



Young Ladies' Grand Institute

A Catholic Women's Organization

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Dear Sisters:

The **BOARD OF GRAND DIRECTORS MEETING** will be held **Saturday, March 1, 2025**, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the **YLI Clubhouse, 1400 – 27th Street, Sacramento, CA**. The Grand President and the Grand Officers will be staying at the **Courtyard by Marriott Sacramento Midtown, 4422 Y Street, Sacramento, CA 95817**. All hotel reservations should have been made through the Grand Secretary's Office by the previously announced deadline no later than **January 31, 2025**.

The hostess committee will be ordering lunch from Panera Bread. Reservations must be made with the Grand Secretary no later than **February 14, 2025**. The cost of the lunch is \$20.00 and includes a continental breakfast provided by the hostess committee. Please make your check payable to Young Ladies' Grand Institute. Thank you.

The hotel and lunch reservation forms were sent/mailed to Grand Officers, Past Grand Presidents, Institute Recording Secretaries, and District/Institute Deputies in January. Please let me know if additional copies of the lunch reservation form are needed.

Contact YLGI office for Zoom info for Zoom Link for the Board meeting:

The Board Meeting is open to all YLI members. We encourage all those who can attend to join us. Come and connect with your sister members, listen, and learn more about YLGI, and be in the know!

BY-LAWS: Please check to see if your Institute by-laws have been revised to reflect changes in the constitution. This is required whenever Grand Institute Convention addresses legislative amendments. Three copies of your revised by-laws must be sent to the Grand Secretary. Once received, they will be sent to the Chairman of the Laws and Supervision Committee. Thank you.

GOLDEN JUBILEE BURSE PRESENTATIONS: The March 1st deadline for Golden Jubilee Burse presentations is fast approaching! If your presentation is scheduled after March 1, your donation must be received by the Grand Secretary no later than March 1, 2025. Also, if your presentation will be held this spring, please send the presentation date to June McJunkin, Grand Treasurer. Contact information available from YLGI office. Thank you.

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DUES INCREASE: As you are aware, the delegates approved a \$1.00 dues increase at the 120th Grand Institute Convention last July. This increase applies to the per capita tax and will become **effective April 1, 2025**. With this increase beneficial dues will be \$31.00 per year and associate dues will be \$25.00 per year. Please note that if you are paying for the 2025-26 year, this new rate applies. The quarterly report will be revised to increase the per capita tax assessment from \$3.50 to \$3.75 per member each quarter. This revised report will be placed on the YLGI website on April 1, 2025. The revised quarterly report form must be used for the quarter ending June 30, 2025.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MEETING PROCEDURE: The delegates at the 121st Grand Institute will address proposed amendments to the Meeting Procedure at the Grand Institute Convention in July. Please see the attached letter from Marilyn Walter, Chairman, Laws and Supervision Committee. The Proposed Amendment form to submit your proposed amendments by the March 15 due date is attached for your use.

MESSAGE FROM FRANI DIMOND, CHAIRMAN, SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: Young Ladies' Grand Institute Scholarships have been awarded for 100 years. Once again we are searching for YLGI Sisters that want to get educated. Have you ever wanted to advance in your current job? Have you thought about just completing your education? Have you ever wondered if you maybe can go to college? (Age is just a number!) Maybe you started an education years ago, but life got in the way and it was put on hold. There are so many reasons. You should rethink all of these possibilities. Take a look at all our offerings available to you, our sisters of Young Ladies' Grand Institute. Everything you need to apply can be found on the YLGI website (ylionline.org). I encourage you to take a look. All scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than **March 31, 2025**, and mailed to Frani Dimond to qualify for consideration. If you have any questions, please contact Chairman Frani Dimond. Contact information available through YLGI office.

TECHNOLOGY/MEDIA Committee: Check out the YLGI website - YLIONLINE.ORG. The GALLERY is regularly updated with pictures. There are pictures from Debra's Official Visits, group pictures of PGP and Past Grand Officer from years past, and pictures from various other YLGI events. The updated Constitution and YLGI Price list are now online. A "New Member" page has been created that has various resources for new members located all in one place. Pictures of your events or any questions or Website suggestions can be sent to Angela Kaufman, Technology and Public Relations Committee Chairman. Contact information available through YLGI office.

PRESIDENT/SECRETARY LISTS ~ Please make the following changes to the President/Secretary list. Thank you.

- 117 Yosemite – New President Barbara Branco (contact information available from YLGI office)
- 127 Ramona – New Recording Secretary Stella Ellis (contact information available from YLGI office)

OFFICIAL VISITS OF GRAND PRESIDENT DEBRA RAMIREZ-CRUZ

FEBRUARY	3	240 Our Lady of Bethlehem, Seaside, CA
	5	193 Antoinette, Hughson-Ceres, CA
	8	124 Notre Dame, Redwood City, CA
	10	101 Antioch, Antioch, CA

FEBRUARY **11** 211 St. Pius X, Lakewood Long Beach, CA
 15 184 Holy Family, Lemoore, CA
 18 223 St. Patrick's, Hilmar, CA
 19 111 St. Monica's, Willows, CA
 20 78 St. Anne's, Pinole, CA

MARCH **1** **Board of Grand Directors' Meeting,**
 Sacramento, CA
 7/8 117 Yosemite, Merced, CA **100th Anniversary**
 10 243 Queen of Apostles, E. Wenatchee, WA
 13 255 Our Lady of the Sea, San Clemente, CA
 17 180 Stella Coeli, Oxnard, CA
 18 140 Mater Christi, Oakdale, CA
 24 208 Ana Malia, Kaneohe, HI

OFFICIAL VISITS OF GRAND 2nd VICE PRESIDENT BARBARA BROWN

MARCH **15** 218 Deo Gratias, Bakersfield, CA

“As we journey into Lent a holy time of spiritual discipline that brings us closer to the light of God let us carry our crosses of strength and courage as we fast for what is yet to come.”

With Sisterly Love, Hugs and Prayers,

Debra Ramirez-Cruz
Grand President

Patricia McGuire
Grand Secretary

Attachments: Proposed Amendments to the Meeting Procedure Form
 Proposed Amendments letter from Marilynn Walter, Chairman, Laws & Supervision



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January 24, 2025

Dear Sisters,

As this is a Meeting Procedure year at this coming Convention, now is the time to make changes to our Meeting Procedures.

The timeline is:

*March 15, 2025 ---The Grand Secretary must receive all proposed changes by the due date.

*April 1, 2025---The Grand Secretary will submit all changes to the Laws and Supervision Committee 90 days prior to convening Grand Institute.

*June 1, 2025---The Grand Secretary will send all proposed changes to the delegates 30 days prior to convening Grand Institute.

Changes to be made also include.

*Meeting Procedures.

*Subordinate Institute Installation Procedures
(Optional Installation Procedures).

*Instructions for Officers for Joint Official Visit.

*General Instructions for District Conference.

*Subordinate Institute Installation Procedures.

*Joint YMI/YLGI Installation ceremony.

*Procedures for District Meeting.

Please check over our Meeting Procedures and return any changes to our Grand Secretary. We can only make changes every five (5) years.

Thank you for all that you do for the Young Ladies' Grand Institute.

Sincerely
Marilynn Walter, Chairman

Committee Members:

Shirley Reed

Roberta Beckman

Martha Zeyen

Lana Hanney

Tina Boitano

Terri Ward

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MEETING PROCEDURE
OF JULY 21-24, 2025**

Due to the Grand Secretary, postmarked by March 15, 2025
Mail to Patricia McGuire, Grand Secretary



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