



Ignatian Guild Meeting Minutes, 10/10

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 7:05pm. Approval of Minutes by Kelly Dyke and second by Kathy Conte. Champagne was passed out to everyone in the room for a congratulatory toast to the success of SI LIGHTS.

Father Reese and Roger thanked everyone for the success of the fashion show. He apologized for missing the show as he was tending to a friend's daughter who had an open heart surgery in Arizona the weekend of the show.

Opening Prayer

Rita O'Malley raised a toast to the four chairs of the fashion show, because "all good things come in a glass". She thanked Esther for her intuitiveness and intelligence; Monica for her goodness and grace; Sheila for being the glue of the group; and Patti for her generosity and presence.

October is Rita's favorite month because of Halloween. Rita recalled when her kids were little and the anticipation of dressing up in disguise was their obsession. As adults, we also disguise ourselves, and often we are not aware that we are doing it. We may pretend things are ok, or things do not affect us, especially in light of things that are happening in the world. Rita challenged us to acknowledge what we disguise ourselves in, in our everyday lives. "Let's be intentional this month in who we disguise ourselves in, from, when and why. Let's shed those disguises, revealing our vulnerabilities, fears, and insecurities. By doing so, we will become more mindful of God's presence in our everyday lives".

Reports of the Executive Board

[Ignatian Guild President: Staci Fleming](#)

Staci asked everyone to say a prayer for those affected by the North Bay fires, including IGVP, Angela Koros, whose mother's Sonoma house is currently in jeopardy.

[Vice president: Angela Koros](#)

Angela's report will be given at the November meeting.

[Recording Secretary: Miriam Sweeney](#)

The minutes from the last meeting were sent out to the IGWB, as well as minutes posted in the website for everyone to read through. Since we are in transition from paid membership to "open to all" membership, the communications to all 1200+ membership is a bit tricky. To ensure all our members are well informed, Tom Casey will send out eblasts to the entire SI mom community with reminders the Friday before the next meeting. Please spread the word to your groups of women, and point them to the website for updates.

[Corresponding Secretary: Aundrea McGrew-Brown](#)

Aundrea was at the FAFSA meeting. A report will be given at the November meeting.

[Treasurer: Karen Eggert](#)

Karen is urging everyone to send in any reimbursement requests in a timely manner. The form can be downloaded from the SI IG website.

[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](#)

Aundrea was at the FAFSA meeting. All updates can be found in the SI AALPA website.

[SIPAC](#)

Cathleen Regatti invited everyone to save the date for SIPAC's upcoming flagship event, Pasko. Pasko is otherwise known as "Yule", "Christmas", or "Pasquale". SIPAC's Christmas celebration will be held on Saturday, December 9, at 6 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. "We will have fabulous entertainment provided by our talented students and a select faculty, a sumptuous buffet, awesome raffle prizes, and all night dancing." Tickets will be available on the SIPAC website on 10/30. This event sells out fast, so please reserve as soon as you can.

[Communications](#)

Michelle Avery thanked everyone for getting their information to her in a timely manner.

[Historian](#)

Keep smiling everyone. My camera is snapping away!

[Hostessing](#)

Maureen McFadden reminded everyone to sign up to volunteer for Moms' Night Out Sign Up Genius. She will be sending out reminder emails this week.

Staci thanked Maureen for the huge lift in communications during the fashion show preparations. Esther Arnold asked Maureen to follow up with her regarding the SI LIGHTS Thank you Party.

[Guild Room](#)

Staci reminded everyone to use the Guild Room for their various committee meetings, "It is our gathering place, it is where we get work done, so please use it." There is also a brand new refrigerator in the room, and all are welcome to share the food and drinks in the fridge. However, please replenish as needed.

[Prep Shop](#)

Prep Shop was at the volleyball game and could not be at the meeting. Per Staci, to date Prep Shop has made over \$35k. They also had amazing sales at the fashion show marketplace.

[Sunshine Hugs](#)

Jana Gee and Cynthia Coyne reminded everyone to reach out to Sunshine Hugs if there is a need due to the North Bay fires.

SI LIGHTS

Staci was "so very, very grateful to all who helped make the weekend a huge success for the kids, the parents, the community, and future wildcats who will benefit from the money raised at the fashion show". More bubbliies were passed, and raised to the great success of SI LIGHTS. Numbers are still coming, and she will update everyone as soon as we have the final tally.

Esther Arnold, Underwriting: I am deeply humbled by the amount of support we received from each and everyone of you. Thank you so much for making all of us look good. We are incredibly grateful for your dedication, your spirit, and your generosity. Thank you, thank you, thank you. Please save the date for November 1st. We will celebrate all of you. Please look out for the evite with all the details. Coming soon!

Monica Myers, Party Production: Thank you to everyone who helped set it up, clean it up, take pictures of our models, and all who came and celebrated.

Sheila McCarthy and Patty Sheedy, Show Production: Thank you to the amazing 'Backstage Babes', Fitting Room volunteers, the Store Liaisons, the Hair and Make-up volunteers who made our kids look stunning on stage, the Model Liaisons who helped with all the rehearsals, the Model Hospitality who helped nourish us all during those long nights of rehearsals. Thank you all for helping support us!

[Moms' Night Out: Kelly Dyke, Kerry Honey, Carrie Sambel, Lynda Boyden](#)

The event is on October 26, Thursday at 6pm in the Commons. Please come and grab a mom or two and bring them along to join the fun at Moms' Night Out. One of the beauties of this event is "introducing a freshman mom to how we do FUN at SI". It will be a very casual evening of Bavarian food, beer, signature sangria, cider tasting, a little shopping, alot of dancing, and of course catching up with each other. The online ticket sales site is up and running through the IG website. Please reserve your tickets so that we can accurately anticipate.

[Loyola Tea:](#)

Per Denise Rich for Tricia Hagey, details to follow at the next Guild meeting, as the chairs are currently meeting with Connie Mack of the Loyola Guild.

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

Save the date for the IG Women's Spiritual Retreat on January 21st. This event is open to all, current, alumnis, grandmothers, aunts, sisters, and any women friend you think would benefit from spiritual observance. More details to follow.

[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](#)

We are year-round raising money for our Seniors' end of the year celebration. We will have the See's Candies fundraising effort soon. Please look out for it in the next Principal's Newsletter, and buy a box or a dozen. We are also working on another bake sale. Last year's bake sale was alot of fun, and raised a good amount towards the "Day on the Green". Lastly, we will be partnering with Men's Wearhouse again through the Tuxedo Prom Promotion. Basically, for every tuxedo rental, Men's Wearhouse will donate \$10 back to the school. Last year, we raised roughly \$2k simply by having our boys rent prom tuxedos at any Men's Wearhouse locations.

[CLOSING PRAYER: Lisa Bibat](#)

Lisa Bibat invited everyone to be still within ourselves, especially in these days of tragedy with the North Bay fires. Her closing prayer focused on the positive influence that each of us can have on the lives of others. She challenged us to observe the many ways we are blessed and have also blessed others through our selfless deeds. Lisa closed the meeting with a prayer in song.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:53 pm.