



## 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

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Registration forms:

Will be in the April Pacifica Partners and on [www.Pacificawomen.org](http://www.Pacificawomen.org)

# *From your New Pacifica W-ELCA President*

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*Dear SWO Pacifica Women,*

*I pray that you will continue to be the church in all you do. The theme "God's Work-Our Hands" is a daily reminder that all we do should be doing God's work. I found reading "Unseen Footprints" an interesting read. It is by Sheridan Voysey. Sheridan is an author from Australia. In our journey through life we encounter God. He suggests seven ways that we have these encounters. They are pain, yearning, whispers, encounter, doubt, dream, and surrender. I thought the concept of pain an interesting place to start. Pastors often find themselves in the painful parts of people's lives. Perhaps there was a death or an accident, or any other type of situation. Pain reminds us that we live in a world that was created differently and how we became so dependent on God. We as people then want to be in control of everything and we found out that did not work out too well. If you would like to read more of this book, give me a call or send me an email and I will get the book sent out to you.*

*I had a busy week in Chicago at the Conference of Presidents. There were a lot of workshops on many things to learn, making new friends, seeing friends from before and cold, cold weather. We were there to receive information related to emphases, priorities, and projected programs. The emphasis at this time is the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Women of the ELCA. They want you to celebrate by some type of activity and a celebration gift. If you have not had a chance to do this yet.....today is not too late. Our priority is YOU, the Women of the ELCA. Your needs are always a priority for us, your officers and board members. Permit us to help you out. One of the great workshops we attended was titled, "Sacrifice the Sacred Cow". Do you know that the one thing I have learned in life is that change happens? We may not always like the changes, but they do happen. We are planning on giving this workshop at the convention in November. There were many other things we did and I will continue to share with you in the coming Pacifica Partners.*

*Look for Cluster Events happening this spring. You will not want to miss them. The flyers are copied in this newsletter for you.*

*We need some help from you. This year, the convention is as it has been, the first weekend in November. Next year we are thinking about moving the meeting to the second weekend in November. So let us know what you think. And in 2015, we will need to think about going to Hawaii. I had a thought about flying there on Thursday and settling in. The convention could be on Friday and Saturday. And then on Sunday the option could be to go home or go sightseeing or enjoying the beaches. Talk among yourselves and share some thoughts with us.*

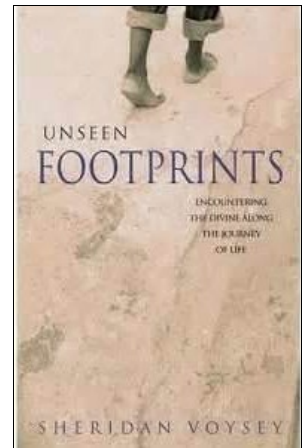
*In peace, Paula Rennegarbe, President of SWO-Pacific Synod.*



*Bible Verse: Psalms 77:19*

*“Your path led through the sea, your way through the mighty waters,  
though your footprints were not seen.”*

*We started our beautiful day at King f Kings Lutheran Church in Oceanside with breakfast followed by a short Bible Study led by our own SWO president, Paula Rennegarbe. Our theme “Unseen Footprints” was well presented throughout the day.*



*After lunch, we celebrated the Women of the ELCA's 25th Anniversary with a beautiful cake*

*We closed the day with Worship and Holy Communion. Pastor Ron Rennegarbe was our special guest pastor for the day.*



*Our guest speaker for the day, Pastor Sarah Heath, took us on a “Following Footsteps” journey, with pictures and a wonderful video of her travels through some of the most holy lands.*



*Love Gifts:  
New or Gently  
Used Tennis  
Shoe & New  
Socks*



*Recipient: Waianae Coast Schools, Hawaii*



# 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 \_\_\_\_\_

## 2013 Convention Scholarship Form - continued

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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:

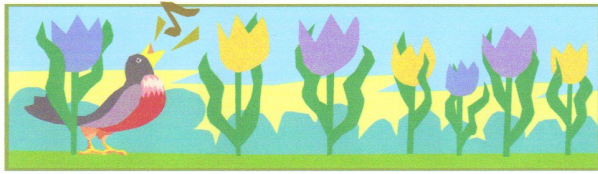
Inga Sanders, 16370 Jupiter Circle, Westminster, CA 92683

(949) 463-6642 (home & cell)

Email: inga.sanders@gmail.com

**Women of Our Savior's Lutheran Church-Banning**

**"How Does Your Garden Grow?"**



**Luncheon & Fashion Show**

**to benefit H.E.L.P., Inc**

(HELP is a non-profit social service & welfare organization that serves the Pass Area. Gently-used clothing from their boutique will be modeled and available for sale after the fashion show)

**Saturday, April 20, 2013 @ Noon**

1320 W. Williams, Banning – Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$8.00

*Tickets are limited, so make your reservation early by calling Helen Riggs at (951) 845-2989*

The Sunshine/West Cluster Invites you to

**Lunch and  
"The Hymns Experience"**

A new look at the traditional hymns of faith with  
"Jillieen"  
-a contemporary Christian Recording Artist

Love Gifts –  
Non-perishable food items  
for Project Hand  
a L.S.S. food Pantry



Child Care Available  
upon request



Saturday, April 27, 2013

11:30 Registration - \$7.00

12:00 Lunch with Program to Follow

St Marks Lutheran Church

580 Hilltop Drive, Chula Vista 91910

RSVP By April 22 to JoAnn Longerbone  
[jlongerbone@san.rr.com](mailto:jlongerbone@san.rr.com) or 858 274-0483

Guests Welcome



Rejoice, Saddleback and Son & Surf Clusters Present:

**1,000 Day's Movement**

As presented by Guest Speaker Sharon Heck



Luke 1:53 He has filled the hungry with good things  
but has sent the rich away empty.

**Date & Time: Saturday, April 27, 2013**

Registration opens at **8:30 a.m.**

Program begins with breakfast at **9:00 a.m.**

**Location:** Redeemer Lutheran Church – Leisure World  
13564 St. Andrews Drive, Seal Beach, CA 90740

Cost: \$6.00 (paid at the door)

**Love Gifts:** A suggested \$10.00 (or more) donation representing 1,000 pennies for 1,000 days. Checks can be made payable to: Women of the ELCA – Pacifica Synod

Reservations: Call or Email Diana Young by April 22, 2013.

Phone: (714) 534-6993 Email: [dianay1318@gmail.com](mailto:dianay1318@gmail.com)

**Here's how you can get involved:**

- "Like" our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/womenoffaith1000days](http://www.facebook.com/womenoffaith1000days).
- **Start a group** and pledge to have 1,000 conversations. For example, you could give a presentation at your church, share a "minute for mission" in worship, host a party at your house, send a letter with your Christmas cards, or write a blog post.
- **Talk with your members of Congress.** Ask them to form a circle of protection around programs that support nutrition in the 1,000-day window—programs such as WIC, SNAP (formerly food stamps), Feed the Future, and the Global Health Initiative.

**QUILTING** – St. Paul Lutheran Church, Fullerton WELCA has set a goal of 100 quilts to meet Lutheran World Relief's challenge to the ladies of ELCA to provide 500,000 quilts during 2013. We are meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month through September to meet this goal and hopefully blow past it! We encourage ladies to come for the entire time (10:00 – 4:00) or any part that works for them. No quilting experience necessary!!! We need ladies to cut, press, sew and tie the quilts. While this is a WELCA sponsored event, all are invited. The company is great and so far (after 2 Saturdays) we have made over 30 quilts. See the pictures below.







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: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Page. 1 | Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ App. Reviewed ☐ Scholarship Recipient? ☐ Yes ☐ No Notification Sent ☐



**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  
16370 Jupiter Circle  
Westminster, CA 92683**

Application must be post-marked no later than May 31



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

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April 20, 2013      “How Does Your Garden Grow” Luncheon & Fashion Show  
Location: Our Savior Lutheran Church, Banning  
Time & Cost: see info on page 6

April 27, 2013      Rejoice, Saddleback and Son & Surf Cluster Event  
Location: Our Redeemer Lutheran, Seal Beach  
Time & Cost: see info on page 6

April 27 2013      Sonshine West San Diego Cluster Event  
Location: St. Marks, Chula Vista  
Time & Cost: see info on page 6

June 22, 2013      SWO Board Meeting

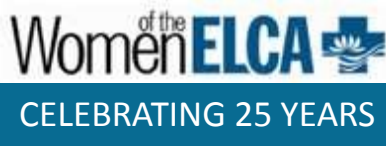
May 2-4, 2013      Synod Assembly  
Town & Country Convention Center - San Diego

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

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 Partners Editor & Triennial Promoter



## *Informational Web Sites for “your” use...*

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[www.pacificasynod.org](http://www.pacificasynod.org)

Pacifica Synod

[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)

This will access the national church wide office

[www.womenoftheelca.org](http://www.womenoftheelca.org)

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

[www.gather.org](http://www.gather.org)

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

[www.lwr.org](http://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](http://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](http://www.cherishchildren.org)

Information on Cherish the Children

[www.giveaminute.org](http://www.giveaminute.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..  
April 5th, 2013  
for Pacifica Partners  
Email: [welca@verizon.net](mailto:welca@verizon.net)***





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Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
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