



**New top Executive of United Methodist Men Will Visit Winchester at Shenandoah University on Friday, 23 July 2010**

The Men of the Winchester District UMC have the distinct pleasure and privilege of welcoming **Mr. Gilbert Hanke**, General Secretary (CEO) of the General Commission on United Methodist Men, as the key speaker at the “planned” Men’s Ministry Symposium that will be held at Shenandoah University on Friday the 23rd of July 2010.



What is the Men’s Ministry Symposium? We hope the symposium will be an opportunity for all men to assemble together, the theological purpose for which, is to “conference” with one another and with God. John Wesley understood the importance of following the model of the early disciples who gathered in the Upper Room, praying and waiting for God’s Spirit to empower and guide them (Acts 2).

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This symposium is designed to be more than just a meeting, as we will also be blessed by the attendance of Mr. Dan Schaffer, from Wesleyan Building Brothers and author of “Spiritual Fathers, Rebuilding the Reproductive Church”, and also Mr Chris Van Brocklin, Ministry Consultant from Man In The Mirror, speaking on the “No Man Left Behind” model.



This is an opportunity to celebrate our connectionalism, in times of prayer, conferencing, and receiving God’s power for our ministries in our local communities and for our connectional ministries around the world. At the back of this newsletter you will see a flyer for this event with additional information.

**VAUMM 33rd Annual Spiritual Retreat Nov 5-7 2010**



**The Rev. Dr. Kevass J. Harding** will be this year’s featured speaker.

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### The Heart Havens 5K Race & 1K Fun Walk



"The Winchester District UMM's 4th Annual 5K Run/1K Fun Walk to benefit Heart Havens was conducted on April 24th at the Kernstown Battlefield. This event continues to grow each year, with more runners; walkers; workers; and, supporters participating in the event.

This year 65 runners of the 75 that registered, ran and completed the race. Those not completing the race, probably just registered in order to support the event.

**Matthew Lofton set a new course record of 18:01:28**, beating the previous record of 18:14 set in 2009. **Austin Schmidt** was the youngest male runner at 7 years old; **Gordie Legg** was the oldest male runner at 61 years young; **Payton Louzonis** was the youngest female at 9 years old; and, **Shirley Guess** was the oldest female runner at 68 years young. There were 35 registered walkers for the 1K Fun Walk, with many others tagging along to support and encourage some of the young participants. **Noah Schurtz**, at 4 years of age, led the group from start to finish and was awarded the Gold Medallion!

Our heartfelt thanks go out to the many volunteers who, year after year, continue to support our efforts with their time; talents; and, finances! Workers helping us with such things as, set up; registration; refreshments; marking the course; door prizes; presenting the awards; etc. Thanks to the staff; guys; and, parents of the Saratoga home; and, SVR for their equipment usage and providing Terry Leckie to manage the "finish line and order of finish" particulars! A special "thank you" goes to the Manassas Scout Troop 100; the CERTS group; the Kernstown Battlefield Foundation; and, the Winchester Rescue Squad who assisted us greatly with set ups; marshalling the course; parking vehicles; after race "clean up"; and, providing "stand by" first aid and medical assistance! And last, but certainly not least, the many registrants who participated in the Run/Walk; and, the many financial supporters that provided sponsorships and door prizes for the event! Thanks to all of you for making our fund raising efforts successful once again!"

- Jim Green & Fred Rathel —Past Presidents WDUMM

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All Winchester District  
United Methodist Men's Fellowships  
Are Welcome to submit articles for our District

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### A Note From The District UMMen's President

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Dear Brothers in Christ,

Rarely has anything so simple become so complicated. It was a lazy Saturday afternoon, and I was wrapping up my week's vacation with a day of complete inactivity. (How that makes it different than the last 6 days is anyone's guess). Eschewing the usual hygienic routine, today I said "no" to shaving, showering, and even tooth brushing for the joys of a recliner, remote, and blanket. By late afternoon, I was beginning to resemble Ted Kaczynski emerging from his shack after completing his Unabomber manifesto. Dinnertime was approaching, and cooking anything was not on the agenda for me. Nor would I leave the comforts of home in my current state, for fear that I would be confused with someone with outstanding warrants. Why tell you this? Because it is a situation that I believe, every male has found himself in at some point in his life. That of facing returning to work, in a world of deadlines, board meetings, options, and decisions, some of which may effect the very livelihood of the employees who work for us.

This may just be the biggest spiritual problem of all times: We work so we can be rich in the things of this earth, but we are poor in the things that are eternal. Corporate enterprises today sometimes seem to be all about having more, holding tight to what we have (market share), and wanting more (corporate growth). The resources we expend to analyze, evaluate, study and plan, is staggering. And how many of those decisions are based on growth at the expense of safety and well-being? It can enGULF you in an OILY sticky mess - which often leaves us with full hands and an empty soul.

None of us wants to come to the end of our lives in this condition. So the challenging question for us then, is this: What can we do to insure that our work on this earth will be for us a blessing and not a curse? A very helpful place to seek answers to these questions are in our Wesleyan heritage and our Methodist tradition. Here we find insights on scripture that will expand our understanding of the significant role that work plays in our lives. If we were to pick up our founder John Wesley's sermon entitled "The Use of Money" we would get this instruction: "Gain all you can, save all you can, give all you can." The "gain all you can" and "save all you can" parts may be surprising ....but not when we consider the third part: "give all you can." It's about balance. Maintaining balance in our lives is vitally important to the well being of ourselves, our families, our church, and our world.

Secondly, whatever work we do, John Wesley says, we must make sure that it does not go against our conscience – it must be in line with God's law. Third, says Wesley, we are to strive for justice in the world and be compassionate and generous with others. "We must not hurt others through indebtedness, nor by engaging in unfair competitive practices that price them out of business, nor by hiring their workers out from under them, nor by selling products or services that will hurt their health!" Pretty good guidelines—wouldn't you agree? What a different place this world would be if these guidelines were followed by workers all across the world! The words that John Wesley has spoken are in perfect alignment with the commandment that Jesus Christ has given to us: "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." And so, as God rested from his creative work, contemplated and saw that it was good, we also need a time to rest and contemplate. So as I thank God for the opportunity to return to work this week, and as many of you will be looking forward to your summer vacations, enjoy your "down-time" and remember we are now partners with God, co-creators with God. This will take some constant reminding of ourselves, though, how easy it is to fall into the rut of being all about "human doings" instead of "human beings."

- Grace & Peace, Herb Drake



## Winchester District UMMen

Be Ye Doers of the Word, and not Hearers Only!

### 100 Years of Scouting in America

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Many of you know that our denomination is the second largest sponsor of the BSA in the world. Rev. Greg Godwin, one of our lead chaplains for the jamboree, recently discovered some interesting history about our Church and the BSA.

'The earliest record that I have is from a publication from The Board of Sunday Schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church which includes a copy of a letter to the Chief Scout Executive, Mr. James E. West, dated February 12, 1920, at that time there were 3851 Methodist Scoutmasters, and 2182 Boy Scout Troops chartered to Methodist Churches.'

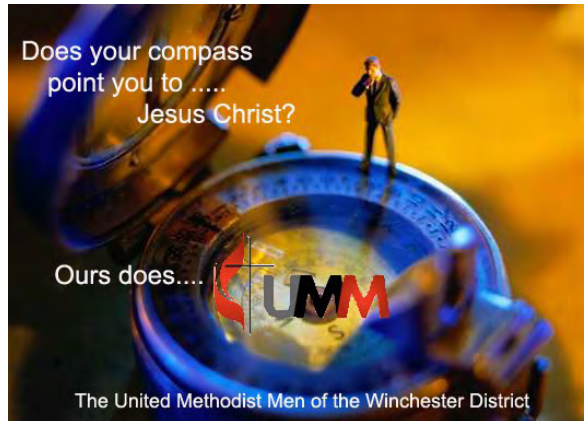
On May 21-23, 2010 a **Scout A Rama** at Shenandoah fair grounds in Woodstock was held to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. This was a time for fellowship, celebration, idea exchange, fun, and to show off your Scouting Skills. This event was open to all Cub Scouts and their families, Boy Scouts, Ventures, Explorers, and all leaders. Feb.7th was Scout Sunday but because of the weather many churches will have had to change that.

On May 1, 2010 the BSA entered 100 Scouts in the Apple Blossom Parade.

It is Philmont sign up time for the 2011 contingent to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico Philmont includes hiking from flat desert to Alpine peaks well above the tree line. Hiking is high elevation and challenging. Programs include gold mining, seeing the only known T-Rex print, archeology and Indian carvings, rock climbing, burros, horses, homesteading, spike climbing, ironwork, branding, challenge courses, fishing, biking, the list goes on.

There is tons of stuff going on this year to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Scouting in the United States. Check out the Shenandoah Area Council web site at <http://www.sac-bsa.org/>

- Yours In Scouting, Pat Lund



### Winchester District UMMen's Website



**Reminder,** The District UMMen's website is available and we try update it frequently. Today you can find pages for District Cabinet Executive Committee members; UMMen's Calendar, Resources (for your fellowship); Ministry Partners, News and Notes, a Chartered Fellowships page; and our BLOG. Additionally there are many useful links to Heart Havens, Camp Rainbow and Overlook, Scouting and EMAUS Walks. Find electronic publications like "The Circuit Rider"; "Wesleyan Report", "UMMens Magazine", "UM Reporter" and others. And **DON'T FORGET** to add your fellowship's events to our calendar! [Go there now](#)

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**The Winchester District  
United Methodist Men  
Cordially Invite You To The First**

**MEN'S MINISTRY  
SYMPOSIUM**



Interdenominational



**Mr. Gil Hanke, General Secretary (CEO) GCUMM**

Since our mission as a church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, then reviving and renewing men's relationships with Jesus Christ is a vital part of that ministry.



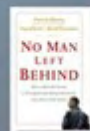
**Mr. Dan Schaffer, Building Brothers**

If the church is to significantly impact society and experience lasting growth, it is vital that we as leaders help our men transform their lives, mature in Christ, and become spiritual fathers who then reproduce their faith in others.



**Mr. Chris Van Brocklin, Man In The Mirror**

We believe nothing has the power to transform the world more than discipling men. We've seen it in churches where passionate leaders commit to reach all their men. It is among a handful of the most important tasks in the world.



**Friday, 23 July 2010**

**08:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

**1460 University Drive, Winchester, Virginia**

**SHENANDOAH  
UNIVERSITY**

CONTACT: Herbert Drake (540) 303-1516  
or email [herb.drake@comcast.net](mailto:herb.drake@comcast.net)

**Notice to the Men of the  
Winchester District,**

Please consider this a direct and personal appeal from me to you. While all initial arrangements have been made for this event, we must now guarantee 80—100 participants to be in attendance.

I am reminded of Luke 24:44-48 just before Jesus ascended into heaven. The disciples were gathered in the Upper Room and Jesus told them they were to preach repentance and forgiveness of sins to all nations, beginning in Jerusalem. They were already gathered in Jerusalem. **I wonder if that was the moment the disciples realized they had a job to do.**

Gentlemen we have a job to do. We need to work together to gather 100 men, who will commit to attending this event, and learn what discipling men means in today's society.

I know we can do this, and I praise God for giving us this opportunity to serve.

- Herb Drake

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# UNITED METHODIST MEN 2010 CALENDAR DATES



*“United Methodist Men are involved in the ministry of Jesus Christ, for men, through men.”*

January 1	WDUMMen’s E-Newsletter Vol 1, Issue #1	
January 4	WDUMMen Executive Committee	District Office, 7:00 p.m.
January 23	WDUMMen Executive Committee (Braddock St)	Winchester, VA 9:00 a.m.
February 6	VAUMMen Cabinet Meeting (Room #117)	VUMC 9:30 a.m..
February 20	Bowl-A-Thon (North Side Lanes)	Winchester, VA 12: p.m..
February 15	Deadline for <i>G. Ross Freeman Award</i> Nominations	Send to Jeff Hall
February 27	WDUMMen Cabinet Meeting (Duncan Memorial)	Berryville 9:15 a.m.
February 27	Deadline for WDUMM E-Newsletter Articles	Send to Herb Drake
March 1	WDUMMen’s E-Newsletter Vol 1, Issue #2	
March 5-6	Tri-District UMMen Spiritual Retreat	Camp Overlook
March 20	WBB Phase III Training, Wilderness UMC	Spotsylvania, VA
March 27	VAUMMen Spring Training Discovery UMC	Richmond, VA
April 24	5K Run & 1K Fun Walk (Kernstown Battlefield)	Winchester, VA 7:00 a.m.
May 1	VAUMMen Cabinet Meeting (Room #117)	VUMC 9:30 a.m.
May 15	WDUMMen Cabinet Meeting (TBA)	TBA, 9:15 a.m.
May 25	Deadline for WDUMM E-Newsletter Articles	Send to Herb Drake
June 1	WDUMMen’s E-Newsletter Vol 1, Issue #3	
June 13-16	Annual Conference Norfolk, VA	
June 15	VAUMMen Annual Conference Breakfast	Epworth UMC
July 15	VAUMMen Day at Camp Rainbow Connection	VUMAC
August 12	VAUMMen Day at Camp Rainbow Connection	VUMAC
September 11	Bill Owen Mem. Golf Tournament (Bowling Green)	Front Royal, VA 7:00 a.m.
October 2	VAUMMen Cabinet Meeting (Room #117)	VUMC 9:30 a.m.
October 9	WDUMMen Cabinet Meeting (TBA)	TBA, 9:15 a.m
October 25	Deadline for WDUMM E-Newsletter Articles	Send to Herb Drake
November 1	WDUMMen’s E-Newsletter Vol 1, Issue #4	
November 5-7	33 <sup>RD</sup> Annual UMMen Spiritual Retreat	VUMAC
November 13	District Fall Rally (Bethel)	Warrenton, VA 7:40 a.m.
December 4	VAUMMen Cabinet Meeting (Room #117)	VUMC 9:30 a.m.
December 11	WDUMMen Cabinet Meeting (TBA)	TBA, 9:15 a.m.
December 20	Deadline for WDUMM E-Newsletter Articles	Send to Herb Drake



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*"But be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only." - James 1:22*

June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ;

On behalf of the Winchester District United Methodist Men (WDUMM), the Family of Mr. Bill Owen, and the residents of Heart Havens Saratoga House, I am pleased to announce our 14<sup>th</sup> Annual WDUMM Golf Tournament in Memory of Bill Owen, to benefit Heart Havens and the UMMen's Winchester District ministries. This tournament is our main fund raiser for the year. This year's event will be held on Saturday, 11 September 2010 at the Bowling Green Country Club, in Front Royal Virginia.

It is only with your generous support that we can continue to improve the quality of life for the local residents of Heart Havens, Saratoga House of Winchester, and support Heart Havens Inc., in providing additional homes throughout the state. Citizens with intellectual and other developmental disabilities in our communities are able to live out their lives in Heart Havens residences, places they can call "home." The quality of life for residents is significantly impacted by encouraging involvement in the community and its churches, by respecting each individual's uniqueness, dignity and worth; by ministering to the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of each resident; by understanding the concerns and needs of each resident's family; by providing individualized training assistance and supervision; and by affirming God's love and care for all his children.

Please help those in need by signing on as a 2010 Golfing partner and sponsor today. **All sponsorships are credited toward the \$1000.00 annual challenge to each fellowship.** In addition, any United Methodist Church or UMMen Fellowship who becomes a Gold Sponsor is entitled to enter one, four man golf team into the tournament at a 50% discount (a \$260.00 entry fee is reduced to only \$32.50 per man or \$130.00 for a 4 man team). The enclosed flyer provides information on the benefits and levels of sponsorship along with registering your team to play in our captain's choice, best ball competition.

In addition to becoming a sponsor (Gold, Silver, General, or Supporter), we encourage you to take part in this event by registering a team; assist in the event planning; share this opportunity with your congregation and community leaders; and we can always use help on the day of the event, with placement of placards, water stations, and generally directing participants to registration and hospitality stations.

**REMINDER:** There are many ways that all our communities can help participate in the Heart Havens' ministry. This golf tournament sponsored as a special project of the Winchester District United Methodist Men (UMMen) and is open to all men and women, with golf teams of four players each. Teams can be all men, all females or mixed couples and youth old enough to play golf. **This event is open to all.**

Thank you for your time and consideration, and for making a real difference in the lives of Heart Havens residents.

Grace & Peace,

Herbert Drake, President  
Winchester District United Methodist Men

# 14<sup>th</sup> Annual WDUMM Golf Tournament in Memory of Bill Owen Sponsorship Options

## Gold Sponsor (\$ 500.00 + )

- Two Tee Placards & Two Green Placards (includes company/organization name and verse/comment)
- Link to your website in the “Partners In Mission” section of the Winchester District website as a Gold Sponsor
- Recognition in WDUMM news and other promotional items and events
- Register one 4 man team for ½ price at only \$130.00 (Regular \$260.00)

## Silver Sponsor (\$ 250.00 + )

- One Tee Placard & One Green Placard (includes company/organization name and verse/comment)
- Link to your website in the “Partners In Mission” section of the Winchester District website as a Silver Sponsor
- Recognition in WDUMM news and other promotional items and events

## General Sponsor (\$ 100.00 + )

- One Tee Placard (includes company/organization name and verse/comment)
- Link to your website in the “Partners In Mission” section of the Winchester District website as a General Sponsor
- Recognition in WDUMM news and other promotional items and events

## Supporter (\$ ANY Amount )

- Link to your website in the “Partners In Mission” section of the Winchester District website as a Supporter
- Recognition in WDUMM news and other promotional items and events

YES! I would like to support Heart Havens in the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual WDUMM Golf Tournament!

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Placard: \_\_\_\_\_

Tag Line on Placard: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to the WDUMM, and mail to:  
Treasurer, Mr. Jim Rudisill, PO BOX 41, Lincoln, VA 20160.



**Schedule:**

- 7:00—7:45 AM Registration
- 8:00 AM Shotgun Start
- 1:00 PM Lunch Buffet
- 1:30 PM Awards Ceremony



**Format:**

- 4 - Person Team, Captain's Choice
- Automobile for hole-in-one on selected hole  
(Sponsored by Miller Honda-Volkswagen-Suzuki)
- Longest Drive on all Par 5's
- Closest to the Pin on all Par 3's

**\$260 per foursome:**

Registration limited to the 1st 100 paid Registrants

**Tidbits:**

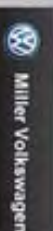
- Mulligan's 2 for \$5.00
- Red Tees \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00
- Maximum of 2 mulligan's & 2 red tees per golfer. Other fundraising opportunities will be available




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# 14th Annual Winchester District UMMen Bill Owen Memorial Golf Tournament

(Saturday, 11 September 2010)





*Come join us in  
celebrating*  
**Rev. David Forrest's**  
*6 years as  
Winchester District Superintendent*

*Saturday, June 26, 2010*

*5:00 p.m.*

*Burnt Factory UMC Picnic Shelter  
1943 Jordan Springs Road  
Stephenson, Virginia*

*Please RSVP by calling the District Office  
at 540-662-7332 or emailing [SherylPifer@vaumc.org](mailto:SherylPifer@vaumc.org)  
NO later than Wednesday, June 16th!*

*A love offering for Chicuque Rural Hospital in Mozambique  
will be presented to the Forrest family during the celebration.*

*Please send donations to the  
Winchester District Office, 21 S. Kent Street, Winchester, VA 22601  
by Wednesday, June 16th*



# *Special Announcement*

## Virginia Conference United Methodist Men

### 33<sup>RD</sup> Annual Spiritual Retreat

United Methodist Assembly Center – Blackstone, Virginia

**November 5-7, 2010**

*Introducing Our Featured Speaker for 2010 ...*

# **Dr. Kevass J. Harding**

The **Rev. Dr. Kevass J. Harding** was born in Wichita, Kansas where he received his K-12 education in the public school system. In 1988 he received an Associate of Art Degree from Hutchinson (Kansas) Community College, and in 1991, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice from the University of



Texas at El Paso. **In 1998, Dr. Harding was ordained a Deacon in the United Methodist Church, and in 2002, he was ordained as an Elder.** For three years he served Saint Mark United Methodist Church in Wichita as the church's Associate Pastor.

**In July 1998, Dr. Harding was appointed by the Kansas West Annual Conference to Dellrose United Methodist Church in Wichita where he currently serves as Senior Pastor.** Since his appointment to Dellrose, by reaching out to the surrounding community, growth and renewal can be seen throughout the congregation. **Within the past 8 years, Dellrose has grown from 25 to more than 800 members,** increasing in all aspects, numerically, spiritually and financially. **Pastor Harding attributes the growth of the church to dynamic teaching, fellowship, praise and worship,** and to the fact that "Dellrose is a place where everyone will feel the love of God, find the joy of Christ, and experience the power of the Holy Spirit." **He received his Master of Divinity Degree (cum laude) from Phillips Theological Seminary in 1999, and in 2006, he was**

**awarded a Doctor of Ministry degree,** specializing in church administration and congregational growth and revitalization from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio.

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*Mark Your Calendar Now for November 5-7, 2010, and Plan to Attend!*