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Elsa Neuner elected to Lutheran executive at convention

Christian fellowship, spiritual inspiration and mission zeal were a constant undercurrent to the business sessions held at the recent Lutheran Women's Missionary League Convention held at Lethbridge, Alberta. Alma Vogel represented the local Society as delegate and was accompanied by several other local members as guests. Elsa Neuner, of Summerland, who is District 2nd vice-president was also in attendance.

The following new slate of officers was elected for the 1976-78 biennium: President, Mrs. Claude Wachter of Kelowna; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Frank Neuner of Summerland; 2nd vice-president Mrs. Ruth Adam; recording secretary, Mrs. Helen L. Hillier; treasurer, Miss Esther Janzow—all of the Lower Mainland.

This occasion also celebrated the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Alberta-British Columbia District of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. A closing banquet to the convention honored all past president of the District as well as the League's International President, Mrs. Helen Morris and her husband Bill.

From a slate of ten mission projects submitted for consideration by the convention delegates the following were chosen: a grant of \$2,000 to provide a well and related equipment for the Pax Natura Ranch for the Deaf at Clyde, Alberta; a grant of \$5,000 to provide funds to assist in repairing the newly purchased church building for the mission church "Trinity Lutheran" at Fernie, B. C.; a grant of \$5,000 for the purchase of a

lot for a proposed church site at Grande Cache, Alberta; a grant of \$1,750 for furnishings and renovations for the Jasper Lutheran Retreat Center in Jasper, Alberta; a grant of \$1,000 to purchase educational equipment for Zion Lutheran School in Cloverdale, B.C.; a grant of \$1,250 to help purchase educational equipment for Concordia College at Edmonton, Alberta.

This \$16,000 for mission project support forms part of the total work program budget of \$39,000 for the 1976-78 biennium. This money represents 75% of the total free-will offerings donated within the Alberta-B.C. District during a biennium. The remaining 25% of donations is sent to St. Louis, Mo. to form part of an International L.W.M.L. Mission Program of \$550,000.

The many hours of time and energy voluntarily given by the District Board members and counsellors in order to increase mission awareness, Christian love, growth and inspiration, not only to their League but to all those around them, indicate that these people truly "serve the Lord with gladness."

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Get your rear in gear.
Take a walk.

Ruth

