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September Forum

September 7, 2018

Wisconsin League of Conservation

Seth Hoffmeister,

Field Director

9:00 am Refreshment & Fellowship

9:30 am Welcome and Announcements

10:00 am Program

Bashford United Methodist Church

329 North Street, Madison. WI 53704

September Forum

You are invited to the September 7 forum of Church Women United with guest speaker Seth Hoffmeister, field director of the Wisconsin League of Conservation.

Seth will talk about his agency, what causes they are currently working on and where the candidates (for the November election) stand on environmental issues. He will also talk about the waterways in the Madison area.

We will gather at Bashford United Methodist Church,
329 North Street at 9:00 a.m. for refreshments and fellowship.

The program will begin at 10:00 a.m.

All women and men are invited.

Annual Meeting of Church Women United in Wisconsin

“Working Toward Wholeness”

*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord .
. . . Colossians 3:23*

The Church Women United in Wisconsin 2018 State Assembly will meet Saturday, September 15, 2018, from 8:15 am to 3:30 pm at Memorial Baptist Church, 645 Forest Avenue, Fond du Lac. The theme, “**Working Toward Wholeness**”. Keynote speaker is the Rev. Mary Council-Austin, a spokesperson for Justice. Rev. Mary has spent many years working to improve conditions for migrant families in this country, and she is a living example of CWU’ mission *to be a racially, culturally, theologically inclusive Christian women’s movement celebrating unity in diversity and working for a world of peace and justice.*

Along with reports and discussions of CWU business, state and local, are two opportunities to explore important state concerns: a morning panel presentation, **The Opioid Crisis** by members of the *Drug Free Communities of Fond du Lac County*; and an afternoon presentation on

Human Rights and Human Trafficking presented by Sister Ruth Battaglia.

The panel discussion on the Opioid Crisis calls on the Drug Free Communities of Fond du Lac County, a collaboration of agency and community members who have come together to address the growing problem of substance abuse. Comprised of individuals from multiple sectors, this panel will focus on how we can work together toward a common goal of preventing the misuse and abuse of prescription medications. The panel will take questions from the group.

It comes as a shock to learn that Wisconsin is very high on the list of states that have a human trafficking problem. Sister Ruth Battaglia CSA, the Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation Coordinator for the Sisters of St. Agnes, will present an informative program on recognizing, preventing, and reporting incidents of human trafficking. Join us to learn steps that all of us can take, and must take, to decrease human trafficking wherever we may live.

There will also be a service of remembering to again pay tribute to cherished member of Church Women United who have entered into their eternal home this past year. Please send names of those you wish to remember to Carol Lange.

The 2018 Mission Project is the Salvation Army of Fond du Lac. To support the work of the Fond du Lac Salvation Army, we encourage you to bring nonperishable food items and monetary donations. Make checks payable to the Fond du Lac Salvation Army. Thank you for your generous support to help those who are in need.

2018 Assembly Program*

**Program is subject to change*

- 8:15 Registration, Refreshments, Browse displays
- 8:45 Music and Gathering
- 9:00 **Welcome, Announcements and Devotions**
State President Carol Lange
Host Church Representative Rosemary Helmer
Joanne Telaska – Devotions
- 9:20 **Keynote Speaker - Rev. Mary Council-Austin**
- 9:45 Service of Remembering
- 10:00 Salvation Army / Capt. Telinda Wilson
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 **Panel Presentation: The Opioid Crisis**
Members of the Drug Free Communities of Fond du Lac County
- 11:45 Offering for CWU in Wisconsin
Announcements/ Marilyn Verkuilen
- 12:00 Lunch and Unit Sharing**
- 1:00 Music and Reconvening
Presentation of Mission Offering Gifts
- 1:20 **Human Rights and Human Trafficking**
Sister Ruth Battaglia
- 2:00 Summation of Unit Sharing/ Marilyn Verkuilen
- 2:20 Break
- 2:30 CWU Region 5 News/Assembly
- 2:40 **Business Meeting**/President Carol Lange
- 3:10 Installation of Officers
- 3:20 Closing Prayer and Comments/Alma Grace Hymn/Adjourn

DIRECTIONS to

Memorial Baptist Church
645 Forest Avenue, Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Directions: Memorial Baptist Church is on the west side of Fond du Lac. Take **Highway 23, Johnson Street**, heading east into Fond du Lac. As you come in on Johnson, turn right(south) on to **North Pioneer Road** (east frontage road). *Shriners Restaurant will be on your right. Days Inn* will be on your left as you travel south on North Pioneer Road. Continue south on N. Pioneer and you will intersect with **Forest Avenue**. Turn left (east) on Forest Ave. and drive one mile. Memorial Baptist Church is on your left at 645 Forest Avenue.

Note: Highways 41, 45 and 151 can be used to approach Fond du Lac. Highway 23 (Johnson Street) is the road that you will want to enter Fond du Lac. Highway 26 intersects Highway 23 west of Fond du Lac in Rosendale.

FRIDAY NIGHT LODGING

Days Inn at 107 North Pioneer Road has set aside a block of rooms for Friday, September 14, 2018. The rooms are \$80 plus tax and processing fee per night for double occupancy, and have either two double beds or two queen beds. The rate includes free parking and free buffet breakfast.

This block of rooms and price will be available only through **July 31, 2018**. You must make your reservation by then, and you must **be sure to tell them you are with Church Women United**. The telephone number to call is (920) 923-6790.

Registration Form for 2018 Assembly

Your registration fee of \$25.00 includes refreshments, luncheon, honorariums for speakers, and all materials used for the preparation of the program.

Name _____

(Please Print)

Street/PO Box _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

CWU local unit _____

Email _____

List Special dietary or mobility needs:

_____ I am interested in Friday evening event.

I understand that pictures will be taken at the Assembly and that my picture could be included in the newsletter or on the state website.

Signature _____

Send the **Registration** and **\$25 fee** to

Marilyn Verkuilen W2088 Evergreen Dr Kaukauna, WI 54130

(Make checks payable to Church Women United in Wisconsin)

Registrations received by Sept. 1 will be eligible for a drawing for a free registration.

Invitation from Westminster Presbyterian Church

Benefit for the Madison Area Jail Ministry ***“Music on the Lawn”***

Event Details:

1. Hosted by Westminster Presbyterian at
4100 Nakoma Road, Madison 53711
 2. Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 4:00-6:00 pm
 3. Learn about the Madison Area Jail Ministry
 4. Enjoy a concert by “*Chance Allies*”, a jazz ensemble
 5. Have dinner from “*Let’s Eat Out*” food carts & “*Just Bakery*”
 6. Bring a blanket or chairs to sit on the lawn. Patio seating available
 7. In the event of rain, the event will be held indoors.
 8. Suggest donation \$10
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MEC Directory

Last Call for the

2017-2019 Madison Area Religious and Human Resources directories.

There are not too many left. If your church has not bought one yet, you can get them at our next forum on Friday, September 7 when we meet at Bashford United Methodist Church. This could also be a gift for a friend who has everything & likes to be involved.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS & DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS FORM
FOR CHURCH WOMEN UNITED OF MADISON

Please Note: These contributions will be used for the general operating expenses of CWU of Madison, as well as for the Celebration materials, choir music, annual donations to selected community social services, and annual contribution to Church Women United of Wisconsin. GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES include, in part, the office rent, insurance, and the cost of producing and mailing the CWU newsletter, and miscellaneous supplies need throughout the year.

Please send in contributions by November 30 of each year. Our financial year ends on December 31 of each year.

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Please make your check(s) payable to: Church Women of Madison and send to:

Marleen S. Lippert, Treasurer, CWU of Madison
6329 Scandia Lane
McFarland, WI 53558

Thank you for your financial assistance in carrying out the various projects of CWU. Your contributions are sincerely appreciated.