

Pacifica Partners

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From the President's Desk



Our convention planning team continues their work on the program parts of the convention – we don't have a lot of new information. The next *Pacifica Partners* will be delivered October 1 – keep watching our website, www.pacificawomen.com, as more information will be posted as the exciting details develop! Our new website manager/newsletter editor is doing a super fabulous job and has responded immediately to any new requests or any necessary correction. Remember Gwen Edwards is from our partner synod in Nebraska – so think of our way of connecting to our sister synod – it is quite unique! At our June board meeting, it was decided our convention offerings (both Praise/Unit offering and individual offerings taken at closing worship) will be shared 50% to churchwide, 25% to our synodical budget, and 25% to our seminary scholarship fund.

Gerri Licke has agreed to be our nominations chair and the [nomination form](#) is on our website and included in this issue. We will be electing a vice president by nominating ballot. The nomination team needs to find nominees for treasurer and ideally, five board positions. Our treasurer is eligible to be re-elected to a second term. Three current board members have another year in their term and the other three are eligible for to be re-elected to a second term. Pacifica SWO should have eight board members (we have six this year), therefore, we are looking for at least two additional women willing to serve. If you know of someone you would like to see serve on our board, fill out the form and send it to Gerri – or call her. She or her team will communicate with the woman/women you suggest to see if they are willing to serve. If YOU would like to serve, fill out the form and email or call Gerri.

Remember that we also have [scholarships](#) available for our convention. The form is in this issue and on the website.

Here is a list of information previously provided about our convention – and all these forms can be found on the [website](#):

- * Registration Form with hotel information
- * Save the Date Flyer to share, distribute and/or post at your congregational unit
- * Love Gift Flyer – recipients and ideas for gifts
- * Resolution Guidelines
- * 2019 Convention Scholarship

Once again, we will hold a Silent Auction which is how we raise the monies for our convention and triennial gathering scholarships. See the article in their issue.

Since we have been meeting in a church rather than a hotel, we have been able to offer one day registration. The last couple of years, we have worked to make that one day packed with programming. This year we will still offer the one day registration and are working to spread out the business and programming, so that you will want to be there both days to ensure you don't miss anything! Voting members are required to be there both days.

At the June board meeting, we awarded a \$500 scholarship to Emily Erisman who will be attending Wartburg Seminary. She is from Bethlehem in Encinitas.

Also at the June board meeting, we agreed to send \$1200 to Churchwide Women of the ELCA to help pay for one of our voting members at the Triennial Convention. Churchwide Executive Board had suggested each synod pay \$2400 for one voting member to help balance the budget for the event, the convention total budget is \$741,530. We are a small synod (in numbers, not geography!) and felt we had enough resources to pay \$1200 now and then may be able to send more at the end of the year.

Keep thinking of and planning to attend the [Triennial Gathering](#) in Phoenix July 14-16, 2020. Registration will open September 30 and nominations are now open until November 30 for the two officers and seventeen women to serve on the Churchwide Executive Board; the president and vice-president are elected by a nominating ballot process. In February 2019, our board voted to transfer \$2000 from our convention scholarship fund to triennial scholarships. Perhaps because the costs for attending our convention in a church are lower, we have had fewer requests for convention scholarships. Therefore, at present, we have \$1,644 available for convention and \$2,710 available for triennial scholarships. The forms to apply for those [scholarships](#) are in this issue and on the website. Don't let funds keep you from experiencing "Just Love" – the worship, the music, the speakers - which will be in Phoenix!!

Anew in Christ!
President Eunice Hanson

2018-2019 Audited Financial Statements

PACIFICA WOMEN OF THE ELCA TREASURER'S REPORT FEBRUARY 1, 2019 (THRU JANUARY 31, 2019) FINAL		PACIFICA WOMEN OF THE ELCA RECONSTRUCTION REPORT AS OF 1/31/19		BANK STATEMENT BANK OF AMERICA 1/31/19	
	2018	2018	2019	2018	2019
BANK BALANCE AS OF 1/31/19					
REVENUE					
Constitutional Gifts	6,983.23	6,983.23	6,983.23	6,983.23	6,983.23
Churchwide/Episcopal	1,881.00	1,881.00	1,881.00	1,881.00	1,881.00
Ward Cash Offering	2,470.00	2,470.00	2,470.00	2,470.00	2,470.00
Churchwide/Episcopal	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Churchwide/Episcopal	840.00	840.00	840.00	840.00	840.00
Constitutional/Episcopal	1,210.00	1,210.00	1,210.00	1,210.00	1,210.00
Constitutional/Episcopal	1,131.00	1,131.00	1,131.00	1,131.00	1,131.00
Constitutional/Episcopal	340.00	340.00	340.00	340.00	340.00
Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	\$ 15,864.23	\$ 15,864.23	\$ 15,864.23	\$ 15,864.23	\$ 15,864.23
EXPENSES					
Episcopal/Churchwide	\$ 1,231.11	\$ 1,231.11	\$ 1,231.11	\$ 1,231.11	\$ 1,231.11
Episcopal/Churchwide/Episcopal	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Episcopal/Churchwide/Episcopal	201.71	201.71	201.71	201.71	201.71
Ward Cash Offering	17.25	17.25	17.25	17.25	17.25
Other	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Printing	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Travel/Episcopal/Episcopal	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Travel/Episcopal/Episcopal	4,711.38	4,711.38	4,711.38	4,711.38	4,711.38
Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	\$ 12,564.55	\$ 12,564.55	\$ 12,564.55	\$ 12,564.55	\$ 12,564.55
BANK BALANCE AS OF 1/31/19					
LESS: Restricted Funds	Accounted Fund				
Constitutional	(11,124.14 - 10,919.12)				
Interest	4,400.00				
Interest	1,000.00				
Constitutional Fund	1,434.92				
	\$ 1,680.78				
NET INCREASE					
	\$ 3,299.68	\$ 3,299.68	\$ 3,299.68	\$ 3,299.68	\$ 3,299.68
BANK BALANCE (FROM RECONSTRUCTION REPORT AS OF 1/31/18) \$ 2,841.01					
BANK BALANCE AS OF 1/31/19 \$ 6,140.69					
NET INCREASE \$ 3,299.68					

Please review these before our Annual Convention in November.

Thank you,
Laura Ortiz, Treasurer



SAVE THE DATE

PACIFICA WOMEN OF THE ELCA

32nd Annual Convention & Gathering

"Celebrating Fruits of the Spirit"

November 1 & 2, 2019



King of Glory Lutheran Church
10280 Slater Avenue, Fountain Valley, CA



Keynote Speaker Announced

Sara Larson was elected to the executive board of the Women of the ELCA in July of 2017. Sara serves as the chair of the budget and finance committee.

Previously, Sara served as a board member for Southwestern Minnesota Synodical Women's Organization (3F). She has been actively involved in the ELCA on the community, regional and national level sharing the mission of the Women of the ELCA for the past 15 years.

Sara loves to meet new people and share God's message. She has traveled to South Africa, Central America, Spain, Indonesia, Puerto Rico, and many North American destinations and most recently, Europe.

Sara is a member of First Lutheran Church in Marshall, MN, where she is a part-time Lay Minister. She is working on obtaining her Master of Divinity at Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque, IA, as part of the Collaborative Learning Program.

Sara previously worked as a guardian ad litem in the court system, for 20 years, advocating for abused and neglected children.

She lives in rural Balaton, Minnesota, with her dog. She loves to garden and being physically active. Sara coached and lead youth activities for many years and recently became a licensed Minnesota State High School League basketball official. She is a positive role model and an encouraging spirit for men, women, and youth.

Silent Auction to Take Place at Annual Convention

Attention Ladies: Even though it is only August, it is not too soon to start looking for silent auction items for our 32nd Annual Convention and Gathering to be held November 1-1.

Suggestions:

Children's games basket, gift cards to Starbucks and restaurants, tickets to movies, wine lovers basket, quilts, candles etc..... you get the idea.

Once you gather enough goodies to make up a great basket, do like I do and get a creative friend to make it pretty!! Please provide a list of items in the basket and the approximate value. I will make up the bid sheets.

All proceeds will go to scholarships; 75% Pacifica annual convention and 25% Triennial scholarships.

Any questions, feel free to contact me at cjwatsong@aol.com.

Yours in Christ,
Christina Watson, Treasurer,
Bethlehem Lutheran Church



Reach your Hispanic sisters with our Spanish resources

by Eva James Yeo

Are you looking for more ways to reach out to your Hispanic sisters? You can connect with those women and all women in your church and community through our resources. We offer several Spanish resources to support our sisters on their faith journey.

Resources available in Spanish include the welcome flyer, "Six Models for Missions," and the A Place for You booklet and Powerpoint. (Find these under the membership section on welca.org.) We also have 28 free downloadable resources in Spanish, which you can find at welca.org/resources. Click "en Español" under Categories.

These ministry resources are available in a wide array of subjects and are perfect for circles, adult forums, retreats, workshops and conventions. Choose and download one or several resources as you plan your programming for the coming year.

How can you be a part of Women of the ELCA?

Contact me (eva.yeo@elca.org) to learn more about forming a group in your congregation or finding an established group at a congregation near you. Learn more about our organization through our publications *Interchange* and its Spanish companion, *Intercambio*. Find these and other publications on our website, welca.org/publications.

Eva James Yeo is director of membership for Women of the ELCA

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Pacifica Women of the ELCA

Love Gift Recipients

for 2019

King of Glory "King's Kitchen"



The King's Kitchen is an outreach ministry at King of Glory that prepares a free hot meal on set dates for anyone who is hungry. The Kitchen has a Blessings Table with household, personal care, and food items for those who need them.

We are applying for a Thrivent grant to purchase fleece material to make blankets for the Blessings Table. At the convention, we will be tying the blankets.



Family Promise

A non-profit organization that offers homeless families in Orange County the opportunity to achieve housing stability by providing short term shelter, meals, case management and hospitality

Items Requested: Gift Cards or Cleaning Supplies

Lutheran Social Services



Lutheran Social Services ("LSS") is a non-profit social service agency. LSS provides tangible goods and services such as food pantries & Senior Grocery Program, clothing, emergency vouchers for hotel, bus, gas and utilities, housing and rental referrals, hygiene packs, and seasonal programs to those in need.

Items Requested: Non-perishable food items



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32nd Annual Convention & Gathering
"Celebrating Fruits of the Spirit"
November 1 & 2, 2019
King of Glory Lutheran Church
10280 Slater Avenue, Fountain Valley, CA

CONVENTION REGISTRATION:

Name: _____ (separate form for each registrant)

Address: _____ City _____ Zip _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Congregation: _____ City: _____ State _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

(Please check all that apply)

Voting Member Non-Voting Member First Time Attendee Unit President

Representative (*Your church does not have a unit. You will have a voice, but not a vote*)

SWO Board and/or GUEST, CWO Representative, Pastor, or Member of unit outside ELCA

REGISTRATION FEE: (please circle amount paid)

Friday & Saturday: Convention & 3 meals Regular: \$80.00 Under 35 years: \$70.00

Saturday only: Convention & 2 meals Regular: \$60.00 Under 35 years: \$50.00

PLEASE NOTE ANY SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS: _____

Make checks payable to: "Pacifica Women of the ELCA" and mail to:

Laura Ortiz 501 "J" Street, Chula Vista, CA 91910

Phone: (619) 823-3017 E-Mail: Laurasd05@gmail.com

NOTE: Registration is Non-Refundable, but is transferable

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: (Not included in Registration fee. You must make your own reservation)

Ayres Hotel 17550 Brookhurst Street, Fountain Valley, CA Phone: 714-861-5170

Request special "Women of the ELCA" group rate of \$139 per night plus tax (Room with 2 Queens)
(Included: Free parking, Wi-Fi, and Full American breakfast)

Hotel registration deadline for this special rate is 10/1/19



Nominee for: Treasurer Board Member

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____
 Address _____
 Street & Number _____ City, State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home/Cell 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 then a form for further information if the nominee agrees to have her name placed on a ballot. **PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER THIS CALL TO SERVE!!**

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO:

Gerri Lieke
1179 Sinsonte Circle
Corona CA 92882
626-354-5712
gerrilovesroses@gmail.com

This year we need to elect a Treasurer. Currently we have six board members so have been short two. All six current members have either served one year of their two-year term or are eligible for re-election to a second two-year term.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
 Pacifica Women of the ELCA
 2019 Pacifica Synod Gathering
 King of Glory, Fountain Valley
 November 01-02, 2019

I am applying for:

- SWO What? Scholarship**
 I am 13-30 years of age, a first time gathering attendee, and an active member of an ELCA congregation. If awarded, the scholarship will include registration, my hotel room, and my meals during the gathering. Transportation will be excluded.
- Mahalo Scholarship**
 I am 31 years of age or above, an active member of an ELCA congregation, and a first time scholarship recipient. If awarded, the scholarship will include registration, my hotel room, and my meals during the gathering. Transportation will be excluded.
- Ohana Scholarship**
 I am 18 years of age or above, an active member of an ELCA congregation located on Hawaii (a non-delegate), and a first time scholarship recipient. If awarded, the scholarship will include transportation (to be reimbursed up to \$500.00), registration, my hotel room, and my meals during the gathering.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CLUSTER _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

CONGREGATION/CITY _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

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 30, 2019** to:

Laura Ortiz, Treasurer
501 "J" Street, Chula Vista, CA 91910
Phone: (619) 823-3017 E-Mail: Laurad05@gmail.com



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Women of the ELCA
2020 Triennial Gathering
Phoenix AZ
July 16-19, 2020

I am applying for:

Triennial Scholarship:

18+ years of age
Active member of an ELCA congregation and an active participant in Women of the ELCA
This will be a monetary scholarship. The number of scholarship recipients shall be determined by the committee.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CLUSTER _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

CONGREGATION/CITY _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

AGE GROUP: 18-25 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 **April 15, 2020** to:

Laura Ortiz, Treasurer
501 "J" Street, Chula Vista, CA 91910
Phone: (619) 823-3017 E-Mail: Laurad05@gmail.com

Women of Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Banning—
Invite you to our Annual ½ Day Retreat

Sarah & Hagar – Pursuing God's Will Without God



Saturday, August 24th

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Trinity Episcopal Church
Fellowship Hall

419 S. Fourth St., Redlands, CA

From Banning, go West on the "10" freeway and exit at Cypress Avenue, exit #80. Turn left on Cypress. In about one mile, turn right onto Fourth Street. The church is on your right about .2 miles west, 419 W. Fourth.

Cost: \$20 - Includes study & lunch – Seating is limited



Francoise Van Horn is once again leading our Bible Study. Bring your Bible and your questions.

To reserve a spot, call Rosemarie Peterson at 951-267-0680 by August 16th then mail the form below with your check payable to "WELCA" to Rosemarie Peterson, 10765 Cherry Hills Dr., Cherry Valley, CA 92223.

August 24th Half-Day Women's Retreat at Trinity Episcopal Church

Name: _____ Contact Phone: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

Name: _____ Contact Phone: _____
E-Mail Address: _____



Mark Your Calendar

August, Share *Pacifica Partners* with members

August, Publicized/Promote Annual Convention and Gathering

August, Remember in prayer the SWO conventions this month

August 24, Women's Annual 1/2 Day Retreat, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Redlands, CA

September, Publicized/Promote Annual Convention and Gathering

September, Remember in prayer the SWO conventions this month

September 20, *Pacifica Partners* Deadline

October 19, W/ELCA 46th Annual Apple Festival Bazaar, Bethlehem Lutheran, Los Alamitos, CA

November 1-2, *32nd Annual Convention & Gathering*, King of Glory, Fountain Valley, CA

July 14-16, 2020, *Women of the ELCA Eleventh Triennial Convention*, Phoenix, AZ

July 16-19, 2020, *Women of the ELCA Eleventh Triennial Gathering*, Phoenix, AZ

Do you have events within your Congregational Unit that you want to invite other ladies to attend? That you want listed in this "Mark Your Calendar" section? If so, please e-mail them to pacificapartnerswelca@gmail.com.

Pacifica Synodical Women's Organization 2019-2020 Officers and Board Members

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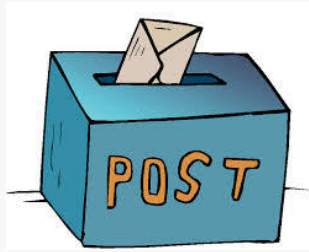
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Submit a letter to the Editor

We want to hear from you! Send us an email to pacificapartnerswelca@gmail.com with suggestions, ideas for events, Bible studies, and events you would like to share with all Pacifica Women of the ELCA participants.

Thank you for subscribing to *Pacifica Partners* or giving us permission to add your email address to receive communication from the Pacifica Synodical Women's Organization. If you know other ladies who are not receiving our emails, please share this with them and encourage them to sign up.

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