



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 4, 2023** beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the **YLI Clubhouse, 1400 – 27th Street, Sacramento, CA**. The Grand President and Board members will be staying at the **Courtyard by Marriott Sacramento Midtown, 4422 Y Street, Sacramento, CA 95817**.

The hostess committee will be ordering lunch from Panera Bread. Reservations should have been made with the Grand Secretary by February 7. Cost of the lunch was \$18.00 which also provides a continental breakfast. The Board meeting is open to all YLI members. We urge all those who can attend to join us.

IMPORTANT REQUEST FROM LEGAL ISSUES COMMITTEE: At the request of the Grand President Terri Ward, the Legal Issues Committee has been assigned to develop policies and guidelines for the use of mobile payments.

We met as a group and presented a report at the November Board Meeting concerning the use of Venmo, in addition to cash or checks for institute payments such as dues, donations, fundraisers, etc.

I have spoken to some institutes already. If I have not contacted you concerning your use of Venmo, please contact me Elaine Brady by email and phone number.

I would like to learn how you are using Venmo and what things you have in place to make it work for you.

We will be reporting our findings at the March Board meeting.

Thank you for your help and support.
Elaine Brady PGP, Legal Issues Committee Chair

QUARTERLY REPORTS for the quarter ending March 31 are due no later than April 30, 2023. Checks for the **Per Capita Tax of \$3.50 per member, Grand Institute Assessment of \$0.25 per member and Death Assessment of \$1.05 per Beneficial member** should accompany the reports. The Quarterly Report must be read and accepted prior to nominations and elections of delegates and alternates to Grand Institute. This report is used by many committees to compile data for the upcoming convention. Therefore, it is extremely important that they are submitted in a timely manner.

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES FOR THE 119th GRAND INSTITUTE in Reno, Nevada are to be elected during the month of April after the reading of your quarterly report and assessments are paid. Instructions concerning notification of membership, number of delegates, eligibility etc., can be found in the Constitution, Article XV, pages 39-40. Credentials for Delegates and Alternates will be sent with the

April Grand President's letter. Dates for the Grand Institute Convention are June 26-28, 2023 held at the Silver Legacy Resort, Reno, Nevada. Call 1-800-687-8733 to make reservations and provide booking code SSYLG13.

CANDIDATES FOR GRAND OFFICE must submit their Voice of YLI ad and photo by April 30, 2023. Candidates for the Office of Grand 2nd Vice President must also include a 50-word vision statement. The cost of the ad with last year's picture is \$15.00. Cost for the ad with a NEW picture is \$20.00 (head shot only). Color pictures are acceptable. Please make your check payable to the Young Ladies' Grand Institute and send it with your picture and Candidates Information to the Grand Secretary, P.O. Box 160286, Sacramento CA 95816. "**Guidelines for Candidates**" and the "**YLI Candidate Information**" forms are available on-line as well as from this office. All **YLI Candidate Information forms** must be typed and copy ready to be put in the delegates packets.

GOLDEN JUBILEE BURSE donations are due no later than March 1, 2023. If you have an early presentation and have not sent in your donation, please send it to the Grand Secretary's Office **IMMEDIATELY**. This will allow ample time to allow for processing, issuance of the check, and its return to your presenter for presentation in your Diocese or Archdiocese.

YLI SCHOLARSHIPS: The YLI Scholarship Committee wishes to remind you that all scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2023, and mailed to Sandy Gustafson, to qualify for consideration. If you need an application, please contact the Grand Secretary's Office. The application also available online at ylionline.org. If you have any questions, please contact Chairman Sandy Gustafson

GRAND PRESIDENT'S PROGRAM: MAY is ALS AWARENESS MONTH! You can start planning now. Provide education to your members about ALS. Donate to one of the many organizations that support those living with ALS and also work to further research for a cure. Seek out someone in your community who is living with ALS and make a donation to that family. If you don't know anyone in your community with ALS - Contact a neurologist office in your area, a local Care giving agency or the Area on Aging Agency that serves your community. While none of these places can give out patient information, they could certainly give your contact information to someone they work with who has ALS. A brief summary about YLI and "YLI Challenges ALS" could be provided along with your contact information.

As many of you know Past Grand President, Lynne Grace passed away from ALS in 2020. Lynne's living with and dying from ALS was a part of Terri's inspiration in choosing ALS as her program. 5%-10% of ALS cases are inherited. In 2021 Lynne and Ron's son, Brian Grace, was diagnosed with ALS. If you are searching for somewhere/someone to donate to there is a GoFundMe set up on Brian's behalf. Go to gofundme.com and search Brian Grace to find it.

An update on AmazonSmiles—Amazon has stopped this program as of February. However, another option for your purchases turning into donations is the Kroger Family of Companies. They donate a portion of your purchases to the Golden West Chapter of the ALS Association. There are many stores

within this company.... Ralph's, Fred Meyer's, Food 4 Less, and many more. Check out ylionline.org for more information about this and other "YLI Challenges ALS" related items!

Feel free to contact the Grand President's Program Chairman, Angela Kaufman for any questions or support needs.

MESSAGE FROM BARBARA LOVIO, PGP: Thank you to everyone who said prayers, sent cards and called these last several months during Gilbert's hospitalization and current dialysis, and my recovery from cancer surgery. It's been a long 7-9 months, and we are anxious to see everyone at this year's Convention. God is Good! *Barbara Lovio*

OFFICIAL VISITS OF GRAND PRESIDENT TERRI WARD

- MARCH**
- 1 Antoinette No. 193, Hughson-Ceres, CA
 - 4 **Spring Board of Grand Directors' Meeting, Sacramento, CA**
 - 7 St. Catherine's No. 64, Martinez, CA
 - 9 Santa Cruz No. 95, Santa Cruz, CA
 - 11 Queen of Peace No. 91, Lodi, CA
 - 12 **3rd Sunday of Lent - REMINDER:** Members of Young Ladies' Grand Institute shall meet for Mass in a body on the Third Sunday of Lent, unless a dispensation is granted by the Grand President.
 - 13 San Buenaventura No. 160, Ventura, CA
 - 14 St. Pius X No. 211, Long Beach, CA
 - 16 Maureen No. 136, Cupertino, CA
 - 21 Mystical Rose No. 169, Los Banos, CA
 - 27 Our Lady of Hope No. 258, Martell, CA
- APRIL**
- 4 Our Lady of Fatima No. 179, Escalon, CA
 - 9 **EASTER SUNDAY**
 - 10 Yosemite No. 117, Merced, CA
 - 12 Our Lady of Roses No. 221, Newman, CA
 - 13 Our Lady of the Sea No. 255, San Clemente, CA
 - 15 Deo Gratias No. 218, Bakersfield, CA
 - 17 Stella Coeli No. 180, Oxnard, CA
 - 19 Victory No. 83, Soledad, CA
 - 20 St. Anne's No. 78, Pinole, CA
 - 24 Ana Malia No. 208, Kaneohe, HI
 - 29 Modesto No. 110, Modesto, CA 100th Anniversary

Terri Ward
Grand President

With Sisterly Love,

Patricia McGuire
Grand Secretary