Dear Friends,

As my time as president of the WNC Chapter of PAUMCS winds down, I have been reflecting on what this organization has meant to me. As a “numbers person”, I initially recoiled at being a part of a group of “secretaries”. I soon was shamed to find out that these people were proud, independent, remarkable, friendly, intelligent, wise, efficient and well you get my drift!

I was warmly welcomed into this group (even though I was a “numbers person”) and have been infinitely touched by their energy, wisdom, intellect, and most of all their love of God. All are aware of who the “Big Boss” is and are proud to proclaim it!

I am proud of my membership in this organization and only wish every administrator (of all types) would avail themselves of the blessings derived from it. It’s a ministry after all!

With love,
Cathy
From the Vice President...

I have always admired Helen Keller. Born in 1880, she lost her hearing and eyesight due to an illness when she was less than two years of age. What a crucial time of development to lose two of the five senses … especially the two which help the most in communication! It is said Keller communicated primarily by using gestures until age seven when teacher Anne Sullivan arrived in her life. Keller then was able to learn to read and write, going on to attend mainstream schools and colleges to become the first deaf and blind person to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1904! Amazing! I have all my senses—yes, I’ve been tested!—and there are days, I can’t even form a sentence much less guarantee the grammar is correct in the church newsletter, emails, bulletin, correspondence, announcements, etc.

Do you struggle with communicating sometimes? Would tips on communication and conversation help you connect your church and community to Christ? I hope you answered “yes” and will prayerfully consider attending the Fall 2022 WNCC PAUMCS Conference and Retreat, Oct. 28-29 at Laurel Ridge Retreat Center in Laurel Springs. We will discuss communication methods to inspire and energize your ADMINistry! I will lead the “Grammar & Branding & Style, Oh My!” session on Friday afternoon, sharing tips I have gleaned in my varied jobs. And hopefully, you’ll share some of yours.

Rev. Bob Richardson, a full-time local pastor serving at Mount Tabor UMC in Winston-Salem, will provide guidance about both the speaking and listening sides of difficult conversations during the second workshop set for Friday night. Pastor Bob will also lead worship and officer installation on Saturday morning. You won’t want to miss meeting Bob and his wife Susan! I’m blessed to call them “friends.”

New WNCC Communications Director Aimee Yeager will finish out the conference on Saturday with her workshops on websites and social media. Up-to-date on the latest and greatest, Aimee will help us navigate these ever-changing communication forms. I wonder what Helen Keller would think of social media. She would probably embrace it for all it’s worth, to get her message across!

I hope to see you Friday, Oct. 28! Safe travels!

Libby Craven,
Vice President

P.S. Please see attachment for the Fall Retreat. If you wish to attend, the deadline to get your registration in is OCTOBER 1, 2022.
WNCC PAUMCS
PROPOSED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
2022-2023

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Beth O’Brien, Nominations Chair
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It’s not too early to send in your membership dues for 2023! The membership form is included for your use. I hope to see many of you at the Fall Retreat in October!

Amy Johnson
WNCC PAUMCS Membership Chair
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**Treasurer’s Report**

May 1, 2022—August 31, 2022

**Checking Account:**
- Beginning Balance: $6,672.15
- Disbursements: 1,505.90
- Deposits: 4,311.90
- Ending Balance: $9,478.15*

**Scholarship Fund:**
- Beginning Balance: $2,593.82
- Disbursements: 150.00
- Deposits/Interest: 612.86
- Ending Balance: $3,056.68

Grand Total of Accounts August 31, 2022: $12,534.83

*Includes income for 2022 Fall Retreat

DeEtta Rivens
PAUMCS Treasurer
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2023 LOCAL MEMBERSHIP DUES
WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CHAPTER OF THE
PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATORS OF THE
UNITED METHODIST CONNECTIONAL STRUCTURE

Enroll me as a member of the WNC PAUMCS Chapter and place my name on the mailing list. My $10 annual membership dues are enclosed for 2023.

_____New _____Renewal

Name_____________________________________________________

Home Address (Street/P.O. Box) _______________________________________

City/State/Zip+4_______________________________________________

Telephone: Home_____________ Cell phone_______________________

E-mail Address: Home:__________________________________________

Birthday____________________

Church/Agency of Employment:____________________________________

District_______________________________________________________

Office Address: (Street/P.O. Box)______________________________

City/State/Zip +4_____________________________________________

Telephone: Office_________________ Fax________________________

E-mail Address: Office:________________________________________

If called to serve as an officer or on a committee for the Local Chapter of PAUMCS, would you be interested? ______Yes _____No

Please make check payable to WNC PAUMCS and mail to Treasurer:

DeEtta Rivens
PAUMCS Treasurer
PO Box 480733
Charlotte, NC 28269

Check here if you are a National Member _____

Are you Certified? _____Yes _____No  What Year____________

When was the last National Conference you attended? _______
FROM PTS...

As I write this letter, today has been a wonderful day that is a prelude to fall - cooler temps, little to no humidity (praise God), and a nice breeze. And when fall arrives, so does the Fall Retreat that PAUMCS sponsors. We have had winter weather, summer time weather and fall weather at these retreats. To me it is always a special time no matter what the weather.

I hope that you will choose to attend the fall retreat. Our theme this year is “Communication and Conversation- connecting the church and community to Christ.” It will be held October 28 through October 29th at Laurel Ridge. Laurel Ridge is absolutely beautiful and a great place to have a retreat. If you are certified, you can earn continuing education credits to keep your certification current. The Fall Retreat Brochure is included in this newsletter which gives you all the info about the retreat and includes a registration form.

If you are a first timer and find yourself needing some assistance in paying so you can attend, we have scholarship funds available that will pay half of your registration fee. You must be a member of PAUMCS which only costs $10 per year. If you would like to apply for funds, email me and I will send you the application. Even if you don’t need the continuing education credits, there are a lot of things to learn at these retreats that you will find useful in your job. Good fellowship abounds and you truly experience God’s handiwork at this beautiful conference center.

I hope to see you at Laurel Ridge at the end of October and I’m looking forward to meeting some of our new members and old friends.

Blessings,
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FROM BY-LAWS...

Greetings from the By-Laws Committee!

We have received a proposed amendment from the PTS/Scholarship Committee to Article XI, Line E in our By-Laws. Please see the current wording (which has been struck through) in the By-Laws and the proposed amendment (which is boldfaced). The By-Laws Committee and Executive Committee have approved the proposal. The amendment will be voted on at our Annual Meeting at Fall Retreat.

Blessings,
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Information from Ways and Means….

We are so excited about this year’s Fall Retreat. It is almost here! Please remember that new this year is Mission Market Bazaar. You are invited to bring some pre-priced, yard sale type or handcrafted items for the newly added Mission Market Bazaar. The bazaar will open for conference attendees to begin shopping at 5:45 pm on Friday, Oct. 28 and will continue to be open during meals and breaks. Purchases will be made on a first-come, first-served basis with all of the money earned being donated to this year’s conference mission project. **Remember: One man’s trash can be another man’s treasure!**

Our mission project this year is the Loray Girl’s Home in Gastonia, NC. Loray Girl’s Home is a stable, nurturing environment staffed by trained residential child care workers for foster care girls ages 12-21. An independent living component designed toward ensuring girls will be prepared for self-reliance and true independence. Loray Girl’s Home has served Gaston County foster care girls aged 12-21 since 1986. In the process, we have enriched the lives of over 100 girls, preparing them for college, the workforce, and motherhood. Some photos of Loray Girl’s Home are included on the next page.

We will have information about Loray Girl’s Home at the conference along with a video of some of the girls who have benefited from their experience at Loray Girl’s Home. We are so excited to be able to help this organization prosper and continue. So please buy, buy and buy at the Mission Market Bazaar!!

You can also bring some items with you to the retreat for the girl’s home:
They are asking for:

**Household items**
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Laundry Pods
- Dish washing Pods
- Dryer Sheets
- Tall Kitchen trash bags
- Lysol All Purpose Spray Cleaner
- Windex
- Air fresheners

**Dry Food Goods**
- Can Vegetables
- Can Fruits
- Can Beans
- Sauces (Alfredo, Spaghetti)
- Pastas
- Gatorade Zero’s (small bottles)
- Bottle Waters

**Personal Items**
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Body wash
- Super Tampax Tampons
- Always Thin Pads
- Deodorant

**Miscellaneous Items**
- Epson 212 Cartridges (Black & colored ink)
- Gift Cards to restaurants
- Gift cards to Target, Walmart, etc.

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LORAY GIRL’S HOME IN GASTONIA, NC