

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

...the key to staying in control of our lives, even in difficult circumstances, rests within ourselves. That key is the flame of motivation—the power of the human spirit.

Terry Lynch

Most of us, at some time in our lives, will be faced with decisions for ourselves, our spouses or parents, on how and where to receive care when help with daily activities is needed. This can often be a difficult time for everyone involved.

Our guest speaker for the Spring Luncheon, Terry Lynch, a Racine native and author of the book, *But I Don't Want Eldercare!* has first hand knowledge of this dilemma. Through his experience as his mother's caregiver and advocate and his work with other families, Terry learned that we have more control over the future than we realize. He will talk about how to maintain that control even in difficult circumstances.

I encourage you to invite friends, neighbors, and family to join us for this important presentation at Our Savior's with Atonement serving as co-host.

God Bless,
Joy Webb, President

MEMBERSHIP

The Auxiliary has added many new members in the past three months. Thanks to all of you who have continued to encourage friends, family and coworkers to join. Currently we have 369 members and one new lifetime member, Dr. Bonnie Wirfs. The Auxiliary's commitment to the senior citizens of Racine is all the more urgent in these difficult economic times. Your membership dues and our fundraisers allow us to continue to purchase many of the "Wish List" requests we receive each year for the care and comfort of Lincoln Lutheran residents.

If your address or telephone number changes, please call me at 639-6746 with the updated information so you can continue to receive your Newsletter.

*Linda Cayemberg, Chair
Membership*

LINCOLN LUTHERAN AUXILIARY SPRING LUNCHEON



Monday, May 18, 12:00 PM

at

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
2219 Washington Ave.

Co-host

Atonement Lutheran Church

Program

Terry Lynch

"Beat the Aging Myths-Eight Rules"

Author of

But I Don't Want Eldercare!

Luncheon is **\$8.25**. Reservations must be in by **Thurs., May 14**. Please make check payable to Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary and send to:

Laurie Zeh
7007 Bobolink Road
Racine, WI 53402

Please note: Your check is your receipt.

The Executive Board will meet at 11:00 AM;
Reps and members will meet after the program.

FINANCIAL NOTES

The March Book Sale profit was \$217. The Boston Store Community Days profit was \$310. Thanks to all who made both sales possible and profitable!

2009 CALENDAR

May 18.....**Spring Luncheon** and
Board and Reps meeting
June 10.....Spring Socials
July 13.....Board and Reps meeting
August 13.....Ice Cream Social
September 14.....**Fall Luncheon** and
Board and Reps meeting
October.....Membership Drive
October 14-15.....Fall Book Sale
November 9.....Board and Reps meeting
Nov.--December.....Candy Sale

COMMUNITY OUTREACH SERVICES

On behalf of our residents at Lincoln Village CC, Becker-Shoop Center, Bay Pointe and Schmidt Home and those who care for them, we thank the Auxiliary for funding the purchase of 165 evacuation vests. In the event of a facility evacuation, residents wearing these vests will be easily identified and will be able to keep basic medical information, medication and personal effects with them.

Lincoln Lutheran will be providing hospice care to skilled care residents in the Fall of 2009. Carol Miller has been hired as the Director and will be working to start the program with Medicare certification. Those interested in becoming volunteers for hospice or learning about other ways to support our efforts, are welcome to call Carol at 898-2731.

Community Outreach Services received an extension grant from the Thrivent Foundation to continue development of our memory-care focused social day program called *Friendship Club*. The grant is being used to fund the coordinator position. For additional information, please call our coordinator, Kara Beck at 898-2738

Ellen Mutter, Community Outreach Leader,
Lincoln Lutheran 898-2709

Newsletter: Betty Bidstrup & Alice Maresh

A little bit of Auxiliary history.....

For a number of years beginning in the mid-1980's, one of our fundraisers was helping with inventories twice a year at department stores, including Prange, Kohl's and Boston Store.