



Dear LWML Eastern District Ladies & Gentlemen:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all (2 Corinthians 13:14)

Let me start this letter by saying what a privilege it has been to serve as your President for the last 4 years. I truly appreciate the board I have worked with that leads this Eastern District, with the help of God. I also want to thank the people in the pew who donate mites, do service projects, make quilts and cook for all kinds of events. Thank you from the bottom of my heart! God has been so good!

The other thing I want to shout about is that we have fulfilled the mite goal for this biennium and paid all 7 mission grants for the years 2020-2022! Thank you, thank you, thank you! In spite of the pandemic, you made this happen!

Our LWML Eastern District Convention is coming up, June 10-12, 2022 in East Syracuse, NY under the theme "We are More than Conquerors Through Him" based on Romans 8:35-37. The host zones are Genesee and Central New York North. Rev. Mitchel Schuessler will be our Keynote Speaker. President Wicher will be our Proclaimer on Friday night. Donna Snow will be our Bible Study Leader! The entertainment will be Harmonic Collective Barbershop Chorus from Liverpool, NY. Please plan to attend! You won't want to miss it!

Please put Sept. 23-25, 2022 on your calendar. That will be our Eastern District Retreat at Lutherlyn in the Pittsburgh area. The Cattaraugus-Allegheny Zone and the Anthracite Zone are hosting under the theme, "Fear Not, For I Have Redeemed You" from Isaiah 43:1. Hopefully, we can be back at Pioneer on the Lake in 2023! The registration form is in this newsletter. Registration opens May 1<sup>st</sup>! Please make plans to come. Our guest speaker will be: Christina Hergenrader. She will speak on "Living in Faith instead of Fear." She is from Texas, has a husband and 4 children and has authored 11 books with Concordia Publishing House!

Let me continue to challenge you to be in the Word daily and pray for ways you can serve Him at home, church and in your community. If <u>you</u> need prayer, do not hesitate to let me know. My cell number is: 610-937-1483 and my e-mail address is: <a href="mailto:sbell-7238@comcast.net">sbell 7238@comcast.net</a>. I am here for YOU!

Together
Serving
The Lord
With
Gladness
For
78 Years

God bless, Susan Bell LWML Eastern District President

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:19)



# "Peace to you"

In His resurrection appearances to His disciples which we will read on the second Sunday of Easter (John 20:19-31), Jesus says, "Peace be with you" as soon as He appears to them. In His resurrection He brings peace to the Apostles. Through the work of the Apostles, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, who He also sends, He brings peace to others, including ourselves. And through the mission work of the LWML and those you support, He brings His message of peace to others in the world... peace to the nations.... Ultimately,



His atonement brings peace to all.

Yes, there are barriers to the Gospel. We might ask ourselves (and those we're trying to reach with the Good News of Jesus Christ, what are those barriers that we put up?

Our first, natural (fallen) response is that "I don't need it." No one likes being called to account. No one likes being told that they're a sinner. So no one naturally wants a Savior from their own sin. But God comes back to us time after time, event after event, in His holy Word to call us to repentance and faith.

Sometimes a barrier to the Gospel is fear – fear of the world and what it says about God and Christ and Christians – or fear of being wrong (pride).

Sometimes the barrier is almost the opposite problem – that we feel so accused of sin that we can't seem to believe that God's grace is meant for me... that God's gift can't be free, and that it can't be mine. It seems to good to be true, so we don't trust that it is ours. (That's where the Sacraments come in to assure us that God is, indeed, delivering His grace directly to us.)

Yet Jesus overcomes all these barriers. He comes to His disciples through locked doors to bring them peace in the news of His bodily resurrection! After all, since He has overcome sin, death and the devil, do you think our fears and doubts cannot be overcome by Him? Previously, Jesus had told His disciples, "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." John 14:17 (ESV)

To a world drenched in war, division and strife, our Lord brings peace. Not merely in the worldly way of a "cease-fire" between enemies, not merely the absence of open war that is maintained by the strength of force of arms (or subjugation through force of arms), but through actual reconciliation – reconciliation with God, accomplished through Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. And this brings a peace that passes human understanding because it replaces hatred with love, enmity with kindness, fear with hope, threat with promise, and most importantly it replaces death with life – life beyond the absence of death – life as it was designed and intended by God to be – with Him. Through the cross and empty tomb of Jesus Christ, God overcomes the barriers to save us and bring us peace.

Rev. Jeff Nickel LWML Eastern District Junior Pastoral Counselor

# NEWS FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATION—SHARON WOLFF



Well it is a nice winter day here in Western New York, and the sun has been shining through the barren trees and on the crisp white snow.

But....spring is coming! The new growth has already begun its slow ascent up through my beds that will eventually bloom into those beautiful spring colors. I love this time of year, the new growth after the dead of winter, the promise of new life. That is what Jesus did for us. He gave us the gift of new life and not just for a day but for eternity. While the solemn season of Lent is near, the celebration of that Easter morning is coming too, when we can sing and shout those Alleluias!!!!

#### **REMINDER:**

- Please get your reports to me for the Convention manual by April 1, 2022.
- Your Quarterly orders were due to me by March 15<sup>th</sup>. You can decrease your quarterly orders only at this time. You can increase them at any time.
- I encourage you at attend our District Convention. Be a delegate! See you there!

# **Sharon Wolff**



39<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention Doubletree by Hilton East Syracuse, NY 13057 June 10-12, 2022

Hosted by the Central NY North and Genesee Zones

Don't miss this opportunity to hear His Word using the theme "We are more than conquerors through Him."

Join us for the weekend as we meditate on the Bible verse "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or

danger, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us." (Romans 8:35–37).

We are so excited about the June Convention with inspiring speakers, worshipping together, Bible study, Servant Event, Displays, Mite Walk, Gifts from the Heart, Voting for Mission Grants, Voting for New Officers, and fellowship with sisters and brothers in Christ!

The Registration Deadline is April 20, 2022 — Don't Wait - Register Today!



Vera House was founded in 1977 by a group of concerned individuals led by Sister Mary Vera, CSJ who recognized the need for emergency sheltering services for women in crisis. This original mission blossomed into a wide range of domestic violence services including outreach and advocacy, domestic violence education programming, children's counseling, the Syracuse Area Domestic and Sexual Violence Coalition and a domestic violence education and accountability program for perpetrators of violence. On January 1, 2005, two agencies with

similar missions, the Rape Crisis Center & Vera House became one merging their programs and staff in order to provide the same quality services. . . "together for hope and healing" providing comprehensive and compassionate care to those suffering from domestic violence, sexual abuse, and elder abuse. Their core services - counseling, advocacy, emergency shelter and prevention education, touch thousands of individuals each year.

**Their mission statement** reflects the history of both merged agencies: Vera House, Inc. prevents, responds to and partners to end domestic and sexual violence and other forms of abuse.

Their Vision: A world free of violence and abuse.

**Their Values:** They advocate for the right of all persons to live without abuse, oppression, violence, or fear in their relationships.

# Wish List of Items Needed

# NEW TOILETRIES / PERSONAL CARE ITEMS (Please make them FULL SIZE containers NOT travel size)

- Conditioner \*
- Shampoo \*
- Body wash/shower gel \*
  - Liquid hand soap
  - Hand/body lotion
    - Deodorant
- Ethnic hair care products (olive oil products, cocoa butter lotion, palmers lotion)

\*Items in most need

Monetary Donation by Check
Make payable to:
LWML Eastern District Convention

Memo Line: 2022 Ingathering

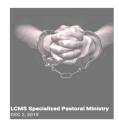
Look for the "Gifts of the Heart" table display. A place will be provided to receive your monetary donations. Gift cards to Target or Walmart in small denominations are also welcome!

come!



Our **Servant Event** will be making crosses for Prison Ministry, using the fronts of used Christmas/Greeting cards. At the National LWML Convention in Mobile, AL, a connection was made with Don Sundene of the LCMS Prison Ministry. These crosses will be forwarded to Mr. Sundene to be given to those in need in prisons. We hope to share God's grace, love, acceptance, and comfort to those affected by incarceration. Cards will be provided. Please bring scissors and pens to make crosses.





# Harmonic Collective will be the Saturday Evening Entertainment!



Entertainment

Harmonic Collective is a chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society from the Seneca Land District. They began as a Youth Competition Chorus in 2015 and chartered a full chapter in 2017. The chorus is now open to men of all ages and professions with a focus on barbershop harmony and other forms of a Cappella singing. They have participated

and other forms of a Capella singing. They have participated in competitions in Reno, NV, Orlando, FL, and Salt Lake City, UT. *Their Mission*: to bring people together, using passion and song to inspire positive change. They partnered with Vera House (our 2022 Gifts from the Heart Recipient) in 2019-

2020 "to provide financial support, raise awareness for their cause and put our human commitment to work in any way we can to create a better world." In performance, they "strive to create a dynamic and inspiring environment."





The **Mite Walk** to raise **MITES** to fund MISSION GRANTS which are local, regional, national and international will be held on Saturday afternoon, June 11, 2022, at the Doubletree hotel. The LWML Eastern District grants are proposed, submitted, and voted on by delegates at this Convention. The approved grants will be funded in the 2022-2024 biennium. You can sign up for the Mite Walk on the Registration Form, included in the LINK on pages 10 and 11.

More details will be included with your return registration Confirmation.

Checks can be made payable to: LWML Eastern District Memo Line: 2022 Mite Walk



At this convention, the offerings will be for:

- 1. LWML ED Treasury
- 2. Young Woman Representative Fund (YWR)
- 3. To support Ministry to the Armed Forces LCMS Office of International Mission to make attendance affordable for Chaplain Wives to attend Worker Wellness Retreat.

If writing a check, make it out to LWML Eastern District.

Each offering will be carefully given to the correct chosen recipient. No need to put anything in the memo line unless you wish to.

## **News From the Structure Committee**

BY LAW REVISIONS

The structure committee has completed work on proposed revisions to our District bylaws. The proposed amendments were presented to the Board of Directors at the board meeting in Syracuse in February, and have been sent to the National Structure Chairman for review and approval before being voted upon at the district convention in June.

Proposed revisions include an update to Article XVII: Emergency Action, as well as an update to the name of the Heart to Heart program, which appears in Article XII. The proposed amendments will be included in the delegate packet and will be voted upon at the convention in June.

Robin Swanson, Structure Chairman Dori Juskalian, Co Chairman

#### **CONVENTION SPEAKERS**



The Rev. Dr. Chris Wicher is the Friday Service Proclaimer. He serves as President of the Eastern District, Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod since 2009. He earned Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis and a Doctorate of Ministry from Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, IL. He has served parishes in Goderich, Ontario, Newfane NY and Cheektowaga NY before becoming District President. Rev. Wicher is married to Bev for 44 years. They met while attending Concordia College in Bronxville, NY and they reside in Cheektowaga, NY. They have been blessed with 3 sons Tim, Ben and Greg (Becca) and two grandsons Austyn and Gavyn. Chris and Bev love to camp

with their sons and grandsons and have had to opportunity to visit many amazing parts of our country. Rev. Wicher will retire in September 2022 and he and Bev have plans for travel to many places in years to come.



The Rev. Dr. Mitchel Schuessler is our Keynote Speaker and will lead the Pastors Only Event. Rev. Dr. Schuessler is pastor at St. John, Clarinda, IA. Previously, he was the pastor at churches in Illinois and Wisconsin including Bethlehem in Ferrin, IL, where he served 9 years in prison ministry, serving at Centralia Correctional Center and Big Muddy Correctional Center. During that time, he also served as supervisor for vicars. Pastor Schuessler has Doctor of Ministry and Master of Divinity degrees from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis; and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois. He has been active with LWML as National Pastoral Counselor (2017–2021); District Counselor, South-

ern Illinois District (8 years); Zone Counselor for 12 years in the Southern Illinois District in 3 different zones. Rev. Dr. Schuessler's Synod/District LCMS Activities have been as Lutheran Youth Gathering Family Leader at 2 gatherings; Community Life Builder at 8 gatherings; Delegate to LCMS Convention (1998 and 2001); Nominations Committee-Chairman Southern Illinois District (2 conventions); Youth Board Chairman, Southern Illinois District (4 years), Southern Illinois Board of Directors (4 years); Southern Illinois District Circuit Counselor (10 years); Southern Illinois District Ministerial Health (4 years). Pastor Schuessler was born in Decatur, IL and raised in Decatur by his maternal grandparents. He married Penny Rex in 1984. They have been blessed with two children, Rachael (Brandon) Beckemeyer and Matthew (Chelsey) Schuessler. Pastor Schuessler is an avid rail fan and model railroader. He enjoys photography and has an extensive collection of photos. He also greatly enjoys reading. Pastor Schuessler is a dedicated husband and father and enjoys spending time with his family.



**Donna Snow** is the Convention Bible Study Leader and is no stranger to LWML! A member since 1997, Donna has held many Local, Zone, and Texas District LWML offices. She led us through two online Bible studies during the pandemic which enabled us to stay connected to each other <u>and</u> connected in the Word. In June 2021, Donna accepted early retirement after 30 years in corporate America's legal field. She now devotes full time to her writing, teaching, and speaking ministry through Artesian Ministries. Her latest Bible study from CPH, **Chosen: A Study of Esther**, has been well received and is now on its fourth printing. She is writing a new CPH Bible study on the life of Joseph from Genesis. In April

2022, she finished filming our next LWML video-based Bible study: "Unshakable: Standing on the Rock When Life Quakes Hard." This brand-new Bible study will release at the 2023 LWML convention in Milwaukee. During COVID, Donna worked with the Lutheran Church in Eurasia to translate eight of her LWML Bible studies into Russian and Ukrainian. They are now available as free downloads on the LWML website to share with our missionary friends! A German translation is now underway. Donna is a member of Salem Lutheran Church in Tomball, Texas, a Board member of the Lutheran Outdoors Ministries of Texas, and a member of the LCMS Texas District Nominating Committee. She is a life-long Texan, adventurous traveler, and dabbling gardener, but home is always her favorite place to be.



**Michelle Jenks**, LWML Strategic Plan Facilitator, is the National LWML Representative. Active in the LWML since 1990, she served on Zone Christian growth committees in Nebraska South, North Dakota, and Pacific Southwest Districts. At the district level, she has served as Meeting Manager and chairman of the North Dakota District Committee for Young Women. She loves to serve the Lord and others. Her vision for the LWML is to reach out to each woman in every congregation around the world to let them know of God's love and care. Her favorite Bible verse is *I can do all things through him who strengthens me* (Philippians 4:13). She believes in being in the Word, reaching out and caring for others through mission service, mission grants, and Gospel outreach. She teaches English as a Second Language at a

local congregation, participates in many mission activities in the United States with the goal of bringing God's Word to the world. She finds that the LWML is the perfect place for these activities and working with the young women in the North Dakota district, watching them grow as leaders, as women, and as Christians. Her church interests are serving as a Sunday school and vacation Bible school teacher, attending Bible study groups, and participating in LWML, choir, bell choir, and as a youth group leader. Michelle is married to Pastor Tim Jenks. They live in Canoga Park, California. She considers herself very blessed with amazing two sons, Andrew and Adam, her daughter-in-law, Casie, a grandson, and her church family. She loves to hike, read, swim, and spend time with family. Michelle volunteers at the library, belongs to a homeless coalition, teaches Adult Basic Education classes. She's also served as a member of the board of a local university, a Lutheran school association, and a non-profit agency.



**Martha McGlynn** is the **Humorous Interrupter**. Martha has been active in LWML, first in the Eastern District and then in the Chesapeake District for the last 20 years, first serving as Structure Chairman and then VP of Communication and VP of Servant Resources. She reactivated a Society at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Glen Burnie where she and her husband, Brian attend. She is now serving as VP Mission Outreach and Grants in the Chesapeake District. Martha has two grown children and a granddaughter, Emily who is 14 years old. She is active in St. Paul's prayer shawl group and loves to garden.

**Beth Quinn** is **LWML Heart to Heart – Sisters of All Nations Leader**. Beth Quinn currently serves LWML as Philadelphia Zone President, District Special Focus Co-chairman and her local group's treasurer. She was the past VP of Communication.

She thanks the district for sending her to the LWML National Convention, Lexington, KY to be trained as a leader in the program. Beth will partner with district congregations to strengthen how each of us can reach out to our sisters in the faith.

Beth is married with two young adult children, Maureen in Phoenixville and Victor in West Chester about 20 minutes from Beth and her husband Randy in the Philadelphia suburbs.

Beth volunteers at Valley Forge National Historical Park at the Visitor's Center and the gardening group, Voila. She also is an adjunct professor at a local university and teaches the Mental Health First Aid program. This program helps people learn the signs and symptoms of anxiety, depression, psychosis, and substance use and how to respond in a caring manner.

**Susan Bell** is graciously serving as the **LWML Eastern District President** from 2018-2022. In November of 2018 she, along with Sharon McGuan, Beth Quinn and Becca Futty, attended the Assembly of Leaders in St. Louis, Missouri and shared these materials with our Board of Directors and in person with each Zone, May 2019 to April 2021.

Susan is married to Jim Bell, 45 years in July. They have 2 sons, Brian (wife Monika and children Jacob, Lucas and Kayla) who reside in Bromberg, Austria. Son, Brett lives in West Chester, PA not far from Susan & Jim.

Susan is the Music Director at Christ Memorial Lutheran Church in Malvern, PA. She attends meetings of the Women's Guild and the Philadelphia Zone. She is also the Secretary of the Newcomers Club of Central Chester County and volunteers with the Mid-Atlantic #12 unit of Orphan Grain Train.



Candidate information, proposed mission grants, by-law information and YWR information can be found on pages 4, and 6 to 9 of this LINK.

The Registration Form is available on pages 11-12.

# **REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 20, 2022**



We are pleased to announce the Young Women Representatives for the 2022 District Convention:

Buffalo Zone: Abby Knowles, St John Lutheran Church, Angola, NY Genesee Zone: Helen Draper, St. Paul Hilton Philadelphia Zone: Sarala Vunnam, Christ Memorial Lutheran Church, Malvern, PA

Reach out to these young ladies, who are representing their Zones, encourage them and show them what LWML is all about.

If you still have a name for YWR, please contact Allison Young immediately for more information at <a href="mailto:youngac191@gmail.com">youngac191@gmail.com</a> as the deadline is passed.

# 2022 DISTRICT CONVENTION CANDIDATES FOR ELECTED OFFICE

The LWML Eastern District Nominating Committee rejoices to present the following Nominees as Candidates for Office at the 2022 LWML Eastern District Convention. We are thankful to the Lord of the Church for these individuals who have accepted nominations and are willing to lead our district and "serve the Lord with gladness."

**The Nominating Committee:** 

Sharon McGuan, Chair, Dee Grzyb, Chris Gasslein, Diane Olmstead and Bev Wicher

#### President:



**Dee Grzyb, Buffalo Zone—Dee** is a member of St. Luke Lutheran Church in Cheektowaga, NY. She and her husband, Walter, live in Lancaster, NY. They have one daughter, Sue Maue and one grandson, Chris Maue. Dee earned a Bachelor of Arts in Business from Daeman College in Amherst, NY. She is a retired Cost Accountant and Quality Systems Analyst. Dee chaired the Board of Resource Development and served as Treasurer at St. Luke Lutheran Church. Her service to Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center includes chairing the Pioneer Association of Volunteers and serving on the Board of Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center. Inc.

Dee's service to the LWML includes: Buffalo Zone Treasurer, Zone President and Chairman of the 2021 District Retreat Host Committee; Eastern District Treasurer and District Vice President of Gospel

Outreach/Organizational Resources. She is the current District Recording Secretary.

Dee enjoys travelling, reading, volunteering and golfing.

# Vice President of Christian Life/Special Focus:

## Linda Bahr, Central New York - North Zone



Linda lives in Rome, NY and is a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Canastota. She and her husband, Glen, have three adult sons, Benjamin, Mark and Aaron and five grandchildren. Linda has an AA Degree from Concordia College, Bronxville and a Bachelor of Arts and Master's Degree from Concordia, River Forest, Illinois. She is a retired music and elementary school teacher. Congregational service includes chairing the Grace Lutheran Board of Education and serving as president of the St. John Lutheran Pre-school Committee.

Linda's LWML service includes serving as Society Secretary and Vice President; Zone Secretary, Zone Vice President and current Zone President of the Central New York – North Zone. At the District

level, Linda has served as District Archivist/Historian and Vice President of Gospel Outreach/Organizational Resources. Linda's interests include choral singing, coloring, teaching, computer gaming, public reading and time spent with her grandchildren.



#### Teri Devan, Central New York - North Zone

Teri lives in Clinton, NY with husband, Steven. They have two children, Christopher and Jacob and three grandchildren. Teri is a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Canastota, NY. Teri retired from teaching in the area of special education and working as a teacher assistant. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Biology and holds a Master's Degree in Special Education. Service to her congregation includes serving six years on the Grace Lutheran Evangelism Committee and as Sunday School Superintendent.

Teri has served as Society Christian Growth Chairman, Vice President and President; Zone offices include Zone Secretary, Zone Vice President and serving on the Host Convention Planning Committee. District service includes serving as former Co-Chair and Chair of the Christian Life Committee, also two terms as former Co-Chair and former and current Chair of the Special Focus Committee.

Teri enjoys singing, cooking, crafts, embroidery and fitness.

# **Vice President of Gospel Outreach/Organizational Resources:**



# Susan Bell, Philadelphia Zone

Susan lives in Downingtown, PA and is a member of Christ Memorial Lutheran Church, Malvern, PA. She and her husband, Jim, have two grown sons, Brian and Bret and three grandchildren. Susan earned a Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Kansas State University and a Masters of Music from VanderCook College in Chicago. In 2003, Susan attended Polley Real Estate School and is currently employed as a real estate agent. She serves as the Music Director for Christ Memorial Lutheran Church and on the LCMS Eastern District Board of Directors.

Susan's LWML service includes: Society Secretary and President; Zone Vice President and Zone President. District service includes former Co-Chair and Chair of the Structure Committee, District Financial Secretary and Recording Secretary. She currently serves as the Eastern District President.

Susan enjoys music, reading, puzzles and bowling.

# **District Treasurer:**

# Judy Morison, Genesee Zone



Judy lives in Hilton, NY and is a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Hilton. She and her husband, Clyde, have one daughter, Kelly. Judy attended Hilbert College in Hamburg, NY and received an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Paralegal Studies. She is currently employed as an Administrative Assistant at MVP Health Care, a health insurance company. Judy has enjoyed serving her congregation as Chair of St. Paul's Board of Youth and two terms as Congregational Secretary. She has also enjoyed teaching Sunday school, playing in the Bell Choir and being an Usher Captain.

LWML offices include: Serving in various offices over 30 years with the Adella/LWML at St. Paul. Judy is the current Society President. She was the Genesee Zone Delegate to the National LWML 2015 Convention in Des Moines, Iowa. Judy is currently serving as the Eastern District Financial Secretary. Special Interests are quilting, reading, traveling and bell ringing.

# **District Pastoral Counselor:**

# Reverend Carl Emberger, Philadelphia Zone



Reverend Carl Emberger serves as Assistant Pastor at Christ Memorial Lutheran Church in Malvern, PA. He and his wife, Linda, live in Downingtown, PA. They have four children, Carl, Christian, Linda and Gloria and seven grandchildren.

Pastor Emberger serves as both Assistant Pastor at Christ Memorial and as a Healthcare IT Consultant. He holds a Master of Science Degree in Computer Science and his ministry training through the LCMS Mission Training Center and Leadership Advancement Program – Portland. He has served his congregation as an elder, Youth Counselor, and Sunday school teacher.

Pastor Emberger looks forward to "serving the Lord with gladness" as he works with the women of the Eastern District LWML.

Pastor is an Aviation Buff and loves to attend airshows.

#### 2022 MISSION GRANT PROPOSALS TO BE VOTED ON

The following grants have been received by October 15, 2021 by the Grant Committee and have been reviewed according to the Bylaws and Guidelines and approved by the LWML Eastern District Board of Directors to appear on the 2022 LWML Eastern District ballot. More detailed grant information will be included in the delegate packets.

#### **GRANT A** The Heart of Tioga

\$5,000 requested by LWML Member Anita Getty, Central New York South Zone

Funds are requested to purchase medical supplies for ultrasounds and pregnancy testing, Bright Course educational video streaming, client instructional literature, Client Boutique supplies, bus tokens and other miscellaneous needs for The Hearts of Tioga.

# GRANT B Christ Assembly Lutheran Church in Philadelphia, PA

\$5,000 requested by Member Roselyn Kamara, Philadelphia Zone

Request to purchase and install an Acorn Stair lift to assist disabled and elderly to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor for worship and fellowship at Christ Assembly Lutheran Church in Philadelphia.

#### GRANT C Center 4 Hope Food Pantry

\$5,000 requested by LWML Member Sharon Fuerch Genesee Zone

Request by Center 4 Hope Food Pantry to purchase hygiene products for guests who cannot access these using their SNAP benefits at the food pantry.

# GRANT D "Lunch n Learn" Program

\$3,250 requested by LWML Member Nancy Herdic, Buffalo Zone

Request for support of the "Lunch n Learn" program of fellowship and engagement for senior citizens at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Clarence, NY.

# GRANT E Lighthouse Women's and Children's Center in Niagara Falls, NY

\$5,000 requested by LWML Member Sharon Wolff, Buffalo Zone

Request to purchase food items for the Rose Cafe and the weekly outreach food pantry truck to the needy, through Lighthouse Women's and Children's Center in Niagara Falls, NY.

#### GRANT F Philadelphia Lutheran Ministries

\$3,000 requested by LWML Member Susan Bell, Philadelphia Zone

Request to support the Philadelphia Lutheran Ministries Campus ministry outreach project through purchase of books, social media, advertising, meals, and coffee/lunch.

#### GRANT G Friends of Pioneer/Pioneer on the Lake

\$5,000 requested by LWML Member Susan Bell, Philadelphia Zone.

Request by Friends of Pioneer/Pioneer on the Lake to purchase furnishings for campers.

# GRANT H Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

\$1,200 requested by LWML Member Susan Bell, Philadelphia Zone

Request funds from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis to help support the international students' education, costs for books and supplies.

#### GRANT I Lutheran Braille Workers

\$5,000 requested by LWML Member Shellie Knupp, Niagara Zone

Request to fund the production of 1,000 volumes of Spanish Braille Bibles for distribution to Bible Societies in South & Central America over the next 2 years through Lutheran Braille Workers.

#### GRANT J Mid Atlantic Branch Orphan Grain Train

\$5,000 requested by LWML Member Susan Bell, Philadelphia Zone

Request by the Mid Atlantic Branch Orphan Grain Train to fund shipment of a 40-foot container overseas.

### GRANT K Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch

\$3,000 requested by LWML Member Susan Bell, Philadelphia Zone

Request to purchase special lighting to transform the Chapel to create a more trauma-sensitive, child-friendly environment that engages at-risk children at the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch.

#### GRANT L POBLO International

\$4,000 requested by LWML Member Susan Bell, Philadelphia Zone

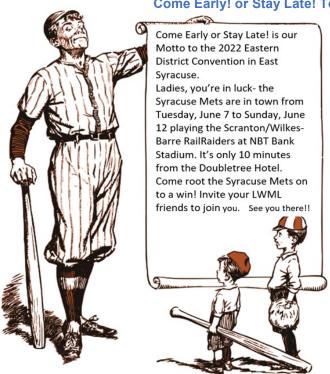
Request by POBLO International for cost of survey and demographic study, in-person and virtual training of Eastern District Churches, training material to offer a cross cultural ministry, and outreach training for leadership and congregations to engage the non-Christian and the un-churched of the international community.

# GRANT M Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church in Haiti

\$4,500 requested by LWML Member Bonnie Sugrue, Buffalo Zone

Request to rebuild and then install the windows and doors to Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church in Haiti, that were destroyed by earthquake in 2021.

#### Come Early! or Stay Late! Tour East Syracuse and the Finger Lakes area!



What are you doing when the convention has closed??
Wouldn't a nice local meal before the ride home create a wonderful memory???
Check out the Facebook group-Where Syracuse Eats for some new restaurant suggestions. I just learned about this and had to share it!
Enjoy looking into your last event of the Eastern District Convention. Tell your friends to help fill a table up for food and fellowship!

# News from the Vice President of Gospel Outreach/Organizational Resources - Sharon McGuan



# The Gospel Outreach/Organizational Resources Team

Vice President Gospel Outreach/Organizational Resources – Sharon McGuan, Mission Grants Chair – Julie Tapp; Mission Grants Co-Chair – Susan Morris Leader Development Chair – Allison Young



Leader Development Co-Chair – Thank you and blessings as you move to Katie!

Structure Chair – Robin Swanson; Structure Co-Chair – Dori Juskalian

Nominating Committee: Sharon McGuan, Chair; Chris Gasslein, Dee Grzyb, Diane Olmstead, Bev Wicher To contact us, please see page 17 of the LINK.

#### **Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:**

Members of the Gospel Outreach, Organizational Resources Department are looking forward to seeing you at convention this June! In this LINK, Mission Grant Chair, Julie Tapp presents the proposed 2022-2024 Mission Grants and The Nominating Committee introduces the Candidates for district office. Allison Young, Leader Development Chair, will share our lovely Young Women Representatives to convention and we thank Katie Wacker, Leader Development Co-Chair, for her service as she moves to a new district. Robin Swanson, Structure Chair, has Bylaws News to share. And please see the stamp ministry suggestions if you are collecting and cutting stamps for the Canadian Bible Society Prison Ministry.

The National LWML Mission Grant report as of January 27, 2022 – Give all Thanks and Praise to God! \$699,430 of the \$2,150,000 2021-2023 Mission Goal has been distributed. Eight of the grants have been paid in full and another three grants have been partially paid. To see all of the National Mission Grant Distributions, log on the LWML website!

With grateful hearts, we report that our district is ready to pay Grant 6 for \$5,000 to <u>Celebrate Recovery</u> at Hope Lutheran, Levittown, PA! Please keep the Mites coming, so we can finish our task by the March 31<sup>st</sup> deadline and pay Grant 7: \$1,500 to complete the 2<sup>nd</sup> apartment at the <u>Guest House for Missionaries in Monrovia, Liberia</u> through Reverend Peter Saie, Trinity Lutheran Church, Utica, NY. Surely the Lord is teaching us "We Are More Than Conquerors Through Him." To Him be all the glory forever!

#### **Sharon McGuan**



How to Prepare Stamps for the Canadian Bible Society Prison Ministry HERE IS HOW THE USED STAMP PROGRAM WORKS:

- Stamps collected are combined to create "charity boxes" and are sold to stamp collectors and vendors
- The revenue generated allows the CBS to purchase Bibles for Canadian prisons.
- 1 pounds of stamps = 6 Bibles for distribution INSTRUCTIONS FOR COLLECTING:
- KEEP THE STAMP ON THE ENVELOPE
- CUT OUT THE STAMP LEAVING ¼ INCH BORDER AROUND THE ENTIRE STAMP, CAREFUL NOT TO CUT THE PERFORATIONS (If they look a little more than ¼ inch, please do not throw them out. They steam off the stamps.)
- STAMPS MAY NOW BE ON WHITE, LIGHT AND COLORED ENVELOPES. THE CBS IS NOW SELLING THE STAMPS TO CRAFTERS WHO LIKE THE STAMPS ON COLORED ENVELOPES
- ASK YOUR CHURCH, OR SOCIETY TO COLLECT THE STAMPS
- IF YOUR CHURCH IS COLLECTING, PLEASE PUT A STAMP COLLECTION BOX IN YOUR CHURCH NARTHEX, OR OTHER DESIGNATED PLACE
- ASSIGN A PERSON TO GATHER THE STAMPS AND TURN THEM IN AT ANY ZONE OR EASTERN
  DISTRICT LWML EVENT. IF YOU BRING THE STAMPS TO A ZONE EVENT, YOUR ZONE PRESIDENT
  WILL GET THEM TO SHARON McGUAN (MY CONTACT INFO IS ON THE LAST PAGE OF THE LINK).

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present not the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8: 38-39

In His Service, Sharon McGuan, Vice President of Gospel Outreach/Organizational Resources

# We are more than conquerors through Him

# **REGISTRATION FORM**

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Eastern District 39th Biennial Convention--June 10 - 12, 2022

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Romans 8:35-37

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Saturday Banquet&Entertainment	\$39		\$				
Sunday Breakfast	\$24		\$				
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Judy Morrison, 7 Albano Drive, Hilton, NY 14468 (585) 392-5090							
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Photographs will be taken by our Convention Photographer throughout the convention. I hereby give the Eastern								
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# September 23-25, 2022 Lutherlyn Camp, 500 Lutherlyn Lane, Butler, PA Lutherlyn.com Hosted by the Cattaraugus-Allegheny and Anthracite Zones

Theme: "Fear Not, For I Have Redeemed You "
"Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name,
you are mine."

Fall Petreal

Isaiah 43:1



Our speaker will be Christina Hergenrader, who will be speaking on "Living in Faith instead of Fear". Christina Hergenrader is busy doing what she loves.

Christina earned a master's degree in Creative Writing. She also began writing and sharing devotions with her school classes. Encouraged by their feedback, Christina submitted a manuscript to Concordia Publishing House. Since then, she has written several books, Bible studies and articles that have been published by CPH.

As a wife, mother, Christian teacher, and writer, she finds that life continues to keep her on her toes. Christina lives in Texas with her husband and four children, teaching, speaking to women's

groups, traveling, doing photography and spending time in prayer. You can see her complete bio at <a href="https://www.cph.org/m-54-christina-hergenrader.aspx">https://www.cph.org/m-54-christina-hergenrader.aspx</a>



#### THINGS TO KNOW IN ADVANCE

\*No linens are provided, you will need to bring bedding, towels, pillows, and toiletries; beds are standard twins;

\*No smoking, except in designated areas; \*No pets, except service animals; \*No refrigerators in rooms, there will be one in the medical building for medicines, etc.; \*no wi-fi is available in the cabins, is strongest in the dining hall; \*roads are gravel; we will rent golf carts to

help transport those with mobility issues

Each cabin has 8 lower bunks and 4 upper bunks. 2 full bathrooms with shower in each. Cabins are sleeping only and have only beds, no chairs. Cabins can be separated in half. There are enough beds to use only bottom bunks. There are several buildings available for your fellowship and gathering time.

LWML RETREAT	CAMPERSHIP-	-APPLIC	CATION
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A few full-time camperships are being offered for the Fall 2022retreat to first-time attendees or for those individuals
having financial need. If you have received a campership in the past you are no longer eligible. The value of the
campership is the full cost of the retreat at the full-time registration fee. If you desire a campership and need only
consideration for part-time status, please indicate that in your application. An impartial committee will select from
those eligible campers who submit a timely application. Notification will take place after the deadline date. Don't
delay, act now!

Name			
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	LWML Member?	Yes	No

Please write a brief narrative (50-100 words) on why you would like to attend the LWML Retreat.

Attach your written statement to this application and mail by **August 1, 2022** to:

Mrs. Susan Bell
814 Dover Court
Downingtown, PA 19335
All recipients names will be kept strictly confidential

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If this is your FIRST TIME attending Eastern District Retreat, please check here:YES! I'm Very Excited!									
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ACTIVITIES: Check if interested and we will contact you about payment details  Zipline and High Ropes are accessible by climbing wall or net. All activities are based on availability at time of retreat.  Zipline: \$20 High Ropes: \$20									
Registration Deadline: September 1, 2022 (postmarked by September 1) Registration not accepted before May 1 <sup>st</sup> Balance due must be paid (postmarked) by September 1st or a late fee will be applied (\$25)  Cancellations: \$50 Full Time/ \$25 Part-Time deposits are non-refundable.  Cancellations for MEDICAL REASONS will be reviewed based upon letter of notification to Eastern District President.  Non-Sufficient Fund Fee: Charge of \$25 will be assessed on checks returned by bank.  **Make Checks Payable to LWML Eastern District**  Mail completed form, payment, and self-addressed stamped envelope (for return confirmation) to:  Margaret Klees, 424 Pratt Rd Hop Bottom, PA 18824, margaretklees@gmail.com 570-877-2168  *Registrations without stamped envelopes will receive email confirmation.*									

# News From Around The Zones

# **BUFFALO ZONE**



The Buffalo Zone held their winter event on February 5 at First Trinity with 29 attending from 8 different churches. Pastor Jason Christ led us in Bible

Study based on Roman 12. We heard about Lutherans for Life and The Family Justice Center. Following the speakers the ladies spent time at 4 stations making crosses and encouragement cards for the nursing home and blankets and care kits to go to the Family Justice Center.



We are presently in the process of planning our Spring Event.

Bonnie Sugrue, Zone President



Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Kenmore is celebrating their 100th Anniversary this year! The Esther Circle women's group donated this banner in praise and thanksgiving! Carol Obot

# **CATTARAUGUS-ALLEGHENY ZONE**



In February Mrs. Trudy Sallach was called home to be with our Lord in heaven. Trudy served as zone president several times over her years with us and was currently our vice president. Trudy was a friend to all who knew her; her incredible smile and constant encouragement blessed us all. Although we will miss her beautiful singing voice leading us in, "Serve the Lord

with Gladness", and her joyful laugh that made us laugh too, we rejoice in knowing she is with the Lord. May He comfort our hearts with His peace.

Robin Swanson, Zone President

# PHILADELPHIA ZONE

Our Spring Rally will take place on April 30<sup>th</sup> at Christ Assembly under the theme *Go and Make Disciples*, Matthew 28:19-20. We'll have an orientation to Mission Grants and speakers from recent grant recipients. The ingathering is cash donations for Ukraine and Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits. We will be assembling the kits after lunch.

Other news Celebrate Recovery, Hope Levittown will be receiving their grant check soon. We rejoice that the proposed grant for Acorn Stairs for Christ Assembly will be on the convention ballot in June 2022. Also, Pastor Carl Emberger is on the ballot for pastoral counselor. God be the glory!

Beth Quinn, Zone President



#### FROM THE PHILADELPHIA ZONE

We thank God for His gracious provision and the women and men of the LWML District for funding this grant for an inclusive playground for all mobilities at Christ Memorial Lutheran School (CMLS), Malvern, PA. CMLS offers education opportunities for children 2 years through kindergarten with an enrollment of 146. The check presented to Jodie Merow, School



Director by LWML District President, Susan Bell, was graciously accepted during Lutheran Schools Week. Also in attendance were Beth Quinn, Philadelphia Zone President, Sarah Heilman, School Board Chairman, Carol Sonnenberg, School Board member, LWML members Dorothy Koschmann and Sarala

Vunnam and children of the school. (Photo left to right: Sarala, Dorothy, Beth, Susan, Jodie, Sarah and Carol)



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# Help for the People of Ukraine

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) prays for those affected by the invasion of Ukraine and offers help and provisions through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) and its church partners. The LWML is an official auxiliary of the LCMS and in an article published

March 1, 2022, Kevin Armbrust, Director of Editorial for LCMS Communications, lists ways for all those that want to support the people of Ukraine and provides contact information for those organizations. Read "The List Changes Daily: Help for Ukraine" article <a href="https://example.com/here/beta/here/">here</a>.

Lord Jesus, we pray for all those affected by this invasion. We pray that the people of Ukraine find hope and strength through Your Word and remain strong in their faith. Grant us peace. In Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.



The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.



The Lutheran Women in Mission of the North Wisconsin, Northern Illinois, and South Wisconsin Districts Invite you to the

LWML 40th Biennial Convention in beautiful Milwaukee, Wisconsin June 22–25, 2023

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage! The Lord looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man (Psalm 33:12–13).

Opportunities abound as we:

- Worship together with our sisters and brothers in Christ!
- Share the Good News with everyone the Lord places in our path.
- Fellowship with good friends while meeting new ones
- Enjoy accomplishing God's work with LWML sisters and brothers in Christ!
- Bring our family and friends to enjoy a city of many cultures.

Milwaukee, called the City of Steeples, is home to the Discovery World Science, Harley Davidson, and Milwaukee Art Museums; the Historic Trinity Lutheran Church, the Milwaukee County Zoo, the Historic Third Ward, and much more.

Come enjoy the cool breezes off Lake Michigan, June 22–25, 2023!



June 10, 2022 EC/BOD Meeting East Syracuse, NY

June 10-12, 2022 LWML Eastern District

Convention

East Syracuse, NY

Sept. 23, 2022 EC Meeting

Lutherlyn Camp

Sept. 23-25, 2022 Fall Retreat

Lutherlyn Camp

June 22–25, 2023 National Convention

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

# Report of the Financial Secretary—Judy Morrison

December 1, 2021 – February 28, 2021 Mites: \$17,208.49

Memorials and Honorariums Given: (December 1, 2021 – February 28, 2022)

In Memory of:

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Given by:

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In Honor of:

Dorothy Koschmann's

90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Beth Quinn

Treasurers are asked to forward money from their zone on a monthly basis so our mission grants can be paid in a timely manner and to assure that all are funded.



Thank you to all of you in ED LWML for all of the prayers, cards and well wishes during my illness and treatment these last few months! I am so thankful for the power of prayer and for all of you!

Kathy Ippolito

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# The next deadline is June 1, 2022

The Link is published four times each year.

April 1, July 1, October 1, January 1

Deadlines to submit articles:

March 1, June 1, September 1, December 1

There are many ways to help support our LWML Eastern District. Did you know one of those ways is to donate to our Legacy of Love Endowment Fund. As this endowment fund grows we will be able to support Scholarships, Leadership Training, and other District Ministries. You can make a donation through a legacy gift or charitable estate, but you can also make a direct contribution through the Financial Secretary. Just one option when you are considering how to support our LWML Eastern District

The mission of the Eastern District Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of the district in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world



An **Endowment** to make a lasting impact on the **Ministry of the LWML Eastern District** 

# **WHAT DOES IT ACCOMPLISH?**

Gifts will benefit **Scholarships**, **Leadership Training** and **District Ministries**.

# **HOW DO I CONTRIBUTE?**

Via the **District Financial Secretary** or a **Legacy Gift** through your **Charitable Estate Plan.** 

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