

WHAT WILL THE NEXT LHC NEWSLETTER CONTAIN?

This newsletter will be able to fulfill its intended purpose of being a clearinghouse of information for archivists, historians and librarians only if **you** provide material for it.

Please use this page (or as many additional ones as needed) to send material for publication to the editor. Items of interest to readers will include notice of research in progress, new appointments, publications, meetings and celebrations planned or held, bibliographical materials and generally anything of interest to LHC members.

The editor cannot promise to print everything received, although all submissions are welcomed. The LHC Newsletter is issued four times a year: February, May, August and November. The November issue includes the annual *A*Index of Writings in the Field of American Lutheranism.[@] The deadline for each issue is the 15th of the month prior to each issue. Please send items to: Elisabeth Wittman, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Archives, 321 Bonnie Lane, Elk Grove Village, IL 60007, or FAX: 847-690-9410; or E-mail: ewittman@elca.org

FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE: October 15, 2003

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Pious Traders will be interested to read in it some of the history of Lutheranism in North America. Henry Melchior Muhlenberg and his family were among the missionaries who provided health care and were sustained (like many pastors and their widows) in difficult times by the proceeds of their pharmaceutical business. Wilson also describes the contribution of women, both German and American, as benefactors, customers, distributors and dispensers. The book ends as the Halle pharmaceuticals lost their popularity. However, the network and the institutions behind it began a strong connection between the churches and social ministry which continues to the present day.

NEW RESOURCE

Melissa J. Weldon has completed her master's degree at the University of Richmond, including her thesis: *Restoring the Light: Ministry to German Prisoners of War in America During the Second World War* (2003).

Of interest for Lutheran history is that Weldon's research focused on Lutheran and Roman Catholic efforts to minister to the German POWs brought to the U.S. The story is told from the viewpoint of the government, the church organizations and their chaplains, as well as the prisoners themselves. The 125-page work includes a list of sources including books and archival materials. Collections at the Concordia Historical Institute and the Archives of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America were among those institutions where Weldon did her research.

OHIO HISTORICAL MARKER: CORRECTION

Apologies from the Editor to Don Huber and Jeanene Letcher, two LHC members highly involved in having a state historical marker placed in honor of Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus on April 25, 2003. In the May 2003 issue of this *Newsletter* (page 3), some sentences were inadvertently left out of the historical marker text. The entire marker text is reproduced here for your information:

The German Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Ohio, the first Lutheran theological seminary west of the Appalachian Mountains, began instruction under Pastor Wilhelm Schmidt in Canton in 1830. The seminary relocated to Columbus at this location in 1831. After becoming part of Capital University in 1850, it occupied temporary campuses before locating permanently on the National Road, east of Columbus, in 1876. There the seminary was known as the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary. In 1959, the seminary separated from Capital University. In 1978, it merged with the Hamma School of Theology of Wittenberg University, taking the name Trinity Lutheran Seminary. This united seminary was a significant harbinger of the formation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in 1988. The cornerstone of the first seminary building erected on this site in 1832 is located on the Trinity Lutheran Seminary campus in Bexley. @

WILSON RECEIVES BIGLERVILLE PRIZE

At its 2003 spring meeting, the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic awarded Renate Wilson its Biglerville Prize for *Pious Traders in Medicine: A German Pharmaceutical Network in Eighteenth-Century North America*. The Biglerville Prize is awarded to the work judged to be the finest book published in the last two years in the history of Lutheranism in America and related fields.

Pious Traders in Medicine is a study of the web of production, marketing, and distribution of pharmaceuticals which supported the missionary and eleemosynary institutions of Halle, Germany. The pietist institutions at Halle built their reputation in part on the production of medicines of dependable quality and quantity. The sales of these medicines provided funds for their orphanage, hospitals, schools, and missionaries. The missionaries themselves received packages of medicine as support, which they and their families gave away or sold. Wilson's archival research in Germany and the United States uncovers the establishment of this network and its ongoing influence on both sides of the Atlantic, until its end in the early nineteenth century.

Renate Wilson is adjunct associate professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management, Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, and the Department of the History of Science, Medicine, and Technology, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. Wilson is a leader in cross-national, cross-cultural, and cross-disciplinary research. She has published numerous books, articles, studies and monographs on the history and contemporary practice of public health and philanthropy in North America and Europe. The research which produced *Pious Traders in Medicine* was supported by a Senior Fulbright Fellowship. The work has also won the Kremers Award of the Institute for the History of Pharmacy.

The Prize was established by the congregation of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Biglerville, Pennsylvania in honor of its retired pastor, Frederick Weiser. Weiser is, in fact, mentioned with appreciation in the preface to the *Pious Traders*.

ANNUAL BIBLIOGRAPHY: LAST CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS!

Our next issue is the one that will contain the Annual Bibliography, so this is the last call for submitting your 2002 book, article and dissertation titles on American Lutheranism to Bob Smith and Jim Albers for inclusion. While our bibliographers do a great deal of work compiling citations via various data bases, members may have access to additional materials not found in the usual sources. They need your help! Contact Bob and Jim at:

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NEWS BY/FOR/ABOUT MEMBERS

David J. Wartluft, 446N. Heidelberg Rd., Robeson, PA, 19551-8960, was awarded an honorary doctoral degree by the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. Awarded during the seminary's annual commencement, the citation for his Doctor of Divinity degree read, in part, A...in recognition of his outstanding churchmanship, his contribution to the Krauth Memorial Library, and his tireless energy and dedication. Dr. Dave also received another recognition as he was honored upon his retirement by the American Theological Library Association at their annual meeting in Portland, Oregon in July 2003.

C. Umhau Wolf, 3016 Westchester, Toledo, OH, 43615, has completed yet another in his series, *Nineteenth Century Lutherans in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan*, 2002. The new volume, Part III B, relates to Lucas County Ohio. Features of this current book include historical overviews for congregations in Toledo, including some of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and addendum related to cemeteries in Detroit and some further details about the development of LCMS churches in Lucas County. For further information contact Dr. Wolf at the address above.

- \$ "The Knubel Archives of Cooperative Lutheranism," by Ellen D. Swain
- \$ "Students Among the Archives: A Case Study," by Susan Wilds McArver
- \$ "In the News': Lutheranism and the Lutheran News Bureau," by Charles Austin
- \$ "One Foot in Show Business: Lutheran Films 1952-1987," by Robert E. A. Lee
- \$ "The New York Role in the Missouri War," by John R. Hannah
- \$ "Lutherans and Ecumenism: The General Synod Tradition into the Twenty-First Century," by Frederick K. Wentz
- \$ "Conrad Bergendoff and Eastern Lutheranism," by Mark Granquist

Copies of the volume have been sent to **all** members who were paid for the 2000 calendar year. Members who joined after that may purchase copies for \$20.00 plus \$3.00 postage and handling from Concordia Historical Institute, 801 DeMun Ave., Saint Louis, MO 63105.

HENKEL AND VOLUME 19 COMING SOON!

Publication No. 5 in the LHC monograph series is at the printer. This volume is "Letters of Paul Henkel," edited by Richard Baur. This is considered the publication for paid members in the 2001 calendar year. After that we hope in relatively short order to produce Volume 19 of *Essays and Reports*, containing the papers presented at the 20th biennial meeting at Milwaukee in 2000. This will be for members paid in the 2002 calendar year. Volume 20, papers presented at the 21st biennial meeting in Saint Louis in 2002, will be sent to members paid in the 2003 calendar year. (The two-digit number on the mailing label of this newsletter indicates the last year for which a membership has been paid.) Further questions about all of the LHC scholarly publications, contact: The Rev. Marvin Huggins, LHC Publications Coordinator, Concordia Historical Institute, 801 DeMun Ave., St. Louis, MO 63105; 314-505-7921; or email: mhuggins@chi.lcms.org

LHC WEB SITE REDESIGNED

The LHC web site is being redesigned to provide easier navigation and maintenance and a more appealing appearance. The first phase of the new design may be online by the time you receive this newsletter. Check it out at: <http://www.luthhist.org/> We plan to add the text of the LHC *Newsletters* in PDF format and are also working on a database for the bibliography to make it easier and more efficient to use.

The web site is intended as a service to LHC members, so let us know what you think of it. Your comments about the design and suggestions for new content are welcome. Send them to luthhist@luthhist.org

LHC ESSAYS AND REPORTS, VOLUME 18, PUBLISHED

At long last Volume 18 of the *Essays and Reports* series has been published. Edited by David Wartluft and with preface by Robert F. Scholz, program chair, the volume contains the papers presented at the 19th biennial meeting at Wagner College, Staten Island, New York, October 29-31, 1998. The volume bears the title "Eastern Lutheranism and the National Church--Influence and Foil," which was the theme of the meeting. The 462-page volume is by far the largest in the LHC's publishing history. Papers included in the volume are:

- \$ "Church Relations in Colonial Albany, New York: A Lutheran Perspective," by Peter R. Christoph
- \$ "A Look at H. M. Muhlenberg, the Pennsylvania Ministerium and the Development of Lutheranism in the Northeast," by George E. Handley
- \$ "Built on a Fracture: Conflict in Swedish Lutheran Congregations," by Maria Erling
- \$ "Missouri in the Northeast: Hostile Outpost or Cutting Edge," by Marvin A. Huggins
- \$ "Notes on the Influence of Edwardsean Millennialism in Early American Lutheranism: The Case of John C. Kunze," by Mark N. Wilhelm
- \$ "Lutheran Revivalism in Upstate New York: A New Perspective," by Jeffrey P. Hering
- \$ "Lutherans, Antinomians and the Pastoral Office in Early North America," by A.G. Roeber
- \$ "The Priesthood of Baptized Believers and the Office of the Ministry in Eastern Lutheranism from Muhlenberg's Day to Ours," by John Reumann
- \$ "A Beautiful and Right Praxis: The Ecclesiology of the Common Service," by Michael G. L. Church
- \$ "The General Synod's 'Reception' of the Common Service," by Mark Oldenburg
- \$ "My Fair Chasuble: Eastern Lutheran Influence upon the Liturgy," by Jeffrey Zetto
- \$ "Passavant in the Northeast," by Robert H. Fischer
- \$ "The Founding and Early Development of the Wartburg Orphans' Farm School in Its Ecclesial Setting," by Glenn C. Stone
- \$ "Seafarers and International House: An Evolution of Service," by Barbara Kortrey
- \$ "Archivists and Historians: Toward a More Productive Partnership," by Paul A. Daniels

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SUBMIT YOUR SESSION IDEAS: LAST CALL!

This *Newsletter* is the last you will receive before the deadline passes for submission of papers for the joint conference, *A Anglicans and Lutherans: The New World Experience of Two Old World Traditions*,@ for the meeting in Chicago, June 20-23, 2004. The deadline is: **October 1, 2003**, with the planning committee set to finalize the program at a meeting on October 24-25, 2003. Individual paper proposals do not have to be about both denominations, but rather can focus on one group or on both. Panels with three to four papers and roundtables are the other suggested formats.

Among the early proposals received, topics include: Anglican influence on Lutheran liturgy; life and times of Justus Falckner; a panel of the Lutheran Episcopal Coordinating Committee discussing progress and hope for the future; and a panel on how the Lutheran-Episcopal dialogues effect younger theologians and historians. Please check the February and issue of this *Newsletter* for the full version of the ACall for Papers.@ You may also access that information on the LHC web site: <http://luthhist.org/>

Again - Last Call! - proposals may be submitted by mail, e-mail, or fax. Proposals must be received by **1 October 2003**. Those accepted will be notified by 31 December 2003. Send all proposals and enquiries to:

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