



Young Ladies' Grand Institute

A Catholic Women's Organization

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Dear Sisters:

QUARTERLY REPORTS for the quarter ending September 30th are due in October and delinquent the first of November. A check for the quarterly payment of **Per Capita Tax in the amount of \$3.50 per member**, as well as **Grand Institute Assessment of \$0.25 for each Beneficial and Associate Member** and **Death Assessment of \$1.05 for each Beneficial member** must be made payable to Young Ladies' Grand Institute. Two copies of the report must accompany it with an explanation in the note section of your check showing each assessment paid (PCT, GIA, DA).

THE FALL BOARD MEETING on November 2, 2024 will be held at the YLI Clubhouse, Sacramento, CA. It will begin at 9:00 AM. Please mark the date on your calendar. Everyone is invited to both the Golden Jubilee Burse Remembrance Mass and the Board meeting. Lunch will be served after Mass at the Clubhouse. If you are staying overnight on Friday night and/or Saturday night, please fill out the enclosed reservation form for hotel reservations and return it to the Grand Secretary no later than **October 7, 2024**

Grand President Debra Ramirez-Cruz and her officers will be staying at the Courtyard by Marriot – Sacramento Midtown, 4422 Y Street, Sacramento, CA 95817. Also, lunch reservation forms are due to the Grand Secretary no later than **October 24, 2024**.

GOLDEN JUBILEE BURSE REMEMBRANCE MASS: This year's Golden Jubilee Burse Remembrance Mass will be held on November 2 at **11:00 AM** at St Francis of Assisi Church, 1066 26th St. Sacramento, CA. It is the same day as the Board of Grand Directors' meeting.

The committee asks that the names of all recipients of the Burse cards from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 be submitted on or before October 15, 2024 so they can be placed on the altar at the Remembrance Mass. The committee depends on every Institute to submit the names in order to include them at this beautiful celebration.

Please be sure your Institute submits the names before the deadline via email or regular mail to Maja Johnson. Maja can be reached by phone if you have any questions.

GOLDEN JUBILEE BURSE PRESENTATIONS: Please note that donations for early Golden Jubilee Burse presentations must be sent to the Grand Secretary no later than 30 days prior to the presentation. This will allow sufficient time for the checks to be processed in time for the presentations.

GRAND PRESIDENT'S PROGRAM CHAIRMAN MESSAGE: I am hoping that your Institute has had an opportunity to review the information about the Grand President's Program "The Power and Glory of Music" located in the Grand President's Yearbook. Have you appointed a chairman and selected

committee members for the program? As shown our challenge is to support an environment where music and the arts are available to everyone. How do we start? As with many new things, it starts with education. Researching this topic can help us to understand the benefits of music and how it affects different age groups. Next, has your Institute decided to focus on a particular age group? Congratulations! You are on the right path to address the Power and Glory of Music!!! If you have any questions, please have your Chairman contact Pat McGuire, Program Chairman.

FROM THE GRAND TREASURER: Have you cashed your convention check or any other check you've received in recent months? If you put it in a special place and cannot find it, please let June know and she can arrange a replacement check. Thanks!

YLI WEBSITE: Be sure to look at the YLGI website routinely- YLIONLINE.ORG. There are many resources for officers and members including training videos for desk officers, documents and forms of all kinds, Manuals, Constitution, Grand President's letter, Grand President program information and much more! There is also a Gallery of pictures- we will be adding pictures of Debra's year and YLGI activities throughout the year. We would love to receive pictures of events - official visits, district or institute events to add to the website. They can be emailed or sent via text to Angela Kaufman, Technology and Public Relations Committee Chairman.

CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS: There is still time to order convention proceedings. Please complete the enclosed order form and send it by October 8th to the Grand Secretary with a check for **\$10.00** made payable to Young Ladies' Grand Institute.

HOLY ANGELS #247 invites you to a reception for Grand First Vice President Julie Kersting on Saturday, September 7, 2024 from 11:00am to 2:00pm at The Irvine Meadows Clubhouse in Irvine, CA. Cost is \$25.00. Please contact Rhonda Kersting for reservations.

EL PAJARO #138 invites you to a reception for Grand Second Vice President Barbara Brown on Saturday, October 5, 2024 at 12:00 noon at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 133 Brennan Street, Watsonville, CA. Cost is \$20.00. Please contact Rose Marie Cardona or Maggie Martinez by September 27, 2024 for reservations.

PAST GRAND CHAPLAIN: It is with sadness that I report that Rev. Fr. Tom Hamilton passed away peacefully to our Lord on August 20, 2024.

Services include the following:

- Vigil - Friday, September 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM at St. Gabriel Church, 2559 40th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94116, with visitation beginning at 4:00 PM.
- Funeral Mass - Saturday, September 14, 2024 at 1:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Church, 1555 39th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94122, followed by the Committal at Holy Cross Cemetery.

For more information, please view the following link: [Obituary information for Rev. Thomas Hamilton \(duggans-serra.com\)](http://duggans-serra.com) May Rev. Thomas Hamilton rest in God's loving arms.

OFFICIAL VISITS\ OF GRAND PRESIDENT DEBRA RAMIREZ-CRUZ:

SEPTEMBER 7 Reception for Grand First Vice President Julie Kersting ~ Irvine, CA
9 254 Queen of Faith, Turlock, CA 10th Anniversary

SEPTEMBER	12	86 Camerman, Bremerton, WA
	17	122 Holy Rosary, Woodland, CA
OCTOBER	2	188 Corpus Christi, Fullerton, CA
	5	Reception for Grand Second Vice President Barbara Brown ~ Watsonville, CA
	10	96 Yakima, Yakima, WA
	12	226 Carmelita, Seattle, WA
	16	116 St. Sebastian's, Sebastopol, CA
	22	123 Teresita, Pittsburg, CA
	28	182 All Hallows, San Francisco, CA

With Sisterly Love, Hugs and Prayers,

*Debra Ramirez-Cruz
Grand President*

*Patricia McGuire,
Grand Secretary*

ENCLOSURES:

- November 1-2, 2024 Board of Grand Directors' Meeting – (1) Hotel Reservation Form and (2) Lunch Reservation Form
- Convention Proceedings Order Form
- 2024-25 Grand Officers/Past Grand Presidents List