

Evergreen Echoes

Spring
2010

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*Plan NOW to attend the
Washington-Alaska District LWML
27th Biennial Convention
June 18-20, 2010*

*At the Red Lion Hotel at the Park
Spokane, WA*



Our theme is based on 1 Peter 4:10, 11b NIV

Bible study leader will be Carol Bisterfeldt

*Mission speakers are Pastor Ken and Sandi Schauer and Pastor Matthew Both
Join us for worship! Bible study! Fellowship!*

Come to the convention in SUNNY Spokane – be spiritually uplifted by the convention and take a walk along the Spokane River and view the beautiful water fall, or ride a gondola car across the water fall, and take home an award winning tote bag with all your convention goodies.

27th Biennial Convention

**Red Lion Hotel
at the Park
Spokane, WA**



Dear Women of the WA- AK District LWML:

In this edition of the Evergreen Echoes, you will find the registration materials for our upcoming WA-AK District LWML Convention to be held in Spokane, WA, **June 18-20, 2010**. The Executive Committee, the Board of Directors, the Convention Host Committee and other committees have been working and praying that this gathering will be led by God's Holy Spirit in all stages of planning and doing. It is our prayer that many of you will come to Spokane to be a part of God's Tapestry.

Delegate Registration Form: Please follow the instructions on the form and return as soon as possible.

Young Women Representatives: Please fill out the special YWR form as well as a regular registration form. The YWR form registers you as an official YWR. The committee will take information from this form and use in planning the program.

Health Forms: There are no health forms again this year as there will be a form on the back of your name tag for you to fill out this information.

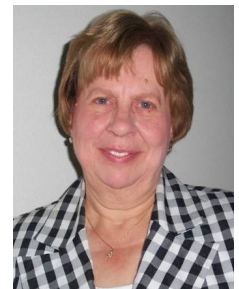
Meal Plan: There are only two meals in the meal plan. They are lunch and banquet on Saturday. You save \$10 by purchasing both meals. You may buy tickets for the banquet for friends who are not attending the convention. Breakfast is on your own. There are a few restaurants nearby and a restaurant in the hotel.

If you have further questions, please contact Mavis Waarvik (mwaarvik@yahoo.com) or me (mom@nelsonville.org)

See you in Spokane!!!

Elaine

Elaine Nelson, WA-AK District President
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Kent, WA 98032 253-872-5500





1 Peter 4:10, 11b

Washington-Alaska District LWML Convention
June 18-20, 2010
Red Lion Hotel at the Park — Spokane, WA
REGISTRATION FORM

Please print — one form per registrant

Badge Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Cell _____
E-mail _____
Zone _____

Please Check Appropriate Category
 General Registration
 * Voting Delegate
 Delegate's Alternate
 Young Women Representative
 * Voting Board Member
 * Past District President
 Pastor
 Pastor's Wife
 Exhibitor

Fees: (due May 15 to avoid late charge)

Registration Fee (waived for clergy) _____ \$48.00
Meals
 Sat lunch & banquet _____ \$50.00
 Saturday Lunch _____ \$25.00
 Saturday Banquet _____ \$35.00
Mission Walk (Saturday 6AM) _____ \$10.00
Late Fee (postmarked after May 15) _____ \$ 5.00

* Voting members

Is this your first Convention?
 Yes No

Would you like to sing in the choir?
 Yes No

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

If you are arriving by air the Red Lion Hotel at the Park does have a free airport shuttle.
Please call 509-326-8000 when you arrive to arrange to be picked up.

Special Physical or Dietary Needs: _____

Make a copy of this form for your records.
Please make checks payable to **WA-AK District LWML Convention**.
Mail this form, a self-addressed stamped envelope, and your check to:
LeeAnn Tibbals
2010 Convention Registrar
945 N Cleveland St
Moscow, ID 83843-9406

**Registration Fee is non-refundable and must be paid in full. No refunds on meals after May 15.
Please register early!**

Please make your own hotel reservations using the Housing Form or by phoning 1-800-REDLION.
Please refer to: Lutheran Women's Missionary League at Red Lion Hotel at the Park.

Questions? Registrar: LeeAnn Tibbals (208) 882-8219 or ltibbals@clearwire.net
Registration Chairman: Lynn Cooper (509) 465-0434 or uwhuskies@comcast.net

All units must also send an Information Sheet with your Delegate and Alternate information to Judy Jeffery by May 1, 2010.

M i s s i o n W a l k

Dear fun loving, fit loving LWMLers!

Wouldn't it be fun to spend an hour or so walking in a beautiful park along a river early on a Saturday morning? This years WA-AK District Convention will be held in Spokane at the Red Lion Hotel at the Park – that's right – AT THE PARK! This is a gorgeous site right across the river from Riverfront Park in downtown Spokane. There is a lovely foot bridge across the river behind the hotel that leads right into a beautiful park full of trees and trails. What a great place for an early morning walk and to raise funds for our 2010-2012 Mission Grants!

The Mission Advocacy and Grants Committee will be leading our Mission Walk on Saturday morning, June 19, at 6:00 AM. Join us as we enjoy God's amazing creation. It will be a wonderful way to begin our day!

Register for the walk on the Convention Registration form. The \$10 Mission Walk registration fee includes a T-shirt to remember the event. Any funds not used in the planning of the event will go toward the Mite Goal also.

Of course, the goal of this walk is not only to have fun but to raise money for our mite goal. Be sure to ask your friends and fellow church members to help out by pledging to your walk. Won't they be amazed when you tell them you will get up early, get dressed, and be out walking in the park at 6 AM?

You will be mailed a Pledge Form and your Release Form when you send in your Convention Registration. Be sure to bring those with you to convention along with the funds you have collected. Checks may be made payable to WA-AK District LWML. Look for the Gospel Outreach table at convention to turn these in before the event.

We can't wait to see you there!

LeeAnn Tibbals, Chairman, Mission Advocacy and Grants Committee
Helen Heck, Mission Advocacy and Grants Committee
Heidi Penkert, Mission Advocacy and Grants Committee

Red Lion Hotel at the Park
303 W North River Drive
Spokane, WA 99201

Hotel Reservation Form

**Washington- Alaska District Convention
Lutheran Women's Missionary League
June 18 – 20, 2010**



1 Peter 4: 10, 11b

All rooms are \$112.00 per night + hotel/local taxes = \$127.07 per night
Only one reservation request per room.

Date of Arrival: _____ Date of Departure: _____

Names (#1 should be the name of person making reservation)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Check Room Preference:

Queen ____ **(2) Queen** ____

King ____

Handicap Access ____

All Rooms are Non-smoking

Address of #1 _____

Credit Card of #1 _____ Card Type _____

Expiration Date _____ Signature of #1 _____

(Note this credit card is to guarantee the room. If you wish to have the room bill split, please ask when you check in)

Check in 3:00pm Check out 12:00 noon

If requested room type is not available, reservations will be made in alternate accommodations.

For reservations call: **1-800-RED LION**

When calling for reservations please refer to:

Lutheran Women's Missionary League at Red Lion Hotel at the Park

Cut off date is May 27, 2010.

After that date, prevailing rates and availability will apply

Make your reservation early.

LWML SOCIETY CONVENTION DELEGATE
Spokane Convention, June 2010

LWML Society President:

Please select a delegate and an alternate for your society and complete the form below.

Mail to: Judy Jeffery, Corresponding Secretary
WA-AK District LWML
12 View Drive
Grangeville, ID 83530-5116

By: May 1, 2010 Note: It is important that the Corresponding Secretary has this information on time. Thanks for your cooperation!

Washington-Alaska District LWML Convention 2010

Society: _____ Zone _____

Delegate _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Member in good standing of _____ Lutheran Church

Church Address _____

Pastor's Signature _____

Alternate Delegate _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Member in good standing of _____ Lutheran Church

Church Address _____

Pastor's Signature _____

2010 Convention Agenda Red Lion - Spokane “We Are God’s Tapestry”

Thursday, June 17 – EC Meeting and Gathering

Friday, June 18 –

Board of Directors Meeting

Servant Events

YWR Events

Hostesses and Pages Meeting

Tellers Meeting

Interest Sessions

Choir Practice

Communion Worship Service

Saturday, June 19 -

Riverfront Walk for Mites

Opening of Convention

Keynote Speaker – Heidi Floyd

Mission Grants Presentation and Vote

Nominating Committee Report

By-Laws Amendments – Just a Few

Bible Study

LWML Report . Deaconess Sylvia Johnson

Missionary Speakers

Presentation of Charters

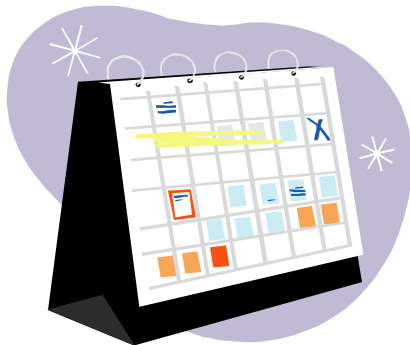
Banquet

Sunday, June 20 –

Presentation of Scholarships

Bible Study

Worship Service with Installation of Officers



Cookbooks for Mites



Have you been wondering what to do with all those cookbooks you didn't sell?

We are asking all the societies that have these old cookbooks being stored in their basement to bring however many you would want to share. We also request that you take home whatever is left.

Please bring them to the table in the exhibit hall on the lower level of the convention center. We will sell them with the proceeds being donated to Mites.

What a great way to provide funds for our favorite charity. Thanks and see you at the convention

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Can Your Society Sponsor a Young Woman to the District Convention?



**The Washington-Alaska District LWML Convention
will be June 18–20, 2010
at the Red Lion Hotel at the Park in Spokane, WA.
The theme for this convention is “We Are God’s Tap-
estry” from 1 Peter 4:10, 11b.**

The YWR committee would love to see each society in our district sponsor a young woman to attend the convention.

Why not offer to pay the \$48 registration fee, and if possible, the cost for the hotel room also?

Better yet, make plans to attend the convention yourself and share the cost of the room with your young woman representative!

You won’t regret investing your time (and money) to help build a young woman’s relationship with the Lord and also a connection to the LWML!

Please have the young woman who plans to attend fill out and return the YWR Information Sheet with their registration form for the convention. If your society has more than one young woman interested in attending, feel free to make copies of the YWR Information Sheet (that would be awesome!).

If you have any questions, contact Marjorie O’Rourke

at (425) 572-5066 or mjorourke@juno.com.



YWR Information Sheet

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Cell:** _____

Email: _____

Home Church: _____

Occupation: _____

Married or Single? _____ **Children:** _____

Hobbies: _____

Please describe any previous experiences you have had with LWML.

Have you ever attended a district or national LWML convention before?

What kinds of activities are you involved in at your church?

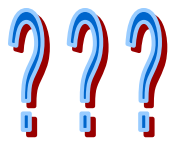
Do you have any special requests for your YWR committee for the convention?

If you have any questions or concerns contact Marjorie O'Rourke at (425) 572-5066 or mjorourke@juno.com.

Interest Sessions

Plan to attend any of the following interest sessions
offered on Friday, June 18, 2010
in the afternoon (times have not yet been determined)

First-Timers



What do I do at the LWML district convention? What is in it for me? What happens at a district convention? These are some of the questions that first-timers may ask themselves when they sign up to attend the LWML district convention. Here is an opportunity to ask the questions and get the answers when you attend this interest session. You do not have to be embarrassed because other people may have the same questions. J

How to Practice Human Care

Presented by the Human Care Committee

How many times have you asked the question: What can I do to help? Where do I start? Who do I contact? What is needed? Attend this interest session and find the answers!



Rosalyn Alber from Hope Sparks-Kinship Navigators and Lutheran Community Services (LCS) will address how human care is practiced in those organizations.



Vice President of Human Care, MaryLynn Huntwork, will present "With Care and Compassion" from the LWML CD. You can get your own copy of "God's Yellow Pages," compliments of NOW LCMS. Don't miss this loving approach to helping others.

Prayer Partners Help You in Your Walk

Presented by the Christian Life Committee

Bond with your sisters in creating divine friendships. Walking life together is important to a Christian woman's spiritual growth—helping to carry each other's burdens and joys in prayer. Feel the Spirit as we draw closer to each other and to GOD! Attend this interest session and hear more about a great way to grow!



**Greetings from Alaska,
My to-do list and my 2010 calendar are filling up.**

Now that the festivities of our celebration of Christ's birth are over, we continue in our walk with Him - to His death and the celebration of His resurrection on Easter morning. During this Lenten season, let's remember to walk with Him and to talk with Him daily. Remembering His Love, Grace and sacrifice for all of us. There is a Lenten Bible study on our district Web site at WA-AKLWML.org to help with this. The Bible study can be used on your own or to share in a group.

I am making plans, along with many of you, for society events, Zone Joy Shops, and especially the District Convention in Spokane in June.

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you in Spokane. The Christian Life committee is working hard to help make this an opportunity for spiritual growth. I pray that all of us will find and use our individual gifts, working together as part of God's great design.

Joy to you as you make plans for this year and continue in your walk and growth with Christ.

Dear Lord, Thank you for your design on my life. Thank you for taking the scrapes of my life and using them to bring me closer to You and to let your light shine through. Amen!! Marilee Ryan

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2010 CONVENTION CHAIRMAN

Mavis Waarvik

Heidi Floyd is the Development Ambassador for the Vera Bradley Foundation for Breast Cancer. Having lost her mother to breast cancer, she was eager to work for a company that was so devoted to breast cancer research. Heidi's husband, Stuart, is the pastor at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Warsaw, Indiana. They have 4 children who keep them busy - and happy - all the time.



Dea. Sylvia Johnson, Vice President of Human Care

"In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." Proverbs 3:6



When Vice President of Human Care Sylvia Johnson attended her very first LWML rally over 40 years ago, something else was happening that would change her life forever. At the same time she was in fellowship with her sisters in Christ, Sylvia's first daughter was making her entrance into the world. The Johnsons adopted Carolyn and brought her home just 11 days later. Since then, Deaconess Sylvia and her husband of over 46 years, Rev. Dr. Keith Johnson, have been blessed with two more adopted children, Brian and Jennifer, their spouses, and eight grandchildren.

Deaconess Sylvia was drawn to the LWML because of its emphasis on missions, but she soon found out that the organization's blessings go far beyond the Mite Box. Not only has she grown spiritually, but she also continues to benefit from the Bible studies, leadership training, service opportunities and friendships she has made. Deaconess Sylvia feels her life would not be complete without the love of Jesus Christ and the LWML.

Deaconess Sylvia is also involved in various activities and events with and for the women of her home parish, Hales Corners Lutheran Church. Her church supports an active MOPS group, weekly Bible studies, Altar Guild, a quilting group, a book study group, scrapbooking, Sunday morning prayer group, and, of course, the LWML.

It is Deaconess Sylvia's hope that LWML women of all ages and cultures, nurtured and inspired by their relationship with the Heavenly Father, daily spend time in the Word; seek new paths of caring, compassion, and giving; actively support missions; reflect the joy of serving God and His people, and are sensitive to 'today's' women in "today's" church.

Greetings in this New Year...

We know our District LWML Convention will be June 18-20 in Spokane, Washington.

Three items for all to consider in preparation for this event:

1. If you wish to have a display table at the convention and have not been contacted please contact the Display and Exhibits Committee. Contact should be by March 20. Contact me (Betty Alm) by telephone or e-mail.
2. In anticipation that a proposed bylaw amendment will be approved at the 2010 district convention the Nominating Committee is searching for Pastoral Candidates from the Eastside of the district. If this is passed at convention then one will be elected. If you know of a pastor who might be willing to serve please notify the committee.
3. We also need names for VP of Servant Resources and also for Nominating Committee. Please prayerfully consider who might be willing to serve in these areas.

May our Lord bless you and see you at the convention! Betty Alm, Nominating Committee Chairman

Human Care

Life seems so simple then a thread is misplaced and events, accomplishments, or ideas begin to unravel. Fortunately by God's grace Christians welcome a backup plan. He is called Jesus. He gently weaves our lives together with The Word, Love, Fellowship and the Promise of eternal life. His Word leads us in the right direction. His Love guides us using different threads of care and compassion, trust, patience, faith and prayer. His Promise directs us to speak, serve and use our gifts to the Father's glory.

In 1 Corinthians 13, Paul speaks of love, the fruit of the Spirit, being the thread that ties everything together. If we use our gifts without love we gain nothing. It is our prayer that you always use your gifts to complete the tapestry and lovingly practice Human Care.

*Love in Christ
MaryLynn Huntwork
VP Human Care*

*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.
Romans 12:12-13*

LWML WA-AK District 2010 Convention Ingathering
Gifts of the Heart recipient:

Lutheran Community Services
N O R T H W E S T
Health ■ Justice ■ Hope

OUR MISSION: Lutheran Community Services Northwest partners with individuals, families and communities for health, justice and hope.

The LCS children's programs have served the community of Spokane for over 20 years and have gained national recognition for its wrap around approach to care and commitment to children and families. Go to www.lcsnw.org for more information on helping and services.

Stop by our Convention 2010 Exhibit Display for information and surprises

HUMAN CARE-AT A GLANCE

Human Care Department

Human Care -Disaster Response- TEEN Friends Into Serving Him

Sandi Schauer-----Human Care

Sandi Hall-----Human Care

Laurie Legler-----Disaster Response Chairman

MaryLynn Huntwork—VP Human Care mlshuntwork@smwireless.net

Servant Events “LOVE IN ACTION” Three Stations of Love

30 Baby Quilts for CARE-NET

How exciting to sew and tie together soft cuddly quilts for babies

We ask each zone to donate 3 quilt tops. Sized 40 X 52 -crib size

100 Children's gift bags for HOPE SPARKS

Make and fill bags with items for children

Finish 100 “BASIC SURVIVAL KITS”

Let's rally together and finish the kits.

CARE  **NET.**

Human Care Department



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Spring Zone Events - 2010

Alaska	April 17	St. John's, Palmer, AK	
Blue Mountain	April 17	Bethlehem, Hermiston, OR	9:30 am
East Inland Empire	April 24	Redeemed, Spokane Valley, WA	9:30 am
Hood Canal	April 24	Faith, Kingston, WA	10:00 am
InterValley	April 24	Mt. Olive, Yakima, WA	9:00 am
Lake Washington	April 10	Church of the Cross, Kent, WA	8:30 am
Mt. Baker	April 24	Redeemer, Bellingham, WA	9:00 am
North Columbia	April 10	Hope, Tonasket, WA	10:00 am
Rainier	April 24	Good Shepherd, Tacoma, WA	9:00 am
South Columbia	April 17	Christ the Savior, George, WA	9:00 am
Olympic	April 17	Messiah, Seattle, WA	10:00 am
(Also a Prayer Service)	Feb.13	St. Timothy, Edmonds, WA	10:00 am