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Lutheran Women's
Missionary League of
the North Wisconsin
District - LCMS

*Affirming each
woman in her
relationship with
the Lord and
enabling her to be in
ministry to the people
of the world.*

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Missions, Missions, Everywhere!



MISSION GRANTS
DIRECTOR
SUE NEIDER
WABENO, WI

Many of you know that a year ago my husband Howie retired from full-time ministry and we moved from Ontonagon, Michigan, back to his family home in Wabeno that we left 30 years ago to go to the seminary. As houses go, they don't like to be left with only the minimum maintenance and as wives go I didn't want to tear up the house and yard to do maintenance without making the house a little nicer and more "old people" accessible. After six months of work and waiting around the house for different stages of the work to be done, I realized how easy it is to get very "me" centered.

As I was thinking about our biennium closing in the next six months, I realized that I can also get very "me" centered and only think of paying our district mission grants. We are a very important link in our national LWML's ability to pay the national mission grants. This month we are focusing on paying our last two district grants, \$15,000 to the Lutheran Malaria Initiative and \$12,500 for the second half of our








district professional church workers grant. The focus this month for national is a \$120,000 grant to the JEM Seminary in Obot Idim, Nigeria. The Lutheran Church in Nigeria is the LCMS's oldest partner church in Africa, currently with approximately 80,000 members in 339 congregations. The seminary continues to be an important partner for gospel proclamation in the most populous country in Africa. As we hear in the news it has become one of the very dangerous places for Christians to live, even in areas that have been predominately Christian since Philip shared the good news with the Ethiopian Eunuch, the first missionary to Africa. Did you know the first Bible was assembled in Africa? What a blessing to be able to help their seminary prepare men to share the good news of Christ's gospel with their people who are being persecuted for their faith in the Triune God. Please continue your prayers for them also. Is it just a coincidence that both of our remaining grants and national's featured grant this month focus on preparing church workers and helping our brothers and sisters in Africa? You can learn more on the websites: nwdlwml.org and lwml.org.

Sue Neider

North Wisconsin District LWML Mission Grants

\$100,000 Goal ~ 2014-2016



1. North Wisconsin District Professional Church
Workers Student Grants 1/2 paid  \$25,000
2. Orphan Grain Train: Wisconsin Funds for Shipping
Food and Supplies  ~~\$10,000~~
3. 'Every Kid to Camp' – Camp Luther, Three Lakes  ~~\$10,000~~
4. Victory Lutheran Mission of Hope to Feed and
Educate a Community  ~~\$20,000~~
5. Jeremy Faga Memorial in Central Alaska –
Alaska Missions for Christ  ~~\$10,000~~
6. Lutheran Malaria Initiative  ~~\$15,000~~
7. Wisconsin Valley Lutheran High School
Tuition Assistance  ~~\$10,000~~

Mission Trip—OGT and Mission Central

July 25 - 27, 2016



2ND VICE PRESIDENT
MARY SCHARENBRÖCK
GLEN FLORA, WI

The North Wisconsin District LWML is planning a bus trip to Norfolk, Nebraska, and Mapleton, Iowa, next summer. We will be traveling with Lamers Bus Service and seats are limited to the first 50 people sending in a completed registration. The cost of the bus is **\$84.00** (non-refundable, but transferable) and is your reservation.

Each person attending will be making their own room reservation at the New Victorian Inn & Suites in Norfolk. There is a block of rooms being held for us at a discounted rate. Room rates are \$60 for 2 to a room, \$70 for 3 to a room, \$80 for 4 to a room plus 17% tax.

Mention North WI Mission-Lynne Johnson when you call the motel at 402-379-3035.

The block of rooms is being held until June 24th. If you would like a roommate, every effort will be made to find you one! Please contact Lynne Johnson.

Plans are to leave 8 a.m. on Monday, July 25, from Wausau with stops along Highway 29 and in Eau Claire. We will arrive in Norfolk early Monday evening. Lunch and supper arrangements are pending.

Tuesday there will be a continental breakfast with hot items provided by the motel.

Following devotions, we will go to the Orphan Grain Train (OGT) headquarters for a tour and to help sort items donated to OGT.

The manager of the warehouse at OGT says there will be enough work for 40 people to sort items and has asked that attendees bring items for Health Kits and School Kits so 10 people would assemble these kits. A list of items for these kits is on the Lutheran World Relief website (lwr.org). It would be wonderful to have societies donate items, too! Our mission at OGT will end at 4 p.m. Tuesday evening, we will then tour Grace Lutheran Church in Norfolk, an old historic church.

After breakfast and devotions on Wednesday morning, we will travel to Mapleton, Iowa, to tour Mission Central and spend time with Missionary Gary Thies. We will spend approximately four hours there with lunch included. The bus would return to the Wausau area by 9 p.m.

Contact Lynne Johnson at
715-366-4642 or lafa@uniontel.net

or Mary Scharenbrock at 715-826-0160 or
maryscharenbrock@gmail.com

This is a wonderful opportunity for our District and we invite you to join us!

Mary Scharenbrock

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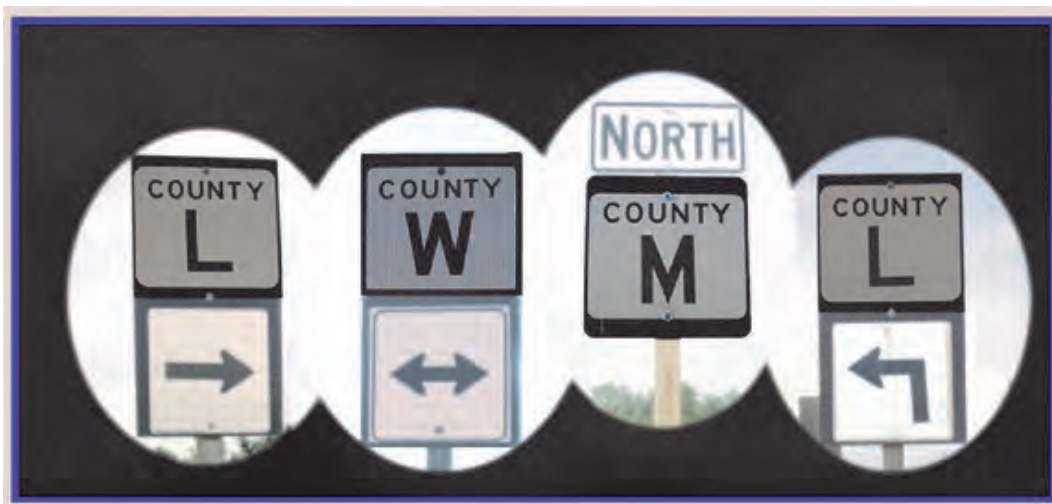
Please send this registration form along with your \$84 check made out to **North WI District LWML** to **Financial Secretary** Betty Deutsch, 901 S. Farwell St. Apt 30, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Please include if you need a roommate. (how many people would you be willing to share a room with 1, 2 or 3) _____



N WI DISTRICT
PRESIDENT
Mary Harrington
Shell Lake, WI

We have shared together the blessing of God.

Philippians 1:7b (TLB)

That's the message I've received from so many members of our NWD LWML when they looked back at 2015. They didn't quote scripture to me, but the message came through just the same. When we gathered together in our societies, in our zones, at our district events and at the national convention in Des Moines, we shared the blessings of God. The Bible studies, the fellowship, the mission trips and the opportunities to serve others brought us together as one body. We shared our prayer requests and our concerns with one another. We laughed together and wiped one another's tears. Our Christian friendships add richness to our lives.

The new year, 2016, comes to us bursting with more opportunities to serve and to worship together as members of the LWML. In January, the zone Christian Life leaders will travel to Wausau to study the Bible lessons that will be presented at our spring and fall rallies. The lessons are prepared and guided by our District Counselors Koeller and Pockat, and they also will come to Wausau to guide us.

February finds the zone presidents and district officers traveling to Wausau to plan upcoming district events and zone rallies. It is an opportunity to share ideas and to celebrate our faith. The Young Women Coordinators will share plans for the Young Woman/Young at Heart

retreat that will be held at Camp Luther in April. Details for that event are found in this issue on page 13.

Throughout the month of April, there will be 19 zone rallies held across our district. I am blessed to be invited to many of these rallies and I travel a wide variety of roads. Opportunities to share in Bible study, hear mission speakers, and to join with one another in fellowship and service are on the agendas!

This issue has much information about this summer's convention to be held in Eau Claire and also about a mission trip to Mission Central in Iowa and to Nebraska to serve at Orphan Grain Train. Convention dates are June 23 - 25 and the mission trip is scheduled for July 25 - 27. Be sure to read about these events and put the dates on your calendars. Send in your registrations and plan to attend either or both events. You will be blessed!

Once you've decided which events you will attend and which roads you will travel to get to them, invite someone along. LWML has much to offer our Sisters in Christ and a personal invitation/phone call might be just what she's been needing. Be aware of those around you and offer a ride. LWML has so much to offer in 2016 and every year and we have so much to share.

Be a blessing!

Mary Harrington

*Serve the Lord
With Gladness*

"The Day That Shook the World"



SENIOR PASTORAL
COUNSELOR
REV. MARTIN KOELLER
COMBINED LOCKS

*"He is not here; he has risen,
just as he said. Come and
see the place where he lay.
Then go quickly and tell..."*
Matt 28:6,7a

There are certain events that are so big, or so unthinkable, that they shake the world. People often talk about where they were when they heard of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, the

assassination of President John Kennedy, when man finally stepped on the moon, when the space shuttle blew up, or Sept. 11, 2001. This same feeling must have been around in the 5th century when people received the news that Rome had fallen. Rome's sickness and weakening had been noted for years. Its citizens became preoccupied in seeking after pleasure rather than the securing of the nation. Although it had a well-trained army to defend it from enemies from other nations, its army was not trained to protect it from the enemy from within -- corruption, apathy and degradation of the people of Rome. But Rome had defeated many enemies. It had always been able to come out the victor. So, when the day finally came that Rome did collapse, the people were shocked.

Maybe you have had the same shocking experiences off and on in your own life. Maybe you can recall many times in which your own world was shaken. If you have, I have good news for you. Christ has come to give you hope. Jesus is the Light Who sheds light in a world filled with darkness. His birth, death and

resurrection are events which shook the world. But they did not bring fear and dread; rather, they brought hope and happiness. Jesus comes to destroy depression, despondency, death, and damnation. In his Pentecost sermon recorded in Acts, chapter 2, Peter quotes King David by saying: *"I saw the Lord always before me. Because He is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body will live in hope."*

When the earthquake rolled away the stone from in front of the tomb that Jesus was laid, it did not reveal a dead Jesus, but rather, an empty tomb. Jesus' resurrection shakes up, not only Satan who could not defeat Him, not only the grave that could not hold Him, but also, eternity! *"For all who believe in Him shall have everlasting life"* (John 3:16b). Jesus' coming means help for us now, tomorrow and into eternity! He comes not only to help us in our physical world and surroundings, but also to help us with something that is far greater, eternal salvation. Christ is not dead, but alive and well! When you pray, expect a listening ear and loving heart to receive it and answer it. When you hurt, understand the caring arms that reach out to hold you. When you feel alone, know that God is with you. When the world seems to be crumbling in around you, do not be shaken, but put your trust and confidence in the Lord, for He cares for you. And may our Lord's peace which passes all understanding keep you in the truth faith and in bold confidence forever.

Senior Pastoral Counselor

Pastor Martin Koeller

National Mission Goal Update as of November 30, 2015

Mission Goal for 2015-2017 Biennium: \$2,000,000

Amount Received: \$544,453.85

Amount Needed: \$1,455,546.15

N WI District Mission Grant Update December 31, 2015

Lutheran Malaria Initiative Paid
\$12,500 needed to finish grants

Treasure your time



LWML DISTRICT
CHRISTIAN LIFE
CO-CHAIRMAN
IRENE GRAVELLE
BOULDER JUNCTION

Have you ever noticed that as you get older Christmas and the new year come faster than ever? Have you noticed how the days speed by when you've got lists of things to do? As a child, it seemed that Christmas would never come. The days dragged on to important events like the holidays and birthdays.

No matter our ages now, if the days drag on, fill them with purpose and love. Call a shut-in. Surprise someone with a

real letter, not a quick email note. Reach out to someone you haven't heard from in awhile. Think of a positive story or joke to share. Pray for family, friends, your pastor, and your church. Read a less familiar part of Scripture or look more closely at the four Gospels. Search for an inspirational book to read. Bake or make someone a treat. Consider a new hobby that you've never made time for before. New ideas are available at your library. Fill those hours with constructive and God-pleasing activities.

If time whizzes by for you, resolve to reserve some part of the day for God. What part of the Bible have you always wanted to read? Is there a favorite hymn you'd like to know more about? Slow down! The roses may be buried under the snow, but focus on something beautiful around you: a new bird at the bird feeder, a lovely sunset, or a sky full of twinkling stars on a brisk winter night. Add prayer, daily devotions and the Good Book to your every day—without fail. We always make time for things we think are important ... time with God is important! He always has an open line for any of us 24/7.

God wants us to be aware of our time and to be good stewards of it, too. As Psalm 90, verse 12, says, *"Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."* Everyone has an equal number of minutes in a week: 10,080 minutes. Certainly there is time to worship with our fellow Christians (60 minutes) and a minimum of fifteen minutes each day for

prayer and devotions. Are you keeping track? That is still 9,915 minutes for all our routines in daily living. Certainly we can do His work and ours, too, in that time. *"We just need to trust in Him at all times, pour out your heart to Him for God is our refuge."* (Ps. 62:8)

Be it resolved that each one of us will treasure the time that we will be given in 2016, and be it further resolved that we will devote our time and talents to Him and His people as He directs us. For as Psalm 31:15 boldly affirms, *"My times are in Your hands."* Each of us should remember, too, the personal promise of Romans 5: 6, *"At the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly."* He died to make eternal life personal for each of us! Cling to this promise from God throughout the new year.

Trying to be a good steward of time,

Irene Gravelle

Reminder

Christian Life Workshop is scheduled for **Saturday, January 23**, at Rib Mountain Lutheran Church.

Thank You from Vi Golz

Dear members of the North WI District LWML,

It's impossible to thank each individual but I want you to know how appreciative I am of all your encouragement & prayers. As of November 18 my surgeon gave me a clean bill of health. Everything is healing well & he's 100% positive the cancer is gone. So hopefully I will not have to have chemo or radiation. My strength is slowly coming back, breathing & exercises are a daily must, & God willing, in another month or so I will be back to my old self. Praise God! Blessings to each & every one of you!

In Christian love,

Vi Golz



YOU are invited!
To the 36th Biennial Convention of the
North Wisconsin District
Lutheran Women's Missionary League
June 23-25, 2016
Plaza Hotel and Suites, Eau Claire, Wisconsin

On June 23, the North Wisconsin District Lutheran Missionary League will convene in Eau Claire, the city French explorers named by exclaiming, "Here is clear water!" Members, friends, families, and special guests from all over Northern Wisconsin and Upper Peninsula Michigan and beyond will gather at the Plaza Hotel and Suites and are invited to experience the growth of friendship and purpose that attending a district convention can provide. It is a time to meet new friends, to greet old friends and to learn, see, and know, that **GOD GIVES GROWTH** as the seeds of faith are planted.

We begin with God's Word and the Bible verse chosen for this convention:

***"And you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water,
whose waters do not fail."*** Isaiah 58:11b

Guest Speakers will include:
National Recording Secretary.....Ginger Starrett
Keynote Speaker..... Carly Hatcher of MOST Ministries
(Mission Opportunities Short Term)

Mission Speakers....
Deacon Bob Prue and wife Deon of Lutheran Indian Ministry (LIM)
Shelly Karolus from Camp Luther and Vicar Richard Her, Hmong Ministry
Bible Study Leader..... Donna Pyle
Banquet Entertainment.....Paul Oman, Visual Artist

There will be multiple servant events, a Mite Walk on the river, YWR's, election of officers, selection of mission grants and special bonding and Christian joy to be shared with your sisters and brothers in Christ.

Mark your calendars (June 23-25) for a time to be refreshed in the "clear waters" of God's Word as God Gives us Growth in Eau Claire.

Host Hotel: Plaza Hotel and Suites, 1202 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI 715-834-3181 or 800-482-7829 Rooms are blocked for LWML and the rates are: single—\$89, double—\$99, triple/quad—\$10 extra per person. Contact the hotel to make your reservation in block #7733.

NORTH WISCONSIN LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE
36TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION JUNE 23-25, 2016
PLAZA SUITES, EAU CLAIRE WISCONSIN



GOD
GIVES
GROWTH

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LWML ZONE _____

HOME CHURCH _____

Please check **only 1** category

- A ☐ Delegate
B ☐ Alternate
C ☐ General Registration
D ☐ Young Woman Representative [YWR]
E ☐ Youth/Child
F ☐ District LWML Board Member
G ☐ Special Guest/Pastor
H ☐ Exhibitor
I ☐ Heart to Heart Sister [H2H]

First time attending a District LWML Convention: ☐ Registrant ☐ Spouse

Registration fee is non-refundable

Please extend amount of fees to the column on right. **Quantity Fee Total**

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| 1. Registration (postmarked by June 1, 2016) <i>Youth under 18 - free</i> | 1. _____ | \$ 45.00 | 1. _____ |
| 2. Spouse registration: Name _____ | 2. _____ | \$ 45.00 | 2. _____ |
| 3. Late Registration (postmarked after June 1 or on-site) | 3. _____ | \$ 55.00 | 3. _____ |
| 4. Friday Luncheon [Chef's salad] | 4. _____ | \$ 12.50 | 4. _____ |
| 5. (Please indicate first, second, or third choice) | | | |
| a. _____ Paul Oman, <i>Drawn to the Word: Seeing Our Way Through the Bible</i> | | | |
| b. _____ Carly Hatcher, MOST Ministries | | | |
| c. _____ Vicar Richard Her, HMONG Ministry | | | |
| d. _____ Camp Luther, Shelly Karolus 'Indigo' | | | |
| 6. Friday Banquet [Athenian stuffed Chicken with Spring mix salad, Wild Rice and Vegetable blend] | 5. _____ | \$ 27.50 | 5. _____ |
| 7. Thursday Servant Events | 6. _____ | | |
| 8. Convention Jewelry Pin/Tie Tack _____ Charm _____ | 7. _____ | \$ 5.00 | 7. _____ |

Your check number _____ Total _____

Children welcome!

Special Needs [Physical and/or Dietary]

**PLEASE MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS
FOR LODGING**

Official convention hotel is: **Plaza Hotel &
Suites** 715-834-3181 or 800-482-7829

Make reservations in **block # 7733**

Make your check or money order payable to: **LWML 2016 Convention**

Mail to: **LWML Convention**

S 9030 David Court, Eleva, WI 54738

All registration forms **must come by US Mail.**

Contact us with questions at vossjoyce49@gmail.com

**PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THIS FORM
FOR YOUR RECORDS**

Registration opens at 1:00 pm CDT Thursday, June 23, 2016 @ the Plaza

“God Gives Growth” in Eau Claire 2016



Soon it will be time for all of the countryside to be "growing" once again and we will be seeing many of God's blessings in the green of springtime. It is our hope that we will be able to see the many items "grow" in number that will be collected for the Gifts of the Heart projects at convention. I look forward to seeing all of my LWML sisters as you bring in your gifts. Look for the signs directing you to the room where items will be collected and boxed up.

Zone Presidents will be given a more complete list of items and that information will be shared at the Spring Rallies. Please involve your congregation by putting up a list of items needed as well as setting out collection boxes!

Human Care Chairman

Millie Timm

Gifts of the Heart

- 1. MOST Ministries:** Eyeglasses-all sizes and kinds. Please do not send broken glasses. Soft eyeglass cases are also needed.
- 2. Bethesda Lutheran Communities:** Electric can openers, coffee makers, battery-operated camping lanterns and extra batteries, CD/radios (combo), religious music (esp.

contemporary) and movies, personal care items

- 3. Hope Gospel Mission's Ruth House-Eau Claire, WI:** Twin sheet sets, pillows, cleaning products, toiletries
- 4. Stepping Stones of Dunn County:** Bath towels and washcloths, kitchen towels, hot pads, all sizes of bed sheet sets (no king), household cleaning items, personal care items, kitchen utensils, pots and pans, bakeware, socks and underwear for all ages, non-perishable food items

Mites for Missions Run-Walk

Saturday, June 25, 2016
6:30 pm

Watch for full registration form in
April issue of the Mission Tidings

Questions:
Contact **Betty Snyder at 715-776-0669**

Convention Meals

The hotel offers a complimentary continental breakfast each morning.
An on-site restaurant is also available for meals offering traditional American cuisine.

Friday Lunch—Chef's Salad – A bed of salad greens topped with julienne ham and turkey, cheddar and Swiss cheese, tomato wedges, black olives, and sliced eggs.

Friday Evening Banquet — Athenian Stuffed Chicken

Chicken breast stuffed with wilted spinach, sundried tomatoes, and crumbled feta cheese. Topped with creamy Athenian sauce. Served with spring mix salad with strawberries, mandarin oranges, and pecans; wild rice blend, and Prince William vegetable blend (broccoli, carrots, green beans, and red peppers)

Luncheon Speakers



Luncheon A: Paul Oman, *Drawn to the Word*



Paul Oman

“Drawn to the Word: Seeing our way through the Bible”

This luncheon will give you another opportunity to see Paul Oman’s ministry in action. It may give you ideas for you to use as you serve as a Christian Life leader or as a Sunday school teacher. Visit You Tube and type in “Drawn to the Word Sketchbook” to see examples of Paul’s five minute sketches

through the Psalms. He has an amazing talent! Paul’s luncheon appearance is sponsored by the NWD LCEF. We are so grateful for their generous support of our convention.



Drawn to the Word Artist
www.paulomanfineart.com

Luncheon B: Carly Hatcher, *MOST Ministries*



Carly Hatcher

Executive Director
Mission Opportunities Short Term (MOST) Ministries

Carly Hatcher is the Executive Director of Mission Opportunities Short Term (MOST) Ministries, a Recognized Service Organization of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod that trains and sends international and domestic mission teams. Carly casts the vision for and manages the overall business of MOST Ministries and serves as a MOST Ministries Team Leader, preparing and taking short-term

mission teams to international sites several times a year. Carly also serves on the Board of Directors for the Association of Lutheran Mission Agencies.

Before joining MOST Ministries in 2004, Carly served as a missionary with the LCMS and has been involved in international mission work for eighteen years, travelling to more than forty countries and living in Russia, Panama and Bolivia. She currently lives in Ann Arbor, Mich., with her husband, Robert, and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and a Master of Science in Organizational Leadership and Administration from Concordia University, Ann Arbor. Carly has a passion for equipping and involving people in the Great Commission.



Luncheon Speakers



Luncheon C: Vicar Richard Her, Hmong Ministry



Richard Her

Richard Xeem-Xais Her graduated from Concordia University Ann Arbor in 2012 with a Religious Studies major and a double minor in Biblical Languages and Philosophy. He is attending Concordia Seminary for his Master of Divinity and will be graduating in May of 2016. Richard did his vicarage in Eau Claire at St. Matthew Lutheran Church and the Hmong Mission of Eau Claire. He hopes to continue his work among the Hmong people in bringing the Gospel of Jesus Christ to both the older generation of Hmong who prefer speaking in the Hmong language and the younger generation that prefers the English language. Richard is married to Pai, and they have a son named Aaron.

Luncheon D: Camp Luther, Shelly Karolus “Indigo”



Shelly Karolus “Indigo”

Shelly serves as the Director of Donor Relations at Camp Luther in Three Lakes, WI.

This summer Camp Luther is celebrating 70 years of ministry and the theme is, **“Start a Fire.”** The theme verse is, *“They said to each other, ‘Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?’ Luke 24:32.*

It is an exciting time at camp, and I look forward to sharing with all of you the way Camp Luther has changed over the years; but the mission of sharing Christ and building people up in Him hasn’t changed!

Bible Study Leader—Donna Pyle



Since launching Artesian Ministries in 2007, Donna has authored numerous Bible studies and traveled throughout the U.S. and internationally to teach from Scripture. She has published two books through CPH: *Quenched: Christ's Living Water for a Thirsty Soul* and *The God of All Comfort*. She has authored/recorded two DVD Bible study series in partnership with LWML: *Overflowing Abundance* (based on Jesus feeding the 5,000) and *Your Strong Suit* (based on the armor of God). Our NWD LWML has copies of each of these DVD Bible studies that you can borrow - contact your zone Christian Life Chairman to do so! The LWML has published eight downloadable Bible studies for individual or small group study and a devotional journal exploring a woman's value in Christ. All can be found on the CPH/LWML websites (cph.org or lwml.org/bible-studies)

We are blessed to have Donna travel from her native Texas and to have her lead us in Bible study as we celebrate "God Gives Growth."

Banquet Entertainment—Paul Oman



Paul Oman—Visual Artist

Drawn to the Word Artist
www.paulomanfineart.com



Paul Oman, artist and pastor, shares his *Drawn to the Word* artistic ministry with audiences ecumenically across the country. He served as a science teacher, then a pastor when, in 2011, he took up work as an artistic pastor fulltime. Paul seeks to give new vision to God's Word by using the process of painting to captivate audiences in our visually-oriented culture. Painting and drawing have been a part of Paul's life since childhood. Receiving international recognition in 2010 and 2013 for his work in watercolor, Paul uses this gift to proclaim the Gospel in a unique and powerful way that impacts lives and inspires mission. The larger-than-life sized murals are painted with acrylics.

Paul's appearance at our convention is sponsored by the NWD Lutheran Church Extension Fund. We are so grateful to them for this support. You can see more samples of Paul's artwork by visiting his website www.paulomanfineart.com and also by going to you tube and typing in "Drawn to the Word Sketchbook." He is a most talented man sharing God's Word through paintings.

Paul lives near Amery, Wisconsin, with his wife, Jana, and their children, Tommy, Kelsey and Emily.



The Busy Lady's Recharge!

*Join the fun at the
2016 North Wisconsin District LWML
Young Women's & "Young At Heart" Retreat
at Camp Luther, Three Lakes, WI*

Saturday, April 2, 2016

Registration begins: 9:00 a.m.

Retreat: 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Child Care available!



Do you have lots going on in your life? Are you in need of a "recharge"? Join us for a retreat focusing on refreshment—spiritual, emotional and physical! Enjoy a day of fellowship & fun, and have a chance to re-energize with friends old and new! **Bring a friend—all ladies are welcome!** Back again this year—an **optional overnight at Camp Luther on Friday, April 1!** Retreat Center lodging will be available for \$30/person. Fellowship, snacks & fun will begin at 7:00 pm on Friday! For more information, please contact Laura Palzkill at 608-658-5313 (cell) or lbpalzkill@gmail.com or Lisa Glessing at 715-520-7273 or glessinglm@gmail.com.

_____ Retreat Registration (includes programming and Saturday lunch) - \$30 per person

_____ Child Care (includes program supplies, supervision and lunch) - \$15 per person

_____ Retreat Center Lodging on Friday, April 10 - \$30 per person (Children are also \$30 Roommates (up to 4 people per room) _____

_____ Breakfast on Saturday before retreat begins (7:30 a.m.) - \$10 per person

Total Enclosed: _____ Please write checks out to: NWD LWML

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ *E-Mail will be used for pre-retreat communication.

Address: _____

Home Church: _____

Please return to: Lisa Glessing, W6915 Pair O' Lakes Rd, Trego, WI 54888 by March 1, 2016

*In the case of cancellation, funds will remain with the North Wisconsin District LWML to offset program costs.

LWML Heart to Heart Sisters

THIS COULD BE YOU! This is Sara, the NWD LWML Heart to Heart Sister (H2H) at the National Convention in Des Moines. You are probably asking “What is H2H Sisters?” “Who can be one?” and most importantly “How can I become a H2H sister?”

H2H specifically recognizes the diversity in our church and LWML: It’s purpose is to motivate, equip and ensure opportunities for women of diverse ethnic groups to serve the Church and witness to the world.

Anyone who is a member of an LCMS congregation may apply to be a H2H sister. If you belong to a society, talk to your president, letting her know you are interested. Attend your spring rally and express to the attendees and the zone president your interest in becoming a H2H sister at our 2016 convention in Eau Claire. Each zone is able to send two



President Mary Harrington,
Sara Long-Radloff and
Jeanne Wilman

candidates. Your zone president will have a simple application to fill out and the zone/societies will cover the cost (the same amount and procedure as YWR).

This is how Sara Long-Radloff attended our 2014 district convention, leading to the opportunity to attend the national convention in Des Moines.

If anyone has questions, please contact me. Information is on page 15 of the Mission Tidings. I encourage you all to consider coming to Eau Claire in June.

H2H Chairman

Jeanne Wilman

Zone 8 Fall Rally

JEANNE WILMAN
CLEAR LAKE, WI
ZONE 8



Zone 8 held their Fall Rally at St John's/Deer Park. They had a wonderful meeting and were visited by a very special guest as part of the Bible study. Dr. Martin Luther (aka Rev. John Wilman, vacancy pastor) shared with the group what was happening in the church and the political environment that lead to the creation of the catechism.



LWML 37th Biennial Convention

Date: June 22-25, 2017

Location: Salt Lake City, Utah

Theme: Jesus Christ Above All

Scripture Verse: *Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name* ([Philippians 2:9](#)).

Thank you to the North Wisconsin District LWML for their generous ingathering for my mission and also for monetary donations. We saw a record number of patients in Madagascar. We saw 607 in the first day and a total of 2,500+ in four days. The trip was a blessing and successful.

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Faith, Menomonie

January 23, 2016
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Rib Mountain, Wausau
Snow Date—January 30

February 15-16, 2016
N WI District Board Meeting
St. Mark's, Wausau

April 2, 2016
YWR/YAH Retreat
Camp Luther

May 16-17, 2016
N WI District Board Meeting
Rib Mountain, Wausau

June 23-25, 2016
North WI District Convention
Eau Claire, WI

July 25-27, 2016
Mission Trip
Orphan Grain Train, Norfolk, NE
Mission Central, Mapleton, IA

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