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1953 — 1983 The Struggle Continues...

See inside for special
30th Anniversary section
with history, commentary
photos and more

Civil Rights update

Fair Housing

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) estimates that "more than two million instances of housing discrimination occur each year." The figure is especially troubling in light of the fair housing provision enacted by Congress in the Civil Rights Act of 1968, which declared that housing "shall not be denied because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin." Although Congress identified the problem of housing discrimination, it failed to provide for adequate enforcement of the law.

Currently, a bill in the Senate, and statements by the administration reveal active interest in this issue.

Recently, Senators Mathias and Kennedy introduced legislation to address housing discrimination complaints. The bill, S1220, amends the fair housing provisions of the Civil Rights act of 1968. This bill creates procedures that enable individuals to bring their complaints about housing discrimination before an Administrative Law Judge.

The judges would be appointed by a Fair Housing Review Commission and could impose civil penalties of up to \$10,000 or award compensatory damages if discrimination had been found. The bill would also identify other types of discrimination, especially regarding the handicapped and families with children.

At present, HUD has no authority to bring action in housing discrimination cases. It can only attempt to settle disputes as a conciliator, which has proven ineffective.

In an interview, John Lillie, of the Lutheran Council's Office of Governmental Affairs, stated; "These enforcement provisions are important." He also doubted if an administration proposal would be as strong on enforcement. Lillie hoped that individuals will check to see if their Senators are among the 40 co-sponsors of S1220. If not, he encouraged citizens to call on their legislators to support this important piece of Civil Rights legislation.

Housing discrimination takes a variety of forms but generally shows itself through a refusal to sell, refusal to rent, discriminatory financing and false representation by a manager or real estate agent. S1220 seeks to correct these actions, but the real estate industry is already lobbying hard for its dismissal. The bill has been referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee, but no hearings have been set. It is vital that the bill gain momentum and support, for the Senate Republican leadership have shown a desire to stall the bill from consideration.

For more information contact John Lillie, LCUSA/OGA, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, #2720, Washington, DC 20024.

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JULY, 1983

A call to the nation

"It's a time to experience friendship and fellowship," said Ted Gleiter, LHRAA Board member, as he discussed the August 26th gathering in Washington, DC to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Lutheran Human Relations.

Gleiter, and Richard Fox, Jr., co-organizers of the event, are making plans to CELEBRATE THE STRUGGLE at First Trinity Lutheran Church in the Capital.

Gleiter said he hoped that all the Lutherans planning to attend the August 27th March on Washington for "Jobs, Peace and Freedom" would also come the evening before to First Trinity to coordinate a visible Lutheran presence at the Saturday march.

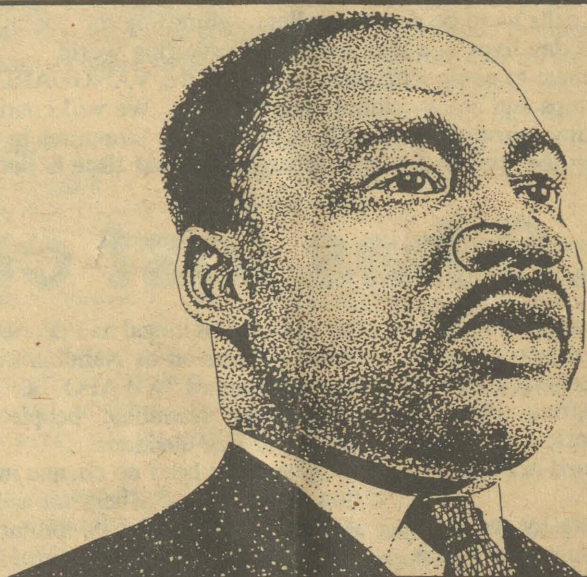
In 1963 many members of LHRAA responded to call, and marched with Martin Luther King, Jr. They heard the now famous "I have a Dream" speech. Those Lutherans, marching under an LHRAA banner, joined the thousands of other individuals and groups who marched on the Capitol. Fox and Gleiter are currently trying to contact some of those LHRAA members to ask them to be present again, and to help "new comers" at the 1983 gathering to remember and celebrate the struggle. "We're making a renewed commitment to the fight for justice for all, and we're looking to LHRAA members to lead the way," said Gleiter.

When asked what's going to happen, Gleiter responded: "We're hoping for a big group. We're going to spend time getting to know each other. We're going to reminisce and get caught up on 20 years of history. We're going to share memories so that we can dream and plan together for the future. We're going to share a meal. We're going to worship, we need to pray together. And then we're going to march."

There will be limited space available on the evening of the 26th for persons with sleeping bags to sleep on the church floor.

**There's still time
to sign up.**

See back page for the latest
information about the 1983
Human Relations Institute,
July 29-31.



We Still Have A Dream!
JOBS · PEACE · FREEDOM

August 27, 1983 ☆ Lincoln Memorial ☆ Washington, D.C.

However, Gleiter suggested that folks try to make their own sleeping arrangements in the DC area.

If you are planning to participate in the March for Jobs, Peace and Freedom on the 27th of August, and want to be a part of the Lutheran Human Relations group, you are invited to be present on the 26th (beginning at about 5:00 p.m.) at First Trinity

Lutheran Church, 309 E. Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20001.

For more information contact Ted Gleiter, 3809 Foxwood Nook, Falls Church, VA 22041.

For more information on the march, contact the 20th Anniversary Mobilization, 1542 9th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001, (202)462-2110.

The beginning of the end

Citing a list of nearly a thousand violent racist and anti-Semitic acts—including death threats, destruction of property, assaults, shootings, whippings, bombings, and even murder, the National Anti-Klan Network (NAKN) has been carrying out a national campaign to press for swift federal prosecution of Klansmen, Nazis and others committing such acts.

"We want to make 1983 a year known as the BEGINNING OF THE END to RACIST VIOLENCE IN AMERICA," said Rev. C. T. Vivian, Chair of the Network. Noting that it has been 125 years since the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation, Vivian stated, "It seems that regard for Blacklife in America still stands no higher than that of chattel."

Highly critical of the tiny number (less than 20) prosecutions taken by the U. S. Justice Department in contrast to the nearly 500 documented incidents of Klan violence and nearly 500 more of what they term "random racist violence," the Network hopes that its campaign will make stopping such violence a "top priority on the nation's agenda."

The rationale for such a low prosecution rate by Justice Department officials, says the Network, is that they only claim jurisdiction in cases if the victim is actually engaged in a "specifically protected activity"—meaning voting, using a public facility, etc.

Klan opponents, as well as noted constitutional law experts, contend that all racially-motivated and anti-Semitic violence is aimed at depriving Blacks,

Jews and others—as a whole—of their constitutional rights. The NAKN complains that those highest law enforcement officials are themselves guilty of breaking the civil rights statutes.

"The Attorney General claims to have very limited jurisdiction in these cases of racist terror," said Vivian. "But we know the laws are on the books and if Black people do not have a 'federally protected right to life,' then every other civil right stands in grave jeopardy. The posture of the federal government is tantamount to condoning Klan violence."

The Network's 1983 Campaign includes a mass petition drive to collect thousands of signatures demanding immediate federal action. (For a copy of the petition see page 2). It began in January, and will continue through the end of July. The petitions will be dramatically delivered to President Reagan and Attorney General William French Smith during the 20th Anniversary Activities for the historic 1963 March on Washington in August.

One focus for campaign organizers will be on generating public awareness. Many Americans seem unaware of the magnitude of such violent incidents and stories from its victims rarely reach beyond local or state boundaries.

Leaders of NAKN hope that their 1983 Campaign will mean that no candidate will be able to run for public office in 1984 and fail to speak to this issue.

For more information contact NAKN, P. O. Box 10500, Atlanta, GA 30310 or call (404) 221-0025.

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Celebrate the Struggle

TEN TWENTY



30th Anniversary

THIRTY

IN THE BEGINNING

Andrew Schulze



VANGUARD January-February 1954 and 1955

In 1935 the writer met an outstanding Lutheran social worker, a layman, who suggested that human relations associations be established in important urban and industrial areas. In 1939 the writer delivered an essay with regard to the church's mission to the non-white population. After the reading of the essay and during the spirited discussion, it became apparent that there were more friends of this movement than this lonely soul and his few colleagues had anticipated.

Groups in St. Louis and Chicago followed up the suggestion of the layman cited above in establishing local institutes which to this day are a permanent part of the local programs. In 1945 it was decided to inaugurate an annual institute to which all interested parties would be invited. The first three institutes were held in St. Louis. In 1948 and 1949 the annual institutes were moved to Chicago. Since 1950 they have been conducted on the campus of Valparaiso University.

At the 1953 Valparaiso University Institute on Human Relations, it was agreed to form the Lutheran Human Relations Association of America and to publish a regular bulletin which has now been called *The Vanguard*. Both were created to the end that the Church may more and more take a position of leadership in human relations and to help the Church toward this God-pleasing goal...

We are living in a time of radical social change. The status quo of the society of nations, of American society, and of the fellowship of the Church is being re-examined and in many places honestly questioned...

For the good of the world, the nation, the community, the Church, and the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, it is evident to us that the Church must take a fresh view of the Christian principles involved, compare them with the status quo, and take such immediate action as may be demanded by its God-given principles that will work toward a change of the status quo, so that Christian people may walk among men of all racial groups with their heads up saying, "You will find our preaching in our practice."

January 1957

The subscription list of *The Vanguard* has more than doubled during the past six months. An Association Speakers' Bureau is being established. More literature on several levels of interest is being prepared. A play is to be written which will be made available to churches and church groups. Courses in race relations at Valparaiso University and at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, as well as the 1957 Valparaiso University Institute on Human Relations were subjects of considerable discussion. More local chapters of LHRAA are coming into existence; eighteen have been organized to date.

By invitation of congregations in changing communities, the Executive Secretary of the Association is addressing them and counseling with pastors and boards on the techniques of integration. An ever-growing number of congregations are cooperating with the Association by placing its work on their budget. Individual Christians concerned about the problems and opportunities with which the Association deals are contributing liberally to the work of the Association.

With increasing interest and financial assistance, the Association intends to expand its work until the time comes when the Church will be in the Vanguard in human relations and the Association can disband. But that time is not now.

August 1960

The treasurer's report revealed a deficit in the general treasury of \$1,226.00, with \$4,810.74 of the 1959-60 budget unmet. The same budget of \$18,000 was adopted for the new fiscal year.

September 1960 Special Southern Service

There are those in the South who have been "marked" because they have received mail from organizations known to be opposed to segregation. These people may subsequently be subject to economic reprisal, bullying, and threats, as well as outright violence. Those desiring to receive *The Vanguard* and other literature under the S.S.S. program would receive their mail in first-class envelopes, with the return address listed as Box 206.

July-August 1965 Annual Report

Karl E. Lutze

While functional goals may vary from year to year, a greater goal to which we are dedicated and for which we have been laboring since the Association's very inception, is to bestow love ... We are strong in this, that the love we have to bestow is Christ's—the Christ who forgives what has been poor in our past performance and who blesses what we do in His Name...

The opportunities abound. There are some who have worked in the past and have grown weary and faint. In love we must reclaim and revive these. Some have carried a heavy load quite alone. In love we must stand with and sustain these. Some have not even yet begun to understand the agonies of men whose very existence is frustration and despair. In love we must awaken, prod, equip, and attend these...

January-February 1967 Mutual Enrichment Program

Theology professors may be working side by side with inner city pastors this summer, according to a Wheat Ridge Foundation announcement.

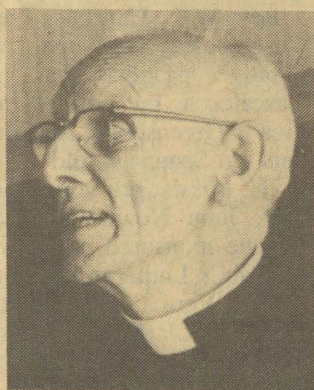
The Mutual Enrichment Program, proposed, by LHRAA, and financed by the Wheat Ridge Foundation...calls for a theologian to spend a month of his summer assisting the pastor of an inner city church in his work, observing his ministry, meeting and working, and living with the people. For two hours every day he will guide the pastor in theological study ...

In commenting on the program, Pastor Edward May, Executive Director of the Wheat Ridge Foundation, pointed out that "pastors - especially those in the inner city - can ill afford to be absent from their posts during the summer months, yet desperately desire to continue serious professional and theological study. It is necessary, too, that our theologians in academic circles have opportunity for first-hand observation of the problems of our changing world and its people."

September-October 1967

Dr. Otto Paul Kretzmann, President of Valparaiso University for 27 years, has announced his intention to resign from that post, effective the end of the 1967-68 school term.

From LHRAA's earliest days, Dr. Kretzmann has been supportive of the Association, when few churchmen would identify themselves with it. Through the years he has served as a valuable advisor to LHRAA, has hosted the Association's annual institutes, and has, through the University, provided headquarters there for LHRAA.



ANDREW SCHULZE
1896-1982

Founder and first Executive Secretary of LHRAA, he served the ministry of the Association singlemindedly before its formal organization, during his tenure, and after his retirement until his death.

KARL E. LUTZE

has given more than 20 years of service to LHRAA as member of the Board of Directors, Field Secretary, and Executive Director. Since 1980 he has been the Director for Church Relations at Valparaiso University.



MARGARET SCHULZE
1902-1982

The significant contributions made by these two women - in and out of the LHRAA office - have been outstanding and far too numerous to list. They brought their own special ministry of love to all that they did.

ESTHER LUTZE



June 1975 Institute Project Fair

Fourteen different activities designed to effect change will be showcased at the 26th annual Institute on Human Relations. Theme of the Institute is "... in the land of plenty," and the catalog of projects to be exhibited and explained by representatives includes school desegregation, curriculum changes, churches in transition, media monitoring, welfare rights, red-lining, housing, Appalachian ministries, prisoner concerns, land use, court watching, and food stamp programs.

October-November 1975 State Councils

Newest of all LHRAA programs is its State Council Program which is intended to make the Association's ministry present and operative in broader geographical dimensions. LHRAA State Councils encourage Lutherans throughout a state to work together on important human relations issues before state legislatures and in church districts and synods. An annual meeting is held and newsletters are sent out periodically.

September 1976

Excerpts from an address to the 1976 Institute by Victor Schoonover, LHRAA president.

When the President of this nation gives his state of the union address, he talks about the G.N.P. - our Gross National Product. As I consider the resources of LHRAA let me also talk about the G.N.P. Because, as I see it, the G.N.P. of this association is all that we have to place in the path of various and virulent forms of oppression that surround us.

LHRAA has a shortage of funds; we have a need for a larger membership; we have personal needs to be inspired, encouraged and reminded that the journey is worth the struggle. But more than these we have our GNP people.

G stands for a giving people. Prompted by a giving Lord, we give of ourselves... of our time and our energy...our means and our faltering abilities. We give freely. We are here because we want to be here. The fight against oppression has thrown us together. It is our giving - the glue of our cohesiveness and commitment - that keeps us together. We are a giving people.

N stands for a nurturing people. Because we have fed on the body and blood of our Lord, we can be different from the world around us where too many feed on one another. But we can and do feed on one another's needs for acceptance, understanding, encouragement, courage, example, purpose and meaning...We are a nurturing people.

P stands for Pilgrims. We are a Pilgrim people. We are not there yet. We are still on the way. We have not arrived. We cannot pitch our tent, sit down and rest.

Now this does not mean that we are a wandering aimless people... We know where we are going. We know why. We know the One who has blazed the trail.

But we also know that the journey has only begun and reluctantly we come to accept the fact that we will always be a Pilgrim people.

January-February 1977 Grants for LHRAA Services

The Wheat Ridge Foundation has announced a grant of \$23,700 to assist LHRAA in conducting two indepth workshops for congregations in changing neighborhoods...

LHRAA will receive \$11,500 from Lutheran Brotherhood to activate a Regional Resource Network. Funds from the American Lutheran Church have assisted LHRAA in preliminary development of such a network.

LHRAA is the recipient of the offering from the convention of the Lutheran Church in America held this summer... The \$2129 offering was designated for minority concerns....

The Rev. Dr. Leslie Weber, social ministry executive director for The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, has announced the Synod's grant of \$4000 to LHRAA ... for the operating budget, the Coordinator program, and to develop workshops for campus ministries and other local groups.

July 1977 Changing Neighborhood Workshop

Lay leaders and pastors from selected "changing-neighborhood congregations" in five mid-western and eastern states will participate in a study-strategy workshop in Chicago, September 25-30. LHRAA is sponsoring the workshop. The Wheat Ridge Foundation has made a grant to fund this workshop as well as one on the west coast.

August-September 1977 Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of LHRAA took place on July 31. In response to growing requests for LHRAA's services the meeting adopted a budget of \$145,000.

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Boycotts — Marches — and Those Awful Demonstrations



September 1962

I WAS IN PRISON Andrew Schulze

...Dr. Martin Luther King sent a telegram to clergymen of the New York City area in which he informed them of the stalemate that had been reached in Albany (Georgia). The leaders of the Albany Movement had found that all their endeavors over a period of months to communicate meaning fully with the Albany officials had been fruitless. He indicated further that there was danger of the Negro people losing heart after their many frustrated attempts to better their conditions...

The persons who responded to Dr. King's call for help came from the two largest metropolitan centers of the north, New York City and Chicago ... They went to Albany to identify themselves with the Negro people of that city in their struggle to obtain justice and human equality, and, if possible, to help

persuade the city authorities and the white citizens of the community, including the pastors of the white churches, to reconcile their differences in favor of justice and human decency.

These religious leaders did not go there to be jailed. They were, nevertheless, not so naive as to think that they might not be thrown into jail if they tried peaceably to assemble and to demonstrate because of just grievances against their fellow citizens who happen to live in Georgia and who by divine providence are what we call Negroes. In fact, they went there prepared for that as a probable eventuality. And it happened. All of them heard Chief Pritchett give the command to the police standing by: "Put them in jail." And into jail they went ...

Though the inconveniences, deprivations, and hardships suffered were substantial, these persons knew that what they suffered was but a token of the suffering inflicted on the 1,100 who had gone before them into the same jails, as well as the suffering that crushes the spirits of millions of Negroes in the south and in the north who by a cruel society overtly or otherwise are denied the right to be fully human...

There may be a time to ask questions as to the ethics of the Albany visit, and a time to find answers in the realm of theology, philosophy, ethics, law, and governmental authority. But the new commandment given to us by our Lord Jesus Christ, which has its motivation in His suffering, death, and resurrection, is "love one another."

The time therefore, to love one's neighbor by identifying oneself with him in his need is when he is in need and when time and circumstance make it possible. Such time and circumstance confronted certain Christian leaders as the call came to them, "Come down to Albany and help us."

September 1965 Confrontations

The 1965 Human Relations Institute concluded with a "Front Lines" confrontation featuring people from areas of racial tension.

The Rev. William Griffen of Chicago and the Rev. Arthur Simon of New York City interpreted the racial situations in these two cities. The Rev. Roy Jacob, Lutheran pastor in Bogalusa, Louisiana, ...described a meeting of the Ku Klux Klan which he witnessed.

Rev. W.L. Herzfeld, Lutheran pastor in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, reported comparative progress has been made in Tuscaloosa, but pointed to a new tension area in Greensboro, Alabama. College student Ed Spannaus told of his participation in the Mississippi voting project last summer. John Nowlin described a Walther League-sponsored project called VISIT to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Chicago.

Mrs. Vera Pige, director of Freedom House in Clarksdale, Mississippi, told of the shouts of "I'm a citizen" by people who were finally registered to vote after 10 or more previous attempts.



June 1980 ERA

Many Lutherans were among the 25,000 people from across the country who gathered in Chicago, May 10. A march and rally were held to encourage the Illinois state legislature to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. The Lutheran Women's Caucus and the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago were also represented at the march. Lutheran Human Relations has urged church leaders in unratified states to work for ERA's ratification.



Solidarity Day Washington, D. C.
We did not come to celebrate victory...
We came to declare war on poverty.

April 1956 Montgomery, Alabama

A grass-roots movement of Negroes (perhaps the first of its kind in our history) has been in progress since December 5, 1955. Not only Montgomery and Alabama and all of the Southland, but the nation and the world are watching its development... The dynamic leader of the bus boycott is the fearless young Baptist minister with a Ph.D. from Boston University, Dr. Martin Luther King...

July 1956

A young Lutheran pastor, The Rev. Robert S. Graetz, who has become known here as the "nigger-lovin' white preacher," urged Lutherans all over the United States to work within their own congregations and communities toward solutions of race problems...

He has gained nation-wide attention by being one of the few Montgomery white people to join the much-publicized Negro protest against abusive treatment and unfair seating policy in the city's bus system...

(from a news release of the National Lutheran Council)

January-February 1964 Civil Rights Bill

Pastors of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod were urged to appeal to their people for support of the Civil Rights Bill now pending in the Senate. The Lutheran Human Relations Association of America addressed the Synod-wide letter, recommending that the church's constituents write their Senators, "asking these men to assume a responsible stance in eliminating injustice and rescuing its victims." It stated that "these public servants ought to be urged to resist such shameful efforts that would frustrate the passage of laws intended to serve this concern." Signed by Association president Rev. Clemonce Sabourin, the letter also asked that the pastors "bring this cause to the throne of Grace in special prayer in your next Sunday service."



At the Lincoln Memorial, Mexican Americans proclaim their creed in the words of their leader, Reles Lopez Tijerina.

November 1972 The Long March

On October 6 caravans of Indians left Seattle, Los Angeles, and San Francisco, making some 75 different stops, including Wounded Knee, before arriving in the Twin Cities on October 21. Augustana Lutheran College in Sioux Falls, S.D. was one of the many places that helped to make hospitality arrangements for the travelers. Plans call for the caravans to attend the national convention of AIM.

On October 27, 28, 29, the schedule provides for a huge international Pow Wow at the Hippodrome, with representatives on hand from every tribe in the country and some from Canada. Chicanos are also being invited to participate. After the gathering the caravans will resume their travels to Washington, D.C.

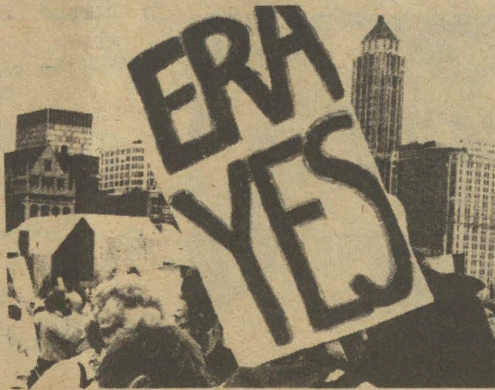
Meanwhile another caravan is scheduled to start in Oklahoma, with Indians there leaving on October 23 to retrace the steps of the bitter and infamous "Trail of Tears," recalling the event of 1838 when tribes of the southeast were uprooted to give place to white settlers.

From November 1 to November 7, the Indians (leaders hope for 150,000) plan to meet with congressional leaders as well as candidates for the presidency, bringing their case before the people of the world through the news media and asking for the commitment to Indian support by the nation's leaders.

January-February 1974 The Court vs. Boe

On December 14, 1973, the U.S. District Court in Sioux Falls, S.D., ordered that the Rev. Paul Boe be jailed for refusing to give incriminating testimony about persons involved in the occupation of Wounded Knee, S.D. The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, St. Louis, has reversed the contempt citation and the jail sentence...

Boe holds to the conviction that he was invited to join the Indian people in their struggle at Wounded Knee, that these people placed their trust and confidence in him as a friend and counselor, and that to speak publicly about these activities would be to "irrevocably destroy the relationships I have built, and the church has built, over the last five years."



July 1980 Perspective

by Karl E. Lutze

May 29, 1980 - Miami exploded! Once again - shattered glass, screeching sirens, belching flames, and angry voices. With "peace" achieved only at the point of a gun barrel after 500 were arrested and 15 lay dead. Today, how to maintain - not to mention, upgrade - public schools in our larger cities remains an unsolved problem. Unemployment has climbed beyond seven percent. The welfare system remains the budget item most people want to slash. Low-cost housing construction has slowed to a snail's pace.

And the Commission's judgment of more than a decade ago still stands:

"What white Americans have never fully understood - but what the Negro can never forget - is that white society is deeply implicated in the ghetto. White institutions created it, white institutions maintain it, and white society condones it."



July 1982 Nuclear Protest

by Joyce Ellwanger

"One in a million" read the purple button on my straw hat as I lined up with the Midwestern contingent... Suddenly on the path just before us, a family of LHRAers from Milwaukee appeared, which was somehow more consistent than incredible to have met in the midst of it all. And then the word: 750,000 in the park and another 200,000 remained at the UN ... Our group was 15 strong; our assignment: the US mission; our goal: to prevent business as usual and hold up the immorality of the nuclear arms escalation in our country; the chore: to stand at the edge of the barricades ... The police were firm in asking us to move, telling us we could not stay. But we did stay and they moved back...

...strength and togetherness returned to our group: the strength that was in the March, the strength that was in the silence of worship, the strength of our willingness to be vulnerable. And when the police said, "You must clear this area," we sat, hands still clasped and together we were taken away to the buses.

What I have come away with is a renewed sense of the intentional nature of peacemaking and of peacemakers, the need for each of us to examine ourselves as individuals first of all, and what it means to be peacemakers in a new day.

Ready or not — Here

WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE REAL BATTLEGROUND FOR PEACE IS IN THE MINDS OF MEN, BUT WE OVERLOOK THE FACT THAT THE MINDS OF MEN BEGIN IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN.

Ben Hill 1966 Institute

We Come!

SCHOOLS

July-August 1954 Desegregation

On May 17, 1954, the Supreme Court outlawed racial segregation in public schools. It was a significant decision in view of the fact that it nullified the separate but equal doctrine on the books since 1896. It was a somewhat amazing decision in view of the fact that it was unanimous. It was a sweeping decision since it will ultimately force alterations in the educational plans of twenty-one states and the District of Columbia where segregation has been mandatory or permissive...

September 1976 Leadership

"Leaders at the national, state, and local levels must accept the fact that desegregation of the nation's schools is a constitutional imperative."

That's a conclusion reached by the United States Commission on Civil Rights... According to the survey, desegregation was accomplished without disruption in 82 percent of 1300 school districts surveyed.

"Leadership" was identified as the essential ingredient in those school districts. The report therefore concludes: "A major investment of time and resources must be made in order to deal with the misconceptions relative to desegregation."

HOUSING

September-October 1954 Shelter: America's Number One Problem in Human Relations

by Charles R. Lawrence 1954 Institute

...Negroes have learned that there is no such thing as adequate housing within the racial ghetto. They are, therefore, determined to break the barriers that have been erected, not because they wish to make the the present white residents uncomfortable, but because they wish decent housing. They realize that continued segregation in housing means continued inequality of opportunity...

February-March 1963 Freedom of Residence

...That there is discrimination in housing is common knowledge. But there is increasing concern that such discrimination be eliminated. Legislation is regarded as a most effective means of bringing this about. However, legislation can only make for outward compliance. As in the problem of desegregation as a whole, there is an area of good will and friendliness into which men must enter if they are to live together in peace and harmony....The church must understand its responsibility to expose the true character of racism... Equal rights, both civil and religious, are not some prize to be given as a reward to any one group for work well done. Equal rights are for all as guaranteed by the Constitution, but especially as a free gift of God.

March 1973 Not In My Neighborhood

An Associated Press news story reports that the Gary (Ind.) Homeowners are bringing a class action suit to prevent the construction of an 80-unit single family home development in the Glenn Park Section...The report quotes the attorney for the citizens group as explaining that, "The have-nots would cause crime and become hostile... the attorney indicated he could provide expert witnesses to prove these allegations." The suit argues that an aggregation of poor people constitutes a nuisance.

WAR

January 1958

The March of Disaster

The Rev. Ralph Moellering, author of "Modern War and the American Churches," was asked to prepare a statement about his book:

"...In the broadest sense good human relations cannot be advanced without coping with the problem of war... All races and nationalities can worry together about the baneful consequences of radioactive fallout. All humanity can tremble together with common terror in contemplation of a nuclear holocaust. How deplorable that such ghastly thoughts must become a compelling force in causing us to overcome racial conflicts, and the motive in calling upon all Christian people everywhere to unite in seeking possible solutions designed to avert mass suicide!

...the author throws out the challenge to theologians to use their influences and intelligence in halting the march to disaster. Among the disturbing questions raised are these: Does the traditional Lutheran concept of a just war have any relevance to modern warfare? What can be done to stop the trend toward permanent militarism? What shall the churches say and do about conscription for a nuclear war?...

NATIVE AMERICANS

December 1957• Indians - The Church's Concern

What about the church and our American Indians? It is perhaps too true that for many years the church tried to bring the Gospel of Christ to our American Indians while it remained untouched by their need for physical help and political justice. There is at this time, however, among the churches an encouraging trend for the better.

The Lutheran Welfare Association of Montana invited me to attend and to participate in the Annual Montana Conference on Indian Problems and at the same time to attend dinner meetings with Lutherans of that area, to lead them in a discussion of human relations...to help increase the interest of Lutherans in their Indian neighbors...

July-August 1969 Seven Challenges

Another conference changed its agenda when Lutherans gathered in Sioux Falls, S.D., to discuss problems which the church and its members face in relation to the Indian American. Clyde Bellcourt and Dennis Banks, of the American Indian Movement, addressed the conference on the urgencies in Indian matters and called for a totally new focus for the conference centering on seven challenges which they presented:

- ... a national board of Indian concern for the churches with the chairman and 75 percent of its members to be Indian Americans;
- ... a commitment of that board and all Lutheran churches to "support of Indian groups in their efforts to determine their own needs, priorities, and actions;"
- ... a combined contribution by the three Lutheran church bodies of no less than 7.5 million dollars over a ten year period, with the programs receiving this money to be determined by Indian Americans;
- ... and, with the advice of Indian Americans, the support of legislation beneficial to Indian Americans.

The non-Indian participants of the conference responded with a resolution providing that the Seven Challenges be brought to the attention of the presidents of the Lutheran churches as well as the appropriate boards of the churches...

Spring 1977 NILB and LuChIP

In the 1960's a loose network of people formed Lutheran Church and Indian People (LuChIP). In 1970, at the request of Indians themselves, the National Indian Lutheran Board (NILB) was formed to coordinate Indian ministries among the Lutheran churches. At the same time, the Lutheran Council USA hired a Secretary for Indian Services, Eugene Crawford, who is also the NILB executive director.

The Board now includes 12 members (8 of them Indian), elected from four regions, a board president, and the executive director. The full board meets annually and each year there are regional meetings.

An important function of the NILB is to review and recommend Indian projects for support by the Lutheran churches. On-site visits and advice are given to help Indians develop these self-sustaining endeavors. NILB also seeks to interpret Indian concerns to the broader church through Indian Concerns Sunday each year, an annual meeting, regional conferences, and printed materials.

In 1976 projects in the following areas received NILB funds: community programs, rehabilitation, economic development, education, food assistance, health, land development, youth programs, and national religious and Indian organizations to develop Indian leadership.



March-April 1983 Hunger

In Pensacola, Florida, NILB board member Marilyn Sorensen reports that a food bank to serve a two county area was opened in January, 1983...To date the bank has served 5 to 7 families a day. And in Charlotte, North Carolina, NILB board member Judy Warner reports that: "Between June and August of 1982, Metrolina Native American Association distributed 2985 pounds of food to persons in the Indian community."

NAMIBIA

October 1957 South Africa Again

Most churches in South Africa are standing up against a new law that subjects attendance by natives at worship services outside their "locations" to the permission in each instance of the Ministry of Native Affairs. The Christian Council of South Africa has denounced such a law and has stigmatised compulsory segregation "in any sphere of life" as "denial of the law of God and repudiation of the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ." ... A great many Christians in South Africa at first felt that yielding a little might satisfy the insistence of an obviously "white supremacy" government. Now they have discovered that only complete surrender of religious freedom is the price of peace - the peace of the graveyard!

August-September 1971 Pastoral Letter

In July of this year, the governing boards of two Lutheran churches in South-West Africa prepared and made public a pastoral letter and an open letter to South Africa Prime Minister B.J. Vorster...

Attention was called to the World Court decision of June 21 which calls South Africa's occupation of South-West Africa illegal, and the pastoral letter indicated that because of this decision: "we can no longer remain silent. We feel that if we as the Church remain silent any longer we will become liable for the life and future of our country and its people."

November 1982 Plea for Peace

(From an interview by John Evenson with Bishop Kleopas Dumeni, head of the Evangelical Lutheran Ovambokavango Church)

...We know that our fellow Christians all over the world, they are praying for us...I ask them simply to continue, not to cease in praying for the suffering people.

...We have many Namibians outside of this country because of this war situation. We cannot help them with their daily needs and the spiritual ones...It is our wish and will for you to take care of them on behalf of the churches in Namibia.

Out of our deep desire to come to the end of this killing, suffering, bloodshed ...I plead with your churches to do what they can do to approach their respective governments to put more pressure on the South African government...

What do Namibian people want? They want peace...We want it today, but we hope and believe Namibia will be free one of these days.



Young people protest apartheid in South Africa.

TEN

TWENTY

THIRTY

May-June 1963 Campus Visits

In recent months the presidents of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, the Concordia Teachers Colleges in Seward and River Forest, Concordia Senior College in Ft. Wayne, Concordia College and the Lutheran Lay Training Institute in Milwaukee invited a member of the LHRAA staff to visit their campuses. Purpose of the visits was to help acquaint these future church workers with the problems and opportunities confronting the church and its members in the matter of interracial tensions.

November 1963

Excerpts from a speech to LHRA-St. Louis at the Tenth Anniversary Observance by Richard K. Fox Jr., LHRAA Vice-president

...For ten years this Association has been speaking, writing, and talking about the problems of the neglected and the deprived. We have been trying to convince the Lutheran Church and its constituents of the great opportunity that confronts it for saving the bodies of men as well as their souls...

We need not ask where does LHRAA go from here. We need only place ourselves in His hands and to ask that He continue to permit us to do His bidding. It is our human dream that this Association will not have the occasion to celebrate a twentieth anniversary.

Until His decision is made clear to us, we shall continue as we indicated in a resolution passed at our most recent Institute on July 7, to

identify ourselves with the suffering of the oppressed in helping them to realize their full potential as God's new creation by such specific acts as would witness to their right to full participation in the Body of Christ and to full citizenship in our nation.

The history of LHRAA is people. For thirty years, thousands of men and women and children have supported the Association with their money, their muscles, their minds and their hearts. Here are the names of a few of these people - and alongside each name are more people - wives, husbands, children, relatives and friends - the LHRAA family.

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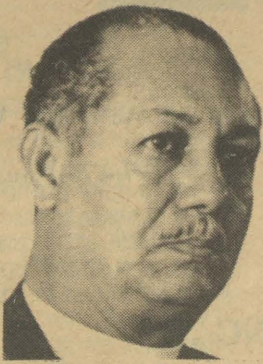
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CLEMENCE SABOURIN was until 1976, pastor of Mount Zion Lutheran Church in Harlem, New York. Pastor Sabourin served as president of LHRAA for ten years. Following are excerpts from his response when he received the Mind of Christ Award in 1970.

... I see troubled eyes peering over your shoulders. I hear a muffled undertone of angry voices saying with impatient restraint, "Go home, old man, go home. You have had your dream ... You are foolish to expect the righteous to speak. Nothing can mend the broken. Neither the love of God nor fire from the throne can move men to love neighbors of another color."

... A poem in a church publication entitled "Broken Glass" describes slum neighborhoods and "wretched tenements" and closes with a plea that "the Word will come to these places ..." Though somewhat ambiguous the poem seems to suggest that sending messengers with the Word to the slum-shocked inhabitants of the inner city is going to solve their problems and bring them peace. ...

It is only when the Word of God is applied to the suburban cause of innercity despair that peace can displace the futile, broken glass. We must apply the Word not to black misery but to white masters; not to the oppressed but to the oppressors; not to the suffering of the city but to the sins of the suburbs.

... The hope that the cancer of racism will be identified and the surgery of the Word used for its removal lies within the Lutheran Human Relations Association of America. Your task is cut out for you. ... May God open our eyes and we too shall see that in spite of our small numbers, they who are with us are more than those who are with the enemy. In God's name, let us go forward.

Clemence Sabourin

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in recognition of outstanding leadership in the cause of human relations

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March-April 1972 Coordinator Program

Encouraged by a successful three year pilot venture in Los Angeles, LHRAA is attempting to increase the effectiveness of its work through the appointment of coordinators in different cities across the country. Coordinators are volunteer, non-salaried, field staff members. These people are to provide an LHRAA presence in local communities, working to give Lutheran people the opportunity to participate in projects which will effect the necessary changes in themselves, their churches, and their communities.

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March 1978 Grants for LHRAA Services

A grant from the Aid Association for Lutherans will enable LHRAA to set up State Councils in Pennsylvania and South Dakota...

A new and unique effort by the American Lutheran Church Women will send VANGUARD to 350 top ALCW leaders across the country. A \$1600 grant to LHRAA will help fund the newspaper's distribution costs for an entire year....

September 1979 Regional Resource Network

The best resource for dealing with human relations issues is people. That's why the Board and staff of Lutheran Human Relations has given highest priority in the next year to LHRAA's Regional Resource Network. This resource network enables individuals, congregations, and other groups at the local level to respond to specific problems and issues. The network includes more than 60 persons across the country - persons with specific skills and experiences in a wide variety of human relations concerns.

December 1979 Priorities For The Future

Lutheran Human Relations will focus its efforts at the local level on helping congregations and others deal with racism and sexism in the church. LHRAA's Regional Resource Network will be the primary tool for carrying out this work.... Vanguard and the annual Human Relations Institute will, however, continue to address the broad range of human relations issues in church and society.

November 1980 LHRAA Moves to Milwaukee

Completing an 18-month study, the board of directors of LHRAA, at its October 24-26 meeting, voted unanimously to relocate the association's offices to Milwaukee, Wisconsin during the next year. The new site was chosen because it would provide both an urban and multi-cultural environment for the LHRAA staff...

In announcing the move from Valparaiso, Indiana, the board expressed special appreciation to Valparaiso University. LHRAA has always been independent from the university, but the university has generously donated office space since the association's founding in 1953.

December 1980 New Directors Appointed

Susan Ruehle and Charles Ruehle were named directors of the Lutheran Human Relations Association of America by the association's board of directors at the board's special meeting, December 13...The Ruehles will begin their work on June 1, 1981. This will coincide with the relocation of the Association's offices to Milwaukee.

November 1982 Covenant Congregations

"It's an attempt to be more helpful to the congregations we relate to."

That's how Gerhard Fischer described the LHRAA Covenant Congregation program being initiated this fall. Fischer, an LHRAA board member, is head of the group developing this partnership program....

Congregations participating in the covenant program will receive help from LHRAA in identifying and studying issues, resources for action, and regular updating on a variety of peace and justice issues.

In return, congregations covenant to witness to and act upon at least one peace and justice issue during the year through worship, biblical reflection, study and advocacy. Congregations also commit themselves to supporting LHRAA's ministry through prayer, financial contributions, and participation in LHRAA events like the annual Institute.

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COMMENTARY

by Barry Sawtelle

Since Abraham and Sarah, people of faith have been people on the move. Scriptures of the Jewish and Christian traditions are rich in accounts of God's special regard for the refugee, the wanderer, those without a home. In the same way, people of God must be committed to the refugee. Seen from a perspective of faith, the question of providing shelter is not a fearful "us versus them" confrontation, but must be a search for ways to preserve freedom in a world tragically divided by national boundaries.

Our first moral commitment is to shelter those who are immediately threatened by persecution. This commitment is embodied in the actions of churches and synagogues which have resettled refugees for many years, and also in the insistence that those who may be victims of persecution be given a fair chance to state their claim for asylum. In the current debate, compassion for those in danger often competes with the fear that too many people are entering the United States.

A second moral commitment is to the equality of races and nationalities. God is the maker of all humanity and not just U.S. Citizens. People of faith confess that God's will is for harmony among peoples and races. Immigration and refugee law enforcement should be fair and should not result in any group being subjected to greater risks of discrimination or exclusion.

A third moral commitment is to treat others as we would ourselves be treated. Rights of fair hearings and due process are basic to our political conscience and must be upheld for all people. The policies of the United States have limited these rights, and have made cultural adjustments more difficult by restricting language training and services for the first asylum refugees.

Finally, we must realize that the relief we provide is limited. Therefore, people of faith must commit themselves to changing the conditions that force people to leave their homeland.

Whether those conditions are political oppression, famine, or war, it is the work of the people of God to end them. The religious community must hold the United States government accountable to a concern for conditions outside our borders and the manner in which U.S. actions affect foreign nations and peoples.

Barry Sawtelle, of the American Baptist Church, is a member of the Immigration and Refugee Working Group of National IMPACT. Reprinted from PREPARE, with permission of IMPACT.

resources we recommend

FOCUS ON JUSTICE: A WORKSHOP MANUAL ON JUSTICE AND PEACE

Here's a loose-leaf bound manual filled with information, exercises and other workshop ideas and plans. The format uses four modules including: 1) Looking at Justice, 2) Values: the Christian and Social Justice, 3) Issues: Social Justice in a Contemporary Context, and 4) Models of Justice, Messengers of Peace. Along with these well developed modules, the manual contains an appendix of other workshop aids, a hunger awareness exercise, songs and skits, plus other resources. **FROM:**

Evangelicals for Social Action, 25 Commerce SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. \$15.00 plus \$2.00 shipping.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

From the A. J. Muste Memorial Institute Essay Series. This 50 page booklet contains three pieces by Martin Luther King, Jr. The first sermon entitled "Loving your Enemies"; the second, "Letter from a Birmingham Jail"; and the last, "Declaration of Independence from the War in Vietnam. **FROM:** LHRAA, 2703 N. Sherman, Milwaukee, WI 53210, \$1.35, postage included.

BOOKS·BOOKS·BOOKS

YOUR MONEY/THEIR MINISTRY

by Rev. Edward Hales & J. Alan Youngren
Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1981

Edward Hales, pastor of the 1st Baptist Church in Wheaton, Illinois, and J. Alan Youngren, a marketing and development consultant to Christian organizations, have put together this fine common sense approach to stewardship. The authors presuppose the answer to the "why", "how" and "how much" questions and stress our need to be wise as we make our financial investments in the work of the Kingdom of God.

In the nine concise chapters the authors establish their proposition for wise stewardship, explore the history of fundraising in the church, consider the fund raiser's tools, expose the abuses of fund raising, and establish a solid foundation for giving. These topics then are brought to bear on the practical matters of gathering information and analyzing both financial and non-financial information.

Their suggestions for wise stewardship are both forthright and courageous. Examples are as follows: support no more than six to ten ministries beyond one's congregation so participation can be knowledgeable; give semi-annually or annually to minimize processing costs; and if, due to conscience, one cannot support their congregation, one should not support that congregation with attendance either and find one they can support.

This intentional stewardship then involves goal setting, information gathering and evaluation. Stewardship of money becomes more than glibly signing a check and becomes a knowledgeable participation in ministries. Sample letters of inquiry are provided for obtaining doctrinal statements, statements of purpose, board of directors, financial statements and future plans. The results of their 36 inquiries are also provided along with the means to evaluate the data.

Every household could benefit from this forthright common sense approach to stewardship, though a copy isn't necessary in every household. The method and wisdom would be a burden for a single household to wade through; however, in the context of congregational stewardship education this is a dandy resource.

Reviewer Mark Pries is co-pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Dubuque, Iowa.

GIFTS OF GRACE

by Mary R. Schramm
Augsburg Publishing House, 1982

Scripture reveals the will of God overall, but his will for us personally is written into our very beings. Through Bible study, prayer and reflection we are to identify and develop our gifts and help others to do likewise, thus becoming the persons God created us to be and affirming his work in others.

Do we feel "ungifted" in comparison to others? God knows what is needed for the body of Christ to function and gifts each of us accordingly; all gifts are equally important. To pray, love, listen, encourage, empathize, to serve—all are gifts of grace. Identity and fulfillment evolve as we use our gifts to minister to others in response to God's love.

Are we confused by our suffering? Acting within God's

will is not a panacea for happiness. If we follow Jesus we may expect failure, loss, ridicule or abuse. When the pain of life is most acute, we need help to discover who we really are.

Can we bring wholeness to our broken world? We are part of a politico/economic system directly related to widespread suffering. When we acknowledge God's bounty belongs to all people, seeing injustice, we will respond with our spirit-empowered lives.

The author encourages us to celebrate our uniqueness and lavishly expend our grace-gifts on others. As we find Jesus in our brothers and sisters and offer unconditional love, we return that gift of love. There is joy in risking. The shape of our gifts is the shape of the cross.

Reviewer Jan Rozek is the librarian at Memorial Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, WI.

'Helping us celebrate'

"Ever since I received a letter from you concerning the 30th Anniversary this year of the work being carried on by Lutheran Human Relations Association of America...I knew there was something special I would like to do in celebrating this event. The enclosed check is to be an interest free loan for an indefinite period."

Those words illustrate one of the reasons LHRAA friends and members support the Association's Interest Free Loan Program.

If you...

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U.S. War Deaths Past and Future (↑ = 200,000 people)

In past wars

Civil War

WW I

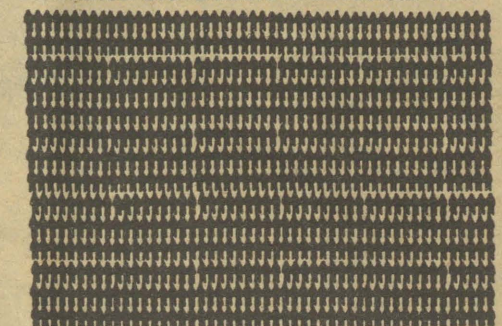
WW II

Korea

Vietnam

1,000,000

Estimated U.S. Deaths in a Nuclear War*



140,000,000

*Estimate by U.S. National Security Council, Presidential Review Memorandum #10, June, 1977.

From: BULLETIN, Interracial Books for Children

IN THE NEWS ...

Dr. Nelson W. Trout of Columbus, Ohio has become the first Black person elected as a district bishop in the American Lutheran Church (ALC). Since 1975, Trout has been a professor and director of minority ministry studies at Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus. Previously he served as a social service agency director, national church staff executive, and parish pastor.

An LHRAA 30th Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for Sunday, October 2, at Luther Memorial Church, 1319 Boland Place, St. Louis, Missouri. For more information contact LeRoy Zimmerman, 4625 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108.

Catholic bishops—in their Peace Pastoral—have asked Christians to commit themselves to fast and abstinence each Friday "as a tangible sign of our need and desire to do penance for the sake of peace."

The fall New Wine Exchange Conference scheduled for October 21-23 in Chicago will focus on the theme: "The Global Crisis in Capitalism." For more information contact Kim Zalent, 3800 Bridge St., Cleveland, OH 44113.

Bishop James R. Crumley, Jr. of the Lutheran Church in America (LCA) has called on the United States and other nations to urge the Turkish government to end its harassment of the patriarchate of Constantinople in Istanbul. Crumley said not enough people know of the systematic and forcible violation of the rights of the Orthodox church by the Turkish government.

Celebrate the Struggle



Coretta Scott King, The Friday evening guest speaker is the President of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, located in Atlanta, Georgia.



Paul Schulze, The weekend moderator. Director of Contextual Education at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary; pastor of St. James Lutheran Church in Richmond, California.



Albert Pero Jr., Friday afternoon speaker. He is currently the Chair of the Systematic Theology Department of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (LSTC).



Norma Everist, The weekend liturgist and worship leader. Currently Assistant Professor of Educational Ministry at Wartburg Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa.



Elmer Witt, Saturday evening co-host. Serves as the Director of the Central Region for National Lutheran Campus Ministry, and as a campus pastor at Governors State University in Illinois.



Virginia Witt, Saturday evening co-host. A Human Relations Trainer; staff member of Chicago Regional National Conference of Christians and Jews.

...The Struggle continues

1983 Human Relations Institute, July 29—31
Carroll College, Waukesha, Wisconsin

CELEBRATE THE STRUGGLE is more than a theme. It is the reason for the 1983 Human Relations Institute. The celebration takes place in the hope of justice and liberation which is God's promise for all people. It is the reason to remember that struggles of the past and to refresh ourselves for the struggles of today.

Celebrating the struggle means worship, relaxation, and hard work. It means listening and recommitment to action on behalf of those persons unable to act.

Celebrating the struggle is your call to the 30th Anniversary celebration of Lutheran Human Relations Association of America.

YOUTH WELCOME

A special part of this year's Institute is the youth program. Ms. Jean Sveum, a teacher and graduate of University Wisconsin-Lacrosse, and Rev. Jim Bickel of Ascension Lutheran Church in Waukesha, WI will lead the youth in programs designed for the younger and older youth.

Families are encouraged to come. And while there is separate programming for the youth there will be opportunities for all to worship and play and share time together.

WORKSHOPS

Workshops will be held all day Saturday, July 30th. Participants will spend the morning in an in-depth discussion of an issue, and the afternoon planning and strategizing for action. The workshops will include:

Sanctuary and the Church. Led by Ruth Chojnacki from the Sanctuary Committee of the Central American Solidarity Coalition (CASC) in Milwaukee.

Civil Disobedience. Led by Rev. Dick Bruesehoff. A Peace Partner with Ecumenical Partnership for Peace and Justice of the Wisconsin Council of Churches.

Community Organizing in the 80's. Led by E. Taylor Harmon and Willis Wright of the Alabama Rural Council.

Jobs for Peace. Led by Julie Enslow of the Mobilization for Survival in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Transcultural Music and the Church. Led by Ike Jenkins and Vivian Jenkins Nelson.

Feminization of Poverty. Led by Elizabeth Wetherell and Naomi Bruesehoff.

The Mid-East. Led by Ben Hubbard, Associate Editor of the Wisconsin Jewish Chronicle; and Nadim Sahar, President of the Middle East Concerned Citizens' Association in Madison, WI.

Hispanic/Bilingual Ministry. Led by Sam Hernandez, a member of the LHRAA Board of Directors and the director of Hispanic Ministries in the South Pacific District of the American Lutheran Church (ALC).

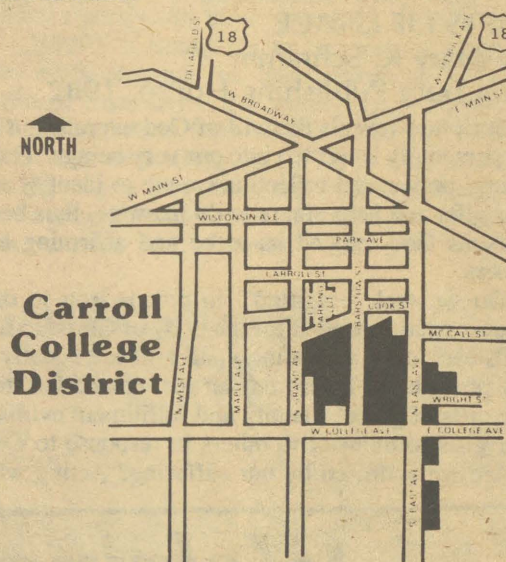
You are welcome to join folks at the 1983 Human Relations Institute to CELEBRATE THE STRUGGLE, July 29-31, at Carroll College in Waukesha, Wisconsin. See the coupon below for costs and registration information.

Only 20 Miles from Milwaukee

Carroll College in Waukesha, Wisconsin is only 20 miles west of Milwaukee, just off Interstate 94, (Hy. 18 Exit).

Transportation from General Mitchell Field and from the Amtrak or bus station in Milwaukee will be arranged if you inform us of your travel plans in advance. Travel details will be included in a pre-Institute mailing to all registrants.

There are many vacation opportunities in the Milwaukee area. The Institute can be an ideal part of your summer vacation. Just ask for more information with your registration materials.



Isaac Jenkins, The music leader for the weekend. Instrumental music director at Dos Pueblos High School, Santa Barbara, California; director of award-winning youth and adult choirs; served as choir director at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Denver, Colorado.



Karl Lutze, Sunday morning preacher. From 1965-79, Pastor Lutze was the Executive Director of LHRAA. He is currently the Director of Church Relations at Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, Indiana.

Feel free to drop in on any of the Institute sessions. Or come to Carroll College for only part of the weekend if that's all your schedule will permit. You can register and receive all resource materials for \$20 a day (or \$40 for the entire three-day event.) Meals will be available at the college on a per meal basis.

You can wait until the last minute to register for the Institute. Just come to Kilgour Hall when you arrive on the Carroll College campus, and we'll quickly register you and help you purchase your meal tickets (or assign you a room, if you wish to stay overnight). The phone at the registration area will be (414) 542-8147.

Friday, July 29

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| 12 noon | Registration |
| 2:30 | Opening Worship |
| 3:00 | Opening session with Paul Schulze and Albert Pero |
| 5:15 | Dinner |
| 7:30 | Coretta Scott King Address |
| | Evening Worship |
| 9:30 | LHRA-W Reception |

Saturday, July 30

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| 8:30 | Morning Worship |
| 9:00 | Morning Workshop (with break) |
| 12:00 | Lunch |
| 1:00 | Afternoon Workshop (with break) |
| 3:00 | Workshop Wrap-up with Paul Schulze |
| 4:00 | Family Time - Relax! |
| 6:00 | 30th Anniversary Institute Dinner with Elmer and Ginny Witt |
| 8:30 | Evening Worship |

Sunday, July 31

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| 8:30 | Holy Communion |
| 10:00 | LHRAA Annual Meeting |
| 11:30 | Lunch and Closing Address by Paul Schulze |

Even if you can't come...

You can help make it possible for someone else to participate in the 1983 Human Relations Institute. Often people interested in attending the Institute don't have the financial resources for travel or for the registration fee. That's especially the case with college and other students, with families who want to bring their children, and with the other LHRAA members who are unemployed this year.

Your gift to Lutheran Human Relations for the **Institute Scholarship Fund** can help provide the training and the encouragement only the LHRAA Institute can offer.

There's still time to register

You can use the form to the left to register for the institute. Just cross out "YES, I want to help ...," check the appropriate box, and include your check. Send to Lutheran Human Relations, 2703 N. Sherman Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53210.

☐ **YES, I want to help someone**
get to the 1983 Institute

Here's my special gift to the scholarship fund for the 1983 Human Relations Institute, July 29-31.

☐ \$100 to help an adult ☐ \$80 for a student ☐ \$50 for a child ☐ \$_____

NAME(S) _____

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