

LWML Board Meeting MINUTES

February 6, 2020 – 5:15 PM in the Atrium

Opening Devotion – Jody – Comfort from the Psalms: Rejoice

Members present: Cathy VandeBraak President, Jody Huebert Vice President, Shirley Wright Treasurer, Betty Schultz Secretary, Illa Biteler Past President, Mary Dunlap, Tammie Schultz, Marie Kruger, Kay Nelson, Maxine Kirlin.

Welcome – Jolene Hanson has agreed to fill the Archivist/Historian position. We thank Marie Kruger for filling this position for the last eight years. Emily Lafrentz and Mary Ann Zinnel have agreed to co-lead the Mission Coordinator position. Also welcomes Maxine Kirlin the Event Coordinator.

Secretary's Report – Betty Schultz

Treasurer's Report - Shirley Wright Jody Bymers is doing 2019 Audit

Old Business

Joint Meeting options for the future to help deal with the unpredictable weather of South Dakota. We will schedule a date and then also schedule a backup date.

Secret Sister Ministry questionnaires should all be submitted and ready to be matched. There were 21 participates in 2019 and 12 have signed up for 2020. Possibly change from "Secret Sister" to "Prayer Partners"

Cheer Baskets in July feedback from circles. All circles approved moving the Cheer Baskets to July.

Teacher In-gathering summary. Thank you to Jolene Hanson for sharing a Thrivent Action Team Grant.

All items were well appreciated by our teachers...

Circle chairs are to turn in the updated membership lists.

Submit order for The Lutheran Woman's Quarterly. Shirley will send in order in February.

New Business

Wednesday, March 4th we will be serving the Lenten Meal. Chili and Chicken Noodle Soup are on the menu. Marsha Kritzmire has received a Thrivent Action Team grant. The sign-up sheet is located in the Atrium Kitchen. A shopping list is needed. Be sure and sign up and help where you can.

Sunday, March 22nd at 1:30 Zion will host the Zone LWML Prayer Service. We will server bars during the 30-minute fellowship time before the service. Mary Circle will take on the registration, Eve Circle clean up and Rebekah will provide the bars. (We need 5 pans of bars uncut). About 50 people expected. Prayer Service starts at 2:00P.M.

LWML Hostess Program. Possible ways to update communication and educate people on the duties of the Hostess. What events need a Hostess? Name tags to identify a Hostess are in the kitchen. (Where?) Please use them and return them after the event. This program started in 2012. When started it was said that any group using the facility especially when there is food involved there should be a person to help with the telling where things are and then put things back where they

belong. Sometimes a Hostess will be asked to do more than just be available. This should be at the discretion of the Hostess as to how involved they want to be. The Volunteer Hostesses are, Illa Bitler, Dorothy Chronister, Lois Jones, Betty Schultz, Jody Huebert, Cathy VandeBraak, Renee Lehr, Lenny Hendry, Sara Francis, Leann Werner.

Dayz of Doing. April 3rd and 4th. Streets of Bethlehem ornaments. Cheer Basket crafts. Schedule blocks of time for instruction such as crocheting. Committee to organize food and another to organize the crafting. More in the March meeting.

Sunday, April 19th provide treats for Bible Class. Mary Circle would like to address Muffins for Mites.

If it says mites the donation must go to mites as this is stated in our by laws

Reports

Past President – Illa Biteler

President – Cathy VandeBraak

Vice President – Jody Huebert

Treasurer – Shirley Wright

Update on checkbook signatures and wording needed in the future to make the process easier. Using the checkbook and electronic checks. Discussion about including the circles in the decisions made about giving larger donations.

Secretaries – Kristi Hofer and Betty Schultz

Chair of Mary Circle – Mary Dunlap

Chair of Rebekah Circle – Kay Nelson

Chairs of Eve Circle – Jody Huebert and Cathy VandeBraak

We invite the circles to participate in our College Ministry by bringing 22 items of your choice to include in the packages. Suggested items would be lip balm, lotion, socks, notepads, fun pens, card games, puzzle books, sewing kits, adult coloring books, markers, hand sanitizer, etc. Please bring any items you would like to contribute to the conference room during your March circle meeting.

Resource Coordinator – Tammie Schultz

Archivist/Historian – Jolene Hanson

Library Committee – Illa Biteler

Hostess Coordinator – Max Kirlin

Mission Coordinator – Emily Lafrentz and Mary Ann Zinnel

Adjourn with the Lord's Prayer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March

4th Lenten Meal

5th LWML Board Meeting

22nd Zone Prayer Service 1:30

April

2nd LWML Board Meeting

3rd & 4th Dayz of Doing

May

7th LWML Board Meeting

29th-30th SD Convention – St. John’s Lutheran Church in Yankton, SD. The theme is “Set Your Eyes on Jesus.”

Submitted by Betty Schultz

LWML Eve Circle Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2020-9:15 Main Street Living Studio

Members present: Cathy VandeBraak, Jody Huebert, Sara Francis, Renee Lehr, Pam Kludt, Mary Ann Zinnel, Kim Fitterer, Emily Lafrentz, Jolene Hanson, LeAnn Werner, Tammie Schultz, Lori Brunick

Members not present: Deb Hinde, Clare Helling, Cassie Huebert, Jeannette Jensen, Fatima Johnson, Joan Sebesta, Lori Coufal, Judy Eisenbraun, Jolene Dyce, Lanelle Smith, Nancy Bott, Nancy Kraayenhof, Judy Bittner, Kristi Hofer, Karen Voegeli,

Opening Devotion-Jodi Huebert – Yours for the Asking: Hope Notes (Romans 15:13)

Offerings: Home: \$34 (used for general fund for our society giving/use in funding our projects)

Mite: \$38.80 (75% used for state and 25% used for national mission grant funding).

Old Business

The January 18th Joint Circle Meeting was canceled due to weather. Notification will be sent out if this is rescheduled.

Craft, Bake and Used Book Sale: \$2,2748.51 was raised for the Zion LWML 2020 general fund. About \$800 was raised for the Souplless Soup Supper.

2019 South Dakota LWNL Mission Grants totaled \$50,000. The are about \$10,000 short of making that goal. We were able to send \$2,000 to be used specifically for the South Dakota grants and help fulfill the unmet needs.

Cheer Basket: 29 baskets delivered in 2019. That is an increase of 11 from 2018. We would like to discuss Christmas in July baskets for 2020.

New Business

Cheer Basket: Emily Lafrentz and Marry Ann Zinnel volunteered to do the shopping for baskets which will be delivered in July. Cards will continue to be sent out during the Christmas season.

The tissues, hand sanitizer, disinfecting and baby wipes collected are for the members of Zion that work as teachers. Teachers go above and beyond for their students and many times that means purchasing items with their own money. We have contacted twelve teachers from our congregation and invited them to come and pick up supplies for their classroom. We want to thank each of you for helping. We are also grateful to Jolene Hanson for sharing a Thrivent Action Team grant and shopping for many items. Any items that are left will be taken to Sioux Falls Lutheran School. Deadline for bringing items is Sunday, January 26th, 2020.

Membership updates: We will have circle lists with names and birthdates. We ask you to utilize your Zion member directory for the most current address, phone number and email Please update Maxine in the office and your circle chair with any changes that may happen throughout the year.

Wednesday, March 4th: we will be serving the Lenten Meal. Chili and Chicken Noodle soup are on the menu. Marsha Kritzmire is applying for a Thrivent Action Team grant.

LWNL Hostess Program. What does it mean to be a hostess and how can you help? Name tags to identify you as a Hostess are in the kitchen. Please use them and return them after the event. A sign-up sheet was passed around during the meeting.

Want to learn more about LWML? The national website is <https://www.lwml.org/home> and the state website is <http://sdlwml.org/>. They are both loaded with information. This is a link to the SD LWML Zone map: http://sdlwml.org/SD_LWML_Map_of-zones_4-07.pdf

LWML South Dakota District Convention – May 29-30, 2020, in Yankton, SD. The theme is “Set Your Eyes on Jesus”. Please watch for more information in the Lutheran Witness in March and/or April.

Secret Sister Ministry: a questionnaire was passed during the meeting to be completed for the 2020 year. The more you fill out, the better your sister will be able to know you. This is not required, but we do ask that everyone take a form. If you are not interested, please fill in your name and then write “not interested”. This will help us to make sure everyone had the opportunity to sign up.

The roles of Mission Coordinator, Research Coordinator, LWML Resources Coordinator and Archivist/Historian were discussed.

Any updates or prayer requests to share?

Adjourn with The Lord’s Prayer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February

14th Servant Event – Serve evening meal for PALS. Nancy Kraayenhof will apply for a Thrivent Action Team Grant. She will use the grant to purchase ingredients and will prepare the meal. We will need ladies to help serve and cleanup the meal.

16th Eve Circle Meeting

March

4th Lenten Meal – sign-up sheet was passed out at the 1/19/20 Eve Circle meeting

15th Eve Circle Meeting

22nd LWML Zone Prayer Service here at Zion: 1:30

April

3rd & 4th Dayz of Doing

18th LWML Zone Retreat in Wentworth, SD

19th Treats for Bible Class

19th Eve Circle Meeting. Please bring 22 items for college care packages

May

17th Eve Circle Meeting

29th-30th SD Convention – St. John’s Lutheran Church in Yankton, SD

June

13th Service Project - Furniture Mission 10:00am -12:00 pm. Bring a “Welcome Basket” if you would like.

Lunch at Backyard BBQ

21st Eve Circle Meeting

July

Deliver “Christmas in July” Cheer Baskets

TBD Service Project – Serve VBS meal

19th Eve Circle Meeting

August

16th Eve Circle Meeting

September

TBD Joint Meeting

20th Eve Circle Meeting

October

4th LWML Sunday. Serve treats at Bible Class

18th Eve Circle Meeting

November

15th Eve Circle Meeting Change of time, we will meet following second service. Potluck with family welcome and assemble treats for Craft, Bake and Used Book Sale

December

5th Service Project – Gift Wrapping for Children’s Inn at the Empire Mall. Meal together at Red Robin (families are invited to join.)

9th Service Project – Advent Meal

9th – 13th Craft, Bake and Used Book Sale

20th Eve Circle Meeting

LWML Rebekah Circle

January 21, 2020

Conference Room

Members Present: 15 Alverna Anderson, Illa Biteler, Carol Ekse, Jan Frentz, Carol Harms, Lois Jones, Max Kirlin, Marie Kruger, Kay Nelson, Val Ohrt, Roselyn Olson, Stacy Tisher, Betty Schultz, Coletta Venske, Shirley Wright

Members Not Present: 6 Audrey Hein, Barbara Langpap, Sunhild Muldbakken, Lu Otten, Norma Robinson, Avis Priest

JANUARY OFFERING: Home \$57.00 Mites \$59.33 Days 4 Girls \$30.00 (TOTAL \$146.33)

*Open with PRAYER and DEVOTION: Kay Shared Bible Study: **Balancing Life’s Challenges***

Signed Valentine Cards for 51 shut-ins

Sign up sheets included

LWML Event Coordinator

Secret Sister

Rebekah Circle Birthday List

Willingness to share Thrivent Action Team Grants

Wanting to receive Lutheran Women’s Quarterly

Treasurer Report Discussion

Review and discussion with Shirley Wright

Old Business

Please reveal Secret Sister independently.

The joint meeting on Jan 18, 2020 was cancelled secondary to inclement weather.

Vote to change Christmas Cheer baskets to be delivered to shut-ins to take place in July

Vote passed, Discussion included that Christmas cards would still be sent out in Dec.

New Business

Betty is to update "Fish Bowl" Please discard any current names/addresses you may have

Carol Harms shared Letter from Edith Wrage, requesting to be removed from active lite

Next Meeting: Kay will lead discussion of 5 question to Share with Unbelievers and

*Handed out **MINING HIDDEN TALENTS** Bible Study for February 18, 2020*

Upcoming Events: LWML Prayer Service: March 22 @1:30 Daze of Doing April 3 & 4

Adjourned with Prayer

Respectfully Submitted, Stacy Tisher, Rebekah Circle Secretary

Mary Circle

January 21, 2020

Number Attending: 7

Met in the Atrium

Home Offering: \$26.00

Mites: \$34.30

Attending were Lenny, Sandy, Mary, Marsha, Dianne, Judy E. and Donna. As Mary had to leave early, she opened with the business meeting.

From the Treasurer's Report, \$152.00 was recorded for Mary Circle for the Horse Power donation that was collected in December.

Jolene Hanson will be the Archivist/Historian and Emily Lafrentz and Mary Ann Zinnel will be Mission Coordinators.

The 2019 South Dakota LWML Mission Grants were about \$10,000 short of the \$50,000 goal. We sent \$2,000 for the South Dakota grant.

Cheer Baskets delivered in 2019 were 29 for a total of \$224.68. Discussed doing the cheer baskets once a year – in July, 2020. Also discussed what was in the baskets and making a couple of extras. Also, a possible grant.

The in-gathering of tissues, hand sanitizer, disinfecting and baby wipes collected will again be opened to the teachers this Sunday, the 26th. Any remaining supplies will be taken to Sioux Falls Lutheran School.

Budget and grants for 2020 were discussed.

Discussed Muffins for Mites in March, July, and November. If the funds are not going to Mites and going somewhere else, such as St. Francis House, etc., it should not be called Mites.

Sandy mentioned do we want to do something else this summer for fun, maybe instead of a picnic? Discussion followed.

The Diaper Derby is a church project and will not be an LWML project. Maxine does all the counting.

Seminary Student in now Pastors Assistance.

There were sign-up sheets. We also signed up for the Lenten meal which is March 4th. Chili, from Advent meal, and chicken noodle soup will be served.

Secret Sister forms were filled out for 2020. If not interested, fill in your name and write "not interested".

Shut in cards were signed.

Sandy led the Bible Study on Page 8 of the Quarterly and closed with the Martin Luther King, Jr. prayer.

Acting Secretary,
Judy Eisenbraun