

MITE BRIGADE

THE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT

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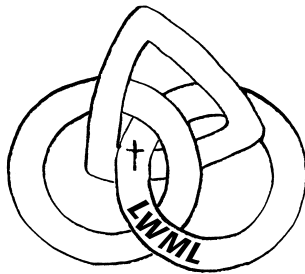
22nd BIENNIAL CONVENTION

STRENGTH FOR THE JOURNEY

*"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."
(Isaiah 40:31)*



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| Keynote Speaker | Terry Kieschnick, |
| Mission Speaker | Rev. Dr. Robert Roegner |
| LWML Representative | Vivian Ernst |
| Entertainer | Jan Struck |
| Music Leader | Dina Vendetti |
| Host Zones | Marylanton and DCMARVA |
| Host Church | St. Paul Lutheran Church, Mechanicsville, MD
Rev. Dale Skurla, Pastor |
| Bible Study Leader | Rev. Dr. John Sound |
| Worship Services | Rev. Dale Skurla and Rev. Dr. John Sound
Chesapeake District Pastoral Counselors
Friday Opening Communion 8:00 PM
Sunday Closing Worship 11:00 AM
Rev. Dr. John Diefenthaler, Proclaimer |



September 26-28, 2008 Crowne Plaza Baltimore Timonium, Maryland

CONVENTION INFORMATION

Note to Networkers and Society Presidents:

Please see that this issue of the Mite Brigade gets to your **convention delegates**. It contains the information on officer candidates and mission grants they will be voting on at convention as well as information about guest speakers, ingathering, and enrichment sessions.

A Note From President Joan



I hope you are counting the days until Convention 2008! An all-star lineup awaits you. You won't want to miss the LCMS First Lady, Terry Kieschnick or LWML Vice President, Vivian Ernst. You'll be thrilled to hear Rev. Dr. Robert Roegner share his mission adventure stories. Get ready to laugh until your sides ache when Christian Humorist Jan Struck takes the stage. Of Course our music leader, Dina Vendetti will have us raising the roof with joyful noise. Ladies, this is a once in a life-time opportunity to have a national convention experience right here in

Chesapeake District.

Packed into the weekend will be time for worship, time for LWML business, time to shop, time to greet old friends, time for spiritual renewal, and much, much more. Check out this issue of the Mite Brigade to read all the details and send in your registration today! Share a room and share the ride, but **be there!** I look forward to seeing you.



The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.

Mission Grants 2006-2008

Mission Goal for the 2006 – 2008 Biennium \$120,000

Mission Grants

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| 1. Chinese Outreach Center of the Cross (COCC), Rockville, MD
Support the continuing outreach and faith-building in the Chinese community. | \$5,000 PAID |
| 2. New Ministry Start-up Grant, Southeastern District, LCMS
Grant for New Ministry Start-up in Cecil County, MD | \$5,000 PAID |
| 3. Alaska Mission for Christ, Anchorage, AK
Training and Transportation program of the Alaska Mission | \$5,000 PAID |
| 4. Student Aid Assistance, Southeastern District, LCMS
Provide grants to students pursuing careers in full-time church work. | \$5,000 PAID |
| 5. ESL (English as a Second Language) Program, Rehoboth Beach, DE
Enhance program materials needed for the instruction of English among foreign workers in the surrounding community. | \$3,000 PAID |
| 6. Southern Maryland Compassion Center, LaPlata, MD
Funding for Compassion Care program and Mobile Compassion Center | \$5,000 PAID |
| 7. Concordia Lutheran Church, Triangle, VA
Community Nutritional Food Outreach Program | \$1,500 PAID |
| 8. Shoe Beggars for Christ, Inc., Laurel, MD
Help with costs to provide shoes for people in need worldwide. | \$1,500 PAID |
| 9. AMMI Ministry, Philadelphia, PA
Support for Gospel outreach among ethnic groups from the former USSR | \$4,000 PAID |
| 10. Disaster Preparedness Workshop, Southeastern District, LCMS
Sponsor a Christian Care and Compassion- Disaster Preparedness workshop | \$1,500 PAID |
| 11. Bethany Lutheran School, Waynesboro, VA
Provide preschool room equipment for the before and after school program | \$1,600 PAID |
| 12. Open Arms Child Development Center, Midlothian, VA
Assist with purchase of needed copying and laminating equipment | \$3,500 PAID |
| 13. Faith Communities and Civic Agencies United, (FCCA), Inc. Bel Air, MD
Assist clients of the overnight outreach program with shelter needs | \$5,000 PAID |
| 14. Training Leaders for Outreach Workshops, Southeastern District, LCMS
Part of the <i>Ablaze!</i> Program of LCMS | \$2,000 PAID |

*Praise and
Thanksgiving!*

*All are marked
PAID!*

Gospel Outreach

“I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” [Phil 1: 3-6]

We rejoice together with the wonderful news that our God has enabled us to accomplish our goal of supporting all fourteen of our 2006-2008 mission grants! And yet, even as we celebrate, we begin our preparations for those who God will bless through our grants in the years to come.

In this Mite Brigade you will find the new opportunities we have to use our gifts in ministry during our 2008-2010 biennium. Fifteen grant proposals will be on our convention ballot in September along with three mission goals. A summary of each grant request appears in this issue. Please prayerfully consider where the Lord is calling us to extend our hands, hearts and voices to share the Gospel. See you in Baltimore!!

In joy and peace,

Deb Poese
Gospel Outreach

Convention Personalities

LWML Representative



Vivian Ernst, Vice President of Christian Life wants to be like Esther. A faithful servant, Esther was willing to trust her Lord even in risky situations. Vivian recalls Esther often when she is faced with decisions, and finds comfort in knowing the Lord has her where she is at this point in time for a reason.

As with Esther, the Lord has opened opportunities for Vivian to serve Him, especially in the LWML.

Through the years, Vivian has served the LWML in many capacities, all of which have helped prepare her to serve in her current position as Vice President of Christian Life. Vivian joined the LWML in 1970 during her husband's vicarage in Wisconsin. She and her husband, Rev. Gene Ernst, now live near Ida Grove, Iowa, where he serves a triple parish and they raise corn and soybeans.

For more than 30 years, Vivian has been active in the LWML because of its amazing opportunities to be in mission for the Lord.

Vivian also serves on the Iowa District West Board of Directors as a member-at-large and helps sort and pack clothing at the local Orphan Grain Train warehouse. She has traveled to Latvia with MOST Ministries, volunteered as a Petal Pusher for the Lutheran Hour float in the Rose Parade, and worked at a Lutheran Hour Ministries center in Mexico. The Lord has blessed Vivian and Gene with four sons, their wives, plus five grandchildren (so far), along with the members of their three churches, who are their extended family.

Music Leader



Dina Vendetti is well known in the Chesapeake District. She grew up in Baltimore and attended Lutheran schools. She received a degree in music and elementary education at Concordia Bronxville and a Master of Education at Towson University. She resides in Dover, Delaware where she is principal of St John Lutheran

School. She is presently in a doctoral program at Wilmington College. Dina has 23 years experience working in Lutheran schools and is active in church directing choir, and as a musician and vocalist. She is also active in several community organizations.

Keynote Speaker



Terry Kieschnick, First Lady of the LCMS and wife of LCMS President Gerald Kieschnick will inspire and uplift us as the convention's keynote speaker. In her 35+ years as a pastor's wife, she has had many opportunities the share the love of Christ with people across the United States and all over the world. A mother and grandmother, Terry has dedicated her life to community service and spent many years in the professional workforce in addition to serving on numerous Lutheran boards and committees, including the Advisory Board for Pastoral Leadership Institute. She has a heart for all women who serve the Lord with gladness!

Entertainer



Jan Struck hails from Appleton Wisconsin. She shares that her early education was in a two room Lutheran school. Her strong Christian background led her to Valparaiso University where she received a theater degree. Jan's "life story" includes being a mom, a teacher and an administrator as well as experiencing single parenthood after

divorce. Her recent "surprises" from a loving Creator brought a second marriage and a combined family. She is delighted to have had a lifetime of bizarre experiences and an ability to see humor and irony in her faith journey. In sharing that journey, she continues to leave laughing audiences in her wake. Faith in Christ is her reason to make a "joyful noise unto God"!!

Mission Speaker

Rev. Dr. Robert Roegner, Executive director of the Board for mission Services (LCMS World Mission), has been active in helping create the mission movement *Ablaze!* He has also served as an evangelistic missionary/church planter in West Africa; missionary counselor for the Evangelical Lutheran Mission in Liberia; area secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Middle East for the LCMS Board for Mission Services; and executive director of Lutheran Bible Translators.



Special Gifts Endowment Fund

May 2008 - June 2008

IN MEMORY OF: DONATED BY:

Linda McCaffrey	Nancy Miller
Earl Herbst (beloved Uncle of Carol Zehnder)	Fred and Carol Zehnder
Ervin Carstens	Fred and Connie Kruelle
Doris Horne	
Hildegard Mijan	
Lois Kolb	

IN HONOR OF:

Debbie Lennox (Consecrated into the Diaconate by the Lutheran Deaconess Association)	Fred and Connie Kruelle
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GLORY OF GOD

LCEF	Women of First Lutheran Towson, MD
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TOTALS May-June

Interest Paid \$ 86.82	Interest Balance \$3,049.14
Contributions <u>\$235.00</u>	Principal Balance <u>\$15,485.45</u>
\$321.82	\$18,534.45

Mary Payne,
Special Gifts Chiarman

When you want to give a gift and don't know what to give, consider a gift to this fund in honor of someone special for their birthday, anniversary, promotion, or to say thank you. Use the form at the right



Grants Available Now!

The fund has grown to the point where the district can now offer grants from a portion of the accumulated interest. Grants of up to \$300 each are available from the Special Gifts Fund. A request may be made by a society, a zone, or the district to help fund a new project or an existing program. The project should reflect the mission of LWML.

The guidelines are short and the application is a single page. The time between the request and receiving the funds can be as short as one month.

To apply for a grant, contact chairman Mary Payne for specific guidelines and an application.

Chesapeake District Special Gifts Fund

The Chesapeake District LWML has established a Special Gifts Endowment Fund to receive gifts of money and property, either directly or through bequests under wills or trusts, to further the work of LWML.

Contributions may be made as a memorial, or to honor someone on occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, or simply the glory of God. Come up with your own unique way to **PRAISE THE LORD.**

All contributions will be acknowledged by the Special Gifts Chairman.

Make checks payable to:
Lutheran Church Extension Fund

Mail to: Mary A. Payne
17554 Barron Heights Road
Dumfries, VA 22025-2021

Date _____

Amount Enclosed _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Occasion _____

To the Glory of God _____

Send acknowledgement of gift (not amount) to
Please Print Plainly

Name _____

Address _____

Donor _____

Address _____

OFFICER NOMINEES

Candidates for the 2008-2010 Biennium

Office	Nominee	Home Congregation	Zone
District President	Joan Kelly	Bethany Lutheran Church , Baltimore, MD	Baltimore
VP Servant Resources	Carol Schmidt	King of Glory Lutheran Ch, Williamsburg, VA	Tidewater
VP Christian Life	Carol Zehnder	Faith Ev Lutheran Ch., Chesapeake, VA	Tidewater
VP Gospel Outreach	Deb Poese	Lutheran Ch of St. Andrew, Silver Spring, MD	Potomac
VP Human Care	Marge Bruning	Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Ashland, VA	Old Dominion
Recording Secretary	Nancy Miller	Grace Lutheran Church, La Plata, MD	DCMarVa
Corresponding Sec.	Donna Siverd Jamee Thieme	St John's Lutheran Church, Glen Arm, MD Lutheran Church of the Cross, Rockville, MD	PenMar Potomac
Financial Secretary	Constance Hoff	Prince of Peace Luth. Ch, Virginia Beach, VA	Tidewater
Treasurer	Mary Payne Teresa Tester	Concordia Lutheran Church, Triangle, VA Oxon Hill Lutheran Church, Oxon Hill, MD	N Virginia DCMARVA
Zone Liaison	Linda Roscoe	Trinity Lutheran Church, Richmond, VA	Old Dominion
Jr. Pastoral Counselor	Rev. Raymond Rohrs	Faith Lutheran Church, Middle River, MD	Baltimore

This slate of officers will be presented at convention for election to serve during the 2006-2008 biennium. Further nominations may be made from convention floor, provided nominees meet all the qualifications for the office and are present or have given written consent to serve, if elected.

Convention Schedule

Friday	
8:00 p.m.	Opening Communion Service Banner Procession President's Reception
Saturday	
9:00 a.m.	Opening Session includes Bible Study Keynote Speaker Convention Business <i>Lunch Break</i>
1:00 p.m.	Convention Reconvenes LWML Representative
3:00 p.m.	Enrichment Sessions
6:45 p.m.	Dinner/Entertainment
9:00 p.m.	Zone Gatherings (optional)
Sunday	
8:45 a.m.	Convention reconvenes Mission Speaker Gifts From the Heart Dedication
11:00	Closing Worship
12:00	Adjournment

Schedule subject to adjustment

Convention Notes

Hotel The former Holiday Inn has been completely re-done since we were there in 2004 and is now the Crowne Plaza. Look for these changes - a beautiful modern lobby and a new Atrium Exposition and Conference Center with 11,000 sq. ft. of flexible space; Northern Lights is the modern new restaurant; all double rooms converted to 2 queen size beds.

Registration Please use the appropriate registration form. Board members, delegates, and Young Women Reps have specially identified forms with earlier due dates. **All others**, including exhibitors and teens, use the GUEST form, included here, due September 1, after which a late fee applies. Emergency information will go on the back of the name badge. Teens 13-17 need a parent's signature.

Meals You are encouraged to take the convention meal package which includes *Saturday lunch and dinner only*. Not only is it convenient but the price includes the required taxes and gratuity. To keep the meal cost reasonable (and breakfast to your liking) breakfast is on your own, either in your room or in the hotel restaurant if you desire a more substantial meal. Friday dinner is on your own. The hotel restaurant will be open Friday evening.

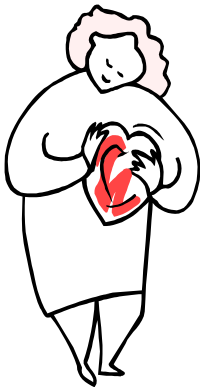
LWML Tote Bags Totes will be given to all teens and first timers to convention—otherwise bring your own LWML tote bag.

Convention Enrichment Sessions - Sign up EARLY!

Convention attendees have the opportunity to participate in two enrichment sessions on Saturday afternoon. Most sessions will be offered twice to allow as many people as possible to attend. Sign up for your choices on the registration form. Space is limited so assignments will be made based on the date registration is received. Register early!

- Session 1- **“Talk with Terry”** Meet our keynote speaker and First Lady of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, Terry Kieschnick, who will chat with you about her journey of faith and yours.
- Session 2- **“What’s New With LWML”** Vivian Ernst, the National LWML Vice-President of Christian Life will bring you up to date on what’s happening in LWML along with introducing new materials which have been produced for use in your local society.
- Session 3- **“A Grace-Filled Life”** Jan Struck, Convention Humorist, has experienced the Grace of the Lord throughout her life which she will share with attendees. If you have ever wondered how “Aunt Jane” was created, come to this session and learn the answer to this question and more.
- Session 4- **Convention Choir** (one session only) Dina Vendetti, convention musician will organize a choir to raise voices in praise at the closing service on Sunday, September 28. Music will be provided.
- Session 5- **“You Have Mail”** Everyone enjoys receiving cards and letters. Use your talents to make or sign cards of encouragement to our seminarians in Ft. Wayne and St. Louis. Supplies will be provided. Leaders will be board members Gladys Hane, Lori May, and Mary Payne.
- Session 6- **“Wrapped in Prayer”** Prayer Shawls have been blessings to many people throughout history. Learn how to start a Prayer Shawl Ministry in your society or congregation. No knitting or crocheting skills needed. If you are interested in knitting a prayer scarf for a teddy bear which will be given to a child, please bring #8-10½ knitting needles, whatever size you would use to knit with lightweight worsted yarn. Directions and yarn will be available in the registration area. The teddy prayer scarves will be collected at the end of the convention. Leaders are Bobbi Hayward, and board member Carol Schmidt.

Convention Ingathering WANTED! Gifts From the Heart



Convention is a wonderful time to be together with all of our sisters (and brothers) in Christ! We have a chance to learn, worship, meet new friends and hug our old ones, be in the Word, set new goals, be mission focused, be exposed to new opportunities of service and so much more.

Our “Gifts from the Heart” ingatherings allow us many opportunities, too. It provides many people we don’t even know with items that can make their lives a little better. It also provides us with a Gospel outreach. Do you realize the workers at the hotel often are amazed at how giving we Lutheran women in mission are? Your gifts show the love of Jesus. This September in Baltimore, we will once again have a fantastic chance to show that the Lord provides for us and we in turn share our blessings with others.

If you aren’t able to attend convention, please have a station at your church where your entire congregation can have the opportunity to share the Love of the Lord, too. Connect with someone who is coming to bring your gifts to convention. The following are items we will be collecting for our *gifts* this year.

† **Fort Wayne and St. Louis Seminaries** - Provide **gift cards for seminarians** from national stores or restaurants (McD, Pizza Hut, Wal Mart, Sears, etc.) to provide for basic needs or special treats for seminary families. The gift cards for Seminarians are a real help and treat!! Many times things are needed for the families and these gift cards come at just the right time. New shoes for the children, diapers for the baby, a new shirt for the pastor-to-be or just a happy meal or dinner at Pizza Hut for the family means so much. The Concordia Food Banks at each of our seminaries give these out as needed.

† **LINC-Baltimore “Wonderfully Made”** program helps educate families in the inner city areas of Baltimore on child care. Bring **infant and toddler needs, such as formula, diapers, wipes, cream, and clothing up to 4T**. Gently used clothing is acceptable, but no stains, please.

† **Lutheran Mission Society’s Southern MD Compassion Center**— with winter coming soon there will be a need for **heavy socks and underwear for men, women and children**. Items should be new, preferably packaged. Please do not bring dress socks. Opaque tights are acceptable for children.

Proposed Mission Goal and Mission Grants 2008-10

Proposed Mission Goal for 2008-2010

\$120,000 \$125,000 \$130,000

Proposed Mission Grants

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| 1. Hope Lutheran Preschool, Virginia Beach, VA | \$5,000 |
| Provide needed funds to support expansion to full day program | |
| 2. Southeastern Correctional Ministry, Hampton, VA | \$5,000 |
| Funds for purchasing Bibles and Bible Study curriculum materials. | |
| 3. Mt. Zion Korean Lutheran Mission Church, Richmond, VA | \$3,600 |
| Funds to support outreach to local Korean families | |
| 4. New Ministry Start-up Grant, Southeastern District, LCMS | \$5,000 |
| Grant for New Ministry Start-up in Circuit 4 | |
| 5. Music Ripples Program, Cristo Senior de la Vida, Rockville, MD | \$2,000 |
| Purchase additional musical equipment and support outreach to local Hispanic children and youth. | |
| 6. Leah's House Shelter for Women and Children, St. Mary's County, MD | \$5,000 |
| Support programs for homeless women and children | |
| 7. Student Aid Assistance, Southeastern District, LCMS | 5,000 |
| Provide grants to students pursuing careers in full-time church work | |
| 8. Mid-Atlantic Gleaning Network | 2,000 |
| Support transportation costs to deliver gleaned produce to food banks | |
| 9. Lutheran Bible Translators | \$5,000 |
| Funds for native household setup for one new missionary family | |
| 10. Essex Compassion Center, Lutheran Mission Society | \$5,000 |
| Funding to assist in fire code updates and other renovations to double space available for ministry | |
| 11. Help and Emergency Response, Inc. (H.E.R. Shelter), Portsmouth, VA | \$2,000 |
| Support for Client Assistance Project for women ready to leave the shelter | |
| 12. Hope Lutheran Congregation, Saigon, Vietnam | \$5,000 |
| Support for Street Children's Education Project | |
| 13. College Outreach Ministry, Richmond, VA | \$3,200 |
| Support for Gospel outreach to students at several Richmond colleges | |
| 14. Galilee Lutheran Church Preschool, Pasadena, MD | \$3,000 |
| Scholarships for community children in need | |
| 15. Crossway Creative Lutheran Ministry, Norfolk, VA | \$5,000 |
| Furnishings for space for new outreach center in downtown Norfolk | |

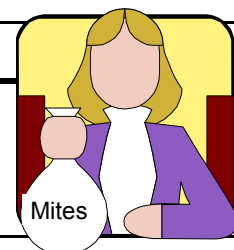
Mission Grants will be selected by plurality vote with the highest number of votes receiving the first grant, second highest the next, etc. Grants are paid as funds are received from mites. The number of grant recipients is based on the total mission goal selected by the convention delegates.

Convention Offerings

Friday - National LWML Mission Grants

Saturday - 50-50 split between LCMS World Mission and the Seminaries' food banks.

Sunday - Chesapeake District Mission Grants



New LWML Products

COMING SOON!

If you already have the Liquid Cross Necklace, you are going to love the NEW Liquid Cross Earrings. These post style earrings are hand- made and each set is unique. I hope to have some for sale at the Convention, so be sure to stop by the M&M Store when you are at our district Convention next month.

Two new clothing articles are the Ivory Blouse and the Shawl. The blouse is made of a washable silk blend and has front and back contour darts, 3/4 sleeves and cream on cream stitched LWML logo. It is available in sizes S-XXL . It sells for \$30.00. The Shawl is only available in limited quantities . It comes in several colors and has a lovely fringe.

Other new items will include LWML Note Pads. 10 pads will sell for \$10. Also new are LWML Labels (2"x3"and printed in purple ink). The labels are \$10/ 100 labels.

If you are a scrapbook fan, you will love the following NEW Scrapbooking Items: LWML Scrapbook Kit includes 2 die cut designs and a lettering laser cut, along with 2 pages each of light purple and dark purple cardstock. Also included are one LWML Logo laser cutout and 2 sheets of LWML specialty paper. The kit cost \$20.00 Another scrapbook kit available is the Teen Scrapbook Kit available in an 8x8 inch (\$8.50) or in an 12x12 inch size (\$12.00). If you are a scrapbooker and coming to the Portland Convention in 2009, then be sure to get your Portland Convention supplies. You can purchase either a one page layout for \$8.50 or a 2 page layout for \$10.00. The set of these three Scrapbook Kits is \$32.00. Finally, the LWML Logo Laser Cutout . It is 4"x3 1/8" dark purple and can be used for your scrapbooking or to create your own card. The cost is \$4.00.

It's always fun to go to an LWML convention and see all the new products - and many old stand-bys as well.

STOP BY THE M&M STORE AT THE CONVENTION

Karen Updegrave
HOPE Committee

Society Reactivations

WELCOME BACK – 2

A big welcome back to the LWML at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Easton, MD from the Chesapeake District LWML. Mildred Kegel is the dynamo who encouraged the women of Immanuel to reactivate. Thanks, Mildred.

Along with Immanuel, the society at Our Savior, Lynchburg, VA will be receiving Reactivation Certificates at the Chesapeake District Convention in September at Timonium, MD. So welcome back, U-2.

Carol Schmidt
VP for Servant Resources

Total Bylaw Revision

Much has been done over the past two years and especially in the last few months to ensure that a revised bylaw document, reflecting our present organizational structure and operations, will be ready for ratification by the delegates at convention in September.

We have worked through multiple changes throughout the current document - grammatical corrections, updates, moved some sections and added others. Essentially, we will be replacing the current bylaws document with a new one.

In preparation for convention, each society will receive, ahead of time, a written explanation of the substantive changes and an explanation of the procedure to be followed at convention. A copy of the new revised bylaws will be included. In addition, the delegates will have this information in their convention packets. It is important that societies get together with their delegates to review the changes and the new proposed bylaw document before convention.

At convention, we will be voting to replace the current bylaw document with the proposed new document after consideration is given to any substantial amendments to the new document.

Many thanks to everyone for your input in this tedious process. Blessings to you as you make your plans for our fall convention.

Bert Buchanan
Structure Committee Chairman

Springtime Note

This was sent in for the May issue by Betty Leal, Hope LWML, Virginia Beach. Betty writes:

My bouquet of spring flowers is for Vivian Fleisch, Hope LWML. Vivian is a "retired" veteran of many years of service in our society. Due to disabilities, she is no longer able to perform the service projects that she has been part of for so many years.

The REACH (Reading Enriches All Children) is so grateful for the 368 book bags that she made for the children. She began the project in January 2005. Recently she tearfully had to give it up due to her disabilities.

We all thank you, Vivian, these spring flowers are especially for you.





CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT LWML CONVENTION 2008

September 26-28, 2008

CROWNE PLAZA BALTIMORE
2004 Greenspring Drive
Timonium, MD 21093

410-252-7373 1-800-227-6963 Fax: 410-561-0182

GUEST REGISTRATION FORM

Rooms: \$99.00 (plus tax)

Per night for one to four persons

Reservations must be made directly with the hotel

RESERVE YOUR ROOM UNDER LWML FOR CONVENTION RATE

Room reservation deadline: September 1, 2008

After September 1, the LWML rate may no longer be available.

Check-in time: 3:00 p.m. Check-out time: 12:00 p.m.

Complete the form below and return *with check*, payable to Chesapeake District LWML

Mail to: Jeri Pharis
23838 Louise Ln
Hollywood, MD 20636
Phone 301-373-2724

No cash please. If you wish an acknowledgement please enclose a self-addressed stamped postcard or check here for email acknowledgement. _____

For further information, e-mail Jeri Pharis at pharis@olg.com

GUEST REGISTRATION

(Exhibitors and Teens 13-17 use Guest Registration, Delegates, YWR and BOD use designated forms)

Name _____ PRINT name above as you want it on your name tag

Address _____ E-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____

Church _____ City, State _____ LWML Zone _____

Parent Signature (Teens only) _____

Convention Fees

(Check must accompany registration)

_____ Guest Registration Fee \$50

or

_____ Teen Registration Fee \$20

_____ Meal Package \$55

Two meals – includes Saturday lunch and dinner – excludes any breakfast

_____ Saturday Dinner Only \$35
(unregistered guests only)

_____ Late Fee after Sept 1 \$10
No refunds after Sept. 5

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Saturday Enrichment Sessions

See Mite Brigade for full description

Number 1-4 in order of preference

1. _____ **Talk with Terry** Chat about faith journey with keynote speaker Terry Kieschnick.

2. _____ **What's New With LWML** shared by Vivian Ernst, LWML Rep.

3. _____ **A Grace-Filled Life** Jan Struck shares her life experiences.

4. _____ **Convention Choir** Dina Vendetti Prepare for Sunday worship.

5. _____ **You Have Mail** Prepare notes and cards of encouragement for seminarians.

6. _____ **Wrapped in Prayer** Learn how to start a Prayer Shawl ministry in your church. Instruction offered for beginning knitters

(sessions assigned as registration is received)

Check where Applicable

_____ Need Handicap Access (specify)

_____ Need someone to Sign

_____ Attending First Convention

_____ Past District Officer (specify)

_____ 50 Plus years in LWML
How many years? _____

_____ Other special needs (specify)

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE
September 1, 2008**

LWML Convention 2009

Plan now to attend the LWML 33rd Biennial Convention in beautiful Portland, Oregon, where the host committee will roll out the purple carpet just for you! Set aside June 25–28, 2009, to join your LWML sisters in Christ to “Look to the Hills ... God Reigns.” What better place than Mt. Hood and its scenic surroundings to reflect on God’s creation and the assurances we read in Psalm 121:1-2, “I lift my eyes to the hills — where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.” Begin making plans, reserve the date and encourage other LWML/LCMS women (men and families are welcome, too) to journey with you to the beautiful Pacific Northwest. There is more information to come! Visit www.lwml.org for details about the convention and the post-convention cruise to Alaska offered by Azumano Travel of Portland. Cabins are limited--book your reservations now!

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LWML PLANNING CALENDAR

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Zone leaders, please consider these dates when planning zone events.

August 1, 2008 - Delegate and YWR registrations due from chairmen to Zone Liaison
September 26 - District BOD Meeting, Timonium, MD
September 26-28, 2008 - Chesapeake District Convention, Timonium, MD
December 2008 - District Executive Committee Meeting, date and place TBD
June 25- 28, 2009 - LWML Convention, Portland, Oregon
Nov. 6-8, 2009 - District Christian Life Retreat, Ocean City, MD

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