



Pass It On

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We hope you are enjoying these issues of "Pass It On" — a tool that you can use to share the latest, most up-to-date information on what is happening in the LWML New England District and nationally.

For more news and information, visit www.lwml-ned.org.

Our Mission Goal for 2016-2018 is \$64,000

LWML -NED MISSION GOAL UPDATE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2018:

- TOTAL MITES COLLECTED BY JANUARY 1ST = **\$52,803.39** of \$64,000.
- MITES COLLECTED FOR THE **MONTH OF DECEMBER 2017 = \$3,151.54**
- #5b REACHING THE UNCHURCHED THROUGH A LUTHERAN SCHOOL HAS **\$4,322.23** OF (\$5,000.00).

NOTE: TO MEET OUR \$64,000 GOAL BY MARCH 31, 2018, WE NEED MITES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,3196.61 DIVIDED BY 2 MONTHS = \$5,598.31

"With Christ, all things are possible!" "Ask and you shall receive!"



PLEASE SEND MITES TO THE LWML-NED TREASURER REGULARLY
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IDEAS FOR RAISING MITE DOLLARS BEFORE MARCH 31ST!

Bites for Mites "Souper" Bowl Sunday

Our sisters at Lutheran Church of the Savior in Bedford, MA asked parishioners to sign up to make a large batch of soup or chili (6-8 qts), and then divide it into smaller containers (e.g. large yogurt containers or smaller plastic deli containers). These - and sometimes football themed desserts - are then offered to church members as "take out" after church to enjoy during the super bowl game. A free will donation is collected for all the soup/take-outs. Last year, Jen Gierke's church sold 51 quarts and 37 pints of 9 different soups and collected over \$900 for their mission project. This is a great idea for Mite donations!



Bites for Mites "Cookies & Cupcake" Bake Sale



Our sisters at Lutheran Church of the Savior in Bedford, MA held a "Bites for Mites" fundraiser in October and again in December and raised first \$600, then more than \$300 for Mites
Our sisters at St. Luke's in Dedham, MA raised more than \$500 with their Bites for Mites Sale!

**With God's help we can do it. Our Sisters in Christ have shown us how:
soups & chili, cookies and cupcakes!**

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION – WITH GOD'S HELP I CAN.... SERVE AS AN OFFICER IN THE NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT IN ONE OF THESE POSITIONS!



- TREASURER
 - VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATION
 - VICE PRESIDENT OF GOSPEL OUTREACH
 - VICE PRESIDENT OF HUMAN CARE
 - PASTORAL COUNSELOR-JUNIOR
 - NOMINATING COMMITTEE – 3 MEMBERS
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2018 SAVE THESE DATES

- ~ January 15-22, 2018 -- NEWS DUE FOR WINTER/SPRING BEACON!
(e.g. Retreat Pictures, Spring Rally Info, your Society's event pics)
Send items to Jennifer Gierke <jenn gierke@verizon.net>
 - ~ February 3, 2018 -- LWML-NED BOD MEETING/ First Lutheran, Holyoke, MA
 - ~ March 11, 2018 -- Combined Spring Rally with Mid-Valley and Mountain Laurel Zones. Place and Program to be determined.
 - ~ April 13-14, 2018 -- 2018 LWML-NED Convention – Enfield, CT
 - ~ a Sunday in May – Koinonia Zone Rally, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Trumbull, CT, 2pm
 - ~ November 2-3, 2018 -- Fall Retreat – Enfield, CT
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“God’s Jewels”

Malachi 3:17 *And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.*

2018 LWML-NED CONVENTION

When? April 13 & 14, 2018

Where? Holiday Inn, Enfield, CT

**New! We're inviting a Young Woman Representative from each Zone
More Information will be coming soon!**

YOU CAN READ OUR CURRENT BYLAWS ON OUR WEB PAGE AT
WWW.LWML-NED.ORG/ORGANIZATIONAL-RESOURCES

For your awareness, the following are brief descriptions of LWML-NED Bylaw changes that are expected to be presented to the Convention. Your Board of Directors will thoroughly review the existing Bylaws, send recommended changes to national LWML for approval, and prepare the motions and statements describing the rationale for each change. The final changes will be voted by the Convention Delegates.

1. Rename the Human Care Department to Special Focus Ministries Department.
2. Move the Young Woman Committee from the Servant Resources Department to the Special Focus Ministries Department. Also, change the name from Young Woman Committee to Young Women Committee.
3. Establish a “Heart to Heart Sisters Committee” as a standing committee under the Special Focus Ministries Department.
4. Remove the now-defunct, appointed position Mission-Ministry Vision Consultant from the Bylaws.

