

Hedy Harden Chair

**Hedy (Edna) Harden** started doing prison work in the mid-1970s. In 1990 she started Missouri CURE after a meeting in St. Louis with Charles Sullivan, head of National CURE, and a few family members of prisoners.

In 1989 she met Donald Harden (Tacuma) during a citizens' investigative tour of the old Missouri State Penitentiary in Jefferson City. They were married at Potosi Correctional Center in 1992.

Hedy began publishing Turning Point, MO CURE's quarterly newsletter, in 1991, with frequent articles by Donald. In 2001 Donald was released on parole. The couple separated in 2002 and are now divorced. After a brief hiatus, Hedy returned to involvement in CURE and plans to stay that way.