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2014 LEA Awards

LEA is open for nominations for any of 12 awards. Nomination forms, which also includes award criteria, are under the ["Awards" tab](#) on the website. Deadline for nominations was October 3.

One new award was added for 2014 — the Distinguished Parish Educator. This brings the number of awards to 12, which includes last year's new award — Distinguished Retired Lutheran Educator "EncourAGING" Award.

Network Leadership Teams

LEA is grateful to Network leaders whose terms have expired: Julie Klopke and Laura Busse on ECEnet; Paul Piel and Denise Rice on ETnet; Andrew Tomashewsky on LEADnet; Paul Buchheimer, David Black, and Gary Loontjer on SECnet; and Charles Laabs on EncourAGEnet.

New and ready to serve are Caroline Ill and Kathy Schneiderman on ECEnet; Lisa Mull and Cindy Spenner on ETnet; Jon Pickelmann on LEADnet; Ian McDonald on SECnet; and Dave Ebeling on EncourAGEnet.

Completing various terms are Jeff Burkart, Rich Cohrs, Tom Couser, John Oberdeck, and Martha Strong on PEN; Brenda Lovhaug, Lisa O'Brien, and Jennifer Welch on ECEnet; Bill Becker, Allison Golz, and Lisa Hasseldahl on ETnet; Cheryl Ehlers, Greg Hasseldahl, Gail Holzer, and Bill Meyer on LEADnet; Louise Weber, Sue Van Luchene, Alice Smith and Krista Nagy on GLEnet; David Bever and Angelica Young on SECnet; and Rich Bimler, Tom and Lois Giordano, Sharolyn Sander, and Roger Walker on EncourAGEnet.

Not to leave out the LEA Board of Directors: They are Dan Czaplewski (Chair), Mary Eifert, Eva Fronk, Glenn Gerber, Mark L'Heureux (Secretary), Kim Marxhausen, Barb Mertens, and Candy Seider.

LEA is community, connection, and friendship. LEA is ongoing!

As you prepare to join your fellow educators in October, start your Convocation experience early by connecting with LEA on Facebook. Our Facebook page is a vibrant online community, where educators share stories, classroom ideas, and encouragement.

Come join us on Facebook and you can expect to find:

- Convocation updates and program information
- Behind-the-scenes planning updates
- Milwaukee info: hotels, restaurant ideas, and tips from locals
- The chance to share your opinions about Convocation programs and events
- Special contests, give-aways and more

Use Twitter? Be sure to follow [@LutheranEd](#) and our Convocation hashtag, #LEA2013 to get into the conversation. @ mention us, and we'll make sure to add you to our Lutheran Ed list!

Getting Started on Parenting

All episodes of the *Getting Started on Parenting* webinars are recorded and ready for your use with parents. Do watch the introductory **Getting Started on Parenting Matters** for an overview of the series. You'll find the entire series under [On Demand Webinars](#). (You must be logged on as a member.) Please note: This webinar is not intended for individual parent use; it is

2013 LEA award Recipients

Christus Magister
Bill Cochran
Director of Schools

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Celebrate!

Send greetings!

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Graduation

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*You're here to be
light,
bringing out the
God-colors
in the world.
God is not
a secret
to be kept.*

—Matthew 5:14 (THE MESSAGE)

**Arise, shine,
for your light
has come,
and the glory
of the Lord
rises upon you.**

Isaiah 60:1 (NIV)

Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

and
Bob Riggert

Retired Education Executive
Iowa District West, LCMS

**Distinguished Lutheran Elementary
Administrator**

Rob Cooksey
Executive Director
Christ Community Lutheran School,
Kirkwood, MO

**Distinguished Lutheran Early
Childhood Administrator**

Lee Wagner
Early Childhood Director
Immanuel Lutheran School,
St. Charles, MO

**Distinguished Lutheran Elementary
Teacher**

Mark Koschmann
Middle grades teacher
St. John Lutheran School, Midland, MI

**Distinguished Lutheran Secondary
Educator**

Doug Braun
Theology teacher

designed for group viewing and discussion.

A complete list of all webinars — scheduled, on demand, and archived appear under the [Webinars tab](#) at www.lea.org. Since webinars are among LEA member benefits, you must be logged in to see links to on demand and archived webinars. Nonmembers may view scheduled webinars for a \$40.00 fee.

Change in LEA Weekly Devotion

LEA now delivers the weekly devotion directly to members on the LEAnews list. The devotion appears on Monday rather than Tuesday, and you don't need to link over to another location to read the devotion. This should make the devotion easier to use, though it also will be available as it was before.

Attention New Teachers

Welcome to your new ministry in Lutheran education. Feel free to ask questions that will reach hundreds of your colleagues. Post your questions to the appropriate listserv. You're welcome to respond to the postings of others too—just know that there are no private posts. All postings go to all respective Network participants all the time. If you wish to connect with an individual, you will need to extract their email address and send your message in a separate email. Questions about listservs? Contact ed.grube@lea.org or call 708-209-3453.

Attention Experienced Teachers

Feel free to post or respond to traffic on your Network listserv. Just remember that there are no private posts or responses. All postings and all responses go to all respective listserv participants all the time. If you wish to connect with an individual, you will need to extract their email address and send your message

in a separate email. Questions about listservs? Contact ed.grube@lea.org or call 708-209-3453.

Weekly Tips

If you want your Networks' weekly tips or bulletins but do not want to see networking interaction on the listserv, you can unsubscribe from the listserv and view the weekly tips via the "Networks" tab at www.lea.org. The respective Network listservs are the delivery vehicle for weekly tips and the gateway for networking among members. Both are LEA membership benefits.

Convocation News

You'll find most of what you need to know [right here on the Convocation website](#). If not, call the LEA office at 708-209-3343.

Faith Lutheran Middle and High School,
Las Vegas, NV

Distinguished Lutheran Early Childhood Teacher
Kathy Unverfehrt

Second grade teacher
Concordia Christian Day School, Conover,
NC

Distinguished Retired Lutheran Educator
Ron Royuk

Seward, NE



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