

Candidates for LWML National Offices

Candidates for President



Kaye Cairns, Aurora, CO (Rocky Mountain District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant and serves as Vice President of Human Care; was past Rocky Mountain District President and LWML Board of Directors member; is coordinator for Friends Into Serving Him (Teen LWML), was Christian Life Committee Chairman, Program Resources Committee Chairman, and Convention Site Committee member; was district Convention Chairman, Vice President of Christian Life; was Sunday School teacher, VBS director, children's choir accompanist, choir and hand bell choir member, 50th anniversary co-chairman, is small group ministry chairman and Stephen ministry leader; was 4-H leader, Meals on Wheels volunteer, and sang with a choral group that visited nursing homes. Kaye has a degree from St. John's College, is an office manager for a Lutheran Church, and serves on the Rocky Mountain District LCMS Seminary Candidate Review Committee.



Marguerite Christman, Midwest City, OK (Oklahoma District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant and serves as Vice President of Servant Resources; was past

Oklahoma District President and LWML Board of Directors member, 2003 LWML Convention Host Committee Chairman, Media and Marketing Committee member; was district Parliamentarian, Christian Growth Chairman, Mission Projects Chairman, YWR Committee member; was zone President, Nominating Committee member; is local Teen LWML coordinator; was Vacation Bible School co-coordinator, building committee member, Pathways stewardship campaign committee member, and Sunday school teacher; Mid-Del Public Schools Foundation, Oklahoma 4-H Foundation, American Cancer Society, March of Dimes. Marguerite graduated from Concordia University, Seward, has a M.A. in Education from the University of Central Oklahoma, was a teacher and coach, is retired owner and secretary/treasurer of a fund raising company, and volunteers at the Oklahoma City National Memorial.



Janice Wendorf, Grafton, WI (South Wisconsin District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant and serves on the Faith Talk Task Force, was past Vice President of Christian Life and LWML Board of Directors member, served as Human Care Committee Chairman, Public Relations Committee Chairman, Member Development Committee member, and 2005 LWML Convention Programming Chairman; was district YWR Chairman, Program Resources Chairman, Nomi-

nating Committee member, Member Development Committee, Christian Growth Committee, Convention Housing Chairman; was choir member, planning committee member, adult education committee member, serves on her congregation's prayer team and is a Bible study leader; sang in Lake County Messiah Chorus, volunteered for YWCA, American Cancer Society, Leukemia Society, Red Cross blood donor. Jan graduated from Concordia, River Forest, was a teacher, coach, and conference specialist for CPH, and is an office assistant for a financial firm.

Candidates for Vice President of Servant Resources



Eloise Kuhlmann, Amarillo, TX (Texas District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant, and Mission Advocacy and Grants Committee Chairman and member of the LWML Board of Directors, was past Texas District President, Mission Advocacy and Grants Committee member; district Vice President of Christian Growth, Bylaws Chairman, retreat leader; was zone President, ESP Trainer, Vice President, Secretary; serves as midweek school teacher; Eloise received a B. S. from Concordia, Seward and a M.A. in Education from West Texas A&M University. Eloise is a retired Lutheran elementary school teacher and is a substitute church organist.

Edie Norris, Gig Harbor, WA (Washington-Alaska District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant, serves as Christian Life Committee Chairman and LWML



Board of Directors member; was Christian Resources Editors Committee Chairman, *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* Resources Editor, Program

Resources Committee member; is district Meeting Manager/Planner, was Treasurer, Secretary; was zone and local President; serves as choir member; Edie is a graduate of Central High School and has taken undergraduate courses at Angelo State University and Hancock College. Edie was employed in customer service roles for a telecommunications firm and is a full time church volunteer.

Candidates for Vice President of Human Care



Sylvia Johnson, New Berlin, WI (English District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant and was past English District president of LWML

Board of Directors member, H.O.P.E. Committee member, Bible study author for the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*; was district Vice President of Servant Resources and of Human Care; was zone President. Sylvia has a B.S. in Education from Concordia, River Forest, a M.A. Degree from Troy State, a certificate in Pastoral Care from St. Luke's Medical Center, and her Deaconess Certification from Valparaiso University. Sylvia taught in six Lutheran schools, was a loan officer at a credit union, and served as parish deaconess for six years.



Irma Pinkerton, Hixson, TN (Mid-South District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant; was past Mid-South District President and LWML

Board of Directors member, 2003 Convention Host Committee Registration Chairman, H.O.P.E. Committee member, Public Relations Committee Chairman; was district Vice President, Nomination Committee Chairman, Member Development Chairman; was zone President and local President. Irma has a B.A. in Elementary Education and a M.A. in Education from the University of Kentucky, is currently retired and was teacher, interim principal, development coordinator in technology, and secretary in Lutheran schools.

Candidates for Treasurer



Helen Miller, Lake in the Hills, IL (Northern Illinois District), is district interim Treasurer, was personal Assistant to District President, Special Gifts Committee member, Structure

Committee Chairman, Treasurer; is Zone President, was zone Secretary, Treasurer; and was local President; serves as choir member and congregational financial secretary. Helen received a B.A. in Business from Valparaiso University and an M.B.A. from DePaul University, Chicago. Helen is operations manager for a financial planning firm and sings in the Crystal Lake Community Choir.



Barbara Virus, Orange, CA (Pacific Southwest District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant and serves on the Nominating Commit-

tee; was past Pacific Southwest District President and LWML Board of Directors member, Mission Advocacy and Grants Committee member; was district Planner, Convention Vice-Chairman; was zone President and serves as local President; was church Treasurer. Barbara received a B.A. in Business Administration from California State University, Fullerton, is a property insurance underwriter and sings in the chancel choir.

Candidates for Pastoral Counselor



The Reverend Michael J. Mattil, Sherman, TX (Texas District), currently serves Grace Lutheran Church, Denison, and is a 1984 gradu-

ate of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis; has served as district counselor for four years and zone counselor for four years; circuit counselor for three years; Planning Committee for Texas District Area B Church Workers Conference; Counselor for Ministerial Youth Retreats at Concordia, Austin, Texas (recruitment); Community Life Builder for National Youth Gathering; Properties Committee for Texoma Lutheran Camp; Habitat for Humanity Volunteer; Co-Chairman of GREAT DAYS OF SERVICE for Denison, Texas.



The Reverend Gary A. Rahe, Holyoke, CO (Rocky Mountain District), currently serves Zion Lutheran Church, Holyoke, and is a 1975 graduate of Concor-

dia Theological Seminary, Springfield; has served as district counselor for seven years and zone counselor for four years; circuit counselor; LLL Zone Pastoral Advisor; Lay Ministry Training Coordinator; Licensed Deacon Training Program Project Coordinator; Rocky Mountain District Stewardship Committee, Adult Education Committee, Continuing Education Coordinator, Lay Ministry Task Force, Licensed Deacon Committee; Local Board of Education, Cooperative Education Services, Ministerial Alliance, Christmas Food Pantry & Gift Distribution Program Director.

Candidates for Nominating Committee



Linda Arnold, Woodbridge, IL (Northern Illinois District), is a past Northern Illinois District President and LWML Board of Directors member;

was district Vice President of Human Care, Mission Committee; was zone Vice President of Christian Growth. Linda is employed as Director of Care Ministries; is a Stephen Ministry Leader and is involved with homeless ministry.

Martha Burke, Clemmons, NC (Carolinas District), is a past Carolinas District President and LWML Board of Directors member, served on the Mission Advocacy



and Grants Committee; was district Vice President of Mission Grants, Nominating Committee Chairman; was zone President. Martha is employed as a medical technologist, serves on the school board, and assists with Red Cross blood drives.



Claire Carlson, Buffalo, NY (Eastern District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant, a past Eastern District President and LWML Board of

Directors member, served on the Public Relations Committee, Christian Resource Editors Committee; was district First Vice President, Mission Projects Chairman. Claire enjoys working with the Girl Scouts and is a church newsletter editor and retail merchandiser.



Nancy Fischer, Vernon, CT (New England District), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant, a past New England District President and LWML Board of

Directors member, served on the Human Care Committee; was district Vice President of Mission Inspiration, Vice President of Servant Resources, Treasurer. Nancy is a consultant for Creative Memories.



Margaret Gruber, Fort Wayne, IN (Indiana District), is a past Indiana District President and LWML Board of Directors member; was district Vice President of

Spiritual Resources, Member Development Chairman, Christian Growth Chairman, Convention Co-Chairman. Margaret is a telecommunications manager, enjoys singing in the choir, and is on the church building committee.



Judy Lessmann, Scottsboro, AL (Gulf States), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant, past Gulf States District President and member of

the LWML Board of Directors; served as district Christian Growth Chairman; was zone President and Christian Growth Chairman. Judy currently works as a CPA, is an adult Bible study teacher, plays hand bells, and is a master gardener.



Marilyn McClure, Tucson, AZ (English District), is a past English District President and LWML Board of Directors member and serves as Gospel Outreach Committee Chairman; was Heart to Heart Task Force Chairman, Gospel Outreach Committee member, and Chairman

of Sister to Sister Committee. Marilyn is a bilingual teacher, was a missionary to Guatemala, and is a Sunday school teacher at a Hispanic mission.



Kathryn Schweer, Iowa City, IA (Iowa District East), is a Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant, past Iowa District East President and member of the

LWML Board of Directors; has been a zone speaker and local President. Kathryn is actively involved in the health care field: nurse, instructor, Red Cross volunteer, and health ministries committee at her church.



Kathryn Sprecher, Des Moines, IA (Iowa District West), is a past Iowa District West President and member of the LWML Board of Directors; served as district

Secretary; was zone President and local Women's Word and Walk Coordinator. Kathryn is employed as an administrative assistant, is actively involved in missions, and is on her church board of fellowship.



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