

On Solid Ground



ROCK Rest On Christ the King

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Conventions need logos and theme verses (see above); goal statements: **Secure in Jesus, my Rock and Fortress, I step out in faith to declare His praise and serve others;** and objectives that all attendees would: **1. Rejoice in the security they find in God's word and love. 2. Celebrate the oneness found in Jesus, our King. 3. Confidently and boldly share the Gospel message. 4. Be led and guided by the Lord to their personal avenues of service.**

Conventions also need committees. See the list of Host Committee members in this newsletter. Your 2007 LWML Convention Host Committee has been working officially since November 5, 2005, the date of our first meeting. Unofficially the work of hosting this convention started in 1999, when we first discussed hosting a national convention. We have come a long way on our journey to convention 2007!

Conventions also need advisors. We are fortunate to have the knowledge of Jan Rueter, LWML Convention Manager and Marguerite Christman, Convention Programming Committee Chairman. They, along with other LWML personnel, attend Host Committee meetings to keep us up to date on what the Executive and Programming Committees have designed for our convention. You can also keep up to date on convention news by visiting the LWML web site www.lwml.org and following the link to South Dakota LWML.

Conventions also need a workforce. That is YOU! Each Coordinator and Committee is serving to carry out plans for this convention. We need you to be able to accomplish the responsibilities along the way. Hundreds of women, men and teenagers will be needed to help before our journey is completed. This is an incredible opportu-

nity to experience all that a national convention involving 5000 people can be, right here in South Dakota!

You will be given a Call for Workers form to fill out and return before you are assigned to a particular committee. Everyone volunteering to help must fill out and return this form. You may not be contacted until 2007, but you will be contacted because we do need your help. Please volunteer to join us on this incredible journey of service and faith.

God is giving the SD LWML this opportunity for many reasons. I confidently believe one reason is to strengthen our faith in Him through prayer and service with and to other members of His kingdom.

When I first imagined being the host district for this convention, many thoughts and concerns crossed my mind. Now, as we are well on the way, I know that "*The Lord is my rock, my fortress*

and my deliverer; my God is my rock in whom I take refuge." Psalm 18:2

~Pat Reichert

Host Committee Chairman

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Pre-Convention Newsletter
2007 LWML Convention
Sioux Falls, SD

From the Communications Department

*"The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God
my Savior! ~Psalm 18:46*

2007 LWML Convention

Convention Theme

ROCK! Rest On Christ the King

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Goal Statement

Secure in Jesus, my Rock and Fortress, I step out in faith to declare His praise and serve others.

Objectives

- All Convention attendees will-
 - ~rejoice in the security they find in God's word
 - ~celebrate the oneness found in Jesus our King
 - ~confidently and boldly share the Gospel message
 - ~be led and guided by the Lord to their personal avenues of service



It is indeed exciting to be a small part in the planning of a National Convention! The Host Committee has an awesome responsibility in preparing for LWML'ers throughout the United States to come to Sioux Falls in 2007! Serving as a coordinator requires much prayer and dependence on our almighty Rock. I also seek your prayers that His hand will guide all our efforts, that His name may be praised!

The **Communications Department** Goal is to encourage spiritual support and the necessary expertise and services to effectively fulfill the business responsibilities and promotion of the convention. There are three committees and a Host Committee Secretary to assist in carrying out that goal.

The **Prayer Committee** is chaired by Gwen Braddock. She and her committee are working on plans for the prayer room at convention, and encourage all members to lend their prayer-full support for all convention planning.

The **Publicity Committee** is chaired by Vonda Sturzenbecher. One of their first duties was to make arrangements for the promotional polo shirt. This is a fundraiser for our district, with all proceeds going toward expenses that we are responsible for in hosting the 2007 LWML convention. Vonda and her committee are also working on the pre-convention newsletters. These newsletters are for the members of our district, to keep them informed of host committee activities. The publicity committee will also be putting out bulletin notes to encourage LWML'ers across the nation to make plans to attend the convention. It is the Publicity Department that assists the photographer at the convention in getting the district photos organized.

The **Secretary**, Gerry Stark, maintains records of all Host Committee meetings. She will assist the Host Committee Chairman, Pat Reichert, during convention. After the convention, she will transfer all Host Committee files to the next HC chairman. That will be many pounds of information in large 3-ring binders!

The **Staff Services Committee**, chaired by Janell McKinstry, provides all the necessary forms for Host Committee meetings and requests for clerical help and support. She and her committee will work with the LWML VP of Communication during the convention.

~Nancy Bogenhagen
Communications Coordinator



Host Committee Chairman
Pat Reichert
Hartford, SD



Communications Coordinator
Nancy Bogenhagen
White Lake, SD

Host Committee Roster

Pat Reichert	Host Committee Chairman
Judy Dockter	Host Treasurer
Nancy Bogenhagen	Communications Coordinator
Gwen Braddock	Prayer
Vonda Sturzenbecher	Publicity
Gerry Stark	Secretary
Janell McKinstry	Staff Services
Arlene Naasz	Creative Enhancements Coordinator
Sue Magendanz	Activities
Martha Smith	Decorations
Melanie Kludt	Music
Donna Haar	Facilities Management Coordinator
Virginia Graham	Properties
Lisa Asmus	Worship Support
Kerry Niederbaumer	Ushers
Mary Jo Stier	Guest Services Coordinator
	Child Care
Kathy McKinney	Food Services
Elaine Hankel	Registration Packets
Patty Peters	Tours
Nancy Duhachek	Transportation
Sharon Falk	Personnel Resources Coordinator
Kelli Anawski	Hospitality
Lorraine Mosemann	Special Dress
Dianne Diekmann	District President
Gerry Stark	Fundraising Chairman
Rev. Randy Sturzenbecher	Counselor
Rev. Andrew Utecht	Counselor

In Prayer

† Pray that God will guide and direct the planning of the convention so that He will be glorified in all things.

† Pray that our Host Committee meetings will be blessed with great ideas, easily made arrangements, good health, and safe travel.

† Pray that the Lord will guide your decision to help the South Dakota District host this Convention to the glory of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ.

† Pray that all who serve in any way for this Convention will be blessed with a spirit of joy, cooperation and friendship.

A Few Items of Interest

- † Terry Kieschnick, wife of LCMS President Gerald Kieschnick, will be our convention keynote speaker.
- † Dr. Mary Manz Simon will lead our Bible studies
- † We will celebrate the 65th Anniversary of LWML Friday evening. Districts are invited to submit a video of entertainment involving 5-10 people to the Convention Planning Committee. Five or six districts will be chosen to perform on Friday evening.
- † Erin Bode, a classical Jazz singer, will entertain Saturday evening.
- † Host Committee members should NOT be delegates as they will be busy with convention arrangements.
- † "Dakota", a new bear, will debut.
- † A **Call For Workers** form will be distributed at this convention. Everyone needs to fill one out, (husbands, children, friends), if they will be volunteering in 2007. You will be contacted about your assignment early in 2007.

Convention Update



The Host Committee meets for the second time May 18 and 19 at Christ Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls. Meetings are held in Sioux Falls to allow members of the Convention Programming Committee, the Convention Managers and Audio Visual Director to attend the meetings.

Planning for the convention is progressing, decisions are being made and invitations extended. South Dakota District President Reverend Vernon Schindler will be the proclaimer for the Sunday Worship Service. Reverend Dean Nadasdy is the worship designer for both services and proclaimer for the Opening Communion Worship Service.

Plans are to fill the Sioux Falls Arena to capacity for the service. If needed, overflow can be accommodated in the convention center.



LWML Sioux Falls Convention 2007 Shirt Order Form

Witness to everyone you meet in this stone (tan), silk touch 65/35 poly/cotton pique polo shirt with three-color embroidered convention logo!

Please print clearly as the information will be used for mailing label.

Name _____ Phone () _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address _____

Allow 4-6 weeks for delivery. Last postmark for mail order is May 3, 2007. Orders postmarked after this date will be available for pick up at the convention.

One shirt per order form, please. Reproduce the form as needed. Send order form and check or money to:

Please circle one size
(sizes run large)

S M L XL XXL
XXXL

Price (including postage)
\$18.00 for S, M, L, and
XL

\$20.00 for XXL and
XXXL

Make check or money
order payable to:
SD LWML 2007

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Howard, SD 57349