

“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.....

"The person who gives with a smile is the best giver because God loves a cheerful giver."

Mother Teresa

...and boy did we see a LOT of smiles at our 2012 Annual Social and Silent Auction! Thanks to the planning and tireless efforts of Diane Halfman and her superstar team, our general meeting was a

beautiful event enjoyed by all. The generosity of spirit, laughter, kindness, helping hands, and donations made for a very prosperous union for our ministry.

Joy in the Spirit was truly witnessed as the connections were made amongst friends, old friends and new ones, that beautiful rainy morning. We spread God's grace

through our union with others, these are spiritual experiences which give meaning to life. We must remember to nurture ourselves and others, connect to the soul of others and most significantly to the depth of our own soul. There we can be *cheerful* givers.

Blessings to all,
Diana Pins



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.

Save the Date! Registration opening soon!

Whispering Winds Women's Retreat 2012

May 18 – 20, 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.

In the coming weeks you will receive an email invitation along with the registration form. Please share this with your family, friends and others in your community.

Come join us for a weekend in the beautiful mountains of Julian to celebrate our faith, friends and worship, all in His name.

Peace,
Karen Goodman
Spirituality Committee

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 mark with **

Calendar for 2011/2012

Mar. 1— Auxiliary Board Meeting

Mar. 8— Articles Due for Apr/May newsletter

May 3— Aux. Board Mtg.

May 18 - 20— **Women's Retreat**

June— Installation Dinner, date/location TBD

Articles due 1 week after dinner for Jun/Jul Newsletter

MATTIE'S CORNER.....SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS

Lord, give us wings to fly into spring, with a song in our hearts and praise on our lips.

We thank you for your saving grace, your beloved son, and the Holy spirit to guide us through another year.

Gently remind us to look forward with hopeful hearts and renewed spirits to a repentant Lent.

Let us glorify You Easter Sunday and every day we celebrate and are reminded of your sacrifice,

The greatest gift of love known to man.

My dear sisters, remember;

Keep Christ in your Heart

And you will recognize His face

In every human being

John Paul II

GOOD MORNING LORD!

Walking with Jesus

We find Jesus even in the smallest of steps. A while back, a friend of mine would start our walking routine by reading a devotion, reflection or scripture verse. She would then lead us in prayer before we walked around the field. What a lovely time we had. Often as we walked, we would discuss what the reading had meant to us, how it touched our hearts, how it inspired us to serve God in whatever capacity we could.

That particular experience drew me to a tiny, quarterly booklet entitled Living Faith. It provides brief daily Catholic devotions based on one of the Mass readings. I found the simplest of prayers, such as, "Lord Jesus, be my shepherd and my guide," to be strengthening and reflecting on the scripture would be just what I needed for that day.

With changes in my work schedule, so to has my prayer life changed. I still try to incorporate this little booklet of faith into my daily routine. Although, nowadays, sometimes I read a passage right before bedtime or before I walk around the building at work. And every once in awhile, I still drive up to that small field, read my devotion and then with Jesus by my side, start walking.

Wishing you a prayer-filled year,

Elsa Rodrigues

Resources:

Living Faith - Daily Catholic Devotions- <http://www.livingfaith.com>

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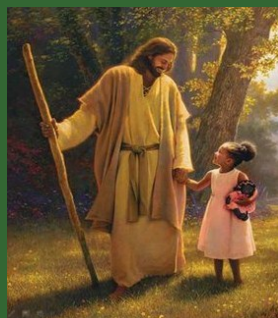
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When I say good morning I mean to say:

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



WWWA 2012 Annual Social & Silent Auction

"In the whisper of the winds, Lovingly he calls our name. Filling hearts with joy and laughter, Showing us he really loves us."

This verse sums up our wonderful 2012 Annual Social and Silent Auction graciously held at St. Martin of Tours. It encompasses our theme, "Lift Up Your Heart To The Lord" (Psalm 66) as well as reminds us that these honored words were dedicated to the WWWA by the author and our 2012 Woman of the Year, Doris Dodge.

It takes a village to make a successful event and I was blessed with many amazing and beautiful villagers to create our lovely experience. Much appreciation and gratitude to our team:

Elsa Rodriques & Dianne Mascari, our fabulous Hospitality Duo, who handled so many details from catering and volunteers to floor plans and flowers. Your love was felt! Many thanks!

Terry Poletto, our amazing Registration Coordinator, who receives and sorts through all who attends and magically gets everyone seated with their friends. Thank you!

Many thanks to the set up and clean-up crews!

Mattie Scull, our Spiritual Director, who opened her home for the basket making party and the many hands who joined in. Many thanks!

Tammy Knapp, who does our Electronic Newsletter and Publicity, who designed our beautiful invitation. Wonderful artwork! Thank you!

Vicki Youngers and Val Spooner, our Ways and Means Goddesses, who effortlessly create and assemble amazing baskets. Thank you!

Karen Goodman of Spirituality who handled our camp slide show. Thank you!

Denise Casinelli, our Recording Secretary, who helped throughout. Thank you!

Jerry and Joan Halfman, my parents, who helped with set-up and my mom and daughters for helping with the close out of the auction along with Val Spooner and team. Thank you!

Thank you for those who provided support on the day of the event...

Joni Deiters of Cyber Communications, and her daughter, Eva, who

helped with check-in. Thank you!

Ellen Maloney, our Treasurer, who along with Val Spooner helped with our close out. And a special thanks to Ellen's husband, John, for creating the bidding envelopes. Thank you!

Nanette Millard, our Historian, for capturing the photos. Thank you!

Malinda McDonald, our Membership, for hosting our Membership table. Thank you!

Gloria Walton, our Prayer Chain connector, who crafted the beautiful Sea Foam Afghan.

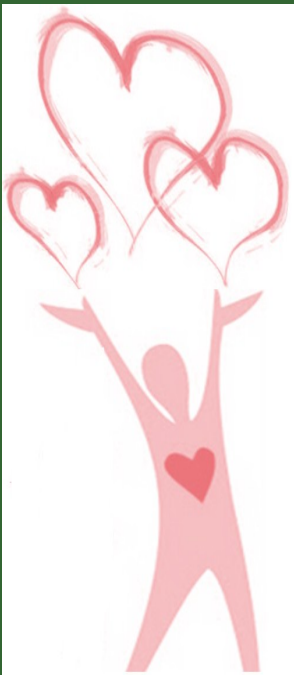
Donna Wilkins, who handmade our heart necklaces as gifts to each of our guests and helped Mo Kojis of Publicity with our raffle tickets. Thank you!!!

Mary Jane Weismann, our 2011 WW Woman of the Year, who led us in prayer. Thank you!

Martin Rosales and John Sperrazzo, of our handsome and talented musical group, Il Venti, who inspired and entertained us throughout the morning. So appreciated!!

Don Kojis, our Co-Founding Father of WW,
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*"Lift up
your hearts
to the
Lord"* Psalm 66



In the Whisper of the winds, Loving he calls our name. Filling hearts with 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 quit 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.

In the whisper of the winds, God is calling us to worship. In the whisper of the winds You can feel our Lord's great love. In the whisper of the winds, He sends us his words of love. Out of ashes come new beginnings, With our Lord we won't despair. We'll turn thoughts to new creations, Fill our hearts with love and prayer.

Whispering winds we really love you, You will never go away. With our faith and dedication, We'll make sure you're here to stay.

Whispering winds we really love you, God has filled us with his grace. We will all join hands together and rebuild the holy place.

In the whisper of the winds, You can hear the Voice of Jesus. In the whisper of the winds, You can feel him touch our souls.~ Doris Dodge

WWWA 2012 Annual Social & Silent Auction

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who led us in the Fund a Camper along with Chris Villalobos of Scholarship, to provide a smooth bidding experience with their team. Thank you!

Diana Pins, our Auxiliary President and Barb Noerenberg, our Big

Board President, who stepped in to fill in all of the gaps. Thank you!

A final thank you for all of the WWWA members and friends who invested your time and resources to support our camp and provide a fun social environment for us all to

connect and share in the joys of life. Thank you for creating the feeling of love reflecting from all of the beautiful hearts in the room. See you on the mountain!

Diane Halfman

WWWA Woman of the Year

We gladly announce our selection of a woman most deserving of this honor.

She is a long time member of the Whispering Winds Auxiliary who has worked on many of the women's retreats using her talents to make all feel loved and welcome. Her camera has been busy capturing a lot of these special days.

Her faith community is very important to her and she is well known for the time she spends helping others. She brings comfort to the sick and dying in their homes and in the hospital when she brings them Holy Communion. She is very thoughtful of others with a most generous spirit.

A retired educator of young children, a wonderfully dedicated

teacher who loves her students as much as they love her.

Her keen wit and sense of humor has kept many people laughing. Her spirit of adventure has led her to many interesting places in the world from the jungles of Africa to the shrines of the Holy Land.

An enthusiastic supporter of the San Diego Chargers, she rarely misses the home games. Her extensive collection of nativity sets gives pleasure to herself and she loves to share their beauty with her friends.

Her love and appreciation of opera and musical theater gives her much joy. She is a talented composer of some note and while on retreat at Whispering Winds many years ago was inspired by the Holy Spirit to

compose our beautiful theme song, "In the Whisper of the Winds".

It is with great pleasure and joy that we present this award to our 2012 Woman of the Year.

DORIS DODGE

Here is the email Doris sent to Karen Goodman after receiving the honor of Woman of the Year:

After receiving the Award, the only thing that would ever surprise me more is if the doctor told me I was pregnant!! It is a wonderful honor and it has brought me great joy from a group of women who have been so close to my heart for so many years. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!!!!

Hugs, Doris

You Gave Us a Chance!



Many times during this past summer these heartfelt words were expressed by grateful campers who were granted Camperships courtesy of the WWWA...

“Thanks for the chance!”

“My family couldn’t have done it without your help”,

“This was our first camping experience, thanks to your auxiliary”,

“What a great chance to meet other Catholic families and have fun”.

The gift of a Campership made all the difference for families struggling financially to attend summer Family Camp. Over \$8,600.00 was awarded in 2011 to families-in-need; thanks to your generosity.

Now our **once-a-year opportunity** to give is here. On January 21, at the WWWA Annual Social and Silent Auction, \$5050.00 was raised for Camperships! Not everyone could go to the meeting, so we are offering you this **once-a-year chance**. Our goal is to match last year’s Fund-A-Camper total of \$8,600. This is the **one and only time** the Auxiliary will be fundraising for Campership.

Join us! Be the one who offers others the chance!

Send your gift (**check made out to WWWA with a memo: Campership**) to:

**Ellen Maloney
6438 Radio Dr
San Diego, CA 92114**

It is the mission of our Auxiliary to provide Camperships for families and individuals with financial need. To spend a weekend up at the camp, on retreat or having fun with the family, is a chance to grow closer to God and one another in a unique and life-changing way .

THANK YOU for sharing your blessings!!

Chris Villalobos



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Celebrate Faith, Family and Friends at our 30th Annual Dinner Dance Gala on March 3, 2012 at the beautiful Loews Coronado Bay Resort! We will be honoring **Person of the Year, Vicki Youngers**. This evening will feature a silent auction with sports memorabilia, incredible hand-made items, restaurant certificates and much more. Our live auction items include many fabulous vacation getaways!

Join us for an elegant evening of great food, music and dancing. Registration is now open on the Whispering Winds website at www.whisperingwinds.org.

Thank you!

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