

# NEWSLETTER

On 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of His Birth:

## *LHSMA to Celebrate* **Henry Melchior Muhlenberg** *During 2011 Spring and Fall Programs*

Spring Date: **Tuesday, May 3, 2011**

Location: Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg

The Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic announces its 2011 Spring and Fall programs in celebration of Henry Melchior Muhlenberg on the occasion of the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his birth. He was born September 6<sup>th</sup> in 1711 at Einbeck, Germany. His university education began in Gottingen and flowered in Halle, the seedbed for Lutheran pietism, with its emphasis on devotional life, with daily Bible study and prayer, as well as goals for life spent in social ministry and missionary work.

Ordained in 1739, he served at Grosshennersdorf for two years, when the Halle leadership chose him to fulfill a request by three congregations in south-

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### *Philip Forness Receives 2010 Wentz Prize*

Philip Forness, a year seminarian, which Master of Divinity student at Princeton Theological Seminary, has received the 2010 Wentz Prize. Established to honor Dr. Abel Ross Wentz, an alumnus, faculty member, and former president of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, the prize is a \$2000 cash award for the most outstanding essay or research paper by a graduate student or first-

He also minored in Hebrew and Humanities, and was a Christ College Scholar (Interdisciplinary Honors College). At both Valparaiso and Princeton, Philip has taught introductory and later courses on New Testament Greek. He also holds memberships in several academic honors societies, including Phi Beta Kappa, Theta Alpha Kappa (religious studies and

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#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Fall 2010 program panel discussed ongoing issues of race in wider Church body
- Research guidelines and judging categories detailed for 2011 youth history contest
- Fall 2011 program to be joint effort with LHS of Eastern Pennsylvania
- Frederick Wentz discusses medical use of Christ Church during Battle of Gettysburg

## President's Corner

In 2011 Lutherans in America, Germany, and elsewhere will take time to recall the life and ministry of Henry Melchior Muhlenberg on the occasion of the tri-centennial of his birth. Recently I had the opportunity to view some of the original Muhlenberg journals housed in the Lutheran Archives Center on the campus of the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. I was once again struck by the significant resource these journals are for understanding the Lutheran church in the colonial era.

These journals also are a reminder of the importance of primary source material for interpreting and understanding our past. Two of the society's purposes are to stimulate interest in the history of Lutherans and Lutheranism and to encourage the collection and preservation of archival materials.

With this in mind the board of

directors has embraced the restoration project of these journals. Elsewhere in this newsletter you will read of the board's efforts thus far and our invitation for your participation.

I invite you all to continue your efforts to share with others the work of the society and to invite them to join with us to help promote Lutheran history throughout the Mid-Atlantic. I also ask for your assistance in encouraging middle school and high school youth to participate in our Lutheran Youth History contest.

In this month where we celebrate Thanksgiving, I give thanks for Daniel Alexander Payne, Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, and the many saints who have gone before us and rest now from their labors. I also give thanks to God

for our faithful and talented board of directors and for the many supportive members of this historical society. May you all have a blessed Thanksgiving and a joyous Advent and Christmas!

Sincerely in Christ,

**Stephen Herr, President**

November 1, 2010

All Saints Day



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### Welcome New Members

LHSMA welcomes the following new members since our Summer 2010 Newsletter:

#### New Members:

Richard & Sandra Foster -  
Fayetteville, PA

Richard & Linda Kuhn -  
Scotland, PA

Barbara Lawver - Chambersburg, PA

J. Chris Ramsey - Luthersburg, PA

Ray Teel - Chambersburg, PA

#### New Life Members:

Susan C. Hill - Gettysburg, PA

Jean A. Klein - Chambersburg, PA

#### Institutional Member:

Trinity Lutheran Church -  
Mount Joy, PA

Please notify us of any corrections to the list.



### LHSMA 2010 - 2011 Board of Directors

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Panel discusses ongoing issues of race and leadership in wider Church body

## 2010 Fall Program - *Nelson Strobert Speaks on Daniel Alexander Payne*

On Saturday, October 23, the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic held its Fall program at the Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter in Baltimore, Maryland. Approximately 30 people gathered to hear the Rev. Dr. Nelson T. Strobert speak on "A Life Engaged or *L'Homme Engage*: Recovering Daniel A. Payne." The program opened with devotions by Rev. David Eisenhuth, Pastor at Holy Comforter, which included a reflec-

tion on the Parable of the Good Samaritan, and was followed by welcoming remarks by Society president Stephen Herr.

Dr. Strobert, who serves as Professor of Christian Education and Director of Multicultural Programs at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, presented a lively and thoughtful overview of the life of Daniel Alexander Payne, an African-American clergyman

trained at Gettysburg, who became a major shaper of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in the nineteenth century. Strobert began his remarks by noting how "surprised, proud, and disappointed" he had been when he first learned about Payne's life and career: Surprised to find out that a student of color had actually studied at Gettysburg in the mid-nineteenth century; proud to share that common aca-

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## 2010 Wentz Prize Awarded to M.Div. Student

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theology), Eta Sigma Phi (classics), and Alpha Lambda Delta (freshman honors society). He is also a member of the American Society of Church History and The North American Patristics Society.

Philip brings a multi-denominational background to his historical and theological training; as he informed the prize committee after learning of the award, "My upbringing was in the Roman Catholic Church, but after spending my high school years in a Baptist church, I found a home in the Lutheran liturgy while at Valparaiso University." Philip expects to graduate from Princeton next May and then plans on pursuing doctoral work in church history with a focus on the Christianity in Late Antiquity. He also maintains a continual interest in ecumenical relations and patterns

of worship in the contemporary church.

"Hymns that Made Straight the Way to Bethlehem" focuses on the historical and theological evolution of the liturgical year in American Lutheran congregations during the early to mid-twentieth century by analyzing the changing use of hymns in various editions of the American Lutheran hymnal, especially changes introduced by the Inter-Lutheran Commission on Worship. As the introduction to Philip's essay notes, "At the center of the experience of time in many American Lutheran congregations is the liturgical year....To reinforce the themes of the lectionary readings, every Lutheran hymnal pro-



Philip Forness

duced in America has provided church leaders with an array of hymns that echo the general themes of the season and the specific language of the readings." By the 1970s, major revisions in the lectionary called into question the relevance of some of those hymns that reflected the language of the readings. Using in particular *The Lutheran Hymnal* (1941) and the *Lutheran Book of Worship* (1978) as comparative examples, Philip examines how revisions to the lectionary obscured the distinctive emphases of individual Sundays in Advent, and how specific hymn suggestions sought to clarify and reaffirm the distinctiveness of those Sundays in response to the resulting ambiguity.

John Deeben

## *Youth History Project Enters 2<sup>nd</sup> Year*

**THE LUTHERAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE MID-ATLANTIC AGAIN INVITES  
MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH  
TO PARTICIPATE IN A  
MULTI-MEDIA PROJECT CONTEST**

The Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic will again sponsor a Lutheran Church History Contest for youth. Open to Middle School (grades 6-8) and High School (grades 9-12) students who participate in a Lutheran congregation, the contest period began on September 1, 2010 and concludes on March 1, 2011.

Interested contestants are asked to create a multimedia presentation, e.g., a DVD or a Power Point presentation, and an accompanying typewritten script. Please submit the following, postmarked no later than March 1, 2011, to the:

Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic  
61 Seminary Ridge  
Gettysburg, PA 17325

- 1) a completed application form;
- 2) a copy of the completed DVD or Power Point project (if you are submitting a DVD, please provide two copies. A Power Point project should be placed on a CD-Rom or flash drive and submitted); and
- 3) an electronic copy of the typewritten script.

Each project should be the work of only one person. While other people may be consulted, the primary work of the project should be completed by a single individual. The length of the project should be 15-20 minutes, and the typewritten script should be in the Times New Roman font size 12. The topic of contest entries should focus on the theme:

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## **Nelson Strobert Speaks during Fall 2010 Program**

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demic heritage with a fellow African-American; and disappointed that he had never heard of Daniel Payne while studying at the seminary, even though Payne was a noteworthy alum (Strobert relayed his dismay at having discovered Payne only while taking a graduate course at another institution!)

Strobert certainly lifted up the need to recognize Payne's professional accomplishments in the face of trying circumstances. He characterized Payne as a man who was

engaged in the events around him, in spite of the backdrop of slavery and racism that pervaded the nineteenth-century American society. Born a free Black in Charleston, South Carolina in 1811, Payne recognized the value of education early on, opening a school for Black students in Charleston in 1829, which closed in 1834 after the passage of a law prohibiting the education of slaves. Strobert went on to recount Payne's



journey into the church, initially as the first free colored student to be sponsored at the Gettysburg Seminary in 1835. When his studies concluded after two years due to health issues (poor eyesight, making it difficult for Payne to read), he then considered becoming ordained in the Lutheran Church. His mentor and lifelong friend, Samuel Simon Schmucker, however, advised Payne to join the Afri-

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### MY CONGREGATION'S STORY

Contestants will develop a general history of their congregation. Some suggested guidelines to help direct contestants' research and presentations include the following:

- Tell about the origins of your congregation: when, where, and why was it founded; who were the leaders; was there a pastor in place when the church was first established?
- Articulate the congregation's mission and explain its importance in parish ministry.
- Name significant leaders in the history of the congregation, e.g., lay leaders, pastors, council presidents, and explain their importance in the congregation's history.
- Indicate significant events or decisions in the history of your congregation and the effects they have had on your story, e.g., language use, relocation, the historical decision to call a pastor, calling or hiring of other staff such as an organist/music minister or youth worker, a tragedy such as a fire, building projects, the addition of technology.
- How has your congregation served your community?
- Tell what is most important in this congregation for you.



The Board of Directors of the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic will appoint a panel of judges to review the projects and determine winners. Projects will be judged in the following categories:

- 1) **Coherence of presentation** (i.e., Is the narrative well organized? Does it tell the story effectively? Does it have a clearly articulated beginning and ending?);

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can Methodist Episcopal Church, where he might enjoy greater leadership success. Payne was ordained in the Frankean Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New York (because it openly supported Abolition) in 1839, and thereafter became a committed Abolitionist.

From there, Payne rose quickly in the leadership of the AME Church, becoming the church's historiographer in 1848, and rising to the office of bishop in 1852. In 1863 he became president of

Wilberforce University (which had been acquired by the AME Church that same year). During that time his associations with Lutherans continued, including his friendship with Schmucker and the president of the Lutheran Church of France. Until his death in 1893, Payne's life reflected a man committed to the wants and needs of the people, a person of the world with a global vision that was atypical for the nineteenth century.

Following Strobert's presentation, a panel moderated by Bishop

George P. Mocko, retired, of the Delaware-Maryland Synod, offered reflections on the meaning of Payne's life to modern Lutherans. Consisting of former and current staff from the Delaware-Maryland Synod, including Ginny Price, Linda Chinnia, and Gerry Grant, as well as Pastor Eisenhuth and the Rev. Michael Guy of St. Philip's Lutheran Church in Baltimore, the panel addressed two issues: 1) what the experience of Daniel Payne inspired in their personal experiences, or how his experience (especially the difficulties encountered as a person of color in the Church) par-

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## *Muhlenberg Journal Restoration Project*

The year 2011 makes the 300th anniversary of the birth of Henry Melchior Muhlenberg (1711-1787), who is considered to be the Patriarch of Lutheran Church in America. Many events have been scheduled in the United States and Germany to commemorate the life and ministry of Muhlenberg. This includes the society's annual program and meeting which will take place on May 3 in Gettysburg and will have John Peterson, the Curator of the Lutheran Archives at Philadelphia, as the keynote speaker.

Another significant endeavor

associated with this anniversary is the restoration of Muhlenberg's journals. This project has begun under the supervision of the Lutheran Archives Center in Philadelphia. The society has been invited by the Archives Center and by Gettysburg Seminary President Michael Cooper-White to participate in this project.

At its August board meeting, the board voted to participate and to strive in conjunction with Gettysburg Seminary to raise \$6000 and become a "volume sponsor". The board immediately voted to designate \$2000 from the soci-

ety's general fund toward the project. In addition, the board members personally have pledged over \$1000 towards the project.

Our mission is to preserve, to document, and to stir interest in the rich Lutheran traditions which are the foundation of the church. With that in mind the board of directors would like to invite your support and participation in this project.

By the time you receive this issue of the Newsletter, a brochure detailing the project will

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## *Youth History Project, cont.*

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- 2) **Number and diversity of resources consulted** (i.e., Has the contestant used archival material (found in the congregation's archives or at the ELCA Region 8 archives, or a local historical society, etc), oral history interviews, previous congregational histories, congregational documents, etc?); and
- 3) **Creativity of presentation** (i.e., Is the style of the submission engaging?)

First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in both the Middle School and High School age groups. A certain minimum level of excellence determined by a panel of judges must be demonstrated to win a prize. Prizes are:

- **First Place:** \$125 plus an invitation to the Tuesday, May 3, 2011 LHSMA Spring Program to be held at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.
- **Second Place:** \$75.
- **Third Place:** \$50.

The first prize recipients in each age group will present their projects as part of the society's annual Spring program. Winners will be notified on or about April 1, 2011.

LHSMA originally launched the Youth History Contest in November 2009. Zachary Engle of Palmyra, Pennsylvania won the first prize for his presentation on the history of Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lebanon, where he and his family are members. The Palmyra Middle School student presented his winning entry at the society's annual Spring Program in Gettysburg on April 20, 2010.

Questions, including requests for application forms, may be directed to Rev. Stephen Herr, president of the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic at [pastor@christgettysburg.org](mailto:pastor@christgettysburg.org) or 717-334-5212.

## LHSMA Announces 2011 Programs

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eastern Pennsylvania for a pastor to serve the increasing needs of the large number of German immigrants coming to the American colonies. It was a term call for three years. He stayed for 45 years, serving faithfully right up until his death in 1787.

Our Society's two 2011 programs will address facets of remembering this Anniversary.

The Spring program will be held Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Gettysburg Seminary. The morning agenda will feature a presentation by John E. Peterson, Curator, Lutheran Archives Center at Philadelphia, entitled **"THE LUTHERAN PATRIARCH --- AND MORE! The Impact of the Muhlenberg Family**



**in America"**. The Society's Annual Meeting will conclude the morning and lunch will be available.

The Fall Program [The probable date will be in early October], **"A Tour to Trappe,"** is being planned to see Augustus Church, the oldest Lutheran Church still standing and the Church Henry built. Also to be seen are the home where Henry lived the final decade of his life, and other sites related to the family and 18<sup>th</sup> Century church and community life. This will be a joint meeting with the Lutheran Historical Society of Eastern Pennsylvania.

Further information on these two programs will be sent to all persons on the Society's mailing list, as well as on the Society's website, [www.lhsmidatlantic.com](http://www.lhsmidatlantic.com).

George E. Handley

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alleled their own in the work of the Church; and 2) what should the Church today do about it? The panel provided a variety of perspectives that generated some meaningful conversation about the ongoing issues of race and leadership in the wider Church body. The program ended with a lunch provided by Holy Comforter, and participants

departed in the early afternoon.

In addition to his current teaching and administrative duties at the Gettysburg Seminary, the Rev. Dr. Nelson T. Strobert has served Lutheran congregations in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Island, and Cleveland, Ohio. He is a 1969 graduate of Hunter College, and received his M. Div. degree at the Gettysburg Seminary in 1973 as well as an M.A. at

John Carroll University (1981) and his PhD at the University of Akron (1989). As a specialist in Christian education, his research interests include church-related schooling, especially in the Lutheran tradition, in the United States, and global Christian education. Strobert's scholarly work on Daniel Alexander Payne as a nineteenth-century religious educator provides a fitting complement to these wider academic disciplines.

John Deeben

## Call for Church History Profiles

### Church Archives



*In the spirit of promoting and disseminating more information about our Lutheran heritage, the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic is starting a regular feature in the society's newsletter on historical profiles of ELCA Region 8 congregations.*

*If your congregation is preparing or has already published a church history, please consider submitting a brief historical sketch of 1000-1500 words to the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic, Attn: President Stephen Herr, 61 Seminar Ridge, Gettysburg, PA 17325.*

*All submissions will eventually be posted on the Society's web site: [www.lhsmidatlantic.com](http://www.lhsmidatlantic.com).*

## *Christ Lutheran Church at and after the Battle of Gettysburg*

Built in 1835 and easily the largest building on Chambersburg Street, Christ Church was taken over as a hospital by medical officers of the Union army's First Corps, during the first day's battle, July 1, 1863. Union troops to the north and west were conducting a holding operation against superior numbers so that more Union troops could gather on Cemetery Ridge to the south and defend that higher ground. As anticipated, when Union lines broke, there was a flood of First Corp troops fleeing the gun-fire of Confederates rushing up Chambersburg Street and firing as they came.

Earlier that day, Mary McAllister, a lady who lived across the street came to the church to aid the medical units. She with two other women secured keys to the building "from the frightened sexton" and helped prepare for the wounded. Toward evening the building filled with 100 wounded men lying on planks put over pews, or in the aisles. There were 40 wounded in the basement as well. Surgeons were busy treating wounds and severing limbs that carried infection. Chaplain Horatio Howell (90<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers), taking a break from his emergency ministries, came to the porch just as the first Confederate troops arrived at the foot of the steps. They, seeing an officer in full uniform, ordered him to surrender.

He began to explain that he was a chaplain and not subject to military rules, but they shot and killed him before he could explain. Today a marker at the foot of the steps honors the only chaplain to die at the Battle of Gettysburg.

Later that evening, in a Confederate-occupied town, a group of soldiers rounded up African-Americans from the south end of town to send them off to slavery in the southern states. One of these African-Americans, nicknamed Old Liz, escaped the group outside of Christ Church, made her way into the church and climbed the ladder to the bell tower, where she hid for three nights and two days until Union troops retook the town. When she appeared on the street, town people gathered to hear her story. Her first exclamation was, "I'se alive yet!" Slavery would have meant death to her.

Thus Christ Church became a sanctuary for the living as well as a healing place for the wounded and a haven for the dying.

Sergeant Austin Stearns of Company K of the 13<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Infantry received a bullet wound in his arm while on Oak Ridge and made his way to the hospital flag at Christ Church. In his book, *Three Years with Company K*, he devotes a chapter to his four days at the hospital and the Confederate-occupied town. He had surprising freedom to

walk the streets and talk with both town people and Confederate soldiers. At one point he describes the argument between two brothers at the hospital, one a Union man, the other a Confederate. During those days of Confederate occupation of Gettysburg all those in the town were very aware of the great battle to their south, with stray shrapnel hitting buildings (including Christ Church) from time to time, but they could not know who was winning. On Saturday, July 4, Stearns reports that Union troops were showing up on the town square and both hospital men and town citizens were free of the enemy.

After the battle, which ended on July 4 with Confederate troops heading west and then south to their own territory, many people came to the town – to minister to the wounded, to search for wounded relatives, to steal from the dead, etc. Five women, who belonged to an organization called Patriot Daughters of Lancaster, which was supporting soldiers from Lancaster, decided to help in this emergency at Gettysburg. In a horse-drawn wagon, surrounded by supplies, they arrived in Gettysburg several days after the battle. The town was quite crowded but they found a place to stay across the street from Christ Church. That determined where they would serve. Their leader, Martha Ehler, who wrote a small

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## Christ Lutheran and the Battle of Gettysburg

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book about their experiences, tells how with much trepidation she approached the officer in charge saying they hoped to help, and asked what was needed. The answer was "Everything". Other than taking care of wounds, these soldiers had simply been laid out on planks, some fortunate to have knap-sacks under their heads. Martha's book tells how those women served as nurses, wrote letters to mother, stayed with the dying, sometimes for many hours, and simply changed the whole atmosphere of the hospital.

During these 19<sup>th</sup> century decades, professors from the college and seminary provided ministerial services for the church. During

the month of July 1863 it was College President Henry Baugher who provided worship services for the wounded. Many of the men joined heartily in the hymns and prayers. Several men died during one of these services with Lancaster women beside them.

At the end of July and in early August, the wounded men still present in the hospital were taken to the larger hospital at the Lutheran Seminary just west of Gettysburg, and Christ Church building was returned to its congregation.

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For the last decade members of Christ Church have provided programs on Saturday nights from

mid-June to mid-August, titled "Songs and Stories of a Civil Wars Hospital". Following a half hour of music from the porch, an hour's program in the sanctuary has combined readings from the writings of people who were present during the battle or for the month of July 1863. Civil War era music is also featured, with both a special group of singers and the participation of the audience. Available at the church for purchase are a DVD of the music of this program and an 84-page paperback book, "*A Sanctuary for the Wounded*," which describes in greater detail the people and events at Christ Church during July of 1863.

*Frederick K. Wentz*

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have already been mailed to you personally. If you have not yet made a contribution and would like to participate, please send your check payable to the Lutheran Historical Society of the Mid-Atlantic, to the society's mailing address at 61 Seminary Ridge, Gettysburg, PA 17325. LHSMA is a non-profit 501c-3 entity and all of your donations to the society are tax deductible. Please indicate on the check that the gift is for the Muhlenberg Journal Project. Please send your donations by December 31, 2010 so that the society can then forward its collective donation to the Lutheran Archives Center in Philadelphia.

If you have any questions regarding this unique opportunity to help preserve a priceless piece of Lutheran history, please feel free to contact Society president Stephen Herr at 717-334-5212 or [pastor@christgettysbrug.org](mailto:pastor@christgettysbrug.org).



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Notes of announcements, projects, historical celebrations, genealogical concerns, notes of church or Synodical activities, and notes from other historical societies are solicited.

**Address corrections are helpful. Send replies via email to: Stephen Herr**  
[pastor@christgettysburg.org](mailto:pastor@christgettysburg.org)  
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**LHSMA Membership Application**

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I desire membership in LHS as a: \_\_\_\_\_ New Member or, as a: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 250 Life Membership  
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