

# Media Musings

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We are excited to bring you the next newsletter of the AIM Retirement Center, "Media". The reason for the newsletter is to keep you informed on what is happening at Media as well as give information about the missionaries who live here. The 80+ residents and staff represent more than 2,200 years of ministry. We hope this newsletter will help you get to know some of them and what they do at Media. □The Editors

## MEET THE STAFF

**Elly  
Admiraal**



Elly Admiraal started working here at Media April 2011 and is the caretaker of Scott Manor. She is "mom" to the 12 residents and takes care of the apartment cleaning, laundry and night responsibilities. Elly's interest in missions started at an early age and her first trip to Africa was while attending Calvin College in Grand Rapids Michigan. Following college, she worked a short while in Zaire teaching English and then signed up for a two year term with a development agency in Mali, West Africa. There she was illustrating for literacy textbooks, teaching English and doing inventory for vaccination programs. Elly joined AIM in 2007 and was assigned to the Didinga TIMO team in South Sudan. (2008-2009) . After that team ended abruptly, she returned to another Didinga village - Nagishot - where she served in Church planting, Adult literacy and Storying the Bible. (2010 and 2011). It is her hope to return to South Sudan in the near future. Please pray for God's leading in her life and work.



Progress continues on the Activity Building



Mary's Retirement



New Office Manager  
Susan Carpenter

# EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

## Easter



Thanks to Lib Marsh for all the great meals

## Everyone's Birthday



Party Hat Contest

## Grand Prix



The Winner!



## 4th of July Picnic



Elaine Hornberger

Bless God America,  
In God we trust  
God is holy and righteous  
He is loving and faithful and just  
In this nation, God is worshiped  
He's exalted, He's adored  
Bless God, America, our Sovereign Lord!  
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by Paul Zimmerman



Doogie Dog

Cassie Cat

Ducky Duck

## Safari—Morse Museum





Jeanne Schaufelberg was born the youngest in a farming family of eight children near Amsterdam, NY. Following some unsettling high school years, she became a Christian through the witness of family friends. She then attended and graduated from Prairie Bible Institute, primarily to get a personal grasp of the Scriptures. It was during this time that God called her to full-time mission work. Following further training at Greenville College, she applied to Sudan Interior Mission. When God closed that door, she served in her home area as a full-time children's Bible teacher for about twelve years, and then in similar work for about 25 years under the Bible Club Movement in Syracuse, NY, retiring in 1995. She had often visited Media, openly declaring it to be one of the greatest places in the world!--never dreaming Our Loving God would open the way for her to live here. She moved here in 2005. A favorite Scripture: "As for God, His way is perfect." Psalm 18:30. A favorite hymn line: "Jesus led me all the way..."



WE ARE THANKFUL



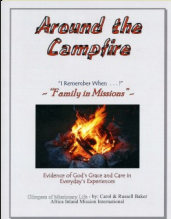
FOOD PROVIDED BY BREAD OF LIFE

PICK UP AND  
PUTTING AWAY



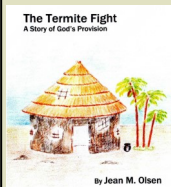
## BOOKS

One of the things missionaries have time for in retirement is writing. Here are some offerings from our Media residents.



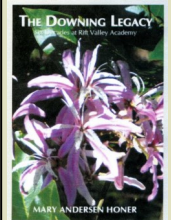
*Around the Campfire* by Russ & Carol Baker

What are some of the things that happen to missionary families when they are on the Mission field. This book provides snippets of life and ministry of a missionary family among the Sukuma people in Tanzania. From everyday home life to African Church activities, events give insight into living, raising a family and church/mission activity overseas. [babeka@juno.com](mailto:babeka@juno.com)



*The Termite Fight* by Jean Olsen

A wonderful picture book for a child in your life. When termites ruin Pako's house, the young boy helps to build a new house. See how millions of people in rural Africa build 100% "green" houses using only natural resources, a machete and an axe. Families work together, laugh often and trust God to supply all they need. [jeanolsen@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jeanolsen@cfl.rr.com)



*The Downing Legacy* - written by Mary Honer with materials provided by Dottie Hildebrandt

This book is written as a tribute to a family who gave many years to education of missionary children and others at Rift Valley Academy in Kenya. Their legacy has been one that has stretched around the world in the lives of many and this is dedicated to their memory and as an expression of gratitude for the good educational foundation laid at RVA. [maryhoner52@yahoo.com](mailto:maryhoner52@yahoo.com)

*Dick and Flo Gehman in Kenya*

*"God opened the way for us to return to Kenya for two months of ministry when invited to speak at the graduation services of Kapsabet Bible College on March 23 and at Scott Christian University on June 4. In between Dick spoke at A.I.C. Ziwani and A.I.C. Mathare Valley, both in Nairobi; Dick taught sixty Masai pastors in Narok during one Saturday; he also preached in Narok A.I.C., Maingi (Kijabe) A.I.C., Bomani A.I.C. (Machakos), and Kabarak University Chapel. Flo taught forty women at Maingi AIC where she used to conduct a Bible Study. In order to gather information on the A.I.C. history, Dick interviewed nearly two dozen individuals and photocopied hundreds of historical documents. Hopefully, this will all contribute to the writing of a book on the history of the Africa Inland Church in Kenya with an emphasis on the role of Kenyans in the planting and building of the A.I.C."*

Books published by Dick:

*"Doing African Christian Theology: An Evangelical Perspective;"*

*"African Traditional Religion in Biblical Perspective;"*

*"Who are the Living Dead? A Theological of Death, Life After Death and the Living Dead;"*

*"A Biblical Approach to Marriage and Family in Africa;"* *"The Holy Spirit and*

*the Church in Africa Today."* *"Faith of our Fathers: From Barbarian to Mennonite and Beyond,"* and *"Lessons Learned in Life."*

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