



Oak Leaves

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Florida Anniversary

By Michael Dale

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church of Port St. Lucie, Florida, began when contact was made between some members of a congregation of the LCMS in neighboring Ft. Pierce, FL (just to the north) and John Petersen (now pastor of Mt. Olive in Mankato; then vicar of our synod's Grace Lutheran in Vero Beach, FL). The members of that LCMS congregation had contacted Vicar Petersen because they were unhappy about new directions being taken doctrinally in their congregation, and were looking for a church body that continued to teach the doctrine of the Lutheran Confessions.

The first services of the new congregation were held in Port St. Lucie's Knights of Columbus building throughout 1985, with Vicar Petersen presiding, who was followed by new vicar, Jonathan Madson for the first year. Music was played on a tape recorder given to the little group by the Vero Beach congregation, along with a young daughter of the congregation playing whatever she could of hymns on an old keyboard. The first service was held on April 28, 1985, with the first communion service following on August 4th of that year. The group met for incorporation in the home of



some members in December of 1985 with six voting members in attendance. Charter membership opened in March of 1986.

Throughout 1986, the congregation collected, through donations, the various articles needed for formal worship, as well as a growing building fund. In October of that same year, Christ Lutheran Women's League was established. In February of 1987, the group's constitution was ratified and resolved in order to affiliate with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. The first confirmation class of 2 was confirmed on June 7, 1987 by the congregation's first official pastor, Charles Keeler. Property was purchased in August of 1987 (which was later sold), followed in August of

1989 by the purchase of a different piece of property with a building (a Hellenic Center) that the congregation had been renting in the mean time. On this site, the congregation broke ground in May of 1989 for a new sanctuary building with the Rev. Bill Mack (then of Marietta, GA) preaching for the occasion. The building was dedicated in November of 1990. In August of 1998, the congregation purchased an Allen organ for that facility at a cost of \$30,000.

In 1999, after 13 years as the congregation's pastor, Charles Keeler accepted a call to Bethany Lutheran Church, Port Orchard, WA. He was followed by Phillip Lepak, who became the congregation's second official pastor by assignment from Bethany Lutheran Theological Seminary. During Pastor Lepak's brief two and a half year stay, the congregation established Christ Evangelical Lutheran Preschool with Marcella Lowry (a member of the congregation) serving as its first director and teacher. Pastor Lepak took a call from the Home Mission Board in April of 2002 in order to establish an exploratory mission in Suburban Chicago.

Pastor Michael Dale, a new graduate of Bethany Lutheran Theological Seminary was assigned to the congregation as its next pastor. He was installed in July of 2002. During his four and half years, the congregation has shifted in age from a predominantly elderly group to a group of many young families, partly as a result of the work of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Preschool. Marcella Lowry continues as director and teacher of the preschool (now in its sixth year). The Sunday School class typically numbers in the 30s. Vacation Bible School attracts anywhere from 80 to 100 kids (mostly non-members). Current membership stands at 313.

The congregation continues to plan for the future. It has begun the process of rezoning some residential lots that it owns on the western edge of the property for the purpose of a possible building project in the near future. Many dedicated servants give time, talents, and treasures in order to continue the congregation's mission of bringing the pure Word of God and the hope of salvation in Jesus Christ to Florida's Treasure Coast.

Michael Dale is pastor of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Port St. Lucie, Florida.



Anniversaries: Churches and Schools of the ELS

(Please inform the editors of errors and omissions.)

1857: 150 years ago

Saude Lutheran Church, Lawler, IA, organized as the Little Turkey Congregation.

1867: 140 years ago

Jerico Lutheran Church, New Hampton, IA, organized as Crane Creek Lutheran Church.

1872: 135 years ago

Rock Springs Lutheran Church, Belview, MN, organized as Boiling Springs Lutheran Church.

1882: 125 years ago

Richland Lutheran Church, Thornton, IA, organized.

1887: 120 years ago

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Madison, WI, organized.

1917: 90 years ago

Grace Lutheran Church, Vero Beach, FL, organized.

1922: 85 years ago

First Lutheran Church, Suttons Bay, MI, joined the ELS.

Holton Lutheran Church, Holton, MI, joined the ELS.

1942: 65 years ago

Redeemer Lutheran Church, New Hampton, IA, joined the ELS.

1957: 50 years ago

St. Timothy Lutheran Church, Lombard, IL, organized and joined the ELS.

1972: 35 years ago

Christ the King Lutheran Church, Bell Gardens, CA, organized.

Our Savior Lutheran Church, Bishop, CA, organized.

Our Savior Lutheran Church, Naples, FL, organized.

1982: 25 years ago

Faith Lutheran Church, Irvine, CA, organized.

Wayfarers' Chapel Lutheran Church, Fillmore, CA, joined the ELS.

1987: 20 years ago

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Grass Valley, CA, joined the ELS.

Christ Lutheran Church, Port St. Lucie, FL, joined the ELS.

1992: 15 years ago

Peace Lutheran Church, Kissimmee, FL, organized.

Peace Lutheran Church, South Lakeland, FL, organized.

Faith Lutheran Church, Litchfield, IL, joined the ELS.

2002: 5 years ago

Asian Mission Church Lutheran Church, Irvine, CA, joined the ELS.

Peace Lutheran Church, North Mankato, MN, organized and joined the ELS.

Abiding Shepherd Lutheran Church, Cottage Grove, WI, joined the ELS.

Send us *your* ideas, articles, and suggestions for Oak Leaves. We welcome information and articles on church anniversaries, and articles of Synodical and local significance.

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www.evangelicallutheransynod.org/history

or

www.els.name/history

Brief History of St. Timothy Lutheran Church, Lombard, IL

By Leroy Meyer

Early in 1956 the Mission Board of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod received the preliminary survey on the mission possibilities in Lombard, Illinois. Candidate of Theology Robert A. Moldstad was chosen to start the work in this area. This effort was encouraged by St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church and St. Mark's Ev. Lutheran Church, sister congregations in Chicago. The infant mission came together at Pleasant Lane Elementary School for the first time on September 9, 1956, with 54 attending the service and 27 children enrolled in Sunday School.

On January 27, 1957, it was decided to take an option on thirteen lots at the corner of Main and Sunset at a cost of \$13,000. At the organizational meeting on May 5, 1957, the name St. Timothy was chosen for the new congregation and a Call was extended to the Vicar, Robert A. Moldstad, to be the first pastor. He accepted, and was ordained and installed on June 9, 1957. Pastor Moldstad stayed at St. Timothy until March 14, 1965. Pastor Moldstad subsequently also served in the Synod's foreign mission field in Lima, Peru, from September 1972 until July 1978.

It is interesting to note that during his tenure at St. Timothy, Pastor

Moldstad and other members of the congregation were instrumental in the founding and development of Camp LorRay, a family and youth camp near Muskegon, Michigan. The Camp is named in memory of two former St. Timothy youth leaders, Lorie and Raymond Reiser.

The groundbreaking ceremony for the first church building was held on November 7, 1958. The approximately \$35,000 project was completed just in time for the first service to be held on Good Friday, March 27, 1959. The building was dedicated on May 24, 1959 and the following September the congregation received the gift of an organ in memory of Theodore Marquardt.

From the time Pastor Moldstad left in March 1965 until September 1965, Pastor Theodore F. Kuster of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church in Chicago served as vacancy Pastor of St. Timothy. He was later to be the Synod's first missionary in Peru. In May 1965 a Divine



Call was extended to the Rev. E. G. Unseth who accepted and was installed on September 12, 1965.

At a special meeting held in July 1967, approval was given for the building of a parsonage at a cost of \$28,000. Construction was completed and the home was dedicated on March 10, 1968

After being a subsidized mission of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod for nearly 12 years, the Voters' Assembly on January 21, 1968 passed a resolution "that we will not request any money from the Synod, and that we will not be a Mission any more; that we are a church by ourselves."

In 1974, St. Timothy joined the Chicago Mission Effort in cooperation with the area Wisconsin Synod congregations. This organization later became The Lutheran Heritage Hour Association, Inc., which sponsored a Sunday morning radio broadcast.

Pastor Unseth continued to serve St. Timothy until August 11, 1974 when he retired from the public ministry. Rev. John K. Schmidt accepted the Divine Call issued to him and was installed on August 18, 1974.

The Groundbreaking Service for the new church building was held on August 17, 1975 and construction was begun in earnest. Much volunteer effort by many members and friends of the congregation was important for the completion of the approximately \$325,000 project. It culminated with a joyous Dedication Day on September 12, 1976 with a Festival First Service in the morning and a Dedication Service in the afternoon. Pastor Schmidt preached at the morning service and Pastor Unseth at the Dedication service.

From April 9, 1978 until May 1981, St. Timothy conducted a weekly radio ministry on WKDC (Elmhurst). The name of the ministry was Thoughts of Faith. It was from this effort that Rev. John Shep borrowed the name for his international radio ministry to Eastern Europe. That organization continues to function by sponsoring mission efforts in Ukraine, Czech Republic, and Latvia.

The service folder for the congregation's Twenty-fifth Anniversary Service on May 2, 1982 indicated that at that time the membership stood at 372 baptized members with 301 being communicants. The average Sunday worship attendance was 205. The names of seven charter members still on the rolls at that time were listed as well.

Pastor Schmidt accepted a call and preached his farewell sermon on August 22, 1982. Rev. Richard Ziesemer became the vacancy pastor on September 5, 1982. He was subsequently called to be the Pastor; he accepted and was installed on December 5, 1982. He preached his farewell sermon on March 25, 1984.

St. Timothy has been blessed with the services of many faithful retired pastors during vacancies. Rev. Walther C. Gullixson served as vacancy pastor from April 1 to July 29, 1984. In addition Rev. E. G. Unseth, Rev. Howard Behrens, Rev. Martin Frick (WELS), and Rev. Raymond Branstad conducted services during August and September until our new pastor was available.

Rev. Matthew Luttmann was installed on September 23, 1984, and served until September 11, 1988. He served as Director of the Czech Republic mission effort of Thoughts of Faith from 1992 through 2005. Following his departure the congregation was served for four weeks by Rev. Albert Lorenz (WELS) and then from October 10, 1988 to January 8, 1989 by Rev. Raymond Branstad.

Rev. Paul Zager accepted the Divine Call to St. Timothy and was installed on January 15, 1989.

Pastor Zager led the congregation in its efforts to open a Christian Day School. This effort was realized through God's blessings when the pre-school was opened on September 8, 1997. It continued as a pre-school for 3 and 4 year olds until 2000 when much work was performed to renovate the old church building to accommodate a regular school program.

On August 6, 2000, the renovated building

was dedicated and Mrs. Beverly Frick was installed as the first called teacher for the school in its first year with kindergarten as well as pre-school children. Mrs. Kim Gruen ably assisted her. Starting in the fall of 2001, one grade was added each year until 2005 when fifth grade was added to complete our school. The congregation's desire to have a Christian Day School goes back to its infancy. In September 1961 a nursery school was started with Mrs. Phyllis Iovino as teacher in the hopes of starting a Christian Day School but that effort was discontinued in 1964. On June 4, 2006, John Hoheisel became the first graduate of St. Timothy Lutheran School. Recent events have necessitated a review of the viability of maintaining a school and have led the congregation to decide to close the school at the end of the current school year in June 2006. We are exploring other ways to support Christian education in our midst.

Pastor Zager accepted a call to another congregation; and preached his farewell sermon on August 26, 2002. His tenure was the longest of any Pastor who served the congregation — over 13 1/2 years. Rev. Edward Bryant accepted the Divine Call issued by the congregation and was installed on October 20, 2002. Pastor Bryant has led the congregation in a continuing project of rejuvenation called

Sharing the Joy. May God bless these ongoing efforts that we boldly Share the Joy of the Gospel with all.

St. Timothy has also been served at various times by men during their vicarage year in the Seminary. They include John Shep, Joseph Abrahamson, and Stephen Schmidt.

Sons and daughters of the congregation who have served the church at large in the Evangelical Lutheran Synod are Kathy (Stein) Sutton, Linda (Zawacki) Loge, Aaron Luttman, Greg Schmidt, and David Meyer. Kathy has served as teacher at Christian Day Schools in Iowa, Washington, and Minnesota; Linda is with the Admissions staff of Bethany Lutheran College; Aaron is on the faculty at Bethany Lutheran College; Greg is Pastor at Our Savior in Naples, Florida; and David has served as pastor of congregations in Iowa and Florida and as Administrator of Thoughts of Faith. In addition, Lyle Luchterhand and Robert Frick have served as pastors in the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Bernard Schey has done likewise in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Leroy Meyer is a member of St. Timothy, Lombard, IL, and for many years served as treasurer of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod.



History of Trinity – West Bend, Wisconsin

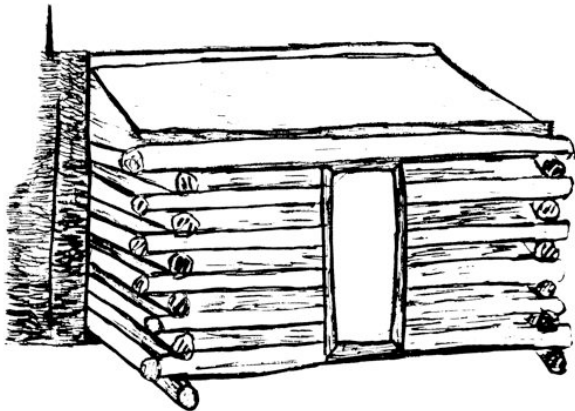
Excerpts from an Anniversary Booklet

Our congregation was organized by Pastor Ludwig Habel, a freelance missionary, in January of 1856. The first parcel of land was purchased from Thomas and Lydia Brophy at that time. A log building which served as both church and school was erected on the corner of the lot. Each member was asked to contribute two logs for each 40 acres of land that he owned. The logs were to be one of at least 30 feet and one of at least 20 feet.

A woman teacher was hired in the autumn of 1856. She apparently was active in our school until 1880.

Worship services were held four times a year with Bible study in the afternoon. On the intervening Sundays either an elder or a trustee would conduct the service. This worship service was called a *Lesegottesdienst* [a reading service]. Mr. Frederick Gauger frequently served in this capacity and also officiated at several funerals.

The name of our congregation from 1856 to 1866 was: “Lutheran Community of the Triune God”.



Church records show that in 1857 worship services were conducted by Pastor Ottomar Fuerbringer of Freistadt and also Pastor F. Ahner of Immanuel, Cedarburg.

Under Pastor Ahner, in 1858, our congregation joined the Missouri Synod. Our church was considered a “branch” of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Town of Jackson.

The year 1866 marked several milestones in our congregation. The first baptism was recorded in January. The constitution was drawn up on February 22nd. The congregation’s name was changed also to a rather lengthy: “First German Evangelical Lutheran *Dreieinigkeits* [Trinity] Congregation of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession at Cedar Creek”.

The church building, with a Christian Day School on the lower level, was dedicated some time during 1879. No record of the dedication has been found, perhaps because Rev. Polack was forced to resign due to his failing health. The building may have been dedicated during a pastoral vacancy and therefore not recorded in the church records.

Walter Seidensticker, son of Herman and Margaret, was born on April 19, 1895. He was to become the only son of our congregation to enter the ministry. Walter was one of eight children. Two older brothers, who died at an early age from diphtheria, are buried on our cemetery. After his confirmation in our church on April 4, 1908, Walter went on to school at Concordia, Milwaukee, and the seminary at Springfield, Illinois, graduating in 1919. He was married to Olga Hrbacek of Apache. During his lifetime in the ministry, he served in mission churches in Oklahoma and Alberta, Canada. He was the pastor for congregations in Lawton, Oklahoma; Cushing, Oklahoma; and Ashippun, Wisconsin. Later he became public relations Director for Bethesda Lutheran Home of Watertown, Wisconsin. Traveling throughout the United States, he served in that capacity until 1960 when he moved to Bethel, Maine. He continued to work for the cause of Bethesda in the Eastern states until the Lord called him to his heavenly home on August 25, 1969.

A pipe organ was built between the pillars in the choir loft in 1905. Neither the old log church nor the new church was equipped with

an organ in the early years. Singing was led by a *Vorsanger* [precentor or song-leader] elected by the congregation.

In 1936, the English language made its first inroads on the traditional German. Divine services were held in English approximately once a month.

Because there was no teacher available, our Christian Day School was closed for the school year of 1943.

Until 1945, all church records were kept in German. The minutes from the annual meeting in January of 1945 were the first to be written in English. In the same year the parsonage was modernized by the installation of a water system.

On July 5, 1956, our congregation celebrated the church's Centennial with a divine service in the park. Also during this year, the name of the church was officially changed to Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church and a new English constitution was adopted.

The congregation voted to proceed with the building of a new school in 1957. Ground-breaking services were held on April 28th and the cornerstone laying took place on September 29th.

A Dedication Service for the new school was held on May 18, 1958. Former teachers and pastors, along with neighboring congregations, joined our members in the worship service. After the service, a meal was served by the Ladies Aid. Guest speakers were Rev. Sullivan and Rev. Brauer.

With the additional space now available in the new school, the use of the "instruction house" became part of history. The instruction house was a small building located on the southwest corner of the parsonage lot. The pastor would meet there with the confirmation class each school morning to give instruction in the Catechism. Students would walk from

the school for an hour of instruction and then return for regular classes. Warm Indian Summer mornings, a fresh winter snowfall, or a balmy spring day tended to lengthen the time it took to traverse the short distance. The instruction house was later sold and removed from the church property.

In 1971, after many congregational meetings, and much prayerful deliberation, our congregation terminated its affiliation with the Missouri Synod due to doctrinal differences. Our congregation then called Rev. Paul Anderson of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. He served until 1979.

Pastor Kenneth V. Schmidt was installed in August of 1979.

In December of 2005, voters approved the building of a Handicap Access – Gathering Area – Pre-school/Kindergarten Room addition. This new addition connects the various levels of the church and school buildings.

As we look back over the years and see how richly God has blessed us, let us also remember to give our most hearty thanks to God, from whom all blessings flow.

Pastors who have served Trinity:

Ludwig Habel	1856
Ottomar Fuerbringer, F. Ahner	1857-1859
J. H. Jox	1859-1872
John H Meyer	1872-1877
W. G. Polack	1878-1879
G. W. Mueller	1879-1884
Carl Baumann	1884-1904
August Mueller	1904-1908
Ferdinand Otto	1910-1954
Henry Kuring	1954-1958
Herbert Poellet	1958-1961
Kenneth Roever	1962-1965
Erick Falk	1965-1971
Paul Anderson	1971-1979
Kenneth V. Schmidt	1979-present

From the Archives

Do you recognize this uniform? Do you know its history?

It's in the Ottesen Museum. We'll tell you more about it in the next issue. We always welcome your recollections and histories as well.



Photo by Denice Woller

From the last issue:



Photo by Denice Woller

The Manglebord (Mangle Board)

This small board with a horse-shaped handle is known as a *manglebord* or *mangle-tre*. It was commonly used by housewives as an ironing implement, especially for flat linens. The cloth was carefully rolled around a rod and the mangle board was rolled back and forth across it on a table until the material was smooth and flat. The English word “mangle” can mean to press clothes, and a wringer on a wringer-washer can be called a mangle.

But the *manglebord* also had a place in courting tradition. When a young man fancied a young woman, he would carve an intricate design into a *manglebord*. When he was ready to propose, he would hang the finished board outside on her parents' front door. If she accepted his proposal, she would take the *manglebord* in. If she turned him down, she would leave it outside and he could take it back, do some more carving and try again. If he decided to propose to another girl, he could not use the same *manglebord* but would have to start over from scratch.

ARTIFACTS ROADSHOW

How to Preserve Artifacts

PLEASE BRING YOUR questions, pictures, or other small items to the annual meeting to learn how to preserve them.

Shelley Harrison of the Blue Earth County Historical Society will discuss, demonstrate, and answer questions about techniques for preserving textiles, paper, and other important artifacts.

The Tunnel in The Snowdrift

By Amanda Madson

December is a cold month in Iowa with many snowstorms and strong winds. The wind blows the snow into large piles called snowdrifts. These drifts cover the roads. Cars cannot drive on the road; so plows are bolted to the front ends of large trucks. These snowplows push the snow off the roads and into the ditches until the ditches are full and the piles of snow are very high.

Lime Creek Christian Day School was near a road where the north wind blew the snow into a huge drift. Then the plow made the snow even higher. In December 1944, our teacher was Luther Vangen, the minister of our church. He let us school children play in the snowdrifts. Two shovels were in the school car. He let the big boys, Philip, Lawrence, and Sven, use the shovels to dig a hole in the snowdrift. Teacher helped them dig. We little school children dug with our hands. We carried the snow away from the hole in the snowdrift.

The weather was so cold that the top of the snowdrift froze and became as hard as ice. We could walk on the snowdrift. It'd reach the top of the telephone pole. Teacher warned us,

“Do not touch the poles or the wires; they are very dangerous.”

Every recess and noon hour we went outside to dig the hole in the snowdrift. Soon Teacher and the big boys started to dig another hole on the other end of the drift. They dug fast because they wanted to dig a tunnel through the drift so we could crawl through the tunnel. It was dark in the tunnel. Suddenly, the two holes met in the middle and there was sunlight all the way through the tunnel.

We crawled back and forth in the tunnel. Our coats, snow-pants, mittens and caps were covered with snow. Our happy, cold faces were covered, too. After our tunnel was finished, we went outside every day to play in it. Teacher came, too, because he knew a tunnel could be unsafe and he did not want us to get

hurt. Teacher also liked to play outside. We loved our teacher so much because he was a good teacher and he liked to play with us.

There was a small public school near Lime Creek Christian Day School. It also had one room with kindergarten through eighth grade just like Lime Creek. But Lime Creek had something the public school did not have. Lime Creek had a pump for pumping water from a deep well. Every morning the big boys and girls at Lime Creek had to fill pails of water to carry into the school for our water crock. We drank the water from our cups we brought from home. Teacher put water in a big pan on the stove. We heated our lunches in the hot water.

The public school did have a well, but the pump was broken. Both schools started at 9:00 a.m. While we read our Bible Stories, the big boys from the other school walked to Lime Creek to pump pails of water for their school.

After Bible Reading, I walked to the pencil sharpener by the back window. I looked out the window. I shouted, “Teacher, Teacher! The big boys from the other school are smashing our tunnel!”

Teacher and the other students ran to the window. They saw the big boys on top of our snowdrift. They were hitting the snow with shovels. The snow smashed to the ground, and the tunnel collapsed.

Teacher said, “We cannot stop the boys. It is too late to save the tunnel,”

At recess time, we went outside to see our smashed tunnel. We were very sad.

If you ever come to visit the United States and Iowa, I will take you to see my favorite school, Lime Creek Christian Day School.

Amanda Madson wrote several childhood stories while teaching English to children in Korea in 2003. She and her husband, Pastor Norman Madson, live in North Mankato, MN.

ELS Historical Society — Eleventh Annual Meeting
Saturday, June 16, 2007



Preserving Our Heritage
Through Correspondence and Artifacts

Place: **Bethany Lutheran College**
Ylvisaker Fine Arts Center
Mankato, Minnesota



9:00 am - Registration & Coffee

9:30 am - Opening Devotion

9:45 am - **Preserving Our Heritage through Correspondence**

I. Letters from Leipzig: The Correspondence of S. C. Ylvisaker

Presented by Professor Erling T. Teigen

10:45 am - Break

11:00 am - **II. Letters from World War II: Wartime Correspondence of N. A. Madson**

Presented by the Rev. Paul G. Madson

Noon - Lunch (*Reservations and advance payment required. See below*)

1:15 pm - Business Meeting

1:30 pm - **Preserving Our Heritage through Artifacts**

Presented by Shelley Harrison of the Blue Earth
County Historical Society

2:30 pm - **Preserving Artifacts**

Shelley Harrison will discuss, demonstrate, and
answer questions about techniques for preserving
textiles, paper, and other important artifacts.

3:30 pm - Closing Devotion and Coffee

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\$10/year: individual

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\$15/year: individual

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\$5/year: student

Lifetime Membership:

\$200

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and
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City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

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Total = \$ _____

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