

**Biographical Information for 2009 Nominees**  
**Presented by the Iowa Conference Nominating Committee**

**Moderator:**

**Tim Darmour-Paul**, 1648 W 38<sup>th</sup> St., Davenport IA 52806  
Home Church: Davenport, Faith UCC; Eastern Iowa Association  
Age: 40-49

Vocation: Pastor

Education: BS and MS, Mathematics from U of IL; MDiv from Eden Seminary

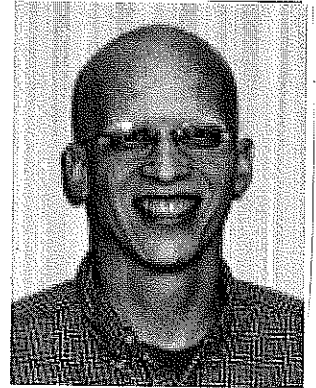
Service within Church:

LOCAL: Pastor at Davenport, Faith for 14 years. ASSOCIATION: Eastern Iowa Church & Ministry 1996-2000; Eastern Iowa Nominating Committee chair, 2001-2003; Eastern Iowa Treasurer, 2004-2008. CONFERENCE: General Synod Delegate, 1997 and 1999; Outdoor Ministries Committee, Program Chair, 1998-2004; Director of various summer camps, 1996-2007; Annual Meeting Task Force for 2009 Annual Meeting;

Ecumenical and Community Service: Quad Citians Affirming Diversity, Religious Concerns Committee, 1996-2002; Churches United of the Quad Cities, Board Member 2007-2008, Justice Issues Committee, 2005-2008; Kaplan University Adjunct Faculty, 2008

Special Interests: Bridge, piano, many team sports, gardening

If elected...I take seriously the role of the church in the world, yet I believe that playfulness is a crucial element of that role. I appreciate the many varied stories of people's lives and am sensitive to the diverse opinions of others around me. I value the covenants between local congregations and wider church bodies.



**Assistant moderator:**

**Joyce Fisher**, 2607 W Solway, Sioux City IA 51104  
Home Church: Sioux City, First Congregational UCC; Northwestern Association  
Age: 60-69

Vocation: Retired Speech Pathologist/Autism Specialist

Education: Masters Degree USD, plus 30 graduate hours Morningside College, Sioux City

Service within Church:

LOCAL: Pastoral Relations/Personnel, 6 years; Educational Symposium Committee; Church Growth, 2 years; Food Bank Volunteer; Soup Kitchen Volunteer

Ecumenical and Community Service: Junior League; President of PEO Chapter ZX; International PEO delegate; Mercy Medical Center Foundation Board; Alliance for Women's Health; Red Dress Ambassadors; neighborhood association, Siouxland Autism Social skills trainer, Parents Night Out Organizer

Special Interests: Women's health and children's issues

If elected...I am a very enthusiastic team member and believe in the power of shared vision, goal setting (dreaming dreams) and collaboration. I would be honored to be a facilitator in the conference leadership for local churches to feel empowered to change the world thru God.



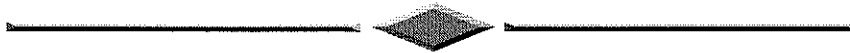
## **Board of Directors, Secretary Elected (2 year term)**

**Mary R Stonebraker**, PO Box 87, Eldora IA 50627  
Home Church: Iowa Falls, First Congregational UCC; Northeast Association  
Age: 60-69  
Vocation: Licensed Pastor  
Education: LEARN Graduate  
Service within Church:  
LOCAL: Pastor  
ASSOCIATION: Former Program Committee member  
CONFERENCE: Completing first 2-year term as Secretary of Board of Directors



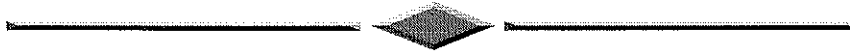
Ecumenical and Community Service: Foundation Ellsworth Municipal Hospital; Iowa Falls Ministerial Association; CROP Walk chairperson, former board member of Iowa Bow Hunter Association; regular member of Professional Bow Hunter's Society  
Special Interests: Bow Hunter, reading, bridge, golf, out of doors activities, family time.

I will bring to the board: Having served two years on the Board of Directors I believe I have the experience to assist the conference in meeting their mission statement. I also feel I represent the smaller churches in the conference and also the graduates of the CENTER/LEARN Program who are serving in licensed positions.



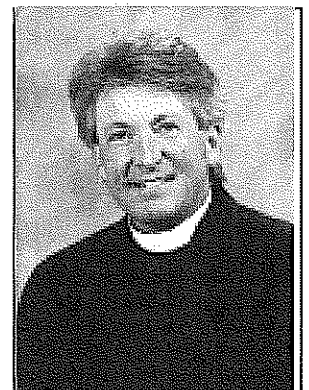
## **Board of Directors, At-large Class of 2012 (3 year term)**

**TO BE NAMED**



## **Board of Directors Association Representatives Class of 2012 (3 year term)**

**Joel Love**, 110 Hillcrest Drive, Reinbeck IA 50669  
Home Church: Reinbeck, Union Congregational UCC; Central Association  
Age: 50-59  
Vocation: Pastor  
Education: BA, Economics, William Penn; MDiv., Eden Theological Seminary  
Service within Church:  
LOCAL: Pastor, 12 years.  
ASSOCIATION: Secretary, Central Association 5 years  
CONFERENCE: Advisor Iowa Conference Youth Council, 3 years; Director of Various camps at Pilgrim Heights; Chair, Search Committee for Associate Conference minister for Eastern Iowa



Ecumenical and Community Service: Red Cross Board of Directors, 3 years; Volunteer Chaplain, Covenant Hospital, 4 years; Habit for Humanity Volunteer  
Special Interests: Golf, remodeling/woodworking, music

## Board of Directors Association Representatives (continued)

### Joel Love (continued)

The Iowa Conference has been my home since I became a part of the United Church of Christ and I am so proud of the work we do here in Iowa. If elected to the Board of Directors, I will bring respect for our traditions of radical hospitality, ministries of social justice, and proclamation of the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as well as genuine enthusiasm for the future of the UCC and all of our local churches here in Iowa.

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**Marilyn J Sargent**, PO Box 154, Tripoli IA 50676

Home Church: Tripoli, Faith UCC; Northeast Association

Age: 50-59

Vocation: Pastor

Education: Bangor Theological Seminary

Service within Church:

LOCAL: Pastor. CONFERENCE: Completed 1 year of 3-year term on the Board of Directors.

Ecumenical and Community Service: Bremer County Recovery Coalition; Tripoli Community Club

Special Interests: Discovering and doing mission with and for others.

If elected... I bring a passion for the justice-filled ethics of the denomination; experience as both lay and clergy in working with and encouraging others; and the knowledge that it is all done in the spirit of the truth of the One who created us all.



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**Carl Vass**, 304 W Walnut, PO Box 380, Danville IA 52623

Home Church: Olds, UCC; Southeastern Association

Age: 50-59

Vocation: Health, Safety, and Environmental Manager, Dresser-Rand Corporation, Burlington; Licensed Pastor

Education: BA Biology and Chemistry, Illinois College, Jacksonville IL; Master in Business Administration, Indian Wesleyan, Marion IN

Service within Church:

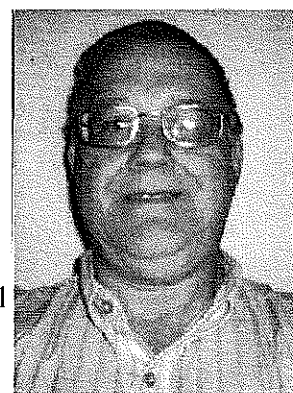
LOCAL: Youth Leader, choir, treasurer, board member at Creston Congregational UCC; youth leader, choir, treasurer, board member, St James UCC, Francisville IN; choir director, church board, moderator, Congregational UCC, Danville IA; called Licensed Minister, Olds UCC

ASSOCIATION: Southwestern Association Advisory Council; Southeastern Association Arts and Education; Southeastern Nominating Committee; Southeastern Association Committee on Ministry

Ecumenical and Community Service: BSA several local, district and council positions in Southwestern Iowa and Indiana; Junior Achievement Teacher Iowa and Indiana; Treasurer Bluegrass Federal Credit Union, Creston IA

Special Interests: Leathercraft, home remodeling, teach corporate finance at Iowa Wesleyan College Adult Education.

If elected...I feel my past experience in finance, education, training and BSA leadership positions provide me with many ways to serve within the conference. My work within the HR and HSE area industry will be of benefit.



## Board of Directors Association Representatives (continued)

**Karl K Whiteman**, 44 Westview Dr., Milford IA 51351

Home Church: Milford, Union Memorial; Northwestern Association

Age: 50-59

Vocation: Pastor

Education: BS Communication, Grand Valley State University, Allendale MI; MDiv.  
United Theological Seminary, Dayton OH

Service within church:

LOCAL: Local Church Pastor, 20 years ordained UCC; 7 plus years in fulltime youth ministry; played and sang in praise group/band.

ASSOCIATION: Indiana/Kentucky—Stewardship Mission Committee;  
Chair/host association meeting

CONFERENCE: Southeast Conference—Board of Directors; Chair Annual Meeting Planning Committee; Chair Worship Planning for Annual Meeting;  
Conference Convenor for UCBWM/WCM

NATIONAL: UCBWM/WCM Board; Liaison Pastor/overseas mission personnel/Common Global Ministries UCC/DOC to Republic of Marshall Islands and Federated States of Micronesia; Regional Facilitator for (GM) UCBWM/WCM Southern Region; Representative of Pacific Conference of Church Meeting (Tahiti and Cook Islands) for GM; Coordinator for OGHS in Central Pacific Ocean area—5 disasters and 1 epidemic

Ecumenical and Community Service: Active in Dickinson County Ministerial Association; Milford Kiwanis Club

Special Interests: OGHS; international travel; anything that involves being with and doing ministry with wife, Jan  
If elected...I am passionate about people coming into a relationship with God and with each other through the church and its ministry to the world. I try to bring enthusiasm and excitement to all I do. I bring experience to Board of Directors in several areas including stewardship, missions, administration, discipleship and church growth. I Dare to Dream BIG because I serve a BIG GOD!



## Mayflower Homes Board of Trustees: Class of 2012 (3-year term)

**Joseph (Joe) Deal**, 9183 Gaslight, Burlington IA 52601  
Home Church: Burlington, Zion UCC; Southeastern Association  
Age: 60-69  
Vocation: Retired  
Education: BS Elmhurst College  
Service within Church:

LOCAL: Served as church president, treasurer, financial secretary, and chair of stewardship committee.

ASSOCIATION: Served as Moderator, Advisory Council, chair/member of Committee on Ministry.

CONFERENCE: Served for 10 years on Board of Directors, 8 of which were as the Treasurer. Currently serving on Mayflower Board of Directors and as chair of the Long Range Planning Committee.

Ecumenical and Community Service: Serving as president of Board of MFS Mutual Insurance Company

Special Interest: Golf and spending time with wife, Sandra and family.

If elected...I bring the ability to make decisions and the desire to serve the wider church.

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**Marlene Hunt**, 2219 Chandler St SW, Cedar Rapids IA 52404  
Home Church: Hiawatha, Hope UCC; Eastern Iowa Association  
Age: 60-69  
Vocation: Accounting work and Pampered Chef Consultant  
Service within Church:

LOCAL: Getting re-established in new church

CONFERENCE: Completing first term on Mayflower Homes Board of Directors

Ecumenical and Community Service: Served as president of Cedar Rapids-Marion Church Women United and as treasurer for Metanoia, an annual retreat for women.

Special Interest: Enjoys cooking and knitting and spending time with family and friends.

If elected...I hope to bring my continued support of the Iowa Conference of the United

Church of Christ and represent it as a Trustee on the Board of Trustees of the

Mayflower Homes. I see Christ working in those who serve and reside at the Mayflower and would feel privileged to continue to serve.

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**Donald L Schild**, 724 Broad St., PO Box 268, Grinnell IA 50112  
Home Church: Grinnell, UCC Congregational; Central Association.  
Age: 60-69  
Vocation: Attorney  
Education: BA University of Iowa; JD University of Iowa  
Service within Church:

LOCAL: Many and various committees both standing and ad hoc from moderator down to dishwasher.

If elected... I have prior experience as a Mayflower Trustee (currently in 13<sup>th</sup> year). I cannot think of any other organization to which I have a commitment as strong as to Mayflower.

Hopefully my professional skills are of help.

