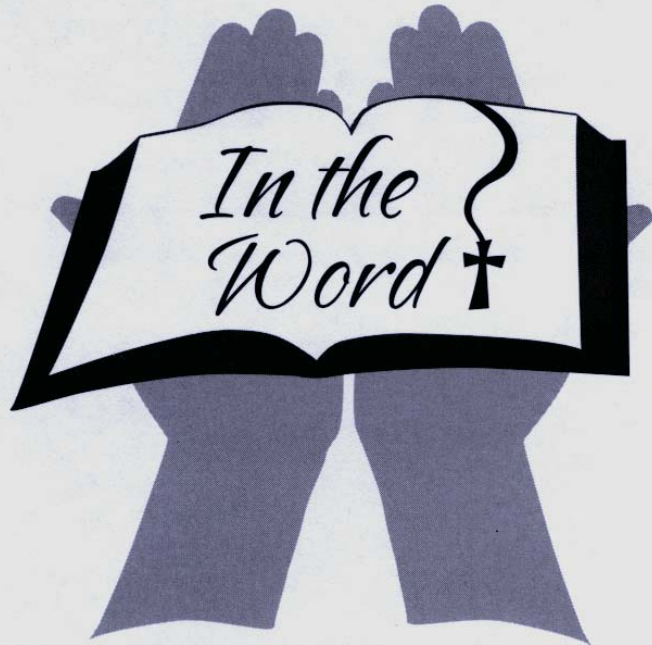


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PEOPLE OF GOD...



LWML Sunday 2010

OCTOBER 3, 2010

**President's
Message**



"For God so loved the world . . ." therefore we will GO GATHER GLORIFY.

At the convention, these words were brought to life by a trio of speakers each of whom skillfully wove the two parts of the theme together. Pastor Bartels spoke of how God through Jesus swallowed up our worldly "SO WHATS!" and made them into God's "SO THAT'S!" Fill in the blank with the wonderful news; Jesus came SO THAT . . . Pastor Taylor not only led us in rousing singing but shared the great comfort the Lord's Supper gave people who intimately experienced 911. This comfort is ours also, and not only in a great crisis, but in our daily life as well. Personal involvement in missions was Mission Central's Gary Thies' message. "GO YOURSELF or SEND SOMEONE ELSE," he said.

For me, the entire convention experience is just plain wonderful!! And, just imagine, if the district convention experience is wonderful, what could you expect at a national convention? I can try to tell you about it, but really – you have to be there. And next summer, you can be there. The next national LWML convention is in Peoria, IL. June 23 to June 26, 2011. It's not too early to make your resolve that, God willing, "I will go and see what the excitement is all about."

In the meantime, other wonderful LWML experiences can be yours. We're home from convention, inspired and refreshed and ready to step into the next biennium with all of the blessings and challenges it will present.

The next get together with your sisters is Christ is coming fast. The ladies of the Dubuque Zone are planning a wonderful time for us at the fall retreat at Camp Io-

Dis-E-Ca September 24th and 25th. The theme, *"By My Hand—For My Sake"*, is based on Romans 5:15. Register as soon as you can. The registration form is in the June issue of the IDEA. I hope to see you there.

And finally, I want you to know that I am humbled and feel very blessed to serve you as your President. Please pray for the LWML and for your LWML leaders on all levels. Ask God to give us the wisdom and patience we all need to serve others and that we stay on course when serving. One of the IDEA LWML Board of Directors first tasks will be to talk about a two year plan. Besides fulfilling the commitments we have made to several different mission groups through our grants and continuing other business of the district, are there other workshops or ideas you would like us to explore? Do you have a concern you would like addressed? Please contact me. I am ready to serve and welcome your input.

Janice Johnston
President

CONGRATULATIONS!

to **MARILYN EGLAND**, our LWML sister in Christ from Bettendorf who has been elected President of the Board of Directors of the Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots, US (LAMP US). This is Marilyn's eleventh year of service with this ministry that is dedicated to the sharing of "Christ's kingdom with Native North American Peoples for ministry to their own and to others." (Northern Lights, Vol. 41, No.1, Spring 2010)

We pray for God's richest blessings for Marilyn as she serves in this important work. We join Christ's entire church in thanking Marilyn for her dedication to LAMP, USA and to the LWML where she has served in many capacities over the years. Most recently, she served as Parliamentarian for our 2010 IDE LWML convention.



Counselor's Corner

The Doorbell!

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

(HEBREWS 10:25 NIV)

A pastor was walking down the street one day when he noticed a very small boy trying to press a doorbell on a house across the street. The boy was very small and the doorbell was too high for him to reach.

After watching the boy's efforts for a few moments, the pastor crossed the street, walked up behind the little fellow and, placing his hand kindly on the child's shoulder leaned over and gave the doorbell a solid ring.

Crouching down to the child's level, the pastor smiled kindly and asked, "Now what, my little man?" To which the boy replied, "Now we run!"

Often in life, it is not the things we plan that surprise us; it is the things we don't plan. Unexpected things may surprise us for good or for ill. Sometimes, great blessings come our way. At other times, deep disappointments may beset us. Occasionally, godly things in our lives are lost by simple neglect despite our good intentions.

Neglect is comparable to relaxing our grip on a drinking glass; it may slip and shatter on the floor. Not that it was our intention to break it; we simply failed to hang on to it. The fall to the floor shatter it.

In life, similar things may happen to friendships, ideals, character, and our own Christian faith. Simple neglect, fail-

ure to put them to use or cultivate what is good and godly in our daily life may unintentionally shatter what is necessary and beneficial to us.

God's gracious plan for our lives is that we should remain in Him and He in us. No one can take this from us, although by our own neglect of worship and Bible study we can unintentionally weaken our faith and finally sever our connection to Christ.

As summer ends and school begins, let me encourage you not to neglect what is good and godly – those things that are most precious. Attend to worship where

Christ's Word and Sacraments are freely offered for you, bring your children and grandchildren to Sunday school, and join an adult study.

In Christ, hang on to these precious things, cling to them, treasure them, and thank God for them. Only then will you not find yourself on the front porch of a strange house with your finger on a doorbell and a little boy telling you to run!

Pastor Mark Gedfaller

Pastoral Counselor



LWML Store items available

The following items are now available from the LWML store at the August 14 Board meeting. If you want any of the items, give your Zone President a check made out to IDE LWML for the amount.

White or purple mugs - \$9

White polo shirts in M, XL, XXL sizes - \$20

Stone absorbing Coaster sets - \$12



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

LWML SUNDAY - OCTOBER 3, 2010



This Mt. Pleasant Zone banner was made by Janice Johnston, our newly-elected District President. Pictured are Karen Schaub, Mt. Pleasant Zone Secretary and representative on the Nominating Committee and Bev Wibben, Mt. Pleasant Zone President.

FALL 2010 ZONE RALLY SCHEDULE

ZONE	DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LOCATION
BENTON	N/A			
CEDAR RAPIDS	10/3/2010	12:30 PM	BETHANY	CEDAR RAPIDS
CLINTON	N/A			
DAVENPORT	N/A			
DUBUQUE	9/11/2010	08:30 AM	ST. JOHN'S	MONTICELLO
ELDORA	10/9/2010	08:30 AM	ST. PAUL'S	ALDEN
MARSHALLTOWN	10/2/2010	09:00 AM	ST. PAUL	LACONA
MT. PLEASANT	10/16/2010	08:30 AM	CONCORDIA	BURLINGTON
ST. ANSGAR	N/A			
WATERLOO	N/A			
WESTGATE	N/A			
WILLIAMSBURG	10/31/2010		ST. PAUL'S	WILLIAMSBURG

JUNE 23-26, 2011 – LWML CONVENTION, PEORIA, ILLINOIS – "BEING WITH JESUS—LIVING ON THE EDGE"

THE 34TH BIENNIAL LWML CONVENTION to be held at the Peoria Civic Center, June 23–26, 2011, will be the place to be next summer. Exciting convention activities are being designed around the convention theme "Being with Jesus – Living on the Edge." Convention attendees will be able to reach out with care and compassion with Gifts from the Heart. A complete list of items that may be brought to the convention in unlimited quantities is available for download at www.lwml.org/human-care/gfth-info.htm. You will find information about Gifts from the Heart in a full-size poster, a bulletin insert, and a size to share with a friend. The list includes items for men, women, and children, in addition to quilts of any size. Now is a great time to begin sewing and shopping!

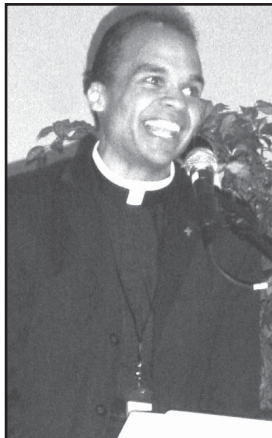


June 27-30, 2013 – LWML Convention, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

June 25-28, 2015 – LWML Convention, Des Moines Iowa

5TH Biennial Iowa District East

JUNE 18-19, 2010



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER –
Rev. Dien Ashley Taylor**



**MISSION SPEAKER –
GARY THIES**

ADOPTED!

2010-2012 Mission Grants

1	IDE Seminary Scholarships	\$ 7,500
2	IDE. Student Scholarships	\$ 11,000
3	Camp IoDisEca Camperships	\$ 5,000
4	Mission Central Pastor training Project-Africa	\$ 4,000
5	LCMS WR/Human Care Disaster Relief kits	\$ 3,500
5	LCMS Joint Seminary Fund	\$ 5,000
7	Lutheran Blind Mission- Publish Today's Light	\$ 4,000
8	LCMS World Relief-Palanga Lithuanian Lutheran church	\$ 5,000
9	Lutheran Deaf Mission-Deaf training project	\$ 6,000
10	LCMS World Missions-Chapel roof, Africa	\$ 5,000
11	LCMS World Missions-Emergency Med.-Evac, Paupua,NG.	\$ 4,000
12	DAGO Womens' Resource center	\$ 5,000
13	LAMP Morningstar Mentoring Project	\$ 5,000
14	Mission Central -Inda Church planting/training	\$ 5,600
15	LCMS World Missions-Wittenberg Project	\$ 5,000
16	Grace Place for IDE churchworkers	\$ 3,450
16	Mission Central-IndiaSchool Mission Project	\$ 3,450
	Total Grant Goal.....	\$87,500

SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS

LWML Convention Highlights



THANKS TO OUTGOING OFFICERS (L-R)
Joyce Roberson, VP of Gospel Outreach; Betty Borchardt, Financial Secretary; Mabel Schmidt, President; Marie Tegatz, VP of Christian Life; Mildred Herman, Secretary.
Not pictured: Rev. Jay Jaeger, Counselor



NEW OFFICERS ELECTED (L-R):
Sharon Andresen, VP of Gospel Outreach; Betty Borchardt, Secretary; Janice Johnston, President; Helen Huedepohl, Financial Secretary; Sharon Akers, VP of Christian Life
Not pictured: Rev. Mark Gefaller, Counselor

Statistics

Ingathering
Eastside Mission—27 boxes
Ronald McDonald House—23 Boxes

Attendance Report
98 Delegates
21 Voting Board Members
12 Non-Voting Board Members
123 Non-Voting Attendees
13 Pastors
12 Young Women Representatives (YWR's)
3 Teen LWML (FISH)
41 Invited Guests
323 Total Registrants

Convention Offerings
#1—Mission Central (Missionary) - \$4,365.25
#2—POBLO (Rev. Ty Brumwell) - \$2,473.01

Ready—Set—Recycle (low a East and low a West)
267 Shipments
Recycle Income: \$9,639.13
\$ Donations: \$1,819.35
Interest Earned: \$223.23
Total: \$11,681.75

CHRISTIAN LIFE

This past month I have been blessed to host and be uplifted by some young Ambassadors for Christ, been challenged to “Go, Gather, and Glorify” at District convention, and encouraged as I witnessed one of our young vicars be ordained and installed in his first parish.

The message I heard over and over again was “GO”. The example of the young Ambassadors who step out in faith and share God’s love with others made me humble. The speakers, singing, and shining examples set by my LWML sisters at convention inspires me to live out my faith by doing and speaking the wonderful news of salvation. The ordination encouraged me in the assurance that God continues to be at work among us by lifting up and calling men to follow Jesus’ example in the ministry. Acts 4:20 tells us that the disciples who walked with Jesus cannot but speak the things we have seen and heard”. We need to do the same.

Every week in church we hear the message, “I am a sinner, I have been forgiven, I have been saved by the blood shed on the cross, so I can have eternal life”. Wonderful news? Oh, yes! But as Pastor Bartel admonished us at convention, it is not “so what”, but rather, “so that”. SO THAT .. I can go out and share this wonderful

news. In 2 Corinthians 5:15 Paul tells us “*And He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him...*”.

Who? Me? I can’t do that, I don’t know what to say. I might offend someone! “I”, “me” --- no this isn’t about me –this is about God! God said “Go...” to Moses, to Jonah, to Abraham, to the fishermen who became apostles. He said to all of them “go” and I will be with you. In Matt. 28:20b, Jesus tells his followers “... *And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.*” He promised to be with them – and He will be with me as well.

With Jesus at my side, I can share this good news, and so can you. As an expression of our faith and in thanksgiving for the gift of salvation may we strive to make our lives a reflection of Jesus’ eyes, hands, and heart by proclaiming God’s love to all mankind.

Sharon Akers

Vice President of Christian Life



GOSPEL OUTREACH

The delegates of the 2010 IDE LWML Convention were led by the Holy Spirit to support the new mite goals listed below. These mission grants are in need of our support through our monetary gifts and our prayers. Reread the Biblical account of the widow’s mite (Luke 21:1-4) and then consider the ways you might regularly support these mission goals. In addition to your mite box contributions, you may wish to consider giving a thank offering in honor of a loved one’s birthday, anniversary, birth of a child, baptism, confirmation, etc. Mite memorials are especially meaningful when remembering those who have gone before us to the Church Triumphant. One size fits all, and it’s as easy as sending your gift to our newly elected financial secretary, Helen Huedepohl, at 3046 210th St, Homestead, IA 52236. Blessings to all LWML members of Iowa District East as we implement new ways to fulfill our mission goals in the months ahead!

Sharon Andresen

Vice President of Gospel Outreach



HUMAN CARE

Caring and sharing

The theme for the 35th Biennial IDE LWML Convention held this June in Davenport, IA., centered around the Bible verse, God So Loved the World John 3:16, Go-Gather-Glorify.

As the ladies came to worship and praise their Heavenly Father, they also came to share the many blessings God had bestowed on them, by providing help to others who were in need of support and comfort.

This year’s ingathering went to the Lutheran Church East Side Mission in Davenport, IA. and to the Ronald McDonald House in Iowa City, IA. Twenty seven boxes went to the East Side Mission and twenty three boxes went to the Ronald McDonald House. Items collected varied from diaper wipes, computer paper, crayons, canned fruit, vegetables, soup, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene items, pantry items, paper products, two teddy bears, one doll, seven books of stamps, five individual stamps, three phone

cards, DVD’s and various other items. Donations in the amount of \$470.00 was received thru gift cards and cash.

Pastor David Weber in his In-Gathering prayer asked God to bless these items that they would reflect our love for God and benefit those who receive and use them. Thank you to all of you who provided items, sorted, packed and delivered these gifts. Your caring hearts were a blessing.

Human Care is God in Action Thru You...as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Colossians 3:12

Carole Zimmerman

Vice President of Human Care



SERVANT RESOURCES

“But everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way.” 1 CORINTHIANS 14:40 NIV. Bylaws are important for the right and proper operation of any organization. At our recent district convention



the IDE LWML bylaws were amended. Each society should have received a copy of the bylaws from their Zone President and a copy is posted at our website (www.ide-lwml.org). Several of the zones have in recent years reviewed and amended their bylaws. I am encouraging those zones that haven’t done so to do so soon. I also encourage every society in Iowa District East to review their bylaws. It is very important

that your society bylaws reflect the current practices in your society. Times change and so do the things we do in our societies. To ensure the smooth running of your society take some time every few years to review the bylaws and make any updates that are needed. The bylaws are also a useful tool to share with new members to your society so that they can see what opportunities there are to get involved and what duties they entail. Even though bylaws make not look like something that is important to spreading the word of God, they are so that the work of the Lord can get done.

Blessings in all that you do,

Angie Banko

Vice President of Servant Resources and Chairman of the Structure Committee

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

LWML IOWA DISTRICT EAST MEMORIAL RECORD JANUARY 1, 2010 TO JUNE 30, 2010



DONOR

Homestead, St. John's Ladies Aid
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Readlyn, Immanuel Klingler LWML
Shell Rock, Peace Ladies Aid
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Williamsburg, St. Paul Women's Guild
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Rev. Larry & Mabel Schmidt
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Dennis & Morey Waitzman
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Williamsburg, St. Paul Women's Guild
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Hubbard, St. John's Mission Circle
Iowa Falls, Immanuel Ladies Aid
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Deloris Clayton
Grand Mound, Immanuel Mary Martha Circle/Ladies
Aid
Marengo, St. Johns Ladies Aid

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Agnes Alexander
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Gertrude Hartwig & Carmel Meyer
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Mae Etta Zimmerman
John Hughes & Jean Bern
Nan Sorensen & Alfrieda Colvesing
Leone Hartzell
Jean Bern
Joyce Kutzner

Mamie Petersen
Norma Wacker

DONOR

Marshalltown, Redeemer LWML
Readlyn, Immanuel Klingler LWML
Alden, St Pauls Ladies Aid
Hampton, Trinity Ladies Society
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Iowa Falls, Immanuel Ladies Aid
Readlyn, Immanuel Klingler LWML
Ruth Langehough
Rev. Larry & Mabel Schmidt
Hampton, Trinity Ladies Society
Westgate, St. Peter Church Women
Rev. Larry & Mabel Schmidt
Barbara Forsyth
Hampton, Trinity Ladies Society

Total Memorial Gifts

\$1,538.00

SPECIAL OCCASIONS REMEMBERED

Heidi Iltis
Lowden, Trinity Ladies Aid
Wilmer & Fae Schewe
State Center, St. John Ladies Aid
Rev. Larry & Mabel Schmidt
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Total Special Occasions Gifts

\$210.00

Birth of grand nephew, Zachary
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ebers 55th Anniversary
Wilmer & Fae Schewe, 60th Anniversary
Art & Sandi Duncan, 50th Anniversary
Eugene & Darlene Woellert, 55th Anniversary
Rev. Don & Carol Loesch, 50th Anniversary
Arlin & Bev Schmidt, 40th Anniversary

THANK YOU to the societies and individuals that choose to honor those that have received their crown of glory or those that are celebrating special occasions by sending a gift to the Iowa District East LWML. These gifts help to provide funds that are needed to meet the district's inreach and outreach goals each biennium. These gifts are instrumental in providing funds to accomplish the goal of spreading the love and gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, in Iowa District East and throughout the world.

My term as your Financial Secretary is now completed. Over the past four years I have grown in my faith and joy in service to my Lord and His people. I have truly been blessed by all the faith filled women and also men that I have met and worked with during this time. May LWML'ers everywhere continue to support the work of this organization that is dedicated to spreading the Word and sharing God's love through out the world. To God be the Glory.

Betty Borchardt

Outgoing Financial Secretary