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May 4—41st Kansas District LLL Golf

May 11—Mission U 101 Immanuel 703 26th Ave Canton (620) 628-4801

August 2-4 LLL/LWML Family Retreat

August 3—LLL BOG Camp Webster **may change** November 1-3—Kansas District LLL Convention Messiah Hays

President's Message John Johnson **Dear Friends in Christ,**

Have we left Jesus? A few years ago our local Thrivent chapter had organized a "social ministry" event of helping disadvantaged in the community by doing long neglected spring yard work. A passerby inquired what we were doing, after explaining he said, "have you **come back to Jesus**?" I quickly explained we had never left. He said his denomination had become so involved in "social ministry" they rarely preached the Gospel and people were leaving them in droves. Having corrected their balance people began to return. I've pondered his observations for a couple of years and realized his apparent small talk was actually a caution.

I've noticed LLL Kansas, that is dedicated to "Bringing Christ to the Nations and the Nations to the Church," likewise is increasingly involved in "social ministry" events. Please pray with me that the "Lord of the Harvest" will redirect and focus LLL Kansas on our mission of facilitating, in Kansas and around the world, proclamation of the Gospel while individuals help their fellow man.

Ministry from Sonrise to Sunset by Elmer & Ken

The **ministry** of the International Lutheran Laymen's League (Int'l LLL) accomplished through Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) and you with the goal of bringing the Gospel to people through many ministry methods. Do the people in your congregation and your greater community know how to receive The Lutheran Hour, Daily and Seasonal Devotions and benefit from the many ministry outreach tools of LHM? If not, Let's Go! If you have been reading LCMS President Harrison's articles in the Lutheran Witness, you've noted the words, Let's Go, followed by the Bible reference; Mark 1:38. He's quoting the words of Jesus "And He said to them, let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." ESV Being His Ambassadors we are called to go out with the "Good News" (Matthew 28: 19-20). This challenge is one we all face in this age when we find ourselves, too busy to effectively "go" as He's told us to do. Those of us in Kansas that support Int'l LLL/ LHM with our prayers, time, and resources feel challenged to go, visit our fellow congregation members, discuss "The Good News" with them again and again inviting them to join with us in "Bringing Christ to the Nations, and the Nations to the Church" through "The Lutheran Hour" and the many other resources Lutheran Hour Ministries provide to assist us in this mission.

Now is the time to "sign on" as an ambassador for LHM in your congregation. You will receive periodic updates on programs and activities relating to our mission of bringing Christ to others. It's simple to become an "official" ambassador. Go to: www.lhm.org/ambassador. If you need help contact Ken McCosh (785) 539-8064...John Johnson (785) 776-5898 or Elmer Kellner (785) 332-2950. If you don't have a computer, we'll work with you to find a way to help you get the information that will assist you as you serve.

One of the great opportunities in Kansas LLL/LHM is we are partnering with the Kansas District LCMS, circuits and local Churches to sponsor 5 Mission U's in Kansas this year. Mission U workshops, developed by Lutheran Hour ministries, helps and encourages us to share the "good news" we have with our neighbors, so they too may experience the joy and peace we have. Plan now to participate in one of these events. The first one is scheduled for Redeemer Lutheran Church in Atwood on April 20, followed by Immanuel Canton on May 11. Come west and join us! Let's Go!!!



Our Mission

"Bringing Christ to the Nations—and the Nations to the Church" Our Vision Statement "All nations. All peoples. All in Christ" Our Identity

People of Christ with the Message of Hone

LHM Home page www.lhm.org/ Lutheran Hour (see page 8)

Radio AM, FM, XM-Satellite #170 Podcasting

Listen on Computer http://www.lutheranhour.org/

Armed Forces Network

Resources for You http://www.lhm.org/

resyou/default.htm

Daily Devotions http://www.lhm.org/

dailydevotions.asp

Help Topics and Booklets

Men's Network www.lhmmen.com/

Bible Studies

www.JCPlayZone.com/

Order supplies online or 1-800 876-9880

Resources for Your Church

http://www.lhm.org/reschurch/default.htm
Men's Network www.lhmmen.com/
Mission U www.whatsmissionu.com/
Group Bible Studies Current & Archived http://www.lhm.org/reschurch/groupstudies.htm
Outreach-Developmental Training & Resources
Project Connect http://www.lhm.org/projectconnect/default.htm
Bulletin Inserts

Volunteer Opportunities

International Trips http://www.lhm.org/teams/
projects.asp

Teens www.whatsfive14.com/

Mission U www.whatsmissionu.com/

For more Kansas LLL News and Events http://www.lhm-ks.org/

Tip: To follow an underlined link in this Newsletter POINT and left CLICK.

Dear Friends in Christ, John

The Kansas District LLL has committed to fund five MISSION U events in Kansas over the next year. This will be a partnership with the Kansas District LCMS providing promotion, counsel, guidance, and interface with circuits and congregations; circuits providing circuit wide promotion and congregational interface; the host congregation providing promotion, facilities, registration, lunch and local Pastoral support; and Kansas LLL providing LHM presenter funding, promotion, scheduling support, helping and encouraging local LLL members to carefully work with their Pastor and congregational leadership. I've never used promotion so many times in my life but it is so important that every one, with promotion, in this brief job description enthusiastically and animatedly promotes. Again Pastors are so very important because they are the best trained, most experienced, and highly skilled communicators; good communicators are good promoters. The most important element is of course prayer without ceasing "Lord God guide and direct us to do your will." Amen!

Why? The demographic of 18-35 year olds is bleak; 10% are dedicated to their faith though it may not be Christian, 10% are anti-Christian, and the other 80% don't care. This information is from the MISSIONU website at www.whatsmissionu.com/speakerseries.asp; scroll to the bottom and click on Connect with Young Adults presenter Jessica Bordeleau after a short hour you can make up your own mind. In 20 years when we old ducks have gone to be with Jesus there will be a lot of rattling around room in Churches.

Please include LLL/LHM Kansas in your prayers and on the team so that "Bringing Christ to the Nations and the Nations to the Church" becomes more than just another catchy slogan. If you are the biggest, strongest, most skilled, and most intellectual and being an Army of one makes sense to you because we will only slow you down, take it from an old sailor, "Armies of One" are **always** defeated.

Mission U in Kansas 2013

April 20—Redeemer Atwood 9 a.m.-2 p.m. 808 S. 1st Street MU 101 funded by local congregation calling congregation (785) 626-3178

May 11—Immanuel Canton 9 a.m.-2 p.m. 703 26th Ave. MU 101 Partner Church Rev. Seth Meyer (620) 628-4801

MU 101 Everyday Evangelism

This course challenges students to recognize and embrace their roles as Christ's witnesses. Students will identify witnessing obstacles and receive biblical tools to overcome them. They will learn to recognize and to initiate faith-sharing conversations. Students will practice sharing their faith in unique contexts and within relationship models they may likely encounter. This course provides ample hands-on application to increase confidence.

Attention: Sorry! the editors lack mind reading and simultaneous presence (omniscience) at all LLL events; inclusion of your local news follows your submission of news articles and pictures. This is true for both annual news letters plus the Convention Manual. Go ahead and smile it was a gentle chide!

From the Regions

Region 1 Zone 1: St. Matthew-Nortonville LLL activities included; participating in the district golf tournament, had a hamburger feed, sent \$400 to the district project, \$100 to a local food bank, \$100 to KNZA radio in Hiawatha for "The Lutheran Hour." TM

Zone 3: Last night's Spring Rally was a great success. We had over 30 people show up and the presenter was great. Thanks for all your hard work. Let's make the fall rally even better!

LHM Executive Director Bruce Wurdeman's mother lives in the area; he does the "What They Didn't Teach Me In Sunday School" videos on the Men's Network website. With careful planning Bruce living in Saint Louis might be able to visit his mother and give us a lecture at our fall rally. This would be a great one. We need to set the date and get going now. President Paul Steinke



Region 3 Zone 7: Immanuel-Linn, hosted their annual Men's Club Soup Supper Sunday, Jan. 27, 2013. Over 400 people attended with chili, vegetable, chicken noodle and potato soups being served along with desserts for a free-will donation. Funds raised were donated to LLL Projects.

Bethlehem-Greenleaf remitted \$1,200 for the district project from their annual soup fundraiser.

Zone 8 Trinity-McFarland Our LLL Fellowship Club was once again blessed with a great turnout for our annual Pancake-Sausage supper held on Sunday, February 17. All supplies were exhausted,, which included 35 lbs of pancake mix, 30 doz. Eggs, 70 pounds of sausage, and 6 gallon of milk which added up to a net profit of \$1070 for the Kansas District Project. We were thankful for the many friends who came from near and far to help make this a success.

Our club has become quite small but everyone in our congregation is always willing to come on board and help make it the success it has become. To thank everyone for their help through the years we invited the entire congregation and former members of the LLL to our 60th Anniversary celebration last November to a free catered meal and a program with over 100 in attendance. Pastor Jeff Geske, our former pastor, was the speaker and presented us with a Certificate of Recognition for 60 years as members of the International Lutheran Laymen's League on behalf of the League.

Immanuel-Junction City served around 200 people, noon Sat. January 19th, with a meal that included 3 soups,

plenty of relishes and desserts for a free will offering with \$450 share to the district project.

The Zone 8 rally will be hosted by Immanuel Junction City

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Immanuel Junction City 3 soup lunch

at 3:00 p.m. Sunday May 5th with a visit to "This is The Life" showing the "Every Moment is a Gift" video along with comments on the starting of the program by past Int'l LLL board member Merle Lietz.

Additional fund raising for the district project will be by a soup and dessert contest. For convenience sake an ingathering of undie's for Orphan Grain Train will be held by zone 8 concurrent with this event.

St. Luke's-Manhattan The LLL Fellowship Club held their major fund raiser of the year February 10. Thanks to the one hundred plus people who attended the fund raiser. Many supplies were donated which allowed the club to be able to donate \$900 towards the District Project.

Zone 12: **Immanuel-Canton** Our LLL Group held their annual pancake and sausage supper in January to benefit a young man in the congregation having a kidney transplant. The group served a meal at a service for Lent also. Partnering with the Kansas District LLL/LHM/LCMS, and area Churches we are hosting a Mission U evangelism event, MU 101, on Saturday May 11.

Region 4 Zone 13: We are having our Spring LLL Zone 13 meeting, rallying with the LWML on April 14.

Peace-Natoma The LLL Group continues to support "The Lutheran Hour" on KHAZ radio in Hays.

Messiah-Hays Our LLL group raised over \$700 at our 2nd Annual Ground Hog Feed. The proceeds will go to District Projects just as it did last year. A smaller portion of the money will go to our local Youth Group and Orphan Grain Train. Again this year, Messiah LLL plans to field three golf teams at the annual golf tournament. The zone is involved in the planning and operating of the District Convention in November.

The **Men's NetWork Fishing Tournament** registration is now open, the contest begins on April 8. Sign up at www.lhmmen.com. Ten dollars signs you up for the contest with 12 categories and weekly prizes, running to Sept. 1, 2013. Grand Prize is a \$500.00 Master Card or Visa gift card.

Financial Aid

Charles Friedrichs, Financial Aid Chair

These are some representative letters of appreciation from last years recipients of LLL Financial Aid that **you** fund through the Kansas District Project.

Natalie Bender, Topeka, "Thank you so much for your gift of financial aid. I greatly and deeply appreciate it. I can't wait to see what God has in store."

Robyn Meyer, Linn, "Thank you for the financial aid money to help me this year at Concordia University. I've really enjoyed my time at Concordia the past two years and I am excited to become a Lutheran School Teacher."

Ashley Rengstorf, Bremen, "Thank you very much for the financial aid money! It is greatly appreciated. Your generous support will help me follow the path towards education that God has planned for me."

Christine Schotte, "I am a student at the seminary studying to become a deaconess. What a privilege to study God's Word here at Concordia Theological Seminary. Thank you for your support of theological education for the sake of Christ's Church."

Kansas District Project

The 2012-2013 Kansas District Project Committee thanks all the individuals, LLL groups and churches that have already contributed to your Kansas LLL District Project. Your hard work funds future church workers, Gospel outreach, Christian Witness, and Christian Fellowship. Pray that the Lord will overflow our budget before the May 30, 2013 deadline.

These pictures explain the simple process of how most District Project monies are generated, God's people working together as a team while they enjoy fellowship. What do you get when a congregation puts on one of these events? Support from the entire community for items like \$26,000 for our Kansas students preparing to serve the Lord as a deaconess, teacher or pastor in our synod.

This years budget, with \$18,632 needed by May 30, is:

Financial Aid for Kansas District students attending an LCMS synodical school or seminary preparing for

synodical school of seminary preparing for full-time church work. \$26,000

LHM Recognition Dinner for the 4th year students at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis \$1,000

LHM Overseas Bible Correspondence Courses \$2,250

LHM Argentine Ministry Kansas Partner \$2,250

Tournament of Roses Parade Lutheran Hour Float \$500

LLL-LWML Family Retreat \$1,000

TOTAL \$33,000

Contribute soon to: Carroll Hackbart, LLL District Project Chair, 3640 Flush Rd. St. George, KS 665345 (See Page 7)



Bethlehem-Greenleaf: These seemingly easy tasks are what produced \$1200 for the Kansas LLL District Project. Go! Vice President Tim and crew.





Zion-Linn Zone 7 Pancake Feed January 13 Pictures on this page courtesy of Dan Thalman Washington County News

OBITUARY FOR – Charles "Chuck" Will, 78

Charles E. "Chuck" Will, 78, life long resident of Herington, died Wednesday, December 12th, 2012, at the Medicalodges of Herington. He was born February 6, 1934, rural Herington, the son of Albert F. Jr. and Lydia B. (Strauss) Will.

Funeral Service were at 10:30 am, Saturday, December 15th, 2012, at the St. John's Lutheran Church (Lyons Creek), Herington, with Rev. John Riebhoff officiating; burial followed at the St. John's Lutheran Cemetery. A Prayer Service was held the following Friday at 7:00pm at the Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home, Herington Chapel.

Mr. Will owned & operated service stations in Herington, was an assistant manager for IGA, and farmed west of Herington. He was an active member of the St. John's Lutheran Church, where he was baptized, confirmed, & married; and he served on numerous church boards and committees. He graduated from Herington High School with the class of 1952. Following graduation he served in the U.S. Army with the 2nd Missile Battalion, 82nd Artillery.

He married Marilyn M. Brockmeier on June 4, 1961, at St. John's; she survives. Survived by two (2) sons: Mark Will (wife-Susie) of Wichita, & Scott Will (wife-Lisa) of Salina; two (2) daughters: Angela Campbell (husband-Bob) and Tami Miller (husband-Larry) both of Salina; two (2) brothers: Paul Will of Albuquerque, NM, and Dale Will of LaPorte, IN; and a sister Dorothy Fredrickson of Marion. He is also survived by 8 grandchildren (Sierra & Kelsey Miller, Cody & Ashley Campbell, Matthew & Lexi Will, Alisha & Steven Will), and a great granddaughter Paityn.

Preceded in death by 3 brothers (Raymond, Harold, Victor), 3 sisters (Ruth Will, Bernice Brewer, Carol Phillips), and his parents.

Memorials were dedicated to the St. John's Lutheran Church, or Dickinson County Hospice; and were sent in care of the Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home & Crematory, Herington Chapel, 404 S. Broadway, Herington, KS 67449-3038.

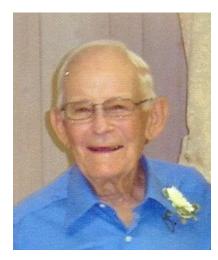
Worship for Shutins

An affiliation of Ft. Wayne Seminary provides a service titled "Worship for Shut-ins" a 30 minute Worship service rotated among five pastors; including an abbreviated liturgy, several hymns by choirs, and a Sermon. It is most widely available through Direct TV Satellite on channel 377 at 10:30 a.m. Sunday morning. It may be available on cable systems that carry Total Christian Network (TCT), check your program guide and understand they may time shift it to other than the normal 10:30 central time broadcast.

It is also available as a subscription service where they send a DVD to your church weekly and you can duplicate it up to twenty times for local distribution to shut-ins and additionally cable systems, nursing homes, and hospitals that can play DVD's over a dedicated channel on their system. If used as a PSA (Public Service Announcement) there would be no charge for the broadcast. Go to www.worshipforshutins.org to view the weekly service or call (260) 471-5683-- (888) 286-8002 for more information.

Project Connect stands with booklets, funded by a member donor, were awarded as door prize drawings at the Pastoral and Educators Conference in Manhattan. At the Pastors conference a stand with 230 booklets, to Christ—Wathena and a PC Junior with 40 booklets to Immanuel—Junction City. At the Educators Conference the 230 booklet stand Trinity—Winfield and Junior to Ascension—Wichita. Thanks to the generous donor.

The last two PC booklets released are: Reasons to Believe (6BE145) and Prayer When You Don't Know What to Say (6BE148).



Mr. Charles Will February 6, 1934-December 12, 2012 at home with Jesus.

Most booklets are 50 cents each, 20% less to registered affiliated groups. You can download most of the booklets free at www.shoplhm.org for local printing. For more info about PC booklets go to: www.projectconnectinfo.org or contact nancy.kellerhals@lhm.org; Phone: 1-800-944-3450 ext. 4210.

Family Shield Ministries, with Kay Meyer and guests, with the mission to educate and equip individuals and their families to know Christ and grow in His Word. FSM is a Recognized Service Organization of our LCMS. On Kansas radio, it may be heard on radio KMAN 1350 am at 11 a.m. Sunday. Listen anytime and anywhere on the internet at: www.familyshieldministry.com

JCPlayZone, for children, has a new look "An Ark" packed with a cargo of goodies, including parables and bite size Bible verses, all may be seen at: www.jcplayzone.com

Men's Network - www.lhmmen.com
What you find: Bible Studies and 177
episodes of; "Stuff They Did Not Teach
Me In Sunday School" by Ex. Dir Bruce
Wurdemann. The Baloney Shop; is short
subjects on video by Rev. Ken Klaus
Events; local and regional calendars,
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Groups in Kansas reveals 20 from
Overland Park, Humboldt, Wichita,
Atwood, Junction City, Ellinwood,..+
Register your group today.

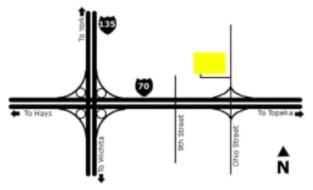
Tired of Disney World & Worlds of Fun?

One of the best kept secrets, hiding in plain sight, for extended family fun will be **August 2,3,&4** at Camp Webster near Salina. Mark your calendar now for the **2013 LLL/LWML Family Retreat**. And watch for registration and additional camp information coming soon, also go to www.webstercc.org/ to view the facilities, down load the brochure and much more.

The schedule will include a Bible study/ Sunday school each day and a Sunday worship service. The rest of the time will be Family Time to enjoy the camp activities. These include; climbing wall, the fly, zip line, high challenge course, canoes, paddle boats, swimming, air rifle, archery, Tetherball, basketball, crafts, sand dig, swimming and other activities. Evening activities include a camp fire at the lake with S'mores, Line Dancing and games with numerous snacks.

The dormitories are air conditioned. Each room has several double bunks, w/bath and shower for each family. The meals are provided, no kitchen duty. Attendees range from toddlers to grandparents. The Family Retreat is a great way for extended families of great grandchildren, grandchildren, parents and grandparents to spend a quality weekend while enjoying the fellowship of other Lutherans.

Watch for the registration information that will be available soon. The cost will be about \$90 per person lacking success of plans underway to reduce the cost. Where else can you receive so much for so little? Pray that cost reduction negotiations are successful for even greater affordability. Some LWML & LLL groups, as well as Churches offer scholarships to help families reduce their expenses.









Left area map light grey box Camp Webster (exit Ohio St. North); Top Climbing wall, fly with the greatest of ease; center lake; 2nd to bottom Gym & meeting rms; bottom Chapel.

No meals Friday evening, Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner, Sunday breakfast, lunch.



Kansas District Lutheran Laymen's League District Project June 1, 2012-May 31, 2013 "Sonrise to Sunset"



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KSOK	Arkansas City	1280 AM	8 a.m. Sun	KAWZ	Parsons	89.5 FM	9 a.m. Sun
KSOK	Arkansas City	95.9 FM	8 a.m. Sun	KKAN	Phillipsburg	1490 AM	11:30 a.m. Sun
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KCLY	Clay Center	100.9 FM	7:30 a.m. Sun	KKOW	Pittsburg	860 AM	9:30 a.m. Sun
KGGF	Coffeyville	690 AM	7 a.m. Sun	KMMM	Pratt	1290 AM	8:30 a.m. Sun
KNJT	Coldwater	90.3 FM	5:30 p.m. Sun	KJRL	Salina	96.5 FM	10:30 a.m. Sun
KGNO	Dodge City	1370 AM	8 a.m. Sun	KROA	Scandia	106.7 FM	10:30 a.m. Sun
KANS	Emporia	96.1 FM	10 a.m. Sun	KFEQ	St. Joe, Mo	680 AM	8:30 a.m. Sun
KRTT	Great Bend	88.1 FM	5:30 p.m. Sun	KAWZ	Topeka	89.5 FM	9:00 a.m. Sun
KHAZ	Hays	99.5 FM	7:30 a.m. Sun	WIBW	Topeka	580 AM	7:30 a.m. Sun
KNZA	Hiawatha	103.9 FM	7:30 a.m. Sun	KULY	Ulysses	1420 AM	9:30 a.m. Sun
KWBW	Hutchinson	1450 AM	8:30 a.m. Sun	KLIO	Wichita	1070 AM	8:30 a.m. Sun
KJVL	Hutchinson	88.1 FM	10:30 a.m. Sun	KAWZ	Wichita	88.7 FM	9 a.m. Sun
KGGN	KC, Mo	890 AM	10:30a.m. Wed	KNGN	McCook, Nb.	1360 AM	7:30 a.m. Sun
KNDY	Marysville	1570 AM	12:30 p.m. Sun	KNGN	McCook, Nb.	1360 AM	12:30 p.m. Sun
KNGL	McPherson	1540 AM	9 a.m. Sun	KNGN	McCook, Nb.	1360 AM	5:00 p.m. Sun
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