



Santa Clara University Catalá Club

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President's Message - Nancy Tarantino

Dear Members of Catalá,

What a great way to start our year at China Stix. As always, the food was abundant as were the many door prizes. Thank you, Rosanne Adona and Birdie Pacelli, for organizing such a spectacular luncheon. Our guest speaker, Barbara Boyle, is the author of Pinch Me and a Santa Clara alumna, Class of 1974. If you are looking for a happy book, this is the one for you.

Our Nominating Committee is hard at work with Sue Davison and Lisa De Lusignan as Co-Chairs. Their Committee includes Tina Corcoran, Mary McCurdy, Joanne Moul, Shannon Potts and Georgia Schon with Lisa Clancy and Laurie Hernandez as alternates. We are fortunate to have so many capable women on our Board. Good luck team!

Our calendar for the next couple of months is very full. The infamous Kyoto Palace luncheon is right

Lots of fun and friendship shared in January in the home of Katy Kelly with all who participated in the Special Silent Auction item offered at our 95th Anniversary Lunch and Fashion Show Fundraiser – Mass and Brunch with Father Jack!

around the corner on February 11. This is the second Wednesday of the month as February 18 is Ash Wednesday. Next on the calendar is the Bronco Bash Basketball Game on Saturday, February 28. The party starts with pizza at Round Table followed by the Broncos vs. Oregon State basketball game. Mark your calendars for this year's retreat on Wednesday, March 25, which includes a tour of St. Joseph's Cathedral, reflection, mass and lunch at Il Fornaio.

I hope to see you at one or more of the various events.

With appreciation,

Nancy



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
SAVE THE DATE**

February 11 Kyoto Palace, The Pruneyard
February 14 Valentine's Day
February 16 President's Day
March 25 Day of Reflection, Tour and Mass
St. Joseph's Cathedral; Lunch Il Fornaio



Cathy Avon
Mary Blaser
Patty Boitano
Lisa De Lusignan
Cathy De Maria
Diane Ferrara
Carolyn Ferrari
Elaina Galkina
BC Gibbons

Liz Gallegos Glynn
Lisa Graf
Roseann LaCoursiere
Ann Lindahl
Anne Misner
Kimberly Moore
Shannon Potts
Mary Jane Vitkovich
Kelly Wood

THINKING OF YOU

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

We extend our Prayers for Healing and Restored Health to Katy Kelly, Fran and Bob Lowry; Jeanne Torre; Michelle Sola's grandson, Áedán; for our SCU Community and for all who have nobody to pray for them.

**OUR ARTS LIASION
MARY MCCURDY**

February and March offer a variety of arts-related events for you to enjoy.

To secure your tickets: 408.554.4015
scupresentsboxoffice@scu.edu

Theatre
February 14 and 15 – Winter One Act Festival
Fess Parker Theatre

February 27 and 28 – Elicitricidad
Fess Parker Theatre

Dance

February 5 and 6 - Image 2026
Music

February 27 - Orff-Carmina Burana Mission
March 4 and 5 - Winter Jazz Band



Catala Club was well represented at the 60th Anniversary Golden Circle Theater Party; our Catala member, Vicki Pope, 2026 Chair of the Board of Fellows!

FOOD INSECURITY at SCU by Sue Davison

What a wonderful luncheon we shared at China Stix! Such a fun afternoon with our Catala friends and so many special guests. Thank you for your continued support of the Bronco Food Pantry; we collected \$300. Your generous contributions allow the Program to provide our students access to nutritious meals and personal hygiene products.

If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code below. It will take you directly to the Wish List. 500 El Camino Real is the address for items to be delivered. VISA and Safeway Gift Cards and purchases from the Amazon Wish List may also be dropped off at the Santa Clara University address noted above, Attention Monica Lopez, Basic Needs Coordinator.

Thank you again for your generosity.
See you next month at Kyoto Palace!!



*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



CATALA CLUB BRONCO BASH by Rosanne Adona

Please join SCU's Catala Club members at a Bronco Bash on Saturday, February 28, 2026, as we cheer on the Broncos while they play Oregon State! Family and friends are welcome!

Join us at Round Table Pizza next to Safeway on The Alameda as we enjoy a nosh before attending the game. The Meet-up at Round Table will begin at 3:00 pm followed by the game at Leavy Event Center at 5:00 pm.

Tickets may be purchased at
<https://scubroncos.scu.edu/event/68da11cd30da13eb57b34fd7/6921062df317fa31df7c9194>

Use promo code: catala26 (case sensitive) for discounted tickets; Ticket section: 114

Hope to see you there! Go Broncos!

Contact: Rosanne Adona
(rradona@gmail.com) with questions.



Our Guest Speaker in February was Barbara Boyle, alumna and author of Pinch Me: Waking up in a 300 Year Old Farmhouse, a deeply personal story of how she left her busy and familiar life behind in San Francisco and began taking apart a 300-year-old stone barn to build a new home—a new life—in the largely undiscovered region of Piedmont, Italy. Her presentation was “very inspiring and calming at the same time.” We also elected our 2026 Nominating Committee: Sue Davison and Lisa De Lusignan, Co-Chairs; Committee members Tina Corcoran, Mary McCurdy, Joanne Moul, Shannon Potts and Georgia Schon; Alternates Lisa Clancy and Laurie Hernandez.

