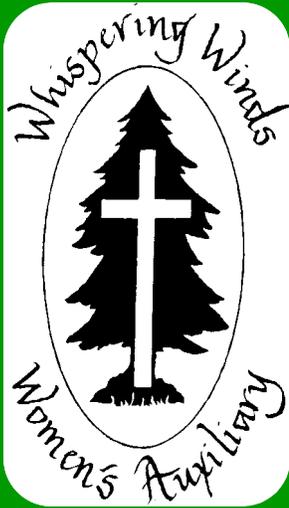


Whispers from the Auxiliary

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"Called to His Purpose"

Romans 8:28

Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary

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From the President.....

This year we have the privilege of celebrating the 30th year anniversary of our precious Auxiliary! In 1987 Bernice Mascari and Kathy Brown answered the call of the Holy Spirit out of obedience and love. With His wisdom leading the way they chose Romans 8:28 to be our shepherding Scripture "We know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose". What a beautiful promise from our Heavenly Father, it is certain and absolute, we are filled with love for God, yearning and striving to be more like Jesus, to Him be the glory!

My first encounter with the Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary was being asked to join the board as Correspondence secretary. This involved sending out cards; get well, sympathy, praying for you..., each was signed from the Auxiliary and placed in the mail. When attending the board meeting I would be called on to give a report of whom they were sent out to. It didn't take long for me to fall in love with these lovely women who are so in love with Jesus! When I began going up to the camp for our spring retreats I got to know many of my sisters in Christ on a deeper level. They truly care for others, serve joyfully, love unconditionally and have wisdom to share from time spent in God's presence.

In honor of our 30th year we are going to include a "history corner" in our upcoming newsletters and would be so grateful to hear from any of you. If you have a story to share from the past, a Holy Spirit moment at the camp, a funny experience or special times with Whispering Winds please bless us by sending them to me at sv4grls@cox.net.

We are so thankful for each of you and so encouraged to know you are continuing to pray daily for the camp and all who set foot on God's Holy Mountain. May each camper and volunteer be changed by the Lord's sustaining presence, find His perfect peace, savor every blessing and trust He is truly working all things together for good.

"God called you to this through the Good News we preached to you; He called you to possess your share of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ." - 2 Thess. 2:14

Val Spooner



Reflections for a woman that shares a spiritual life

Greetings Sisters in Christ,

One of my favorite sayings is, “Everyday is a gift from God and the people He brings to us each day.” I have truly experienced that at Whispering Winds Camp. Sharing the joy of serving with others, getting to know new families, and growing my spirituality.

The blessing of sharing time with others on the Mountain and off helps me to understand the beauty of having a relationship with Christ and the value of sharing it with others. Marianne Evans Mount reminds us that: “the gift of being a woman is the ability to give life. As Christian women we have an even greater privilege—to give supernatural life to others through a personal relationship with Christ in faith.”

We are all spiritual mothers and have opportunities to bring life to others in our actions, thoughts and words—in our families, our communities, our places of work or play and in our parishes. This requires that we have an intimate relationship with Christ through our prayer life and allowing him to guide us and mold us into his image. We are all in various states of life and I invite you to reflect on your calling to bring life to others:

- 1) Am I open to bringing spiritual life to the world?
- 2) Do I spend quality time with Jesus each day?
- 3) Who are the gifts in my life and do they know I am grateful for them?

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we could be holy and blameless before him. He destined us in love. . . “ Ephesians 1:3-5

Love in Christ, Your Servant Sister,
Annie McConville
Spirituality Advisor

A spiritual mother is a “yes”....This is about becoming a woman of holy influence, being a life-giver to other.

Pat Gohn, from Blessed, Beautiful, and Bodacious: Celebrating the Gift of Catholic Womanhood

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The Spirituality Co-chair this year will be Lisa Moritz - who has been an active member of the committee for several years now.

Our next Spirituality meeting will be on **Wednesday, October 11 at the home of Marie Cizek. 6:30-8:30.** Our meetings begin and end with spiritual reflection and prayer for the camp, family and friends and anyone who has asked for prayer. We meet once a month usually on the second Wednesday of the month.

The Spirituality Events Chair and Co-chair positions are held from June to June. Our duties include planning and carrying out the Advent and Lenten evenings of reflection, as well as the spring retreat in May. We welcome any new members, please send an email to me, Laurie Mikolaycik, at teacherlaurie@hotmail.com if you wish to be included on the mailing list. We once again would like to thank Linda Aguilera, our Fearless Leader this past year, for putting in countless hours with love and grace to make it a wonderful year! Well done good and faithful servant!

Laurie Mikolaycik
Spirituality Chair

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This year our annual Whispering Winds Auxiliary Brunch will feature a fashion show highlighting the 5 top trends in fall fashion from the Dress Barn. Come preview the new easy elegance, artistically inspired outfits modeled by 10 special models! Hear their inspirational stories of how they have been “Amazed by the Most High God”.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 28 at St. Michael’s Holy Family Center in Poway. The morning will begin with an optional Mass at 8:30AM with coffee bar and brunch to follow. There will be baskets to bid on and friends to visit. Look for an invitation coming to your mailbox and email box soon!

Fund Raising

Hello ladies!

As fall approaches so quickly (again, right?!) it's time to set our minds on our Annual Meeting for our dear WWW Auxiliary. We start with the celebration of mass and follow with a breakfast brunch. We also have a silent auction and a paddle raise, all to raise monies for our fabulous Whispering Winds Camp! While we pray daily for the needs of the camp and all campers and workers, this fundraiser gives us an enormous chance to support campers (by scholarships) and provide much needed upgrades for Whispering Winds.

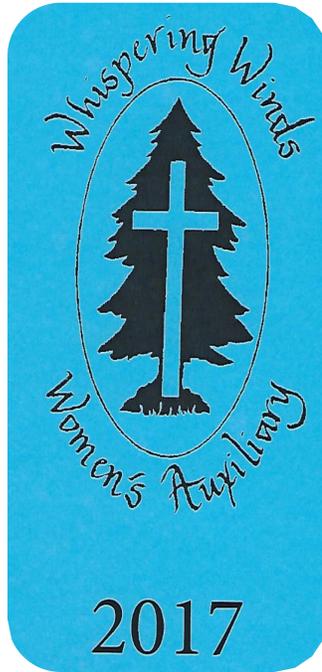
Many of our members aren't aware that the PRIMARY FUNDRAISER for the auxiliary is this annual meeting. Our other events, our Lent and Advent evenings of reflection, and the women's retreat are to support our members spiritually, and are not fundraising by design.

This is where YOU come in! Our blessed auxiliary has been so very generous in the past in support of every kind. We are asking primarily for gift cards; we also would welcome any services (car wash, fishing trips, massage services, movie tickets, Zoo, etc) that you have available to you. Remember to fill out a donor form also; we can send one to you if you need it. Our Board members will be meeting Wednesday Sept 13 and any of them could pass along any gifts you are willing to donate. Both Claudia and I will also come to pick them up. You can reach us at **Mattie Scull at (858) 752-7923** or **Claudia Penczar at (858) 699-4705** or by emailing **Mattie at mjscull06@gmail.com** or you could mail them to us at **Claudia Penczar at 11152 Promesa Dr., SD 92124**.

Most of all we ask for your prayers, and also for support in attending this marvelous yearly event. God has blessed Whispering Winds Catholic Camp abundantly in so many ways. The auxiliary has been proud to be a part of this growth for 30 years, and grateful for the spiritual support that we have received, working and standing on Holy Ground.

Blessings to all!
Mattie & Claudia
 Fund-Raising





Membership Updates

Just a reminder that our latest membership directories will be available for pick up at the October Brunch.

We are happy to welcome three new members to the Auxiliary since our retreat in May; Life Members: Marie Hickey, Margaret Padilla, and Annette Moore and returning member Davielle Huffman.

Welcome Ladies!

Kathy Cazin and Marie Hickey have spent many hours updating membership information in our Google contacts. Thank you Kathy and Marie!

The Membership Committee

Celebrating "Called to His Purpose"



In May of 1987, Bernice Mascari and Kathy Brown were led by the Holy Spirit, after many months of prayer, to formulate the Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary. They enlisted dedicated women who also shared their vision of this most needed support for a Catholic Conference Center in San Diego. The Auxiliary's motto is "Called to His Purpose," stemming from the Scripture: "We know that God makes all things work together for the good of those who love God and are called to His purpose." (Romans 8:28).



In July of 2017, many came together to celebrate the gift of friendship that has grown through the years. This was our 2nd annual PPSN (Past Presidents Summer Nights) – and will hopefully become a tradition to gather and share memories, hugs, laughs and our gratitude for being a part of His plan for Whispering Winds. May of 2017 marked our 30th Anniversary as the WWA.

Meet our Board Members



Hello, my name is Gloria Rosales. I am the mother of five children and the grandmother of 21 grandchildren. I was born in Oakland, California and my family moved to San Diego when I was just 2 years old. The first church I remember attending, along with my mother, brother's and sister, was Saint Rita's Catholic Church. Later on we moved to East County and started going to Holy Trinity Catholic Church in El Cajon. Some of my children were baptized at Holy Trinity and others were married there as well.

I have been so blessed to have my daughter Mishel and my three grandchildren Nicholas, Noah and Victoria Montello live with me. I've been very involved in our parish at Holy Trinity and as a family we have been part of several different prayer groups and the yearly Jamboree in May. At Holy Trinity I became part of a Women's Mom's Group that met every week along with the Mom's at the school. This was a very enriching experience for me. I branched out with this group and became part of the "Women's Wings" which started a tea for the women of the parish.

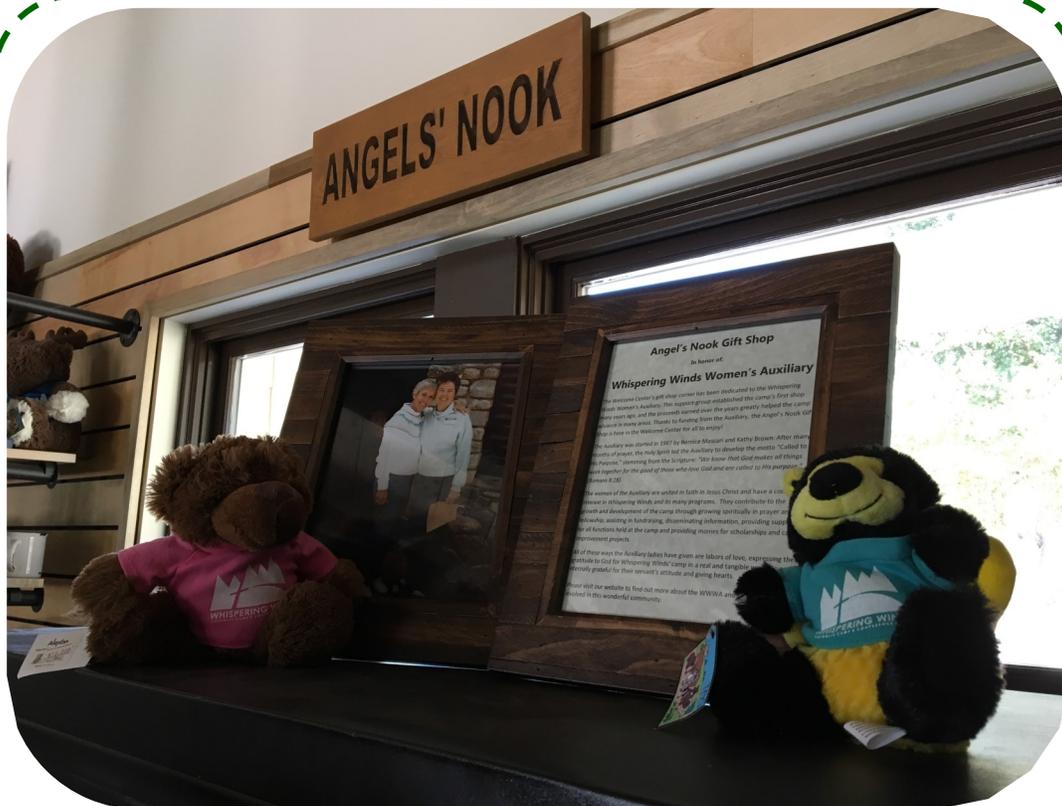
In 2010 I made my Cursillo weekend and have been involved in the movement ever since. I have also been involved with the Whispering Winds Women's Retreat and the Family Camp. I love spending time up on the mountain with many brothers and sisters in Christ.

As of this last year, I have been serving on the Women's Auxiliary Board as the Hospitality Chairwoman. It has been a real blessing to me to be with such beautiful women who walk with Jesus. I look forward to serving in the future and to continue to see all the blessings Christ has in store.

Hospitality



Celebrating 30 Years



Angel's Nook Gift Shop

In honor of:

Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary

The Welcome Center's gift shop corner has been dedicated to the Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary. This support-group established the camp's first shop many years ago, and the proceeds earned over the years greatly helped the camp advance in many areas. Thanks to funding from the Auxiliary, the Angel's Nook Gift Shop is here in the Welcome Center for all to enjoy!

The Auxiliary was started in 1987 by Bernice Mascari and Kathy Brown. After many months of prayer, the Holy Spirit led the Auxiliary to develop the motto "Called to His Purpose," stemming from the Scripture: *"We know that God makes all things work together for the good of those who love God and are called to His purpose."* (Romans 8:28).

The women of the Auxiliary are united in faith in Jesus Christ and have a common interest in Whispering Winds and its many programs. They contribute to the growth and development of the camp through growing spiritually in prayer and fellowship, assisting in fundraising, disseminating information, providing support for all functions held at the camp and providing monies for scholarships and camp improvement projects.

All of these ways the Auxiliary ladies have given are labors of love, expressing their gratitude to God for Whispering Winds' camp in a real and tangible way. We are eternally grateful for their servant's attitude and giving hearts.

Please visit our website to find out more about the WWWW and to become involved in this wonderful community.

“In the Whisper of the Winds”

I fell in love with Whispering Winds during my Cursillo. From the beginning of the weekend I felt God's presence and it never has changed for me.

On one weekend Retreat we had a speaker that said "This is a holy place." Returning home in the car I said to Sylvia Black "This is a holy place and needs a song." A melody came in my head and by the time I got to Chula Vista I had a musical direction. Hence the birth of "In the Whisper of the Winds."

I hesitate to write about this song because I didn't do it by myself. I have never had a music lesson and was taught to read music in Second Grade by my teacher. Music is one of the major parts of my life and continues to dominate what I do. (I have never missed an Opera Season in 40 years, a regular at the Symphony, goes to musical theater, etc.)

For whatever reason God chose me to be his instrument for this song. With my minor musical training in my background I never could have written this and the words on my own. So when someone compliments me on the song I pass the compliment on to the real composer.

Bob

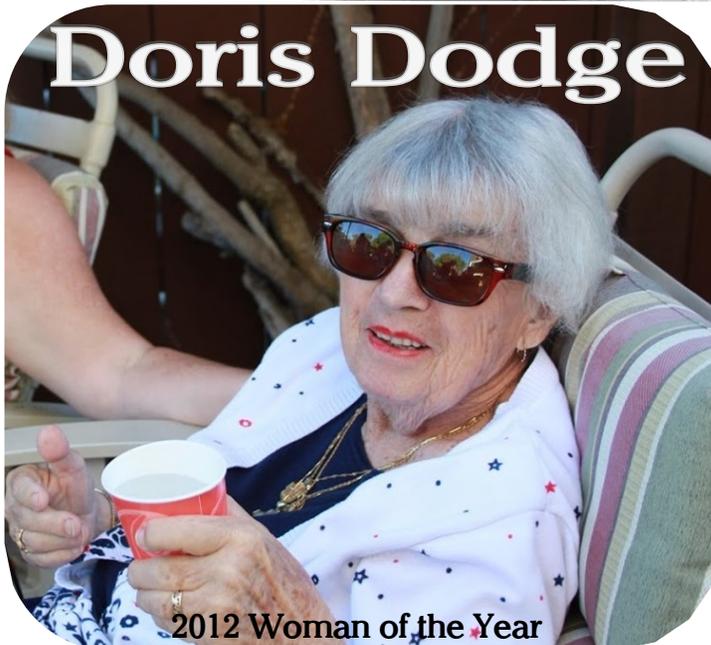
Celebrating 30 Years

In the Whisper of the Winds

In the whisper of the winds, God is calling us to worship
 In the whisper of the winds, Lovingly he calls our name.
 You can feel our Lord's great love
 Filling hearts with joy and laughter, showing us he really loves us
 Touching souls and lifting burdens, In our dreams of life he shares.
 Whispering Winds we really love you. You're a quiet holy place.
 Chance to leave our cares and worries, and see Christ in every face
 Whispering Winds we really love you, God was present at your birth.
 Giving all a chance to come here and feel Jesus love and worth.

Dedicated to the W.W. Women's

Doris Dodge



2012 Woman of the Year

Shepherds Hall Priest Bench Project



- » Permanent bench on a concrete slab
- » Bench etched with the priest's name
- » Bronze plaque on the back of the bench with a brief write-up about the priest and the names of the donors who honor him

Whispering Winds has offered many a retreat from everyday cares with an opportunity to seek a closer moment with God. Perhaps that time was sitting on a bench in the quiet of the morning, listening to a homily during mass that touched you or during a special reconciliation time. God has provided priests to Whispering Winds to shepherd His people while they are on the mountain.

There are several priests who have played a special part in the Whispering Winds Community and we would like to honor them permanently at camp. Benches will be placed near the new Shepherds Hall which is scheduled to open at the end of the year. Each bench will be inscribed with the name of a priest that has been a special part of the community. Donors will be listed on a plaque placed on the bench. We are looking for a suggested gift of \$1,000 from each donor. A minimum of \$500 is needed to have your name on the plaque.

You may contribute to a bench by clicking on the link or going to whisperingwinds.org. Click on the “**Priest Bench**” tab then the “**Learn More**” tab. Pick which priest you like to honor and click on their name. Their names appear exactly how they have chosen to be depicted on the bench. You may donate to more than one priest by clicking on each of their names, or by calling the Whispering Winds office at 619-464-1479. You may also contribute as a collectively group and make one donation towards a priest bench of your choice.

The Priests being honored are:

Bishop John P. Dolan
Fr. Mark Campbell
Fr. Michael Gallagher
Fr. Gilbert J. Gentile, SJ
Fr. Jim Poulsen

Thank you for your consideration in honoring a faithful shepherd!

If you have any question please do not hesitate calling the Whispering Winds office at 619-464-1479.