



# Mid-State District Missive

## 2011 October Newsletter

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Daisy Bautista

Trinity-Moberly

2011 Woman in Mission

## 2011 WIM winner..

*Daisy Bautista*

## Nominees:

*Diana Revelle*

*Pati Tynes*

*Renee Holloway*

*Martha Gebhardt*

*And the late*

*JoAnn Oehrke*

**Her desire was to have a Mid-State District Library and now we have one. Thank you Gaye!**



## WIM of the year 2011 chosen -Karen Hunt

Congratulations to our fantastic Woman in Mission of the Year 2011, **Daisy Bautista** from Trinity in Moberly. She was also honored at the recent Annual meeting in Blue Springs, with ladies from other districts. Congratulations to our equally fantastic nominees, **Diana Revelle**, Missouri, Columbia; **Pati Tynes**, St. John's Linn; **Renee Holloway**, Eldon; **Martha Gebhardt**, Glasgow; and the late **JoAnn Oehrke**, Wesley, Jefferson City. You are very special ladies and we thank you for all that you do. It was a joy to share each ladies' nomination at our meeting.

As we finish the year, please include everyone's email address when you send in your officer list, it is so easy to contact every-

## 2012 books are available -Gaye Irwin

I hope this note finds all of you enjoying the wonderful fall weather. For those of you who were unable to attend the fall district meeting, the 2012 books are now available thru the Resource Center in Dallas. If I had the time, I would read each and every one of them. This is the best selection we have had for a while. They deal with current and pertinent issues which I know you will want to read. We will also be ordering 2012 books for the District Library after the first of the year.

This is the last article I will be writing

## Update your information -Kathy Maynard

Please remember to send me your list of 2012 officers by November 1. We want to make sure everyone in our district has your contact information in the new directory—office, name, address, phone and email. Send it to me by mail or email. The form was in the Fall District Meeting Program Book and is on our website at:

[http://www.gbgm-umc.org/midstate\\_umw/Forms.htm](http://www.gbgm-umc.org/midstate_umw/Forms.htm)

If you find a form that says 2011, just cross out and put 2012. Thanks. ♦

one plus it saves money on postage. We will again be doing the membership count at the end of the year so watch for the form. It was also in the fall meeting packet. I forward a copy of each unit's report so your cooperation is really appreciated.

Again, I urge you to share this newsletter with your membership. I also urge you to plan on attending the officer training. It's a great exchange of ideas. I learn something new every year and really enjoy the interaction.

Bless you all and keep nurturing your membership. ♦

for our Newsletter. My term will end as of December 31, 2011. I can't tell you how much I have enjoyed my position as Secretary of Program Resources. I have had the privilege of working with a wonderful group of ladies over the past three years and I take many happy memories with me. Thank you for your support and kindness. ★

## Need Ribbons:

Contact: Carol Smith,

4008 Thornwood Dr,

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## Peace is found in the Scriptures -Juanita Rampy

Staying with the UMW Program book theme of 'Finding Peace' I reflected on one of my favorite Scriptures found in Romans 8:38-39 which is: "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

This Scripture covers all that we worry about these recent days. We hear about the challenges in our economy, our elections, our involvement in the world politics, our health care. I invite you to name what your worry is as you read this. My worry is \_\_\_\_\_, but today I am going to focus on the Scripture message that **nothing** can separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Now that brings peace and joy! To think of our loving God who cares if a sparrow falls from a tree ... cannot catch us when we fall, restore and forgive us when we fail, inspire us for each new day...is Awesome! God is able!

Peace is found in the Scriptures, in Prayer, and in Worship as we fellowship with our Lord! May we abide in Peace as we work together as a Mission Team to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and reach out in Mission to a hurting world? ☩

Hymn# 2032

in The Faith We Sing Hymnal

**My life is in you, Lord**

**My strength is in you, Lord,**

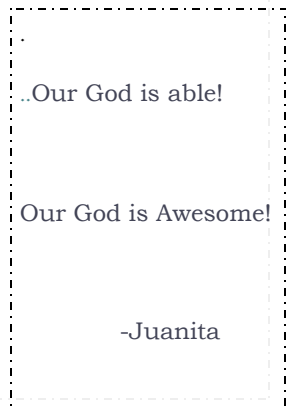
**My hope is in you, Lord.**

**I will praise you with all of my life,**

**I will praise you with all of my strength;**

**With all of my life, with all of my strength.**

**All of my hope is in you; it's in you, in you.**



## Legislative Training Event

March 6-7, 2012 – Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City

Theme: *Stand by Me.....* Peggy Eshelman , opening speaker.

Val Hinshaw Award (first time attendee) offered. Deadline for award Jan. 15, 2012

Information about this award online: [www.moumethodist.org/umw](http://www.moumethodist.org/umw) Mid-State District

Mission Today

Reports are due

December 31.

Contact: Sara Green

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*We are hoping to hold a*

*Human Trafficking*

*workshop in November*

*in Columbia. You will*

*be contacted when*

*arrangements have been*

*finalized.*

*-Cindy*

District Officer

Training

November 12

in Columbia

## Well attended Mini-School in Mokane

-Sara Green

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Mini-School of Missions in August hosted by Mokane UMW, who warmly welcomed us to their lovely church and served us delicious morning treats and lunch. Also, thanks to our talented musicians, song leader Pati, pianist Juanita, our inspirational leaders, Rhonda Chalfant, Sue Hopkins, and of course all of you who came to learn and experience the joy of fellowship.

From the questionnaires I learned that 9 attended for the first time, and of those who had attended the Mini School previously, one estimated that she had attended 25 times before. **Awesome!**

**Important reminder for everyone:**

Mission Today reports are due December 31. A good idea is to go over the list of criteria at your November meeting, before everyone gets busy with holiday preparations, and check off

the items that your unit has completed.

Please remember that every unit, whether large or small, or completing many of the items or just one, needs to turn in a report. **Please send completed Mission Today reports to Sara Green, 2455 S. Roby Farm Road, Rockport, MO 65279.** You can contact me by phone at 573-445-5034, or email ....

[tedandsara@midamerica.net](mailto:tedandsara@midamerica.net)

if you have any questions. ■

## Training meetings be planned

-Cindy Lenger

Happy fall to everyone! I can't believe it's already fall, and the leaves are starting to turn and fall. It's a beautiful sight. How can anyone deny there's a God when they experience a crisp fall morning, with the sun shining, the bright colored leaves, and the fluffy clouds. Who do they think made all of those things!

There have been a lot of activities since our last newsletter; the Cooperative School of Christian Mission, the Mini-School, the district fall meeting, and the conference Annual Meeting. No one can say that UMW members never do anything! We have numerous opportunities for ladies to grow spiritually and intellectually, and make new life-long friends. I sincerely hope you take advantage of some of these opportunities. Coming up we have the District Officer Training on November 12 in Columbia. So, all district officers need to plan to attend. One important reason for you attending is that you will be training the unit officers on Janu-

ary 21<sup>st</sup>. Hopefully, there will be more information regarding both of these trainings coming out in the future.

Something that is in the works, but has not been finalized, is a workshop on human trafficking. Rachel Bachenberg, the Conference Coordinator for Social Action, has already held two of these workshops; one in St. Louis and one in Kansas City. I attended the workshop in Kansas City, and it was very informative. Rachel asked me if one should be held in central Missouri, and I said definitely. I believe a lot of people do not believe the issue of human trafficking affects Missouri, much less central Missouri, but it does. This workshop will give you lots of statistics, ways to recognize the signs of human trafficking, and stories from women who survived. We are hoping to hold this workshop in November in Columbia. Once arrangements have been finalized, we will be sending information out to everyone. Please make plans to attend this very important workshop. It is definitely in line with the purpose of UMW.

Blessings to all of you! ☺

**Spring Meeting date is set  
-Gail Wekenborg**

Many thanks to Missouri UMW for hosting our fall meeting. We had a good turnout in spite of the conflict with Serve 2011. Our speaker, Pat Wright, told us all about the Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Chatham, Illinois. Several attendees then signed up to participate in our first ever district VIM trip there April 10 – 13, 2012. **If you are interesting in attending, contact me or LaVonne Patterson (lilpat@mchsi.com) for more information.**

Every unit should have a copy of the fall meeting program book. Copies were mailed to the units not attending. If you do not have a copy, let me know. The book has forms for the treasurer, report forms for Mission Today, and membership, information about awards for Legislative Training Event, and much more. It will be needed to be informed about district and conference events between now and this time next year.

Our spring meeting is set for Brunswick April 21. We will be honored to have Rev. Kottwitz come tell us about an early circuit rider in Missouri. All planning to attend are encouraged to consider coming in 1850ish attire.

We need a host for the fall 2012 meeting. The date is September 8. If your unit would be able to do this, please contact me.

In case you have lost my contact information it is Gail Wekenborg, 573-680-2974, or 10843 CR 391, Holts Summit, MO 65043 or [weksfarm@embarqmail.com](mailto:weksfarm@embarqmail.com).

Between now and the next time we are together at unit officer training January 21 at Jefferson City First, enjoy the radiant colors of the trees and fall flowers as they prepare for winter. God sends us this magnificent painting each fall to lift our spirits. He also sends us nuts and pumpkins and other “fall” foods to comfort our bodies and our souls. Be thankful for this bounty and give praise to His name. ğ

*It's going to be a  
Winner!!!!*

*Spring District  
Meeting  
April 21*

*Brunswick UMW  
hosting*

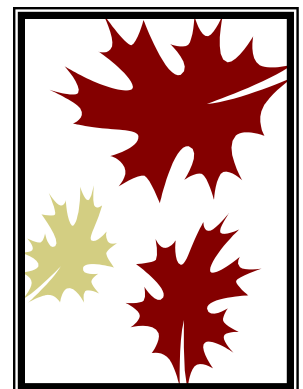
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*-Gail*

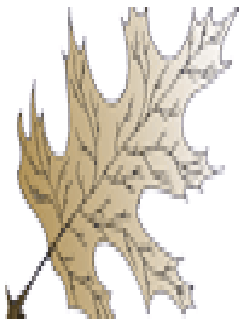


WIM Nominees—Martha Gebhardt, Pati Tynes, Diana Revelle & Daisy Bautista.

Absent were: Renee Holloway—Also nominated was the late JoAnn Oehrke



Contact Edith Noll at 573-636-6986 or Librarian Janet Hofstetter at 573-893-5628 to make arrangements for a good program on book review from our Mid-State District Library.



## Make reading a Habit -Janet Hofstetter

Many of our Mid-State UMW units and individuals have been enthusiastically borrowing books from our District Library. The books are available and/or may be returned at district meetings, trainings, and retreats to save postage or through e-mail requests to the librarian at

[umbooks@embarqmail.com](mailto:umbooks@embarqmail.com)

Internet users will find the list of titles with short annotations on the District Library web page: <http://www.jcfumc.org/library/links/umwbooks.html>

UMW unit presidents and vice-presidents are reminded that two members of the District Library Committee are willing to visit a unit to present a 30 minute review of the 2011 UMW Reading Program book nuChristian; Finding Faith in a New Generation which is from the new Leadership Development category. All churches must plan for the needs of their future members, often called the New Generation, and their older, more traditional worshippers. Author Russell Rathbun points out areas which will make the difference in the life or death of a church in the immediate future.

A program based on a different book will be offered next spring after the committee chooses a new title to highlight. **Contact Edith Noll at 573-636-6986 or Librarian Janet Hofstetter at 573-893-5628 to make arrangements.**

The e-mail address is [umwbooks@embarqmail.com](mailto:umwbooks@embarqmail.com)

So far, the Tipton, Mokane, Huntsville, and Eldon units have scheduled programs.

### Please note:

When returning books, please remember to report the total readers for each book. ★

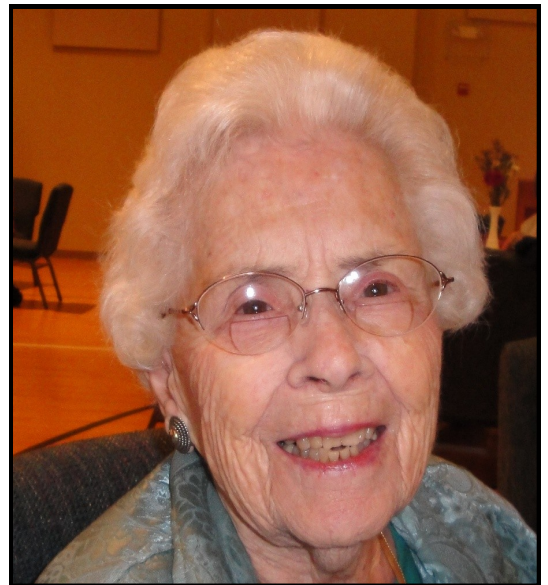
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### Mary Virginia Stapleton

A member of the First United Methodist Church, Jefferson City.

Mary Virginia was the oldest lady attending the Mid-State Fall District Meeting in Columbia.

Mary Virginia will be 98 years young October 19.





Mission project  
reports from  
Mid-State District  
Units.

**Eldon UMW**— Food Pantry, Buddy Packs, Festival of Sharing, Dimes for Children & gifts for residents at Brooks Howell Home. The Eldon UMW is always ready to respond to needs in our world.

-Vicki Ollison

**Glasgow UMW**—Collecting and organizing Readin' and Writin' packs for the Festival of Sharing, Cookie Candy Sale in December, prepare fruit and cookie baskets for the shut-in of the church, adopt a family and purchase gifts and food for their Christmas.

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Nettie Cherrington

**Mokane UMW**—Project Patricia, Military Boxes, remembrance bags for the nursing home residents.

-Evalane Meyer

**Columbia-Missouri UMW**—Festival of Sharing, Collecting coats for Children, Granny House(needy children) Coyote Hills(temporary residential homes for children), HydrAid the water filtering system or Haiti, Joplin Relief & Donations to several agencies.

-Louise Black

**Glenstead UMW**—Louisiana Rellief, Joplin Relief, school supplies, Spofford Children's Home, 3MT (Mid-MO Missions).

-Cathryn Moesch

**Brunswick UMW**—Project Patricia, Festival of Sharing, adopt a foster parent 4 times a year, support for local VIM volunteer, Valentine cards and treats to nursing homes, Christmas store at the nursing home, Easter cards to local servicemen, send birthday, anniversary, sympathy and get well cards to church members, hand-out birthday bookmarks at church, serve at the Seder meal on Maundy Thursday.

-Barbara Dearing

**First United Methodist UMW Jefferson City**—Project Patricia, Soup Bank, Joplin Relief, Festival of Sharing, Birthing Kits, Pennies for Mission, Golden Circle Members, Afghans for Angels, Food Pantry, FUMC Youth, Salvation Army, Rape and Abuse Crisis Service, Homemaker Health Care & Jefferson City Day Care Center. Buddy Packs, Bazaar & Mother's Day Banquet & sponsored teen team to go to Mozambique to work on teen center.

-Juanita Rampy

**Ozark Chapel UMW, Laurie**—Representatives to Mozambique..donated toward a new well, a church building and parsonage, sponsor orphan children at the Carolyn Belshie Orphanage, prayer shawls, donations of food taken to area centers to help those in need.

-Louise Bassett

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