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### CENTRAL MIDWESR DISTRICT UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST WOMEN'S FEDERATION

### NEWSLETTER

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### GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES

To Barbara Marshall, our new Executive Director of the UUWF at 25 Beacon Street. The women of the Central Midwest District wish her every success and offer her our fullest cooperation.

REPORT OF ANNUAL MEETING

June 19, 1974

The By-Laws were revised to separate the office of Secretary - Treasurer. Your new Treasurer is Bonnie Olson, Joliet, Ill Hester Huff will continue as Secretary until next June. Two Directors were elected; Rosann White, Hinsdale and Marietta Hunsche, St. Louis. Doris Jones will continue as President until June.

A resolution was passed requesting the Board of Directors of the Central Midwest District to take proper action to make the President of the UUWF a voting member of the District Board.

The Executive Board held a short meeting. President, Doris Jones announced the appointment of Elise Lacher, Eliot Chapel as Institute Chairman for 1975. (She has since had to resign.)

Hester Huff and Betsy Davis were then appointed to serve on the Communications Committee.

The By-Laws are being re-printed to reflect the amendments and will be available soon. Copies will be sent to all Unit Presidents. If you do not receive a copy, just write to the Secretary and one will be sent to you.

You will receive the official copy of the minutes of this meeting at the Annual Meeting in June 1975.

## ALLERTON INSTITUTE "Letter from the Allerton Committee"

The Allerton Committee was asked toreport on this years Institute. We feel the report was written for us on the Evaluation Sheets. The Program and the Keynote Speaker were well received. We were also appreciative of the criticisms that were made.

Our theme "Close the Circuit: Communicate" was carried out thru the three days - all of us had time to meet one another thru small groups and at meal time.

It was a great asset to have the Keynote Speaker and the Chairperson from the same area. Many mini meetings and phone calls were needed and were so easy to arrange. The best laid plans did not include the Super Storm while our Past Presidents were being honored. What a way to end the Institute. We will never forget it!

Thanks to all of you for your help

Warm Fuzzy's Phyllis Brening Maves Bell

Drucilla Cummins, our Continental President, was a guest of the CMDUUWF and spoke to us during the Institute.

Sixty seven women were registered for the Institute and there were two guests. As usual, the Institute was a great success, with those attending participating in the workshops and rap sessions.

The Past Presidents, Lucille Kazmark, Margaret Harris, and Betty King were each presented with a plaque in honor of the service they have given to the CMDUUWF.

Next year the Institute will be held on June 17, 18, and 19, 1975 at Allerton House. We are expecting everyone of you to attend.

## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

The Board regretfully accepted the resignation of Rosann White as Cirector and Chicago Area Coordinator. Robin Sprietsma has accepted the Board's invitation to serve out Rosann's term. Although it was impossible to arrange a fall Chicago area meeting, Rockford will host a spring one.

Another resignation which was regretfully accepted by the Board was that of Elise Lacher as Allerton Chairman because her husband has been transferred out of the area. Gloria Grimm has graciously agreed to serve as Allerton Chairman with Marietta Hunsche (continued)

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assisting. Several other St. Louis area people have agreed to help in some capacity.
Your President, Doris Jones, attending the CMD UUA meeting in Madison. The resolution which passed at Allerton to request that our President be made a voting member of the CMD UUA Board was favorably received at the meeting. However, it was filed with the secretary and no action was taken at this time. -Doris Jones

# CENTRAL MIDWEST DISTRICT UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST WOMEN'S FEDERATION

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Dues: Dues of \$1.00 per unit member are payable by the local UUWF on January 1, 1975. Each unit should send their dues to the new Treasurer. -Bonnie Olson, 1091 Kinmonth, Joliet, Il

If your unit does not pay dues, there is a provision for individual dues of \$1.00 per year which some women in your unit may want to pay. Individual dues are also sent to the Treasurer.

<u>Directory</u>: Our latest Directory was complied two years ago. This list of the names and addresses of the officers of the local units must be brought up to date. If you have not sent these names and addresses to your local Secretary, please do so now. We want to be sure that you receive the latest news. Your local Secretary can help by sending this information to the District Secretary after each election.

Long Range Planning: The Long Range Planning Committee, it really means the Midwest Cook Book, is in need of more recipes. There is talk about this cook book being used to commenorate the Bi-Centennial. Phyllis Brening is now working on this and does not want to use all her own recipes in the book. I do not want her to either. I have sent in my own recipes. Will all of you get busy now and send in your recipes to. -Phyllis Brening, 4961 Welsh Rd. Rockford, Illinois 61107

Board Meeting: Your Executive Board held a meeting in Springfield, Illinois on November 2, 1974.

President, Doris Jones, announced the resignation of Elise Lacher as Institute Chairman Elise and her family are moving to Detroit to make their home. It is important that we have a woman from the St. Louis area for the Institute Chairman to work with the other women on the committee. Gloria Grimm has agreed to accept this responsibility. The Board will be represented by Marietta Hunsche.

The Board discussed a new project for CMD UUWF, in addition to the Institute. Various plans were suggested and finally it was decided to explore a possibility of a Loan Fund available to students at Meadville Theological School. Details of the plans will be presented to the membership at the next Annual Meeting to be held in June 1975 at Allerton House.

Board members agreed that CMD UUWF should have some program for their women at the time of the CMD UUWF meetings. It is too late for the Madison Meeting, but is a future possibility.

The next meeting will likely be held in Bloomington, Illinois. If you would like to be notified of these meetings, or you would like to have a copy of the minutes, just write to your secretary and she will send them to you.

DISTRICT UUA MEETING: Doris Jones, President and Hester Huff, Secretary, of the CMD UUWF attended the District UUA meeting in Madison, Wis. They talked with many women who had attended Allerton and who were asking questions about a 'Workshop for Women" at future UUA meetings. Maybe next time. Betty Lykes is the newly elected Secretary of the District UUA. She is also an Individual Member of the CMD UUWF.

### NEWS NOTES

The women of the Milwaukee Alliance are in the process of deciding the future of their unit. At present they do not have any dues paying members.

The Alliance of the Bloomington Church are busy with two Mini-Fairs in December. In January they will be having a program on the Service Committee.

In Joliet, the UUWF are presenting a varied program. They are studying about "Communications and Values", "Values and Goals", and "Consumer Fraud". In April, they will have a panel discussion about "Being Our Age and Learning to Like It."

The Rockford Alliance are having an All-Church Mini Bazaar on December 8th. Their program for the year are most interesting. Listen to this - "Myths and Facts of Womenhood", "How Women have Seen Themselves Over the Years", 'What You Have Always Wanted To Know About The Courts and Were Afraid to Ask". Wouldn't it be nice to live close enough to attend. Send in something about your unit.