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## **Second Mile Center of Detroit**

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From any direction take the closest freeway to I-94 and go toward Detroit and take exit 223 to Cadieux. Continue with West directions below.

From West on I-94 going east turn left onto Cadieux. In 0.4 miles make slight left on Morang and go 1.1 miles to SMCD on left.

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**PWPD Gathering  
Saturday  
September 22, 2018  
9:30 AM – 2:00 PM**

**Reservations for Lunch \$10.00 by Friday,  
September 14**

**Contact Emily Nietering  
313-278-9269**

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Dear Sisters in Christ,

It seems that the year is moving fast. I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer as fall is approaching fast.

Presbyterian Women's organizations are diminishing. So many churches don't have active PW's and PWPB is having a hard time getting women to be on the Coordinating Team or one of the committees. Why is that? If we, as Presbyterian Women, don't step up there may not be an organization in the Presbytery of Detroit. I don't want that. We are making changes to allow more women to come to Gatherings and get involved.

This summer has been very hot and our lawns are very dry. But this is Michigan and in Michigan the weather can change in an instant. I love the sunshine and clear skies. It gives me comfort and peace.

By the time you read this the Churchwide Gathering will be over. I am looking forward to going. It is my third time going and I always get so much out of it. I hope many of you are going too.

Allen Park Presbyterian Church along with Pat McBride hosted the 4 ministers from Indonesia for a couple days. Pat took them to The Henry Ford Museum and also downtown Detroit. We met at the Allen Park Presbyterian Church on July 25 for a dinner and fellowship. It was wonderful to talk to them. Two were men, one was an interpreter and a minister's wife. These 3 are not going to the Churchwide Gathering. The last minister is a woman and will be going. It was an enjoyable evening.

Grace and Peace,  
Janet Morton, PWPB Moderator

## **Mission Committee**

The Second Mile Center is our PWPB Mission project. Let's shower our mission center with our time and talents at a fall workout day. After a brief message from the SMCD Director, Ruth Azar, we will get down to work. Projects may include sorting food donations, kitchen cleanup, organizing the pantry and craft room, and preparing

craft kits for the children. Presbyterian men will be joining us as we work together. Come prepared with comfortable clothes and shoes. Sit-down jobs will be available.

**Please bring non-perishable food items for Second Mile Center Holiday Food Baskets to this Gathering. Please have the total amount and value of the donations from your church.**

It seems like Thanksgiving and Christmas are far away, but Second Mile Center is planning for their food items now. We are asking for your assistance in providing food for families for the holidays. Bring the following items to the September Gathering so that families can enjoy the holiday seasons.

The items needed for each basket are:

Nonperishable:

- One box elbow macaroni
- 2 cans cranberry sauce
- 1 Container frosting
- 1 box cake or brownie mix
- 2 cans green beans or corn
- 1 box or bag white self-rising corn meal

Perishable:

See comment below

Instead of perishable items, please issue a \$50 check payable to "PWPD" or "The Second Mile Center of Detroit," or purchase gift cards from Kroger, Walmart, Sam's Club or Target. Any amount is appreciated.

Emily Nietering, Vice-Moderator Mission Committee

**PWPD Mission Ingathering 2018  
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Detroit**

The 2018 Ingathering will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 15, 16, and 17. The hours for donation delivery to Westminster Church will be Monday 9 AM – 2PM. On Tuesday, we will be sorting, counting, and repacking for delivery. We will especially need volunteers on Tuesday. On Wednesday, we will be loading cars for delivery to 33 local agencies all over metro Detroit. Please give Sherry Brown a call if you are able to deliver items on Wednesday. It is such a rewarding feeling to visit an agency we support and see how our donations are being used.

The Ingathering will be held at **Westminster Presbyterian Church, 17575 Hubbell Ave., Detroit**. The 2018 assignment for your church is the same as your assignment from 2017. Even if your church does not send items we will welcome you to come and help us unpack, sort, count, repack and deliver all of our donations. We look forward to having you join us in October.

Your PWPD Ingathering coordinators,  
Emily Nietering 313-278-9269  
Sherry Brown 313-561-6787

## **Justice and Peace Committee**

Moral Male Project:

Try as I might, I couldn't find a group of young males to introduce the Justice and Peace Committee's project of taking a pledge (which would be witnessed) "I promise to treat the women and girls in my life with respect and not harm them in any way." The pledge would be signed and filed. In return the young man would get a lapel pin with the letters M/M and Moral Male circled around it. The idea would be no girl would date a guy who had not committed to treating her with respect. Thank goodness for Ruth Azar! She has ordered 25 silver pins with black letters. I had to order 250 to get a decent price which I will cover as a contribution to the project. If anyone reading this has a young men's group to which we can present this project please contact me. I am taking a sample to Churchwide Gathering in Louisville, KY to see if I can acquire interest in this project.

Pam Frucci, Vice-Moderator Justice and Peace Committee

## **The Second Mile Center of Detroit**

*"The eternal god is your dwelling place, and underneath are the everlasting arms,"*  
*Deut. 33:27*

God has blessed us with a wonderful summer with children and adults coming to the center Monday – Friday. The Synod Mobile Health Fair came away with 150 screenings and 117 volunteers who offered talent from setup, to health screens to games, to food, to prizes, to face paintings, to nurses, to doctors, to outside vendors, to registration in and out to cleanup. The 3 churches with the most volunteers this year: First Battle Creek, Grosse Pointe Memorial and Lakeshore PC. The corporate sponsor with the most volunteers: North Western Mutual. One of the comments from a volunteer was, "The children were so happy and polite. The children took care of each other even though they are not related and even shared with each other. They behaved like a family. I love coming to the health fair each year." We love hearing from you! **WE** thank all of you who volunteered, gave gifts and continually prayed for us.

Ten children were invited once again to camp with Northbrook PC. This experience enriches our children as well as the children from Northbrook. How good is it to be part of a connectional church.

The September Gathering is here at the Center. We encourage you to come and visit us. The Mission Committee has a report about what we are doing and what items are needed for our Thanksgiving and Christmas food giveaways. We are preparing for startup of our after school program so please remember us for back packs and school supplies for the children of our community. We encourage you to bring items to the September Gathering or call us at the center for arrangements.

God Bless,  
Ruth Azar  
313-245-5252

THE SECOND MILE CENTER OF DETROIT  
invites *YOU* to  
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Golf & Dinner  
package  
\$125.00

Dinner only  
\$65.00

Cocktails,  
Dinner, Raffles,  
50/50 Drawings.

**DINNER+AWARDS  
CEREMONY  
6:30 PM**



**2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL  
SCRAMBLE GOLF OUTING**

Shot Gun Start - 1:30 PM  
Sunday, September 30, 2018

Glen Oaks Golf Course  
30500 W 13 Mile Rd.  
Farmington Hills, MI 48334

Register online: [www.secondmilecenter.org](http://www.secondmilecenter.org)  
or send checks payable to:

**The Second Mile Center of Detroit  
4138 Washington Crescent, Troy, MI 48085**

Be a Sponsor! Email us at: [TheSecondMileCenter@gmail.com](mailto:TheSecondMileCenter@gmail.com)

Deadline for Reservations: **September 24, 2018**

For more information please contact  
Kathy: 248.515.5307

**The Second Mile Center of Detroit is a non-profit 501(c)3.  
18391 Morang Ave, Detroit, MI 48205**



Established in 2007 and supported solely by donations "The Center" provides a safe environment for after-school and summer programs, computer labs, Health Ministry, Bible study, meals and food for individuals, children, and families in one of Detroit's most challenging areas. 100% of net proceeds benefit The Second Mile Center of Detroit.