

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

The District Administrative Team (DAT) met in July to formulate a common theme for the next triennium (years 2010-2011-2012) for use in our district work together. After meeting on July 16, the theme chosen is “No Other Foundation!” based on I Cor. 3:11, with a focus in 2010 on “Christ and the Word;” 2011—“Law and Gospel;” 2012—“Church and Ministry.”

More information will be forthcoming as the district commissions, board of directors, and leadership develop details for this emphasis on “No Other Foundation” and each focus for the individual years.

As this develops, each circuit and each congregation is invited to link their own mission and ministry to these emphases in some meaningful way.

SYNOD CONVENTION DELEGATE ELECTIONS

During this early fall, circuits of the Wyoming District will be electing pastor and lay delegates (and alternates) from each circuit to represent all of us at the Synod Convention in Houston, TX, July 10-17, 2010. The deadline for these elections is October 10, 2009.

At this convention one of the main items of business will be consideration of adopting a new constitution and bylaws for Synod (which also may affect district and congregation constitutions and bylaws).

Elected delegates will need to plan on attending a special regional “caucus” in Denver, December 4—5, 2009, to study and discuss these changes to be voted upon at the Synod Convention in July 2010.

Circuit Visitors will set up and conduct these meetings for electing delegates to the Synod Convention in 2010.

NEXT “ROUND-UP”

... will be delivered to congregations around the 20th of August (September 2009 issue). Watch for it!



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OF PASTORS, WORKERS, AND CONGREGATIONS

Bethlehem, Crawford, and Redeemer, Harrison, are being served by Rev. Peter Bertram (Bethlehem) and Rev. Darren Pflughoeft (Redeemer). Candidate Greg Sonnenschein (vicar at Trinity, Casper) has been placed at this dual parish with an Ordination/Installation planned for August 2 at 4:00 p.m. (Crawford) and 7:30 p.m. (Harrison). You are invited.

Christ the King, Cody has been assigned vicar Thomas J. Marth from the Ft. Wayne Seminary, who is being supervised by interim pastor, the Rev. Dr. Ron Garwood.

Trinity, Morrill, served now by Rev. Ralph Morris (retired), welcomes candidate Kenneth Humphrey (Ft. Wayne Seminary) who will be ordained and installed as their pastor on August 9, at a 4:00 p.m. worship service. You are invited.

“..REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS..” (Eph. 1:16)

Suzanne Mulholland, wife of Rev. Daniel Mulholland, Ft. Bridger, for continued strength to deal with her health concerns.

Rev. Phil Grovenstein, pastor at Greybull/Emblem as he now serves his congregations and continues his recovery from complications related to malaria.

Rev. Duane Simonson, pastor at Sundance and Moorcroft, planning to resume his service to the congregations early August after recovery from minor surgery.

*“O You who hear prayer, to You all men will come.”
Psalm 65:2*

WYOMING DISTRICT CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings from the 16th Convention of the Wyoming District are required to be published and sent to delegates no later than 60 days after the convention. These *Proceedings* have been mailed to each congregation (delegates) and all advisory members of Synod.

Delegates are encouraged to use this information and that contained in the Convention Workbook, to make a full report to their voter's assembly about the convention and the work we do together as a district of the LCMS.

FUNDS AVAILABLE TO GULF COAST VOLUNTEERS!

Funds are available from the Wyoming District to offset travel costs to the Gulf Coast for any group who would like to volunteer in either New Orleans or Houston with the clean up effort. The need is still great for volunteers to assist and help will be needed for some time. For more information, contact Karen Gabriel at (307) 745-9488 or e-mail her at wyogabe@msn.com.

YOUTH CAMPS

Dates for the Lander Camp are August 2—6, 2009 in Lander Wyoming. To volunteer as "camp counselor" or leader contact Rev. Ken Mars at krmars@juno.com. Registration forms for the camp may be downloaded at <http://wy.lcms.org/youth/camps.htm>

MEN'S RETREAT

The 9th Annual Wyoming District Men's Retreat will be held August 20—22 at Camp WYOBA (on Casper Mountain). This year's theme will be: "*Out of Nothing: The World, Creation and Faith.*" Information, including a tentative schedule, registration form and bulletin insert are available on the Wyoming District Web Site. Early registrations are appreciated! Contact Rev. Paul Bundschuh at (307) 463-2835; e-mail: bundprsl@bresnan.net.

SERVANT/LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

A Servant/Leadership Conference for congregational officers, leaders, and pastors will be held at the Best Western

Ramkota Hotel in Casper, September 25—26. Conference theme is: "*Working Together.*" Workshops will be offered for congregational officers, board and committee members. Plenary Speaker will be Dr. Ron Garwood. We hope to have more information on the District Web Site soon. For more information, contact Rev. Paul Bundschuh at (307) 463-2835 or the District Office at (307) 265-9000.

REACHING RURAL AMERICA FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE

"For those living in the country with a passion for the lost" is the basis for continuing conferences to assist rural congregations help one another to carry out the Lord's work in rural and small town parishes. This year's conference will be held at the Conference Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska, Thursday, November 5, 2009 beginning at 1:30 p.m. through Saturday, November 7, 2009, 1:00 p.m.

If this is of interest to you, and your congregation, more information is available at the Wyoming District Office (307.265.9000). Registration deadline is October 2, 2009.

LLL FAMILY RETREAT 2009

You are invited to attend the Lutheran Laymen's League Family Retreat on the weekend of August 7-9 at the Circle J Ranch near Ten Sleep, Wyoming. Modern log cabin-style dorms, dining hall, shower house volleyball court, horseshoe pit and fishing stream are just some of the attractions.

A good time for relaxation, recreation and Bible Study for the family; for more information and registration forms contact your church office or call 307.745.5235 (also through email: rnr1@vcn.com).

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH, 100TH ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, August 16, St. James Lutheran Church in Scottsbluff, NE will be celebrating her 10th anniversary with a special service at 3:00 p.m. followed by a meal afterwards. Please call the church office at 308.632.8001 to share an anecdote or to RSVP. You are invited to attend.