



Pacifica Women of the ELCA Annual Convention

"Peace"



- ~ in the Family
- ~ in the Community
- ~ in the World

November 1-3, 2013 Ayres Hotel, Costa Mesa-Newport

Registration, Nomination, Scholarship & Triennial Delegate Forms are in this issue
and can also be found on www.Pacificawomen.org

From your New Pacifica W-ELCA President

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This month we celebrate Pentecost on May 19th. The Holy Spirit gives our faith life. The Holy Spirit takes our worship and turns it into magnificent praise. The Holy Spirit keeps stirring our faith and makes our faith grow. The Holy Spirit will give us strength to say and do what needs to be done in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Welcome the Holy Spirit into your life.

You are the center of what we do. Whenever we get together, we always think of you. We choose the things we do because of their value they may have for you. Sometimes we get it right and sometimes not. We appreciate any input you want to give us. I usually do not turn in an evaluation form. It always has to be turned in at the end of an event and that is when I want to visit with people or touch base with someone. So I feel there are others who probably feel the same way, so please feel free to send it to me within one week of an event. Or if anyone has a better idea, please let me know. One thing I'm trying is to use the same evaluation form for all our SWO events. I believe that this will give us a better comparison of opinions so we do not repeat the same mistakes over.

Please remember to mark September 21, 2013 on your calendars for the Bible Study in the OC at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, San Clemente. \$30.00 is the cost for the day and it is well worth it.

SWO Board is meeting June 22 to continue our plans for the Convention, Nov.1-3. We will be reviewing the year so far and planning the future of our annual conventions. If you would like to address any thoughts you might have, you can email me or give me a call. My contact information is on another page in this newsletter.

Our SWO Spring Event was held at King of Kings LC, Oceanside. We had a wonderful out pouring of Love Gifts. There were lots of shoes and socks. King of Glory LC, Fountain Valley also collected shoes and socks to send. When all was said and done, 23 boxes were sent to Hawaii. Thrivent contributed what was needed to send them. Praise the Lord! **God's Work, Our Hands.**

At the SWO Convention, Costa Mesa-Newport Beach Ayres, we will be electing vice-president, treasurer, and four board positions. Some of these positions are up for re-election. If you would be interested in working with the SWO let us know. We will also be electing delegates to the Triennial Convention, July 22-24, Charlotte, NC. Juli Patten is our nominating chair. You can let me know and I will send that on to Juli for now.

I've been talking a lot about "movements" and "funds" lately as I visit your group gatherings. A "movement" is a series of organized activities working toward an objective. A "fund" is a sum of money or other resource whose principal or interest is set apart for a specific objective. We have the "1000 Days Movement" and "Katie's Fund" for example.

I just returned from Pacifica Synod Assembly. It was wonderful. But I must say that I am tired. Not so much physically, but mentally there were many things to process. The theme was "Keeping Green". One thing I know for sure is that this one planet we call earth is what we have and we need to take good care of it.

I went to the Fashion Show at Our Savior's, Banning. It was so nice. The lunch was chicken salad with zucchini muffins. The men served the women. How nice is that? The "fashions" came from the H.E.L.P. thrift store. The models could buy the fashions they modeled and there were other items that were for sale for the rest of us. I bought two blouses and one of them had the tags on yet. What a great day it was!!!!

God bless all of our Women and all you do for others.

Paula Rennegarbe, President of Pacifica Synod Women of the ELCA



Registration

Pacifica Women of the ELCA Convention & Gathering

November 1-3, 2013



Convention

Registration Deadline: 10/11

Delegates must register by 10/1/2013

Full Weekend/1 person per room \$ 325 ☐
5 Meals, Registration & Hotel

Full Weekend/2 persons per room \$ 238 ☐
5 Meals, Registration & Hotel

Full Weekend/3 persons per room \$ 216 ☐
5 Meals, Registration & Hotel

Full Weekend/4 persons per room \$ 205 ☐
5 Meals, Registration & Hotel

Full Weekend-Spouse/partner \$ 188 ☐
5 Meals & Hotel

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Name of Roommates: *Please print clearly*

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Meals: (please check a box for lunch & dinner, If no boxes are checked, you will receive chicken as your meal).

Saturday Boxed Lunch

Chicken ☐ Tuna ☐ Vegetarian ☐

Saturday Evening Banquet - Plated Dinner

Chicken ☐ Beef ☐ Vegetarian ☐

Please Print Clearly

Adult Name: _____

Children Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____

E-Mail: _____

Church: _____

Church City: _____

Check all that apply:

☐ ***DELEGATE:*** You may be assigned to a Convention Committee by the President. She will notify you.

☐ ***NON-DELEGATE:*** Check if your Congregation has a unit.

☐ ***REPRESENTATIVE:*** Check if your congregation does not have a unit. You will have a voice, but not a vote.

☐ ***SWO Board Members/GUEST:*** Pastor, Churchwide Representative, member of unit outside ELCA, and/or Vendor.

☐ ***FIRST TIME ATTENDEE***

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Contact: _____

Address/City: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

REGISTRATION IS NON-REFUNDABLE, BUT IT IS TRANSFERABLE

Make checks payable to: Pacifica Women of the ELCA
Contact Karen: (714) 654-8919 cell
welca@verizon.net

Mail to: Karen Ronchetti
8305 Magic Circle
Huntington Beach, Ca 92646

2013 Convention Nomination Form

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Nominee for: ☐ Vice President ☐ Treasurer ☐ Board Member

Please Print Clearly

Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Address: _____
Number & Street City, State Zip Code

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Congregation: _____

Address of Church (include City and Zip): _____

If you are nominating someone other than yourself:

Has this individual agreed to run for the office indicated? _____

What is your name: _____

Address (City & Zip): _____

Phone (with area code): _____

The nominating committee will send a letter of call and a form for further information if the nominee agrees to have her name placed on a ballot. Must be postmarked by September 15, 2013.

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO:

Juli Patten, Nominations Chair
84-740 Kili Drive, #1123, Waianae, HI 96792
(808) 590-8262 hm & cell
alohaboo@hawaii.rr.com

SWO Convention Scholarship

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2013 Women of the ELCA Convention and Gathering
Ayers Hotel & Suites, Costa Mesa, Ca
November 1-3, 2013



I am applying for:

☐ **SWO What? Scholarship**

I am 13-35 years of age, a first time gathering attendee, and an active member of an ELCA congregation. If awarded, the scholarship will include hotel accommodations, registration, and 5 meals (Friday dinner; 3 meals on Saturday and Sunday Breakfast). Transportation will be excluded.

☐ **Mahalo Scholarship**

I am 36 years of age or above, an active member of an ELCA congregation, and a first time scholarship recipient. If awarded, the scholarship will include hotel accommodations, registration, and 5 meals (Friday dinner; 3 meals on Saturday and Sunday breakfast). Transportation will be excluded.

☐ **Ohana Scholarship**

I am 18 years of age or above, an active member of an ELCA congregation located on Hawaii and a first time scholarship recipient. If awarded, the scholarship will include transportation (to be reimbursed up to \$500.00), hotel accommodations, registration, and 5 meals (Friday dinner; 3 meals on Saturday and Sunday breakfast).

Please Print Clearly:

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CLUSTER _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

CONGREGATION/CITY _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

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AGE GROUP: ☐ 13-25 ☐ 26-35 ☐ 36-45 ☐ 46-55 ☐ 56-75 ☐ 76-90

Is this your first time attending a Synodical Convention? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If not, when was the last time you attended?) _____

What is your involvement in your unit? _____

What is your involvement in your cluster? _____

Why do you wish to receive a Scholarship? _____

If you are awarded the scholarship, do you wish to remain anonymous? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Any other comments: _____

(This information will be kept confidential)

Return by **September 15, 2013** to:

Inga Sanders, 9871 Vicksburg Drive, Huntington Beach, CA 92646

(949) 463-6642 (home & cell)

Email: inga.sanders@gmail.com

9th Triennial Convention of Women of the ELCA Delegate Nomination Form

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The Ninth Triennial Convention dates are July 22-24, 2014, just prior to the Ninth Triennial Gathering, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Delegate expenses are paid by the churchwide Women of the ELCA.

Please Print Clearly

Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Address: _____

Number & Street

City, State

Zip Code

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Congregation: _____

Address of Church (*include City and Zip*): _____

If you are nominating someone other than yourself:

Has this individual agreed to run for the office indicated? _____

What is your name: _____

Address (City & Zip): _____

Phone (with area code): _____

Please check all that apply: ☐ First time Triennial Convention Delegate

☐ Person of Color or primary language other than English

☐ Has been a Triennial Convention Delegate in the past

☐ Under age 40

Information about your involvement with and for Women of the ELCA in the past three years:

The nominating committee will send a letter of call and a form for further information if the nominee agrees to have her name placed on a ballot. Must be postmarked by September 15, 2013.

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO:

Juli Patten, Convention & Triennial Nominations Chair

84-740 Kili Drive, #1123, Waianae, HI 96792

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“Wrapped in God’s Love and Comfort”

The women at Hope L.C. in Palm Desert are busy creating love, comfort and warmth for children in a practical way. Even in the torrid heat of summer!

Our Quilters of Hope work 2 to 3 Wednesday mornings a month to meet our commitment to the LWR Quilt Challenge. We have a “Workshop Wednesday” once a month to work on ministry projects and some crafting and sewing is done at home. The items made for children are: Fleece Scarves, Decorative Pillowcases, Knitted and Crocheted Caps and blankets, Quilts and Lovey Dolls. Our 2013 focus is helping the children of migrant farm workers in the Coachella Valley. At our SWO Event in March, you helped us by cutting and tying 47 fleece scarves. It was a GREAT kickoff and we thank you all!

Hope member, Junelle Pearson, RN introduced the Lovey Dolls and has inspired us with her experiences in Africa, China and Peru giving the dolls to orphaned children through Cross Cultural Solutions. These Lovey Dolls have not only blessed children in foreign countries, they have been a local blessing. The Brownie Troop that meets at Hope assembled dolls, learning where they were going and what they would mean to a child in another country. Also, at the March event, 39 dolls were made. Patterns were provided for more to be made at other churches in the Synod. Our Snowbirds do the same at their home churches across the country. Lovey Dolls have been given to babies and children here in Riverside County who live challenging lives. This may be due to homelessness, medical, financial or domestic issues.

The Eastern Riverside Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has provided tremendous support to our local projects through their Care in Communities grant.



Ninth Triennial Gathering—July, 2014

By Karen Ronchetti, Triennial Gathering Promoter for Pacifica Synod Women

The theme for the 9th Triennial Gathering of Women of the ELCA, “of many generations”, is based on Isaiah 58:12.

REGISTRATION RATES:

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION (Sept-Dec) \$325.00	LATE REGISTRATION (2014 Jan-July) \$350.00
SPOUSE\PARTNER \$100.00	GIRLS 13-18) \$50.00
CHILDREN UNDER 13 FREE	

If you are currently pre-registered (22 Pacifica women as of July 2012) or you are thinking of registering come this September, please let me know ASAP. Hotel block of rooms that have been created for the gathering by Women of the ELCA Churchwide and the Charlotte CVB.

Our goal is to have all of Pacifica stay in one place this year, so the sooner we know who is attending (and who you are rooming with) the better idea of how many rooms we will be needing in our block.

More information on the Triennial to follow.

Blessings, Karen Ronchetti

Pacifica Women of the ELCA Triennial Promoter

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Calendar of Events, Purpose Statement & Keep in our prayers...

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- June 22, 2013 SWO Board Meeting
Location: Ayres Hotel, Costa Mesa/Newport
- September 21, 2013 Bible Study in the OC
Location: Our Savior Lutheran, San Clemente
Cost: \$30.00 (Registration in May PP. Flyer on Website)
- October 19, 2013 40th Annual Apple Festival Bazaar
Location: Bethlehem Lutheran, Los Alamitos
Time: 8am to 1pm
- November 1-3, 2013 Pacifica Women of the ELCA Annual Convention
Location: Ayres Hotel, Costa Mesa/Newport
- April 30- May 3, 2014 Synod Assembly - Hawaii
Location: Marriott Hotel, Honolulu
- July 24-27, 2014 Women of the ELCA
Ninth Triennial Gathering
Location: Charlotte, NC



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Purpose Statement



Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

*As a community of women,
created in the image of God,
called to discipleship in Jesus Christ,
and empowered by the Holy Spirit,
we commit ourselves to grow in faith,
affirm our gifts,
support one another in our callings,
engage in ministry and action,
and promote healing and wholeness in the
church,
the society, and the world.*

PACIFICA WOMEN OF THE ELCA - 2012-2013 Synodical Board Members

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Pacifica Synodical Women's Organization
of the Women of the ELCA
Pacifica Seminarian Scholarship Fund

Scholarship Application Form

Female: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ New Applicant ☐ Renewal Applicant

Contact Information

Full Name:

Last First M.I. Preferred Name

Address:

Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State Zip Code

Preferred Phone: ()

E-Mail Address:

Have you been approved for entrance in the
ELCA candidacy-for-ordination process?

☐ No

☐ Yes

Date Accepted: _____

Home Congregation Information

Home (Registering) Congregation: _____

Address:

Street Address

City State Zip Code

Synod Name: _____ Region No.: _____

Seminary Information

Have you been admitted to an accredited theological seminary in a M.Div. or
other ELCA-recognized program leading to ordination in the ELCA?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Seminary Name: _____

Date Entered: _____ Part-Time or Full-Time: _____

Program of Study: _____ Current Year of Study: _____

Financial Aid Office: _____ Financial Aid Phone: ()

Street Address

City State Zip Code

If this is not an ELCA seminary, list affiliated ELCA Seminary: _____

Confidential Financial Information

Annual Family Income: ☐ Under \$50,000 ☐ \$50,000-\$100,000 ☐ \$100,000-\$150,000 ☐ Over \$150,000

Number in Household: _____ Number in household who are in college: _____

Applicant's own anticipated educational expenses for coming school year: \$ _____

Total Financial Aid Received: \$ _____ Balance Needed: \$ _____



**Pacifica Synodical Women's Organization
of the Women of the ELCA
Pacifica Seminarian Scholarship Fund**

Describe any special circumstances affecting your ability to pay for seminary: _____

Ministry Involvement

Briefly list your involvement with ministries of the ELCA: _____

Future Ministry

Briefly describe your future ministry aspirations: _____

Future Potential Involvement with Pacifica SWO

To encourage the prayer and support of Pacifica Women, if selected as a scholarship recipient, are you willing to:

- | | | |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Be publicly named as a recipient? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. Provide a photo of yourself that may be published in <i>Pacifica Partners</i> (the Pacifica SWO newsletter) and/or the website of Pacifica SWO? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 3. Provide a short devotional that may be published in <i>Pacifica Partners</i> and/or the website of Pacifica SWO? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 3. Share your ministry experiences and insights at an event sponsored by Pacifica SWO if requested and if geographically feasible? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |

Certification

I have completed all sections of this application, and the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Between the application period of January 1 to May 31, send completed application to:

Inga Sanders, Pacifica SWO Treasurer

Huntington Beach, CA

Application must be post-marked no later than May 31

www.pacificasynod.org

Pacifica Synod

www.elca.org

This will access the national church wide office

www.womenoftheelca.org

Churchwide website of the Women of the ELCA;
Café, for free website for women 20-35 is part of this website).

www.gather.org

This website will access Gather (formerly Lutheran Women Today) magazine directly.

www.lwr.org

Lutheran World Relief
(Ever wanted to know where the quilts go that your units have made or the school and health kits that you assembled and sent to LWR)?

www.thebreastcancersite.com

Click on this site once a day to provide free mammograms for those who otherwise would not be able to have them.

www.cherishchildren.org

Information on Cherish the Children

www.giveamminute.org

Click on this site once a day and the sponsor will contribute funds for a minute of care for the needy Indian children of the Tarahumara Children's Hospital in Creel, Mexico. This site has a mission information link and photo gallery which shows pictures of the area as well as some of the children. This site also links to the Hunger Site where sponsors will give a cup of grain for a click.

Christina Watson

Lutheran Maritime Ministries. Provides "special" Christmas gift to seamen.
(562) 431-11

***The deadline is..
June 5th, 2013
for Pacifica Partners***

Email: welca@verizon.net



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