

CONVENTION 2009



Thanks to all of you who attended the 2009 AHEA Annual Convention. There were over 1500 people in attendance. I wonder if your feet were as tired as mine by the end of Saturday! But wasn't it great to visit with other home educating families, to hear great speakers and just to be encouraged. Our convention team was greatly encouraged by many of the comments on the surveys. Every survey is read and suggestions are taken into consideration for future conventions, but please keep in mind that it is not always possible to implement every new idea or bring in every suggested speaker. But keep the comments coming. You can also send comments and suggestions to us at convention@iheonline.com.

Here are some comments and statistics from the surveys...

Satisfaction with convention	Number of Years Home educating	Number of children Home educating
Completely = 77.5%	0 – 5 years = 43 %	0 – 3 children = 71%
Somewhat = 16%	6 – 10 years = 30%	4 – 6 children = 25%
Not quite = 1.5%	11 – 20 years = 25%	7 – 10 children = 4%
No answer = 2%	More than 20 years = 4%	

Kevin Swanson

- Spoke to my heart and changed my thinking Energetic, encouraging and convicting
- Addressed current issues and kept advice practical A little too dramatic
- Made me feel like I could keep going with God's help Really enjoyed the stand for the truth of the Bible
- Informative, easy to listen to God used him powerfully in my life

Other speakers

- Merv Tuplin - Great talk, just battled to hear it - a bit soft but very informative
- Judy Dueck – Many great ideas, practical
- Paul Faris – Well done, as always
- Dale Jost – Wow! Lots of practical advice
- Lisa Jost – A beautiful, honest, and challenging
- Daryl and Kathy Snider – Terrific. Very inspirational
- Louise House – Very relevant and practical. Wish I had heard her 5 years ago
- Craig Funston – Good tips to make L.A. more fun
- Tom Lipp – Lots of useful information
- Paul Desrosiers – Very enthusiastic! Great resource – out of the box application – reminder of the value of play
- Peter and Debbie Beam - Could not have done without this one. So much knowledge for new comers like me
- Jesse and Heidi Jost – Encouraging, inspiring, what this generation needs to hear

General Comments

- Loved the truthfulness and authenticity of the speakers
- So many good session that I almost did not have time to shop (that makes my husband happy)
- Always great – 10th year – never get tired of hearing the basics
- Brilliant – keeps me motivated
- Thank you for the Christian Worldview
- Teens loved their program
- Have a concert every year, it is a nice way to end the day
- The concert was like a nice rain after a hot day

Convention 2010

The planning is already happening, so mark your calendars now.

April 16th & 17th
Westerner Park, Red Deer

Keynote speakers for next year are
Ken Ham and Diana Waring

Winner of Convention Survey Draw
Lynda Muirhead
Free Admission to the 2010 Convention



The Josties in Concert Friday Night

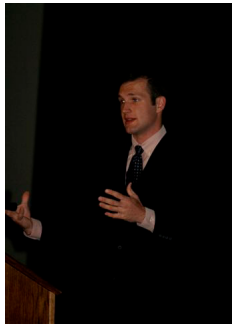


"Pick me, pick me!"

Convention 2009 Pictures



Judy Dueck
Workshop Speaker



Chad Roach,
Teen Workshop



Lisa Jost
Workshop Speaker

K. Eunstun



At the AHEA Booth

K. Eunstun



Perusing some of the
curriculum for sale

K. Eunstun

The Children's Program

Kevin Swanson, Keynote Speaker

