



West Ohio Conference
Shawnee Valley



April, 2016

Shawnee Valley District News



District Calendar Reminders



Sunday, April 10

April 5 - Leadership Team & Teaching Event- Georgetown UMC

April 16 - Advance Lay Servant Ministry Training (Registration Deadline April 1)

April 19 - Leadership Team & Teaching Event (make-up of January 12 cancelled meeting) - Sugar Grove UMC

April 20 - Retired Pastors Luncheon

April 30 - Planned Giving Seminar

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Local Churches

Week of 04/03 -
Bloomingburg UMC, Pastor Phillip Webb



"Introduction to Strategic Generosity Opportunities"

Leadership Team Meeting & Training Event
Tuesday, April 5
Georgetown UMC

10:00 a.m. - NOON **

Many churches hold an annual campaign for telling the mission and vision for the following year leading to an invitation to submit "Commitment" or better phrased, "Estimate of Giving" cards. What is the rationale and how does it help the spiritual life of the church members? One such program called "New Consecration Sunday" will be overviewed. What small group opportunities are available throughout the year to grow participants understanding of generosity? If a church needs a capital campaign what are the key ingredients to a successful campaign? When should a church conduct a campaign on their own and when should they use professional help? ([read more](#))

**Business meeting at 9:30 a.m.

**Complimentary Lunch will be served; please let us know if you are staying!

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING AND TEACHING EVENT

(make up from January's cancelled meeting)

Tuesday, April 19

Sugar Grove UMC

10:00 a.m. - NOON**

Please join us as Mark Menges, President of Compass Financial Group in Dublin, leads a discussion on how to build wealth with a purpose and make the most of the financial treasures that God has entrusted to you. ([Read More](#))

**Business meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m., Teaching will begin at 10:00 a.m.

RSVP if planning to stay for a complimentary lunch.



"Creating a Legacy for the Church's Future"

Saturday, April 30

Hope UMC, Wellston

9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Stewardship in the church has largely been focused on tithes and offerings from income for the ongoing operational expenses of the local church. We faithfully give out of our income but spend little time talking about planned giving from our assets, especially as part of an estate plan. It is projected that \$42 trillion will transfer from one generation to the next in the coming years. In 2013, 8% of all philanthropic giving or \$24.4 billion came from bequests.

- How does planned giving fit into an overall stewardship strategy for

Week of 04/10 - Browns Chapel UMC, Pastor Jerry Caddell

Week of 04/17 - Center UMC, Pastor Tom Payton

Week of 04/24 - Chesapeake UMC, Pastor Charles Case

Week of 05/01 - Chillicothe First UMC, Pastor Doug Cox



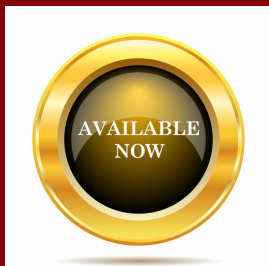
[Greater Scioto Valley Emmaus Community](#)

[L.O.V.E. \(Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community\)](#)

[Hill View Retirement Center, Portsmouth, Ohio](#)

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the individual and the local church?

- Are planned giving and estate planning the same? How are they approached differently?
- Is your church prepared if it were to receive a substantial estate gift? [\(Read More and Register\)](#)



MONTHLY PRAYER & FASTING WITH BISHOP PALMER

April 1: Pray that the power of resurrection will be visible in and through United Methodist congregations and ministries.

[DETAILS](#)



2015 DISTRICT PICNIC AND RALLY May 15, 2016. 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. StillWater Event & Conference Center, Chillicothe, Ohio

This year we are excited to host a picnic and gathering of the folks of the Shawnee Valley District. It is important that we get to know each other and have an opportunity to fellowship together. We will play, eat, prepare for our Annual Conference at Lakeside, take up an offering for [Joni and Friends Family Retreats](#) at the Shawnee State Park in Friendship, Ohio and be challenged to think about our neighbors with developmental disabilities and how they might be included in our congregations as we minister together. We will worship together under the leadership of Sarah Kremin from Joni and Friends.

Everyone is Welcome! - Pastors and Laity, Young and Old

[\(Click for Details of the Day\)](#)

****You must contact the office by May 6 to reserve a meal****



SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE AT CAMP FRANCIS ASBURY

Asbury Camp and Retreat Center is operated and maintained by The Friends of Camp Asbury. The camp is available for rental all year long. If you would like more information on how your church can use the camp.

[BROCHURE](#)

LOCAL CHURCH & MISSION NEWS & EVENTS

- [Bible Land Exploration Tour](#) (November, 2016)
- [Fruittale UMC Clowns for Christ](#)
- [Vietnam Newsletter](#)
- [District United Methodist Women Newsletter](#)

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OPPORTUNITIES AND NEWS AROUND THE CONFERENCE

- Town and Rural Resource Pastors Event April 9. From Charity to Changing Lives. [BROCHURE](#)
- Jackson Area Ministries - Seed Ministry Commences (Deadline for donating seeds is April 15). [JAM Website](#)
- Creating a Legacy for Your Church's Future. Sponsored by West

Ohio Conference, April 16. Click [HERE](#) for details

- PAUMCS (Professional Association of United Methodist Church Secretaries) Spring Meeting (4/19) [Details & Registration](#)
- [Clergy & Laity Spiritual Formation Retreat](#) sponsored by Northwest Plains District (4/25-26)
- [Denman Award Nominations](#). Persons who consistently introduce others to the Good News of Jesus Christ, through their ministry of evangelism and service will be recognized in the West Ohio Conference. One Clergy, One Lay, and One Youth will be given this award. (Nomination deadline 4/25)
- [Connect!](#) A webinar for Local Mission Connection (5/12)
- [Deacon Formation Event & Order of Deacon Gathering \(11/02\)](#)
- West Ohio Camps Registration Is Now Open! Click [HERE](#) for details
- UMCOR Disaster Response Training Information. [Read Article](#)
- New ministry for UMM Love Packages Program. [Read Article](#)



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and provide any details you wish to share. Most formats accepted (MSWord, .pdf, .jpg, etc.)

Also, be sure to "LIKE" our Facebook page, share your Church's Facebook page with [Diana Hughes Hall](#), and add the Shawnee Valley District to your newsletter (e-news to dhall@wocumc.org and/or postal copy to 573 E Main, Chillicothe, OH, 45601).

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