

Santa Clara University Catala Club

Service, Support, and Spirituality

President's Message – Joanie Cattermole June 2023

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Dear Friends and Family of Catala,

This is my first message as President. I am honored and humbled to serve in this position.

By way of short introduction, I am a proud member of the Class of '79 where I met my husband Greg, Class of '78. We were thrilled when our son Kyle chose Santa Clara, Class of 2008. I think my first introduction to Catala was as a guest at a Fashion Show years ago, and I've stayed around ever since.

I have always been impressed by the hardworking members of our Club - and their goal of raising money for scholarships so that the gift of a Bronco education can be spread to more deserving students. The fact that there are true friendships made along the way is a delightful bonus.

One of the first things I want to do is thank our outgoing President, Laurie Hernandez, for all of her dedication, vision and leadership over the last two years. She has been a true mentor and cheerleader. Laurie guided us through the Covid storm, the adoption of the Campus Food Pantry and our fabulous 92nd Anniversary Bash among many other events. I am very grateful Laurie will continue to serve on our Board.

I also want to thank our 2023-24 Board for stepping up and supporting our goals. These women are the ones who make things happen. Their energy and creative ideas continue to inspire me.

If you missed our May General Meeting and Installation Mass, I can tell you it was very special to hear from and meet some of our Scholarship students. Their stories are inspiring and help confirm that our work is so important. It is so gratifying to hear how our Club made a difference in their lives. Thank you to Fran Lowry, Katy Kelly and Dianne Bonino who helped put on a wonderful event. Also, thank you to Fr. Jack Treacy and Fr. Rob Scholla who celebrated Mass and our Installation with us.

Finally, on behalf of our dedicated Club, it was a thrill to be able to present to SCU President Julie Sullivan a check for \$10,000 to enhance our Scholarship Endowments. This gift will help to benefit at least 36 undergraduates with an average annual award for all four years of \$30,889.

It's going to be a great two years. May we increase our Scholarship Funds and have some fun along the way.

Have a wonderful summer.

With Blessings, Joanie Cattermole





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Assistant Treasurer, Pat DeMarlo
Parliamentarian, Jeannie Mahan







FOOD INSECURITY at SCU

Want to donate to the Bronco Food Pantry? Below are three ways to do so:

1. Donate directly through the <u>Amazon link</u> and ship to

Kim Gilkey-Santa Clara University Office of Student Life- Benson Room #205 500 El Camino Real, Santa Clara CA 95053

- 2. Donate cash directly through <u>SCU Development</u> <u>Department</u> to purchase food for the pantry.
- 3. Items such as soap, toiletries, non-perishable food, etc. can be donated to the above Office, Attn: Kim Gilkey

We have been given an opportunity for a great service project. The Bronco Pantry needs help reorganizing their food pantry. Please see below for the details how you can help!

Questions? Contact Office of Student Life at 408.554.45 83 or osl@scu.edu

AND THERE'S MORE!!!!

Our first SCU Bronco Pantry Service project will be on Tuesday, June 20, 2023.

To date, we have two people signed up for each of the two shifts, which are 10am to Noon and 1pm to 3pm. We are looking for one more person for each of these shifts. If you are available, please contact Nancy Tarantino at nancytarantino126@gmail.com or Sue Davison at sue.h.davison@gmail.com.

The project includes reorganizing the food pantry with the assistance of Kim Gilkey.

The pantry is located at 862 Market Street across from Dunne Residence Hall. It is labeled "Off Campus Living" in the front of the house.

Pepper your day with prayer -

Father Kevin O'Brien, S.J.

FROM THE DESK OF KATY KELLY MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

 Corrected email for Vanessa Guerra vlgguerra@prodigy.net

Tribute to Our Past Presidents by Charlene Raisch

Every SCU Catala Club President from Mrs. Sullivan onward has brought her own special talents enthusiasm and love of Catala and of SCU to our Club. There is a common thread that runs through each and every President's bio which is the work we do to raise monies for our Catala Scholarship Fund to help undergraduate students receive an SCU Jesuit education.

We're a diverse group of women brought together by our love and appreciation of this goal to help others experience it.

To you intelligent strong forward-thinking women of Catala today we wish you the very best and hope that you enjoy every moment of your Catala experience.

DEBBIE MCBRIDE 2015-2017

- I loved the events! Working on the events and talking with June, Joannie, Joan and Mary Blaser while designing the centerpieces was priceless conversation.
- There are so many kind and generous women in Catala! Getting to know Katy Kelly and being part of her inclusive team was always so heartwarming. Mary Blaser's voice is a true gift. I loved Pat and Ann De Marlo's down-to-earth practicality and honesty. Then there's Betty Ford's dedication to Catala and Cathy De Maria's dedication to SCU.
- I am so grateful to get to know some of the Jesuits. I believe in the goodness and purpose of the Jesuits and admire their talent and intellect. Father Scholla is an amazing teacher. Fr. Engh is a very bighearted person. Fr. Jack is the BEST entertainer
- These people and experiences would have been invisible to me without the gift of Catala.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR-SAVE THE DATE

June 4	Mayer Theatre production "Into the Woods" 2 p.m. Matinee Preceded with 12:30 p.m. Reception, Aumni House
June 10	SCU Golden Circle Theatre Party
June 16	Commencement Mass, Stevens Stadium
June 17	2023 Undergraduate Commencement
June 20	Bronco Pantry Service Project
June 20	Virtual Examen, Father Jack Treacy, S.J. 4:30 p.m. (register on line)
August 13	Summer Social Home of Katy and Tom Kelly
October 20	Luncheon and Fashion Show – see Page 6 11 a.m2:30 p.m. Santa Clara Marriott Hotel

We extend our Prayers of Sympathy and Consolation to the family and friends of
Bishop Emeritus Patrick J. McGrath and to the friends and families of the victims of violence, fires, floods and disease

Our Prayers for Healing and Restored Good Health for Pat DeMarlo, Mary Lou Lawrence, Patty Mahan, Carol Sabatino, Michelle Sola's grandson, Áedán, for our SCU Community and for all who have nobody to pray for them.



Thank you Mary Atwell and Birdie Pacelli for the great photography at our May Installation Mass and Luncheon! See pages 4-5







This year's Catala fundraiser for our Endowed Scholarship Fund will be both unique and familiar. New boutique fashion houses from Los Gatos will present elegant resort wear and stylish evening wear. The Santa Clara Marriott will be our venue with a large ballroom. Before the show starts, we will still sip champagne as we bid on silent auction items, place our tickets in raffle baskets and shop from our fashion show stores - all to support our mission to provide scholarships for undergraduate SCU students.

To spice up the Silent Auction, we are separating gifts into two categories: treasures and experiences. All gifts will still be presented on our familiar Silent Auction tables, dressed up to showcase the particular item. We plan to have treasures and experiences at all price points and interest levels. Please team up with your Catala friends to put together an appealing package. Here are some ideas....

Examples of Treasures for Silent Auction Tables

- Wine and cheese basket.
- Gardening basket: garden tools, plants
- Shopping Spree: several members contribute gift cards for a Shopping Gift Card Tree
- Italian table: pasta, sauce, wine, platter; 2 members join to donate \$100 each
- Margarita table: tequila, mix, limes, pitcher, glasses; 2 members join to donate \$100 each
- DSW gift card tree: 4 members join to donate \$100 each
- Designer Bag, jewelry: necklace, earrings, bracelet
- Holiday Table: Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year, Easter, 4th of July

Examples of Experiences for Silent Auction Tables

- 1-week's accommodation in Lucca, Italy. Do you have airline miles or travel points for airfare?
- Overnight in San Francisco with Brunch and Theatre tickets for 2
- Dinner and Theatre tickets locally for 2: 4 members join to donate \$100 each
- Spa Day at Burke Williams and Lunch at Santana Row for 2: 4 members join to donate \$100 each
- Spa Day at Ritz Carlton Half Moon Bay for 2: 4 members join to donate \$125 each
- Golf and lunch for two at local golf course and SCU Golf Bag
- Tennis at a local tennis club and bourbon tasting
- Wine tasting for 6-8
- Tickets to the 49er's games for 2: 4 members join to donate \$100 each
- Tickets to Warrior's games for 2: 4 members join to donate \$100 each
- Dinner with SCU President for 10
- Carmel Foodie Tour for 4: 3 members join to donate \$100 each
- SF Foodie Tour for 4: 3 members join to donate \$100 each
- Weekend Get-Away to Napa, Tahoe, Carmel, Monterrey, Seaside, Yosemite, Ashland, etc.

Calling all Fabulous Forever Catala Members to participate in our Fashion Show, Luncheon, Silent Auction on Friday October 20, 2023.

Co-chairs Debbie McBride 408 398 5714, Mary Blaser 408 309 4049, or Sandra McMahon 415 933 9056.