



women in mission and mighty mites

August 2016 NEWSLETTER

message from our PRESIDENT

Edi Collis message from Edi



Can you feel the excitement in the air? It soon will be September and that means, of course, time for our 2016 convention in Timonium, MD! All the final details are underway to make this another God-filled event!

God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good! I'm pleased to announce that ALL of our mission grants for the 2014-2016 biennium have been paid! Mite contributions were not sufficient to meet the aggressive mission goal adopted in 2014, but the needs continued and our commitment to pay our grants didn't lessen. Treasurer

Mary Poling recommended, and I agreed, that we fund the remaining balance from our Lutheran Church Extension Fund account. That allowed the District to pay the grants on a timely basis and avoid carrying them over to the new biennium. We can start the 2016-18 biennium with a clean slate!

Convention details and registration form appear elsewhere in this edition of the *Chesapeake Breeze*. Remember, please, that room reservations are handled directly with the Radisson Hotel. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you on September 23-25 as we ponder the answer to our convention theme – "Sow What?"

Your LWML sister, *Edi*

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel (Philippians 1:3-5).



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from the VP of Mission Grants

Penny Helmore

Thanks to your generosity, all the mission **GRANTS** for the 2014-16 biennium have been funded. That's potable water for a Lutheran school in Liberia, scholarships for St. John's Lutheran School in Delaware, books for Bethania Kids Ministries in India, to name a few, a total of \$17,500 in Mites. District LCEF funds have been used to pay the final two grants to LINC-Baltimore and to the Lutheran Church Mission of Uganda, allowing youths to focus on faith formation at the first Youth Convention held in Uganda.

Anyone looking for additional information on the **Grant Proposals** (on pg. 3) for vote at convention in September is encouraged to email me at ukmompjh@aol.com. Hopefully any questions that you may have will be answered. Delegates are encouraged to review the proposal grant list before coming to convention, seeking input from those they represent and through prayer.

It has been my privilege to work with you and for you as Vice-President of Mission Outreach & Grants for over four years. Thank you to each one of you for all of your work on behalf of the LWML and the Chesapeake

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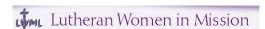
from our JUNIOR PASTORAL COUNSELOR

Rev. Dr. John Johnson

I was once told by a teenager that I was, "very understanding." This remark came after she lamented that her parents wouldn't listen to her and limited her options and decision making. I pointed out to the teenager that I am a parent, too and while I can be fair and objective when discussing things with her I'm not with my daughter. I am emotionally and spiritually invested in her choices and therefore, like all parents, I am very protective and subjective.

This conversation came to mind because I was thinking of the everlasting struggle to involve young women in our LWML societies. Maybe part of the struggle is that the long-time members are so emotionally and spiritually invested in the LWML that young women perceive parental guardianship rather that the welcoming all society members actually are.

It is extremely difficult to be as open as we should be when something or someone is very valuable to us and we are fully invested in her or it succeeding. Perhaps the next time your society attempts to reach out to young women in your congregation, remember the loving compromises parents, guardians and grandparents all must make with their loved ones. This compromise may be exactly what will encourage the young women to sense a real welcome where they can participate on equal footing. After all, no one really wants to relive the emotional battles she experienced with her parents as a teenager!



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.

Mission Grant Proposals for 2016-2018

Proposed Mission Goal

(Delegates will vote at the convention for one [1] goal) \$105,000 \$110,000 \$115,000



Proposed Mission Grants (Delegates will vote for a maximum of eight [8] grants)

Lutheran Heritage Foundation Bible Storybooks for Asian Families Print Christian books for children in heart languages of Asian families	\$4,000
Animal Husbandry Classes for Women's Protection Center in Nepal Provide classes & animals to give young women a self-supportive lifestyle	\$4,950
Train Bible Translators in Southern Africa to Assist LBT Translators Equip nationals strong in local languages to work with LBT translators	\$5,000
Hot Meals capability, Redeemer's Child Development Center in Richmond Assist with set-up costs to provide CDC children a hot meal daily	\$5,000
Sharing the Love of Christ with Immigrants in Detention (LIRS) Spanish Bibles for those incarcerated by Immigration & Customs Enforcement	\$5,000
Student Aid Grants for SED Students in Christian careers Provide scholarships to SED students pursuing careers in full-time church work	\$5,000
HD Equipment Needs to teach God's Word to Tweens & Teens Worldwide Funds to produce faith- based videos to reach out to tweens & teens on TV & YouTube	\$4,400
Prison & Recovery Ministry, Grace Lutheran Church, LaPlata MD Produce video "When Did I Visit Jesus In Prison Or Invite Him In?"	\$4,000
Student Scholarships for MOST Mission Trips Assist SED students wishing to participate in a MOST Mission trip	\$2,500
Community Tuition Aid, Galilee Lutheran Preschool, Pasadena MD Aid local community to pay monthly tuition to send child to Christian preschool	\$2,500
Bethesda Auxiliary - A prayer book for people with disabilities Publish & distribute 'The Christ Connection' to reach people of all levels of disability	\$3,000
Food For Haiti, Orphan Grain Train, Mid-Atlantic Region Add non-perishable food to shipping container of donations for people in Haiti	\$5,000
Faith House, Frederick MD - Women's Shelter Startup Costs Assist with start-up costs to renovate building to house homeless women & children	\$5,000
Establish the Bassa Community Health Center, District #3, Liberia Fund community health center in poorest district of Liberia devastated by ebola	\$5,000

May the Lord bless the prayerful selection of these grants.



Chesapeake District LWML Convention 2016

September 23-25, Radisson North Baltimore 2004 Greenspring Drive, Timonium, MD 21093

Make hotel reservations directly with the Radisson Hotel Call (410) 252-7373 and ask for LWML 16 room block LWML Room Rate: \$102 + tax per room for 1-4 people

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Please print in black ink.

Badge Name (first, last)		Check One Appropriate Category	
Mailing Address		General Registration	
CityState	_ ZIP	Society (Church) Delegate Zone Young Women's Rep Teen Executive Committee Zone Chair	
PhoneFax			
Email Address		Past District President Host Committee Clergy	
Church/SocietyZone	e	Exhibitor	
First Time Attendee? 50 Years Pl	lus LWML'er		
Registration Fees			
Early Registration (postmarked by August 31	L 2016) \$125	TOTAL \$	
Regular Registration (after August 31, 2016).		\$135 \$	
Teen or YWR Registration (Each of the above includes registration, I Saturday lunch and Saturday evening	Friday evening reception, banquet)		
Saturday Banquet and Entertainment for uni Exhibitor Table fee			
Total Amount Enclosed		\$	
Delegates and YWRs - Send registration materials to your Zone Chairman.			
All Others - Send registration materials to:	Margaret Martens 508 Old Stone Place Bel Air, MD 21015		
Checks payable to LWML Chesapeake District must accompany registration. Duplicate this form for your records.			
Saturday Afternoon Interest Sessions (Mark your choices in order of preference, 1 through 4 sessions.) Engage, Encourage, Equip and Enjoy! Sow here, Sow there, Sow Everywhere Rev.Dr. Brent Smith Gifts of Love, Linda Gage and Marge Encourage Assisting Each Woman, H2H Sisters, Maggie Harris & Dee Greenfield The Lutheran Church in Africa, Phil Ja Convention Choir, Pr. Long and Betty Growing the LWML, YWR Committee Cynthia Massengill, Kathryn Phillips Mission Trip? What Does That involved Susan Sohn, Teresa Tester	President Patti Ross Se: Mission in the SED, Bruning Seph (1st session only) (2nd session only)	I would like to participate in: Mission Mite Walk Yoga for Mites Special Needs Interpreter Needed Wheelchair Accessibility Dietary Restrictions (describe) Other special needs (describe)	

You are invited by the Pen Mar Zone to the

Chesapeake District LWML Convention 2016 - Theme: "Sow What?" September 23-25, 2016 in Timonium, Maryland

Sow for yourselves righteousness, reap the fruit of unfailing love, and break up your unplowed ground: for it is time to seek the Lord, until He comes and showers righteousness on you. Hosea 10:12 NIV

Bible Studies - Worship - Interest Sessions - Elections - Mission Grants - Entertainment - Much More!



Rev. Dr. Brent Smith, Keynote Speaker Executive Director Mission Development, SED



Patti Ross LWML President



Rev. Charles Long and Betty, Convention Musicians Grace Lutheran Church La Plata, MD

Interest Sessions

- Engage, Encourage, Equip, and Enjoy! (LWML President Patti Ross). Hear more on how we can help every woman of the LCMS to Engage, Encourage, and Equip our Lutheran Women in Mission, and to Enjoy our work for the Glory of God!
- Sow Here, Sow There, Sow Everywhere: Mission in the SED (Rev. Dr. Brent Smith) Pr. Smith will share how the Southeastern District, LCMS engages in creative ministries to foster the growth of God's kingdom.
- Gifts of Love (Linda Gage and Marge Bruning).
 Learn about "The Benefits of a Christian Estate
 and Gift Planning." Hear inspiring stories about
 the ways gift plans can provide for your heirs as
 well as ministries.
- Assisting Each Woman (Maggie Harris and Dee Greenfield). The Heart-to-Heart Sisters program aims to motivate, equip, and ensure opportunities for multicultural women to serve the church, participate in LWML, witness to the world, and grow in relationships as sisters in Christ.
- The Lutheran Church in Africa (Phil Jaseph). Africa
 is one of the fastest growing mission fields in the
 world. Phil will share stories of LCMS mission
 work and how we can help expand the mission
 field.

- *Convention Choir* (Pastor Charles and Betty Long). This rehearsal to prepare for the Sunday Worship Service will be held during the first session only.
- Growing the LWML Teens and YWR's (Cynthia Massengill and Kathryn Phillips). Held only at the second session, exploring the workings and functioning of the LWML, and how young women can be a part.
- Mission Trip? What Does That Involve?
 (Martha McGlynn, Susan Sohn, Teresa
 Tester) have participated in mission trips and will share their stories and answer your questions about going on a mission trip yourself.

Convention Hotel Notes

The Radisson chain purchased the Crown Plaza Hotel in 2015. Hotel renovations are ongoing. It is a non-smoking facility. Each room has one king or two queen beds, hair dryer, iron & ironing board, coffee/tea maker and is equipped with complimentary wireless internet. It offers a Nautilus Fitness Center and free parking. The "Northern Lights" restaurant will be open for Friday evening dinner. They will open for breakfast, which is on-your-own and not included in the registration.

"Sow What?"



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LINC Baltimore

Personal hygiene Kits for homeless men or women packed in quart-size Ziploc bags

Bar Soap

Comb

Deodorant

Disposable Razor

Hand Sanitizer

Liquid Hand Soap

Lotion

Shampoo

Shaving Cream

Socks Washcloth Toothbrush

Toothpaste (Small)

Gift cards for Seminarians (as usual)



Macy JC Penney Sears Walmart

Gas card BP and Shell

Applebee's Chick Fil A Dairy Queen Fridays

KFC McDonalds Olive Garden Red Lobster Texas Road House

Wendy's



Eyeglasses For MOST Ministries

FCCAU (Faith Communities and Civic Agencies United)

Liquid Hand Soap Plastic Ware Paper Plates Toilet Paper Paper Towels Zip Lock Sandwich Bags



Isaiah 40:31
but those who hope in the Lord will
renew their strength.
They will soar on wings like eagles;
They will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.



Chesapeake District Special Gifts Fund

What better way to honor or remember a loved one or fellow LWML member than with a donation to Special Gifts? These funds are used for grants to help with educational opportunities, new projects where start-up or one time funds are needed or to help with an ongoing or established project.

Make checks payable to: Lutheran Church Extension Fund with "LWML Special Gifts" on memo line. Mail to: Sandy O'Hedy

> 116 S. School Lane Smyrna, DE 19977

Given by:
Amount
In Memory of or in Honor of:
Occasion
Send acknowledgement of gift to: (please print plainly)
Name
Address

Update on the Special Gifts Fund

(May through July 2016)

Stewardship account ending balance July 18, 2016: \$2,424.15 This includes \$2.73 interest on account, plus \$89.82 interest from CD. CD balance June 30, 2016: \$17,000

Candidates for the 2016-2018 Biennium

- VP Christian Life Chris Maconachy (DCMarVA)
- VP Mission Outreach and Grants Martha McGlynn (Baltimore Zone)
- VP Servant Resources Pam Weimer (Pen-Mar)
- Corresponding Secretary Amy Pearsall (Potomac)
- Treasurer Linda Nau (Old Dominion)

Nominees for Pastoral Counselor:

- Rev. Michael Pottschmidt, Trinity, Richmond, VA (Old Dominion)
- Rev. Jacob May, Emmanuel, Hampton, VA (Tidewater)

Thank you to the Nominating Committee: Deb Poese, Chair; Susan Sohn and Penny Helmore

Special Gifts Given

In Memory of: Donated by: Carol Zehnder Carol Schmidt Walter and Constance Hoff Harbor Point Behavioral Center d/b/a Brighton BHC Mary Jane and Don Meyer Barbara Wagner Edi Collis Joan Kelly Klara Iames Karen Matthiesen Ian and Fred Rueter Judy and Dick Rosche Sylvia Shives Armand and Myra Taylor Jack & Ruby Maute Prince of Peace LWML Werner and Marilyn Friederichs Mr. & Mrs. John Spencer

Elsie Koch

Women of St. Paul, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Annapolis



I WANT YOU!

The Democratic and Republican Conventions are over and if they left you depressed, uninspired, and wondering – we know just the thing that will lift your spirts!!

Register now for the Chesapeake District LWML Convention on September 23-25 at the Radisson North Baltimore in Timonium, Maryland.

The Convention will include: Bible Studies, Communion Service, Keynote Speakers, 8 Interest Sessions, selecting new LWML Officers and Mite Projects, Entertainment and enjoying great fellowship with your LWML sisters.

Don't delay – we want you!!

Karen and Claudia Meeting Managers

Linda L. Gage | LWML Gift Planning Counselor LWML Gifts of Love Ministry

We are pleased to have Linda Gage, LWML's National Gift Planning Counselor, leading an interest session on *Gifts of Love – Returning God's Blessings*. Linda helps individuals and couples plan and direct their passion for giving to family and all ministries of the church, like LWML.



Come and hear how planning for yourself, your family, and growing God's kingdom can be done to meet your specific goals. You will discover how you can share your faith, minimize taxes, bless your family, and make a lasting impact on ministry through your estate documents like a will or trust. These services are provided free through LWML.

Linda is employed by the LCMS Foundation and serves the LWML through a ministry partnership. She is a certified Christian Development Executive, and has served in the LCMS for 30 years. Linda resides in Silver Creek, NY (1 hour south of Buffalo) with her husband, Don, on their 75acre fruit farm. They have been married for 38 years and are blessed with two sons, a daughter-in-law, two granddaughters and a grandson. Don and Linda are members of Trinity Lutheran Church in Silver Creek, NY. Linda travels across the country meeting with LWML families and providing workshops to LWML groups on charitable planning. Consider inviting Linda to be a speaker at your next event. You will learn a lot and have the confidence in knowing that you are working with an experienced LCMS professional who serves our LWML. She can be reached at lindagage.lwml@gmail.com or 800-741-4138.

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