

# 2014 YEARBOOK



**Our Savior Lutheran Church**

421 Pearl Street  
Wayne NE 68787  
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**EXECUTIVE BOARD**

*Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Tues—1:15 p.m.*

- President: ..... Phyllis Rahn—*Tabitha Circle*
- Co-Vice Presidents: ..... Ruth Grone Maier—*Visitation*  
Evie Schock—*Rebekah Circle*
- Secretary: ..... Thelma Moeller—*Joy Circle*
- Treasurer: ..... Vera Longe—*Joy Circle*
- Advisor: ..... Lois Youngerman—*Tabitha*
- Board Representative ..... Rodella Wacker—*Sewing*
- Board Representative ..... Elaine Draghu—*Joy Circle*
- Board Representative ..... Evie Schock—*Rebekah Circle*
- Textbooks for Tanzania..... Donella Johnson—*Joy Circle*

**MISSION GROWTH**

Plan and implement programs for the yearbook:

Vera Longe, Ruth Grone Maier, Thelma Moeller,  
Phyllis Rahn (chair), Lois Youngerman,  
Rodella Wacker, Elaine Draghu, Evie Schock

**MISSION COMMUNITY**

Guide the work of the Prayer Chain, act as a liaison for kitchen supplies and any community-helping activities.

Prayer Chain – Madge Bruflat  
Kitchen – Margaret Hansen

**MISSION ACTION**

Coordinate for Lutheran World Relief or any project concerning in-gatherings (convention and Spring gatherings). Serve as a contact person for the gathering of soup labels and serve as a contact person for Peace and Justice.

Elaine Menke

**WOMEN OF THE ELCA STATE OFFICERS**

- President: .....Kandy Pflaster, Cozad
- Vice President: ..... Terri Johnson, Hershey
- Secretary: ..... Beth Meyer, Fremont
- Treasurer: .....JoAnn Rohrs, Auburn
- Conference II Board Member: ..... Judy Stahlecker, Spencer

**Program Circle**

Joy Circle..... 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.

**Project Circle**

Charity Circle ..... 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

**Bible Study Circles**

Rebekah Circle ..... 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 2:00 p.m. at The Oaks  
Evie Schock, Chair

Tabitha Circle..... 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 7:00 p.m. at members' homes  
Kathy Johnson, Chair

**Interest Groups**

Visitation ..... 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 1:00 p.m.  
(Meeting dates TBD)

Sewing..... 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 9:30 a.m.  
(no Sewing in November & December)  
Rodella Wacker, Gena Puls, Jeannine Anderson

## **WELCA Purpose**

As a community of women, created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society and the world.

## **Goals**

1. Implement and inform the women of the congregation about Mission Growth, Community and Action.
2. Implement and encourage increased attendance and/or to begin a new circle group.
3. Implement and encourage individual circle projects to enhance spiritual growth.

## **Care, Share, Prayer**

Our overall theme for 2014 is “*For you are all one in Christ Jesus*” (*Galatians 3:28b*) and the song is “*All are Welcome*”—ELW #641. We pray that you will come and participate each month. Don’t forget to bring a sister in Christ, who has been inactive or one who is new to our church community of women.

*Your sisters in Christ,  
WELCA Executive Board*

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

### **2014 WELCA Synodical Events**

**January 18** – NE Synod Women’s Organization — Winter Retreat  
St. Paul Lutheran Church, Grand Island, NE

**March 22** – Northeast WELCA Spring Gathering  
Zion Lutheran Church, Creighton, NE

**July 24-27** – Triennial Gathering  
Charlotte, NC

# **WELCA PROGRAMS FOR 2013**

## **JOY CIRCLE**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Wed—2:00 p.m.*

### **January 8**

Program: Tornado Recovery  
Speaker: Jill Brodersen  
Hostesses: Phyllis Rahn  
Devotion: Phyllis Rahn

### **February 12**

Program: Greeting Cards  
Leader: Dorothy Wert  
Hostesses: Dorothy Wert  
Devotion: Dorothy Wert

### **March 12**

Program: Lent  
Leader: Phyllis Rahn  
Hostesses: Elaine Menke  
Devotion: Phyllis Rahn

### **April 9**

Program: Gifts  
Leader: Evie Schock  
Hostesses: Bonnie Stanley, Marion Baker  
Devotion: Evie Schock

### **May 14**

Program: Miss Molly's  
Leader: Ruth Grone Maier  
Hostesses: Ruth Grone Maier  
Devotion: Ruth Grone Maier

### **June 11**

Program: Guest Day/Night  
Leader:  
Hostesses:  
Devotion: Phyllis Rahn

**July 9**

Program: Faith Builders  
Speaker: Phyllis Rahn  
Hostess: Gena Puls  
Devotion: Phyllis Rahn

**August – No Meeting****September 10**

Program: Grace  
Leader: Phyllis Rahn  
Hostesses: Donella Johnson, Viola Meyer  
Devotion: Phyllis Rahn

**October 8**

Program: Quilts  
Leader: Rodella Wacker  
Hostesses: Elaine Draghu, Thelma Moeller  
Devotion: Rodella Wacker

**November 12**

Program: Memorial Service  
Leader: Lois Youngerman  
Hostesses: Dorothy Wert  
Devotion: Lois Youngerman

**December 11 – Christmas Potluck— noon**

Program: Christmas  
Leaders: Executive Board (*Program & Decorations*)  
Hostesses: Executive Board  
*(make coffee, purchase dinner rolls, set up & clean up tables)*  
Devotion: Dorothy Wert

## **BIBLE STUDY CIRCLES**

### **Rebekah**

*(3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs, 2:00 p.m.)*

#### **January 16**

L: Evie Schock  
H: Mildred Weak

#### **February 20**

L: Donella Johnson  
H: Evie Schock

#### **March 20**

L: Evie Schock  
H: Donella Johnson

**April** – No meeting

#### **May 15**

L: Marilyn Carhart  
H: Elaine Draghu

#### **June 19**

L: Donella Johnson  
H: Marilyn Carhart

#### **July 17**

L: Marilyn Carhart  
H: Evie Schock

**August 15** – No meeting

#### **September 18**

L: Marilyn Carhart  
H: Donella Johnson

#### **October 16**

L: Evie Schock  
H: Mildred Weak

#### **November 20**

L: Donella Johnson  
H: Madge Bruflat

**December** – No meeting

### **Tabitha**

*(4<sup>th</sup> Mon, 7:00 p.m.)*

#### **January 27**

L: Lila Splittgerber  
H: Kathy Johnson

#### **February 24**

L: Lila Splittgerber  
H: Arlene Ostendorf

#### **March 24**

L: Carolyn Vakoc  
H:

#### **April 28**

L: Lois Youngerman  
H: Carolyn Vakoc

#### **May 19**

L: Sharon Fleer  
H: Sharon Fleer

#### **June 23**

L: Kathy Johnson  
H:

#### **July 28**

L: Lois Youngerman  
H: Carolyn Vakoc

**August** – No meeting

#### **September 22**

L: Carolyn Vakoc  
H: Arlene Ostendorf

#### **October 27**

L: Phyllis Rahn  
H: Phyllis Rahn

#### **November 24**

L: Kathy Johnson  
H: Lila Splittgerber

**December** – No meeting



# CHARITY CIRCLE

*(3<sup>rd</sup> Wed, 7:00 p.m.)*

**January 15 – Easter Cards for Shut-ins**

Leader(s): Diane Ehrhardt, Nancy Jo Powers

**February 19 – Buckets, Brass, Brownies**

Leader(s): Joanie Baier, Sharon Fleer

**March TBA – Lenten Supper**

*(ref: Ash Wednesday is March 5<sup>th</sup>)*

Leader(s): Joanie Baier, Debbie Bargholz, Kim Dunklau

**April 23 – Vacation Bible School Preparation**

*(4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday; after Easter, April 20<sup>th</sup>)*

Leader(s): Lynette Lentz, Sue Olson

**May 21 – Mystery Meeting**

Leader(s): Diane Ehrhardt, Debbie Bargholz

**Summer – Progressive Supper**

Leader(s): Kim Dunklau, Carol Novak

**August 27 – Organizational Meeting & Thanksgiving Cards**

*(4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday; after school starts)*

Leader(s): Cindy Franzen, Nancy Jo Powers

**September 17 – Lutheran World Relief—Health or School Kits**

*(as needed by LWR)*

Leader(s): Lynette Lentz, Dorothy Wert

**October 15 – Valentines for 2015**

Leader(s): Sharon Fleer, Cindy Franzen

**November TBA – Pies-4-You (2 meetings)**

Leader(s): Kim Dunklau, Karma Magnuson, Cynthia Puntney

**December TBA – Christmas Caroling Event**

Leader(s): Sue Olson, Dorothy Wert

**2014 WELCA BUDGET**

Education (speakers, program materials, etc.) .....	\$250.00
Study Materials .....	75.00
Office Supplies .....	150.00
Quilt & Kit Shipping Fund (LWR) .....	100.00
State Convention, retreats, learning sessions .....	250.00
SWO Travel Expense .....	16.00
Sewing & Quilting .....	100.00
Visitation .....	0.00
Supplies (coffee, cleaning, etc.) .....	1,200.00
Love Offering .....	60.00
Mission Offering .....	60.00
Textbooks for Tanzania (TBT).....	360.00
Miscellaneous .....	250.00
Donations - Tabitha, Mosaic, Good Shepherd UNL Student Center, Lutheran Family Services, Kearney Campus Ministry - \$30 each Wayne Campus Ministry - \$50.....	230.00
General Fund Budget	<u>\$3,101.00</u>

The money for the General Fund comes from the regular offerings of our members. Half of our offerings are remitted to the WELCA Synod Treasurer, and half remains in our local treasury. The money (\$30) needed to sponsor Textbooks for Tanzania comes from the TBT offering. Any donations designated for TBT, above and beyond our monthly sponsorship, will also be sent in.

**TABLE PRAYER**

Be present at our table, Lord. Be here and everywhere adored.  
These mercies bless and grant that we may strengthen for thy service be.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

The earth is filled with your light and goodness, a storehouse of your gracious gifts to us. Now we return these gifts as an offering of Thanksgiving, a token of the giving of ourselves. Fill us with new joy to serve you, that the brightness of your generous care may spread to all, until the day it shines in full, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

On the following pages is a list of the ladies attending the five WELCA Circles and the two special interest groups.

The listings were compiled for everyone's convenience and in no way limits attendance to any one group. Please feel free to attend any one or all groups as each of you desire. Everyone is encouraged and welcomed to be a participant.

If any person has been overlooked, please accept our apologies. Please notify the group chairperson and your name will be added to the listings. An \* denotes the chairperson of each group.

Thank you.

### **Joy Circle**

DeAnn Behlers  
Roberta Carman  
Elaine Draghu  
Donella Johnson  
Vera Longe  
Donna Lutt  
Ruth Grone Maier  
Elaine Menke  
Viola Meyer  
Thelma Moeller  
Arlene Ostendorf  
Gena Puls  
Phyllis Rahn  
Evie Schock  
Bonnie Stanley  
Rodella Wacker  
Dorothy Wert  
Lois Youngerman

### **Charity Circle**

Joanie Baier  
Debbie Bargholz  
Kim Dunklau  
Diane Ehrhardt  
Sharon Fleer  
Cindy Franzen  
Lynette Lentz  
Barbara Lutt  
Karma Magnuson  
Carol Novak  
Sue Olson  
Nancy Jo Powers  
Cynthia Puntney  
Phyllis Rahn  
Annette Rasmussen  
Karen van Delden  
Dorothy Wert

### **Rebekah Bible Study**

Blanche Backstrom  
Norma Backstrom  
Marion Baker  
Madge Bruflat  
Marilyn Carhart  
Jewell Cavner  
Elaine Draghu  
Bonnie Fletcher  
Dorothy Grone  
Donella Johnson  
Ivy Junck  
Helga Nedergaard  
Eva Nelson  
Virginia Nelson  
Evie Schock  
Rodella Wacker  
Mildred Weak

### **Tabitha Bible Study**

Sharon Fleer  
\*Kathy Johnson  
Gloria Leseberg  
Arlene Ostendorf  
Phyllis Rahn  
Lila Splittgerber  
Carolyn Vakoc  
Lois Youngerman

### **Honorary WELCA Members**

Blanche Backstrom  
Dorothy Grone  
Norma Hansen  
Opal Harder  
Leone Jager  
Frieda Jorgensen  
Rae Kugler  
Dorrine Liedman  
Doris Lutt  
Eva Nelson  
Lavonne Smith  
Mabel Sommerfeld  
Lydia Thomsen

### **Visitation Group**

Marilyn Bodenstedt  
Ruth Grone Maier  
Gloria Leseberg  
Elaine Menke  
Bonnie Stanley  
Mable Tietgen  
Rodella Wacker  
Twila Wiltse  
Lois Youngerman

### **Sewing Group**

Jeannine Anderson  
Virginia Backstrom  
Marilyn Carhart  
Elaine Draghu  
Mildred Gramlich  
Donella Johnson  
Vera Longe  
Nancy Jo Powers  
Gena Puls  
Janet Reeg  
Lydia Thomsen  
Rodella Wacker

## **WELCA WEB SITE**

The National Women of the ELCA organization has a web site. Check out [www.elca.org/wo/index.html](http://www.elca.org/wo/index.html).

## **NOTES**

## **LWR PERSONAL CARE & SCHOOL KITS**

### **Include the following items in each health kit:**

- One light-weight bath-size towel (maximum 52"x27"), dark color recommended
- Two bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, any brand, in its original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging\*
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- One metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

\*Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business envelop; no plastic bags or wrap

**Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.** All items should be new and in good condition. Wrap all items in the towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarn. Do not enclose the kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

### **Include the following items in each school kit:**

- Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8"x10 1/2"; **no loose-leaf paper**
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One pencil sharpener
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2 1/2" eraser
- One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14"x17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)

**Do not add other items or leave out any of the items lists.** All items should be new and in good condition. Remove any excess packaging, pack all items in bag and close. Do not enclose the kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

# 2014 CALENDAR

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