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Message from Peggy Witas, State Regent

Greetings! Welcome, and thank you to the new officers elected. Your willingness to use your talents and to develop new ones to help CDA become stronger are most appreciated. Continue to become familiar with the Circle of Love. It will keep meetings interesting and involve members of the court. Assign a member to each branch of the Circle of Love so that all members may become familiar and enjoy the fruits of learning more about CDA.

As summer approaches and warmer weather arrives, life seems to slow down. Many courts take a break in the summer months. Please keep in mind that Unity and Charity never wane. Continue to keep up the good works and use the time to recruit members. While at the pool, on vacation at the beach or wherever your respite place is, look for opportunities to welcome new members. Invite them to join a meeting. Make the meeting a picnic or barbeque and let members know CDA women know how to have fun as well as work hard.

Members going to the National Convention in Sioux Falls in July and needing a scooter may rent one from Partner Medical, 3138 S. Minnesota Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57105; phone 605-271-4639. The scooters are powered by a rechargeable battery (cord for recharging included). Rates are \$125 for a week or \$40 per day. A credit card to reserve a scooter will be necessary. Scooters will be delivered to your hotel and after the Convention, will be picked up from the hotel by Partner Medical.

The Pennsylvania State Dinner on Thursday, July 19th, will be at Minervas Restaurant and Bar. PA Second-Vice State Regent, Margaret Giordano, is chairing this event. Please confirm with Margaret the number attending per the correspondence being sent regarding this event. I look forward to seeing the PA members at the National Convention.

Welcome and congratulations to our newest court in Pennsylvania, Court #2739 Our Lady of Fatima in Exton! Fourteen women are charter members of this court. Several courts across the State came to celebrate this momentous occasion. Thank you to Peggy Guckin, Janet Oesterling, Shirley Hall, our hard-working PA Membership Team, Court #1023 Queen of Peace, Melissa Secott (Regent of Court Our Lady of Fatima) and the new officers and members for their diligent efforts in bringing this new court to reality.

Congratulations to the courts sending entries for the Education Contest. Margaret Gowaty, Education Chair, and committee have selected the winners. See pages 8 and 9 for the list of winners. Margaret made copies of first-place entries, so the State could see the first-place entries as the original entries are forwarded to National. There is much talent among the students and members. Thank you to Margaret and her team in selecting the winners. All entries will be returned to the

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CDA Mission Statement

Catholic Daughters of the Americas strives to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all.

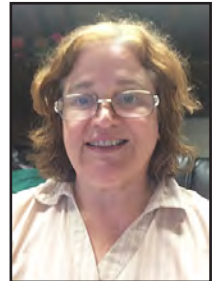


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News from National



Dear Catholic Daughters of Pennsylvania,

It is with much joy and excitement that I write this message to each of the Catholic Daughters in the great state of Pennsylvania.

My visit for the Institution of the newest court brought me to the realization of the excellence of your leadership team—Peggy, Shirley, Margaret, Lisa, Collette and Peggy. Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739 was instituted on May 6th in Exton, Pennsylvania, at SS. Philip and James Church, and a large group of women were received into the organization. It was wonderful to see the presence of the Knights of Columbus Council #5671. All Catholic Daughters in Pennsylvania should be very proud of the work of the State Officers along with the National Director, Peggy Guckin. God bless them for all that they do for CDA and for their state in particular.

The beautiful liturgy, including the crowning of Our Blessed Mother and the CDA ceremony, was followed by a delightful reception. Thanks to the Mother Court Queen of Peace #1023. Thank you for your hospitality. It was "First Class."

It was obvious that the Pennsylvania Catholic Daughters are deeply rooted in the spiritual aspects of our organization. I am happy that I witnessed this before going out of office as National Regent.

To each of the officers and members, special thanks for making the visit a memorable one for me.

Yours in Unity and Charity,

Helene Shepard, National Regent



"Do all for the glory of God." Corinthians 10:31

Congratulations! You are a new officer in your court. I am so pleased that you have made a decision to grow in leadership. Every Catholic Daughter has special gifts only she can give. Thank you for sharing yours.

Every two years, new leadership needs to be identified and encouraged to lead the court and not fear trying a new direction. As a member, welcome the new officers and support them. Be willing to chair a Circle of Love committee, suggest a new (or renewed) project, or help find good speakers who will inspire or revive the court.

Courts have work to do—fundraisers to support, reports to be given, standing rules to review, a budget to prepare for the next year. All this is very important to keep our courts active and alive. But remember, a little fun at each meeting makes that a memorable evening. Laughter is good for the body and soul!

If we always keep in mind that what we do is all for the glory and honor of God, each task or report or chairmanship will help us reach our goal of being with Jesus and Mary and all the saints eternally.

Glory to God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Blessed be the name of Mary, our mother and patroness.

*Sherry Nilles, 1st Vice National Regent
National Representative for Pennsylvania*



Message From Our State Chaplain

It is June and summer is bursting forth, beginning with graduation parties and the planning of summer vacations and picnics.

June is also the month that we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus. As I was growing up Catholic, I thought all Catholics knew about the promises Jesus made to all of us who honor His Sacred Heart, when He appeared to St. Margaret Mary in 1672. I recently found out that many Catholics have never heard of these promises.

Jesus gave 12 promises to those devoted to His Sacred Heart and especially in these ways:

To display an image of His Sacred Heart in their home;

To go to confession and truly repent of their sins;

To offer prayers and sacrifices for reparation of sins and conversion of sinners;

And to receive Holy Communion on the 1st Friday of each month, at least for nine consecutive months.

If you do not have an image of the Sacred Heart in your home, consider displaying one, going to confession and receiving Holy Communion for nine consecutive months on 1st Friday. If you contemplate this, it only makes sense. His Heart is an expression of His love and for love to be complete, it has to be given, received and returned. When we ask for forgiveness in confession, we are asking Jesus to bestow His love on us in forgiveness as we give Him our love by owning up to our faults and pledging to be better. When we receive Communion, we are receiving His love given to us by emptying His whole love for us in the sacrifice of His Life for us.

Jesus told St. Margaret Mary that as we look upon the image of His Sacred Heart, to know: The fire coming from the top of the heart symbolizes Him on fire with love for us; the wound is His being pierced in the heart and pouring out His whole self for us; and the crown of thorns is not the crown of thorns on His head during His passion, but instead are the thorns piercing His heart by those who claim they love Him but do not live up to that love.

The 12 promises are:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.

2. I will establish peace in their homes.

3. I will comfort them in all their afflictions.

4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.

5. I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.

6. Sinners will find in my Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy.

7. Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.

8. Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.

9. I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honored.

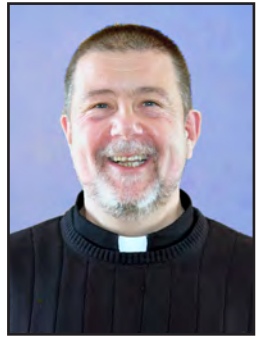
10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.

11. Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.

12. I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

Sacred Heart Prayer: O most Holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore You, I love You, and with a lively sorrow for my sins, I offer You this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to Your will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in You and for You. Protect me in the midst of danger; comfort me in my afflictions; give me health of body and mind, assistance in my temporal needs, Your blessing on all that I do and the grace of a holy death. Amen.

—Rev. Tony Gargotta, State Chaplain



Sacred Heart of Jesus

Jose Maria Ibarra y Ponce (1854-1910)

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Court Chatter

ALLENTOWN DIOCESE

Court Easton #358, Easton

Court Easton celebrated the Christmas Season with our luncheon/meeting at the Historic Hotel Bethlehem. Members brought gifts of new “undies” that were delivered to Easton Safe Harbor, a shelter for the homeless.



Front Row: Marianne Williams, Pat Bleam (Regent), Joan Tanzella, Sheila Gualano, Joyce Ernesti, Deb Starace (Recording Secretary) and Linda Coyle; Second Row: Barbara Young, Pat Clark, Toni Sharetzsky, Deacon Kevin Wasielewski (Chaplain), Faye Meola, Kathleen Finkbeiner, Sandy Haney, Mary Eismont and JoEllen Bartolacci; Back Row: Krystina Janik, Rosanne Ramuni, Joyce Detweiler, Dee Rafferty, Pauline Coughlin (Vice Regent), Mary Strucko (Financial Secretary), Eileen Yanno (Treasurer) and Sally Lerch

ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN DIOCESE

Court St. Rita #523, Tyrone

Court St. Rita #523, Tyrone, honored Our Blessed Mother as well as living and deceased mothers of Saint Matthew Church on Mother's Day. CDA members sold carnations—white in memory and red for those living. Each carnation was represented by a heart with the mother's name on it. CDA members placed all the carnations and hearts on the May altar. Each mother of the parish was honored with a rose donated by CDA members during Mass.



Left to right: Susan Ronan, Sarah McNelis, Linda Grove, Joan Everhart



Members, Susan Sharer, Susan Ronan, selling/buying flowers at Ct. St. Rita, #523 Mother's Day Flower Sale at St. Matthew Church, Tyrone

ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN DIOCESE

Court St. Rita #523, Tyrone

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A busy weekend for members of Ct. St. Rita #523 as they also help sell chances on a quilt (in background) for the Carmelite Community of the Word for their Haiti/Community projects. The Haiti Birthing Center is a State Project for the Pennsylvania State Court. Sr. Karen Duddy, CCW, a member of this court is selling the tickets, as part of the CCW Golf Tournament main fundraiser in June 2018.

ERIE DIOCESE

Court St. Victoria #646, Houtzdale



Court St. Victoria #646 held a baby shower for needy mothers

PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE

Court St. Mark #1097, Bristol

Court St. Mark #1097 sponsored a baby shower for Mother Costello Home for unwed mothers and mothers in need. They invited members from other courts to join in with donations and they served light refreshments.



Diane Beal, Carol Parsons #2230 and Eleanor Connelly #1097 display baptismal gown

Philadelphia Archdiocese Catholic Daughters court members come together for the annual Deal or No Deal Fundraiser. Over 100 members and friends enjoyed a continental breakfast and a catered lunch. Various members supplied the delicious desserts.



The ladies from Court St. Dominic #2222 taking care of food—Mary Lou Borowski, Betty Dugan and Connie Perry



Unity and Charity



Suzanne Garnett emcees Deal or No Deal by reading the prize behind the suitcase

The Institution of a New Pennsylvania State Catholic Daughters Court Our Lady of Fatima Court #2739



In Gratitude from Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739

I first became aware of Catholic Daughters in late fall 2014, during a trip to Coudersport, Pennsylvania. My father, a native of Potter County, was a 4th Degree Knight at the time of his passing, and my family made the trip north to present his Chalice and Paten (a gift from the Knights of Columbus) to his home Parish of St. Eulalia. Catholic Daughters were mentioned in the church bulletin and on St. Eulalia's website. My interest was piqued.

When I came home to Chester County, I was dismayed to learn that there was no local Catholic Daughters Court. "Too bad," I thought; "too bad."

A subsequent trip north, and a second exposure to Catholic Daughters revived my interest—so I emailed Catholic Daughters this time. I figured I would wait a good while for my answer. I was wrong. (How wrong was I? Catholic Daughters could teach emergency responders a thing or two!)

For eight months, starting in October 2017, representatives from Catholic Daughters selflessly devoted their time and talent to help our court take shape. Our sisters came to Masses, recruited, conducted meetings, provided history, intervened on our behalf and championed us. Catholic Daughters made us a reality.

Who—and what—is Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739? We are 17 women from six parishes. We are mothers, daughters, sisters, working and retired women—each with our unique experiences and motivation for coming together as a court. What brought us here is history. What will keep us here, mature and grow, is our future.

During the coming months, we will establish our court standing rules and determine our organizational objectives. We will begin to form our spiritual, educational and community outreach missions. We will participate in Diocesan work. We will honor our past and help forge our legacy. We will work together and with others in Charity and Unity.

I like a good moral when there is one, so here's mine: When you think someone isn't observing, they are. If you think what you are doing doesn't matter, you just might be missing your purpose for being. Someone, somewhere, at some time will benefit from something you do, no matter how routine or insignificant your actions seem. Small acts performed with great love do matter. We exist because of them.

—Melissa Secott, Regent, Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739

With the permission of Rev. Joseph C. Dieckhaus, Pastor of SS. Philip and James in Exton, Pennsylvania, Colette McCaffrey, State Treasurer, Doris Kitt, Regent #1641, and I traveled last fall to the parish for all the Masses on Saturday and Sunday for two weekends to do a membership drive. We had our first meeting in October and as the months passed, others from across the state joined in, helping with different presentations—Shirley Hall, 1st Vice State Regent; Margaret Giordano, 2nd Vice State Regent; Janet Oesterling, State Membership Chairman and soon to be District Deputy, Susan Sharer. By March, we had seventeen women who had signed applications forms and paid their dues. They would become the charter members of this court. I was so glad that I was able to participate and see these ladies become members of Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739.

On Sunday, May 6th, we attended the noon Mass celebrated by the pastor. Prior to starting Mass, Father welcomed the Catholic Daughters. He stated that a court was starting at the parish and he announced the names of the ladies.

Following the Mass, the Institution of Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739 took place. Among honored guests, were National Regent, Helene Shephard, who installed the officers of our Pennsylvania "baby" court, and four Honor Guards from Knights of Columbus Council #5671, Pope St. John XXIII.

A reception, prepared and served by Court Queen of Peace, Mother Court, followed.

—Peggy Guckin, IPSR, National Director
State Publicity Chairman

Photos courtesy of Joseph Fullam, husband of Maryann Fullam, newly-elected Financial Secretary.



13 ladies are led by Janet Oesterling, acting as Ceremonial Coordinator



Peggy Guckin, IPSR, giving the pledge to the new members



Helene Shepard, National Regent, after giving the oath to the new officers, presents the gavel to Melissa Secott, Newly-Elected Regent



New members taking pledge: Anna J. Carter, CarolAnne Ferreira, Maryann Fullam, Dr. Roe Fulmer, Sally Glattes, Lillian Lucas, Anita McMullen, Jacqueline Quinn, Melissa Secott, Julian Senn, Josephine Vellutato and Jeanie Williams. Not present were Kathy Bevilacqua, Michele Byler, Jacqui Churchvara, Eileen Devlin and Sharon Ehret.



Newly-Elected Officers of Court Our Lady of Fatima: Maryann Fullam, Treasurer; Juliann Senn, proxy for Michele Byler, Vice Regent; Melissa Secott, Regent; Jeanie Williams, Recording Secretary; Lillian Lucas, Financial Secretary and Janet Oesterling, Ceremonial Coordinator



National and State Officers, New Officers and Members, Mother Court Officers and Knights of Columbus

2018 PA State Education Contest Winners

Art Division I

| | | |
|-----------|--------------------|--|
| 1st place | Christina Andreano | Ct. #358 Easton, Easton |
| 2nd place | Brynn Wright | Ct. #2521 Blessed Madonna, State College |
| 3rd place | Isabella Wolyniec | Ct. #399 Ave Maria, Lock Haven |

Art – Division II

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|-----------|------------------|--|
| 1st place | Natalie Cheng | Ct. #2617 St. Francis de Sales, Philadelphia |
| 2nd place | Sydney Dissinger | Ct. #1023 Queen of Peace, Lancaster |
| 3rd place | Owen J. Person | Ct. #399 Ave Maria, Lock Haven |

Art – Division III

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|-----------|-------------------|--|
| 1st place | Sierra Coleman | Ct. #588 Our Lady of Victory, Mt. Carmel |
| 2nd place | Victoria Harcourt | Ct. #507 Sharon, Sharon |
| 3rd place | Rachel Dangelo | Ct. #2521 Blessed Madonna, State College |

Art – Division IV

No entries

Poetry Division I

| | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1st place | Isabella O'Malley | Ct. #2222 St. Dominic, Philadelphia |
| 2nd place | Sophia Cowher | Ct. #523 St. Rita, Tyrone |
| 3rd place | Gaige Watson | Ct. #776 Monessen, Monessen |

Poetry Division II

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|-----------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1st place | Anthony Petaccia | Ct. #776 Monessen, Monessen |
| 2nd place | Helen Hrazanek | Ct. #358 Easton, Easton |
| 3rd place | Nicolas Stiehler | Ct. #1651 Washington, Washington |

Poetry Division III

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|-----------|--------------------|--|
| 1st place | Natalie M. Janidlo | Ct. #1483 St. Thomas, Franklin |
| 2nd place | Ryan Harcourt | Ct. 507 Sharon, Sharon |
| 3rd place | Genevieve Sicree | Ct. #2521 Blessed Madonna, State College |

Poetry Division IV

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|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1st place | Kathleen Byron | Ct. #776 Monessen, Monessen |
| 2nd place | Antoinette M. DeAngelis | Ct. #507 Sharon, Sharon |
| 3rd place | Margaret T. Giordano | Ct. #1023 Queen of Peace, Lancaster |

Essay Division I

| | | |
|-----------|------------------|---|
| 1st place | Daniel Farabaugh | Ct. #722 Our Lady of Victory, N. Cambria |
| 2nd place | Ella Ladlee | Ct. #448 Rev. Patrick McArdle, Bellefonte |
| 3rd place | Allison Frame | Ct. #1651 Washington, Washington |

Essay Division II

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|-----------|-------------------|--|
| 1st place | Annalise Kauffman | Ct. #1023 Queen of Peace, Lancaster |
| 2nd place | Jake Lauten | Ct. #358 Easton, Easton |
| 3rd place | Emily Masino | Ct. #2617 St. Francis de Sales, Philadelphia |

Essay Division III

| | | |
|-----------|-----------------|--|
| 1st place | Emerson D. Ekis | Ct. #1483 St. Thomas, Franklin |
| 2nd place | Audrey Clement | Ct. #2521 Blessed Madonna, State College |
| 3rd place | Ava Coates | Ct. #507 Sharon, Sharon |

Computer Art Division I

1st place
2nd place
3rd place

Thomas J. Sedlak
Gabe Holenbacher
No entry

Ct. #776 Monessen, Monessen
Ct. #1023 Queen of Peace, Lancaster

Computer Art Division II

1st place
2nd place
3rd place

Paul Singh
David Lindsay
Andrew Hogwood

Ct. #1483 St. Thomas, Franklin
Ct. #399 Ave Maria, Lock Haven
Ct. #507 Sharon, Sharon

Computer Art Division III

1st place
2nd place
3rd place

Brendan Boylan
Aidan Wanner
No entry

Ct. #988 Patricia, Kittanning
Ct. #507 Sharon, Sharon

Computer Art Division IV

No entries

Music Division II

1st place
2nd place
3rd place

Alexis Gilghrist
No entry
No entry

Ct. #507 Sharon, Sharon

Music Division III

1st place
2nd place
3rd place

Lizabeth Stephan
No entry
No entry

Ct. #1023 Queen of Peace, Lancaster

Photography Division II

1st place
2nd place
3rd place

Joseph Smolczynski
Joshua Ludlow
Lindsey Browne

Ct. #2628 Mystical Rose, Philadelphia
Ct. #358 Easton, Easton
Ct. #2222 St. Dominic, Philadelphia

Photography Division III

1st place
2nd place
3rd place

Maggie Luancing
Olivia Schuller
No entry

Ct. #358 Easton, Easton
Ct. #507 Sharon, Sharon

Photography Division IV

1st place
2nd place
3rd place

Betty Dombrosky
Susan Parrish
Chrstina Bell

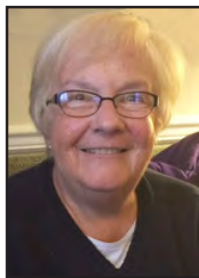
Ct. #759 Westinghouse, Turtle Creek
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—Margaret Marie Gowaty, State Education Chairman
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What Do We Know About Our State Projects?

Our state projects are the charities within Pennsylvania that the State Board along with the State Membership has selected to support. We do this financially and sometimes actually do hands-on activities, as in the case of the Haiti Birthing Center.



Even though this project is not in our state, the Carmelite Community of the Word Sisters is located in Gallitzin, Pennsylvania, and this is a commitment of theirs. Many of these Sisters belong to CDA and they, along with their auxiliary groups, travel to Haiti every year to support their Little Sisters of the Incarnation of Haiti in their vision and dream and help build their community both physically and spiritually.

The pictures show the inside and outside of the birthing center along with some of the children who are taught by the Little Sisters.



One of the hands-on projects that CDA has very successfully participated in are the Birthing Kits which would include:

1. Two – 8" pieces of ¼ twill tape for cord ties
2. One new razor blade (single wrapped and safely wrapped and placed in a baggie)
3. One regular sized bath towel (thinner rather than thicker)
4. One 36" piece of muslin or sheeting
5. Two disposable pads (those used for incontinent patients)
6. One thin wash cloth
7. One bath size bar of ivory soap
8. One small purse-sized container of germicidal hand wash
9. One newborn stocking cap (jersey, not knitted or crocheted)
10. One small cotton-blend / flannel shirt to waist only (infants in Haiti do not wear diapers)
11. One receiving blanket, not fleece
12. Two pair plastic / latex gloves (no kitchen gloves)

Place cord ties and razor blade into a Ziploc bag. Wrap everything inside the bath towel. Place into a two-gallon Ziploc bag. Squeeze air out and seal it.

These items can be taken to the Sisters Incarnation House in Gallitzin or brought to the State Convention next spring. More to follow...

— Shirley Hall, 1st Vice State Regent

Prayer for Vocations

Father, we're your people, the work of your hands. So precious are we in your sight that you sent your Son, Jesus. Jesus calls us to heal the broken-hearted, to dry the tears of those who mourn, to give hope to those who despair, and to rejoice in your steadfast love. We, the baptized, realize our call to serve. Help us to know how. Call forth from among us priests, sisters, brothers and lay ministers. With our hearts you continue to love your people. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

— World Day of Prayer for Vocations, April 22, 2018

Message from 2nd Vice State Regent



My Dear Catholic Daughter Sisters,
In April, I enjoyed meeting with Courts Easton #358, Ryan #911 and St. James #1029 at their Allentown Diocesan Meeting at the beautiful Shrine of St. Therese Lisieux (St. Therese of the Little Flower) in Nesquehoning, Pennsylvania. I also had the pleasure to meet with members of Court St. Martin #418 of the Scranton Diocese in Honesdale, Pennsylvania.

In the months of March and April, I attended the meetings of the then “soon to be” Catholic Daughters court in Exton, Pennsylvania. On May 6th, I was delighted to attend and participate in the Institution and Installation Ceremonies and reception of our new Pennsylvania Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739 at Saints Philip and James Church, Exton.

National Director and Past State Regent Peggy Guokin and Janet Oesterling, Shirley Hall and Susan Sharer of the State Membership Team were instrumental in getting this new court off the ground. We were also graced on May 6th by National Regent Helene Shepard, State Regent Peggy Witas, all the State Officers and Pat Gildea who partook at this momentous occasion in our story of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Congratulations to the charter members of our new court and the members from many other courts who embraced the opportunity to witness this significant event. I also want to commend the members of my home court, Queen of Peace #1023, for doing an outstanding job at the ceremonies and providing a lovely reception.

Thank you everyone who has sent Spiritual Intentions to be offered through the Pennsylvania State Court to support the seminarians studying at the North American College in Rome. Please continue to send your monthly intentions directly to me with a check payable to “Catholic Daughters of the Americas.”

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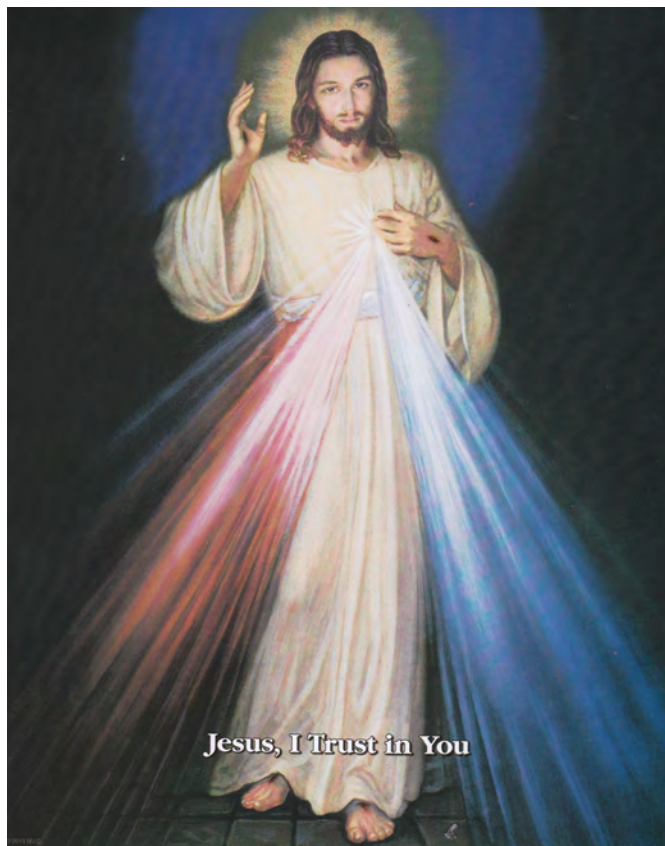
I hope you find time to relax and enjoy yourselves so you are energized to do all the good works you do as Catholic Daughters. May God be with you and yours as summer approaches and throughout our warm season of the year.

In Unity and Charity,

—Margaret T. Giordano, 2nd Vice State Regent



Now that summer is here, remember to check with your sick or elderly neighbors or members to make sure they are all right and to let them know you are thinking about them.

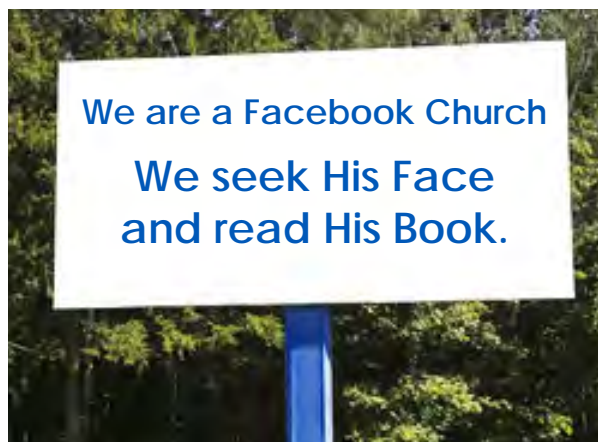


“Jesus, I Trust in You”

Sometimes, things happen that we have no control over, things that we just don’t understand. Things like that can get us down in the dumps and very stressed. When that occurs, I question, “Lord, why did this happen?” I know that as a human, I don’t see the whole picture. I don’t know all God’s plans. After much pondering, talking it out, and praying, I think of the Divine Mercy picture. “Jesus, I Trust in You.” Offering it up to Him, is my best way to get back on track, to leave the suffering behind, and to continue my Catholic Daughter life of spirituality and service.

—Margaret T. Giordano, 2nd Vice State Regent

Seen on a Church Bulletin Board



REMINDERS!

Local court members elected new officers at their May meeting. Please submit your **ORIGINAL officers form** to the National Office: Catholic Daughters of the Americas, 10 West 71st St., New York, NY 10023, with a copy to Peggy Witas, State Regent (address on front page) and a copy to your court's district deputy.

National Semi-Annual Dues were sent out mid-May, 2018. Do not deduct anything. If there is a discrepancy with your membership total, contact the National office. Also, on this invoice is a charge for Liability Insurance for April 2018 to April 2019. Please keep the policy page for your court's records

Financial Review for period of October 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018: Be sure to send the original to the National Office, a copy to State Regent Peggy Witas, copy to State Secretary Lisa McCann and a copy to your district deputy.

Has your court paid **National and State Dues**? Lisa McCann, State Secretary, receives dues and any court National and State donations.

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share your memories and stories)
cdashare@aol.com

The Power of Prayer— Peggy Guckin, I.P.S.R.

Iwish to thank all my CDA family for all their prayers especially during the critical time of my surgery. Thank you to the many courts and members who have sent Mass intentions and get-well cards. Please continue the prayers as I recover. Looking forward to seeing you all in Sioux Falls, SD, in July.



Parliamentary Procedure Pointers

Recording Secretary – Valuable Officer

Court records depend on the accuracy of the Recording Secretary. The **MINUTES** are the **LEGAL RECORD** of the court. The Recording Secretary has the same rights as any other member—to make motions and participate in debate.

PRIME CONTENT OF MINUTES:

- ◆ Name of court, date, time and place of meeting
- ◆ Who presided, who recorded the minutes?
- ◆ Were the minutes approved or approved as corrected?
- ◆ Treasurer's Report Balance(s), not entire report
- ◆ All motions and amendments, name of maker; was a second received?
- ◆ Was motion or amendment—carried or lost?
- ◆ Title and presenter's name of the program
- ◆ Election Report, with number of votes cast for each candidate
- ◆ Signed, Jane Doe, Recording Secretary ("Respectfully submitted"—not to be used)
- ◆ Corrections to be noted in the margin, with a carefully drawn line around the subject matter

—Pat Gildea, State Parliamentarian



"QUIT" — NOT in CDA Glossary!

"Quit" is not in the glossary of words for the Catholic Daughters of the Americas!

GOD never quit his LOVE and CARING for

each Catholic Daughter who received unique talents and abilities from him.

So, in our CDA courts, "QUIT" is a word blocked out of our list of terms to be used. Why? Because Jesus and Mary expect us to use all of our attributes to be of faithful service to God and mankind everyday—the charitable acts, the spiritual exercises, the educational opportunities each Catholic Daughter undertakes to aid God's earthly children are priceless!

So, putting a printed stamp "QUIT" on your COURT CANNOT happen! Saying "YES" to an office or chairmanship might seem scary, but you have so many resources to help you learn and put them into practice—Mary's help, member support, printed processes (Bylaws and Tools of the Trade), e-mail, phone, texting, workshops. A "quit" is a LOSS to the church, community, CDA (local, state and national)!

If you ever even think "quit," IMMEDIATELY CONTACT your STATE REGENT (Bylaws Art. XVI, Sec. 2), and pray daily for guidance. **HELP IS QUICKLY AT HAND!!**

—Pat Gildea, State Parliamentarian

Education for the Circle of Love—More Than You Think

In reading over the Circle of Love reports from our courts within Pennsylvania, I started to wonder if our courts have read the Tools of the Trade Education Section under Circle of Love in its entirety. Most courts that sent in their report used the Education Contest as their item to report. There were a couple of courts that reported about scholarships they give out. These are wonderful, but I am concerned when I hear from courts that say they didn't do anything or that they have nothing to report.

Education covers a lot of things that CDA members participate in without thinking about. In my court we have members that work with the CCD programs in different parishes. Does your court have members involved in that? What is offered in your area that your members can participate in? Does your diocese offer classes? Could your court start a bible study group?—or participate in one already started at a local parish? Are there local shrines or historical places you can visit? Does your local library need volunteers to help teach people to read? Is there a tutoring program in a school or with an afterschool program that could use people? Educating your court with an evening about wills and powers of attorney would count. You could have someone come in to do some sort of medical presentation and answer questions or as a group go to one hosted by a local hospital. That way you are participating in Education and spreading the word that Catholic Daughters of the Americas is active and alive in your community.

I'm sure that every court in Pennsylvania has something they can submit for education if they just read the Tools of Trade Education section and do a little thinking and talking with their members.

—Margaret Marie Gowaty, Education Chairman

Message from State Regent

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the courts submitting them. Checks for first (\$25), second (\$15), and third place (\$10) winners will be sent along with certificates to the regents. One check will be made to the court and the court is to distribute the funds to each winner.

A few State Fundraiser calendars are still available. Remember, each day is an opportunity to win at least \$30 with weekends offering \$40 and \$60 wins. One day a month a lucky winner receives \$100. Also, the 10-week tickets have been distributed and will begin on June 27, continuing for the next 10 weeks. Each weekly winner receives \$100, with the August 15th (Feast of the Assumption) winner receiving \$500. Sellers of the winning tickets each receive \$25. Your support of these fundraisers is most appreciated and helps to keep the State dues at \$2/year.

Peggy Witas, State Regent



Lucky Lottery Winners March/April 2018

Just a few calendars left—contact Lisa McCann, State Secretary. What a bargain—only \$25 with 365 chances to win! Monday-Friday the winner receives \$30, Saturday \$40, Sunday \$60. One special day a month a winner receives \$100!

March Lottery Winners

Peggy Guckin
Grace Schall
Rev. Steven J. Marinucci
Ann Malarkey
Pat Olson
Ct. St. Mark #1097
Betty Dugan
Cynthia P Greco
Father Donald Dusza
Melodie Hodnik (3X Win)
Carol Hovanec
Barbara Uncapher
Ct. Bellevue #655
Barbara Horn
Sue Kelly
Nellie Rostan
Letty Calvetti
Ct. Ebensburg #680 (2X Win)
Heather Hooper
MaryAnn Liberoni (3X Win)
Mercedes Rafferty (3X Win)
Margaret T. Giordano (2X Win)
Alice Havics
Kevin White
Sandra Johnson *
Cindy Ganska (2X Win)
Carol Hovanec (2X Win)
Jennifer Fox
Marietta Kois
Mary Thomas
Susan Palmer (2X Win)
*\$100 winner

April Lottery Winners

Angela Balog *
Jeanette Kitch
Ct. St. Francis #1726 (2X WIN)
Pittsburgh Diocesan Committee
Marleen Duley (2X WIN)
Mary Jo Knaus
AnnaMarie Dunn
Ct. OL of Victory #588 (2X WIN)
John J. Gallagher
Karen Smay
Pearl Smiach
Maria Danish (3X WIN)
Mary Catherine Edgar
Kevin White (2X WIN)
Jean Wise
Sandra Haney
Carol A. Schubert
Pat Gawryla
Teresa Murray (2X WIN)
Kate Fatter
Colleen Hetrick
Teresa Fedele (3X WIN)
Pat McKillop
Ceil Solties
Dolores Kara (2X WIN)
Ct. St Francis #1726
Rosina Volpe (2X WIN)
Larry Bleam
Pat McKillop (2X WIN)
Jon Sherman
*\$100 Winner

March Selling Court

IPSR Peg Guckin
OL of Victory #722
St. Matthew of Mayfair #1828
Westinghouse #759
St. Leo #356
St. Mark #1097
St. Dominic #2222
Washington #1651
St. Veronica #111
Annunciata #260
SO Lisa McCann
St. Theresa #562
Bellevue #655
IPSR Peg Guckin
Columbia #2
Callistus #66
PSR Letty Calvetti
Ebensburg #680
Prince Gallitzin #2625
St. Rene #1868
St. Rene #1868
Queen of Peace #1023
Bellevue #655
Erie #515
St. Leo #356
Erie #515
SO Lisa McCann
IPSR Peg Guckin
Uniontown #505
Easton #358
St. Martin #418

April Selling Court

Our Lady of Victory #2702
Columbia #2
St. Francis #1726
SO Lisa McCann
Ave Maria #650
Bellevue #655
Holy Trinity #1336
Our Lady of Victory # 588
St. Matthew of Mayfair #1828
Isabella #959
St. Rita #523
St. Catherine of Sienna #1992
Westinghouse #759
Erie #515
St. Marys #95
Easton #358
Bellevue #655
Blessed Madonna #2521
St. Martin #418
Erie #515
Erie #515
St. Veronica #111
New Kensington #860
Conception #35
Allegheny #664
St. Francis #1726
Monessen #776
Easton #358
New Kensington #860
SO Lisa McCann

*Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Pennsylvania State Court
Spiritual Intention*

The Mass is offered at Saint Therese of the Child Jesus,
Altoona, PA at 10:30 A.M. on the third Sunday of the month.
Proceeds benefit the Pontifical North American College in
Rome helping the Seminarians who are studying there.

For: _____

From: _____

Intention: _____

Happy 100th Birthday

Rose Luongo, Member of Court Washington #1651

Requested by: Laraine A. McGinnis, Past State Regent

Happy Birthday

Danielle Christian, niece

Adam Christian, nephew

Sr. Mary Paul, DM, sister

Theresa Ann Hauck, sister

Nicole Kreider, daughter

Jada Hoskins, granddaughter

Tom Hauck, brother-in-law

Charlotte DiCola, lifelong friend

Valerie Hatfield, daughter

Jeremy Hatfield, Jr., grandson

Karen Zeiset, longtime friend and co-worker

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Sr. Mary Paul, DM, sister

Theresa Ann Hauck, sister

Nicole Kreider

Robin Burgoon

Valerie Hatfield

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Dear Daughter Court, Congratulations!

Welcome to Catholic Daughters!

Court Our Lady of Fatima #2739

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Laraine A. McGinnis, Past State Regent

State Spiritual Intention Report

This report shows the many people whom we have included in our Spiritual Intentions, March-May 2018. Donations are forwarded to the National office to benefit the North American Pontifical College in Rome and are much appreciated by the seminarians there. Please consider using our Intention cards in the future. **Send Spiritual Intentions to Margaret Giordano, Second Vice State Regent. Her address is on the front page of this newsletter. Thank you!**

For Shelter

For the Homeless

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Prayerful Lent & Blessed Easter

Blessings Throughout this Holy Easter Season

All CDA Members

All Our March Retreatants

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Special Intention

Elizabeth Wijtyk

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Complete Healing/Recovery

Peggy Guckin

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Margaret T. Giordano

Officers of Court Rev. Patrick McArdle

(Karen Pipta, Jamie Provan, Pam Callahan,

Phyllis Gallio & Christine Surovec)

CDA PA State Officers and Members

Joanne Tomassi

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers and Members

Peggy Guckin

Sherri Nilles

Joanne Tomassi

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Complete Healing/Recovery contd.

Rose Cox
Peggy Guckin
Dorothy Mankowski
Requested by: Deanna Lee Teixeira

Good Health

Rita Smith-Wade-El, Past Regent
All our members
Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Successful Surgery and Complete Healing

Christina Seese
Peggy Guckin
Requested by: Lisa McCann

Peace and Harmony

World peace and harmony
amongst all God's peoples
Requested by: Fromknecht Family

Thank you for 35 Years as Chaplain
of the Allentown Diocesan Court

Rev. Floyd Caesar, Jr.
Requested by: Allentown Diocesan Committee
Courts Easton #358, Ryan #911 and St. James #1029

Thank You to Our May 6th Reception Committee

Court Queen of Peace #1023
Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Gratitude, Love and Prayers

All Armed Forces and their family,
friends, and pets
Requested by: Fromknecht Family

Unity and Charity

All Catholic Daughters
Requested by: Fromknecht Family

Rest in Peace/Repose of Soul

Stella Konopka, mother of Marge Bradley
Requested by: Marge Bradley
Peggy Guckin
Margaret T. Giordano

Jo Sharpe, mother of Nevada Regent
Requested by: CDA PA State Officers and Members

Alfred Strukel, father of Robin Krofcheck
Darlene Berchin, sister of Denise Quayle

Eleanor Bury Buffalo, member
Alice Lorraine Luskoski, mother of
Mary Luskoski Rehman
Ann Vorinoski, court member
Thelma Sonntag, court member

Requested by: Court Washington #1651

Annette Miller, member
Requested by: Court Westinghouse #759

In Memory

Mary Painter
Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Dolores Leath

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Mary Pat McGillion

Requested by: Court St. Francis de Sales #2617

With Deepest Sympathy

Adrienne Ellis
Eleanor Pigan

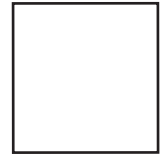
Requested by: Court St. Rene #1868

George Marinchak, husband of
Bernadette Marinchak

Requested by: Laraine A. McGinnis, Past State Regent



Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Peggy Guckin, IPSR
203 Harmony Ct.
Bensalem, PA 19020



Return Service Requested

***57th Biennial National Convention
July 18 – 22, 2018
Sioux Falls, South Dakota***

Wanted—All Catholic Daughters!

Rewards of Attending a Convention:
Unity, Fellowship, Spirituality, Fun, Frolic and Witnessing the Circle of Love in Action

Check out the National website (www.catholicdaughters.org)
for the workshops that will be held

Timothy Cardinal Dolan, National Chaplain will be the celebrant and homilist
for the **God and Country Mass** which will be celebrated on **Friday, July 20 at 5:00 p.m.**
Don't forget to wear your Red, White and Blue on this day.

There are still plenty of rooms available at the Dakotah Lodge
that is just up the road from the convention center with free shuttle
to/from the Denny Sanford Convention Center as well as the airport.

Dakotah Lodge
3200 Russell St, Sioux Falls, SD 57107
(605) 332-2000
(800) 658-4508

Margaret Giordano will be emailing the delegates and alternates
in regard to the **Pennsylvania State Dinner**
to be held on **Thursday, July 19, 2018.**
We hope to see you all for a fun-filled night of renewing friendships and making new ones.

Thank you for all you do to live out our motto of UNITY and CHARITY!