Women's Guild News

October 2013

St. John Armenian Church 22001 Northwestern Hwy Sfld, MI 48075 www.stjohnsarmenianchurch.org

General Membership Election Meeting & Alternatives for Girls project

Nov. 6th Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

(earlier than the usual time)

Festival Baked Goods

Baked goods (except Sou Beoreg) are still available for sale. Please stop by the WG table in the Main Hall after Church if you wish to purchase them.

Advent by Candlelight 2013

December 4th,
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
(See the Newsletter &
Enclosed flyer for further
information)

Christmas Dinner

December 12th **Thursday**, 6:00 p.m.
for reservations call
Cathy Zwinck
248-471-3882

Knitting

Thurs. Oct. 17th 10:00-Noon Contact Linda Assarian 248-332-0816

A Note from Your Chairman

Dear Father Garabed and Ladies of the Guild,

Months of painstaking work by all of the church organizations culminated in a very successful Festival this year. We are especially proud of the accomplishments of our Women's Guild at the Festival. Our members served in many different capacities throughout the Festival. We were successful financially and in regard to morale building and public relations for our organization and the church community as a whole. We heard many positive comments (some from visitors to our community) regarding all of the delicious foods served and the wonderful activities planned. We will sell the unsold baked goods after church each Sunday until there are no longer any remaining. FYI, Sou Beoreg is no longer available. If you wish to purchase additional baked goods, please stop by our table in the Main Hall after church.

Our heartfelt thanks to our members who unselfishly gave of their time during the summer and during the Festival weekend to support our endeavors. Our thanks to Dolly Matoian who once again led us in the baking sessions during the entire summer. Her unselfish desire to serve our church is a great inspiration to all of us. Thanks also to her dedicated assistants: Marianne Dardarian, Almas Derderian, and Joy Callan. Our thanks also to Dolly Matoian and Anita Arslanian for their leadership in the kitchen all weekend. We also wish to extend our appreciation to our Bake Leaders: Kufteh -Dolly Matoian; Cheoreg - Marianne Dardarian, Charlene Apigian, Dolly Matoian; Khalkha - Cathy Atesian, Dolly Matoian; Sou Beoreg - Anita Arslanian; Yahlanchi Sarma - Dawn Aginian, Carol Ohanesian; Katah - Terry Palaian, Joy Callan; Meat Beoreg - Dolly Matoian; Spinach Pie - Pamela Dayinian; Bourma - Yn. Roberta Kochakian; Khadayif - Pamela Dayinian. The Festival Hot Foods and Baked Goods stations ran smoothly due to the leadership of the following key individuals: Hot Foods Chairmen - Dawn Aginian and Diane Aginian; Baked Goods Chairmen: Friday Evening: Sue Vian and Rose Najarian; Saturday: Joy Callan; Sunday: Linda DePietro. Cashier (over)

Chairman: Jacqueline El Chemmas. Delicacy Basket Chairmen: Joy Callan and Anita Arslanian. Our thanks to the aforementioned ladies for their many hours of service in organizing the goods, sales, and cashiers for the weekend.

Our thanks also to Fr. Garabed, John Yavruian, Festival Chair, Karmen Santourian, Parish Council Chair, the Parish Council, and office staff. Their leadership and support throughout the Festival made our job easier. Congratulations to everyone who made the Festival so successful!

Best regards, Linda Stamboulian

Advent by Candlelight 2013: The Advent by Candlelight Committee chaired by Araxie Choukourian and Arlene Baylerian is busily preparing for an exciting evening "Let Us Adore Him" for Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the St. John Armenian Church Cultural Hall. Please see the flyer enclosed with this Newsletter. With Araxie and Arlene's expert guidance, this event promises to be extraordinary. Reservations must be made between November 1 - 10th by contacting Arlene Baylerian at 248-735-4495. What a wonderful way to treat a group of your friends and/or family during the holiday season!

Due to the fact that there is no admission charge for Advent by Candlelight, the Guild would appreciate having sponsors to help offset the expenses for this very popular event. If you wish to be a sponsor, please contact Araxie Choukourian at 248-706-1234 or Arlene Baylerian at 248-735-4495.

<u>Membership Christmas Dinner (please note date)</u>: Our Membership Christmas Dinner and Installation of Officers will take place on Thursday, December 12, 2013. Our chairpersons for this event are Cathy Atesian, Pamela Dayinian, and Cathy Zwinck. The chairpersons are busy preparing a wonderful dinner menu for our members for this event. Please contact Cathy Zwinck for reservations or further information at 248-471-3882. The cost of the dinner and program is \$15.

Festival Baking (from Dolly Matoian-Festival Baking and Cooking Chairman)

I want to sincerely thank all the wonderful ladies (and gentlemen!) who worked so hard every week for 4 months preparing the baked and cooked items for the festival. We received so many compliments!! Please join us for a THANK YOU LUNCHEON on Saturday, Nov. 9th, at 12 noon in the Vartan Room. RSVP by Nov 2nd to dollymat@att.net(or 248.227.9055) or in person.

Thank you Again,

<u>College Gift Bags/Boxes</u>: Our Social Concern Committee lead by Carol Ohanesian will be packaging 55 boxes on Oct. 15 with Armenian goodies as well as sweet treats, hot chocolate, tea, granola bars and a hot/cold cup.

<u>Knitting Group</u>: Our Women's Guild knitting group, under the Chairmanship of Linda Assarian, meets on the third Thursday of the month. Beginners are welcome. At the September meeting, the group decided to knit blankets for the third Beaumont Dialysis Center. At the October meeting, the group will vote on a new charity for donating items.



Thank You!

Nora Sanjian Hutter for Pastry Presentation at October meeting

Get Well Wishes!

Anne Marie Ameriguian Roxanne Keurajian Mitzi Negohosian Rozann Vartoogian

Prayers & Sympathy



Our sympathies to Women's
Guild members Adrian
Keoleian and Mary Keoleian on
the loss of their dear
brother-in-law, & Laurie
Reizian on the loss of her
dear uncle

Souren Keoleian (husband of Virginia)

DUES

Please submit your 2013 dues of \$20 to St. John Women's Guild

Joyce Obenhoff 27062 Bonnie Drive Warren, MI 48093

DUES MUST BE
PAID TO VOTE AT
NOVEMBER
MEETING

Welcome!

Charlotte Catherine Chabaan

Daughter of Adam and Faith Chabaan Granddaughter of Mike and Catherine Boucher Great-Granddaughter of Alice Chavdarian



Prayers & Sympathy



Our sympathies to Women's
Guild members Nora Noraian
on the loss of her dear uncle,
Sally Kabodian on the loss of
her dear brother-in-law &
Armen (Belinda) Kabodian on
the loss of his uncle

Harry Dakesian
(Husband of the late Sema,
former WG member)



Congratulations!

Virginia & Arthur Mekjian 60th Wedding Anniversary



Thank You!

Diane Khachaturian for proofreading the newsletter



Congratulations!

Helen & Jack Mekjian 70th Wedding Anniversary

ATTENTION!

If you would like to be included in our email updates please give your email to Linda Stamboulian

lindastamboulian@gmail.com 248-553-0597

Congratulations!

Engagement of Knar Callan & Michael Pifer



daughter of Joy & Roy Callan -August wedding planned

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

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



Alternatives for Girls

Please bring the following items to the next meeting:

Winter gloves, socks, toiletries, perfumes, lotions, jewelry, school supplies, personal items, toothpaste, toothbrushes, cosmetic bags, & Christmas gift items

150 small bags will be made for the young women residing at the Alternative for Girls-Pontiac shelter

