

We ask pastors and elders to share information about Presbyterian Women with women in their churches.

January. Coordinating Team (CT) met 1/23/24 @ Scott Co Library, Georgetown & via zoom.

- Publicize the 6 PW Mary Scott Moore scholarships offered for the triennial PW Churchwide Gathering, Aug. 8-11, 2024, St. Louis. Each scholarship would cover the **\$450 registration fee** and some car travel reimbursement.
- Postponed decision until March meeting on allocation of **\$500.00 gift from Stanford PC** to PWP for mission work.
- Continued planning for April 13, 2024 PWP Annual Spring Gathering @ 1st PC, Richmond. Guest speaker: Jim Embry, Richmond.
- Discussed plans for 2024 PWP Annual Fall Gathering @ Burnamwood, Oct. 12, 2024.

March. CT met 3/12/24 @ Georgetown library & via zoom.

- PW Mary Scott Moore Scholarships – awarded 2 scholarships: Adriana Riggs, student at Bellarmine (member of 1st PC, Ashland) & Nancy Holland, 1st PC, Somerset.
- The **\$500.00 gift from Stanford PC** will be given to Rousseau Fire Dept, Jackson, KY, toward their distribution center for Eky flood victims and others in need. Rev. Janice Stamper and the Stanford church support this project.
- Voted to give \$3,000.00 to the Presbytery of Transylvania toward the repair of the swimming pool at Camp Burnamwood.**
- Finalized plans for the PW Annual Spring Gathering in Richmond. Rev. Pamela Rucker will be our worship leader. We will invite Rev. Philip Lotspeich to bring ‘news of the Presbytery’ – and receive a (surprise) PW Honorary Life Membership.

April 13, 2024 Annual Spring Gathering of Transylvania Presbyterian Women, 1st PC, Richmond.

- Theme: ‘Mother Earth provides food security’. Jim Embry, guest speaker, a Sacred Earth Activist. Jim is internationally known for his work on food sustainability, received the James Beard Foundation Leadership Award in May, 2023. He helped found the Good Foods Co-op (Lex), GLEAN, KY, Greenhouse 17 (Lex); programs for women at risk. He’s been involved in Civil Rights activism and many other projects. He was an amazing speaker – more should hear his message! Google: Jim Embry
- Attendance 63. 15 churches represented. Singing of hymns, treasurer’s report.
- Worship including communion led by Rev. Pamela Rucker who gave a moving sermon, “Feed My Sheep”, John 21:10-17,
- We awarded Philip his PW Honorary Life Membership,
- Elected and installed PWP CT members, (see list below);
- Recognition of women in Transylvania who joined the Circle Eternal in 2023,
- Learned about the many PW and other resources available to local groups, including the award-winning PW HORIZON magazine,
- Encouraged submission of local church history reports to PWP & Columbia Historical Society @ Columbia Seminary
- Announced that the PW Stamp Out Hunger program received **\$813**, mostly from a gift of a stamp collection from Tony Temple, White’s Memorial (funds from used stamps and collections given to Henry Clay Philatelic Society for auction, results of auction given to PWP and then passed on to Transy Mission Comm to meet hunger needs *in the Presbytery*),
- Commissioned 8 women to attend the PW Churchwide Gathering Aug. 8-11, 2024, St. Louis, encouraged others to attend,
- The day’s offering of \$629.00 was given to the Telford Love Fund at 1st PC, Richmond, which addresses many needs of local people,
- The Cents Ability offering, [formerly 2 cents/meal] which goes to the national church, was **\$134.71**.
- The uplifting and challenging gathering dismissed to a delicious box lunch in the gym. We had a warm welcome from the Richmond folks!

April 30, 2024 PWP CT meeting, April 30, 2024 @ Georgetown & zoom.

- Letter of endorsement for Buckhorn application for PW Birthday Offering grant
- Offer 4 scholarships of \$150 each to individuals/gps to zoom the Churchwide Gathering of PW’s, Aug. 8-11, 2024, St. Louis
- Oct. 12, 2024 PWP Fall Gathering: our speaker will be Jan Albert, board member of Mission Haven, Decatur, GA re missionaries
- Hope to zoom gathering from Burnamwood
 - We will invite Rev. Jim Garrett and Rev. Philip Lotspeich
 - Plan to share mission/social justice project ideas among local church groups
- April 26, 2025 PWP Spring Gathering theme will be immigration. @ Cynthiana PC.

Upcoming dates:	▶ Aug. 8-11, 2024 Churchwide Gathering of PW’s, St. Louis
▶ October	Saturday, October 12, 2024: Annual Fall Gathering of all women in Transylvania Presbytery, Camp Burnamwood Program about missions, especially for local women’s groups Guest speaker: Jan Albert, on Board of Mission Haven, Decatur, GA, she is former PWS moderator of Synod PW
▶ April	Saturday, April 26, 2025: Annual Spring Gathering of TPW, Cynthiana Presbyterian Church
▶ October	Saturday, October 11, 2025: Annual Fall Gathering of TPW, Camp Burnamwood

Members of the TPW Coordinating Team:

Karen May [2nd PC, Lex], moderator;

Emily Carroll [1st PC, Georgetown], treasurer;

Karen May, int. recording sec'y);

Nell Line [1st PC, Lex], corresponding sec'y;

Tricia Milner [1st PC, Lex], Horizons, Resources;

Sharon Mandt [1st PC, Somerset], mission coordinator;

Barbara Snyder [Troy PC] stamp out hunger program;

Sandra Harrison [2nd PC, Lex], historian;

Jessica Featherston [1st PC, Paris], directory coordinator;

Bettie George Frye [1st PC, Ashland], cluster leader for Esther cluster;

Becky Elam [1st PC, Richmond], co-cluster leader for Elizabeth cluster;

Melody Mitchell [1st PC, Richmond], co-cluster leader for Elizabeth cluster;

Tammy Bruce [Cynthiana PC], cluster leader for Priscilla;

Janet Robinson [1st PC, Winchester], cluster leader for Ruth].

Cluster leader for Hannah (Lexington churches) is pending.

Available opportunities on PWP CT: cluster leader (liaisons with local PW groups for Rachel in *Anderson, Jessamine, Letcher, Perry, Scott & Woodford Counties*), **Social Justice Coordinator, Recording Secretary, Search Committee Coordinator, other at-large opportunities)** **Contact Karen May, karen@the2mays.net, if interested**

*Report submitted by Karen May, Moderator
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April 30, 2024