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NEWSLETTER OF SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNODICAL
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WOMEN OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA
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2011 WEEKEND RETREAT

Women—Are you ready to be inspired, re-freshed and challenged on your Journey with God??

This retreat, September 17, 18 and 19, 2010, at Camp Lutherlyn will do just that!! Rev. Dr. Marty Stevens will guide us and challenge us as we journey through the Old Testament. She will encourage us to identify our gifts from God and we will affirm them at a Vocational Service. We can share fun and fellowship at our Wine/Cheese reception on Friday night. We can be refreshed and renewed as we journey thru a prayer Labyrinth which will be set up and available all day Saturday.

We will have a representative from "Girls Hope" here to give us a report and collect the in-gathering items. We are to bring:

- *black mechanical pencils—pens
- *1/3/5 Composition notebooks
- *Games and DVD's G or PG for ages 10-17
- *Earth friendly cleaning products.

On Saturday we will have free time and fun time. Our fun activities will be group (easy) exercises; line dancing; stamping up; making a faith journey—just to name a few. Our evening meal will have a Hawaiian theme—we are having a luau! So bring a Hawaiian style or brightly colored shirt or mumu to wear at the meal. Everyone will receive a lei to brighten your outfit. We will wind down the day with an old fashioned campfire provided by "Those Stewart Ave. Girls".

We will conclude the weekend with a worship service at Chapel Rock conducted by Rev. Sandy Kessinger. So please fill out the registration and send to Rosetta Herbert. Also if you want a shirt, send the information to Bunny.

Linda Cunningham
Co-Chairperson of the
Retreat Committee

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP LUTHERLYN

Lutherlyn is located 40 miles north of Pittsburgh off of Route 422 between Butler and Prospect. The best routes to Route 422 are Interstate 79 or Route 8.

From the West: Take Interstate 79 to Route 422 (the Butler/New Castle exit) and head east 8.2 miles. Make a right hand turn at the 84 Lumber onto Dick Road. The main entrance to the camp is 1.5 miles down the road. The camp driveway will take you directly to the main parking lot and the camp office.

From the East: Take Route 8 to Route 422 and head west (towards New Castle) 7 miles to the 84 Lumber. Make a left hand turn onto Dick Road. The main entrance is 1.5 miles down the road. The camp driveway will take you directly to the main parking lot and the camp office.

Lutherlyn's shipping address (UPS, Fed. Ex., etc) is: 500 Lutherlyn Lane, Prospect, PA 16052

For more information please refer to Lutherlyn's website: Lutherlyn.com

Greetings Sisters in Christ,

Remember singing "Here I Am Lord" at the 2010 Synodical Women's Organization Convention at the Bishop Connare Center in Greensburg? Did you feel chills when you opened your heart to the Lord? Were you thinking, "What do you - Lord - have planned for my future? Where do you want me to be? What do you want me to do?" We do not know our future, but the Lord will be there loving us as we walk through the next adventures of our lives.

Saying, "yes" to the Lord maybe frightening at first, but then we are rewarded in special ways. We find joy in helping, friendship and inspiration in working together, and God's peace in doing His work.

I want to thank everyone involved with the 2010 convention for a job well done. Our church-wide representative, Phyllis Rude from Anchorage, Alaska related that this was one of the best organized SWO conventions she has attended. This is a compliment not only to the convention committee, chaired by Barb Martz, and all involved but to our mentors. We have continued to mentor each other and we should be grateful for those who counsel, encourage and advise.

Don't miss Barb Martz's complete convention wrap-up article in this issue.

I am always delighted to have Beverly Meyer as our Parliamentarian. Bev is an inspiration to me. I thank her for sharing her talents with us and making Robert's "Rules of Order" enjoyable, as well as informative.

Before the convention I asked several women to help serve on committees. They answered "yes" and did a wonderful job. I want to extend a warm and sincere thank you to:

Janet Fishovitz, Conduct of Elections Chair - Sally Jo Patton, Judy Rosensteel, Nancy Paul and Gwen Irwin;

Alice Barnes, Credentials Chair - Betty Albright and Mary Lou Millward;

Bonnie Batina, Minutes Chair - Jean Pletcher and Karen McDonough;

Virginia Strobeck, Resolutions Chair - Bonnie Free and Jean Kennedy;

Donna DuPont, Nominations Chair, with the Cluster Planning Committee;

Ushers: Roberta Herrington, Sondra Freed, Judy Majors and Linda Penfield; and

Phyllis Smith for operating the Overhead Projector.

Congratulations to all the newly elected officers, board members and delegates to the 8th Triennial Convention in 2011. I'm so glad you said, "Here I am Lord," and I am positive that you will have many rewards and blessings in this new adventure with Women of the ELCA.

I certainly do not want to forget to thank our outgoing officer and board. Again, these women said "yes" and were a valuable asset to our SWO board. Thank you: Nancy Adams for serving 4 years as secretary and 2 years on board; board members - Patsy Costanza (2 years) and Barbara L. Martz (4 years). Your participation and help was always welcome.

Blessings and peace I pray for you sister this summer and hope to see you in September at our retreat at Camp Lutherlyn.

Your sister in Christ,
Marilyn Foringer

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

A new seed grant program is being launched for the health initiative. The Interchange has a wonderful article telling us all about it. These grants are for Women of the ELCA congregational units to help you continue the work you have already begun in raising awareness, providing education and promoting wellness among women and girls. The purpose of the program is to increase the capacity of the health initiative to affect the lives of women and girls. These grants are referred to as "seed grants" because they are small financial seeds that will be planted in local congregational units. Each congregational unit that supports reaching women and girls is eligible. More information is on our website www.womenoftheelca.org.

Sisters in Christ
Jeanne Christenson
Janet Hawkins

Note from the Vice President

The SWPA SWO Convention "Find Your Bold", is over and now there is work to be done. The Vice President was re-elected, the new Secretary is Rosie Henrickson, and we elected five board members. We also elected seven Delegates to the 2011 Triennial Convention in Spokane, WA. We give a special Thank-you to the CPC Nominating Committee and the chair Donna DuPont.

The Friday afternoon "Brainstorming" with Barb Frey and Rosie Henrickson gave the women good ideas for programs, speakers, and favors. With the variety of gifts within our women it should be interesting to see what the Fall Cluster Events will feature.

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The 2010 Spring Cluster Events were inspirational, as well as informative, and included the themes; Whole and Holy in Christ, Sing unto the Lord, Going Green, Recycle, Reuse, Reduce, and Worship the Work of the People. Speakers included; Lori Tormey, R.N. Coordinator of the SWPA Lutheran Synod Health and Wellness Ministry, Linda Kristophel Sharing Her Story and Song, Beth Exton, Development Director and Sister Sharon from Girl's Hope, Earlyn Martz, Marilyn Foringer, Pastor David Saylor, Pam Yoder, and Denise Hegemann A.I.M.

Our Spring Cluster regular offerings were \$817.85 and offerings for Girl's Hope were \$879.00. Workshops and discussion included; Gentle Yoga, Seasons of the church, Sharing Memories of First Communion, and Worship Words. Some worship services included a healing service and Holy Communion.

Three new CPC's were elected this spring and the SWPA SWO are planning a Training Day for outgoing as well as newly elected CPC's at the Luther House on August 7, 2010 from 9am-2pm.

We already have information for Fall for the following Clusters:

Cluster #1 will meet at New Hope in Freedom
October 9, 2010

Cluster #2 will meet at St Mark's in Butler
October 16, 2010

Cluster #4 will meet at First in Greensburg.

Please support and pray for your CPC's as they plan your Cluster Events. Consider becoming more involved as you "Find Your Bold", and invite friends to join you for a morning of inspiration, information, good fellowship, and of course good food.

Blessings are abundant; when we join together in prayer and thanksgiving for all that God has given us.

Your Sister in Christ,
Alice Hilty
SWPA SWO Vice-President

2010 CONVENTION REPORT

On May 7 & 8, 2010 the Women of the SWPA SWO 23rd Convention was held. The theme was "Find your Bold." We again met in the Bishop Connare Center in Greensburg, and it was a "Bold" and beautiful convention. Our theme song was "I the Lord of Sea and Sky."

Our Convention Committee did a great job and worked very hard to make every part of the convention run smoothly and I thank them all. Many thanks to our Registrar, Pat Ankney; our Bible Study Leader and workshop leader, The Rev. Barbara Love; our music leader, Donna Du-Pont; and Camp Noah workshop leaders, Marsha Davis and Alice Hilty. I would also like to thank all who helped in the selling of all the Fair Trade items; we all really enjoyed buying many gifts.

Our Churchwide Representative was Phyllis Rude from Alaska. She brought her greeting from the WELCA President Beth Wren, and gave us many things to think about.

I would like to thank Barbara Frey and Rosie Henrickson for hosting our Pre-Convention workshop on Brain Storming our Hits and Misses. Many ideas have come out of this workshop and will be done at many circles and Clusters in the future. It is good to have ideas shared among our sisters.

During our two-day Business Sessions we elected Alice Hilty as our Vice President and Rosie Henrickson as our Secretary. Our new Board Members are Karen Gesalman, Wilma Johnson, Betty Itterly, Mary Lou Millward and Rebecca (Jane) Taylor. We also want to thank our outgoing Board Members: Nancy Adams, Patsy Constanza and Barbara Martz. We will miss them.

We dedicated many items brought in for our Designated Outreach "Girls Hope," and heard from their representative and presented a check to her. We heard presentations from the Designated Outreach nominees for 2011 and chose "Glade Run" for 2011.

We also held elections for our Triennial Delegates who are Rosemarie Henrickson, Anna Sarver, Alice Hilty, Judith Stoops, Barbara Martz,

Norma Baker, and Jennifer Schaefer. The alternates are Barbara Frey, Phyllis Smith, Lori Ashton, Teresa O'Malley, Jeanne Christensen, Carol Craig, Bonnie Free and Dorothy Passoth. Please pray for all our delegates July 14-17, 2011, when they go to the 8th Triennial Gathering in Spokane, Washington.

Also on Saturday we had a conversation with Bishop Kusserow and he was the Presiding Minister in our worship service.

The Convention Committee thanks everyone who participated in any way and asks you to continue to "Find your Bold." 2 Corinthians 3:12. *Since, then we have such a hope, we act with great boldness.*

Your Sister in Christ,
Barbara L. Martz
2010 Convention Chairperson

ACTION COMMITTEE

If you missed the Convention May 7th and 8th you missed a great experience. What a delight to get to know Phyllis Rude, our Executive Board Representative from Anchorage, Alaska.

We continue our support for Girls Hope, Baden, PA. They are so thankful for all we have collected on their Wish List. The Convention outpouring was a great blessing and so was the Love Offering.

For Fall Retreat, we will collect:

- Mechanical pencils
- Black pens
- Composition notebooks—1,3, or 5 subjects
- Board games, appropriate for ages 10-17
- DVD movies (rated G or PG)
- Any type of Sport Equipment
- Earth friendly cleaning products.

Our Convention delegates selected The Glade Run Foundation, Zelenople, PA, for our 1022 Designated Outreach. Sheila Tallarico made a heart-warming appeal for all the children at Glade Run. We look forward to working with their wonderful staff and all the children.

Yours in Christ
Jane Taylor & Patsy Costanza

BUDGET & FINANCE REPORT

On May 7 & 8 the SWPA SWO had a great Convention. I am pleased to report from the Budget and Finance Committee that we had a great response with our Convention offerings.

Total Regular Offering: \$925.00 (1/2 will go to Churchwide, and 1/2 will stay with our SWPA SWO)

Total Love Offering: \$1121.00 (Girl's Hope of Pittsburgh, Inc.)

Thank you all for your generous gifts as we strive to support our mission to do God's work.

At our convention we also past a new budget for the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year. The newly adopted budget has been approved for \$51, 500. This is a reduction from our current budget due to the hard economic conditions many are facing at this time. We feel this is a more realistic budget projection. With God's help and through our faith and prayers, we are optimistic that we will be able to achieve our goal. Please continue to prayerfully consider your giving. Thanks to you all.

God Bless,
Anna K. Sarver

JUST A NOTE:

There is still some uncertainty as to where to send your unit offerings. Regular offerings from your circle meetings (any amount or percentage you decide) comes to SWPA SWO Women of the ELCA and sent to me, Anna K. Sarver, 140 Sarver Farm Lane, Greensburg, PA 15601. For Designated Outreach (Girl's Hope of Pittsburgh, Inc.) make checks payable to SWPA SWO Women of the ELCA and indicate "Love" or "Girl's Hope" on the memo line. Money collected from the Thank Offering Sunday is to be sent to Churchwide in Chicago. Also, money for special programs such as Katie's Fund or Lutheran World Relief, is to be sent to Churchwide. Use Form A for SWPA SWO and use Form B for Churchwide. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. If possible, please share this information with your unit treasurer. Thank You.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to our newly elected Board Members:

Vice President: Alice Hilty was re-elected to a second term as Vice President.

Secretary: Rosemarie Henrickson

Board Members: Betty Litterly was re-elected to a second term.
Karen Gesalman
Wilma Johnson
Mary Lou Millward
Jane Taylor

We also offer congratulations to the following who were elected as delegates to the 2011 Triennial Convention:

Rosemarie Henrickson
Anna Sarver
Alice Hilty
Judith Stoops
Barbara Martz
Norma Baker
Jennifer Schaefer
Alternates: Barbara Frey
Phyllis Smith
Lori Ashton

THANK YOU

A special thank you to our outgoing Board Members for a job well done:

Nancy Adams—out going Secretary
Patsy Constanza
Barbara Martz.

SWPa Women of the ELCA RETREAT GRANT Application

***Grant Amount \$50.00**

Grant Application to be returned by August 29, 2010

TO: Barb Frey - Phone: 412-741-4527

105 Sewickley Heights Drive, Sewickley, PA 15143

Application being submitted by:

Name of Congregational Unit: _____ Cluster No. _____

Name of Congregational Unit Leader _____

Information of applicant:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Age Group: Under 25 25 to 40 41-60 61+

Check if First Time Participant at a SWPa Women of the ELCA Retreat

List activities you participate in within your Congregational/Intercongregational Unit:

Briefly describe why you would like to receive a Synodical Retreat Grant:

Guidelines for Synodical Retreat Grant

1. Our Goal is to issue a Grant in each Cluster (total of six [6])
2. The Monetary amount of each Grant is ***\$50.00** toward the Retreat Registration Fee.
3. Qualifications will be based on:
 - a: Written response on the application
 - b: Consideration for first-time participants
 - c: Participation in your local congregational unit.
4. Final selection will be made by the Mission Growth Committee
5. Grant recipient names will not be published.

Join Northwest PA and Southwest PA Women of the ELCA for a
weekend of bible study, friendship, and prayer

CALLED TO A JOURNEY WITH GOD ...



Under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Marty Stevens, we will study how some ordinary people in the Bible (Moses, Caleb, and Deborah) participated in God's mission, and we will explore how we ourselves are called to a journey with God.

Dr. Stevens is a woman with many talents and roles: pastor, teacher, scholar, learner, administrator, and baptized child of God. She is currently instructor of Biblical Studies and Stewardship at Gettysburg Seminary. She is also the Seminary's Chief Financial Officer, Registrar, and leader of the Asset Management and Resource Development staff team. Amazingly, she still finds time for hearty laughter and fun.

When: September 17,18,19, 2010

Where: Camp Lutherlyn, Prospect, PA

Northwest PA W/ELCA contact:

Pat Stickner

814-602-5983

pat.stickner@gmail.com

Southwest PA W/ELCA contact:

Linda Cunningham

724-284-4890

llcunningham@zoominternet.net

Registration forms and fact sheets can be downloaded from

nwpaelca.org or southwesternpasynod.org





This year, the Reverend Doctor Marty Stevens will conduct an Affirmation of Vocation Service. This means of worship is a dedication of the work of each of our sisters in Christ. Our work comes in many forms; some are paid, some are gifts of the heart. We honor God with our work as teachers, musicians, homemakers, drivers, medical personnel, custodians, or waitresses. This may be work we currently do or perhaps something we did in years past.

We are hoping to have a good idea of where and how our women have served God in their vocations. Please take the time to fill out our survey and mail it with your registration so that we might put together a worship service honoring your work.

My Work (may be paid or volunteer, may be present or in the past):

When you prayed about your work,

What praise words did you use?

To help you get through the day, what did you ask of the Lord?

What were you most grateful for at the end of the day?

CALLED TO A JOURNEY WITH GOD

SEPTEMBER 17, 18, 19, 2010

WEEKEND RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM SYNODICAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION CAMP LUTHERLYN – PROSPECT, PA.

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

Home Congregation _____ Location _____

Northwest _____ or Southwest _____ Are you a first time participant? Yes _____ No _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: Name and Phone Number _____

SPECIAL NEEDS: _____

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: _____

BUNK PREFERENCE (Check one): *Bottom* ___ *Top* ___ *Either* ___

REMEMBER THAT ONLY SO MANY CAN BE ON THE LOWER BUNK. IF YOU ABSOLUTELY REQUIRE A LOWER BUNK, YOU MAY HAVE TO MOVE TO A CABIN SEPARATE FROM YOUR GROUP SO THAT EVERYONE WILL BE COMFORTABLE.

I would like to room with _____

Church they are from _____

_____ **Full Time Registration*** (Fri, Sat, & Sun) \$100.00
Includes: Registration of \$15.00, Lodging and all Meals

_____ **2 Day Registration** (day programs only) \$67.00
Includes: Registration of \$15.00, 5 Meals and day fees

_____ **1 Day Registration** (Saturday only) \$46.00
Includes: Registration of \$15.00, Meals and day fee

Registration must be received by August 15th, 2010. If you wish confirmation of your registration, please include a self addressed, stamped envelope. Our budget does not include postage-thanks for understanding!
Late fee of \$10.00 for any registration received after this time.

No registrations will be accepted after *September 5th, 2010*

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

REMITTANCES: Full registration fee must accompany registration and none will be accepted without a check for the total amount.

*Any amount of overnight lodging is charged the Full Time Registration fee by Lutherlyn.

FUNSHOPS (Saturday 10:45 – 11:45 AM) – Choose one

- _____ Young At Heart – using a parachute and ball to stretch and have fun in a group exercise
- _____ Stitch in Time -- bring Knifty Knitters 5 ½” blue loom, crochet hooks, or needles & yarn.
- _____ FaithBooking – journal your faith, bring adhesive/glue and \$5. for supplies. Limit 25 participants
- _____ Scoot Your Boots – line dancing at its finest
- _____ A Closer Walk With Thee – a nature walk (NOT a tour) around Camp Lutherlyn
- _____ God’s Stamp on Your Heart – stamping, \$4.00 for supplies
- _____ You’re In Good Hands – chair massage, \$10/8-10min session. Limit of 6 during FunShop. May schedule more during free time

Mail completed registration form, vocation survey, Funshop choice, and check or money order made payable to “SW PA WOMEN OF THE ELCA” to Rosetta Herbert, the Registrar. (Please submit one form per attendee)

Rosetta Herbert
2424 Muzzy Drive
New Castle, PA 16101
724-652-2619
rrahrwh@aol.com

- REFUNDS:**
1. Refunds shall be made in full to all persons canceling reservations before the deadline.
 2. Refunds shall be made for all pre-payments except the Registration Fee to all persons canceling their reservation after the deadline, but before the final count is given to Lutherlyn (one week prior).
 3. **NO REFUNDS** shall be made to persons canceling their reservations after the final count is given to Lutherlyn. (Note: Exceptions may be made to this rule by written request to the SWO Administrative Board)



FEEL FREE TO DUPLICATE ALL FORMS AND SHARE WITH YOUR SISTERS IN CHRIST!

SHIRT ORDER FORM

We will be offering Denim Shirts, T-shirts, long-sleeved T-shirt's and sweat shirts. Our theme of "Called to a Journey With God" will be on the shirts.

T-SHIRTS (short & long sleeve) – Rose Blossom (coral) color crew neck Tee

SHORT SLEEVE
_____ Small thru 3XL - \$10.00

LONG SLEEVE
_____ Small thru XL - \$13.50
_____ 2XL - \$14.50
_____ 3XL - \$15.50

DENIM SHIRT – long sleeve, Powder blue with left side pocket

_____ M thru 3XL - \$22.00

SWEAT SHIRT – Rose Blossom (coral)

_____ S thru XL - \$15.00
_____ 2XL - \$17.00
_____ 3XL - \$19.00

_____ # OF SHORT SLEEVE TEES	_____ SIZE	_____ AMOUNT
_____ # OF LONG SLEEVE TEES	_____ SIZE	_____ AMOUNT
_____ # OF DENIM SHIRTS	_____ SIZE	_____ AMOUNT
_____ # OF SWEAT SHIRTS	_____ SIZE	_____ AMOUNT

NAME: _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Mail completed shirt order form and check or money order made payable to "SW PA WOMEN OF THE ELCA" to: (Please submit one form per attendee)

**BUNNY GUSTAFSON
639 1/2 West Spring Street
Titusville, PA 16354
814-516-4046**

Deadline for shirt order is August 15th, 2010

FEEL FREE TO DUPLICATE ALL FORMS AND SHARE WITH YOUR SISTERS IN CHRIST!

General Agenda ~ subject to change!

Friday:

5:00-8:00 – Registration Stewart Hall

8:00 – Singing, Opening Session Rice Hall, greetings and announcements, meet Those Girls

8:30-9:30 - Introduce our Bible Study: CALLED TO A JOURNEY WITH GOD – Reverend Doctor Marty Stevens. You'll need your Bible – we're studying Moses! Offering gathered.

9:45 - Friday Night Wine and Cheese Party at Rice Hall. Each church group is asked to bring enough wine for their group. Please put your name on the wine bottle so it can be given back if not used. Cheese, crackers, napkins and plastic glasses will be furnished. It is suggested that each person contribute a free will offering toward the cost of the cheese. We will have a soft beverage for those who do not care for wine.

Saturday:

7:00-8:00 – Early bird morning walk/devotions at Chapel Rock – coffee at the dining hall.

8:00 – Registration

8:00 – Breakfast

9:00 – Singing Rice Hall

9:15 – Opening Ceremony Rice Hall

9:30 – 10:30 – CALLED TO A JOURNEY WITH GOD – bring your Bibles to study Caleb.

10:45- 11:45 -Fun Shops

12:00 – LUNCH

1:15 – 2:15 – CALLED TO A JOURNEY WITH GOD – bring your Bibles to study Deborah.

2:15-3:15 –SW meeting to distribute in kind gifts to Girl's Hope free time

3:30 – 5:00 Affirmation of Vocation service

5:30 – 7:30 Pig Roast/Luau

7:30-8:30 – NW & SW Synod meetings in separate locations.

8:30 – Campfire with Those Girls

Sunday:

8:15 Breakfast

8:45 -9:15 – Singing/Announcements

9:15 Packing up

10:30 – Worship – Pastor Sandra Kessinger presiding

12:15 – Lunch

✝ Keep this page for your records ✝

Funshop chosen: _____ Date Registration mailed: _____

Check #: _____ Amount: _____ Shirt(s) ordered: _____

CHECK LIST OF THINGS TO BRING WITH YOU TO CAMP:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIBLE, NOTEBOOK, PEN | <input type="checkbox"/> BEDDING/SLEEPING BAG, PILLOW |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TOWEL/WASHCLOTH | <input type="checkbox"/> DRINKING CUP FOR CABIN USE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WATER BOTTLE TO USE ALL WEEKEND | <input type="checkbox"/> PAPER TOWELS & SOAP FOR USE IN CABIN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FLASHLIGHT | <input type="checkbox"/> SIT-UPON |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CABIN SNACKS (FOR SHARING) | <input type="checkbox"/> RAIN GEAR (JUST IN CASE) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TOILETRIES | <input type="checkbox"/> OFFERINGS ARE COLLECTED EACH DAY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LUAU WEAR – flowered shirts grass skirts! | |

SouthWest Women will be donating items for Girl's Hope - Items include: mechanical pencils & black pens, composition notebooks (1, 3, or 5 subjects) board games appropriate for ages 10-17, DVD's rate G or PG, earth-friendly cleaning supplies.

NorthWest Women will be donating items for Women's Services, The Green House – Items include: laundry baskets, shampoo, conditioner, bath soap, dispenser soap, feminine products, brushes/combs, hair spray, mousse

Marsha Davis will have a limited variety of fair trade items for sale – coffee and chocolate, just to name the most important two! In addition, Caroline Wolff will have some Lucinda jewelry available!

Our offerings collected throughout the weekend will be disbursed ½ to our church wide organization and ½ to Women and Children in Poverty and Crisis Situations. Differently colored envelopes will be utilized each day so that our two synods can account for the contributions.

REGISTRATION TIMES: Friday evening from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at Stewart Center.
Saturday morning from 8-9:00 AM at Rice Hall

PLEASE MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION INFORMATION,

VOCATION SURVEY, AND FUNSHOP SELECTION by AUGUST 15TH TO:

ROSETTA HERBERT

2424 Muzzy Drive
New Castle, PA 16101

724-652-2619

rrahrwh@aol.com

(don't forget a self addressed stamped envelope if you want confirmation
Shirt orders go to Bunny)



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2010-2011 OFFICERS AND BROAD MEMBERS**

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
2010**

2010

June 4-5 - SWP Board Meeting
Luther House (Synod Office)
July 17 - Church Women United
Human Rights Day
August 7 - CPC Training Luther
House (Synod Office)
Sept. 10-11 - SWO Board Meeting
Luther House
Sept. 17-19 - SW & NW PA SWO Fall
Retreat Camp Lutheryn
Nov. 6 - Church Women United
World Community Day
Nov. 19-20 - SWO Board Meeting
Luther House

2011

Mar. 4-5 - SWO Board Meeting
Luther House
Mar. 11-12 - Snow Dates for Board
Meeting
May 13-14 - SWO Convention
Bishop Connare Center
July 12-14 - Triennial Convention
Spokane, Washington
June 3-4 - SWO Board Re-
Organization Meeting
July 14-17 - Triennial Gathering
Spokane, Washington

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

The SW PA Synodical Women's Organization NEWSLETTER is published four times a year following Board Meetings. Each Board Member, Officer, Cluster Planning Committee member, Congregational Unit Contact Person and congregations without a contact person receives a complimentary issue.

We welcome submissions to the NEWSLETTER of activities or news items which you would like to share. We reserve the right to reject any material deemed unsuitable as submitted and we will edit as necessary. Due to space limitations some items may not be included. **DEADLINE** for sending articles for the next issue is

September 15, 2010.

SUBSCRIPTION RATE: \$5.00 PER YEAR - ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 1

**CHECKS ARE TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO: SW PA SYNOD WOMEN OF THE ELCA AND MAILED TO:
Virginia Strobeck, 128 Troy Circle, Greensburg, PA 15601**

Please use this form to enter or renew your subscription. Form may be duplicated.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ Phone _____

NEW _____ RENEWAL _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____