

Busy Convention Weekend June 4–6

Central Illinois District

The Central Illinois District LWML Convention met in Quincy, Illinois, under the theme “You Are Precious” based on Psalm 19:10. Central Illinois District LWML President Shelley Moeller presided over her second annual convention, which boasted an attendance of 278. Convention attendees took advantage of all the convention activities and events that centered on the theme. The Central Illinois District is excited about hosting the Peoria 2011 convention and is looking forward to seeing many of you June 23-26, 2011!

Mid-South District

Henrietta Gordon, Mid-South District LWML President, lowered the gavel for her first convention based on the theme “Eternal Life – Spring Fed.” Isaiah 58:11b and John 4:14b were the Bible passages explored by the 369 convention participants. A new mission goal and mission grants were decided by the voting delegates. Rev. Charles Neugebauer, Senior Pastoral Counselor, shared, “It’s not our hold of God that saves us — it’s His hold on us.”

Nebraska North District

“Pst! ~ Go!” (Praise-Serve-Tell ~ Gospel Outreach) was the acrostic theme for the Nebraska North District LWML Convention held in Omaha, Nebraska, during this June weekend where 297 motivated women rallied around the theme based on four Bible passages (Psalm 51:15, Luke 4:8, Luke 8:39, Acts 5:20). District President Monique Wolske finished her term and Marianne Slama was elected to serve for the next four years. A convention Reporter stated, “What happens at convention shouldn’t stay at convention! Go! Praise! Serve! Tell!”

New Jersey District

New Jersey District LWML President Susan Donnelly presided over the last district convention of her term and prayed, “Lord, help us to remember that the task before us is not nearly as great as the Force behind us.” Enlightened convention participants numbered at 51 took advantage of convention activities based on the theme “Walk in the Light.” Isaiah 2:5 was the focus Bible verse. Convention delegates elected a new district president, Ginger Starrett.

South Dakota District

Huron, South Dakota, was the site for the South Dakota District LWML Convention. Officiating over the first convention of her term, district LWML President Elaine Hankel welcomed 223 convention attendees as they were invited with the theme “Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain” based on Isaiah 2:2-3. Bible study leader Rev. Daniel Deardorff Sr. urged the attendees “to do three things when they go home: invite someone to come to church, share a Christian tract with someone, and to send a Christian Card to someone.”

North Wisconsin District

The North Wisconsin District LWML met in convention in Houghton, Michigan under the theme “Refined by God” based on the Scripture verses Zechariah 13:9b and 1 Peter 1:7. District LWML President Dottie Neumann presided over the meeting where 352 participants enjoyed convention events. Linda Pelot was elected to serve for the next four years as President. One Young Woman Representative exclaimed, “I used to think that the LWML was for older women like my grandmother and mother, but I am the face of LWML.”

CONVENTION CENTRAL :: Come Play in Peoria

Make your plans NOW to attend the 34th Biennial LWML Convention to be held at the Peoria Civic Center, June 23–June 26, 2011. Plans are already under way for this convention with the theme “Being with Jesus – Living on the Edge.” Exciting speakers at the convention will include Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus, Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing, and Deb Burma. Musician Lana Gibbons will lead convention participants in song. Invite your friends, mark the dates on your calendar, and watch for more details in the months to come. Visit www.lwml.org for the latest in Peoria convention news!



The Lutheran Women’s Missionary League (LWML) is the official women’s auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. For over 65 years, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman’s relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions.

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