

# United Methodist Messenger

Groton/Conde Parishes

April 2005

## Do you have a dead battery?

A story that is good for anytime, but is especially good as we approach Pentecost. The story comes from Ivey Bozeman.

In the mall parking lot, I turned the key in the ignition. There was no response. I knew the battery had to be dead. The lights would not come on. "Dead" is a good term for the whole car when the battery is not operating. Without a battery, no lights flicker, no dashboard indicators work. Every element in the whole engine can be in fine working order, but without the battery, the car will do nothing.

I called my husband on the cell phone to come with his jumper cables. While waiting for him to arrive, I thought about how the car with a battery is like a Christian without the Holy Spirit. Right after Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, the disciples just sat there, not

knowing what to do.

Shortly, my husband arrived with the jumper cables. He hooked the cables between his live battery and my dead one. Soon, power flowed into my car. I could now take me on the rest of my trip.

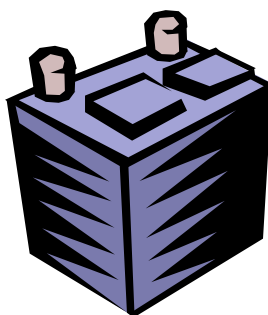
The same thing happened to the disciples at Pentecost. When the Holy Spirit reached them, they were filled with the power needed to spread the gospel of Christ. The gathered disciples previously had all the equipment needed to do God's work – all except the power. They needed the power of the Holy Spirit.

We need to be connected to the Holy Spirit. Without the Holy Spirit we are like the car – a perfectly good engine, a capable driver, but no power.

Sometimes after a major holiday like Easter, we feel a bit of a letdown after the worship, and the gathering of family and the celebration. We feel like we should be on a spiritual high, but we drag instead. WE need the 'power' we need the Holy Spirit. May God in the form of the Holy Spirit, be with you in these days after Easter.

Peace,

Pastor Grant



## Last-minute planning

It was the start of a holiday weekend, and the service station was crowded. Finally, an attendant hustled up to the local minister who had been waiting in line for some time. "I'm sorry about the delay, pastor," the attendant apologized, "but it seems like everybody waits until the last minute to get ready for a trip which they knew they were going on all along."

The pastor smiled and said, "I know what you mean. I have the same problem in my business."



## Confirmation Sunday April 24th

Confirmation Students and (mentors) in Groton are: Alexa Nilsson (Jolene Townsend) Parents Dave & Connie Nilsson, Tanner Johnson (Marc Johnson) Parents Jane & Marc Johnson, Taylor Schmidt (Elaine Wolken) Parents Jack & Barb Schmidt, Cody Hanson (Lon Gellhaus) Parents Kelli & Lars Hanson, Evan Erickson (Gary Heitmann) Parents Meri & John Erickson, Sam Furman (Jeremy Smith) Parent Lynette & Terry Furman, Martha Miller (Kay Brandt) Parent Audrey Miller, and Jennifer Miller (Marlys Rodman) Parent Audrey Miller.

Confirmation Students and (mentors) in Conde are: Keith Hanlon (Cindy Smith) Parents Guy & Renee Hanlon, Tyler Stark (Norman Smith) Parents Vicki & Greg Stark, Shane Bruckner (Loren Siefken) Parents Bud & Julie Bruckner, Dylan Stark (Betty Jensen) Parents Vicki & Greg Stark, Collin Ragels (Pat Siefken) Parent Pam Sie-



## Ashley Ptacek

We would like to welcome Ashley Faith Ptacek and her parents, Perry and Laura, to our church with a baby shower during coffee hour on April 10th. Please join us and get to know this new family. Ashley was born on February 12th and lives on the Dick Ruden farm. Grandparents are Lyle and Kathy Jackson of Bath and Randy and Gaylene Ptacek of Cogswell, ND.



Hosted by Darlys Kampa, Gert Ruden, and Kay Brandt

## Becca Nelson Bride-to-Be of Adam Atherton

April 23rd  
9:30-11:00 am  
At the Groton  
United Methodist Church

*Organizing this event are  
Gloria Pharis and Jolene Townsend*



## Conde Friendship Evening Alice in Holyland

Wednesday, April 27th at 6:30 pm the Conde United Methodist Women will join Alice in Holyland at the church. We will follow a young girl's journey's through the bible in search of guidance in becoming a godly and virtuous woman. Witness Alice, a modern teenager, as she encounters and interacts with well known women of the bible as Eve, Mrs. Noah, Sarah, Rahab, Delilah, and more;

and experience their stories from an entirely new perspective. Jeanna McKinney has written this original program which will be cast by the many fine actresses from the community.

Local committee leaders are: Donna Hearnen, decorations; Jeanna McKinney and Patty Knoll, program; Cindy Smith and Jane Worlie, lunch; and Betty Taylor, publicity.



A salad lunch will be served at 6:30 pm followed by the program. Cost is \$5.00 per person. How can we connect with the women of all types of many years before in our lives today? All are welcome to join us at the church.

### Conde UMW

Wednesday, April 20th

2:00 pm

Lesson and Video featuring the country of Cuba. This is a study for the church for this year, so be sure to attend!

Leader: Joyce Haskell

Hostesses: Betty Taylor



### Conde Clothing Collection

There has been a note that items of clothing are needed for the children to the size of 16 at the Tree of Life Ministry in Mission. You may bring new or clean items as light jackets, sweaters, tee shirts for the Mission to distribute on the Rosebud Reservation. Please bring to the church when you come and all items will be sent from there. Thank you.

## Focus UMW - Conde

Focus UMW is hosted by the Redfield Church for the Conde and Surrounding Area. This is a learning day combined with opportunity for book shopping and re-connecting with friends. Registration is from 9:00-

9:30 on Saturday, April 9th. There will be cars going from Conde, so for carpooling, call Donna Hearnen at 382-5264 for more information and ride. The meeting is scheduled to be done by mid-afternoon.

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 \* than others think is wise, \*  
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 \* others think is possible. \*  
 \* Author unknown \*  
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# Conde Administrative Council Minutes

## March 8, 2005

**Members in attendance:** Darrel Haskell, Betty Taylor, Betty Jensen, Marion Jensen, Betty Geist, Cindy Smith, Norman Smith, Jane Worlie, Pat Siefken, Rev. Grant Piehl, Jim Zeck

Darrel **called the meeting** to order by having Rev. Piehl led us in prayer. Everyone recited the Mission statement of the church.

Jane gave the **Treasurer's report** showing an income of \$3,544.68 and expenses of \$2,754.80 for February. The report was approved. Donna Hearnen had a **bill** for layette kits costing \$42.10. Betty Taylor made the motion to approve the bill. Second by Cindy. Motion carried.

The **minutes** of the previous meeting were approved as read.

### Reports:

- J **Trustees** -- The land contract is 'good' through 2005 crop year, so the trustees took no action at this time.
- J **Sunday School** -- Betty G. reported that things were going well. The students will be singing at the 11:00 am Easter service.
- J **Missions** -- One Great Hour of Sharing offering was taken, but figures had not been totaled yet.
- J **Pot Luck** Noon meals were mentioned for March 13 with Donna H. in charge.
- J Those who had attended the **Lay Ministry Workshop** on Feb. 13 in Groton shared information. Betty Taylor, Betty Jensen, Cindy Smith, and Pat Siefken were the attendees.

### New Business:

- J **Good Friday** services with communion will be held at 7:00 p.m.
- J **Easter Sunrise services** will be at 8:00 a.m. Cindy volunteered to be in charge of the breakfast.
- J Mary Ann Taylor, Cindy Smith and Pat Siefken had met and planned the program and dates for **Vacation Bible School** to be held on May 23-27 (8:45 am to 12:30 pm). The program will be held on Friday night.
- J **Stewardship Workshop** will be held April 17. Bruce Blumer from the Methodist Foundation will be with us. He will lead worship that Sunday in both churches. Conde will have a pot luck meal at noon. By consensus it was decided that the workshop time will start at 1:30. Our District Superintendent Rev. Debra Ball-Kilbourne will also be in attendance.
- J There being no **ushers** for the month of March, Betty Geist volunteered her family to do the service. A clipboard will be sent around during church service for people to sign up for the coming months.

**Next meeting** will be April 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Rev. Piehl closed the meeting with prayer.

*The Conde United Methodist  
Church is seeking to satisfy  
the spiritual and physical  
needs of all.*



## Groton UMW Minutes

The Groton United Methodist Women met at the Tiger's Den Youth Center March 16, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. President Jolene Townsend presided at the meeting. The **PURPOSE** was recited in unison. Groton's shepherdess, Deb Green of Redfield was a guest.

Business included the minutes, treasurer's report and committee reports. Balance in the treasury is \$1270.86.

Spiritual Growth—Mary Hayenga read from the Prayer Calendar for March

16<sup>th</sup>.

Program Resources—Mary Swisher reported that they have some more books selected to order.

Old Business—The president reported that the UMW took in \$94 at the Lenten supper free will offering. Kay Brandt moved that it be given to the Youth Center; seconded and carried.

Mary Hayenga reported on the World Day of Prayer service held at the Groton UMC on March 4<sup>th</sup>. The offering will go to Church Women United to be used for mission work around the world.

The May Breakfast

plans to date were reviewed.

New Business—Plans for a baby shower for Ashley Faith Ptacek, new born daughter of Perry and Laura Ptacek, were made, possibly to be April 10<sup>th</sup>. A bridal shower for Becca Nelson, bride to be of Adam Ather-ton is also being planned.

Announcements: Christian Education leaders will be honored on March 20<sup>th</sup>

Focus Day will be held in Redfield April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Next meeting—April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m., Executive meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting closed with prayer and lunch, served by Mary Hayenga and Gert Ruden

## Health Kits

- J 1 hand towel (15X25 up to 17X27)
- J 1 washcloth (large and sturdy, not picket size)
- J 1 nail file or fingernail clipper (no emery boards or toenail clippers)
- J 1 bar of soap (3 oz and up)
- J 1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper)
- J 1 tube toothpaste (4-7 oz and check expiration date - must be 6 months or longer in advance of the date of shipment to UMCOR)
- J 6 Band-Aids



*Groton UMW Meeting*

*April 20th at 7:30 PM*

*"In God We Are One"*

*Leader: Anita Lowary*

*Hostesses:*

*Kay Brandt and Audrey Miller*

**Executive Meeting at 6:30**

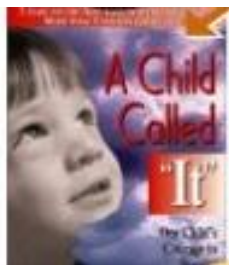
## The Banquet

The UMC of Groton and Conde members will again take part in the Mission Outreach Program of serving at "The Banquet" in Sioux Falls on Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. This project requires about 40 volunteers to prepare and serve the evening meal. 8-10 volunteers will be needed around 2:00 pm to prepare the meal and around 30 to serve the meal at 5:00. Please notify Rev. Piehl if you would like to be a part of this mission project. Car pools will be available, more details to come!

--Missions Committees



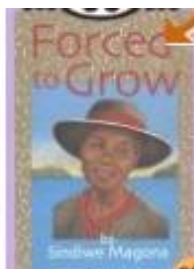
## Groton UMW Reading Program Book Suggestions for April



"A Child Called It" by Dave Pelzer. The author's mother, emotionally unstable and

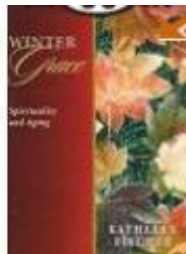
alcoholic, subjected him to severe and unrelenting child abuse. His story, while painful, reminds us of the need to advocate for victims of child abuse and suggests ways we can make a difference.

"Forced to Grow" by Sindiwe Magona. With vibrancy and intimacy, Ms. Ma-



gona describes her experiences as a South African woman left alone to raise three small children. She tells of her struggles against hardships and crises of her eventful life.

"Winter Grace: Spirituality and aging" by Kathleen Fischer. This book explores the Christian perspective on several key experiences of the later years of life: memories, dependence and independence, love and sexuality, loss, dying and resurrection.



Check these and many more UMW books out

## Lenten Supper Donations

Thank you to all who attended the Lenten Soup and Sandwich Suppers. Thank you to each group for helping out with making this a great success. Each group chose who to donate their free-will offerings to.

- ) UMYF - \$125 to Jacob Palmer
- ) UMW - \$94 to Tiger's Den
- ) Missions - \$125.80 to Randy Padfield
- ) Choir - \$104 to Randy Padfield
- ) Ad Board - \$118 to Roof Fund
- ) Sunday School - \$120 for Bible School

## UMW Spring Focus Days - April 8 Groton Plans

The 2005 Spring UMW Focus Days will be hosted by the Redfield UMW on Saturday, April 9th. 14 UMW Units will be attending from this area with Deb green, our shepherdess as chairman.

Registration and coffee/rolls begin at 9:00 am. A \$5.00 lunch will be served at noon by the Redfield UMW. Closing Worship will be between 3 and 4 pm.

We will plan to leave from the Groton church at 7:30

am, car pooling will be available. Please bring your bible and dress attire is casual/comfortable.

The Spring Focus Meeting will highlight the 3 School of Christian Mission Studies; Cuba, Prayer and Public Education. Music, singing, prayer, coffee/rolls, skits, love ribbons, devotions, food, fun, prayer, more singing, and fellowship will be on the agenda. The Groton UMW will be presenting the Closing Worship ser-

vice with the Offering to go to Undesignated Giving.

Please notify Jolene (395-6455) if you plan to attend by Wednesday, April 6th. It would be great to take 2 or 3 cars!!! What a statement that would make! Hope you can join us!!!! This is a great opportunity to learn more about United Methodist Women and our PURPOSE!!!



## Native American Ministries Sunday Offering - April 10th

"I want to be the best minister I can be. The best way to do this is through theological education."

When lifelong United Methodist Chebon Kernell graduated from college, he decided to go to law school "to get into the political arena. I thought that would be my calling."

*For the promise is  
for... everyone  
whom... our God  
calls"  
Acts 2:39, NRSV*

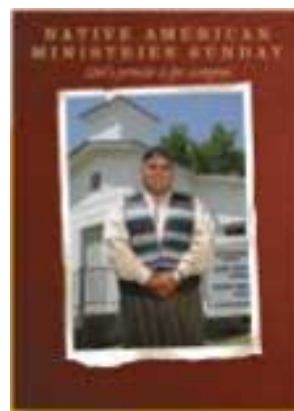
But apparently God had other ideas for the young man whose heritage is Seminole. At a church retreat in 2001, Chebon remembers, "I heard the calling to ordained ministry."

So he responded. Now a third-year student at Phillips

Theological Seminary, Tulsa, Okla., and director of interpretation and programs for the Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference, Chebon has a clear life plan—"to serve the local church. Spiritually, it is such a blessing."

Of his student appointment, Pawnee Indian UMC, Chebon says, "It's fun to see the church grow, to see the opportunities for worship and hospitality. These are at the heart of the gospel of Christ."

Your offering on Native American Ministries Sunday enriches The United Methodist Church in many ways. Native Americans attending United Methodist and other approved seminaries receive scholarships. Across the United States, urban ministries reach out to Native Ameri-



cans and others. Mission with Native Americans in your annual

conference and across the connection is developed and nurtured.

"For the promise...is for everyone whom...our God calls" (Acts 2:39). Help promising Native Americans like Chebon Kernell to answer God's call to ministry. Please give generously on Native American Ministries Sunday, the third Sunday of Easter. Your gift makes a world of difference!



## When Life Hands you Lemons....Redecorate!




Planning is underway for the Groton May Breakfast that will take place on Wednesday, May 4th. The Program will be done by Arlis Doeden from Paints & More. Watch for more Details and Join Us!

## God isn't deaf

Little Sonia was praying loudly to God and asking for a new doll for her birthday. Her mother interrupted her and said, "There's no need to shout. God isn't deaf."

Sonia responded, "No, but Grandpa is and he's in the family room watching TV."





## Thank God for Rain

Each spring the Lord sends April showers to water the earth. Without rain to nourish our trees, plants, flowers, fruits and vegetables, there would be a poor growing season and very little to harvest. Thank God for rainy weather!

Write the words from the raindrops on the numbered lines below. Read the Bible verse.

1 gives 11 is 29 it 8 clouds 12 to 5 Lord 25 of 4 in 3 the

2 storm 10 Ask 27 the 16 the 28 for 30 the 23 rain 17 plants

6 field 18 rain 9 He 15 makes 22 the 20 showers 14 who 24 to

13 everyone 7 men 19 Lord

10 16 5 28 18

4 22 26 ;

29 11 3 19 14 15

27 2 8 .

9 1 20 31 23

12 7 , 21 17 25 "

30 6 24 13

*Zechariah 10:1 (NIV)*

Answer: "Ask the Lord for rain in the springtime; it is the Lord who makes the storm clouds. He gives showers of rain to men, and plants of the field to everyone." Zechariah 10:1

### Groton Early Bird Camping Deadline!

April 24th

Please let Kay Brandt or Rev Piehl know if you wish to Attend a Camp in the Groton Church

## Dakotas United Methodist Camping Sign Up Today!

Early Bird Deadline for all Camping Adventures is April 30th. Kay Brandt for the Groton Church would like the registration forms by April 24th in order to get them in the mail.

We have an interest in the Beginning Guitar Camp at the Wesley Acres Campground in ND. It is for Grades 9-adult so add this to your schedule and learn how to play guitar for our Worship Services! It takes place May 30-June 3rd.

Mom's Take 5 Camp is May 27-29 at the Lake Poinsett Campground. This is a camp for single moms and their children, ages 3-12. This camp offers opportunities to discuss the unique challenges of single-parenting and to grow in an atmosphere of support and acceptance. Children have special activities and family time is also planned.

Faithful Servants Camp is in Mitchell on July 11-14 for grades 7-12. Pat Siefken & Scott McKirdy are the Deans. You stay in the DWU dorms and go out in the community to do hands on missions projects, including serving at Mitchell's Love Feast.

There are many more wonderful Camps! Check out a Camp book today!



**Dakotas United  
Methodist Camps**



# Groton Church Family Committee

**Brent & Christi Swenson, Lee & Amanda  
Carna & Cliff Pray, Nathan Atherton ,  
Kevin Pray**  
Jodi & Craig Sternhagen  
Marlys Rodman  
Yvonne Lange  
Leslie & Ken Dinger, Mason  
Kristi & Lance Hawkins  
Dale & Michelle Kramer  
Kami & Tom Lipp  
Eileen Piehl  
Pam & Roger Rix  
Rose & Bill Tewksbury  
Gayleen & Jon Voss, Lacy & Jordan  
Doris & Richard Zoellner  
Matt & Sue Rock

## Honorary Members

J Margaret Hubbard  
J ImoJeanne Oliver  
J Mary & Jay Swisher  
J Mary Alice Jensen

## May Extra Responsibilities

J May 15th, Red Altar Cloths and Banners for Pentecost Sunday  
J May 22 Trinity Sunday, Change Altar cloths to White  
J May 29, Change Altar Cloths to Green  
J Mow Lawn as needed  
J Clean Nursery & Kindergarten Rooms  
J No Potluck



## Groton Administrative Council Minutes March 9th

Loren Siefken will lead Groton's church services on April 10.

\$2000 has been received for new candelabras

Stewardship Sunday is April 17. Plans for the day include a visit by Bruce Blummer to our worship service. Also a 1:30 meeting in Conde will focus on discussions about apportionments, foundation programs and continuous church funding projects. The District Superintendent will be in attendance.

Our Missions Committee reported that April 10 will be our special Native American Day offering and June 6 we will serve at the Banquet in Sioux Falls.

Cliff Pray is collecting bids for our roofing project. The council decided the project needed to be done this year. Once projected costs are available the administrative council will meet to discuss funding of the project.

It was decided that the church will help fund 80% of camping costs this year and will invite Steve Foss to speak with the congregation and youth to encourage camping participation.

Confirmation is planned for Sunday, April 24.

Graduation Recognition Sunday is planned for May 15.

The next committee will be April 13, at 8:00 pm

--Jeanne Wanous, Secretary

### Groton Stewardship Report March 2005

Average  
Wkly Giving  
\$1,463

Needed Weekly  
to Meet Church  
Needs  
\$1,874

Average Weekly  
Attendance  
95

Total Building  
Fund Offerings  
\$465

# Upcoming May Events!

## Groton Sunday School Palm Sunday

May 1 - UMW Central District Annual Meeting, 3:00 pm at Huron First Church

May 9 - Mother's Day

May 11 - Groton UMYF at 6:15 pm. Last Meeting of Year!

May 15 - Groton Graduation Sunday

May 18 - Groton UMW Tea  
Party

on Wheels

**Goodwill Truck is Coming!**

**Date in May to be  
Announced!**

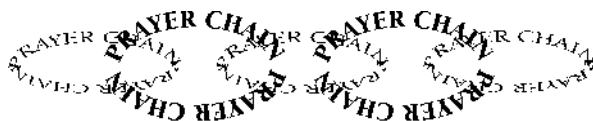
Conde VBS - May 23-27

June 6 - Serving "The Banquet"

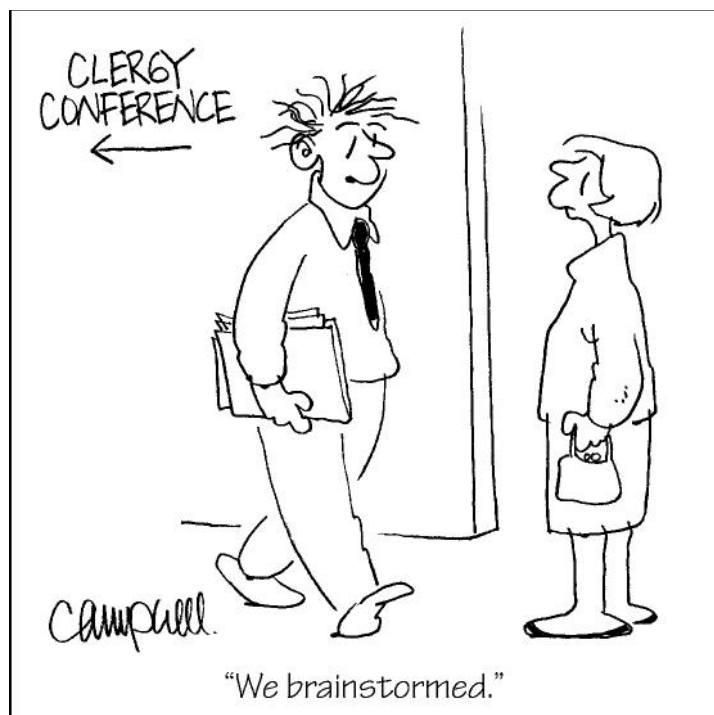
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## Groton Phone Prayer Chain



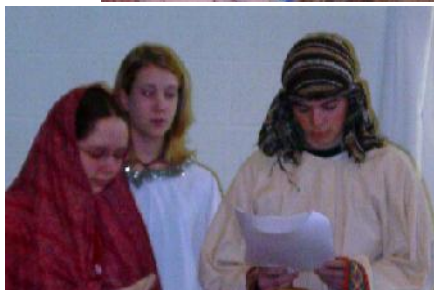
Marlys Rodman	397-4570
Jean Lowary	397-8228
Audrey Thurston	397-8493
Gert Ruden	397-8211
Pat Dahlquist	397-2616
Florann Norris	397-2638
Mary Swisher	397-8259
Gloria Pharis	397-2375
Mary Jane Schott	397-8588
Doris Zoellner	397-2417
Marjorie Townsend	298-5221
Marjorie Overacker	397-8562
Darlys Kampa	395-6996
Marvel/Bob Johnson	397-2425
Carolyn Snyder	397-8396







## Sunday School Sings Palm Sunday Christian Education Leaders Recognized



UMYF  
Sunrise  
Service



## Goodie Givers Beverly Healthcare-Groton

### *Volunteering with Love and a Little Time*

Would you like to volunteer but have little or no time to do this? Pat Miller gave me a wonderful idea the other day. A fun way to volunteer and share with the residents would be to provide fresh baked items of various sorts that would be enjoyed during the afternoon coffee time. We only need one pan or 2-3 dozen of whatever you like. This will increase the variety of baked goodies everyone so much enjoys and remembers. If you would like to be a volunteer home baker, **goodie giver**, please let Kay Brandt or Dorothy McCurdy know and we can set you up with one day/month to share your wonderful baked creations.



## Other Volunteer Opportunities

### At Beverly Healthcare-Groton

- ) Evening Lucky 7
- ) Evening Uno
- ) Evening Quarter Bingo
- ) Craft Sharing
- ) Letter Writing
- ) Checker Player
- ) Holiday Decorator
- ) Sunday Newspaper Reader
- ) Gardeners
- ) Music Sharing
- ) Bird Attendant

## Attention: All Church Laity Lay Ministries Training Courses

April 29-30 at the Aberdeen North Highland UMC with Basic Lay Speaking Class led by Rev. Sheila Richards and Advanced Class on "Leading Bible Study" led by Rev. Jon Damaska.

These training sessions are for all laity within the church, not just for Lay Speakers. The sessions will be designed to provide needed training for members of your congregation to become better recruiters for disciples for Jesus Christ. However, if you wish to become a certified lay speaker, you must have completed the basic course and complete one of the advanced courses. You must have additional courses every 3 years to maintain your certified lay speaker status. More information on the Lay Speaker program and re-

quirements will be available at the training session.

The classes will begin at 6 pm on Friday and conclude on Saturday by 3:30 pm. Participants should have eaten their dinner prior to arriving on Friday evening. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. If you have questions, please call the conference office at 605-996-6552 during the day. We will plan to start the Saturday morning session at





## Groton Easter Memorials

Easter Lilies	In Memory Of
Twila Ruden	Earl Ruden
Ann & Jerry Rix	Their Parents & Marian
JoAnn & Rich Krueger	Parents, Brothers, & Sister
John, Meri, Seth, Evan, & Sydney Erickson	Marlys Sippel
Bill & Clare Brotherton	Parents
Roger & Marj OverackerDon Clocksene	Margarette Clocksene & Ronnie Wallen
Jean & Earl Lowary	Their Parents
Lon & Marva Gellhaus	Grandparents & Gary Gell-
Cal & Mary Hayenga	Parents & Family
Gloria & Harry Pharis	Parents
Monte & Laurel McNickle	Memory of our Father
Dick & Gert Ruden	Lill & Oscar, Mae & Carl
Gary, Linda, & Rick Thurston	Bill, Ethel, & Jim Knoll
Russell & Marjory Townsend	Parents
Marlys Rodman	Arlene Boehmer & Parents
Sherwin & Chris Nyberg	Hannah & Parents
Norm & Audrey Thurston	Our Parents
Grant & Eileen Piehl	Parents
Al & Joyce Walter	Joyce's Parents & Al's Grandparents
Bert Raap	Darlene Raap



## Conde Easter Lilies Memorials

In Memory of:

- ) Lucy Haskell from Darrel Haskell
  - ) Elma and Henry Busing from Dolores Grimes
  - ) Diane and Ken Ketel
  - ) Wanda and Burleigh Grimes
  - ) Betty Taylor
  - ) For: Elma and Henry Busing from Wanda and Burleigh Grimes
  - ) Bess and Harry Grimes from Wanda and Burleigh Grimes
  - ) For: Nellie and Lynn Drake from Donna and Horace Walter
  - ) Eunice and Barton Walter from Donna and Horace Walter
  - ) For: Viola Hanlon and Randy Wendt(Renee's brother) from Renee, Guy Hanlon and family
  - ) A gift from Betty and Marion Jensen
- Thank you for these fitting memorials.

## Groups meet at Beverly Healthcare

**SCRAPBOOK  
NIGHT**



**Join Them! Everyone Welcome!**

**Scrapbooking**

April 13th at 7:00 PM

**Knitting & Crochet**

Learn to Make Items for the  
Layette Kits!

April 20th at 7:00 PM

**Knitting  
Group**



GROTON/CONDE PARISHES



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## Our Church Happenings

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| April 3  | Groton May Breakfast Meeting after      |
| Church   |   |
| April 6  | Conde Martha Bible Study at church 8 pm |
| April 9  | UMW Focus Days at Redfield UMC          |
| April 10 | Shower for Ashley Ptacek                |
|          | during Groton Coffee Hour               |
|          | Potluck in Groton                       |
|          | Native American Sunday                  |
| April 13 | Groton UMYF at 6:15 pm with supper      |
|          | Groton Ad Council 8:00 pm               |
| April 17 | Stewardship Sunday                      |
|          | Boyd Bloomer Speaking                   |
|          | Stewardship Workshop in Conde at        |
|          | 1:30                                    |
| April 20 | Conde UMW 2:00 pm; featuring Cuba       |
|          | Conde Ad Board 7:00 pm                  |
| April 24 | Confirmation Sunday                     |
|          | Groton Camping Sign-Up Deadline         |
| April 27 | Conde UMW Friendship Evening 6:30 pm    |
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