Women's Guild News

March 2013

St. John Armenian Church 22001 Northwestern Highway Southfield, MI 48075 www.stjohnsarmenianchurch.org

Reminders:

Wednesday, April 3, 2013, General Membership Meeting 7:00 p.m.

SJAC Vartan Room
Adrian Keoleian will speak on:
Seasonal Home Decorating

Palm Sunday Bake Sale - March 24th

Armenian or other baked goods or \$ donation to SJAC. Please label it for the Women's Guild -Marilyn Sarkesian and Almas Derderian

Winter Baking

Tuesday, March 12 & 19 9:00 a.m.

A Royal Luncheon & Fashion Show

Saturday May 18th noon St. John Cultural Hall Chairs: Nora Noraian & Charlene Goshgarian

Knitting

Thursday, March 21 Thursday, April 21 10:00-12:00 Noon SJAC- Nursery Room

Contact: Linda Assarian 248-332-0816

A Note from Your Chairman....

Dear Der Garabed and Ladies of the Guild,

During Great Lent we reflect on our need for penance and spiritual renewal. As we engage in all of our activities in March, let us not forget to reflect on these important aspects of our Faith. Easter is quickly approaching. KRISDOS HARYAV ee MERELOTZ!

The following is a summary of all that we are doing:

Annual Lenten Luncheon: Our thanks to Jackie El Chemmas for chairing our annual Lenten luncheon. Jackie presented a fabulous lunch for us on Wednesday, March 6, 2013. Everyone enjoyed the delicious lunch as well as the socializing. Dawn Aginian's presentation on Saintly Women's Day was interesting and very well done. Thank you to Kathy Mekjian for making a very generous donation for our luncheon.

Jerusalem Presentation: At our February General Body meeting we had a wonderful speaker, our very own, Diane Ekizian. Her slide presentation on Jerusalem and the Armenian Quarter was very informative and eye opening. She accompanied Barbara Haroutunian as they visited Jerusalem to assist the St. Tarkmanchatz School. As many of us know, Barbara has been involved in an ongoing mission to help the St. Tarkmanchatz School.

Palm Sunday Bake Sale: Winter baking has been very successful. We are now preparing for our Palm Sunday Bake Sale. Almas Derderian and Marilyn Sarkesian are graciously chairing this event. We need your help to make this Bake Sale very successful. Please make any Armenian or other baked goods and bring them to the Church on or the day before Palm Sunday. Please label it for Women's Guild. If you are unable to bake, please send a monetary donation to the Guild. Please send your check to SJAC Women's Guild (marked Bake Sale or Easter Tea) to Marilyn Sarkesian, 2338 Heronwood Drive, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302. This has traditionally been our largest bake sale of the year so let's all support it.

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Easter Tea: Our Easter Tea will take place under the leadership of Lisa Boyadgian and Nyree Giragosian. It will take place after Church on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013. As per our Easter Sunday tradition, please bring two dozen colored eggs for our Tea. You may use your own dyes or use onion skin which is our ancient tradition. We will also be serving bread and cheese. Please offer your help in the kitchen that day by calling Lisa at 248-661-5030 or Nyree at 248-347-6654.

A Royal Luncheon: Nora Noraian and Charlene Goshgarian and their committee have been diligently working on A Royal Luncheon. They are also planning a fashion show for this event. Please save Saturday May 18, 2013, 12:00 Noon for our special event. It is also a wonderful opportunity to treat the special people in your lives. The Committee is very excited about this event and it shows in all the work and effort they are putting forth.

New Women's Guild Directory 2013: A special thank you to Linda Tiffany for chairing this important task. She has worked tirelessly to make this Directory accurate and up to date. We are all appreciative of her efforts in making our jobs easier as we try to contact one another; she has truly done a remarkable job.

Women's Guild Knitting: Our thanks to Linda Assarian for leading our knitting group. The ladies are currently knitting lap blankets for dialysis patients at Beaumont Hospital.

We look forward to seeing you at our April meeting.

Best Regards,

Linda Stamboulian, Chairman

Thank you!

Almas Derderian, Alice Argnian, Arick Kasper & Kim Kalajian for selling baked goods after church

Congratulations!

Engagement of
Danielle Kalajian &
Andrew Woodring
Daughter of John & Kim
Kalajian
September wedding
planned

If you know someone who would like to join the Women's Guild please call Terry Palaian 313-929-0926

Get Well Wishes!

Elizabeth Mamassian Agnes Hovsepian Sue Tafralian

Welcome! Sosi Aznive Callan

Daughter of Dikran & Kelly Callan Granddaughter of Bob & Denise Karakashian & Roy & Joy Callan Great granddaughter of Mihran & Gayle Hoplamazian

Thank You!

Diane Khachaturian
Proofreading and editing our
correspondence

Please contact Dawn Aginian at dawnaginian@gmail.com or 248-225-7176 with any special announcements for the newsletter

Prayers & Sympathy

We wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to Angela Banerian on the loss of her dear brother, John Reizian.

Also our sympathy to Guild members Sue Reizian and Laurie Reizian on the loss of their dear Uncle.

Dues and Committees Please submit your 2013 dues of \$20 to St. John Women's Guild ASAP to:

Joyce Obenhoff 27062 Bonnie Drive Warren, MI 48093

Please include the last page of the 2013 handbook with a committee(s) you would like to serve