

“Called to His Purpose”  
Romans 8:28

## Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary

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# Whispers from the Auxiliary

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## From The President.....

*Joy is a net of love by which we  
catch souls.*

*Mother Teresa*

Plans are earnestly underway for our annual Women's Retreat, led by Karen Goodman and Laurie Mikolaycik and their stellar Spirituality Committee. My first experience with Whispering Winds occurred 6 years ago at my first retreat. Joined by my best friends since junior high; Karen Goodman, Elsa Rodriques, Malinda McDonald and Laura Chardiet, we ventured onto the mountain not knowing what to expect. For years, Laura encouraged us to join her in a weekend of spirituality and we finally were called to take her up on her offer that fateful spring.

The speaker was Barbara Shlemon Ryan in May 2006, and her prayer

service on that Saturday evening moved us way beyond our expectations! The Holy Spirit enveloped us and moved us to a point of pure joy like we never witnessed before. Our souls were caught in the net of Whispering Winds as the Holy Spirit swirled around us, we became fans literally overnight. We stayed up all night recounting our experiences, and STILL to this day delight in reminding each other how it all went down (literally!).

I challenge you to bring one new friend to our upcoming retreat May 18th-20th. Let your joy and the joy of the Holy Spirit be the net that catches a soul!

Blessings to all,

*Diana Piro*

### Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary Purpose Statement

As women united by faith in Jesus Christ and by a common interest in Whispering Winds Family Camp, we propose to contribute to the growth and development of the Camp through Prayer and fellowship.

Assisting in fundraising, disseminating information, and providing support for all functions and projects for the upgrade of the facilities at the Camp. Providing monies for scholarships and projects for the upgrading of the facilities at the camp.

# Whispering Winds Women's Retreat 2012

*"Rejoice in His Spirit"*

Anne Trufant



Anne Trufant weaves music, humor and common life experiences together to bring faith to life. A wife, mother of 7, speaker and musician, Anne has been a retreat leader both in the US and abroad. She and her husband, David, own and direct Camp Kahdalea for girls and Camp Chosatonga for boys in Brevard, NC. Anne and David are also co-founders of Change Lives Now, Inc., a non-profit organization working to provide a future with hope for those who struggle with social and spiritual deprivation, poverty and neglect. Anne is passionate about sharing her faith, and does so in a way that engages and inspires. Come join us for a weekend in the beautiful mountains of Julian to celebrate our faith, friends and worship, all in His name.

**When:** May 18 – 20, 2012

**Where:** Whispering Winds Catholic Conference Center, Julian, CA

**Cost:** \$130 for WWSA members by April 28, 2012

After April 28, 2012 fee increases to \$145

\$155 for non-members (cost includes WWSA membership fee)

After April 28, 2012 fee increases to \$170

**Full Refund:** Prior to May 5, 2012. **50% refund:** after May 5, 2012

**Check payable to:** WWSA

**Mail checks and form below to:**

Fiona Everett

16870 St. James Drive

Poway, CA 92064

**Women wishing to bunk together must submit their checks together.**

**For more information call:**

Karen Goodman @ (858) 204-8768 or Laurie Mikolaycik @ (619) 820-5028

**For partial "scholarship" contact Chris Villalobos (619) 444-1936**

**Registration is limited; register early. Motor homes and trailers are welcome.**

## Whispering Winds Women's Retreat 2012 Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ First time attending? Y \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_ I need a special diet (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to donate additional funds to help fund partial scholarships for this retreat: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## *Your 2011-2012 Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary Board*

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Our committees are always looking for helping hands, please consider volunteering for one of the committees marked with \*\*

### **Calendar for 2011/2012**

**May 18 - 20 - WWWA Women's Retreat 2012**  
**"Rejoice in His Spirit"**

**June 6 - Installation Dinner - 6:30pm**  
 4615 Lucille Drive  
 San Diego, CA 92115

**June 17 - Articles due for the Newsletter**



## *“Rejoice in His Spirit”*

Registration is now open for the Women's Retreat. Gather your friends or take this opportunity to meet new friends! We are blessed to have Anne Trufant joining us as our featured speaker. It will be an awesome weekend full of prayer, praise and fellowship. More information on Anne is available on the registration form on

page two of this newsletter. The zip line will be running and there are other treats in store for all to explore and enjoy. Please note that after April 28<sup>th</sup>, the cost for both members and new attendees increases. In addition, we have provided the opportunity to donate funds to help other women get to the retreat. There is a section at the bottom of

the registration to set aside additional money. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me or Laurie Mikolaycik. Our numbers are on the registration form. See you on the mountain!

Have a blessed Easter season,  
Karen Goodman

### MATTIE'S CORNER.....SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS



As a cloudy sky looms outside my window today, the smell of rain is in the air. I am feeling overwhelmed by two dynamic parallels of life.

Spring is exploding all over my garden. Vivid green sprouts of sugar snap peas, rose buds stretching their necks high above their leaves, Amaryllis showing off dazzling shapes and colors so early in the season. There is a dove, re-nesting in a hanging basket, I hear songs of bees spreading pollen, and butterflies alighting on all new promises of blossoms. New birth, new life springs forth. The best, the true glory of this season, of course, is our Savior Risen.

Yet my heart aches as I observe the ending season of my friend Jackie, who is dying from cancer. Her daughter Susan, my dear prayer groupie, is caring for her in her home. The last time I visited, hugging and embracing each other, she said, “Oh, I got my tears all over your face!” I thought, my God, what an honor to “receive her grief”, as if I could somehow take it away. The one true counselor and healer comes to bring new life as we can never even imagine. As the earth springs forth new life, so does our Father. Our Savior reaches His hand down, touching Jackie's cheek; drying the tears of her daughter Susan, and leads the way Home.

Birth; new life. Death; Eternal Life.

May we feel His presence and see His hand in the glory of His palate of spring gifts of new life. May we take joy and solace in the anticipation of meeting Him, face to face, for Everlasting Life.

In the kindness of your hearts, please remember Jackie and her family in your daily prayers.

May our risen Savior delight in showering you and your families with abundant gifts of new life and blessings this spring.



# GOOD MORNING LORD!

**Ephesians 5:18, 19**

"...be filled with the Spirit...addressing one another (in) psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts.."

I'd like to say that I have time set aside each day for a quiet reflection, peaceful prayer and deep conversation with God. I'd like to say it but in truth, I don't, at least not in that way at this point in my journey. I do however find great comfort, healing embrace and a soulful connection with God in my commute to and from work each day. It is there that I can sit in silence with beautiful songs of surrender or guidance. I can also rock out to songs of praise and worship like a double shot of Jesus to my veins. It's where God meets me. It's like that dear friend who says I hear you, I know what you need and I'll come to you. I always get a little chuckle when I hit the shuffle button on my IPOD and say okay God, you pick and that song is exactly what I needed.

My work day exists because someone has been a victim of a crime and it's not always easy to detach from the horrifying ways that people treat each other. These songs are my morning vitamins to help me prepare for the day ahead, put on my coat of armor so to speak. In the evening, these songs help me disengage from that world and get me ready for family time. They soften my rough edges and enable me to be more gracious, more patient and more loving as I step through the door. I'm not a great singer but I love to sing and like that parent watching their young child struggle through a solo in the Christmas choir, I know that God is smiling, clapping his hands and pleased that I'm trying because He knows it comes from my heart. As I pull into the garage at work or home, I feel fed, loved, energized and ready to face what is ahead of me.

May your days be filled with your own heart song and may you sing it loud for all to hear.

God bless,

Karen Goodman

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I start my day with Six Minutes of Silence mostly because I know I can commit to it and it gives me a moment to reflect, be grateful and be still to hear anything God has been wanting to tell me.

Then I go into the kitchen to read the sign on the refrigerator:

"Good Morning, This is GOD! I will be handling all your problems today.

I will not need your help- So have a good day. "

I just smile as I am reminded I am not here to dwell on problems.

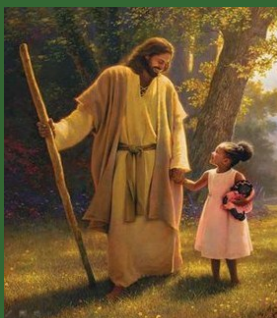
There is always a brighter side, a lesson to be learned or someone to connect with to be reminded how blessed I AM!

Diane Halfman



When I say good morning I mean to say:

G-od  
O-ffers us His  
O-utstanding  
D-evotion to  
M-ake us  
O-bedient and  
R-eady for a  
N-ew day with  
Him.  
I-nspire  
others please,  
and  
N-ever forget  
G-od loves



# Thank you! You Generous Hearts!



Even in these hard times when we watch every penny, you have lived the Gospel adage of give as if your right hand does not know what your left hand is doing. For those who have answered God's call to take care of the less fortunate, THANK YOU.

Below is a list of those that generously gave during the Fund-a-Camper so that others may experience the joy of the Lord at Whispering Winds. THANK YOU!

Denise Casinelli  
 Tammy Knapp  
 Linda Crabtree  
 Martin Rosales  
 Dottie Fetter  
 Doris Dodge  
 Zan Bibbo  
 Claire Hughes  
 Lois Gubitosi

Marie Cizek  
 Liz Ravenis  
 Terrie Hosley  
 Bernice Mascari  
 Dianne Mascari  
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 Paula Bott  
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 Mary Jane Weismann  
 Karen Goodman  
 Elsa Rodriques  
 Diana Pins  
 Edelmira Lozano  
 Nanette Millard  
 Malinda McDonald  
 Rose Masters  
 Kirsten Hadzicki  
 Sharon Anderson  
 Kay Gilchrist  
 Gloria Walton  
 Eileen Deely  
 Marion Huffman  
 Dalny Balelo  
 Kathy Dunlay  
 Rosemari Spooner

Terri Swender  
 Mary Romag  
 Paula Okey  
 Pat Cole  
 Colleen Dwey  
 Lori House  
 Tina Daniels  
 Cathy Birks  
 Anne Denbow\*

If we overlooked your name, please email or call so the records can be corrected!

Also many thanks to the countless others who donated generously by participating in the Silent Auction.

\*Anne started our bidding off at \$1,000.00! Thank you!

*Chris Villalobos*  
 Scholarship  
[Chrisvillalobos5@gmail.com](mailto:Chrisvillalobos5@gmail.com)  
 619-444-1936

## From Whispering Winds Camp

Whispering Winds wants to extend a HUGE thank you to the Auxiliary for the donation of \$15,000 at the annual Dinner Dance. The funds are vital to the fruitfulness of our programs. Family Camp will especially

benefit, as families who are struggling financially will be able to apply for scholarships and make attending camp a reality. Teens attending our Middle School Camp will also be eligible for scholarship aid if they so

qualify. Thanks again and again for your love of Whispering Winds and your willingness to support the camp through your prayers and generous donations! We truly could not do it without YOU!



## WHISPERING WINDS SUMMER PROGRAMS HEATING UP!

### FAMILY CAMP IN THE STARTING BLOCKS

With the 2012 Summer Olympics in London right around the corner, Whispering Winds is ready to dive into some games of its own at this summer's family camp weekends!

The theme for 2012 is "Bring Home the Gold!" Families will compete in Whispering Winds' own version of the Olympics, compete with family tug-of-wars over the mud pit and a swim-flipper relay. Plans are in the works for an intense game of dads' intertube waterpolo, and of course the ever-popular zipline and climbing wall will provide memories for all.

We are blessed to present our adult campers with excellent Catholic speakers Brian and Denise Caster. This special couple, who are parishioners at St. Kieran's Parish, are devoted to faith, family, the Cursillo movement and the growth of Whispering Winds.

We will continue to provide a powerful CCA (child care assistant) and teen program and offer the middle school group a program that will touch the young people where

they are. As always, our children's program is rich with relatable bible stories, crafts and fun games.

The dates for family camp this summer are:

**June 15-17** –

Host parishes:

Ascension &  
St. Gregory the Great

**June 22-24** –

Host parish:

Sacred Heart (Coronado)

**July 13-15** –

Host parishes:

St. Michael (Poway) &  
Our Mother of  
Confidence

**July 20-22** –

Host parishes:

Immaculata &  
St. Lawrence Martyr  
(Redondo Beach)

For more information or to register, visit [whisperingwinds.org](http://whisperingwinds.org).

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FAMILY CAMP**

Family Camp would love to have volunteers from the Auxiliary help out this summer. We need assistance in the nursery, with meadow games and crafts. If you are interested, please email Program Director Paula Bott at [paula@whisperingwinds.org](mailto:paula@whisperingwinds.org)

Or call her at 619.985.3050. Thanks!

### MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP TO LAUNCH IN AUGUST!

Under the leadership of Pat Clasby, Whispering Winds will be offering fun, faith and friendship at the Voyagers Middle School Camp on August 16-19, 2012. Teens entering 7th-9th grades can attend for a rate of \$230 per person, including a camp t-shirt.

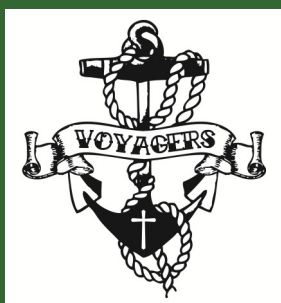
Campers will experience dynamic music and talent show, swimming, climbing wall, zipline, low ropes, archery, basketball, soccer & more! Other activities include youth-led prayers, confession, adoration & Mass with Fr. Jacob Bertrand!

Clasby, a parish youth minister and director of Frontline Ministries, will work with a team of trained ministers to provide an exciting program for all. Dynamic music will be provided by the Emmaus Blvd. Band, featuring V.J. Brion.

For more information, visit [whisperingwinds.org](http://whisperingwinds.org).

### WISH LIST

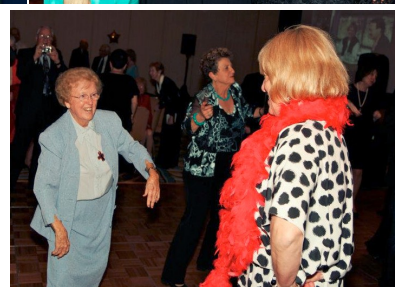
Medals of any sort  
Any Olympic items /  
souvenirs / apparel







Thanks to the 420 guests who attended our 30th Annual Dinner Dance, we officially crossed the funding finish line for our Dining Hall and Mama Ghio's Kitchen! A total of \$117,811 was raised from registration, fund-a-need, ad and auction sales and will purchase all of the kitchen appliances such as ovens, stoves, refrigerator, dishwasher, tables and chairs and will complete our final payment for building construction costs. In addition, we received a generous donation of modular buildings thanks to Terry and Barbara Caster and A1 Storage. Three parishes offered \$25,000 each to help fund the installation and will receive naming rights on the buildings. Thank you Sacred Heart, Coronado, St. Gregory the Great and St. Kieran!



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