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NEWS

MINNESOTA SOUTH DISTRICT CONVENTION, June 14-16, 2012, Concordia University, St. Paul.

March 14 – Deadline for submitting overtures.

Submitting an overture to the District Convention? Please check to make sure that you have done the following:

____ Submitted the overture in the format specified in Convention Mailing #1?
____ Sent an electronic copy of the overture in the format specified (PDF format will not be accepted)?
____ Submitted three (3) signed copies of the overture via snail mail?
____ Had the President of the congregation sign all three (3) copies of the overture?
____ Had the Secretary of the congregation sign all three (3) copies of the overture?

Questions? Consult the Convention Overture Template and Instructions

Approved 2012 MNS District Convention assessment: $250 per voting delegate; $125 per advisory delegate, plus housing and meals if needed.

Coins For Missions Offering will go to the new church start in Otsego, Samaritans Hill Lutheran Church, a joint effort of MNS & MNN Districts.

LCMS response to Health and Human Services Jan. 20, 2012 decision.

Court of Appeals Decision- IRS versus Driscoll, regarding Housing Allowance.

MissionU- Equipping to Share, Sat., Feb. 25, 2012, 10AM -3PM, Peace Lutheran, Robbinsdale.

Winter Daze (Jr. Hi.) at Camp Omega has been rescheduled for March 3, 2012.

Night At The Dome Kickball, Fri., March 23, 2012, Concordia University, St. Paul. Grades 7-12.

Readiness for Marriage Weekends, March 3-4 at St. Michaels Lutheran, Bloomington; **April 27-28** at Advent Lutheran, Maple Grove; and **August 24-25 at Our Savior, Excelsior.**

Engaging Rural Communities Event, Feb. 25, 2012, St. John Lutheran, Waverly, IA. Cost $25. 1-888-463-5127, ruralmission@spife.org. Check out www.spife.org for ministry ideas.

Concordia University Nebraska Symphonic Band Concert, Fri., March 2, 2012, 7 PM, Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran, 2950 Highway 55, Eagan, Minn.

Church Crisis Response Symposium, April 27, 2012, Concordia University, St. Paul. Crisis response experts will help you and your church prepare for the unexpected. For more info contact mailto:weinkauf@csp.edu

Networking Resources. (Refreshed 02-10-12) **Weekly Classifieds.** (Refreshed 02-10-12)
Would you like to get an item included? Contact the Minnesota South District.

District website **District Calendar** **Camp Omega Events**

STEWARDSHIP CORNER- (CAN BE INCLUDED IN YOUR SUNDAY BULLETINS OR NEWSLETTERS)

The problem of money is summed up by Jesus: *"No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money"* (Matthew 6:24). Jesus is not telling us that we should not serve both God and money nor is He saying that we must not serve both God and money. He is saying that it is impossible to serve both God and money. We will either serve God or we will serve our money and the things that money can buy. Through the working of the Holy Spirit, we are enabled to choose God over our money.

"Becoming Rich" -A stewardship devotion is available for you to use.

Resources

Lectionary Illustration: The Transfiguration Of Our Lord: Mark 9:2-9
Robert Louis Stevenson gave us this little story: A ship was in a serious storm and in grave distress. The passengers were alarmed. One of them finally, against orders, went up to the deck and made his way to the pilot. The seaman was at his post of duty at the wheel, but, seeing the man was greatly frightened. he gave him a reassuring smile. Returning to the other passengers. the man told. "I have seen the face of the pilot, and he smiled. All is well."
"I have seen the face of the pilot, and he smiled. All is well." can be the phrase on which the story of the transfiguration is based.

LCEF Outreach Grants are available. **Wheat Ridge Cong. Health Grant proposals- due April 16**

MNS Lutheran Witness **The Lutheran Witness** **Frequently Asked Questions**

Mission Prayers. Feb, 2012 **Mission Vision News Winter 2011-12** **LCMS Reporter**

Health & Ministerial Helps

Be Well Rewards 2012 **Informational Meeting, Thurs., Feb. 16, 2012, 6:00 PM,** Golden Valley Lutheran Church. Did you know that you can earn money by staying healthy? For more info/registration contact brendal@gvlc.net, 763-544-0590

A Free Health Ministry Self-study for Congregations is available on-line from Wheat Ridge.

Educators and Administrators Notebook

MN Early Childhood Conference, March 9-10, 2012, Concordia University St. Paul.

New web site for **MNS National Lutheran Schools Accreditation** http://www.minnesotanlsa.org/

MN Nonpublic Schools Legislative Day, **Feb. 29, 2012.**

LSEM is offering a training on **DIBELS Next**, **Concordia-St. Paul March 15 – 16, 2012.**

IN OUR PRAYERS

-Please join us this week in praying for Circuit 7, SW Suburban, Rev. Dan Ritter, circuit counselor. Please click here for maps of the District and all Circuits.
-Please pray for Henry Pahlkotter's father, and Pastor Armand Boehme, health issues.

CALL UPDATE INFORMATION

Commissioned Ministers (as of 02-10-12) **Ordained Ministers** (as of 02-10-12)

Change of address, e-mail address, contact information? **Contact the Minnesota South District**
Do you have a brief story of a new ministry in your church? An event happening? We would love to hear about it. **Contact the MNS District.** Attach your story to your e-mail.