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# Living Water

### Project Revolution ~ Over Come by Marvé Ralston

The seventh annual Project Revolution took place on September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at Lawrence 1<sup>st</sup> UMC, West Campus. This year's District Council on Youth Ministry, the individuals who plan and implement the youth lock-in and concert, was made up of a new group of youth. They stepped into the seasoned shoes of the previous D.C.Y.M. along with the members and adults that made up the various committees to get things done.

The most amazing aspect of this group's dynamic is that each year a new set of youth step up to the plate to accomplish this "gift" for their friends. It takes a lot of planning, advance funding, meetings and of course constant adult supervision.

The pictures will speak for themselves, but to really understand the spiritual side of this event, you need to be there. This is a safe place to discuss your faith. It is a good starting place for youth to bring their friends that do not attend church or have any knowledge of God, as well as those that want to fellowship with other believers. It is a place to have fun with your friends and hear a great Christian band. Every year has been totally different and reflects the youth that help create it.

This year I want to thank the folks that have been a *constant* in seeing that the program flows well. They dedicate time, transportation and support to this program, year round.

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#### **October Events**

Oct. 3-4	Connecting Council, Hastings, NE
Oct. 16	Clergy Meeting 9 a.m 1:00 p.m.
	Rev. Evelyn Fisher will speak to clergy on Difficult Conversations.
	Subway lunch planned after meeting.
Oct. 18	Cat/Hawk Challenge 5:00 p.m.
Oct. 24-25	Lay Servant Training (see pg 3)

#### Prayer Calendar

Oct. 5	Ottawa 1st UMC
	Rev. JC Kelley
Oct. 12	Williamsburg UMC
	Pastor Libby Oberdorf
Oct. 19	Centenary/Linwood UMC
	Pastor Dan Norwood
Oct. 26	Burlington UMC
	Rev. Scott Hannon

## Come and support our United Methodist campus ministries at KU and K-State!

You are invited to our 8th Annual Cat/Hawk Challenge

Saturday, October 18, 2014 at 5 p.m.

Valley View United Methodist Church

8412 W. 95th St.

Overland Park, KS

Join us for a casual dinner and pep rally to celebrate the campus ministries at K-State and KU. This competitive evening will pit the Jayhawks against the Wildcats in the midst of games, jokes, and music. Mary Lou Reece and Patrick Murphy will serve as emcees, the students will serve us dinner, and Bishop Jones will serve as referee. Wear your colors and come ready to enjoy the stories of students' lives transformed. Free childcare with registration is available. We would love to see you.

# Church Conference Schedule Fall 2014

Date/Time	Location	<u>Churches</u> <u>Cor</u>	iveners
Oct. 19 12noon	Plum Creek	Plum Creek, Princeton	DS
Oct. 19 3pm	Bronson	Moran-Bronson	DS
		Mildred-Elsmore	
Oct. 19 6pm	Redfield	Uniontown-Redfield	DS
Oct. 20 7pm	Mapleton	Mapleton	DS
Oct. 23 7pm	Prescott	Pleasanton-Prescott, Fulton	DS, Don F.
Oct. 26 12noon	Ottawa Trinity	Ottawa Trinity-Union Chapel	DS
Oct. 26 3pm	Edgerton	Edgerton	DS
Oct. 26 6pm	Lawrence Central	Central	DS
Oct. 26 7pm	Paola	Paola	DS
Oct. 28 7pm	Kincaid Selma	Kincaid Selma-Welda	DS
Oct. 30 7pm	Mound City	Mound City-Blue Mound	DS
Nov. 6 7pm	Big Creek	Humboldt-Big Creek	DS
Nov. 9 Noon	Michigan Valley	Michigan Valley	DS
Nov. 9 3pm	Waverly	Waverly-Prairie View	DS
Nov. 9 6pm	Williamsburg	Williamsburg	DS
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## LAY SERVANT TRAINING

#### October 24-25, 2014

## **Camp Chippewa UMC**

2577 Idaho Road Ottawa, KS 66067-9007

Phone: 785-242-6797 785-242-6797 FREE

campchippewa@greatplainsumc.

Friday 5pm to Saturday 4:30pm

#### **Registration Deadline is**

#### Friday, October 10, 2014

#### New Church Lawrence has a website:

#### www.newchurchlawrence.org

Please contact Pastor Jacob or our office if you have a student that attends KU and you would like us to include them in our weekly update of events.

They have plans for their first worship event at Hollywood Theatre in Lawrence on Sunday, Nov. 23rd.

Registration form is on our website or call and we can mail one to you.

http://www.5riversds.com/Lay%20Servant%20Minitry

# **Project Revolution Photos**



# **Project Revolution** 2014 ~ Over Come

Below is the outdoor location of our dinner which typically consists of hamburgers, hotdogs, veggies and chips.

A big thanks to Lawrence 1st, West Campus, for their support of a location once again.

Above the D.C.Y.M. youth welcome new friends and give introductions.

Tami Clark, one of our original D.C.Y.M. Youth Directors







#### **Project Revolution ~ Over Come** (continued from pg 1)

Tami Clark has been a D.C.Y.M. Coordinator since our first year of planning Project Revolution. She is the Youth Director at Lawrence 1<sup>st</sup>. Tami has been instrumental in getting the program started by her dependability and the many gifts she has for working with youth. She shows up, and brings Lawrence 1<sup>st</sup> youth that want to participate. She brings a child-like and fun loving personality that is ready to try new things. Tami is a problem solver and truly believes that this program should be youth led. If you see her, please tell her thanks for all she has done for the youth of 5R through the years.

Eva Durand is the Youth Director at Baldwin 1<sup>st</sup> UMC. She has also been with the program since the beginning. Eva has helped with the registration process, setting up the rules that are given at the beginning, organizing of the adult volunteers, she helps the youth plan skits, line up testimonies, devotions and worship time. Eva has a calming, cheerful spirit, that envelopes all with her love of Jesus Christ.

Laura Ramsey has been helping with planning for many years as well. Laura is the Youth Director at Lyndon UMC. She began helping her mother, Mary Brooks with the handling of the food purchase and preparation for Project Revolution. Eventually Mary handed over the baton and Laura took control. Every year we have tried to get better choices for healthy foods. Laura also attends and participates in the meetings and frequently brings youth to help and/or be on D.C.Y.M. Laura brings a sensible nature, dependable character, that spirit of showing up to help when needed, as well as recruit others. Laura's daughter Caitlyn is now in college. Caitlyn participated and blessed us with her talent of leading the group in worship songs with her guitar. She also held several offices for D.C.Y.M., Chaplain and Vice President.

Richard Croll is the newest D.C.Y.M. Coordinator. He is the Youth Director at Burlington UMC. Richard tackled the outside games and relays this year. This took literally weeks of planning and some building skills. The response as you can see from the pictures, was an outstanding time with all youth involved. Lawrence West Campus has a great space to engage smaller groups of youth in competitive team play as they rotate around the different activities. This year the small groups were in competition to get the "prizes" which were small stuffed characters that they could tie to their team's pole. The team with the most things tied to their pole won. There were two teams with the most "prizes" that tied. We definitely appreciate Richard's roll as the only male leadership we have at this time. Richard's son Austin, is our current Vice President.

There are many youth directors, pastors and parents that have participated and been involved through the years. I could start giving names but I would hate to leave anyone off the list. So this is a formal thank you from all of us for your time and dedication to the youth of our district. These folks have taken the time to become Safe Gatherings certified which is a requirement for working with youth and attending this function with the youth. If you see one of them, please extend thanks.

We welcome the help for future Project Revolutions with supervision, food preparation, clean-up, transportation to and from the event and all the support it takes to make this event happen. We couldn't have this event if it were not for the help of many ~ thank you! Page 5





D.C.Y.M. 2014 Officers ~ Austin Croll, (vice president), Jessica Grinage (president), and Riley Bane (secretary).







We had two winning groups from this challenge. They all were winners for fully participating, even when a little out of their element.



This is the group you help sponsor when you send in your mission offering to with the #786 on the check memo line.

When mailing the offering, send it to the Great Plains Conference, PO Box 4187

Topeka, Ks 66604-0187.

# The other group that received half of the funding is Camp Chippewa.

As a group you have given \$2,366.18.

One goal from the DS this year is that we can use some of the funds to start a D.C.Y.M. group with an event in the southern part of the district as well.

#### Thank You!!!





The band featured this year and selected by D.C.Y.M. was

#### Sweet Ascent.

Every year a new band is selected and there has been quite a variety over the years of quality Christian bands.

Facebook.com/SweetAscent

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# **Church Conference Schedule Continued**

Date/Time	<b>Location</b>	<u>Churches</u> <u>Con</u>	veners
Nov. 11 7pm	Baldwin First	Baldwin First	DS
Nov. 13 7pm	Burlington	Burlington	DS
Nov. 16 12noon	Melvern	Melvern-Quenemo	DS
Nov. 16 3pm	Pomona	Pomona-Vassar	DS
Nov. 16 6pm	Richter	Richter	DS
Nov. 17 7pm	Worden	Worden	DS
Nov. 18 7pm	Overbrook	Overbrook	DS
Nov. 23 11am	Hiattville	Hiattville	DS
Nov. 23 3pm	Hammond	St. John's-Hammond-West Liberty	DS
Nov. 23 6pm	Fort Scott 1st	Fort Scott 1 <sup>st</sup>	DS
Nov. 30 12pm	Iola Trinity	Iola Trinity-Colony	DS
Nov. 30 3pm	Iola Wesley	Iola Wesley, Iola Calvary-Salem	DS
Nov. 30 6pm	Yates Center	Yates Center-Neosho Falls	DS

We will add December-January Church Conference schedule in the November newsletter.