



Annual Membership Agreement

We are an order of Twenty-first Century nuns dedicated to the promulgation of universal joy and the expiation of stigmatic guilt. We work to raise money for AIDS charities; fight for queer rights and visibility; do safer sex outreach; and strive diligently to keep our sense of humor, never taking ourselves so seriously that we forget to have fun. We gladly welcome all races, creeds, genders and sexual orientations.

Secular Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Sister Name: _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Address: _____

Birthday: _____ **FP Date:** _____

Person to Contact in Case of Emergency:

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Relationship: _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Address: _____

Any pertinent information we should be aware of?

(Strawberry allergies, kleptomania, fear of clowns [ironic, I know], etc...)

I understand and agree to the policies outlined in this agreement. I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the Handbook and Bylaws. I acknowledge that I will pay dues in a timely manner as set by the Board. I attest that the information I have provided on the form is true and is submitted voluntarily. This information may be discussed internally by the Abbey of St. Joan. This information will not be disclosed outside of the Abbey of St, Joan except as required by law. I realize that as a volunteer for the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, The Abbey of St Joan that I will not be paid for my service.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Confidentiality Statement

As Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, it is our mission to promulgate universal joy and expiate stigmatic guilt, while we work to raise money for AIDS charities; fight for queer rights and visibility; do safer sex outreach; and strive diligently to keep our sense of humor, never taking ourselves so seriously that we forget to have fun. In order for this to become a reality, a level of trust must be established between Sisters, the Abbey and the community. Not everything we do is highly sensitive, but confidentiality must be considered in the case of information including but not necessarily limited to confessions, identities, financial supporters, saint and donor contact, and good and welfare. This is especially true in the case of closed meetings, including but not limited to Executive Sessions, meetings of the Fully Professed, FP Teas, Novice Teas, Progression Interviews. This also extends to electronic communication, including the nunlist and FP-List. To maintain our tradition of open and honest communication, especially in these internal formats, we must feel confident that things said in these settings won't be repeated outside of them without the explicit permission of the speaker.

In order to ensure that the importance of confidentiality has been clearly communicated with you, we ask that you agree to the following statement:

As a member of The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, The Abbey of St Joan, I understand the need to observe professional practices relating to confidentiality. I acknowledge that any and all information I gain through my role with this program is to remain confidential and is not for use outside of my defined responsibilities within The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, The Abbey of St Joan. I further understand that any breach of confidentiality can result in disciplinary actions in accordance with the Handbook and Bylaws.

Initials: _____

Date: _____

Email and Digital Technology Agreement

- Recognizing that electronic mail (and everything that is involved with such) is one of the most efficient, if not always the most effective, mode of communication between Sisters
- Recognizing that it can be very easy to read hurtful or damaging statements into email communications where no hurt or damage was intended
- Recognizing that I am a part of an order of 21st Century Nuns, avowed to (among other things) not take ourselves so seriously we forget to have fun

In acknowledging this agreement, I hereby declare:

1. I will agree to use the access to Google Apps provided by SPIASJ, hereafter referred to as the Google Abbey, to access a variety of tools for communication: Email, Calendar, Chat, Groups, Docs and Mobile access.
2. A username and temporary password will be provided to me by the Abbey's Web Admins upon elevation to Novice, or joining the House as an FP, in order to access the Google Abbey as a member of theabbey.org.
3. I understand that Novices will only be allowed to use their Google Abbey access to communicate to other Google Abbey participants, with theabbey.org email addresses.
4. I will, when necessary, send personal email communication to individual Sisters directly, so as not to clutter up my fellow Sisters' email boxes with items not pertaining to them. They will have to discover my brilliance at a later date.
5. I will look at each email message as mere words on a screen or bits of data flying through cyberspace, unable to carry the emotion or intent of the sender (that's what emoticons I for).
6. I will, having acknowledged the above, not read emotion or intent to harm into any email message I receive.
7. I will use the Google Abbey only for official Sister-related business and will not send, upload, distribute or disseminate any unlawful, defamatory, harassing, abusive, fraudulent, infringing, obscene, or otherwise objectionable content such as chain-mail messages, cartoons, or other such doggerel, with pornography (legal of course) being covered by item #4.
8. I will use the Google Abbey in a professional, though often humorous, manner and never with the intent to harm another Sister.

Initials: _____

Date: _____