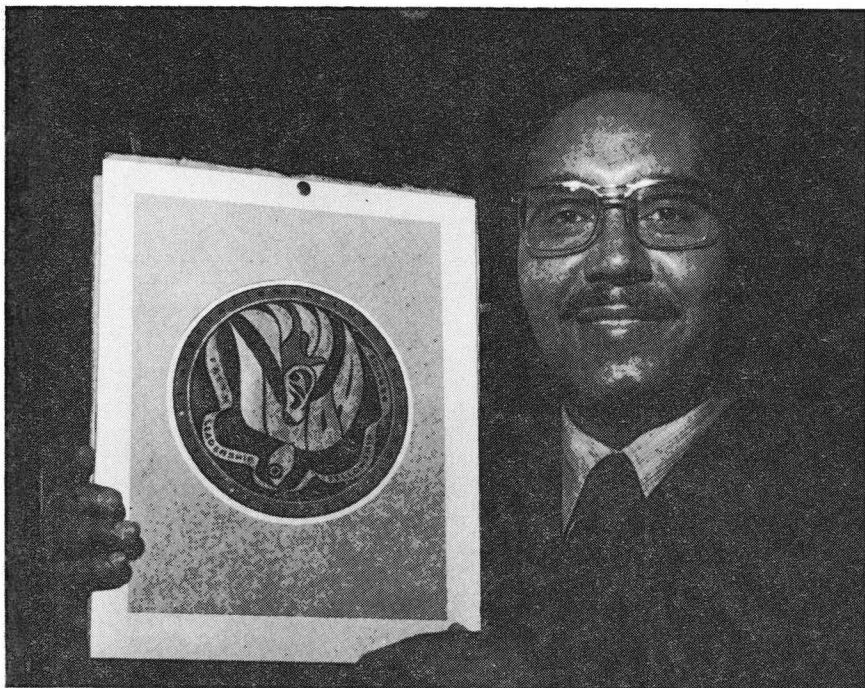




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Archie Marshall of St. Louis with his prize-winning ILDA emblem. First prize was a \$50 Church Extension Fund bond. Design shown is red and gold; see the black and white version on the cover

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The Artist Interprets His Design

The design (see cover emblem) consists of a stylized dove, a ribbon streaming from its beak, in a downward path within a circle. The dove is the symbol of the Holy Spirit descending from above. The Holy Spirit is the source of all faith, inspiration, knowledge, and action.

We first notice the head of the dove with its wide-awake eye. This shows we are eagerly aware of ILDA's purposes. We see that the wings of the dove form the letters *I L D A*. The body is an ear, symbolizing the deaf. The tail feathers embody an artistic letter *L* for *Lutheran*. The four feathers in the tail are the four corners of the earth representing ILDA's world-wide scope. The world itself is the circle in which the name of our organization appears. The ribbon carried by the dove has on it words showing how the Spirit will bless the deaf in ILDA: *Faith, Leadership, Fellowship, and Service*.

All in all, the emblem conveys the message that with the Spirit's help the International Lutheran Deaf Association reaches out to do God's work among the deaf throughout the world.

ARCHIE D. MARSHALL, artist

Holy Cross Lutheran Church for the Deaf
St. Louis, Mo.

ILDA Convention—Success!

About 350 persons registered for the first International Lutheran Deaf Association (ILDA) convention in Chicago, July 16—18, at the new Regency Hyatt House.

We applaud the host congregations of Chicago, Our Savior and Ephphatha; their committees; ILDA's temporary officers; and everyone behind the scenes for the well-planned program, for the plush, though reasonably priced ac-

commodations, and for the successful organization of ILDA. The new friendships made and the fellowship of deaf Lutherans together were certainly worth the trip to Chicago.

The convention worked on and approved half of the constitution (through article 5) and in adopting the other half referred it to ILDA's board of directors for further study. Convention also approved annual dues for members and set the figure at \$1 per member, with the churches collecting it.

Credits for pictures used on the following pages go to Archie Marshall and Rev. Thomas Truebenbach. Their colored slides of the convention will be available soon for local showing.

Eastern Regional Retreat

Oct. 8—10
at Holiday Hills Y.M.C.A.
Pawling, N. Y.



James Kurtti of Minneapolis, representing the young adults of Prince of Peace Congregation, St. Paul, Minn., registers for the ILDA convention. Helping him are registration committee members Elizabeth Maiworm, Estelle Heyer, and Betty Raskin



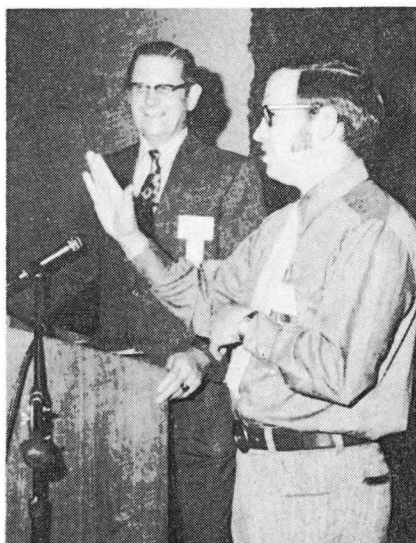
Convention in session. Note the banners . . .

Dr. William Kohn, chairman of the division of missions (LCMS) and keynote speaker, challenged the convention to proclaim the Gospel, to share in the work of the church, to communicate Christ's love and forgiveness.

"It is your task, your responsibility," Dr. Kohn emphasized, "to care for people and to communicate Christ's love to them. There are deaf persons all around the world who will understand that story better if another deaf person tells it."

Dr. Kohn was delighted to address the convention. "I can see in your faces the joy and happiness of God's people together."

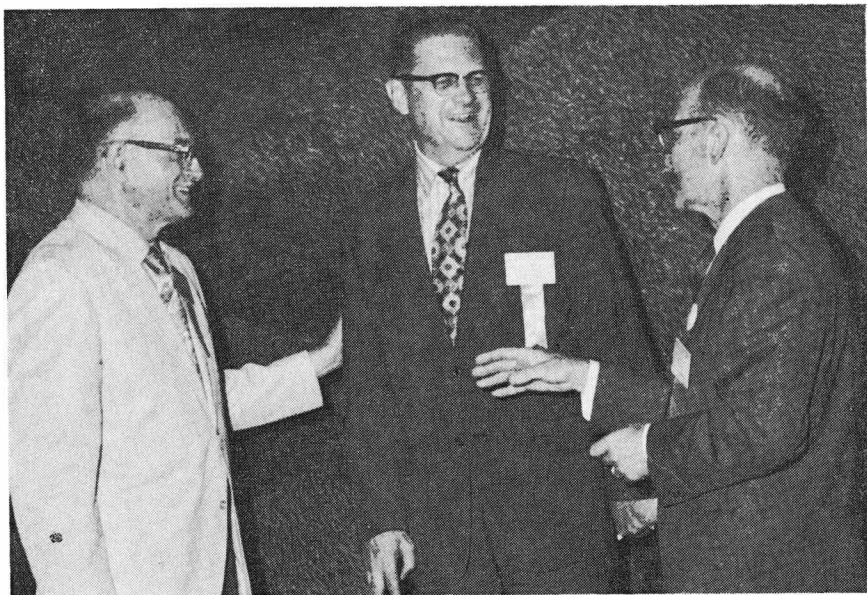
"Keep this task uppermost," Dr. Kohn told the deaf, "share the mission of Christ. Live up to your motto: *Forward with Christ*. It's your privilege to tell that truth."



Dr. William Kohn and Pastor Charles Jones



... and more banners



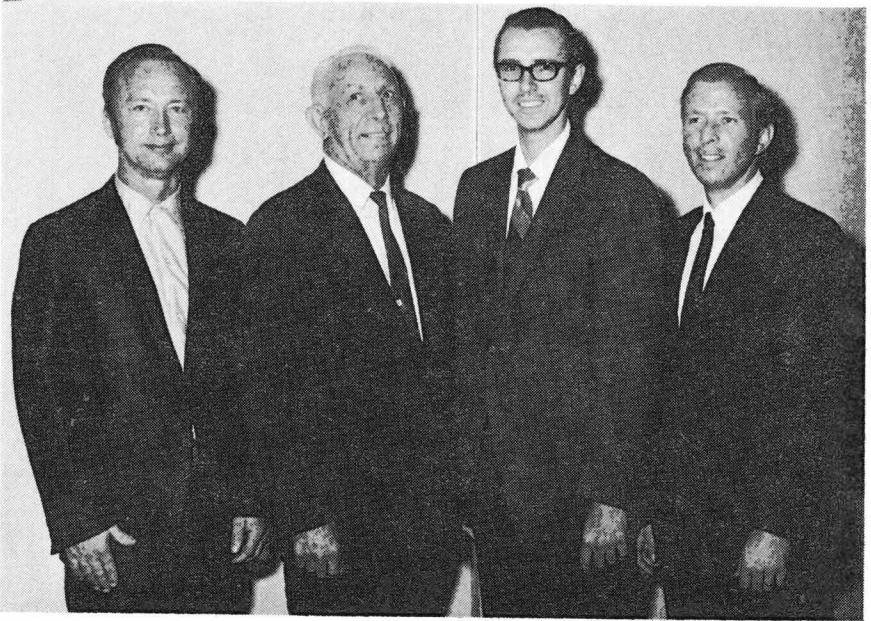
ILDA's business sessions were ably chaired by president pro tem Clarence Schulz of Detroit (left), talking with Dr. Kohn and Rev. Rohe



Projecting the constitution for convention action are Pastors Jones and Rynearson



Gary Schlub, nominating committee chairman, presents candidates for ILDA offices



New officers of ILDA (l. to r.): *Secretary* — Robert Baker, Kansas City, Mo.; *President-Elect* — Uriel Jones, Knoxville, Tenn.; *President* — Marion J. Van Manen, Sunnyvale, Calif.; and *Treasurer* — Gary Schlub, Lanham, Md.

Below: The Kansas City delegation invites ILDA in 1973





The banquet's head table, l. to r.: Pastor and Mrs. Charles Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Neimeyer, Pastor Herbert Rohe. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lanke-
nau are shown on the next page

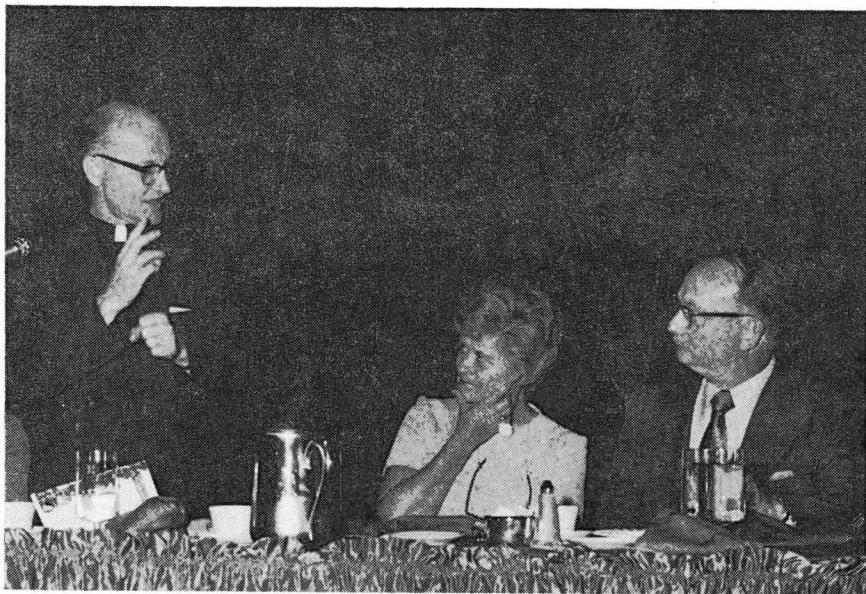


**A Lutheran from Ohio
Robert O. Lankenau
NAD President**

Banquet speaker, Robert O. Lankenau, president of the National Association of the Deaf, urged ILDA to take an active part in the future of the deaf world.

"We never had it so good," Mr. Lankenau said, reminding the deaf of the benefits the deaf community enjoys in America. These blessings, however, "will not stay unless we keep the hearing informed of our problems, needs, and desires. We need a continuing program to keep them warm and willing to support our ideals."

Mr. Lankenau urged ILDA to be active in behalf of the welfare of the deaf. "Speak up," he urged, "and have a say in deciding what is good and what is bad for us. We cannot afford to sit on our hands and hope our programs will succeed by themselves."



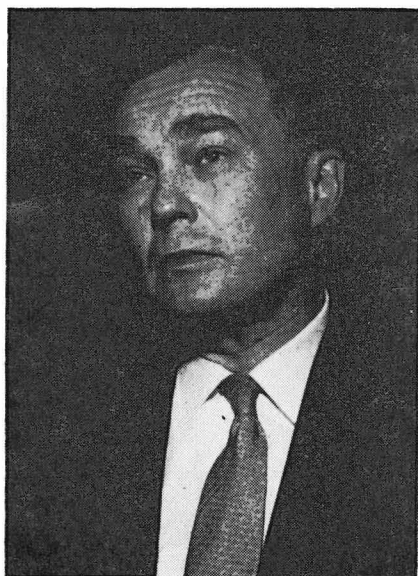
Pastor H. Rohe, secretary for ministry to the deaf of the board for missions, presents awards to culture and design contest winners

Below: Guest speaker Robert Lankenau and his banquet audience. The 400-plus audience also enjoyed chalk artist John Mosiman and received a free gift of his drawing





Congregational officers process with their banners at ILDA's Holy Communion service



Dr. J. A. O. Preus, president of The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod, preached on Phil. 3:14



Over 500 Lutheran deaf attended the service. Pastor William Ludwig — liturgist, Pastor Rodney Rynearson — interpreter, Mr. John Riddlebaugh of Columbus, Ohio — lay reader



**ILDA's new officers were installed at the service by Rev. Herbert Rohe.
Pastor Rodney Rynearson assisted**



**The ILDA convention worship choir, composed of members of churches of
the Great Lakes region**



**Pastor H. Rohe congratulates Marion Van Manen, new president of ILDA,
as the other officers look on**



LIGHT FOR YOUR WAY
Daily Bible Readings
September

As we continue to pray daily for our own spiritual and physical needs, let us remember the needs of others. Remember in our prayers our family and loved ones, our neighbors, our congregation, our church, our pastor and his family, and all the missionaries working with the deaf in our church.

- Mrs. Ottilie Ferber, pastor's wife, Fargo, N. Dak. (9-1)
- Mrs. Rhoda Rynearson, pastor's wife, Rochester, N. Y. (9-4)
- Pastor Alvin E. Ferber, Kansas City, Mo. (9-10)
- Pastor Herbert Rohe, St. Louis, Mo. (9-15)
- Mrs. Janet Leber, pastor's wife, Memphis, Tenn. (9-16)
- Pastor Walter Uhlig, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. (9-17)

Mrs. Sigrid Ludwig, pastor's wife, Columbus, Ohio (9-18)
Mrs. Marlys-Jean Natonick, pastor's wife, Portland, Oreg. (9-18)
Pastor Donald Leber, Memphis, Tenn. (9-20)
Pastor Donald Haug, Houston, Tex. (9-23)
Mr. Pat deRose, husband of parish worker, West Hartford, Conn. (9-29)

- Sept. 1** — **Nehemiah 8:13-18.** The Feast of Tabernacles celebrated. Pray for more understanding of the festivals of your church.
- Sept. 2** — **Nehemiah 1:1-11.** A good man is concerned for Jerusalem. Pray for God's blessings upon your community and your church.
- Sept. 3** — **Nehemiah 2:1-20.** A decision to rebuild the walls. Ask for the courage to undertake the difficult work of your church.
- Sept. 4** — **Nehemiah 4:1-9.** Unfriendly nations are against God's work. Pray for peace and friendship between hate-filled groups in your city.
- Sept. 5** — **Nehemiah 4:10-23.** God's people prepare to protect themselves. Pray for the wisdom to prepare yourself against the troubles in your life.
- Sept. 6** — **Nehemiah 5:1-13.** Nehemiah corrects the evils within the church. Pray that our children will be taught to love without prejudice.
- Sept. 7** — **Nehemiah 5:14-19.** A good and faithful governor. Pray that our young people may be trained for good leadership in the nation and in the church.
- Sept. 8** — **Nehemiah 6:1-14.** A personal danger is ignored without fear. Ask God to give you the will to give up your own interests to the need of the church.
- Sept. 9** — **Nehemiah 6:15—7:4.** The wall around Jerusalem is completed. Pray that your congregation will accept and finish its responsibilities.
- Sept. 10** — **Nehemiah 13:1-9.** The temple is cleared and restored. Pray that the Lord will lead the children and young people of your congregation to learn the joy of worship.
- Sept. 11** — **Nehemiah 13:15-22.** God's day of rest, the Sabbath Day, is accepted once again. Pray that all the members of your congregation may be regular worshippers at church.
- Sept. 12** — **Esther 2:1-11.** A contest for a queen. Pray that the women of the church may be willing and able to lead in their work.
- Sept. 13** — **Esther 2:12-18.** Esther wins favor from the king. Ask for a true understanding of the beauty of faith and love.
- Sept. 14** — **Esther 4:1-17.** Esther accepts responsibility for her people. Pray

that the Lord will help you see and take your responsibility for the welfare of all.

- Sept. 15** — **Esther 5:1-14**. Preparations are made for both a banquet and a hanging. Pray that God will always protect and defend His church from the selfish plans of men.
- Sept. 16** — **Esther 7:1-10**. An enemy of God's people destroys himself. Pray to understand how God does His will through you.
- Sept. 17** — **Esther 8:1-17**. Defeat is turned into victory. Pray for the growth of your congregation and for eternal life.
- Sept. 18** — **Esther 9:23-32**. The feast of Purim is instituted. Pray that those who worship with you may understand what God asks them to do.
- Sept. 19** — **Luke 1:57-80**. A long-awaited prophet is born. Ask that God's promised kingdom will come to you and your family.
- Sept. 20** — **Luke 3:1-14**. The forerunner's message. Ask God to teach you how to teach others about His loving will.
- Sept. 21** — **Matthew 3:13-17**. John baptizes Jesus. Pray for the children in your congregation who have been given to the Lord in Baptism.
- Sept. 22** — **John 1:19-37**. A great man gives honor to a Greater Person. Pray for a humble spirit to follow the leaders of your congregation.
- Sept. 23** — **John 3:25-36**. Greatness talks with humble word. Ask for strength to give honor to God and credit to those who deserve it.
- Sept. 24** — **Luke 7:18-23**. John sends a committee from prison to Jesus. Pray God to keep your faith strong at all times.
- Sept. 25** — **Luke 7:24-34**. Jesus honors His last prophet. Pray that the teachers in your church will clearly show their faith.
- Sept. 26** — **Mark 6:14-29**. Evil leads to greater evil. Pray for those who practice their faith in Jesus under a government that hates Christianity.
- Sept. 27** — **John 1:35-42**. Andrew calls his brother Peter. Pray for your family that they may believe in Jesus and be kept in that faith.
- Sept. 28** — **Matthew 4:18-22**. Jesus calls two sets of brothers into His service. Ask for the grace to hear and answer God's call to work.
- Sept. 29** — **Luke 6:12-16**. Jesus commissions His apostles. Pray for teachers, pastors, and laymen to do the church's work.
- Sept. 30** — **Matthew 14:22-33**. Peter trusts, then distrusts, the Word of the Lord. Ask for humility to accept all power and truth from God.

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