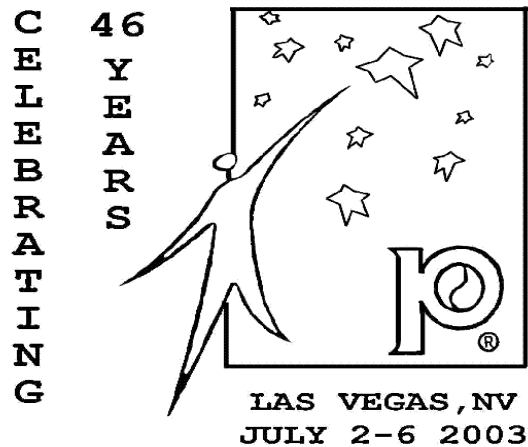


Parents Without Partners

44th Annual Convention

REACH FOR THE STARS



2003

July 2 to July 6, 2003
Palace Station Hotel & Casino
Las Vegas, Nevada

Notes

Welcome to Las Vegas, Nevada
and the 44th Parents Without Partners Interna-
tional Convention!

There are many exciting and interesting workshops and activities planned for you – we hope you have a great time here in Las Vegas. Your International Convention Committee, the FIBM's, the Zones and the local members have done a great job, and I would like to thank each of them for their help.

From the Opening Session and Parade of Flags to the Closing Session, you will have a full schedule of workshops and seminars planned with you in mind – the topics you have requested at past conventions, and we urge you to take advantage of everything offered.

The FIBM's (Former International Board Members) are here this year taking on the responsibility of registration. We appreciate their efforts on behalf of PWP.

Our special thanks to our members, zones and sponsors who have provided our “goody bags”, auction items, programs, and subsidized our Youth Program.

Have a wonderful time in Las Vegas. Meet many new friends, renew older friendships, attend the workshops and socials and see the sights of this great city. May the friends you make and the things you learn here go with you throughout the coming year and bring you back to next year's convention.

See you next year in **Fort Mitchell, Kentucky!**

Marie Weller

2003 International Convention Chairman

International Convention Committee

Marie Weller **Jo Johnson**
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Amigo Coordinator	Marie Austin -Zone A
Auction	Duane Blodgett -Zone F
Banner Parade	Keith Nelson Chris Manning
Closing Skit	Zone B
Dance &Decorations	Marti Tidmore -Zone C
Delegate Meeting	International Board
Facilitators	Ann Sigler -Zone G
Grass Roots	Marie Austin – Intl. Board
Gray Paper Sales	Pat Boyd
Hospitality Room	Zones D, G, J, L
Proclamations	Barbara Spade
Registration Tables	Dottie Francis / FIBM's
Sales Tables	Lee Harris
Tour Coordinator	Jo Johnson- Zone D
Welcome Bags	Sue Ellen Hayes Zone H
Youth Program	Judy Lloyd

Past International PWP Presidents

Jim Egleson*	1957-59
Louis Heidelberg*	1959-60
Sidney Schwartz	1960-61
Bob Jones*	1962-63
Saul Slaff*	1962-63
Leona Vanni	1962-63
Jack Fenster*	1963-64
Ethel Gould (Tucker)*	1964-65
Lew Whittmore*	1965-66
Gerry Ramer (Shields)	1966-67
Merl Shields	1967-68
Doris Palmer*	1968-70
Kay Rideout (Boyd)	1970-72
Bob Cizek	1972-73
Bill Burhen	1973-74
Norman Sirnic	1974-75
Dorothy Gilbert(Lowe)	1976-77
Freda Mark	1977-79
Connie Manfreda	1979-80
Walt Lombardo	1980-82
Connie Mallet	1982-84
Paul Moss	1984-86
Thomas A. Austin*	1986-88
Richard Stewart	1988-90
Linda Rath	1990-91
Jeanne Christie	1991-93
Linda Napolitano	1993-96
Frank Anderson*	1996-96
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Judye Foy	2000-2002

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Zone D	Jo Johnson
Zone F	Duane Blodgett
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Zone H	Sue Ellen Hayes
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Motions

Deadline for motions for Annual Meeting is Wednesday, July 2, 2003 at 12:00 noon. Motions may be submitted at the Annual Meeting motion table, but they will not be on printed agenda.

Smoking Policy

There is **NO SMOKING** for all PWP sessions, including the meeting, workshops, credentials areas, voting, Awards Breakfast, Annual Meeting Luncheon and President's Banquet. The Hotel has **smoking areas**.

Special Needs

If you should have any special needs, accommodations or requirements, *including dietary*, please let us know **IN ADVANCE** at the registration desk and we will do our best to accommodate your needs. Let us know if you need to be seated early due to special needs.

Banquet Seating Requirements/Hours

You **MUST** reserve a seat for the President's Banquet to attend.

Bring your ticket to registration and choose your seat. If you and your friends wish to reserve an entire table, **make sure to bring 8 tickets** with you when you pick out your table.

President's **Banquet seats must be reserved** by *noon* on **Thursday** in order to guarantee a meal. The Hotel requires a meal count *Thursday*. Don't forget to let us know about special dietary considerations!

The AWARDS seating has been pre-arranged this year by the Awards Committee.

Leadership Training Program

This program consists of three distinct levels: Leadership 1; Leadership 2; and Train The Trainer. Leadership 1 & 2 are valuable for leaders at all levels and will enhance your Leadership skills, and you may take them in either sequence. Train The Trainer instructs you how to teach Leadership Training, and is required to present the course. For certification purposes, ***you are expected to attend all Leadership sessions at Convention.***

There is a \$10 registration fee to cover materials cost.

Schedule Of Events

Monday, June 30, 2003

6:30 AM – 8:30 PM

Lobby

Pre-Convention Tour: Grand Canyon

Meet Zone D members in Lobby by 6:30 in order to receive your prepaid ticket.

Bus leaves at 7:00 AM sharp!

Tuesday, July 1, 2003

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Salon E

Pre-Convention Training

Leadership Training II

By Judi Christensen & Mary Anne Britton

An opportunity to develop the leader in you!

The entire day must be completed for certification.

Note: There is a \$10 fee to cover expenses, and is payable in advance or also at the door. Check out the LEADERSHIP writeup for details about the entire program.

9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Tower Suite 3010

Pre-Convention Training

Leadership Train The Trainer

By Chris Longley

Advanced Leadership Training for those that have completed Level I & Level II and are interested in learning how to present this material.

Note: There is a \$10 fee to cover expenses, and is payable in advance or also at the door. Check out the LEADERSHIP writeup for details about the program.

9:00 AM – 9:50 AM

Salon B

Convention Committee Meeting

9:30 AM – 6:00 PM

Lobby

Pre-Convention Tour: Hoover Dam

Meet Zone D members in Lobby by 9:30 to receive your pre-paid ticket.

Bus leaves at 10:00 AM sharp!

Tuesday, July 1, 2003 (cont)

10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Salon B

International Board Of Directors Meeting

Visitors are welcome.

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Lunch – on your own
(IBOD at The Feast Buffet)

1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Salon B

International Board Of Directors Meeting

(continuation) Visitors are welcome.

2:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Upper Hall / Foyer

Convention Registration

By FIBMs

Upper Hall / Foyer

Parade of Flags Registration

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Dinner – on your own

7:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Salon E

Credentials Training

By Duane Blodgett

7:30 PM – 9:30 PM

Salon E

Credentials Validation

By Duane Blodgett

9:00 PM – 12:00 Midnight

Tower Suite 3010

Hospitality Room

By Zone J & Zone G

Wednesday, July 2, 2003

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Upper Hall / Foyer

Convention Registration

By FIBMs

Wednesday, July 2, 2003 (cont)

7:30 AM – 8:15 AM

Salon C

Credentials Validation

By Elections & Credentials Comm.

7:45 AM – 8:30 AM

Salon E

Youth Program Orientation

(Parents and Youth meeting)

By Judy Lloyd

Salon G

First Timers Meeting

Welcome and what's happening.

By Marie Weller

Salon F

Amigos Orientation Meeting

Join us for sharing warmth & cheer.

By Marie Austin

8:00 AM – 8:45 AM

Upper Hall / Foyer

Line up for Parade Of Flags

By Keith Nelson & Chris Manning

8:30 AM – 10:45 AM

Salons A & B

Opening Session

Candidate Speeches

11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Salons A & B

Grassroots Topic # 1

Authorization for the International Board Of Directors to reduce the number of Zones needed to a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 6 at the BOD's discretion.

Salon E

You're Smarter Than You Think.

By Valerie Kluss & Ken Cunnington

Join local Chapter members for a fun workshop that helps develop practical intelligence - gosh knows we all could use some help with that.

Wednesday, July 2, 2003 (cont)

12:00 Noon– 1:30 PM

LUNCH – on your own

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Salons A & B

Town Meeting

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Salon A Zone H Caucus

Salon G Zone J Caucus

Salon F Zone L Caucus

Salon E Zone K Caucus

Salon D Zone G Caucus

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Salon B

Recruiting New & Younger Members

By Chris Longley

Join us for a moderated discussion of how some Chapters have done it. If your group is growing, come share your successes. If not, come learn and grow with us!

4:30 PM – 5:45 PM

Salon A Zone B Caucus

Salon G Zone C Caucus

Salon F Zone D Caucus

Salon E Zone F Caucus

Salon D Zone A Caucus

4:30 PM – 5:45 PM

Salon B

Recruiting New & Younger Members

(REPEAT OF PREVIOUS SESSION)

By Sue Ellen Hayes

Join us for a moderated discussion of how some Chapters have done it. If your group is growing, come share your successes. If not, come learn and grow with us!

5:45 PM – 7:00 PM

Salon C

Credentials Validation

Dinner – on your own

Wednesday, July 2, 2003 (cont)

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Salon G

Grassroots Topic # 2

TRAINING: All new members joining a board *MUST* attend training held early in the year.

Salon E

Grassroots Topic # 3

REACH-OUT-AMERICA:

A proposal to expand membership throughout America.

9:00 PM – 12:00 Midnight

Tower Suite 3010

Hospitality Room

Thursday, July 3, 2003

7:00 AM – 7:45 AM

Salon C

Credentials Validation

7:00 AM – 7:45 AM

Upper Hall / Foyer

Convention Registration

8:00 AM – 10:15 AM

Salons A & B

Awards Breakfast

Come to the front of the line for pre-seating.

10:30 AM – 11:45 AM

Salon F

Single Parent Travel

By Brenda Elwell

Join Brenda Elwell, the author of “The Single Parent Travel Handbook” in a lively discussion of how to think out of the box and plan an exciting fun-filled vacation for you and your kids without blowing your budget. *Book signing follows.*

Salon G

Treasurer Workshop/Training

By Lee Harris

Budgets, Audits, I.R.S. filings, and other financial procedures recommended for Chapters, Regions and Zones will be discussed.

Thursday, July 3, 2003 (cont)

10:30 AM – 11:45 AM

Salon E

Legal Considerations

By Mark Kozlowski

Our International legal Counsel will show us how to avoid lawsuits and other legal woes, negotiate contracts, and meet our corporate responsibilities.

12:00 Noon – 12:45 PM

Salon C / D

VOTING

11:45 AM – 1:30 PM

Lunch – on your own

1:30 PM– 2:45 PM

Salon F

Personal Power: What is it? Who has it? Who can get it? and Why you need it?

By April Hamlin

For those who feel powerless at times – come learn how to have all the power you want when you need it the most. Join us for a *powerful* experience.

Salon G

PWP WEB SITE

By Kay Brewer and Barbara Spade

Join our International web ladies and learn about our latest features and how to negotiate the PWP website.

Salon E

Grant Writing and Solicitations

By Sharron Ehnes

Join us for some enlightenment about the Hawaii Chapter's success with grants. This will be an interactive workshop, so come share your experiences with grants and solicitations. What would your Chapter, Region or Zone be able to accomplish with some significant extra funding?

Thursday, July 3, 2003 (cont)

3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Salon F

Keeping Your Eye On The Prize

By F. Daniel McClure, Ph.D.

& Jerry B. Saffer, Ph.D.

Earning access to your child's world, and bringing your child into your world: A parenting Workshop by the authors of "Wednesday Evenings and Every Other Weekend". *Book signing follows.*

Salon G

Programs & Education Workshop

By Lew Browder

Personal education should be an integral part of our lives. Let's rediscover the importance of our discussions and the impact they can have on our attitudes and well-being.

Salon E

Membership Training Workshop

By Kathy Soucy

Membership Reports and Members at Large – what does it all mean? Let's get the answers to these questions and learn how to use these tools to create membership retention in your Chapter, Regional or Zone.

4:30 PM – 5:45 PM

Salon F

Chapter Networking

By Dottie Francis

An opportunity to meet your peers from all over and share the successes, failures, and challenges overcome.

Salon G

Regional Networking

By Ann Sigler

Regional officers will be grouped by Office and then share problems and solutions, effective programs, success stories and new opportunities.

Salon E

Zone Networking

By Judy Foy

Zone Officers can meet their counterparts and enjoy the positive energy.

Thursday, July 3, 2003 (cont)

5:45 PM - 9:00 PM

Dinner – on your own
Free Time

9:00 PM – 12:00 Midnight

Tower Suite 3010
Hospitality Room
By Zone L

Friday, July 4, 2003

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM

Upper Hall / Foyer
Convention Registration
Credentials Validation

8:30 AM – 12 Noon

Salons A & B
Annual Meeting

12 Noon – 1:30 Pm

LUNCH – on your own

1:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Salons A & B
Annual Meeting (cont)

4:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Free Time

4:15 PM – 5:45 PM

Tower Suite 3010
IBOD Committee Selection
Marie Weller

9:00 PM – 12 Midnight

Tower Suite 3010 Hospitality Room
2004 Convention (Zone D)
* Enticements for next year *

Saturday, July 5, 2003

8:15 AM – 10:00 AM

Upper Hall / Foyer
Convention Registration

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Tower Suite 3010
IBOD Training

8:45 AM – 10:00 AM

Salon F

Men Are From Mars - Women Are From Venus

By Judy Foy

We have all experienced times when the other sex *must* have come from another planet! Let's explore how men and women interact with each other – and why; how the other half thinks, what they need and can do without, and how to learn to cope and survive as single parents.

Salon G

Moderator Training Techniques

By Bob Tousey and Ginny Kessler

Join two of our most experienced Moderator Trainers for a sharing of methods and materials for training moderators - a first step in creating a new standard for us all.

Salon E

Awards & Scholarship Program

By Judy Lloyd, Ann Willard,

Dot Johnson & Roselle O'Donnell

Program descriptions for the different categories will be addressed and sample entry folders used to illustrate how to compete effectively.

10:15 AM – 11:30 AM

Salon F

101 Ways to Build Self-Confidence in Yourself and Your Children

By April Hamlin

What do you want for your children? To be Happy, Healthy, and Productive Citizens? Learn how *your own* self-esteem affects your children. We will discuss some techniques, processes, and guidelines for personal enrichment.

Saturday, July 5, 2003 (cont)

10:15 AM – 11:30 AM

Salon G

Moderator Training Techniques

By Bob Tousey and Ginny Kessler

Continued from previous session.

Salon E

Community Relations Workshop

By Barbara Spade

Come share successes and learn about public relations, community involvement and legislative action programs for Chapter, Region and Zone.

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Lunch – on your own

1:00 PM – 2:15 PM

Salon F

Team Players and Others

By Marie Weller

When the “stars” on a board take over it can be difficult to conduct a meeting and we all should know how to work with fellow board members. We need to be aware of how to handle reactions by understanding some factors and dealing with them. On every team there are good players, good team players, poor players and poor team players and always a few stars.

Salon G

Moderator Training (continued)

By Bob Tousey and Ginny Kessler

Practicum: New Moderators practice and evaluation.

Salon E

Family & Youth Work Shop

By Judy Lloyd

Let's explore new ideas for family activities, and share experiences with others from all levels of PWP.

Saturday, July 5, 2003 (cont)

2:30 PM – 3:45 PM

Salon F

Reach For Personal Wellness

By Loyce Kemp, M.T.

Let's learn how *stress management* and *massage* contribute to our over-all well-being. We will also practice "hands on" & *experience* relaxation. Oooooohhh YEAHH!!

Salon G

F.I.T.A.P. Program

By Linda Fry and Jeri Rae Stout

Program descriptions of each category will be presented in this popular session. Handouts will include a "model entry" folder.

Salon E

Ethics & Grievance Training

By Sue Ellen Hayes & Judi Christensen

Following the correct procedures is crucial in this complex but necessary area. We will cover the E & G procedures as stated in the manual. If you have a problem that you want discussed, please give it to one of us before the Workshop is scheduled so that we can research it for you.

3:45 PM – 6:00 PM

Free Time

6:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Salons A & B

Cocktails / Cash bar

6:30 PM – 1:00 AM

Salons A & B

President's Banquet

Installation of Board Of Directors

President's Ball

9:00 PM – 10:30 PM

Tower Suite 3010

Family Hospitality

11:00 PM – 1:00 AM

Tower Suite 3010

Adult Hospitality

Sunday, July 6, 2003

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

Salon B

Remembrance Service

By Bob Tousey

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Salon B

Closing Session

Bring your Overall Evaluation & tickets to draw for a free package to next year's Convention. Let's bring closure to a great Convention, and share goodbyes till next time.

10:00 AM

Upper Hall / Foyer

Youth Returned To Parents

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Salon E

International Board Of Directors Mtg

Visitors are welcome.

2:00 PM

****HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME****



See You in Fort Mitchell, Ky

(Cincinnati area)

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NATIONAL ANTHEMS

O Canada

Canada!
Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy sons command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North strong and free!
From far and wide,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

The Star Spangled Banner

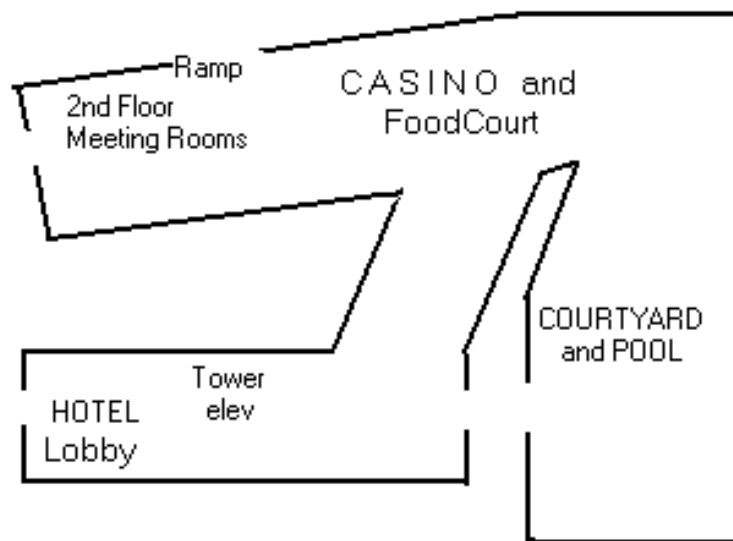
Oh, say can you see, by the dawn's early
light,
What so proudly we hailed, at the twilight's
last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars,
through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so
gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs
bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag
was still there.
O say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet
wave,
O'er the land of the free and the home of the
brave?

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