

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

The District Administrative Team (DAT) met in July to formulate a common theme for the next triennium (years 2010--2012) for use in our district work together. 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."

District commissions, board of directors, and leadership are beginning to look for ways to develop details and implement this theme in their work. Each circuit and congregation is invited to link their own mission and ministry to this theme in some meaningful way also.

SYNOD CONVENTION DELEGATE ELECTIONS

Early this 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 important item 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 which will be voted upon at the Synod Convention in July 2010.

110th ANNIVERSARY AT ZION, EMBLEM

On October 25, 2009, Zion Lutheran Church, Emblem will be celebrating their 110th anniversary as a congregation beginning with the Divine Service at 10:30 a.m., followed by a meal, an "anniversary" worship service in the afternoon, followed by coffee and "lite" eating. You are invited, especially if you share a connection with the congregation.

NEXT "ROUND-UP"

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



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OF PASTORS, WORKERS, AND CONGREGATIONS

Bethlehem, Moorcroft will be dedicating their new facilities on September 13, 2009, at an 11:00 a.m. service.

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.

Deaconess Katie Keller was installed on July 26 as the new Director/Teacher of the Little Lambs Pre-School at Trinity Lutheran Church in Rock Springs.

Mrs. Lauri J. Schmeiser was installed as Teacher for 3rd--6th grade at Trinity Lutheran School, August 9, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, by Rev. John Christensen.

"..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. Lee Rupert, pastor at St. Luke's Worland, involved in an ATV accident a few weeks ago, which will require surgeries to repair a damaged shoulder and knee.

Rev. Duane Simonson as he returns to work serving the congregations at Sundance and Moorcroft (returned early August) but will take more time to be fully healed.

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

TLCare in Rochester, Minnesota!

For anyone needing to travel to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota (and we do have a few), Trinity Lutheran Church in Rochester has lodging to offer LCMS brothers and sisters at no cost. If this would be helpful to you contact Jennifer Jurgensen at tlcjennifer@charterinternet.com or Trinity Lutheran Church at 507-289-1531.

FUNDS AVAILABLE TO GULF COAST VOLUNTEERS!

Funds still remain available at the District Office for assisting with 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.

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 (block of rooms reserved at \$70.00 per night). Conference theme is: *“Working Together.”* Dr. Ronald Garwood is the plenary speaker. Training workshops in the duties and responsibilities given to congregational leaders and officers will be offered to help them effectively serve and lead God’s people in serving God. Contact Rev. Paul Bundschuh: (307) 463-2835 (bundprsl@bresnan.net) or the District Office at (307) 265-9000 for questions, and pick up a brochure sent to your congregation for more information and to register (also at the District website: wy.lcms.org).

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.

PRE-RETIREMENT WORKSHOP

A Pre-Retirement Workshop will be held in Rapid City on Tuesday, September 15, 2009. All employees and spouses of the LCMS that are enrolled in the Concordia Retirement Plan and are planning to retire in the next 10 years are encouraged to attend this workshop. There is no charge to attend, but you are asked to register for the workshop. Paul Snyder of Concordia Plan Services will lead the workshop and will be available after the workshop to answer questions. Questions? Contact Randy Gayken at the South Dakota District Office at 1-888-385-7330 or by e-mail at rgayken@midco.net.

33rd LWML CONVENTION REFLECTIONS

Wow! Awesome! Both words reflect the LWML Convention in Portland that was held in June. The convention meetings were something to experience. With 3,306 in attendance, the Bible Study was inspiring. The offerings from the four services totaled over \$120,000! The new 2009-2011 goal has been set at \$1,825,000. Most of that will come from the mighty Mite Boxes. The LWML is truly Lutheran Women in Mission.

FALL PASTOR/TEACHER CONFERENCE!

This year’s Fall Pastor/Teacher Conference will be held October 5—7, 2009 (Monday—Wednesday) at Mount Hope Lutheran Church in Casper, Wyoming. For the pastors conference, the speaker is Dr. Robert Weise, Professor of Practical Theology, Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. His theme is: *A Theology of the Body in a Brave New World*. For registration and additional information, visit: <http://wy.lcms.org/pastoralconference/main.htm> or contact the District Office.