

BREAKING NEWS

From downtown Omaha Nebraska

2025 LWML Convention Promotional Sketch

Cast: Six women — Sierra (Anchor), Beth (Reporter) and sisters Lillie, Willie, Millie, and Lois

Props: Write one initial on back of each sister's script — L W M L

Note: A pronunciation guide of names is included at the end of the sketch.

Sierra This is Sierra Miller your news anchor at Omaha's most **real** news station. This just in ... we have a report of thousands of women dressed in purple swarming the C.H.I. Center. We have our intrepid reporter Beth on the scene. Beth, can you tell us what's happening?

Beth Yes, I'm here at the C.H.I. Center and you are right, there are thousands of women around here dressed in purple. They seem to be extremely peaceful, in fact many of them are laughing and hugging each other like long lost friends, and ... what's that I hear now?

ALL (*chanted*) **Lutheran Women one and all, Time to gather for God's call, Join us in our Mission Field, See what mites and prayers reveal.**

Sierra Beth, that sounds like an "army" of women. See if you can get closer for more information.

Beth Here comes a group now. Excuse me, can you tell me why you are gathered here?

Lillie Of course, I'm Lillie, and these are my sisters in Christ – Willie, Millie, and Lois. We are here for the 2025 LWML National convention, and we dress in purple because ... it's our thing.

Beth LWML, tell me exactly "**what does this mean**"?

Millie No problem, LWML stands for the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. We are Lutheran Women in Mission who proclaim Christ, support missions, equip women to do God's will, and serve others.

Beth Amazing! How long will you be in Omaha?

Willie Well, the convention goes from June 26th until the 29th, but some of us came early and some will stay later. We want to explore all things Omaha and get to know the state of Nebraska.

Beth Are you planning to explore Omaha's many exciting venues?

Lois Are we ever! We already spent a day at the World-famous Henry Doorly Zoo ... those baby elephants are sooo cute! We also toured the Lauritzen Gardens to see the flowers in bloom. Then it was off to the Durham Museum.

Millie Don't forget we came early enough to catch a College World Series game at the Charles Schwab Field. You know, the one right over there ... just across the parking lot from the Convention Center.

Lois I also did some research. There are a lot of great candy stores in the area too. There's Hollywood Candy and the Old Market Candy Shop; then nearby is Chocolat Abeille, with its interesting flavors, Chocolaterie Stam with wonderful eye appealing chocolate and a gelato counter, and just down the road, Baker's Chocolate outlet store with their world class chocolate meltaways.

Lillie Then for a snack there is ice cream. There is Coneflower in the Millwork Commons, which is within walking distance of the Convention Center. We could go to the Old Market and get Ted and Wally's with their famous mix-ins, or we could make a stop out in Papillion and get their ice cream flight. Can you imagine ... 12 little scoops of 12 different flavors of ice cream. Oh my ... I hope we don't get brain freeze headaches with all this ice cream!

Willie Of course, while we enjoy these sights and tasty stops, we are mainly here to spend time in God's Word, hear from our Mission speakers and leaders, and fellowship with each other.

Beth Sounds like you have a packed schedule. Sierra, are you copying this at the station?

Sierra Yes Beth, this Lutheran Women in Mission group sounds intriguing. Find out about their travels.

Beth Just one more question please. Where did all these women come from?

Lois Everywhere! There are LWML women, missionaries, and even some brave men here who traveled from across the United States and other countries too.

Millie Our other sister is bringing her whole family, and they are following the pioneer footsteps on the Historic Oregon and Pony Express Trail, to places like Chimney Rock and Fort Kearney along the Platte River. They then plan to

stop in Seward to visit Concordia University with a final stop at the Strategic Air Command Museum in Ashland.

Willie Omaha is a wonderful convention site. With Eppley Airfield so close to the C.H.I. Center, it's very convenient for anyone to fly in. Amtrak comes through here and of course you can always hop on the bus and get delivered just a couple of blocks from the Old Market.

Lois Many of the LWML Districts bring whole charter bus loads of women, and boy do they have fun! I hear some of them will be stopping in Lincoln just 45 minutes down the interstate to visit the International Quilt Studies Museum! And dear Old Missionary Gary Thies, is just down the road at Mission Central.

Beth Well, thanks for sharing and clearing up this purple mystery. We mostly see Husker Red around here. Enjoy your stay here in the Heartland in Omaha, Nebraska. Now back to you Sierra.

Lillie, Willie, Millie, Lois (in Unison) WAIT!

Beth What, did I forget something?

Lois No, we want to invite you to come to our convention, so we can share the Good News of Christ with you. Also ... you can't leave without an LWML Hug!
(Beth and sisters group hug)

Lillie, Mille, Willie, Lois (in unison)

Join us June 26th through the 29th, at the 41st Biennial LWML Convention in Omaha Nebraska at the C.H.I. Convention Center.

**ALL Next, we meet in Omaha,
Don't forget to heed our call,
Lutheran Women all the same.
Let's rejoice and praise God's name!**

Lois God has great plans for our time in Omaha for a blessed experience. There are so many things to see and experience all over Nebraska. Come see what God has planned for **you**.

Pronunciation Guide

Lauritzen: Lor-it-zen **LAUR**itzen

Durham: **ur**-uhm

Chocolat Abeille: sho·ko·la ah-**bay**

Chocolaterie: choco-**lah**-tree

Papillion: pa-**pill**-yuhn

Kearny:**karr**-ne

Platte: plat

Thies: tees