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AUGUST BRINGS ANOTHER DISTRICT CONVENTION RECAP!

LWML New Jersey District

The NorthEastern Zone of the LWML NJD served as hostesses, welcoming 57 registrants plus guests to the 24th Biennial Convention of the LWML NJD held August 17-19, 2018 at the Hyatt Morristown Hotel in historical Morristown, N.J. The convention theme, "Connected to the Vine" based on John 15:5, *I am the vine, you are the branches*, cultivated the historical past and eternal future of all in attendance. Registrants were encouraged to bring a themed basket for the Basket Bonanza, baby shower items for the Gifts of the Heart recipient Today's Choice, and purple bling and convention T-shirt. Servant events were held Friday afternoon along with a historical Revolutionary War tour. Convention guests included Rev. Dr. John and Monique Nunes, President and First Lady of Concordia College, Bronxville, N.Y. who served as Saturday evening banquet Keynote speakers and encouragers of sharing the Good News of Jesus; Rev. Dr. Anthony Steinbronn, President of LCMS New Jersey District who brought greetings; Rev. Michael Dunn with the New Jersey Disaster Relief Van; Lily, the Comfort Dog from Lutheran Charities; and LWML Treasurer and Convention Representative Marilyn Schroeder who brought greetings and news from the LWML. Officiating over the convention was LWML NJD President Arlene Price. Following the opening worship service led by LWML NJD Junior Pastoral Counselor Rev. Ben Dolby, a President's reception was held. Saturday began with a Bible study led by noted author Donna Pyle entitled "Connected to the Vine". Other Saturday activities included mission speakers, Pastor recognition luncheon, a Mission Prayer Walk, and evening banquet.



Convention business of the district included the selection of six mission grants totaling \$16,000 and the election of officers. Elected president for the next biennium was Susan Harnos. The Young Woman Representatives (YWRs) and the Heart 2 Heart Sisters (H2H) enjoyed a breakfast prior to the Sunday Worship. Following the results of the mission grant voting and installation of the officers, the convention was adjourned with an invitation to enjoy High Tea and tour the Hamilton/Schuyler Home.



LWML 38TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

*Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations (1 Chronicles 16:23-24a).*

Plan to celebrate, "**In Praise to the LORD!**" in Mobile, Ala. on June 20–23, 2019 and participate in Bible study led by Donna Pyle author of the newest LWML DVD Bible study, *Where Love Abides*. For more information visit www.lwml.org/2019-convention.

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2017–2019 LWML MISSION GRANT #11
Training Lutheran Middle Eastern Missionaries
Biblical Orthodox Lutheran Mission (BOLM) - \$93,000

Your mite offerings, given in prayer, are making a difference in encouraging and training the bearers of the Gospel around the world.

Pictured here at presentation of BOLM grant on Friday, August 3, 2018 in Boulder, CO are past LWML Rocky Mountain District Vice President of Gospel Outreach Judy Delve, President and CEO of BOLM Rev. Dr. George Naeem, Miranda Naeem, and Marcy Hetlinger, Secretary of Mt. Hope LWML Boulder.



Rev. Naeem commented in a thank you message to Judy and Marcy that it was a blessing meeting them and thanked them and all the women serving in LWML. He stated that this grant check will make a big difference in the outreach of BOLM to add thousands of new converts to His Kingdom. He concluded his message with James 1:17, *Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.*

MITE OFFERINGS REPORT

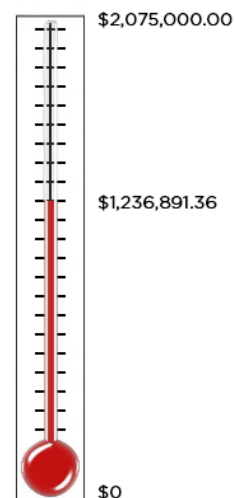
Mission Goal for 2017–2019 Biennium: \$2,075,000.00

Amounts as of July 31, 2018:

Total Mites Received: \$1,236,891.36

Total Mites Still Needed: \$838,108.64

Please continue to fill your Mite Boxes and/or donate your gifts online at lwml.org/donate-online to fully fund all our LWML mission grants. Praise to our Lord for the \$1,200,000 received so far and we pray for His blessing upon the grant recipients still waiting for funding in order to complete their planned Gospel outreach.



GIVING TUESDAY 2018 – COMING SOON
November 27, 2018



Lutheran
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Giving Tuesday 2018

***Making a Difference
in a Changing World***



Go online for resources and more information. Print out a bulletin insert or full-page flyer to use in your congregation or at your fall events. www.lwml.org/givingtuesday

2018 LWML SUNDAY



Bulletin Bytes are available to promote this service in your congregation

Sample:

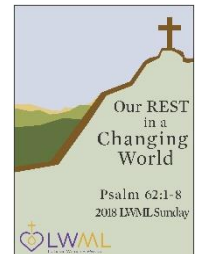
LWML Celebration on Sunday (month, date)

Based upon Psalm 62:1–8, the theme chosen for LWML Sunday 2018 is “Our Rest in a Changing World.” LWML Sunday is celebrated annually in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) churches. Come celebrate LWML Sunday on (month, date) 2018. Watch for more information about the LWML and becoming involved in reaching others with the love of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Banner Patterns - LWML Sunday 2018

Samples pictured to the right:
Banner size: 30" wide x 42" tall

Check out all the resources available online at www.lwml.org/lwml-sunday.



LWML OFFICE MOVING

The LWML office is moving to Concordia Seminary St. Louis campus (CSL) this fall. After years of renting at Concordia Publishing House (CPH) 3558 S. Jefferson, we are moving to CSL campus. CPH has been a super landlord for LWML, and we thank them for that business relationship, friendship, and Gospel partnership. They will continue to warehouse our resources and products and to fulfill orders. Loeber Hall, which is directly across from the Chapel to the south, will become the new home of the LWML office with a move in date for late September upon completion of renovations to the lower level.

LWML President Patti Ross stated, “This first came about as a result of the Rose Parade in Pasadena, 2017. I had the honor of representing LWML riding on the Lutheran Hour Ministries Rose Parade float. I got to ride next to Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, President of CSL. It was very much on my heart as to how we can make our pastors coming out of seminary more knowledgeable about and supportive of the mission of LWML. I asked him how we could have a bigger presence on campus and he responded, ‘Why don’t you move your offices to the seminary campus?’ Well, I thought, why not?” Having a presence on campus will put LWML visibly in their environment. It will allow our office staff to attend chapel, eat in the cafeteria, and visit with students and their families. When new LWML resources become available, they can be readily accessed. Although our staff is small—currently three full-time and one part-time, they represent the best of LWML. They are friendly, open, knowledgeable, hard-working, and love the Lord. They will be an asset to those on campus.

“We praise and thank God for a faithful steward who years ago, left in their estate, two U.S. Savings Bonds for LWML. The amount of the savings bonds will cover expenses involved in the move. We have been blessed by the gift of that donor and for the generosity and support given by CSL,” proclaimed President Patti.



2018 NATIONAL HISPANIC CONVENTION



(Pictured L to R) Rev. Juan Zamora, Deaconess Alma Zamora, Angelina Jauregui, and Melissa Salamon.

LWML Vice President of Gospel Outreach Angelina Jauregui and LWML Heart to Heart (H2H) Sisters Committee Chairman Melissa Salamon reported that it was an honor to represent LWML at the sixth National Hispanic Convention in Houston, Texas on July 24–27, 2018.

Under the convention theme of 4K (Kyrios, Kerygma, Koinonia, Kairos)—Discipleship: Walking Together with Christ, presentations were given by Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Sanchez, Systemics professor at Concordia Seminary St. Louis and Director of the Center for Hispanic Studies; Rev. Dr. Carlos Sosa Siliezar, Lutheran theologian from Guatemala and professor of Biblical studies at Wheaton College; LCMS Texas District Second Vice President Rev. Eloy Gonzalez; and Angelina and Melissa who presented two “What is the LWML” workshops to 41 participants. These informational workshops emphasized the intentional and committed effort of LWML to invite and welcome active participation of LCMS multicultural women. Eight LWML H2H sisters were in attendance including Lucia Novelli, wife of the newly elected president of the next convention, Rev. German Novelli from Milwaukee, WI. The next convention will occur in 2021.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES SENT EVENT

LWML President Patti Ross attended the Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) SENT event in Milwaukee, WI, August 3–5, 2018. Others in attendance included members of the Lutheran Layman’s League, LHM staff, donors, and guests who kicked off a five-year global initiative to proclaim the Gospel. This special initiative, entitled SENT, is based on John 20:21, *Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.”* President and CEO of Lutheran Hour Ministries Kurt Buchholz led a gathering that interacted with LHM ministry leaders who traveled from Liberia, Jamaica, Lebanon, Sri Lanka, and Paraguay. LHM staff presented information about media-ministries including new podcasts, online daily devotions, and of course The Lutheran Hour. Participants of this event enjoyed these informative sessions along with inspiring devotions and worship.

Through the giving of your mite offerings, LWML has funded two mission grants elected at the last two LWML conventions for LHM. During the LHM SENT event, reporting on the first LWML mission grant given for outreach to Syrian refugees in Lebanon, were four women who shared what it now meant to them to be Christian. The second LWML mission grant will help broadcast the Gospel throughout the Middle East via the Christian TV station in Cairo, Egypt.



Lovely Lutheran Women in Mission (pictured L to R) LWML Past Presidents Linda Reiser, Virginia Von Seggern, and Jan Wendorf with LWML President Patti Ross.

Lutheran Women in Mission — The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is the official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries, and to support global missions.

The LWML is the leading group for LCMS women where each woman is welcomed and encouraged to use her unique God-given gifts as she supports global missions and serves the Lord with gladness.

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