Women's Guild News

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A Message from our Chair...



Krisdos haryav ee merelotz! Orhnyal eh harootiunun Krisdosee! Christ is risen from the dead! Blessed is the resurrection of Christ!

My heart missed the beauty of Holy Week and going to church for Easter to share the joy with our community. Perhaps you tuned in to St. John's Facebook page and watched the Easter service in all its glory. We adapted our Easter gathering this year and met with our extended family via Zoom (a virtual conferencing program). It was a great way to "be together" given the circumstances.

We have survived another month of "stay at home!" I cooked and baked like a crazy lady because that's what I love to do. I also took advantage of the time to clean out closets (Grandma's Attic) go on walks, meditate, read, and visit family and friends electronically. I took time to look inward which gave me great peace at a time when there is much angst all around. I felt the peace that comes from knowing God has a plan. What did you do while following orders to stay home? I hope at least once you danced like no one was watching...because nobody was!

Welcome to your Women's Guild Re-imagined! The Board has been busy working on new ways to keep Women's Guild alive and thriving so we can stay connected to each other despite our physical separation. There are a few tidbits of news to share. By now you know that we are holding a Mother's Day Bake Sale in place of the May Fundraiser Baking Event. We hope you enjoyed the phone call you received from a Board member. The Board sure did! We are also in the process of offering opportunities to view such things as devotionals, meditations, plarning tutorials, cooking demonstrations, and chair yoga. We hope to expand our offerings as time goes on. More information coming later this month. Unfortunately, the June Membership Dinner Meeting will be postponed until sometime in the future. We are trying to stay in touch the best we can.

Proverbs 3:5-6 reminds us, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." God's understanding is greater than ours. Take heart. There is light at the end of the tunnel.

Denise



The Women's Guild extends our sincere sympathy to the family of Alice Chavdarian. She passed away on March 28, 2020.

Our deepest sympathies to Debbie Krikorian, on the passing of her mother-in - law, Louise Zevart Krikorian, on April 5, 2020.

Extending our sympathy to the family of past long-time member, Victoria Keurajian, on her passing April 9, 2020.

Condolences to Victoria Sarkisian, on the passing of her mother, Maida Abajian Altinok, on April 16, 2020. She was also the dear aunt of Katherine Petryszak Channell.

Extending our sympathy to Michelle Ducato, Sandra Jamian, Elise Landis, and Denise Pochas and on the passing of their aunt, Roxanne Keurajian, on May 3, 2020.

- Asdvadz Hokeen Losavoreh



Extending our love and best wishes to Sally Kabodian, Kathy Mekjian, Marge Nardell, and Patsy Rodgers. Know that you are missed and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Our congratulations to the following Guild members on the newest additions to their families:



Henry John Boyajian, born on 3/31/2020. Parents are Raffi and Danielle Boyajian, and Grandparents are Anita and Greg Boyajian.

Sona Catherine Naughton, born on 4/3/2020. Parents are Dr. Margeaux and Neal Naughton. Grandmother is Laurie Reizian and Great-grandmother is Mary Keoleian.

Luca Gregory Dahlman, born on 4/7/2020. Parents are Isaiah and Natalie Dahlman, and Grandparents are Sandy and Greg Jamian.



Congratulations to members Helen Olson and Alice Safilian on the election of their great niece, Melanie Piana, as Mayor of Ferndale! Melanie served 9 years on the city council before her victory in the mayoral race.



A very special thank you to all of our Women's Guild members who took the time to make protective masks to guard against the spread of COVID-19 for our clergy and church employees. Your efforts are deeply appreciated!

If you have an announcement you would like to share, please email Nyree Giragosian nyreevgir@gmail.com or call 248-231-2547 by the 22nd of each month.

It's time to pay your Women's Guild annual 2020 Dues!



Please make checks of \$25 to St. John's Women's Guild Include your name, address, phone, and email.

Paulette Apkarian 7430 Brookberry Ct. West Bloomfield, MI 48322

Women's Guild On-line General Body Meeting Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at 7:00pm



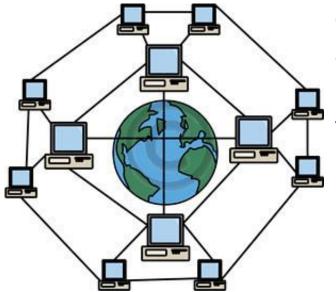
Thanks to the Zoom Cloud Meetings computer application, we will be able to conduct our monthly meeting online virtually. Zoom allows us to have a meeting with video and audio.

The Zoom app is free to download to your computer, tablet, or smart phone.

Details and login information will be sent out thru an e-blast later this month.

Women's Guild Re-imagined... Calling all Tech Savvy innovative Women's Guild members!

The Guild needs your help navigating creative ways to use technology to communicate with members. We seek your



experience setting up social media and alternative methods to keep the Guild in touch during these pressing times.

> Please reach out to Denise Karakashian (248)489-4076

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THURSDAY, MAY 7th



FOR SALE:

0	POMEGRANATE APRON	\$20
0	COOKBOOK "ARMENIAN CUISINE, PRESERVING OUR HERITAGE"	\$25
•	USB "HYF DINING"	\$30



FOR SALE:

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- SMALL CHEOREG \$12 (10/BAG)
- KHALKHA \$12 (12/BAG)



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CHECK (PAYABLE TO ST JOHN'S WOMENS GUILD) OR CREDIT CARD (CHARGE TO BE DONE IN ADVANCE)









Thank you for your years of service and devotion!! We will be honoring all of you at the Women's Guild Membership Dinner later this year.

10 Year Members (2010)

Dawn Aginian
Carole Bagdasarian
Nancy Berryman
Linda Franquist
Dolores Krikorian

25 Year Member (1995)

Diane Ekizian

40 Year Members (1980)

Mary Demir Alberta Godoshian Alice Mekjian

Honorary Members

Sally Kabodian Anita Kachadurian Rose Shahinian