

Important Information for the
2018 Annual Conference Members
from Vicki Stahlman
Chairperson of Conference Sessions

WELCOME TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

As you are already aware, Annual Conference 2018 looks a little different, sounds a little different and tastes a little different (gluten free communion bread). We begin with Bible study Wednesday night and end with worship on Saturday afternoon. We begin our physical set up in “Ordination mode” and have the running of the pastors at 6am Friday morning in traditional table mode. Through all these changes, my prayer is that we are:

**“Dressed In Hope:
WPA Chic”**

Our conferences each year don’t happen by accident. This conference is a result of MANY hours of hard work, blood, sweat and a few tears along the way. I am thankful for all the support as I continue to serve as Chair of the Conference Sessions Team. On behalf of the Sessions Team, I welcome you and pray that you will allow the Holy Spirit to be your guide this week. If there is anything you need, please don’t hesitate to ask.

PHONE NUMBERS

The Grove City College’s official number for annual conference is:

(724) 450-1590

If there is an emergency that requires police, fire department, or ambulance, please **DO NOT** dial 911. The best way to get help for any of these emergencies is to dial:

(724) 458-3000

I. D. BADGES:

I.D. Badges are **ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED** to be worn at all times by members, visitors, and staff of the Annual Conference. This differentiates you from strangers on campus to allow our Conference Safety Team and the College Safety Team to keep you safe. If you feel you have been issued the wrong type of name badge, please see John Wilson, Conference Secretary.

TRANSPORTATION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:

Golf Cart transportation is available between buildings on campus on a limited basis. Persons with Disabilities are the first priority for riding on the carts. Others are welcome to ride on a space-available basis, but please be willing to get off at any time to open a seat for a Person with Disabilities. Go to one of the “Golf Cart Shuttle Stop” signs to catch a ride. If you need any further information or help, the telephone number for the golf cart coordinator is

814-254-2372

MEAL TICKETS & DINING LOCATIONS

With your name tag, you should have received a color coded meal ticket. There are two colors for the meal tickets that indicate where you are to eat. The locations are also printed on your name badge.

- Hicks Dining Hall (pink card)
- MAP Dining Hall (green card)

Either meal ticket may be used in the GEDUNK (Student Union) for lunch or supper.

Please have your meal card in your hand PRIOR to your arrival at the check-in station.

**If you have any housing or meal questions,
you can reach Genie Love at 814-715-1444.**

HEALTH CARE AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The nurse’s station is near the back of the Plenary room. You may call the nurses station at any time by picking up a campus telephone and dialing 1588 (or dial 724-450-1588 from your cell phone).

ADDITIONAL PORTABLE RESTROOM FACILITIES:

Flush-type Portable restrooms are located in the lighted trailer just outside the Plenary room accessed by going through the rolling overhead door on the back half of the plenary room. There is a handicapped accessible portable toilet in the same area.

OBSERVE TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ON CAMPUS:

Parking, typically, is not going to be adjacent to dormitories due to the green spaces of the campus. Please observe signage indicating reserved spaces for College personnel and for persons with disabilities. Vehicles that are illegally parked may be ticketed or towed at the discretion of Grove City College for health and safety reasons.

I. M. ROOM TO BE LOCKED:

To allow preparation for the next day, the Plenary room will be locked 45 minutes following the close of each evening Plenary Session.

LOST AND FOUND:

Lost and Found is at the “Seat Information & Hospitality” Desk in the rear of the Plenary Room. Following Annual Conference, contact Bill Jacka at 1-800-886-3382 or by email at bill.jacka@gmail.com.

WIRELESS INTERNET SERVICE:

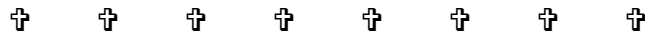
There is a new wireless connection at GCC this year. Choose GCC-Guest on your cell or laptop. Your browser will then open and you will be asked to register on the network with and e-mail address. At that point, you will be able to connect for 7 days.

PRAYER CENTER:

In addition to the opportunities to worship during the Plenary Sessions, you are invited to spend time in prayer through the Prayer Center located on the second floor of the Breen Student Union (Gedunk). There are themed multisensory and interactive prayer stations and quiet areas for private meditative prayer. The Prayer Team members are praying for you personally and are available to pray with you, if desired.

DISPLAY ROOM SCHEDULE

Wednesday Noon – 11PM except during worship
Thursday 9AM – 11 PM except during worship
Friday 9AM – 11 PM except during worship
Saturday 9AM – 3PM



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WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA
June 6-9, 2018
Grove City College, Grove City, PA

Wednesday June 6: Annual Conference Prayer Ministry Day of Spiritual Preparation

- 12 Noon Prayer Center Opens** – Breen Student Union
- 12 Noon Display Room Opens** – Physical Learning Center, Arena
- 1:00 pm Registration Begins** – Stem Lobby
- 1:00 pm Concert of Prayer** – Harbison Chapel
- 1:00 pm CONTINUING EDUCATION** – Recruiting & Building Healthy Teams (until 5 PM)
Guest Speaker: Nancy Beach Location: Sticht Lecture, Hall of Arts and Letters
- 2:00 pm Prayer Walk** – Starting at Harbison Chapel
- 4:00 pm REHEARSAL: Ordination Service** (all speakers, ordinands & sponsors)
- 6:00 pm Healing Service** – Harbison Chapel
- 8:00 pm Conference Bible Study Session 1** – Rev. Dr. Shively Smith – IM Room

Thursday, June 7

- 6:30 am Breakfast** – first included meal
- 7:00 am Registration Opens** – Stem Lobby
- 7:00 am Prayer Center Opens** – Breen Student Union
- 8:00 am Conference Bible Study Session 2** – Rev. Dr. Shively Smith – IM Room
- 9:30 am Clergy Session** – Harbison Chapel
- 9:30 am Laity Session** – Ketler Auditorium, Pew Fine Arts Center
Guest Speaker: Rev. Junius B. Dotson, General Secretary, Discipleship Ministries
- 11:30 am Lunch**
- 1:00 pm Opening Plenary Session** – IM Room
- 3:00 pm Legislative Section Meetings**
- 5:00 pm Dinner**
- 6:15 pm Clergy Robing for evening worship** – Stem Lobby
- 7:00 pm Ordination & Commissioning Service** – IM Room – Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi, Preaching
Offering: *Bishop’s Discretionary Fund* (offerings can be given online)
- 9:30 pm Legislative Section Meetings** – as Needed
- 9:30 pm Fellowship Reception** – Student Union Patio (Rain Location: Hicks Dining Hall)
- 10:00 pm Youth Pizza Party with Bishop Moore-Koikoi**
- 11:00 pm Prayer Center Closes**

Friday, June 8:

- 6:30 am **Breakfast**
- 7:00 am **Prayer Center Opens** – Breen Student Union
- 8:00 am **Conference Bible Study Session 3** – Rev. Dr. Shively Smith – IM Room
- 9:00 am **Plenary Session** – IM Room
- 11:30 am **Lunch** (Youth Service Fund Tray Day)
- 11:30 am **REHEARSAL: Retiree Worship Celebration** (all speakers)
- 1:30 pm **Plenary Session** – IM Room
- 5:00 pm **Dinner**
- 7:00 pm **Worship Celebration: Celebration of 2018 Retirees** – Rev. Paul Taylor, Preaching – IM Room – **Offering: *Camping*** (offerings can be given online)
- 8:30 pm **Fellowship Reception** – Student Union Patio (Rain Location: Hicks Dining Hall)
- 9:37 pm **Evening Worship** – Ketler Auditorium, Pew Fine Arts Center
- 11:00 pm **Prayer Center Closes**

Saturday, June 9:

- 6:30 am **Breakfast**
- 7:00 am **Prayer Center Opens** – Breen Student Union
- 8:00 am **Plenary Session** – IM Room
- 11:30 am **Lunch** – Last included meal
- 1:00 pm **Minister's Choir Concert** – IM Room
- 1:30 pm **Worship Celebration: Memorial Service** – Rev. Calvin Cook, Preaching – IM Room
- 2:45 pm **Plenary Session** – IM Room
- 4:00 pm **Budget Legislation** (*order of the day*)
Closing Worship
- 6:00 pm **Prayer Center Closes**
- 6:00 pm **Display Room Closes**

Swimming Pool (*the pool is limited to 20 swimmers if only 1 lifeguard is available*)

- Tuesday: 10:00-11:00 PM
- Thursday: 9:00-11:00 PM
- Friday: 9:00-11:00 PM

Fitness Center

- Thursday: 6:00-7:30 AM; 11:30-1:00 PM
- Friday: 6:00-7:30 AM
- Saturday: 6:00-7:30 AM; 11:30-1:00 PM

Room Assignments & Special Meals

June 6-9 Secretarial Staff, Tellers, & Counters (PLC Conference Room)

Tuesday, June 5

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Provisionals (HAL 110, 208 & 210)
1:30 PM – 4:30 PM Provisionals (HAL 110, 208 & 210)
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Provisionals (HAL 110, 208 & 210)

Wednesday, June 6

8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Board of Ministry (Rathburn Hall – Morledge Room)
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM Provisionals (HAL 110, 208 & 210)
12:30 PM – 5:30 PM Leadership Day Event (HAL Sticht Auditorium)
1:30 PM – 3:30 PM Bishop's Initiative Training (STEM Lecture Hall)
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM Legislative Section Leaders (HAL 110)
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM United Methodist Foundation (Carnegie Alumni Center – Colonnade Room)
9:30 PM – 10:45 PM General Conference Delegation (STEM Lecture Hall)

Thursday, June 7

9:30 AM Clergy Spouses (Rathburn Hall – Morledge Room)
11:30 AM Deacons (Old MAP)
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM Legislative Section Meetings
 Section 1 (Crawford Hall)
 Section 2 (STEM Hall – Lecture Hall)
 Section 3 (Pew Fine Arts Center – Little Theater)
 Section 4 (Pew Fine Arts Center – Ketler Auditorium)
 Section 5 (HAL – Sticht Auditorium)
 Section 6 (Pew Fine Arts Center – Recital Hall)
 Section 7 (Technical Learning Center – Auditorium)
5:00 PM Wesley Covenant Association (HAL Sticht Auditorium)
5:00 PM Retiree's Dinner (Rathburn Hall – Morledge Room)
5:00 PM WPA Reconciling Ministries (Carnegie Alumni Center – Colonnade Room)

Friday, June 8

7:00 AM PTS Alumni (MAP Old Dining Room)
11:30 AM Duke Alumni (MAP Old Dining Room)
11:30 AM Asbury Alumni (MAP Old Dining Room)
11:30 AM UTS Alumni (MAP Old Dining Room Private)
5:00 PM United Methodist Women (Rathburn Hall – Morledge Room)
5:00 PM Board of Ordained Ministry Dinner (MAP Old Dining Room)
5:45 PM Human Life Task Force (Couches in HAL Lobby)
6:00 PM Fellowship of Local Pastors and Associate Members (STEM Hall – Lecture Hall)

Saturday, June 9

12:30 PM Memorial Service Families (Harker Hall)