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# Women of St. Joseph

FEBRUARY 2014



## President's Message

Lent and Easter come a little later this year...Lent begins on March 5<sup>th</sup> and Easter is April 20<sup>th</sup>. Have you thought about what you will be giving up for Lent?? Well, don't give up **anything**—change your thoughts to what you will **GIVE** for Lent. This year, try to think of some way you can give to others (volunteer at the school, cook a meal for an elderly person, help out at the St. Vincent Food Kitchen...what other ways could we volunteer...let us know). Some of you are already volunteering and I'd like to hear the ways you volunteer.

We have some good events happening in the next couple of months and I hope you can come to them. If there is something you think we might all be interested in, please let me know!

Hugs and Blessings to you,

**Sherry Dunn**  
President

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS--- Mark Your Calendars!



|   |                                    |        |             |
|---|------------------------------------|--------|-------------|
| Feb 18<br>2014  | <b>Board Meeting</b>               | 6:30pm | Church Hall |
|   | <b>General Meeting</b>             | 7:30pm | Church Hall |
| Speaker: Nancy Curteman, Mystery Writer                     |                                    |        |             |
| March<br>5  | <b>Lenten Retreat, San Damiano</b> |        |             |
| March<br>18   | <b>Board Meeting</b>               | 6:30pm | Church Hall |
|   | <b>General Meeting</b>             | 7:30pm | Church Hall |
| Topic: Decorating cookies and filling Easter bags for Abode |                                    |        |             |

## Membership Notes

Those ladies that have not yet paid the June 2013 - June 2014, please send a check to Diana Skokan. The dues still remain at \$20 for the entire year, which is from June 1 to May 31, according to the by-laws.

Financial contribution by joining the WOSJ is valued; to support the WOSJ's various charities, events; even though the member may not be able to actively participate.



## Helping Hands

If you know anyone that would like to attend our meetings and/or events but needs transportation, please contact Liz Hormel (656-8495). She will arrange for one of our members to assist in having the need met. Also, let Liz know of anyone needing help from WOSJ.

## Women of St. Joseph polo shirts

Sherry has WOSJ polo shirts, if you would like to purchase one. The prices are according to size: S-XL: \$16.75, 2XL: \$20.01, 3XL: \$23.28, 4XL: \$26.54.



## Mystery Writer, Nancy Curteman

**Tuesday, February 18**

Mystery writer, Nancy Curteman, is the author of the Lysi Weston Mystery series. Curteman loves to travel and sets her mysteries in locations she has visited in various parts of the world. "Murder Down Under," is set in Australia. Solstice Publishing has recently released "Murder Casts a Spell" set in South Africa. One of her novels, "Murder In A Teacup," won the California Writers Club Jack London Award. A transplant from Idaho, she now lives in the San Francisco Bay Area where she is working on her fifth Weston novel set in Paris.

Nancy Curteman's latest mystery novel "Murder Casts A Spell" has been nominated as the 2013 most popular mystery by the Preditors and Editors Readers Poll.



## Lenten Day of Renewal Retreat

**9:30am to 3:30pm**

**Wednesday, March 5**

Our annual retreat will be on Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. Those wishing to car pool can meet at the church parking lot at 7:45am. This retreat is hosted by Brother Mark Schroeder, OFM, a Franciscan Friar, who will lead this day with a focus on the Stations of the Cross. Lunch is included in the cost of \$35.00. Holy Eucharist will end the day including the distribution of ashes.

Anyone wishing to attend, please contact Nancy Newman at [ncynrsern@gmail.com](mailto:ncynrsern@gmail.com) or 510-657-7693.



## Master Gardener, Nancy Dorigi

**April**

Our very own Nancy Dorigi will be teaching us what we should be doing to clean up our gardens for the spring. A date and time will be established later.

# How It Went

## Senior's Christmas/Holiday Lunch

The annual Seniors's Christmas/Holiday luncheon was again a spectacular event. Thank you to all who contributed to the desserts and a HUGE thank you to our kitchen staff: Diana Skokan, Liz Hormel, Nancy Newman, Nancy Dorighi, Kirsten List and Jon Dunn (for helping to set up and clean up).



## Estate Planning, Tax Law Changes

Dorothea Tiong's presentation on estate planning in light of the changes in the tax law - issues families should consider when evaluating whether an existing estate plan should be updated or in establishing a new estate plan was very very informative. We had a huge group and all were very pleased with what she presented to us.

(Because she is so soft spoken and a lot of people couldn't hear, the board elected to purchase a portable microphone system for future speakers.)



Happy Birthday to those born in February

|                      |        |                 |        |
|----------------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
| Boken Anna           | Feb 2  | Mosko Peggy     | Feb 21 |
| Morse Jennie Vasquez | Feb 6  | Sullivan Carmen | Feb 21 |
| Colapietro Eileen    | Feb 14 | Fleming Linda   | Feb 22 |
| Dos Remedios Cynthia | Feb 14 | Rudy Madelyn    | Feb 22 |
| Pedrosa Natividad    | Feb 16 | Phair Donna     | Feb 28 |

# Spiritual Corner

I will do more than belong, I will participate.  
I will do more than care, I will help.  
I will do more than believe, I will practice.  
I will do more than be fair, I will be kind.  
I will do more than forgive, I will love.  
I will do more than earn, I will serve.  
I will do more than teach, I will enrich.  
I will do more than be friendly, I will be a friend.  
I will do more than live, I will grow.

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Spiritual Chairperson



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