



*United Methodist Women  
Crater Lake District Pulse  
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**A Look at the Role of the District Program Planner  
(Formerly known as Vice President)**

Program Planner is a position, which with efficient planning, doesn't take a lot of time. If you are the unit Program Planner, it means you are responsible for lining up speakers and programs for your unit meetings. You can get input from your leadership team and the unit members as to topics of interest. Next contact the speakers. This should be done a couple months in advance to assure their availability. Give them a call a week before the meeting to see if they need anything for their presentation. Be sure to be early to the meeting to greet them. You should be the one to introduce them. Follow up with a thank you note. Write an article for your church newsletter about each month's program, highlighting how it's a part of our mission, how interesting it is, and inviting other women in the church.

Program Planner for the district has a few more details to attend to. I need to plan for the Every Member Enrichment Event and the Annual Meeting.

- Determine the event site. Evaluations from the previous event will help with this.
- Call the unit to secure the site. Remind them that they will need to provide housing for the district team, lunch and meeting space for the Enrichment Event.
- Work with the district team to determine the topic for the event. The team may know of a speaker, or use the internet to find a speaker.
- Contact the speaker at least three months in advance. Find out if she (or he) needs housing or

any special needs for her (or his) presentation. Stay in contact with the speaker.

- Create the "Order of the Day," checking with the team to be sure to include everything.
- Prepare an article for the District newsletter with a registration form included.
- Prepare the event program bulletin and evaluation form.
- Check with host unit to be sure all is ready the week before the event.
- Arrive early to the event to see that all is ready and greet the speaker.
- Collect the evaluations, compile the information and email results to the District Team.

Our Annual Meeting will be held at the Medford United Methodist Church September 15th. We are honored to have Coyote Marie Hunter-Ripper as our keynote speaker.

More information will be available in our newsletter.

Hope to see you all then.

Blessings,  
Joyce Barber,  
District Program Planner



## Crater Lake District United Methodist Women Calendar of Events

- July 13-14 First Oregon Mission u Event - Tigard OR at Tigard UMC. All three studies will be offered.
- July 20-21 Second Oregon Mission u Event - Grants Pass OR at Newman UMC The Spiritual Growth & Issue studies will be offered.
- Sept. 15 Crater Lake District Annual Meeting at Medford UMC
- Oct. 20 Conference Annual Meeting at Eugene First UMC



Have you registered for a Mission u near you? If not, you can register now on-line by [clicking here](#). Paper registration forms are available, please contact Jeannie Boese at 541-273-9579. Mission u will begin at 2 pm on Friday with registration and end on Saturday at 5 pm. The cost is \$80 per person per event. Send your questions to Dean, Janelle Bolt, at [Janelle@busyhands.biz](mailto:Janelle@busyhands.biz).



### Bright Lights of Crater Lake District Asbury United Methodist Women of Eugene

community.

Asbury United Methodist Women are very busy within the church and

Throughout the year, the unit engages local speakers to discuss local causes.

During their meetings, they mention those that are shut-in, homebound, ill, having birthdays or anniversaries. From there a designated person sends courtesy cards.

Easter breakfast is served by the unit to church attendees. It's not a fundraiser, but a gesture of kindness. In addition, the unit hosts the memorial service celebration of life receptions.

The unit participates in Church Women United, which gathers monthly from multiple denominations. (Church Women United is a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive Christian women's movement, celebrating unity in diversity and



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working for a world of peace and justice. Founded in 1941).

Prayer shawls are knitted for comfort or joy, and given to WomenSpace, (shelter for abused women with children) and to Willamette Cancer Institute.

At the June meeting they have a festive picnic, a wrap-up of the year's events and recognition of one member for outstanding service to Asbury's United Methodist Women.

The unit hosts fundraisers for mission giving; a Bake Sale in November and an Irish Potato Bake in March.

The financial commitments throughout the year are to the Crater Lake District, the quota paid to Church Women United, and contributions to Church Women United's Summer Fun Fund, Meals on Wheels, the Wesley Foundation, WomenSpace, the Eugene Mission, and FISH (Friends in Service to Humanity).

These lovely women are making a difference in their church and in their community.