



# SOUTHWESTERN TEXAS SYNODICAL WOMEN'S CONVENTION

YO Ranch Hotel, Kerrville, Texas

September 29 – October 1, 2017

## Convention Registration (Please Print):

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_ Conference \_\_\_\_\_

## Select ONE Registration Category:

Voting Member     Non-Voting (Woman of the ELCA)     Workshop Presenter  
 Board Member     Guest (not a Woman of the ELCA)     Exhibitor

Dietary Special Needs/Restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration includes Saturday Lunch and Saturday Evening Banquet:

Early Bird Registration:    \$110 (by August 15)  
Regular Registration:    \$125  
Extra Banquet Tickets:    \$30 each

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to:    Women of the ELCA

Mail to: Betsy Pfannstiel  
1206 Doe Run Hollow  
Fredericksburg, TX 78624

Or email to: [betsypf2@gmail.com](mailto:betsypf2@gmail.com)

Questions call: (907) 306-5363

Registration Deadline: August 28, 2017

## Hotel Reservations:

YO Ranch Hotel  
2033 Sidney Baker, Kerrville, TX 78028

## GUEST ROOM RATES

### BREAKFAST BUFFET (for all guests) INCLUDED WITH ROOM RATE

<u>Room</u>	<u>Single Rate</u>	<u>Double Rate</u>	<u>Triple Rate</u>	<u>Quad Rate</u>
King or 2 Queen	\$ 99.00	\$109.00	\$119.00	\$129.00

Everyone is responsible for their own hotel reservations and cancellations.

Call hotel reservations at 830-257-4440 or 877 967-3767 and ask for **Group Code: Women ELC.**

The group block for Southwestern Texas Synod Women of the ELCA Convention will be honored until **8/28/2017**.

Reservations received after this date are subject to space availability and at prevailing room rates.

# Convention Offerings

## Monetary Offering

50% Southwestern Texas Synod Women of the ELCA  
25% Women of the ELCA Churchwide  
25% Good Samaritan Center (GSC) (Fredericksburg)

The Good Samaritan Center is a charitable clinic meeting the critical health needs of Gillespie County and some surrounding areas. The mission of the GSC is to provide quality, coordinated, and affordable health care, as well as health and wellness education and information to patients in a Christ-centered, safe environment.

## Physical Offering

First Choice Reproductive Health and Pregnancy Resource Center (Kerrville)  
Diapers and baby wipes

## Silent Auction

50% Costa Rican Lutheran Church (ILCO)  
50% Hill Country Crisis Council (HCCC)

HCCC is a private, non-profit organization incorporated in 1984 to serve victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in the hill country area. The aims and purposes of HCCC are: 1) to provide a safe, temporary place in a homelike, supportive environment. 2) to enable victims of battering or sexual assault to examine available choices for themselves and any children the victim may have. 3) to educate the community on the problems of family violence and sexual assault. 4) to provide counseling and other non-resident services for any victim of family violence and sexual assault.

## Silent Auction

A silent auction will be held during the convention to benefit our companion synod in Costa Rica, Iglesia Luterana Costarricense (ILCO) and the Hill Country Crisis Council. Items for the silent auction may be turned in upon arrival at the Hotel. Be sure to mark the items with the name of your church. The Silent Auction will close at 4:15 pm on Saturday. Please pay and pick up any items for which you had the highest bid.

## Physical Offering

**First Choice Reproductive Health and Pregnancy Resource Center** is ready to help when an unplanned pregnancy causes concern by providing many free services:

- Referrals for food and shelter
- Pregnancy consultation including options you face
- Adoption services
- Maternity home information and referrals
- Labor and delivery
- Infant parenting
- Provide infant clothing, diapers and wipes
- Job skills training

**Their mission is:** "Serving God by empowering people to make life-affirming decisions". No pregnant mother should ever feel so hopeless and alone that she ends her child's life.

**Items needed: Diapers (any size) and baby wipes**

**SOUTHWESTERN TEXAS SYNOD  
WOMEN OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA**

The Nominating Committee is asking for your help in obtaining names of women to run for various offices in our organization. If you know of a woman who is willing to make a commitment to serve in one of the following capacities, please send the following information to the Nominating Committee. Please note that only one nominee is permitted to run from each Unit of Women of the ELCA.

**Treasurer**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

Conference \_\_\_\_\_

**Board Members (Alamo, Capital North, Cibolo Creek, Hill Country, At Large)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

Conference \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominating Committee (Bluebonnet, Capital South, Gulf Coast, Rio Grande)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

Conference \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Unit/Conference \_\_\_\_\_

By taking a few minutes of your time to submit names, you will be helping the Nominating Committee in their search for candidates for the next convention. Please feel free to duplicate this form in order to send in additional nominees.

Please submit your names as soon as possible!

To: Charlene Spillmann, Chair  
110 Rohde Road, Kyle Texas 78640  
(512) 963-5285     [charspill@cs.com](mailto:charspill@cs.com)

**2017 Scholarship Application**  
Southwestern Texas Women of the ELCA

Not more than Five(5) Scholarships will be made available to help defray the cost of attending the  
**30th Annual Synodical Convention September 29, 2017 - October 1, 2017**  
**YO Ranch Hotel Kerville, Texas 78028**  
(the amount given will cover registration and the banquet only).

To apply for a scholarship, please complete this form and return it by **July 14, 2017** to:  
Judy Monger  
13200 IXL Drive  
San Antonio Texas 78253  
210-326-1067 [j.monger@hotmail.com](mailto:j.monger@hotmail.com)

All information on the application form will remain within the committee and SWT Treasurer.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Conference \_\_\_\_\_  
Congregation \_\_\_\_\_ Congregation City \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the name of the SCHOLARSHIP for which you are applying:

VOTING MEMBER

- For congregational units unable to send a Voting Member to the convention without assistance.
- Information will be kept confidential.  
Has your unit sent a delegate to the convention in the past? Yes No  
If yes, when was the last time? \_\_\_\_\_

KATIE'S SISTER

- For women over 35 years of age

SEEDLING

- For women 35 years of age or younger

Would you be willing to make a short written statement to the SWO Board or to publish in the GRAPEVINE sharing how the scholarship benefitted you? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

In a brief statement, tell how being a SCHOLARSHIP recipient will benefit you and your Congregational Unit. Write on the back of this sheet if more space is needed.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Application must be received by **July 14, 2017**. Recipients will be notified by August 14, 2017.