

***“The Wreck of the  
Edmund Fitzgerald”***  
**Tuesday night, May 16**



Join award-winning author and speaker **Rochelle Pennington** on Tuesday evening to learn more about the Edmund Fitzgerald, the largest shipwreck ever to go down on the Great Lakes.

No other Great Lakes

shipwreck is more well-known than the Edmund Fitzgerald, which disappeared into a stormy Lake Superior on November 10, 1975, when winds peaked at nearly 100 miles per hour and waves reached the height of three-story buildings.

Pennington delves into the various theories and opposing views of dive detectives who are still trying to solve the mystery of what led to the demise of the 29-man crew. Audience members will be led from the launch of the ship to its final radio broadcasts, and from the Fitz’s discovery on Superior’s bottom to the raising of artifacts from its watery grave.

Rochelle Pennington is an award-winning newspaper columnist and author of ten books including *Highlighted in Yellow*, *The Christmas Tree Ship*, *The Historic Christmas Tree Ship* (as featured on national television), *An Old-Fashioned Christmas* (2009 Midwest Booksellers Choice Award nomination for outstanding non-fiction), and more. Pennington resides in Wisconsin with her husband of thirty-four years. They have two grown children and three grandchildren “so far.”

**Please see the box in the next column for information to register for Tuesday evening.**

**Schedule for Wednesday, May 17**

- 8:30 a.m. .... Register/Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. .... Welcome
- 9:15 a.m. .... Devotional Bible Study  
Rev. Rick Raabe
- 10:00 a.m. .... Break
- 10:15 a.m. .... *Aging is the only way to live!*  
Part 1, Dr. Rich Bimler
- 11:00 a.m. .... Break
- 11:15 a.m. .... *Aging is the only way to live!*  
Part 2, Dr. Rich Bimler
- 12:00 p.m. .... Buffet Lunch
- 1:15 p.m. .... *Meet George Washington*  
David Wiedenkeller
- 2:15 p.m. .... Break
- 2:45 p.m. .... *Q & A Discussion with  
George & Martha Washington*  
David & Mary Wiedenkeller
- 3:30 p.m. .... Closing Prayer

***Separate reservations are needed to attend “The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald” with Rochelle Pennington on Tuesday, May 16***

If you are coming for Tuesday evening’s event, reservations must be made on your own with Cedar Valley Retreat Center. This is a separate option and space is limited.

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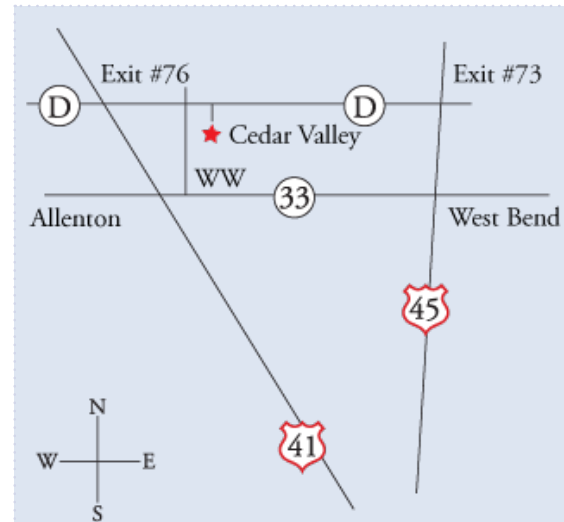
- 4:30 p.m. .... Wine & Cheese
- 5:30 p.m. .... Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. .... Rochelle Pennington

For these special reservations, please call Cedar Valley Retreat Center, **262-629-9202**. Dinner on Tuesday is **\$14.75** per person (plus tax), payable to Cedar Valley. Overnight reservations are **\$80 for 1 queen bed**, or **\$125 for two queen beds** (plus tax), also payable to Cedar Valley.

**Cedar Valley Retreat Center**

5349 County Road D, West Bend, WI 53090  
262-629-9202 or FAX 262-629-9962

A scenic retreat center in the heart of the Kettle Moraine. Meeting rooms, lounges, dining room, single or double occupancy rooms are modern and clean. For late afternoon or sunrise, the 100-acre setting is the perfect place to relax, unwind and reflect. Beautifully-manicured trails with thought-provoking sculptures make a great setting.



**W5349 County Rd. D  
West Bend, WI 53090**

Cedar Valley is located 35 miles north of Milwaukee and nine miles west of West Bend. Take Highway 45, take exit #73 at Highway D, and it’s just six miles west on your left. On Highway 41, take exit #76 east at Highway D and travel three miles ahead on your right.

**Spring Retreat  
for 55 & Up**

**May 16-17, 2017**  
**Cedar Valley Retreat Center**  
**West Bend, Wisconsin**

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**Presented by Dr. Rich Bimler**



# Spring Retreat for 55 & Up – May 17, 2017

Come and join us for a day of spiritual enrichment, a delightful lunch and fellowship at beautiful Cedar Valley Retreat Center!

Bring a friend and double the fun!

Consider coming for dinner and a bit of history on Tuesday, May 16 (see separate info for Tuesday on the back).



## Aging is the only way to live!

*Dr. Rich Bimler*

God's people are able to "Joyfully Age" in the Lord as we see His grace and goodness each day of our lives. We celebrate God's gift of aging as we focus, not on our Problems, but rather on His Promise of peace and joy! We share the news that aging is not a burden to endure but rather a blessing to celebrate!"

"Bimler is becoming the expert on humor and aging. What makes Rich's voice so vital is his ability to connect wisdom and wit with the 'wow' of affirming life as a gift from God. Rich convinces us that when we are reminded that life is about Him, we are able to age in a manner similar to a fine wine—with the best fruit of our God given labors yet to come." (Dr. Kurt Senske)

**Dr. Rich Bimler**, Bloomingdale, Illinois, has served the Church in various positions throughout his 54 year ministry career. He repositioned in 2006 after serving for 15 years as President/CEO of Wheat Ridge Ministries. He is serving part-time as the Ambassador of Health, Hope, and Aging! (AH-HA!) for Lutheran Life Communities, Arlington Heights, Illinois. He continues to write, speak, and consult with many agencies and organizations throughout the world.

He is the author of 17 books and continues to celebrate life with his 7 grandkids (photos available upon request!), 3 grown children, and 1 wife, Hazel! They are members of Trinity Lutheran, Roselle.



## Meet President & Mrs. George Washington

*David & Mary Wiedenkeller*

Born in 1732 into a Virginia planter family, George Washington learned the morals, manners, and body of knowledge requisite for an 18th century Virginia gentleman. On April 30, 1789, George Washington, standing on the balcony of Federal Hall on Wall Street in New York, took his oath of office as the first President of the United States. "As the first of everything, our situation will serve to establish a precedent," he wrote James Madison. "It is devoutly wished on my

part that these precedents may be fixed on true principles."



## Devotional Bible study

*Rev. Rick Raabe*

Our day at Cedar Valley will begin with a devotional Bible study on the readings for the Sixth Sunday of Easter (Acts

17:16-31; Psalm 66:8-20; 1 Peter 3:13-22; and John 14:15-21).

The members of Pastor Raabe's mid-week Bible class at Beautiful Savior say their Sunday worship is enriched by looking at the week's texts ahead in this way.

Pastor Raabe has served Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Milwaukee since April 2008, and will celebrate 44 years of ministry this summer.

## Registration

For Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Please print the information requested and mail with payment to the address below. List each person separately.

*Deadline for registration is May 8, 2017.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Any food allergies we should be aware of?

Online registration is also available at [swd.lcms.org/registration](http://swd.lcms.org/registration)

Registration fee for Wednesday is **\$62.00 per person**. This includes all of Wednesday's activities including breakfast, lunch and program.

**Make check payable to:**  
South Wisconsin District-LCMS

**Mail to:** Spring Retreat  
South Wisconsin District-LCMS  
8100 W. Capitol Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53222

*This registration does NOT include Tuesday's dinner or overnight lodging. Please see reverse side for information about Tuesday's option.*



*~See Tuesday's and Wednesday's schedule on back page.~*