

IED Presidents Report – 5.3.2020

I would like to thank each one of you for being an active part of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, right here in Iowa East District. For without your activity, our world would be a totally different place.

- Mission Grants for 2018-2020 biennium were fully funded prior to March 31.
- Due to the COVID -19 pandemic, none of the 12 IED Spring Zone Gatherings were held
- in March, I met with a few women at St. John's, Monticello to discuss reactivating their society or creating a new society. They will be talking with the other women at church
- worked and met with EC, Convention Steering Committee on changing our Convention plans
- Zoom meeting with President Debbie Larson and other District Presidents on how to handle convention changes, voting, new officers.
- Held Zoom meetings with EC and Convention Steering Committee
- answered numerous emails with Zone Presidents and individuals in connection with scheduling changes necessitated by COVID-19 restrictions
- I have one book of the Bible left in my quest to read the Bible in a Year. I am about 6 months behind schedule, but I am about to start reading the Book of Revelations. This has been a wonderful journey. I started out with a chronological plan. I found an app for my phone that reads to me. Since my car does not have a working radio, I stated listening when I'm driving once I got to the New Testament. So now, it's read/listen to the Bible.
- I have read 2 of the missionary stories from Mission Nation Publishing. I was introduced to them at the National Convention in Mobile

Margaret Kistler
LWML IED President

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Treasurer's Report for Secretary's Minutes

Submitted by Gretchen Rasmussen

LWML - Iowa East District financials as of May 2, 2020 are summarized below. The full financial report and the 2018-2020 Biennium Financial Report and 2020-2022 Budget Proposal are available in the password-protected section of the LWML IED website.

Praise be to God that all 2018-2020 mission grants were fully funded and paid!

Current financials stand as follows:

Balance on hand as of	03/31/2020	=	\$ 9,329.12
Income received since	03/31/2020	+	\$ 1,978.56
Less expenses since	03/31/2020	-	<u>\$ 639.64</u>
Balance on hand as of	05/02/2020	=	\$ 10,668.04

The LWML IED Student Aid Endowment Fund balance at the LCMS Foundation stood at **\$48,789.56** as of 03/31/2020 (most recent statement).

The LWML IED Joyful Response Steward Account balance at the Lutheran Church Extension Fund stood at **\$108.73** as of 03/31/2020 (most recent statement). Mites donated during the 2018-2020 Biennium in the amount of \$865.22 were transferred to our regular checking account on 03/13/2020. The remaining amount in the LCEF account represents our original \$100.00 opening balance plus \$8.73 interest earned over the biennium. There are **3** IED members currently enrolled in this electronic mite-giving program.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT MAY 9th, 2020

I have made 6 deposits since the February meeting.

DEPOSITS:

February 14 th	-	\$4517.47
February 28 th	-	\$5550.83
March 13 th	-	\$4705.08
March 27 th	-	\$5989.98
April 10 th	-	\$1513.42
April 24 th	-	<u>\$ 333.14</u>
Total		\$22609.92

There are only 13 societies that haven't paid for their Quarterlies & Alives. Our mites are really low right now. We pray that soon we can all gather together

with our societies.

Hope everyone is well and staying safe!

Marna Mohr

Vice President of Communication Report
Saturday May 9, 2020 BOD Meeting

Board of Directors Directory: The District Roster has been updated for changes that have been submitted.

Executive Committee (EC): Attended the EC meeting on April 18 via Zoom to discuss the options for the June IED Convention. It has been decided that the voting-related items will be done via mail. The logistics of voting will be discussed at the IED Board of Directors (BOD) May meeting. The LWML District Fall Retreat will be postponed until 2021. Instead of the fall retreat, Saturday, September 12 will be the LWML District Convention/Celebration event at Camp lo-Dis-E-Ca.

IED 2020 Convention

Convention Manual: Submitted the VP of Communication officer report, BOD roster, and standing rules to be included in the convention manual. Note: Elected BOD members (zone presidents and elected IED officers) already have a vote and cannot be society delegates.

IED Convention Steering Committee:

- Attended the Steering Committee meeting March 7 at The Hotel at Kirkwood Center to walk thru the convention space and ask questions.
- Attended the Steering Committee meeting May 2 via Zoom to discuss the logistics of the September 12 Convention/Celebration along with recommendations that will be taken to the LWML IED BOD May meeting.

LWML IED Convention Registration: Collected registration information for the LWML IED and special guests to be turned into the convention registrar. As the convention has now changed, I will need new information as to who will be attending and meal preference once the menu has been selected.

Exhibitors: I have received several inquiries regarding convention from exhibitors once events started cancelling/postponing due to COVID-19. During the May Steering Committee meeting it was recommended that there will not be exhibitors present at the September Convention/Celebration event. I have drafted a letter that will be sent to the list of previously approved by the LWML IED BOD exhibitors explaining the change and they are welcome to send material to be included in the registration packets.

Zone Information

Communication: I have heard from various society members of multiple zones that they are not receiving communication being flowed down from the LWML IED BOD. When Zone

Presidents flow information to the Society Presidents via email, please follow up with the Society Presidents to ensure that they received the information.

Zone Officer and Society Officer Forms: As of May 1, I have received 88% of Society Record forms for calendar year 2020. Society Record Forms that have not been received for 2020: Benton Zone (0), Cedar Rapids Zone (2), Clinton Zone (1), Davenport Zone (1), Dubuque Zone (2), Eldora Zone (1), Mt. Pleasant (4), Waterloo Zone (0), Williamsburg (1). Please remind each Society that those are still needed to keep our records up to date, even if there are no changes. ***All subscription decreases were due by January 31, 2020.***

Society Subscription Statements: Society financial statements were provided to the Zone Presidents at the February BOD meeting. There are 13 societies who have not paid or have partially paid their Alive and Quarterly subscription bill for a total of \$1,077.50 remaining to be collected. An updated list has been given to the Zone Presidents. Please contact those societies who have not paid to get their payment in as soon as possible. Payment needs to be sent to Marna Mohr. If a subscription does not get paid by the society, the district mites must cover that expense.

Quarterly Subscription: The Quarterly subscription information was sent to the National office at the end of March. The LWML IED Quarterly subscriptions are renewed starting with the Summer edition. The Quarterly subscription renewals were decreased from 1755 in 2019 to 1578 for 2020.

Structure Committee: Reviewed the Marshalltown Zone by-laws.

Website: I worked with Jeanette to update the LWML IED website. Please direct all updates to the website through the VP of Communication.

Communications: I have sent out several communications on behalf of various members of the LWML IED BOD.

Stay in touch with the latest LWML happenings with LWML e-news, and national news, and go to www.lwml.org. For Iowa East District news go to <http://www.lwml-ied.org/>. For Facebook you can join in the conversation with our Lutheran Women by going to www.facebook.com/theLWML.

On a personal note, it has been a pleasure serving on the LWML BOD. First as the Cedar Rapids Zone President for 4 years and now your VP of Communication for 4 years. I will be anxious to see what God has in store for me next stage of my LWML life.

Respectfully submitted
Cheryl Killham
LWML IED VP of Communications

May 1, 2020

Since our February meeting:

- All of our grants for the 2018-2020 biennium have been paid! God be praised!
- Submitted the mission grant documents and Vice President of Gospel Outreach report to Betty Borchardt for the convention manual.
- Created a mission grant video with Lora Duncan. Lora and her son are our narrators. Once the audio is done, then the video should be ready to upload.
- Created a new endowment fund poster. I will have them printed and ready to disburse at our celebration event in September.
- Received one Student Aid application from a deaconess student. Due date for applications is May 1. After the due date I will email the Student Aid Committee with our next steps.

Joyfully serving Him!

Elizabeth Gehle

VP of Gospel Outreach

LWML IED

Human Care Report for May Board Meeting:

I want to thank everyone for your *amazing* help in collecting ingathering items for all of those who have needed our help. Here is a partial list of materials you have provided. School supplies, camp supplies, clothing, tracts, hats and mittens, teddy bears, children's blankets, toys, pacifiers, snacks, personal items, lip gloss, and Bible sticks for the military and collected for and worked at Orphan Grain Train. And you have prayed for all of the people these donations have touched. I know you will continue to help "wherever and whenever" you are needed. 1Peter 4:10a *Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others....*

It has been my privilege to work along side of you, the amazing women of the IED LWML.

VP Human Care

Jill Fraser

Micah 6:8

Webmaster report

This quarter has been highly unusual for all of us. I expected to be posting items for the District Convention but not in the way any of us thought. I have posted the usual secretary minutes. I have also posted weekly devotional links from Becky Wehrspann, the many and evolving changes to the Convention, and assisting Hilary with the newsletter. And anything else that is asked of me.

I pray you are all doing well during difficult times

Jeanette Kreutner

2020 IED Fall Retreat Committee:

The committee met February 17th after the Clinton Zone Executive Board meeting. Members of the committee are: Joy Schmid and Sheryl Zinda, co-chairs, Sara Anderson, Becky Gluesing, and Alberta Martens. Many items were discussed and decided on. Becky has made up a registration form for the Spring Alive, and an invitation has also been created for the Alive and the 2020 convention manual. A trip to loDisECa was planned to discuss details with Daniel Sanchez, and that currently remains on hold. As the Covid-19 pandemic has caused needed changes to the IED schedule, it was decided that the Clinton Zone will now host the 2021 Fall Retreat so the district can gather on the 2020 date for a modified convention gathering.

Sheryl Zinda
Clinton Zone President