



# Newsletter

June 2013

## Dignity & St. Ignatius Liturgy Schedules

Ravenna United Methodist Church 5751-33<sup>rd</sup> Ave NE Seattle  
 Every Sunday → 10:00 a.m. St. Ignatius (UPSTAIRS)  
 Jun. 9, No Mass in July → 6:00 p.m. Dignity/Seattle

**Happy LGBTQ Pride Month!**

**Celebrate Pride: Don't miss these community events!**

### Food Lifeline Volunteer Night, Shoreline Tuesday, June 4, 6:00 p.m.

Dignity/Seattle volunteers will head up to Food Lifeline in Shoreline to help package and sort food for local food banks. If you're volunteering, please contact Dignity/Seattle at 206-659-5519 or Dignity.Seattle@gmail.com.

### LGBTQ Pride Parade: March with a large Catholic contingent!

**Sunday, June 30:** March in or cheer on the 2nd largest parade in Seattle, and one of the largest LGBTQ Pride Parades in the nation. Here's an e-mail notice dated May 29, 2013, sent out to people on last year's Catholics for Marriage Equality—WA list-serv:

### Equality: Passed, Present and Future 2013 Pride Parade

Dear Friends,

Last June we marched together in solidarity as Catholics for Marriage Equality in the Seattle Pride Parade with love in our hearts and hope for the future.

Let's do it again – this time in celebration of the passage of Referendum 74 ensuring marriage equality for all in Washington State!

Catholics for Marriage Equality Washington (CFMEWA) is no longer an official organization, but St. Joseph Catholic Parish in Seattle invites all of us to walk with them in the Pride Parade this year.

The Pride Parade will be Sunday June 30th from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The parade begins at 4th Ave and Union and ends at Denny Way near the Seattle Center.

For many of us, walking with other Catholics in the Pride Parade last year was a memorable and moving experience. We are grateful to St. Joe's for taking the initiative this year and extending the invitation to all. Let us know if you are interested. Catholics for Marriage Equality: [cfmewa@gmail.com](mailto:cfmewa@gmail.com).



### 25th Annual Pride Week Breakfast! Saturday, June 29, 8:00 a.m.—12:00 noon Central Lutheran Church

Help make this the most successful fundraiser ever! Invite and sell \$7 tickets to your family and friends. We are also looking for volunteers to help set-up tables, chairs, place-settings Friday evening, June 28; and for servers on the day of the breakfast. Please call 206-659-5519 if you can help.

## Board Members & Contact Info

### Dignity/Seattle Board Members

Paula Lavallee	President
Paula Hills	Vice-President
Delia Vita	Treasurer
Denise Arceneaux	Secretary
Alan Scott	Member, Social chair

### DignityUSA Board Members from Seattle

Paula Lavallee	Secretary
Leo Egashira	At large (Publications)

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We provide a safe environment for people to reconcile our God-given gifts of sexual orientation and our Catholic faith through gay-affirming liturgies. Being part of the Dignity/Seattle family means claiming ownership of our faith and living up to the responsibilities of that ownership.

### D/S Board Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2013

(Edited for publication)

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. at Delia Vita's house. Dignity prayer was read. Present: Delia Vita, Paula Lavallee, Alan Scott, and Paula Hills. Absent: Denise Arceneaux. Minutes were read.

M/M/S/C: To approve the March 6, 2013 meeting minutes as submitted.

### President's report: (Paula Lavallee)

Received several e-mails regarding same-sex marriages. Paula contacted Gary and Philip to see if they would be willing to speak with the couples. They both agreed. Paula will forward any e-mails that we receive.

### Treasurer's report, April 10, 2103 (Delia Vita)

#### Checking Acct.

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>\$6,108.50</b>
Deposits:	
Collection (Mar.)	120.00
<b>Total Deposits:</b>	<b>\$120.00</b>
<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$6,228.50</b>

#### Expenses:

General Expenses:	
Newsletter Printing (Mar.)	35.55
RUMC Rent – April	100.00

2013 Summer Picnic – Aug 24	80.00
<b>Total Expenses :</b>	<b>\$215.55</b>
<b>Ending Balance:</b>	<b>\$6012.95</b>

### Restricted Funds

Scholarship fund for yearly membership:	\$50.00
Dignity National Convention 2013 Fund:	\$1254.05

<b>Total Available Unrestricted Funds:</b>	<b>\$4,708.90</b>
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### Savings Acct.

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>\$1,603.34</b>
Interest income	0.13
<b>Ending Balance:</b>	<b>\$1,603.47</b>

M/M/S/C: To accept the April 10, 2013 financial report as submitted.

### Social Committee: (Alan Scott and Delia V.)

- Alan will send out quarterly brunch invitations for May 18th at McMenamins on Queen Anne.
- Seattle Parks & Rec. accepted the August 24th date for our summer picnic reservation.

### Liturgy Committee: (Denise Arceneaux)

Gary S presiding for April liturgy

### Old Business:

- Volunteer Opportunities: 7 people participated at Food lifeline on April 2 – we repackaged 5 tons of apples.
- Web Designer: Still on hold until after the convention as Logan is busy with convention tasks.
- Pride Breakfast:
  1. Delia paid the deposit for Central Lutheran.
  2. Delia is working on the letter to the vendors. We will plan to send out letters to more vendors than the usual list of restaurants, and mail the letters the first week in May.
  3. We will advertise in SGN one week prior to the breakfast.
  4. Alan will prepare the tickets: use blue parchment paper for the breakfast and raffle tickets; will check into printing costs at Costco & PIP.
  5. Delia modified the logo to include 25th anniversary; the modified logo will be used on letters and tickets.
  6. We will have the "ticket party" at the next meeting (scheduled for May 16th).
- 40th Anniversary celebration: The Renaissance turned out to be too expensive. Considered different timing options and ordered them as such: first choice dinner Sat evening, second choice Sunday brunch, third choice Saturday lunch. Delia will continue to look at options. We would like to keep the cost to \$50 per person – we would charge \$40 per person and the chapter would pay the remaining \$10.

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- Discussed ordering Dignity t-shirts for the breakfast & convention. Janet & Teri offered to put the 25th logo on the back. We decided on light grayish w/black logo. Paula L. will look into the ordering process.
- 2015 Convention:
  - Daniel (from the NY chapter) is working on the logos – we are waiting to hear from him.
  - We need to staff the pre-registration table 2 or 3 times during the convention – we are waiting for final plans from the convention committee
  - Paula H sang “promo song” – we are waiting for final details from the convention committee as to when we will sing our “promo song”.
  - Delia will look into getting general information on Seattle for promoting the 2015 convention – plan for no more than 300 people; to be shipped to the hotel.
  - Delia will check with Equal Rights Washington or City of Seattle for information regarding same sex marriage.
- Facebook: Delia will add:
  - Breakfast info & logo
  - Link to Equally Blessed
  - Link to Marianne’s letter to Cardinal Dolan

**The next Board Meeting was scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 16.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted by:  
Paula Hills

#### D/S Board Meeting Minutes (Edited for publication)

**May 16, 2013**

Meeting was called to order at 6:13 p.m. at Delia Vita's house. Dignity prayer was read. All board members were present. Minutes were read.

M/M/S/C: To approve the April 10, 2013 meeting minutes as submitted.

#### **Treasurer's report, May 16, 2013: (Delia Vita)**

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>\$6,012.95</b>
Deposits (monthly collection):	0.00
<b>Total Deposits:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$6,012.95</b>

#### **Expenses:**

General Expenses:	
Liturgy-Stipend (April/May):	60.00
Newsletter mailing & printing (March):	53.50
Rent – RUMC (May):	100.00
<b>Total Expenses :</b>	<b>\$213.50</b>
<b>Ending Balance:</b>	<b>\$5,799.45</b>

#### **Restricted Funds**

Scholarship fund for yearly membership:	\$50.00
Dignity National Convention 2013 Fund:	\$1254.05

<b>Total Available Unrestricted Funds:</b>	<b>\$4,495.40</b>
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#### **Savings Acct.**

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	<b>\$1,603.47</b>
Interest income	\$ .07
<b>Ending Balance:</b>	<b>\$1,603.54</b>

M/M/S/C: To accept the May 16, 2013 financial report as submitted.

#### Social Committee: (Alan Scott and Delia V.)

- 7 plan to attend McMenumins on Queen Anne.
- Alan will send invitations for August 24 picnic in July.

#### Liturgy Committee: (Denise Arceneaux)

Gary S will preside in June.

#### **Old Business:**

- Web Designer: Still on hold until after the convention since Logan is busy with convention tasks. Paula H. and Delia have volunteered to update the website after it's set up.
- Facebook: Delia will continue to work on Facebook.
- Pride breakfast: Letters to vendors will be going out tomorrow. Tickets are already printed and will be handled at the work party after the meeting. Delia already submitted ads for the SGN for June 21st, both Chapter ad and Pride Week ad costing us \$150. A few people have contacted Paula L. to volunteer – Gary G. and Pat R. Delia will be in charge of setup on the Friday before the Breakfast. Need to contact Leo to put in the newsletter that we need help for set up. Tish has prizes for every 25th person. Janet and Terry will be donating quilt again. Paula L. will do some research to see if we want to order T-shirts.
- 40th Anniversary celebration: Delia will look into China Harbor on Westlake Ave. for Anniversary Celebration on Oct. 19.
- 2015 Convention: Convention committee decided upon the logo. Still waiting to know for sure when we need to be at the table during the 2013 Convention. We are still working out the details about our promo song during the 2013 Convention. Delia is still working on getting the information from the tourist bureau for promoting the Convention. We are still deciding what to give as presents for the first 100 people who pre-register, including stickers.

#### **New Business:**

Paula L. proposed that we not have liturgy in July and August and the Board agreed.

**The next Board Meeting is scheduled for June 12 at 6:00 p.m. at Delia Vita's house.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m..

Respectfully submitted by:  
Denise Arceneaux



## Future Dignity/Seattle events

### Dignity/Seattle's Summer Picnic

**Saturday, August 24**

**Woodland Park**

Note information will be forthcoming next month.

### Dignity/Seattle's 40th Anniversary Celebration

**Saturday, October 19, location TBA**

Help us celebrate 40 years of service to the Seattle LGBTQ Catholic community. An anniversary committee is being formed. Please contact [Dignity.Seattle@gmail.com](mailto:Dignity.Seattle@gmail.com) or call 206-659-5519.

## Dignity/Vancouver BC/Dignité



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June 3, Monday, 7:30 p.m. Annual General Meeting. Vincent W. 604-325-1554.

June 9, Sunday, 4:00 p.m. Mass celebrated with Our Lady of Guadalupe Tonantzin Community, RCWP, 408 Union St (between Jackson Ave & Gore St)..

June 14, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Worship liturgy. Dennis L-H's. 604-430-3466.

June 22, Saturday, 6:30 p.m. Potluck & social. Vincent W's. 604-325-1554.

June 23, Sunday, 4:00 p.m. Mass [see June 9 notice].

## DignityUSA's Convention 2013

<http://conv2013.dignityusa.org/>

It's not too late to register and take part in the biennial Dignity "family reunion."

Dignity/Seattle members will travel to Minneapolis next month in order to market the 2015 Convention site: . . . Seattle!



*When Love hopes all things,  
Justice will flow down like a river and  
Righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.*

**Minneapolis 2013**

**July 4 - 7**

**Minneapolis Hilton**



**Dignity/Seattle members enjoying the Spring Quarter celebration brunch at McMenamins on Lower Queen Anne. Saturday, May 18, 2013.**

Photo by Alan Scott