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This 'n That...

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Here am I, Lord, I've come to do Your Will.

By the time this newsletter goes to print, the beautiful leaves will have fallen, there will be a crisp "nip" to the air, the pilgrims will have returned from France and many will be making plans to "go over the river and through the woods to grandma's house" or other destinations. At

this blessed time of year, may rich and poor alike remember that we are called on to serve one another and to walk together in God's gracious world.

I'm sure your courts are very busy with projects, membership drives and fundraisers along with some celebrating significant anniversaries. We hope that you have taken care of the following responsibilities and will be looking forward to what is ahead for our state and national CDA.



REMINDERS:

1. State and National dues should be paid by now. Remember, it does not take a vote of the membership to pay these two bills. Please pay these when due as it is very time-consuming for your DDs and State Officers to make contacts for unpaid dues.

2. Financial Reviews were due by October 31, 2019. All officers should be present along with a review committee of 3-5 ladies from your court. Your District Deputy is to be present for at least one, if not both, of your FINANCIAL REVIEWS. DISTRICT DEPUTIES, if you have attended the Review, have you filled out your DD report?

SAVE THE DATE:

- ♦ **NATIONAL CONVENTION** – Dallas, TX, July 15 -19, 2020
Downtown Sheraton Dallas Hotel – (214) 922-8000 or 888-627-8191
Room reservations are now being accepted!!
- ♦ **PENNSYLVANIA WORKSHOP** – State College, PA, November 6-7, 2020
Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center, State College, PA
- ♦ **PENNSYLVANIA STATE CONVENTION** – Altoona, PA
April 17- 20, 2021, Blair Co. Convention Center and Hotel
(More information on the above events in future newsletters)

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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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State Regent Message

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Your state newsletter, the *Angelus*, is prepared and sent to you FOUR times a year. Regents, we hope you are sharing it with your membership, not just taking it to a meeting or emailing it. Take the time at your meeting, following the distribution, to highlight some of the noteworthy articles that appear. Many are involved in making this newsletter happen. We are hoping it can be a fun, educational tool for all.

As this year comes to an end (as does this article), I would like to wish you joy in your hearts, hope in God, love to forgive and peace upon earth as we rejoice this season with the best gift of all, the love of God. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! ■



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Essie Walker, National Secretary-Treasurer and National Representative

Once again, we can feel the excitement of the holidays in the air. It's important that we remember the real reason for our celebrations.

It is a time for families and friends to come together to celebrate the birth of Jesus and to give thanks for all blessings received during the year. During these special times, share the gift of love, peace and happiness. There is no greater gift than

to spend time with family and friends around the Christmas tree and talk about the journey of Mary and Joseph.

Remember that the Christmas heart is a giving heart, a wide open heart that thinks of others first. Let us continue to pray for all military troops serving near and far, our veterans and the homeless.

It's important that we remember Mother Teresa's quote about Christmas. "It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you." ...Yes, it is Christmas—smile at your brother and offer him your hand...may Our Savior's coming this Christmas bring to each of us that peace and joy that He desires to give. May peace and joy be with you and your family as we celebrate the outgoing and incoming year. ■

Our CDA pilgrimage was very spiritual and uplifting. To see so many saints in one country was amazing. To be in the grotto at Lourdes where Mary appeared to Bernadette was a beautiful experience. Also to pay tribute to all those men who served, especially on D-Day at Omaha Beach, was an honor and a privilege.



Fr. Edward Lamp, National Clergy Consultant, was Spiritual Advisor on our CDA Pilgrimage through France. After a homily, Fr. Lamp called Shirley and Bill Hall, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary in September, to renew their vows at the Crypt of the Notre Dame Cathedral of Lisieux.



Shirley Hall, Ed Guckin, Olga Samaniego and Peggy Guckin—at the grotto at Lourdes waiting for procession to start.



Jesus Has Given Us a Mission

*Father Jozef Kovacic
CDA State Chaplain
Dear Catholics Daughters of
the Americas and Friends,*

We just started the season of Advent that prepares us for the joyous celebration of Christmas. There is no doubt that Christmas looms pretty large in our religious traditions and imaginations. Sometimes it can overshadow the four weeks of Advent as if they were mere signposts counting down the days to the real event. Such a simple or narrow view sells Advent short and misses the spiritual opportunity to be had.

Advent, as you may know, means ‘Coming’ (*adventus*) in Latin. This is the coming of the Son of God into the world. For centuries now, Christians have used the four weeks of Advent to prepare and remember the real meaning and, we can also say, sacred meaning of Christmas. One of the images of Advent we are familiar with is the Advent wreath and its four candles. These candles express and celebrate various important themes of the Advent season. The Prophets’ Candle, symbolizing hope; the Bethlehem Candle, symbolizing faith;

the Shepherds’ Candle, symbolizing joy; the Angel’s Candle, symbolizing peace. One by one as these candles are lighted, there is more and more light coming from the Advent wreath, and light, as we know, overcomes darkness.

These are powerful themes and images that capture the spirit of this special season. All of us are heading to the manger during these Advent days, but we are not making this journey alone. We have the witness and the voices of many faithful followers of Christ as we draw closer to the manger to welcome the newborn King.

There is a story of a mother who sent her little daughter on an errand to the store with instructions to hurry straight home. Two anxious hours later, the girl returned. Her mother asked, “Where have you been?” “I’m sorry I’m late,” the girl said, “but I met my friend Jackie, and she broke her doll and I had to help her fix it.” “How could you help fix her doll? You don’t know anything about doll repair,” the mother said. To which her daughter replied, “I knew that, so I just helped her cry.” The little girl knew what to do for her friend Jackie, but not just what to do for her but what to do with her—she helped her cry.

The gospel of Jesus Christ our Savior gives us an insight into the mission of Jesus and into our own mission in life, as well. The Lord constantly reminds us

that there are things—His things—that are just more important and must be done. Like the girl, who readily showed compassion and love for her friend, Jackie, we Christians are called to do more than just say our prayers and show up on Sunday morning for church. We must do more than get ready for all the secular aspects of celebrating Christmas. Each of us has been given a mission from Jesus. That mission is more important than all the errands in the world! We will be busy preparing for Christmas during these Advent days, but we must never forget the mission and the spiritual significance of these upcoming days.

May we all, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of our Lord and our Mother, in “Unity and Charity,” continue to rejoice in God’s great love that was made so clearly visible when the Eternal Word became one of us and brought, and still brings, God’s peace to all people of good will. May we be the bearers of God’s light and love to all we meet and touch them with the same loving and merciful hand God has extended to us. ■



*Adoration of the Shepherds
Francisco Rizi (1608-1685) RestoredTraditions.com*



Court Chatter

ALLENTOWN DIOCESE

Court St. James #1029, Frackville

Court St. James #1029 hosted the Allentown Diocesan Meeting, October 26th, at the Pine View Restaurant in Pottsville. Other courts in the diocese are Court Easton #358 and Court Ryan #911. For the first time, guest courts from the Diocese of Harrisburg also attended: Court Our Lady of Victory #588 and Court Queen of Peace #1023.



Left to right, back row: Kathleen Peeler, Eileen Yanno, Pauline Coughlin, Virginia Asaif (hidden); middle row: Barbara Persing, Pat Blean, Nora Avellino, Margaret Giordano, Andrea Chabon, Andrea Accardi, Kathryn Gaughan; front row: Mary Selway, Janice Boychak, Barbara Meusel, Georgann Connell and Karen Mastriana

GREENSBURG DIOCESE

Court St. Bernard #339, Indiana

Court St. Bernard #339 held a shower for the Carmelite Community of the Word's Hands and Hearts Haiti Ministry. The sisters in Gallitzin send sea containers to their sister community in Haiti. Haiti is the poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere. The CDA collected food, clothes, cleaning supplies and hygiene products from the parishes of St. Bernard of Clairvaux and St. Thomas More University Parish. The response was tremendous! We delivered five vehicles of supplies to Sister Marilyn in Gallitzin!



Pictured above are Suzie Spiecker, Elayne Busovicki, Mary Ann Donatelli, Debbie Davidson, Patricia Mencer (seated), Juanita Buffalini, Nancy Taylor, Bonnie Bicego, Joy Behr, Jan Sharbaugh, Patricia Dalecki, Louise Bivens, Coleen Bowser, Barbara Minor, Gloria Kanick, Ruth Becker and Kathy Nealer (kneeling). Alicia Minor took the photo.

ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN DIOCESE

Court Ave Maria #399, Lock Haven

Court Ave Maria #399 celebrated a 100th Anniversary on September 28th.



Front row, left to right: Patricia Yufer, Regent; Shirley Hall, State Regent; Peggy Guckin, National Director & Past State Regent and Jean Hessler, Recording Secretary
2nd row: Colette McCaffrey, State Secretary; JoAnn Marcuakevage, Vice Regent, Court Ave Maria #399

Unity and Charity

GREENSBURG DIOCESE

Court Vandergrift #1008, Vandergrift

Court Vandergrift #1008 celebrated CDA Sunday by attending Mass as a group and sharing breakfast in the church hall following.



*Left to right, seated: Raffelina Shaner, Jean Rowe, Regent; Elaine Smith, Mary Daldoss and Maggie Golofski
2nd Row: Kathy Policicchio, Vice Regent; Ida Lucas, Rosemary Ferrante, Financial Secretary; Francine Gervasi, Barbara Ferrante,
Angie Kasecky, Treasurer; Marge Shannon, Arlene Colecchi, Ellen Odasso and Clarice Hooks
3rd Row: Marilee Kessler, Arlene DePanics, Adele Ameno, Recording Secretary; Fran Botti,
Kathy Carlton, Vicki Azzarone and Helen Schmiech
Back Row: Chaplain Rev. James Loew, OSB and Theresa Shields, District Deputy (partially hidden)*

HARRISBURG DIOCESE

Courage Lion Program, Penn Medicine Lancaster General Hospital, Lancaster

Courage Unlimited Corporation just found a new home in Lancaster in the Pediatric Unit at Penn Medicine Lancaster General Hospital. Margaret T. Giordano and Susan Sharer, representing our Pennsylvania Court and the local Court Queen of Peace #1023, were privileged to attend this 181st launch of the Courage Lion Program, one of the five Pennsylvania Pro-Life Projects.



*Left to right: Chris Ramming, Susan Sharer,
John Ramming and Margaret Giordano*



Court Queen of Peace #1023, Lancaster

Members at CDA display table at St. Anthony of Padua Church Christmas Bazaar



*Left to right: Susan Sharer, Linda Greineder,
Mary Selway and Margaret Giordano*

Members of Court Queen of Peace #1023 participated in Catholic Daughters Day, October 20. Five new members took the CDA Membership Pledge and current members renewed their pledge.



*Left to right: Sr. Mary Paul (seated); next row: Susan Sharer, Andrea Accardi, Karen Mastriana, Ruth Zankl, Margaret T. Giordano, CarolAnne Ferreira and Paulette Manzella;
back row, right: LeeAnn Hrycaj and Robin Burgoon*

Court Chatter *contd.*

PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE

Philadelphia Archdiocese celebrates 43rd Annual Catholic Daughters Day, St. Joachim Church

90 members attended the Mass. The celebrant was Rev. Matthew Palkowski, OFM Cap., con-celebrant was Rev. Thomas Higgins, Chaplain, Court Rose Cecilia #1641. Lunch followed at Gallo's.



Rosary carriers: Carol Parsons, Suzanne Garnett, Lynn Kelly, Loretta Cain and Mary Moretz



*Heather Goldsmith of Court Ave Maria #650
Crowns Blessed Mother*



New members take membership pledge

*Court Ave Maria #650, Frances Williams
Court Holy Trinity #1336, Kathryn Czajkowski
Court St. Francis De Sales #2617, Julia Roldan
Court Mystical Rose #2628, Elizabeth Corcoran and Regina Price*

Court St. Ephrem #2230, Bake Sale, Bensalem



*Diane Beal, Barbara Jackson, Rose Marie Medash,
Dolly Maronski and Carol Parsons*

PHILADELPHIA ARCHDIOCESE

Apostleship of the Sea

Peggy Guckin
Past State Regent
Publicity State Chairman



In 1920 a Port Ministry was conceived. Its goal is to provide spiritual, physical and psychological services to seamen at port locations in the United States. It also provides priests on cruise ships to serve the passengers and crew. Holland American Cruise Lines has a priest on every sailing. Today, we know this ministry as Apostleship of the Sea. The Philadelphia courts support this ministry with a ditty bag project. Courts give monetary donations or supply toothpaste, shampoo, razors, shaving cream, pens and paper, hard candy, socks, work gloves and other necessities and treats for seafarers, including hand-knitted hats and scarves that are especially appreciated in the cold North Atlantic. There are several packing days when volunteers come together to reach their goal of over 3,000 ditty bags. These bags are taken to the ships as they come into Philadelphia and New Jersey ports starting around Thanksgiving. Apostleship of the Sea is one of our CDA National Projects. Does your court support it?



Peggy Guckin, Tina Dambach, Deanna Lee Teixeira, Dolly Maronski, Jeanette Cardinal, Joanne Walker, Patty Abersa, Jen Wrazen and Colette McCaffrey

PITTSBURGH DIOCESE

Court Washington #1651, Washington

Court Washington #1651 of Washington, Pennsylvania was challenged by Regent Robin Krofcheck to collect as many pairs of flip-flops as possible. Members brought them to the annual End-of-Summer Memorial Mass and Picnic. More than 150 pairs were collected and donated to Washington City Mission, Avis Arbor, Turning Point and Julie's House. Residents used them for shower shoes and every day wear for the summer.



Left to right: Mary Corbett, Chantal Grudi, Marylou Adamcik, Beth Endres, Linda Kubacka (past Regent), Peggy Pizzi, Vice Regent

Court St. Ephrem #2230, Caring for Friends

Court St. Ephrem #2230 members wrapped up food trays and placed sweets in bags to be given to those in need at Thanksgiving from Caring for Friends, formerly known as Aide for Friends.



Around the table, left to right: Bernadette Burton-Balot, Dolly Marinski, Natalie Marconi, Maria Rosar, Sally Hayes, Barbara Jackson, Peggy Koshenzenko, Carol Parsons and Diane Beal



Ladies working in the kitchen placing food in the trays. 125 trays were packaged for Caring for Friends. Left to right: Rose Medash, Linda Gilmer, Kathy Porter, Pat Lafferty and Laura Tertel

PITTSBURGH DIOCESE contd.

On September 21, the combined courts of the Pittsburgh Diocese sponsored their annual Seminarian Benefit. It was a beautiful afternoon spent with many of the seminarians, their directors and the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the Most Reverend David Zubik. This year's proceeds of \$2,800 were donated to the seminary.



Left to right, seated: Laraine McGinnis, PSR and Diocesan Chair; Bishop Zubik; Peg Witas, IPSR. Standing: Members of Court Westinghouse #759; Betty Dombrosky, Court Treasurer; Margaret Gowaty, Court Regent; Ruthann Hornyak; Georgine Bogovich; Christina Seese, Court Recording Secretary; and Jane Brosius. Standing in back: Terry Gojkovich, Court Financial Secretary and Lisa McCann, State 2nd Vice Regent.

Court Westinghouse #759, Turtle Creek

Members of Court Westinghouse #759 worked hard preparing for and making a delivery of two truckloads of donations for the Little Sisters of the Incarnation, Haiti. The delivery was made October 2 to Sr. Marilyn Welch, CCW in Gallitzin, Pennsylvania. The Court was also able to make a \$500.00 monetary donation.



Left to right: Christina Seese, Court Recording Secretary; Sr. Marilyn, Betty Dombrosky, Court Treasurer and Lisa McCann, State 2nd Vice Regent

SOAR! Gala

The gala, held at the New York Athletic Club, is a major fundraiser for SOAR! which provides grants to religious congregations to meet the immediate needs of their retired and infirm members.



The National Board, New York State Board and many members from New York Court St. Margaret Mary attended the SOAR dinner

Improving the Support, Cooperation and Participation of Your Court Members



Sue Kelly
State Leadership Chairman

We are all familiar with the Golden Rule: Treat others as you would like to be treated. However, when we are trying to get the support and cooperation and participation of our court members, it works even better if we treat them as “they” would like to

be treated. It is so easy to fall into the trap of using an encouragement that works for us personally to get participation. You might like having the court acknowledge your efforts on a project by thanking you publicly at a meeting, but, someone else might prefer a written note of thanks instead.

As you get to know your court members, you will find that some prefer not to be called upon for their input while others are delighted when you ask for their input publicly. So, how do you figure out which is which? It is a slow and steady process of getting to know each member and what works for them. The other officers may be able to help as they may know that person better. Or another way to know what they prefer is to simply ask the person. Does she like public recognition or private? Written or verbal? Sometimes asking about the most meaningful recognition she ever received will give you the best clue.

First though, remember to check that the person you are asking to help with something heard the message

correctly. We have all had the experience when we are talking about one thing, having it heard by others differently—sort of like that game where you whisper something in one person’s ear and they pass it on and by the time it gets to the last person it is an entirely different message.

When people listen to what we are saying, what they hear might be impacted by several things including their ability to hear, whether or not they were distracted (like other people talking around them), fatigue, depression, discouragement, boredom and even their mood. If someone is in a good mood, they tend to hear the message as more positive than if they are not in a good mood or maybe even not feeling well at that time.

So, clarifying that your message or request was heard correctly is important to getting a good result and having everyone feel good about themselves and what they did. This successful communication is an important part of giving recognition.

Be optimistic that you can deliver your message and give the best recognition possible. Always phrase things in terms of what can be done or will be done and immediately address all problems and define them in finite terms. Being well prepared works best so you can be flexible to the needs of your court members as they ask questions or even challenge a position being presented.

One of the most effective ways to get support and cooperation is to smile and get the person to smile back at you. It sets a positive mood and conveys trust and support. Checking in with the person or team working on a project to see if they need anything is another good way to show support and recognition and to hopefully ensure that when you seek their cooperation and participation in the future, it will be there. ■



Tempus Fugit
MargaretMarie Gowaty, State Education Chair

Time is flying. I hope everyone has already talked with schools and CCD programs and your court members and children, grandchildren, etc. about participating in this year's Education Contest. Before you know it the State submission deadline of March 1st will be here. Don't fool yourself into thinking that you have lots of time.

Please remember to remind your judges to be very strict about the rules for each category. No matter how wonderful the submission is, it will be handicapped if it doesn't follow the guidelines set by National.

Fellow CDA sisters, I encourage you to participate in the Adult group. Only CDA members can submit entries for the Adult group. You never

know what you can do unless you try.

For courts not participating in the Education Contest, I strongly urge you to find something else to do. I'm sure if you take time to read the Tools of Trade description of Education in the Circle of Love, you will be able to find something that your court already does or could do to submit for the Circle of Love submission—even if it's only a handful of your members participating, it is still an educational project that CDA members participated in. ■



Early Warnings That Your Court is in Trouble

Janet Oesterling, State Membership Chairman



- Decline in membership numbers
- Officers being too dominating
- Members do not feel welcome
- One member controlling decisions

If you answer yes to any of the above, you need to contact your District Deputy / State Supervisor to attend your local court meeting. She will be able to direct you to the State Membership Team which can help you with resolving some of the issues. Some suggestions you should consider if you answer yes:

Decline in membership:

- Conduct a membership drive/tea
- Invite ladies to local court meeting
- Have a spiritually-filled court

If officers are being too dominating in your court:

- The court belongs to you the members not the officers.
- Volunteer to be on a committee.
- Conduct a survey with members listing problem.
- Discuss problems on list

Members not feeling welcome:

- Become a mentor to a new member
- Offer to take them to the meeting
- Ask them to be on your committee
- Spend time with a new member

One member controlling decisions:

- Remember it's your court
- Speak out in favor of or against her controlling things
- Be willing to volunteer

The issues listed above have been noted in disbanding courts and courts may have been saved had these issues been addressed early on. We all are together in promoting Catholic Daughters and its good works. ■



Brighten Someone's Day!

Jeanette Kitch, State Treasurer

Hello Ladies,

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!—filled with lots of family, friends, fun and great memories to share in the years ahead, but most of all good health.

Remember it is not always easy for everyone during the holidays—family and friends may be far away or gone to see Jesus—so remember those we love and those who need our prayers, send a card or be the cheery voice on the telephone to brighten their day.

Thank you, ladies, and may Jesus and His Mother Mary bless you. ■



National Projects National Charities

Lynn Kelly

Chairman, National Projects

Did you know that there are five National Projects and ten National Charities?—Habitat for Humanity, Holy Cross Family Ministries, Laboure, the National Center on Sexual

Exploitation and Soar encompass the National Projects. The National Charities include Apostleship of the Sea, Catholic Relief Services, Covenant House, Disaster Relief, Catholic Extension, Missionaries of Charity, National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, Pontifical North American College, Tutwiler Clinic and Smile Train.

Each local court needs to support the National Projects by sending \$20 per project, per year, for a total of \$100. This \$100, when combined with all the other courts, provides for a significant donation for those charities to enable them to help many people. You don't need to contribute the \$100 in one month. You can spread it out throughout the year.

If possible, the local courts are also asked to donate to a few of the National Charities to help them minister to the welfare of others.

These donations should all be sent to our state secretary along with the Pennsylvania State Court Local Court Donations form which can be found under our state website CDAPA.COM. To find the form select the following: Resources, Forms, Court Forms, Donation Form *PA*. The form can also be found in *The Angelus*, our award-winning State Newsletter, Fall edition.

When you are completing your form, just put the amount you want to contribute on each line of the charity you wish to receive your donations. You can use the one form and complete one check for all of your donations. In the memo part of the check, reference the charities you are supporting with that check. Mail the form and the check to our new **State Secretary, Colette McCaffrey, 3813 Dartmouth Place, Philadelphia, PA 19136.**

Throughout the year, I will try to provide information about the different charities so that you can understand where your donations are going and who they are helping. God bless you for your support! ■

August Lottery Winners

Louis Nemec
 Bob Hawkins
 Court New Kensington #860
 Jean Lenz
 Alice Woodford
 Mary Strucko
 Padre Pio Prayer Center
 Helen Fox
 Irene Harpster
 Dorothy Sterrett
 Mary Bowes
 Jenn Kocher
 Mary J. Snyder
 Angela Deemer
 Court Annunciata #260*
 Andrea Christoff
 Marilee (Toni) Prough
 Madelyn Tomasura
 Lili Faber
 Kate Maloney
 Margaret Edinger
 Stephanie Wright
 Margaret Krajci
 Adele Cusack
 Laura Rumbol
 Annette Ajay
 Karen Verba
 Mary C. Wydra
 Karen Luffe
 Dorothy Sterrett
 Court St. Rene #1868
\$100 winner

August Selling Court

Patricia #998
 St. Victoria #646
 New Kensington #860
 St. Bernard #339
 Holy Trinity #1336
 Easton #358
 St. Francis De Sales #2617
 Sylvia Fox
 Blessed Madonna #2521
 Lambing #314
 ND, PSR Peggy Guckin
 SR Shirley Hall
 Our Lady of Victory #588
 St. Marys #890
 Annunciata #260
 St. Catherine #1992
 OLO The Alleghenies #1755
 St. Marys #890
 St. James The Greater #2180
 Rev. Patrick Mcardle #448
 SO Lisa Mccann
 Coraopolis #965
 New Kensington #860
 ND, PSR, Peggy Guckin
 Sylvia Fox
 Prince Gallitzin #2625
 Easton #358
 Our Lady of Victory #588
 SO Lisa Mccann
 Lambing #314
 St. Rene #1868

Sept. Lottery Winners

Barbara Weible
 Kathleen Peeler
 Heather Graff
 Ct. St. Rene #1868
 Mary E. May
 Toni Prough
 Therese Keil &
 Anna Mae Rock
 Janet Hill*
 Jeanette Kitch
 Ann Young
 Claire Dale
 Carol Schubert
 Peg Witas
 Bernadette Behary
 Joanne Tanner
 Dorothy Costulas
 Sylvia Fox
 Allison Hawk
 Ct. Vandergrift #1008
 Anna Marie Dougherty
 Mark Glowacki
 Sylvia Fox
 Antoinette Sharetsky
 Terrie Kerstetter
 Anne Albertson
 Michael Fox
 Betty Bohatch
 Ed O'sullivan
 G. R. Orr III
 Kathleen Peeler
\$100 winner

Sept. Selling Court

Monessen #776
 Our Lady of Victory #588
 Sylvia Fox
 Ct. St. Rene #1868
 (Former) Ct. Erie #515
 OLO The Alleghenies #1755
 Ct. Butler #443
 Sylvia Fox
 Ct. Columbia #2
 Ct. St. Francis De Sales #2617
 Sylvia Fox
 Ct. Bellevue #655
 Ct. St. Rene #1868
 Ct. Brownsville #1141
 St. Dominic #2222
 St. Veronica #111
 Sylvia Fox
 Patricia #998
 Vandergrift #111
 SO Lisa Mccann
 Lambing #314
 Sylvia Fox
 Easton #358
 Veronica #111
 Peggy Guckin
 Sylvia Fox
 St. Florian #2240
 St. Bernard #339
 Coraopolis #965
 Our Lady of Victory #588

**Peace Be With You!****Lisa McCann****2nd Vice State Regent**

My Dear Sister Catholic
 Daughters,

What a glorious time of
 our church year we are
 entering! I encourage you
 to dedicate extra time both
 personally and, together with
 court members, to pray and

celebrate the beautiful preparation time of Advent. I
 will continue to pray for you and I wish you all a holy
 Advent and Christmas season. Peace be with you.

P.S. Consider a court project of sending Christmas
 greetings to all your members that have not been able to
 attend recent meetings. I am sure they would appreciate
 being remembered. ■

October Lottery Winners

Rev. Christopher Barnes
 Pat Gawryla
 Arthur Wolfgang
 B & K Mulholland
 Barbara Jones
 Andrew Fox
 Dolores Markulik
 Bridget Wallace
 Dave Novak
 Linda Soltis
 Maryann Ferro
 Mercedes Rafferty
 Elaine Larocca
 Gail Gavin-Stout
 Carol Gouty
 John Lomicka
 Bill Schockling
 Beverly Geary
 Lisa Maverro
 Stephen Dolan*
 Fr. Mike Suslowicz
 Ct. Our Lady of Victory #588
 Wally Reimer
 Margaret Krajci
 Sherry Freund
 Christine Joraskie
 Kathleen Figueroa
 Shirley Kurzynski
 Raphael Rhoads
 Carolanne Ferreira
 Linda Snyder
 *\$100 winner

October Selling Court

Immaculate Conception #2454
 Blessed Madonna #2521
 St. James #1029
 Mystical Rose #2628
 St. Francis De Sales #2617
 Sylvia Fox
 Greene County #1923
 Butler #443
 PSR Margaret Novak
 St. Gerard Majella #2751
 PSR Peggy Guckin
 St. Rene #1868
 Of Our Lady #647
 Easton #358
 Blessed Madonna #2521
 SO Lisa McCann
 SO Lisa McCann
 SO Lisa McCann
 Allegheny #664
 Sylvia Fox
 Westinghouse #759
 Our Lady of Victory #588
 SO Lisa McCann
 New Kensington #860
 Ryan #911
 Our Lady of Victory #588
 Sylvia Fox
 Westinghouse #759
 Our Lady of Victory #722
 Queen of Peace #1023
 Mary May

**Final National Charity
 Fundraiser Winners - Pennsylvania**

09/04/2019, Jeanette K., Meadville

09/11/2019, Carol A., Rural Valley

09/25/2019, Matthew K., Wellsboro

10/18/2019, Jean H., Mill Hall

10/20/2019, Karen L., Boalsburg

Over 61 Million* People



Dolores Croyle, Spiritual Enhancement

What can 61 million people do? Will one be our next president? One will find a cure for cancer, AIDS or some other disease. How many will become good and holy priests or religious? Some will become teachers in our schools. They can become scientists and work on improving our environment. Some will become farmers and improve the yield of crops to help end world hunger. Who will they marry? How many children will they have?

What will 30,000 Pennsylvanians do? One will be our new governor. Others will become priests or even a bishop. What legislation will they pass when they become representatives or senators? Some problems in our state will be peacefully solved. We will have police, firemen and military personnel.

Think about 80 children a day. That can be four (4) new kindergarten classes a day. The population in our schools will no longer be dropping. There will be a need for more teachers along with all other school employees. There will be more jobs everywhere.

What do all of these numbers have in common? Not one of these people ever saw the light of day. Since *Roe v. Wade* was decided by the Supreme Court in 1973, 61,000,000 people have been legally aborted. 30,000 babies lose their lives each year in the state of Pennsylvania (2017 statistics, PA Dept. of Health). The opportunity to make a difference in the world is lost by 80 children every day in Pennsylvania.

Who has our country lost? A president? A governor? A priest? A pope? A scientist? The list can go on. And with the loss of each of these people is the children they may also have had. The cost can never really be known.

When the Spanish arrived in the Americas in what is today Mexico, they saw the slaughter of human sacrifice practiced by the Aztecs. They felt the need to convert these people to Christianity. But they only attained success through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe and her appearance to Juan Diego. We need her help today to end the slaughter of unborn children.

With the March for Life to be held on January 24, 2020, I encourage all Catholic Daughters to pray to Our Lady daily. In addition to prayer, we need to speak out against abortion. We need to support legislators who are pro-life. And we need to vote so that our voice—and the voice of the unborn—will be heard. ■ **numberofabortions.com*



—File photo; Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, London, England

Opening prayer, Vigil for Life, Thursday, January 23. Mass begins at 5:30 p.m. in the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The Most Reverend Joseph Naumann, Archbishop of Kansas City, KS and Chairman, Committee on Pro-Life Activities, will be the main celebrant and homilist. **March for Life, Friday, January 24.** We march to end abortion and to share the vision of a culture of life! Will you be there with us in Washington, DC?

Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child's life.

Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine Mercy of your Son.

Teach us to cherish and to care for family and friends until God calls them home. Help us never to see others as burdens.

Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice.

We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.

Catholic Daughters' Doings



Margaret T. Giordano
First Vice State Regent

My Dear Catholic Daughter Sisters,

I am so very happy whenever I can see my Catholic Daughters' sisters throughout Pennsylvania!

In early September, I attended our State Officers Board Meeting in Tyrone,

Pennsylvania. We are working on plans for next year's State Workshop and the 2021 State Convention, as well as taking care of any necessary business regarding the health and welfare of our courts.

On September 15, I was privileged and happy to attend the 100th Anniversary Celebration of Court St. Martin #418 in Honesdale, Pennsylvania. What a surprise it was, a bonus, when I found out that the priest who said the Mass celebrating this momentous occasion was from my very own Lancaster County and even went to the same high school that I had attended!

October was a busy month. Catholic Daughters Day was October 20th. I hope all Pennsylvania courts were able to celebrate just how special our organization is.

On October 26, my Court, Queen of Peace #1023, and the other in the Diocese of Harrisburg, Court Our Lady of Victory #588, were both invited to and attended the Allentown Diocesan Meeting in Pottsville. It was with great pleasure that we joined Court Easton #358, Court Ryan #911 and Court St. James #1029.

On October 27, I had the opportunity to celebrate with Court St. Veronica #111 on their 110th Anniversary. Can you believe that as I approached the town of Renovo in my car, an American bald eagle flew right above me!! I could only think that that was a good omen...

On October 30, Susan Sharer and I were privileged to attend the 181st launch of the Courage Lion Program at the Penn Medicine Lancaster General Hospital. Courage Unlimited Inc. President John S. Ramming and his wife, Chris, gave four Child-Life Specialists, Susan, and I a launch training on the Courage Lion program, where Duffy will initially help 250 children in the Pediatric Unit at our Lancaster Hospital.

As autumn ends and winter nears, those courts who were less active during the summer months are getting busier, yet many courts who were active all summer may be taking a little break during the winter months. Let us all remember to pray for our sister courts and to ask our Patroness, the Blessed Mother, to be with us at all times on our journeys as Catholic Daughters. May our "breaks" refresh us and revitalize our efforts to serve our Church and communities.

I want to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving Day holiday, a very Merry and Blessed Christmas holiday season, and a New Year filled with Joy, Health and Happiness. ■

Parliamentary Procedure Pointers



Patricia M. Gildea
State Parliamentarian

**Subsidiary Motions—
Most Effective Tools to
Streamline a Meeting and Get
Action on a Main Motion.**

TWO of particular importance:

...Postpone to a Certain Time

This motion takes precedence over the Main Motion and all

Subsidiary Motions below on the ladder of Subsidiary Motions. If more time is needed for further consideration or research on a proposed Main Motion, the Motion to Postpone to a Definite Time to take action...is the correct Subsidiary Motion for the member to use.

...Lay on the Table

(The "general" of the subsidiary motions.)

Takes precedence over all other pending motions. It is a delaying motion only temporarily, to ensure adequate time for the next item of business that must be decided at this meeting. (This motion is **often misused for postponing action**). ■



Faith, Hope and Love

Colette McCaffrey
State Secretary

Preparing spiritually for the coming of Christ is often a thought in the back of our minds during the Christmas season. We often get brainwashed by the media in the frenzy of gift buying. We worry about getting the perfect

gift. Will so and so like this or will they like that? Before we know it, Christmas day is here and we haven't taken time to ready ourselves spiritually.

This Christmas, although easier said than done, I would like to suggest that we really try as the saying goes, "Remember the Reason for the Season." Remember, Advent is a time to slow down. A time of preparation for the birth of Our Lord. A time to reflect on keeping the light of hope alive even when things seem the darkest. A time to reach out to those who need a hello from us. A time of forgiveness. A time to go out of our way to make someone forgotten feel special. A time of joyful hope in the coming of the Prince of Peace. So maybe this year we can try to be mindful of Advent and the specialness of it. We can try to put aside time to reflect on the wondrous gift of the birth of the Christ child and to listen to the Lord as he leads us to Christmas day. My prayer for all Pennsylvania Catholic Daughters is that your Advent be filled with Faith, Hope and Love and your Christmas be one of joy in the belief that Our Savior is born! God bless you and your loved ones. Thank you for all that you do in service to others. ■

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 110th Anniversary

Court St. Veronica #111

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Happy 100th Anniversary

Court Ave Maria #399

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers
Peggy Guckin, National Director

Court St. Martin #418

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Court West Chicago #432

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

Court Butler #443

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

100th Anniversary Congratulations!

Court St. Martin #418

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Happy 95th Anniversary

Court Doyle #932

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Happy 50th Anniversary

St. Catherine #1992

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Bill and Shirley Hall

Requested by: Shirley's Sister
CDA PA State Officers

Have a Safe and Enjoyable 50th Anniversary Trip

Bill and Shirley Hall

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Congratulations on Your 10th Anniversary

Court Prince Gallitzin #2625

Requested by: Laraine McGinnis, Past State Regent

Congratulations on Your 1st Anniversary

Court St. Gerard Majella #2751

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

State Spiritual Intention Report

This report shows the many people whom we have included in our Spiritual Intentions, September-November 2019. 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, First Vice State Regent. Her address is on the front page of this newsletter. Thank you!**

Happy Anniversary

Rodney and Susan Hicks

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

Rich is Looking Down on You
With Our Mother Mary and Her Son

Rich and Peggy Witas-3rd Anniversary

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

Happy 25th Jubilee

Reverend Timothy O'Sullivan

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

Increase in Membership

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Membership and New Courts

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023
CDA PA State Officers

We Wish You a Colorful Fall Filled with Lots
of New Faces and Great Ideas

All Our Members

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

May the Holy Spirit Work Through Each of Them
to Educate God's Children

Religious Education Directors, Teachers & Staff
All Saints Catholic School & Holy Name Catholic
School Principals, Teachers & Staff

Requested by: Court Joan of Arc #716

Appreciation

Fr. Larry, Deacons Mike and Chris,
Fr. Thad, Fr. Andira Kilt and Deacons

Requested by: Court Our Lady of Victory #722

In Appreciation of All Your Hard Work
on Our Newsletters

Peggy Guckin and Marge Bradley
Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Thank You for Saying "Yes"

Our DDs and State Chairman

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Thank You for Welcoming Us to Scottsdale

Arizona State Court

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Thank You for Your Service to Our Country

All US Military Veterans

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Blessings on CDA Day and Always!

All Catholic Daughters

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Happy 80th Birthday

Janet Kreiner

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Happy Birthday

Alessandra Hoskins, Granddaughter

Tina Morgan, Niece

James A. Giordano, Jr., Brother

Mary Selway, Sister

Susanne Gillespie

Cathy Roth

Charlie Sultzbach, Father-in-Law

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

CarolAnne Ferreira

Alessandra Hoskins

Mary C. Selway

Andrea Accardi

LaRue Lautsch

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Dottie Balestreire

David Butler

Requested by: Johanna Leonard

Olga Samaniego

Marialice Sagan

Carolyn Malik

Pamela Poland

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

May We All Love and Respect Life

People of All Ages and Stages of Life

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Mary, Our Mother and Patroness, Be With Us

All Members of Our Court

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Get Well Blessings ♦ Health and Well-Being

V. Valeria

G. Oldham

Requested by: Court Our Lady of Victory #722

Symone Houston, Daughter of Evanda McDuffie

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Sr. Mary Paul, DM, Spiritual Advisor

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Renewed Health to a Brave & Courageous Woman

Lorraine Borgese

Requested by: Johanna Leonard

Officers & Members of Court Allegheny #664

Speedy Recovery

Sr. Karen Duddy

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

Successful Surgery

Martha Schmidt

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

For Successful Treatment and Full Recovery

Mary Ann Kiser

Requested by: Peggy Guckin, National Director

Rest in Peace

La Tayna Hatfield

All Deceased Members

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Margaret T. Giordano

Murphy Montler, son of Connie Montler

Requested by: Court Prince Gallitzin #2625

In Memory

Henry A. Horn, Grandfather

James A. Giordano, Sr., Father

Margaret Horn, Grandmother

Margaret H. Giordano, Mother

Robert F. Leath

Requested by: Margaret T. Giordano

Dorothy Strike, Mother of Member, Leah Anne McPeake

Member Virginia Rydzak

Rosemarie Quayle, Mother-in-Law

of Member, Denise Quayle

LaVern Moll, Mother of Member, Pam Bamberger

Past Regent Lucille Frank

Lyle Sundin, Father of Member, Maureen Premro

Requested by: Court Washington #1651

All Deceased CDA Members and Family Members

Requested by: CDA PA State Officers

In Remembrance

Maxine Nava

Requested by: Court St. Mary's #890

Helen Bitts, Past Recording Secretary

Mother of Father Grimme

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

With Deepest Sympathy and Prayers

A. Laurito

Adeline Fornick

Requested by: Court Our Lady of Victory #722

Lucille Frank, Past Regent Court Washington #1651

Requested by: Laraine McGinnis, Past State Regent

Welcome!

New Member Andrea Accardi

New Member Carly Long

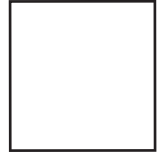
New Member Paulette Manzella

New Member Karen Mastriana

New Member Ruth Zankl

Requested by: Court Queen of Peace #1023

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
Peggy Guckin, PSR, National Director
203 Harmony Ct.
Bensalem, PA 19020



Return Service Requested

Mary, Our Queen

You will find, that...as in Mary's prerogatives themselves, there is the same careful reference to the glory of him who gave them to her. You know, when first he went out to preach, she kept apart from him; she interfered not with his work; and, even when he was gone up on high, yet she, a woman, went not out to preach or teach, she seated not herself in the Apostolic chair, she took no part in the priest's office; she did but humbly seek her Son in the daily Mass of those, who, though her ministers in heaven, were her superiors in the Church on earth. Nor, when she and they had left this lower scene, and she was a Queen upon her Son's right hand, not even then did she ask of him to publish her name to the ends of the world, or to hold her up to the world's gaze, but she remained waiting for the time, when her own glory should be necessary for his...

In you, O Mary, is fulfilled, as we can bear it, an original purpose of the Most High. He once had meant to come on earth in heavenly glory, but we sinned; and then he could not safely visit us, except with a shrouded radiance and a bedimmed majesty, for he was God. So he came himself in weakness, not in power; and he sent you a creature, in his stead, with a creature's comeliness and luster suited to our state. And now your very face and form, dear Mother, speak to us of the eternal; not like earthly beauty, dangerous to look upon, but like the morning star, which is your emblem; bright and musical, breathing purity, telling of heaven, and infusing peace. O harbinger of day! O hope of the pilgrim! Lead us still as you have led; in the dark night, across the bleak wilderness, guide us on to our Lord Jesus, guide us home.



The Assumption of the Virgin
Guido Reni (1575-1642) RestoredTraditions.com

—St. John Henry Newman
Canonized October 13, 2019
From Discourses Addressed to Mixed Congregations
Volume I, Cardinal Newman's Catholic Sermons, 1937