

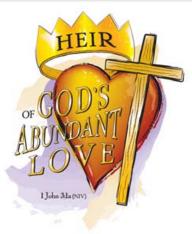
MINNESOTA NORTHERN LIGHT

Lutheran women's Missionary League Minnesota North District

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS!

PSALM 100:2





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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.

"It's All About Jesus!" is a phrase you hear a lot when you visit Mission Central in Mapleton, Iowa. I found that out, as did two busloads of Des Moines convention goers from LWML MN North this past summer.

Needless to say, the Mission
Central busloads were very excited about "missions" by the time they got to Des Moines. They were stirred up and nurtured even more by the many speakers who reiterated—"It's All About Jesus" and "It's All About Missions!" And that's what we're all about—Missions! You see it in our title "Lutheran Women's Missionary League" and our description—Lutheran Women in Mission! We are all missionaries plus we can do our part in supporting missionaries around the world!

Calling all LWML MN North women: Come and hear more about missions at the <u>upcoming 2016 District</u> Convention in Willmar, MN from June 20-22. With the theme of "Heir of God's Abundant Love", let's find out how we can share that Good News to those around us! Gary Thies, from Mission Central, will be our keynote speaker. Our entertainment will be the Chord-Ayres, a men's chorus from Central Minnesota. And a lot more...

The Nominating Committee will be actively looking for candidates to run for District BOD positions. Is God calling you to step into such a position? Or do you know someone who would fit into such a position, perhaps with a little nudge from you? Please pray about it—and for the Nominating Committee. Positions being sought:

President, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Regional Vice Presidents for Arrowhead I, Lakeland I, and Park I, and Pastoral Counselor from the Arrowhead Region. Contact Marilyn Hiltel at bmhiltel@jetup.net, Nominating Committee Chairman, if you have names to share.

Please pray about and encourage LWML women who have gifts/talents to fill the appointed positions of Editor and Archivist-Historian on the District level. Contact me if there are questions about details.

Make plans to attend your Fall Zone or Regional Rallies. You can find out dates, locations, speakers, etc. by going on the District website (www.lwmlmnn.org). What a special time—to be at an event with other Lutheran women/men—in the study of God's Word, in worship, and in fellowship! Truly a blessing!

With every convention comes new leadership. Please keep in your prayers the newly elected officers at the national level, especially President Patti Ross. Also keep in your prayers the planning that will take place in St. Louis at the Interdepartmental Meetings at the end of October. We also keep in our prayers our mite goal of \$2 million dollars for the 2015-2017 biennium. May God's will be done!

Continue to "Serve the Lord with Gladness!

An Heir of God's Abundant Love,



JoNette Brogaard, District President LWML MN North District

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2015 LWML Retreat The event in pictures...





Talent Show



Speaker Kathy Schultz



Ken Erlandson welcomes us



Leah Busse song leader

Committee Members Laurain Jurchen • Peggy McKeown Kathy Steinmetz • Rev. Don Stauty

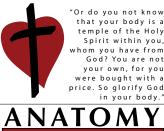
Standing as a Christian

What kind of an impact does a Christian have on the lives of those around her?

Historically it has been the Judeo-Christian values and mores "traditions" which have largely influenced what is acceptable or unacceptable in Western civilization. The Ten Commandments are recognized as being a good way to try to live your life, even by people who don't believe in God. Since the law has been written in man's heart, he realizes good and evil. Unless he has become so callous that evil (sin) becomes okay. We see this in today's world: in television shows, movies, music and in much of society as a whole. Human life has been valued less than animal life. Marriage has been redefined. God and Christians are mocked and ridiculed (nothing new there, really) as intolerant and insensitive.

Are we as Christian women, strong enough to stand up for what we believe? Can we turn the television off when a program is offensive, even when our family members clamber to watch a show which has foul language or offensive subject matter? Can we boycott movies for the same reason? Are we able to stand in the public and voice our beliefs? Talking to a neighbor or a friend who is not a Christian may be very difficult for many of us. Talking to a family member may be even more difficult. We think, "Let the Pastor do it. He is trained." But when we can share how Christ has impacted our life and what His love has done for us personally, it can have a profound influence on others. It takes courage to witness in difficult situations, especially if we are concerned with how others think of us. Only when we are steeped in God's Word and pray for the Holy Spirit to guide and direct us will this courage come along with the words.

"Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, for I am with you..." Acts 18: 9b-10a ESV





1 Cor. 6:19-20



Talent Show: District Board, "Aren't you glad I am a board member?"



Gathering around the campfire



Rev. Cloose, Bible study leader



Retreat "First Timers" at camp with Lori and JoNette

LEADER DEVELOPMENT

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Being a mentor in words and deed...

The following information is taken from an outline provided by the Assembly of Leaders event in St. Louis, MO (2008) with the heading "A Time To Lead". The **bold print copy** is taken directly from the outline, with my interpretation and thoughts in regular print.

An important part of leadership is **mentoring**. What would your definition of the word mentoring be? After paging through several dictionaries I would summarize it as "to be a wise and loyal counselor". Are you a mentor? Can you name someone who has been a mentor in your life? Mentoring happens all around us in many settings: older to younger, peer to peer, experienced to novice. **Personally care about each woman in the congregation as Jesus cares for her. Get to know her, be interested in her, share with her, be enthusiastic about LWML, and encourage her to become involved in some aspect of LWML WITH YOU.**

How do you respond to conflict? The diagram below gives ways of responding to conflict. Above the line is what we strive for—to see others through God's eyes. Below the line is seeing others from our human condition. How we see others sets the tone for handling conflict in our leadership.



I am reminded of the second phrase of the LWML Pledge. "We dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we have." I ask myself, do I really dedicate all that I have? Let each of us ponder this so we can say to one another: "YOU ADD SUCH JOY TO LWML".

YOUR POSITIVE WORDS AND ATTITUDES ABOUT LWML ENERGIZES OTHERS.

Leadership is the art of motivating a group of people to act towards achieving a common goal.

Here it seems right to close with the LWML Mission Statement: "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."

Sisters in Christ, Deborah Anderson, Chairman

MISSION GRANTS

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Mission Grants in Review

Grant #4 - Lutheran Island Camp Summer Staff Training - \$10,000

LIC offers Christian camping opportunities within easy travel distance from all MN North District congregations. Camping opportunities vary but always emphasize Christian witness. Summer staff needs to be focused on Camp's purpose and taught about supervising and teaching groups of campers. Ministering to campers in the cabin setting is a major part of summer staff responsibility and thus—training and teaching preparation is essential. Nurturing Christian growth opportunities for all ages—campers as well as staffers—is a win-win situation which influences Christian vocation choices by both staff and campers.







Mission Grants Committee Report

A total of \$10,300 in mites for LWML MN North grants was raised this past quarter. The Mission Grant Committee recommended and the BOD approved the payment of grant allocations as follows: \$6,300 for Scholarships for Full-time Church Work Students; \$4,000 for Scholarships for Men Preparing for Ordination. The chart below details the current balance remaining for the 2014-2016 biennium.



	MISSION GRANTS FOR THE 2014-2016 BIENNIUM (Balance as of October 13, 2015)	GRANT AMOUNT	BALANCE REMAINING
Shortfall	Shortfall from 2012–2014 Biennium	\$2,205	PAID IN FULL
Grant 1	Scholarships for Full-time Church Work Students	\$50,000	\$12,200
Grant 2	Scholarships for Men Preparing for Ordination	\$15,000	\$6,000
Grant 3	Orphan Grain Train	\$8,500	PAID IN FULL
Grant 4	Lutheran Island Camp Summer Staff Training	\$10,000	\$5,000
Grant 5	Salaries for Teaching Staff - Yambio Lutheran School	\$10,000	PAID IN FULL
Grant 6	School Building for Gloria Dei in Cap Haitian , Haiti	\$20,000	PAID IN FULL
Grant 7	Lutheran Braille Workers	\$5,000	PAID IN FULL
Grant 8	Life in Christ Lutheran Church, Grand Marais, MN	\$15,000	\$15,000
Grant 9	Reverend James Kollie Education Fund, Liberia (Partially Funded)	\$295	PAID IN FULL
	TOTALS	\$136,000	\$38,200



From Retreat to Ranch...

Many of the LWML Retreat attendees got a very special "treat" during their Saturday afternoon of "choice of activities". They were given their own guided tour (by Bill Schultz) to the very new ministry of Lutheran Island Camp—Christ Serve Ranch! It "wet our appetites" for what was to come in a short three weeks-the Dedication of Christ Serve Ranch on the weekend of August 28-30

Dear LWML,

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 2 Cor. 13:14

Thank you for your prayers, labor and generosity. Thank you for helping people with the visual impairment have hope in God who is always with them.

Thank you for your partnership in mission with Lutheran Braille Workers. People who are blind or visually impaired are being touched by Jesus and His love because of you. We are grateful for the LWML!

Rev. Denis Stueve, President Lutheran Braille Workers

Creation-Science Environmental Learning Center at Christ Serve Ranch

What is Christ Serve Ranch?

Christ Serve Ranch is 275 acres of native forests and prairies, located at 24307 County Highway 5, Henning, MN, just three miles from Lutheran Island Camp. The scenic acreage includes or provides access to eight different eco-systems (lake, lakeshore, stream, ponds, cultivated forest, native forest, glen, and native prairie.) The Ranch will have a strong program of science, outdoor education, leadership and study of the environment from a Lutheran, Christian, Biblical worldview.

What about Dedication Weekend?

About 210 people attended the Friday evening event, where Steve Deace, nationally syndicated radio host, shared his faith and encouraged us to stand firm in our beliefs.

An estimated 650 people took in Saturday events, which included worship, tours, science demonstrations, meals, displays, etc. Steve Deace spoke again. The Worship Service included participation of adult, children, and brass choirs. Dr. Dean Wenthe preached the sermon, sharing the gifts that God has given us in Christ Serve Ranch. The Mr. J Band entertained us in the evening.

Sunday worship and meal concluded the weekend of activities, with over 225 people in attendance. The service was punctuated by a flight of geese and lots of monarch butterflies that had come out of cocoons the day before!

Many volunteers worked together to make this whole weekend of events happen. The nice weather was a blessing, as Saturday and Sunday events were held outdoors.

Now what?

Many volunteers have made Christ Serve Ranch what it is today. Many more volunteers are needed to carry out the many tasks and projects that are planned. To name a few: gardeners, farmers, construction people and people who have interests in the RV center or horse program. You can contact Lutheran Island Camp at 218-583-2905 with volunteer questions and intentions.

Would your group like a tour of Christ Serve Ranch? Contact LIC; they'd love to put your group on their schedule!

Keep the ministry of Lutheran Island Camp and Christ Serve Camp in your prayers. To God Be The Glory!

Find out more at: www.christserveranch.org & islandcamp.org.



2016 District Convention

The elected positions to be filled at our 2016 district convention will be:

- District President
- Corresponding Secretary
- Treasurer
- Regional Vice President for Arrowhead I, Lakeland I, and Park I
- Pastoral Counselor from Arrowhead Region

Pray for our future LWML leaders.

2016 LWML Minnesota North District 27th Biennial Convention

June 20 - 22, 2016 Willmar Conference Center, Willmar, MN

Theme: "Heir of God's Abundant Love" 1 John 3:1a (NIV)

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!" 1 John 3:1a (NIV)

Keynote Speaker: Gary Thies, Mission Central, Mapleton, IA Gary Thies is the Director of Mission Central, a missionary training and conference center in western Iowa. (http://missioncentral.us)

Bible Study Leader: Rev. Don Stauty

Pastor at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Virginia, MN & Pastor at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Aurora, MN

Entertainment: Chord-Ayres

Male chorus from west central Minnesota; they perform sacred, secular, and patriotic music. (www.chord-ayres.com)

Convention Location: Willmar Conference Center – Willmar, MN

Hosting Region: Lakeland II

More Happenings at Convention:

Worship, Breakout Sessions, Mites in Action Speakers, Election of Officers, Set Mite Goal for 2016-2018 Biennium, Mission Grants Selected, Mite Walk, Human Care Ingathering and much more!

Nuclei Committee Co-Chairs for 2016 Willmar Convention

Lakeland II, the region hosting the 2016 District Convention, had their organizational meeting on Saturday, October 10, at Redeemer Lutheran, Willmar. Women came from many societies in the region; they began to make plans to host their sisters and brothers in Christ next June!



Liz McTighe, Lakeland II Regional VP; Julie Schlecht, Nuclei Committee Co-Chair; Karen Nelson



Anne Hansen; Lois Sather, Nuclei Committee Co-Chair; Valerie Johnson



Finding a new home for the banner poles!

STRUCTURE

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Betty Kuelbs • Phyllis Jastram
Carolyn Olson • Rev. Donald Klatt

GOING TO CONVENTION...

As we were preparing fot the LWML Convention in Des Moines, IA, there were questions about who was going to convention and who was paying for what. This information should be in the Society and Zone Bylaws; each society and zone can be different from each other.

LWML Convention

Who can attend? Everyone can attend, enjoy the speakers, entertainment, worship services, and Bible studies. Guests pay their own expenses and do not vote. Delegates are chosen-one from each zone, along with a designated Alternate Delegate. Convention expenses for the Delegate are paid by the District, as LWML MN North members are assessed annually through the National Convention Expense Fund to cover this expense. (This per member assessment is voted on at each district convention in MN North.) Zone Bylaws should state how the delegate and alternate are selected. (Some zones pay for one of their officers to attend.)

LWML MN North Convention

Who can attend? Everyone can attend, enjoy the speakers, etc. Guests pay their own expenses and do not vote. Each society (unless there are two in a congregation) has the privilege of sending two delegates, with two alternates named, to be voting members at the convention. Societies are encouraged to pay the expenses of their delegate(s). Society Bylaws should state how the delegates and alternates are selected and how the expenses are paid.

Zone Presidents have voting rights at the District Convention; Zone Bylaws should state if their expenses (and that of other officers) are covered by the zone.

Doris Weispfennig, Structure Chairman

"All things should be done decently and in order." 1 Corinthians 14:40

HUMAN CARE

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Lutheran Island Camp Shoes for the Mission - Greensneakers Program

We encourage every church, LWML society, and Sunday School to collect used tennis shoes, sneakers, and athletic shoes. Lutheran Island Camp receives 50 cents for each pound of shoes. The shoes are then reconditioned and distributed to third world countries. It's a great project, especially in the fall of the year when families are buying new shoes.



Funds raised will be used to support our Campership fund and for special projects at Christ Serve Ranch. Committee Members
Majorie Berndt • Patty Wiedewitsch
Rev. Anthony Cloose

Here is what to do:

- 1.) Gather shoes of any kind (except flip flops)
- 2.) Make sure that you tie or rubber band them together. They must be in pairs.
- 3.) Bring them to camp as soon as possible.

Helpful hints:

- Visit rummage sales and tell them what you are doing.
 Often they will donate shoes.
- Set up a collection box at church or school.
- Go through your closet and find shoes that don't fit or are out of style
- Encourage you LWML or Youth Group to participate.

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LWML Profiles of Women who "Serve the Lord with Gladness"

The Public Relations Committee will be submitting articles about women from MN North District who are current members of LWML. It is our prayer that these articles will inspire women who are members and women who would like to serve the Lord in the mission field. There are many ways to "Serve". May the Lord guide you in your journey with LWML.

This article is the journey of a member at Trinity Lutheran in Isle. Her name is Connie Strandberg. It was inspiring to listen to her LWML journey.

In her words...

When I first became a member of our (Ladies Aid) it was in the early 1950's. My mother had been a member and I felt as a young married woman of the church it was expected that I join. We brought our children along to meetings. When I was pregnant with our third baby, I was elected President.

Our society was very busy with missions, such as holding a shower for the pastor and gathering food for the students at Concordia College in Saint Paul. (One of our members was a trucker to the metro and he would take the food to the college.) We had a booth at a celebration in town: we sold vanilla and pepper to win a beautiful punch bowl which we still have and use. We made wraps and pads for hospitals and served at weddings. The sample menu for the wedding was tuna sandwiches, wedding cake and ice cream. We visited the sick or home bound. We made quilts in our homes and gave them to the needy.

I have attended all Spring and Fall Workshops and national conventions to date.

I am grateful for the time the Lord allows me to serve as a youth advisor. I have had the privilege to work and play with some great Christian youth. I pray that we will continue to "grow together in Christ" and fulfill Colossians 3:12-17 (NIV).

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another.

Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace.

And be thankful.

Let the work of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:12-17 (NIV)

DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO TELL?

If you would like to share your LWML Journey story, please contact Carla Patton. Her contact information at the top of this page.

Mustard Seed Devotions

Did you know you can go on the LWML website and sign up to have the Mustard Seeds sent to your email daily? For free? It's fun to explore the website to see all the things available.

SCHOLARSHIPS

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Church Work Careers

- Pastor
- Deaconess
- Director of Christian Education
- Director of Christian Outreach
- Director of Family Life Ministry
- Director of Parish Music
- Lay Ministry
- Pre-Seminary
- Church School Teacher
- Church Youth Director

Scholarships are available to residents of the Minnesota North District who are also members of an LCMS congregation. Applicants must be preparing for full-time church work for the LCMS.

Scholarships Application

The 2016-2017 Scholarship Application Form is available to download from the district webiste at www.lwmlmnn. org under the "Resources" and "Scholarships" web pages.

Scholarship Quiz

Who were some of the students these past 50 years and where are they now?

What is the total amount of scholarships awarded?

Answers in the next issue of the Minnesota Northern Light.

Committee Members
Donna Blesi • Darcy Kleven
Rev. Donald Klatt

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Scholarships for the 2015-2016 academic year have been awarded. At the July meeting of the LWML Minnesota North District Board of Directors, on the recommendation of the Scholarships Committee, voted to award the following scholarships:

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FULL-TIME CHURCH WORK STUDENTS:

(Each of these students will receive \$4,167.00 for the year.)

Concordia University St. Paul

Jessica Borchardt (a senior) DCE

Laura Kester (a senior) Early Childhood/Elem. ed.

Mackenzie Lindquist (a senior) Early Childhood

Josef Muench (a junior) Pre Seminary

Madison Schellack (a freshman) DCE

Concordia University Nebraska

Stephanie Wilde (a junior) Pre Deaconess

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MEN PREPARING FOR ORDINATION

(Each of these men will receive \$2,500.00 for the year.)

Andrew Coop, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Jeffrey Manthe, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

John Koopman, Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne Ind.

Please continue to remember all these students in your prayers and by your mite donations.

In doing research on the scholarships offered by LWML Minnesota North District, I discovered that scholarships have been offered for the entire history of the district. In 1964, the newly formed LWML Minnesota North District voted to fund "Ministerial Scholarships" in the amount of \$3,000. Since then, the name has undergone changes from "Scholarships for Seminary Students" to the current "Scholarships for Men Preparing for Ordination."

In 1966, a grant of \$6,000 was designated for "Scholarships for Future Church Workers." This scholarship name has also changed a few times over the years. It has been called "Scholarships for Professional Training in the Lord's Service," and the current "Scholarships for Full-time Church Work Students." Scholarship amounts for each of these have ranged from; the original \$3,000 to the current \$15,000 for "Men Preparing for Ordination," and \$50,000 for "Full-time Church Work Students."



YOUNG WOMEN

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CHANGE

Many people cringe just seeing the word. Right now change is becoming evident in the changing colors of the leaves on the trees. The weather will soon be changing and it won't be long before the snow will be flying! Although everything in this world changes, Jesus is the one thing that is constant. There are many resources available on the District LWML website at www.lwmlmnn.org and also at the LWML website at www.lwml.org. Visit one or both of these websites to discover all that is available to help you deal with the changes of this world. Share these resources with others who may not have access to the websites or may not be familiar with them.

The YWR Committee is meeting in the near future to plan activities for the YWRs at the District Convention in Willmar in June, 2016. It may seem like it is a long time in the future, but it will be here before you know it. Make plans now to attend the Willmar Convention and plan to bring your friends. We will have a great time!

STAMPS FOR MISSIONS

Reminder: At our July BOD meeting, the decision was made to discontinue our district's participation in STAMPS FOR MISSIONS. (Buyers are hard to find; not able to get good prices). Thank you to the many women and men who so faithfully collected and trimmed stamps for many years to help grow our mite fund.



Share Your Talents through LWML

Has God given you the gift to write? Are you

willing to use that gift in service to the Lord through LWML? Please send your items to depcl@ lwml.org along with your name, address, and phone number. Writer Guidelines can be downloaded at www.lwml.org/program-helps.

2015 Fa	ll Rallies and	d Workshops
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ARROWHEAD I REGION

Iron Range	Thur, Oct 29	10:00 AM	First Lutheran, Ely
Kettle River	Sat, Oct 24	9:00 AM	St. Paul's, Hinckley
Lake Superior	Sat, Nov, 7	10:30 AM	Mt. Olive English, Duluth

ARROWHEAD II REGION

Little Falls "Joysho	op" Tue, Oct 27	10:00 AM	Good Shepherd, Sauk Rapids
Rum River	Sat, Oct 24	10:00 AM	Emmanuel, Elk River
St. Cloud	Sat, Oct 31	9:00 AM	Faith, St. Cloud

LAKELAND I REGION (Regional Rally)

Alexandria Tue, Oct 27 10:00 AM Grace, Breckenridge Fergus Falls

Long Prairie

LAKELAND II REGION (Regional Rally)

Appleton Sat, Oct 31 9:30 AM Trinity, Appleton Montevideo

Wheaton

PARK I REGION

Bemidji/Park Rapids Tue, Oct 20 9:30 AM First English of Dorset, Park Rapids Crookston Sat, Oct 24 9:00 AM Trinity, Twin Valley

PARK II REGION

Brainerd Tue, Oct 20 9:00 AM Trinity, Twin Valley
Detroit Lakes Mon, Oct 19 9:30 AM Beautiful Savior, Callaway
Wadena Sat, Oct 24 9:00 AM St Pauls, Bertha

2015 Fall rally details concerning registration time, speakers, ingatherings and other information can be found on the district website (www.lwmlmnn.org) under the "Events" menu.

LWML District Board Positions Available:

We are currently looking for an Editor and an Archivist-Historian for our district. The duties of this position are described in our district bylaws which can be downloaded from our district website at www.lwmlmnn.org. If you are interested, please contact JoNette Brogaard at president@lwmlmnn.org or by phone at 320-846-0984.



Memorials and Honorariums Given

From Anne B. Hansen in honor of her Wheaton Zone Mentors From JoNette Brogaard in memory of Mrs. Ray Wilkening From Corky Rainer in memory of Lorimer Bjorklund From Trinity, Sauk Rapids, in memory of Betty Kiekow From Trinity, Sauk Rapids, in memory of Hannelore Popp From Lord of the Lakes, Forest Lake, in memory of Bill Chamernick From Lord of the Lakes, Forest Lake, in memory of Dan Chamernick From Lord of the Lakes, Forest Lake, in memory of Marion Smith From Lord of the Lakes, Forest Lake, in memory of Jesse Hinkley From Trinity, Staples, in memory of Arayla Rogge From Carol Westendorf in memory of Shirley Langhorst From St. John's, Ottertail, in memory of Daniel Johnson From Clarice & Sonia Rowe in memory of Shirley Langhorst From Zion, Mora, in memory of Martha Stromberg From Immanuel, Parker's Prairie, in memory of Judy Hemmerlin From Gladys Wagner in memory of Evelyn Wagner From St. John's, Ottertail in memory of Gus Koplin

Memorial gifts and honorariums should be sent to the Financial Secretary, Corles Rainer.

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Financial Remittance Form can be downloaded from the Resources page found on our district website: **www.lwmlmnn.org**.

LWML RESOURCES PLUS

www.lwmlmnn.org



The Minnesota Northern Light is published quarterly by the LWML Minnesota North District following the meeting of the Board of Directors in January, April, July, and October.

The deadline for articles in the Minnesota Northern Light are: March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15. Please send your articles, information, and pictures to the Editor at: editor@lwmlmnn.org.



A great help in your prayer and praise life – especially remembering the mission grants we're supporting. Download this month's calendar from the Publication Menu.

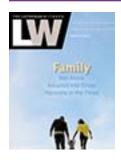
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Share your society or zone events in The Lutheran Witness

LWML

Minnesota North District purchases one page in the supplement insert included in each issue of *The Lutheran Witness*. A great way to share ideas and events in our LWML societies and zones is to submit your articles and photos for publication in *The Lutheran Witness*.

- Clearly identify all of the people in the photo, and provide any other information about the photo you think would be helpful for the reader to know.
- Digital photos should be submitted in JPEG (.jpg) or TIFF (.tif) formats and attached to your email.
- Please include the name, email address and phone number of a contact person in case there are questions.
- Please email your articles/ pictures to the Editor at: editor@lwmlmnn.org
- Articles and pictures may also be mailed to; JoNette Brogaard, 6158 County Rd. 11 NW, Alexandria, MN 56308.



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directly in your email inbox. You can subscribe to this inspirational resource by clicking on the The Word menu tab on the LWML website, **www.lwml.org**.



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New Mustard Seed Devotions



The Race of Faith 28 Mustard Seed Devotions,

written by Amanda Stacy, DCE. Amanda notes that "Running goals - or any other goals - can only be achieved with positive motivation, hard work, and perseverance. ... faith in God can do infinitely more." #LWML40196



In Times of Need 30 Mustard

Seed Devotions, written by Rev. Larry Krueger, Rev. Mike Mattil and Rev. Kris Whitby. The authors explore the topic of God displaying his goodness through times of illness and affliction. #I WMI 40197



The Word: Wisdom for Living

32 Mustard Seed Devotions, written by Marcia Gomulka and Myrna Lou Meyer. The authors note, "God wants us to come to Him with the needs and desires or our heart. While we may not know God's specific will for all that we ask, He is always ready to listen." #LWML40198



Every other Tuesday – get a tip on reaching out to others. The Time Is Now! Visit **www. lwml. org** for more information.



Sometimes a little role-playing helps to set the tone for retreats and other workshop-like settings. Have some fun with these drama scripts! All available to download for FREE at www.lwml.org/program-helps-sketches. Topics are noted beside the titles and resources recently featured as program helps are also noted as "new."

Mission Grant Application

The Mission Grant Application Form is available to download from our district website, **www.lwmlmnn.org**. This download contains the Mission Grant Requirements, the Application Form and also a sample resolution for the upcoming 2016 District Convention. It is available as a Adobe PDF and a Microsoft Word doeument.

If you have any questions about the forms or requirements, please contact Carol at:

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Remember: The application must be postmarked by February 15, 2016.

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