

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 90+ residents and staff represent more than 2,500 years of ministry. We hope this newsletter will help you get to know some of them and what they do at Media. It can also be seen at <https://aimint.org/retirementcenter/newsletters/>

BLESSED TO LIVE AT MEDIA

"FROM THE RISING OF THE SUN..... Media is a community. A real community is a group of people who:



Share something in common. We share a love of spreading the Gospel and a love for Africa. Sometimes we have the opportunity to make a safari back to Africa, as did the Faders and Rondeaus, and we definitely keep up to date with reports and visitors from Africa. (see page 4).



Care for one another and the community as a whole. Most important, we pray for one another and when someone has a need - be it for a meal, run errands, help at the manor (Gloria & Bobbi), move furniture, collect trash (Jim Harding) or whatever—we are available. Our office staff send out messages asking for help and there is always an immediate response. When we hear someone is ill or in the hospital we immediately start praying and looking for ways to help.

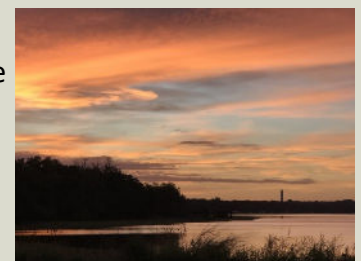


Interact regularly - we have regular Ladies' and Men's Prayer Meeting, Social activities (see page 2) ; Thursday afternoon meetings that keep us up to date with what is happening in Africa and around us. A hymn sing each month with our talented musicians (Anne, MaryAnn, Sue and Sally)



Are passionate about common purposes and one of those purposes is to remain active - ie. Local churches, children's ministries, visiting Rehabs, nursing homes and assisted living facilities, local outreach ministries. Opportunities such as Bob Ehmann had to speak at his church.

Most of all Media is a Christ Centered Community. All that takes place has the goal for God to receive all the glory in and through us everyday. On second thought, we are not just a Community, we are a FAMILY!



"...TO THE SETTING OF THE SAME, THE LORD'S NAME IS TO BE

PRAISED" Ps. 113:3

MEDIA EVENTS

Once again our Social committee brought us many events: A meaningful Memorial Day picnic and program by our Veterans; a joyful 4th of July celebration with patriotic songs and recitations led by Marv Smith, Mark Olander and others. Silly Supper Game Night brought a wonderful mixture of food for us to enjoy followed by Bunco; An Ice Cream Social. Yummy ice cream: Story telling led by Paul Slayton; Lots of snake and camping stories and stories of God's protection. (many feel this should be every month!)



Meet some of the Missionaries

RUSS & MARY ANN MILLER

Russ Miller was born in 1939 at Rethy, Belgian Congo, the son of Harry & Dorothy Miller. Russ grew up at Rethy and during their first furlough in 1946, he was saved through the ministry of evangelist singer Redd Harper. They returned to Congo and on their next furlough in 1952 Russ stayed behind to attend Hampden DuBois Academy in Zellwood, FL, graduating from there in 1958. He attended Moody Bible Institute and believed the Lord wanted him to be a missionary. During his time at Moody, he was drafted into the US Army for 2 years during the Vietnam Conflict. He qualified for electronic research and was sent to Fort Huachuca, AZ. It was during this time he decided to get married and live off base.



Mary Ann was born in Volga, S.D., the oldest of 4 children of Charles & Mary Shook. Mary Ann grew up in a Christian pastor's home where reading Bible stories was common. At 3 years old she was looking at a familiar picture in a Bible story book - Jesus hanging on the cross - and suddenly realized that Jesus had died for her sins and started to cry. Her mother carefully talked to her and led her to Jesus. Mary Ann graduated from Wheaton College in 1958 with a degree in Christian Education, went to work for Scripture Press, and was involved at Wheaton Bible Church. Russ and Mary Ann met when Russ was assigned by Moody to do his practical Christian work assignment at the same church. Soon after, Russ was drafted. They were married in August 1964. After his discharge Russ attended John Brown University and received a degree in biology and chemistry and certification as a high school teacher.

They applied to AIM in 1969 and after raising support were assigned to teach at Dungu, DR Congo. From that time on they were involved in teaching in schools and TEE classes among the Zande people in Congo and CAR (most of the time traveling by motorcycle or bicycle), as well as training teachers, leading women's Bible studies, well drilling, building/maintenance work. They also served as MK dorm parents at Victoria Primary School at Nassa, Tanzania, as well as building homes for the Nassa Theological College.

Because of major health issues they resigned from AIM and returned to the USA in 1995. Later God led them to Belgium to become involved in helping with preparing and culturally adapting Sunday School lessons for children in French-speaking Africa. The 8-year Sunday School curriculum in French for African children continues to be used in these countries.

In 2005 the Millers retired to Spring Hill, FL, where God provided a place for them to live and become involved in a local church. After living there 17 years they moved to Media in December 2021. They give praise for the opportunities over the years given them by God. The Millers have three children, Ron, Susan and Jon.

MEDIA NEWS

Welcome new Residents Art & MaryEllen Davis; Rod & Lori Kraybill are with us for a few months; Doug and Lisa Orner took over from the Raychards as Scott Manor Caregivers; Judy Newman moved to Superior Assisted Living; MaryAnne Harris. Andrea Propst and Marlene Fraley were promoted to heaven.



DID YOU KNOW THAT???

Dr. Tim Fader & Dr. Warren Rich, along with 1300 other people, were commissioned as "Colson Fellows". A 10 month intensive study of "The Christian Worldview", a program started by Chuck Colson many years ago.



A group from YWAM came to work, weeding and cleaning up the property.

Bobbi Kinzer's family gave her a royal celebration for her 90th birthday



Jigsaw puzzle enthusiasts can "puzzle" to their hearts content at the Manor. Some of them take weeks to complete as did this Lighthouse.

Yogi comes to visit once a month on the front porch of the Manor. We now have a flag near the front of the property— for special days—thanks Dave and Paul.



Scott & Susie's son Kaedon graduated from NSI - the first step to becoming a Marine officer

We are so thankful for these blessings plus:



Three ladies who gave a special wind

instrument concert; Gary & Lois Watanabe who filled in for the Caregivers;



All our folks who are working on the ponds.



Missionaries (Andy & Margaret Andersen) who came

and gave reports of what God is doing in Africa. Bishop Peter Pharles visit from Tanzania who blessed our "Tanzanians"



"PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW"