



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

Spirit

in the Presbytery of San Francisco

Spring 2012

MODERATOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Presbyterian Women

At Broadmoor our choir had been practicing an anthem "Rain Down", at last the rain arrived, and hopefully there will be many more inches very soon.

It is time to begin the planning for "The Gifts of Women" Sunday which may be held on March 11th or whatever Sunday works best for your congregation.

A new Together in Service project is now being introduced. It is called "Little Dresses for Africa". Mary Rizzo, Coordinator of Together In Service will be introducing this project to the CT and thus on to the local Congregations.

We will be looking for Gathering venues. Please encourage the Women of your congregations to host a PW Gathering. We ask that the host church provide a light continental brunch beginning at 9:30. Lunch may be prepared by the Host PW or those attending can provide a potluck luncheon. The CT meets six weeks prior to the Gatherings, so we would meet at the church where Gathering will be held. The CT meets on a Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We ask that the host church provide coffee, tea and hot water. The CT provides the food. Usually the Moderator of the PW of the host church sits in on our meeting while we plan the Gathering.

We, the CT, are enjoying the Bible Study "The Beatitudes". We hope you are learning much and enjoying it also.

Please encourage the women in your congregations to attend the Church Wide Gathering in Orlando. There are scholarships available from PW in Louisville as well we have a small number available from the PWP.

If you need help....ask God. If you don't....thank God.

Eunice



JUSTICE BEGINS WITH EACH OF US
by **Connie Clark**

The California Against Sexual Exploitation Act (CASE) is an initiative to increase the penalty and fines for those who commit sexual crimes against children and women. We are in the process of collecting signatures to place this important initiative on the 2012 ballot.

Please take five to ten minutes and read about the CASE Act on the website:

www.californiaagainstslavery.org

I would like to visit as many churches as I can to provide information about the initiative, and most important, I would like to be able to provide the opportunity for people to sign the petition. Any assistance you can give to make this happen would be appreciated.

First Presbyterian Church in Livermore has signed up for six different "Petition Signing Sundays."

January 22, January 29th, February 12th, 26th, and March 11th and 25th.

Presbyterian Women have a great history in getting things done! Please help us get the word out about this important issue. **Yes, justice begins with each of us.**

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you. Peace, Connie I. Clark

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Excerpted from Justice Peace Links –
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**Call for submissions for Words Matter's
2012 Lent Project**

Presbyterian Women, think about participating in an interesting ecumenical project to reinvigorate deeper conversations about the power of our words. **Words Matter** does not promote compliance to a list of "politically correct" terms; rather it encourages participants to get to know one another and think about the words they use together—building commitment to using words in ways that lift up the body of Christ. Get Involved: Download the Words Matter conversation guide at www.WordsMatter.org and submit your story or start a conversation in your circle, PWC, PWP, PWS, and beyond!



You are invited to an Evening of Tribute by
The Coalition of Concerned
Medical Professionals

Evening of Tribute –
Friday March 16, 2012 7PM to 10PM
Fiore Hall – 900 Seventh Street (at Berry
Street) San Francisco

CCMP invites you to join them for an evening of tribute to honor those who make possible our fight for comprehensive health care for the Bay Area's working poor.

Live entertainment, Entrees, wine, cheese, desserts and assorted refreshments

For more information, call (510)436-8020

NEW TOGETHER IN SERVICE PARTNER

Welcome to a new Together in Service partner, Little Dresses for Africa! This nondenominational Christian mission organization was founded by Rachel O'Neill to provide simple dresses for orphans and schoolchildren in Africa. Their Mission Statement is "To plant in the hearts of little girls that they are worthy." The organization serves children around the world (including Appalachia and South Dakota) with homemade dresses and simple shorts for boys. Commercially produced clothing is not acceptable, as customs regulations for those items make import fees prohibitive. Patterns for the clothing are on the Little Dresses for Africa website (www.littledressesforafrica.org). Thank you to the several PW groups around the country who wrote to recommend this amazing grassroots mission program. Check out the website and encourage your PW group to host a sewing day. The founder, Rachel O'Neill will be attending the Churchwide Gathering in Orlando.



PWP Scholarships available for Churchwide Gathering

Scholarship Applications are available on-line from: Connie I. Clark – connie-clark@comcast.net.

The amount available for Churchwide Gathering in July is \$400.00.

Those women who have not received a scholarship within the last four years will be given priority consideration.

Submit your application as soon as possible
- **Deadline is March 15th, 2012.**

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Inauguration of Rev. Dr. James L. McDonald

San Francisco Theological Seminary will celebrate the inauguration of Dr. Rev. James L. McDonald as its 11th president on February 10-11.

The inauguration celebration begins on Friday, February 10, at noon as the SFTS community gathers for worship and communion in Stewart Chapel. After a day of lectures and learning, music and fellowship, the inauguration service will take place at 1st Presbyterian Church, San Anselmo, on Saturday, February 11, 10AM – noon. There will be a luncheon for inauguration participants and attendees at SFTS's Alexander Hall following the service. Further festivities will continue throughout Saturday for those who are able to stay.

For information, call 415-451-2823 or 2830.
Sarah Campbell, Director of Annual Gifts
San Francisco Theological Seminary
105 Seminary Road
San Anselmo, CA 94960

Synod Luncheon and Annual Meeting

Saturday, July 21, 2012 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Cost \$32.00
Cost includes lunch and gratuity

LOCATION: Gaylord Palms Resort
Check for room assignment in the Gathering program book

Join other women from the Synod of the Pacific at a luncheon during the Churchwide Gathering. On this day, there will be no noon meal offered at the Gathering so we will have time to get together.

The Annual Meeting will include installation of new officers and annual reports.

RSVP REQUIRED BY July 1, 2012 to:
Jean Rae Pilcher
6029 Hollyhurst Way
Sacramento, CA 95823

Questions?? Call Jean Rae at (916) 428-9036 or email: jeanpilcher@comcast.net
Or Mary Lou Williams (360) 576-5364 or email: mlwms41@aol.com

Menu: Southern style Bourbon chicken with Florida pecan & brown sugar glaze
Spinach salad with sliced red onions, herbed croutons, bacon dressing
Macaroni & cheddar cheese au gratin;
Southern style green beans;
Cornbread & rolls
Peach cobbler
Coffees/teas/ lemonade

Payment required with RSVP no later than July 1, 2012. Your name will be held at the door. Confirmation of your RSVP will be sent or emailed to you upon receipt.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Any special accommodations required?

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jeanette Huie, PWP Treasurer

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Here is PWP's financial report for June 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011. We ended the year with \$7,922.88 in our checking account. This amount includes the designated funds of \$2,467.27 for Program, Scholarship and the Churchwide Gathering (to cover expenses for our two voting representatives to the PW Business Meeting). So our undesignated funds totaled \$5,455.61.

In 2011, 13 PW groups in our Presbytery contributed \$3,267.29 to the Birthday Offering and \$3,543.50 to the Thank Offering. 15 PW groups contributed \$8,283.00 towards the Mission Pledge.

At our Winter Gathering in December, we all had the chance to meet Jen Lenard-Benson, PW's Fund Developer, who recently moved to the Bay Area from Louisville. Her enthusiasm for PW was uplifting! Also her short presentation about the Celebration Giving program and specifically about the Mission pledge was very informative. Giving to the Mission pledge financially supports PW at all levels and undergirds the work of our denomination. If the Mission Pledge declines, so does the opportunity for PW and the PC(USA) to stay relevant and engaged in the world.

The per capita payment remains at \$4.00/member and in 2011, we received approximately \$1,900. Half this amount goes to support the work of PW in the Synod of the Pacific and the other half was retained and used to support the activities of our PWP.

Your generosity in second or third-mile giving to the mission of PW and the PC(USA) continues to make a difference in the lives of many! If you have any questions, please contact me anytime –

Dedicated Funds

Program Fund	\$ 324.30
Scholarship Fund	\$2,022.97
CW Gathering Fund	\$ 120.00
Total	\$2,467.27

**PW IN THE PRESBYTERY
FINANCE STATEMENT - 6/1-12/31/11**

Receipts

Birthday Offering	\$2,775.29
Gathering	882.45
Hunger Fund	100.00
Least Coin	397.76
Life Membership	95.00
Mission Pledge	4,847.50
Nets	108.70
Per Capita	444.00
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance	301.00
Thank Offering	3,508.50

Total Receipts \$13,460.20

Disbursements

Birthday Offering PAID	\$2,775.29
Cluster Communicator Expenses	200.00
Honorariums	400.00
Hunger Fund Paid	100.00
Least Coin Paid	397.76
Life Membership PAID	95.00
Moderator Expense	100.00
Mission Pledge PAID	4,847.50
Nets PAID	108.70
Presby. Disaster Assistance PAID	301.00
Thank Offering Paid	3,508.50
CT – Thank You Gifts	34.65
PW in the Synod Per Capita	955.00
Treasurer Expense	25.18
Churchwide Gathering Registrations	880.00

Total Disbursements \$14,728.58

Total Receipts/Disbursements
-\$ 1,268.38

Balance Sheet as of 12/31/11

Assets

Cash and Bank Accounts	
PWP-SF check	\$7,922.88
Total cash and Bank accounts	
Total Assets	\$7,922.88

Presbyterian Women
In The
Presbytery of San Francisco
Spring Gathering

Speaker: Reverend Glenda Hope
“God is Full of Surprises!”



Saturday, March 3, 2012
Time: 9:30 am Registration - Program: 10:00 am-1:00 pm
Lunch \$8.00
First Presbyterian Church
2020 Fifth Street
Livermore, CA 94550
Fellowship Hall
www.fpcl.us

Driving Instructions: 580 East – Take North Livermore Exit 52B – Turn Right
Right on Fourth Street – Left on “K” Street – Enter courtyard – Fellowship Hall on the Left

Please join us for this wonderful program!

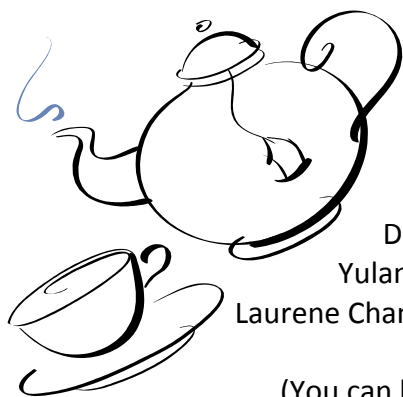
Contacts: Connie Clark- connie-clark@comcast.net or
Karen Vied – kvied@comcast.net

You're invited!! Please come to our:
45th Annual
Cameron House Guild Membership Tea
*Our Annual Fund Raising Tea**

Monday – February 27, 2012 (11:30 AM – 2:00 PM)

Donaldina Cameron House
920 Sacramento Street
San Francisco, CA 94108 (Directions on back)

*The Donaldina Cameron House Guild supports emergency and needed items not included in the Cameron House budget.



Program for Membership Tea
Adventures in Mission

Welcome from Jean Lym, Guild President
Doreen Der-McLeod, Pioneers of Ventures into Mission
Yulanda Kwong, Director of Social Services: Overview of New Services & Staff
Laurene Chan, Director of Youth Ministries: introducing New Staff & Programs

Dates to Remember: Annual Carnival - May 5, 2012

(You can help by bringing or dropping off baked goods to sell on Carnival Day!)

Yum Cha: October 29, 2012

All money from Guild memberships (\$10) and other donations support the work of Cameron House and are tax deductible. Memberships are in effect from February to February. Members receive the Cameron House newsletter CURRENT and other mailings.

Detach - Mail with check to: To: Hilda Aladeen, Treasurer; 333 Bush St. #3703, SF CA 94104

Name _____
 (If for more than one person, include all names and addresses on back.)

Address(es) _____ City _____ Zip _____

E-mail: _____ @ _____

Phone () _____ Church _____

Enclosed is my 2012 membership (includes Lunch) \$ _____
 (\$15)
 and/or contribution \$ _____
 (\$25 ___ \$50 ___ \$75 ___ \$100 ___ Other ___)

Please make checks payable to Cameron House Guild

Reservation(s): # _____ Membership(s) Amt.: \$ _____ Donation: \$ _____

Return by February 20, 2012

CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 3/13/12 Meeting of San Francisco Presbytery, First Presbyterian Church,
Tuesday Newark
- 2/27/12 Cameron House Women's Membership Tea: Adventures in Mission
Monday Donaldina Cameron House – 920 Sacramento St., San Francisco
11:30 – 2:00
- 3/3/12 PWP Spring Gathering, 9:30 – 1:00
Saturday God is Full of Surprises – Rev. Glenda Hope
1st Presbyterian Church, Livermore – 2020 Fifth St., Livermore
- 3/11/12 Gifts of Women Sunday
- 4/21/12 PWP Coordinating Team Retreat, Lakeside Presbyterian Church
Saturday
- 5/5/12 Annual Cameron Carnival, 12 – 7PM
Saturday Donaldina Cameron House – 920 Sacramento Street, San Francisco 94108
- 5/8/12 Meeting of San Francisco Presbytery, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
Tuesday Pleasant Hill



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