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CDA MISSION STATEMENT: Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality, and the advancement of human dignity for all.

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Regent's Message

Dear CDA Sisters,

The evening of Wednesday, May 27th, was a busy one as we completed our Court's Financial Review and held our May monthly meeting. Everyone attending the review and meeting practiced social distancing. It was different not to be able to see all the smiling faces as they were covered with face masks to keep everyone safe and healthy!

During the meeting, the election of officers was held for the 2020-2022 term. Congratulations to our newly elected officers! I know they will achieve great things in the coming two years, and I ask you to give them your full support.

I would like to personally thank the outgoing officers for sharing their time and talents to serve our court for the past 2 terms. These officers worked tirelessly keeping the books up to date as well as participating in officers' meetings. They also worked diligently to ensure that CDA events such as the two district women's retreats, Make A Difference Day, and honoring dads on Father's Day were successful. I know this has been especially challenging for them during these last 3 months when we learned to use Zoom to hold our meetings!

As Regent, I felt great joy when serving our court, taking part in the celebrations with our members, helping with the Senior VIP's annual parties, and the birthday parties at Colonial Belle Nursing Home. I have been honored to represent the court when handing out Senior Scholarships to our exceptional young adults! Some of my best memories were from representing Court St. Elizabeth at our State Conventions. There I was able to build great friendships while learning how things operate at the state level. I have been honored to serve as your Regent and have loved these past four years!

The following passage from the CDA Share Magazine hopefully will be as much of an inspiration for you as it was for me:

- S**how kindness and empathy; it makes you more human.
- H**ave compassion for others and their situations.
- A**dd value to your life and others by being positive and knowing your worth to society and sharing what you know.
- R**each out to loved ones because you never know what tomorrow may bring.
- E**stablish where your place is in the universe and make sure you pay it back. Life is too short and should be cherished at every aspect.

We will be taking the summer off and resume our meetings on September 14, 2020. Tentative date for the Nursing Home Birthday Celebration is September 19, 2020.

Enjoy your summer and stay cool!

May the Lord bless you abundantly,
Iris Orellana
Regent



CONGRATULATIONS!

2020-2022 Local Court Officers

Regent	Carolyn Ritchey
Vice-Regent	Iris Orellana
Recording Secretary	Diane Bartlett
Financial Secretary	Leticia Villagomez
Treasurer	Suzanne Steffens

**Mandatory Officer Training
August 22, 2020
(Officers, please bring your court books)
8:30 A.M. Registration
9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. Workshop
St. Roch's Catholic Church
Mentz, Texas**

Installation of Court Officers has been postponed.

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Dear Jesus,

Help us to remember that the Catholic Daughters of the Americas® is composed of all types of women, all of whom are children of God. Our courts will be filled if we fill them. They will do great work if we work. They will make generous gifts to many causes if we are generous. They will bring other women into its fellowship if we bring them.

Catholic Daughters will be an organization of loyalty, love, faith, and noble spirits if its members, who make it what it is, are filled with those qualities. Therefore, with the help of God, we dedicate ourselves to the task of being all that we can be so that our Order continues to the benefit of Catholic womanhood, and that it may spread Unity and Charity among all members. AMEN!

Prayers & Memorial Mass Cards
By: Rose Schroeder, Memorial Mass Card Chairman

Let us pray for our world and for each other that our hearts may be filled with the love of Jesus to endure what is before us.

For our deceased of our parish and community especially Paul Dronka, Marie Kaminski Stastny, Colby Eckelberg, Earl Hering, and David Nastoupil.

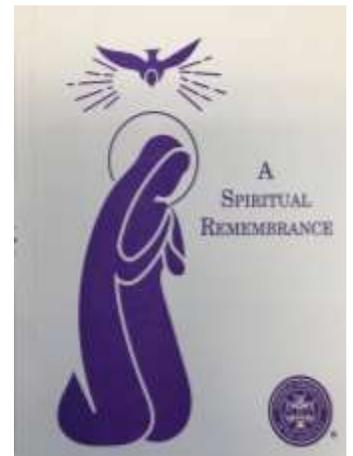
Keep all the sick listed in our church bulletin, family, and friends in your prayers. We pray especially for Rose Brown, Lynn Konieczny, Tom & Billie Jean Nichols, Janet Rapsilver, and JoAnn Zaruba.

A precious prayer card is a wonderful gift of love. They are not just for the deceased. There is a variety of reasons to offer up someone in prayer. Sending a prayer card means more than you will ever know.



\$25.00 per card
Perpetual Mass Card

If you wish to purchase one of the Mass cards, please contact the respective chairmen. Contact Rose Schroeder at 979-885-3480 for the Memorial Scholarship Fund (MSF) Mass Cards, and Carolyn Ritchey at 281-220-9064 or musicaltunes4me@yahoo.com for the Perpetual Mass Cards.



\$2.50 per card
MSF Mass Card

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Dates to Remember:

June/July/August 2020 NO MEETINGS

September 14, 2020 CDA Meeting 7:00 P.M.
Refreshments served at 6:30 P.M.

MAY MEETING RECAP

Regent Iris Orellana presented our scholarship recipients with a certificate. We congratulate Hannah Moyle, Carter Cryan, Hunter Thielemann, Elizabeth Eckelberg, and Kelsie Krenek, and we wish them the best!



From left to right: Hannah Moyle, Elizabeth Eckelberg, Regent Iris Orellana, Kelsie Krenek, and Carter Cryan

We also had (3) young ladies receive State scholarships: Elizabeth Eckelberg, Sydney Kaiser, and Pamela Cerda Puente. Way to go!

Election of officers was conducted. Newly elected officers are listed on page 2 of this newsletter.

Congratulations to our court for being awarded a 3rd Place prize for the MSF Memorial Mass Card contest. Winners are based on the number of cards that each court and its members send out each year.

Thank you was given to Maria Munguia and Lillie Spillars-Svec for their donations to the gift shop.

Prior to our meeting, the financial review was conducted by our chairman, Diane Fuller. The review team found that all books for CDA and JCDA are in order. Thank you to our current officers for a job well done.

Budget for the year was presented, discussed, voted on, and accepted by the membership. If you wish to see a copy of the approved budget, please contact our new Regent, Carolyn Ritchey.

First Communion gifts have been purchased and received. Celebration of the sacrament will take place at various Masses in the coming weeks.

Since our senior breakfast was cancelled, the court voted on gift cards for the graduates and their immediate families. Each graduate will receive a gift card to Tony's as well as an MSF Memorial Mass card.

Deacon Ben spoke on the good of the order. He thanked the out-going officers and welcomed and congratulated the newly elected officers.

Our District Deputy is working on rescheduling the installation of court officers. Carolyn Ritchey will inform everyone as soon as a date is set.

JCDA NEWS

By: Abby Lynn Moyle, JCDA Chairman



Membership is for young girls of the Catholic Community ages 6-18. If you know of any young girls in our parish who want to join this wonderful organization, or if you want more information, please contact Abby Lynn Moyle or Tracie Eckelberg.



NATIONAL NEWS:

PROPOSED SLATE OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

National Regent	Sherry Nilles
National Regent Elect	Emily Guilherme
First Vice National Regent	Susan Moné
Second Vice National Regent	Essie Walker
National Secretary-Treasurer	Carol Miller Bogacz

PROPOSED SLATE OF NATIONAL DIRECTORS

Connie Dronette	Louisiana
Carolyn Malik	Texas
Ivone da Silveira	Puerto Rico



STATE NEWS:

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY UPDATE

Melissa Aguilar

Habitat for Humanity Chairman



Due to COVID-19 and the crazy amounts of rain, HFH house that was scheduled to be built by May 2020 has been delayed. As of April 23, HFH

Executive Director Mary Wormington told me that the slab has not been poured yet because of the rain, and then quarantine was issued. It is likely that the May 16th date to Raise the Walls will be postponed. I will contact HFH next week for some updates.

On another note, THANK YOU to the 87 courts who have sent in their donations for HFH. We have reached two-thirds of our goal. I am in the process of reaching out to the 158 courts who have not responded. Also, HFH t-shirts are available for \$15 with a \$5 shipping fee. Please email me for an order form at maguilar@stmaryslgv.org or print the form off our website at www.texascdca.org.



September Hostesses: Cynthia Grigar, June Kocich, Patsy Verm, Joyce Eckelberg, Vernell Ermis, Irene Krenek, Mary Cano, JoAnn Zaruba, Janice Kana, and Lisa Wilson

CDA UPDATED HANDBOOKS

Updated handbooks will be available at the September 14th meeting

June is Sun Safety & Skin Care Awareness Month

PROTECT YOUR SKIN

DRINK PLENTY OF WATER



From the Desk of Deacon Ben Munguia, Court Chaplain:

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Please pray for my niece, Robyn Munguia. She is a single mother of six young children. She was diagnosed with stage four cancer. Robyn is the younger daughter of my oldest brother, Pete Munguia, who passed away in December last year from cancer.

Friday, May 22, she had surgery to install a port and began chemo. Currently her older sister, Dawn Munguia, carries a heavy burden of taking care of her sister, their mother, and Robyn's children. Please keep them in your prayers.

“Lord, to whom shall we go?” A feeling of emptiness should overcome us when we separate ourselves from Jesus. We are lost without Jesus in our lives. Truly we need the guidance of the Holy Spirit to help us as we walk in a society & people who feel the need to take complete control of their decision making. Often decisions that are not rooted in the teachings of the Church or our faith. We should ground ourselves on what we learned from scripture & Church doctrine. Otherwise we will be like those who left in the Gospel with nowhere to go.

Your Brother in Christ,

Deacon Ben Munguia





Kim Kaiser (June 3rd)
Camie Wozniak (June 7th)
Donna Magjarevich (June 19th)
Deacon Robert Kent (June 20th)
Lenore Dronka (June 22nd)
Brenda Krchnak (June 22nd)
Elena Munguia (June 26th)
Susie Shupak (June 30th)



Tracie & Chad Eckelberg
(June 5th - 21 Years)

Renee & Patrick Tarlton
(June 7th - 12 Years)

Yvonne & Troy Tesch
(June 14th - 45 Years)

Monica & Michael Gross
(June 18th - 32 Years)

Mikie & Berk Ehret
(June 20th - 56 Years)

Angie & Terrie Coggins
(June 20th - 39 Years)

Patsy & Charlie Verm
(June 23rd - 36 Years)

Janet & Larry Rapsilver
(June 24th - 53 Years)

Lyn & Ben E. Novicke
(June 24th - 47 Years)

JoAnn & Franklin Zaruba
(June 29th - 57 Years)