

THE ANCHOR

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From the President

It's hard to believe it's already summer! Time sure does fly, doesn't it? Be sure to catch up on all the latest in this edition of the WNC PAUMCS chapter!

Our WNC Chapter's Board is busy planning upcoming events for learning and having fun! First up is a continuing education event, ***Creating and Maintaining a Social Media Presence***, on **Thursday, August 24, at Williamson's Chapel UMC in Mooresville**. Aimee Yeager, Director of Communications of the WNCUMC Conference will lead this workshop to keep us current in the digital age. All administrators and other office staff who want to learn more about communications in social media will get great tips, so invite your co-workers who would benefit to join you. **Lunch is included in the \$15 registration fee.**



We will have our **Chapter's Annual Conference and Retreat in late October** at the beautiful Laurel Ridge Conference and Retreat Center in Laurel Springs, NC. It's a great way to refresh and relax in the mountains with fellow administrators from across our WNC Conference while learning how to do our ministry even better. Lots of growth and fun activities are in store for you! For those of you who keep up with your **Continuing Education Units**, you will receive a .5 CEU for participating in this event. Details will be available soon, but plan now to join us!

When I was approached to serve as interim president of our chapter, I felt very humbled. Here was someone who had only been in PAUMCS for a short time and was still learning all she could about the ministry. After much prayer, I said yes. I Peter 4:10 (CEV) states that each of us *has been blessed with one of God's many wonderful gifts to be used in service of others. So use your gift well.* I believe that God will use our gifts and PAUMCS to glorify Him in all we do. We just need to lean into Him and not on our capabilities.

As you serve in administration in your church or conference office, know that you are there for a reason for a time such as this. God has placed you there to minister to those who need an ear, a shoulder, and a helping hand. You can be all those things to your pastor, supervisor, and co-workers, and I encourage you to find a way to do so each day. It's an honor to serve as your interim president, and I look forward to serving our Lord alongside each of you.

Here's to a safe and fabulous summer!

Blessings,

Susan Taylor
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Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord and not for people.

Colossians 3:23 (GNT)

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Hey y'all!

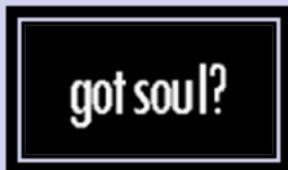
On Saturday, May 20, 2023, we enjoyed a tour of Korner's Folly. It was a wonderful home to tour! Thank you to everyone that participated. Be sure to check out the pictures of our day of fun. If you were unable to join us, no worries, there are plenty other events that you can attend!



Thursday, August 24, 2023, we will have an informative session with Aimee Yeager. Aimee is the WNCC Director of Communications. The purpose of this session is to *Create and Maintain a Social Media Presence*. In an ever-changing world, we as admins must STAY READY!! Aimee is going to give us the tools and knowledge to adapt smoothly and effortlessly. Training will begin at 10am at Williamson Chapel, Mooresville, NC. This workshop is open not only to admins, but to anyone in your church who works with social media (pastors, communication chairs, etc.)



Of course, you do! Attend our annual **Fall Retreat; October 27-29, 2023, at Laurel Ridge Retreat Center located in Laurel Springs, NC** to learn how to quiet your soul. Life can be unpredictable and challenging, but faith and trust in God can help us to overcome hardship. Our retreat leaders will be Reverend Mary John Dye and Jana Alexander with the theme of "How Is It With Your Soul?" Watch for registration information coming soon.



Thank you for your time and I hope to see you at one/all our upcoming events!

Kind Regards,

Shantá Bryan

First name pronunciation is (Shon-tay)

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"No one is more cherished in this world than someone who lightens the burden of another." ~ Joseph Addison

CREATING and MAINTAINING a SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

A workshop presented by

Aimee Yeager

Director of Communications of the Western North Carolina Conference of the UMC

Thursday, August 24th, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Williamson's Chapel United Methodist Church ~ Fellowship Hall
575 Brawley School Road, Mooresville, NC 28117**

From Hickory, Statesville, all points north, east, and west: Take I-77 South to exit 33 in Mooresville. Take a right off the exit ramp. This is Williamson Rd. The road will go from 2 lanes to 4. Go 2 miles. There is an electronic brick sign on your right with the church name (Williamson's Chapel UMC). Turn at the sign and drive around the cemetery. As you go around the cemetery, the brick building in front of you will be the Fellowship Hall. If you are coming from the south, take exit 33 and turn left at the end of the ramp onto Williamson Rd., crossing over I-77. Follow the directions above after turning onto

Aimee Yeager served on the Conference Communications Team for two years as the Associate Director of Communications before becoming the Director. She holds a BS in Communications from Kennesaw State University and a Master of Divinity from Mercer University McAfee School of Theology. Aimee has served in denominational offices in communications as well as on staff at churches for 11 years. Her husband, John, is pastor of Christ UMC and Mount Tabor UMC, both in Salisbury.



About the Workshop...

Communication and conversation is as old as time, for it is recorded in Genesis 1:3 —

“Then God *said* [emphasis added], *‘Let there be light’; and there was light.*” (NRSV)

God communicated His desire, and it happened! Don't you wish you could have that kind of success in all of your communications and conversations? You are not promised a 100 percent success rate, but you will receive enlightenment on grammar, style, branding, tone and methods to inspire and energize your work as you connect the church and community to Christ.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please return this form with payment or you may register online.

Workshop and lunch ~ \$15 per person

Hosted by **Western North Carolina Chapter**



Please send your reservation and payment by August 15, 2023 to DeEtta Rivens, Treasurer.

NAME: _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____
Church or Office _____

Lunch includes chips, cookies, beverage, and sandwich or wrap _____ Ham/Turkey (Circle one) _____ Gluten Free _____ Vegetarian

Make your check to WNC PAUMCS and mail to DeEtta Rivens, Treasurer, P.O. Box 480733, Charlotte, NC 28269

or register online at Brick River <https://wnc-reg.brtapp.com/PAUMCSWorkshop2023>

**WNC PAUMCS Treasurer's Report
January 1—May 30, 2023**

Checking Account:

Beginning Balance		\$6,427.40
Disbursements	\$179.76	
Deposits	376.92	
<i>Ending Balance</i>		<i>\$6,624.56</i>

Scholarship Fund:

Beginning Balance		\$2,906.76
Disbursements		
Deposits	\$450.13	
<i>Ending Balance</i>		<i>\$3,356.89</i>

Grand Total of Accounts May 30, 2023		\$9,981.45
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Greetings from your WNC Chapter PAUMCS Treasurer!

If you serve as Church Treasurer or in one of the financial roles of the local church, you benefit from having one or more of these spiritual gifts: administration, discernment, giving, faith, and helping. Other useful skills and experiences to have include interest in financial matters; ability to keep detailed, accurate records and maintain appropriate confidentiality; passion for financially supporting the mission of making Christian disciples for the transformation of the world; and ability to work with individuals and ministry teams.

Also, important is the skill in searching for new revenue sources along with an understanding of biblical stewardship and management of all resources that God provides. There are many resources available to assist you. To learn more visit <https://tinyurl.com/5d4jpaxy>.

Peace,

DeEtta Rivens

WNC Chapter PAUMCS Treasurer

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FROM THE Membership CHAIR...

Have You Renewed Your PAUMCS Local Membership?

Welcome to our newest member, Cheryl Vaughan. She is employed with Ardmore UMC in Winston-Salem. Welcome, Cheryl!

Do you know of someone who might want to be interested in becoming a PAUMCS member? If so, please send their contact information to me at: info@rehobethumc.org. I'll be happy to send them a brochure and information about our great organization.

Rosie Sailstad
WNCC PAUMCS Membership Chair
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FROM THE PTS CHAIR...

Greetings my PAUMCS sisters!

Things have been a little rough in my life at the moment. My husband had a partial fall as a result of possibly passing out due to a high fever (104.5) that was a result of an infection in his blood stream called Pseudomonas. I had never heard of this and neither of us knew he was sick. The fever had developed after he went to bed. Anyway, I tell you all of this because I have had to be "educated" to understand this infection. Education is important to all of us. It helps us do anything better if we know and understand what we are doing.

Our group has some education events coming up. The first one will be in August as we learn more about social media. For sure, I need more education in this area. I understand Facebook fairly well, but other platforms I do not even know how to use. So find the info about this upcoming August workshop in this newsletter and be sure you sign up to attend.

Then our Fall Retreat follows and this one gives you CEU's (renewal credits) for those that are certified. Scholarships are available for this event and will pay half of the registration fee. You can contact me for more info about obtaining a scholarship so you can attend this event. I always enjoy this event and always learn something new that helps me in this job.

I am hoping to see you at one or both of these events.

Blessings,
Donna Ireland
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**Fun Day
May 20, 2023
Korner's Folly
Kernersville, NC**



Beautiful décor in each room. The picture on the right (above) is from the front foyer on the first floor. Above the woodwork is a very small staircase that winds around from the second floor to the third floor. You had to be very small to fit into this staircase. This house had been added onto many times while the Korner Family lived there. Photos courtesy of Shanta Bryan.

Picture above is looking up the main staircase. Beautiful shot.

