center of the hand towel. Place all remaining items on top of the washcloth. Fold over the sides of the hand towel to cover all of the items. Fold over one end of the hand towel so that it covers all of the items. Grasp the bundle of items tightly and roll over the remainder of the hand towel tightly. Place the tightly rolled bundle in the plastic bag. Remove as much air as possible and seal the bag. **Important notes** 

All items must be new.

Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.

Please remove all packaging.

All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items – nothing more.

DO NOT include any personal notes, money or additional material in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

UMCOR is now purchasing toothpaste in bulk to be added to health kits before shipping to ensure that the product does not expire before they are sent. Do not put single dollar bills in each kit. Collect all monies for toothpaste, and shipping, place it in a separate envelope and send along with the kit donations.

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### **Texas Conference United Methodist Women**

Annual Meeting Roll Call September 17, 2016

**Do Not Include Conference Officers in your Total** 

District	District	District	Local		
President	President	Officers	<b>Delegates</b>	Others	Total
Central					
North					
Central					
South					
East					
North					
Northwest					
South					
Southeast					
<b>Southwest</b>					
West					
Conference					
Officers					
National					
Office					
Director					
Jurisdiction					
Officer					
Bishop					
Voting					
Strength					
Speakers					
and Guests					
Total					
Attendance					

# **Committee on Nominations Report Proposed Slate of Officers 2017**

### OFFICE NAME DISTRICT

President	Alejandra Laguna	Central South
*Vice President	Endrika West	Central South
Secretary	Carolyn Parker	Northwest
*Spiritual Growth	Suzanne McDougle	Northwest
*Social Action	Krystal West	South
*Education/Interpretation	Theresa Graham	South
Membership, Nurture, Outreach	Donna Senter	Northwest
*Communications	Lana Bowsher	Central North
*Chair Committee Nominations	Sarah Tunnell Clark	East
*Secretary Program Resources	Melba Spann	North

### **Additional Members of Committee on Nominations**

*Doris Rowland	Class of 2016	North
*Brenda Saulter	Class of 2016	Central South
*Maude Caldwell	Class of 2017	Northwest
*Gwen Smithheart	Class of 2018	Central South
*Beverly Deerhake	Class of 2019	Southwest
Paulette Moore-Hall	Class of 2020	Central North
Doris Woodland	Class of 2020	South
Marcia Butcher	Class of 2020	Southwest

National Office Candidates: Stacie Hawkins and Mattie Ordaz with as an alternate.

Advisory Committee Nominees:

\*Officers continuing in current term of office.



Gifts to the Legacy Fund can be made in several ways: Online at unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund

By Phone: 800-2789-771 (8 am-6 pm EST, M-F)

**Text Legacy 150 to 41444** 

By Check: Note Legacy Fund in memo line and mail to:

United Methodist Women: Treasurer's Office 475 Riverside Dr, New York, NY 10115

## TEXAS CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN A AND MD PROPOSED BUDGET 2017

RECEIPTS		Amount	
Start Up Funds (Retained from previous year)	\$	20,000.00	
A&MD Funds (Retained from basic pledge)	*	67,000.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	87,000.00	
DISBURSEMENTS			
MEETINGS			
Leadership Development (Conference)	\$	7,900.00	
Legislative Event		1,200.00	
Spring Retreat		4,000.00	
Annual Conference		3,600.00	
Leadership Development (National )		2,000.00	
Mission u		13,000.00	
Annual Meeting Fall		5,000.00	
Young Women's Event		1,000.00	
Racial Justice Meetings		1,000.00	
Asian/Hispanic Cultural Event		700.00	
United Methodist Women (National and Jurisdiction) Events	_	3,600.00	
Meetings Total	\$	43,000.00	49.43%
COMMITTEES			
Executive	\$	1,000.00	
Program		600.00	
Nominating		250.00	
Membership, Nurture & Outreach		250.00	
Committees Total	\$	2,100.00	2.41%
ADMINISTRATIVE			
Annual Report	\$	250.00	
Audit		3,700.00	
Bank Charges		200.00	
Church Women United - Texas		250.00	
Conference Directory		300.00	
Equipment Maintenance		570.00	
Equipment/Software Purchase		3,100.00	
Jurisdiction A&MD (1.25% WD pledge)		2,900.00	
literature/Subscriptions		120.00	
Newsletters/Communications Network		5,500.00	
Postage		500.00	
Shipping for Program Resources		100.00	
SMR's for Retiring Officers		300.00	
Supplies		680.00	
Travel/Miscellaneous		630.00	
Administrative TOTAL	\$	19,100.00	21.95%
SUBSIDIES TO DISTRICTS		22,800.00	26.21%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	87,000.00	100.00%



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### PLEDGE SERVICE SEPTEMBER 17, 2016 2017 Pledge to Mission

The Pledge to Mission begins with the amount you give though your local unit. It helps support the entire national and international program of United Methodist Women. The Texas Conference United Methodist Women pledges a specific amount to the United Methodist Women National, for mission with women, children and youth and retains a designated percentage to be used for district and conference administration and membership development expenses.

DISTRICT LEDGES.	
CENTRAL NORTH	\$
CENTRAL SOUTH	
EAST	
NORTH	
NORTHWEST	
SOUTH	
SOUTHEAST	
SOUTHWEST	
WEST	
TOTAL PLEDGES	

### Prayer

O Lord, God of our ancestors, You are generous with your grace and mercy toward us. In thanksgiving we humbly offer our gifts to You, that it may be used to serve our neighbors in need. Fill our heats with joy and inspire us to do our part as we unite with our sister "...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."

In Christ's name we pray with love and thanksgiving. Amen

### **Texas Conference United Methodist Women**

### **Entry Form for 2017 Spring Logo**

The Texas Conference UMW Program Committee is asking artists in the Texas Conference to create a logo for 2017 Spring Retreat that will illustrate the artist's conception of the theme:

### "A Community of Faith"

Theme Scripture – Galatians 2:20-21

The selected logo design will be used for 2017 Spring fliers, program book, and any Spring Festival materials or decorations, power point presentations, banners, etc.

In submitting your logo please follow these few rules:

- Logo submitted on 8 ½ "x 11' white paper, copy ready OR submitted digitally by e mail
- Logo may be in black and white or color. Final printing in the Fall Festival flier will be in black and white
- Please submit a brief statement of 50 words or less, explaining the logo design on the back of this form or attached e-mail file with logo.
- Deadline for logo artwork is December 16, 2016

Name of the Artist(s):	
E Mail Address:	Telephone:
Address:	
District:	Local Church
Permission to use artwork is §	given with the signature of the artist below:
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Katy, Texas 77449 or email	eted form to: Mrs. Endrika M. B. West- 6622 Wide Creek Dr. ephesians 32021@yahoo.com on or before December 16, 2016. ed as the main logo may also be used. Thank you and enjoy this



2016 and newly elected 2017 Officers

Speaker

Committee on Nominations

Musician

Song Leader

Lakeview Conference Center

Logo Design

Friday Night Entertainment

Lee Thornton

Sarah Tunnell Clark

Evelyn Duncan

Tena Tyler

Kennidi Bowsher

PS 100 Western Band



# STAY CONNECTED WITH TEXAS CONFERENCE UMW

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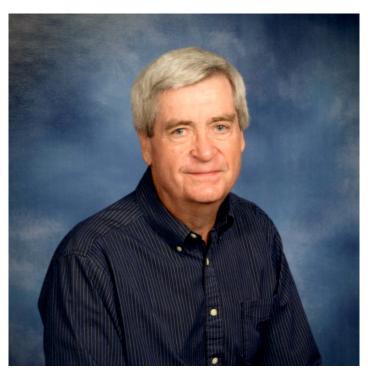
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2017 Calendar of Events
<b>Texas Conference United Methodist Women</b>

Texas conference on	ica manaist vi omen	
District Training Event	January 7	Lakeview
Conference Executive Meeting	January 6-8	Lakeview
Legislative Event	January 29-31	Austin
Spring Spiritual Growth Retreat	Feb. 24-25	Lakeview
UMC Texas Annual Conference		
UMW Conference Program Meeting		
UMW Annual Lunch		
Mission u	July 21-23	Lakeview
Conference Program Planning Meeting	August 12	TBA
Wesley Community Lunch	September	TBA
Conference Executive Meeting	September 14	Lakeview
Fall Festival Friday Event	September 15	Lakeview
Fall Festival/Annual Meeting	September 16	Lakeview
Conference Program Meeting	September 15-16	Lakeview
Leadership Development Days	November	TBA

### 2016 Special Mission Recognition Honoring James Parker



James Parker was born and raised in San Angelo, Texas. While growing up he was active in the youth group at his church and his high school swim team. He served as the city's swimming pool manager and lifeguard in the summers. He attended Abilene Christian University where he pursued a Bachelor's degree in Counseling Psychology. In addition, he furthered his education at Angelo State University where he graduated with a Master's degree in Counseling Psychology. He worked for Verizon as a Human Recourses Manager for twentysix years and retired in 1996. He then moved to East Texas where he became a

member of First United Methodist Church, Palestine.

James has a passion for helping others and currently serves on the church's Mission Team. Over the years has participated as Team Leader in numerous local mission projects including, Texas Annual Conference renovation project of Saint James United Methodist Church in Teague. He partnered with Beaumont United Methodist Church and led early response disaster relief teams after hurricanes, doing early clean up and rebuilding in the areas of Silsbee, Oklahoma City and New Orleans. James and his team are active on the Lakeview United Methodist Conference Center Campus and have spent time cleaning up the Prayer Trail and assembled bunk beds for the new dormitories. He is also an active supporter of the Texas Conference United Methodist Women, for the past eight years at our annual fall meeting he has been loading the truck with the UMW kits assembled for UMCOR projects.

James is married to Carolyn Parker. They have one son, a granddaughter, and a great granddaughter.

You may give to this Special Mission Recognition award throughout the year. Please send your mission dollars to your District Treasurer at any time. The Special Mission Award will be presented to James at the Fall Festival in September 2016.

# Schedule of Events

3:00 – 5:00 Registration, Hospitality. Service Center & Share Your Talents – Roy Hall Gift Shop

Western Night "Western
Attire" – St. Lukes
6:00 – Until –
Entertainment by:
PS 100 Band

6:00 – Barbeque Dinner in St Lukes

**Picture Booth** 



#### **PURPOSE**

United Methodist Women is 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.

Saturday 7:30 am Greet the Day 7:30 - 8:30 am **Breakfast for Overnight Guests** 8:15 - 9:00 am Hospitality, Service Center & Share Your Talents Registration 9:00 am – St. Lukes Gathering in Song Welcome Candle Burning Service **SMR** Recipient **Dedication of Kits** Business Meeting, Roll Call **Nominations Report** Election Mission Moment Adoption of Budget Pledge Service Installation of New Officers **Guest Speaker** Lunch - Noon Service Center (12:30 – 1:00 pm) 1:15 - 2:30 pmFocus Groups Reconvene 2:45 pm Communion **Sending Forth**