



On behalf of the Conference Planning Team, welcome to Annual Conference 2011! Our worship, conferencing sessions, and spiritual formation, educational and mission projects offer an exciting banquet of opportunities for all attendees. As we center our hearts and minds for holy conferencing, we offer the following information to support your preparations.

Annual Conference Theme: Living Side by Side – the Broken and the Whole

Focusing on Global Health, the third of four denominational areas of focus, and continuing our celebration of our Mission Leap Forward, we will explore what it means as Christians to live side by side as a global community. Our definitions of broken and whole impact our ministry and world view, and sometimes we mistake one for the other. Where do we see Jesus in both the broken and whole places in our lives and communities, and where do we join in the ministry of healing? Called to seek justice and health for all persons, we must work side by side and acknowledge the brokenness and wholeness that exists in each and every person.

Breaking Communion bread invites us to remember our membership in the whole body of Christ and demonstrates the interdependence of the broken and the whole. We seek to deepen our understanding that we truly live in a global village where we all need each other. What needs to be broken or made whole in our personal and our corporate life together? We continue to learn to honor the sacred aspects of brokenness and the limitations some perceptions of wholeness can create. Reports and presentations by Conference ministries are encouraged to help us celebrate our work together (side by side) and to honor the holy in both the broken and the whole.

Reading Suggestions for persons interested in reading theme related books before Conference.

Three Cups of Tea or Stones into Schools by Greg Mortenson and David Relin

Mountains Beyond Mountains by Tracy Kidder

Caring for the World: A Guidebook to Global Health Opportunities by Drain, Huffman & Pirth

Following God's Call: Individual Volunteers in Mission by Walter and Betty Whitehurst

Mission-Possible: My Years at Red Bird Mission by NEAC's Betty Bilodeau: BettyBoop6533@yahoo.com

Or 207-372-6737 to order. Also available at Conference for \$20 with 50% benefiting UMEM!

Imagine No Malaria

Look for a variety of ways to join in this denominational initiative adopted at General Conference 2008. As we introduce this global health project and move into this campaign through 2011-2012, please learn, share and contribute as you are able! Visit www.imagenomalaria.com for introductory materials.

Projects related to Imagine No Malaria during Annual Conference include: wristbands available through Registration, House Party demonstrations, a Mosquito Run/Walk for Missions, and an Offering.

For more information, contact: Ellen Bridge 207-416-7880 ebridge@tdstelme.net.

Stop Hunger Now

Conference attendees, guests and other volunteers will pack nutritious grain-based meals to go to Africa following Conference. Church groups including **Confirmants, Youth and mission teams will be invited to come to conference Friday or Saturday** to participate in this exciting hand-on project packing meals for school children.

Visit www.stophungernow.org to learn more about this organization founded by a United Methodist pastor. We will need all the hands we can get to and sponsorships from congregations to reach our goal! More information about our New England project coming soon!

Not sure what to wear to Conference?

Comfort and good walking shoes are important. Let's get to know each other – consider these suggestions!

Wednesday: Wear or bring something representing your work or talents.

Thursday: Our most formal worship services are today, so consider looking your best!

Friday: Share your personal heritage or country of origin in the global praise day.

Saturday: Share your most colorful self today as we prepare to show our colors to the world.

Feedback: What 2010 Conference Attendees said they would tell their congregations about Conference...

- ~ Inspirational; active and informative and spirit filled, joyful, considerate of everyone's opinions and much love expressed; totally awesome, you need to go next time!
- ~ A coming together of people of different faith journeys binding together in holy conferencing, what the Methodist church is all about, I could feel the Holy Spirit moving in me.
- ~ Has deepened my faith even more and has reaffirmed why I work so hard at our local church.
- ~ Enjoyable, interesting, informative and exhausting, extremely spiritual.
- ~ Strengthened my feeling of being a connectional church, re-energized me to push my church to grow in mission, service and congregational growth, reminded me the Church is much bigger than our little church.
- ~ My first but not my last, we as a congregation need a greater awareness of the connection to the conference and greater UM church.
- ~ Uplifting, hopeful, unifying, exceeded my expectations, inspired me to focus on mission and using the resources and gifts we have.
- ~ Once again a time of refreshing and renewal in my calling and place to remind us of our purpose in Christ.
- ~ Focused on missions, exciting and rewarding, filled with great ideas for us to use, very spiritual, inspiring, very informative, very tiring.
- ~ Historic and "fuller" with inclusion of VT, well organized, full of WOW - wonderful ongoing work!

Prayers and Thanksgiving

Please hold all of our churches and their members, Conference attendees, volunteers, staff and leaders who offer their gifts, talents and time to make our conferencing experience holy! Pray for our Bishop Peter D. Weaver and for Bishop Minerva Carcaño, our guest preacher and presenter. We also hold in prayer all the missionaries, workshop leaders and friends who will travel from all over the world to be with us this year. We are grateful for leaders and families that care for our homes and churches during Conference. And, special thanks to Becky Colley, www.danaherdesigns.com, for creating our Conference logo this year.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing this sacred time and community with sisters and brothers in Christ.

Abundant Blessings,

Bonnie I. Marden
Choreographer
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Joy Mueller
Registrar
registrar@neumc.org



NEW ENGLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Registration: Located at the Barrington Arts Center until Wednesday night, then located in the Chapel foyer.
Registrar: Joy Mueller, 978-682-7676 ext. 241, registrar@neumc.org

Ballot Distribution: persons eligible to cast ballots for General Conference delegates may pick up their ballots in the Gordon Memorial Chapel foyer. You do not need to go to Registration before picking up ballots. Questions about ballots or voting credentialing: Conference Secretary, Ralph Oduor 978-682-7676 x130
oduorr@verizon.net

CCYM: Youth Table and Penny/Check Challenge located in Chapel foyer

Children's Program: Bromley Hall Director: Sarah Laflamme 603-888-1003 sarah.laflamme@gmail.com

Clergy Spouses: Spouses of Clergy will have an opportunity to gather together at Annual Conference for fellowship and discussions. More information to come! Candy Morgans cmorgans1@att.net

Cokesbury, Displays, Olin Mills: Olsen Science Center Displays located in foyer, hallways and second floor
We will complete a new Pictorial Directory this year, for distribution in 2012. No appointment needed for brief portrait sitting and no onsite sales, located behind Cokesbury. Wed 1-7pm, Thu 8am-7pm, Fri 8am-7pm
Pictorial Directory Questions: Carol Rabs 508-982-3405 carolann525@verizon.net
Displays Information: Rosemary McNulty 978-682-8055 x201 RMcNulty@neumc.org

Commuter's Lounges: Chase Hall (1st, 2nd, 3rd floors) and Lewis Hall (2nd fl) Kitchen facilities are available for commuters. Parking is limited, see information listed below.

Conference Choir, Band and Musicians: Mitch Thomas 207-838-1722 alumf@midmaine.com
Open to all! First rehearsal 3-5:30PM on Wednesday in Phillips Music Hall.

Conference News: A daily news briefing and live video streaming www.neumc.org/acstream available providing updates and access to the Conference and Worship Services in the A. J. Memorial Chapel.

Conference Worship Coordinator: Nisha Purushotham 401-941-1371 nisha.purushotham@gmail.com

Confirmands Coordinator: Bryan Pretzer 781-545-1459 pepbwp@hotmail.com
Confirmands will participate in the Saturday afternoon worship service and are invited to participate in the "Stop Hunger Now" Meal Packaging project Friday and Saturday.

Learning Centers/Workshops: Located in Olsen Science Center, Phillips Music Hall, Lane Student Center and Chase Dorm classrooms. See Schedule located on separate page and in Agenda.
Coordinator: Ellen Bridge 207-416-7880 ebridge@tdstelme.net

Liturgical Dance: Sheila Singleton-Charron 508-878-6728 antique1155@comcast.net
Conference dance choir open to all interested persons. We will practice at conference, and participate in several services (very easy to learn stuff!).

Monitoring: Religion & Race Commission, contact Lisa Fagerstrom lfager@aol.com for more information.

New Member Orientation: Olsen Science Center Auditorium, Wednesday at 4:00pm. See Registration for information if unable to attend Orientation Session.

NEW ENGLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE



Wednesday June 8

The Pieces Come Together

All are invited to wear something representing your work or profession to help us learn about each others gifts and talents.

- 6:30am-6:30pm Coffee station open in Lane Student Center
- 9:00-11:30am Board of Ordained Ministry, Olsen Science Center Auditorium
- 9:30 Equitable Compensation Committee: Presidents Dining Room, Lane Student Center
- 9:30 Registration orientation for Staff/Volunteers
- 10:00-9:30pm **Registration Open** at Barrington Center
Registration moves to the Chapel late evening, late arrivals stop at Main Entrance Security Gate
- 11:30 Clergy Luncheon: Danversport Yacht Club, Danvers, MA, sponsored by Preachers Aid Society
- 11:30-1:30 Lunch Lane Student Center by Pre-Registration or Cash
- 1:00 Orientation for BU Crew/Volunteers/Golf Cart Drivers: Chapel Side Dining Area, Lane
- 1-7pm Olin Mills Portrait Sittings at Olsen Science Center: no appointments needed, no sales
- 2:00-9:30 Child Care Club open, Bromley Hall excluding Dinner
- 2:30-4:30 Clergy Executive Session: Memorial Chapel
- 4:00-5:00 Laity Gathering/Orientation(optional): Olsen Science Center Auditorium
- 5:00-6:30 Clergy Women's Dinner – Location to be determined
- 5:00-6:30 **Dinner** Lane Student Center by Pre-Registration or Cash
- 6:00 New Member Orientation: Olsen Science Center Auditorium
- 7:00 **Convening Worship/Conference Session:** Chapel (Organizing Motions, Ballots, Historic Questions, Nominations and Budget presentations, Resolutions, Reports may include Disabilities, Trustees and Health Insurance topics)
- 9:00pm Ordination and Commissioning Service Rehearsal in Memorial Chapel
- Evening Reception in Easton Dining Hall, Lane Student Center, honoring 2011 Retirees

Thursday, June 9

Strength of Self and Soul

Conference includes two formal worship services today and celebrates the sacred gift of each person. Let your light shine!

- 6:30-8:30am **Breakfast** Coffee station open 6:30am to 6:30pm
 - 7:00 Sunrise Worship, Chapel Steps
 - 8am-7pm Olin Mills Portrait Sittings at Olsen: no appointments needed, no sales on site
 - 8:00-9:00pm Registration Open (late arrivals go to Security at Main Gate)
 - 8:00 Gathering Music in Chapel
 - 8:30-9:30pm Child Care Club open excluding meal times
 - 8:30-10:00am **Worship/Conference Session** (May include Ballots, CMA Appointments, Resolutions Retiree Videos)
 - 10:15 Learning Centers, also Cokesbury, Portrait sittings, Displays
(NOTE: Room assignments may change based on pre-registration, check for updates at rooms.)
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| Cancer Prayer and Support Ministry | Olsen Science Center Rm 109 |
| Combating Health Disparities Caused by Poverty (GBGM) | Phillips Music Hall |
| Crafting Whole-making Liturgy from Broken Pieces | Olsen Science Center Rm 125 |
| Imagine No Malaria House Party | Chapel Side Dining Room, Lane Center |
| Middle East Peace | Olsen Science Center Rm 126 |
| Nicaragua Covenant: The Amanecer Mobile Health Clinic | Chester's Place, Lane Student Center |
| Reconciliation in Rwanda | Olsen Science Center Rm 124 |
| Stephen Ministry: Christ Caring for People Through People | Olsen Science Center Rm 127 |

10:15-Noon Dialogue: United Methodist Social Principals Olsen Science Center Auditorium
Including a brief history of the Social Principles, overview and techniques for local church study of the Social Principles. Copies of the Social Principals will be available. Dialogues on United Methodist perspective on specific topics can continue until Noon and at 4:45pm.

11:15 Learning Centers, also Cokesbury, Portrait sittings, Displays
(NOTE: Room assignments may change based on pre-registration, check for updates at rooms.)
Elder Abuse and Faith: How the Church Can Respond Olsen Science Center Rm 127
Imagine No Malaria House Party Chapel Side Dining Room, Lane Center
Living Side by Side: The Broken and the Whole in Haiti Olsen Science Center Rm 109
Loans and Church Stewardship, UMFNE Olsen Science Center Rm 125
Local Church Health Ministry Olsen Science Center Rm 126
Nicaragua Covenant: Clean Water Programs Chester's Place, Lane Student Center
Nurturing and Healing Families Olsen Science Center Rm 124
United Methodist Missionaries in the 21st Century Phillips Music Hall

11:30 Ushers/Chapel Stewards orientation in front of Chapel

11:30-1:15 **Box Lunch**
At Noon, join your District at the following locations for a social time together!
Central Mass: Olsen Science Center Auditorium
Connecticut: Western Mass: Phillips Music Hall
Metro Hope: Chester's Place, Lane Student Center
Mid Maine: Chapel Side Dining Hall, Lane Student Center
New Hampshire: Easton Dining Hall Right, Lane Student Center
Northern Maine: Tent (Right) behind Lewis Hall
Rhode Island/Southeastern MA: Olsen Science Center, Rm 109
Tri-State: Tent (Left) behind Lewis Hall
Vermont: Easton Dining Hall Left, Lane Student Center

12 Step Meeting CSD Conference Room, 3rd floor, Lane Student Center
Deacons Presidents Dining Room, Lane Student Center
Duke Alumni Lion's Den, Lane Student Center

12:30 Rehearsals in Chapel

1:30 **Memorial Service**, Chapel

2:00-6:00 Upper Room Intercessory Prayer Line staffed by NEAC, Chapel 3rd Floor

3:00-4:30 **Conference Session** (may include Balloting, RISEM Appointments, Reports [Vision Table, BGM, TFT, UMFNE], TRI Appointments, Resolutions, Retiree Videos)

4:45-5:30 Dialogue Sessions – Opportunities for dialogue about legislative proposals/Conference ministries
Conference Budget Olsen Science Center, Auditorium
General Conference Resolutions Phillips, Olsen Science Center 124, 125, 126
Justice For Our Neighbors Olsen Science Center 127
United Methodist Women Olsen Science Center, Rm 109

5:00-6:30 **Dinner** Lane Student Center or Barbeque Option in Tent behind Lewis Hall
Soup/Salad Option in Student Center Lower Level
To ease Dinner Lines: NME, TRI, NH, VT are invited to eat early, others encouraged to wait 30 minutes. When you are done eating, please make room for other diners. Thank you!
Directors of Lay Speaking Presidents Dining Room, Lane Student Center
Nicaragua (NPC) Chester's Place, Lane Student Center
Local Pastors Lion's Den, Lane Student Center

6:15 Gathering for Ordination and Commissioning Service, lawn outside Chapel

7:00 Ordination and Commissioning Service

Evening Reception in Easton Dining Hall, Lane Student Center

8:00-10:30 Pizza/Snack Shop open in Chapel side Dining Area – Cash

Friday, June 10

Living Side by Side

We celebrate our global connections as we conference, run, and pack food today.

Share your personal cultural heritage through your clothing choices for today!

“Stop Hunger Now” Meal Packing Project Fri-Sat

- 6-7:00 am Early Morning Prayer in Phillip’s Music Hall
- 7:00 Sunrise Worship, Chapel Steps
- 6:30-8:30 Breakfast Coffee station open 6:30am to 6:30pm
 - Missions Chester’s Place, Lane Student Center
 - Spiritual Formation Presidents Dining Room, Lane Student Center
 - United Methodist Women Chapel Side Dining Area, Lane Student Center
 - Africa Planning Committee Lion’s Den, Lane Student Center
- 7:30 Rehearsals in Chapel
- 8am-7pm Olin Mills Portrait Sittings at Olsen – no appointments needed, no sales on site
- 8am-9pm Child Care Club open excluding meal times
- 8:00 Gathering Music in Chapel
- 8:30 **Worship/Conference Session** (May include Balloting, VT Appointments, Presentation by Bishop Minerva Carcaño, Reports and Resolutions [Latino Ministry, Justice for our Neighbor, Black College Student, CCYM])
- 12:00-1:15 **Box Lunch**
 - 12 Step Meeting CSD Conference Room, 3rd floor, Lane Student Center
 - Bishop Carcaño Dialogue Phillip’s Music Hall
 - Clergy Spouses Tavilla Dorm Lounge
 - Reconciling Ministry Olsen Science Center Auditorium
 - Extension Ministry Presidents Dining Room, Lane Student Center
- 12:00 **Stop Hunger Now Packaging Session for Conference Members**
- 12:00 **Fun Run/Walk for Imagine No Malaria**
- 1:30-2:00 Laity Session in Chapel
- 2:00-5:00 **Conference Session** (may include Balloting, MME Appointments, Resolutions[Budget, General Conference items], NME Appointments/Smyrna Mills Res., Consent Calendar: Order of Day 4PM)
- 5:00-6:30 Rehearsals in Chapel
- 5:00-6:30 **Dinner** Lane Student Center or Barbeque Option in Tent behind Lewis Hall
 Soup/Salad Option in Student Center Lower Level
 To ease Dinner Lines, members from NME, TRI, NH, VT are asked to eat early, others are asked to wait 30 minutes. When you are done eating, please make room for other diners. Thank you!
 - Black Pastor’s Fellowship Chester’s Place, Lane Student Center
 - Hispanic/Latino Committee Presidents Dining Room, Lane Student Center
- 7:00 **Ministry Celebration/Conference Session** Musical Celebration/Praise and Worship directed by Lee Soto of St. Andrew’s UMC and Friends. Session will include 2011 Zeigler Preacher and Offering (may include Balloting, Awards, CWM Appointments, Missions and Covenants Affirmations).
- Evening Reception following in Lane Student Center
- 8:00-10:30 Pizza/Snack Shop open in Chapel side Dining Area, Lane Student Center

Saturday, June 11

Being Broken and Whole Together

Bring your most colorful self today as we prepare to show our colors to the world!

- 6:00-7:00am Early Morning Prayer Phillip’s Music Hall
- 7:00 Sunrise Worship, Chapel steps
- 6:30-8:30 **Breakfast** Coffee station open 6:30am to 6:30pm
 - MFSA Phillips Music Hall (7-8:30AM)
 - Leadership/Nominating Lion’s Den, Lane Student Center

7:30	Rehearsals in Chapel										
8am-4pm	Child Care Club open excluding meal times										
8:30-11:30	Worship/Conference Session (may include Ballots, MET Appointments, Reports/Resolutions [Missionaries, Leadership/Nominating Committee, Rules Committee, General Conference resolutions and remaining business] NH Appointments, Closing Actions)										
11:30-1:00	Box Lunch Latino Music Offerings										
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12:00 -1:00	Rehearsal in Chapel										
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Spiritual Disciplines for Annual Conference

Some ideas to nurture your health during Annual Conference!

Take a walk with a new or an old friend after a meal. "The Walk" is about ½ mile and begins toward the right of the Lane Student Center. "The Great Walk" is about one mile in distance and begins to the left of the Lane Student Center as you start on the sidewalk to the right of the Chapel.

Enjoy a healthy snack.

Take a break to stretch regularly.

Say a prayer for the Clergy serving the churches in New England.

Find a good book at the Cokesbury display that will challenge you. (Enjoy the walk to the display!)

Smile each morning when you wake up.

Skip desserts while at Conference.

Drink plenty of water (8 – 8 ounce glasses recommended)

Have a discussion with someone with whom you disagree. Listen.

Substitute juice or water for a cup of coffee.

Eat plenty of fruits and vegetables.

Take a walk each morning or evening.

Introduce yourself to the person next to you.

Hold up an issue discussed on the conference floor in a "Prayer Walk."

Say a prayer for United Methodist Laity, and another for the people in your community.

Enter fully into each time of worship at Conference. Pray faithfully, sing gustily.

Hold the leadership of our church in prayer throughout Annual Conference.

From the Wellness Initiative of the Conference Board of Pensions and Preachers' Aid Society

Learning Centers and Dialogues for 2011 Annual Conference

Room assignments may change based on registrations, check assigned room first.

THURSDAY at 10:15AM

LEARNING CENTERS

Cancer Prayer and Support Ministry 109

Olsen Science Center, Rm

"A cancer diagnosis can be a frightening thing. You shouldn't have to go it alone." Learn about cancer support ministries at the community level; how a cancer prayer and support group can provide emotional, social and spiritual support during and after cancer; and how church sponsored ministries provide places to learn to cope with symptoms, discuss and share resources about dealing with side effects, share daily impact of cancer and find prayer, support and hope. Learn how to develop a support group for cancer patients and caregivers, gain an understanding of the connection between cancer support group ministry and the spiritual growth of our congregations, and get "connected" to the UMC Cancer Prayer and Support Network.

Presenters: Den Morton and Others

Combating Health Disparities Caused by Poverty (GBGM)

Phillips Music Hall

Participants will explore the denomination's "With*" campaign and discern how God calls us to be in ministry "with" versus "to" the poor in our society. Activities presented are designed to challenge traditional notions of poverty. Participants will hear how the denomination is currently engaged in ministry "With*" the poor specifically related to health disparities caused by poverty. Participants will leave the Learning Center with one practical step to engage a health related poverty issue in their community and will be challenged to actively participate in the denomination's "With" campaign. **Presenter: General Board of Global Ministries Staff**

Crafting Whole-making Liturgy from Broken Pieces 125

Olsen Science Center, Rm

Build confidence in creating worship that breathes with the lives of people in your community and in their circle of concern. This biblically grounded process is appropriate for all age settings and intergenerational groups, traditional and nontraditional worship settings. Learn how to gather the pieces people bring into worship with a process that reaches out and invites others in. Prayer, music, imagery, and movement are all potential elements. Participants will receive and practice with resources for crafting communion and other liturgies from the fragments of stories in their lives and communities. Samples and handouts of the process allow practice to continue at home. Guidelines are included for appropriate use of permissions and confidentiality.

Presenter: Rev. Dr. Karen L. Munson

Imagine No Malaria House Party

Chapel Side Dining Room, Lane Student Center

Come visit with us and explore resources for the Imagine No Malaria House Party Model. Resources offer education, strengthen community and invite us to join in this campaign to end malaria deaths by the year 2015. Guests will be equipped to replicate the national House Party Model in local churches and your communities. Join in the movement as we increase awareness of the campaign and learn about a wide variety of opportunities of becoming involved in the global Imagine No Malaria initiative.

Presenters: Bishop Cliff Ives and Wanda Winnicki

Middle East Peace

Olsen Science Center, Rm 126

How good it is for brothers to live together in peace! Come and hear from Presenter Peter Miano about the possibilities for peaceful living in the Middle East. Peter lives and works in the Middle East four months of the year. Come and hear his unique perspective. **Rev. Peter Miano, Executive Director, Society of Biblical Studies**

Nicaragua Covenant: Amanecer Mobile Health Clinic

Chester's Place, Lane Student Center

Take an in-depth look at the Amanecer Mobile Health Clinic, the work accomplished within the program, the number of people benefiting, two years of statistical data, stories by recipients, and how to support these ministries. The Nicaragua Covenant's longstanding relationship invites and encourages all of the churches within the New England Annual Conference to become actively involved in the Covenant, thereby growing program support, enabling their churches to understand all that we can learn from one another, to witness the miracles,

and to bless and be blessed through the work and relationships of the Nicaragua Covenant. All partnerships will be briefly explained.

**Presenters: Pastor William Taylor, Amanecer Mobile Health Clinic (AMHC), NPC Sub-Committee
Richard Rinker, AMHC/NPC Sub-Committee**

Reconciliation in Rwanda

Olsen Science Center, Rm

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Discover Rwanda and the extraordinary hope and reconciliation in a country once devastated by division and war. Following the 1994 genocide, reconciliation is enabling eyes that witnessed the death of nearly a million people to see signs of hope. Even as the mourning continues, morning begins again in Rwanda. Less than two decades later, children have access to education, universal health care, a shared future of progress, and hope in a country, unique in the world, where women are the majority in government. We will explore the question central to Rwanda's future, and perhaps the question central to the future of all humans emerging from the twentieth century, the enormous question of reconciliation. **Presenters: Peg and Joe Moser**

Stephen Ministry: Christ Caring for People Through People

Olsen Science Center, Rm

127

Stephen Ministry's mission is to help congregations equip God's people for spiritual growth and Christ-centered practical ministry in today's world. Experience a witness to the effectiveness of Stephen ministry, selected videos, and Stephen ministry resources for specific life situations which produce grief and/or pain. Learn what NOT to say to a grieving person through a small group exercise, gain an understanding of how laity can build a Christ-centered Stephen ministry that benefits the pastor, the congregation, and the community. Reading resources for Stephen Ministry's continuing education and free literature to begin a Stephen Ministry will be available.

Presenters: Rev. Elizabeth Kubota, Lisa Shufflebarger, RN, & Tanya Bowman

DIALOGUE SESSION

Introduction to United Methodist Social Principals

Olsen Science Center Auditorium

Attendees will hear a brief history of the Social Principles, and an overview of the current version of the Social Principles. Techniques for local church study of the Social Principles will be highlighted. As time permits, participants will engage in United Methodist stands on specific issues. Copies of the Social Principles will be available. Following this session, groups may break out to consider specific issues through Noon and at 4:45pm.

Presenter: Willard A. Robinson, New England Conference Committee on Church and Society

THURSDAY at 11:15AM

LEARNING CENTERS

Elder Abuse and Faith: How the Church Can Respond

Olsen Science Center, Rm

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Acquire an understanding of the dynamics and widespread incidence of elder abuse which affects our congregations and communities every day. Explore the need for faith-based responses from individuals and congregations; review protocols for safe and effective responses; and learn about services available in the community and how to make referrals. Participants will receive Safe Havens' new Elder Abuse resources, information to better understand the elder abuse church members may experience, and protocols to help guide faith-based responses to elder abuse. This is also an opportunity to hear from one another about experiences with elder abuse in the parish setting and become better acquainted with community-based services.

Rev. Dr. Anne Marie Hunter, Director, Safe Havens Interfaith Partnership Against Domestic Violence

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Presenters: Bishop Cliff Ives and Wanda Winnicki

Living Side by Side: The Broken and the Whole in Haiti**Olsen Science Center, Rm 109**

In January, 2011, University of Maine/Augusta Biology students traveled to Cazale, Haiti, a required component of a course in global health perspectives lead by Professor Susan Baker. Hosted by the Catholic Church, they volunteered at faith-based "Real Hope for Haiti". Team members worked at a clinic for malnourished children, ran an educational program for children in the village, experienced global health issues, and saw how the church is responding. Learn how an academic service trip can be structured to incorporate Christian mission and how witnessing Christian love in action motivated students to explore incorporating service in their chosen careers.

**Presenters: Susan Baker (Associate Professor of Science, UMA), Readfield UMC, Readfield, ME
Amanda Kelly (Biology student at UMA), member Pleasant Street UMC, Waterville, ME**

Local Church Health Ministry**Olsen Science Center, Rm 126**

Considering in The Book of Resolutions, the Discipline and many biblical references, one might conclude that every United Methodist congregation should be offering Health Ministries. Learn how to setup a Health Ministries in your church, including developing a mission statement, forming a committee, setting goals, determining the congregation's needs, and developing a comprehensive list of programs for living a "Wholistic" Lifestyle including physical, mental/emotional, and spiritual fitness. Don is the author of "Happiness the Road to Well-being", experienced in church health ministries and President of the Vermont Senior Games Association.

Presenter: Donald Kjelleren, Chair, Shelburne UMC Health and Spirituality Ministries Committee

Loans and Church Stewardship, UMFNE**Olsen Science Center Rm 125**

Participants will learn why the UMFNE spells Banker with a "small b" – The Story. Quickly understand how to use the loan tools available in the Loan Program to effectively keep your church home in good repair. The "small b" can help make a happy church family. You will learn about construction lending for new churches and expansions, major renovations, loans for parsonages, and refinancing loans. The new Church Deferred Maintenance Line of Credit will be introduced. **Presenter: Gary Melville, ChFC, CAP, Director of Development**

Nicaragua Covenant: Clean Water Programs Center**Chester's Place, Lane Student**

Offering an in-depth look at the Amanecer Mobile Health Clinic, the work accomplished within the program, the number of people benefiting, two years of statistical data, stories by recipients, and how to support these ministries. The Nicaragua Covenant's longstanding relationship invites and encourages all of the churches within the New England Annual Conference to become actively involved in the Covenant, thereby growing program support, enabling their churches to understand all that we can learn from one another, to witness the miracles, and to bless and be blessed through the work and relationships of the Nicaragua Covenant. All partnerships will be briefly explained.

Presenter: Richard Rinker, Clean Water Community Program, NPC Sub-Committee

Nurturing and Healing Families 124**Olsen Science Center, Rm**

Local churches can cultivate both discipleship and healthier communities by nurturing healthy families and helping restore to health and wholeness those dealing with both predictable and unexpected challenges. Participants in this workshop will explore issues related to relationship education for children, youth, and single adults; marriage preparation, education, and enrichment; and support for families facing transitions and/or crisis. Discover the abundant array of resources and programs available for use with your congregation and for outreach to your community and learn how to access and utilize them effectively.

Presenter: Jane P. Ives, Marriage and Family Ministries Consultant, Hope Gateway UMC, Portland, ME

United Methodist Missionaries in the 21st Century**Phillips Music Hall**

Areas that will be explored in this presentation include: Who are they? Where do they serve? What are their lives like in this day and age? How can your life make a difference in mission service? What do all the acronyms (GBGM, US-2, CCW, HM, Deac.) in United Methodist mission service mean? We will explore your questions with a panel of active UM missionaries serving in the US and abroad.

Presenter: Dan Randall, Mission Interpreter in Residence for the Northeastern Jurisdiction

DIALOGUE SESSIONS THURSDAY at 4:45PM

“What Do United Methodist Women Do, Anyway?”

Olsen Science Center, Rm 109

Participants will learn about mission projects supported by United Methodist Women - local, national, and international. Local unit representatives will share mission project and program ideas. Participants will also meet other United Methodist Women and what they do to further missions among women, children, and youth. Have you wanted to know "where the money goes" and "what do those women talk about," now is the time to find out!!

Presenters: Arlene Mackie, President and Leeda Marsh, Vice President

Conference Budget Dialogue

Olsen Science Center, Auditorium

Justice For Our Neighbors Dialogue

Olsen Science Center 127

General Conference Proposals Dialogues

Phillips, Olsen Science Center 124, 125, 126

GORDON COLLEGE CAMPUS INFORMATION

978-927-2300

Bennett Athletic Center: Fitness Center, racquetball courts, gym, swimming pool

Day Pass: Adult \$7.50 Youth \$3.50 Under 14 Free/adult Call to confirm hours 978-867-4097

Fitness Center: 6-8am/12-2/4-8:45pm Racquetball courts and gyms: 6am to 9pm

Swimming Pool: W/F 6:30-8:30am/12-2/4:30-6/7-8:30, Thu 7-9am plus W/F times, Sat 10-Noon

Gull Pond Beach: swimming located beyond pond, NO LIFEGUARD

Dining Services: Lane Student Center (Menus listed below)

Coffee Service available Wednesday through Saturday 6:30am to 6:30pm

Dinner Barbeque Option(Thursday and Friday): Tents behind Lewis Hall (limited to 240 people)

Dinner Healthy Alternative: Lower Level of Lane Student Center

Pizza/Snack Bar 8:00 to 10:30PM Thursday and Friday (Cash)

Attendees are encouraged to bring a personal water bottle as we will be reducing the use of plastic water bottles.

All tap water in the Lane Student Center Dining Hall is filtered.

Emergency Services: Campus Security Number 978-927-2300 (Leave this number at home)

While on campus, any Gordon phone can be used to reach Security by dialing x4444. Cell phone service is available. A Message Board and Nurse(limited hours) will be located in the Chapel foyer.

Gordon Memorial Chapel: Location for worship, conferencing sessions, ballot distribution and information.

Air-conditioned chapel seating 1500, bathrooms in lower level, elevator on left side of foyer, accessible seating available. Pensions, CCYM table, Nurse (limited hours) and some displays located in the Chapel foyer.

Access to the Chapel stage is available via a lift located behind the stage right doors. Please notify an Usher if handicap access would be helpful to access the Chapel stage. Hearing Enhancers available at the Tech Area.

Housing: Gordon College offers a variety of housing options include doubles, suites and apartments. Accessible housing and limited private options are available. Nyland and Chase Dorms have lounges with full kitchens, Bromley and Tavilla apartments have full kitchens. Dorm rooms include sheets, towel, soap, pillow and blanket. No cups are provided and attendees are encouraged to bring a personal water bottle. A list of Area hotels with group rate rooms is on the NEUMC website Annual Conference page.

Internet Access: Six hard wired terminals are located in Lane Student Center. Wireless "hot spots" locations: Lane Student Center: Gillies, Chapel Side Dining Room, Chester's Place, Easton Dining Room, Presidents Dining Room; Chase Dorm 3rd floor lounge, Evans Dorm Lounge, Nyland Dorm 2nd Floor Lounge, AJ Memorial Chapel, Barrington Hall, Phillips Hall Lobby and First Floor, Tavilla Dorm Lounge and Conf Room, Lewis Dorm Lounge, Wilson Dorm Lounge, Fulton Dorm Lounge, Bromley Dorm Lounge, and Ferrin Dorm 1st Floor

Gordon Unsecured Web Only Wireless Access for Alumni and Guests

Note this is only web access (port 80/443), and will not connect to services using different ports (such as AIM, POP3, SMTP). Your wireless connection will NOT be encrypted.

For Windows XP Users: Click the Start button at the bottom left of your screen.

Select Control Panel, then Network Connections (may have to click "Network and Internet connections", then "Network Connections").

Right click on your wireless network card and select Properties.

Click on the Wireless Networks tab at the top. If "Gordon_WPA_Secure" or "Gordon_Wireless_Instructions" appear in the list, select each one individually and click "Remove".

Click "Add". For Network Name, type "Gordon_Web_Only", and for Network Authentication, select "Open", and for Data Encryption, type "Disabled". Click OK to close the windows and you will be connected.

For Macintosh OS X Users: Click the Airport icon at the top right of your computer, and click "Other".

For Network Name, enter "Gordon_Web_Only", and for Wireless Security, select "none". Click ok to connect.

If you have any problems with this procedure, contact the Center for Educational Technologies (CET)

Parking: Parking options are the biggest challenge to Conference attendees. Please note that Gordon College will ticket unattended cars parked in no parking or fire lanes. Persons ticketed should see the Registration staff in the Chapel foyer.

Because Campus parking is not sufficient in the lots located near dorms, all who are able are asked to use the Woodland Lot beyond the Main Gate after unloading at your dorm (do not leave your car unattended). When driving from Rt. 128 toward the campus, the Woodland Lot is the second right beyond the Main Entrance for the college. This lot is quite large and hilly. Comfortable walking shoes are encouraged! Handicap Van (Thanks Parkway UMC!) and drivers provide shuttle service from Woodland Lot to Main Campus.

Parking at the Chapel Lot and beside Ferrin Dorm are restricted to Handicap ONLY by Pre-registration.

Commuter parking lots are located near Bennett Hall and the Barrington Center which are about a ten minute walk from the Chapel. Do not park in unmarked areas or on the lawn to avoid being ticketed. Sufficient additional parking is located in the Woodland Lot and a shuttle van will be available.

Golf Carts, sponsored by the **Preachers Aid Society** and **Fred C. Church Insurance Agency**, are staffed by Conference members and volunteers. Please note the Golf Carts are not allowed to travel to the Woodland Lot as they are required to stay on Gordon College property. (Grapevine Rd. is town property.)

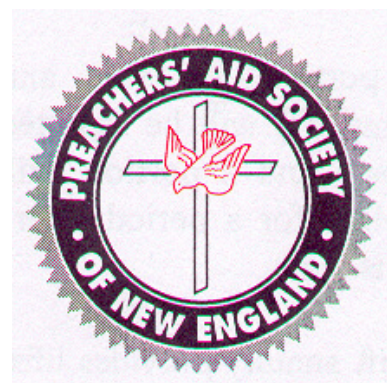
We apologize in advance for any inconveniences and please feel free to flag down a golf cart or call Campus Security as they can connect to Conference staff if needed.

Drive safely and plan on a bit more time for arriving, unloading and parking. Thank you!

Spiritual Formation Resources

- ~ Prayer Room in the Philips Music Hall Classroom with resources and stations for prayer and reflection.
- ~ Prayers for healing will be available in the Prayer Chapel on the 3rd floor of the Chapel building and in the Prayer Tent on the chapel steps (Schedule to be announced).
- ~ Spiritual Formation Breakfast (Friday morning in the Presidents Dining Room) is open to anyone seeking conversation about spiritual formation ministries in the Annual Conference.
- ~ Outdoor labyrinth throughout Conference for walking meditation.
Contact Wanda Stahl (stahl@neumc.org; 978-682-7676 x. 221) with any questions.

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Campus Menus

Coffee service 6:30 am – 6:30 pm Wednesday to Saturday, Easton Dining Room, Lane Student Center Dorms and apartments equipped with full kitchens, bring personal coffee service if needed other hours.

Wednesday Lunch 11:30am – 1:30pm Cash or Staff/Committee Ticket Lane Student Center Cafeteria
Green/Caesar Salad, Hot Turkey Sandwich or Fish & Chips, French Fries/Peas/Carrots/Rolls, Desserts

Wednesday Dinner 5:00 – 6:30pm by Pre-Registration or Cash Lane Student Center Cafeteria
Green/Caesar Salad, Vegetarian Lasagna or Chili Verde, Quinoa/Rice/Broccoli/Corn/Rolls, Desserts

Thursday Breakfast 6:30 am – 8:30 am Lane Student Center Cafeteria
Buttermilk Pancakes w/Maple, Blueberry & Sugar Free Syrups, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausages, Yogurt Bar, Huevos Rancheros with Pico De Gallo, Hot & Cold Cereals, Donuts & Breads, Fruit, Juices

Thursday Lunch 11:30 am – 1:15 pm Box Lunch Lawn outside Lane Student Center
Turkey & Swiss Cheese Sandwich, Tuna Salad Sub, Black Bean & Spanish Rice Wrap, Snacks, Fruit, Beverages

Thursday Dinner 1 Dining Hall 5:00pm – 6:30pm Lane Student Center Cafeteria
Garden or Caesar Salad, Baked Scrod w/Lemon Slice or Veal Scallopini, Roasted Red Potatoes, Sugar Snap Peas, Carrots, Rolls, Ice Cream Bars, Diet Jell-O, Frosted Cake, Tea, Soda, Milk

Thursday Dinner 2 Soup and Salad Alternative Gillies, Lane Lower Level
Meatball Soup, Hearty Bean & Vegetable Soup, Baked Scrod w/Lemon, Salad Bar (tuna, tofu, sprouts, vegetables, cottage cheese, peanut butter), Breads/Rolls/Wraps, Cake, Diet Jello, Ice Cream Bars

Thursday Dinner 3 Barbeque Option (limited to 240 persons) Tents Behind Lewis Hall
Garden Salad, Pasta Salad, Cheese Burgers, Hamburgers and Veggie Burgers, Hot dogs, "Soft" Chicken Taco Bar, Chips, Condiments, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Watermelon, Lemonade and Iced Water

Friday Breakfast 6:30 am – 8:30am Lane Student Center Cafeteria
French Toast w/Maple, Strawberry & Sugar Free Maple Syrups, Cheese Blintzes, Scrambled Eggs, Link Sausage or Bacon Strips, Oatmeal, Cold Cereal, Yogurt Bar, Fruit, Donuts, Muffins, Juices, Tea, Milk

Friday Lunch 11:30 am – 1:15pm Boxed Lunch Lawn outside Lane Student Center
Chicken Salad w/L&T Croissant, Roast Beef & Provolone Cheese w/L&T Bulkie Roll, Roasted Vegetable & Red Pepper Hummus Wrap, Chips/Crackers, Apple, Banana, or Orange, Brownie

Friday Dinner 1 Dining Hall 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm Lane Student Center Cafeteria
Garden or Caesar Salad, Penne W/Marinara Sauce, Spanish Chicken & Rice, Simmered Beans W/ Roasted Peppers, Broccoli, Tea, Soda, Milk, Rice Pudding w/Fruit, Apple Pie- Ice Cream, Diet Cookies

Friday Dinner 2 Soup and Salad Alternative Gillies, Lane Lower Level
Clam Chowder, Ancho Chili Chicken Soup, Penne w/Sauce, Salad Bar (tuna, tofu, vegetables, cottage cheese, red onions, sprouts, peanut butter), Breads/Rolls/Wraps, Rice Pudding, Pie, Ice Cream Bars

Friday Dinner 3 Barbeque Option (limited to 240 persons) Tents Behind Lewis Hall
Caesar Salad, Potato Salad, BBQ Chicken, "Soft" Beef Taco Bar, Hot Dogs and Veggie Burgers, Baked Beans, Chips/Crackers, Brownies, Watermelon, Fruit Punch and Iced Water

Saturday Breakfast 6:30 am – 8:30 am Lane Student Center Cafeteria
Belgian Waffles w/Maple, Blueberry & Sugar Free Maple Syrup, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon Strips, Grilled Ham Slice, Cream of Wheat, Cold Cereal, Yogurt Bar, Donuts, Fruit & Nut Breads, Juices, Fresh Fruit

Saturday Lunch 11:30 am – 1:15pm Boxed Lunch Lawn outside Lane Student Center
Ham & Swiss w/LT Croissant, Turkey BLT Wrap, Vegetarian Wrap, Chips/Crackers, Apple, Banana, or Orange, Cookies, Bottled Juices, Soda, Water