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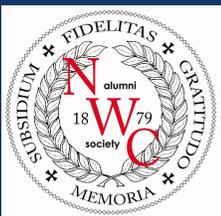
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## NWC Dinner

The annual  
Northwestern College  
Alumni

Society dinner and  
meeting is scheduled  
for Wednesday, May  
17, at 4:00 in the old  
gym at LPS.

Contact [Alan  
Siggelkow](#)  
or 262-242-2752.



Remember,

## Commencement Weekend 2017



Join us on Friday, May 12, as we celebrate and give thanks for another group of graduates prepared to serve. The annual [Alumni Dinner](#) will take place in the Cafeteria Conference Center at 4:00.

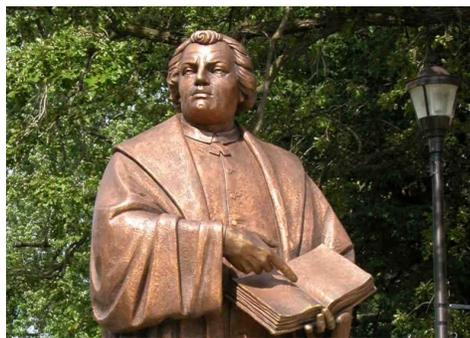
In addition to the meal, you'll enjoy presentations from Professor Tom Hunter, Professor Lawrence Olsen, and Professor

Jonathan Schaefer.

Cost is just \$5 (payable on arrival), but RSVP is required. Contact the alumni office (507-217-1731, [alumni@mlc-wels.edu](mailto:alumni@mlc-wels.edu)) or [visit the website](#) to learn more and [register online](#).

The always enjoyable Commencement Concert will be presented in the auditorium that evening at both 4:00 and 7:30. [Commencement](#) is scheduled for 10:00 am Saturday, May 13, with the Call Service following at 2:30.

## Reformation 500 at MLC



Christians around the globe are giving thanks in 2017 for the blessings God gave his church through the Lutheran Reformation that began 500 years ago.

Our college is named in honor of the man God used to lead the Reformation, and we hope to use this year to celebrate and educate our campus family and community.

The events kicked off with a January 7 alumni and student visit to the [Martin Luther: Art and the Reformation](#) exhibit in Minneapolis. Check out [the MLC website](#) to learn about upcoming events and other Reformation education tools.

## Rejoice

### Holding the Course

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MLC and our two predecessor schools have a blessed history. Several books have been written about them, and more are in the works. Check them out on the MLC website.

## Save the Date

See the Master Calendar for a full event listing and more details.

March 31-April 2  
College Choir to WI

April 23  
Hymn Festival

April 27-29  
Children's Theatre

April 30  
Faculty Anniversary Service

May 3  
MLC DAY

May 12-13  
Commencement Weekend

May 14-21  
Wind Symphony Tour

June 12  
MLC Golf Classic

June 16-25  
Alumni Tour to KY

## 2018 Luther Lands and Italy Tour



Is a trip to see the Luther Lands on your bucket list? If so, mark your calendars for June 18-July 4, 2018, and plan to join the MLC Alumni Tour.

The itinerary is being finalized, and promotional materials will be sent out in late July with registration set to open on August 1.

Lord willing, Professors Jim Danell, Paul Koelpin, and Keith Wessel will join President Mark Zarling as guides. The trip includes 6 nights in Germany, 3 nights in the Austrian alps, and 6 nights in Italy (Venice, Florence, and Rome).

Approximate double-occupancy cost including flight from Minneapolis will be \$4000. To add your name to the interest list, please contact Steve Balza in the alumni office at 507-217-1731 or [alumni@mlc-wels.edu](mailto:alumni@mlc-wels.edu).

## MLC Day - An Opportunity to Pray, Share, Give



The 3rd annual MLC Day is scheduled for Wednesday, May 3.

Alumni, parents, and WELS members across the globe are encouraged to say a prayer for MLC's ministry and students, share an MLC Facebook post, visit mlcday.com, and give an offering that will provide much-needed financial assistance through the Congregational Partner Grant Program.

On campus, students will be holding a thank-a-thon, learning more about the many ways that others support them, and expressing their gratitude in various other ways.

## Twins vs Brewers



This August, you have two chances to connect with fellow alumni at the old ballgame.

Join us on Monday, August 7, as the Twins take on the Brewers at Target Field in Minneapolis. Lower level seats in the first two rows of the Pavilion are just \$30 and include a special MLC promo item.

Later that week on Thursday, August 10, Miller Park in Milwaukee hosts the same two teams on WELS Night. A Brewers Cooler Backpack will be given to

the first 10,000 fans 21+.

MLC vice president and former baseball coach [Steve Thiesfeldt](#) will be throwing out the first pitch, and a quartet of MLC students will be singing the national anthem. Visit the [event website](#) for more information or to order tickets,

## Wind Symphony Heading to Michigan & Ontario



The 40+ member MLC [Wind Symphony](#) will be performing concerts, visiting area Lutheran high schools, and accompanying worship in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Ontario during their May 14-21 tour.

See [the full itinerary](#) and plan to attend a performance near you, or follow them on [Facebook](#) with videos from the

concerts and stories from the bus.