

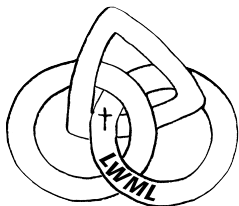
MITE BRIGADE

THE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT

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Christian Life
Retreat
A Weekend of
Sharing....

Friday Offering - \$1,300
for District Mission Grants
Saturday Walk - \$2,700
for Mites
Book Exchange - \$217
for Mites
Saturday "NiteCap" - \$93
for mites
Sunday Offering - \$1,476.23
For LWML Mission Trip
Gift Cards - Appx \$3,300
For Seminarians
Appx. 800 pairs flip-flops
and 22 pillow case dresses
For Orphan Grain Train
74 Health Kits
For two VA Beach Schools

A Word From the President

As we move into this month of thanksgiving, our beloved LWML has an amazing milestone for which to give thanks-- we have **gathered \$100 million in mites** since the founding of the organization in 1942! By the grace of God, faithful supporters from across the nation have given their mites to achieve the league's ongoing



Laima Kuring and President Deb Poese enjoying the Christian Life Retreat

mission goal. This amazing total combines funds from the forty districts and the national level of the LWML. LWML President Kay Kreklau shared, "Today we look forward to the mission work of the Lord set at the 2011 LWML Convention with a mission goal for the 2011-2013 biennium of \$1.825 million to support 19 grants. While the amount of funds raised has increased over the years, the mission today is the same -- helping to reach out to share the joyful news of Christ around the world. Lutheran Women in Mission today share the same mission consciousness -- mission education, mission inspiration and mission service as they join the early leaders to joyfully serve the Lord."

The value of mites needed each month to meet this mission goal is **\$76,041.67**. As of September 2011, the average monthly giving was only about \$60,000--keep filling those mite boxes and spreading the word! You can keep track of progress toward the mission goal at www.lwml.org.

As you read this, our Christian Life Retreat "Splish Splash" will be a wonderful memory--of times shared with old friends and new, time spent in study, worship,

praise and thanks to God for our many blessings. See more details about this awesome event elsewhere in this issue. Plans are underway for the 2012 Convention with the theme, "Walk in the Name of the Lord--Women of God Never Walk Alone." Rev. John Nunez, Executive Director of Lutheran

World Relief, will be our keynote speaker, the one and only Dina Vendetti will lead our music, and other exciting speakers and activities will be combined with the important convention business. We will soon be preparing a slate of nominees for District offices, and need you to keep this in your prayers. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to serve, please contact Teresa Tester, Nominations Chairman.

Blessings on your Thanksgiving holiday and on your Advent preparations!

Deb Poese, President,
LWML Chesapeake District

As you make your shopping list, consider giving a gift that has an eternal impact. The LWML Online Store has hundreds of products perfect for the women, men, and children in your life. And, orders over \$50 placed between November 16 and December 8 will receive free shipping!



The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.

Mission Grants 2010-2012

Approved Mission Grants for 2010 – 2012

1. Orphan Grain Train, Maryland Division, Annapolis, MD	\$5,000	PAID
Support transportation costs to deliver containers of donated items		
2. Joint Seminary Fund – Matching Grant for SED Candidates	\$2,500	PAID
Seminary tuition assistance for pastoral students from the SED		
3. Student Aid Assistance, Southeastern District, LCMS	\$5,000	PAID
Provide grants to students pursuing careers in full-time church work		
4. Lutheran Blind Mission, St. Thomas Lutheran, Baltimore	\$4,000	PAID
Prepare and duplicate blind-friendly Gospel tract on compact disc		
5. Lutheran Outreach at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA	\$5,000	PAID
Ministry to students attending Virginia Tech and the Blacksburg community		
6. NOVACO (Northern Virginia Coalition of Churches), Fairfax, VA	\$2,500	
Assist clients in Transitional Housing for domestic abuse victims		
7. Hispanic Mission Development, Northern Virginia	\$5,000	
Support after-school ministry including tutoring and Bible study		
8. Faith Communities and Civic Agencies United, Bel Air, MD	\$2,500	
Assist clients of overnight outreach shelter for the homeless		
9. Chinese Outreach, Messiah Lutheran Church, Germantown, MD*	\$4,000	
Support the continuing outreach and ESL programs to Chinese community		
10. Trinity Lutheran School, Norfolk, VA	\$5,000	
Support for scholarships that provide tuition assistance for needy students		
11. ESL (English as Second Language) Program, Rehoboth Beach, DE	\$4,000	
Support materials for ESL classes and for child care program		
12. LINC Baltimore Muslim Outreach, Baltimore, MD	\$5,000	
Provide resource materials, training and development for outreach		
13. SED New Ministry Start-Up, LINC DC, Washington, D.C.	\$5,000	
Support development of new mission in DC metropolitan area		
14. Local Youth Rally, Lutheran Church of St. Andrew, Silver Spring MD	\$1,750	
Assist in lowering attendance costs for regional Lutheran youth event		



*Note: this ministry moved to Messiah from Church of the Cross, Rockville, MD.

Mission Outreach and Grants

Meet the Mission Grants,

Giving thanks for God's blessings and your faithful Mite gifts, we have recently been able to fund Grants 4 & 5! We are hoping and praying to fund more grants after our Boardwalk Mite Walk held during the Christian Life Retreat in Ocean City. We continue to learn more about the mission grants that will be supported by our Mites.

Grant # 7 Hispanic Mission Development, Northern Virginia Provides support for after-school tutoring ministry being developed by the Hispanic Mission Development board of N VA and the 3 covenant congregations of Grace, Woodbridge, Prince of Peace, Springfield and St. John's, Alexandria.

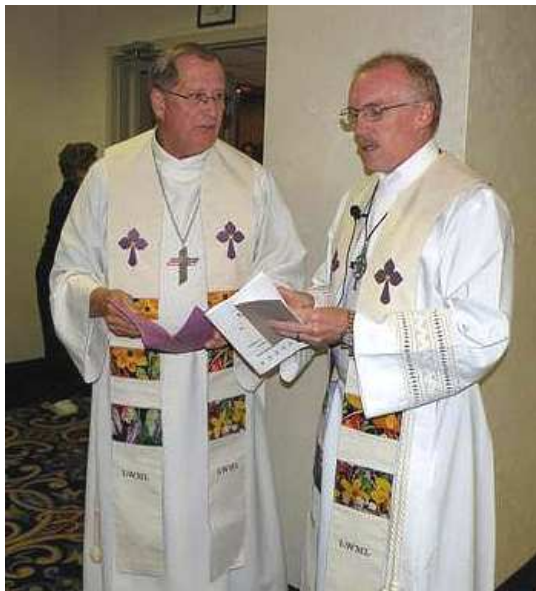
Grant #8 Faith Communities and Civic Agencies United, Bel Air MD Provides assistance for clients of their overnight shelter for the homeless in Harford County MD.

Have you checked out the Missions resources available on the LWML website, www.lwml.org? Look under the Missions tab and you can find printable resources such as the monthly Mission Prayer Guide and Mission Story. Plus lots of other great stuff!

In His mission with you,
 Jamee Thieme
 VP, Mission Outreach & Grants

⚡ News Flash: We just learned that the extra mites collected at the Christian Life Retreat will allow us to pay another mission grant!

Senior Pastoral Counselor - Rev. Raymond Rohrs



Pastor Ray and Pastor Andy awaiting the opening hymn for Friday Evening worship at the Christian Life Retreat

At this time of year I always look forward to three holidays. One is in October, one in November, and one in December. Of course I'm thinking of Reformation Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Reformation Day

Many of you can still remember when Lutherans from all over the city where you lived came together for a big Reformation Day service. Unfortunately those days are long gone when thousands would gather to remember and celebrate Solo Scriptura, Sola Gratis and Sola Fide. Fortunately, however, those principles of Scripture alone, grace alone and faith alone are still alive and well in our beloved Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod even if the rallies have fallen by the wayside.

Martin Luther wasn't the first reformer on the scene. Wycliff, Hus and Savonarola preceded him. But Luther, arguably, was more interested in theological reform than social reform. Scripture alone, not tradition, councils or popes, would be the standard of our faith confession (John 17:17). God's awesome compassion toward us undeserving sinners moved Him to send us a Savior in Jesus Christ, demonstrating His grace. And it is by faith that the good works necessarily follow and not the other way around (Ephesians 2:8). I thank God the Holy Spirit for bringing me to faith in Christ and I thank my departed parents for raising me Lutheran because he got it right.

Thanksgiving

I always thought it was rather unique, to say the least, that this secular holiday made its way into the Christian calendar. But then who should be more thankful than people of The Way. It's not uncommon on this holiday to be reminded once again of the many mate-

rial blessings we enjoy in this country. We can gather together on the Lord's day for worship without fear because of the Bill of Rights. We can also speak out in word and print against injustice without fear of retribution. We are truly blessed to be Americans. God also provides us with the necessities of life: food, clothing, shelter, etc. which we often take for granted (Psalm 145:15). Thanksgiving gives us the opportunity to reflect on the blessings we enjoy including medicine, law and order, education, stable government, jobs, children—and the list could go on. But as Christians we not only know WHAT is given but also know the Giver and for that we are most blessed (Psalm 118:1). I thank God the Father who created all we are thankful for.

Christmas

As we like to call it—"The Nativity of Our Lord". Here we end the year on one of the highest points of the Christian calendar (the other being Easter - or "The Resurrection of Our Lord").

At Faith, Middle River we have a four foot colored resin statue of an angel in the narthex. During Advent the angel holds a sign in its hands which says, "Peace". But on Christmas Eve, the angel holds a baby doll wrapped in a blanket to remind all who enter the church just what the reason is for the season - the Prince of Peace (Luke 2:11). During the service it is also our custom to have Pastor and organist sing in German, "Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht" with only guitar accompaniment just as it was done the very first time in Oberndorf, Austria in 1818 by Joseph Mohr and Franz Gruber. We conclude the service with everyone in the congregation coming forward with a candle and standing together in the sanctuary. On the altar in front of us is a nativity scene. The lights are turned out with only the creche illuminated as we sing Silent Night. Our thoughts are concentrated on that manger which held the incarnate Son of God. And with a tear in my eye and a lump in my throat I thank God the Son for being our Savior, and wish all a blessed Christmas.

Yours in Him,
Pastor Ray



*Communion assistants at the Opening Worship on Friday evening were Deaconesses **Deb Lennox** and **Saron Woldehaimanot**. Deb serves at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Rehoboth Beach, DE and Saron recently accepted a call to serve at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Arlington VA.*

Special Gifts Endowment Fund

June 30, 2011 – September 30, 2011

IN MEMORY OF: Lynn Steigler Rev. James Bloker Rev. James Bloker	DONATED BY: Lee Colby Mr. & Mrs. W. Hoff Rev. Al & Marge Bruning
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GRANTS GIVEN: \$200.00
 To Lutheran Mission Society for the purchase of a projector for the Compassionate Grace Counseling Center. The projector has been used for two workshops, one at the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Essex, "What is bipolar, Really?" and a Creative Expression Art & Mental Health class held at Epiphany Lutheran in Baltimore. The CGCC has several more workshops scheduled. We received a letter from Deaconess Roberta Hillhouse thanking us for the grant.

The BOD moved \$17000.00 of our Special Funds into a 6 yr. CD with a 2.125 interest rate. The balance was put into a Stewardship account with an interest rate of 1.25. The interest we had on hand at the time was \$223.29. We paid out \$200.00 (see above grant) which left a balance of \$23.29 interest.

At the end of the quarter LCEF transferred \$80.17 to the Stewardship account from the interest on the CD. We also received another .38 interest on the Stewardship account giving us a total of \$106.23 of available interest. Interest will be transferred to the Stewardship account quarterly to allow us to pay grants as interest accumulates. The Stewardship account is now \$507.49.

Pauline Lewis
 Special Gifts Chairman

Praise The Lord!
 When you want to give a gift and don't know what to give, consider the special gift fund in honor of someone special for their birthday, Anniversary, promotion, or to say thank you. It is also a wonderful memorial for special friends of LWML.



To give a gift use the form at the right.

Thank You notes from seminary students for the gift cards from: Dan Haugen & family, the Peters family (Matt, Martha, Luke & Noah), Patrick Fertitta, Jonathan Crawford, Michael Heckmann, Richard Lally, Mike Feldmann, Mark Hunsecker & family, Elden & Molly Kohn, Eric & Linda Ekong, Kevin Richter, Ashley Effken (Deaconess), Garet and Bethany Ellis, Andrew Wilson

Most cards are sent to the Mite Brigade address and mention the type of card (WalMart, Target, Olive Garden, Etc.) in their notes and express their appreciation for thinking of them. They ask for our prayers as well.

Chesapeake District Special Gifts Fund

The Chesapeake District LWML has established a Special Gifts Endowment Fund to receive gifts of money and property, either directly or through bequests under wills or trusts, to further the work of LWML.

Contributions may be made as a memorial, or to honor someone on occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, or simply the glory of God. Come up with your own unique way to **PRAISE THE LORD.**

All contributions will be acknowledged by the Special Gifts Chairman.

Make checks payable to:
Lutheran Church Extension Fund
 "LWML Special Gifts" on memo line

Mail to: Pauline Lewis
 8092 Forest Glen Drive,
 Pasadena, MD 21122

Date _____

Amount Enclosed _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Occasion _____

To the Glory of God _____

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District News

LWML Department Name Change

Vice President of Servant Resources Becomes Vice President of Organizational Resources

I am presently serving as the Chesapeake District LWML Vice President of Servant Resources. I was interested to learn that at the Convention in Peoria there was an amendment to the LWML bylaws for a change in the name of this office. The approved name change was to Vice President of Organizational Resources. Another amendment changed the name of The Vice President of Human Care to VP of Special Focus Ministries. The rationale for the name changes was to more clearly identify the name with the purpose of a department or a position.

These amendments to the LWML bylaws will be followed up by the district to amend our bylaws to bring our titles into line with the national offices.

One of the rewarding functions of my position is to assist churches in forming new societies and to encourage inactive societies to reactivate. What a pleasure it was to recognize St. John's of Dover, Delaware as a reactivating society at the Christian Life Retreat!

Dorrie Y. Aldrich
Vice President of Servant Resources

New Appointments



Martha McGlynn
Communications Director
Martha recently came to the Chesapeake District from the Eastern District where she was also active at the district level. She is a member of St. Paul in Glen Burnie, MD.

Cynthia Massengill Young Women Chairman

Cynthia was one of the two Young Woman Reps who attended the Peoria Convention to represent the district. She is a life-long member of Emmanuel in Hampton, VA.



Julie Schafer District Website Manager

Julie will be taking over the duties of managing the Chesapeake District website. She is a member of St. Paul in Catonsville, MD. Julie is also organizing the LWML mission trip planned for summer 2012. See page 6



Reactivation! President Deb, Dorrie Aldrich, and Sandy Nickerson St. John's New LWML President

St. John's LWML Reactivated!

For many years St. John's in Dover enjoyed a very active LWML group. They met regularly, worked on projects, collected mites, and attended conventions. Unfortunately, for one reason or another, the group's enthusiasm waned and their activities became fewer and fewer – until eventually this once active group became inactive.

Last year, there seemed to grow some restlessness among the women at St. John's. There was a growing desire for involvement. Much of this was sparked after two women attended the 2010 LWML convention. They came back excited about the possibilities of what an LWML chapter at our church could do for the Lord! A meeting was scheduled in January just to see if there were others who were interested in re-activating an LWML group. About 20 women came to this first meeting on a Saturday morning – and there were others who had indicated their interest, but just couldn't make the meeting. It was obvious that the Lord was working and that we needed to get our LWML back on track. We talked and prayed. We sang and laughed. We shared breakfast and completed interest surveys.

In early September, an organizational meeting was held – it also doubled as a dessert party! About 15 women were in attendance. We shared a devotional time, delicious desserts, and a few laughs. A tentative schedule for the next year was presented based on the information that was gleaned from the surveys. We talked again about the structure of our emerging LWML group. It was decided that officers would be elected at our October meeting. The women were encouraged to think about their own roles in the organization and about who might emerge as the group's leader for this year.

There has been much excitement about getting our group re-activated and about what the Lord may be calling us to do in service for Him. The possibilities seem endless! We are trying to start with the idea of "small and simple." We are certain that this will grow into something much more as time goes by.

District News

Nominating Committee

Throughout the years the Chesapeake District LWML has been blessed by the service of women willing to accept positions of leadership within our district. Those presently serving as elected officers are continuing this good work. We thank them and praise God for their services. As this present biennium ends with the District Convention in September 2012, many of our elected officers have served four years in one office and cannot be re-elected to that office. The Nominating Committee has begun its task of searching for candidates for the election that will take place at convention. The qualifications, as stated in the district bylaws, are that candidates have served or are serving as officers in their society or zone and they are active participants in the mission of the LWML. Currently all officers serve a two year term and may be elected for one additional two year term in the same office. In the next Mite Brigade there will be a list of the elected district officers and their duties and a form for societies or individuals to suggest possible candidates to the Nominating Committee. **This is where we very much need your help!** Begin now to think about who you would suggest as a future leader/officer for our district. Perhaps you would be interested in serving in this way yourself. We will be grateful for all suggestions.

Serving the Lord with you,

The 2012 Nominating Committee
 Teresa Tester, Chair (DCMARVA Zone)
 Joan Kelly (Baltimore Zone)
 Connie Kruelle (Potomac Zone)

LWML Mission Trip Planned

Last February the Chesapeake District Board of Directors voted to pursue putting together a mission trip for the LWML after listening to a presentation by Julie Schafer of one of the trips she hosted through MOST Ministries (Mission Opportunities Short Term). At the retreat Julie spoke again—this time to present details about an upcoming mission trip to Costa Rica. This will be a “Women’s Ministry & Health & Hygiene Team #1210”. Dates are June 29– July 7, 2012 and the location is Cartago, Costa Rica. Estimated cost is \$2,000– 2,200 for airfare, ground transportation, housing, meals and other trip accommodations.

The team will work in Cartago and possibly another small mission site under the direction of Pastor Edmundo Retana. The team will provide health and hygiene lessons for approximately 40 children. The team will also teach healthy family living. Pastor Edmundo would also like to include women’s ministry.

If a mission trip is on your horizon, now is the opportunity to pursue it. We hope to put together a team of 10-12 people. You can contact Julie Schafer for a trip brochure or more information at 410-456-2473 (call or text) or email her at thetropicalhut@gmail.com. The deadline to apply is December 31, 2012.



Moving some of the flip-flops for Orphan Grain Train packed in McDonald's French Fry boxes

Preparing for 2013 Convention

Christine Gasslein from Eastern District (friend of Martha McGlynn) Models a beaded LWML lanyard they are making as a fundraiser for the convention. They will be available at Timonium next fall

Pittsburgh in 2013!

Below, Linda Roscoe models some Pittsburgh promotional items!



Old Friends Sylvia Shives and Connie Kruelle



Dcs. Saron Woldehaimanot, Heart to Heart Rep., Titee Wesseh, Jan Struck, and Maggie Harris. Maggie and TeeTee are members of Zion Praise congregation in Bowie at their first retreat. They plan to organize an LWML group in their church.

Retreat Review

New Events Increase Mites

There were some firsts at the Christian Life Retreat this year and fun was in the making!



But fun wasn't the only outcome as 47 walkers hit the Ocean City Boardwalk beginning at 6:00AM. About \$2,700.00 was collected with more coming in for Mites. Ladies walked, talked, smiled, meditated, witnessed and enjoyed their time on the Walk.

More Mites were collected as we had another first in the Book/Devotional Exchange. Many brought items that they no longer used, but new owners were found and donations put in the Mite box. That, along with our "Night Cap LWML Style" brought in over \$310.00

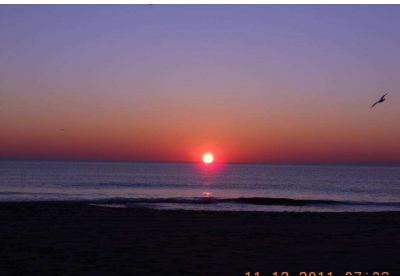
So, our "Firsts" were true successes and another grant will be able to be paid from these monies. Remember too, 25% of this is sent to LWML which will help our national Mite goal.

Thank you to all who participated and shared your Mighty Mites!

Marge Bruning
Christian Life Chairman



Marge at the mike



Saturday Sunrise

Carolinas District Friends at the retreat were Past President Brenda Issacs and Faye Isenhower

Retreat Leaders Jan Struck and Dina Vendetti



Abraham was called by God to journey from the land of Ur to another place.

Many of the women of our Chesapeake District (and beyond!) felt God calling them to journey to a place where they could renew, revive and refresh their spirits. We did just that and by now, everyone who had the pleasure of attending the Christian Life Retreat in Ocean City, MD has returned to their "**land of UR**" as Jan Struck so aptly described it. (** for those who were not there....this is also known as our "land of **Usual Routine**").

With Dina and Jan leading us through the scriptural account of Peter's walk on water, we shared our experiences when doubt, fear and failure spiraled us down into the water....then by looking further into scripture, we found the hope we needed to keep our balance, trust His hold and **LOOK UP!!!** we'll see Him EVERYWHERE!

It was a weekend filled with singing, learning, sharing, tears and laughter that will encourage us on our own walks on stormy waters.

Looking forward to our next journey,
Donna Siverd
VP Christian Life

Sisters come from all over for the retreat!

Past Pres. Joan Kelly and her sister Shirley Baker from Hubert NC



Helen Nations is delighted with the gift she received as the oldest person attending Helen is 94 and still going strong. What a blessing she has been to LWML.

The prize for the youngest attendee went to 17 year old Bethany Lennox



Meeting manager Edi Collis with her sister Lydia Berrong from New Mexico

Zone News

TIDEWATER ZONE

Tidewater Zone held their Fall Workshop, Sat. Oct 8th at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Portsmouth, Va. 46 women from 9 churches & 1 Pastor attended a very interesting & informative presentation given by Thaler McCormick, CEO of For Kids, Inc, a non profit organization fighting homelessness in the Tidewater Zone area. They assist with transitioning children (while keeping their families intact) from the streets/living in cars to shelters, to temporary then permanent housing with a 75% success rate. Their other big stat is successfully having kids in their program graduate from High School or get their GEDs vs dropping out or stopping their education. This organization has received a Presidential Award for the effectiveness of doing something about homelessness in our community. The presentation title was "*Children: The Hidden Homeless in Hampton Roads and ForKids' Battle to Save Them*". Registration brought in \$138.00 and \$445.00 was collected & given to ForKids, Inc. as well as a large ingathering of pre- packaged healthy snacks & drinks for the after school tutoring program ForKids provides for their clients. \$198.50 for Mites was also collected after a moving Mite Skit presentation by Kathy Hughes. The Zone voted to send our YWR to the Splish Splash Retreat in Ocean City, Maryland in November. Many of the women present are also attending. Our next event will be our local retreat in Wakefield, VA in January 2012. We will be continuing the theme, "Living on the Edge" for the remainder of our events.

Karen Chipok
Tidewater Zone President (& Retreat Photographer)

PENMAR ZONE

The PenMar Zone met on Sept. 24th at Advent Lutheran Church in Forest Hill, MD with 30 women present. Our program was "Walking in His Paths-- Where We've Been, Where We Are, and Where We're Going." Three women shared their stories of faith and walking with the Lord. We assembled 60 school kits for Lutheran World Relief.

Pam Weimer, Chairman
PenMar Zone



Pam
&
Jan

Friday
Evening

DELMARVA ZONE

CONVENTION INVITATION

**"Walk in the Name of the Lord.
Women of God Never Walk Alone"**

This is the theme chosen for the 2012 Chesapeake District Convention to be held Sept. 21-23, 2012 at Timonium, Maryland, hosted by DelMarVa Zone.

An initial meeting was held August 11, 2011 at Peace Lutheran, Smyrna. Ideas for the convention logo were presented as were ideas for ingatherings and interest sessions. These will be shared at the Nov. EC meeting. Watch for more information in the February Mite Brigade.

Sandy O'Hedy, Chairman
Convention 2012



BLUE RIDGE ZONE

The Blue Ridge Zone had their Fall Rally and Workshop on Saturday, October 15, 2011 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Farmville, Virginia. We had a total of 25 women and four guests. Pastor Beasley did a Bible study on the women who accompanied Jesus and his disciples from Luke 8:1-3. We had quite a discussion as to the fact that we are all an influence in our communities and even our churches speak of our presence.

Our workshop was conducted by Lorraine Christ and several of the ladies from her congregation. We were taught how to make mitered corners, padded rolls to roll our altar linens and banners, so that they don't wrinkle or have creases, repair of altar linens and the primary stitches which are used to embroidery altar linens. We also got information on the storage and cleaning of the altar linens.

Some of the ladies packaged our Gifts from the Heart which were hygiene bags for the male prisoners who would be released from the Blue Ridge Regional Jail. We were able to complete nine bags and have other products left which will be assembled after additional products are purchased. We voted to split the offering to complete these bags and send the other half to Lutheran Outreach at Virginia Tech.

We asked for volunteers for two committees, one as a nomination committee for our officers and the other to work on the By-laws for our Zone. There were two volunteers to work on the By-law committee and we have asked the other societies to check with their home societies for additional volunteers.

Pastor Sorenson did our closing devotion.

Diana Williams, Chairman
Blue Ridge Zone

LWML PLANNING CALENDAR

Pray for these events, the leaders and the participants.
Zone leaders, please consider these dates when planning zone events.

January 20-21, 2012 - Leadership for Tomorrow and BOD Meeting , La Plata, MD

February 3-5, 2012 - LWML Board of Directors, St Louis, MO

April 21, 2012 - District Board of Directors, place TBA

September 21-23, 2012 Chesapeake District Convention, Timonium, MD

June 27-30, 2013 - LWML Convention, Pittsburgh, PA

⚡ News Flash

Chesapeake District is on Facebook ! Go to <http://www.facebook.com/ChesLWML>
and " like" us to start getting info through that connection!

Chesapeake District LWML

MITE BRIGADE



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Next Deadline: January 18, 2012

Send in your news and photos then
go ice-skating with a friend.

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More Retreat
Pictures

Friday evening
Dessert

Karen Mathiesen
Claudia Jacobsen
Ushers for Friday



Group of Saturday
Morning walkers

Boxes, boxes,
Boxes all filled
With flip-flops!



Photos throughout this issue by Karen Chipok,
Sandy O'Hedy, and Sylvia Shives