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Editor's note:

Thanks to our new webmaster, Craig Lincoln, we have our website back up and running. We have all of the newsletter issues available, so if you missed one just download it.

We're looking forward to having a good meeting and a good time in Washington DC in a few weeks. I hope you can join us.

Thanks to the GCUM staff and the new building the GCUMM is in, we are having our mail handled through the commission office. This will eliminate the problems we've been having with our PO Box.

I thank all of you for what you do for our ministry. We need everyone's efforts for our ministry to be successful.

Bob Chase
President, Editor

NAUMS Meeting in DC

There is a lot of United Methodist Scouting going on at the Wardman Park Marriott during the National BSA meetings May 24-26.

There will be an elective for registered attendees entitled: "Growing Units Through the United Methodist Church" offered on MAY 25th at 2:30pm. This workshop will be led by Dr. Karen Heim-Baugh, Larry Coppock and Bob Chase.

The NAUMS Board of Directors will meet at 1:00 pm on Friday, May 26th and the annual member meeting of the Association will be held at 2:30 pm also on Friday the 26th. Following the annual member meeting, there will be a reception for United Methodist scouters that will end in time for the BSA recognition banquet.

If you are planning on attending the BSA meetings, make sure you join us for these programs and meetings. If you are not planning on registering for the BSA meetings and would like to attend the NAUMS annual meeting, please send an email to Bob Chase at: bchase@naums.org prior to May 19th and we'll make sure you can get to the meeting.

The deadline for voting eligibility is May 19th.

The Wardman Park Marriott is close to the National Zoo and the DC Metro stop identified as Woodley Park/Zoo/Adams Morgan stop on the METRO Red Line. Go to: http://www.stationmasters.com/System_Map/WOODLEYP/woodleyp.html for a local map.

Nominations for At-large Directors

The Nominations Committee, chaired by Gene Winland, has selected the following four individuals as the recommended nominees for the four at-large director positions serving as the class of 2010.

Gregory A. Godwin, Princeton, WV, West Virginia Conference, Northeast Jurisdiction, NAUMS Annual member, Northeast Jurisdiction Scouting Ministry Coordinator, Executive Board, Buckskin Council (BSA), and Elder.

Dennis "Craig" Grabeel, Virginia Beach, VA, Virginia Conference, Southeast Jurisdiction, NAUMS Life member, Executive Board, Tidewater Council (BSA), and certified Deacon candidate.

John W. Hargrave, Dayton, OH, West Ohio Conference, North Central Jurisdic-

tion, NAUMS Life member, Vice Chairman, Interfaith Committee, Miami Valley Council (BSA).

Bruce Simmons, Sharon Center, OH, East Ohio Conference, North Central Jurisdiction, NAUMS Life member, Executive Board Great Trail Council (BSA).

Any additional nominations that were received and reviewed by the committee will be on the ballot and will be eligible for election, if qualified. Nominations from the floor are not accepted. If you know of someone you feel would help the association by being a director, make sure you get their nomination to the Nominations committee early enough to be considered in 2007. Watch for the deadlines.

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NAUMS Happenings

At the Board meeting in March, the directors decided we needed more input and expanded the number of at-large directors to 16 (from 12.) This will give us four classes of four directors each. To make things simpler we added the new class as 2009 and voted to extend the terms of current directors Tina Justice and Shirley Lundy and to add Phil Craig—our Finance Committee Chair from Tennessee, and Bob LeClercq—the North Central Jurisdiction Scouting Ministries Coordinator from Illinois to fill that class. The vacancies created by resignations and excessive absences by directors were filled by Bill Chafin—from Virginia—class of 2008 and Craig Lincoln—our web master from Illinois—class of 2007. We did not fill vacancies in the class of 2006. Welcome to these new directors and thanks for your willingness to help the association.

Craig Lincoln has done a wonderful job of bringing our web site up to date. If you haven't visited www.naums.org recently, check it out. If you think of something that is not there but should be or if you find out of date information, send Craig a note at webmaster@naums.org.

Do we have your most recent email address? Would you please email us at news@naums.org with your email

address? There is no extra charge to also receive the email version of the newsletter. Plus with the email version you can forward it to others.

The Mission trips for 2007 are in the detail planning stages. If you are interested in having one or more of your youths (children or unit members) take part in the Alaska or Costa Rica trips, contact Dr. Karen Heim-Baugh at: kheimbaugh@naums.org. Karen has done a lot of work to get the trip directors to focus on the trip details. Thanks Karen, this has created a great ministry opportunity.

Hank Voegtler has rewritten our Bylaws to bring them up to date, to fix a couple of errors and to incorporate the changes in at-large directors. We will have the bylaws on the website as soon as we can. Thanks Hank for all your efforts.

NAUMS Website:
<http://www.naums.org>

The NAUMS membership cards for 2006 and acknowledgement letters will be in the mail as soon as your President gets off his duff and prints them out. I'll try to get them out before the end of May, but if you receive this by mail, your membership is current. I apologize for the delay.

Note the new address on pages 3 and 4. With the new office of the GCUMM, we are having our mail sent to their address and we'll get it forwarded by them. Thanks to Larry, Martha, Marc and Ann for making this happen.

Other Stuff

The General Commission on United Methodist Men has a new General Secretary—Rev. David C. Adams, former president of Tennessee Conference United Methodist Men and pastor of First United Methodist Church in Lynchburg, Tenn. He joins the GCUMM on June 19th. Welcome David, we look forward to your new ideas.

Quote of the day: "I'm not going to buy my kids an encyclopedia. Let them walk to school like I did." Yogi Berra.

Larry Coppock, the National Director of Scouting Ministries with the GCUMM, is taking a study leave to attend Spanish immersion classes. This will be a great help to fill a void in the Commission's ability to connect with our Hispanic men and Scouting families.

The current God & Country newsletter from PRAY is

available at: http://www.praypub.org/Publications/GCQ1_06.htm. The PRAY God and Country Start Up Kit is available at: http://www.praypub.org/god_country/start_up_kit_01.htm.

There is still time to get the first segment of the Duty to God Promotion Patches if your Scouts haven't received theirs yet. The first segment (with the kneeling Scout) will only be sold through July 2006. The second segment (with the sun on the mountain) becomes available on August 1st. The patches are on a four-year cycle. Make sure your Scouts get their first segment before August!

Be sure to watch for information on the UMMen Jurisdictional events in July of 2007—there will be Scouting Ministry training at most if not all of those events.

Time To Renew?

For those of you who are regular (annual) or chapter members of the association, don't forget to renew your membership for 2006. If you are a chapter member, please renew through your chapter.

Please use the form on page 3 to renew and copy the form for all of your friends to use.

2006 Meetings/Events

- BSA National Meeting Washington DC May 24-26
- NAUMS Board Meeting DC May 26
- NAUMS Annual Member meeting DC May 26
- UM Scouter Workshop Philmont NM July 16-22

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of the United Methodist Church by
Utilizing the Programs of the
Boy Scouts of America,
Camp Fire USA, 4-H Clubs and
Girl Scouts of the USA.

Official Notice of Annual Meeting

The 2006 Annual Meeting of the National Association of United Methodist Scouters will be held on Friday, May 26, 2006, at the Wardman Park Marriott Hotel in Washington DC beginning at 2:30 PM. The meeting is held in conjunction with the BSA National Annual Meeting.

In addition to reporting on the activities of the Association, four at-large directors will be elected for the class of 2010. See the articles on Page 1 for details.

All members of the Association are invited

and encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, contact Bob Chase at bchase@naums.org.

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Annual Members must have joined or renewed by May 19th in order to be eligible to vote.