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AMAZING SPEAKERS



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RSVP BY OCT. 10



**9:00AM DOORS OPEN
10:00 AM MEETING**

AREA C *Conference*

THE GRAND

4101 E. WILLOW ST., LONG BEACH

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Area C Conference Guest Speakers

Jane Close Conoley

Jane Close Conoley has been the President of CSU Long Beach since January 2014. She is the author or editor of 22 books and more than 100 chapters, refereed journal articles, and technical reports.

Conoley previously served at UC Santa Barbara and UC Riverside, Texas A&M University, University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Teachers College, Texas Woman's University and Syracuse University.

Conoley's areas of primary interest are interventions with children with disabilities—especially serious emotional disturbance and aggressive children and youth—and family intervention. Her most recent work investigates the application of the science of positive psychology to educational settings.



Colleen Janssen



Colleen Janssen was the recipient of the Jane Cunningham Croly Award for Excellence in Journalism at the 2025 General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Conference held in Atlanta, GA. Her article, "Here Comes the Bride" ran in the Winter 2023 issue of GFWC California Clubwoman Magazine. The article covers the problem of child marriage in the United States.

At the 2024 and 2025 conventions of the California Federation of Women's Clubs, a Resolution was passed, then updated to oppose forced marriage. This resolution is now headed to GFWC for consideration.

This prestigious award recognizes a journalist who demonstrates a commitment to issues concerning women. GFWC encourages submissions that address women's rights, strength, bravery, and the fight against sexism.

Dawn Mendelson

After years of making commissioned work, Dawn Mendelson was invited to teach with a nonprofit mosaic arts program and social enterprise. While leading workshops in South L.A. and Skid Row, she discovered a passion for helping people new to art find their creative voice.

In her 14 years with Piece by Piece, Dawn has served as Instructor, Program Director, and Managing Director, leading both new and experienced artists in creating large-scale public art. Dawn continues to work with individuals on Skid Row, bringing them art and healing.

Dawn also developed ArtWorksLBC, an arts wellness program in Long Beach, CA, partnering with Rose Park Neighborhood Association. This program uses art to connect the local community through various activities that also inform the neighborhood about critical issues and services in Long Beach.



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Registration Form



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Contact Name: _____

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Total # Reservations _____ X \$45 each = \$ _____

Mail completed form by 10/10 with your club check made out to **"Marina District"**
To Suzanne Beaudelaire, 426 N. Maria Ave., Redondo Beach, CA 90277

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