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From the Editor

Vickie Kintzel

From itsy-bitsy, teeny-weeny, yellow polka dot bikinis to leopard spots to seeing spots before your eyes, the image of dots and the way they are interrelated is a very visual and physical way of thinking. This issue, and the upcoming June 2005 conference, focus on connecting the dots and strengthening relationships.

Strong local ministries, including Older Adult Ministries, are built with both volunteers and church professionals, some of whom are pursuing their passion while fulfilling ordination vows for service to the larger church. Each Presbytery is invited and encouraged to name one or more such individuals to help interpret and strengthen programs by, for and with older adults in that particular area.

This issue includes a list of the current PROAMs, as communicated to the Office of Older Adult Ministries in Louisville. If you are a PROAM and we don't know it - please tell the Office! If you are listed and you wonder why - contact the Office! If your Presbytery is not listed and you are interested - contact your Presbytery!

Your submission of information on interesting and/or helpful resources, whether professional books or those that are written by or for older adults, is always welcome. Autumn

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Connecting the Dots in Older Adult Ministries

by Greg Cohen



Greg Cohen

On a recent presbytery visit, I was struck by the fact that Older Adult Ministries is very segmented in its approach. In fact the staffing rationale for this particular presbytery was for an Associate Presbyter to be responsible for the Older Adult Ministries Committee and Task Group, while the Executive Presbyter interacted and provided leadership to the Association of Retired Ministers, Their Spouses or Survivors. The bottom line was that they had great ministry going on separately; just think of the ministry they could have by joining hands and serving together!

The Mission Statement for the denomination's Office of Older Adult Ministries states: The Presbyterian Church (USA)'s Office of Older Adult Ministries is committed to equipping leaders, developing covenant connections and providing resources to welcome and encourage older adults to participate at every level of the church while meeting their needs and utilizing their talents.

Through the Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network (POAMN), we partner with presbyteries to recruit representatives who promote the advancement of older adult ministries within our congregations. Presbytery Representatives provide resources and training for the many issues that touch the lives of older adults and their families. These may include the

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following: volunteer service opportunities, care for the caregivers, spiritual growth in the later years, saving and sharing life stories, retirement and redirection, intergenerational activities, end-of-life issues, opportunities for continued growth and learning, elder abuse and other issues of justice, racial ethnic older adult issues, medical concerns of older adults and evangelism among and by older adults. This church-wide network includes pastors, Christian educators, and many others who work with older adults within congregations and retirement communities.

The Association of Retired Ministers, Their Spouses or Survivors (ARMSS) nurtures and advocates for its retired members in recognition and celebration of their contributions to the church. ARMSS assists those able and willing to find meaningful service and connection to the church during retirement; promotes the use of retired clergy as Parish Associates; and supports presbyteries and synods in their ministry to and with retired clergy, spouses, and survivors. Each presbytery is encouraged to recruit a Presbytery Representative whose primary task is to discover the needs of retired ministers, their spouses and survivors and assist when possible, identify the skills of retired ministers, their spouses and survivors and extend opportunities for their gifts to be used in the mission of the presbytery, synod and the General Assembly.

So, as the denomination's Office of Older Adult Ministries seeks to "develop covenant connections," we all need to be working together to help congregations address the new challenges and the ever-changing needs of older adults. We need to unite the talents and gifts of our retired clergy, spouses or survivors (ARMSS), the volunteers and professionals who work in Older Adult Ministry at all levels of the church (POAMN), and provide for the human and capital resources necessary to make it possible for our aging membership to thrive in old age and be supported, nurtured and cared for in their years of frailty and need.

Over the next several months, I will be visiting Presbyteries and conducting meetings where the Presbytery Representatives from ARMSS and POAMN sit down with the Presbytery Staff to discern where we are, what we are called to do, and

formulate plans for working together in the future. I will keep you updated on my progress.

POAMN Officer Profiles

Susie Johnson, POAMN Treasurer, is the Director of Emeritus Ministry (those who have 55 + years of life experience) at Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church in Dallas, Texas, where she has been since February 2000. Susie has a Bachelor's Degree in Gerontology and 20 years of experience in long term care as an Activity Director, Activity Consultant, Certified Recreational Therapist and Social Worker. She was also a primary caregiver for her mother and grandmother until their deaths. Susie is an ordained Deacon and an active member of North Park Presbyterian Church in Dallas, TX where she has been for 30 years. She has also been trained as a Stephen Ministry Leader.

In the five years she has served Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church she has developed and led seminars on the following topics: Grief Recovery; How to Start and Maintain Older Adult Ministry; Caregiving; The Church's Role in Death, Dying and Grief; and Getting Your Affairs in Order. She is a PROAM (Presbytery Representative on Older Adult Ministry), and helps provide resources to other Presbyterian Churches in Grace Presbytery.

Beth Ann Force, Assistant for Senior Adult Ministry and POAMN EXCOM Secretary, has been coordinating and working in the Senior Adult program at the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church for the past thirteen years. A life-long Presbyterian, Beth Ann and husband, Dick, moved to Bryn Mawr in 1989 to be in closer proximity to church life for their four year old son, never dreaming that a position would open for her skills, coming from a career in the medical profession. In retrospect, she views this as a call and today is thriving in her work as she approaches the age of the recipients of her ministry. Bryn Mawr Church is a community of 3500 members in the western suburbs of Philadelphia. Approximately one-third of the church's population is over the age of 65. Beth Ann feels our aging population are starting to enjoy older adult years by preparing in advance to meet the "aging" process through education and research.

Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries



President's Corner

As a child one of my favorite activities was making pictures in "dot to dot" books. Remember? Every page had a series of dots and numbers placed on the page in what seemed to be random order. You were to take your pencil, begin at number one and connect the dots in numerical order until the outline of an

object appeared on the paper. Every dot was important to the outcome, but unless they were connected to one another it was difficult, if not impossible, to determine the function of a particular dot. Ministry by, for and with older adults can be like a "dot to dot" picture. Each part or dot of the ministry has value, but is most valuable when it is connected to the other dots thus making a complete picture. Consider three pages in an imaginary "dot to dot" book.

The Executive Committee of POAMN met during the last week of February to finalize plans for the annual conference June 8 - 11 in Austin, Texas which is being held in conjunction with National Health Ministries. "Connecting the Dots," theme for the conference and the special logo designed by Dick Force, husband of a member of the Executive Committee, serve to express the belief that Christian ministry should touch mind, body and spirit. When we meet in Texas in June there will be numerous opportunities to see how health and older adult ministries and parish nursing are dots that together form one picture of ministry.

As a committee we are "dots" of a different sort. Serving on the committee as voting and/or ex-officio members are three lay people who are leaders of older adult ministries in churches; a volunteer; a person who heads an organization which provides housing and other services for older adults; someone who works in the public sector; four ordained ministers-one an interim in a small church, one an associate in a large church, one General Assembly staff, the other a stated supply; a person with financial expertise; and a student in gerontology. Each dot represents different experience and interest and when they are connected the picture they make is the POAMN Executive Committee.

Take the analogy a step further or miles further, if you will. The POAMN members are dots all across the denomination, each with different gifts, different areas and levels of experience, serving in different capacities. When you are all connected, you complete the picture we call the "Network." Each of you is valuable in the place or places where you serve, but as a dot in the greater picture you are even more valuable. Your dot is necessary to make the picture complete. The Bible puts it another way in I Corinthians 12: 14, 20: For the body is not one member, but many. But now there are many members, but one body.

As the Executive Committee strives to provide leadership training in older adult ministries, each member of the body, the network, is important. Whether you are a volunteer or a professional, whether you work in the church or in the community, won't you make the decision today to become a member of POAMN (if you are not already a member)? Together we can connect the dots.

Faithfully,

Margaret Suttle

President, POAMN

Proposed By Law Changes

At the semiannual meeting of the Executive Committee in February the following changes to the POAMN By-Laws were proposed:

- Article Two. Purpose - Second bullet point: "promote the creation of an Older Adult Ministries Committee in each ~~synod and~~ presbytery with two official representatives (PROAM) as ~~a MEMBER~~ **MEMBERS** of the Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network."

- Article Six. Executive Committee - Strike last paragraph.

~~"The newly nominated members of the Executive Committee meet with the Executive Committee at the October meeting, their expenses to be paid for by their own sources (presbytery, organizations, donations, etc.) but failing this, that the expenses be covered by POAMN."~~

Proposed changes will be voted on by the membership at the annual business meeting in June at the 2005 POAMN Conference.

Continued: From the Editor

Wisdom in particular is dependent upon such submissions; please obtain and include permission by the author for publication.

We continue to build a "group list" of those interested and able to download the AGenda instead of receiving a print copy. This will help to contain publication and postage costs. You can contact me (pastorvickiek@yahoo.com) or Ginny Nyhuis in the Office (gnyhuis@ctr.pcusa.org) to be added to that list. You will then receive an e-mail when the next issue of AGenda is posted, and we will remove your name from the surface distribution list.

I hope to connect with you in Austin this June; it promises to be an exciting, challenging and energizing experience. A friend of mine who is a parish nurse plans to be there. Who can you invite to join you at this joint conference? For those who cannot make it, there will be summaries of the plenary presentations and at least some workshops in the summer edition of AGenda.

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In Memory of "Bertie"

by Jan McGilliard

"Bertie" sounds a lot like....'Birdie' - and in many ways the likeness fits. Bertie was lively and light and singing joyfully as she went about God's work in the world. She was the energizer bunny educator in schools, mission, home, and churches in a wide variety of places. "Bertie" (Roberta) Platt died peacefully on February 23 in Mesa, AZ (at age 74), where she and husband Max have lived since 1998. Many of us have known Bertie and Max as an inseparable pair of pioneers for older adult ministry, first answering the call to the Presbyterian Church's Gift of a Lifetime program. Like Abraham and Sarah, they left everything they knew and settled in a new place (Birmingham, Alabama) for two years with instructions to begin an older adult ministry at South Highland Presbyterian Church. Their pioneering work

endures as a viable model for all who hear the call to ministry with older adults. Wherever they have lived, Bertie and Max have brought with them their contagious spirit and enduring enthusiasm for older adult ministries. Along with loving husband Max, Bertie is survived by their daughters Carolyn (Bruce) McBurney of Tempe, AZ and Vicki (Ken) Kyle of Saugus, CA; granddaughters Caroline and Betsy Kyle of Saugus, CA and Robyn McBurney of Tempe, AZ. You may correspond with Max Platt at 107 Leisure World #128, Mesa, AZ 85206.

PROAM? What's that?

by Susie Johnson

A PROAM is a **Presbytery Representative for Older Adult Ministries**. Now you know the acronym but the question remains. Who is a PROAM and what do they do?

PROAMs are people who:

- have an active interest in Older Adult Ministries
- are volunteers with Older Adults in retirement communities or long term care facilities
- are active members in the Presbyterian Church USA or a Presbytery
- are advocates for Older Adults

What do PROAMs do?

- Gather community resources that deal with issues pertaining to Older Adults
- Provide resources to churches in their Presbytery as well as the Presbytery resource center.
- Coordinate events for and with Older Adults (i.e. seminars dealing with Aging issues; Are Your Affairs In Order; Grief Support etc.)

I am a PROAM for Grace Presbytery with 180 churches. My goal is to provide resources on housing issues, home care, health care, grief materials and support groups to other churches and the Presbytery resource center. I also visit with other church volunteers and staff members to provide insight on How to Start and Maintain Older Adult Ministry in Any Size Church.

If you have questions or would like more information on what I am doing as a PROAM, please contact me. Susie Johnson - 214-368-6348 ext. 118 or sjohnson@phpc.org.

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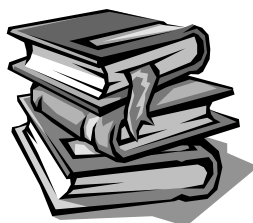
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Resources



A book highly recommended by POAMN Vice President Pat Baker is: ***WHAT'S WORTH KNOWING*** by Wendy Lustbader, published by Tarcher/Putham Press

From the inside jacket...

"What makes a good life? And how do we live it? Though we've explored these eternal questions through literature, art and philosophy, the answers can actually be found much closer to home--in the hard-won insights of ordinary people."

I keep this book close at hand because it inspires me to constantly evaluate what I think is worth knowing about life, love, marriage, spirituality and much more as Wendy Lustbader did from ordinary older people who shared their wisdom. I recommend it all the time as a gift for children and grandchildren because as she says in the introduction "...there is nothing sweeter than being able to live the middle of one's life with the perspective of the end."

Pat Baker

Web Resources

AGE BEAT ONLINE, the Newsletter of the Journalists Exchange on Aging (JEoA). The most recent four issues of ABO are posted online at www.asaging.org/agebeat.

CARING CONVERSATIONS is a workbook that can be downloaded free of charge from www.mid-bio.org, the web site of the Center for Practical Bioethics in Kansas City, MO. The workbook includes questions and information that will help clarify end-of-life healthcare decisions. Also included is a form and instructions for naming a person to make health care decisions when you cannot make decisions yourself.

"Are Your Affairs In Order?" is a helpful, detailed planning guide authored by the Senior Adult program at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church. To download the newly updated version, go to the bmpc.org website. On the left side go to "Ministries" and click on Senior Adults. Under "Our Ministry includes:" click on "Are Your Affairs in Order?" An earlier version of this doc-

ument was part of the Older Adult Issues Series published by the denomination, and it is now available without charge by download.

The ***2005 Older Adult Planning Guide*** is now available for ordering from the Office of Older Adult Ministries, PC(USA), by calling the Presbyterian Distribution Services at 800-524-2612 and asking for item #7025005717. Cost of the guide is \$2.00 plus shipping and handling. The guide is also available to order, or for free downloading, through the resource link at www.pcusa.org/olderadults.

Certification Update

At their February planning meeting, the Executive Committee (ExComm) of POAMN made significant progress on the certification process. There will be six components, ranging from the spiritual foundation to practical aspects of older adult ministries. The details will be released at the June 2005 conference (and in the summer 2005 issue of AGenda).

The first component of competency is Spiritual Foundation for Older Adult Ministries, including the biblical and theological foundation for older adult ministries. A pre-conference workshop will be offered in 2006 (and at subsequent conferences). There will be reading assigned to be completed before the course, and options for demonstrating mastery of the core curriculum will be available. Details will be provided to interested persons at a Wednesday afternoon workshop preceding the 2005 conference, and after that time may be obtained by contacting any member of the Executive Committee.

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Another Country: My Rotation with Senior Adults

by Tara Woodard-Lehman

As a Pastoral Resident with the Lilly Foundation, I've had the opportunity of "rotating" through different areas of ministry while being mentored by "seasoned" Presbyterian Ministers. Among my various rotations was my "senior adult rotation" where I shadowed the Rev. Dr. William Arnold, Associate Pastor for Senior Adults at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church (BMPC). In this rotation I was deeply challenged and transformed by the humor, compassion and wisdom of my elders here at BMPC. But you must know- I entered this rotation with a bit of fear and trembling.

You see, when I began this rotation I had just finished another rotation working with young adults. Without question, there were certain "growing edges" for me in that rotation. Still, I was familiar with the culture of younger adults - for it was my own. If I were to make a pop-culture reference, they were likely to "get it". But now, I was about to work with senior adults. I didn't know what I getting myself into. Would senior adults know what I meant when I said I needed to keep the "low-down" on the "down-low"? Would they even care about the break-up of "Bennifer"? Or perhaps more troubling - would I understand them? Would I understand their WWII references? Would I know how to carry on conversations about independent and assisted living arrangements? Would I be able to converse about the joys of grandparenting? For me, this was an unexplored path - a brand new territory of ministry. Simply put, to venture into the discussion groups, homes, and stories of BMPC elders was to travel to a distant land. I had to learn a new language and new social rules. In doing so, I would cross the generational border between young and old and enter another "country".

Fortunately, I had companions along the voyage. This included not only the "living texts" of the folks with whom I was spending time, but also a written text entitled, *Another Country: Navigating the Emotional Terrain of our Elders*. In this text, author Mary Pipher describes the landscape of a culture where young and old are distanced from one another due to a variety of complex sociological forces. Such forces include the increasing fragmented, old-age-phobic, and age-segregated culture in which we find ourselves. Pipher suggests these forces are in part, driven by the mostly uncomplimentary depiction of elders in the media. As I began to be more attentive, I began to realize almost every time I watched television, advertisements or films, they either ignored people over the age of 60

entirely or characterized them as "grumpy geezers" or "cranky grannies." There were few older adults who were depicted as dignified older adults with multifaceted lives. Moreover, most advertisements were selling products to either keep people looking young - or to make people look younger. It started to become clear: our culture, inasmuch as it reflected in the media, does not value and respect our elders and idolizes youth.

As a disciple of Jesus Christ, I started wondering - how is the Church called to be different? How do we confront ageism in our culture? How do we resist the temptation to divide and fragment ourselves into generational groups? How are older adults incorporated and valued in our communities of faith?

Although I have yet to resolve all of these questions, I am assured that they will continue to form me as I grow into my pastoral identity and calling. At least for now, I have a vision. I have a vision for the Church to be unified as one country. I have a vision of this country being a land where all people, regardless of age, will find themselves deeply connected and fully integrated into the life of the community of saints. I have a vision of this country being a signpost that points our culture to still another country: the just, multi-cultural, inter-generational Kingdom of God. As we live into this vision, others like me will undoubtedly discover we travel better when we have our expert elder guides to help us along the way.

After graduating from seminary, Tara Woodard-Lehman and her husband Derek moved to the Philadelphia area. For nearly two years Tara has been serving the Presbyterian Church (USA) as a Lilly Resident-In-Ministry at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church and was ordained in November of 2004. Her tenure at Bryn Mawr has included rotations in singles and young adult ministry, senior adult ministry, family ministry and urban ministry. Tara says, "It is with gratitude and enthusiasm that I seek my next call as my Residency comes to its conclusion in June of 2005."

Beth Ann Force, POAMN Secretary, writes: The two year "residents-in-ministry" program, of which Tara Woodard-Lehmann is a part, exists at the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church thanks to the generosity of the Eli Lilly Foundation. The aim of this program is to identify recent seminary graduates who show promise of leadership in the future of the church. Our task has been to offer Tara and others the opportunity to gain experience in a congregation, while having experienced clergy and laity available for consultation and support.

CONNECTING THE DOTS:

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**REGISTRATION FORM
PRESBYTERIAN OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES NETWORK (POAMN)
PC(USA) NATIONAL HEALTH MINISTRIES
2005 JOINT CONFERENCE**

NAME _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE INITIAL

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE: (H) (____) _____ PHONE: (W) (____) _____

EMAIL _____ FAX (____) _____

REPRESENTING (PLEASE SPECIFY)

POSITION TITLE _____ CHURCH / ORG. _____

PRESBYTERY _____ SYNOD _____

_____ PRESBYTERY REPRESENTATIVE (PROAM) _____ FIRST TIME PARTICIPANT

WORKSHOP SELECTION: (CIRCLE ONE FOR EACH SESSION)

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|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| A- THURSDAY 2:45-4:15 P.M. | #1 | #2 | #3 | #4 | #5 | #6 |
| B- FRIDAY 1:00-2:30 P.M. | #7 | #8 | #9 | #10 | #2 | #3 |
| C- FRIDAY 3:00- 4:30 P.M. | #11 | #12 | #13 | #14 | #5 | #8 |

_____ I plan to participate in the Workshop on **CERTIFICATION IN OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES** being conducted Wednesday, June 8, 3:00-5:00 P.M.

_____ I plan to bring handouts for the **SOS - SHARING OUR STUFF**, networking and sharing of model older adult or health ministries to be held Thursday evening. Copies should be made at your own expense.

Please indicate any accommodations needed for this conference: _____

_____ Vegetarian Meals

PROGRAM FEES: (includes Wednesday dinner, Thursday lunch and Friday evening banquet)

CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM TRAINING
for NHM Congregational Liaisons / POAMN Members: \$65.00 \$ _____

CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM TRAINING
for non NHM Congregational Liaisons / POAMN Members: \$75.00 \$ _____

BEFORE 5/20/05 for POAMN Members: \$220.00 \$ _____

AFTER 5/20/05 for POAMN Members: \$245.00 \$ _____

BEFORE 5/20/05 for NHM Congregational Liaisons \$220.00 \$ _____

AFTER 5/20/05 for NHM Congregational Liaisons \$245.00 \$ _____

BEFORE 5/20/05 for non-members: \$250.00 \$ _____

AFTER 5/20/05 for non-members: \$275.00 \$ _____

DAILY FEE \$85.00 I plan to attend ___ June 8, ___ June 9, ___ June 10 \$ _____

STUDENT RATE \$125.00 FOR ENTIRE CONFERENCE \$ _____

\$65.00 DAY RATE ___ June 8, ___ June 9, ___ June 10 \$ _____

REGISTRATION FEES \$ _____

(over for membership fees)

POAMN MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:

_____ FULL MEMBERSHIP	\$30.00
_____ AFFILIATE	\$20.00
_____ INSTITUTIONAL MEMBER (PAHSA, PCUSA colleges, etc.)	\$100.00

OTHER(please list) _____
 according to fee structure below: \$ _____

Governing Bodies:

- \$50 Small church (under 150)
- \$100 Medium Church (151-499)
- \$200 Large Church (500+)
- \$250 Small Presbytery (under 10,000)
- \$500 Medium Presbytery (10,001-19,999)
- \$1000 Large Presbytery (20,000+)
- \$1000 Synod

+ REGISTRATION FEES \$ _____
 (from front)

TOTAL PAYMENT ENCLOSED \$ _____

I am a member of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Yes ___ No ___

If "No" please list your denomination _____

I am a lay person ___ Clergy ___ other professional ___

National Health Ministries Congregational Liaisons

National Health Ministries Congregational Liaisons are the official points of contact for health information in congregations. We are seeking individuals who are currently or have been health care professionals or others who have a strong interest in promoting health related programs to their congregation or to PC(USA).

If you are not currently a Congregational Liaison you may complete an application on-line (there is no charge) at <http://www.pcusa.org/health/usa/ministries/liaisons.htm>

REGISTER ONLINE AT: www.pcusa.org/olderadults/poamn.htm

or

SEND REGISTRATION FORM & FEES TO:

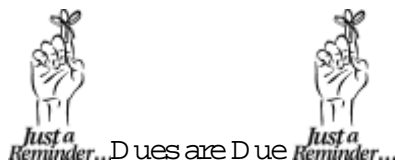
Presbyterian Church (USA)
 POAMN Conference SE # 05018
 PO Box 643765
 Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3765

Check No. / Date _____ / _____

Name on Charge Card _____

Card # _____

Type of Card _____ Expiration Date _____



Article Three of the POAMN by laws states: "The membership year is January 1 - December 31. " If you paid your dues on or after September 1, 2004, you have been added to the 2005 membership list. Membership cards will be mailed to you in the next few weeks. If you have not paid your dues this year, please fill out the form below. Please PRINT your information so it will be correctly entered into our data base. If you have questions about your dues, please contact Susie Johnson at 214-368-6348 ext. 118 or sjohnson@phpc.org.

POAMN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Fax (____) _____

E-Mail (Preferred) _____

Synod _____ Presbytery _____

Church _____

Other (Organization) _____

Please Select Catagory:

- \$30 Individual Member
- \$20 Affiliate Member

ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP:

- \$100 Institutional Membership (PAHSA, PCUSA colleges, etc.)

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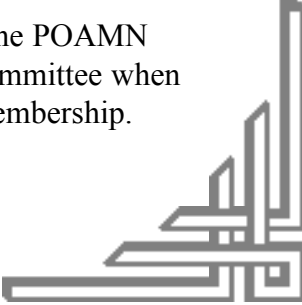

- New
- Renewal

Make Checks Payable to:
POAMN
 c/o Susie Johnson, Treasurer
 9800 Preston Road
 Dallas, Texas 75230



Nomination Qualifications for Office in POAMN:

- Member of Presbyterian Church (USA)
- Have been an active POAMN member (dues-paying) for at least two years
- Have attended at least two POAMN conferences
- Interest in older adult ministries
- Expressed desire and availability to actively serve on the Executive Committee



Diversity to reflect the PC(USA)'s philosophy is valued by the POAMN Executive Committee, and is considered by the Nominating Committee when preparing a slate of nominees to present to the POAMN membership.

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AGenda