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MOST Founder to Speak at CLW Luncheon

Never in her wildest dreams did Gayle Sommerfeld imagine leading an international ministry. She will share the



will share the story of the founding of M O S T Ministries at the Council of Lutheran W o m e n Luncheon, Tuesday, March19, 2019.The

luncheon will be held at Burton Manor in Livonia (A new venue this year. See story at right). After a glimpse of the need in Haiti Gayle felt God's calling to respond. She and her husband Don's first mission trip was to Haiti and from there, over the next 30 years, they developed a ministry bringing healing and hope to a hurting world. Thousands have followed where she led through the ministry of Mission Opportunities Short Term – MOST Ministries.

Gayle is a wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother who feels especially blessed when around her family. She has also authored a book titled *Beyond Sight* to share how God can lead an ordinary person to make a difference.

CLW Awards Annual Scholarships

The Council of Lutheran Women (CLW) has announced the recipients of this year's scholarships for 19 students preparing for professions in the Lutheran church. This marks the 33rd year for the CLW scholarship program.

Two Concordia University Ann Arbor (CUAA) students received CLW memorial scholarships. Amanda (Mandi) Ressler was awarded the Leona B. Meyer Scholarship and Celia Walkowicz received the Rev. Dr. John C. Streit Memorial Scholarship. Both young ladies are preparing for full-time church service.

The following seminary students (listed with their home congregation) have been awarded the CLW 2018-2019

Scholarships: Jakob Andrzejewski -Historic Trinity, Detroit; John Baseley -Emmanuel, Dearborn; Dane Breitung -Emmanuel, Dearborn; Tyler Cronkright -Christ Our Savior, Livonia; Sam Fink- St. Luke, Ann Arbor; Richard Grunewald -Faith, Troy; Dan Howard - Hope, Warren; Nathaniel Konkel - Christ the King, Southgate; Matthew Lorenz - St. Peter, Macomb; Hayden Lukas - Trinity, Utica; Michele Madigan (Deaconess) - St. Peter, Eastpointe; Brian Muldowney -Historic Trinity, Detroit; Andrew Simpson - Faith, Troy; Dylan Smith - Christ the King, Southgate; Jacob Smith - St. John, Fraser; Timothy Smith - St. John, Fraser; and Kyle Wangelin - St. Peter, Macomb.

Save the Date for CLW Spring Meeting

Watch your mailbox for upcoming information about the Council of Lutheran Women spring meeting on Monday, April 29, 2019, at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Westland, Mich.

Change of Venue for Council of Lutheran Women Luncheon

You are cordially invited to the 55th annual Council of Lutheran Women Luncheon on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at a new venue. This year's luncheon will take place at Burton Manor, which is located at 27777 Schoolcraft in Livonia, 48150.

The luncheon honors Women of the Year from CLW member congregations and intercongregational organizations. Surplus funds from the luncheon receipts will be used for scholarships awarded to students preparing for church related careers.

The luncheon is also an opportunity for groups to contribute to service organizations that are supported by the CLW. Please visit the CLW website at **www.clwmichigan.com** for detailed information about the items needed by these organizations.

To enter Burton Manor: Those using the cross-over from WB Schoolcraft (just beyond the Inkster exit from I-96 if coming from the east) must remember to watch for the oncoming traffic from EB Schoolcraft before entering the driveway.

Parking: Park either to the right or continue behind the hall (south side). Attendees can enter via the south side or west side entrances. The south door is actually the best to use for dropping off anyone using a cane or walker.

Large Quantity Donation Drop-off: Proceed to the doorway with the SUITE 8 sign. This entry is to the right of the south door. Students from Guardian Lutheran School in Dearborn will be posted at all doorways to assist with collections from attendees as they enter, and will take them to the Ingathering Room (Suite 8).

To make your reservation: Reservations @ \$29.01 are being made with Eventbrite via our Website: **www.clwmichigan.com.** If you are uncomfortable using the online reservation site, you may contact Candie Sionkowski at 734-323-8008 for assistance.

The Council of Lutheran Women (CLW) began as the women's auxiliary of the Lutheran Center Association. For over 50 years the Council has united the efforts of affiliated Lutheran women's organizations by encouraging a Christian witness in the local community and cooperating with various service agencies to serve those in need. Membership is encouraged among LCMS churches and inter-congregational organizations. Contact Marlene Gunnell at marlene1@woway.com for details or visit the CLW website: www.clwmichigan.com