

Deaf Members Visit Wisconsin

Members of Heartland Ephphatha, the ministry for the Deaf at Peace Lutheran Church, made a special trip in July. They went to Wisconsin for the biannual ELDA National Conference for Deaf Lutherans. The conference made an impact on our members as we discussed many different topics during workshops. We also made an impact on the conference with great participation and some special highlights that include:

Our group had the most people of any church at the conference with 26 people who traveled from South Dakota!

Our group won the skit competition and received an award in the form of a “Cheesehead” decorated by the host group, “Hands of Christ”, from Wisconsin.

One of our members, Mark Koterwski, was elected president of the ELDA (Evangelical Lutheran Deaf Association) board.



Mark Koterwski from Peace Lutheran Church was elected President of ELDA



Members of our group led devotions on Friday evening.

Our group was chosen to host the 2012 ELDA conference in Sioux Falls.