Director of Communications Report

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As always, I would like to express my appreciation to all of you and my gratitude to God for the opportunity to serve the Southern Ohio District Church of the Brethren. I see this ministry as one of my greatest blessings.

- --I continue attending to my usual tasks of newsletter, website, and other communications, with some additional time spent looking over the website and updating areas I haven't given attention to recently such as the directory pages, congregational pages, etc. It seems just when I have things updated, there is a change, so this is continually on my to do list.
- --The first edition of "Together" magazine has gone out. We have begun working on the next two editions and given some thought to a theme for the third. The editorial staff realizes that we need to meet much more frequently and have been meeting monthly.
- -- I continue to add names to the data base. I'm working on the Oakland names currently.
- --Next funds appeal letter will be mailed the end of June. A topic has not yet been determined.
- -- Soon I will need to begin working on filling my volunteer schedule for Annual Conference. I am the ticket sales coordinator. I usually require only 10-12 volunteers. Most of the work is done the day before conference begins and the first couple days of conference. Conference begins July 3 this year, so my work will begin on the 2nd. If anyone feels like they would like to help out, let me know. I will be setting up two hour shifts so it shouldn't be too much for anyone. It's a fun way to volunteer and meet folks as they arrive at conference.
- -- I've been working with Debbie Noffsinger to design a new logo for Southern Ohio/Kentucky District. I will need to make a decision soon since I need to order stationary and envelopes.

I am very grateful that the school year is winding down. I've all but made a decision not to return to the school bus next fall. Most of you know that I have begun a career in selling real estate. It is going quite well, and that along with my district responsibilities is more than enough. I only need to work out how to have health insurance and the decision will be made. I would appreciate your prayers as I finalize this decision.

Respectfully,
Mary Boone,
Director of Communications,
Southern Ohio District Church of the Brethren