



# Santa Clara University Catala Club

## Service, Support, and Spirituality

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### President's Message –Charlene Raisch January 2020

Dear Friends,

I must once again thank you all for attending our Christmas Tea! I can't express what joy I personally felt as I gazed upon all of you enjoying your friendship with one another. Such love truly filled the room!

We honored our Past Presidents and were happy to see several of these ladies in attendance. We welcomed numerous guests and, in particular, Bonnie Sheikh, Father Kevin O'Brien's Administrative Assistant; Julie Stone, our University liaison; and Elizabeth Gallegos-Glynn, University Executive Director of Gift Planning.

Mary Atwell and I were so thrilled beyond words to present to Elizabeth Gallegos-Glynn a check in the amount of \$25,000, which fully funded our Endowed Scholarship in honor of Father Michael Engh, S.J. We were blessed to be able to FULLY fund this scholarship in LESS THAN ONE YEAR! An amazing accomplishment!

As we work together in our fundraising efforts, we can see that our Catala Club members – and that means you – really do make a difference in the life of a worthy SCU student. I thank you for your continued support of Catala Club, and our students thank you for this support.

Now on to, what we hope will be the Fabulous '20s! Important dates are coming up:

#### January 15

Meeting and Lunch at **Kyoto Palace**, in the Pruneyard, Campbell. This is always a

wonderful treat. We are so very grateful to Vicki and Dale Yoshihara for continuing to host us! Your reservation form is attached!

#### February 28

Our FABULOUS and always POPULAR **Zanotto Wine Dinner**. Get your reservations in early. Your reservation form is attached.

#### March 4

**SCU Day of Giving**: PLEASE, PLEASE give to Catala! Every single dollar helps to give deserving students the most awesome education at SCU.

*May the New Year bring you every joy and happiness!*

Warmly, Charlene Raisch, President



#### SAVE ALL THE DATES!!!!

- ◆ **January 15**, Kyoto Palace in the Pruneyard
- ◆ **February 19**, Day of Reflection, location TBD
- ◆ **February 28**, Zanotto Wine Dinner
- ◆ **March 4**, SCU Day of Giving

“Optimism is like a sugar high that quickly fades.

*Hope fuels our mind, body and spirit for the long haul.”*

Kevin O'Brien, President Santa Clara University

# Happy BIRTHDAY! to you.

## January

1 Adele Margolis	15 Mary Ellen Livak
4 Rose Cornaglia	18 Vicki Yoshihara
6 Lizzy Barron-Silva	19 Leslie Colvin
12 Adeline Wu-Ratner	26 Nancy Tarantino
12 Tina Welsh	28 Mary Ellen Bruni
13 Kathleen Nygard	29 Noreen Giarretto
13 Joanne Strickland	31 Betty Ford
13 Margaret Suddijan	31 Kathy Gibbs
	31 Ann Hartung

## ZANOTTO WINE DINNER

The 2020 Zanotto Wine Dinner will be on Friday, February 28, beginning at 6pm. The cost is \$60 per person and includes a multi-course dinner and Rombauer wine!! Reservations are limited to the first 100 guests. See the attached invitation.

Contact Nancy Tarantino  
with any questions:  
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*Get Well prayers for all who are ill.*

*Heartfelt sympathy to the family of Jack Going, BSCE '49, and our prayers for the repose of his soul.*

*Jack, husband of former member Audrey Going who predeceased him, was SCU's liaison with the State of California and other local governmental agencies to accomplish the reroute of The Alameda around campus.*

**AMDG**

**Thanks to all who attended the Christmas Tea this year.**

**We extend our special appreciation to Jeannie Mahan for underwriting the rental cost of the Santa Clara Woman's Club and assisting with the clean-up after the event; Debbie McBride and Joan Stoelker for taking on the "parking garage" duty; Julie Stone for her wonderful service as our liaison with the University; and Angie Ehlers and Della Thurgood for assisting with set-up and take-down. No event can be successful without the assistance of many. These wonderful ladies gave freely of their time to help us, and we are very grateful.**

**Thank you and a very Happy New Year to You.**

**Peggy Anastasia and Pat DeMarlo  
Christmas Tea Co-Chairs**



## HUNGER ON CAMPUS



Who would have guessed that nearly 25% of college students experience some degree of food insecurity? **Food insecurity is the lack of reliable access to sufficient quantities of affordable, nutritious food.**

This is common at colleges and universities across the country, potentially undermining the educational success of many students.

When this problem was first brought to the Catala Board's attention, many of us were shocked. So it was decided that Catala would be one of the community groups to join forces with SCU in addressing this problem. **The SCU Bronco Food Pantry** opened Winter Quarter 2019 and currently houses non-perishable food items, gift cards and basic toiletries. Catala is teaming up with the Bronco Food Pantry by providing funds from our monthly 50/50 Raffle. Our December luncheon alone provided \$400 of Safeway Gift Cards for the Food Pantry!

Food insecurity presents a serious challenge for today's college students whether they are working students, financial aid recipients or students who have meal plans. Our 50/50 Raffle provides a perfect monthly avenue to help these students in need. Please remember these students at our next 50/50 Raffle.

**Thank you for your kindness and generosity!**