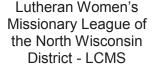


# Mission Tidings

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## WANTED: Mission Grant Proposals



As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

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MISSION GRANTS DIRECTOR DEBORAH YOUNG GREEN BAY, WI We head into
Spring singing more praises unto the Lord as two more mission grants will soon be paid. The NWD Board voted in February to pay \$10,000 to

Concordia Theological Seminary Food Bank in Fort Wayne and \$7,500 to the Lutheran Heritage Foundation for Introducing Muslims to the Savior. What a blessing it is to share Christ with others through our mites.

People were passionate about these missions and submitted a Mission Grant proposal for each of them. It is that time of year when you are asked to look at what you are passionate about and begin submitting mission grant requests for the next biennium. What Mission Grants would you like to see on the ballot when we convene at the District Convention in Green Bay in 2022?

Deuteronomy 15:11 says: "There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your fellow Israelites who are poor and needy in your land." Look beyond poor as being a monetary thing, but being without something one needs, like the love of Jesus.

Take the time to pray and ask God to lead you as you consider submitting a proposal. Visit nwdlwml.org and follow the links: Home—Membership—Handbook Resources—Mission Grant Submission Information. Let your board know what missions are important to you.

In His service,

Deborah Young Mission Grants Director



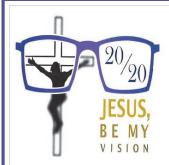
National LWML Mission Goal Met!!! 2019–2021 Biennium \$2,100,000.00

Amount Received: \$ 2,137,742.34 as of February 28, 2021



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## **North Wisconsin District LWML**

## Mission Grants 2020-2022 \$110,000 Goal

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North Wisconsin District Professional Church Workers Student Grants \$25,000				
Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Food Bank \$10,000				
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment for Future Generations - Camp Luther \$20,000				
Introducing Muslims to the Savior – Lutheran Her <u>itage</u>				
Foundation \$7,500				
Support for Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, International Graduate School Students \$10,000				
Sharing the Joy of Jesus in Prague, Brno and the Czech Republic through Mobile app \$12,000				
Lutheran Bible Translators-Derricks Translation and Office Building Support \$5,000				
MOST Ministries Eyeglass & Evangelism Ministries \$10,000				
Wisconsin Valley Lutheran High School, Mosinee, Tuition Assistance \$5,000				
Victory Lutheran Mission of Hope, Gwinn, MI, Partial \$4,782.61				
Life Recovery Bibles Marathon County Jail Ministry Partial \$717.39				
TO FIND MORE INFORMATION ON EACH PROJECT, VISIT NWDLWML.ORG				

## WINGS at King

WINGS at King (Women in God's Service at the veterans home at King) was a committee formed in 1998. It was comprised of members from both the North Wisconsin and South Wisconsin District LWML.

The committee worked with the LCMS chaplain at King to help provide "extras" for the residents. Christmas gifts such as aftershave lotion and socks were very popular when we started.

As the residents began receiving gifts from other organizations, we began to focus on providing activities. In 2004, we began hosting Bingo in two halls each year and providing a light lunch. We also provided activities such as wine and cheese tasting parties, pie and Bible video, and musical entertainment when available. Over the years, we purchased oil candles for all the chapels making it safer for residents to help with worship. We provided banners depicting the church year for a chapel, and purchased large print Bibles for chaplains to distribute to residents. We also helped fund a stained glass window in MacArthur Hall. Donations were made for clothing when needed, and we helped provide health care kits

and gift cards for the residents of Ove Hall.

Since the pandemic is upon us, all has changed. It was now time to revisit WINGS activities. So far, we are unable to do any visits now or in the future. After contacting Chaplain Ben Schroeder for news at King, we learned all their visits with members are by phone or virtual using iPads, except for end of life situations. Along with another Chaplain, he suggested the purchase of an iPad for floors that can use more than one. With that in mind, we contacted the person in charge of donations and he confirmed the need.

Our treasury (\$1,402.26) would be enough to purchase three and one half iPads, and he would add to it to purchase four iPads. The committee agreed this was a good way for our funds to help the residents.

This will conclude our activities and the committee will disband. Thank you to all for your donations, support and help over the years.

If you have questions, contact:

Shirley Hein (715) 823-3590

#### Bible Trivia Event

What a blessing for our NWD LWML to have a wonderful, uplifting Bible Trivia Event through break out rooms in Zoom with 74 women and men on February 27. The trivia event began with a prayer led by Lisa Glessing.

Our LWML Leadership Development
Committee wanted to create an event to
encourage our sisters in Christ to become more
involved with our LWML and to raise up
leaders. Our event had nine team leaders who
worked together with their teammates to answer
Bible questions, LWML questions and
numerous other questions.

Elaine Bickel from the Michigan District, LWML joined us to give us some humorous entertainment as well as inspirational devotions. We were very blessed to have Elaine with us

Leadership Development

and thank her for donating her time and talents for our event. A special thank you to Debby Suchyta for allowing us to use her Zoom account and for her technical skills. We also thank Diane Simon

for working behind the scenes and for collecting the team scores.

Our committee wanted to raise monies to support our mission grants, for those we will share Jesus through our mission offerings. Our total mite offering for our event as of February 27 was \$710. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." We would like to thank everyone who participated in our event and mailed their mite offerings.



You are all a blessing! Serve the Lord with Gladness!

LWML Leadership Development Committee, Lisa Glessing, Deb Grothman Mary Scharenbrock

## Physically & Spiritually Fit



PASTORAL COUNSELOR REV. LARRY YAW PULASKI, WI

a fool.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand

of the throne of God" Hebrews 12:1-2.

Have you ever gone to the gym to work out? Maybe you're a member of a fitness club such as Planet Fitness, the YMCA, or something similar. Going to the gym can be an intimidating thing for many people, especially if you haven't gone for a while and maybe you're a little out of shape, seeing equipment you are unfamiliar with or have forgotten how to use. And then there are those other people at the gym who seem to have their life/health in order, so we fear looking like

When I was younger, I used to be regularly active with many different types of sports that kept me in relatively good shape. But once I got married, started working, and then having children my workout and body started to change. My focus was no longer on my health and well-being, but it started to focus on other things that weren't necessarily bad. But with my focus on other things, my health wasn't the pride it once was. And let's be honest, it can be hard to refocus on the things that are good for us, especially when our surroundings can be intimidating.

Since mid-January I have made my way back into the gym, and it was intimidating for many of the reasons I shared above. But as the author of Hebrews said, I had to "lay aside every weight," that was holding me back from achieving my goal of losing a few pounds and getting a little healthier. It wasn't easy to do that

though. I had to refocus my attention on other things, and not the distractions around me in the gym.

The same can be said of our everyday life and faith as well. How many of us could stand to be a little more "spiritually fit"? Just like we have excuses with physical health and exercising, so also there are many things that distract us and lead you, and me, to make excuses from being spiritually fit. Just think of all the good intentions you may have had this last week to spend more time in prayer, attend worship, or a Bible study. What excuses get in your way? Maybe your family needed your attention, perhaps work is wearing you out. Or has Covid-19 become a crutch or maybe a health crisis has distracted you from growing and being spiritually fit.

Whatever the excuse is that is coming from our lips and keeping us from our goal of spiritual fitness, we are called to repent. Stop making excuses, and repent! That is what the author of Hebrews is getting at when he says, "lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely" – he is telling us to repent. Let go of all your excuses, all the empty ways we justify our actions or inactions.

An amazing thing happens when one repents and lets go of all our excuses. When this happens, we have nowhere else to look but up, drawing our eyes away from ourselves and our excuses. Instead, our eyes are drawn to the cross of Christ, "looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith." In looking at Christ, we see the one who had all the excuses in the world not to go to the cross. Jesus was sinless, He loved God and His neighbor perfectly. He kept the law. He was perfect in every way; He was already spiritually fit. Yet, Christ made no excuse. Instead, Jesus willingly, "for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross."

And that joy was you. For you – Jesus went to the cross so that all your excuses, all your sins, would be forgiven and removed. No longer do we need to try and justify our actions or inactions, instead our eyes are drawn away from ourselves to Christ laying aside every weight and sin which clings to closely. And

## Physically & Spiritually Fit (continued)

when Christ looks upon us, He doesn't look with judging eyes or accusing eyes, but He looks upon us with loving and forgiving eyes.

Getting back to the gym wasn't easy for me, it was hard to lay aside all my excuses and to not let the distraction around me take the focus off my goals. The first couple times I went, I had to push myself hard to get out of bed in the morning, I had to mentally prepare myself ahead of time, and continually remind myself of why I was doing this. But over time as I went to workout more, I found a group of people who were in the same situation as me, those who struggled and made excuses. But through our trials and struggles we have come to encourage one another and push each other to be better and get better in our physical fitness.

In the same way, it won't always be easy to lay aside all our excuses and sins that we ever hold onto so closely. But as we are reminded, "we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses." You and I have the prophets and apostles who know the real struggles of being spiritually fit and making excuses. And you have your church family, and your sisters in the LWML who also are going through similar situations and are there to encourage you and

push you to "lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely" and instead look to Jesus.

With your eyes and hearts fixed on Jesus, without any excuses or distractions you will be able to "run with endurance the race that is set before [you]" finding time for prayer, for a devotional life, for worship and Bible study. And as you spend time with God and in His Word, your spiritual life will become more fit, and it will get a little easier with more practice.

But when you stumble (and you will), and you find yourself making excuses again (and you will), and you become distracted by the cares and concerns of this world (and you will); you have a cloud of witnesses to encourage you and lift you up in prayer. And you have Christ Jesus, who is seated at the right hand of God, looking down upon you smiling, forgiving you, and encouraging you to spend time with Him and in His Word, to get spiritually fit as you fix your eyes on Him. Amen.

Keep Your Eyes on Jesus,

Pastor Larry R. Yaw

North Wisconsin District

LWML Jr. Pastoral Counselor

WE'RE HAVING AN LWML LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

## **WORKSHOP**

# Save the date

## OCTOBER 30 TWENTY-TWENTY-ONE

Pot Blessing for Lunch – You won't want to miss!

More information in Summer Issue of Mission Tidings!

## What Are You Searching For?

M erriam-Webster Dictionary defines "search" as "to uncover, find, or come to know by inquiry or scrutiny."

Those of us of a certain age certainly know how many times we search for something to "find" it. We search for our glasses, we search for our keys, and we search for our phone. Even in the Bible we find people searching for something that was lost. Remember the parable of the woman who had ten coins and lost one. Didn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she found it? (Luke 15:8) She then rejoiced when she found the coin. (Luke 15:9)

Of course, Jesus used this parable to point out how there is rejoicing in heaven when one sinner repents (Luke 15:10). That is a good message to keep in mind when we, too, find that lost item. We rejoice and then pray that a sinner has repented, maybe by hearing the Good News message brought by someone being supported with our mites.

In the age of computers the word "search" has become an all-important action. When I searched the word "search," AOL Search came up with this: "The search engine that helps you find exactly what you're looking for. Find the most relevant information ... all across the Web." If you want to uncover something or know something you have to look in the right place.

Among those we are told about in the Bible that are searching were the Magi. They were searching for the King of the Jews, the Messiah, but they didn't go to the right place for answers. They went to Herod that caused some bad things to happen, like the killing of lots of babies. We praise God that the Messiah was spared, but it is important when searching to go to the right place for answers.

God's Word is the right place to search for help in all kinds of situations. Are you searching for comfort in sorrow, read John 14. Are you

lonely or fearful, read Psalm 23. Are you weary and searching for rest, listen to Matthew 11:28-30: "Come to

me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Are you worried? Search God's Word and read Matthew 6:25-34:



CHRISTIAN LIFE SHARON MAKELA TREGO, WI

"Therefore I tell

you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? And

why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God



so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble".

When I searched my Bible Concordance for the word "search," I found that one of the

## What Are You Searching For? (continued)

references was Jeremiah 17:10: "I the Lord search the heart and examine the mind, to reward each person according to their conduct, according to what their deeds deserve." That is a little scary, but also reassuring. The Lord knows what is in our heart and mind and He is with us no matter what we are going through.

Another reference from my Bible Concordance was Psalm 139:23: "Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts." God is also searching for us. He knows our heart; he knows our anxious thoughts. He is by our side. Jesus, who came to earth to be "God with us" promised: "And surely I am with you always to the very end of the age" Matthew 28:20.

Sharon Makela Christian Life

## Welcome Changes!



NWI DISTRICT PRESIDENT BECKY HALTAUFDERHEID ALGOMA, WI

hen the calendar turned to 2021, did you think things would be different? We continue to work our way out of this pandemic. Praying we are getting closer to being together again as we plan retreats, rallies and conventions. What I have seen is in the last few months has been people coming

together to help others out. That is the love that Jesus showed to all of mankind.

Jesus showed His love during His journey to the cross. The pivotal moments came in the Garden of Gethsemane followed by carrying His cross to Golgotha to be crucified and die for our sins. Three days later, He rose from the dead so that we too may live with Him in eternity. There are many people who have not heard of this love of Jesus. You are all helping others hear this message as you give your mite offerings on a regular basis. Thanks for His amazing love! At the last board meeting, the Executive Board voted to pay for two grants. Grant # 2 - Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne Food Bank for \$10,000 and Grant # 4 - Introducing Muslims to the Savior for

\$7,500. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!



Our district has enrolled in Joyful Response through Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF). This is a program in which you can have your mite offerings automatically transferred from your personal bank account or an LCEF Steward Account. This will help when your groups or zones are not meeting on a regular basis and you wish to give your mite offerings. The enrollment form is on our website. We are now listed with Thrivent Choice and you can direct your Thrivent Choice dollars to North Wisconsin District LWML. Praise be to God for ALL His blessings!

Some of you may be hosting a spring rally, others are cautious due to the increase in COVID in your area. If you are meeting in person, you will be receiving information about writing and submitting a mission grant for the 2022 District Convention to be held in Green Bay. There are many organizations and missionaries that need our help in order to bring the love of Jesus to people in their vicinity. Please consider writing a grant. The information is posted on the website at <a href="https://www.nwdlwml.org">www.nwdlwml.org</a> under the link membership and handbook resources.

Preparations are underway to attend the 39th biennial LWML Convention in Lexington June 24 - 27 under the theme "Running the

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## Welcome Changes! (continued)

Race ... Looking to Jesus." Our district has two buses attending with 65 people registered to attend. We have many others who plan on driving to Lexington. There will be many mission speakers and opportunities to learn about the LWML and all it has been accomplishing. New this year, the delegates will be voting on the Mission Grants electronically before the convention. The results of their election will be given at the convention. The delegates will also be considering bylaw resolutions, a mission grant goal and electing new officers. All of this information is either on the LWML website or will be in the Spring Lutheran Woman's Quarterly. It will be exciting to have Jan Struck back as the humorist interrupter. Mark Senechal will be the song leader.

If you are not planning on attending, the convention will be live-streamed, so you will be able to view the convention proceedings.

As you read this, I will be taking a month away from my presidency to heal from my cancer surgery. Don't worry, you are in good hands with our district First Vice-President. Joan Berguist. She had been a district president in Iowa East prior to moving to our district. We thank God for calling her to serve on our board. For any issues, please contact her and she will be glad to help in any way. I have been so blessed to be able to serve our district during the pandemic and my cancer treatments. God is good and carried me through so far. I know your prayers have helped carry Todd and me through this cancer journey so far and will help me overcome cancer and be able to continue to serve God and the LWML.

Continuing to serve with gladness! Becky Haltaufderheid

## Running the Race to Lexington! June 24 - 27, 2021



After many prayers and seeking God's will, the LWML Board of Directors made the decision to continue planning to meet in-person for the 39th Biennial Convention. We will be stepping out in faith and will go boldly "Running the Race ... looking to Jesus", knowing that God will be with us and we will be wise making

sure we are all protected.



Face masks or face shields will be required at all times except when eating, drinking or in hotel rooms and temperatures will be checked as we enter the Rupp Arena.

Social distancing will be followed at all times according to the distances required at the time of the convention. We will need to be patient as

the elevators are used depending on the number of people allowed in the elevator at any given time. We need to stay calm and be patient as we wait our turn. After all, we are women of the King!

District photos will NOT be taken due to the social distancing requirements. We know there are many ladies and some men from North Wisconsin District attending the convention and with social distancing, we would need to take a panoramic photo!

There will be no choir for the service, but you will be able to sing your heart out at the service and during the convention.

Unfortunately, Dina Vendetti is not able to be present because of the pandemic and her work with the school. They will have a song leader, he is Mark Senechal, Director of Music

## Running the Race to Lexington! June 24 - 27, 2021 (continued)

for Christ Memorial Lutheran Church in St. Louis. He has been helping with services at Concordia Seminary. He is excited to be with us and will do a great job.

The District Caucuses will be held, with times and locations to be given out soon. Watch for further information but as of this writing the Friday night block party, exhibit hall and the LWML store will all go on as planned. Social distancing will be enforced with a certain amount of people allowed in any given area at any one time. The exhibits will be spaced apart and you may see one way direction in the aisles. There will be a booth in the Exhibit Hall for the Milwaukee Convention in 2023. If you are going to the convention, you will want to visit this booth and perhaps tell them you would like to help with the convention. All areas of the convention center will be sanitized between sessions.

At the President's Assembly, we voted to amend National Mission Grant # 15, Spiritual and Physical Food for Children of Peru. The new amount for this grant will be \$56,750. This amount was increased to offset the LCMS Mission Advancement Fee which is explained at the LCMS website.

At the end of May, the delegates will be voting for the Mission Grants and the Mission

Grant Goal of \$2,150,000 the President's Assembly approved at the meeting on March 19.

I want to share with you, that the LWML has changed their percentage of monies going to mission grants, it used to be 70/30 split (70% for mission grants/30% for operating expenses) They have now gone to a 90/10 split with 90% going to mission grants. This change took place because of the investments and bequests received. LWML feels that they will be able to sustain this change because of the income received through the investments. This is such good news! There will be many more people whose lives will be changed as they hear about Jesus and His love for them through the many mission grants.

I am excited we are able to be together in Lexington. I pray I am able to be there and look forward to rubbing elbows with you as we go about "Running the Race ... Looking to Jesus!"

If you have any questions regarding this information, please do not hesitate to call or email me.

Serving the Lord gladly as we move forward.

Becky Haltaufderheid





## **Website Information from www.lwml.org for Lexington Convention June 24 - 27**

There is information available at the *lwml.org* website for the Lexington convention.

Some of the pre-convention activities include:

- Three Servant Events are offered on Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- The sixth biennial "Tee Up 4 Mites" on Wednesday beginning at 8 a.m.
- American Red Cross blood drive Thursday 9 a.m. 3 p.m.
- Delegate Orientation begins at 2:30
- District Caucuses are scheduled from 3:45 6:20 p.m.
- YWR, Deaf and Teen Meet and Greet each begin at 2:00 p.m.

The Photo Finish Mission Walk is scheduled to begin on Saturday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. You will walk through Thoroughbred Park amongst several life-like bronze race horses streaking toward the finish line, while broodmares, foals and the great stallion, Lexington 'graze' in a field nearby. New this year is a Virtual Photo Finish Mission Walk. Gather your pledges and mission dollars, choose a date to walk between May 1 and June 4 and then walk in your neighborhood with your friends and family sporting your fascinator hat and LWML race clothes. Send your photo and mission dollars by June 4 to LWML and we will see you on the big screen in Lexington!

**Delegates**, you will be voting electronically on the mission grant goal and the mission grant proposals at the end of May. The results of that election will be shared at the convention. Be sure to review candidate bios and the proposed bylaw amendments prior to the convention. As you review the mission grants, candidates and bylaw amendments, study them, pray about them and be prepared when voting is scheduled. Let God be your guide as you make your choices.

All who are attending the convention are encouraged to attend the district caucus which will be held at the Rupp Arena. The time and location will be announced. It's a great opportunity to meet all who are attending, learn some fun facts about Lexington and meet your district delegates. We will be pinning the YWR's representing our district at the convention. Plan on being present for this fun time! You may even win a prize!

**Worship** begins at 7:00 p.m. Thursday with worship leaders, The Rev. Dr. David P.E. Maier and The Rev. Dr. Ryan Peterson. This is open seating and open to all attending.

**Winner's Circle Celebration** is scheduled for Friday night in the Bluegrass Meadows Exhibit Hall. You are encouraged to wear you fascinator or your fancy hat (preferable purple), purple LWML outfits and sport some bling. Then get ready to celebrate!

**Billie Renee' Johnson and Cumberland Gap** will entertain us Saturday night. This is open to those registered and their family can attend free of charge. They were named winners of the Society for Preservation of Bluegrass Music of America Band Competition in 2006. We are in for a real treat!

There are four offerings taken at the convention.

- The **FIRST** will take place on Thursday night at the opening service. This offering is designated for the National Mission Goal.
- The **SECOND** offering has been designated for Connecting Kids to Christ Center in Rochester Hills, Michigan.
- The **THIRD** offering has been designated for King's Community Outreach in Fort Wayne, Indiana.
- The **FOURTH** offering will be designated for POBLO International Ministries in Clinton Township, Michigan.

Watch the LWML website for an updated list of Gifts from the Heart including ordering Arch Books from Concordia Publishing House.

### 2023 National LWML Convention News

#### Milwaukee, WI



2023 HOST COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ANNE HARTMAN EAU CLAIRE, WI

reetings from your 2023 Host Committee Chairman! It has been exciting to see volunteer applications coming in my mailbox and my email inbox as well. This whole thing all became a little more real for me in early March. I got to go to Lexington, to meet with the current Host Committee. I had been on a few Zoom calls with the commit-

tee, just to observe and connect with the members. It was so great to be in Lexington, meet the men and women serving for the Host Committee, and tour the convention center in downtown Lexington. The current committee has had to deal with many situations due to COVID and they are a wonderful group of volunteers.

One of the issues that this committee has had to deal with is that Lexington itself only has two Lutheran churches and neither of them have an active LWML. That has been a real challenge for some of the committees that

would really benefit having a local volunteer working with them. While we were there, meeting at one of these churches, four women stepped up and came to meet with the committee letting them know they will do all they can to recruit some local volunteers. God is so good! This shouldn't be a problem for us because in a recent search on the LCMS website, I put in the city Milwaukee and 27 churches came up!

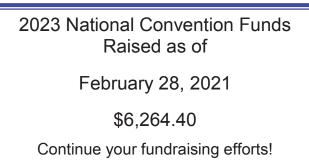
I'm still in need of many committee chairman. Please reach out to me if you have any questions or want more information. All of the positions are on your district website. My next newsletter article will include positions still needing to be filled. Ideally I would like to have all positions filled by August 15. Our first meeting of the Host Committee will be in November. I look forward to serving with you over the next two years.

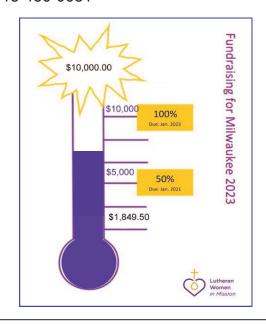
Serve the Lord with gladness! (Psalm 100:2).

Serving Him,

Anne Hartman

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# RETREAT ...REfresh ...REflect ...REnew ...REach out

#### 2021 LWML FALL RETREAT

## CAMP LUTHER, Three Lakes, WI September 9-11, 2021



Come for a Spirit-filled time as we explore the best ways to be "mission ready" to tell others about our Savior's **REdeeming** love with the right words and actions.

True **REtreat** days are planned with time to *REflect* and *REfresh* in the beautiful surroundings. We will join in Bible study, singing, mission speakers, free time activities, good food, hopefully LWML hugs, and *REnewing* friendships face-to-face.

We are looking forward to seeing the wonderful new dining hall overlooking the lake at the same level as the Retreat Center. (no steps or raincoats needed)

At the present time, we can only have 68 ladies. (hopefully, that changes by fall) Registration will open at 4:00 PM Thursday to allow our district board meeting to finish before you arrive.

Rev. Benjamin Schroeder, the chaplain at Wisconsin Veterans Home/ King, will be our Bible study leader on Friday using Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses ..." He REaches out as a Navy REserve chaplain to service members, and as a chaplain to veterans at King. He will help us prepare our "mission readiness" to witness of Jesus' love.

The Thursday evening activities will start at 7:00 PM with singing and a welcome by "Psych" from Camp Luther. We will join in a devotion led by Rev. Larry Yaw, our District counselor. Get acquainted activities and a campfire with singing will round out the evening.

On Friday evening, we excitedly anticipate the *REturn* of Betty Snyder and the Kitchen Band. (start finding your instruments). You might want to wear your Lexington convention hats too. After that, you may choose a campfire, games, or visiting time.

REnew your body outdoors with hiking, kayaking, wagon rides, and pontoon rides. You may prefer to REmain near the Retreat Center and choose shopping at the canteen, a bean bag toss game, a scavenger hunt, crafts, or a servant event activity *RElated* to veterans.

Enjoy a **REfreshing** early morning Mite Walk on Saturday since we missed one when last year's 2020 convention was cancelled. Pledge forms coming in summer.

Watch the summer *Mission Tidings* for items to bring for our **Gifts from the Heart** for veterans, snacks for the **Grazing Table**, and details on the **craft** activity.

Sharon Hanke
2nd Vice President

#### 2021 LWML FALL RETREAT AT CAMP LUTHER

September 9-11, 2021

THURSDAY: Registration begins 4:00 P.M., Supper 5:30 P.M., Opening 7:00 P.M.

FRIDAY: Registration 8:30 A.M., Opening Devotions 9:00 A.M.

SATURDAY: Opening Devotions 9:00 A.M. Closing by 12:00 P.M. (optional lunch follows)

(Please indicate lodging and meals desired) A. Retreat Center Lodging \* B. Dining Hall Meals \*\* (Circle rooming option below) \*\*Food must be eaten only in the main room of the Retreat Center, not in dorm areas. Per Night – Meals not included All Meals \$8.00 each Thursday Friday Thursday Supper 2 Per Room = \$65 per night Friday Breakfast 1 Per Room = \$135 per night Friday Lunch Friday Supper Would you be able to do steps to use lower level rooms? Yes No Saturday Breakfast Saturday Lunch \*Please remember to bring your Please call Camp Luther 715-546-3647 bedding, towels, & toiletries with special dietary needs D. REGISTRATION FEE C. Cottage Lodging (2 night minimum) \$25.00 \*If received after August 20 Please contact Camp Luther for \$30.00 \* Availability and prices All Fees NOT Refundable (unless retreat is cancelled or changed) DUE BY AUGUST 27 Lodging Total + Meal Total + Registration Fee \_\_\_\_ = Total Enclosed \$ Please make checks payable to: **NWD LWML** Mail money & form to: Sharon Hanke, 2803 Apple Lane, Wausau, WI 54401 Questions??? call Sharon Hanke 715-581-8259 Please check with your roommates ahead & send registrations together if possible **ROOMATES**: 1. 2. 3. Name: Address: Please initial this box to indicate you have given permission to use your photo on social media. I'm interested in participating in a craft activity (to be announced later) (pay \$5.00 at camp) I would like to participate in Betty's "Better than Ever Kitchen Band"

## OGT Hygiene Kits & Quilts

MARIE MAAS & BETSY LANE St. Matthew Ladies Aid/LWML WHITE LAKE, WI ZONE 7

t. Matthew Lutheran Church in White Lake has been busy collecting items to make hygiene kits for Orphan Grain Train (OGT). This is our fourth year doing this as a Lenten mission project. Items can be purchased and donated or money can be donated and we purchase the needed items. With 48 kits completed, we have already well exceeded our goal of 30. Marie Maas enlisted the help of the Sunday school students to complete 20 of the kits and explain the project to the congregation. After Easter, the kits will be delivered to the OGT collection site at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Wausau.









M. Maas, J. Smith and E. Schuman. Below with teacher J. Schuman and far right, with Rev. Kelly Smith.

#### Amazing!

We met our goal of 30 kits already.

Please don't let that stop you from donating to the cause. There is no limit on how many kits we send and they are always needed.

Thank you to all who have donated already.



We have also completed 118 quilts for OGT since October with 2-3 ladies coming on a Monday or a Tuesday each week to tie quilts. Since 2005 we have completed 1,828 quilts, most for OGT and some for donations or fund raising for St. Matthew Ladies Aid. We are very thankful for the many people who have donated materials to help us with this project.





## Serving the Lord With Gladness

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## **2021 Calendar Items**

April 9-10, 2021 H2H Spring Retreat Camp Luther

May 17 & 18, 2021 EC & BOD Meeting

June 24-27, 2021 39th Biennial Convention Lexington, KY



July 9, 2021
Deadline for Summer
Mission Tidings

September 8-9, 2021 EC &BOD Meeting Camp Luther

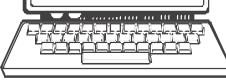
September 9-11, 2021 Fall Retreat Camp Luther

September 17, 2021 Deadline for Fall Mission Tidings

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