Meet our SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to these six young women who have been selected by the LWML Texas District Scholarship Committee to each receive a \$1,375 scholarship for the 2023-24 school year. Thank you to all the amazing applicants.

Please lift these women up in prayer as they pursue the plans God has in store for them.



Olivia Hitz Faith, Plano Concordia University Chicago (junior)



Emma Schnegelberger Zion, Dallas Concordia University Chicago (senior)



Magdalena Obersat Ebenezer, Manheim Concordia University Wisconsin (junior)



Olivia Thoelke Our Savior, Houston Concordia University Irvine (sophomore)



Kenlyn Nitz Holy Cross, Dallas Concordia University Chicago (senior)



Elizabeth Trempala Prince of Peace, Carrollton Concordia University Wisconsin (senior)

Table Talk

Grab a cup of coffee or tea, and let us visit a moment.

It is time for just a short little chat at our table. Summertime will soon come to an end and the anticipation begins to build for those oh so slight signs of a Texas autumn. With that anticipation comes the expectations of the planned fall rallies and retreats.



Frances Molitor LWML Texas District President

There is more for us to focus on though. Two very important

deadlines are approaching of which everyone should be aware. **Mission grant proposals** and **nominations for officers** are due by Nov. 1 and this is a hard deadline. There are two separate reminders in this issue *(see below and page 20)*, so please take note.

I want to emphasize the importance of your participation in these two processes. You know the women and you know the ministries. Please pray for the Lord to spark the interest of those whose names are submitted for office and to open all our eyes to the mission fields that can use our support.

There is much to be done and we are Lutheran Women in Mission. We pray, we seek and we do — proclaim, support, serve!

Until next time. Much love and prayers for all.

GRANT PROPOSALS ARE DUE NOV. 1

Mission Grant proposals are to be completed and submitted by Nov. 1. It is highly recommended that Patti Samsel, VP of Gospel Outreach, be notified of your intent to submit no later than Oct. 1.

Information and forms can be found at *lwmltxdist.org/mission-grant-proposals;* or contact Patti at *gospeloutreach@ lwmltxdist.org*.

Nominations needed for district offices

The Nominating Committee is seeking candidates who show an active interest in the LWML, possess leadership skills and are willing to devote their time and energy to serve the Lord in a leadership position. Offices open for election in 2024 are:

- President
- Vice-president of Christian Life
- Vice-president of Organizational Resources
- Financial secretary
- Nominating Committee

Only LWML groups and zones may

submit nominations. Information on the positions and nomination process, including the nomination form, can be found at *lwmltxdist*. *org/nominating-committee*.

Nominations are due by Nov. 1 to Debbie Curry, Nominating Committee chairman. Contact her at *nominatingch@lwmltxdist.org*.

Retreat time!

Wishing you could get away for a mini-vacation? We've got your ticket!

The LWML Texas District's retreats are travel-themed for women to get together. They include worship, Bible-study and time for laughter as well as quiet reflection.

At "WonderFull World," we'll "travel" to each of the seven continents. While there, we'll explore wonders of a woman's heart, such as "I wonder if I matter to God" and "I wonder where God is when life is hard." We'll find the answer to these questions and others in the Bible and discover more of God's amazing love for us.

Visit *lumltxdist.org/ district-retreat* for more information. Registration deadlines are fast approaching for the events at Ceta Canyon, Happy; and Spiritual Renewal Center, Victoria. Questions may be sent to *christianlife@ lumltxdist.org*.

Make time to relax, make new friends, worship, and explore God's wonderous love. We hope you'll join us at "WonderFull World!"

Endowments

The LWML Texas District receives annual distributions from our three endowment funds. They provide scholarships, training for leaders, and add to the mission goal. One planned giver, Nancy, graciously allowed us to share her answer to "What is Your Why?"

"I chose to make a planned gift to the LWML because the organization is a worthwhile group that not only shares the love of Jesus, but is also the hands and feet of Jesus to our dying world. I have chosen to leave a portion of my life insurance to benefit the endowments. Endowments are a surety that the gifts given will be reaching others for Christ long after He has called me home to heaven."

If you would like to join Nancy in giving to these special endowments, more information can be found at *lumltxdist.org/ endowments*.

Program coming to end

As announced earlier in the year, the Stamporee program will end on Dec. 31. For those who have canceled stamps and are wondering what to do, there will be a district effort to collect these stamps at each of the retreats planned for this fall. Please see the retreat article at left and seek assistance from your zone president as needed.

A special celebration is being planned for the LWML Texas District 2024 convention in Corpus Christi. Plan on being there as we thank and praise the Lord for Sara Frank's leadership in this program and the success God has blessed us with over the years.

GREAT IS HIS Faithfulness!

| 55 | 100% |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Totals as of May 31, 2023 | |
| 2022–2024 Mite Goal | \$390,000 |
| Mites Received | \$213,743 |
| Total Mites Still Needed | \$176,257 |
| Mission Grants Paid | \$122,564 |

Send your mite offerings along with a remittance form to: LWML Texas District Attn: Kathy Walther Financial Secretary, PO Box 124, Giddings, TX 78942