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## President's Message - Nancy Tarantino

Dear Members of Catalá,

My favorite holiday of the year is this month! For my family, Thanksgiving is a time for thanks and sharing a weekend of food, games and fun. I hope you all eat and laugh a lot!!

We have had a transition with some of our Board positions. Nora Ritchey and Maureen Cronan have needed to resign from their one-year positions due to personal reasons. I am sorry to see them leave, and I understand as family always comes first. I feel very fortunate that two other members have agreed to join us: Kate Canessa and Leslie Orta. Both of these ladies have volunteered at the Fashion Show and regularly attend many of our General Lunches. Welcome, Kate and Leslie!

Our Mass of Remembrance will be on Wednesday, November 18, at 10:30am in the Mission Church. Lunch will follow in the Williman Room with our guest speaker, Ann Skeet, Interim Executive Director of the Markkula Center for Applied Ethics. Her presentation is so relevant in this time of AI, uncertainty and ethics. This promises to be another first-class luncheon.

Mark your calendars for a repeat Christmas Lunch performance at Maggiano's in Santana Row, Wednesday, December 9, at 11:30am.

Happy Thanksgiving!!!
Nancy




## WOMEN in MOTION

### FASHION SHOW LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER

From the Co-Chairs

"Thank you to all our guests and committee members aka "worker bees" for the fantastic Fashion Show--"Women in Motion!" None of it could happen without you. Your support, your time and talents made the day a big success." Thank you all!!!
Dianne and Mary, Ida and Katy

The Women in Motion: Fashion Show, Luncheon & Fundraiser was truly a day filled with joy, laughter, inspiration, and celebration.

A heartfelt hooray and congratulations to our wonderful Co-Chairs: Mary Blaser, Dianne Bonino, Katy Kelly and Ida Skikos whose dedication and leadership helped make this event such a tremendous success.

From the beautiful decorations, centerpieces, printed program, the displays of the silent auction, door prizes, donation drawing packages and delicious food to the favors and every thoughtful detail in between, each element added to the success of this very special day. The models looked stunning, and the fashions were fabulous! The enthusiasm throughout the room was contagious. Everywhere we looked, there were smiles, laughter and joyful faces.

Our sincerest appreciation goes to all our generous donors, sponsors, attendees, volunteers and, most of all, the incredible women of Catalá and the Board whose time, talent and dedication made this event possible.

Thank you to everyone who came together to make Women in Motion a celebration to remember. It truly takes a village—and what a wonderful village we have! Check out the photos on pages 4-6!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR
## SAVE THE DATE

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| November 18 | Mass of Remembrance<br>Mission Church<br>Guest Speaker: Ann Skeet,<br>Interim Executive Director,<br>Markkula Center for Applied Ethics<br>Williman Room (Invitation Attached) |
| December 9 | Christmas Lunch<br>Maggiano's, Santana Row |

## THINKING OF YOU

We extend our Prayers of Sympathy and Consolation to all who are grieving.

We extend our Prayers for Healing and Restored Health to
Jerry Mugnolo, husband of Katie Mugnolo;
Jeanne Torre; Jeff Stanga, husband of Kris Stanga;
Michelle Sola's grandson, Áedán;
for our SCU Community
and for all who have nobody to pray for them.




**Rosanne Adonna**
**Mary Almassy**
**Lois Anderson**
**Linda Antonopoulos**
**Katie Mugnolo**
**Michele Papay**
**Nirmala Patni**
**Linda Pfahnl**
**Michelle Sola**
**Mary Ann Stewart**

## OUR ARTS LIASION
## MARY MCCURDY

scupresentsboxoffice@scu.edu

**Theatre**

November 6 - November 15

"The Importance of Being Earnest"

Special mention from member Wendy Burns!

"My daughter, Holly Burns, will be in the SCU Fall Play ***The Importance of Being Earnest***. She plays the role of Gwendolen Fairfax. I have been a Catala Member since Holly's freshman year, though since I live in Colorado, I have only been able to attend one fashion show and one Golden Circle Event, but I love seeing the newsletters and getting involved when I can."

To secure your tickets:

**408.554.4015**

https://scupresents.scu.edu/section/the-importance-of-being-earnest-bxr0

**Music**

December 4 and 5

The Festival of Lights, Mission Church




## Membership Update

Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership for the 2026-2027 Catalá Year! We truly appreciate your continued support and commitment to our Club.

Our **2026–2027 Roster will be distributed in November! (for sure!)**

Lisa de Lusignan, Shannon Potts
Membership Chairs

**FOOD INSECURITY at SCU**
**Sue Davison**

Join us as we stock the Food Pantry in support of our Undergrad Students.

We will be collecting the following items at our November 18th luncheon. Members of the Basic Needs Department will join us and give us a brief update on the program. These are the items most in need:

Large pads- female hygiene
Granola bars (any kind)
Canned/pouched meats
Pasta sauces
Breakfast items (oatmeal packs, cereal, etc.)
Canned vegetables (corn and green beans)
Canned fruits (of all kinds)

If you would like to make a donation now, please visit the updated Amazon wish list from this link, Amazon Wish List. Items can be sent directly to campus for distribution.

As always, thank you for your support.




**Women in Motion Platter**
**Kathy Winkelman, *Gioia Luce Inc***



"This platter is made on the Amalfi Coast by a family of excellent artists that I have worked with for many years. It is about 14 inches in length, is food safe and can be hung on the wall. If someone wants a larger one, that is possible. I can inquire to the cost. It can be produced and shipped here for $150 each. I will only charge the cost of the shipping, and the rest goes directly to Catala 100%."

Interested? Contact Kathy, 408/640-6628; kathywinkelman@gmail.com







**As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.**

John F. Kennedy

# WOMEN *in* MOTION















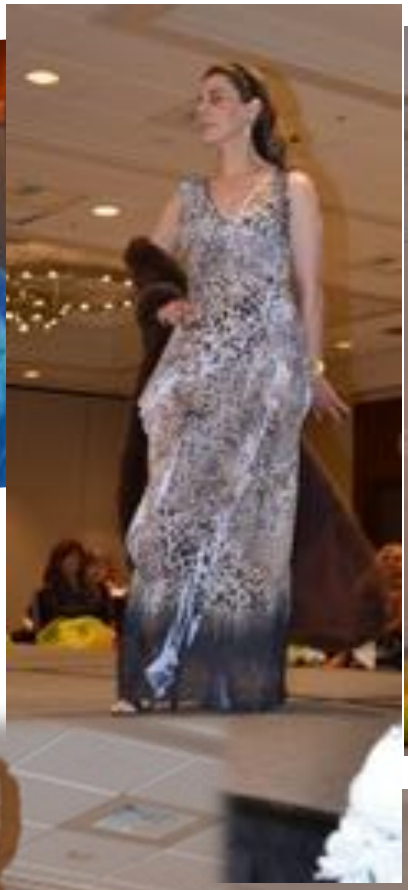







































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