

41st Biennial Convention
Lutheran Women's Missionary League
Texas District



June 20, 2020

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LWML  *Texas* **District**

Welcome from the President

**Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District
41st Biennial Convention
June 18 - 20, 2020
Omni Corpus Christi**



Hebrews 6:19-20

June 20, 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Greetings and welcome to the 41st Biennial Convention of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District! Whether this is your first convention, or you are a seasoned attendee, we are all attending our very first virtual convention. The year 2020 will be remembered as the year a pandemic caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) shut down the world resulting in the cancellation of our physical convention. Be assured you have been lifted up in prayer along with everyone planning this convention.

Christ is Our Anchor! Our convention theme reminds us that even though things have drastically changed in our world, God is our Anchor. As we gather together virtually for several hours, we reaffirm our hope is anchored in Christ. May each of you rest in God's Word and recharge in worship. Then I pray you are re-energized to share our hope in Christ with others in our ever-changing world during the days and weeks to come.

We thank the Host Committee for working diligently to prepare for the convention in Corpus Christi. All of their efforts were to glorify God, and nothing is wasted. We look forward to returning to Corpus Christi in 2024.

It has been a privilege to serve as LWML Texas District President. I thank God for the many opportunities He provided to "Joyfully serve the Lord, Openly confess the Gospel and Yearn to grow in God's Word." I eagerly anticipate new ways to serve with JOY in the future. It is my prayer all *Lutheran Women in Mission* experience JOY in fervent love for God and each other.

I look forward to the day when we can be together and greet one another with a hug. May God richly bless you.

Serving with JOY,

Debbie Curry
LWML Texas District President
2016-2020

Special Greetings



Office of the President
Debbie Larson

June 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is my honor to bring you greetings from the Board of Directors of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). This year all 40 LWML districts will meet in convention, each with a different agenda and a variety of activities, and yet we gather for one purpose: to glorify one God.



Our Lord continues to bless the LWML. We humbly thank Him for the thousands of mission grants funded in the past 78 years, both on the district and national levels, and the countless lives brought to Christ by the working of the Holy Spirit through your service, prayers, and generous offerings. To God be all glory and praise!

In the next few days, you will meet under the theme "Christ is Our Anchor." My prayer for you is that the Holy Spirit will lead and guide you, that you will take advantage of opportunities to share His Good News with a new friend, and that you will learn something new about one of the mission grant recipients. I pray that you will always find joy in worshiping and serving our Lord. May love and laughter fill each of your hearts as you learn from His Word, complete the business for your district, renew friendships, and build new relationships.

LWML women come from all generations and from all cultures yet gather together praising one God. Our passion is to encourage all women to be rooted in God's Word and to live out our response to God's grace through mission education, mission service, mission inspiration, and mission giving. As a Lutheran woman in mission, this is your mission!

Please pray for the mission grants selected at this convention and for the 21 national mission grants your delegates chose at the 38th Biennial LWML Convention in Mobile, Alabama, in 2019. We hold fast to the commitment of our mite offerings to meet our mission goal, remembering that we have pledged to our Lord "our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom." What a blessing to know that our Heavenly Father gives us the privilege to extend His Kingdom!

Your Texas District, under the direction of President Debbie Curry, has supported the plans and programs of the LWML. I thank God for each of you as you individually serve Him wherever you are and with the gifts He has graciously given you for this time in the life of the LWML.

Serving Christ, surrounded by HIS grace,

LWML President 2019-2023



Convention Rules

RULES FOR LWML TEXAS DISTRICT CONVENTION, JUNE 20, 2020

LWML TEXAS DISTRICT BYLAWS, Article VI—CONVENTIONS AND REPRESENTATION

Section 4

The members of the convention who shall have voice and vote shall be:

- a. one (1) certified delegate from each society having twenty (20) or less members and one (1) additional delegate for each additional twenty (20) members or major fraction thereof as of December 31 preceding the convention;
- b. voting members of the Board of Directors; Zone Presidents unable to attend are allowed an alternate representative, who shall have vote and voice, but who shall not be considered a member of the Board. (See ARTICLE XII, Section 1 b).
- c. all past LWML Texas District Presidents who are currently members of LWML and reside in the district.

Section 5

A member of the voting assembly shall vote in one (1) capacity. Proxy votes are prohibited.

Section 7

A majority of the registered voting assembly shall constitute a quorum.

1) CREDENTIALS

- a) Prior to the transaction of any business, the credentials chairman will present a role of delegates eligible to vote to the parliamentarian for the electronic voting program, Election Runner. The parliamentarian will conduct a practice vote to determine all eligible delegates have the ability to vote and present results to the credentials chairman to prepare a credentials report.
- b) A credentials report will be verified by a vote to approve the convention rules on June 16, 2020 and presented for approval to all voting delegates in an election held on June 17, 2020 and will apply to all votes.
- c) Upon proper clearance by the credentials chairman (Vice President of Organizational Resources), a member registered as an alternate may be transferred from alternate to delegate up until noon on June 18, 2020 and shall retain the position change through the remainder of the convention.

2) CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- a) Only certified delegates and alternates may introduce business, debate and vote.
- b) A list of candidates, proposed bylaws amendments, recommendation from the Board of Directors for an additional new endowment, work program, and proposed mission grants will be posted on the district website. Any delegate may request them by mail or email if needed.
- c) Discussion of the proposed bylaw amendments, work program and the new endowment, and an opportunity to make nominations for offices and the nominating committee will be held during the first week of June and be open to all voting delegates through a discussion board, email or by phone. Any new business, motions or nominations received must have a second and be presented in writing to the president (by email or on the discussion board). Nominations must include written permission from the nominee and biographical information.
- d) All voting will be conducted electronically using Election Runner. Voting will be open for 4 hours for each vote and split into segments on June 16-18, 2020.
- e) A convention rule may be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates.

3) PARTICIPATION FOR ALL MEMBERS

- a) Due to restrictions from the pandemic, a virtual convention will be held on June 20, 2020 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. All election results will be announced during the live stream.
- b) The convention will include a worship service, keynote speaker, Mites in Action Speaker, Bible studies by the pastoral counselors and reports.
- c) A convention offering for the LWML Texas District 2020-2022 Mite Goal will be gathered by mail and electronically.

Convention Program

Saturday, June 20, 2020

9:20 a.m. Singing
Allison Ulmer, Song Leader

9:30 a.m. First Convention Meeting

Call to Order Debbie Curry, President

Lighting of the Convention Candle

Worship Service Rev. John Heckmann
Senior Pastoral Counselor

Proclaimer Rev. Mike Newman
President Texas District LCMS

Opening Prayer Lois Teinert, LWML Texas District
President 2012–2016

League Pledge Dorothy Hunger, LWML Texas District
President 2004–2008

Texas District Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Greetings Rev. Michael Newman, President

Bible Study #1 Rev. John Heckmann
Senior District Pastoral Counselor

Committee Appointments/Convention Rules Debbie Curry

Credentials Report Nancy Beckcom, Vice President of
Organizational Resources

Presentation of Work Program Kelly Bernhardt
Treasurer

Results of Electronic Votes 1–3 Debbie Curry

Work Program, New Endowment, Amendments to Bylaws

Announce 2024 Convention Site Debbie Curry

Song Break Allison Ulmer

Introduction of Keynote Speaker Kelli Alsup, Vice
President of Christian Life

“Anchor in the Storm” Deb Burma
Keynote Speaker

Announcements Debbie Curry

Closing Prayer Peggy Turnipseed, LWML Texas District
President 1996–2000

Noon Lunch Break

Scavenger Hunt Abby Faske, Chairman
Committee on Young Women



League Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption, we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.



Convention Program

12:50 p.m. Singing
Allison Ulmer, Song Leader

1 p.m. Second Convention Meeting

Opening Prayer Kathy Lowman, LWML Texas District
President 2008–2012

Bible Study #2 Rev. Mark Moldenhauer
Junior District Pastoral Counselor

Report of the Board of Directors Patti Samsel
Recording Secretary

Introduction of Departments
and Committees Debbie Curry

Report of the President Debbie Curry

Report of Tellers for Mission Grants
and Officers Debbie Curry

Song Break Allison Ulmer

Report of the LWML Debbie Larson, LWML President

Introduction of Mites in Action Speaker Joy Cowan
Vice President of Gospel Outreach

“RECONNECT to the Body of Christ” Don Hoehne
Mites in Action Speaker, RioMAC

District Young Woman Representatives April Gilbert,
Kendra Larsen and Abby Faske

Scholarship Endowment Fund
Committee Report Marlene White

Legacy Gifts and Endowments Dr. Jerry Kieschnick
Legacy Deo

Invitation to 2021 LWML Convention in Lexington, Kentucky

Invitation to 2022 LWML Texas District Convention
Bayou City, Golden Harvest, Golden Triangle, Gulf
Coast, New Horizon, and White Oak Zones

LWML Texas District President 2020–2024

Closing Prayer Eloise Kuhlmann, LWML Texas District
President 2000–2004

Closing Song Allison Ulmer

Benediction Rev. Mark Moldenhauer

Adjournment Newly Elected District President

Voting Body

Board of Directors	
Past Presidents	
Delegates	
Total Eligible To Vote	
Guests	



**Lutheran
Women
in Mission**

Convention Offering

**2020-2022
LWML Texas
District
Mite Goal**

Amount \$

Convention Personalities

DEB BURMA **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

With infectious warmth and wit, Deb Burma writes as she speaks: with authenticity and passion. Faithful to God's Word, she relates Scripture to everyday life. Deb will encourage you personally as she speaks truth into your life. She has a passion for sharing God's extravagant grace in Christ through her ministry. You can visit her blog Extravagant Grace at her website debburma.com. *In [Jesus] we have...the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us* (Ephesians 1:7-8 NIV).



Deb is an author for Concordia Publishing House and a sought-after speaker for women's conferences, retreats, and ministry events. Her assortment of Christian-living books, Bible studies, and devotionals include the best-selling Bible study *Living a Chocolate Life*, *Stepping Out*, *Beautiful Feet*, and her newest work, *JOY: A Study of Philippians*.

Deb earned a degree in economics and finance, then followed the Lord's lead to direct women's and family ministries while raising a family and pursuing additional training in writing, speaking, and theology. Deb's ministry travels have taken her to 26 states and Canada and continue to lead her down the street to her home church.

Raised on a ranch in South Dakota, Deb and her family shared adventures residing in five different states before calling Nebraska home. Deb is a pastor's wife and the proud mother of three amazing young adults. She's a self-proclaimed coffee/chocolate connoisseur, but above all, Deb is a grace-filled woman of God.

REV. MICHAEL W. NEWMAN **WORSHIP PROCLAIMER**

Michael Newman has been a pastor since 1987 and currently serves as the President of the Texas District of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Before his current mission work, he served congregations in Texas, Minnesota, and the Chicago area. His latest books are: *Gospel DNA: Five Markers of a Flourishing Church* and *Hope When Your Heart Breaks: Navigating Grief and Loss*.



Convention Personalities

In 1983 Pastor Newman received his B.A. degree from Concordia University, Ann Arbor, Michigan, majoring in philosophy and Biblical languages. He received his Master of Divinity degree from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, in 1987.

He has been married to Cindy since 1983. They have been blessed with two wonderful daughters and their families.

In his spare time, you might catch him hanging out with his family, running a few miles on the Texas roads, or enjoying a good book.

DON HOEHNE MITES IN ACTION SPEAKER

Don Hoehne was raised on a farm in rural Stanton, Nebraska, second oldest of six children. He grew up in the Lutheran faith, was baptized at St. John Lutheran Church (WELS) in Stanton and was confirmed and married at Faith Lutheran Church (LCMS) in Stanton. After high school graduation, he spent five years active duty in the U.S. Army. During his time in the service he married his one room country school sweetheart, Linda Van Buren. His work career was in farming, maintenance at a Nucor steel mill, and being an entrepreneur.



In 2010 Don and Linda moved to Laguna Vista, Texas, to golf, fish, and be retired. They joined Fishers of Men Lutheran Church in Port Isabel, where they became involved with the mission program. Don serves as the A/V director and chairman of the congregation and teaches catechism classes. In 2011 they discovered RioMAC (Rio Grande Mission Action Council) and, since 2014, he has been the chairman of the board. For over three years God has given him the privilege to teach a Bible study class at a TJJD facility for incarcerated 13- to 17-year-old boys.

Since coming to the Rio Grande Valley 10 years ago, Don and Linda have been blessed to meet many mission minded people and be involved in mission work, giving thanks and all glory to God. Don adds, "Oh, about golfing, fishing, and being retired, that was my plan, not God's plan."

Linda and Don are proud parents of Don Jr. and Laura, and even prouder grandparents of grandchildren Nate and twins Alex and Abby.

Bible Study Leaders

REV. JOHN HECKMANN

Pastor John Heckmann was born in Orange, Texas, and spent the rest of his youth and young adult years in Houston, Texas. He attended Concordia College in Austin, Texas, transferring to Concordia University in Seward, Nebraska, in 1979. His seminary years were spent at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, with a year of vicarage in Florida. He was ordained by his father, Rev. Eugene Heckmann, on June 30, 1985, and was then installed at St. John Lutheran Church in Kramer, Nebraska, where he served the first 18 years of his ministry.



Pastor Heckmann met his wife, the former Debra Dehning, at Concordia, Seward. It was in Kramer that he and Debra were blessed with their three children.

Pastor Heckmann serves the members of St. Paul Lutheran Church in The Grove as their pastor and the congregations of Circuit 17 as their Circuit Visitor, all while serving on the board of directors for the Driving Hope of Texas Foundation and the Daniel's Lion Heart Foundation.

Pastor Heckmann has served the ladies of the LWML as Pastoral Counselor for the national LWML, LWML Nebraska South District, LWML Texas District, and Sunshine Zone. He is the author of numerous LWML products including Bible studies on Christian leadership and Christian stewardship, a *Quarterly* Bible study dealing with what God's Word says about homosexuality and how we as Christians respond, LWML Sunday materials, LWML Prayer Service, as well as many other materials.

REV. MARK MOLDENHAUER

Pastor Mark Moldenhauer was born in Alexandria, Minnesota. After graduating from Concordia University in St. Paul, Minnesota, he attended Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. His first call was to a tri-parish in Gettysburg, Lebanon and Seneca, South Dakota.

Pastor Moldenhauer first met his wife, Allison, at Lutheran Island Camp in Henning, Minnesota, which is a sister camp to Camp Lone Star in Texas. They were married after his vicarage in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. Over the years they have been blessed with six children who range in age from 3 to 16.



Pastor Moldenhauer serves the members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Brenham, Texas, as their pastor as well as the ladies of the LWML Texas District as one of their Pastoral Counselors. He worked in the LWML office while attending Concordia Seminary and has served the LWML at every stage of his ministry in a variety of roles.

Bible Study

Bible Study #1

We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain (Hebrews 6:19).

Fishermen tend to be _____. You know, “the cup is half full” kinds of people.

In our convention theme verse we have _____ talked about.

What’s the difference in _____ and that sure and certain _____? Why does it matter?

Guarantee #1: God Made a Promise (Read Hebrews 6:13-15)

1. Genesis 17:1-7 God promised to make Abraham the
“_____.”
2. Genesis 12:1-5a God made the promise when Abraham was _____, but it was not fulfilled until he was _____. *What often happens when God asks us to wait for fulfillment of His promises?*
3. *Why is it that God so often makes us wait as He makes these seemingly outlandish promises?*

Guarantee #2: God gave us an Oath (Read Hebrews 6:16-18)

4. When you make a _____ and then back it up with an _____, it is even more _____ that the one making the promise will fulfill it.
5. When God takes an oath, He swears by _____ and He takes that oath seriously. *Why is this important, and how does it differ from the oaths we take?*
6. In verse 18 we read “it is _____ for God to lie”? *What is so reassuring about these words?*

Bible Study

Guarantee #3: God Gave Us an Anchor (Read Hebrews 6:19)

7. Everyone has an _____. The question is how well does it hold?
What are some of our anchors?
8. What we need is an anchor that is “out of this _____.”
9. Anchors usually go _____ to the bottom of the ocean or sea or lake or whatever it is, but the anchor talked about in Hebrews 6:19 goes _____ to Heaven.
10. In John 14:1-6, Jesus tells us I have prepared a place for you. I am coming back to get you. And that is an iron clad _____, backed up with an _____, assuring you that you are _____ firmly in heaven.

Guarantee #4: God Provided a Priest (Read Hebrews 6:20)

11. In the Old Testament God prescribed a system of _____ and _____ that the people brought to the _____ who presented them to the Lord.
12. The problem with that system is that it was never meant to be _____.
13. *How did God solve the problem?* He sent _____. Jesus was the _____ who was himself the final _____. Jesus is a high priest _____. That means that through faith, we are His now and forever.

Bible Study

Bible Study #2

where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek (Hebrews 6:20).

Question #1: Where has Jesus gone as a forerunner?

(Read Hebrews 6:19, Hebrews 9:3)

What is the Most Holy Place (or the Holy of Holies)? (Read Exodus 26:33)

1. It was the _____ section of the _____.
2. It was a place that was a small cube of _____ cubits (1 cubit = 18 inches).
3. It housed the _____ of the _____.
4. No one but the _____ was able to enter and then only _____ a year.

Question #2: What does it mean to be a high priest?

(Read Hebrews 5:10, Hebrews 7:21)

The high priest was the one who could _____ the Most Holy Place (the Holy of Holies).

Jesus is the _____.

Question #3: What is the order of Melchizedek?

Genesis 14:17 - 24

Psalms 110:4

Hebrews 5:6, 10

Hebrews 7:1, 17

The order of Melchizedek is a _____ that points us to _____ who is our Prophet, _____, and King!

Candidates

PRESIDENT

Frances Molitor

Bluebonnet Zone
Zion, Anderson

LWML: Mission
Grants Committee

DISTRICT:

Treasurer, Financial
Secretary, Member
Development
Committee,
Christian Life Committee Chairman,
75th Anniversary Endowment Campaign
Committee, Convention Host Committee
Chairman

ZONE: President, Vice President,
Secretary, Treasurer, Member
Development, Nominating and Bylaws
Committees

LOCAL: President, Vice President,
Secretary, Treasurer, Christian Growth,
Member Development, Nominating
Committee

EDUCATION: Microsoft Word and Excel
Training, Cost Accounting Course

EMPLOYMENT: Retired; Previous –
Senior Project Administrator

CHURCH: Financial Secretary, Sunday
School Teacher, VBS Director and
Teacher; 125th Anniversary Celebration
Co-Chair

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: President and
Treasurer of Parent-Teacher
Organization; T-Ball Coach; Anderson
Shiro CISD Gifted Students Program
Community Member; Enjoys reading,
travel, family time

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____



Helen Schneider

Coastal Bend Zone
Trinity, Odem (West
Sinton)

DISTRICT: Vice

President of
Servant Resources,
Mission Service
Committee
Chairman,
Nominating

Committee, Secretary to President,
Convention Coordinator, Convention
Host Committee Chairman

ZONE: President, Vice President of
Christian Life, Retreat Committee,
Nominating Committee, District
Convention Registrar

LOCAL: President, Vice President,
Treasurer, Bylaws, Christian Life and
Human Care Committees

EDUCATION: Some college

EMPLOYMENT: Beauty Products
Consultant; Retired; Previous –
Teaching Paraprofessional

CHURCH: Financial Secretary and
Treasurer, Secretary of congregation
(preparing Sunday bulletins)

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: Boy Scout
Committee and Treasurer; Thrivent –
President and *Care in Communities*
Director for Chapter; President of Board
of Directors of Refuge of Hope
Pregnancy Resource Center; Enjoys
sewing, crocheting and other crafts,
family time

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____



Candidates

VICE PRESIDENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES

Debra Heckmann

Sunshine Zone
St. Paul, The
Grove (Gatesville)

DISTRICT: Mission
Grants Committee

ZONE: President,
District Convention
Host Committee

LOCAL: President,
Vice President, Gospel Outreach,
Secretary, Treasurer, Lutheran World
Relief Coordinator

EDUCATION: Masters in Education

EMPLOYMENT: Church Secretary

CHURCH: Sunday School Teacher,
Bible Study Leader, Altar Guild member,
Money Counter, Nursing Home Worship
Service Volunteer

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: Community Bible
Study member; Enjoys reading,
traveling, family time



Rosemary (Rosie) Schoenfeld

Bluebonnet Zone
Bethel, Bryan

DISTRICT:

Recording
Secretary

ZONE: President,
Vice President,
Secretary,
Treasurer

LOCAL: President, Vice President,
Secretary, Treasurer, Christian Growth

EDUCATION: Some college, Certified
Professional Secretary (CPS), annual
training on budgets, human resources,
and new technologies

EMPLOYMENT: Assistant to Director
and Executive Associate Director

CHURCH: Financial Secretary, Sunday
School Teacher, VBS Worker, Live
Nativity Worker, Alternate Church
Council Secretary

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: Salvation Army Bell
Ringer, Beta Sigma Phi Service
Sorority, Treasurer and Secretary of
Brazos County City Council; Conference
Chair, Treasurer, and Founding Member
of Texas A&M Association of
Professional Support Staff; Volunteer at
various events of American Cancer
Society; Enjoys sewing, crafts, fishing,
family time



Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Candidates

VICE PRESIDENT OF HUMAN CARE

Mary Afsharirad

Dal-North Zone
Faith, Plano

DISTRICT: Heart
to Heart Sisters
Committee

ZONE: President,
Vice President

LOCAL:
President, Vice
President



EDUCATION: BA in American Studies

EMPLOYMENT: Property Management
Coordinator

CHURCH: VBS Substitute Teacher,
Recording Secretary for *Care in
Congregation* (CIC) service group;
Board of Youth Ministry

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: United Way
Business Coordinator; TXU Energy
Ambassador

Rosanne Capdeville

Capitol Zone
Zion, Walburg

DISTRICT: Vice
President of
Communication,
Parliamentarian,
Recording
Secretary,
Committee

Chairman of Structure and Young
Women; Committee member of
Convention Tellers, Mission Grants,
Christian Witness, Member Development,
and Nominating Committee

ZONE: President, Secretary,
Parliamentarian, District Convention Host
Committee, Nominating Committee,
Member Development Chairman

LOCAL: President, Vice President,
Secretary, Treasurer, Christian Growth
Chairman



EDUCATION: Certification of Secretarial
and Business Courses Completion

EMPLOYMENT: Retired; Previous –
Administrative Assistant

CHURCH: Bible Study Leader, Financial
Secretary, Church Council, VBS, Sunday
School, Choir, Board of Stewards, PTL
Treasurer, Assistant Sunday School
Superintendent, Bylaw Review Committee

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: Thrivent
Congregational Advocate, Hurricane
Recovery and Habitat for Humanity
Volunteer; Enjoys gardening, crafts,
writing, music, and family

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Candidates

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Dorreen Clements

Dal-North Zone
Our Savior,
McKinney



ZONE: Financial
Secretary, District
Convention Host
Committee

LOCAL: Vice

President and Program Leader, Bylaws
Committee, Financial Review
Committee, leader of mission programs
(Operation Christmas Child, Health Kits,
various fundraisers)

EDUCATION: BA Accounting, Masters
in Management (Leadership)

EMPLOYMENT: Retired; Previous – VP
of Global Financial Shared Services

CHURCH: Financial Secretary,
Financial Advisory Committee; Outreach
Board; Couples Bible Study, Sunday
Bible School

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: Eldorado Ladies
Association Membership Director and
Treasurer; Voyagers Social Club of
McKinney; Meals on Wheels; Enjoys
sewing, golf, bowling, Bridge, Euchre,
Mahjong, reading, learning new things

Kathleen (Kathy) Walther

Post Oak Zone
Immanuel, Giddings



DISTRICT:

Treasurer, Gift
Acceptance Policy
Task Force
Chairman,
Endowment
Committee

ZONE: Treasurer, Rally Speaker

LOCAL: President, Vice President of
Human Care, Vice President of
Christian Growth

EDUCATION: BBA Accounting, CPA

EMPLOYMENT: Accountant

CHURCH: Treasurer, Nominating
Committee, Youth Counselor/Volunteer,
VBS Teacher, *Walk with God*
Coordinator

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: Giddings Study
Club President (General Federation of
Women's Clubs); Beefmaster Breeders
Cattlegirls (National organization)
Treasurer, and Secretary/Treasurer,
PTO leader, Houston West Chamber of
Commerce Treasurer and Committee
Chair; Bear Creek Assistant Ministries
Treasurer; Enjoys traveling and reading

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Candidates

PASTORAL COUNSELOR

Rev. David J. Bass

North Alamo Zone
Hosanna, Kerrville

PASTORAL COUNSELOR:

North Alamo Zone,
Golden Triangle
Zone



LCMS ACTIVITIES: Sole Pastor, Hosanna, Kerrville (June 2015 to the present); Sole Pastor, St. Paul, Cornfield (Norwood Park, Chicago), IL (June 2011 – May 2015); Associate Pastor, Holy Cross, Nederland, TX (August 2007 – May 2011)

EDUCATION: M.Div, Concordia Seminary St. Louis; Bachelor of Arts, Concordia Ann Arbor; U.S. Army – Basic Training/Advanced Individual training and field experience

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: Adopt-A-Highway Volunteer Cleanup Crew at Hosanna; Kerrville Pregnancy Resource Center, Prayer Partner/Financial Support, as well as material support; Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries, Boerne, partner congregation in helping eliminate poverty in The Hill Country; Enjoys God's creation outside (playground, bike riding, or taking a walk), golfing, gardening, working on cars/trucks, reading, and family time

Rev. Robert E. LeBlanc

Golden Triangle
Zone
Hope, Winnie

PASTORAL COUNSELOR:

Golden Triangle
Zone, Mid Coast
Zone



LCMS ACTIVITIES: Sole Pastor, Hope, Winnie (2015 to the present); Extended Vacancy Pastor for Revitalization, Hope, Winnie (2014–2015); Worker/Priest (EHS Manager in Industrial Construction), Our Redeemer, Palacios (2004–2012); Missionary-at-Large to the Deaf, Texas District LCMS, Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex (2002–2004); Sole Pastor, St. Paul, Edna (1996–2002)

EDUCATION: Concordia Theological Seminary Ft. Wayne, Candidate D.Min. Mission and Culture (2020); S.T.M. Missiology (2016); M.Div. Pastoral Ministry/Missions (1996); Concordia Lutheran College, Austin, B.A. General Studies/Pre-Seminary (1991)

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/

MISCELLANEOUS: Previously served: Field Director and Support Services Supervisor (Sierra Leone, West Africa), Lutheran Bible Translators; Vicar for the Deaf, Christ Lutheran for the Deaf, Great Falls, Montana; Enjoys hiking and camping, spending time with family, and building a home while living in it

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Candidates

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nancy Beckcom

Holy Cross, Nederland

Golden Triangle Zone

EMPLOYMENT: Retired; Previous — Lab Technician

Has Served: **LWML:** Assembly of Leaders **DISTRICT:** Vice President of Organizational Resources, Structure Committee Chairman **ZONE:**

President **LOCAL:** Secretary, Prayer Book Committee Chairman

EDUCATION: BS in Mathematical Science **CHURCH:** Stephen Ministry, Volleyball Coach for high school youth, Board of Trustees, LifeLight Bible Study Leader, Sunday School Assistant, Adult Choir

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/MISCELLANEOUS: Camp Lone Star, Adaptive Sports for Kids (A.S.K.), LCMS Disaster Relief; Enjoys handyman type work, music, volleyball, guitar, family time



Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Amanda (Mandy) Halbert

Our Savior, Houston

White Oak Zone

EMPLOYMENT: Mechanical Engineer

Has served: **DISTRICT:** Committee on Young Women **ZONE:**

President, Young Woman Representative **LOCAL:** Vice President of Programs, Vice President of Communication, Nominating Committee

EDUCATION: BS in Mechanical Engineering, BA in Applied Science

CHURCH: VBS, Sunday School Teacher for Little Lambs, School Board **COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/MISCELLANEOUS:**

Girl Scout Leader; Children's Leader with BSF while in Oman; Enjoys scrapbooking, family time



Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Marcia Kubitz

St. Paul, Vernon

Red River Zone

EMPLOYMENT: Retired; Previous — various banking industry positions

Has served: **DISTRICT:** Financial Secretary, Mission Grants Committee **ZONE:** President, Vice President, Treasurer, Nominating Committee, Christian Growth **LOCAL:** President, Vice President, Treasurer, Financial Review Committee, Mission Service Chairman, Christian Growth Committee, Membership and Social
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Candidates

Marcia Kubitz (cont.)

EDUCATION: Computer Programming, Licenses to sell and promote sales of mutual funds, Lending and HR classes **CHURCH:** Finance Board Committee Chairman, Choir, Kenya and Peru Eyeglass Mission Team, VBS **COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/MISCELLANEOUS:** Electra Chamber of Commerce Board Member, Electra Main Street Member, Treasurer of Downtown Electra Association, Warriors for Christ Youth Program; mowing St. Paul school and church yard; Enjoys baling hay, gardening, yardwork, organizing group bus trips to Branson, Missouri

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Anita Long

Living Word, The Woodlands

Golden Harvest Zone

EMPLOYMENT: Retired; Previous – Real Estate Agent
Has served: **DISTRICT:** Leader Development Committee, District Convention Minutes Review Committee **ZONE:** President, Secretary
LOCAL: President, Secretary, Christian Growth
EDUCATION: Attended college with political science major, real estate school, continuing early childhood training **CHURCH:** Sunday School teacher, Youth Group Sponsor, Altar Guild Chairman, Usher
COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/MISCELLANEOUS: Little League President, Player Agent, Secretary, Swimming timer, PTA President and Secretary; Enjoys "glamping," golfing, reading, playing Scrabble, family time

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____



Joanna Roche

Faith, Georgetown

Capitol Zone

EMPLOYMENT: Retired; Previous – Senior Medical Technologist
Has served: **LWML:** Volunteer – 2005 Convention **DISTRICT:** Christian Life Committee, Structure Committee Advisor, District Newsletter Editor **ZONE:** President, Vice President of Communication, Zone Newsletter Editor, PR/Communication duties
LOCAL: President, Vice President of Christian Life
EDUCATION: MT(ASCP) [American Society for Clinical Pathology] registry and certification, SBB certification **CHURCH:** Usher, Lay Scripture Reader, VBS, Hand Bell Choir, Organizer of Fundraisers for needy church individuals, Thrivent congregational advocate **COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/MISCELLANEOUS:** Williamson County Thrivent Chapter President, Leader of eight Action Teams, Quilting Group Volunteer, New Life Children's Center Volunteer, Prayer Quilt Ministry Volunteer, Paracord Bracelets Military Ministry Volunteer; Enjoys playing American style Mah Jongg and reading

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____



Candidates

Sharon Sampson

Our Redeemer, Longview

East Texas Zone



EMPLOYMENT: Retired; Previous – Insurance Service Representative

Has served: **DISTRICT:** Scholarship Committee, Convention Tellers Committee, Leader Development Committee **ZONE:** President, Vice President, Treasurer **LOCAL:** President, Vice President, Treasurer, Rally Planner and Coordinator

EDUCATION: Attended college with music major **CHURCH:** Financial Secretary, Sunday School Teacher, Choir, Altar Guild, Banner Coordinator, Treasurer, Parade Float/Trailer Decoration Volunteer

COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER/MISCELLANEOUS: PTA Treasurer; Enjoys reading, crocheting, swimming, yardwork, gardening, and singing

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Laura Wilson

Trinity, Port Arthur

Golden Triangle Zone



EMPLOYMENT: Teacher

Has served: **DISTRICT:** District News Editor, Young Woman Representative **ZONE:** President, Vice President, Christian Growth Chairman, Secretary **LOCAL:** President, Vice President, Secretary

EDUCATION: BS in Genetics, M.Ed. in Educational Administration

CHURCH: Sunday School Teacher, Board of Education, Board of Trustees, LWR Quilting, Kits, etc. Volunteer **COMMUNITY/**

VOLUNTEER/MISCELLANEOUS: Girl Scout Leader

Votes Cast _____ Votes Received _____

Officers Elected

President _____

Vice President of Organizational Resources _____

Vice President of Human Care _____

Financial Secretary _____

Pastoral Counselor _____

Nominating Committee Elected

Place One _____ Chairman

Place Two _____

Place Three _____

Alternate _____

Proposed Mission Grants

Votes Received	Plurality Ranking	
_____	_____	<p>1. Blessings and Bibles — Lutheran Disaster Care — \$15,000 Blessing and Bibles volunteers will assist victims of disasters in Texas and neighboring states. They will listen to their stories, share hope in Christ and leave victims with a Bible and devotional materials for their spiritual care and a gift card to help relieve a small part of their immediate physical needs.</p>
_____	_____	<p>2. Scholarships for Seminarians — Texas District LCMS — \$40,000 The LCMS recognizes the importance of seminary training to equip dedicated men for ministry to God's people. To help offset these costs, scholarship funds will assist seminary students from the Texas District, enabling them to go out and serve with less financial burden.</p>
_____	_____	<p>3. Building Multiethnic Women Leaders — Glocal Mission — \$20,000 Greater Houston is one of the nation's most ethnically and culturally diverse metropolitan areas. As such, this mission grant will be used to fund two new female mission leaders to lead multicultural missionary home startups where Gospel and food are shared with a focus on child and family programming.</p>
_____	_____	<p>4. Mercy Meals — Orphan Grain Train — \$5,000 World hunger continues to be a desperate need, especially among children in third world countries. This mission grant will assist Mercy Meals at Orphan Grain Train in packing and shipping meals. Most of these shipments will go to countries with sister church destinations where they will accompany Gospel messages.</p>
_____	_____	<p>5. Neighborhood Outreach in North Houston — Lazarus Lutheran Church — \$10,000 Lazarus Lutheran Church, a new mission start in a rapidly growing area of north Houston, will use this mission grant to connect with young families and share the Gospel at community-building events and 24 "Parties with a Purpose" hosted by members of the congregation.</p>
_____	_____	<p>6. Multiethnic Pastoral Formation — LINC Houston — \$20,000 Our LINC motto is "No Leader walks alone." Multiethnic pastoral formation is difficult to navigate alone and barriers along the way are challenging to overcome. This grant will ensure that multiethnic ministry leaders get the coaching, training, and support to fulfill their calling and reach immigrant communities with the Gospel.</p>
_____	_____	<p>7. Reaching Immigrants and Refugees — Multi-Ethnic Ministry of North Texas — \$12,000 The words of our Lord Jesus say to go and make disciples of all nations by baptizing and teaching them. Multi-Ethnic Ministry of North Texas is doing just that in the DFW area as they continue to reach out to African refugees and immigrants, physically and spiritually.</p>
_____	_____	<p>8. Lutheran Student Center Improvements — Lubbock — \$20,000 The Lutheran Student Center is in dire need of much deferred improvements, mainly carpet/flooring and exterior paint. We want students to know that this ministry, as well as their faith, is important enough to warrant an update to their "home" to encourage them to study, cook, and enjoy Christian fellowship.</p>
_____	_____	<p>9. DCE Scholarships — Concordia University Texas — \$24,000 Requested funds will be used for the provision of academic scholarships for students pursuing their Director of Christian Education (DCE) degree in academic years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022.</p>

Proposed Mission Grants

Votes Received	Plurality Ranking
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| _____ | _____ | 10. Urban Base Camp Outreach — Camp Lone Star — \$15,000
Urban Base Camp is a new program designed to partner with urban congregations at their facilities to reach out to lower income youth in their communities, offering an adventurous Christ-centered camp. The mission grant will be used to purchase a mobile rock-climbing wall. |
| _____ | _____ | 11. Training Leaders in Israel — Apple of His Eye — \$10,000
Funds will be used to help identify and train Israeli Jewish believers using Hebrew catechism and New Testament texts. Systems and strategies for outreach and planting house fellowships will be developed, and when there is a critical mass for congregational worship services, facilities will be rented to host worship services. |
| _____ | _____ | 12. Multiplying Lutheran Partners — Resurrection Mobility Mission, Spring — \$15,000
Isolation and hopelessness characterize life in the third world for children with disabilities and their families. Wheelchairs cost one year's salary. For 15 years, Resurrection Mobility Mission has shared dignity, transformation and the Gospel. Funding increases the training of new Lutheran mission partners and provides equipment to multiply Gospel witness. |
| _____ | _____ | 13. E-Kids After School Program — Expansion Ministries, Inc. — \$20,000
This program cares for precious children living in impoverished Latino community apartment complexes of greater Dallas. The love of Jesus is shared while helping with homework. Funds will be used for snacks, special day celebrations, VBS, a computer lab, women's Bible study, and an outreach coordinator. |
| _____ | _____ | 14. Laundry Love — St. Paul, San Antonio — \$12,000
Laundry Love partners with a laundromat, paying for all services one evening a month. On those evenings food, games, crafts, Bible lessons, and time for prayer and fellowship are provided in an effort to share the Gospel with neighbors of St. Paul Lutheran Church. |
| _____ | _____ | 15. Let the Little Children Come — St. Paul, Dallas — \$20,000
St. Paul Lutheran Church through its Christian Academy offers the only Christ-centered preschool and before and after school care for children and families to become part of the St. Paul family. A van will expand outreach to those in need. |
| _____ | _____ | 16. Multicultural Youth Ministries — Bethel, Dallas — \$10,000
Bethel, a multicultural congregation in east Dallas, holds services in English, Spanish, and Kinyarwanda which is spoken in East Africa. This mission grant will help integrate youth from these varied cultural groups. The funds will provide and train a part-time youth worker and support participation of lower income students. |
| _____ | _____ | 17. Creating a Network of Hope — Driving Hope of Texas — \$20,000
Driving Hope of Texas provides rides to and from medical facilities for poor and elderly patients. The mission grant will promote partnership between area churches to meet the physical and spiritual needs of this often underserved population by developing the network and promoting the service. |
| _____ | _____ | 18. Translating LWML Bible Studies — WORDrus — \$11,000
Translating the LWML Donna Pyle Bible Study Series into Russian and German will create a global media resource through WORDrus Mission Society's internet outreach and foster spiritual growth for laypeople in Lutheran churches and communities throughout Eurasia. |

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Information on Proposed Mission Grants 2020-2022

1. Blessings and Bibles — Lutheran Disaster Care — \$15,000

WHEREAS, Christ's presence after the resurrection demonstrates the power He has to bestow comfort to His disciples; and

WHEREAS, Galatians 6:10 tells us *let us do good to everyone*; and

WHEREAS, individuals in the aftermath of disaster need God's Word and physical help; and

WHEREAS, Lutheran Disaster Care ministry is a whole person (body and soul) ministry and part of that ministry is providing Bibles and devotional materials for spiritual care and comfort and gift cards to meet a small part of their immediate help for the bodily needs of disaster victims; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention vote the sum of \$15,000 to help fund Lutheran Disaster Care Blessings and Bibles ministry.

2. Scholarships for Seminarians — Texas District LCMS — \$40,000

WHEREAS, Christ commanded His Church on earth to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Triune God; and

WHEREAS, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod provides seminary training for dedicated men to become ordained ministers who teach the Word and administer the Sacraments to God's people, including those who have never heard the Gospel; and

WHEREAS, the need for pastors to fill pulpits and mission stations of the LCMS is increasingly great at huge financial sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the LWML Texas District Golden Triangle Zone has voted approval and the Texas District LCMS has approved the mission grant proposal with sincere appreciation for past support; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District

in convention grant \$40,000 for scholarships for LCMS seminary students from Texas in the next biennium.

3. Building Multiethnic Women Leaders — Glocal Mission — \$20,000

WHEREAS, Christ in His Holy Word has charged us to reach out to all nations and make them disciples; and

WHEREAS, faithful multicultural harvest workers, including multiethnic pastors and women missionary leaders, are a means of spreading His Gospel urgently and greatly across multiethnic communities in Houston, major cities in the State of Texas, and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the people of new church plants are often from low-income families and underprivileged communities and are therefore unable to fully finance women missionary leaders with the important work of initiating mission homes; and

WHEREAS, the Texas District LCMS is aware of the need, has voted approval, and has recommended multiethnic women missionary leaders as part of Glocal Mission's vital mission ministry in Texas; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$20,000 to help fund the multicultural ministries of Glocal Mission, Houston.

4. Mercy Meals — Orphan Grain Train — \$5,000

WHEREAS, Jesus had compassion on the multitudes when they were hungry and fed them miraculously with loaves and fish (Matthew 14 and 15) and said that whenever we feed the hungry, we feed Him (Matthew 25); and

WHEREAS, world hunger continues to be a pressing problem, especially among children in Third World countries; and

WHEREAS, Mercy Meals addresses the desperate need of world hunger in orphanages, refugee camps, and disaster

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relief centers (sending food packets to 36 countries, including the United States last year); and

WHEREAS, Orphan Grain Train hopes to double the number of meal packets shipped; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$5,000 to Orphan Grain Train — Mercy Meals to achieve this goal.

5. Neighborhood Outreach in North Houston — Lazarus Lutheran Church — \$10,000

WHEREAS, our Lord Jesus Christ commanded us to make disciples of all nations; and

WHEREAS, the spiritual needs of the growing population of primarily young families in the mission focus area of the Lazarus Lutheran Church plant in North Houston are not being adequately met by local Christian churches; and

WHEREAS, research shows that new churches bring the Gospel to unreached people effectively; and

WHEREAS, financial assistance would magnify and greatly extend the already existing outreach potential of the Lazarus Lutheran Church plant; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$10,000 for the purchase of neighborhood outreach supplies and "Parties with a Purpose" scholarships to extend the Gospel in North Houston.

6. Multiethnic Pastoral Formation — LINC Houston — \$20,000

WHEREAS, our heavenly Father's desire is to see the Gospel proclaimed to all nations, disciples made and churches planted for His glory; and

WHEREAS, the growing need arises to provide coaching, training, and support for the formation of multiethnic pastors for the work of the harvest; and

WHEREAS, traditional pathways are often financially out of reach for multiethnic

communities to adequately support local leaders for pastoral formation; and

WHEREAS, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod seminaries are aware of the need to reach multiethnic communities with the Gospel and provide pathways for pastoral formation in this generation and generations to come; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention vote the sum of \$20,000 to help fund the multiethnic pastoral formation to the glory of God.

7. Reaching Immigrants and Refugees — Multi-Ethnic Ministry of North Texas — \$12,000

WHEREAS, the Lord Jesus commanded His Church to go and make disciples of all nations by baptizing them and teaching them; and

WHEREAS, the efforts to reach out to the refugees and immigrants coming to Texas, specifically to the Dallas area have shown good results of children baptized and confirmed; and

WHEREAS, the Multi-Ethnic Ministry of North Texas is positioned to best serve the spiritual and physical needs of these refugees and immigrants with pastoral counsel and Divine service as well as recruiting future leaders for the new church plants; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$12,000 to spread the Gospel message to these people in the greater Dallas-Fort Worth area.

8. Lutheran Student Center Improvements — Lubbock — \$20,000

WHEREAS, our Lord Jesus Christ, in His Holy Work, has charged us to go and make disciples of all nations; and

WHEREAS, the Lutheran Student Center is an active, growing ministry to young adults and students in the Lubbock area; and

WHEREAS, a synod-trained pastor leads the ministry, and the facility provides a place for students to study, cook in the

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kitchen, and “hangout” with other Christian friends; and

WHEREAS, the Lutheran Student Center is in dire need of much deferred maintenance, mainly flooring and exterior paint, for students from all over the world to call this their “home”; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$20,000 to help fund the improvements of the building to support the mission work among students from all faiths and nations at the Lutheran Student Center, Lubbock, Texas.

9. DCE Scholarships — Concordia University Texas — \$24,000

WHEREAS, our Lord Jesus Christ was a teacher to His disciples and provided all of us with an enduring mission of teaching future generations about God and His love; and

WHEREAS, we must be dedicated to the task of training the next generation of leaders in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Concordia University Texas is “Concordia University Texas empowers students of all backgrounds to lead lives of critical thought, compassionate action, and courageous leadership”; and

WHEREAS, the university’s Director of Christian Education program, while successful in developing such leaders, needs broad scholarship support to expand and enhance participation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Texas District Lutheran Women’s Missionary League in convention vote the sum of \$24,000 to fund scholarships in Director of Christian Education program at Concordia University Texas.

10. Urban Base Camp Outreach — Camp Lone Star — \$15,000

WHEREAS, Christ in His Holy Word charged us to reach out to all nations, instructed parents to bring up their children in the way of the Lord, and asked that little children be brought to Him; and

WHEREAS, Camp Lone Star is an established mission field of Lutheran Outdoors Ministry of Texas in La Grange, Texas, providing programs to vastly expand the Christian knowledge of children and adults; and

WHEREAS, Camp Lone Star has established Urban Base Camp for children aged 5–13 to partner with congregations in their urban settings, placing the Gospel message into many homes not currently connected with local churches; and

WHEREAS, up-to-date and appropriate mobile materials for active programs benefit children, enhancing spiritual, physical, and social growth; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League Texas District in convention vote the sum of \$15,000 to help fund the mobile rock climbing wall for Urban Base Camp.

11. Training Leaders in Israel — Apple of His Eye — \$10,000

WHEREAS, the Apple of His Eye Mission Society exists to BOLDLY declare Y’shua as Messiah and URGENTLY equip God’s people to do the same, consistent with Romans 1:16 (NIV), *I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile*; and

WHEREAS, the Apple of His Eye Mission Society has taken the Great Commission to heart, sharing the Gospel with the lost in America, and has now expanded into Israel; and

WHEREAS, the strategy in Israel includes sharing Y’shua as Messiah and equipping God’s people through training leaders who need resources like Hebrew catechetical texts and Hebrew New Testaments; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women’s Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$10,000 to equip Israeli Jewish leaders to be trained so they may BOLDLY declare Y’shua as Messiah in Israel.

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12. Multiplying Lutheran Partners — Resurrection Mobility Mission, Spring — \$15,000

WHEREAS, Christ commanded us to make disciples of all nations, including children (Psalm 78:4, Matthew 19:14) and the disabled (Luke 14:12–14, John 9:3–5); and

WHEREAS, a great percentage of children with disabilities and their families become isolated, the expense of a wheelchair can cost a year's wages, and the body of Christ can offer increased community and new freedoms; and

WHEREAS, Resurrection Lutheran Mobility Mission for more than 15 years has provided mobility to children with disabilities in the Third World, shared the Gospel alongside indigenous workers, and trained sister congregations to lead short-term Gospel teams; and

WHEREAS, sister congregations desire to proclaim the Gospel, provide mercy, and increase mission internationally and locally, but are unable to fully finance the endeavor, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$15,000 to multiply Lutheran partners to expand Gospel impact and new freedoms to children with disabilities.

13. E-Kids After School Program — Expansion Ministries, Inc. — \$20,000

WHEREAS, our Lord Jesus said to let little children come to Him and not to hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven; and

WHEREAS, Expansion Ministries, Inc. is implementing our Lord's command by reaching out to children through the E-Kids after school apartment ministries program where their spiritual, physical, and intellectual needs are met; and

WHEREAS, the ministry has seen good results introducing children to the saving grace of Christ Jesus, and, in turn, making a positive impact on their families, and

WHEREAS, the ministry is positioned to grow and reach out to other impoverished

communities in the greater Dallas area, encouraging children of all ages to come to Him; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in Convention grant \$20,000 to spread the Gospel message to these children and their families to the Glory of God.

14. Laundry Love — St. Paul, San Antonio — \$12,000

WHEREAS, our Lord Jesus Christ in the 25th chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel exhorted us, His followers, to engage and serve our neighbors who are the least among us; and

WHEREAS, St. Paul Lutheran Church, San Antonio, has been blessed by God to be positioned in a neighborhood with many who are in material and spiritual need; and

WHEREAS, laundromats are a unique setting for helping those who are the least among us by serving, feeding, financially assisting, and sharing the Good News; and

WHEREAS, this service and outreach requires significant resources and support; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$12,000 for St. Paul Lutheran Laundry Love ministry to pay laundry expenses one evening a month and provide food, games, crafts, Bible lessons, prayer, and fellowship.

15. Let the Little Children Come — St. Paul, Dallas — \$20,000

WHEREAS, Christ in His Holy Word has called for us to *let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven*; and

WHEREAS, St. Paul Lutheran Church and Christian Academy is located in a poor community of mostly unchurched families and offers the only Christ-centered preschool and before and after school care for neighborhood children; and

WHEREAS, most families who live in poverty do not have reliable transportation and many elders cannot drive; and

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WHEREAS, a 15-passenger van will provide needed transportation to bring more little children to St. Paul Christian Academy and the aged and handicapped to church to hear Christ proclaimed; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention vote the sum of \$20,000 to St. Paul Lutheran Church and Christian Academy to purchase a van to reach those in need of His Word and mercy ministry.

16. Multicultural Youth Ministries — Bethel, Dallas — \$10,000

WHEREAS, Christ on numerous occasions made it clear that the Gospel is to be preached to all nations; and

WHEREAS, God is bringing "all nations" to live in the Bethel Lutheran Dallas area; and

WHEREAS, there is a great opportunity for the congregation to become multicultural, particularly in the area of youth ministry, as they engage their diverse community; and

WHEREAS, Bethel Lutheran Church in East Dallas has already expanded to include worship for Hispanic and African refugee families; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$10,000 to help Bethel Lutheran Church in East Dallas develop a Multicultural Youth Ministry.

17. Creating a Network of Hope — Driving Hope of Texas — \$20,000

WHEREAS, *The human spirit can endure in sickness, but a crushed spirit who can bear?* (Proverbs 18:14 NIV); and

WHEREAS, Driving Hope of Texas is regularly used by poor and elderly riders who are underserved by secular agencies; and

WHEREAS, the growing number of patients who use Driving Hope of Texas for medical transportation often reveal their spiritual battles against feelings of hopelessness and abandonment; and

WHEREAS, partnerships with local LCMS congregations and their care

ministries in the service area are urgently needed so that Driving Hope of Texas can facilitate a natural continuum of spiritual care and non-medical assistance for these neglected patients before and after rides to treatment; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$20,000 to Driving Hope of Texas to develop a formal Network of Hope among the region's LCMS congregations to bring God's mercy and spiritual healing to poor and elderly patients.

18. Translating LWML Bible Studies — WORDrus — \$11,000

WHEREAS, Christ in His Holy Word charged us to, "*make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you*" (Matthew 28:19-20); and

WHEREAS, there is a great need for lay Bible studies in Eurasia, especially Russia, where there is an opportunity to reach 166 million Russian speakers (including 30 million outside of Russia); and

WHEREAS, the LWML shared the LWML Donna Pyle Bible Study Series with WORDrus for translation into Russian and other languages to educate laypersons in Biblical truths and Lutheran doctrine/theology; and

WHEREAS, WORDrus is an LCMS RSO with experience to provide cost-effective translation of biblical, Lutheran resources; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District in convention grant \$11,000 for WORDrus to translate the LWML Donna Pyle Bible Study Series into Russian and German.

Total Requested	\$299,000
81% inside Texas	\$243,000
19% outside Texas	\$ 56,000

Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws

If proposed amendments are adopted, the LWML Texas District Structure Committee requests permission to make clarification changes to previously amended sections as deemed appropriate, to renumber and re-letter sections and/or paragraphs to account for deletions and insertions, to make any necessary spelling and typographical corrections in order to comply with recommendations of the LWML Structure Committee, and to conform to the *LWML Style Guidelines*.

Proposed Amendment #1

ARTICLE III – STRUCTURE

Section 1

Rationale: to recognize flexibility in the names of local organizations. Many different names are used for LWML groups such as circles, guilds, and societies. All are acceptable. This amendment will recognize all as groups of Lutheran Women in Mission.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Strike “societies” and insert “groups”

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

The Texas District of the LWML is composed of individual women and women’s ~~societies~~ groups within LCMS congregations, on campuses, in resident homes, or in other settings. These individuals and ~~societies~~ groups are united to form zones; LCMS circuit lines preferred, and the zones are united to form the LWML District.

Conforming amendments

If the amendment is adopted, the same change will be made in Article II–Object, d; Article IV–Members, Section 1 b, c, d, Section 2, Section 3 a, c; Article V–Organization, Section 2; Article VI–Conventions and Representation, Section 4 a, Section 6 b, d; Article VIII–Nominations, Section 2; Article XI–Executive Committee, Section 3 i; Article XIV–Finances, Section 1 a; Article XV–Departments and Standing Committees, Section 2 a, Section 3 a 4), Section 6 a 5), b 3); Article XVI–Special Committees, Section 4 b; Article XVII–Official Publication, Section 2 b; Article XVIII–Mission Grants, Section 1.

Proposed Amendment #2

ARTICLE VII – ELECTED OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1

Rationale: To conform to LWML structure by removing the office of Vice President of Human Care.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Strike “Vice President of Human Care”

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

The elected officers shall be
President
Vice President of Christian Life
Vice President of Communication
Vice President of Gospel Outreach
~~Vice President of Human Care~~
Vice President of Organizational Resources
Recording Secretary
Financial Secretary
Treasurer

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Conforming amendment

If the amendment is adopted, in Article IX—Duties of Officers, Section 5—Vice President of Human Care, strike entire section.

Proposed Amendment #3

ARTICLE VII – ELECTED OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

Section 2 c

Rationale: to allow for the election of the same number of officers at each biennium.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

follows:

Strike “Vice President of Human Care”

Insert “Vice President of Christian Life”

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

c. The election of officers shall be as

1) the President, ~~Vice President of Human Care~~, Vice President of Christian Life, Vice President of Organizational Resources, and Financial Secretary shall be elected at one (1) LWML District convention;

Strike “Vice President of Christian Life”

2) the ~~Vice President of Christian Life~~, Vice President of Communication, Vice President of Gospel Outreach, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected at the following LWML District convention;

Proposed Amendment #4

ARTICLE XV - DEPARTMENTS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 4 Vice President of Gospel Outreach

Rationale: to conform to LWML structure by establishing a Mission Service Committee under the Gospel Outreach Department thereby emphasizing that mission service activities are an outgrowth of Gospel Outreach.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Add Mission Service Committee

Change wording to conform to departments with more than one (1) committee

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

The Gospel Outreach Department ~~composed of the Vice President of Gospel Outreach as coordinator and as many Mission Grants Committee members as deemed necessary by the coordinator, shall function in the manner described in Article XVIII, and shall~~ shall include the Mission Grants Committee and the Mission Service Committee. The Vice President of Gospel Outreach will serve as coordinator of the department.

Insert new “a”

Change letters “a-g” to “1)-7)”

a. The Mission Grants Committee, composed of the Vice President of Gospel Outreach as Chairman and as many members as deemed

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necessary by the chairman, shall function in the manner described in Article XVIII, and shall:

Insert new Mission Service Committee

b. The Mission Service Committee, composed of a chairman appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Committee and as many members as deemed necessary by the chairman, shall:

Insert a-b from Section 5 Human Care Department, change letters “a-b” to “1)-2)”

- 1) alert members to opportunities and challenges for mission service in the church, community, and church-at-large;
- 2) encourage active participation and provide materials and suggestions for mission service projects;

Insert new 3) reports by chairman

- 3) have the committee chairman prepare a report for each regular meeting of the Executive Committee, Board of Directors and the convention.

Conforming amendments

If the amendment is adopted, in Article XV—Departments and Standing Committees, Section 1 a, strike “Human Care”, Section 1 b, strike “Human Care” and insert “Mission Service”; Section 5—Human Care Department, strike entire section.

Proposed Amendment #5

ARTICLE XII – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 a

Rationale: to include the Chairman of the Mission Service Committee as a member of the Board of Directors.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Insert “the Mission Service Committee”

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

- a. The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers of the LWML District, the zone Presidents, and the chairmen of the Mission Service Committee, the Structure Committee, the Nominating Committee and the Committee on Young Women as voting members.

Proposed Amendment #6

ARTICLE IX – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 j

Rationale: to conform to LWML bylaws by changing the name “LWML Board of Directors” to “LWML Presidents Assembly” and allowing a substitute to attend a Presidents Assembly meeting or LWML convention as the district’s representative with voice and vote.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Strike “Board of Directors” and insert “Presidents Assembly”

Strike “Board of Directors” and insert “Presidents Assembly”, insert “or LWML convention”, strike “President’s”, insert “district’s”, strike “non-voting”, insert “and shall have voice and vote”

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

j. be a member of the LWML ~~Board of Directors~~ Presidents Assembly. If unable to attend a ~~Board of Directors~~ Presidents Assembly meeting or LWML convention, any elected LWML District officer shall be authorized to attend as the ~~President’s~~ district’s non-voting representative and shall have voice and vote.

Proposed Amendment #7

ARTICLE IX - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Sections 8 f Financial Secretary and 9 g Treasurer

Rationale: To conform to current practices to conduct a financial review that is affordable to the district.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Strike the word "professional"

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

f. submit records for ~~professional~~ financial review at the end of each LWML District biennium;

Strike the word "professional"

g. submit records for ~~professional~~ financial review at the end of each LWML District biennium;

Proposed Amendment #8

ARTICLE IX - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Sections 8 g Financial Secretary and 9 i Treasurer

Rationale: Convention finances are now a part of the district financial books.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Strike g.

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

g. ~~be responsible, during term’s second biennium, for the financial review of the LWML District convention Treasurer’s books by December 31 of the convention year;~~

Subsequent lettering will change

Strike i.

i. ~~be responsible, during term’s second biennium, for the financial review of the LWML District convention Treasurer’s books by December 31 of the convention year;~~

Subsequent lettering will change

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Proposed Amendment #9

ARTICLE VIII - NOMINATIONS

Section 3 e

Rationale: to provide flexibility in distributing a slate of candidates for election and proposed mission grants prior to the District LWML convention.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Strike "direct society"

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

e. submit report to be published in the *District News* or in a ~~direct society~~ mailing prior to the LWML District convention;

Proposed Amendment #10

ARTICLE XV - DEPARTMENTS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 4 d

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Strike "direct society"

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

d. publicize proposed mission grants in the *District News* or in a ~~direct society~~ mailing prior to the LWML convention;



Vision Statement

The LWML is the leading group for LCMS women where each woman is welcomed and encouraged to use her unique God-given gifts as she supports global missions and serves the Lord with gladness.

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PRESIDENT

DEBBIE CURRY

Serving as President of LWML Texas District has been an experience filled with JOY. I thank God for the opportunity, privilege and honor to serve Him through the LWML.



In 2016, the Executive Committee chose a primary focus statement based on JOY. *In fervent love, may all women experience **JOY** as we **Joyfully** serve the Lord; **Openly** confess the Gospel; and **Yearn** to grow in God's Word.* I have encouraged you to emphasize the mission of LWML based on that focus statement. As I set a personal goal to visit all 25 zones, I have witnessed *Lutheran Women in Mission* equipped to reach others with the Gospel as they lived in service to the Triune God. Building relationships with each other in fervent love is key to our mission and I wanted to get to know our district up close and personal. During my visits I have listened to success stories and challenges for LWML groups and prayerfully considered how the leadership team could assist you. I have learned that change is not easy, but it is healthy, and failure is not a sin. I challenged you to embrace change and see struggles as an opportunity.

Highlights of my activities for the past two years based on the focus statement using the acrostic for JOY are:

Joyfully serve the Lord

The office of President includes many official duties to joyfully serve the Lord (a complete list of my activities has been provided to your zone president in my report to the Board of Directors). I have prepared and presided over meetings; appointed committees, personnel and task forces; attended meetings; approved vouchers and reviewed financial statements; written articles, reports, devotions, Bible studies and Facebook posts; read and answered all communications and distributed information; sent letters to welcome new church workers and new societies, and to congratulate scholarship recipients and candidates; prepared for conventions, including a new shortened agenda for this one; and represented LWML Texas District at many events. I thank God for the opportunity to meet the mission-minded people who serve the Lord with gladness in our local congregations, at zone events, on our district's leadership team, and at the national level as I served on the LWML Board of Directors and Presidents Assembly. Your servant hearts and willingness to grow in Christ's love amaze me!

Openly confess the Gospel

What a privilege to witness God's people sharing the Gospel throughout the world with the offerings given in our Mite Boxes! Reading the mission grant proposals, listening to the LCMS leaders share information on mission work in Texas and beyond, and seeing the wide variety of mission service activities performed by the women of the LWML have all opened my eyes to what we are doing to openly confess the Gospel. As we

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continue to reach more women — our multicultural sisters in the Heart to Heart Sisters program, our younger generations through the Young Woman Representative and YOUth in Mission (teen) programs, our hearing impaired sisters with our new Deaf Ministry Outreach, and ALL women in our Lutheran churches — together we openly share the Gospel with God's guidance. I am thankful for the interactions with many pastors of our synod as we sought new ways to share the vision of LWML with them and partner together in ministry to the people of the world.

Yearn to grow in God's Word

LWML has provided me with many opportunities to grow in God's Word as I participated in many Bible studies, devotions and worship services. The resources provided by LWML continue to astound me as I encourage all women to spend time daily in personal study of God's Word and to include these resources at all LWML events, meetings and activities. The most active and growing LWML groups are centered around God's Word. It is my prayer that as *Lutheran Women in Mission* we always yearn to grow in God's Word.

The past four years have been filled with blessings, change, challenges, hard work, and, yes, JOY. I take with me many memories but representing Texas at the LWML conventions in Albuquerque and Mobile as I carried the banner in the processions will be amongst my favorites. I have established life-long relationships I treasure, and I thank you for encouraging me and praying for me. In Philippians 2, Paul calls you *children of God as you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life* (Phil. 2:15b-16a). With God's blessing, may you continue to shine like stars as *Lutheran Women in Mission* of the LWML Texas District. To God be the glory!

Serve the LORD with gladness! (Psalm 100:2).

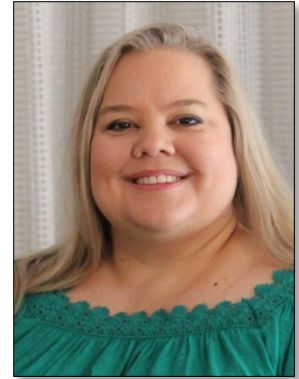


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VICE PRESIDENT OF CHRISTIAN LIFE

KELLI ALSUP

It has been an honor to serve as your Vice President of Christian Life for these past two years and I am eager and excited for the next two. I have received more from this wonderful group of ladies and pastors than I could ever possibly give in return. You all have loved me and lifted me up in ways I didn't even know I needed. I would like to thank Brianna Boswell for all her work writing our blog for the website. Please take some time to read her work if you haven't done so already.



It was a great joy to be able to plan and present the Spiritual Rest and Renewal Retreat. I've loved getting to know so many of you at your zone and group meetings and events. Please invite me to more. During this biennium, I have also attended Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings, Zone Presidents Orientation, Assembly of Leaders training, a Convention Host Committee meeting, and the LWML convention in Mobile. Thank you for this opportunity.

Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us (Romans 5:2-5).



Christian Life Committee

Michelle Heckmann and Sylvia Winkler

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Seed Devotions by email
at www.lwml.org



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VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATION

JANNA ATKINS

I am proud to **joyfully serve the Lord** with my communication team in exciting new ways to send our LWML Texas District mission out to the masses.

We converted our website into a more appealing, user friendly website. Exciting changes include creating an interactive Texas zone map which allows women to find a zone close while traveling through, visiting, and, of course, living in our great state. Zone pages allow zones to showcase their events and needed information for their respective groups, churches, and cities.



Additionally, the Christian Life blog helps ladies to **openly confess the Gospel**. Please share with others the saving grace of Jesus Christ. If you haven't had a chance, check them out and please share.

Lastly, our Facebook page audience has increased with great news stories, pictures (young and old) of events, and announcements. Our Facebook page is a resource for those that **yearn to grow in God's word** and may not be able to attend district, zone, or even local events. I am excited to see what the next biennium brings to LWML Texas District.

Light in a messenger's eyes brings joy to the heart, and good news gives health to the bones (Proverbs 15:30 NIV).

Communication Department



Joanna Roche
Linked by Love
Editor



Cindy Carter
District News
Editor



Amanda Hankemeier
Facebook
Coordinator

Thank you to Anna Parmley and Aimee Grubbs for serving as Graphic Designers.

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VICE PRESIDENT OF GOSPEL OUTREACH

JOY COWAN

There has been much rejoicing in the Gospel Outreach area of the LWML Texas District this biennium. The Lord is doing great work in Texas, the U.S.A., and the world, and we, as LWML members, get to be part of it! I was blessed to get to go visit with many of our mission grant recipients of the 2018-20 biennium. Oh, what wonderful work they are doing in His name. Then, I got to write about it in the *District News* and other mediums to share with you.



Now, I am looking forward to seeing which mission grants the Lord leads us to select for this biennium. LWML Texas District received so many fantastic proposals for this selection. I was awed by God's hand at work in so many areas!

I give thanks to and for my committee for their work, prayers, and diligence in bringing these mission grants for your prayerful consideration.

Thank you, too, for allowing me to serve in this capacity and for your generous gifts to mites and missions. May God be praised and glorified in all we do!

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! (Philippians 4:4 NASB).



Mission Grants Committee

Dianna Lee, Pastor Mark Moldenhauer, Charlotte Hintze, Joy Cowan, and Beth Franke

VICE PRESIDENT OF HUMAN CARE

GAYE LYNN KRUEGER

I thank you for the opportunity and privilege of serving you as the Vice President of Human Care for the past four years. It has been an exciting and extraordinary time of learning about the LWML and Lutheran World Relief (LWR). Your donation of time and talents putting together beautiful quilts and coordinating the assembly of different kits has been overwhelming. May God's love be felt by the recipients of each and every donation.



Thanks to Jean Webber for her assistance with coordinating the LWR Ingathering. Thanks to the site coordinators: Sandy Miller, Houston, Debra Mattke, Sequin, and Priscella Reid, Dallas. Due to

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VICE PRESIDENT OF HUMAN CARE (cont.)

COVID-19, the LWR postponed the usual spring ingathering in Texas to the fall of 2020. An annual ingathering report is on our website at www.lwmltxdist.org/human-care.

Thanks also to “The Stamp Lady” Sara Frank for coordinating the Stamporee program which supports the LWR Quilt and Kit Shipping Fund. By saving and collecting cancelled postage stamps, LWML groups and members can provide funding for LWR to ship items to those in need around the world. Sara reports she has processed (i.e. collected, trimmed, sorted, weighed and sold) over 75 million stamps, providing over \$46,000 for the LWR Quilt and Kit Shipping Fund since the inception of the program in 1998. Thanks be to God for blessing our endeavors; all praise and glory goes to Him!

The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion (Psalm 116:5 NIV).



Human Care Committee

Sara Frank and Jean Webber

VICE PRESIDENT OF ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES

It has been my pleasure to serve you as Vice President of Organizational Resources for the past four years. I have learned much and have had the great opportunity of meeting many new sisters and brothers in Christ and being in His service. Sharon Sampson and Carolyn Schaefer, members of the Leader Development Committee, have been helpful and supportive. They are both devoted to serving our Lord and the LWML and are willing workers. They have been great sources of encouragement to me. God's blessings to all Lutheran Women in Mission as we continue to *Serve the LORD with gladness!* (Psalm 100:2).

NANCY BECKCOM



I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus (1 Corinthians 1:4 NIV).

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Leader Development Committee

Nancy Beckcom, Carolyn Schaefer, and Sharon Sampson

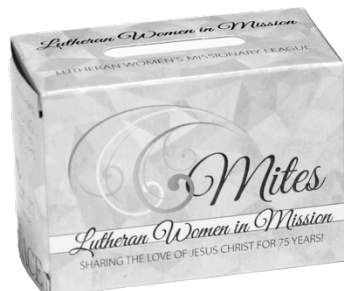
FINANCIAL SECRETARY

FRANCES MOLITOR

It has been my privilege and honor to serve the district as Financial Secretary these past four years. Our focus has been based on *JOY – Joyfully serve the Lord, Openly confess the Gospel; Yearn to grow in God's Word*. Even though it may not have been a joy to spend a long afternoon or night trying to find that nickel or dime which made my numbers out of balance, but every minute was indeed time well spent serving the Lord. I was blessed to experience joy in so many other ways. The opportunity to visit other zone events, being in the Word with the women of LWML and our many supporters, and to have been involved with the process of sharing the Gospel has indeed added much joy to my life. Thank you for allowing me this opportunity. A sincere thanks to all those society treasurers or contact personnel faithfully submitting mite offerings. I may not know or recognize your face, but I will remember many of the names that have been a part of my life these past four years. May the Lord bless and keep you, may your LWML mites continue to bless and keep others, and may you continue to raise your leaders up in prayer. It is certainly a much desired and appreciated action.



Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths (Proverbs 3:5-6).



Mite Boxes are available free for shipping costs at www.lwml.org.

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RECORDING SECRETARY

PATTI SAMSEL

What a joy it has been to serve as Recording Secretary over the past two years! Serving through the LWML Texas District has been a very rewarding experience. Your officers and committee chairmen spend many hours in service to our Lord!

It is very humbling to know that our service through the LWML could bring the good news of Jesus Christ to people around the world. A highlight for me as an LWML member is attending the district and national conventions and hearing mission speakers give their heart-felt testimony of how our mites have benefitted their organizations.



I have also cherished the friendships made, meeting ladies from around the state, working with wonderful mentors, and growing in my relationship with God through the LWML. To God be the Glory!

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer (Romans 12:12 NIV).

TREASURER

KELLY BERNHARDT

It has been an honor and a blessing to serve the LORD as your Treasurer the past two years. I have gained such JOY from serving with President Debbie Curry and everyone on the Executive Committee and Board of Directors. I especially appreciate all of those who have been there to answer my questions and give me support as I learned the details of this position. I encourage all of you to prayerfully consider serving as a society/group or zone officer and, when the opportunity presents itself, serving at the district level. I look forward to the next two years and all the great friendships and blessings that are LWML.



During the past two years I have worked diligently on transferring the district finances to QuickBooks and learning all about district and convention budgets. I disbursed district funds per vouchers received for payment. I have assisted societies and zones with banking issues and financial questions. As the banking industry continues to change their requirements, I will strive to stay informed and available to assist you. I pray we all continue to *Serve the LORD with gladness!* (Psalm 100:2).

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up,
just as in fact you are doing (1 Thessalonians 5:11 NIV).*

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SENIOR PASTORAL COUNSELOR

REV. JOHN HECKMANN

My report to the convention of the LWML Texas District will be not so much a report but a confession. For the past four years I have held one of the most incredible offices there is in this organization. To sum up the office of Pastoral Counselor, I can use the words of a friend of ours, Juan. When I see him, I sometimes tease him by saying, “Mucho dinero, no trabajo.” Loosely translated, it means, “much money, no work,” which is an apt description of this office. I have the most rewarding job because the ladies do all of the work and I get to come alongside of them and enjoy what our Heavenly Father is doing through the most amazing Christian women’s organization.



As I served with President Kay Kreklau on the national level, she would always write in the call to meeting documents that “we should come to the Executive Committee meetings and the Board of Directors meetings and the other committee meetings well rested,” for when all was said and done we would be worn out following very, very long days. I must confess, and I feel guilty saying this out loud, that I went home more refreshed and rejuvenated than when I left for the meeting.

I have had the opportunity to work with ladies on the national, district, zone, and society levels that have been the cream of the crop. The work that the LWML does is so amazing and so uplifting as we have the opportunity to spend time in the Word and in service to others. What an incredible opportunity to use “our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voices to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him.” If you want to know about the nuts and bolts things your Pastoral Counselor has done, I can get you a listing of those. If you want to know what I really think, reread my thoughts above.

As we get to the end of this report, let me say, “THANK YOU.” Thank you for the past four years and for the past 35 years of being able to serve the LWML in so many ways. I have timed out of all of the opportunities to serve on many levels, but be assured that each of you, and the whole LWML, will always be in my prayers, even as it is in my heart.

*Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.
Amen (Hebrews 13:20-21).*



“Lutheran Women in Mission” describes in spoken and written form who we are and what we do.

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JUNIOR PASTORAL COUNSELOR

REV. MARK MOLDENHAUER

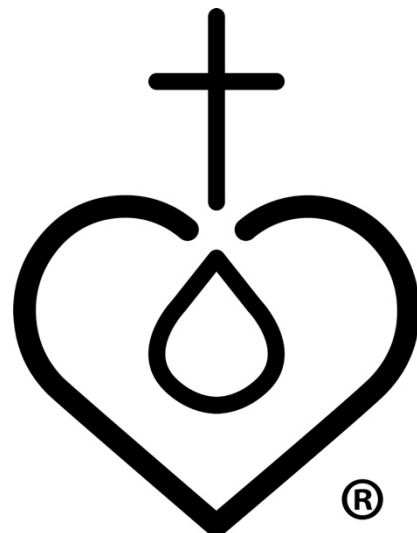
It has been a real joy to serve the LWML Texas District these last two years. Boy, where has the time gone? It seems like yesterday that I was elected at the Waco Convention. In that time I have had the joy of getting to attend the Executive Committee meetings and as they met with the Board of Directors and the Zone Presidents. If it wasn't in person I was able to correspond with various forms of communication, from smoke signals to the internet. My children are always telling me that for a shy and quiet person I sure do like to talk to people. Hearing everyone's story has been a blessing to me and to see how they are sharing the love of Christ is truly inspiring.



One of my main jobs has been to provide doctrinal review for the ladies serving on the Executive Committee and to keep them and the rest of the LWML in prayer. This last biennium I had the opportunity to help select the Mission Grants ballot. It was perhaps one of those bitter/sweet moments as we bring the ballot before all of you, and at the same time, not being able to fund all of the grant proposals, was hard to do. I think I heard everyone on that committee exclaim that they wanted to just send every one of the proposals to the convention floor.

At the end of the day we are able to rely on the promises of our Savior and know that He is in control of all things. A verse that has guided me these last two years, and, indeed, throughout my ministry, is simply *"Be Still and Know that I Am God..."* (Psalm 46:10a). These words have been a real blessing for it reminds us that as life gets itself in a real big hurry that we are to slow down, even stop as the verse says, and know that God is in control of all things. Here's to the next two years of seeing how God will move and act to use us to bring others to know Him.

The symbol was created with this in mind; one that represents the members of both the LWML and the church. A heart to represent the love and giving nature of the members; a drop to symbolize the blood of Christ; and a cross above all else to proudly show the purpose behind the efforts of the LWML.



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PARLIAMENTARIAN

JUDY DOLD

I cannot believe it is convention time again! One of my most memorable moments during the past two years was being able to attend a Pastor's Installation as the LWML Texas District representative. It was such an easy way to show LWML's support for the Pastor, and the church congregation was so appreciative that LWML was there.



What I have found fascinating during my time as Parliamentarian is all that goes into planning conventions. Your Executive Committee is very hard at work behind the scenes. I get so wrapped up in the discussions that I had actually forgotten my parliamentary duties on more than one occasion. But I also have learned so very much. I mentioned this during a recent Board of Directors meeting. My hope and prayer is that my experience on the EC has better prepared me to serve as your 2022 LWML Texas District Convention Host Committee Co-Chair along with Dorcus Coulter. We are already looking ahead to the next convention and expect to see you all in Houston in 2022.

So do not fear, for I am with you: do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand (Isaiah 41:10 NIV).

SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT

MICHELE TATE

Thank you so much for the opportunity to serve you, my fellow sisters and brothers in Christ, as an appointed member of the LWML Texas District for the past four years. It definitely has been my pleasure in serving alongside my dear friend Debbie Curry.



My duties in this appointment include attendance at all meetings of the district's Executive Committee and the Board of Directors; receive, compile and disburse all reports for the district meetings; disburse district correspondence; and perform other duties at the request of the district president.

May we all continue to *Serve the LORD with gladness!* (Psalm 100:2).

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do (Ephesians 2:10 NIV).

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CONVENTION COORDINATOR 2018-2022

HELEN SCHNEIDER

I was very honored when President Curry asked me during the last biennium to serve as Convention Coordinator in training. I am now completing my first biennium as Convention Coordinator. What a joy to serve with the Executive Committee and LWML members around the district. Thanks to Carolyn Rivers for being a great mentor.



My duties consist of attending Host Committee meetings which have been a delight since one of the hosting zones was my own Coastal Bend Zone. President Curry and I plus local LWML members reviewed and visited hotels for the 2022 Houston convention and for the 2024 convention.

The Lord had a plan when I was introduced to my first LWML convention many years ago. He has blessed me with the ability to attend all of the Texas District conventions since that time. May the Lord continue to be the anchor for each of us in His Word and serve with gladness.

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future” (Jeremiah 29:11 NIV).



2018-2020 Executive Committee

Front row: Michele Tate, Secretary to the President; Helen Schneider, Convention Coordinator; Gaye Lynn Krueger, Vice President of Human Care; Debbie Curry, President; Reagan Mayville, Structure Committee Chairman; Judy Dold, Parliamentarian; Kelli Alsup, Vice President of Christian Life.

Second row: Pastor John Heckmann, Senior Pastoral Counselor; Frances Molitor, Financial Secretary; Janna Atkins, Vice President of Communication; Joy Cowan, Vice President of Gospel Outreach; Kelly Bernhardt, Treasurer; Nancy Beckcom, Vice President of Organizational Resources; Patti Samsel, Recording Secretary; Pastor Mark Moldenhauer, Junior Pastoral Counselor.

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STRUCTURE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

REAGAN MAYVILLE

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve as the Structure Committee Chairman for the LWML Texas District. Since accepting this position, I have learned so much about the basis of our organization and how important bylaws are to our success at every level in serving our Lord with JOY. I have had the privilege to review and approve bylaws for several groups and zones over the past biennium.



Our district bylaws have been reviewed and proposed changes will be voted on at this convention. Also, the standing rules have been amended and some have been added for the district. It has been an amazing experience connecting with sisters in Christ across the state and prayerfully supporting them.

Working with our Executive Committee and Board of Directors has been a very rewarding time for me. I appreciate all who have offered their help and advice. I know I am so blessed to be a part of this amazing group of women.

My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121:2).



Structure Committee

Debbie Schkade and
Reagan Mayville

ARCHIVIST-HISTORIAN

TERRI WENZEL

It is my JOY to serve as the Archivist-Historian for the LWML Texas District. It is an important job and an honor to help preserve our organization's history and impact. It has never ceased to amaze me how our organization has been able to touch the lives of so many people through the Mite-y work of Lutheran Women in Mission. Whether researching, archiving, or staying involved in society, zone, or district activities, I continue to be blessed through my LWML experiences and the love of my sisters in Christ.



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ARCHIVIST- HISTORIAN (cont.)

I hope you are all enjoying the 75th Anniversary LWML Texas District History booklet, available for download from www.lwmltxdist.org. Thank you for the opportunity to work alongside of you in serving the Lord with gladness!

*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord,
not for human masters (Colossians 3:23 NIV).*

SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

MARLENE WHITE

It has been a privilege and a blessing to serve as the Scholarship Endowment Fund Committee Chairman these past two years. My greatest joy has been to communicate with and pray for these young women as they pursue a degree in full-time church work.



Last year, our committee awarded scholarships of \$1000 to five young women: Abigail Brandenburger, Hannah Eatherton, Rebekah Eatherton, Rebecca Schelen and Kristin Stuewe. In addition, we awarded a \$600 scholarship to Meagan Harcrow who graduated in December. Scholarships for the 2020-2021 school year have not been determined as of the publication deadline for the manual. They will be awarded in April and announced at the convention. We ask that you continue to keep these young women in your prayers.

Since 1992 we have awarded more than \$80,000 in scholarships. Please consider donating to the LWML Texas District Scholarship Endowment Fund with Legacy Deo so that we may continue this ministry for future generations.

*"Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!" (Psalm 46:10).*



Scholarship Endowment Fund Committee

Joyce Martinets, Liz Burnett, Marlene White, and Pastor John Heckmann

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COMMITTEE ON YOUNG WOMEN CHAIRMAN

ABBY FASKE

This biennium the Committee of Young Women has been busy preparing for this convention. We held a few teleconferences to plan and finalize everything. We also revamped the guidelines for the District Young Woman Representative selection process. Now any Zone Young Woman Representative who has attended a district convention is eligible. This office is constantly filled with JOY as our committee educates the women that are new to LWML as well as encourages them to get involved in their local group, zone, and district level. It makes me happy to know that future LWML officers are getting their start and support through the YWR Program.



Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer (Romans 12:12 NIV).

DISTRICT YOUNG WOMAN REPRESENTATIVES

KENDRA LARSON

I have been involved with my church's LWML society as well as attending functions for my zone. I have helped with my church's rummage sales; both those headed by the church as well as those headed by the LWML. Other activities include attending zone rallies and projects with my society. One project was making tied fleece blankets for Lutheran World Relief care packages. Women who normally attend meetings came to participate as well as several who normally do not attend. It was fun seeing everyone come together to tie blankets. We made eleven blankets total and had a good time together. I also attended both the LWML Texas District Convention in Waco and the national LWML Convention in Mobile, AL. I also hope to be able to share my love of LWML with other societies.



"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you" (Isaiah 43:2).

APRIL GILBERT

Committee on Young Women

Amanda Halbert and Amanda Hankemeier



Reports of Officers and Committees

NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

WHITNEY WHITE

The LWML Texas District Nominating Committee has worked prayerfully and earnestly reviewing all 44 names submitted for district offices by societies and zones. A brief summary of activities included: review job descriptions and required timeline for submissions; prepare and distribute appropriate forms to collect nominations; receive pastoral counselor nominations; obtain approval from Texas District LCMS President for Pastoral Counselors; collect and review nominations received from zones and societies; contact nominees to receive consent; meet as a committee to establish slate of candidates for 2020 LWML Texas District Convention; prepare materials necessary for the 2020 district convention.



Please keep those elected in your prayers; also pray that other doors will be opened to those not selected at this time. Start praying now for those nominees you will submit to serve as possible district officer candidates in two years. I challenge every zone and even every society to submit nominees for the next slate of officers!

Many thanks and words of appreciation go to Karen Avenson, Lois Teinert, and Pastor John Heckmann for their commitment, prayers and time with this committee over the last two years.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding (Proverbs 3:5 NIV).



Nominating Committee

Lois Teinert, Whitney White, Karen Avenson, and Pastor John Heckmann

Reports of Officers and Committees

HEART TO HEART SISTERS DISTRICT LEADER 2017-2020

JAN BRUNETTE

It has been my extreme pleasure to serve as the Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader for the past four years. Unlike the facets of a diamond that glisten only in the sunlight, the faces of beautiful women from many cultures and countries shine as sparkling examples of courage and strength, even when their lives existed in some very dark places. I was filled with much joy as I participated in their worship services, met in apartments for Bible studies, helped organize a multicultural event and a H2H training program, and became acquainted with sisters through coffee or lunch. Being given the privilege of training new sisters in Dallas, Houston, and Austin, I witnessed their enthusiasm for the LWML with new or renewed passions and embraced the experience as a gift from God. Special thanks go to Joyce Williams and Senait Gonfa, who willingly served on the district's H2H Sisters Committee from 2016 – 2019. Now the responsibility of leader rests in the very capable hands of Giovanne Turincio, who was trained at the 2019 Mobile convention.



Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!
(Psalm 117).

HEART TO HEART SISTERS DISTRICT LEADER 2019-2022

GIOVANNE TURINCIO

We are all children of God and that makes us sisters in Christ. With that in mind, I am honored to serve as the new Heart to Heart Sisters District Leader. Everyone has a story and some of the women I met in Mobile have some of the most amazing stories. I look forward to getting to know some of the women in Texas that are working in multicultural ministries. I encourage all women to reach out to the women in your church that come from diverse ethnic backgrounds and learn more about their journey.



The purpose of the Heart to Heart Sisters Committee is to motivate, equip, challenge, and provide mentoring opportunities within LWML for women of diverse ethnic groups to serve the church, participate in LWML, witness to the world, and grow in relationships.

LWML wants to integrate all ethnic women into the mission and goals of the organization. This program is not designed to be an outreach program, but rather a means to make all sisters feel included and a vital part of the LWML.

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus (Galatians 3:28).

Reports of Officers and Committees

Heart to Heart Sisters Committee

Mary Afsharirad and Liz Burnett



ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

The Endowment Committee exists to encourage members to joyfully support LWML Texas District endowments that are held in trust by Legacy Deo, a foundation affiliated with the Texas District LCMS. The existing endowments are the Scholarship Endowment Fund and the Mission Inreach Endowment. A brochure describing these endowments is available on the website www.lwmltxdist.org.

Begun as a task force, we explored how to encourage members in giving to these endowments. Activities included updating the website page (www.lwmltxdist.org/give-endowments), writing articles for *District News* and a recommendation to establish a standing committee. The Executive Committee established the Endowment Committee in February 2020. Perhaps the most important result of our efforts was the decision to propose a third endowment for adoption at this convention. If approved by the convention delegates, that endowment will be known as the LWML Texas District Mission Goal Endowment, existing specifically to support mission goal funding. As details for this new endowment unfold, members are asked to support this new endowment with the same joyful fervor that has allowed the current endowments to flourish over the years.

Now may the God of peace . . . equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight . . . (Hebrews 13:20-21).

JOYCE BEST



Endowment Committee

Frances Molitor and Kathy Walther



Report of the Financial Secretary

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & TRANSFERS TO TREASURER For the 24 month period of April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020

BALANCE ON HAND			
First National Bank of Anderson		\$	500.00
RECEIPTS:			
<u>Mite Offerings</u>			
Societies & Individual Members	\$	295,853.91	
Supporting Societies		3,882.16	
Zones		9,685.04	
Other Sources		20,027.80	
Total Mite Offerings	\$	329,448.91	
<u>Directed Giving - LWML</u>			
Mites	\$	6,764.66	
<u>Directed Giving - LWML Texas District</u>			
Mites	\$	12,059.64	
Memorials		3,194.23	
Honorariums		720.00	
Thrivent Choice Dollars		11,040.00	
Elsie Smith Endowment Interest		654.03	
Total Directed Giving	\$	27,667.90	
<u>Reimbursed Expenses & Repayments</u>			
Meetings & Travel	\$	1,116.41	
District News		4,872.00	
Total Reimbursements	\$	5,988.41	
		\$	369,869.88
<u>Designated Funds</u>			
Travel Fund - Biennial LWML Convention	\$	24,881.41	
LWML Quarterly Subscriptions		33,299.75	
LWML District Retreat		10,108.84	
LWML Store		7,770.48	
Endowment Fund Interest - Mission Inreach		2,863.31	
Endowment Fund Interest - Ted & Mina Fitting		2,649.60	
Convention Overage Acct		8,935.52	
Total Designated Funds	\$	90,508.91	
<u>Pass Thru Funds</u>			
LWML Quarterly - Large Print	\$	151.00	
Convention Offerings		8,463.29	
Stamporee Funds		8,206.04	
LWR Quilt & Shipping Fund		4,656.35	
Other		426.00	
Endowment Fund Contributions			
Scholarship		946.00	
Mission Inreach		489.15	
Total Pass Thru Funds	\$	23,337.83	
		\$	113,846.74
		\$	484,216.62
DISBURSEMENTS			
Transfers to Treasurer		\$	483,716.62
BALANCE ON HAND MARCH 31, 2020			
First National Bank of Anderson		\$	500.00
LCEF JoyfulResponse		\$	19.42

Frances Molitor

Frances Molitor
Financial Secretary

Report of the Treasurer

Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS For the 24 month period of April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020

Cash Balance - April 1, 2018		\$	61,656.69
Income Received – Transfers from Financial Secretary		\$	483,716.62
Income Received – Interest Earned on Accounts		\$	598.78
	Total	\$	545,972.09
Disbursements			
<i>For the National Mission of LWML</i>			
Mites	\$	89,064.41	
<i>For the District Mission of LWML</i>			
Mission Grants	\$	185,000.00	
District News	\$	12,730.00	
District Website	\$	4,185.84	
Board of Directors/Zone President Orientation	\$	20,843.75	
Executive Committee	\$	20,916.44	
District President Travel	\$	1,565.05	
Leadership Team	\$	1,252.58	
2020 Convention Expenses	\$	1,789.65	
Communication Department	\$	1,670.36	
Christian Life Department	\$	1,039.25	
Organizational Resources Department	\$	1,344.53	
Human Care Department	\$	1,221.65	
Gospel Outreach Department	\$	2,144.18	
Appointed Personnel and Committees	\$	7,202.42	
Total for the District Mission	\$	262,905.70	
<i>Operating Expenses of the LWML Texas District</i>			
District Operations	\$	1,479.59	
Bond & Insurance	\$	584.00	
Legal & Financial Review	\$	1,927.95	
Total Operating Expenses	\$	3,991.54	
Designated/Endowment Fund Activity**	\$	83,066.24	
Pass-Thru Accounts	\$	23,337.83	
Total Disbursements		\$	(462,365.72)
Cash Balance - March 31, 2020		\$	83,606.37
<i>Designated/Endowment Funds included in Balance</i>			
LWML Quarterly	\$	13,603.48	
Travel Fund	\$	1,000.43	
LWML Store	\$	500.00	
Christian Life Retreat	\$	1,527.56	
Texas District Convention Overage	\$	10,000.00	
Mission Inreach Interest	\$	1,502.63	
Ted & Mina Fitting Interest	\$	2,200.03	
CEF Savings 1YR Note - Travel Fund	\$	9,036.06	\$ 39,370.19
Total Available Cash March 31, 2020		\$	44,236.18

Kelly Bernhardt

Kelly Bernhardt
Treasurer

This report includes District checking and savings account balances.

**Includes LWML Quarterly, Travel Fund, LWML Store, Christian Life Retreat, Convention Fund and Endowment interest.

Report of the Membership — Mite Offerings

MITE OFFERINGS - LWML TEXAS DISTRICT - APRIL 1, 2018 TO MARCH 31, 2020

		#		CTS/MBR			#		CTS/MBR
		MBRS	MITES	PER DAY			MBRS	MITES	PER DAY
BAYOU CITY ZONE					DAL-NORTH ZONE				
Houston	Holy Cross Ladies Aid	13	227.34	0.02	Carrollton	Prince Of Peace LWML	25	3,878.84	0.22
	Memorial Lutheran Women in Mission	15	338.50	0.03	Denison	Grace LWML	17	114.26	0.01
	Pilgrim Women of Worth	15	825.99	0.08	Denton	St. Paul - Women In St. Paul	15	1,211.22	0.11
	Trinity Ladies Circle	50	5,714.43	0.16	Flower Mound	Lamb of God LWML	20	1,148.21	0.08
Sugar Land	Fishers of Men - Lady Fishers	35	3,050.52	0.12	McKinney	Our Savior LWML (Servants of Our Savior)	20	2,463.26	0.17
	ZONE TOTAL	128	\$10,156.78	0.11	Plano	Faith - Women of Faith	40	2,441.31	0.08
BLUEBONNET ZONE						Lord of Life Women In Mission	10	1,242.82	0.17
Anderson	Zion LWML	6	445.48	0.10		Messiah LWML	30	1,299.88	0.06
Brenham	Bethlehem (Wm Penn) LWML	30	1,204.31	0.05		ZONE TOTAL	177	\$13,799.80	0.11
	Grace Afternoon LWML Society	22	1,008.35	0.06	EAST TEXAS ZONE				
	Grace Evening LWML Society	33	2,776.87	0.12	Athens	St. John Mary Martha	17	1,812.04	0.15
Bryan	Bethel LWML	32	3,771.31	0.16	Centerville	Our Savior LWML	15	1,080.11	0.10
College Station	Holy Cross LWML	8	245.89	0.04	Gun Barrel City	St. Peter LWML	11	2,315.15	0.29
Navasota	Salem (Whitehall) Ladies Circle	8	367.00	0.06	Palestine	Bethlehem Willing Workers	20	1,714.51	0.12
	Trinity Ladies Aid	23	1,332.99	0.08		ZONE TOTAL	63	\$6,921.81	0.15
	ZONE TOTAL	162	\$11,152.20	0.09	GOLDEN HARVEST ZONE				
CAPITOL ZONE					Cypress	St. John Dorcas Guild	20	2,558.91	0.18
Austin	Bethany - Women of Bethany	74	6,511.00	0.12		St. John Sisters in Service	31	2,585.72	0.12
	Concordia University Helping Hands	10	0.00	0.00		St. John Women in Mission	5	0.00	0.00
	Hope LWML	10	954.35	0.13	Houston	Epiphany LWML Day Lilies	14	1,424.64	0.14
	Mt. Olive Women In Mission	8	986.77	0.17		Family of Faith LWML	12	1,511.00	0.17
	Our Savior Women's Guild	15	1,447.74	0.13	Katy	Memorial Women In Mission	20	2,010.59	0.14
	Redeemer Dorcas LWML	35	3,428.64	0.13	Spring	Resurrection Women In Ministry	35	3,988.95	0.16
	Redeemer LWML Women In Mission	50	5,210.39	0.14	Spring/Klein	Trinity Ladies Aid	19	1,330.90	0.10
	St. Paul Dorcas LWML	12	3,346.42	0.38		Trinity Lydia Guild	18	1,020.19	0.08
	St. Paul LWML	10	1,551.51	0.21	The Woodlands	Living Word - Women of the Word	30	2,455.66	0.11
Buchanan Dam	Genesis LWML	5	384.54	0.11	Tomball	Salem Women In Mission	22	1,865.14	0.12
Cedar Park	Good Shepherd Hands of Faith	19	3,606.67	0.26	Waller	Cross of Christ LWML	15	2,404.69	0.22
	Good Shepherd Lutheran WIM	10	1,675.91	0.23		ZONE TOTAL	241	\$23,156.39	0.13
Georgetown	Faith Helping Hands	45	2,743.53	0.08	GOLDEN TRIANGLE ZONE				
	Faith Joy Mission Circle	15	1,553.66	0.14	Beaumont	St. John Ladies Aid	10	1,944.75	0.27
	Zion (Walburg) Faith Circle	10	608.05	0.08	Nederland	Holy Cross LWML	13	3,229.81	0.35
	Zion (Walburg) LWML Evening Circle	12	1,756.56	0.20	Orange	Grace LWML	6	0.00	0.00
Lago Vista	Christ Our Savior LWML	20	1,436.79	0.10	Port Arthur	Trinity Mary Martha Circle	10	686.03	0.10
Liberty Hill	Mission Liberty Hill Joy LWML	10	995.43	0.14	Winnie	Hope Circle	9	1,072.58	0.17
Marble Falls	Hope LWML	6	873.70	0.20		ZONE TOTAL	48	\$6,933.17	0.20
Pflugerville	Point of Grace Faith Circle	8	710.57	0.12	GULF COAST ZONE				
Round Rock	King of Kings Women In Mission	10	1,200.00	0.16	Baytown	Redeemer Helping Hands	7	976.03	0.19
San Marcos	Grace LWML	16	2,116.28	0.18	Crosby	Our Shepherd LWML	13	1,509.68	0.16
Taylor	Trinity LWML	12	1,836.00	0.21	Friendswood	Hope Ladies Guild	27	2,884.36	0.15
Thorndale	St. Paul LWML	24	1,538.34	0.09	Pasadena	Zion Eunice Ladies Guild	11	0.00	0.00
	ZONE TOTAL	446	\$46,472.85	0.14		Zion Evening Association of Ladies (ZEAL)	5	506.69	0.14
CENTRAL TEXAS ZONE						Zion Ladies Guild	10	758.29	0.11
Clifton	Immanuel Women's Guild	19	1,476.83	0.11	Pearland	Epiphany - Women of Epiphany	23	1,327.99	0.08
Hewitt	Peace LWML	14	1,269.19	0.12	Texas City	Peace - Ladies of Peace	10	555.10	0.08
Hillsboro	Christ Esther Guild	6	763.23	0.17		ZONE TOTAL	106	\$8,518.14	0.11
Marlin	Grace LWML	5	682.00	0.19	HEART OF TEXAS ZONE				
Waco	St. Mark LWML	16	1,159.04	0.10	Abilene	Our Savior Gleaners	5	0.00	0.00
	St. Paul (Bellmead) LWML	7	2,427.15	0.47		Our Savior Joyful Angels	12	1,681.25	0.19
Woodway	Trinity LWML	17	2,058.97	0.17		Zion Hope Circle	25	171.36	0.01
	ZONE TOTAL	84	\$9,836.41	0.16	Brownwood	Grace LWML	15	838.32	0.08
COASTAL BEND ZONE						Grace LWML Evening Guild	10	1,215.86	0.17
Bishop	St. Paul Dorcas Circle	13	483.25	0.05	San Angelo	Trinity LWML	6	500.00	0.12
	St. Paul LWML	7	1,770.17	0.35		ZONE TOTAL	73	\$4,406.79	0.08
Corpus Christi	Messiah - Women of Messiah	7	1,808.15	0.35	MID COAST ZONE				
	Mt. Olive LWML	16	351.18	0.03	Edna	St. Paul LWML	8	461.29	0.08
	Our Savior LWML	8	242.57	0.04	Victoria	Christ the King LWML	8	694.03	0.12
Kingsville	St. Paul Joy Guild	6	580.00	0.13		Grace Ladies Guild	10	683.39	0.09
	St. Paul Women's Guild	9	1,673.83	0.25		Zion Women In Mission	25	1,650.05	0.09
Odem	Trinity LWML	6	1,025.00	0.23	Wallis	St. Paul LWML	8	635.39	0.11
Rockport	Peace LWML	6	3,127.60	0.71	Wharton	St. John Ergonian Society	17	1,064.85	0.09
	ZONE TOTAL	78	\$11,061.75	0.19		St. John Ladies Aid	8	400.50	0.07
						ZONE TOTAL	84	\$5,589.50	0.09

Report of the Membership — Mite Offerings

		#		CTS/MBR			#		CTS/MBR
		MBRS	MITES	PER DAY			MBRS	MITES	PER DAY
NEW HORIZON ZONE					SOUTH PLAINS ZONE				
Cleveland	Good Shepherd LWML	15	787.35	0.07	Lamesa	Grace LWML	4	190.00	0.07
Conroe	St. Mark Lydia Guild	14	924.57	0.09	Lariat (Farwell)	St. John LWML	11	1,123.93	0.14
Livingston	Trinity LWML	10	773.24	0.11	Lubbock	Hope - Women of Hope	15	1,222.97	0.11
Montgomery	Living Savior Mary/Martha Guild	14	1,640.46	0.16		Redeemer LWML	15	1,398.33	0.13
	ZONE TOTAL	53	\$4,125.62	0.11	Plainview	St. Paul Faith Circle	4	444.20	0.15
NORTH ALAMO ZONE						St. Paul LWML	5	451.50	0.12
Fredericksburg	Resurrection Mary Martha Guild	10	1,671.00	0.23		ZONE TOTAL	54	\$4,830.93	0.12
Kerrville	Hosanna - The Morning Star LWML	10	2,850.11	0.39	SUNSHINE ZONE				
New Braunfels	Cross Dorcas Guild	53	3,269.10	0.08	Copperas Cove	Immanuel Ladies Aid	9	992.00	0.15
San Antonio	Concordia Lutheran Women In Mission	25	2,613.78	0.14		Trinity LWML	6	260.13	0.06
	Crown Of Life Crown Jewels	3	375.81	0.17	Gatesville	St. Paul (The Grove) LWML-Christ's WIM	21	1,591.17	0.10
	King of Kings LWML	20	3,734.30	0.26	Hamilton	St. John Ruth Guild	10	1,725.00	0.24
	Mt. Calvary Mary Martha Guild	21	2,315.16	0.15	Killeen	Grace Guild	13	1,173.93	0.12
	Mt. Olive Willing Workers	10	0.00	0.00	Lampasas	Faith Women's Guild	15	1,237.20	0.11
	Redeemer LWML (Evening Group)	8	773.00	0.13	Temple	Immanuel Faith Circle	42	1,223.31	0.04
	Shepherd of the Hills LWML	15	966.65	0.09		ZONE TOTAL	116	\$8,202.74	0.10
Seguin	Grace Dorcas Guild	8	539.08	0.09	TEXAS STAR ZONE				
Uvalde	Trinity Ladies Aid	6	0.00	0.00	Canton	Holy Cross LWML	7	1,066.81	0.21
	ZONE TOTAL	189	\$19,107.99	0.14	Dallas	Bethel LWML Outreach Society	8	779.76	0.13
NORTHEAST TEXAS ZONE						Bethel Women's Guild	21	0.00	0.00
Mt. Pleasant	Good Shepherd Ruth Circle	11	495.03	0.06		St. Paul LWML	15	360.00	0.03
Sulphur Springs	Our Savior - Women Serving Our Savior	9	689.00	0.10		Zion LWML Daylighters	10	1,186.41	0.16
Texarkana	First Ladies Guild	12	570.97	0.07		Zion LWML Moonlighters	20	774.09	0.05
	ZONE TOTAL	32	\$1,755.00	0.08	DeSoto	Cross of Christ LWML	8	1,292.05	0.22
PANHANDLE ZONE					Garland	Tree of Life LWML Outreachers	5	263.23	0.07
Amarillo	Prince of Peace LWML	13	1,460.06	0.15	Grand Prairie	Faith LWML	14	1,014.82	0.10
	Trinity Mary Martha	32	5,204.93	0.22	Rockwall	Aroma Mujer	15	798.52	0.07
Canyon	St. Paul Women In Mission	7	501.18	0.10		Our Savior Comforters	5	2,123.46	0.58
Dalhart	Grace LWML	10	829.25	0.11		Our Savior LWML	12	2,395.12	0.27
	ZONE TOTAL	62	\$7,995.42	0.18		ZONE TOTAL	140	\$12,054.27	0.12
POST OAK ZONE					TRINITY ZONE				
Dime Box	Trinity Ladies Aid	11	292.34	0.04	Arlington	Beautiful Savior LWML	10	640.52	0.09
Giddings	Immanuel Dorcas Circle	30	5,289.95	0.24		Holy Cross Women In Christ	10	954.81	0.13
	Immanuel Friendship Circle	7	100.00	0.02	Azle	Good Shepherd Rebekah Society	4	164.01	0.06
	St. John (Lincoln) Ladies Aid	10	468.42	0.06		Good Shepherd Women's Guild	6	238.58	0.05
	St. Paul (Serbin) LWML	17	1,428.92	0.12	Cleburne	Ascension LWML	5	1,764.38	0.48
La Grange	Mt. Calvary Mary Martha Guild	25	3,621.41	0.20	Colleyville	Crown of Life LWML	11	1,410.60	0.18
Lexington	St. James LWML	9	643.50	0.10	Fort Worth	St. Paul LWML	15	2,109.33	0.19
	Holy Trinity Fedor Ladies Aid	7	688.24	0.13	Granbury	Our Savior LWML	10	3,010.63	0.41
Loebau	Christ (Lincoln) LWML	14	2,372.00	0.23	Hurst	Peace LWML	19	2,308.97	0.17
Paige	Ebenezer Ladies Aid	15	1,500.55	0.14	Mansfield	St. John LWML	22	0.00	0.00
Schulenburg	Zion Dorcas Guild	14	962.62	0.09	Stephenville	Faith LWML	10	1,773.02	0.24
Smithville	Grace LWML	20	1,339.08	0.09	Weatherford	Trinity LWML	10	888.31	0.12
Warda	Holy Cross Ladies Aid	27	4,307.38	0.22		ZONE TOTAL	132	\$15,263.16	0.16
Winchester	St. Michael LWML	13	1,300.00	0.14	WEST TEXAS ZONE				
	ZONE TOTAL	219	\$24,314.41	0.15	Big Spring	Alive In Christ Rachel Circle LWML	10	1,275.78	0.17
RED RIVER ZONE					Midland	Grace Parish Workers	10	1,055.79	0.14
Bowie	St. Peter LWML	13	1,780.87	0.19		Holy Cross Women's Guild	4	808.11	0.28
Iowa Park	Good Shepherd LWML	7	696.50	0.14		ZONE TOTAL	24	\$3,139.68	0.18
Vernon	St. Paul LWML Evening Guild	10	1,005.41	0.14	WHITE OAK ZONE				
	Zion LWML	11	487.30	0.06	Houston	Beautiful Savior LWML	15	1,073.06	0.10
Wichita Falls	Our Redeemer LWML	17	1,547.11	0.12		Concordia Women's Club	10	1,915.63	0.26
	St. Paul Tabitha/JOY Society	5	1,276.04	0.35		Gethsemane Women of the Church	16	2,426.99	0.21
	ZONE TOTAL	63	\$6,793.23	0.15		Immanuel Naomi Willing Workers	11	601.90	0.07
RIO GRANDE VALLEY ZONE						Our Savior Cheerful Helpers	19	3,521.26	0.25
Harlingen	St. Paul Ladies Aid	17	1,039.80	0.08		St. Andrew LWML Daytimers	11	750.00	0.09
McAllen	El Buen Pastor Sociedad Femenil	9	0.00	0.00		St. Andrew Evening Guild	2	0.00	0.00
	St. Paul LWML	12	2,797.44	0.32		St. Mark Ladies Evening Circle	8	443.21	0.08
Mercedes	Immanuel Mary Martha Guild	5	513.50	0.14		ZONE TOTAL	92	\$10,732.05	0.16
Port Isabel	Fishers of Men Anna Society	15	4,134.50	0.38					
San Benito	St. John LWML	8	592.44	0.10					
	ZONE TOTAL	66	\$9,077.68	0.19					

Individual Members (Made contributions during the biennium)

Cynthia Otto, Diann Higgins, Beth Franke, Mona Miller, Michele Tate,
Sharon Sherbert, Janet Hurta, Sherry Walters, Carolyn Skov,
Amanda Halbert, Pat Durham, Jennifer Reichart, Betty Baden,
Christine Jones, Marietta Oates, Nioma Aiden, Joan Rappleyea,
Claire Halamka, Sharon Sampson

Zone Totals	2932	\$285,397.77
Individual Members	24	\$3,846.45
District Totals	2956	\$289,244.22

Report of the Membership — Mite Offerings

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO MITES

Zones	Designated				
Bayou City	\$ 250.00	\$ 258.50	2018 LWML TX District Mites for Mission	\$ 2,121.00	
Bluebonnet		\$ 338.15	2018 LWML TX District Convention Offering	\$ 8,363.08	
Capitol	\$ 2,108.06	\$ 1,653.03	Amazon Smile/Donate Your Change	\$ 133.42	
Central Texas		\$ 1,328.67	Anonymous	\$ 40.00	
Coastal Bend		\$ 109.00	District Days Special Collections	\$ 1,663.20	
East Texas		\$ 550.17	Donated 2019 LWML Convention Travel	\$ 3,816.59	
Golden Harvest		\$ 796.04	Donna Snow Bible Study Sales	\$ 1,324.85	
Golden Triangle		\$ 253.00	EC/BOD/Individual EC Members	\$ 3,960.90	
Gulf Coast		\$ 587.00	Edith Huffman	\$ 400.00	
Heart of Texas	\$ 158.00	\$ 217.50	Elsie Smith Endowment Interest	\$ 654.03	
Mid Coast		\$ 100.00	Convention Abundance Funds	\$ 9,074.70	
North Alamo		\$ 514.00	Family of Richard Cory Kroos	\$ 22.54	
Post Oak		\$ 1,132.56	Gloria Dei Wednesday Morning Bible Class	\$ 1,074.36	
South Plains		\$ 114.00	Gwen Stocker	\$ 580.00	
Trinity	\$ 100.00	\$ 540.00	Karen Kriegel	\$ 1,000.00	
White Oak		\$ 1,193.42	Memorial designated to LWML	\$ 112.50	
TOTAL	\$ 2,616.06	\$ 9,685.04	O'Quinn Baptist Church Ladies Retreat	\$ 250.00	

SUPPORTING SOCIETIES

Arlington	Grace Piecemakers	\$ 51.00
Austin	Christ Eunice Guild	\$ 588.77
Bedford	Concordia LWML	\$ 250.67
Corpus Christi	Trinity Mary Martha	\$ 1,257.87
Corsicana	Faith LWML	\$ 423.95
Dallas	Holy Cross Mary Martha	\$ 278.05
Galveston	St. John Ladies Aid	\$ 386.42
Graham	Faith Lutheran Ladies	\$ 395.38
Houston	Christ Memorial Women	\$ 150.00
Houston	Mt. Olive LWML	\$ 145.86
Huntsville	Faith Lutheran Women	\$ 1,795.55
Kilgore	Pilgrim LWML	\$ 674.12
Monahans	St. Paul Ladies in Mission	\$ 900.00
Nacogdoches	Redeemer LWML	\$ 1,589.71
Odessa	Redeemer LWML	\$ 423.40
Pasadena	Zion Young at Heart	\$ 672.63
Pattison	Christ Lutheran LWML	\$ 274.10
Rosanky	Vineyard of Christ-	
	Women of the Vineyard	\$ 101.24
Whitney	Our Savior Women's Guild	\$ 835.29
TOTAL		\$ 11,194.01

Reimbursed Expenses	\$ 5,988.41
Rosalynn Koepsell	\$ 100.00
Scott R Kroos and Family	\$ 21.45
Sharon Sherbert	\$ 20.00
Shirley Gaede	\$ 900.00
Teens in Mission, Good Shepherd Cedar Park	\$ 74.00
Zion Children's Mites, Pasadena	\$ 327.74
TOTAL	\$ 42,176.32

MITE OFFERING SUMMARY

Mite Offerings - Society/Individual Members	\$ 289,244.22
Mites - Zones	\$ 12,301.10
Supporting Societies	\$ 11,194.01
Other	\$ 42,176.32
Memorials and Honorariums	\$ 3,914.23
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$ 11,040.00
TOTAL	\$ 369,869.88

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLAR CONTRIBUTORS

Adam Stone	Eileen Wuthrich	Karen Birnbaum	Nancy Beckcom
Amanda Halbert	Eloise Kuhlmann	Katherine Schkade	Paul Hempel
Ann Soltau	Frances Molitor	Kathleen Hester	Rev John Heckmann
Barbara Wachmann	Frances Waters	Kathy Lowman	Richie Butler
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Daniel Cowan	Henry Galipp Jr	Lois Teinert	Sharon Stoerkel
David Hummel	Janet Adkins	Lori Salzman	Sherry Gandy
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Diann Higgins	Joan Rastberger	Martha Steele	Vickie Carroll
Doris Theiss	Joanna Roche	Martha Warnasch	Wiley Butler
Dorothy Hunger	Karen Avenson	Mary Embry	William Bennett

Special Gifts

SPECIAL GIFTS - MITES GIFTS FROM APRIL 1, 2018 - MARCH 31, 2020

HONORARIUMS

GIVEN BY:

Nancy Beckcom
Debbie Curry
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Beth Lauterbach
Frances Molitor
Patti & Barry Samsel
Brenham, Grace Afternoon LWML

IN HONOR OF:

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Members' service to LWML
Jo-Ann Samsel
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Verna Morrow
Jo-Ann Samsel
Cora Mickan, Delores Franke, Doreen Stoelke,
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Geraldine Gloyna, Lavonne Woods,
Lillie May Dahmann, Louanna Jennings,
Mildred Karcher, Violet Graeber
Linda Wellman

Brenham, Grace Evening LWML

MEMORIALS

GIVEN BY:

Amarillo, Trinity Mary Martha

Anderson, Zion LWML

Brenham, Grace Afternoon LWML

Corpus Christi, Women of Messiah
Dallas, Zion LWML Moonlighters
Galveston, St. John's Lutheran Ladies Aid

Kingsville, St. Paul Women's Guild
Lubbock, Redeemer LWML

Pasadena, Zion Eunice Ladies Circle
Temple, Immanuel LWML Faith Circle

Vernon, St. Paul LWML Evening Guild

Walburg, Zion Evening Circle LWML
Woodway, Trinity LWML

IN MEMORY OF:

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Sandy Miller
Chester Finke
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Harold Evans
Ruth Bethke
Amelda Sump
Beth Schulze
Delores Franke
Dorscile Badke
Eleanor Tiemann
Gwen Jacobs
Louanna Jennings
Mildred Karcher

Dorothea Riemer Wagner
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Golden Triangle Zone

Panhandle Zone
South Plains Zone

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Beth Lauterbach
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Lyla McCarty
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Special Gifts

LWML SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND (EN057)

GIFTS FROM APRIL 1, 2018 TO MARCH 31, 2020

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Austin, Redeemer Dorcas LWML Society

Joyce Best

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Gatesville, St Paul's LC LWML

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Giddings, Immanuel LC Dorcas Circle

Golden Harvest Zone

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Spring, Resurrection LC (LWML Society)

Lois C. Toups

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Wichita Falls, St. Paul Tabitha Joy Society

SPECIAL DESIGNATION

Memory of Evelyn Frosch, Dorothy Pettit, Vi
Fisbeck, Ivy Herm, Ruby Friedrich, Bonnie Russell

Memory of Alfred O."Fritz" Meyer

Memory of Bill White

Honor of the Executive Committee 2016-2018

Memory of Ken Owen, Alton Symm, Brenda
Aycok, Kenneth Winkler, Katrina Perry, Wilbert
Richter, and Rodger Symm

Memory of Wilma Robnett

Memory of Ginny Ruhnnow, Rona Bennett, Joan
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Rachel Humphries, Dianne Allen, Latricia Riske,
Nellie Cantnen, and Rev. Daniel Quinn

Honor of Dan & Susan Schaefer

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Memory of Frances Kunkel

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Memory of Barbara Frazier

Honor of Karen Avenson, Barbara Senzig, Shirley
Pattillo and Honor of Birthday - JoAnn Samsel

Memory of Alice Meierant

Memory of Joan Blocher

Memory of Junnie Green

Special Gifts

LWML MISSION INREACH ENDOWMENT (EN165)

GIFTS FROM APRIL 1, 2018 TO MARCH 31, 2020

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Rockwall, Expansion Comunidad Christiana
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San Marcos, Grace LWML
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SPECIAL DESIGNATION

Memory of Lucille Nerger and Elda Kieschnick
Memory of Rev. Don Peymann, Milton Kasper,
Thelma Koehler, Bernard Mesman, Danny
Sampson, Audrey Hansen, and Dorothy Luedke
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Memory of Bernard Mesman and Harold Evans
Honor of Birthday - Peggy Turnipseed and JoAnn
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Memory of Ardis Meschke and Eleanor Steward

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Completed Mission Grants

2018 Waco—Goal: \$180,500

Scholarships for Seminarians—Texas District LCMS	\$50,000
Let It Shine for Children with Autism—Lutheran Special Education Ministries	\$10,000
Director of Christian Education Scholarships—Concordia University Texas	\$24,000
ACTS of Love Early Childhood Education Center—Leander	\$20,000
Reaching Visually Impaired Inmates with God's Love—Lutheran Braille Workers	\$18,500
Forward in Faith—Funding the Ministry of Faith Lutheran High School	\$10,000
Multi-Ethnic Ministries of North Texas	\$25,000
Navigating Life and Faith—LINC Austin	\$10,000
Spanish and American Sign Language Bible Stories—Lutheran Friends of the Deaf	\$5,000
Alamo Hills Children's Ministry (Shepherd of the Hills Church Plant)—San Antonio	\$4,285
Expanding the Mission at Lutheran Student Center—Arlington	\$3,215

2016 Lubbock—Goal: \$206,800 (included a \$26,800 overage)

Scholarships for Seminarians—Texas District LCMS	\$40,000
Director of Christian Education Scholarships—Concordia University Texas	\$24,000
Apartment Ministry to Muslim Women—Disciples of the Way	\$15,000
We<I (We is Greater than I)—LINC Austin	\$15,000
Disaster Relief—Holy Cow Smokers, Flower Mound	\$16,000
Equipping Youth to Witness for Life—Lutherans for Life (Y4 Life)	\$10,000
<i>(\$5,000 was paid during next biennium)</i>	
Building Hope in Bufuula, Uganda—Hope Lutheran Church, Lubbock	\$24,000
Meeting Room Media—Camp Lone Star	\$12,000
International Student Ministry—UT Arlington	\$25,000
Hispanic Ministry—Southeast Texas—Texas District LCMS Circuit #34	\$25,000
Outreach and Media Ministry—Antiochian Apostolic Church	\$800

2014 Frisco—Goal: \$197,700 (included a \$17,700 overage)

Scholarships for Seminarians—Texas District LCMS	\$50,000
Covenant Kids—Spiritual Care Program for Abused Children, Upbring, the new LSSS	\$20,000
Publish and Distribute the Arabic <i>Small Catechism</i> —Lutheran Heritage Foundation	\$15,000
Ministry to Muslim Women—Disciples of the Way	\$15,000
Biblically-based Character and Leadership Development for At-Risk Students and Families—LINC North Texas	\$20,000
Director of Christian Education Scholarships—Concordia University Texas	\$24,000
Short-term Mission Team Financial Assistance—LWML Texas District*	\$4,078
Reaching the Heart of the City's Children, Families, and Homeless—LINC Austin	\$20,000
Vision for Kenya—Opening Eyes to See Jesus—Texas District LCMS Circuit #7	\$17,000
<i>(Name was changed to Vision for All—Opening Eyes to See Jesus and \$6,000 was paid during next biennium)</i>	
Hispanic Ministry—Southeast Texas—Texas District LCMS Circuit #34*	\$12,500

*Funds not used from Short-term Mission Team Financial Assistance — \$4800 reallocated to Hispanic Ministry—Southeast Texas to meet request of \$12,500 and \$122 returned to mites

LWML Texas District

2021 LWML Convention Invitation

The Lutheran Women in Mission of the
Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio Districts
INVITE YOU
to the 39th Biennial LWML Convention
in beautiful Lexington, Kentucky
June 24–27, 2021



Therefore, since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the love that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God (Hebrews 12: 1–2).

Opportunities abound for you to

Ω WORSHIP with your sisters and brothers in Christ!

Ω SHARE the Good News with everyone the Lord places in your path!

Ω FELLOWSHIP with “seasoned” friends while meeting new ones!

Ω ENJOY doing God’s work with LWML sisters and brothers in Christ!

Ω BRING your family and friends to enjoy the Horse Capital of the World:
the Kentucky Horse Park – the Keeneland Racecourse – the Hunt-Morgan House –
the Henry Clay Estate – the Mary Todd Lincoln House – and so much more to see and enjoy!

COME TO THE ROLLING HILLS OF THE BLUEGRASS
June 24–27, 2021!

Save the Date!

Lutheran Women in Mission

of the Bayou City, Golden Harvest, Golden Triangle,
Gulf Coast, New Horizon and White Oak Zones

invite YOU to the

**Lutheran Women's Missionary League
Texas District
42nd Biennial Convention**

June 16-18, 2022

Houston, Texas

Omni Houston Hotel at Westside

The hotel is located in the Energy Corridor, a thriving Business District located in West Houston, just minutes away from two great shopping areas, beautiful parks with recreational trails and many dining options.

Please keep the Host Committee in your prayers as we make plans for great fun and fellowship all in service to our Lord.



Zone Presidents

ZONE PRESIDENTS 2018–2020

BAYOU CITY – Sharon Stoerkel
BLUEBONNET – Dixie Voskamp
CAPITOL – Cheryl Wawryniak
CENTRAL TEXAS – Debbie Rollins,
Jeanne Seeger
COASTAL BEND – Sharon Schrader
DAL-NORTH – Mary Afsharirad
EAST TEXAS – Sharon Mills
GOLDEN HARVEST – Anita Long
GOLDEN TRIANGLE – Roberta Heiner
GULF COAST – Reagan Mayville
HEART OF TEXAS – Carene Baslee
MID COAST – Gerry Hornstein

NEW HORIZON – Helga Hellriegel-Schuller
NORTH ALAMO – Bonnie Moore
NORTHEAST TEXAS – Donna Geiken
Wallace
PANHANDLE – Linda Moldenhauer
POST OAK – Dorothy Schautschick
RED RIVER – Marcia Kubitz
RIO GRANDE VALLEY – Doris Pickering
SOUTH PLAINS – Corlis Norman
SUNSHINE – Debra Heckmann
TEXAS STAR – Darline (Beth) Stewart
TRINITY – Nikki Baker
WEST TEXAS – Doline Budke
WHITE OAK – Dorcus Coulter



Front row (L to R): Sharon Stoerkel, Reagan Mayville, Helga Hellriegel-Schuller, Dorcus Coulter, Doline Budke, Cheryl Wawrzyniak, Marcia Kubitz, Gerry Hornstein, Dixie Voskamp, Carene Baslee, Anita Long

Back row: Corlis Norman, Roberta Heiner, Dorothy Schautschick, Linda Moldenhauer, Mary Afsharirad, Beth Stewart, Donna Geiken Wallace, Sharon Schrader, Sharon Mills, Debbie Rollins, Bonnie Moore

Not pictured: Doris Pickering, Debra Heckmann, Nikki Baker

Past District Presidents

Hildegarde Bruns * 1942-1943

Convention – June 10, 1942, Austin

Erna Dorre * 1943-1945

Convention – June 10, 1943, Ft. Worth

Convention – June 8, 1944, San Antonio

Toni Kraatz * 1945-1946

Convention – June 12, 1946, Houston

Lil Kobs * 1946-1947

Convention – June 16, 1948, Vernon

Edith Rast * 1947-1950

Convention – June 14, 1950, Houston

Service of Lutheran Women

Anne Blasig * 1950-1952

Convention – June 13, 1952, Corpus Christi

All for Christ

Gladys Oswald * 1952-1956

Convention – June 15, 1954, Waco

Grow and Go

Convention – June 13-14, 1956, Brownsville

Grow in Christ

Vera Wilkinson * 1956**Virginia Tschatschula * 1956-1958**

Convention – June 13-14, 1958, Waco

Magnify the Lord with Me

Lilian Kramer * 1958-1960

Convention – June 7-8, 1960, Dallas

A Pattern of Good Works

Ann Garrett * 1960-1964

Convention – June 13-14, 1962, San Antonio

Rejoice in the Lord Always

Convention – June 17-18, 1964, Odessa

Well of Life

Gladys Kaltwasser * 1964-1968

Convention – June 7-9, 1966, Corpus Christi

Be Ye Fishers of Men

Convention – June 19-20, 1968, Austin

And unto God

Amalie Long * 1968-1972

Convention – June 10-11, 1970, Ft. Worth

I Am the Light of the World

Convention – July 12-13, 1972, Amarillo

Declare His Glory on All Frontiers

Jeanne Cargile Meredith * 1972-1976

Convention – June 11-12, 1974, Beaumont

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Convention – June 10-11, 1976, McAllen

In God We Trust

Pat Barlow 1976-1980

Convention – June 15-16, 1978, Dallas

Again I Say, Rejoice

Convention – June 12-13, 1980, Tyler

He Rose to Life

Pearl Biar * 1980-1984

Convention – June 24-25, 1982, Corpus Christi

Gather and Share in the Body of Christ

Convention – June 20-22, 1984, San Antonio

There is a River of Joy

Marcella Gaus Olivier * 1984-1988

Convention – June 18-20, 1986, Waco

Praise Him! All Heaven and Earth

Convention – June 23-24, 1988, Galveston

Anchored in Christ, Cast Your Nets!

Doris McKay * 1988-1992

Convention – June 20-22, 1990, Austin

Blossom With Love

Convention – June 19-21, 1992, Houston

Celebrate! Tell the Next Generation!

Pat Biar 1992-1996

Convention – June 15-17, 1994, Wichita Falls

Shine Like Stars

Convention – June 28-30, 1996, College Station

Rooted in Christ, Watered by the Word

Peggy Turnipseed 1996-2000

Convention – June 26-28, 1998, Corpus Christi

Set Sail. . . Filled with The Spirit

Convention – June 23-25, 2000, Waco

Bridges of Life: Faith, Forgiveness, Freedom

Eloise Kuhlmann 2000-2004

Convention – June 28-30, 2002, Midland

Enlightened to Encourage

Convention – June 23-27, 2004, Arlington

I know the plans I have for you. . . Plans to give you hope and a future

Dorothy Hunger 2004-2008

Convention – June 8-11, 2006, Beaumont

Taste and See that the Lord is Good

Convention – June 26-29, 2008, Houston

Lord, Open My Eyes

Kathy Lowman 2008-2012

Convention – June 18-20, 2010, Austin

Melody of God's Love

Convention – June 29-July 1, 2012, College Station

Adorn Yourself with God's Word:

His Wisdom, Our Witness

Lois Teinert 2012-2016

Convention – June 20-22, 2014, Frisco

Designed to Shine

Convention – June 24-26, 2016, Lubbock

I am the Vine, You are the Branches

*** in the arms of Jesus**

Notes

Convention Host Committee

2020 CONVENTION HOST COMMITTEE



Front Row (L to R): Melissa Childs, Adline Sedory, Marilyn Hensz, Judy Kunkel, Imelda Loreda, Jane Bergquist, Allison Ulmer, Adie Yanez

Middle Row: JoAnn Denkeler, Judy Felder, Kathy Lowman, Linda Estes, Linda Hoehne, Beth Franke, Carolyn Faske

Back Row: Pastor Gilbert Franke, Sharon Schrader, Laura Lopez, Cookie Johnsey, Doris Pickering, Joy Madero, Sherrie Whitehead, Pastor Kevin Jennings

Not pictured: Gracie Solano, Kelly Adams

Acknowledgements:

The members of the Host Committee from the Rio Grande Valley, Mid Coast and Coastal Bend zones who gave of their time in planning

Music Coordinator Allison Ulmer for preparing music and leading the songs during the virtual convention

Allison Ulmer and Rev. Timothy Appel for writing a convention song, "Christ Jesus is Our Anchor"

Graphic Design:

- Anna Parmley, Faith, Plano, for the convention logo
- Aimee Grubbs, Prince of Peace, Amarillo, for the convention manual cover and PowerPoint slides
- Janet Hurta, St Paul, Waco (Bellmead), for the LWML Texas District logo and JOY logo

During the pandemic of 2020, the convention was cancelled in Corpus Christi and a virtual convention was held on June 20. Voting was done electronically on June 16–18.

Convention Goal/Objective — District Purpose/Primary Focus

THEME: Christ is Our Anchor

BIBLE VERSE: *We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek (Hebrews 6:19-20).*

CONVENTION GOAL: In an ever-changing world, we reaffirm our hope is anchored in Christ.

OBJECTIVE: Convention attendees will:

- Rest in God's Word;
- Recharge in worship; be
- Re-energized to share our hope in Christ with others

LOGO EXPLANATION:

The logo artwork represents the theme, *Christ is our Anchor*. A literal anchor is shown with its arms outstretched toward God above. The word Christ is at the center, symbolizing His central importance in these verses and in our lives. "Christ is our Anchor" boldly covers the anchor motif revealing a strong, empty cross at the top of the design. This is another image boldly proclaiming that Christ has risen and is our anchor. The circle at the top reminds us of Christ's resurrection and the empty tomb that points us to his eternal reign over sin, death, and the devil. The colors tie in the nautical theme of the anchor and the outlines and font are bold and energetic, yet another unwavering proclamation of Christ's glory. Just as a boat is secured to an anchor by the chain, our faith, God's gift to us through water and the Word in holy Baptism, keeps us connected to the saving grace of Christ.



LWML TEXAS DISTRICT PURPOSE STATEMENT:

The purpose of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Texas District is to equip all women of the Texas District Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod through inspiration, education and discipleship, enabling them to reach others with the Gospel as they live in service to the Triune God.

LWML TEXAS DISTRICT PRIMARY FOCUS 2016-2020:

In fervent love, may all women experience **JOY** as we:

Joyfully serve the Lord

Openly confess the Gospel

Yearn to grow in God's Word



LWML *Texas* District

In fervent
gratitude for the
Savior's dying
love and His
blood-bought
gift of
redemption we

dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and
in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we
pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He
has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to
work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing

His praises, our
lips to proclaim
His redeeming
love, our silver
and our gold to
extend His
Kingdom, our
will to do His
will, and every
power of our life
to the great
task of bringing
the lost and the
erring into
eternal
fellowship with
Him.
Amen

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