

Fall Report From The Mountain Convocation

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Mountain has its upcoming fall meeting schedule for Sept 29 at Resurrection in Rainbow City. They are really getting ready for us so I hope you can all attend. They have been praised for their new gardens and I know we are in for a treat. Pudden McArthur is in charge.

At this meeting I will appoint a nominating board since no one has volunteered yet for the job.

Since Mountain has the 2012 Convention, the selection of a coordinator is very important. Gini Stone has declined to run for this. I am talking hard to Pudden M. I have also spread the word that we need new people in all the positions. We decided last spring to add a secretary to our board. Carol Jean Exby volunteered but has not given me any minutes from our Spring meeting. I have asked several times.

It is my plan to have a slate to present at the convention a week later.

News from our Parishes:

Christ Church is very busy recovering from the tornado. Debbie Simmons, their ecw president,

Just moved back into her house a week ago. They are providing the meals for Christian Women's Job Core through December this year.

Holy Comforter I have finally spoken to Phyllis Smith. They are also getting busy. This summer they had 3 baby showers and they have chosen to meet the third Sunday of each month. This is great. They have at least 6 going to the Fall Convocation meeting.

The Church of the Epiphany At Epiphany we have been having little mini fund raisers. We had a book sale in May; a bake sale July 4th; and a Harvest Sale planned for Oct 17. We met and made hot pepper jelly for this and will make cheese balls in early October. These sales are held between Sunday morning services and after the last service. We have made \$200 - \$300 at each sale. The fellowship of getting in the kitchen is wonderful. We are given \$200 to the ECW Sacristy pledge which brings us to \$500 so far. We are using the rest of the money we raised to buy ingredients to do our jelly and cheese balls. We will have a little sale table at our Fall Convocation meeting in Rainbow City; cook books, pepper jelly and Episcopal logo things will be available.

Epiphany hosted the graduation for the CWJC in April and provided food and cakes. Over 200 attended. This Sunday we have Rally Day at church and will have a table with a display of our years of service in a photo montage.

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St. Philip's Rather calm over the summer but had their first meeting this fall on Wednesday. I don't have a report from that yet.

St. Joseph's on the Mountain (running out of time I did not call Gethryn) Will you update us?

Calvary We had a huge turnout for the Spring Convocation meeting which was one of the best meetings I have been privileged to attend. I do have a current update.

Resurrection They are busy getting ready for our fall meeting. I am talking to Pudden about considering the coordinator job in 2012. They are also musing about how they might pull off the convention in 2012. Their main concern is space for the dinner. We are putting our heads together on this. Maybe Holy Comforter and they can go together for this. Their concern is night walking around Holy Comforter is not safe. Can we pick up that beautiful church and move it?

St. Luke's They had a wonderful fund raiser for ECW Pledge for the Sacristy. Beth Maynard Young, a conservation photographer and author of a book called "Head Waters" about Alabama sites, was their program. They raised about \$250. They had a bad storm that day which blew out their power at the church so they used Gini Stone's car battery to power the projector. How nice to know how to do that! 35 attended.

They next on Sept. 19 to elect new officers. Gini is out and about doing won't make the fall meeting or convention.