



“Celebrating the Lord of the Nations” ...

Pictured above are some of the delegates from the Texas District during a business session at the 40th Biennial LWML Convention, held June 22-25 at the Baird Center in Milwaukee. At right, Frances Molitor (center), LWML Texas District president, is pictured with district Young Woman Representatives Amanda Nelson (left) and Laura Fisher.



Membership forms due Oct. 20

Worshiping with 3,500 of your closest friends. Sharing meals with the ladies in line around you. Participating in karaoke, cornhole and chair volleyball while gorging on popcorn at Friday Funfest. Entering into the Lutheran Ladies Lounge for an evening of laughter and entertainment.

What fun and fellowship we had together at the 40th Biennial LWML Convention in Milwaukee in June. What a mountaintop experience that was! Now that we're back to reality, the fellowship doesn't have to stop. We can all be Lutheran Women in Mission right where we are. Challenges and obstacles may arise, but remaining faithful to our calling keeps us grounded in who we are.

We turn our focus to fall, which brings cooler temperatures and changing colors — and the time to fill out membership directory information.

This membership roster will determine the eligible voting delegates for the next LWML Texas District convention, to be held in June 2024 in Corpus Christi. When you receive the membership forms, read them carefully, and return them by Oct. 20 to your zone president. Much information is gathered from these forms, so it is important not to miss the deadline.

As we gather this fall for our zone rallies let's continue to “Celebrate the Lord of the Nations” as Lutheran Women in Mission!

MISSION GRANT SPOTLIGHT

David Ricks of Lutheran Disaster Care, Inc., is presented a mission grant payment of \$5,000 by Sandi Paniello, LWML Texas District treasurer. A total mission grant award of \$16,000 will be used to purchase Bibles and gift cards to provide aid and comfort to those impacted by disaster.



Nomination forms due

The Nominating Committee needs candidates who are willing to serve as district officers. Positions open are president, vice-president of Christian Life, vice-president of Organizational Resources, financial secretary, and Nominating Committee.

All LWML groups and zones are encouraged to complete the nomi-



nation form at their fall meetings and send it to Debbie Curry, Nominating Committee chairman, at nominatingch@lwmltxdist.org. You do not need to secure the candidate's permission.

All forms and information can be found at lwmltxdist.org/nominating-committee. **The deadline is Nov. 1.**

The heart of the LWML



Pictured is the Loose Threads sewing group at Hope, Lubbock. Dayle Sillerud is in back (in apron).

Meet Dayle Sillerud, a member of Hope, Lubbock. Dayle honors God by serving others through her leadership of Loose Threads, a sewing group at Hope. She has developed relationships with several local non-profits, including Upbring, the Ronald McDonald House, Unpack Lubbock, Threads of Love, the Salvation Army, and Texas Girls and Boys Ranch. She also coordinates efforts with international organizations including Operation Smile, Little Dresses for Africa, Lutheran World Relief, and Days for Girls.

When asked why she joined LWML, Dayle said: “The LWML group at Hope is active and productive, with meaningful activities. I joined because I could see the group ‘got things done’ for the congregation, our child development center and the greater community.” She likes being with like-minded Christian women to strengthen her faith and have so many opportunities to serve the church and community.

Dayle also makes quilts for children with the South Plains Quilters’ Guild. She also helps out with various activities at church and participates in other members’ Thrivent Action Team projects.

Grant proposals due Nov. 1

Mission Grant proposals for consideration at the 2024 LWML Texas District Convention may be submitted electronically, but hard copies need to be received by Patti Samsel, vice-president of Gospel Outreach, by Nov. 1.

It is highly recommended for ministries to let Patti know of their intentions by Oct. 1 at gospeloutreach@lwmltxdist.org. Please note that the order in which the mission grant proposals are received will be the order in which they will appear on the convention ballot.

Information and mission grant proposal documents are available at lwmltxdist.org/mission-grant-proposals.

GREAT IS HIS Faithfulness!



Totals as of June 30, 2023

2022–2024 Mite Goal	\$390,000
Mites Received	\$225,745
Total Mites Still Needed	\$164,255
Mission Grants Paid	\$133,814

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

Lutheran World Relief collection dates

Marion (San Antonio area)
St. John Lutheran Church
600 S. Center St.
Wednesday, Nov. 1
9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Houston
Epiphany Lutheran Church
14423 West Road
Saturday, Nov. 4
9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Plano (Dallas area)
Messiah Lutheran Church
1801 W. Plano Parkway
Saturday, Nov. 11
9 a.m.–2 p.m.

LWML Sunday materials available now

“The King is Coming” (based on Ps. 24:7-10) is the theme for LWML Sunday, which is traditionally celebrated the first Sunday in October, but it may be celebrated at any time.

Throughout human history, God pictured the coming redemptive King through various images of His promise, providence, provision and protection for His people. The King of glory comes in, with and through the Gospel, as we were buried with Him in Baptism and raised with Him to a new life!

The materials were written by Rev. Dr. Roosevelt Gray Jr., director of LCMS Black Ministry.

For more information and to download LWML Sunday materials, go to lwml.org/lwml-sunday.