

## **JOINT FACILITIES SPACE USE COMMITTEE**

The Joint Facilities Space Use Committee worked to raise the profile of the church's rentable space during 2011.

The Caring Community, one of our long-term tenants, left after the city cut the program's funding. We see this as an opportunity to attract new tenants—both those whose financial circumstances might bring income to the church as well as those whose missions are consistent with that of the church. With those ends in mind, the committee, with special contributions from Kathie Young, staged an “open house” over two days in May to bring event planners and our neighbors into the South Wing to see our spaces. The event was successful at initiating contact with planners, caterers and others who are looking for event space. Members of the committee have met since the open house with prospective renters.

During 2012, the committee hopes to continue to raise the profile of the church's rentable space. We plan to market the rooftop room and playground to parents of nursery school children for birthday parties and other events and to work with our neighbors at the Salmagundi Club to rent space in the South Wing for art shows, as the church's construction schedule permits.

The Mellin-Macnab building's renovation schedule presents a special challenge for our committee, since the renovation will entail moving offices to the rentable spaces in the South Wing. We will work closely with the Buildings and Grounds committee and church staff to accommodate as many of our tenants as possible during the construction work.

Respectfully submitted by Jon Bruner, chairman

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