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Activities of the District President

Kim Burdett

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Transitioned with Past President Brenda Piester
- Chaired many meetings
- Worked with the 2022 District Convention Chairman
- Represented the Kansas District at the LWML President's Assembly meetings

In Joyful Obedience:

- Responded with many, many emails.
- Wrote thank you notes and many correspondences.
- Wrote articles for the Sonshine.

with a New Focus:

- Created a theme for my presidency term of 2020-2024
- Encouraged new ideas.
- Wrote Message from the President on the website's home page.
- Tried to adapt to Zoom meetings as opposed to in-person.
- Developed changing agendas for the summer Interdepartmental and/or KAOL sessions.
- Encouraged a new group at Christ Lutheran Church, Overland Park.

Meetings attended:

- July 2020 – Transition meeting with Past President Brenda Piester
- July 2020 – EC meeting – initial – approve Eden, Sherri
- July 2020 – EC meeting – Pre-ID meeting
- Aug 2020 – Interdepartmental meeting - Salina
- Aug 2020 – ZP meeting – via zoom since not at ID
- Aug 2020 – Convention planning meeting – initial zoom
- Sept 2020 – Convention planning (co-chairs meet)
- Sept 2020 – DP meeting
- Oct 2020 – email meeting to approve BOD minutes
- Oct 2020 – EC meeting to approve MG #1 & #2
- Nov 2020 – EC quarterly meeting
- Nov 2020 – vote on 2022 Logo
- Feb 2021 – Toured Wichita DoubleTree for 2024 District Convention
- Feb 2021 - EC quarterly meeting

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- Feb 2021 – Toured Overland Park DoubleTree for 2022 District Convention
- March 2021 – attended virtual President’s Assembly meeting
- March 2021 – met with Convention Chairman to begin 2022 District Convention Schedule
- April 2021 – EC quarterly meeting
- May 2021 – Convention planning meeting
- May 2021 – Attended ordination of Seminary graduate Christian Schultz at St John, Alma.
- June 2021 – Hosted Zoom pre-convention Zoom devotion time.
- June 2021 – Attended in-person President’s Assembly prior to 2021 LWML Convention in Lexington, KY
- June 2021 – Attended 2021 LWML Convention in Lexington, KY



Zone events attended:

- Oct 2020 – Southeast Zone Fall event: St. Peter’s Lutheran, Humboldt
- Oct 2020 – Herington Zone Fall event: Grace Lutheran, Strong City
- Oct 2020 – Kansas City CrossRoads Zone Fall event: Risen Savior, Basehor
- Oct 2020 – Lincoln Zone Fall Event: St John’s, Lincoln
- April 2021 – Topeka Zone Spring Event: Faith, Topeka

Group events attended:

- Attended some group meetings at Beautiful Savior, Olathe
- Attended LWML Sunday at Beautiful Savior, Olathe

Favorite Bible Verse:

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life”. John 8:12



Activities of the Vice President for Caring Service

Betty Amey

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Corresponded with committee members
- Prepared Caring service articles for the *Sonshine*
- Participated in local and zone LWML activities

In Joyful Obedience:

- Participate in regular women's Bible study and home devotions
- Teach Sunday school
- Promote LWML participation while volunteering at the Bethesda resale shop and OGT

with a New Focus:

- Plan for KAOL
- Select with the committee the ingathering for KAOL
- Promote National convention participation

Meetings attended:

- Attended Convention transfer meeting in Topeka, 9/26
- Attended the Hutchinson Zone Fall event at St. Paul's Haven as district rep. 10/17
- Attended the District EC meeting in Manhattan, KS, 11/6 – 11/7
- Attended the EC meeting in February at Holy Cross, Wichita, 2/19 – 2/20
- Visited the Doubletree Hotel for Convention 2024 site review
- Participated in the KAOL ZOOM planning meeting March 4
- Represented the district at the Northwest zone event in Oakley, KS, April 24
- Attended the EC meeting in Overland Park at Christ Lutheran

Committee Members: Kathy Heiniger, chairman, Sharon Daugherty, Sherry Fick, Linda Stranton

Favorite Bible Verse: *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Rom. 8:28 NIV*



Activities of KS District VP Christian Life

Allison Lehmann

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Weekly Monday alter guild, March 2020- May 2021
- Quarterly quilt tying and quilt sewing with local group
- Preschool SS teacher, including pandemic weekly mailed lessons through Sept 2020
- Daily devotions, weekly adult SS class
- Focus Lost, Focus Restored- EC Bible study
- Created KS District LWML banner for the National Convention

*In Joyful **O**bedience:*

- Regular emails and zoom meetings
- Created prayer walk for KAOL (2020- Creed, 2021- Growing in Service)
- Quarterly Sonshine articles
- Retreat Registration form

*with a **N**ew Focus:*

- Planning for Christian Life Retreat, Nov 12-12, 2021- “Keeping Our Eyes Fixed on Jesus”; including hotel (DoubleTree by Hilton, Wichita Airport) and speaker (Pres Patti Ross) confirmation and contact as needed; collecting registration forms, decorations, etc
- Confirmed 2021 Convention Christian Life Speaker, Kristi Roegner
- Will plan 2021 KS District Convention Prayer Walk following retreat

Meetings attended:

- LWML KS District LWML Virtual Convention and planning
- EC and Interdepartmental Meeting 7/30-8/1/2020, Salina
- Convention Transition Meeting, 9/26/20, Topeka
- EC meeting, 11/6-11/7/20 Manhattan
- EC meeting, 2/19-2/20/21, Wichita
- EC meeting and convention planning meeting, 4/30-5/1/21, Overland Park
- Linn Zone Event, St Johns, Palmer, 1/31/21
- Topeka Zone Event, Faith, Topeka, 4/24/21
- National Convention 6/24-27/21, Lexington, KY
- Committee Zoom planning meetings, regular emails

Committee Members (if applicable): Nancy Taylor (chairman), Sara Deepe, Sara Kuske, Cathi Temple, Pastor Rocco Mallardi, Pastoral Counselor

Favorite Bible Verse: (biennium Bible verse) *Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*



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Activities of the Communication Dept.

Kris Osler, VP of Communication

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Represented the LWML KS District at the Hutchinson Zone Mission Day, at St. Paul's Lutheran, Cheney, KS, April 24, 21.
- Facilitated the rework of the entire LWML KS District website, launched February 2021.
- Sherri Rose, Newsletter Editor, implemented a new look/format for the Kansas Sonshine.
- Committee members have posted timely information and inspirational items on Facebook.

In Joyful **O**bedience:

- Brenda Piester, Directory Manager, faithfully distributed updated directories in a timely manner.
- Marj Aufdemberge, Distribution Manager, reports payments and pledges for all but \$15 of the costs for *Quarterly* and web maintenance fees for the year.

with a **N**ew Focus:

- Kris Osler, VP of Communication, attended the Writer's Workshop at the LWML Convention for motivation to create more resources for the LWML.
- Brenda Piester, Directory Manager, was elected Recording Secretary of the LWML at the 2021 Convention.
- Jill Kruse, LWML Store Manager, has worked faithfully toward repricing slightly to help cover the cost of shipping and reduce the losses of the store.
- Shelly Keller, Social Media Manager, implemented a "Featured Zone" post on our Facebook page.

Meetings attended by Vice President:

- EC August 1, 2020, Salina, Ks
- EC November 7, 2020, Manhattan, Ks
- EC February 19, 2021, Wichita, Ks
- EC May 1, 2021, Olathe, Ks
- Holy Cross LWML Group Meetings
- Chaired Holy Cross Women's Retreat 2022 Planning Meeting, June 2021

Committee Members (if applicable): Jill Kruse, Committee Chair and LWML Store Manager; Marj Aufdemberge, Distribution Manager; Shelly Keller, Social Media Manager; Sherri Rose, Newsletter Editor; Brenda Piester, Directory Manager; Lisa Gruhn, Technology Manager

Favorite Bible Verse: *1 Thessalonians 5:16-19 - Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit.*



Activities of the Vice President of Gospel Outreach

Janice Cundiff

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Sent checks to GGGF recipients
- ***Sent checks to Mission Grant recipients***
- ***Contacted possible convention offering recipients for more information***

In Joyful Obedience:

- Wrote articles for the Sonshine
- ***Answered questions about the grant writing process***
- ***Encouraged students to apply for SFA from LWML***

with a New Focus:

- Brainstormed with Jolene Stackhouse (Gospel Outreach Chairman) on KAOL mite challenge ideas
- ***Attended EC and Zone meetings***
- ***Attended group Bible studies***
- ***Participated in prayer groups***

Meetings attended:

- Virtual Convention in Hays
- ***Zoom EC Meeting***
- ***EC Meeting in Manhattan***
- ***NW Zone meeting in Oakley***
- ***EC/Convention Planning Meeting in Overland Park***
- ***Attended National Convention in Lexington, KY***

Committee Members (if applicable):

VP Janice Cundiff
Chair, Jolene Stackhouse
Julie Hatesohl
Pam Popp
Sandra Childs

Favorite Bible Verse:

Matthew 5:16: Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.



Activities of the Vice President of Organizational Resources

Elaine Engelman

June 2020 – April 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Responded to inquiries regarding bylaws from zone presidents and Executive Committee members
- Continue to work on updates for the Leadership Guidelines
- Wrote articles for the Sonshine with suggestions from the Org Res committee chairman
- Received a ratified copy of bylaws from the following Zones: Northwest and Manhattan

In Joyful Obedience:

- Acted as chairman of the Student Financial Aid (SFA) Task Force
- Prepared 2022 proposed bylaw amendments to be presented to the Board of Directors at the July BOD meeting

with a New Focus:

- Assisted the Southeast Zone archivist/historian in finding out what she needed to pass on to the new A/H for the SE Zone
- Secured copyright permissions for songs used at convention 2020, KAOL 2020, and KAOL 2021
- Answered email questions about voting procedures and eligibility when COVID disrupted some fall 2020 zone events and spring 2021 spring events
- Attended a pre-convention seminar held by the LWML Structure Committee in Lexington

Meetings attended:

- Executive Committee meetings when called
- Convention planning meetings when available
- Manhattan Zone Rally—September 2020
- Southwest Zone Spring Event—March 2021
- Linn Zone Spring Rally—April 2021
- National Convention in Lexington, Kentucky in June 2021

Committee Members (if applicable): Kirsten Hastings (Chr), Christy McCombs, Karen Rinne

Favorite Bible Verse: *And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:8*



Activities of the Vice President of Special Focus Ministries

Jill Lowe

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- With the SFM Committee, reviewed YWR applications and chose 3 YWRs to represent Kansas at the LWML convention in Lexington, KY
- Elizabeth Wischer, Rachel DeBusk, and Lydia Kolanowski

*In Joyful **O**bedience:*

- Began LWML “Bus” PowerPoint – introducing LWML positions for KAOL
- with the SFM Committee, preparing KAOL presentation for Zone SFM

*with a **N**ew Focus:*

- Added Joyce Duitsman as Church Workers in Mission Coordinator
- Heart2Heart Sisters Program added under Special Focus Ministries umbrella

Meetings attended:

- Executive Committee meetings when called
- Convention planning meetings when called
- KAOL - 2020
- Herington Zone Spring Event, District Representative – April 2021
- KAOL planning ZOOM meeting
- SFM Committee ZOOM meeting – June 2021
- National LWML Convention, Lexington, KY – June 2021

Committee Members: SFM Committee - Elise Cleary (Chr), Lisa Brack, Sarah Winkler
Heart2Heart Sisters Coordinator – Sherri Rose
Church Workers in Mission Coordinator – Joyce Duitsman

Favorite Bible Verse:

John 8:12

“I am the Light of the world. He who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”



Activities of the Recording Secretary

Mary Dohl

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Attended all EC and BOD meetings (via Zoom and in person)
- Kept records for the EC meetings and BOD email meetings
- Was active in leading committees and serving events at Holy Cross

*In Joyful **O**bedience:*

- Worshiped faithfully in various forms during the shutdown and in person as soon as it was possible
- Participated in Bible studies and used Mustard Seed online devotions

*with a **N**ew Focus:*

- Reviewed previous minutes to learn more about the Recording Secretary position
- Recorded and distributed EC and BOD meeting minutes in a timely manner
- Organized a binder for keeping Kansas District EC and BOD minutes

Meetings attended:

- June 27, 2020, LWML Convention in Hays, KS
- July 6, 2020, EC Zoom Meeting
- July 31, 2020, EC Meeting in Salina, KS
- August 1, 2020, Interdepartmental Meeting in Salina, KS
- August 3, 2020, Zone Presidents Zoom Meeting
- October 12, 2020, EC Zoom Meeting
- November 6-7, 2020, EC Meeting in Manhattan, KS
- February 19-20, 2021, EC Meeting in Wichita, KS
- April 30-May 1, 2021, EC Meeting in Overland Park, KS

Committee Members (if applicable):

Favorite Bible Verse:

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.” Romans 12:12



Activities of the Financial Secretary

Kathryn Richard

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Prepared minutes of EC meeting and district virtual convention, June 2020
- Completed term as Recording Secretary, June 2020
- Elected as Financial Secretary, June 2020
- Received and deposited remittances twice monthly for mites and other giving
- Prepared bi-monthly financial reports for district president and treasurer
- Reported monthly on-line giving to district president and treasurer
- Received, deposited and reported receipts from national convention bus riders (initial deposit and fees from riders)

In Joyful Obedience:

- Transitioned with newly-elected recording secretary Mary Dohl
- Wrote several articles for Sonshine

with a New Focus:

- Worked with outgoing Financial Secretary Ella Schempp to learn responsibilities of financial secretary position
- Worked with Carolyn Fishburn, Treasurer, and Kim Burdett, President, on procedures for newly established on-line giving option and how to report transactions
- Developed new financial report format

Meetings attended:

- Virtual convention: June 2020
- EC meetings: June 2020, July/August 2020, April 2021
- Interdepartmental meeting: August 2020
- BOD: June 2020 zoom
- Southeast Zone event: Fall 2020
- KAOL planning meeting: March 2021 zoom
- 2022 Convention planning meeting: May 2021
- 2021 National convention: June 2021

Committee Members (if applicable): N/A

Favorite Bible Verse: *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



Activities of the Treasurer

Carolyn Fishburn

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Participated in the 2020 District Virtual Convention in Hays
- Participated on Student Financial Aid Task Force
- Pre-Convention Bible study – Zoom
- Attended 2021 National Convention in Lexington, KY
- Vice President of local group

*In Joyful **O**bedience:*

- Reconciled monthly treasurer's reports
- Updated the district's mission goal worksheet
- Processed and paid expense vouchers as approved by the President
- Established an Endowment "holding account" at LCEF

*with a **N**ew Focus:*

- Established online giving for LWML Kansas District website
- Established online giving on GivePlus mobile app
- Procured card reader to accept debit and credit cards at the District LWML Store
- Collaborated with Financial Secretary to establish online giving procedures and reporting

Meetings attended:

- BOD – Zoom 6/03/20
- Executive Committee – Zoom 6/22/20, 7/06/20, and 10/12/20
- Executive Committee – Salina 7/31/20
- District Inter-Departmental meeting – Salina 8/01/20
- EC, Zone Presidents, Appointed Personnel – Zoom 8/03/20
- Executive Committee – Manhattan 11/06 – 11/07/20
- Executive Committee – Wichita 2/19 – 2/20/21
- Hutchinson Zone Spring Meeting – Cheney 4/24/21
- Executive Committee – Overland Park 4/30 – 5/01/21
- Group meetings

Favorite Bible Verse:

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)



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Activities of the *Meeting Manager*

Debbie Lehman

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Set up Hotel and Meals for November 2020 EC Meeting in Manhattan
- Made reservations at Hotel and Meals for February 2021 for EC Meeting in Overland Park
- Reserved Holy Cross, Wichita for KAOL July 2021
- Contracted Fairmont Coffee to serve breakfast at KAOL July 2021
- Reserved room at the SpringHill Suites in Wichita for KAOL 2021
- Prepared KAOL Save the Date Information
- Prepared KAOL Registration Forms
- Prepared new Participant Release Form Templates for Kansas District
- Ordered KAOL Meals from Ashley Mayes, Holy Cross, Wichita
- Ordered EC Lunch from Panera for KAOL
- Compiled KAOL Registrations and sent confirmations

In Joyful Obedience:

- Attended Southeast Zone Spring Event
- Toured DoubleTree in Wichita for 2024 Convention
- Completed Contract with Helms Briscoe for 2024 Convention in Wichita
- Attempted to answer all emails pertaining to me

with a New Focus:

- Attended National LWML Convention in Lexington

Meetings attended:

- Attended EC Meetings in November & February
- Attended Southeast Zone Spring Board of Directors Meeting
- Participated in several Zoom Meetings

Committee Members (if applicable):

Favorite Bible Verse:

So many favorites....but my focus verse for 2021 is.....

As in water face reflects face, so the heart of man reflects the man Proverbs 17:19

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Activities of the Planner

Eden Keefe

June 2020 – June 2021

How have you followed the SON:

Serving Grace-fully:

- Facilitated Bible study at July 2020 Executive Committee (EC) meeting
- Provide guidance for committee planning and celebrate their ideas
- Assisted President Kim by taking notes at April 30–May 1, 2021 EC meeting
- Maintain a positive and encouraging attitude to exemplify serving the Lord with gladness

*In Joyful **O**bedience:*

- Promotion of LWML Style Guide and education of key points
- Proof/review *Kansas Sonshine* and other documents as requested
- Served on the KAOL planning committee
- Submit regular articles to the *Kansas Sonshine*

*with a **N**ew Focus:*

- Provided leadership training to district committees at August 2020 Interdepartmental Event
- Developed a committee meeting summary and promoted its use
- Plan to develop a committee survey for implementation and use in future planning
- Spend time in God's Word, Bible study, Visual Faith™ practices, and prayer

Meetings attended:

- July 6, 2020: EC Zoom meeting
- July 31–August 1, 2020: EC meeting and Interdepartmental in Salina
- August 3, 2020: Zoom meeting with EC and Zone Presidents
- October 12, 2020: EC Zoom meeting
- November 6–7, 2020: EC meeting in Manhattan
- February 19-20, 2021: EC meeting in Wichita
- March 4, 2021: KAOL planning meeting via Zoom
- March 22, 2021: Convention schedule/room assignments meeting with President Kim
- April 30–May 1, 2021: EC meeting in Overland Park

Favorite Bible Verse:

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid (John 14:27).