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August 2013 Special Edition National Convention Highlights from Regina

We Have Seen the Lord – As People of Faith

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Opening Liturgy

A beautiful picture of our Provincial President, Betty Colaneri, appeared on the front of the "Convention News" as she processed in for the Opening Liturgy.



Regina Tours



Many delegates enjoyed the sights and sounds of Regina, the Queen City of the Plains. The tour included stops at the Queen Elizabeth II Gardens and the RCMP Academy and Depot Division.

Rockin' on the Prairie

The banquet was a blast!



Keynote Speakers

Almost 800 members were inspired by wonderful speakers on Monday. Bishop Emeritus Gerald Wiesner praised members for their missionary work. Sr. Fay Tremblay talked about life in Tuktoyuktuk, NT.

Louise Tessier shared her inspiration as an artist. Honorary Life Members Irene Lefort, Claire Heron, Agnes Bedard and Danielle McNeil-Hessian shared stories of their personal encounters with Jesus Christ. There was not a dry eye in the house.

On Tuesday, Fr. Bill Burke spoke about his appreciation for the League and the work they do. He challenged all members to "reclaim Sundays". He said that Sundays are for the Lord and for family.



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New Life Members

There were 8 new Life Members commissioned.

Congratulations to:

Carol Richer (Ontario)
Marlin Taylor (Ontario)
Mary Jane Yaeger (Ontario)
Patricia Rivest (Ontario)
Mary-Margaret Patterson (Manitoba)
Pat Deppiessie (BC)
Lodia Cormier (New Brunswick)
Tillie Aessie (Saskatchewan)

Executive Reports

The National theme, We Have Seen the Lord!, was emphasised in the reports of all the national officers and provincial presidents . Betty Colaneri proudly stated that she sees the Lord in **HUGS** – Holding Unending Grace and Spirit. What an awesome thought!

Resolutions

Resolutions adopted at the 93rd annual national convention:

Resolution 2013.01: Building Relationships and Partnerships with Canada's Indigenous Peoples

Resolution 2013.02: Employment Insurance Benefits for Cancer Patients and their Caregivers

Complete information on these resolutions are available on the national web site.

To the members of the Ontario Provincial Catholic Women's League:

A most sincere thank you for the Spiritual Bouquet and Prayer Shawl that were presented to me at the 2013 Ontario Provincial Convention in Thunder Bay. What an overwhelming, but beautiful, surprise it was to know that so many prayers would be offered for my intentions. And the lovely Prayer Shawl will be deeply appreciated for years to come.

I enjoy serving as parliamentarian to the Provincial Council and find it comforting to know it is appreciated.

My love and prayers for all of you,

Edith Mockler, Life Member, Registered Parliamentarian

