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LWML CONVENTION MANAGER IS 2009 OUTSTANDING MVP

On Friday evening, November 6, 2009, the Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum honored its volunteers at the annual Memorial Volunteer Program Appreciation Banquet held at the historic Skirvin Hilton Hotel in downtown Oklahoma City. At this banquet, Lutheran Women's Missionary League Convention Manager Marguerite Christman was awarded the 2009 Outstanding MVP Award for her dedication and service as a volunteer at the Memorial.

A Memorial spokesperson shares the following in a news release: "This dynamic group of Memorial Volunteers (MVPs) has donated more than 8,000 hours to the Memorial in the past year, equaling a monetary value of over \$120,000. Since the beginning of the program our MVPs have given at least 65,000 hours of service, which is valued at over \$1,000,000." The MVPs donate their time and talents in the areas of visitor services, archives, administration, education and countless special events.

Ms. Christman has been involved with the Memorial since its inception following the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. Marguerite was actually at the scene shortly after the bombing occurred, looking for her sister who is a survivor of the bombing. Marguerite, a dedicated Lutheran Woman in Mission, volunteers her time and skills in conducting tours on a regular basis at the Memorial.

For further information, please visit the Memorial Web site, www.oklahomacitynationalmemorial.org. Click on "Currently at the Memorial & Museum," scroll down to "View Archived Currently at the Memorial & Museum", then click on the "Memorial Volunteers Honored for Outstanding Service and Dedication" link for their news release, photos and video clip of the award ceremony.

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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