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MASW Receives Shalom Award From Eden Theological Seminary

Webster Groves, MO – The Eden Theological Seminary community and student body on May 5 presented the Shalom Award to the Missouri Association for Social Welfare (MASW). The Shalom Award is given to an individual or organization that exhibits courage and leadership in seeking to speak and embody the vision of shalom. Shalom, the Hebrew word for peace, also is used theologically to describe a state of life in which basic human needs are met and harmonious and just relationships prevail.

MASW was chosen to receive the Shalom Award because of the work they do for Missouri and for the St. Louis community in promoting peace and justice by addressing issues such as hunger, mental and physical health, affordable shelter, bias-free policing and sentencing, and many others. The mission of MASW is to provide leadership, research, education and advocacy to improve public policies and programs impacting the health and welfare of all people in Missouri.

Jeanette Mott Oxford, Executive Director of the MASW and a 1989 M. Div. graduate of Eden, accepted the award from Deborah Krause, Dean of Academics and David M. Greenhaw, Eden's President. St. Louis Chapter Coordinator Christine Woody of the MASW staff was also present for the presentation. The Shalom Award recipient is chosen by a vote of students, faculty, and staff.

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