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Organization is open to all retirees and spouses who are members of the Conference with no fee to join. Just need a happy and loving spirit with love for all.

The Rev. Henry Roberts to preach the Memorial Sermon on Wednesday when Wesley Heirs honors those Ministers and Spouses who have passed on during the Last six months from our Spring meeting.

Henry and his wife have now retired from First UMC in Pensacola and continue to reside in Pensacola. Please attend our Retreat to honor our friends who are no longer with us in person, but in spirit. October 10-11, 2018 Blue Lake

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"WHAT WESLEY HEIRS MEANS TO ME"

by Mark Stewart, PRESIDENT

This October will be the 16th straight Wesley Heirs session I have attended since I first went to Blue Lake in April 2011. My wife Carolyn and I talked about going after our retirement to Tennessee, but it seems that something else would come up or we couldn't face up to the almost 300 mile drive down. But after her homecoming in 2010 I decided that I needed to go, so I did. Blue Lake allowed me to come in Monday night so I wouldn't have to leave home so early to arrive by 10. Upon my arrival I was greeted by those in attendance with love as a long-lost family member. I felt nothing but being loved the entire time. Having been in ministry as a layman for over 30 years, even though I had been consecrated 4 different times, I had felt set apart from the laity and not fully accepted by the clergy. But I had felt God's call to become an ordained deacon in 1996, only 3 years before retirement/ Now all my ministry is as volunteer.

I found the Heirs had a choir which I joined to sing for the Memorial Services held on Wednesday morning. There were lots of games and snacks, as well as the great Blue Lake food. But more important was the fellowship between spouses and retired clergy. Each meeting always provides informative and inspirational speakers and great entertainment. The residing bishop and his wife have joined on occasion which has allowed us retirees to get to know them more personally and vice versa. This spring we learned about the Board of Pensions report proposing that the retirement class of pre '82 would not receive a pension increase next year. After discussion with the Executive Committee, I decided to propose an amendment to the report to give a 2% increase as all the other classes were receiving. I am happy to report that the amendment passed though the vote was close. It seems many of the younger clergy were concerned that the increase would be taking funds away from them. They did not seem to realize that this class is growing smaller every year. Since I have never been a part of the Conference Pension Program, and as the newly elected president of Wesley Heirs, I felt like I needed to speak up for us retirees.

When we gather Oct. 9-10 (Oct 8 for those who want to stay 2 nights) I hope you will be counted among those in attendance receiving and giving love! Financial help is available for anyone needing it in order to attend. A very special invitation to those who are newly retired and those who have been retired but haven't joined us. Try it! I believe like me, you'll love it!

Diane & Curtis Smith await your registration!
See form on Page 2.



WESLEY HEIRS SPRING RE-TREAT "CELEBRATE LIFE, LOVE, AND LAUGHTER"

October 9—10, 2018

Blue Lake

Registration is at 10:00, then unpack, and session one at 11:00. ARRIVE EARLY! Check if Special Diet Required / Wheelchairs are available & furnished—Note queen sized beds.

REGISTRATIONS SHOULD BE IN 2 WEEKS BEFORE THE MEETING OR BY Sept. 25th— Nina

Keenan's team will bring snacks for the snack table. There is always food for even dieters and those with diabetes. If interested in bringing your favorite goodies, contact Nina at 334-222-2634 or email at: ninak@andycble.com.

2:00 Executive Committee meets upstairs Conference Room.

Choir practice time is at 4:15.

Door prizes to be given out by Myrt, but please remember to help her out by bringing at least one prize, wrapped or bagged for the drawings. Please, nothing over \$10.00.

Wednesday . The offering will be for the General Fund.. Prior to breakfast on the 10th, Holy Communion will be observed with Dr. Sam Parker leading the service from 8:00 –8:30 He serves Mary Esther UMC.

Tuesday afternoon will be open for games, refreshments, the Executive Committee meeting, and CHOIR PRACTICE. Singers Wanted! Women Singers Needed! No try outs required, only a joy in singing. Just pretend you are singing in the shower! YES SOME ARE COMING ON MONDAY AFTER-NOON!

Come, join a group for an early dinner around 5:00 at the Gator Café in Baker FL. Make reservations for the night at Blue Lake Camp on your registration form. The Registrar (s) will notify Blue Lake to have your room ready Monday afternoon . Rooms on the second floor. Rooms on the second floor have a queen-size bed and a single bed. The cost of the rooms is the same: \$31 per room single and \$31.00 per person for two in a room. Plus \$2.00/person ground fee.

Single Total Cost	Double Total Cost
\$31.00 + \$2.00	\$31.00 +\$4.00
\$ 6.75 breakfast	\$12.50 breakfast
\$39.75 Grand Total	\$47.50 Grand Total

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS FOR MONDAY NIGHT PAYABLE TO WESLEY HEIRS AND SEND WITH REGISTRATION CHECK FOR THE MEETING TO OUR TRESURERS. ALL CHECKS MADE TO WESLEY HEIRS! !!

CAMPERS SHOULD DO THE SAME EXCEPT PY \$31.00 PLUS \$2.00 GROUND FEE PER PERSON. Meals are \$6.75 (1) Breakfast \$16.50 (2) Lunches and \$17.50 (2) Dinners or total of \$40.75 for all meals eaten at Blue Lake Camp. Pay this to Wesley Heirs.

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Deadline September 25, 2018

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

RATES:

Double Occupancy: \$45.00/person; \$90.00/couple

Single Occupancy: \$60.00/person.

Campers: \$31.00 PLUS MEALS/person. In addition camp-site charges paid directly to WESLEY HEIERS. Meals not eaten, deducted.

Monday night rate:\$31.00 plus \$2.00 ground fee a person

Register to assign same gender roommates if requested and IF AVAILABLE with double occupancy rate.

() Assign Same Gender Roommate.

() Single Occupancy Requested.

() Double Occupancy Requested.

() Camper Registration.

() Check if downstairs room required.*

() Check if upstairs room with queen bed preferred. ***

() Check if Wheelchair Required.

() Special Diet: _____

DIABETIC YES [] NO []

Monday night stay, please pay WESLEY HEIRS.

Please make Retreat checks payable to WESLEY HEIRS

Show breakdown here & on check.

Send registration with payment to:

WESLEY HEIRS
DIANE & CURTIS SMITH
POST OFFICE BOX 400
CREOLE, AL 36525
251-675-7835
curtisanddianne@gmail.com

() Registering Scholarship Recipient

Provide name and contact information above.

Spouses of those being remembered are the welcomed guests of Wesley Heirs, but please register. Family members should register as well, but are expected to pay for lodging and meals.

SEND REGISTRATION TODAY!

Deadline September 25



TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer report at Spring Meeting balance	\$2,107.24
Disbursements	
Checks to Blue Lake (Reservation for Fall)	250.00
James Dannelly Newsletter copying & mailing	87.18
Norton Dill (Program Presented)	300.00
United Methodist Foundation	200.00
Camp Fund Sunshine Camp \$425.50	
Camp Victory \$425.50 Total	851.00
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Ann Calhoun (Cards and Postage)	25.00
Blue Lake (Invoice for Spring Meeting)	2,248.75

OUR PROGRAM INCLUDES

Suzanne Krejczr, New Treasurer for the Conference will speak after lunch to provide a list of questions to address when a spouse passes away. Many documents will be required from the spouse at that time as these may assist in determining benefits the surviving spouse will receive. Sharon Tucker will add preservation of important documents and submission to the Archives located in the library at Huntingdon.

Tuesday night will be a treat for everyone as Julia Fitzpatrick will be bringing us an evening of song with her beautiful voice renditions. She will have accompaniment on a Disc so our pianist will not need to meet and practice. Joining her will be Dr. Dan Fitzpatrick, her husband, who will present health knowledge gained from working with NASA in keeping astronauts healthy. Dr. Fitzpatrick currently works part time as a wound care physician at Santa Rosa Medical Center in Milton, Florida. He worked for Kelsey-Seybold from 2000-2015 as the Medical Director at the Sonny Carter Training Facility, Johnson Space Center in Houston Texas, in support of NASA astronaut training. He also was the lead flight surgeon for NASA's Microgravity Flight Program, and has completed over 5,000 parabolas as a crewmember providing in-flight medical support. Prior to NASA he served 21 years in the US Army, primarily as a flight surgeon, providing medical care to flight crews and their families.

OTHER ACTIVITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN

If you know of someone unable to attend the meeting due to illness or infirmity, please bring stamped, appropriate cards so we may each sign them to let our fellow Wesley Heirs know that our love and thoughts are with them. Ann Calhoun will have these cards on a table in the recreation room so each person may sign them, then she will mail them. It would help if you place a stamp on the ones you bring.

Change of email address: Jane Boozer wrote in May and wishes to receive email at bmj6210@gmail.com . She has been having a hip issue but wants to stay in touch.

NOTICE IT IS WISE TO CLIP THE REGISTRATION FORM AND MAIL NOW WITH FEES.

Your old publication editor is still having issues with her right hip and now left foot, but plans to attend the meeting in Oct, God willing. I still must use a cane to ambulate, but for long distances must depend upon one of the wheel chairs available and a strong and willing person to push me. These problems did not stop me from flying out to San Diego, renting a car and driving up to Carlsbad area and Cardif By the Sea to an assisted living facility where we visited my 99 year old first cousin. The purpose was to do a documentary of her reporting on her life in the Coast Guard during WWII, stationed in Hawaii. As a member of the DAR I will be submitting this and other materials obtained to the Library of Congress for their new room dedicated to capturing stories like this. Of course I took my son, Tim, with me as my camera man and care giver. The trip was a breeze with the airline providing gate to gate wheel chair services. The story she told was unusual due to the fact she was actually a service member, not a female auxiliary member. This gave her full GI Benefits post war. She obtained a high rank as an officer and participated in a highly secret project. Being originally from Auburn and living for many years in California, she had few people to reminisce with about family and friends from long ago. Tim captured some of this on camera without our realizing it. She cried when we left. That is my story and recent travels. Myrt

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Did anyone figure out who these young men are? All four were Methodist Preachers posing for the camera after playing a softball game at Camp Glory on Palmetto Cove sometime during the 1950's They are, from left to right, George Gilbert, O.C. Brown, Leo Brannon, and Lester Spencer. George and Leo are the only ones still



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Call one of the Executive Board Members nearest to you if you require help in obtaining transportation to Wesley Heirs meetings.

***Diane & Curtis Smith await your registration!
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TO BE REMEMBERED

Rev. Alton Moore August 18, 2018

Rev. Jack L. Reynolds April 28, 2017

Marjorie P. White (Emmett) July 31, 2018

Ron Macbeth (Rev. Janie) June 11, 2018

Rev. James L. Waters, Jr. June 10, 2018

*Quida M. Anthony (James A, Jr.) April 22, 20-18
Edna Ruth "Boots" Scarborough (George) April
21, 2018*

Rev. Larry Gill December 12, 2017

Rev. Charles E. Rothy December 08, 2017

These dear ones will be remembered during the memorial service at the Fall meeting of Wesley Heirs. There may be others added if passed away after September 26, 2018 and before October 5th. Our prayers go with all spouses and loved ones of each great soul listed above. We hope to see you in person at the Memorial service in March at Blue Lake.

