



Leadership  
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# LPM News and Notes

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## FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION ABOUT THE LPM 2005

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**Richard Birk, Registrar**  
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## 2005 LPM CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

### "Quality Church Music in a New Age: Tradition & Innovation"

Cut out and mail in or register on-line: [www.lpm-online.org](http://www.lpm-online.org)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Does your bishop know you are attending? \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle one:

**COORDINATOR DEVELOPMENT:** to be come an LPM coordinator  
**ENRICHMENT:** for enrichment workshops

First name as you wish it to appear on your name tag:

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone(s) (Office? Home? Cell?) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Address of Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

ELCA ECUSA (please circle one) Other \_\_\_\_\_

Synod/Diocese \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be bringing an instrument to the conference? If so, which?

Do you have any special needs, dietary or otherwise?

May we include your contact information on the roster of attendees to be distributed? (circle one) Yes No  
Roommate Preference (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee **BEFORE** June 1 \$275 \_\_\_\_\_ (Required of all)

Registration Fee **AFTER** June 1 \$310 \_\_\_\_\_ (Required of all)

Housing and meals (double room) \$210 \_\_\_\_\_

Housing and meals (single room as available) \$260 \_\_\_\_\_

Curriculum (for Coordinator Development only) \$75 \_\_\_\_\_

Daily Commuter Rate — includes lunch and dinner/banquet \$95 \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Enclosed** \_\_\_\_\_

*A refund of fees paid, less \$120 processing fee will be made upon written request sent no later than June 14. More information about transportation etc. will be sent upon registration.*

### REGISTRATIONS MUST BE MAILED NO LATER THAN JUNE 15.

For further information, contact Richard Birk, Registrar

Phone (979)230-3272; FAX (979)230-3465;

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Send this completed registration form and an enclosed check made payable to "LPM" to  
**Richard Birk, LPM 2005 Registrar**  
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**CLERGY DAY: THURSDAY, JUNE 30**

On Thursday, local clergy are invited to participate in the conference for the day. The schedule for that day includes offerings that are designed to be of special interest to them as an introduction to the Leadership Program for Musicians. It also provides an opportunity to meet other pastors and priests, to have lunch together, and learn about what their parish musicians might experience in the program. Clergy are welcome to stay throughout the day, or depart whenever their schedule demands.

**CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

(For a complete listing of enrichment course offerings and faculty, go to [www.lpm-online.org](http://www.lpm-online.org))

**Tuesday, June 28**

2:00 PM Registration  
4:30 PM Holy Eucharist  
5:30 PM Dinner  
7:00 PM Sing, Meet & Greet  
8:30 PM Compline

**Wednesday, June 29**

8:15 AM Morning Devotions & Daily Announcements  
9:00 AM Enrichment Session 1 OR Coordinator Training  
10:45 AM Enrichment Sessions 2 OR Coordinator Training  
12:15 PM Lunch  
1:30 PM Enrichment Sessions 3  
4:45 PM Enrichment Sessions 4  
4:45 PM Break (Instrumental Reading Session)  
5:30 PM Dinner  
7:00 PM Enrichment Session 5  
9:00 PM Contemplative Prayer (in the style of Taizé)

**Thursday, June 30**

8:00 AM Morning Prayer & Daily Announcements  
9:00 AM Enrichment Sessions 6 OR Coordinator Training  
10:45 AM Enrichment Sessions 7 OR Coordinator Training  
12:15 PM Lunch  
1:30 PM Enrichment Sessions 8  
3:15 PM Sing Life into Your Church (roundtable discussion with all clinicians)  
4:45 PM Break (Instrumental Reading Session)  
5:30 Dinner  
7:00 Sing & Play Time  
8:00 PM Holy Eucharist

**Friday, July 1**

8:00 AM Morning Devotions & Daily Announcements  
9:00 AM Enrichment Sessions 9 OR Coordinator Training  
10:45 AM Enrichment Sessions 10 OR Coordinator Training  
12:15 PM Lunch  
1:30 PM Enrichment Sessions 11  
3:00 PM Break  
4:00 PM Rehearsal for Everyone (for Eucharist)  
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist  
7:00 PM Social Hour  
7:30 PM Banquet (with Jazz Sunday entertaining)

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 18 AND 19, 2005 IN CHICAGO

The National LPM board held their winter meeting at the ELCA Church-wide Offices in Chicago, graciously hosted by Scott Weidler. All members were present except for Clay Morris, who was in the middle of moving.

- Planning for the summer 2005 conference to be held at Texas Lutheran University in Seguin, Texas is coming along well. See registration form in this newsletter.
- Tabulated evaluations of the 2004 conference were shared. Overall the responses were very positive.
- The location for the summer 2006 conference is still up in the air as some facilities won't let us make a reservation until later in the summer. Many options are being looked at.
- A first draft of the revision for the Cantor (vocal) track in the "Leadership of Congregational Song" course was reviewed. It and other teaching helps will be advertised after they are put up on the Web site: ([www.lpm-online.org](http://www.lpm-online.org))
- The ecumenical grant proposal was re-visited. Now that we are officially a 501 (c)3, we can begin to actively solicit grant monies.
- LPM is now in a position nationally to move forward with ideas that weren't possible even a year ago. The board was enthusiastic about the seemingly endless possibilities and options for the LPM curriculum in the future. Stay tuned!

## JOYFUL GIFTS UPDATE

### Contributions Given Since November 2004—THANK YOU!

#### \$15 to \$49

*In memory of C. Thomas Schwalm* by Jennifer Baker-Trinity, Susan E. Crum, James Heidecke, The Rev. William C. Hibbert, Geoff & Patty Holland, Pastor Andrew Leahy, Marilyn M. Patterson, Robert L. Passow, Jr., *In memory of Fred Errett & Donald M. Pearson (organ teachers)* by Mary K. Morrison & Claudia Jo Weber, Paul & Sally Westermeyer, Deborah S. Woods

#### \$50 to \$99

Barbara A. Bruns, *In memory of Bey Carr* by Celebration, Aliquippa PA, Marillyn Freeman, Mrs. Joyce Frign, Amanda Husberg, Beverly Jedynek, Marcia Koopman, Margaret B. Lehrecke, Timothy M. Lewis, *In memory of Emma F. Adams* by Priscilla A. Rigg, Thomas J. Secor, John A. Seest, Joseph H. Waterman, R. Stewart Wood, Jr., Charlotte F. Zartman

#### \$100 to \$249

Marian S. Barnett, *n honor of her new ministry with Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Southbridge, MA* by The Rev. Mary Gustafson, Marilyn Keiser, Bruce R. Larson, Randall R. Lee, Dr. Marc Liberman

#### \$500 to \$999

Margaret McCamant, The Right Rev. Orris F. Walker, Jr., Diocese of Long Island

LPM is dependent on your generous giving to continue its mission and ministry. Please consider giving regularly. For example, give one wedding or funeral fee each year to the LPM Joyful Gifts fund. Checks may be made out to "LPM" and sent to:

**Leadership Program for Musicians, 915 Court Street, Suite 6, Saginaw, MI 48602-4196**

The National Board and LPM students everywhere thank you for your support.

### MOVING? NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER?

LPM wants to keep up with you! Please send all changes of address, phone, and e-mail to:

**Leadership Program for Musicians, 915 Court Street, Suite 6, Saginaw, MI 48602-4196**

Or contact us at [www.lpm-online.org](http://www.lpm-online.org) using the "Contact LPM" link.

Though we hate to lose friends, if you'd like to be taken off our mailing list, use the above contact information to let us know.

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**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**  
NATHAN B. ENSIGN

Writing this article finds us in the season of Lent—a time of preparation for the wonderful Easter celebration of the Risen Christ and the new life that He brings. It is a very busy time for most of us Church musicians with Holy Week being probably the most demanding in terms of the amount of music covered, the various emotions that we share, and the impact our ministry has on our congregations. Personally I find it necessary to take a week off after Easter—my body needs rejuvenation.

We all need times of relaxation and refreshment. An excellent place for that is at the LPM Summer Conference which will be held **Tuesday, June 28 through Friday, July 1, 2005 at Texas Lutheran University, Seguin, Texas** (not far from San Antonio—a great place to vacation too). This is our first time to host a conference in Texas and Chair, John Marsh, and his committee have come up with numerous topics to enrich and revitalize us. You ask, “Why should I come to this conference?” The primary reason is to take time for yourself—time away from family, work, the “daily grind” to build relationships, to hear new ideas, to share a variety of worship services, and to get a new perspective. One person from last year wrote that they were ready to leave their Church work but after coming to California Lutheran, they returned strengthened and ready to tackle anew the challenges of their congregation. My aunt told me many years ago that if I didn’t take care of myself, how could I successfully minister to others. I have found this to be true.

So I hope that YOU will register now for the 2005 LPM Summer Conference. The costs are low for such a high quality national conference and the rewards are great! Full details (as well as easy online registration) can be found on our website: [www.lpm-online.org](http://www.lpm-online.org). I look forward to welcoming each of you to Texas in June.

**MISSION  
STATEMENT:**

The Leadership Program for Musicians, Inc. (LPM) seeks to prepare capable and confident musical leaders who will enable their congregations to sing well and take their part in the liturgy of the church.