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# Pacifica Partners

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Are you a

**STRONG, BOLD**

Lutheran Woman?

Have you ever considered serving  
on the

Synodical Women's Organization  
Board

Or

Serving as a Triennial  
Delegate?

Think about it!!



# Letter from the President

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First a couple updates on our November convention. Pastor Kim Krogstad at Christ Lutheran in San Clemente has said, “Yes” to being our chaplain for the weekend. Dona Jenkins has been working with Thrivent and we will be able to have at least twenty five women working on a house during our weekend. It will be interior work – we will have more details later. Most likely our Love gifts will relate to “housewarming” gifts and especially kitchen items. And as I promised last month, we will have several activities for those who do not actually work on the house.

Our board meets as a whole in late June so things like the schedule and other details will come together then. It is either late June or early July when we will send out an invitation and registration form. This will be on line as well. And we likely will send it to anyone for whom we have an email address but I will be combing our registration lists from the last couple years, and if we don’t have an email address but someone has attended, they will receive the invitation in the mail. Now of course, either method may not reach those who have not attended! So it is up to each of you to spread the word, publicize in your unit, and personally invite other women of all ages to attend!

Above all, put November 5-7 on your personal calendar and that of your unit!! And remember our elections will also be happening. Let us know you would be delighted to serve or that you have someone in mind who you think would be great! Don’t forget to nominate someone from your unit for triennial delegate to Spokane in July 2011.

“God’s Work, Our Passions” is the theme of the festival dinner at Synod Assembly Friday evening May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Town and Country Resort in San Diego. Pastor Cathy from First Lutheran in Vista, and I are planning the evening. Bishop Mark Hanson will be part of the program, as will Adam Finck and several Ugandians from the Invisible Children. Come to the dinner dressed in a T-shirt that speaks of a passion of yours! Table conversation will be about those passions as well as any of the servant events from that afternoon in which diners participated. You do not have to be a delegate from your congregation to attend this event! The dinner is \$40 and tickets can be purchased separately. But you can even buy a \$10 day pass and hear the program – except you will miss the fine food and conversation around the table. Visit [www.pacificasynod.org](http://www.pacificasynod.org).

Harvest Cluster held their spring event this past Saturday (April 10). The theme was around the “Ideal Woman” and Jackie Ehlers led a Bible study on what Proverbs says about the ideal woman. Then we were treated to a fashion show with models from our own congregations showing off clothes that made them look like the ideal woman! Be sure to attend the cluster event in your area.

Am still looking for a “new fashioned” historian. We have some scrapbooks of pictures from years past with a couple newer ones done by a “Creative Memories” artist. But we have a lot of digital pictures on CDs from recent years that could really use some time and interest to put them in electronic albums. Interested or know someone who would be interested? Let me know!

Acting Boldly in Christ!

Eunice

# Greetings from Hawai'i

By Juli Patten, Vice President

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Easter is over, not so reminds my pastor. Easter has just begun. I have a lovely angel that hangs in my entry. It has little wooden pieces that I can change with the season, the one for Easter says "He is risen". That simple statement always pops, "He is risen indeed!" into my mind.

As we speed through life, we always seem to be looking ahead to the next event, as soon as Easter is over we start thinking about summer and then fall and Halloween. I am kind of surprised they don't have the Halloween decorations out already, as it seems they are in the stores earlier every year. During Lent we are reminded to slow down and think about the crucifixion. This season as we read the gospels on this event it made me sad, I cried in church as I read them and in my heart I asked what have I done to deserve the miracle of my faith. We are so fortunate to have the gift of faith in our lives. We don't have to pay for it, we don't even have to earn it we just have to ask.

We teach our children to ask for forgiveness yet it is often very difficult for us as adults to ask for forgiveness or to grant it to ourselves. As women we often feel guilty for not doing enough, for not caring enough, for not giving enough, but who are we hardest on? Ourselves. We need to put the woman who cares, loves, gives, and does a spot at the top of the list, You! You need to be the priority in your own life. We have to learn to be a little more selfish, and a little more forgiving. I am not the slightest bit concerned that we may become a selfish monster, because it just isn't in our nature. Remember to take time, slow down, and be forgiving, your faith will see you through.

I also have several angels by my bed and one hanging in the kitchen, it is made of cardboard and tissue paper, a WELCA lady in Nebraska made it for me. Way across the ocean in Hawaii a little bit of Nebraska brightens my day as I leave my home. Those angels are a reminder to me to be an angel but to myself as well as others. I have no problem giving of myself to others, but I am not so good at taking care of me. Go out do something fun just for you, give yourself permission to "say no" to something.

Aloha,

Juli



Triennial Delegate  
2011 Triennial Convention Nomination Form

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July 12-14, 2011 - Spokane WA

During our business sessions at King of Glory in Fountain Valley on November 5-7, 2010, we will elect four delegates for the 2011 Triennial Convention. Your president will also be a delegate.

**For this triennial convention the Business/Plenary sessions will be held before the actual gathering. Delegates will have their round trip travel paid and will receive lodging and meals from July 12-14, 2011. Lodging, meals, and registration for the actual gathering July 14-17, 2011, will be at the delegate's/participant's own expense.**

Please submit a nominee from your congregational unit by **August 15, 2010**, by returning this form to:

**Jan Parthemer, Nominations Chair**

**795 Marsopa Dr**

**Vista CA 92081**

**619-992-5465**

**janp@cox.net**

Congregational Unit of \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Church)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Church City)

nominates \_\_\_\_\_ as a delegate to the Triennial Convention. She is aware of

this nomination and has given her permission to have her name placed on the ballot for this position.

Nominee Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Signature/Title of Person from Unit submitting this nomination

## Calendar of Events

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- April 22, 2010      Annual WELCA and Men's Fellowship Dinner  
Location: Lutheran Church of Our Savior, San Bernardino  
Contact: (909) 882-5013 (church office)
- April 23, 2010      Girl's Night Out, guest speaker, Christian comedian "Kerri Pomarolli"  
Location: Good Sheppard Lutheran, Irvine  
Cost: \$10 (at door)
- May 1, 2010      Annual WELCA and Youth Churchwide Fundraiser Rummage Sale  
Location: Lutheran Church of Our Savior, San Bernardino  
Contact (909) 882-5013 (church office)
- May 6-8, 2010      Synod Assembly  
Location: Town & Country Resort, San Diego  
More information on [www.pacificasynod.org](http://www.pacificasynod.org)
- May 8, 2010      Women's Spring Tea "God's Beauty Queen Pageant" by "Jilleen", Christian Music Artist  
Location: Our Redeemer Lutheran, Garden Grove  
Time: 11am (last day for tickets May 2nd)  
Contact: Michelle Timothy (714) 539-5202 or Susan Sauter (714) 898-4148
- June 19, 2010      Mariposa, Big Bear and Raincross Cluster Summer Event  
Location: First Lutheran, Ontario  
Time: 8:30am—Noon
- July 10, 2010      Son & Surf, Saddleback & Rejoice Cluster President's Planning Meeting  
Location: King of Glory Lutheran Church  
Time: 9am
- July 12, 2010      Harvest Cluster President's Planning Meeting  
Location: San Marcos Lutheran Church  
Time: 9am
- September 18, 2010      Bible Study in the O.C.  
Location: Our Savior Lutheran Church, San Clemente  
Time: 9am to 2pm
- September 25, 2010      Harvest Cluster Event  
Location & Time: TBA
- November 5-7, 2010      Pacifica Women of the ELCA Convention  
Location: King of Glory Lutheran Church, Fountain Valley  
Details to follow

*Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints, we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*



Purpose Statement

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Address changes and corrections should be sent to the Secretary:

Becky Shurson  
13848 Meadow View Lane  
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Email: [bshurson@verizon.net](mailto:bshurson@verizon.net)

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Monday Prayer at Noon is a weekly opportunity to join in prayer with women throughout the United States, the Caribbean, and Canada. Check [www.womenoftheelca.org](http://www.womenoftheelca.org) for specific weekly prayer concerns.



*“Keep in our Prayers”*

Please keep Pastor Glenn Petersen (former Associate Pastor at King of Glory, Fountain Valley), wife Carol and family in your hearts as they mourn the death of their son Hans, who was killed in freak accident while attending PLTS. May our prayers be with the family through this difficult time.

Please keep the family and friend of Eloise Dahlen, AiM,, in your prayer through this time of mourning.

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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.*

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*Nominee for:*

*Secretary*

*Treasurer*

*Board Member*

Last Name

First Name

Middle Initial

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street & Number

City, State

Zip Code

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation:

Address of Church:

If you are nominating someone other than yourself:

Has this individual agreed to run for the office indicated? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your name? \_\_\_\_\_

Address? \_\_\_\_\_

Phone? \_\_\_\_\_

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.

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO:

**Jan Parthemer, Nominations Chair**

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**Vista CA 92081**

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# 2010 Convention Scholarship Form

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Women of the ELCA

2010 Pacifica Synod Convention

King of Glory, Fountain Valley

November 5-7, 2010

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 full registration for the day. 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 full registration for the day. 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) and full registration for the day.

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 1, 2010** to:

Andrea Campbell, 6555 Jaluit Street, Cypress CA 90630

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# On Another Note...

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“God’s Work. Our Hands.”



I can’t think of any group with a more beautiful expression of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America’s signature phrase than our own Women of the ELCA. Women of our WELCA unit minister in a variety of ways from delivering our gifts to Central City Lutheran Mission to making diapers, quilts, and lap robes to various people in need. They make sure there is food and hospitality whether the occasion is a memorial service or an anniversary celebration.

And your hands are invited to participate in the fun, the fellowship, and the service to others.  
**ALL HANDS ON DECK!**

If you have a name and address of a service man or women, serving “overseas”, please send me their name, and mailing address. We still have boxes available to ship, so please send me those names. You can email them to:

[welca@verizon.net](mailto:welca@verizon.net)

Thanks,  
Karen Ronchetti, Editor

*Boldness is called into action. It comes in many forms. Some are bright and loud; some are firm and quiet. We celebrate the limitless of unique voices. Do you have a definition of BOLD? What do you believe is your best BOLD?*

*Have you taken a step to help others? Have you “stepped up to the plate” to help out when needed, or to do something that is completely out of “your comfort zone”?*

*A small prayer to all special women each day:*

*Loving God, thank you for creating me to be bold. And let your light shine in all that I say and do.*



# PACIFICA WOMEN OF THE ELCA

## 2010 Synodical Board Members

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## *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)

(Note: New domain name for churchwide website of the Women of the ELCA; *Café*, for free website for women 20-35 is part of this website).

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

(This website will access LWT 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.hisrosesandthorns.com](http://www.hisrosesandthorns.com)

A Christian website of Wanda Scott Bledsoe and Janet Sannipoli

[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 minutes 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.

The deadline is..

May 5th, 2010 for Pacifica Partners

New Email: [welca@verizon.net](mailto:welca@verizon.net)

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