



Ignatian Guild Meeting Minutes, 11/14

President: Staci Fleming
Vice President: Angela Koros
Recording Secretary: Miriam Sweeney
Corresponding Secretary: Aundrea McGrew-Brown
Treasurer: Karen Eggert
Assistant Treasurer: Tricia Mason
Ignatian Guild Moderator: Rita O'Malley

Welcome and Call to Order

Staci Fleming called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. Approval of October Minutes by Helen Vydra Roy and second by Tricia Mason.

Opening Prayer

Rita introduced the Ignatian Guild Women's Retreat, and encouraged everyone to sign up and bring a friend. The event is on Sunday, January 21, at 9:00 am in the Orradre Chapel. The speaker is ValLimar Jansen, a highly regarded singer, minister, and musical composer. Rita is excited about the event as "Ms. Jansen has deep spiritual wisdom and her storytelling will be good for your heart and soul".

Rita's opening prayer was about acknowledging being grateful for all the nuances of our day to day lives, whether it be an accomplishment, our children or a worrisome situation; each is grace in our lives.

Ignatian Guild President: Staci Fleming

Staci thanked the chairs of past events such as Moms' Night Out, SI Lights, and Freshman Orientation. She also reminded them to turn in their binders to the Guild Room, or hand them over to Angela Koros.

Vice president: Angela Koros

Angela thanked the hostesses of the evening's meeting.

Recording Secretary: Miriam Sweeney

Nothing to report.

Corresponding Secretary: Aundrea McGrew-Brown

Aundrea has been busy sending out birthday wishes to the school staff and teachers on behalf of the Guild. A condolence card was sent to our former IG President, Margy Lico. Her father in law passed away.

A Get Well card was sent to sophomore mom Sandy DeRoza as she recovers from surgery. Another Get Well card was sent to Aiden Banfield, as he recovers from his surgery after the SI v. Riordan game when his neck was injured. Aundrea was happy to report that Aiden is recovering speedily, and cheered on his teammates at the game against Mitty, where SI was victorious. Aundrea asked for prayers for Vanessa Wallace, who passed away suddenly last week. Vanessa Wallace was a part of our SI community even though she did not have a child here. She helped out at the International Food Faire last year from beginning to end, and her generous spirit will be forever missed. Please keep Vanessa and her family in your prayers as they go through this holiday season. The meeting also acknowledged Staci's birthday and the ladies sang to her in celebration.

[Treasurer: Karen Eggert](#)

Karen was not in attendance.

[Assistant Treasurer: Tricia Mason](#)

Tricia reminded everyone to register for Amazon Smiles. The easiest way to use the Amazon Smiles is to go to the SI Guild website, click the Amazon Smiles icon and it will take you to the Amazon website directly for shopping. It is the easiest way to earn money back for SI.

Reports of Standing Committees

[AALPA](#)

The next monthly meeting is tomorrow, 11/15, 6:00 pm, at the Student Center. We will have college counselor Ms. Vaccaro available to speak to parents about the college application process. This is a great opportunity for you to come ask your questions in a more intimate setting.

[SIPAC](#)

Maggie Chichiocco invited everyone to pop over to the SIPAC Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner before or after the AALPA meeting. All parents and students are welcome. The Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner will be in the Faculty Dining Room, at 6:30 pm. SIPAC's Christmas celebration will be held on Saturday, December 9, at 6:00 pm in the Carlin Commons. It is a fun evening and a great way to celebrate the birth of Christ through great food, dance and tradition. Tickets will be available on the SIPAC website on 10/30, early bird pricing is \$40.

[Communications](#)

Michelle Avery reminded the current chairs of this year's events that the Principal Newsletter continues through the holiday break, "so please look out for my emails asking for your submissions". Michelle also needs a new mom to take over her Communications position for the next school year, 2019, as she will be graduating the next term. Please contact Michelle directly, michelleavery@comcast.net, or Staci if you are interested.

Parliamentarian

Saasha Orsi announced that the nomination process for the 2018-2019 Executive Board Officers is now open. The positions that are up for nominations are: Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Assistant Treasurer. If you are interested in serving and or know of another mom who would be great at the job, please fill out the online nomination form, <https://www.siprep.org/page.cfm?p=6085>.

Historian

Staci gave a shout out to Janti Sommers who took amazing and fun pictures at the Moms' Night out event. You can view the pictures at:

<https://siprep.slickpic.com/albums/Moms-Night-Out/?wallpaper>

Prep Shop

Kristen McCarthy reported a very successful first term for the Prep Shop Team. They sold out of the Christmas ornaments at the fashion show boutique. This is the last year for Kristen and her team of prep shop helpers, so if any of you are interested in getting involved, please contact Kristen directly, krissmcc@aol.com, or let Staci know.

Sunshine Hugs

Helen Vydra Roy has nothing to report.

Finished Business

SI LIGHTS

Patty Sheedy thanked everyone again for putting together such an amazing event. The video link is still available for purchase (\$15), through the IG website.

Moms' Night Out: Kelly Dyke, Kerry Honey, Carrie Sambel, Lynda Boyden

Pröst!!! Kelly Dyke is still waiting for numbers from the event. They are awaiting donation checks from the participating vendors, and will report numbers at the next meeting. Special thanks to Elaine Shanahan who featured her ThirtyOne bags and donated a great portion of the proceeds to SI. Kelly thanked "all who came and joined in the FUN... especially those who dance the night away!"

Unfinished Business

Loyola Tea

Yvonne McCarthy and Tricia Hagey encouraged everyone to reserve your seats. The tickets are available in the IG website for \$45 per person. This is a great event to kickstart the holiday season and get into the Christmas spirit: Sunday, 12/10 at 10 am, in the Student Center. Tricia added, 'there will be delicious Christmas tea sandwiches

homemade by the Loyola Guild, music provided by SI students, raffle tickets for beautiful baskets and just a great way to get together before the break.”

[Ignatian Guild Women's Retreat: Karen Powell, Meg McNamara](#)

Meg McNamara encouraged everyone to attend. The Save the Date postcards will sent out very soon, so please look out for those. This is a day of “nourishment for the soul”, added Karen Powell.

[Mother Daughter Night: Denise Rich, Christine Damico, Debbie DeMera, Michelle Doty](#)

Save the date: 2/23, Friday. Details to follow soon.

[Mother Son Night: Valentina Camp-Davis, Mary Schieber, Mary Taylor, Rocio Terry](#)

Save the date: 3/9, Friday. Details to follow soon.

[Grandparents' Day: Kelly Scandalios, Donna Mohr, Kim Hughes](#)

Save the date: 3/24, Saturday. Details to follow soon.

[International Food Faire: Kathy Conte, Amy Wooler, Meggie Chichiocco](#)

Save the date: 5/5, Saturday. Details to follow soon.

[Senior Festivities: Jane Young, Stephanie Silva, Marilyn Enos](#)

“The See’s Candies Holiday Winter sale through SI is upon us”, and Marilyn Enos guarantees it is the “perfect gift for friends, colleagues, teachers, neighbors, or just for yourself!” The See’s candies purchase helps support the Day on the Green festival in honor of Class of 2018. All orders must be in by Monday, December 4, and all orders will be available for pick-up on Friday, December 8, at the Prep Shop.

There will also be four bake sales coming up: Freshman, Sophomore, Junior and Senior Bake Sales. Please stay tuned for more information. A volunteer sheet was passed around for bake sale donations and moms to help man the booth.

Cardinal Newman IG/FC Project

From Staci:

The SI Ignatian Guild and Fathers’ Club Working Boards are joining together for a very special holiday project to help out the Cardinal Newman community as its teachers and buildings and grounds staff work amidst the challenging environment caused by the North Bay fires. We need you! Here is our plan:

Cardinal Newman has asked if the SI parent groups would be willing to donate 75 “care packages” for their teachers and Building and Grounds crew. Since the fires, the CN teachers and B&G crew have been traveling to 4 satellite classroom locations that span the distance between Cotati and Windsor. Every single day, the teachers and staff, set up and break down their classrooms. As you can imagine, this has been extremely challenging. It is our hope that the SI “care packages” will help keep morale strong as the teachers and faculty continue to do great work for their beloved school, students, and families.

Our goal is to raise \$8k between the Guild and FC in support of the care packages. We are hopeful to give each teacher and B&G worker a VISA Gift card. Obviously, the more we collect, the more we can give. These gifts would have a direct impact on the teaching community during this very long process of recovery. The 75 gifts will be delivered to Cardinal Newman the 1st week in December, so we need to work fast. This evening there will be a collection for any donations, at any level. For your convenience, tomorrow or the next day, a donation link will be sent out to all of you via Miriam. Together we can make a difference.

Thank you Saasha for laminating the St. Ignatius prayer cards for each of us.

Closing Prayer

Lisa Bibat started with the St. Ignatius prayer and invited everyone to be still within themselves by focusing on closing the year with a reflection of gratitude and modeling faith. Lisa read a reflection from James, Chapter 5, Verse 13.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:01 pm.