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**Overflow your mite boxes with prayers, praise and offerings.**



Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.  
2 Corinthians 9:7

## I DISLIKE WAITING – DON'T YOU?

Are you like me and hate to be kept waiting? Right now, I cannot wait until our district convention! Is your calendar marked for June 24-26, 2016? This is going to be an outstanding convention. **"IT ONLY TAKES A SPARK"** is the convention theme and I trust that a spark will set your enthusiasm on fire to attend and bring friends with you when you see what is in store!

As many of you may know, our deadline for articles for our newsletters is over a month prior to the newsletter being printed and distributed. As I write this, it is Advent and we are waiting with eager anticipation for Christmas Day and the New Year. During this hectic time, there is lots of waiting. Not necessarily like those in the Old Testament who waited many, many years for their Savior. Instead we endure short-term waiting in long lines at the stores, post office and delivery services with packages. Throughout the year, we have to wait for our turn in the doctor or dentist's office, our hairdresser, the grocery store, etc. It is so easy to get impatient.



As much as I dislike waiting, it is exciting to look forward to meet and hear our convention keynote speaker, Tim Hetzner, President of Lutheran Church Charities (LCC). LCC is well known for its K-9 Comfort Dogs, disaster response, and mission of mercy and compassion. (LCC was a recipient of an LWML mission grant last biennium.) I cannot wait to hear our Bible Study leader, Rev. Keith Witte, Pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Liberty Center, Ohio (near Napoleon) who will teach the Scriptures and inspire us. We await Rev. Kris Whitby who served as LWML (National) Pastoral Counselor from 2009 – 2013. He serves as Senior Pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Mount Prospect, Illinois and as Vice President of the Northern Illinois District - North Region. He is a multi-talented man who will not only be our Proclaimer at the opening worship service but also our humorous interrupter!

Our upcoming district convention will be held at the Cincinnati Marriott North. The Host Committee members who have worked hard over the past two years cannot wait to see the convention come together! Printed in this issue are the registration and housing forms, along with more information about this convention. I dislike waiting, but as final preparations are being



made and we wait patiently for this convention, please pray for all the work yet to be done. But especially, don't wait, plan to attend, register by the deadline. I cannot wait to see you in Cincinnati!

*Ann Marie Bollas, President*



## What's Needed – A Spark

Having been a pastor of a rural Nebraska parish, and the fact that the parsonage was next to the church, I tried to have the church sidewalk and steps shoveled for church services on Sunday. The first significant snowfall arrived on a peaceful, quiet Saturday night. It was beautiful to watch the snow gracefully fall to what seemed to be about six inches of snow. My oldest son, Joel, took his task seriously and prepared to start the snow blower. He checked the oil, filled it up with gas and pulled the cord... and pulled the cord... and pulled the cord.



Frustration was in his voice and the joy of the task had all but disappeared as he opened the door and yelled, "Dad, I can't get the snow blower started!!!" I put on my boots and coat having decided that he just wasn't strong enough to give it a "big" pull. But after several "manly" pulls, I too was winded and drained of strength. Something else had to be wrong. That's when I decided to remove and examine the spark plug. Sure enough, the spark plug had sat idle through the year. The carbon had built up; the plug needed to be cleaned. With a small file and a few snorts from the air compressor, the sparkplug was returned to the engine. "Give it a pull now" I told my son, and sure enough the first pull was sufficient and the engine came to life. The joy of the task had begun.

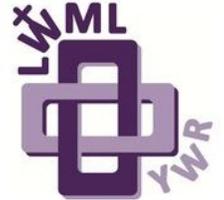
And so it is with our lives, we need a spark that will ignite and burn (a desire) within each of us. That becomes my prayer for this summer's convention. May it be a spark that ignites our lives for the joy of the task (mission) our Lord gave His Church. Through our mission mites, may it bring the message of the Gospel. Through our Bible studies, may it ignite a knowledge of God's mercy and steadfast love. Through our mission service, may it be a spark of love and care to those who are in need. May our Lord use each of us to be workers in His mission. May the Spirit of the Lord spark each of us with 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 (LWML Pledge).

Rev. Larry J. Rodencal, Senior Pastoral Counselor

## Be the Spark for a New Young Woman Representative (YWR)!

The wonderful thing about being a part of the Leader Development Committee is that we have the opportunity to introduce young women to the LWML and help them discover all of the ways they can be a part of a ministry that is serving the Lord. We would like to encourage all of you to seek out a young woman you know that could become a part of this organization. Show her all the different ways her personal talents, interests and strengths can be utilized. Help her discover how she personally could be called to be part of the LWML.

*Joyfully United  
in Spirit*



A resource to aid LWML Districts  
in choosing and engaging  
Young Woman Representatives  
[www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org)

The Leader Development Committee is planning many fun events including a PJ and Pizza Party one evening at the convention! The forms for young women to sign up are easy to locate on the website follow this path:

<http://www.lwmlohio.org>

Events

Convention 2016

Forms

Click on "Young Woman Representative Guidelines" to open the Guidelines and Application.

The deadline to return applications to zone presidents is March 31, 2016. Now is the time to prayerfully consider who you could introduce to the LWML! For more information on becoming a YWR at our 2016 District Convention, please feel free to have her contact Stephanie Petee or me at:

[rkodzev@redeemerlutheran.us](mailto:rkodzev@redeemerlutheran.us)

[slpetee@hotmail.com](mailto:slpetee@hotmail.com)

It only takes a spark to lead a new young woman to become a part of the LWML! We look forward to hearing how you reached out to a young woman you know and meeting her at convention as a 2016 YWR!

*Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing (1 Thessalonians 5:11 ESV).*

Regina Kodzev, Leader Development Committee



## Time

Our culture is looking for ways to use time wisely and to save time. People also worry about time:

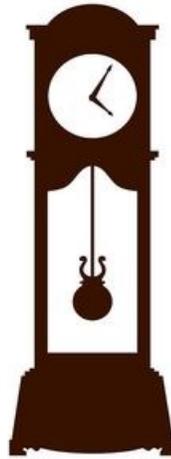
Do I have enough time?

Am I out of time?

At New Year's Eve worship service my congregation heard that **"Now is the Time"**. Christ has come and salvation is ours. We need to feel the urgency to spread the Good News of salvation to everyone we meet. Christ's second coming is upon us.

We don't know when it will be, so be prepared. During 2016 let us remember our blessings and share with others through mite giving, serving, and sharing.

*Ruth Mowery, Public Relations Director*



## Honors and Memorials

### In Honor of Wedding Anniversaries:

Bob & Pam Dawson, 50<sup>th</sup>

Wayne & Louise Showalter, 65<sup>th</sup>

### In Thanksgiving for:

Robert Wendt, successful surgery

### In Memory of:

Ed Badt

Joy Dougherty

Jack Gunsett

Susan Lord

Alma Mueller

Jennie Shartzter

Retta Mae Sippola

Sisters of Edna Hotz:

Dorothy, Emgard and Lois

## Where DO Those Grants Come From?

By the time you read this, the Mission Grants ballot for the 2016 LWML Ohio District Convention will be set. The Mission Grants Committee has been working diligently and praying fervently to determine which grants are to be considered by the voting body in Cincinnati in June 2016. A little background information follows.

The Mission Grant Application was updated and distributed to Zone Presidents at the February 2015 Board of Directors meeting. It was also made available on the LWML Ohio District website. People used their loving "mission eyes" and completed the applications which include rather extensive information regarding the amount of money needed, the purpose of the grant, how God's love and Word will be shared through the work, how the request fits the plans of the Ohio District, Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS), as well as a formal resolution to be presented to the voters.



We received 32 proposals, all of which were well documented and well written. They came from every corner of the Ohio District and across the country. The Mission Grants Committee shared the information with Rev. Larry Rodencal, our Senior Pastoral Counselor, President Ann Marie Bollas and the Ohio District LCMS Director of Missions for their feedback and thoughts. The committee met in January to discuss, pray over and decide which of the 32 grants to present as a ballot to the Executive

Committee and the Board of Directors for approval at the February meetings. It has been an emotional and exciting process, there is such great need for finances to enable people in our own neighborhoods to share God's Word and love to extend His kingdom.

The process continues...you, dear ladies of the LWML Ohio District, will have the opportunity to choose new mission grant recipients for the 2016-2018 biennium. Please continue to keep the Mission Grants Committee in your prayers as we prepare the presentation of these grant proposals. Pray also for guidance from our Lord as you learn of the mission projects so when the delegates vote, His will may be done through our mites in the coming biennium.

Remember to fill your Mite Boxes with coins and quiet money, covered in prayers, and submit it to the LWML Ohio District Financial Secretary so we might fulfill our promises to the current grant recipients. Blessings to you and we look forward to greeting all of you in person at convention.

*Karyl VanMeurs-Juergens, Vice President of Gospel Outreach*



## It's Time to Sparkle

The LORD their God will save them on that day as the flock of his people, they will **sparkle** in his land like jewels in a crown. (Zechariah 9:16 NIV).

During our June 24-26, LWML Ohio District Convention, attendees will discover the theme, "It Only Takes a **Spark**", based on James 3:5, will ignite **sparkling flames** of joy and excitement as we consider, through prayer and Bible study, the many actions we will vote to undertake.

One **glittering** event will feature the interest session sponsored by the Structure Committee. Rev. John Suguitan of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Cincinnati, will **fire-up** our imaginations and thoughts concerning his work with the "Inner City Ministry in Cincinnati." The session will summarize the ministry of Prince of Peace to the homeless and working poor in the inner city of Cincinnati and the ministry of Building Hope in the City-Cincinnati and Welcome Home Collaborative. Discover how this ministry **sparkles** like a jewel in an area with so much need.



Remember to visit our Structure Committee display table with **illuminating** LWML bylaws materials that offer **bright** ideas and helps. These will assist you to **reflect** your society or zone's purposes through well-run, organized meetings.

Questions? Need information for your society or zone bylaws? Utilize the following contacts or web sites:

[janet.guda@yahoo.com](mailto:janet.guda@yahoo.com)

[www.lwmlohio.org](http://www.lwmlohio.org)

[www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org)

[www.robertsrules.org](http://www.robertsrules.org)

From your **sparkling**  
LWML Ohio District Structure Committee:

*Janet Guda, Chairman*

*Carol Eigenbrod, Committee Member*

*Denice Horton, Committee Member*

## INGATHERING ITEMS

### 2016 DISTRICT CONVENTION

#### "IT ONLY TAKES A SPARK"

I'm so excited about our INGATHERINGS for our upcoming convention! The items you can bring to convention for our gifts from the heart include:

**Used eyeglasses:** Delivered to MOST Ministries to be distributed through eyeglass clinics giving better sight for free to many people throughout the world.

**Cancelled Stamps for Missions:** Our District project which sells cancelled stamps. All proceeds go to mites.



The following items will be collected for Matthew 25 Ministries, an ecumenical organization in Cincinnati. "Caring for a Needy World with the Things We Throw

Away" is their motto. The Rev. Wendell Matthey is Founder and President of this ministry that works with more than 40 organizations in the Greater Cincinnati area, groups throughout the United States, and partners in over 40 countries worldwide. They assist with humanitarian aid and disaster relief. All donated goods are processed by volunteers at its 168,000 square-foot Processing Center in Cincinnati. Visit the Web page: [m25m.org](http://m25m.org).

**One or five gallon cans of interior or exterior latex paint:** in original containers with original labels still attached, unused or leftover. Paint must have been stored in a protected space (kept from freezing) in same condition as when purchased. Paints will be blended together to create beautiful shades of colors in the "Rainbow Paint Re-blending Center."

**Empty prescription bottles/containers:** which will be sterilized for recycling or reuse for medications to help save the environment. Remove or black out the labels.

**Used orthopedic braces:** Remember when you sprained that knee, ankle or wrist, or worse, broke them? Donate that orthopedic brace that you don't want to throw away. It will help others heal.

We look forward to seeing you at convention.

**"Spread the gospel over the world, and when you need to, use words."** *St. Francis of Assisi*

*Barbara Berner, VP of Human Care*



## New Web Page



The LWML Ohio District has a new website: <http://lwmlohio.org>. Stop by for a visit and learn more about your district and its zones. Additions to the web-site may be sent to webmaster, Billie Lelle directly through the site or email her at:

[bllele@roadrunner.com](mailto:bllele@roadrunner.com) (cc: President Ann Marie, [ambollas47@gmail.com](mailto:ambollas47@gmail.com))

## The Time Is Now ...to Count Down to Convention

All women are invited to attend the  
**LWML Ohio District Convention ...**  
**"It Only Takes a Spark!"**

### \*Theme verse:

*Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us? (Luke 24:32 NIV)*

\*Date: June 24-26, 2016

\*Place: Cincinnati Marriott North, Union Centre  
6189 Mulhauser Rd., West Chester, OH

### Each society can send two delegates.

Delegates vote on: bylaws, officers, mission grants

Additional women may attend as guests.

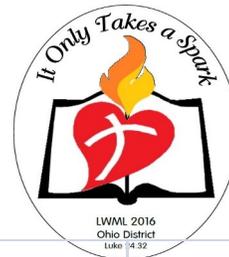
### \*Prayer requests:

Pray for the Executive Committee and other committees as they make plans for convention.

Pray for those being asked to speak at the convention.

Pray for Tim Hetzner, our Keynote Speaker.

Pray for all Host Committee members.



Countdown to Convention	
Date	Week#
Feb 5	20
Feb 12	19
Feb 19	18
Feb 26	17
Mar 4	16
Mar 11	15
Mar 18	14
Mar 25	13
Apr 1	12
Apr 8	11
Apr 15	10
Apr 22	9
Apr 29	8
May 6	7
May 13	6
May 20	5
May 27	4
Jun 3	3
Jun 10	2
Jun 17	1
Jun 24	Let's Spark

## Event Calendar

### February

- 12 EC Meeting
- 13 BOD Meeting
- 27 Cleveland Zones Day of Prayer
- Toledo Zone Retreat
- Northeast Zone Prayer Service

### April

- 2 Central Zone Spring Rally
- Defiance Zone Spring Rally
- Cleveland East Zone Spring Rally
- 30 Toledo Zone Spring Rally
- Northeast Zone Spring Rally

### June

- 24-26 LWML Ohio District Convention

## Nominees Still Needed

The Nominating Committee would like to thank those who have allowed their names to be placed in nomination for President, Vice President of Human Care, Vice President of Servant Resources, Financial Secretary, and Nominating Committee. The work of the LWML Ohio District could not go forward without the willing hands of volunteers like you.

However, as of this writing we are still in need of nominees for several offices, especially the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee

searches the district for nominees for offices that are to be voted on at the next district convention.

Prayerfully consider if you are being called to serve the LWML Ohio District in one of the offices listed above. (Note that nominations for Pastoral Counselor are now closed, per our bylaws). Please contact Nominating Committee Chairman, Carol Marcis: [carolmarcis@yahoo.com](mailto:carolmarcis@yahoo.com)

If you have any questions regarding the office duties, or speak with your zone president to obtain a nomination form. Thank you for saying "Yes!"  
*Carol Marcis, Nominating Committee Chairman*



## How to Store Aged Scrapbooks



Have you ever asked yourself, "what happens to scrapbooks on acidic paper while being stored in a humid basement?" Well my friends, this picture is what happens. Here are some steps to help that scrapbook out when you are storing it into your archives.

not at home. As a zone or society archivist ask to store your archives in a safe room not in a basement setting. Carefully take the scrapbook apart. Remove anything you can including unidentified photos and store them together in acid free envelopes or folders. Remove metal objects such as paperclips as they leave a trail of rust even in controlled environments.

Please never hesitate to email me with any questions or concerns [carolinehoneycuttlwml@yahoo.com](mailto:carolinehoneycuttlwml@yahoo.com).

*Caroline Honeycutt, Archivist-Historian*

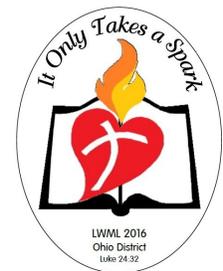
Zones and societies should store archives at church

## 2016 LWML OHIO DISTRICT CONVENTION

### ZONE BANNER SPECIFICATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

Design of the banners from the zones which comprise the LWML Ohio District will be selected and made in each zone. **Banner designers are encouraged to use their artistic talent and creativity in designing banners with the convention theme in mind.**

- The banner will be hung on a banner stand after the zone president procession at the Friday worship service. The banners will be on display during the convention.
- A member of the zone must take the banner on Sunday at the close of convention.
- The zone can keep, gift, donate the banner as determined by the zone officers.
- The theme of the convention is **"It Only Takes a Spark"** based on Luke 24:32.
- The logo will be exclusively displayed on the convention banner presented by the host committee (Cincinnati Zone).
  - \* The convention logo is displayed on this page.
  - \* The logo was designed by Karen Shanahan.
  - \* The colors of the convention are purple, red and yellow.
  - \*



### SPECIFICATIONS

One of the following format choices should be used:

- \* baby blanket; lap pad/robe; banner; quilt.
- The convention logo is **NOT** to be used on the zone banner.
- Other than the **maximum size of 36"x 50"** there is no required specific size of the banner.
- Do **NOT** reference LWML on the front of the banner.
- Do identify your banner with your zone president's name and phone number on the back of the banner, either in permanent marker or a detachable card.
- Use non-bleeding materials on your banner for laundry purposes.
- Using the top hem of your banner, slide a 1" dowel rod through the hem pocket.
- Use taut cords tied through eyelets at the end of the dowel. (Or use clip-on cafe curtain rings to attach the banner to the dowel).
- A cord must be hung from the ends of the dowel to hang the banner from the pole.
- Only use a 1" dowel (not a curtain rod.)
- Place a loop in the center of the cord to hang the banner on the pole to keep it centered.
- Sew two ties on the center back near the **TOP and BOTTOM** using 14" ribbon long enough to tie a bow on a 2" pole. (If desired, this can be basted to easily remove it after convention.)



## Cleveland East

*Submitted by Mary Skyrn, Acting President*

A group of LWML members from Our Redeemer LC in Solon (NE Zone) met with the Cleveland East Zone members for a servant event and workshop on October 22, 2015, at St. John LC in South Euclid.

Many fleece blankets were tied and taken to the Men's Homeless Shelter in Cleveland. It was a great afternoon of fellowship and delicious refreshments for all of us.



## Central Zone

*Submitted by Phyllis Bouic, President*

The Fall Fellowship in the southern section of our zone was held at St. Paul LC, Ashland, KY, on October 24, 2015. Two speakers told the story of their mission outreach.

Pastor Berhanu Arse of Ebenezer Ethiopian Evangelical Church-LCMS from the east side of Columbus, OH. He spoke of bringing Christ to immigrants and helping them make a life in the United States by the work of the Columbus Lutheran African Immigrant Ministry (CLAIM). He answered questions from the audience.

Lucy Davis of the "The Dressing Room" whose mission is to help clothe the needy around Ashland, KY, with a special emphasis on socks and underwear. The ingathering was socks and underwear for "The Dressing Room" clients. Monetary donations were also brought totaling \$100.00. "The Dressing Room" will be a recipient of one offering at the LWML Ohio District Convention in June of 2016.

Central Zone is excited to have three Mission Grant Applications submitted to the Mission Grants Committee of the LWML Ohio District. We ask God's blessings on all Mission Grants being considered.

**We need \$14,767 Mites in each of the last three months of the biennium which ends March 31, 2016, to meet the mission goal we set at convention in June, 2014.**

### Mite Boxes

To order Mite Boxes contact:

Helen Schwartz

6891 East 50 South

Decatur, IN 46733

Phone: 260-592-7542



## Napoleon Zone

*Submitted by Debbie Wesche*

Saturday, November 7, 2015, we held our Christian Life Workshop at Immanuel LC of Hamler, Ohio.

Pastor Doug DeWitt opened with a devotion reminding us to stay strong in our Christian faith, regardless of what the rest of the world is doing. Remember it is important to share our faith even if it is with just one other person, God will work in the heart of that person. The workshop chairman, Donna Frank of St. Luke LC Wauseon, introduced our Bible study leader, Pastor Jeff Corder, Napoleon Zone Counselor. The study was from Psalm 37:7 and the theme for the day was "Rest in the Lord". Along with scripture lessons, Pastor Corder shared personal experiences from the years before he was called to the ministry. We learned sheep will follow anything and they can't back up.

Our ladies didn't forget mighty mites and brought in \$191.70. During the offering of mites, we filled a basket with ideas or "opportunities" on how to share our time and talents with others. This "opportunity" was a way to "Reach out with Christ". The workshop was enjoyed by all!



Rev. Douglas DeWitt in the opening devotion Ladies from the Napoleon Zone in Bible study



### Quarterly and ODE Subscriptions

Submit changes to **Kim Klein**, Subscription Manager

**Increases** are processed year-round and will take effect with the edition following the request.

**Reductions** are processed once a year and requests must be received by **March 1** to take effect with the Summer edition of the *ODE* or the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*. Make the request to **Kim Klein**.

**AT NO COST** the PDF version of the *ODE* is available to everyone, not just print subscribers. It can be "forwarded" by email and printed. If you want the PDF copy go to the webpage or notify **Kim Klein**.

#### Annual Subscription Costs

- Quarterly 1-9 Copies = \$6.50/each
- Quarterly 10+ Copies = \$5.00/each
- ODE All quantities = \$2.50/each

Donations toward the cost of the *Quarterly* and *ODE* should be included with your mite remittance form and mailed to **Vivian Nelson**, Financial Secretary

**Directing Thrivent Choice Dollars to Mites:** Direct to LWML Ohio District select Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Mentor, Ohio (not Toledo).

**Joyful Response® to Mites:** To donate mites directly from your checking account each month contact Vivian Nelson, she will send you a Joyful Response® form. It can be set it up quickly.

**Contributions: Mites, Memorials, Honors:** Remittance Forms are available on the district website or from **Vivian Nelson**, Financial Secretary. Make checks payable to "LWML Ohio District" and send with completed forms to Vivian.

### Contact Information

#### Vivian Nelson

4805 Bowen Road, Toledo, OH 43613  
[vnelson4805@gmail.com](mailto:vnelson4805@gmail.com)

#### Kim Klein

348 Greenbriar Drive, Ravenna, OH 44266  
330-839-8112, [kimkleinlwml@neo.rr.com](mailto:kimkleinlwml@neo.rr.com)

#### Karen Shanahan

3633 Denise Drive, Toledo, OH 43614  
419-380-0244, [kesjr@att.net](mailto:kesjr@att.net)

#### Websites:

- <http://lwmlohio.org>
- [www.lwml.org](http://www.lwml.org)
- [www.robertsrules.org](http://www.robertsrules.org)

**Mite donations need to equal \$14,767 in each of the last three months of the biennium to meet the mission goal set at the convention in June 2014.**

MITES UPDATE	10/1/15-12/31/15	4/1/14 – 12/31/15
Mites Received	\$25,405.46	\$129,732.85
Convention Offering #1		\$2,986.83
Stamps for Missions		\$244.02
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$1,010.00	\$5,888.00
Honor/Memorials	\$1,400.00	\$8,509.43
Quarterlies/ODEs	<u>\$1,328.49</u>	<u>\$10,838.50</u>
TOTAL	\$29,143.95	\$158,199.63

(It takes at least two days for mail to reach the Financial Secretary from anywhere in Ohio.)



Do you have a life insurance policy that you no longer need? Here are four reasons why it can be an excellent gift to LWML and why you may want to consider gifting life insurance:

**Existing policies can be given or assigned to LWML** through a simple form. The value of the gift is closely tied to the cash value in the policy which can be deducted for income tax purposes for taxpayers who itemize their deductions.

**Paid up additions** can be assigned to LWML and, as with any gift, the fair market value of the dividends will be recognized as a tax effective gift.

**To express a desire to remember LWML**, life insurance can be a marvelous way to create a gift upon death with minimal cost during life.

**To feel a sense of joy**, a life insurance gift can express your heart's desire to be generous in response to God's gifts to you.

For more information, contact Pat Bilow, LWML Gift Planning Counselor, at [patbilow.lwml@gmail.com](mailto:patbilow.lwml@gmail.com) or call 800-741-4138, ext. 2, toll free, or contact your life insurance representative.

### ODE Information

Deadlines for article submissions:

- Spring January 5
- Summer April 5
- Fall July 5
- Winter October 5

Send news, pictures and articles to **Karen Shanahan**



# LWML Ohio District 2016 Convention

June 24-26, 2016

## Registration

Cincinnati Marriott North - 6189 Mulhauser Rd. West Chester, OH 45069

513-874-7335

Name (last) \_\_\_\_\_ (first) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 LWML Zone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church City \_\_\_\_\_

Check Appropriate Category (only check one)

- A.  Delegate
- B.  Alternate
- C.  YWR (Past YWR? – Year \_\_\_\_\_)
- D.  Executive Committee Member
- E.  Zone Counselor
- F.  Voting Board Member
- G.  Pastor
- H.  Guest (Non-voting attendee)

Please list below any special needs: Special diet, allergies, hearing, walking, etc.

First Time Attendee?

- **Friday Communion**  Yes  No
- **I will participate in the choir:** *Friday afternoon practice from 4-5 p.m. is required.*  
 Soprano I       Soprano II       Alto

### Saturday Afternoon Interest Sessions

Choices are listed on the following page. Please make your choices and return the sheet along with your registration and medical forms.

### Friday Servant Events 2-4 p.m.

Choices are listed on the following page. Please make your choices and return the sheet along with your registration and medical forms.

**Registration Deadlines for Delegates/Alternates – March 31, 2016**

**Registration for All Others – May 31, 2016.**

**ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 31, 2016!**

1. Friday-Saturday-Sunday Registration \$65 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
2. Saturday Registration Only \$55 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
3. Meal Package (Saturday & Sunday breakfast, Saturday Lunch) \$70 (GRATUITY INCLUDED) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
4. Saturday banquet \$45 (GRATUITY INCLUDED) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Circle choice: Sirloin      Stuffed chicken breast      Vegan      Gluten-free
5. Saturday banquet for a **Guest** \$45 (GRATUITY INCLUDED) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Circle choice: Sirloin      Stuffed chicken breast      Vegan      Gluten-free

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: LWML Ohio District Convention for this total amount.** Your cancelled check is your receipt. Keep a copy of this completed form. Forms will be shredded upon conclusion of the convention.

**SEND MEDICAL AND REGISTRATION FORMS WITH PAYMENT TO:**

Paula Frazier at P.O. Box 542, Mason, OH 45040-0542 [paulaann8091@aol.com](mailto:paulaann8091@aol.com) 513-907-9106

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Please mail this sheet with your Registration Form  
Phone No./Email: \_\_\_\_\_ be sure to make a copy for your records. Thank you.

**LWML OHIO DISTRICT 2016 CONVENTION**  
**INTEREST SESSIONS AND SERVANT EVENTS**

Interest Sessions will be held on Saturday afternoon after lunch. Please check your preferences by indicating your first choice as #1, followed by #2 and #3. Servant Events will be held on Friday afternoon from 2-4 p.m.

#1      #2      #3

           **Homeless In Cincinnati:** Julie Mills, Coordinator, The Bridge Ministry at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Over the Rhine. Ever wonder how the homeless spend their time? Come, see and hear how the Bridge Ministry reaches out to the homeless offering the love of Jesus, encouragement, Bible study and connections to help them “bridge” their lives from one of dependency to independence.

           **Mission Opportunities Wherever you are:** Hugo Fernandez, missionary. Serving his Lord in South America, Mexico and the United States, Hugo is eager to share with you stories, pictures and artifacts of his mission opportunities. With no special training, just the love of the Lord in his heart, Hugo has shared smiles, hugs, gifts and most importantly the Good Word with children and adults. Hugo is a longstanding member of St. John Lutheran Church in Dublin, Ohio and is really no different than anyone else other than he makes an opportunity and takes it. What opportunity is looking for you? Hugo is anxious to get you enthused about sharing God's Word with your neighbor, no matter where they may live.

           **Inner City Ministry in Cincinnati:** Pastor John Suguitan works in urban ministry with Building Hope in the City-Cincinnati, the Welcome Home Collaborative, and The Bridge Ministry through Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. Rev. Suguitan will summarize these ministries, which serve the homeless and working poor in Cincinnati.

           **Comfort Dogs Ministry:** Mary Ludlum, Top Dog for Rosie, a Comfort Dog at Atonement Lutheran Church in Columbus. You will learn how Rosie became the first comfort dog in Ohio from Lutheran Church Charities' K9 Comfort Dog Ministry (LCMS-Northern Illinois District). Atonement's Comfort Dog Ministry Team and Beautiful Rosie, an English Cream Golden Retriever K-9 Comfort Dog, keep very busy making visits all over the state and region. Rosie's presence among people is a comforting reminder of God's unconditional, gentle love. The Lord's mercy, compassion and presence is felt through this important ministry. HIS name is being proclaimed to the nations.

**SERVANT EVENTS**

#1      #2      #3

           **Mission Dolls** – Share a little love with children by making paper dolls. Participants draw the faces and hair on the dolls, then “dress” them with scraps of fabric and ribbon or lace. The dolls are given to boys and girls who are treated by doctors on missionary trips. Please bring a pair of scissors, a glue stick or craft glue that dries clear, a black or brown sharp point Sharpie permanent marker, small scraps of lightweight cotton material, ribbon, lace and/or rickrack. Templates will be provided.

           **Cards of Encouragement** – Share notes of encouragement to missionaries serving throughout the world through the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. You will be provided with a prayer card for each missionary. You will learn about their ministry and take that information home with you so that you can continue to pray for them. Please bring a pen and a number of blank note cards with envelopes.

           **Tray Cards** – Show your creative touch by making tray cards for use in an assisted living, rehab or nursing home facility in the Cincinnati area. Your ideas may include simple prayers, Bible verses, your own encouraging words, highlighted with your creative touches using stickers or other illustrations to brighten a resident's day.



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## MEDICAL NOTIFICATION FORM

Cincinnati Marriott North 6189 Mulhauser Rd.  
West Chester, OH 45069 513-874-7335

**June 24-26, 2016**

### Personal Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone with area code \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Notification

Please list two persons with different addresses and phone numbers who are *not* at the LWML Convention and who are able to provide your medical information to a healthcare professional in the event of a medical emergency.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone with Area Code \_\_\_\_\_ Work or Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone with Area Code \_\_\_\_\_ Work or Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of a medical emergency, I request that the organizers of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League contact the above-noted persons immediately. The above-noted persons know of and are aware of any medical conditions I have as well as medications I currently take. These same persons have my permission to provide this information to medical professionals in the event of a medical emergency.

Your Signature/Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Housing Registration Form

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[www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/cvgno-cincinnati-marriott-north/](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/cvgno-cincinnati-marriott-north/)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name (please print) First Middle Initial

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone Number w/Area Code Cell Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

Check-in time is 3 p.m. (early arrival available with prearrangement) Check-out time is 12 p.m. (noon)

Arrival date \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated time of arrival \_\_\_\_\_

Departure date \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated time of departure \_\_\_\_\_

CONVENTION RATE PER NIGHT \$119 (Includes complimentary Self-Parking)

Please check room preference and indicate number of nights.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2 Double beds \_\_\_\_\_ Number of nights

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 King bed \_\_\_\_\_ Number of nights

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Require handicap room \_\_\_\_\_ Need roommate

Please list additional people sharing this room

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ROOM TOGETHER MUST SUBMIT THEIR FORMS IN ONE ENVELOPE WITH ONE HOUSING CHECK/MONEY ORDER IN PAYMENT FOR ALL

MAKE CHECK/MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: LWML OHIO DISTRICT CONVENTION

If paying by check, please put "Housing" on your check memo line. Your canceled check/money order is your receipt.

ALL ROOM RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY **MAY 31, 2016**

We are not able to guarantee that overnight guest rooms will be available after that date nor are we able to guarantee the special conference rate. Rooms will be assigned on a first come, first served basis using the postmark date.

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