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From Your District Superintendent

On February 9 there will be an opportunity for some of the leaders of your church to gain knowledge regarding their area of ministry. You may be one of those leaders.

We are offering a training event for: 1) Lay Leaders & Lay Members to Annual Conference, 2) Finance Committee - Treasurers - Financial Secretary, and, 3) Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committees.

These are areas of service that people have specifically request training in to increase understanding and effectiveness in ministry.

Lay Leader & Lay Member to Annual Conference Training

Mr. Oliver Green, Kansas East Annual Conference Lay Leader, and Ms. Courtney Fowler, Associate Conference Lay Leader, will be leading this training. You can expect to learn about the role and purpose of the local church Lay Leader and the Lay Member to Annual Conference. How can these positions enhance and support the ministry of the laity in the church and help keep the connection between the church and the annual conference? What is the function of these key lay persons in the local church and how can they help others find their place in ministry? What are some good ideas to help Lay Leaders and Lay Members to Annual Conference carry out their tasks?

Finance Committee ,Treasurer, & Financial Secretary Training

Rev. Gary Beach, Kansas East Conference Treasurer, and Ms. Niki Buesing, Assistant Treasurer of the Annual Conference, will lead this training. Gary says: "It's About More than Money!" He and Niki will lead this workshop for church treasurers, finance secretaries, and members of Finance Committees on their roles and responsibilities in the local church. It's about money but so much more!

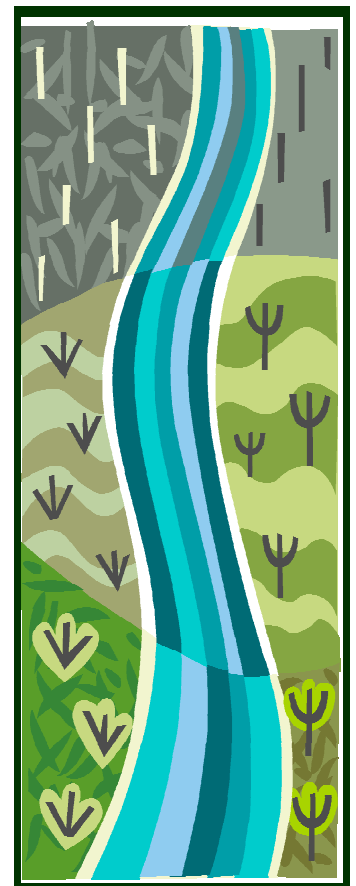
Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committee Training

I, as Five Rivers District Superintendent, will lead this training.

This training will include a look at the requirements and responsibilities outlined in the Book of Discipline regarding the role and function of the SPRC. We will examine Biblical grounding for the work of the committee, some best practices regarding the work of

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February 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

Benjamin

Franklin

- Feb. 1 Clergy/Family Epiphany Dinner
Ottawa 1st UMC 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 5 Clergy Meeting ~ Ottawa 1st, 9:00 a.m.-noon
- Feb. 9 Leadership Training ~ Ottawa 1st, 9:00 a.m.-noon
See page 1 and 4 for more information from your DS.
- Feb. 10 Webinar Training, Presentation of Plan of Organization of the Great Plains Annual Conference ~ 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Iola Wesley and Eudora will be showing this Webinar.
Please plan to attend if you are interested.
- Feb. 11-12 Appointive Cabinet ~ DS is in Wichita
- Feb. 13 Ash Wednesday
- Feb. 17 First Sunday of Lent
- Feb. 18-19 Appointive Cabinet ~ DS is in Wichita

Some months have 30 days, some months have 31 days; how many have 28?

Every month has at least 28 days.
www.calendarzone.com/quotes

Of Possible Interest To You:

Institute Save the Dates:
June 16-22 or July 14-20th

Institute is a Christian community for high school students (Incoming freshman through graduating seniors) to experience fellowship, belonging, and acceptance as people of God and learn to both give and receive support and care as taught by Jesus Christ.

Need more info?

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Postal Rate Increases:

Postage Rates went up Sunday, January 27th from .45 to .46 with .20 per additional ounces.

Large envelopes went up to .92 for the 1st ounce and still .20 for each additional ounce.

Postcards are now .33

You can visit the USPS website for additional changes at <https://www.usps.com>

Five Rivers District Prayer Calendar

Feb. 6	Waverly/Prairie View Rev. Nancy Liston
Feb. 10	Ottawa 1st Rev. JC Kelley
Feb. 17	Wellsville Rev. Lane Bailey
Feb. 24	Melvorn/Quenemo Pastor Alex Bruening

Clergy Birthdays in February/March

J C Kelley	2/08
Jacob Cloud	2/24
Barbara Clinger	3/02
Shirley Edgerton	3/05
Moon Hee Chung	3/11
Donna VotEAU	3/21
Beth Hodgson	3/21
Jim Howood	3/23
Charles Russell	3/25
Jada Hodgson	3/31

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the committee, and the relationship between the committee, the pastor and the church.

These training opportunities are brought to you in response to the requests received over the past couple of years. I hope that you will share this information with others that need to know about it. It will be a good morning of sharing ideas, information, and support for the work of ministry in with we are all engaged.

Details: **February 9, 2013**
Ottawa First UMC, 203 E. 4th St., Ottawa, KS
9:00AM – 12:00pm

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It would be very helpful if you would let us know that you are coming through e-mail or phone call so that we can prepare materials and arrange space. Thanks!

Hope to see you there!