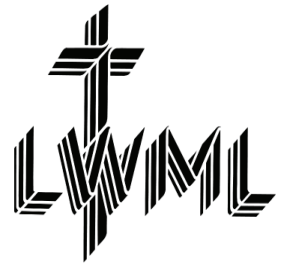


LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE
MINNESOTA NORTH DISTRICT

Minnesota Northern Light

"Serve the Lord with Gladness"

Psalm 100:2



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Fall 2008

Look to the Hills
God Reigns
33rd Biennial Convention
Portland, Oregon
June 25-28, 2009

Zone Presidents: Please send the names of the delegate and alternate for the Portland convention to Cheryl Petersen by December 1st.

Banner designs are due by January 1st. Please see page 2 for more information.

Mark your calendar now! The 2010 biennial convention of the Minnesota North LWML will be held June 28-30, 2010 at the Arrowwood Resort and Conference Center in Alexandria, Minnesota. Save the date and plan to attend.

Portland convention information. Check out the winter issue of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* for information and registration forms for the convention. Travel information for the delegation from Minnesota North will be available in *Minnesota Northern Light* after the Board of Directors meeting in January.

Do you have an idea for the recipient of an offering at the 2009 LWML convention in Portland? If you do, please contact Cheryl Petersen for more information. November 30th is the deadline for submission.

Spread the word about LWML scholarships. Encourage anyone who is preparing for full-time work in the church to apply for one of the scholarships that are available. Visit the web page at <<http://lwmlmnn.org/scholarships.html>> for more information. The deadline to apply for the scholarships is May 15, 2009.

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Wanted: Two Young Woman Representatives
for the LWML convention in Portland
June 25-28, 2009

Information on page 9 of this newsletter.

Application deadline is December 1, 2008



The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod 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.

The President's Pen



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Sisters in Christ,

Are you normal?

“What?” you might ask. “What kind of question is that?”

Well, I challenge you to ponder that question in regard to your day-to-day life.

For those of us who attended the retreat at Lutheran Island Camp in August, we spent much of our time with our guest speaker, Gary Thies, discussing people that were ‘not normal.’ Missionaries – regular people from our district and state- are not being normal, by being ambassadors for Christ in different parts of the world.

This idea/concept has stuck with me since the retreat as I have pondered this thought about myself – am I normal? Do I want to be normal?

I have come up with this conclusion – NO! I do NOT want to be ‘normal’. I want to be seen as one who is out of the norm. I want to be a woman who is:

*in the Word
of the Word
walking with her Lord*

I encourage you NOT to be normal.

I encourage you to look at your Mite Calendar and pray for our different mission grants that were approved at our convention in June.

I encourage you to seek out ways that you-not your society, congregation, or zone, but you -can walk in the Light and share the Light.

- Is it by leading a Bible study?
- Is it by giving a little more to Mites?
- Is it by serving on a short term mission trip?
- Is it by giving of your time and talents through Human Care projects?
- What about sharing the Word of God with those in your daily life?

As St. Paul reminded his friends in Ephesus – ‘...live a life worthy of the calling you have received.’ Ephesians 4:1

You have been called, sisters in Christ, to be women in mission, to live a life that is not normal.

Walking in the Light with you,

Cheryl

Convention Banner Designs..

At each LWML convention there is a procession of banners carried by the District Presidents, usually accompanied by the Young Woman Representatives. At the Portland convention in June, the Minnesota North District LWML’s banner will be carried by Cheryl Petersen.



Now is the time to submit your banner design. The theme of the convention is “Look to the Hills...God Reigns.” The size of the banner is to be 3 feet by 5 feet. Contact Cheryl or your Regional Vice President for more guidance about the design and construction of the banner.

Please submit your banner design to Cheryl by January 1st. Please also include an estimate of the cost for making the banner.



Christian Life

Sharing the Light

“In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven” Matthew 5:16

The theme for the LWML Retreat held at Lutheran Island Camp in August was “Sharing the Light”. Pastor Mike Dagele led us in Bible study, where we discovered exactly who the “Light” is in our theme verse, namely our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and how we can share that Light with others.

The retreat began on Friday evening with fifty-eight women in attendance. Mr. Gary Thies, Mission Counselor from Mission Central in Mapleton, Iowa, began his presentation by asking the question “Why are we here?” He continued by saying that our mission in this world is to share the Light, Jesus Christ, with all people. He spoke of how Mission Central is going about that task.

We saw ‘before’ and ‘after’ pictures of Mission Central and learned that there are 23+ volunteers that share in the work of operating Mission Central. Missionaries and their families are housed at Mission Central when it is necessary. They have commissioning services in the chapel, and a building where meals are served for missionaries and visitors. There are no overhead costs at Mission Central, every dollar given goes directly to missionary support.

On Saturday, the attendance climbed to eighty-seven plus guests. We had a full house as Mr. Thies began to share the stories of four missionaries from Minnesota: Dr. Fungchatou Lo, his wife, Kalia, and 10-year-old daughter Gao-zong will be working with LCMS World

Relief in Banda Aceh, Indonesia; Delano and Linda Meyer from Herman, MN serve in Sierra Leone; Ted Engelbrecht has been making an impact among the Vietnamese people; and Anna Horkey, whose parents live in Wheaton, MN, left the U.S. in August and is now serving as a health care worker in China. Anna shared some of her past experiences in China and what she will be doing when she returns there.

To learn more about Mission Central – Iowa visit their web site at www.missioncentral.us.

On Saturday evening we were entertained by the five children of Wade and Tanya Mathison. Three of the children played the fiddle and they all sang. The children range in ages from 6 through 11 and played a variety of music from “Jesus Loves Me” to waltzes and folk songs. All the music was memorized. They are truly amazing gifts from God.

We thank and praise God for the opportunity to come together as ‘women in mission’ to share in the inspiration of Mr. Thies, the Bible study, fellowship, and time for reflection and renewing of spirit.

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As Advent and Christmas approach and you begin planning special services and events for the LWML women of your congregation, look for resources and suggestions on the <lwmlmnn.org> website on the Sketches and Devotions page, or at <lwml.org> under Resources, Program Helps. Or, you may contact me personally by e-mail or phone.

“Let Your Light Shine!”



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Mission Grants

Status of Mission Grants for the 2008-2010 Biennium as of October 14, 2008

PROJECTS	GOAL	PREVIOUSLY PAID or ALLOCATED	PAID OR ALLOCATED THIS QUARTER	BALANCE
Scholarships for Seminary Students Preparing for Ordination	\$11,000	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$8,250
Scholarships for Full-Time Church Worker Students	\$55,000	\$7,000	\$6,750	\$41,250
Summer Staff Training At Lutheran Island Camp	\$10,000	\$1,500	\$1,250	7,250
Ministry to Armed Forces- Ministry by Mail	\$5,000	\$1,000		\$4,000
Outreach to Muslim Women	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$700	\$2,300
Orphan Grain Train	\$8,500	\$1,000	\$300	\$7,200
VBS for Native American Children White Earth Res. - Nebraska Youth	\$4,000			\$4,000
Food & Clothing Coop Fort Wayne Seminary	\$5,000	\$1,000		\$4,000
Medical Equipment for Haiti Clinic	\$10,000	\$2,000	\$1,500	\$6,500
Food Bank at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis	\$5,000	\$1,000		\$4,000
Recruitment, Training, & Equipping of Native Americans for Full Time Church Work & Ministry	\$6,000			\$6,000
Windows at LSF Ministry House, St. Cloud	\$5,000	\$2,500		\$2,500
Go! Share Jesus! Mission Grants for LWML Volunteer Missionaries	\$4,000		\$1,500	\$2,500
TOTALS	\$132,500	\$19,250	13,500	\$99,750



Our Mite goal for Minnesota North of \$132,500 will require \$176,934 of Mites, since 25% of our Mite offerings are sent to the national LWML.

Mite calendars for the months of November, December, and January will be available at the web site: <www.lwmlmnn.org>

Mission Advocacy

Reading the Thermometer



Summer has come to a close. The warm weather is but a fond memory. Have you checked the thermometer of your giving to Mites lately?

We have had a hot summer and a hot response on Mite giving as God has proven Himself faithful to the LWML in reaching our goal for the last biennium.

Check out the thermometer and take your temperature on your giving toward our Minnesota North District Mite goal of \$132,500 for the 2008-2010 biennium.

Thank you, LWML!

At the 2004 convention in Willmar, the second convention offering was to refurbish the work trailer for the MN North Laborers for Christ. At the October Board of Directors meeting, George Miller, MN North LCMS office manager and Laborers for Christ liaison, showed us the trailer.



Mission Advocacy & Grants Chairman
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Dear Ladies of Minnesota North,

...Thank you all so very much for supporting us! Once again I can only smile in amazement as God shows how He provides for us. Among students here, there is a great deal of encouragement that goes on when we see each other troubled either by workload or by

financial worries...other students are all very supportive and remind each other that we don't have to know *how* God is going to work it all out to provide for us, we just know that He *will*. At first that was a pretty frightening idea...But now, only a short year later, He has shown me so frequently that I am left simply amazed at how His

hand works through so many people.

Thank you all again for sharing your blessings with us.

God's peace be yours,
Chris Horton
Seminarian II, CTS Fort Wayne

Mission Grant: Outreach to Muslim Women

Because of the difficulty for a male to witness the Gospel to Muslim women, the LWML voted at our convention in Duluth to support a mission to help Sona Barichi. Sona is a very interesting young woman: age 23, an Iranian, baptized into the Christian faith, and speaks Arabic, Persian, Urdu, and English.

Sona needs support to finish an Associate of Arts (AA) program. It costs her \$1,000 a semester. With that degree she can enter the LCMS Deaconess Program. She plans to serve the church by concentrating on outreach to women in Muslim communities, sharing the Gospel with them.

The mission grant is for a total of \$4,000. To date we have funded \$1,700 of this mission grant. May God bless Sona as she "Walks in the Light."



Human Care



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As we move into the fall season, the most beautiful season of the year to me, where God's handiwork is turning colors and settling in for the upcoming winter months, we can look anywhere and everywhere to see the beauty of His creation. How He cares for us and provides for us!!!

There is a hymn verse that reminds us of all that God has given us:

For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies;
For the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to Thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

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Not only does God bless us with His awesome creation, but He also gives us opportunities to serve.

TIME + TALENTS + TREASURES

God has given this to each of us and because God has so graciously given to us, we are to share with others.

The word 'charity' comes from the Latin word, *caritas*, meaning dearness, affection, love. In early Christianity it designated the love of God for us and that we respond by sharing that love with others. In modern

times it often loses the love aspect and becomes more impersonal.

We need to keep the love flowing, keeping the Gospel the main part of giving and helping. God loved us all so much He gave His only Son for us.

Time

Everyone is busy and time is of the essence. God has given us 24 hours each day to accomplish what is necessary. We need to plan our time daily, allowing for prayer, planning and preparing.

Talents

God has given each of us talents. We need to share them with each other: neighbors, friends, relatives, even strangers. No talent is too small.

Treasures

Our greatest treasure to share is the love of God who gave His Son for us and who has the treasure of a heavenly home waiting for us.

Our God-given gifts prepare us for sharing and caring and doing all these things out of the love from our hearts. This is the foundation for the human care aspect of our God-blessed lives.

Container sent to Haiti ... thank you.

Let me take this opportunity to thank each one of you who had any part in the supplying, packing and/or sending the container to Haiti. God has blessed our humble efforts and because of His great love for us, MN North continues to share blessings with the people of Haiti.

God is at work in our lives as we walk the walk of faith and share His love. Nowhere in scripture is there any guarantee that the pathway of our lives (or anyone's lives) will be smooth and

pleasant. We have accepted the challenge to help alleviate the suffering of our sisters and brothers in Haiti. Our lights continue to shine as we reach out to them. The beams spread love and comfort, His comfort, which is never-ending. Let us continue to pray for our friends in Haiti. Thank you again. OUR GOD IS SO GOOD.

A letter came from Pastor Eliona thanking everyone. The situation is still difficult and there is much damage. A lot remains to be done.



Mission-Ministry Vision

Serving 'wherever and whenever He has need of us'

*Does your society seem to be caught in a rut?
Are the same few ladies doing "everything"?
What is the "mission" of your society?*

We are the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. We have always been focused on missions at home and abroad. Most important of all is that we are missionaries right now. We witness by the way we live our lives, by the way we treat others, and by the way we serve our Lord Jesus. One way to serve Jesus is to support a foreign missionary.

How about gathering the ladies of your society as well as the ladies of your congregation to focus on a certain missionary and /or a mission field?

When I was at LIC for the LWML retreat in August, we heard Gary Thies speak on behalf of LCMS World Mission. He told us about many mission fields and many missionaries. I am going to tell you about just one of these missionaries.

Anna Horkey – God has called Anna from Hope Lutheran Church in South Sioux City, Nebraska to teach school in Asia. She is the daughter of Rev. Charles and Marsha Horkey who now serve St. John's in Wheaton and Immanuel of Monson Township.

In May of 2005 she graduated from Valparaiso University with a degree in Chinese Studies. She spent 10 months in China studying the Chinese language. She has been serving in Southeast China as a kindergarten teacher for students age 3-6. She returned to China the end of August and is now serving in Yunnan province in SW China in the city of Kunming. She is working through LCMS World Mission as the volunteer coordinator for Concordia Welfare and Education Foundation (CWEF). CWEF is an organization that works to

"alleviate poverty through education and services." That means they do things like digging wells, teaching people to lead more healthy lives, giving out scholarships to underprivileged students, and much, much more.

Anna's job is to take care of the short-term volunteers before they come, meet them at the airport, accompany them to rural areas, and make sure they get back safely. When the Chinese people ask her "Why do you do this?" Her reply is "Because God loves me and I love you."

If you would like more information on Anna Horkey and where she serves our Lord Jesus in China, you can contact Anna at annahorkey@yahoo.com.

Also, look at the LCMS World Mission's website: <www.lcmsworldmission.org>

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Above all, pray for Anna Horkey and the people she is serving in China. Pray for their hearts to be open to hear the message of Jesus and for God to bless her work.

As LWMLers we are together in mission. Just as Anna is in China using her hands 'wherever and whenever God has need of her,' so we also can keep the mission of the LWML in mind. Think of the opportunities God has put before us to help and support our missionaries.



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Scholarships



Others, too, send their thanks

Recently I was given a totally different insight regarding scholarships. The young man said, "Please tell the LWML women thank you for the scholarship help you have been providing for my brother."

Scholarship Chairman

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Why would a brother make this specific thank you? He said that his family has prayed that his brother could serve God as a full-time church worker. However, there are financial concerns and educational costs that a school closer to home might alleviate. But, and this is good news, the scholarship is allowing his brother to prepare for full-time service to the Lord.

Wow! What a ripple-effect of focused Mite giving! See what God does all the time!

How do we do the individual contact and provide encouragement of vocational light to young members of our congregations as well as men who are beginning to consider seminary study?

As you look at the scholarship page in each society packet received at fall zone events, decide how you personally, as well as your congregation, can get out the general message that MN North LWML offers some financial assistance to those who are members of our District congregations. If they are attending one of the LCMS colleges, universities or the two seminaries in the United States and are studying in a program directed to full-time church work, they are invited to apply for our scholarships. See the scholarship committee site at the Minnesota North LWML web site <www.lwmlmnn.org> to download forms. Applications are accepted January through May 15, 2009.

Note: The LWML scholarship application is totally separate from the program offered by our church district. Contact the office of the Minnesota North District in Brainerd for that information.

2008-2009 LWML Scholarship Recipients

Arrowhead Region

Amanda Bundy
Daniel Schield
Sarah Dagel
Katie Timm
Peter Gueldner
Steven Meltzer

Fort Wayne: Deaconess
Concordia-St. Paul
Concordia-Mequon
Concordia-Mequon
Ft. Wayne: Seminarian
Ft. Wayne: Seminarian

Park Region

Ryan Loeslie
Travis Loeslie
Christopher Horton
Alicia Ulring Shupe
Michael Rokenbrodt

Ft. Wayne: Seminarian
Ft. Wayne: Seminarian
Ft. Wayne: Seminarian
Concordia-St. Paul
Concordia-St. Paul

Lakeland Region

Mandy Kuhnau
Peter Johnson
Adam Myers
Katherine Deterding
Lindsey Schmitz
Julia Mueller
Joel Koepp
Caileen Wagner
Christina Warnier

Concordia-St. Paul
Concordia-St. Paul
Concordia-St. Paul
Concordia-Seward
Concordia-Seward
Concordia-Seward
Ft. Wayne: Seminarian
Concordia-St. Paul
Concordia-Seward



Young Women

Wanted: Young women to attend the Portland Convention

Young women of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, are you interested in knowing more about the Lutheran Women's Missionary League? Going to a national convention is a great way to see this group in action.

The Minnesota North District LWML can send 2 young woman representatives (YWR) to Portland, Oregon June 25-29, 2009.

Who is eligible to attend this convention?

-Any mature young woman, preferably 22-35 years of age, who is a member of the LCMS and has not previously attended a national convention as a YWR may apply to become a Young Woman Representative.

-A YWR has a deep love and devotion for her Lord Jesus Christ and is willing to participate in the full scope of the convention.

-A YWR will fill out the application completely and honestly, and return it to the district by December 1, 2008. (Send completed application to Marilyn Hittel.)

-A YWR is willing to be away from home/work for the entire convention and the travel time involved to attend.

-A YWR will attend all sessions of the convention, sitting with her district delegation, though she will not be able to vote.

-A YWR will be asked to report on her convention experience at the next district convention.

-A YWR will commit to be involved in her local LWML, as well as encourage other young women to be active in the LWML.

-Expenses to the national convention are paid for the YWRs; however, expenses to the district convention are the responsibility of the YWRs.

(Portions of the above were taken from "Joyfully United in Spirit", a Young Woman Resource of the LWML)

All society presidents will receive a copy of the application form in their fall packets. If you know of a young woman who would benefit from this experience, please make sure she receives an application.

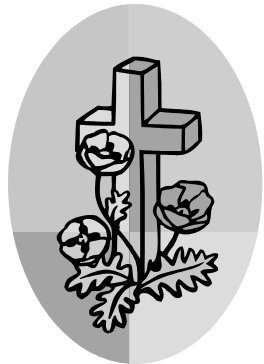


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Information is available at
<<http://lwmlmnn.org/youngwomen.html>>

Application form is available at
<http://www.lwml.org/docs/ywr_app.pdf>

Memorials



Lucille Lidberg in memory of Hazel Krakkenberg
Doris and Frank Scott in memory of Irene Walther
Trinity LWML, Sauk Rapids in memory of Lorraine Krieg
Carol Benson in memory of Gereta Kath and Arda Steuhrenberg
Immanuel LWML, Parkers Prairie in memory of Annetta Diedrich
Marion Maatz in memory of Marlys Redepenning and Millie Grubic
Trinity Ladies Aid, Walter Twp, Bellingham in memory of Millie Grubic
and Marlys Redepenning

*Memorials are to
be sent to the
Financial
Secretary, Donna
Schleif.*

*If you wish, you
may designate the
memorial for
Mites or
Minnesota North
Mission Grants.*



Structure



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...write basic bylaws that fit your society's needs.

Why are bylaws important?

"Bylaws are the fundamental rules or laws of society, which include, among other things, its membership, its officers, how and when it meets for business, how many must be present in order that business may be transacted, and how they, the bylaws, may be amended." Henry M. Robert, Parliamentary Authority

Henry Martyn Robert was an engineering officer in the regular Army. Without warning he was asked to preside over a church meeting and realized that he did not know how. He tried anyway and his embarrassment was supreme. This event, which may seem familiar to many of us, left him determined never to attend another meeting until he knew something of parliamentary law.

He decided to write *Robert's Rules of Order* as it came to be called. It is now in the tenth edition, the first one came out in 1876.

Use *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*, the national LWML Bylaws, Guidelines in the *LWML Handbook*, the district/zone bylaws and perhaps a neighboring society's bylaws. You should try to write basic bylaws that fit your society's needs. Every organization is different, so you should not try to make someone else's bylaws fit your society. It is like trying to put a square peg into a round hole.

Start with *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* and follow the guidelines given there for suggested articles. These include:

Name
Object*
Members*
Officers
Duties of officers

Nominations & Elections
Appointed Personnel
Pastoral Counselors
Meetings
Representation at conventions*
Executive Committee and Board of Directors
Committees
Finance(s)
Mission Projects
Parliamentary Authority*
Amendments
Standing Rules

*These four articles must agree with those of the national LWML.

Bylaws should:

- be short and concise.
- be organized into articles, as main heading, with further divisions into sections and subsections.
- be carefully worded so as to avoid misunderstanding and confusion.
- use correct punctuation for clarity.
- have all pages numbered and dated.
- include a table of contents.
- be consistent in terminology.
- include reference to individual members of the LWML.
- refer to order of Standing Committees as printed in the national LWML bylaws.
- be reviewed on a regular basis.

There are so many nice helps from the LWML catalog. Some you may want to order are: LWML Handbook (13250), Complete Set of 12 Guidelines (14400), Structure Committee Guidelines: Enabling You to Build Better Bylaws (14430), Parliamentary Basics for Everyone (14300) and Designed for You (20210).

Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised can be purchased at most bookstores.



When you have revised your bylaws, please send them to the Structure Committee who will review them and put them on file with the district.

And now, a financial matter.... The national LWML recommends that two people have their names on financial records

at the bank. It is best to have both the president's and treasurer's names on the signature card. If, for any reason, the Treasurer is unable to complete her duties, the President can still sign and access the funds and financial records.

Committees

Each biennium committees are appointed to carry out the work of the LWML within our Minnesota North District.

We thank each one for the willingness to serve in His kingdom.

Christian Life

Joan Johnson, Chairman
Lois Bishop
Jeanene Christianson
Darlene Walburg
Rev. Michael Dagel

Human Care

Joanne Beiswenger, Chairman
Ellen Strickler
Carol Monroe
Barb Andring
Rev. John Knierim

Gospel Outreach

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Rev. Henry Koopmann

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A copy of the newsletter as an attachment to an e-mail is available at no cost by contacting the editor, Carol Benson, at <editor@lwmlmnn.org>



Leader Development

A Time to Lead



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Approximately 200 Lutheran Women in Mission from all over the United States will discover that "To Everything There is a Season . A Time To Lead" at a leadership training conference October 24-26, 2008, at the Crowne Plaza Airport Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri.

Speakers will include Christian author Jane Fryar, former LWML Presidents Ida Mall and Virginia Von Seggern, LCMS World Mission representative Kristy Grannis, and LWML Committee Chairmen Melissa Salomon and Katy Gifford.

At the Assembly of Leaders event, participants will hear inspirational and informative speakers address the Lutheran Women's Missionary League's current primary targets and goals: Christ-Centered Living, Telling the Good News, Partnering for Diversity, and Building Up Our Sisters in Christ.

In addition to the four main sessions, each of the five departments of the LWML, made up of committees and task forces, will give presentations with leadership tips and handouts related to their areas of expertise: Human Care, Gospel Outreach, Communication, Christian Life, and Servant Resources.

Each of the LWML's 40 districts will send new leaders to be trained at the event, which will include fellowship, singing and activities that will help participants experience the diversity within the organization.

Assembly of Leaders participants will be asked to implement a plan to share what they learn with the women of their own districts, in an effort to further develop more leaders to "Serve the Lord with Gladness" all over the nation. Cheryl, Joan, Marilyn, and Mildred will be returning to share with us what they have learned and to equip us to serve and lead more effectively in His kingdom.

The Minnesota North LWML leaders who will be attending the conference are:

President: Cheryl Petersen
Executive Vice President:
Joan Johnson
Regional Vice President Arrow
head II: Marilyn Hiltel
Regional Vice President Park II:
Mildred Helmricks

May God grant these women safe travel and insight into equipping women to lead within our Minnesota North District LWML.

Visit our Minnesota North LWML web site at
<www.lwmlmnn.org>

?????Quarterly Questions?????

If you have a problem with *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* issues arriving at your society's designated destination, please contact the MN North District Corresponding Secretary, JoNette Brogaard, via e-mail at correspondingsec@lwmlmnn.org or call 320/846-0984.



Prayer & Praise
Mite Calendar

November 2008



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 10 cents if you greeted a visitor at church today; 50 cents if you did not	3 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 25 cents	4 Pray for the staff at Lutheran Island Camp MNN Project	5 Pray for those who have suffered damage from floods and hurricanes 15 cents	6 Pray for those in the Armed Forces MNN Project	7 Invite someone to worship with you on Sunday 20 cents	1 Pray for seminary students MNN Project
9 Pray for the volunteers at your church	10 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 15 cents	11 Pray for military personnel and their families 25 cents	12 Pray for the ministry of Orphan Grain Train MNN Project	13 Pray for outreach on the White Earth Reservation MNN Project	14 Take a treat to a shut-in 10 cents	8 Pray for outreach to Muslim women MNN Project
16 Thank God for the church building where you worship	17 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	18 Pray for students at the seminary in Fort Wayne MNN Project	19 God is love—Share it with someone today 20 cents	20 Pray for the medical clinic in Haiti MNN Project	21 Pray for your pastor and his family 20 cents	15 Pray for church worker students MNN Project
23 Pray that today's message takes root in your heart	24 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 25 cents	25 Pray for the training of Native American church leaders MNN Project	26 Pray for the Lutheran Student Ministry at St. Cloud MNN Project	27 Thank God for His many blessings	28 Have the joy of Jesus in your tasks today 25 cents	22 Pray for students at the seminary in St. Louis MNN Project
30 20 cents if you went to church; 50 cents if you did not			Pray for our missionaries from the Minnesota North District: Delano and Linda Meyer, agricultural consultants in Sierra Leone Carl Myhre, English as a Foreign Language teacher in Vietnam			29 Pray for LWML volunteer missionaries MNN Project

Prayer & Praise
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon</i>	<i>2 Pray for seminary students</i> MNN Project	<i>3 Give someone a compliment today</i> <i>20 cents</i>	<i>4 Pray for the staff at Lutheran Island Camp</i> MNN Project	<i>5 Praise God for the chances He gives you to share His love.</i> <i>10 cents</i>	<i>6 Pray for those in the Armed Forces</i> MNN Project
<i>7 Pray for the Sunday School children</i>	<i>8 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon</i>	<i>9 Pray for outreach to Muslim women</i> MNN Project	<i>10 Volunteer to help a busy mom</i> <i>15 cents</i>	<i>11 Pray for the ministry of Orphan Grain Train</i> MNN Project	<i>12 10 cents for each bag of groceries you bought this week</i>	<i>13 Pray for outreach on the White Earth Reservation</i> MNN Project
<i>14 Praise God for the message from His Word today</i>	<i>15 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon</i>	<i>16 Pray for church worker students</i> MNN Project	<i>17 Pray for the missionaries in Africa</i> <i>30 cents</i>	<i>18 Pray for church worker students</i> MNN Project	<i>19 Pray for church worker students</i> MNN Project	<i>20 Pray for students at the seminary in St. Louis</i> MNN Project
<i>21 10 cents for each hymn or song you sang in church today</i>	<i>22 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon</i>	<i>23 Pray for the training of Native American church leaders</i> MNN Project	<i>24 Praise God that His Son was born on this holy night.</i> <i>Freewill offering</i>	<i>25 Joy to the world— Thank God for the gift of His Son.</i> <i>Freewill offering</i>	<i>26 Pray for those in want or need on this day</i> <i>15 cents</i>	<i>27 Pray for the Lutheran Student Ministry at St. Cloud</i> MNN Project
<i>28 Thank God for the Christian fellowship at your church</i>	<i>29 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon</i>	<i>30 Pray for LWML volunteer missionaries</i> MNN Project	<i>31 Thank God for another year of grace</i> <i>Freewill offering</i>			

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