



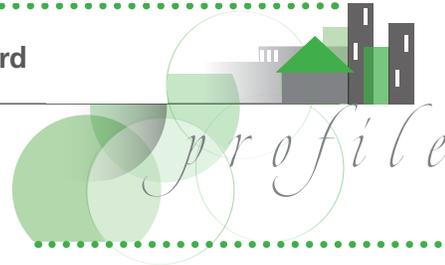
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September 2017

Naomi Terlouw Vice President LCW Board



Meet Naomi Terlouw



In what ways did your parents demonstrate the importance of volunteer work?

My parents instilled my faith in me and the importance of volunteer work in being the hands and feet of Christ. Through their many years of nonprofit and volunteer work, my parents taught me that to be the hands and feet of Christ often means getting in the trenches with those who society has often times rejected or cast aside.

What is your work position? I am currently Associate Director of Abria Pregnancy Resources. We are a non-profit pregnancy center, affiliated with TLC Options for Women. We are dedicated to providing a respectful, caring and loving environment for under-served pregnant women and/or pregnant women in crisis. Our services include quality prenatal care and comprehensive support services before and after birth.

How did you hear about LCW? Current League and Board member Rita Fox who currently serves on my organization's Board of Directors recruited me to join the league in the fall of 2016. She thought it would be a great way to get our organizations connected and to find common partnership in serving the greater Twin Cities area. I guess she was right!

How can LCW improve how it meets the needs of women your age (31)? I think LCW has such a rich history of supporting those in need. The world changes so fast and I think together we need to figure out how to best and most sustainably keep up with and meet the changing needs of those we serve—specifically the younger generations that are coming up.

Annual Fall Luncheon



We are also pleased to welcome inspirational speaker, **Jean Abbott.** Jean is sure to inspire, encourage and motivate you to live a more positive life. In her most requested presentation, Jean shares her journey of misdiagnosis and how her sense of purpose along with a positive attitude enabled her to survive three decades of unnecessary doctor's appointments medications and surgeries with genuine gratitude and grace. Everyone is sure to be motivated to live a more positive, purpose filled life. Her book **"Misdiagnosed - My Thirty Year Struggle With a Debilitating Disease that I Never Had"** will be available for purchase at the Luncheon.

We can't wait to see you all there!

The Social Committee: Karen Winter, Judy Dawes, Mary Gallivan, Jane O'Neill

Please join us at the Annual Fall Luncheon, Meeting and Program, Wednesday, September 27.

Our new President, Mary Jubenville, will be presiding.





Micro Grants

In Every Era, A New Way to Help Women Flourish

Her name is Tierra. She is the mother of a little boy. She is determined to complete a post high school education that will enable her to provide a steady income to support her child. She has experienced setbacks along the way but she writes; "I'm confident that I now have the right tools, motivation and determination to achieve my goal."

What are some of those tools? Tierra lists her coach in the Jeremiah Program, the opportunity to live on the St. Paul Jeremiah campus with in-house child available, a boost from Upward Bound AND securing \$1000 to begin a two-year associate degree from St. Paul College as a recipient of the very first Micro Grant given by the League of Catholic Women.



The African adage, "it takes a village to raise a child" holds true for all of us. If we each do a little, a lot can happen. The League is overjoyed to be a part of this supportive and loving village by initiating its Micro Grant ministry. How perfectly it corresponds to our founders' mission of walking side by side with women who seek to become their best selves.



Applications for LCW micro grants are coming in from our current partners, Jeremiah and Sarah's: An Oasis for Women. The \$6000 designated by the League budget for this outreach service will be distributed by October 1. If members and interested others provide donations for additional funding, we can add more partners and more women can benefit from this new endeavor. If you would like to give financial aid directly to Micro Grants, please make a note of that on your check to the office or with your on-line donation.

We hope to have a few women aided by our Micro Grants with us at the Spring Luncheon. In the meantime, Tierra and others will be listed on the League Prayer Line. We invite all LCW members to join in giving spiritual support to our grant recipients.

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by Mary C. Jubenville
LCW Board President

Let LCW Be Part of Your Community Life

Happy Autumn . . . While we are recovering from busy family summer outings, we look forward to new energy with the cool, crisp fall days. I've been reading that people are living longer, that millennials identify increasingly with spirituality more than organized religion, and that technology will continue to deeply impact lives, innovating while also creating a culture of isolation — making the need for gathering spaces that build community all the more important. Our organization — the League of Catholic Women — can be the place to help satisfy that need for a sense of belonging.

Upcoming Events

There is so much happening at the League this Fall! Check out any or all of the events below and learn something new, meet new people or just have fun! **Keep reading your e-blasts for latest updates and details!** Or feel free to call the office if you have questions.

Mass, Tour, Lunch St. Pascal's Church. Pastor Father Mike Byron will speak. Wednesday, September 20, 8:30 a.m. -1:00
Mary Ritten: ritz123@comcast.net or 612-333-7004

New Member Brunch for new and prospective new members hosted by Rita Fox, Anne Lawler, and Lisa Miller, Saturday, September 30, 10:30 a.m. at Rita's home. ritalfox@gmail.com or 952-935-4004

MIA Tour in the EVENING!
Thursday, October 19, 6:30 p.m.

Celebrate LCW's 106th Anniversary
Cooking Demonstration:
Making Food for the Body and Soul
Saturday, November 11
St. Gabriel's Church, Hopkins

Advent Retreat
"Be the Voice of Hope" led by Jane Leyden Cavanaugh
Saturday, December 9,
9:00 a.m. to noon,
St. Pat's in Edina

Christmas Cheer Gathering
Tuesday, December 12, 4:30-7:00 p.m.
The Woman's Club. Jane O'Neill at joneill903@comcast.net or 651-528-6926



Please consult flyers and Link articles for details about events.

September/October/December calendar

Activities designed for League members and guests

Tuesday Club	Second Tuesday each month / 10:30 a.m. October 10 - Halloween November 14 - Thanksgiving December 12 - Christmas
Daytime Book Club	Coffee: 9:45 am / Discussion: 10:00 - 11:30 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Sept 14: <i>The Alchemist</i> by Paula Coelho • Pub: 1993 (197 pp) Hostess: Rose Linehan • Reviewer: Pat Vagnoni ▶ October 12: <i>The Little Paris Bookshop</i> • by Nina George Published: 2015 (392 pp) Hostess: Evy Schneider Reviewer: _____ ▶ November 9: <i>The Invisibles</i> by Jesse Holland Published: 2106 (240 pp) Hostess: _____ Reviewer: Evy Schneider ▶ December: No meeting
Evening Book Club Gather 7:00 pm Discussion 7:15 pm RSVP if you cannot attend.	Third Tuesday each month/ private homes/ 7:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ September 19: "Scattered, Finding God in Your Story" by Joyce Ackermann • RSVP if you can not attend Hostess: Annette Meyers • Reviewer: Jean Ackermann ▶ October 17, 2017: "The Underground Railroad" by Colson Whitehead • Hostess & Reviewer: Mary Murray
Spiritual Conversation Book Club	First Monday each month/The Women's Club/9:30 a.m.
First Impression/ St.Olaf Samaritan Ministry	Keeping Warm & Dry: Donations for All Ages & Sex 10 a.m. - noon • Mass at noon • Lunch to follow September 8 • <i>In Honor of Mother Theresa of Calcutta</i> November 9 • <i>In Honor of St. Katherine Drexel, African/American Advocate</i>

Please see email blast for items especially needed!



In Memoriam

The League offers sympathy: to Liliana Torres-Nordahl on the death of her mother.

To Judy Neumeier on the death of her sister, Katherine "Tottie" Lilly.



LCW Prayer Chain

Please know that we also

have a **weekly email**

prayer line and if you

wish to participate

with the group

— either as a prayer

minister or asking for prayers

— please contact

Renee Jordan at

larryandree@centurylink.net

or Pat Vagnoni at

952-975-9749.

How beautiful it is to be

asked for our prayers.



Please Remember Your Membership Dues for 2017!

\$60 / Basic Membership. \$100 / Supporter.

\$250 / Benefactor. \$500 / League Leader.

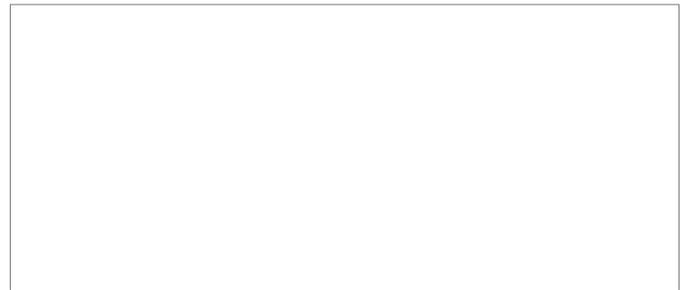
Please take the time to renew. Your dues support valuable services for metro area women and children, spiritual retreats and education programs for our members, friends and anyone interested in learning more. With your active support, we remain a vital organization serving others. Keep the League strong! Look for your renewal envelope in the last Link. Remember, you can always renew on-line via PayPal on our website: leagueofcatholicwomen.org. **Thank you!**



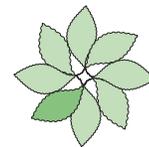
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families in need to affect positive
change in their lives and enriching
the lives of its members.*



SEX TRAFFICKING: Vital Information From An Expert And A Survivor



Learn the extent of human trafficking internationally and in our own backyard.
Discover new ways to identify its victims and offer aid.

Presenters: **CeCe Terlouw**, Minnesota expert on the crime of sex trafficking
Executive Director of Terebinth Refugee Organization
Javille Sutton, Survivor Advocate, Terebinth Refuge

Cost: \$25 including lunch
Pay on-line or by check to
League of Catholic Women
410 Oak Grove Street
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Friday, October 27 • 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Woman's Club of Minneapolis • Main Dining Room

Invite friends . . . spread the news . . . all are welcome.

Reservations are due by October 22.



**Important
League
Information.
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and save.**

LCW Office Address: 410 Oak Grove Street, Minneapolis, MN 55403

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LCW Office E-mail: lcwmp1s@gmail.com

Website: leagueofcatholicwomen.org

LCW Office Hours: Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:00 a.m. to noon

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