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Anticipation:

SAILING INTO CONFERENCE

Sailing into the 21st Century ♦ Point Loma Nazarene University ♦ San Diego, California

Formerly Pasadena College (Est. 1902), the spiritual, academic, and cultural community that would become Point Loma Nazarene University moved to San Diego from Pasadena, California in 1973. Spanish for Hill, the word *Loma* is both an apt description of the site on which the University rests and an indication of the cultural influence of the Spanish on the region. Located on cliffs above the Pacific Ocean, PLNU is graced by ocean views at nearly every turn.

In 1895, Dr. Phineas F. Bresee, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Dr. J.P. Widney, a Methodist layman and former President of the University of Southern California, founded the Church of the Nazarene in Los

Angeles. Their primary purpose was to bring the good news of the gospel to the poor and underprivileged.

In 1902, Dr. Bresee founded Pacific Bible College in Los Angeles, California, at the urging of several laypersons. The institution was to train ministerial and lay leadership for the new denomination. Pacific Bible College is the predecessor of Point Loma Nazarene University.

In 1910, the College purchased the Hugus Ranch property in Pasadena, California, and moved the campus to the Pasadena site. The scope of the curriculum was enlarged to include a typical program in the liberal arts. The school grew as Pasadena College, receiving accreditation from

Monday, June 12

*Thursday, June 15
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Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools in 1943, and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges in 1949.

In 1973, the College was relocated on the historic Point Loma peninsula in San Diego where it thrived for ten years as Point Loma College: An Institution of the Church of the Nazarene. In 1983, the name was changed to Point Loma Nazarene College and in 1998 it was changed to Point Loma Nazarene University.

The present Point Loma campus of approximately 90 acres was first established as an educational site by the Theosophical Society of America and has been occupied since by Balboa University, California Western College, and United States International University. The early occupants of this campus erected a number of wooden buildings, several of which are still in use. Since 1953, 28 additional buildings have been constructed on the campus and are in daily use. The architectural influences of Theosophy days can still be seen in the historic buildings on campus. Attendees of the Association of Christian Librarians 2000 annual conference will be treated to a slide show and presentation on the Theosophical Society and its influences on the Point Loma area by campus historian Dr. Dwayne Little on opening night of the conference.

Opening night of ACL conference 2000 will also feature tours of the Point Loma Nazarene University library. Ryan Library is named for American aeronautical pioneer T. Claude Ryan of Ryan Aeronautical fame. San Diego based Ryan Aeronautical designed and built the *Spirit of Saint Louis*, the plane that carried Charles A. Lindburgh on his historic nonstop flight from New York to Paris in 1927.

Ryan Library houses many works of art including an original painting by Norman Rockwell created for use as a

Saturday Evening Post cover as well as several California Plen Air works by Spiros John Karras. Ryan Library also showcases a collection of Scott Stearman sculptures and the William C. and Frances Vaughters collection of pre-Columbian artifacts. Stained glass panels featuring recreations of originals that appear in the Wesley memorial window of the Epworth Methodist Church in England grace the entrance doors to the Wesleyan Center for 21st Century Studies, located on the third floor of Ryan Library. The Epworth rectory was John Wesley's home from 1709-1735.

Point Loma Nazarene University and her satellite campuses in Pasadena and Bakersfield, California are served

Atop the Mieras Administration Building, the purple glass dome was thought by theosophists to channel their prayers. Several structures built by the original owners remain on the PLNU campus

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by the collections, resources and personnel of Ryan Library and Learning Resources Center. The library includes a regular circulating collection of 145,000 volumes and more than 52,000 microforms. Special Collections house rare books by Jacobus Arminius, a John Wesley collection and the campus archives. Ryan Learning Center encompasses a Curriculum Center, Media Services, Information Technology Services and the Wesleyan Center for 21st Century Studies.

In addition to the print and media collections owned by Ryan Library and Learning Resource Center, online and CD-ROM resources including ProQuest, CINAHL, PsycLit, IIMP Music Database, Lexis/Nexis and Newsbank are offered.

peruse and take back home. This has been one of the most helpful features of the ACL Conferences.

Prepare for lots of fun and fellowship as we gather in San Diego. Tuesday is "Institutional Shirt" day. Wear a t-shirt, hat, or jacket with your institution's logo. Wednesday will have a Hawaiian theme and we want to see you in your wildest Hawaiian shirt. Be casual and enjoy the wonderful view of the Pacific. Our day will conclude with a Hawaiian luau on the library plaza deck and a great ACL Variety Show called *California Groovin'*.

Hope to see you here! †

Sailing Into the 21st Century

Students, faculty and staff of Point Loma Nazarene University have access to full-text of several thousand resources. The library catalog (named Phineas for Nazarene founding father Phineas F. Bresee) is available on the WWW to remote users as well as those accessing it from the library and other campus buildings.

Ryan Library is staffed by six professional librarians, six support staff, and approximately thirty-five student employees.

Host Librarian for the 2000 Conference is Anne-Elizabeth Powell, PLNU's Technical Services Librarian. Sharon I. Bull is the 2000 Program Coordinator and the Conference Coordinator is Jane Hopkins.

Conference registration will take place on Monday, June 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Signs on the PLNU campus will provide direction to important locations. Instructions will be posted for early arrivals.

ACL 2000 Conference t-shirts will be available. Shirts are short-sleeved, 100 % cotton with the conference logo on the front and San Diego sailboat scene on the back. The color of the shirt is natural.

Conference participants are encouraged to bring multiple or single copies of bibliographies, study guides, library publications, etc., that are used in their libraries. An area will be available to display these for others to

*Join friends and colleagues for meals at
the Nicholson Commons Dining Hall.
Enjoy the view from the windows
overlooking the Pacific Ocean.*

ACL Conference 2000 Highlights

Birds Of A Feather

Birds of a Feather sessions provide informal settings during Conference meal times for individuals with similar concerns, responsibilities, etc., to 'flock together' and discuss topics of common interest. This might be a great opportunity to meet new friends as well. Just to get you thinking, we will provide a list of discussion topic suggestions.

Devotional Times

Tuesday and Wednesday morning our devotional speaker will be Reuben Welch, author of many books and retired PLNU professor and chaplain.

Membership Meeting

The annual ACL Membership meeting will be held during the Conference Business Sessions. This will include reports, election of officers, and "Good and Welfare" suggestions from the members for the improvement of the Association.

CILA General Session

ACL's Council for International Library Assistance members will lead our devotional time on Thursday morning. Guest speaker, Dr. Dean Nelson, will challenge us spiritually.

Section Meetings

- ◆ Bible College Libraries: issues pertaining to Bible College libraries.
- ◆ Liberal Arts College Libraries: panel presentation and discussion on accreditation.
- ◆ Sui Generis: general discussion with librarians working in other types of libraries.

Sailing Back to the 19th Century

From 1897 to 1942, the campus of PLNU was home to Madame Katherine Tingley's Theosophical Society. Several of those buildings are still in use today. PLNU history professor, Dr. Dwayne Little, will take us on a journey back in time and you will learn, among other things, why the orb on the administration building is made of purple glass.

Vendor Exhibits

Among the vendors to be present at ACL Conference this year are Baker & Taylor, Bibliographic Center for Research, Books for Libraries, Inc., EBSCO Information Services, EOS International, Kapco, OCLC Pacific, H.W. Wilson, and Youth Specialties. Vendor exhibits will be open throughout the day on Tuesday, June 13.

Conference Workshops will be held in the newly remodeled Jim Bond Academic Center on the campus of Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, California.

Our Keynote Speaker is Michael Gorman, Dean of Library Services, California State University at Fresno.