



Santa Clara University Catala Club

Service, Support, and Spirituality

President's Message – Laurie Hernandez May 2022

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Dear wonderful members of the Catala family,

Spring has sprung, and Catala is springing right along with it. Our momentum has never been better, and I wish to thank our terrific Board for their hard work and dedication which makes this amazing energy possible. We have lots of good things in store!

This month, we will offer a loving send off—and a big Catala hug -- to three Board members who will be rotating off of the Board: Peggy Anastasia, Mary Blaser and Loydene Kiley. You each have been a delight to work with, and I will miss your beautiful smiles at our meetings. Thank you for all that you have done for the Catala Board, and don't become strangers!

May also brings us three new Board members: Kate Canessa, Shannon Potts and Mary Jane Vitkovich. These ladies will officially be installed at a mass on May 18, followed by lunch in Nobili Hall. Acting President Lisa Kloppenberg will join us for lunch. My thanks to luncheon hostesses Dianne Bonino and Katy Kelly for their work in putting this together, along with their efforts to have several Catala scholars come too. Please join us if you can.

Mischief awaits later in the month with a student performance of *Sister Act*. This fun, toe-tapping musical is sure to delight. Catala has secured a block of tickets for the 2pm matinee on Sunday, May 22. A brief reception will precede the show in Bannan Alumni House. My thanks to Mary Blaser and Sarah Bonini for their creativity in pulling this fun outing together. If you would like to join us please contact Mary at maryblaser86@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can buy tickets directly through scupresents.universitytickets.com.

The Day of Giving netted Catala a total of \$35,070. Thank you to those of you who included Catala in your Day of Giving plans.

We give a big Catala thank you April's speaker, Chief Joanne Hayes White '86, the first female fire chief (now retired) of San Francisco. Her talk was both



engaging and informative . . . I can't remember the last time a Catala audience asked so many questions. Thank you Chief Hayes-White! Thank you too to VP Joanie Cattermole and our friends in the Alumni Office for partnering to put this great event together.

An inauguration date has been announced for new SCU President Dr. Julie Sullivan: October 7, 2022. As this date coincides with Grand Reunion, the party the University is planning promises to be a whopper. Details will be forthcoming.

Any fashionistas out there? Your Board has decided to return to our tradition of a fall fashion show, and we are looking for talent to help us organize this. If you are interested, please contact me at laurie.hernandez.12@gmail.com

I will close on a more somber note. In what must be the gift of a lifetime, our own beloved Chaplain, Fr. Jack Treacy S.J., will undergo transplant surgery in order to give his sister a desperately needed kidney. The surgery is scheduled for early May. Please keep Fr. Jack and his family in your prayers during this emotive time.

Blessings,
Laurie Hernandez '85, President, Catala Club



MARK YOUR CALENDAR and SAVE THE DATE

- May 18 Installation Mass and Lunch – SCU
- May 22 “Sister Act” – Mayer Theatre
- June 18 Catala Anniversary Party - SCU
- October 7 Inauguration of the 30th President of Santa Clara University, Julie Sullivan
- November 4 Catala Retreat

Joy does not simply happen to us. We have to choose joy and keep choosing it every day.

Henri Nouwen, S.J.

How do you find joy?
Spend a day at the beautiful Jesuit Retreat Center in Los Altos, discovering and sharing the joy in our lives at our first ever Catala Retreat on Friday, November 4, from 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. The cost is \$90, which includes a delicious lunch. Save the date! More details to come.



El Retiro San Inigo
THE JESUIT RETREAT
CENTER OF LOS ALTOS

**Get into the act.... Sister Act!
A Catala Afternoon at the Theatre**



Sing praises for this divine musical comedy! Rejoice, as a woman hiding as a nun in a very unCONVENTional place, breathes new life into the community by helping them find their voice, as she rediscovers her own.

Based on the hit 90’s film, this feel - good musical will have you dancing in your seats and laughing towards heaven!

You are invited to join us Sunday, May 22, for a 2pm matinee performance. We will first gather at the Bannan Alumni House for a Champagne Reception at 12:30 and then proceed over to the Mayer Theatre to enjoy this performance together. General Admission tickets will apply \$15 - \$28. Senior Citizen (60+) \$25.00, Adults \$28.00, SCU Alumni \$25.00, Students or Child (18 years or under) \$15.00.

Please contact Mary Blaser by no later than May 16 to secure your tickets and enjoy this wonderful opportunity to socialize and enjoy an afternoon performance of Sister Act together! Mary can be reached at maryblaser86@gmail.com or by cell 408/309-4049.

*Celebrate
May Birthdays*



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|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 2 Carol Traub | 14 Rose Wong |
| 5 Caroline Wolf | 15 Gloria Citti |
| 5 Sarah Bonini | 17 Georgia Schon |
| 5 Lynn Marinaro | 18 Penny Osorio |
| 5 Sandra McMahan | 23 Orla MacLean |
| 9 Diane Kardas | 26 Lisa Marchese |
| 10 Monica Fox | 27 Julie Jaroshenko |
| 10 Jan Berthold | 28 Joy Ciffone |
| 12 Darlene Sorci | 30 Pat Mahan |
| 12 Michele Barnett Gaskill | 31 Moureen Lennon |
| 13 Regina Colbert | 31 Kim Loquaci |
| 14 Dianna Gallagher | |

We extend our sympathy to the family of our member Luciana Barsanti
Our Prayers for Healing and Restored Good Health for Peggy Anastasia, Betty Ford, Debbie McBride, Father Jack Treacy, S.J., Sandra Treacy, Louise Zarka and for our SCU Community and for all who have nobody to pray for them.

WHAT’S HAPPENING at SCU!

- May 6 First Friday Mass & Lunch
- May 17 Virtual Examen –
4:30pm Jack Treacy, S.J.
- May 25 Bronco Expert Series:
3:00-5:00pm The Human Herd: Awakening Our Natural Leadership
Beth Anstandig ’04 MA
Hybrid Event

Register on the Alumni Website

A smile is a curve that sets everything straight.

Phyllis Diller

*a smile is the shortest distance
between two people*

**APRIL LUNCH WITH GUEST SPEAKER JOANNE HAYES-WHITE, '86
RETIRED SAN FRANCISCO FIRE CHIEF**



Anniversary Party News!

Santa Clara University Catala Club "Catala Club through the Decades"

Celebrating the past, inspiring the future of SCU Scholars

You will soon be receiving your invitation to the long anticipated SCU Catala Club Anniversary Party! Please mark your calendars for **Saturday, June 18th**.

If you would like to help us with this fun event, please contact one of the Co-Chairs: Katy Kelly, Charlene Raisch or Leana Giannini

See you on June 18th!

"Catala Club through the Decades" JEWEL TICKET

Lovely, delicate red garnet and diamond earrings
set in 18K white gold, 3.83K red garnets,
10K diamonds



Generously donated by
Eichhorn Jewelers

Retail Value: \$1,080
\$50 per ticket

Only 92 Tickets Sold!

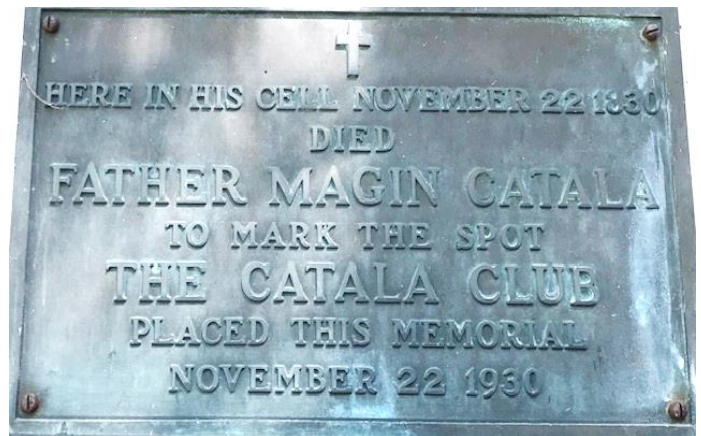
Raffle tickets will be available to purchase online
when you make your reservation for our
Anniversary Party!

Tickets also will be sold at our Installation Lunch
on Wednesday, May 18!

Winning ticket will be drawn the evening of our
Anniversary Party, Saturday, June 18, 2022.

*From the Catala Club Archives
by Dianne Bonino*

So far this is my favorite tidbit! How many times have we walked down that path along the south wall of the Mission Church and not seen this plaque????



"HERE IN HIS CELL NOVEMBER 22, 1830
DIED

FATHER MAGIN CATALA
TO MARK THE SPOT
THE CATALA CLUB
PLACED THIS MEMORIAL
NOVEMBER 22. 1930"

DAY OF GIVING UPDATE!!

Catala Club raised \$35,070 from 76 gifts during SCU's record breaking \$4M Day of Giving. Thanks to you, we can support amazing students like junior **Vivian Arceo**, who says

"My Jesuit education has challenged me beyond academics and put value into each experience I've had at SCU. I've become more involved in my community, explored my passions, and seen how I've grown—all to connect my actions to morals I strive to follow. I would like to thank the donors of the Catala Club Scholarship for giving me the opportunity to evolve and pursue a Jesuit education, as this past year has only further motivated me to apply what I've learned to the world around us."



MEMORIAL DAY

REMEMBER AND HONOR

