

Santa Clara University Catala Club

Service, Support, and Spirituality

President's Message – Laurie Hernandez October 2022

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Dear wonderful members of the Catala family,

I open my comments this month with a heart filled with gratitude. My thanks go to SCU's new President, Julie Sullivan, who joined us as a special guest for our luncheon last month. We so enjoyed the opportunity to meet her and to hear about her journey to SCU, her first impressions and her ideas for the University's next chapter. Thanks to the fantastic work of all of you, we were able to present Dr. Sullivan an addition to the Catala Scholarship Endowment in the amount of \$15,000.

I extend additional thanks to VP Joanie Cattermole for arranging our lovely luncheon, and to Leanna Giannini for being an all-around "Girl Friday" to help on the day of. It is true many hands make for light work, and we are grateful to all, including our amazing University Relations partner Julie Stone, who contributed to the success of this terrific event.

September brings the return of students to campus, and with it, the need for the SCU Food Pantry. Last year, we provided a little over \$3,000 in support or approximately 1/3 of the Pantry's operating budget. Thank you! If you would like to help out with this important effort, details are on Page 2.

In September, we bid farewell to Fr. Erick Berrelleza, who leaves us to return to Boston. As you may know, the Jesuits have identified an educational gap in the space between high school and four-year universities. They have begun a pilot program to start schools which will award associate degrees to fill this need in areas that do not enjoy the same strong community college system that we have here in California. Fr. Erick has been selected as the founding Dean of one such school and has returned to Boston to kick this off. To be called after its Jesuit namesake in Sicily (founded in 1548), the new Messina College is an affiliate of Boston College and will open for the 2024-2025 academic year.

Looking ahead, October is filled with lots of activity and excitement. The highlight, of course, will be President Sullivan's inauguration on Friday, October 7, at 11:00 am in Leavey Center. All are welcome to attend either in person or via livestream. That evening marks the beginning of Grand Reunion weekend, an annual celebration of Santa Clara magic in which all are invited to participate, regardless of whether it is your reunion year. Come and see your friends! Activities are available both in person and on-line. Please refer to the SCU website for additional details.

At the time this newsletter was going to press, the Alumni Office was still welcoming volunteers to help as greeters and with registration for Grand Reunion. If you would like to join in this part of the fun, please contact Maureen Muscat in the Alumni Office (mmuscat@scu.edu) to sign up.

October 19 returns us to the Williman Room for our monthly lunch with a wonderful speaker, SCU Law Professor Ellen Kreitzberg. Professor Kreitzberg will take us through the Theranos story — a true Silicon Valley drama. I hope you will be able to join us for this fascinating presentation.

As I already mentioned last month, November includes both a wonderful retreat at El Retiro Center in Los Altos and our annual Mass of Remembrance. Mass will be followed by lunch and a speaker. We will celebrate in December with our annual Christmas Tea. Please save us these dates!

Lastly, October brings us to the conclusion of the membership renewal season. There is still time to send in your information. So if you haven't already done so, please do! We will begin work on the roster shortly, and would love to include you. Please direct any questions to Membership Chair, Katy Kelly.

With blessings,

Laurie Hernandez '85, President, Catala Club

FROM THE DESK OF KATY KELLY **MEMBERSHIP CHAIR**

DUES INFORMATION UPDATE!

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- 6 Vicki Pope
- 6 Carol Sabatino
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- 10 Elizabeth Moul Smith 22 Sheri Zipse
- 11 Diana Jensen
- **12 Ronnie Folev**
- **13 Shirley Dorsa**
- **13 Birdie Pacelli**

- **19 Catherine Keller**
- **20** Ginny Haughey
- 21 Feng Han
- 22 Emily Wilcox
- 24 Marianne Rhine
 - **25 Christine Wheeler**
- **26 Merilee Amos**

We extend our Prayers of Sympathy and Consolation to the family of Greg Schultz, former Campus Ministry Music Liturgist and to the friends and family of the victims of violence, fires, floods and disease.

Our Prayers for Healing and Restored Good Health for

Jo Bertaccini, Linda Pfahnl, Michelle Sola's grandson, Aedan, for our SCU Community and for all who have nobody to pray for them.

CATALA CLUB RETREAT

Friday, November 4 - 9am to 3pm Please join us for this special time with our Catala Famly at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Los Altos, facilitated by SCU's own Sally Vance Trembath and Sarah Bonini. The theme for our retreat is "Ignatian Wisdom to Cultivate Joy" and will include small group sharing, journaling, mass and lunch.

To reserve your spot, please send a check payable to SCU Catala Club in the amount of \$95 to Sue Davison, 507 Beresford Avenue, Redwood City CA 94061 or register on the SCU Catala website by Monday, October 24. Invitation flyer attached.

"You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending."

-C.S. Lewis

FOOD INSECURITY at SCU

Catala Club contributed \$3,450 in the 2021-22 school year to SCU's Bronco Pantry! Let's keep it up! There are four ways you can contribute to the Bronco Pantry:

- 1. Donate directly through the Amazon link Please ship to: Kim Gilke, Santa Clara University Office of Student Life- Benson Room #205 500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara CA 95053
- 2. Make a cash donation directly through the SCU Development Department These donations are used to purchase food
- 3. Participate in our 50-50 raffle that takes place at our monthly luncheons; these proceeds are used to purchase Safeway and/or Target gift cards which the Pantry distributes to the students in the program.
- 4. Drop-off donations such as soap, toiletries, non-perishable food, etc. to the Office noted above Attention: Kim Gilke

Please direct any questions to the Office of Student Life, 408/554-4583 or osl@scu.edu

Catala Club's Traditional Christmas Tea **December 14, The Mission Room, SCU Benson Center** We are excited to announce that we are once again planning an in-person Catala Christmas Tea on December 14 in the Mission Room located on the bottom floor of Benson Center. We will honor our Past Presidents and celebrate the

Season. More information to come next month! We are looking forward to being together once again.

Charlene Raisch, Dianne Bonino, Katy Kelly, Co-Chairs

MARK YOUR CALENDAR SAVE THE DATE

October 6-9	SCU Grand Reunion Weekend
October 7	Inauguration of the 30th President
	of Santa Clara University,
	Dr. Julie Sullivan ***
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October 19 SCU Law Professor Ellen Kreitzberg; 'Elizabeth Holmes and the Theranos Trial" and other current legal issues Williman Room, Benson Center November 4 Catala Retreat Jesuit Retreat Center, Los Altos from 9:00 a.m. – 3 p.m (see enclosed flyer) December 14 Annual Christmas Tea, Mission Room, Benson Center

*****INAUGURATION INFORMATION**

Thursday, October 6 - 5 p.m.

Inaugural Mass and Mass of the Holy Spirit, Mission Church Reception immediately following, Abby Sobrato Mall <u>Inaugural Mass Livestream Link</u> (Available on October 6) RSVP required

Friday, October 7 - 11 a.m. Doors Open at 10 a.m. Inauguration of Julie Sullivan, Leavey Center Lunch reception immediately following, Mission Gardens <u>Inauguration Livestream Link</u> (Available on October 7)

Some Memories from Our October Luncheon



"You can't do anything alone. I always tell people that my dreams are just fantasies if I can't find anyone who shares them. If we can find some shared dreams, we can do anything together."





