



North Wisconsin  
District

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

*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 Tidings

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## Thanksgiving or Giving Thanks

*Give thanks in all  
circumstances; for this is the  
will of God in Christ Jesus for  
you (1 Thessalonians 5:18).*



MISSION GRANTS DIRECTOR  
DEBORAH YOUNG  
GREEN BAY, WI

I find the beginning of the new year a time to give thanks for the goodness with which the Lord has blessed

us. He has provided mites for us to pay \$101,000 towards our mission grant goal of \$115,000. As we move towards the end of the biennium, I trust He will provide the remaining \$14,000. How wonderful it has been to see God's hand in each of these missions.

With that being said, the Lord has tasked your Mission Grant Committee with reviewing the proposals submitted for the next biennium. I am in awe of all the worthy missions that have been submitted, many

right here in our own North Wisconsin District. It is a time for me to see where my sisters in Christ truly serve as the hands of Christ, sharing His love, and witnessing to others not just by their mites, but by their presence to those in need. It is a time of thanks-giving where God has granted me the blessing of working with these servants, His servants.

Your Mission Grant Committee will have secured the final list by the board meeting in February. The final missions selected will be left for your delegates to prayerfully consider when we meet in convention in June. If you have not served as a delegate, pray for God's guidance. Is this an opportunity He has planned for you? In all you do, give thanks.

In His service,  
**Deborah Young**  
Mission Grants Director

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## 2022 – 2024 Mission Grants LWML-NWD Goal: \$115,000



1. Orphan Grain Train - WI Branch  
\$15,000 **PAID**



2. NWD Professional Church  
Workers Student Grants\*  
\$25,000 1/2 **PAID**



3. Concordia Theological  
Seminary Food & Clothing Co-op,  
Fort Wayne, IN \$10,000 **PAID**



4. The Hannah Center, Inc.  
\$10,000 **PAID**



5. Developing Servant Leaders for Future  
Generations - Camp Luther  
\$20,000 **PAID**

6. "God Speaks in Our Language!" Lutheran  
Books for NWD Immigrants & Campus  
Ministries \$8,500 **PAID**



7. WI Valley Lutheran High School, Mosinee,  
Tuition Assistance \$5,000 **PAID**

8. Labor of Love\* \$20,000

**PAID**

9. Worker Wellness for Chaplain  
Families \$1,500



\*Indicates partial request for funds each year



# SHINE!



CHRISTIAN LIFE CHAIRMAN  
SHARON MAKELA  
TREGO, WI

I recently read a wonderful devotion on the LWML website entitled SHINE! I liked it so much that I suggested we use it for our LWML Christmas get together at my home church, Faith Lutheran in Spooner.

The devotion was based on the familiar praise song, "This Little Gospel

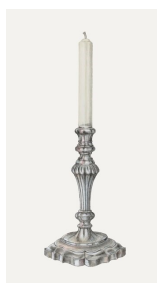
Light of Mine." I think we all remember singing that song using our index finger to represent our light and singing, "I'm gonna let it shine, all the time, let it shine!"

Letting that light shine all the time is easier said than done. But really, we need to remember the light isn't really our light at all; but the light given to us, shone into our lives by God through His Son, Jesus Christ. *"For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' made His light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ" (2 Corinthians 4:6).*

Well, we have the light, now what are we going to do with it? We can't all be missionaries in far away lands, but we can tell our neighbor about Jesus, not just in words, but also in actions. Bring cookies to that neighbor who is too busy or unable to bake. Offer to take care of little ones so your neighbor can do some shopping. We can shine a light in our neighborhood by our acts of kindness. There is a verse in "This Little Gospel Light of Mine" that says, "All around the neighborhood, I'm gonna let it shine." Let's all do that.

There are many ways to shine our light in our local congregations. We can teach Sunday school, we can do Altar Guild duties, we can provide treats for coffee time, we can make coffee, we can greet those coming to worship, and we can hand out bulletins. As we actively participate in our congregations, we are not hiding our light.

There is a verse in "This Little Gospel Light of Mine" that says, "Hide it under a bushel, no! I'm gonna let it shine." This calls to mind the following: *"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:14-16).*



Then there is that verse that says, "Don't let Satan blow it out!" Being in God's Word daily is a good way to prevent that from happening. God has given us the Holy Spirit to empower us to live out our faith in whatever situation we may find ourselves. Pray to God for His help through the Holy Spirit to be bold lights wherever you are.

Thank you to Linda Koch of San Diego, California, whose SHINE! Devotion inspired this article. There are many wonderful resources on the LWML website; be sure to make use of them.

**Sharon Makela**  
Christian Life Chairman



# Get Fit in 2024



PASTORAL COUNSELOR  
REV. LARRY YAW  
PULASKI, WI

*God, create a clean heart  
for me, and renew a  
steadfast spirit within me  
(Ps. 51:10 CSV).*

As we begin a new year here in 2024, many people are making resolutions to make some changes to their lives. Resolutions may be to be more active, to drink less or give up smoking, maybe to spend more time with family or to

complain less. People make such resolutions to try and improve their lives in some facet. Maybe you yourself have made a resolution to in some way improve your life for 2024. Or maybe you just don't make a resolution anymore and for good reason.

According to Forbes in 2023, "37% of Americans said they had a goal or resolution they wanted to achieve." And according to research done by Ohio State University (OSU) "suggest that only 9% of Americans that make resolutions complete them. In fact, research goes on to show that 23% of people quit their resolution by the end of the first week, and 43% quit by the end of January."

So, did you make a resolution in 2023? Were you a part of the 9% success rate, or more likely part of the 91% failure? If you were like me, chances are you were not as successful as you had hoped to be. Those who have been successful are usually those who have had accountability partners to help them along the way. To encourage them, remind them, and to struggle alongside them as they seek to make positive changes in their lives.

In Psalm 51, we hear that David desires to make positive changes in his life. He had his sins and struggles that he dealt with and like us, he resolved to do better to make a change. But King David's desire, his resolution was a little different. He desired a

clean heart and a steadfast (right) spirit. But David knew that he was unable to be successful on his own. If left to his own devices, to his own efforts, he would be part of the failure group. And those who try to do things on their own, those who are left to their own devices spiritually will fail not 91% of the time, but 100% of the time. Jesus reminds us *from out of the heart comes all sorts of evil* (Matthew 15:19 CSV) and *the intention of man's heart is evil from his youth* (Genesis 8:21).

So, in order to get fit, in order to be spiritually healthy, David cries to the Lord "Create in me a clean heart." David looks outside himself for success, he looks to the creator of the heart, he looks to God. And the Lord heard David's cry and forgave him (Psalm 32) – restoring to him the joy of salvation. Or as St. Paul says, *Blessed are those whose lawless acts are forgiven and whose sins are covered. Blessed is the person the Lord will never charge with sin* (Romans 4:6-8 CSV). David looked to the Lord to get fit to be healthy spiritually.



As we begin 2024 maybe one of our resolutions could be like King David, to be more spiritually fit. But this can't be done on our own; no, like David we need the

Lord. We aren't left to do this on our own, instead we have more than an accountability partner, we have a Lord and Savior. We have one who not only encourages us but has walked the path we could not. One who kept His heart clean from all deceitfulness and has kept all resolutions, all the Word of God perfectly. And who now leads us and reminds us of all that He has done for us by His life, His death on the cross, and His resurrection.

And He comes to you in His Word to encourage you, to forgive you, to restore you and to cleanse. You resolved through the waters of baptism to cleanse your hearts and

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# President's Message



LWML NWD PRESIDENT  
JOAN BERQUIST  
HAYWARD, WI

Let Your Light Shine! Is the theme of our 2024 district convention in June at the Hilton Appleton Paper Valley convention center. Zones 12 and 18 have been eagerly preparing for your arrival. The registration form is in this issue along with information about the presenters, Kaye Wolff, Keynote speaker; Rev. Kevin Robson, Chief

Mission Officer, LCMS; and Jan Wendorf, LWML President (2007-2011) Bible study leader. Representatives from Orphan Grain Train and Camp Luther will share their Mites in Action experiences. There will be servant events before the convention begins with the opening worship service on Thursday, June 13. On Friday, a mission walk is planned, which will have a separate registration form in the April issue. I am excited to be the convention chair and look forward to seeing your smiling faces as we elect officers, select Mission Grants to support and enjoy the sisterhood we have through LWML.

We still have some openings on the ballot. Please contact Sharon Hanke, Michelle Beardsley or Dawn Via on the Nomination Committee, if you would like more information. After the June convention, committee members will be appointed, so please let me know if you are interested in serving on a committee.

Before we meet at the convention in June, plan to attend your spring zone rally. The rallies are little nuggets of fellowship and Bible study, time spent with your LWML sisters! And again this year, there will be a Spring Retreat at Camp Luther on April 5-6 hosted by Zone 3. The short-term mission trip to Michigan is coming up in August – another opportunity to spend time sharing the love of Jesus.

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

Serving Jesus with you,

**Joan Berquist**

LWML NWD President



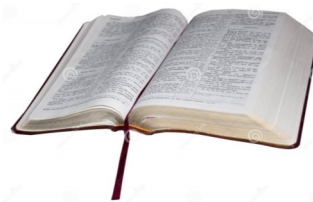
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## Get Fit in 2024 (continued)

to make you fit. And He feeds you His very life-giving body & blood to strengthen you to endure in this life whatever obstacles get in the way to living a fit and healthy Christian life.

There are a lot of different resolutions that one might make for 2024 – but may we **Get Fit in 2024**, as we resolve to spend more time with the one who already resolved our hearts and lives by His own resolution to live and die for you. Oh, yeah and those who

make such a resolution are a part of the success group, not at 9%, but 100% forgiven, 100% cleansed, 100% success but Christ gave you 100% of Himself. Amen.



**Pastor Larry Yaw**

Senior Pastoral Counselor

**In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see  
your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.**

**Matthew 5:16**

## **NORTH WISCONSIN DISTRICT LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE 40th Biennial Convention**

### **Servant Events**

Thursday, June 13

1 - 4 p.m.

### **Mission Walk**

Friday, June 14

4:45 - 5:45 p.m.

Watch for details and  
registration in the next issue  
of the Mission Tidings.



**Thursday, June 13 – Saturday, June 15, 2024**

**Hilton Appleton Paper Valley Center**

**333 W College Ave, Appleton, WI**

### **Hilton Appleton Paper Valley Hotel Reservation Information:**

The rates will be \$109 per night for single to quad rate for two queen beds.  
100 rooms have been blocked off for the nights of June 13 and June 14 until  
Sunday, May 15, 2024.

Individuals should make their reservations by calling 800-774-1500, ask for the  
Hilton Appleton Paper Valley Hotel and the Lutheran Women's Missionary  
League – Booking Code LWML.

Online registration: <https://group.hilton.com/9m9mz1>

Individuals are responsible for all charges including taxes and any incidentals.

Check in time is 3 p.m. and check out is 11 a.m.

Breakfast is not included but is available in the hotel restaurant or nearby.



**NORTH WISCONSIN LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE  
40TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION  
HILTON APPLETON PAPER VALLEY HOTEL, APPLETON, WI  
June 13-15, 2024**



Please Type or Print Clearly (Use blue or black ink)

Name (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Church: \_\_\_\_\_ LWML Zone \_\_\_\_\_

First time attending a District Convention:

☐ Registrant ☐ Spouse

Please check (X) only 1 category

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

**NOTE: All people attending any portion of the convention activities (other than the worship service) must pay the registration costs.**

Registration fee is NON-REFUNDABLE

(Please extend amount of fees to the column on right/Total)

1. Registration (postmarked by May 15, 2024) Under 18 free  
2. Spouse registration: Name \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Late Registration (postmarked after May 15, 2024 or on-site)  
4. Friday Luncheon (check one) A. ☐ Turkey Club Roll \*\*  
B. ☐ Door County Smoked Ham Sandwich\*\*\*

Quantity	Fee	Total
	\$ 75.00	
	\$ 75.00	
	\$ 85.00	
	\$ 18.00	
	\$ 17.00	

Luncheon Speakers (Indicate 1st, 2nd, 3rd choice) Max of 125

- ☐ A. Kaye Wolff, LWML VP Special Focus Ministries (2015-2019)  
☐ B. Arlene Naasz, LWML VP Organizational Resources  
☐ C. Rev. Kevin Robson, LCMS Missions  
☐ D. Rev. Jeff Kazmierski, Faith in Action - Seminary Student Adoption

5. Friday Banquet with Entertainment (check one)

- A. Chicken Marsala (served with garden salad, carrots, rice pilaf, and dessert)  
B. Honey Thyme Pork Loin (served with garden salad, broccoli florets, herb roasted potatoes, and dessert)

	\$ 33.50	
	\$ 33.50	

6. Convention Jewelry: Pin ☐ Charm ☐ (each \$5.00)

	\$ 5.00	
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7. Thursday Servant Events/ Gifts from the Heart ☐ Attending (check if participating)

Servant events are currently scheduled from 1:00-4:00 pm on June 13, 2024

**NOTE: Mission Walk Registration is a separate form.**

Make your check or money order payable to:

Your Check Number ->

Total

North WI District LWML Convention

Special Needs (Physical and/or Dietary)

All registration forms must come by US mail

Mail to: NWD-LWML Convention

ATTN: Sondra Reiersen

N6234 County Road K

Ogdensburg, WI 54962

Contact with any questions at 920-244-7720

Please make your own hotel reservations:

Hilton Appleton Paper Valley Hotel

1-800-774-1500 Ask for the Hilton Appleton

Paper Valley Hotel

Lutheran Women's Missionary League ->

Booking Code - LWML (Good until May 15, 2024)

Room rate: \$109.00 plus tax (Parking is extra)

\*\*Turkey Club Roll ->roasted turkey breast, tomato, Swiss cheese, avocado, bacon, lettuce, on a ciabatta roll

\*\*\*Door County Smoked Ham Sandwich ->ham, cherry chutney, Swiss cheese, apple, honey, on marbled rye

Registration opens at 1 pm CDT - Thursday, June 13, 2024 at the hotel

PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS.



# Luncheon Speakers and topics

## Friday, June 14

<b>A—Kaye Wolff</b>	Luncheon and keynote speaker <b>“Let Your Light Shine”</b>
<b>B—Arlene Naasz</b>	LWML Representative and luncheon speaker <b>“The Joys and Sisterhood of LWML”</b>
<b>C—Rev Kevin Robson</b>	Chief Mission Officer, LCMS, Mission and luncheon speaker - <b>“International Missions”</b>
<b>D—Rev Jeff Kazmierski</b>	Luncheon speaker Faith in Action – <b>“Seminary Student Adoption”</b>

### Kaye Wolff, Keynote Speaker and Luncheon A



Kaye Dumas Wolff has been active in the LWML most of her life, and has served in local, district and national roles within the organization. During her term as LWML Vice President of Special Focus Ministries (2015-19), Kaye started the Deaf Ministry Outreach Program to encourage hearing women to learn basic American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf culture, and to encourage and welcome deaf women into active participation in LWML groups. Kaye was the Bible Study Leader at the 2023 LWML Convention in Milwaukee where she completed her term as chairman of the 2021-23 Nominating Committee.

Kaye has authored articles for the Lutheran Woman’s Quarterly and Bible studies for Lutheran Women in Mission groups, and has written Lenten devotions for Lutheran Hour Ministries, where she was a Mission U witnessing facilitator for 14 years.

Kaye was the recipient of the 2023 “Christus Vivit” Award from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis for her exemplary work in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Over the years, Kaye has been involved with outreach in Black and Multicultural ministry, presented several LCMS Rural and Small-Town Mission webinars, and was instrumental in making the LCMS docu-movie “The First Rosa,” about the pioneer Lutheran educator and missionary Rosa Young. She has also been a guest on KFUE’s radio show “The Coffee Hour,” and “The Lutheran Ladies Lounge.”

Kaye and her husband, Rev. Paul A. Wolff, live in Southfield, Michigan. They worship at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Dearborn where Rev. Wolff serves as the assistant pastor. Kaye Wolff is learning ASL and enjoys cooking and eating, dressing in cultural attire, traveling and music.

**Look for more information in the April issue of the Mission Tidings on:  
Luncheon B—Arlene Naasz, Luncheon D—Rev Jeff Kazmierski, and  
Molly Cass who will be our song leader for convention.**



# Luncheon Speakers and topics

## Friday June 14



### Rev Kevin Robson, Mission Speaker and Luncheon C

Rev. Kevin D. Robson has served as Chief Mission Officer of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod since 2015. Rev. Robson is responsible to the Synod President for all LCMS mission, ministry, programmatic and coordinative functions, including the fulfillment of LCMS Board for International Mission and Board for National Mission policies. He directly supervises the Synod's Offices of International Mission, National Mission and Pastoral Education, as well as its Mission Advancement and Communications units, ensuring appropriate planning and coordination across all these ministries. As CMO, he also serves on the Synod's

Operations and Administrative Teams, chairs the Synod's Pastoral Formation Committee, represents Synod and President on several LCMS-established or affiliated entity boards (including the LCMS Foundation and Concordia University System) and regularly interacts with various Synod agency and auxiliary heads and church partners in the furtherance of LCMS objectives.

Rev. Robson previously served as parish pastor to LCMS congregations in the Minnesota South and Minnesota North Districts. Prior to seminary, he worked in research, product management, business development, sales and strategic consulting assignments for two global corporate enterprises. His academic background includes an M.Div., Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne; M.B.A. University of Chicago Booth School of Business, Chicago; and a B.S. Chemistry and B.S.E. Chemical Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Outside of his work for the LCMS, Rev. Robson is an avid bicyclist, a voracious reader and a devotee of classical and jazz music. He and his wife Peg have loved singing together in various choral groups over the 38+ years of their marriage.

#### CONVENTION 2024: APPLETON, WISCONSIN

##### Gifts from the Heart:

**Jake's Diapers** - baby diapers and supplies (wipes, diaper **creams**, etc.)

Adult incontinence pads/diapers, wipes, hygiene products

**MOST Ministries**- Eyeglasses, sunglasses, SOFT eyeglass cases, pot holders (flat ones, not the mitten ones)

**Harbor House**- standard size bed pillows, disinfectant wipes, Dawn dish soap, Tupperware containers, cold medicines (adult and children), hair brushes, slippers (all sizes) snack & quart size zip lock bags, liquid hand soap (small bottles), bleach, full size laundry baskets, bath towels, twin size sheets, gifts cards (Kwik Trip, Target, Walmart, Woodman's, Pick N Save), fleece for making tie blankets

**Orphan Grain Train**- items for baby layettes (onesies, receiving blanket, diapers, etc. List can be found on the OGT Website)

##### Servant Events:

**Harbor House**- Tie blankets

**Orphan Grain Train**- Assemble Layettes

**MOST Ministries**- Sewing eye glass cases from pot holders, making witness bracelets

**Local Care Centers, VA Centers**- Signing / Coloring Greeting cards

*We encourage societies and individuals to apply for Thrivent Action Team funds.*



## Janice Wendorf Bible Study Leader LWML President 2007-2011



**Janice (Jan) M. Wendorf**

A dearly loved and forgiven daughter of the King of the Universe, Jan served as the 16<sup>th</sup> president (2007-2011) of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). She has traveled extensively as a speaker for LWML, having served on all levels of the organization.

She served as secretary of the Board of Directors of International Lutheran Laymen's League/Lutheran Hour Ministries 2012-2020. Past board service included Lutheran Bible Translators, Lutheran Deaf Mission Society, and Board of Regents Concordia University Wisconsin and an ambassador for Lutheran World Relief.

Janice is a graduate of Concordia University Chicago with a teaching degree. She worked as a teacher and coach in Lutheran high schools in St. Louis, Missouri, and Fort Wayne, Indiana. She has been active in her local congregations, as administrator and women's Bible study leader in Ohio.

A note of interest for North Wisconsin LWML is that within the LWML Jan has been a member of three districts: Ohio, South Wisconsin, and currently is in the North Wisconsin District. It took a few years on her LWML journey, but she finally got here!

Married to the Rev. Kenton G. Wendorf, they are the parents of three grown children who are all married. They have been blessed with twelve grandchildren ranging in age from four to fifteen years old. In their retirement they are grateful to live in the same development as their daughter and son-in-law, assisting with caring for their children.

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### **Urgent need from Wisconsin Orphan Grain Train**

Greetings from Wisconsin Orphan Grain Train. We are blessed to be able to provide much needed food and clothing to many living in poverty throughout the world, but we cannot do it without all of you. We currently have a great need for new or gently used

**baby and children's shoes, boots, and clothing.**

Please drop off your donations at a packing station near you. Thank you and God's blessings. Your gifts help share the love of Christ to many.

Rita Woller, Public Relations Director  
Wisconsin Orphan Grain Train  
rswoller@yahoo.com

# Living River Quartet

## Friday Night Banquet Entertainment



It is the mission of Living River to share with everyone we can reach, through our music, the love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and to tell of His wonderful gifts of salvation and eternal life. Living River was originally organized in 1987, and has presented concerts in churches and at many events throughout the Midwest. We, the men of Living River, are friends who enjoy praising God together in word and song. The music presented by Living River is a blend of contemporary praise and worship, Gospel, and acappella styles. The lyrics reflect the light that only Jesus Christ can bring to a hurting world, and it is this message that we wish to bring to others.

Living River Quartet. Ring a bell??? For some of you it might. Living River Quartet from Wausau, Wisconsin, performed at our 2012 LWML NWD convention in Appleton, and we are excited to let you know they will be back for our 2024 LWML NWD convention in Appleton! Their mission says it all.

Hosting Zones 12 and 18 are looking forward to sharing with you a night of good food and fellowship along with Living River Quartet to make it extra special!

### Nominations for District Offices

#### **We are still accepting Nominations for North Wisconsin District LWML Offices**

The following positions will be up for election at our 2024 LWML District Convention in June:

**Pastoral Counselor**

**Financial Secretary**

**First Vice President**

**Mission Grants Director**

**Recording Secretary**

† Each of the open positions will be for a four (4) year term.

Please pray about considering serving in one of the positions yourself or encourage others. Serving on the Executive Board is a wonderful experience!

Contact Sharon Hanke, Dawn Via, or Michelle Beardsley for the form and more information.

Please return your completed forms to:

**Sharon Hanke, 2803 Apple Lane, Wausau, WI 54401**  
**or attach them to an email to: [srhanke60@gmail.com](mailto:srhanke60@gmail.com)**

Thank you, and God's richest blessings to you as we seek new leaders to help us "Serve the Lord with Gladness!" In Christ, The Nominating Committee,

**Sharon Hanke**

[srhanke60@gmail.com](mailto:srhanke60@gmail.com)

**Dawn Via**

[dbscorpio76@gmail.com](mailto:dbscorpio76@gmail.com)

**Michelle Beardsley**

[michellebeardsley12 @yahoo.com](mailto:michellebeardsley12@yahoo.com)



Join the fun at the  
2024 North Wisconsin District LWML  
Spring Retreat  
Seeking Jesus with your Whole Heart:  
Turning off our Auto Pilot Life  
at Camp Luther, Three Lakes, WI

Saturday, April 6, 2024  
Registration begins: 8:30 a.m.  
Retreat: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

We invite you to come ready to relax, laugh, study His Word and enjoy the rest and retreat of camp.  
**Bring a friend—all ladies are welcome!**

Back again this year! **An optional overnight at Camp Luther on Friday, April 5!** Retreat Center lodging will be available for \$60.00/person. Fellowship, snacks & fun will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Friday!

We will be taking an ingathering for Camp Luther. Watch your email and Mission Tidings for a list of items.

For more information, please contact Lisa Glessing at 715-520-7273 or [glessinglm@gmail.com](mailto:glessinglm@gmail.com) or Dawn Via at 715-641-2072.

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\_\_\_\_\_ Retreat Registration (includes programming and Saturday lunch)-\$40 per person  
\_\_\_\_\_ Retreat Center Lodging on Friday, April 5,-\$60.00 per person  
Roommates (up to 4 people per room): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Breakfast on Saturday before retreat begins- \$10 per person

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Please write checks out to: **LWML NWD**

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 15, 2024!**

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

# NWD Short Term Mission Update

**August 5 – August 9, 2024**

Things are coming together for our short-term mission trip to Michigan next summer. We have made plans to visit five of the Recognized Service Organizations (RSO) of LCMS. You will find out valuable information about these organizations and see how they function as the Body of Christ. LWML has been a valuable partner with them through prayer, mission grants, in-gatherings and materials production. God blesses and uses us all for the blessing of others and for the spread of the Gospel. As we read in Ephesians 2:10: *“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”* Here is our initial plan.

**August 5:** On Monday, we travel to Michigan on a Lamer’s Bus. We will spend the night at a hotel in the suburbs of Detroit.

**August 6:** On Tuesday, we spend the morning with Lutheran Heritage Foundation to help them get out their newsletter. After lunch we travel to LAMP for a servant event there.

**August 7:** On Wednesday, we will volunteer with children at Camp Restore, and in the afternoon, we will have conversation with new immigrants at POBLO.

**August 8:** On Thursday, we will volunteer at MOST Ministries and participate in an actual eyeglass clinic. We are looking for an afternoon/evening activity to conclude our trip.

**August 9:** Friday is the day we travel back to Wisconsin with a few stops along the way.

Additional details, bus pickup locations, registration forms and cost estimates will appear in the Spring Mission Tidings. We are seeking a grant to cover a portion of the bus costs and we will be looking for some of you (or a society) to apply for a Thrivent Action Team grant to cover a meal or two during our travel. Please let us know if you would like to do this. We are excited about this mission event, and we hope that you are too!

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## What's Her 80?

DARLENE BUCHMAN

Every summer Carol (pictured on the left) makes beautiful jewelry which she sells at her weekly table at a flea market. To occupy kids while mother shops, she also has a display of pretty colored rocks which, after careful deliberation, the kids purchase for a quarter. Those quarters made their way into Carol's mite box and totaled \$80.50 at the end of the season!



## Silver Creek Concordia Club Donations

LAURA ANDERSEN  
CLEAR LAKE, WI



In September, Silver Creek Concordia Club of Silver Creek Lutheran Church of Clayton, donated \$500 to West-consin Credit Union to participate in their back to school supplies fundraiser.

*Left:* Pictured is our Concordia Club president Pam Fall with two Barron West-consin employees. We asked them to split the donation with Clayton, Prairie Farm, Clear Lake, Barron, and Turtle Lake schools.

On November 17, Silver Creek Concordia Club donated eight \$50 Thanksgiving meals to four schools (Clayton, Clear Lake, Prairie Farm and Turtle Lake) to be given out to the most needed families in a time of need and to make a "thankful day" a little more special. The meals included an 8 lb. turkey breast, stuffing, apple pie, cans of green beans, corn and cranberries, 5 lbs. of potatoes, 1 lb. butter, rolls, 1 gallon of apple juice, and candy all tucked in a heavy duty bag they can continue to use.



Pictured with the packed bags are members and deliverers Pam Fall, Bonnie Thill and Laura Andersen.



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## 2024 Calendar Items

February 12-13  
EC & BOD Meeting  
St. Mark, Wausau

March 1  
Deadline for April  
Mission Tidings

April 5-6  
Spring Retreat  
Camp Luther

April 18-20  
Pastors Wives Retreat  
Camp Luther

May 13-14  
EC & BOD Meeting  
Rib Mountain Lutheran  
Wausau

June 13-15  
LWML NWD  
Convention  
Hilton Paper Valley  
Appleton

July 1  
Deadline for July  
Mission Tidings

Aug 5-9  
Short Term Mission Trip  
Michigan



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