



# MINNESOTA NORTHERN LIGHT

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE  
MINNESOTA NORTH DISTRICT

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS! PSALM 100:2



SPRING 2009



## LOOK!

Look at the calendar! Only two months until we hear the majestic music of the opening service at the 2009 LWML convention in Portland, until the beautiful district banner triumphantly enter the assembly hall, and until we join with thousands of our LWML sisters in prayer and praise to Look to the Hills... God Reigns. Have you made your travel plans? Now is the time to finalize your plans to be part of the LWML convention June 25-28, 2009! The registration deadline is mid-May. You don't want to miss strolling through Evergreen Park, the exhibit area, or helping at the Servant Connection. It's also time to get in shape for "Mission in Motion," the pledge walk that includes two walking trails to raise money for missions along with a low/no impact exercise option. All contributions go toward our LWML mite goal, so start obtaining those pledges now. The pledge form is available at [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org).

### Scholarship applications due...

Applications by full-time church worker students for scholarships offered by LWML are due **May 15th**.

Scholarship information is on the web site: [www.lwmlmn.org](http://www.lwmlmn.org) Send the completed application to Anne Hansen (See p. 15).

## Mark your calendar now!

2010 Minnesota North LWML Convention

"Come to the Living Water"

June 28-30, 2010

Arrowwood Convention Center

Alexandria, Minnesota

*Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life.*

Rev. 22:17b, NIV

Praise to God that our national Mite goal for 2007-2009 was achieved!

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*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 world.*



### ***Look to the Hills... God Reigns***

What an exciting theme for our upcoming convention in Portland!

The two Bible verses that this theme is based on are so timely. The first is Psalm 121:1b - "Where does my help come from?" Our world is filled with uncertainty right now with many questions and worries, but thanks be to God for the answer to that question is in the following verse: Psalm 121:2 - "My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of Heaven and Earth."

I look forward to attending this convention with the seventeen delegates, two YWRs (Young Woman Representatives,) five MN North LWML board members and approximately 30 other MN North members as we "say to Zion, 'YOUR GOD REIGNS!'" (Isaiah 52:7)

God reigns amid the clamor of every day life, even as we wonder about our families,

our health, the future, and much more.

In the Spring 2009 issue of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*, you will see a familiar face on page 17: Janet Miller, our current MN North Archivist-Historian, who is on the convention ballot for the Nominating Committee. We are excited for her as she embraces this newest opportunity with LWML.

There are ways that you can help the attendees for the convention: pray for all those involved with the planning of this convention; assist with monetary gifts to help defray the costs for your delegate to attend; or donate mites towards the 'Mission in Motion' walk that will take place in Portland (contact your zone delegate).

In this newsletter there is information of some exciting opportunities that are coming to our district in the near future.

Remember that in all aspects of your life, whether or not you will be attending the convention, God Reigns!

## THANK YOU FOR THE SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP

...Please forgive me for not writing sooner. I realize that it is difficult for you wonderful ladies to know what is going on here in Fort Wayne if you never hear anything from the seminarians, and I do not want to give the impression that we are unappreciative of all your prayers and support.

Winter quarter was especially challenging, but I cannot point out why it would have been more so than other quarters. The classes I had ... were very interesting. We are very blessed to have outstanding professors who all seem to have a tremendous grasp of their topic as well as how that topic relates directly to the church today...

Your support and prayers are very much appreciated, because we are all in this task together...

Thank you again.  
God's peace be yours in Christ,  
*Christopher Horton*

**LWML Fall Retreat  
Lutheran Island Camp  
August 7,8,& 9, 2009**

*“But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”*

Matthew 9:13

***Compulsions of the Heart –  
Something Awful is Happening***

Pastor Bernie Seter will lead the Bible study and music at the retreat. He is currently serving as pastor of Zion English Lutheran Church in Grafton, ND and Trinity Lutheran Church in Drayton, ND. Under the auspices of the Human Care and World Relief, he has traveled to Kenya in 2003 and seen first-hand the needs of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Kenya. While he was there, discussions took place with the ELCK that brought that church body into sister church status with the LCMS at the convention of 2004. He is attempting to partner the North Dakota District of the LCMS, Sunday schools and parochial schools as well as LWML groups with entities of the ELCK. He was able to return to Kenya in 2005 and see first-hand the results of the generosity of the people of the Missouri Synod in responding to human need. He travels around North Dakota and Minnesota telling the LCMS World Relief story and raising awareness of Human Care needs especially in East Africa. He returned again in 2006 with 5 laymen from North Dakota and Minnesota and upon their return to the States the laymen started “Project 24”, an effort to build 24 Rescue Centers in that country.

Concerning the topic for the retreat, Pastor Seter writes: Oswald Hoffmann once told Ray Wilke of Orphan Grain Train fame that the Missouri Synod “has

the best theology in the world, but we have not figured out how to get it down off the airwaves and into the trenches of peoples’ lives.” Ray Wilke searched for years to find the theology that explained the “compulsions in his heart to feed and clothe people, when his job as an evangelistic missionary was to preach the Gospel.” He found that theology in spades in Matthew Harrison’s book, “Christ Have Mercy - How to put your faith into action.” Harrison is the Director of LCMS World Relief and Human Care and Pastor Bernhard Seter is the chairman of that Board. Seter will be leading our Bible study entitled “Compulsions of the Heart; Something Awful is Happening” based on his own experiences from serving for eight years on the LCMS Board of World Relief and Human Care, as well as from his experiences in 30 years of pastoral ministry. Pastor Seter will challenge us to see the ‘Compulsions of the Heart’ to do acts of Christ style mercy is a gift that comes from Word and Sacrament ministry. He urges every participant to read Harrison’s book available from CPH and will have a personal gift for every participant of this retreat.

The registration fees this year have been reduced because of a grant given to the LWML from the Lutheran Church Extension Fund. We thank them for their generosity. You will find a registration form on page 11 of this newsletter. Get your registration in early. We fill up fast.

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Just a reminder to check out the District website, [lwmlmnn.org](http://lwmlmnn.org), for resources for your society. Click on ‘Resources’ on the top bar, then ‘Sketches and Devotions’. There you will find suggestions for devotions, Bible studies and a link to the 2009 Prayer Service, “Look to the Hills.”



As a Christian Life Chairman for your society or Zone, please feel free to contact me by e-mail, or phone, if you have any questions that I can help you with.

**Retreat  
Registration**

**See page 11**

**Status of Mission Grants for the 2008-2010 Biennium**

PROJECTS	GOAL	PREVIOUSLY PAID OR ALLOCATED	PAID OR ALLOCATED THIS QUARTER	BALANCE
Scholarships for Seminary Students Preparing for Ordination	\$11,000	\$4,125	\$1,375	\$5,500
Scholarships for Full-Time Church Worker Students	\$55,000	\$20,625	\$6,875	\$27,500
Summer Staff Training at Lutheran Island Camp	\$10,000	\$4,200	\$800	\$5,000
Ministry to the Armed Forces- Ministry by Mail	\$5,000	\$2,000		\$3,000
Outreach to Muslim Women	\$4,000	\$2,200		\$1,800
Orphan Grain Train	\$8,500	\$2,300	\$2,000	\$4,200
VBS for Native American Children White Earth Res.-Nebraska Youth	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$1,450	\$1,550
Food & Clothing Coop Fort Wayne Seminary	\$5,000	\$1,500		\$3,500
Medical Equipment for Haiti Clinic	\$10,000	\$5,500	\$2,000	\$2,500
Food Bank at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis	\$5,000	\$1,500		\$3,500
Recruitment, Training & Equipping of Native Americans for Full-Time Church Work & Ministry	\$6,000	\$2,000		\$4,000
Windows at LSF Ministry House, St. Cloud	\$5,000	\$3,000		\$2,000
Go! Share Jesus! Mission Grants for LWML Volunteer Missionaries	\$4,000	\$2,000		\$2,000
<b>TOTALS</b>	\$132,500	\$51,950	\$14,500	\$66,050

## *Mission in Focus: Orphan Grain Train*

If you are like me, when I heard the words Orphan Grain Train (OGT), you probably thought “What kind of train?”. Checking into the background of OGT, I learned that it was organized in 1992 to give humanitarian aid, both spiritual and physical, to people worldwide.



After collecting clothing, food, water, medical equipment, school supplies and most importantly God’s Word, funding the costs of transportation is vital. The cost of sending relief in a freight container is, on the average, \$8,500.00. This is the amount that was requested in the grant proposal for 2008-2010.

Since 1992, OGT has extended to fifteen regional sites in the United States and regional divisions in Eastern Europe, in the republics of the former Soviet Union, Africa, Mexico, Central and South America.

By supporting the Orphan Grain Train to cover shipping costs, many may see the good works of God in their time of need. May God use us to provide those works of service for others.

# PUBLIC RELATIONS

*Janet Hasbargen*

## *Public Relations Help*

Spring Rallies are coming and what are YOU doing to promote them in your society and zone? Don’t just let the others do it, be pro-active.

Let’s all promote our LWML activities.

1. GET THE WORD OUT...let your Pastor and church secretary be aware of your upcoming Zone Rally date and what you are planning.

2. CREATE...get someone in your group or volunteer yourself to create an eye-catching flyer, poster or sign announcing the date,

3. HELP...volunteer to serve on committees that organize the LWML event, plan the program, serve the refreshments, set up the area, greet the attendees etc.

4. COMMUNICATE...spread the word to your friends, neighbors, young women.

5. GO...car pool with others and offer rides to elderly women so they may attend.

Think, plan and do! If we all pray, praise, and work, we can grow and enjoy the results of our LWML.





## *From Snowflakes into Spring*

For many of us in Minnesota North, a long-awaited spring finally arrived on March 20th. Yet in March the snowflakes continued to fall and there were still occasional storms.

Like the intricate pattern of a snowflake, so beautiful, so special, and so unique, we are beautiful, special and unique. God created us in His image and He wants us to continue to grow as the spring flowers do.

March was Daffodil time for the American Cancer Society and that signals spring. The daffodils are beautiful and delicate (just like the snowflakes). However, the daffodils need nourishment to blossom just as we need nourishment to grow in our faith.

Church committees, work committees, school and community committees, volunteer work, helping neighbors and family, donating to church and charities are all Human Care activities. We can't do everything or we would be exhausted in our efforts, but we can select one or two and excel in the ones we have chosen.

It is our privilege to serve our Lord in whatever way we choose as He directs. Purchasing daffodils (or any other flowers)

is another way of serving and extending our Human Care as our donations go to help those in need. What a simply easy way to give God the glory. Purchase an extra bunch of flowers and take them to a friend or a shut-in along with a few Mustard Seed devotions, share a devotion with them, ask them to share a flower and a devotion with another friend. In so doing, you are sharing the love God has "shared" with you—a simple act of kindness that will spread like ripples do when a rock is thrown into the water.

These suggestions are using your TIME (the time it takes to purchase your flowers), TALENTS (the talent to think about sharing and then doing it) and TREASURES (the actual sharing).

I found this poem on the Internet: Author Unknown

==== MAY GOD GIVE YOU ====

For every storm, a rainbow  
For every tree, a smile  
For every call, a promise  
And a blessing in each trial.

For every problem life sends,  
A faithful friend to share,  
For every sigh, a sweet song,  
And an answer for each prayer.

# STAMPS FOR MISSIONS

Send the stamps to: Joanne Beiswenger  
500 Kittson Place, #108  
Fisher, MN 56723

Send only commemorative stamps, stamps worth more than \$1, and foreign stamps. Common stamps, such as the Forever stamps, are not useable and will be thrown away. Complete stamp information is available on the Minnesota North LWML web site: <http://lwmlmnn.org/hcstamps.html>

## Meetings 101

### LEADER PREPARATION for MEETINGS THAT MOVE

“Meetings 101” has so much information for planning and conducting successful LWML meetings.

Ask yourself:

- \*What is my purpose?
- \*What are my goals?
- \*What type or style of meeting am I planning?
- \*What about publicity?

Every meeting should include these common elements:

- \*PRAYER
- \*DEVOTIONS/BIBLE STUDY
- \*BUSINESS
- \*ACTIVITY/FELLOWSHIP

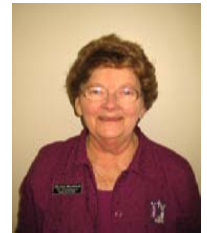
I am sure you will find “Meetings 101” very helpful when making preparations for your local society meeting. May you, with the help of God, move to better and more exciting LWML events and gatherings!

*And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another.*

Hebrews 10:24-25a (NIV)

“MEETINGS 101” #71226 can be ordered from the LWML Catalog. It can also be ordered through the web site:  
<[www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org)>

“Serve the Lord with Gladness”



## ASSEMBLY of LEADERS EVENT

### COMING TO MINNESOTA NORTH

Our committee of Joan Johnson, Marilyn Hiltel, Mildred Helmrichs, and President Cheryl Petersen have chosen the following dates for our Assembly of Leaders events:

OCTOBER 17 -- ARROWHEAD I & II

OCTOBER 24 -- PARK I & II

OCTOBER 31 -- LAKELAND I & II

Watch for locations and time of day to be announced at a later date.

Topics to be discussed will include:

- Leader Development
- Mission-Ministry Vision
- Structure
- Christian Life

Human Care  
Gospel Outreach  
Mission Advocacy & Grants  
Mentoring Young Women  
Friends into Serving Him

God has chosen you and me in this season of our life. All of you have special gifts to share with us. You will find JOY participating with one another. PLEASE, please make plans to attend one of these events.

*There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.* Ecclesiastes 3:1



a time to lead  
LWML ASSEMBLY OF LEADERS 2008



## *Application Deadline Nears*

Spring flowers are making us happy--almost forgetting those high snowbanks. All the students we love are now talking about finals week and prom and graduation. Big Question: Have you sent in your application? LWML Scholarship applications are due shortly – on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Forms can be downloaded at scholarship site of Minnesota North LWML or can be downloaded at the sidebar on the president's page: [www.lwmlmnn.org](http://www.lwmlmnn.org)

The college and seminary students we are supporting through May need to reapply to get assistance for Fall 2009 and Spring 2010. No scholarships are awarded during the vicarage year, but vicars returning to the seminary need to send in an application.

High school seniors applying for Concordia schools and enrolling in any of the full-time church worker curriculums are eligible for the scholarship. Everyone needs to fill in the three pages of short answers including two short essays. The other three pages are references...if you have been asked to do reference, please do so promptly and mail it directly to me.

Please visit with the seniors about their college plans and remind them that Christian congregations pray for each other, so you are remembering them. Make a point of connecting with the members of your zone who are receiving scholarships now. Zone rallies are good time to identify these men and women.

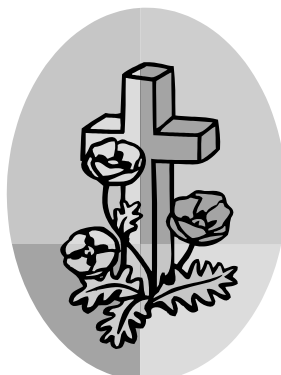
Just think: while we are having rallies, some of our scholarship people are receiving divine calls for congregations and schools. Others are receiving vicarage assignments while others are noting finals' dates and the departure dates for their short mission trips in May.

But no scholarships can be awarded for good intentions that are never developed into a completed application and sent to Anne Hansen  
103 South Atlantic Avenue #105  
Morris, MN 56267

Our LWML scholarship program is separate from support through Minnesota North District Office at Brainerd. Students are eligible for both awards. Do you have questions regarding the LWML scholarships? Call Anne at 320-589-3662 or e-mail her at [scholarships@lwmlmnn.org](mailto:scholarships@lwmlmnn.org)

*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.*



## *Memorials*

Judith Uran in memory of James Lorntson  
Caroline Kawell in memory of Maynard Eppen  
Rodney and Arlene Kolle in memory of Lulu Moltzan  
Betty Kezar in memory of Pat Henke and James Lorntson  
Anne Hansen in memory of Dorothy Durkee and Helen Bremer  
Lucille Lidbeck in memory of Richard Krueger and Warren Paschle  
Our Savior's Crookston Afternoon Guild in memory of Audrey Reitmier  
Parkers Prairie Immanuel LWML in memory of Ida Thun, Geneva Vanzka, and Mathilda Schmidt  
Marian Maatz, Jane Asche, and Walter Twp. (Bellingham) Trinity LWML in memory of Vivian Goetish



## *Young Woman Representatives to Portland in 2009*



Christine Hall, a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Frazee, joined the LWML in 2006.

She is a graduate of The College of St. Scholastica in Duluth with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Nursing. She has worked as a geriatric nurse working with refugee health as well as in obstetrics at St. Mary's Hospital in Detroit Lakes.

She and her husband Craig have been married for 13 years.

Currently, she is pursuing the important role as full-time mother to 5-year-old Jack and 4-year-old Jessie. She also teaches part-time in Bethlehem Lutheran's preschool program.



Nicolle Kuhn, her husband Brian, and her daughters Lillian, Amellia, and Savannah are members of Messiah Lutheran Church in Sartell.

Nicolle is one of those willing workers who helps out with many projects in the congregation, including Altar Guild and the Living Nativity. Currently she is teaching Sunday School and sharing superintendent responsibilities.

She recently completed training as an LPN and serves on the health committee at Messiah.

As an LWML member, she appreciates the opportunity to connect with other women and finds that it provides a place to encourage, support, and learn from one another while serving the Lord.



### ***QUARTERLY QUESTIONS???????***

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



## ***LWML Tools to Build & Maintain***

Bylaws and Standing Rules are the foundation of your society, zone, district, and also the national LWML, but we need to build and maintain the rest of the structure. Just like your house, maintenance is just something that is done on a continual basis.

The national LWML has wonderful tools for us to use. Check out the catalog and/or the web site: <[www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org)>. You can call 1-800-252-5965 (business hours 9 am – 4 pm) to order these resources.

Do you have the *LWML Handbook*? It is available as 8 1/2 x 11” inserts in a binder. This is a “must have” resource, which also contains the national bylaws.

You can also download our MN North District bylaws by going to our Web Site at [lwmlmnn.org](http://lwmlmnn.org). The current district, zone, and society bylaws can all be kept in the same binder.

Then there are wonderful guideline booklets that can be ordered from the catalog or through the web site under the heading *Helping You to Lead*:

- Archivist-Historian
- Structure Committee
- Christian Life Committee
- Financial Officer
- Leader Development
- Mission Grants
- Nominating Committee
- Parliamentary Basics
- President
- Secretary
- Vice President
- Public Relations


Under the heading *Helping You to Serve*, you will find:

- Communication
- You Are the Convention Delegate
- Designed for You
- Guidelines for Counselors
- The Servant Leader
- Gaining, Training and Maintaining LWML Members;
- Is Your society Young-Woman Friendly?
- New-Member Orientation and Hospitality
- Welcoming New Members
- Motivation Is Contagious
- Side by Side in Service

Under the *Planning and Organization* heading, you will find these helps:

- Meeting & Event Planner
- Event Planners and Guest Speakers
- The Circle Plan
- Committees
- Your Pastor and LWML
- Rekindling Kit
- E-Z Tips-Energizing Ideas for Zones
- Planning for Change in the LWML Society
- Tapping the Time Treasure
- Overflowing Love
- Leadership in Pairs
- Look of a Leader
- Meetings 101
- Passing the Baton

So get your hands on a LWML catalog and purchase your tools! Or, you can order online through the web site <[www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org)>.

**Compulsions of the Heart**  
 Something Awful is Happening

LWML Retreat August 7 - 9, 2009

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**LWML RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL NEEDS \_\_\_\_\_

ROOMMATES \_\_\_\_\_

Choose your preference:  
 Cabin  Retreat Center

Registration Fees: (Check one) Send Registration To:  
 Saturday Only .....\$30 **Lutheran Island Camp**  
 Friday-Saturday ...\$50 **45011 230<sup>th</sup> Street**  
 Friday-Sunday .....\$70 **Henning, MN 56551**

Make Check Payable To: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Deadline:  
**MN No District LWML August 1, 2009**

For more information about the LWML retreat please contact: Joan Johnson (218) 326-5913

- ITEMS TO BRING:
- Bible
  - Flashlight
  - Clothes for Sun or Rain
  - Insect Repellent
  - Towel & Washcloth
  - Toiletries
  - Sleeping Bag or Bedding, Pillow
  - A Sack Lunch for Friday Evening Meal

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**RETREAT SCHEDULE** \*subject to change

<b>FRIDAY EVENING</b>	4 - 6 pm	Registration and Sack Lunch Dinner (no meals provided)
	6 pm	Evening activities
<b>SATURDAY</b>	7 - 8 am	Registration (for Saturday only participants)
	8 am	Breakfast (included in Saturday only registration)



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**BIBLE STUDY LEADER:**  
**Rev. Bernhard Seter**



Pastor Seter is serving at Zion English Lutheran Church in Drayton, ND and Trinity Lutheran Church in Grafton, ND. He has been a speaker for various organizations throughout the United States. He has presented papers and workshops for women's groups, training retreats, and Chamber of Commerce leadership groups. He currently serves as Chair for the Board for Human Care and World Relief of the LCMS and has traveled extensively in East Africa. He travels throughout ND and Minnesota telling the LCMS World Relief story and raising awareness of Human Care needs, especially in East Africa.

**SATURDAY (cont.)**

9 - 11:30 am	Bible Study, Music Free Time
11:30 am	Lunch
1 - 3 pm	Bible Study, Music Free Time
3 - 5 pm	Dinner
6:30	Entertainment

**SUNDAY**

9 am	Worship
10 am	Brunch and Farewell

# NEWS AND NOTES

## *Our voting delegation*



At the convention in Portland in June, the following people will be voting delegates (as of April 14, 2009) from Minnesota North LWML:

President	Cheryl Petersen
Iron Range Zone	Arlyce Harms
Kettle River Zone	Karla Brown
Lake Superior Zone	Judy Uran
Little Falls Zone	Kristin Olsen
St. Cloud Zone	Louella Solt
Rum River Zone	Lynnette Roshell
Alexandria Zone	Kathy Klug
Fergus Falls Zone	Jeanette Just
Long Prairie Zone	Nancy Bitz
Appleton Zone	Frances Wittnebel
Montevideo Zone	Lois Sather
Wheaton Zone	Beverly Godel
Bemidji-Park Rapids Zone	Norma Miller
Crookston Zone	Terry Schoenborn
Brainerd Zone	Linda Jeske
Detroit Lakes Zone	Verna Bachmann
Wadena Zone	Valerie Filbert

Also attending will be the two Young Woman Representatives: Christine Hall and Nicolle Kuhn.

*Mite calendars* for May, June, and July will be posted on the web site: <[www.lwmlmn.org](http://www.lwmlmn.org)>

## *In remembrance...*

James Lorntson of Silver Bay made the wooden badges that we have worn at recent national conventions to tell others we are from Minnesota North. We'll be wearing them again in Portland in June.

Jim died in December after a battle with cancer. His wife Gladys was the nuclei chairman for last June's convention in Duluth. We pray God's peace and comfort for Gladys and the rest of the family and we remember Jim's support of Minnesota North LWML.

## *Minnesota North LWML BOD meeting*

The July meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on July 28th; therefore, the next issue of the *Minnesota Northern Light* will be sent out approximately two weeks later than usual. It will be arriving in early August.

## *Help wanted: Editor*

One of the appointed positions on the Minnesota North LWML Board of Directors is Editor. The job of the editor is to publish the 16-page quarterly newsletter, *Minnesota Northern Light*, and the monthly LWML page in the *Lutheran Witness* supplement. If you are interested in becoming the editor, please contact President Cheryl Petersen. If you have questions about the specifics of producing the publications, please contact Carol Benson.

# SEMINARY STUDENT SENDS THANKS

Greetings to all the wonderful ladies of the LWML! ...God bless you for your wonderful service and the most welcome (and needed) gift. Your generosity and selfless giving warm my heart.

Perhaps you could send me a newsletter highlighting your activities and events. I would love to share it with my brothers here at the seminary, so that we can remember you in our prayer. Also, I would love the opportunity to speak with your group and share in person how much your service to the Lord means to me.

God's richest blessings,

*Steve Meltzer*



# May 2009

## Prayer and Praise Mite Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Greet someone new at worship today	4 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	5 Pray for students preparing for full-time church work <b>MNN Project</b>	6 Pray for the staff at Lutheran Island Camp <b>MNN Project</b>	7 Praise God for the hope He gives you in this new day 15 cents	8 Pray for those in the Armed Forces <b>MNN Project</b>	9 Volunteer some time for a busy Mom.
10 Praise and thank God for mothers.	11 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	12 Pray for outreach to Muslim women <b>MNN Project</b>	13 Pray for your community's police officers 15 cents	14 Pray for the ministry of the Orphan Grain Train <b>MNN Project</b>	15 Send an encouraging Christian card to a friend	16 Pray for the Native American children on White Earth Res. <b>MNN Project</b>
17 Thank God for the Christian fellowship at your church	18 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	19 Pray for the Food & Clothing Coop at the Ft. Wayne Sem <b>MNN Proj</b>	20 Share a message from God's Word with a shut-in	21 Pray for the medical mission at the clinic in Haiti <b>MNN Project</b>	22 Pray for missionaries throughout the world 25 cents	23 Pray for the Food Bank at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis <b>MNN Proj</b>
24 Pray for the Bible study leaders at your church	25 Honor & remember military personnel that have guarded & protected us	26 Pray for the ministry of the Lutheran Student Fellowship in St. Cloud <b>MNN Proj</b>	27 Thank God for the memories scrapbooks give 25 cents	28 Pray for training Native Americans for full-time church work <b>MNN Project</b>	29 Thank God for the gift of laughter 40 cents	30 Pray for LWML volunteer missionaries to Go! Share Jesus! <b>MNN Project</b>
31 Encourage your pastor as he serves the Lord						



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## Prayer & Praise Mite Calendar

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	1 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	2 Pray for seminary students <b>MNN Project</b>	4 Pray for students preparing for full-time church work <b>MNN Project</b>	4 Give someone a compliment today 20 cents	5 Pray for the staff at Lutheran Island Camp <b>MNN Project</b>	6 Remember your local food pantry with a gift and a prayer
7 Pray for the support staff and volunteers of your church	8 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	9 Pray for those in the Armed Forces <b>MNN Project</b>	10 Sing your favorite hymn today 25 cents	11 Pray for outreach to Muslim women <b>MNN Project</b>	12 Praise God for chances to share His love. 20 cents	13 Pray for the ministry of the Orphan Grain Train <b>MNN Project</b>
14 Freewill Mite offering	15 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	16 Pray for the Food & Clothing Coop at the Ft. Wayne Sem <b>MNN Project</b>	17 Praise God for summer's work 20 cents	18 Pray for the medical mission at the clinic in Haiti <b>MNN Project</b>	19 Take devotions with you on vacation 10 cents	20 Pray for the Food Bank at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis <b>MNN Project</b>
21 Praise and thank God for fathers	22 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	23 Pray for the ministry of the Lutheran Student Fellowship in St. Cloud <b>MNN Project</b>	24 Pray for training Native Americans for full-time church work <b>MNN Project</b>	25 Pray for the LWML convention that convenes in Portland, Oregon today	26 Bless those that are attending the LWML convention in Portland	27 Guide the decisions made by the delegates to the LWML convention
28 Grant safe travel to the LWMLers as they leave the convention in Portland	29 Pray with your LWML sisters at noon 20 cents	30 Pray for LWML volunteer missionaries to Go! Share Jesus! <b>MNN Project</b>				

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