



Santa Clara University Catala Club

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President's Message Joanie Cattermole

Dear Friends and Family of Catala,

I hope you are having a blessed holiday.

This season, Catala was able to give the amazing sum of \$75,000 to our Scholarship Endowment at our Christmas Tea. We can really be proud of that amount. All of our hard work is paying off to enable more students to attend SCU.

Thank you to the Chairs of our Christmas Tea: Dianne Bonino, Katy Kelly, Ann Lindahl, Charlene Raisch and Mary Jane Vitkovich. There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes. And, thank you to Birdie Pacelli for the amazing decorations-which included lighted Christmas trees on every table.

It was a festive, fun raising event. And, the candy cane theme really set the tone for a special time.

We will be starting off the New Year with a luncheon at China Stix on Wednesday, January 17, featuring a talk by Dr. Elizabeth Edgerly on the topic of reducing the likelihood dementia. Don't forget to sign up.

I wish each of you a very Happy New Year.

With Gratitude and Holiday Blessings,

Joanie Cattermole





- 1 Adele Margolis
- 6 Lizzy Barron-Silva
- 13 Kathleen Nygard
- 13 Joanne Strickland
- 13 Margaret Suddijan
- 15 Mary Ellen Livak
- 18 Vicki Yoshihara
- 26 Nancy Tarantino
- 28 Mary Ellen Bruni
- 31 Betty Ford
- 31 Kathy Gibbs

We extend our Prayers of sympathy and consolation to the family and friends of Maria Patricia Kelly-Doggett and to the families and friends of the victims of violence, terrorism, and disease.



Our Prayers for Healing and Restored Good Health for Pat DeMarlo, Michelle Sola's grandson, Áedán, Jeanne Torre, for our SCU Community and for all who have nobody to pray for them

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
SAVE THE DATE**

- January 17 China Stix, Guest Speaker, Dr. Elizabeth Edgerly, *Preventing Dementia* (see attached Invitation to RSVP)
- January 27 58th Annual Golden Circle Theatre Party
- February 21 Kyoto Palace
- March 20 Day of Reflection, Becket Hall St. Thomas of Canterbury
- April 17 Williman Room
- May 15 Installation Mass, Nobili Hall

**FOOD INSECURITY at SCU
Bronco Pantry Update by Sue Davison**

I would like to send a BIG thank you to the Catala members for their support and extra contributions in November and December. Your generosity is so appreciated. We were able to serve additional students due to your help. Thank you for your kindness and support during the holidays. It really made a difference for our students.

We have updated the Amazon Wish List so it reflects our current needs. Please bring any donations to our January meeting at China Stix, and I will make sure they are delivered to the Bronco Pantry; or, if you like, donate directly from the Amazon List. Gift cards are also always welcome!!!

Donations to the Food Insecurity Program at SCU may also be made via Amazon at Amazon Wish List. Please search "SCU Students: Food Insecurity at SCU" for the public wish list of items on Amazon.com or use the QR code below.

Please select "Kim Gilkey, 500 El Camino Real," as the mailing address. Gift Cards and purchases from the Amazon Wish List may also be dropped off at the Office of Student Life- Benson Room #205.



Thanks so much. Happiest of New Years!

"You cannot solve a problem with anger or hatred. It takes empathy, patience, and compassion to overcome anger, hatred, and resentment."



- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



Monday, January 15, 2024

We must develop and maintain the capacity to forgive. He who is devoid of the power to forgive is devoid of the power to love. There is some good in the worst of us and some evil in the best of us. When we discover this, we are less prone to hate our enemies.

-Martin Luther King, Jr.



**Catala Club's Traditional Christmas Tea
Honoring Our Past Presidents
Dianne Bonino, Katy Kelly, Ann Lindahl,
Charlene Raisch & Mary Jane Vitkovich
Christmas Tea Co-Chairs**



Ho Ho Ho. What a celebration! The Williman Room was festive, beautifully decorated in a candy cane theme. The highlight of the event was when Club President Joanie Cattermole presented a check in the amount of \$75,000 to Jim Lyons, Vice President for University Relations, to add to the Catala Club Endowed Scholarship. He was blown away with the amount of the check - especially since this is the second check the Club has presented this year! Brava, Catala Ladies! You should all be beaming with pride since this is the result of all your hard work and generosity.

Numerous party gift bags and Christmas plant centerpieces were given away to lucky winners. Thank you **Dianne Bonino, Katy Kelly, Ann Lindahl, Birdie Pacelli, Charlene Raisch, Mary Jane Vitkovich** and all the elves who came early to help.





