



SHRINE CATHOLIC High School & Academy Mothers' Club

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President's Corner

I just wanted to reach out to tell you how much we miss everyone! Even though the school halls and fields are quiet, our homes are bustling with activity. I hope you are finding things to do with your family in addition to schoolwork: games, cooking, puzzles, and hopefully lots of laughter!

Please remember our Shrine Mothers' Club Prayer Team is here if you have special intentions or need prayers for anyone's health. Email Holly Ruhle to share your intention (you can share as little or as much as you would like). You can also message Holly if you'd like to join the email list of prayer warriors: rruhler@aol.com

Also remember that the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica is streaming daily and Sunday Mass: [Shrine Mass](#). You can also check out this website Marie Bonello shared for Mass times around the world: [Mass Around the World](#). We will surely look back on this Lent with interesting memories.

Although we are not meeting now, we are still planning for next year. Look at the list of open positions for the board and committees and consider joining us. Further details on page 3. Contact me in you have any questions or want to help: MothersClub@shrineschools.com. We look forward to seeing everyone at back at Shrine, but until then, stay safe, enjoy your family, check in on your friends and neighbors and reflect on how to grow closer to God during this Lenten Season.

Maureen

A Walk in the Park

The Annual Spring Luncheon celebrating our Seniors and their parents was a big success! See inside for details, a list of sponsors and more photos.



“A Walk in the Park”

What a beautiful afternoon! Delicious lunch, beautiful spring decorations, so many raffles, and the Class of 2020 and their parents made it a fun event!



2020-2021 MC Board Openings

Maureen Shannon (President) and Chestra Peaslee (Past President) have graciously offered to stay on for one more year, but we need someone to step forward to serve as President-Elect and prepare for the following year. The President-Elect attends MC and special Board meetings, assists committee chairs when needed, and plans the end-of-year social. That's it! Thank you Katie Salerno (Treasurer) and Christine McNish (Secretary) for staying on, and we welcome Nancy and Christine as Spirit Shop Coordinators! Please note committees needing **new chairs**:

2020-2021 Board

President: Maureen Shannon

Past President: Chestra Peaslee

President Elect: attend monthly MC meetings and special Board meetings when scheduled; assist committee chairs as needed; plan end-of-year social.

Secretary: Christine McNish

Treasurer: Katie Salerno

Spirit Shop: Nancy Atienza & Christine Thompson

2020-2021 Standing Positions and Committees

Historian: Florencia Solis-Romaya

House: Katie Piekutowski

Membership: Chestra Peaslee

Publicity: Mary Hickman-Kruszewski

Newsletter: Layout and edit articles given to you for 3-4 newsletters each year.

Prayer Team: Holly Ruhle

Beautification: Coordinate the maintenance of the large flower pots outside; plant flowers in spring and fall, weed, water and maintain. Decorating the cross near the walkway may also be a responsibility.

Welcome Back Event : Coordinate a sign-up to provide refreshments, set-up, clean-up, attend.

Open House: Coordinate a sign-up to provide refreshments, set-up, clean-up and attend.

Christmas Mass & Social: Lori Harrington & _____ need co-chair to help plan annual event; many materials are available.

Spring Luncheon: Need a chair and a few more members to start planning in fall.

Field Day: Coordinate a sign-up to provide refreshments, set-up, clean-up and attend.

Distracted Driver Program: Coordinate a sign-up to provide refreshments, set-up, clean-up and attend.

8th Grade Graduation Reception: Coordinate volunteers and refreshments for reception following the graduation ceremony. (A 7th Grade parent is preferred but anyone is welcome.)

Dream Cruise T-shirt Sale (with GS MC): Leslie Mio, Jannan Selman, Laura Shrake

Used Uniform Sales: Margaret Majewski

Senior Brunch: Katie Piekutowski

Homecoming Dance (refreshments): Molly Robinson

NHS Induction (refreshments): Florencia Solis-Romaya

Poinsettia Sale: Julia Osmer

Lenten Retreat: Marguerite Lampertius

Freshman Registration Night: Mary Jo Wisneski

Teacher Appreciation Lunch: Molly Robinson & Jennifer Gallagher

Senior Honors Brunch: Carolyn Benson & Sue Niehaus

Teacher Conferences (goody bags at conferences): Kelly Gouin & Andrea Knapp

Mothers' Club Events - We've Been Busy!

Since our last newsletter, we hosted a Parent Workshop on January 22 - "Parenting Power Hour+" with Carol Mastroianni from *Be Your Influence*. It was helpful to share tips and discuss concerns with other parents, and get to know each other! On January 28 the Mothers' Club and Dads' Club provided waters and doughnuts to the High School & Academy students to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. Thank you to Maureen Bontrager, Katy Cannaday, Amy Dorchack and Jane Grimes for helping pass out the treats.

On February 19, the Mothers' Club provided refreshments at the Freshman Registration Night. Thank you to Mary Jo Wisneski for coordinating the treats and working the event.

The Annual Spring Luncheon (formally the Fashion Show) was held in the auditorium on February 23. Thank you to Amber Kimmel and a team of volunteers for transforming the space into a beautiful park-like setting! The afternoon hosted approximately 155 people including 41 seniors and their families. It was great to see our Academy, High School and Alumnae moms in attendance as well. Thank you to the many volunteers who helped in ways big or small at the event!

THANK YOU to Shrine faculty who helped make the Spring Luncheon extra special: Mrs. Malloy, Mrs. Laidlaw (and Mr. Laidlaw), Mr. Pearson, and Mr. Wilson.

A special *THANK YOU* for the following who donated to our raffles. Please support the restaurants now if they are open and all the businesses once we are back to normal:

Andiamo's Detroit ♦ Blarney Stone Pub ♦ Bowlero ♦ Cranbrook Institute of Science ♦ Crispelli's Bakery and Pizzeria ♦ Detroit fleet ♦ Diamond Jim's ♦ Emagine Theatres ♦ Griffin Claw ♦ Hazel, Ravines & Downtown ♦ Huntington Cleaners ♦ Kimmel Family / Commercial Contracting Corporation ♦ Leon & Lulu ♦ Lily's Seafood ♦ Marathon Gas of Berkley ♦ Miner's Den Jewelers ♦ Mr. B's ♦ Rodan & Fields – Amy Plunkey ♦ Pauline Rzepecki ♦ 6 Salon ♦ St. Dunstan Theatre Guild ♦ Shrine CYO Athletics ♦ Shrine High School Athletics ♦ Shrine Dads' Club ♦ Shrine Mothers' Club Spirit Shop ♦ Shrine Yearbook Staff ♦ Shrine Theater & Music Department ♦ Spa Mariana ♦ Stagecrafters ♦ Team Threads ♦ Tom's Oyster Bar/Ale Mary's ♦ Thirty-one Gifts — Laurie Snyder ♦ Thrifty Florist ♦ Urbanrest ♦ Van Every Family Chiropractic Center

Shrine Spirit Shop

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Our Spirit Shop Team as been working on plans to combine efforts with the Grade School to open on-line ordering for certain products. Special thanks for Jane Grimes and Amy Dorchak for their thoughtful approach to making sure all the details are covered. Look for information from Jane soon on the online site. Thank you to both for your two years of service and commitment to the Mothers' Club and the Spirit Shop – you have done a terrific job! And thank you to Nancy Atienza and Christine Thompson for stepping forward to as new Spirit Shop Coordinators and Mothers' Club Board members. The Spirit Shop is stocked and ready!



Show your #ShrinePride! If you have a flag, hang it for your neighborhood to see! Need one? The SpiritShop has them in stock!

More “Walk in the Park” photos!



Potential Upcoming Events

April 28: Distracted Driving session — Volunteers needed to serve lunch

May 1: Field Day — Volunteers and refreshments needed

May 6: Staff Appreciation Luncheon — Food donations needed

May 21: Senior Convocation Brunch for our senior families — Volunteers and food donations needed

These events are up in the air until school is back in session and the administration and staff adjust the schedule. Please reach out to Maureen if you would like to help at any of these events.

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The objective of the Mothers' Club is to create a greater appreciation of Catholic education, provide financial aid and/or service for High School and Academy projects, build cooperation between parents, faculty and students, and further the interests of Shrine Catholic Academy and High School.

Thank you, Senior Moms!

We wish to thank *all our senior moms* who have supported the Mothers' Club in ways big or small. We hope you will come back to join us as Alumnae Moms at our Christmas Mass & Social and the Spring Luncheon!

A special thank you to the following senior moms who are graduating their last Shrine student and finishing up their volunteer time with us. These senior moms have held Mothers' Club Board or Committee Chair positions for the 2019-20 year. We appreciate all the time and commitment you gave to the Mothers' Club this year!

Jennifer Bero

Amy Dorcbak

Marie Bonello

Beth Mayry

Michelle Carpenter

Pauline Rzepecki

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