



Cooler by the Lake!

Host
Committee
Newsletter

Host Districts: North Wisconsin, Northern Illinois, South Wisconsin

From our HC Chairman, Anne Hartman

Now is the time to sign up to be a volunteer at the convention! All volunteers who serve eight hours at

the convention will receive a discounted registration rate of \$60 if registered in January. Look for more information in the winter issue of the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly*.

Please share the Call for Workers form (<https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other>) with family, friends, and congregation members. It may be completed in two ways:

1. Call for Workers link — Volunteer Application Form — this form is to be completed online and submitted to our Personnel Data Management Chairman.
2. Call for Workers download format — Volunteer Application Form — this form is to be printed, completed, and mailed to the address on the form.

Serving Him, Anne Hartman
2023 Milwaukee Convention
Host Committee Chairman

"I hesitate to sign up to be a convention worker, because ..."

"... the form doesn't tell me exactly what I'll be doing!"

Response: You're right! The form only indicates when (June 2023) and where (Milwaukee's Wisconsin Center) workers will serve.

It brings to mind our LWML Pledge: "we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us." Nothing here tells us exactly what that service will be! It does, however, ask us to step out in faith that the particular tasks will be blessed by God and give glory to Him as we serve.

So go ahead, fill out the form, indicate your preferred area(s) of service, and submit it. As we get closer to June 2023 and our leaders make assignments, you will receive notification of the details of your job.

"In obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields ..."

Carolyn Blum, Chairman
LWML Milwaukee 2023 Convention
Publicity Committee

2023 LWML Convention Resources

Go to <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other> for links to access Host Committee and Worker forms (fill in forms and downloadable versions to print), HC guidelines, the shirt order form, convention flyer, promotional sketch, convention invitation, and other documents as they are made available.



Another Note from our HC Chairman, Anne Hartman —

As of the end of August, there are still several positions to fill on the Host Committee. Could you prayerfully consider serving in any of the following positions? Could you ask a friend, or a fellow church member, or an LWML sister to sign up?

By going to <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other> and clicking on Host Committee Guidelines updated January 17, 2022, you will see detailed descriptions of the responsibilities and opportunities to serve in each category. And you won't be working alone, as your fellow sisters (and brothers!) in Christ will be right beside you, offering encouragement and guidance!

Please contact me at annelwml@gmail.com or 1-715-450-0681 with questions. Thank you!

Guest Services Department

Child Care--Primary

Child Care--Intermediate

Food Services Committee Chairman

Hostess Scheduling

Traffic Supervisor

District Motorcoaches Hostess

Hotel Greeters

Hotel Shuttle Buses

VIP Drivers

Properties and Worship Department

Properties Chairman

Inventory and Acquisitions Control

Properties Room

Pages

Hang it on a bag or slip a key on it to remind everyone of our convention theme!

This is the love gift that will be given to all who register and attend the convention. Do you want to help welcome our guests? Does making these favors look like a fun project? Are you looking for another "What's your 80?" idea? It's exciting to hear from enthusiastic women from the LWML Northern Illinois and Wisconsin districts who already volunteered to help with this project. Our goal is 6,000 crosses! You can find the instructions at <https://lwml-swd.org/events/other> under LWML 2023 Convention Resources. Instructions are also there for sewing gifts for the delegates and special guests if you'd like to help make these.



Please call me (815-832-4392) or email me at jrdkf@frontiernet.net to let me know we can count on you!



Ruth Ann Fulton, Favors Director
2023 Milwaukee Convention

Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine (Isaiah 43:1b).

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Are you afraid to make a mistake? It can paralyze us in our decision making. It can make us timid. It restricts our creative ideas, making us think that we can't serve God or others without making everything a bigger mess. The fact of the matter is that we are all humans and on this side of eternity, we do make mistakes.

Our above Bible verse reminds us that Jesus has redeemed you. He calls you by name. You belong to God. You are forgiven. God has already forgiven those mistakes that you can't forget about. For those mistakes that you are afraid you will do, remember that you are redeemed. You already belong to Jesus. He has called you by name to serve Him, the Lord of the nations.



**In Christ,
Pastor Matthew Gehrke
2023 Milwaukee
Convention Pastoral
Counselor**

A Prayer for Courage and Guidance



Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go (Joshua 1:9).

Many of us have recently been blessed through our district conventions. We heard how lives are being changed and blessed by hearing God's Word. Now we focus on the Milwaukee Convention. Joshua exhorts the Israelites with these words as they enter the unknown Promised Land. We also are entering unknown territory. We take courage knowing that the same God that led the Israelites is leading us. Just as they were a mighty army, we are a mighty committee with many talented people.

Dear Lord, be with us as we prepare for our national LWML Convention in Milwaukee. Let us see the power of Your Word in our lives, our activities, and in the tasks ahead of us. Amen.

**Sue Neider
2023 Prayer Committee
Chairman**

"I had a great time being an usher at the convention. I got to meet so many wonderful attendees!"

Stephanie, LWML Ohio District

2023 LWML Milwaukee Convention

Date: June 22–25, 2023 **Location:** Milwaukee, Wisconsin **Theme:** Celebrate the Lord of the Nations

Scripture Verse: *Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage! The Lord looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man (Psalm 33:12–13).*

Goal Statement: As His children, we celebrate the Lord of the nations.

Objectives: Convention attendees, understanding that we are all His children, will:

- Celebrate our Lord through Word and Sacrament.
- Honor God by serving our neighbors.
- Proclaim His message to the nations.

News Flash Snippets

These monthly “2023 News Flash” snippets (formerly called “Bulletin Bits”) can be used in church bulletins and newsletters, on electronic screens in our congregations, and on district Facebook pages and websites. They can also be included in our host districts’ convention materials, zone rally programs, and in local LWML group materials.

October 2022

Do you enjoy helping the helpers? You’d be a great fit for the **Workers’ Room!** Sign up to support the volunteers who will make the 2023 LWML Convention possible while we “Celebrate the Lord of the Nations” in Milwaukee. Go to <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other> for more information or contact Allison at allisonlwmlmke23@gmail.com.

November 2022

Is taking care of people your favorite part of family gatherings? You would enjoy being a **Hostess** at the LWML Convention in Milwaukee! There are plenty of opportunities to assist various groups as we “Celebrate the Lord of the Nations” next June. Go to <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other> for more information or contact Allison at allisonlwmlmke23@gmail.com.

December 2022

In the bleak midwinter, the fun of summer camp and VBS feels far off, but you can sign up now to **help the children** of LWML Convention attendees enjoy their time “Celebrating the Lord of the Nations” in Milwaukee next June! Go to <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other> for more information or contact Allison at allisonlwmlmke23@gmail.com.

January 2023

Christmas decorations have been put away for another year, but there is no need to despair! You can “Celebrate the Lord of the Nations” in Milwaukee by **decorating** at the LWML Convention in Milwaukee this June. Go to <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other> for more information or contact Allison at allisonlwmlmke23@gmail.com.

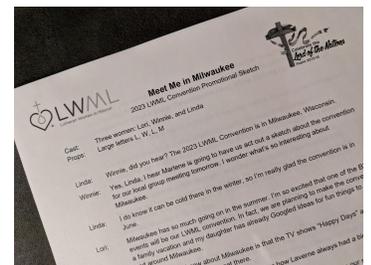
February 2023

This June we will “Celebrate the Lord of the Nations” at the LWML Convention in Milwaukee. **Thank you** for volunteering your hands to work for Him and your feet to go on His errands! Questions? Go to <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other> or contact Allison at allisonlwmlmke23@gmail.com.

2023 Promotional Sketch for Fall and Winter Events!

Check this out! We have a “2023 LWML Convention Promotional Sketch” on the convention website <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other>! It’s ideal for use at rallies, retreats, and local group meetings. Designed to promote attendance at the convention, it can also provide opportunity to encourage people in our three host districts to sign up to be workers. Consider including it on your event agenda! The whole sketch has only two pages of simple dialogue, with roles for three characters. Props are minimal and extremely easy to make. Join the fun! Give it a try!

You also might consider providing the link to the worker forms, as well as a few paper copies of the forms, at your upcoming events. Many hands make light work!



“Not only are you personally working with women from the other host districts, but you're also meeting and greeting women from all over the nation.” Carol, LWML Michigan District

2023 Convention Logo Polo Shirts!

Our shirt supplier matched the original price on our third shirt order, even though costs have risen. Thanks for buying the shirts, even though it is early! Between the LWML South and North Wisconsin District Conventions in June, we sold over 100 shirts. The blue color looks good on everyone; a few commented that because the year or place wasn't in the logo, they will be able to wear the shirt now to spark interest in the convention and after convention to share the Good News. Order forms are available at <https://www.lwml-swd.org/events/other>. Scroll down for details and sizes. The form is also included in this newsletter.



Questions? Send an email to disimon33@yahoo.com. I'll be happy to help.

Diane Simon, Logo Polo Shirt Sales Director
2023 Milwaukee Convention

"It was fun to work in the LWML Store!" Judy, LWML Indiana District

Attendees at both of the Wisconsin district conventions proudly wore their stunning blue polos, modeling them for these photos.



North Wisconsin



South Wisconsin



The LWML Board of Directors met in Milwaukee earlier this year and posed by the "MKE" letters at the Wisconsin Center. Note that LWML Pastoral Counselor Rev. Brian Noack is standing in for the letter "K"!



2023 LWML Convention Milwaukee, Wisconsin Shirt Order Form

You have 2 options for ordering:

1. Order and pay online using the Square link included in the Payment Information box.
2. Print this form and mail with your check to the address in the Payment Information box. Please print clearly.

One shirt per order form please. Reproduce order form as needed.
(This shirt logo cannot be reproduced.)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Women's Sizes (Please circle one size on chart below.
(Women's shirts are 4 button and run smaller than average size.)

S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL
0/2	4/6	8/10	12/14	16/18	20/22

Unisex (Men's) sizes (Please circle one size on chart below.)
(Men's shirts are 3 button and are true to size.)

	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL
men	34/36	38/40	42/44	46/48	50/52	54/56
women	6/8	10/12	12/14	16/18	20/22	24/26

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

NOTE: If you wish to have several shirts mailed to one address, include all orders and checks in one envelope. Bulk mailings are encouraged.

Mail order (postmarked) deadline date: **March 1, 2023**

Pick up at 2023 LWML Convention (postmarked) deadline date: **May 15, 2023**

**No shirts will be sold at the 2023 LWML Convention.
No exchanges or refunds.**

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Shirts are royal blue, short-sleeved, embroidered, 4.4 oz., 60/40 cotton/polyester pique.

PRICES (postage included): \$28/shirt

Pay online at with the Square link:
<https://square.link/u/Sxr9cOhW>

Make checks payable to:
LWML North Wisconsin District Host Committee

Send printed order form and payment to:

Diane Simon
532 Broad Street
Menasha, WI 54952

Questions?
Email: Diane – disimon33@yahoo.com

Thank you for your convention shirt order!

The 2023 Host Committee
LWML North Wisconsin District
LWML Northern Illinois District
LWML South Wisconsin District



CALL FOR WORKERS! - Volunteer Application

2023 LWML Convention

June 22-25, 2023

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

JOBS AT CONVENTION

The assistance of hundreds of willing workers (including men!) is needed.

- **Duplicate this form and share it with other members of your congregation.**
- Indicate all the areas in which you would be willing to serve.
- Type or print clearly in dark ink.
- Some of the positions require being at the convention before it actually starts. If you are taking a district charter motorcoach to convention, please do not volunteer in these areas.
- Return completed form by February 1, 2023 (or sooner), to the address on page 2.

Thank you! *Hosted by North Wisconsin, Northern Illinois, South Wisconsin*

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ LWML District: _____

LWML Zone: _____ Host Committee Position: _____

My abilities:

___ I am able to do a lot of walking.

___ I am able to stand for up to 4 hours.

___ I am able to handle heavy physical work (lifting, moving, securing props, etc.)

___ I am a delegate and will help when the convention is not in session. (Delegates do not receive the worker discount coupon as they are funded by their district or zone.)

JOBS AT CONVENTION

Please check all areas where you would be willing to serve.

If desired, number your areas in order of preference. We will try to accommodate your choices.

___ **I will pray for the convention, the speakers, and those serving on the Host Committee.**

At home before the convention (does not qualify for hours toward discount registration coupon):

___ Centerpieces

___ Golf Outing (getting sponsors, donations)

___ Sewing (for special dress attire)

Note: Those who volunteer to work eight hours (two 4-hour shifts) or more in Milwaukee are eligible for a reduced registration fee. **DO NOT REGISTER for the convention before you receive your worker discount.** The deadline for the March early registration does **NOT** affect the worker discount registration. You will be contacted by April 15, 2023, with further details.

Wednesday morning, June 21, prior to the beginning of convention

___ Golf Outing

___ Packets assembly

