

# The Eastern District



Lutheran Women in Mission

# LWML

Sail into the Future  
Sisters Acting In Love



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A Friend Loveth at all times – Friends Forever, Forever Friends based on Proverbs 17:17 is the theme for the annual Eastern District LWML retreat on September 19 – 21, 2008 at Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center. It's not too early to think about attending this event. The retreat will be hosted by the Cattaraugus-Allegany and Central New York South zones. Thank you to these zones for volunteering to host the event. Bring a friend!

Have you ever thought about the verse- "A Friend Loveth at all times?" It brings to mind that no matter what, our friends are there for us. Regardless of how I may feel, I know my friends are there to comfort me, love me unconditionally and support me.

I have been blessed with many friends in my lifetime. Some were there for a **Reason**- a broken marriage or the death of my Dad. They provided the comfort I needed. These types stay around for a short time. Many were there for a **Season** – a time in each others lives when we both needed comfort and support. We held on tight until we both felt the healing was complete. Sometimes they end because one of the persons feel they are not getting anything out of the relationship. The **Lifetime** friends seem to endure forever. You may drift apart but when you come back together it's like you were never apart. I have friends in many chapters of my life who I talk to and relive those hard times we shared and how we have endured. These are the friends who are loyal – they are always there.

What kind of friendships do you have? Reach out to those you haven't heard from in a long time. You may discover that they are waiting for your call. I look forward to seeing you in September.

### Sisters Acting in Love update

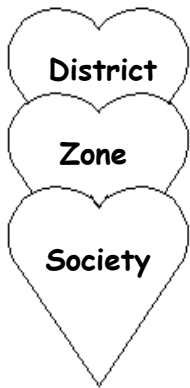
I have visited the Philadelphia and Central New York North zone events. It was nice to meet with the ladies of the zones. I have renewed many friendships with people I haven't seen in a long time. Thank you to the zone hosts and the opportunity to talk about the LWML and the SAIL program.

When making plans for your Spring events, please include me. I would love to come and talk about the Eastern District LWML.

In His Service,

**Darlene Byrns**  
President, Eastern District  
LWML

*"I can do anything through Him  
who strengthens me" Phil. 4:13*



*Together  
Serving  
the Lord  
with  
Gladness*

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## COUNSELOR'S

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At a recent circuit meeting of Niagara area pastors I asked, "How is the LWML important to your mission as a congregation?"

There was some silence from a few pastors but there also were some very encouraging words spoken.

One pastor said, "I love that everything they do is related to missions."

Following up with those words another pastor said, "Yes. They are the only church group that is focused solely on missions."

At this point another pastor said, "The priorities of the LWML gets everyone else in the congregation thinking about sharing Jesus."

Please do not be surprised to find that pastors do not all agree on the role of the LWML in the congregation. Some of the pastors were silent when I asked this question. One pastor said, "Don't even ask me that question." He responded as if he had a lot to say but did not want to open that faucet.

While pastors may respond differently to the LWML in their congregation, I do not think any pastor would respond negatively when hearing the purposes of the LWML. "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."

I simply cannot imagine a pastor opposing a woman who wanted to be in a relationship with the Triune God. I simply cannot imagine a pastor opposing a woman being enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.

The second part of the mission statement is not about supporting or enabling women serving in the Office of the Holy Ministry. It is about enabling a woman to live within the promise of her baptism, that she is a child of God. While I cannot imagine opposition to these purposes I know that women in the Eastern District do in fact struggle to elicit support from their pastor.

A word of encouragement to women in the Eastern District from your Junior Pastoral Counselor: If you believe that the LWML is not receiving support from your pastor...talk to him. Outline ways that the LWML supports the mission of the congregation. Give specific suggestions for ways the pastor could more effectively support the work of the LWML. Many frustrations we all may have in our congregations are best reconciled when we speak directly with the people involved.

## NEWS FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has submitted a list of candidates for office for the 2008-2010 Biennium. The individuals named below have been nominated and have agreed to have their names placed on the ballot.

**Pastoral Counselor**

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We are thankful to God for these talented nominees and express our gratitude to them for their willingness to serve the Lord and the women of the Eastern District LWML.

The Nominating Committee,  
Rebecca Bessell, Beverly Wicher, Susan Bell

## Mission Grants

## MISSION GRANT NEWS

Janis McDaniels serves the national LWML as Vice President of Gospel Outreach. In a letter dated October 2007 she informs us that "it's not too early to begin researching and writing mission grant proposals for our 33rd biennial convention in Portland, Oregon in June 2009." Grant proposals may be submitted by individual LWML members, local units, zones, districts and Synod boards only. They must be submitted to Janis by September 30, 2008 and must be approved by the Executive Committee of the LWML district in which they originate as well as the District President of the Synod in which the project is located. Since they need to be well-documented, if you have a mission idea, now is the time to start working on it. You may contact me for more information and to receive a copy of the paperwork.

In His service,  
Jackie Blank  
Mission Advocacy and Grants



**2008 EASTERN DISTRICT CONVENTION**

2008 Eastern District Convention, we hope you are planning on attending the 32<sup>nd</sup> Biennial Convention to be held in Rochester, New York at the RIT Inn and Conference Center on June 6-8, 2008. The location of the center is 5257 W. Henrietta Road, Henrietta, NY 14467, 585-359-1800, [www.ritinn.com](http://www.ritinn.com).



The convention theme is from Ephesians 4:16: "From him the whole body joined and held together by every supporting ligament grows and builds itself up in love

as each part does its work" The convention committee selected the theme song titled "Bind us Together" as another focus on our working together in the planning of this event. This year the convention committee is a joint effort by two zones, the Genesee and Central NY North. This theme is especially appropriate as the two zones come together to meet, plan and work together to the glory of God. We have special entertainment planned for the Saturday evening banquet so we hope you are planning on attending.

**RIT Inn & Conference Center****Interest Sessions**

**National LWML Rep Janis McDaniels**-will share information from the national level including her position as Vice President of Gospel Outreach.

**Keynote Speaker Marlys Taege-Moberg**-will speak about how scripture calls each of us to be encouragers.

**Mite Walk/Mission pledge walk.** Collect pledges before the convention which will go to our mite goal. The walk consists of a one mile walk around the RIT Conference Center property. Bring your sneakers and your mites.

**MMV-Mission-Ministry Vision** consultants are professionally trained to guide, support and provide resources to women for Christ-centered decision making and implementing processes. Consultants also assist women in creating and enhancing sensitive, relevant and appealing mission outreach in their communities.

**Camp Pioneer Director Linda Gage**-will share with us the many changes that are happening at Camp as well as how your mites have been put to work spreading God's love.

**Tour of Rochester and the George Eastman House**

The tour on Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, from 12:30-3:00 will include a Motor Coach tour of Rochester with a stop at the George Eastman House. The tour will include the mansion which was the home to George Eastman, founder of the Eastman Kodak Company. The house and its exquisite gardens are a wonderful addition to the extensive photography and film collection. The cost of the tour is \$27.00 per person.

**Registration Form**

Also on page 9 of this publication you will find the convention registration form for all guests to use. Whether you plan to join us for the entire convention or on a part-time basis please register early.

Those expecting to attend only the worship services and/or the banquet and entertainment on Saturday evening do not need to pay the registration fee. Please note that a registration form is, however, still required. This will assist the committee with seating arrangements.

All delegates and Board of Directors members are reminded that they will receive special registration forms after the February 2008 District Board meeting and should not complete or submit the guest registration form.

Serving as the steering committee are: Chairman, Rebecca Bessell, Co-Chairman Karen Devan, Treasurer Jean Leverenz, Secretary Donna Coleman, and Counselor Rev. Brian Smith. Barb Williams is serving as District Liaison.

Chairmen of the various committees are Carolyn Krause (Banner), Karen Strussenberg (Displays/Exhibits), Tammy Davidson & Barb McHenry (Favors/Decorating), Linda Behrens (Hospitality), Kathy Ippolito (Housing), Christel Ingham (Meals), Linda Bahr (Music), Lori Hummel (Publicity), Georgette Peterson (Registration), Louise Snyder (Special Needs), Kathy Pavelock (Tote Bags), Kathleen Begemann (Tours), Roxanne Flurschutz (Transportation) and Andrea Dodge (Ushers).

As we grow closer together and nearer to the convention date the committees look forward to everyone's arrival to celebrate with us being linked together in Christ.

**The Genesee and Central NY North Zones**



### SOJOURNER HOUSE CONVENTION GIFTS FROM THE HEART

As we are beginning to focus on our upcoming Eastern District LWML Convention in June 2008 and being "Linked Together in Christ" I would ask that you might also begin to focus on being "Linked Together" with Sojourner House in Rochester, N.Y. This will be the recipient of our ingathering for the Convention.

Sojourner House is located in a former convent in Rochester's 19<sup>th</sup> Ward. It provides transitional housing for women in crisis who are committed to rebuilding their lives. Women and their children may live for up to six months at Sojourner House where shelter and basic needs are provided. A structured schedule, shared household responsibilities, family style dinners and enforced accountability are all contributing

factors to help these families form lasting habits to change their lives.

Our LWML Sisters have the opportunity to assist Sojourner House through our chosen convention ingathering. So let's start now ladies to make this another awesome ingathering.

Their current wish list:

journals and planners/calendars for women

New or gently used:

kitchen items (dishes, silverware, service cookware), linens, towels, blankets, comforters –all sizes.

New items:

pillows, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, tampons – all full size

backpacks, construction paper, scissors, markers, crayons, notebooks, binders, pocket dictionaries, thesauruses.

God's richest blessings to you as we prepare for the 2008 Convention.

**In His Love, Karen Devan—Convention Co-chairman and Ingathering Chairman**

**Attention: Society Presidents  
Need to decrease (or increase) Quarterlies?  
Take note of April 1, 2008 deadline!!!!**

**Decreases in Lutheran Woman's Quarterly subscriptions can be made only once a year, and the deadline is April 1, 2008** to contact VP of Communications Katharine Rickus of any such changes for 2008-09.

Note: Increases and changes of address can be made anytime during the year. You can reach Kathi by mail: 250 Rogers Ave., Tonawanda, NY 14150, by phone: 716/695-2959, or e-mail: [RICK4219@aol.com](mailto:RICK4219@aol.com). (Be sure to put LWML in the subject line!) **Better yet, please make use of the Quarterly Order Form included with this issue of the LINK!**



Societies are reminded to help defray the cost of the Quarterlies and ED LWML LINK newsletter expenses by sending contributions to their respective zone treasurers, who will, in turn, send them to the ED LWML Financial Secretary. **If you haven't covered your Quarterlies for the current fiscal year (April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008), please do so as soon as possible!** Special thanks to all those societies who have been covering their Quarterly subscription costs and LINK contributions to date!

**The Quarterly/LINK rates for the new fiscal year for the Eastern District LWML (April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009) will remain the same as last year: \$7.00 per subscription for 1-9 copies to same address; \$5.50 per subscription for 10 or more copies to same address .** These figures include the cost of the Quarterly plus a \$1.50 contribution towards the cost of the ED LWML LINK newsletter, one copy of which is sent to Society presidents in care of the congregation unless the president has requested the LINK editor to mail it directly to her home. Society Presidents are asked to share the District LWML news with their members either by making copies available or posting a copy at church and also gleaning the LINK for news to include with church publications.

**IMPORTANT FACT:** These donations will enable the District to use your mite box offerings more effectively for mission grants; otherwise the Quarterly and LINK expenses must come from Mite Box receipts!

**P.S. Just a reminder – please also notify Kathi Rickus of any changes in zone or society officers for the ED LWML Directory so it can be kept up-to-date!**

**ATTENTION: LWML SOCIETY PRESIDENTS AND INDIVIDUAL LWML MEMBERS** Please complete the form below as indicated for the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* subscriptions beginning with the Summer 2008 issue – **deadline for orders: April 1, 2008.** Note: If you do not return an order form by the deadline, your order will remain the same as it was for 2007-08.

**This is the only time of the year when decreases can be made in your order!!**

**Eastern District Lutheran Women's Missionary League  
LUTHERAN WOMAN'S QUARTERLY ORDER FORM  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009**

**Please complete form and return by April 1, 2008 to:**

Mrs. Katharine Rickus, ED LWML VP Communications, 250 Rogers Ave., Tonawanda, NY 14150-5273 or E-mail: [RICK4219@aol.com](mailto:RICK4219@aol.com) (be sure to put LWML in subject line!)

Name of LWML Society (or Women's Group if combined) \_\_\_\_\_

(or Individual Member's name if not affiliated with a Society: \_\_\_\_\_)

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

(name)

(city)

Mailing Address for Quarterlies: \_\_\_\_\_

(Street address)

(City, State and Zip Code)

**# of *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* subscriptions ordered for Fiscal year 2008-2009:** \_\_\_\_\_

The cost of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* and publication expenses for the *ED LWML LINK* newsletter\* for 2008-09 is

\$5.50 each subscription for orders of 10 or more, or

\$7.00 each subscription for orders of 1-9 copies.

**Payment is encouraged within the first few months of fiscal year 2008-2009.**

**Send payment to your Zone Treasurer and indicate on check "For Quarterlies 2008-2009.**

**Return this completed Order Blank to Kathi Rickus, 250 Rogers Ave., Tonawanda, NY 14150-5273.**

Ordered by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

\* The subscription rates above include funds to help defray the cost of the ED LWML LINK newsletter, one copy of which is sent to Society Presidents. Payment enables more Mite Box offerings to be available to fund mission grants. Society Presidents are encouraged to share the news in the LINK with their society members by making copies or gleaning information for church newsletters/bulletins.

*Oh Give  
Thanks  
To The  
Lord For  
He Is  
Good*

'Oh, give thanks unto the Lord for He is good.' (all the time) Thanks to all of you who sent notes and cards on my mother's passing. My mother, Ruth, lived 85 years believing that Jesus died for her. Her father was a pastor for 67 years, a classmate of Pastor Karkau, a student of Dr. Pieper. My grandfather, Martin Berner, started the Philadelphia zone of LWML! So, my mother was never far from church and passed on her steadfast faith to me. She will be missed by family and friends and will always be held in high regard by all who knew her. My emptiness and sadness, however, has been filled by Emily Ruth, my first grandchild. Emily was born a month after my mother received her crown of glory and shows me that our Lord never turns us away empty. His abounding love showers on us daily through His Word, His Sacraments, His sunrises and sunsets, and through birth.....the continuation of love and family and the continued hope of life everlasting. God is so very good! **Martha McGlynn, Publicity**

# Upcoming Events

**Be a Good Steward and Help Us Share**

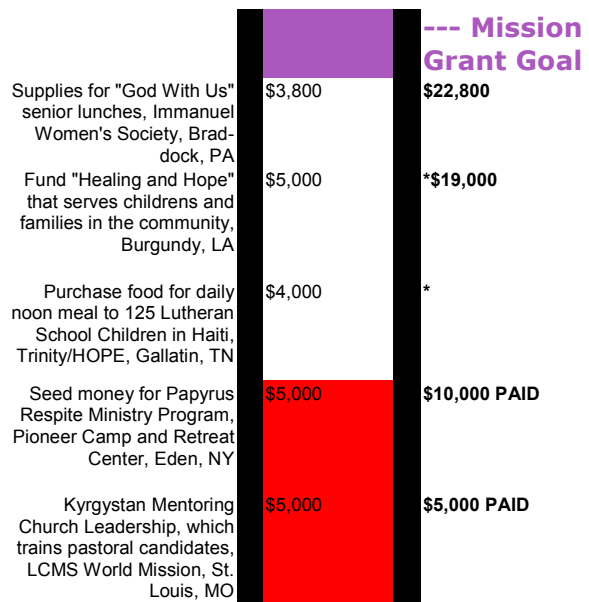
<b>Feb. 8-9, 2008</b>	Executive Committee/ Board of Directors Meeting RIT Inn & Conference Center Rochester, NY
<b>June 6-8, 2008</b>	2008 District Convention RIT Inn & Convention Center Rochester, NY
<b>Sept. 19-21, 2008</b>	Fall Retreat Pioneer Camp & Retreat Center Angola, NY

**Society Presidents and LWML Representatives:** If you are a society President or LWML contact person for your church, you are a very important person in our distribution of "The Link". This is not intended to be just your personal copy. You have been designated as our contact for your church. Either copy this issue for your society members, post it at church, or glean items from it to submit articles for your congregation's bulletin/newsletter and, above all, remember to inform your members at society meetings. **This is our only form of communication and we are counting on you to get the information out. If you feel your copy should be sent to a different address, please inform the Editor so she can update her records. Thank you for your help.**

**ATTENTION ZONE TREASURERS:** Just a reminder that Zone Treasurers no longer need to send money for "Travel Fund" to the District. This fund is no longer in existence. Please keep that money within your zone to help defray your delegates travel expenses

The Link is now available in e-mail format. If you would like to receive a copy via e-mail, please let me know and I will add you to my list of e-mail recipients.  
**Bev Wicher-Editor** Bevajw@roadrunner.com

**Eastern District LWML  
2006-2008 Mission Grants**



**REMINDER—Grants 3 and 4 must be paid at the same time.** We need \$9,000 before we can pay these grants. We are on our way but please give generously to Mites so that we can get both these grants paid and continue on to the 5th grant before the end of the biennium.

**New Online Store Open For Business**

The new online store is now open for business! Order items from the new catalog directly online with your Credit Card! There are many new items available for purchase, including three new Mustard Seeds: "Begin With God", "Living in Praise" and "Walking with My Lord". Check it out.

\*Grants 3 & 4 will be funded at the same time because they received the same number of votes

**ZONE NEWS WANTED**—Have I heard from your zone? Whether it's Zone activities, Society activities, or just something fun and new you are doing, we'd love to share it with our LWML sisters around the District. Please send let me know what's going on so I can include it in the LINK—Bev Wicher, Editor

News

# From Around the Zones



## FROM THE ANTRACITE ZONE:

### QUILTS FOR VETERANS

In the picture on the left is Gail Mangan of Voluntary Services at the VA Hospital in Wilkes-Barre, PA accepting 14 quilted lap robes and 5 twin size quilts as a gift of love and appreciation from St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Wilkes-Barre, PA and friends of the congregation. This service of love was started by our Lutheran Women's Missionary League. On the right is Judy Grimm, a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Wilkes-Barre, PA. We extend our many thanks to all of our Veterans who have so served our country so faithfully. Our Prayers go out to all those serving our country even now.

## FROM THE PHILADELPHIA ZONE:

### CHRIST MEMORIAL CELEBRATES GOLDEN JUBILEE

The Women's Guild/Lutheran Women's Missionary League of Christ Memorial Lutheran Church, Malvern, PA celebrated their Golden Jubilee on October 9, 2007, just 50 years to the date of their second meeting. It was a night of festivities with current members as participants playing out a skit. The membership was guided by Naomi Barrow and Dolores Heilman, charter members, through the early days when dues were 50 cents/month and the December gift exchange was also 50 cents. Hats and gloves were the attire to conventions and rallies. The LWML Bible study also started 50 years ago and still meets regularly. Special guests included our former pastors and Ms. Mighty Mite. Susan Morris and Beth Quinn were highlighted as Young Women's Representatives for the LWML International Convention in Detroit representing English and Eastern Districts respectively. A LWML Mission Grant of \$5,000 furnished the pews, the current pulpit and lectern. Reverend Mark Heilman was the founding pastor, now retired of Christ Memorial and Reverend Mark Jurkowski is the current pastor. TO GOD BE THE GLORY! Picture courtesy of Beth Quinn



**Naomi Barrow and Dolores Heilman  
Charter members**

## PHILADELPHIA AND ENGLISH DISTRICT FALL RALLY

The Philadelphia Eastern and English District Zones Fall Rally was held at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on Sat. Oct. 13th. The Opening Devotion was given by Zone Pastoral Counselor, Rev. Charles St-Onge using the Morning Service from LSB 235. Pastor Skee led the Bible study on the theme "Rest on Christ the King" and based his remarks on Psalm 46, "The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress." He gave us a small pebble to put in our shoe to remind us that we will have troubles and a larger prayer rock to take with us to remind us that God is always with us and He is our sure foundation. Darlene Byrns, Eastern District President, was our guest speaker. She gave us a quiz on LWML facts and brought us up to date on LWML news, the National Convention and Eastern District news. She challenged us to reach out to the younger ladies in our congregations to help grow the LWML so we can serve more with gladness. About 55 ladies and a few gentlemen were in attendance. The Philadelphia English District Zone ladies invited us to their Spring Rally on April 5th, 2008 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Mechanicsburg, PA.

## FROM THE BUFFALO ZONE:

The Fall Rally was held at Salem Lutheran Church on Sunday, October 7. Rev. Evan Gaertner, our District Junior Counselor, brought four young people who are peer ministers in the Lutheran Campus Ministries program. The interesting presentation told of the work being done at the University of Buffalo, Buffalo State College and Niagara University. We are also planning a "Fun Day Sunday" on January 20, to be held at St. Luke Lutheran Church, Cheektowaga. This will be an afternoon of getting better acquainted with our Buffalo sisters, including the ladies from Hanannah Lutheran Church who we hope will be becoming more involved with the LWML. We are happy to announce that Rev. Randy Roselle from Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Clarence is our new Zone Counselor. We welcome him warmly. Fern Suckow-Buffalo Zone President

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**TOGETHER IN PRAYER**

Don't forget to join your National LWML Sisters "Together in Prayer Every Monday at Noon". Pray for our National LWML, Our Districts, Our Zones, Our Societies and our "Mites" and Mission Grants that they may be used to spread the Gospel of Christ throughout the World. Each month there is a specific prayer emphasis listed on the National LWML Website at [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org) and also in the LWML E-News.



**GUEST Registration for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Biennial Convention**  
**June 6-8, 2008**  
**RIT Inn and Conference Center**  
**5257 West Henrietta Road, Henrietta, NY 14467**

"From Him . . . the whole body grows and builds itself up in love as each part does its work." Ephesians 4:16

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**Mandatory Registration Fee (Non-Refundable)** **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 30, 2008**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 postmarked by April 30, 2008  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 postmarked AFTER April 30, 2008 **REGISTRATION TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**LODGING PRICES:** Please indicate which night(s) you are staying:  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Thursday \_\_\_\_\_ Friday \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 1 person per room \$90.00/night x # of nights \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 people per room \$45.00/night x # of nights \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 people per room \$30.00/night x # of nights \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 people per room \$22.50/night x # of nights \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Specify your roommate(s) below or they will be assigned if 2 or more per room requested.)  
**LODGING TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**MEAL PRICES:** (Gratuity included) Please check meals desired if not choosing meal package  
 Meal package (includes all five meals listed below): **\$105.00**  
 OR  
 Check off individual meals desired:  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Friday dinner buffet \$23.50  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday breakfast buffet \$13.50  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday lunch buffet \$18.50  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday banquet + entertainment \$33.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Brunch buffet \$21.50  
**MEAL TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOUR PRICE:** Fri. afternoon City tour/Eastman House stop \$27.00 **TOUR TOTAL(min 35 people)\$ \_\_\_\_\_**  
**GRAND TOTAL DUE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**CHOIR:** \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to sing on Sunday. \_\_\_\_\_ Soprano \_\_\_\_\_ Alto \_\_\_\_\_ Tenor (music will be mailed if time permits.)  
 Roommate preference(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse attending: \_\_\_\_\_ no; \_\_\_\_\_ yes Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please note any special needs: medical, transportation, dietary, handicapped accessible room, etc.  
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**Special Interest Sessions:** Please check two.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Session 1 National LWML Rep Janis McDaniels \_\_\_\_\_ Session 2 Keynote Speaker Marlys Taego-Moberg  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Session 3 Mite Walk \_\_\_\_\_ Session 4 MMV Claire Carlson & Jacqui Green  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Session 5 Camp Pioneer Linda Gage \_\_\_\_\_ Session 6 Pastor Event (Clergy only)

Make checks or money orders payable in full amount to: 2008 Eastern District LWML Convention.  
 Mail to: Georgette Peterson, 10 Hanson Circle, Henrietta, NY 14467 (Phone: 585-359-4491 E-mail: gcp10@frontiernet.net)  
**PLEASE INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED BUSINESS SIZE ENVELOPE** with your registration & full payment if you want your confirmation mailed to you, otherwise your confirmation will be e-mailed to you.

**ONGOING PROJECT -- CLIPPED, CANCELLED POSTAGE STAMPS**

The clipping and saving of cancelled postage stamps for the Canadian Bible Society is ongoing. The enthusiasm and response from our people in the Eastern District has been wonderful! The approximate amount for 2007, mainly from the Pittsburgh Zone --from which Deaconess Nancy Lingenfelter gathers-- has been 57 pounds. However, the approximate total of stamps gathered since mid-2003 (from the Pittsburgh Zone) has been 322 pounds. Accumulated stamps from the other zones, added to that amount would obviously increase the total. This means that for every one pound of stamps that has been sold (for now \$5.00 per pound) 322+ Bibles have been made by the Canadian, as well as the American Bible Societies and distributed to various countries, often in the respective "native language." What a tremendous resource for spreading God's precious Word about the Savior's love and redemption for all.

Please continue to save the various "first class" postage stamps --NO pre-sorted or bulk rate ones-- then clip (leaving at least 1/4 inch around the edge -- a must!) and BRING then to any of the various LWML gatherings throughout the year --like Joy Shops, Rallies, Retreats, Conventions, meetings, etc.

The Canadian women, with whom Deaconess Nancy has been in contact and receives the stamps from her, have been most appreciative of the efforts and commitment of our Eastern district people with this project and THANK YOU for the time, effort and support.

If you have any questions or need more information , please contact

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