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**All Nations be  
Glad and Sing  
for Joy!**



**"May the nations be glad and sing  
for joy, for you rule the peoples  
justly and guide the nations of the  
earth."**

**Psalm 67:4**



These ladies are part of the convention committee from the Greater Detroit Zone of the LWML English District:  
Seated: Janet Stechholz, Anna Richert  
Standing: Liz Mercer, Karen Anderson, Judy Vincent, Sue Boyle, Andrea Anderson

The women in the Detroit Zone have been working hard and can hardly wait to see you! So, mark your calendars, invite the women in your congregation, and make your plans to visit Detroit and come to the LWML English District 41st Biennial Convention on April 26-28, 2024. Registration forms can be found in this Accent email message and on the website [lwml.ed.webservant@gmail.com](mailto:lwml.ed.webservant@gmail.com) along with information about mission speakers, servant events, ingathering, pre-convention tour and convention shirt. This information is also contained in this copy of Accent.

Send in your Equalization fee to save money. Also ask your congregation to help cover expenses. You will be bringing back information for your society and church family. Take time to tell them about your experience when you return.

# LWML English District President

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**Mission Statement: As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.**

We have been working hard to line up individuals to make the 41st Biennial English District Convention an inspiring event for the men and women of our LWML. Years ago, when I escorted my favorite Aunt to a convention, I questioned why these conventions were necessary. I soon learned that the conventions give us a tangible opportunity to stretch our mission muscles through servant events and offerings; to hear how organizations have used our mites; to learn from the Bible studies; to joyfully proclaim Christ through song; and to share fellowship with other mission-minded individuals.

We are very blessed to have Kaye Wolff as our Key Note Speaker. Kaye was the Bible Study leader at the 2023 Milwaukee convention and has served in local, District and National roles within the LWML. She has been an inspiring speaker at many LCMS and LWML events and has authored articles in several publications, including the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*. In 2023, Kaye was chosen by the faculty of the Concordia Seminary in St. Louis (and others) to receive the *Christus Vivit* Award for demonstrated exemplary service to the church. Kaye and her husband — Rev. Paul Wolff — attend Emanuel Lutheran Church in Dearborn, MI. Kaye will speak on her LWML journey.

We are also very blessed to have speaking the Rev Dr. Bishop Hardy; Rev. Jeffrey Miskus — the First Vice President of the English District; Rev. Dr. David Stechholz as our song leader; and our Sr. Counselor, Rev. Joshua Ulm.

I had the privilege of attending the Zone Rally in Detroit in September and had an opportunity to enjoy Pastor Reenie Kaufmann and his daughter Esther. What an amazing show they put on for us! I am truly excited for each of you to enjoy their incredible talent at our Saturday evening banquet.

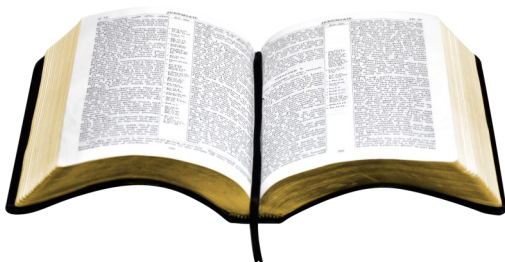
As we go to press with this newsletter, I am very pleased to announce that we have just paid our 6th Mission Grant — Journeys Lutheran School Job Coaching Hours in Wisconsin. The school serves children in need of individual attention and programs not offered in general education. Funds will be used to hire a classroom supervisor to cover for the 12th grade teacher so he or she can organize job placements and go with the special needs students to the job sites.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any suggestions and/or comments. I truly believe greater success comes from a team effort.

God Bless you all for your service in His name. I hope to meet each of you in Detroit!

Serving Christ alongside you,  
Carol Klein  
LWML English District President

*Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. Mathew 7:7*



## Senior Counselor Rev. Joshua Ulm

Time flies when you're having fun. I'm sure you've felt this way at the end of an LWML Convention, Rally, or servant event. "Where did the time go?", "All I did was blink and it was over." I often feel this way about the Christmas and Easter seasons. And I certainly feel this way about my time as English District Pastoral Counselor. It has been a joy and one of the greatest honors of my ministry to serve alongside the Executive Committee and every LWML member these past four years. I'd like to summarize my time as pastoral counselor and my experience with the LWML with three biblical words, "Joy", "Fellowship", and "Boldness".

"Boldness". In the early days of the church, shortly after the day of Pentecost, the believers gathered to pray to the Lord. God's gift of the Holy Spirit had come, but so had opposition to the Gospel message. As they gathered, they prayed, "And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness" (Acts 4:29). In the past four years I have been privileged to witness God's gift of boldness in the women of the LWML. The women of the LWML English District and National LWML serve the Lord without fear, undaunted by opposition or obstacles. Problems and limitations such as the pandemic and demographic shifts regarding church attendance have not hindered the proclamation of the Gospel and the works of mercy funded and carried out by the LWML. In the midst of struggle, I've watched Lutheran women serving the Lord with gladness. The bold witness of the LWML has been a gift to me, to the church, and to the world.

"Fellowship". When I hear this word, my brain immediately jumps to potlucks and church picnics, and I'm guessing yours does too. And I would contend that this is exactly right! It isn't the delicious food that makes a potluck, church picnic, or LWML convention "fellowship", but the conversations, love, and mutual consolation that take place at these events. It has been a privilege to watch Lutheran women engaged in true fellowship in my time on the Executive Committee. I've watched you bear one another's burdens. I've seen you rejoice together and mourn together. At the district and national conventions, I've seen sisters in Christ laugh together, cry together, and pray for one another - both in worship services and in the middle of lunches and meetings. Love in Christ binds us together. We are all part of one body. The LWML is a place where true fellowship, rooted in Christ, can be found.

"Joy". "Serve the Lord with gladness". The devil despises Christian joy. He wants us to be disenchanted, despondent, and cynical. He wants us to be downhearted, depressed about the future of the church, and weary under the burdens of this life. But God gives us the gift of Christian joy. Jesus is risen! Death's reign is over! Your sins have been destroyed! The devil's time is short! Though, as the Lord says, "In this world, you will have trouble..." (John 14:27a), the Good News of Christ's triumph and His constant presence among us in Word and Sacrament, enable us to have joy in all circumstances. This joy shines through the LWML. I saw it as we gathered in Lexington for the first National Convention after the pandemic. I've seen it at servant events and ingathering activities. And of course, I've seen it as our voices were joined in song praising the Lord and as we gathered around His table to receive a foretaste of the feast to come in His body and blood.

Thank you for the privilege of serving these past four years.  
May God continue to grant you boldness, fellowship, and joy.

MAKE A *Joyful* NOISE





## Nominating Committee

**Happy and Blessed New Year** and warm thanks from the EDLWML Nominating Committee as we prepare for the upcoming convention in Detroit. Our committee wishes to thank each nominee for allowing her name to be placed on the ballot to be elected for office in our next biennium. We want you to know that you are doing a great service for many people who you may never meet on this side of heaven.

When my husband and I were in Guatemala as missionaries, we counted so many times when the LWML helped us with funds for buildings, clinics, health programs, schools, chapels, and, most of all, how they encouraged us as a young couple to share the good news of Jesus' love. We know from other missionaries that LWML does that throughout the world. Sometimes it is a national grant like the one we received for \$50,000 for well-baby clinics in our small town, on banana plantation sites, and in remote villages without electricity and running water. We know those clinics saved the lives of many children and adults who were vulnerable to so many diseases. Paramedics were trained to give vaccinations against measles, mumps, tetanus—sicknesses that often claimed the lives of people in the poorest of circumstances. Midwives were trained to safely deliver babies in those communities, too. Mothers were taught ways to increase protein in their family diets and provide safe drinking water.

We were able to establish schools, build chapels for worship—building blocks for the ministries that have continued to this day. LWML makes a difference for so many people. We were especially proud that during COVID, LWML did not fail to meet its mission goals, and even surpassed them, even though many societies could not meet in person. The hearts of LWML women never forgot their mission to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in Word and deed.

That is why our nominating committee wants to thank the women nominees who are willing to continue the work of our English District LWML through their service, and we want to encourage each of you to be willing to step up in the future to fulfill the spaces of the women who have come before us. God can equip each of us to serve in some way through the LWML.

**EDLWML Nominating Committee**, Vicki Harding,  
Cherie Voorhees, Marilyn McClure, Chair

## VP Organizational Resources Diana Honebrink

### A Decade of Serving the Lord with Gladness on the Executive Committee

But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Matthew 6:33

My Confirmation verse has served me well since May 3, 1981, and certainly these past 10 years while on the Executive Committee of the LWML English District. I began my service with 4 years as VP of Gospel Outreach, then served the remaining 2-years of Darlene Keca's term as VP of Organizational Resources as she answered the call to become President. I followed this with a 4-year term of my own as VP of Organizational Resources. The past decade on the EC has been full of blessing, friendship, and fun, which certainly made the work a joy – one that I would encourage others to experience. Yes, I am appealing to YOU to consider a position on the EC. If you aren't quite ready for that, then a zone position or a position within your congregation's LWML group. Did I hear you say "But..."?

Well, then reference my Confirmation verse...BUT seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

The preceding verses in Matthew's gospel review the worries that we allow the devil, the world, and our sinful flesh to use against us. I think all too often when considering service of one kind or another we allow our worries to become twisted into excuses. The narrative goes something like this: VP of Organizational Resources gently inquires, "Say, (insert name here), I could certainly use more members on the bylaws committee. I think you would be great at it. Would you please prayerfully consider serving in this way?" This sincere appeal is often met with resistance and often that resistance is out of fear. We worry that we won't have enough time, that we don't possess the right skill set, that we already have too much on our plate. Yes, sometimes these assessments ARE true, however, I challenge you to rethink the "but" that is often a default of resistance. Instead, reference the BUT that is God's gift to us in Matthew 6. In this chapter God provides instruction on humble service, prayer and seeking him above all else. This is a perfect place to start your prayerful consideration of Serving the Lord with Gladness in the LWML.

## VP Christian Life/Human Care Barbara Martin-Taylor

LWML English District Missionary Update:

### **Rev. Dale & Suzanne Kaster – Serving the Lord in Prague – The Czech Republic**

The Kasters, back in Prague, continue with Sunday and Advent and Christmas services in English at St. Michael Lutheran Church. These can be viewed on their St. Michael Lutheran Church in Prague (English) Facebook page. This congregation is also reaching out to the Indonesian Christians working for the Skoda Company in Pilsen and the Confessional Lutherans in Krakow, Poland. They were recently visited by Rev. Marián Čop, the Bishop of the Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession in the Czech Republic. For Reformation Sunday, they held a Divine Service in Aš, the most western town in the Czech Republic. It is the only one with a statue of Dr. Martin Luther.

### **Rev. Dr. Jonathan & Deaconess Cheryl Naumann – Serving the Lord in Latin America**

From their newsletter:

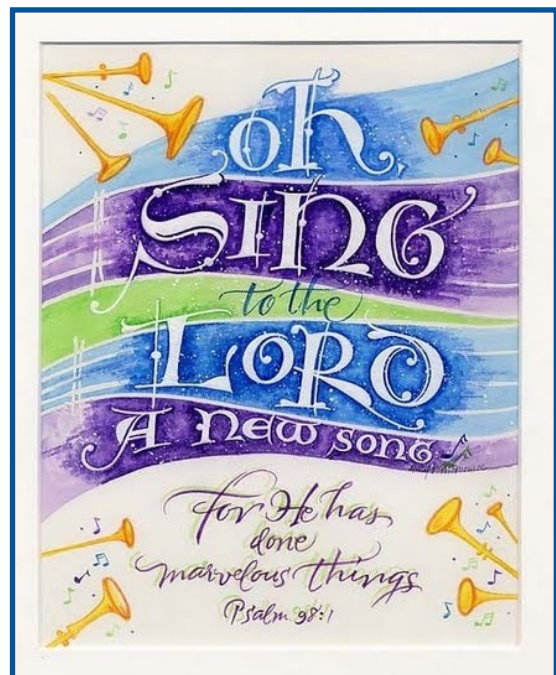
As we added further seminary students at Seminario Concordia el Reformador at the beginning of this academic year, something to get used to is that our new student from Venezuela and his son, are both named Jesús (pronounced 'Heysoos')! Jesús is a common Latino name for men, and the confusion with the name of our Lord is avoided by the fact that Lord's name is usually spelled Jesucristo (Jesus Christ). We still await the arrival of four students from Haiti - two who are new students and two returning. They have been delayed in their arrival by problems with visas and political issues at the border between Haiti and the DR. Similar visa problems are being experienced by a student from Cuba, so we ask for prayers that these 5 men can get to the DR as soon as possible.

### **Rev. Andrew & Megan Fedder – Serving the Lord in Romania & the Balkans**

From their newsletter:

Greetings from Braşov. The snow is starting to fall here in the Carpathian Mountains of Romania. This gave us a beautiful backdrop for our first theological conference at our new Lutheran center. We had pastors and men studying for the office from Romania, Moldova, Bulgaria, Italy, Albania, Turkey, Latvia and Finland. The theme of the conference was Theosis and Justification. Theosis is a complicated topic, but a simple explanation is that it is the Eastern Orthodox teaching that man participates in salvation by becoming more divine. It stands in stark contrast to the Biblical and Lutheran teaching of salvation by grace and

faith alone, where the believer is declared righteous not by our own works, but only by the merit and grace of Jesus. This topic is important for us in the Balkans as Eastern Orthodoxy is the main form of Christianity here. The conference also provided an opportunity for Confessional Lutherans from across the Balkans and Turkey to meet each other. They are often so isolated; it is a real blessing for them to meet and speak with other Lutheran men fighting for the Gospel.



### **Equalization 2024**

It's time to start planning for the LWML English District Convention being held in Detroit, Michigan April 26-28, 2024.

The Equalization Information and Submission Form for 2024 was included with the August 2023 *Accent* and also is included in this newsletter.

March 31, 2024 is the filing deadline for the society delegates (limit of two per society) and the zone president (limit of one per zone) to submit the form.

If you have questions, please call me at 414-425-3950 or email me at [lwmlardlene@gmail.com](mailto:lwmlardlene@gmail.com). The subject line for the email should be EQUALIZATION 2024.

Darlene Keca,  
Equalization Chairman





### From the Archives...

Dr. Theodore Graebner, a Lutheran professor and pastor at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri, wrote in 1943: "If our church librarians or archivists wish to have future generations call them blessed, let them keep complete files of church papers, programs, special services, and newspaper notices from which the history of the church may be gathered by those who come after us." (CHI Information Sheet 2, 2022, page 1) Though Dr. Graebner's comment was directed toward congregations, the sentiment is shared by Concordia Historical Institute and messaged to all synodical organizations.

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) echoes this call for the preservation of its history: 1) to tell the story through the Word as we worship and organize Bible study in our group, 2) to tell the story of our Mission as we participate through Mites and reach out to our community, and 3) to tell the story of our Fellowship as we build relationships over the generations through retreats, events and working together.

The LWML of the English District, recognizing the significance of preserving its history, included the first "Historian's Report" in the program for the June 1950 Biennial Convention. In her report, Mrs. Edwin H. (Ruth) Theidel, Vice-President and Historian, described the historian's job as the "Keeper of the

Scrap Book." Today, the Archivist-Historian is an appointed, two-year position eligible for reappointment. Per the Bylaws, the primary duties of the Archivist-Historian are to write the history of the LWML English District activities and to preserve records and historical materials.

Dr. Graebner's emphasis on maintaining a historical record for future generations holds true, but as the current Archivist-Historian, I have come to appreciate the present blessings of this task. Exploring the extensive record of service and witnessing by the women of the English District over the past eight decades has left me in awe of the Lord's work accomplished through them.

Christie Trollinger – District Historian



My story as editor of the Accent has come to an end. This is my final Accent. I've enjoyed doing this the past 6 years. I'm thankful for the good proofreader I had with my husband, Ron. He saved me from many mistakes of grammar and punctuation. Now it is time to let someone else have the privilege of spreading the news of the LWML English District. Your story begins NOW.  
Shirley Holle, Accent Editor



**Please pray for...**

**MISSION GRANTS 2022–2024**  
**Mission Goal: \$18,000**

**Circle of Grace (Dignity 4 Girls)-  
Western Michigan Zone—\$3,000—Paid**

**Outdoor Kitchen for Grace Orphanage  
in Haiti—Western Michigan Zone—  
\$3,000—Paid**

**Plan B Foundation—Greater Chicago  
Zone—\$3,000—Paid**

**Bible Books for Spanish Speaking  
Families—Greater Detroit Zone—\$3,000  
Paid**

**LCMS Campus Ministry—Arizona—  
Arizona Zone—\$3,000—Paid**

**Journey's Lutheran School Job  
Coaching Hours—Milwaukee Zone—  
\$3,000—Paid**



The LWML English District has paid their fifth mission grant! Shirley Holle presented the \$3,000 check to Rev. Marcus Zill, Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Arizona. The LCMS Campus Ministry strives to reach high school students throughout Arizona to provide guidance to help them maintain their faith throughout their transition to college. Funds will be used to provide seed money for these efforts and for the development and the dissemination of needed materials.



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# LWML English District 41st Biennial Convention

## April 26-28, 2024

The Greater Detroit Zone is looking forward to greeting each and every one of you!

 <p><b>All Nations be Glad and Sing for Joy!</b></p>  <p>"May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth." Psalm 67:4</p>	<p><b>Location:</b> Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Detroit/Dearborn 5801 Southfield Expressway, Detroit, MI 48228</p> <p><b>Festival Service:</b> Angelica Lutheran Church 8400 Park, Allen Park, MI 48101</p> <p><b>Festival Proclaimer:</b> Bishop Rev. Dr. Jameson Hardy</p> <p><b>Keynote Speaker:</b> Kaye Wolff</p> <p><b>Bible Study Leader:</b> Rev. Jeffery Miskus</p> <p><b>Song Leader:</b> Rev. Dr. David Stechholz</p>
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**Sunday Sermon:** Rev. Joshua Ulm

**Saturday Banquet Entertainers:** Rev. Rennie & Esther Kaufmann (Motown & More)

**Mission Speakers:** Representatives from: Camp Restore Detroit  
St. Martin School for the Deaf  
Dignity 4 Girls

**Interest Session Speakers:** Representatives from: Family of God  
The Luke Clinic  
Dignity 4 Girls

**Pre-Convention Tour:** The Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation

*See the following pages for more detailed information*



# **2024-26 BIENNIUM**

## **ENGLISH DISTRICT MISSION GRANT PROPOSALS (SYNOPSIS)**

**1. Answers for Life:**

\$3,000 to provide Bibles and pro-life literature in Spanish and English to use in counseling clients.

**2. Servants of the Gospel Through Dots of Love (Lutheran Braille Workers):**

\$3,000 will fund the transcription of at least 25 new subject-specific Lutheran titles into Braille so people who are blind, and the participants in the Prison Transcription Program will know Jesus as their Savior.

**3. Gifts for All God's Children Connection Kids to Christ Tutoring Expansion:**

\$3,000 for the purchase of educational supplies including iPads and computers so children can be connected to Christ and improve academically so they have a hope and future.

**4. Orphan Grain Train:**

\$1,850 to purchase a hot water heater (to help disinfect and sterilize the durable medical equipment, the sorting tables, and floors of the warehouse); and to repair the loading dock, which is broken and currently unusable.

**5. Camp Restore Detroit:**

\$3,000 to build a play area to enhance the community centers currently being built in an impoverished area of Detroit with active community leaders willing to work with Camp Restore Detroit to help combat the cycle of poverty and restore the sense of community and family in the area.

**6. Operation Barnabas Support to Women Warriors:**

\$3,000 to supply Women Warrior clients in Tucson with food and gas gift cards. Extra-large print Bibles and LCMS tracts will be available to hand out with the cards. Goal: so these women can feel God's love and will never be alone to suffer the world's deficiencies.

**7. In Every Language – Funding Translators for the MOST Ministries Teams:**

\$3,000 to be used to hire competent local translators to assist MOST ministry teams as they share the life-giving Gospel of Jesus Christ through their eyeglasses, water filtration and other short term mission teams.

**8. Spreading the Gospel in Muslim Nigeria:**

\$3,000 for the Lutheran Heritage Foundation to provide 600+ books like "A Summary of Christian Doctrine" and "Unchanging Truths in Changing Times" in languages like Hausa and Yala, giving Nigerian pastors and people the tools they need to share the Gospel in their land.

**9. Eyewitness for Life (a free pregnancy resource center):**

\$3,000 to provide free ultrasounds, pregnancy information and options, care connections, adoption referrals, and doctor recommendations.

**10. Healing the Wounds of Trauma in American Indian/Native Alaskan Communities:**

\$3,000 to offer programs like "Healing the Wounds of Trauma: How the Church Can Help" to equip local leaders with biblical and mental health principals so that traumatized people can experience the life-changing message of the Bible using Bible stories, scripture, etc.

## Key Note Speaker Kaye Wolff

## Rev. Rennie & Esther Kaufmann "Daddy & Daughter Duo"



Active in the LWML most of her life, Wolff has served in local, district and national roles within the organization. During her term as LWML Vice President of Special Focus Ministries (2015–19), Wolff started the Deaf Ministry Outreach Program to encourage hearing women to learn basic American Sign Language (ASL) and deaf culture, and to encourage and welcome deaf women into active participation in LWML groups. She served as National chairman of the 2021–23 Nominating Committee. In June 2023, Kaye served as the Bible Study Leader for the LWML Convention in Milwaukee.

Wolff has authored articles for the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* and Bible studies for Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) groups. She also has contributed articles to *Lutheran Mission Matters* (formerly *Missio Apostolica*) and has written Lenten devotions for Lutheran Hour Ministries, where she was a MissionU witnessing facilitator for 14 years. She was instrumental in making the LCMS docu-movie "The First Rosa," about the pioneer Lutheran educator and missionary Rosa Young (LCMS, 2014), where she served as the unit production manager.

Kaye and her husband, Rev. Paul A. Wolff, live in Southfield, Mich. They worship at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Dearborn, Mich., where Rev. Wolff serves as the assistant pastor. Kaye Wolff is learning ASL and enjoys cooking and eating, dressing in cultural attire, traveling, and music. She and her husband have three grown children, five granddaughters and one great-granddaughter.

We are very excited to have Kaye as our Keynote speaker!

Entertainer, singer, pianist, keyboardist, One Man Band Rennie Kaufmann and his daughter Esther, also a singer, actress and musician, travel anywhere around the world entertaining corporate and private clients for any occasion. Pastor Rennie and Esther will have the audience spellbound with their lovely musical arrangements, perfectly blended duets, and Esther's beautiful solos, which will uplift the hearts of the audience. Pastor Rennie has traveled extensively around the world since 1979 as a pianist, vocalist, and entertainer. During Pastor Rennie's career in music ministry, he became an ordained LCMS Pastor and currently serves as Pastor of Risen Christ Lutheran Church in Plymouth, MI. Pastor Rennie is active in outreach ministry, and Esther is an accomplished singer, songwriter, dancer, and musician.

Esther Kaufmann was born into an entertaining family as the only girl with five brothers doing theater, singing, and dancing. She performs professionally with her father. Their "Daddy/Daughter Duo" business takes them all around the world. Esther has also served in short term missionary work here in the United States as well as overseas. She sings in many languages including Mandarin, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, French and others. Esther loves sharing the hope of Christ wherever she goes and with all that she does!



# Gifts from the Heart Servant Events April 26, 2024

## GIFTS FROM THE HEART INGATHERING

### Ellie's House—Items for Snack Bags:

- \* Juice Boxes
- \* Breakfast or Granola Bars
- \* Individual Bags or Boxes of Raisins or Dried Fruit
- \* Crackers or cookies (packaged for lunch boxes)
- \* Chewing Gum

### Camp Restore Detroit—Items for new Tutoring and literacy program:

- \* Two-Pocket Folders
- \* Packages of Lined Notebook Paper
- \* Composition Notebooks

### Most Ministries:

- \* Adult and Children Non-Prescription Sunglasses

## SERVANT EVENTS

### Ellie's House:

- \* Assemble Snack Bags
  1. Place the items into a 1-gallon Ziplock Bag
  2. Create short notes to include in the bag
- \* Assemble Fleece Blankets

### Most Ministries:

- \* Make Witness Bracelets

### Phil's Friends:

- \* Make Cards of Hope

## Ministries Supported

**Elli's House**—Founded in 2017, Elli's House serves homeless and runaway women involved in human trafficking in the city of Detroit. Their mission is to abolish sex trafficking in the city through building relationships, offering safe shelter, food, clothing, and hygiene needs. They also seek to educate the public about sex trafficking through speaking engagements, training programs, and promotional events.

**Most Ministries**—A mission-sending agency which provides Christians the opportunity to live out their faith. Working with missionaries and churches throughout the world, Most Ministries is designed to foster self-sufficiency

in the lives of those being served. Responding to field-driven requests, teams have provided Eyeglass Clinics, Water Filtration, Health & Hygiene Education, Construction, Medical Clinics, and English as a Second Language.

**Phil's Friends**—Mission is to provide Christ-centered support and hope to those affected by cancer. Phil's Friends' Vision is that they will expand to a sustainable international organization by implementing new programs, increasing services, expanding volunteer opportunities, and developing needed support for individuals and families affected by cancer. Each week hundreds of individuals volunteer in Phil's Friends Hope Centers. Together, they assemble care packages, decorate boxes, and color Cards of Hope that will be sent across the country to those affected by cancer.

**Camp Restore Detroit**—a ministry serving in the 9<sup>th</sup> Precinct of Detroit. Its goal is to partner with the community to restore this neighborhood. They do this by working alongside the community to encourage the good already happening and providing extra hands and feet. They serve the community in three ways:  
Environmental—clearing overgrown plants and trash.  
Construction—assisting community members with basic construction projects on their homes.  
Human Care—building relationships with the community and sharing God's love.





# 2024 English District Convention Meal Descriptions

## President's Luncheon - Friday, April 26

### Little Italy Buffet:

Minestrone Soup, Caesar salad, Caprese Salad, Vegetable Lasagna, Chicken Piccata, Sausage & Peppers in Marinara, Parmesan Crusted Potatoes, Ratatouille, Breadsticks with Spicy Marinara, Tiramisu, Lemon Berry Mascarpone Cake

### Friday Dinner

#### All American Deli (create your own boxed meal):

Cole Slaw, Albacore Tuna Salad, or Potato Salad  
Roast Beef, Roasted Turkey Breast, or Ham  
Swiss Cheddar and Provolone Cheeses  
Tomato, Red Onion, Lettuce, Pickles, Olives & Peppers  
Assorted Sliced Breads and Rolls  
Individual Bags of Potato Chips and Pretzels  
Chef's Pastry Selection of the Day

Great God, thou giver of all good,  
Accept our praise and bless this food.  
Grace, health, and strength to us afford,  
Through Jesus Christ our blessed Lord.  
Amen

## Saturday Luncheon Interest Sessions – April 27

### Tex Mex Buffet:

Chicken Tortilla Soup  
Chickpea, Tomato Salad, Black Bean, Roasted Corn & Cilantro Salad w/Lime Vinaigrette  
Tri-Colored Tortilla Chips served with Roasted Tomato Salsa, Margarita Sour Cream & Guacamole  
Mexican Rice & Beans  
Chicken Enchilada Pie  
Build your Own Street Tacos – Marinated Beef Skirt Steak, warm flour tortilla, served with all the fixings  
Milk Flake Cake  
Fried Xango Cheesecake

### Saturday Banquet

Market Salad (Baby Field Greens, Roma Tomatoes and English Cucumbers w/choice of dressing)

Entrée – Choice of:

Lemon Butter Salmon drizzled with a Mustard Cream

Or

Panko Crusted Chicken Marsala w/Mushroom Marsala Demi

Both options include vegetable, potatoes, rolls & butter

New York Cheesecake with Fresh Strawberries

For Vegetarian be sure to check vegetarian diet in the special needs section of the registration form

**Pre—Convention Tour**  
**The Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation**  
**April 25, 2024**

**One of the world’s coolest museums!**



Come one day early to the convention and explore The Henry Ford in Dearborn. It’s only a few miles from our hotel. The museum is open from 9:30 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. Explore at your leisure. Step into a world where past innovations fuel the imaginations of generations to come.

**MUST SEES** \*Rosa Parks Bus \* Driving America \* Heroes of the Sky \* Lincoln Chair \* Kenedy Limousine \* Dymaxion House \* Allegheny Locomotive \* Build a Model T \* Mathematica \* Driven to Win: Racing in America\*

On Your Registration Form, just check if you are interested in the tour. You don’t need to make a commitment. Enjoy the museum at your leisure. You can purchase lunch in the cafeteria.

Ticket prices are: \$30.00 Adult, \$27.00 Seniors (62+) There is a \$9.00 parking fee. You can purchase your ticket at the door.

**Convention T-Shirts—Order on Registration Form**

Unisex T-Shirts are \$10.00, are available in Gold and Purple, and are a Cotton/Polyester Blend  
 Available Sizes are SM, Med, LG, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL and 5XL



Polo Shirts are \$28.00 and are available in Gold and are a Dry Polyester Blend  
 Available Sizes are Men’s or Women’s SM, Med, LG, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL and 5XL



## EQUALIZATION INFORMATION AND FORM 2024

**EQUALIZATION...**is a method of endeavoring to equalize travel costs for LWML District convention delegates. In order to make the plan function it is necessary to have as near 100% participation as possible from all zones and individual societies in the English District. Even if a unit will not be sending a delegate to the convention (though you will miss a lot if you don't), you should still send in the amount set for equalization...that's what makes it EQUAL! **Each zone is entitled to send one delegate and societies two delegates to represent them at convention.**

**BECAUSE...**of the high cost of airfares, we encourage all zones and societies within a fair driving distance of Detroit to drive and/or car-pool when possible. All travel arrangements will be the responsibility of each delegate. The mileage allowance for a delegate driver is calculated using the current IRS mileage rate. Reimbursement can only be requested by the delegate driving; unless there are extenuating circumstances, which would need to be reviewed on a case by case basis. Only one delegate per car will be compensated for travel. Maximum payment will not exceed the lowest available coach airfare. The equalization chairman will reimburse your mileage with documentation of the round trip using mapping software (MapQuest etc.) based on the most direct route. Also, be prepared to provide a printed copy of what the round trip air fare would have cost even if you drive.

**BECAUSE...**women's attendance at LWML conventions is really leadership training for local congregations, we encourage you to ask your congregation's finance committee to include funds for equalization in the convention and conference segment of their annual budgets.

**PARTICIPATION...**for the 2024 LWML English District 41<sup>st</sup> Biennial Convention in Detroit, MI is \$200.00 per delegate and \$200.00 for the zone president. We are encouraging all zones and societies to send in their payment(s) as soon as possible. The deadline for the total payment is March 31, 2024.

Thank you for your cooperation in this joint stewardship effort.  
Everyone sharing makes for a stronger LWML!

### LWML English District Executive Committee

(Please print)

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Zone _____	Zone President _____
LWML Unit Name _____	Church Name _____
Church Address _____	_____
(Street)	(City) (State) (Zip)
Amount Enclosed \$ _____	Email address _____
Sent by _____	Phone _____
Address _____	_____
(Street)	(City) (State) (Zip)
<i>Indicate if payment is for:</i>	
Society Delegate _____	Zone President _____

Remit completed form with payment to: Darlene Keca, 9907 West Elm Court, Franklin, WI 53132  
Please make checks payable to: LWML ED - Equalization