

# SISTERS OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PARTNERS IN MISSION NEWSLETTER



Spring 2014

## Important Dates

Fri. May 2 to  
Sun. May 4, 2014  
**Partners In Mission  
Directed Silent  
Scripture Retreat**

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## GETTING TO KNOW YOU



Carol Jung was born in St. Louis. Carol was the fourth girl in a family of nine. She graduated from Bishop DuBourg in 1963. All of her siblings still reside in St. Louis. Carol's mother turned 91 this past September and she still enjoys family

get togethers. Carol feels blessed that she has her mother's wisdom and faith present in her life.

Carol is married to Bob and they recently celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary. They have two children, Colleen and Tom. She has five grandchildren and is happy that they live nearby.

Carol was inspired by the Sisters that taught her. She became a teacher and was fortunate to teach alongside some of her favorite Sisters. Once retired, she decided to re-connect and join the Partners In Mission, to be a part of their ministry and mission.

Carol belongs to the Small Faith Community, Wisdom Circle. Their community is always aware of and affirming each other in their gifts of wisdom. They encourage each other and are a great support in times of need and struggle.

Carol has traveled to the Holy Land and to Greece. She was in the Holy Land when it snowed for the first time in 50 years. Her favorite memories of the trip were to see Bethlehem and the site of the Ascension.

We are blest to have you as a Partner in Mission, Carol!

by Lori Larkin

## Outside the Gates

by Marilyn Wobeking

The Small Faith Community, Outside the Gates, strives to go to the "unacceptable places" to minister to the poor. Their name was inspired by reading the article, "Outside the Gates" by Robert J. Schreiter, C P P S during their formation phase of Partners in Mission. Members include:



*Barb Bisanz – Sr. Rose Marie Dobelman  
Toni Dressel – Sr. Josepha Bauer  
Sandy Hosack – Sr. Ruth Kertz  
Kay Schmidt – Sr. Esther Hogan  
Marilyn Wobeking – Sr. Luella Dames  
Judy Powers – Sr. Teresa Reichmuth  
Ellen Jones – Sr. Marie Orf*



Our outreach in service has been to bring food items to each meeting to donate to St. Anthony's food pantry where Sr. Marie Orf ministers. In addition, every Christmas we provide gifts for a family at the pantry.

We are attempting to live the charism of reconciliation as a Small Faith Community by praying daily for the prayer intentions of each member of our community; by prayerfully working toward peace in relationships; and focusing on spiritual growth by sharing faith around the coming Sunday's Gospel reading at our monthly meetings.

## Be Still and Know That I Am God

By Ellen Jones

Who doesn't need to slow down, refocus and take the time to work on putting God back into the center of their life? God is longing for time with you!



We have the opportunity to experience a Guided Scripture Silent Retreat from 7 p.m. Friday, May 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 4, in Warrenton MO at 29446 Meadowlark South, the CPPS Sisters lake house. The retreat directors, Sr. Ginny Jaskiewicz and Sr. Carol Orf, will meet with retreatants daily to help guide them in communion with the Holy Spirit. Rooms are private and space for participants is limited. Call Sr Carol at 314-560-1028 or Sr. Ginny at 314-223-7508 to reserve your spot. This is a time for private prayer, reflection and solitude. The cost is a free will offering; the benefits are priceless! **Please bring a Bible.**

## Unleash Your Creativity

By Sr. Ginny Jaskiewicz

Each Sister and Partner-in-Mission is invited to create a visual to express to the Community something special about your current ministry/small faith community. Create a poster using photos, drawings, or written text. Develop a scrapbook binder or produce a PowerPoint presentation. (If you choose this option, you must bring a laptop computer for viewing your presentation.) Feel free to do this project individually or as a group. During the Community Day, Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014, there will be time for all participants to browse the displays, share and ask questions about the various ministries. Therefore, unleash your creativity for all to see.



## Into the Future

by Maureen McGraft

Our work marches on toward completion of the initial phase of development of the Partners in Mission relationship. We are working as a large group as well as small group break-outs in order to come up with a structure and a defined plan.

As a large group we meet every couple of months to report our small group progress and share ideas. Each aspect of the Partners in Mission relationship is being revisited and adapted to what we think will be the future of our work in our communities.

Developing the documents for the exploration and formation phase is a huge undertaking. Lesson plans are being researched and written so as to invite and introduce new members to our work. It is also significant to note that documents and descriptions for each part of the Partners in Mission work is being looked at, adapted and revised to meet what we believe will be needed for us as a self-sustaining group. This means that we are set up as a group of lay members who bear responsibility for our continuation. It means that we are consistent with and in concert with the Mission of the vowed sisters.

Though we are years away from being self-sustaining, the work we are doing now will be realized long into the future. The CPPS founders' work has been realized long after they had begun their work within communities. We continue to be inspired by their leadership.

Partners in Mission Ad Hoc Planning Committee:

Carol Jung	Sherry Smith
Dawn Boschert	Debbie Whited
Jeanne Palombo	Liz Allmeyer
Maureen McGrath	Ellen Jones



Trivia Night -Betty Mues and Terry Sheinfeld

# Taste and See the Goodness of Being a Partner

by Debbie Whited

In February, seven wonderful ladies made the decision to enter the exploration phase for becoming a CPPS Partner in Mission. Over the next four months, these ladies will get a taste of the history, charism, prayer and ministry of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood. They will learn about the nine sisters who left Gurtweil on February 2, 1870, for America, the Precious Blood Hymn and its Scripture references, the charism of reconciliation, the 1986 Vision Statement of the Sisters, and the ministries of the Sisters from South America to Estonia and places in between and beyond. Candidates meeting with Sister Carol Orf in St. Louis are: Nancy Haselhorst, Cate Peterson, Robyn Dannenmueller. Candidates meeting with Sister Marie Orf in O'Fallon are: Arline Nallon, Connie McKoskey, Barb Loeffler, and Lindsey Reckel. May God bless this phase of their journey with courage and joy!



O'Fallon  
Arline Nallon, Barb Loeffler, Connie McKoskey, Lindsey Reckel



St. Louis  
Cate Peterson Nancy Haselhorst Robyn Dannenmueller

# WOW!!!!

by Dawn Boschert

Saturday, March 29, 2014, what a great night! Financially this was our most profitable year yet. It is so great to see that this evening also has become a bonding experience for the Sisters and the partners. Thanks to all of you who helped to make this evening such a wonderful success.

The St Joe's Men's club has been so very generous to us the last couple of years. Greg Damon, our emcee, donates his time; the Cottleville (Fr. Pezold Council) Knights of Columbus and Allen Serfas with Assistance Home Care donated time, monies, and a Kindle Fire for raffle. We are truly blest to have these groups join us in our endeavor. Thanks and God bless you for your generosity.

We have heard many comments about how much fun people had at the Partners in Mission Trivia Night. That is so great to hear and it is also very encouraging.

No date has been set for next year yet but we already have a few tables booked. People are coming back and we even have a new group who wants to come because they heard how much fun it was. So look out next year— our goal is to top this year!





Sister Viola Marie brings to life many of the saints found in the relic room.



Sister Geraldine retells the story of Jesus' passion using the Stations of the Cross.



Sister Doris has the students guessing the meaning of the symbols found in the beautiful stained glass windows.



Sister Joan explains the symbols for the Gospel writers found on the four corners of the altar.