



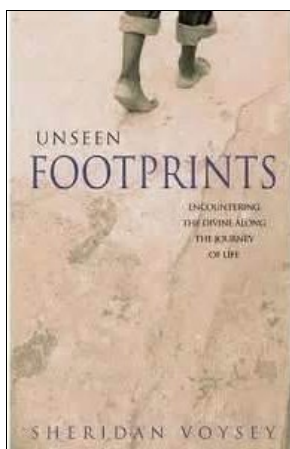
Pacifica Women of the ELCA present

“Unseen Footprints”

Saturday, March 9, 2013

at King of Kings Lutheran Church, 2993 MacDonald St., Oceanside, CA 92054

8am to 4pm (includes Continental Breakfast and Lunch)



Bible Verse:

Psalms 77:19

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

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

Recipient: Waianae Coast Schools, Hawaii

Registration form enclosed

From your New Pacifica W-ELCA President

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The officers and the board met on January 12th. We had a wonderful meeting full of ideas to share. Our Spring Event will be on Saturday, March 9th at King of Kings, Oceanside. Please mark your calendars so that you will not forget. It's is going to be wonderful. Our theme for the day is "Unseen Footprints". As all the details get set, we will pass them on to you...but not all of them because we want to save some surprises.

But you will be glad to get together with new friends and old friends. So get a carload of women from your church and come to the Spring Event. That was on March 9th

In this newsletter is a form for you to fill out and return called Unit Assessment. Each group is referred to as a unit. We need to have two women from your unit be contact people for us. And even if you have done this before, you will need to do it again. We want to be sure that we have all the right information. You may return the form to me or to our secretary, Nancy Worley. That return information you will find on the form. It is important that we do this. These assessments determine how many delegates we are allowed to be a voice at the Triennial Convention.

On our Board, each member is assigned as a mentor to a Cluster. So when you look at the list, make a note of who your mentor is. That person as well as any of the officers are there to assist you in many ways. For one thing, they are a good person to call when you are looking for resources. And if they don't know something right away, they will find out and get back to you. They may contact you before you contact them. They are encouraged to come and visit with you. So, be thinking about this and when you would like them to come.

Recently I attended a meeting at the Synod Learning Center in Santa Ana. It brought together people who were interested in learning and thinking about all the violence we have in our society today. This is not just a one time item to talk about and then we have "done" something. This is an ongoing topic that all of us need to be in discussion about. Talk about it at your unit meetings, council meetings, youth meetings, or wherever you have a chance to bring it up. The group will gather on January 18th in the hopes of coming up with definite plans to give the ELCA a voice within our communities.

A good thing to subscribe to on the internet in "News from the Women of the ELCA". You will find out what our group is all about doing and some ideas for your own group.

We have a lot of things the Women are doing around the Synod. Check the calendar of activities in this and every issue of the Pacifica Partners.

*In Peace,
Paula Rennegarbe
President of the Pacifica Women of the ELCA-SWO*



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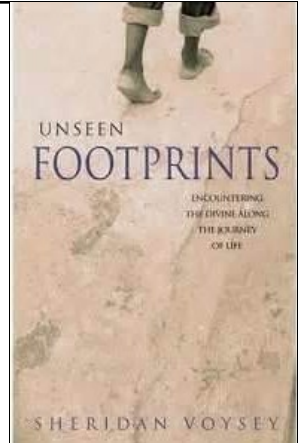
King of Kings Lutheran Church

2993 MacDonald Street

Oceanside, CA 92054

(760) 757-2525

This event is from 8am - 4pm.



Registration and continental breakfast begin at 8am, program starting at 9am to include lunch.

Early Bird - "postmark by 2/25" \$25.00

Postmark after 2/25 \$30.00

Make checks payable to:

Pacifica Women of the ELCA

Mail to:

Harriet Bower

8305 Magic Circle, Huntington Beach, CA 92646

(714) 842-3750

Please Print: (or affix an address label)

Name: _____

Address & City: _____

Telephone: () _____ Email: _____

Church: _____ Church City: _____

Pacifica Women of the ELCA
Change of Officers / Contact Form (Needed where or not there are any changes in your unit)
Year: 20_____

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Congregational Units:

*Please complete this form as soon as possible after your elections or change of contact women. Please type or print neatly so that the form will copy well. **Mail or email to:***

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Your Cluster Coordinator

(Insert Cluster Coordinator's Name Here)

Congregation: _____ Pastor _____

Address _____ Cluster _____

City & Zip _____

Telephone (include area code) _____

Name of your immediate past contact _____

President/Contact Person

Secretary/Second Contact

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

E-mail: _____

These names will be submitted in a secure and confidential area of our churchwide Women of the ELCA website so that mailings from Chicago come to an interested person. Our synodical secretary will use the information to send out emails regarding synodical events and when the next newsletter is ready on our website (www.pacificawomen.org) and to officially notify each unit of the convention each year. Your

Just a quick reminder from the editor...

We are currently updating our contact information regarding your unit and church. Even if you have "no" changes, would you please drop me a line at: welca@verizon.net, so I can be sure all is correct in our database. I have had many returns both mail and email and just want to make sure everyone is getting all the current information. Thank You, Karen

Pacifica SWO Seminarian Scholarship

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If we've heard and read it once, we've heard and read many times that the mission of Women of the ELCA "*is to mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.*"

One single day spent at a Triennial Convention will convince you forever that yes, at the churchwide level our organization is rich in the opportunities it provides for service, study and advocacy*. And, from the perspective of the board of the Pacifica Synodical Women's Organization (SWO), we too work to provide opportunities to mobilize you to *act boldly*. From experience, we know you are always ready for new opportunities just by the way you enthusiastically keep coming to events and by the way you always are so generous with love gifts when called upon.

Sometimes, though, the best ideas for acting boldly aren't the board-programmed ones. Sometimes the best ideas come from YOU!

Let me digress. Every year when we have our annual gathering/business meeting in November, there's an opportunity for YOU to present resolutions for consideration by the SWO. Recalling a little bit of parliamentary procedure, a *resolution* is the way that you, our members, can bring to the rest of us a request for action on something that's important to you. If you bring a resolution and the others agree that it's important by voting to adopt (approve) it, then it becomes a course of action for us to follow. Said another way, a resolution is a "grass roots" kind of thing—it's members making a call for action instead of waiting for a board to hopefully one day think up the idea.

That's exactly what happened last November on the final day of our meeting in San Diego— a resolution was presented and adopted that calls Pacifica women to bold new action in a way that will in turn mobilize other women to act boldly on their faith! Why would we take such an action? From the "Whereas" part of the resolution (and substituting "Because" to make it more readable), these are the reasons we agreed upon:

- *Because Pacifica Women of the ELCA are in full support of the ordination of women, and*
- *Because we have nurtured, mentored and prayed a number of our own Pacifica women to this end, and*
- *Because a woman's journey toward ordination requires not only a heart for answering God's call, but the financial means for the eight or so years of college and seminary education, and*
- *Because it is likely that women who embark on this journey have limited financial resources and huge expenses.*

And, from the "Resolved" part (i.e. the action part) of the resolution, this is what we agreed should be done:

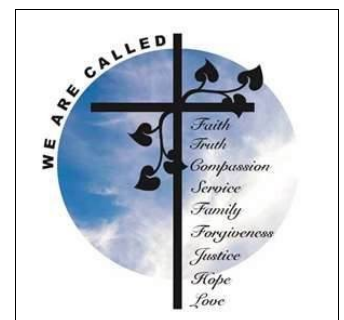
- *That Pacifica Women of the ELCA continue to prayerfully nurture, mentor and support the women in our synod who feel that God is calling them to ordained ministry, and*
- *That Pacifica Women of the ELCA establish a scholarship fund for women whose home ELCA congregations are in the Pacifica Synod, and*
- *That the Pacifica Women of the ELCA synodical board explore, activate, promote and administer said scholarship by our 2013 synodical convention.*

This year, the board has been working on plans to put the scholarship in place, and at our November convention in Ontario we'll present the plan to you and launch some fun fundraising ideas. We hope you'll be as excited as we are about having a part in "growing a pastor" from among our Pacifica congregations.

And that, dear sisters, is a beautiful picture of YOUR ideas on ways we can mobilize other women so that all are acting boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ! Keep the ideas coming!

Becky Shurson

*From "About Us" page, <http://www.womenoftheelca.org>





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
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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:

- | | | |
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| 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

Pacifica Women of the ELCA 25th Annual Convention and Gathering

Nov 2-4, 2012

Ayres Hotel & Suites, Ontario, CA



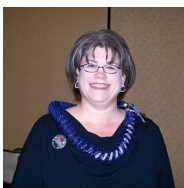
Dear Best Friends,,,

What an inspiring and spirit filled weekend! With God's Love and grace he brought us all together to show us how we were all made for a purpose!

With a weekend packed full of activities, there was something for everyone. While each of the activities were different, each one was centered around God's love for us, our Love for God, and our Love towards one another.

Friday Workshops

Friday started off with a couple of fascinating workshops. One of these workshops, Communication, was lead by former CWO and Swo Board member, Dona Jenkins. Teaching us about all the "Social Media" outlets, staying up to date in an ever changing society and how to "get the word" out to each other and the world.



Are other workshop was led by Jenny Michael, our Churchwide Rep (her true home is in the Florida/Bahamas Synod) on Resources. The Women of the ELCA offer a variety of resources, with some just as simple as a Bible

Study to a retreat weekend, all with a special message and purpose.

Bible Study Leader

Our own then, Swo Board member, Paula Rennegarbe, retired AiM, led us in an fact learning, inspirational and amazing Bible Study Friday evening.



Love Gifts



During the course of Friday, when you arrived, there were tables inside out "meeting/banquet space", to place your Love Gifts on. These were hygiene kits made for Central City Lutheran Mission, San Bernardino and One Pot One Hope in Waianae, Hi.

CCLM as it is known, mission statement is "By the Grace of God, CCLM is a community of healing, hope, and empowerment in the heart of the city". Pastor David Nagler,



CEO also said a few words and Thanked all for the overwhelming donations of the kits for the mission.

One Pot One Hope, was the other half of our Love Gift recipient. A program aimed to feed the homeless, One Pot One Hope started serving meals at Maluhia Lutheran, but quickly realized that not all the homeless had the means of transportation to get to the church. So they quickly decided to deliver meals and supplies to these families living in make shift homes and camps.



Convention Chaplain

As to include different sisters in Christ from all walks of life, we asked Pastor Sandy Nüller, Christ Lutheran in Cullman, Alabama to be our Chaplain for the weekend. Remember last year as we made Chrismons for the churches affected by the tornadoes, well, Pastor Sandy is the blessing for Christ Lutheran in a very small town of Cullman. She brought a powerful message of Faith, Blessings, Miracles and Promises to us all through her word, kind actions and compassion for others. She had us crying and laughing, and we had her busy during our business meetings with all that praying! Thank you pastor for being such a great sport!



Now comes the fun, start of the "business sessions". We must go through all the rules, make sure everyone understands them and then vote!



Joanne McGavran, Parliamentarian, Pastor Sandy Nüller and past president, Andrea Campbell.

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Our banquet entertainment this year was the wonderful and talented "Jilleen". She is a Christian Recording Artist and Speaker, who's musical abilities brought us such a joyful sound. Thank you to our very own Bishop Finck and his wife Rhoda, for having a good sense of humor during a brief stage appearance with Jilleen. We

closed the evening with a sing-a-long of some of the most beautiful hymns. Surely enjoyed by all.

One of several highlights for the weekend was the "kick off" of the Seminarian Scholarship fund. , some with gift cards, other not, so you had a 50/50 chance to get a card in a variety of amounts. We ran out of balloons in the first hour or so, and with an such enthusiasm, we replenished our stock for the second day. Way to go Pacifica Women!



Blessings and thanking the outgoing board member for their time and service



Six past Presidents in attendance at the November Convention, WOW! What a beautiful sight.

From the left: Ruth Bergstrom, Margaret Volkmann, Joanne McGavran, Helen Riggs, Eunice Hanson and Andrea Campbell. Thank you all for your years of dedication, hard work and service to the Women of the ELCA.

Convention Offering Update

<i>Churchwide-Chicago Women of the ELCA</i>	<i>\$2014.00</i>
<i>Central City Lutheran Mission</i>	<i>481.10</i>
<i>One Pot One Hope</i>	<i>481.10</i>
<i>Ethiopia Women thru Pacifica Synod ELCA</i>	<i>44.80</i>
<i>Stays with Pacifica (us)</i>	<i>1007.00</i>
<i>Total Offerings Collected</i>	<i>\$ 4028.00</i>

Love Gift basket money of \$191.00 to One Pot One Hope. All physical Love Gifts of the Hygiene Kits and supplies to Central City Lutheran Mission (per the special requests of mission)



Jenny Michael, Churchwide Rep, installing the new SWO Board members during Sunday morning's service. Paula Rennegarbe, President; Sue Connors, Vice President; Inga Sanders, Treasurer; Nancy Worley, Secretary; Board members: Viola Angebrandt, Harriet Bower, Verlette Brummell, Faye Cieslinski, Sherri Clark, Tina Gates and Becky Shurson

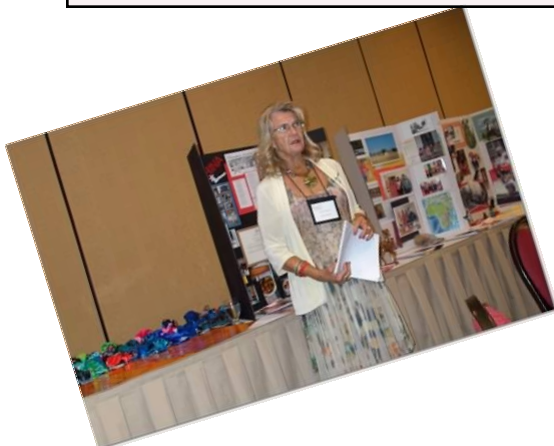


Happy 25th Anniversary Women of the ELCA! This banner was presented to Pacifica Women of the ELCA at our November convention. Made by our new President, Paula Rennegarbe.

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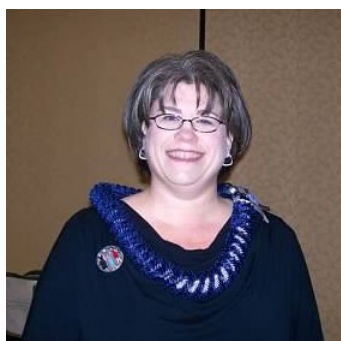
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Making "Love Dolls workshop on Saturday.



Bishop Finck addressing the women on Saturday



Still smiling after a full weekend with those Pacifica women!

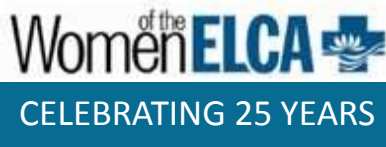


Calendar of Events, Purpose Statement & Keep in our prayers...

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| February 9, 2013 | Rejoice, Saddleback and Son & Surf Cluster President's Meeting
Location: Redeemer LC, Seal Beach |
| February 24 2013 | Bold Women's Day |
| March 9, 2013 | March Spring Gathering presented by Pacifica Women of the ELCA
Location: King of Kings, Oceanside, CA
Time: 8am-4pm (includes continental breakfast & lunch) |
| April 2013 | Rejoice, Saddleback and Son & Surf Cluster Event
Location: TBA |
| April 27 2013 | Harvest Cluster
Location: St. Marks, Chula Vista |
| June 22, 2013 | SWO Board Meeting |
| May 2-4, 2013 | Synod Assembly - San Diego |
| November 1-3, 2013 | Pacifica Women of the ELCA Annual Convention
Location: Orange County
<i>(exact location to be announced at a later date)</i> |
| 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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