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Regent's Reflections Mary Pufall, State Regent

Greetings Dear CDA Sisters!

So many wonderful things are coming up on our CDA calendar, that I hardly know where to begin. I received a message from Sharon Stevens, Regent of Court St. Cabrini, regarding the dedication of the Habitat home built this year. This celebration will be held on December 13th in Fergus Falls. We are thankful that this has been accomplished so quickly and pray the new family enjoys their new home for years to come.

The State Board enjoyed visiting with so many of you at the Summer/Fall Workshops. We greatly appreciated everyone's hospitality and warm welcome. We learned, laughed, and enjoyed the sisterhood that Catholic Daughters are known for. Our reviews were very positive, and we appreciate your feedback so we can continue to improve and make changes. One question on the survey, "Would you like a visit from the Leadership Team?" was marked by many as a yes. Unfortunately, some did not include their contact information. We discussed the challenges many courts are facing as we continue to go forward. If your court would like a visit, please let me, Ellen Huneke or Nancy Bambenek know. The Leadership Team is happy to meet in person with your court and help with any issues or concerns you have.

We also delivered all those gummy bears that summered in my kitchen—but that's a story for another day. Thank you to all the courts who participated or contributed to our annual Habitat for Humanity project. It is truly heartwarming to hear of the generosity of people for this wonderful cause. As of this date, I have not received any applications for next year's build. Please consider it!

Last spring, Shirley Seyfried and members of her court met with women interested in starting a new CDA court near Fergus Falls. This fall, Shirley, Monica and Cathy met with a group of ladies interested in starting a new court in the metro area. We are hopeful we can gain enough interested women to start these new courts. We will keep you updated.

Plans for our State Convention are well underway for celebrating our 100th anniversary as a State Court April 21 and 22, 2023. Please watch for the initial call to convention coming out the end of this month and the Final Call to Convention with more specific details, the end of December. The Detroit Lakes Court Holy Rosary members are preparing a warm welcome for all of us. Please plan to attend!

It is with sadness, I share that Court Bishop Schenck #2010, Crookston disbanded in September 2022. This court welcomed me as a new member over 25 years ago and I treasure their friendship and support. The decision was not an easy one, a great deal of thought, prayer and discernment took place. The women of this court are wonderful examples of what it means to be a Catholic Daughter. Several members transferred and were warmly welcomed by Court St. Cecelia in Red Lake Falls.

In the new year, we will be praying for women seeking to expand their leadership skills and share their talents, to consider joining the MN CDA State Board. To learn more about these exciting opportunities, please contact any member of the State Board to discuss it further. Continued prayers for those discerning or desiring to serve as a State Officer.

Wishing you and your families a very Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!



Mary Pufall



Wonders of His Love

May the Wonders of His Love

fill your hearts and your homes this Christmas!

Blessings from the MN CDA Board

Cathy, Monica, Mary, Vera and Jeaneen

Dear CDA Sisters,

The upcoming season of 'gift-giving' reminds us of the invaluable gifts we ourselves have received - of the intimate and personal relationship our Lord and Savior offers to us, of the blessings of family and friends, and of opportunities to share time, talent and treasure with others of fewer resources than ourselves.

With this in mind, I am particularly **THANKFUL** to our CDA sisters who are serving or who have served as leaders in our local courts, and in state and national leadership roles. Everyone who has served as a committee chairperson, a court officer, a district deputy, state chair or officer knows that the rewards of leadership are at least, if not *more* rewarding as the time and effort put into the position. Thank you all for your service and for 'gifting' our Minnesota Catholic Daughters with your time and talents. These rewarding experiences are recurring, so please pray about and share your talents when the opportunities arise.

This fall, I was particularly pleased to have a chance to visit with our District Deputies after they visited their assigned courts. I was especially **GRATEFUL** to hear them report of all the good things happening in your courts, and of your responsible use of funds raised in the name of Catholic Daughters. Some reminders that came out of the financial reviews during these visits include the importance of following the review process as made available at the past two year's state workshops and of relying on the guidance of your District Deputy. This process is important for maintaining our non-profit status. Another reminder is to highlight any approved expense payments in your meeting minutes – this practice serves as a tool for easy identification of expenses that should be included in your financial review. It is also important for the officers of the court to be present at the financial review – they are resources to the review team if there are questions or discrepancies that need clarification. And membership roles that are kept up to date will result in accurate billings from National and State.

We are **BLESSED** that you are making God's work your own for the good of your communities and our world.

God's blessings to you all in this Holy Season!

Cathy Nelson

2nd Vice State Regent

REMINDER TO COURTS TO SUBMIT IRS FORM 8822B

What is a Form 8822B you ask? This form is used by businesses and non-profits to notify the IRS of an address change or change in the responsible party of a group/business. Each Catholic Daughter court is required to complete and submit this form to the IRS whenever the court has a change in Regent (responsible party). No other form needs to be submitted to the IRS because local courts are under the umbrella of the National Catholic Daughters, but this form must be completed to maintain our non-profit status.

Form 8822B can be found on the National Catholic Daughters website at catholicdaughters.org Click on Forms at the top of the page to find three files related to this form – instructions, a blank 8822B form, and a form entitled 'IRS Change of Address Form' with the lines highlighted that must be completed. The current Regent should complete the form, adding the local court's name and number behind 'Catholic Daughters of the Americas and It's Courts' on line 4a and using her own name, address and signature as the responsible party. One of the required items is the court's EIN number. If you do not have a record of your court's EIN, contact the National Office to ask for yours. Then keep a record of your court's EIN in the Regent's permanent files along with a copy of your completed 8822B for future reference when a new Regent takes office. Regents who have not already done so, should complete this form now and send it to their appropriate IRS office as indicated in the instructions.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any State Board member for guidance on how to complete the form.



Left:

A fun photo of the group on the Oberammergau Passion Play and the Shrines of Germany pilgrimage!

Father Larry Delaney, State Chaplain



Fr. Larry Delaney,
Pastor

Greeting in the Lord,

The summer and fall months in Minnesota seem to go by so quickly! We did have a beautiful summer and the colors in much of the state were spectacular this fall.

At the beginning of the fall, I had the great opportunity to join the State CDA pilgrimage to Germany and Austria. The highlight was the Passion Play at Oberammergau, six hours long with a break for dinner. It was truly a moving experience. The pilgrimage included other religious experiences such as daily Mass, visiting lots of churches, the Black Madonna in Attotting, the birth and baptismal home of Pope Benedict XVI and daily time of prayer with the group. We also visited historical sites such as: the home of Mozart, sites of the movie "Sound of Music", the castle of Ludwig II, two former Olympic cities, a national park and a significant site related to World War II (Eagle's Nest). A whirl wind but worthwhile pilgrimage.

The church in the United States is currently experiencing another type of pilgrimage. For three years we are making a journey of Eucharistic Revival. The first year of the revival is concentrated on diocesan events. Perhaps you have attended or have seen information about this in your local diocese. The second year is focused on the local parish and specifically how we can be the Body of Christ and enhance belief in the true presence in the Eucharist in our local parishes. I encourage local courts to assist your parishes in this phase of the Eucharistic Revival. This also coincides with the CDA goal of reaching out to increase membership. The more we connect with our faithful local parishioners, the more likely they will be drawn to the mission of CDA.

The final year of the Eucharistic Revival will kick off with a Eucharistic Congress being held in Indianapolis in the summer of 2024. Eucharistic Congresses are rare events so one being held so locally is a great opportunity for all of us to attend and increase our own devotion to the Eucharist.

As we begin a new liturgical year, let us all invite the coming of the Lord into our lives throughout the year.

In Christ,

Fr. Larry Delaney



Upcoming Court Anniversaries
Court Winona #191, Winona—110 Years—2/2/1913
Court St. Cabrini #1466, Fergus Falls—75 years—3/7/1948

**New Education Themes for the 2022-2023
National Education Contest**

“We walk by faith, not by sight” 2 Corinthians: 5,7

OR

“When do I have to lean on my faith more than sight?”



Publicity Report Forms

Each year every court is asked to complete a Publicity Report. A big Thankyou to the courts who sent me reports last Spring. They were very enjoyable to read. The Publicity form for the next year will soon be sent out. Start now using an easy way to keep track of National, State and Local Court projects, programs by using a binder with tabs marked for each category. Each court should have a Publicity Chair or Committee who can be responsible for this and completing the form. Keep track of how you notify members, church community, the public, State CDA, National CDA about meetings, projects, programs. Do you use email, local court newsletter, church bulletin, websites, flyers, CDA State Newsletter, Share Magazine, etc.? I am looking forward to receiving your Publicity reports, which should be postmarked by March 1, 2023.

Bonnie Hein, State Publicity Chair

Quality of Life may have different meanings to many of you. At this time, I would like to share a few special daily readings from the “Living Faith” booklet. Many of your local churches have these available to their parishioners in English and Spanish.

Become the Messenger...

A favorite children’s game in our house was “Telephone” A short sentence is whispered into someone’s ear, that someone whispers it to the next person, and so on around the room. The last person repeats aloud the message for comparison to the original. The message usually gets broken or confused along the way, demonstrating the inevitable alteration that happens when a message gets passed from human to human. How can it be that God’s message, uttered from the dawn of time and throughout history, is passed unbroken from person to person, from generation to generation, down through the ages? God’s message is simply Christ. We don’t just say and hear the message; we become the message. (Mary Marrocco) What was once “red” is now “gray.



Blessed Through Remembering...

Years ago, I read about and implemented a little gratitude project called “The Blessing Bag.” Each night, I’d write down what I was grateful for on a slip of paper and drop it into a bag. Each New Year’s Day, I’d dump the bag out and review all those beautiful moments from the previous year. When I came to the one about a wonderful evening I’d spent with an old college friend, I was inspired to copy the moment onto another slip of paper and mail it to her. Upon receiving it, she admitted she thought our friendship was fizzling out. But that little slip of paper showed her how much I cared. It motivated us both to recommit to our relationship and strengthen our bond. (Claire McGarry) Take time to reach out to others – family, friends, etc.

What makes for Peace ...

For some, approaching Thanksgiving might feel like preparing for battle. Some of us may be in conflict with friends and families. If that is the case for you, take heart. Jesus didn’t see eye to eye with everyone at his table, either! Now is a good time to start praying about it, though. Ask the Lord how you can invite peace at your table this holiday. Are there topics you could agree ahead of time to avoid for the day? Can you plan to step away for a few minutes if you feel your blood pressure rising? We can’t control how others behave, and we shouldn’t allow abuse, but we can choose our actions and attitude. We can show up with gentleness and curiosity. We can treat others as we would like to be treated, as Jesus taught. We can take the first step toward peace (Karla Manernach) Jesus, help me to seek peace this holiday!

Prepare the Way ...

Have you been preparing for Christmas since this fall? Are you just getting started? No matter how long you’ve been at it, chances are you still have a list of things to accomplish. All that bussing around is part of the fun and excitement – to a point. When we get bogged down by our lists, though, it’s easy to lose sight of what Christmas is all about. Take a moment today to check in with yourself. Are you harried, short tempered or resentful? Are you more focused on presents than presence? On cleaning than community? On food than friends and family? Ask God to be with you in your final preparations. Our words and deeds in these last days of Advent are how we announce the coming of Christ. We are preparing the way of the Lord! (Karla Manernach) Lord, help me to prepare my heart for you.

As life goes on, please share these thoughts with your CDA sisters.



There are 14 girls right now in our court. We meet monthly on Saturday mornings. We have been busy with our Annual Daddy Daughter Dance, a Mother Daughter Tea which we hope to make an annual event. A family movie night and recently the girls have put together baskets for a local organization called Family Promise which is hosting a silent auction for families in our area that need assistance. The girls also hosted a bake sale which they did all the baking for. They have learned well from their mothers and grandmother's.



Thanks to our four JCDA courts—they are our **FUTURE!**
Let's promote and establish more JCDA courts in Minnesota!

We can learn from our youth!

Idea from St. Charles JCDA—We have a "hostess" for each meeting and that person or group of girls are in charge of a faith based lesson for that meeting. This is a good idea for either JCDA or CDA courts!



JCDA Court St. Teresa of Calcutta, Perham

For our October activity, we sewed hand warmers for nursing home residents. We put rice, scented with orange oil, inside each of them.

Joint Installation of Officers and New Member Reception

We had the joint Installation of Officers and New Member Reception on Saturday, June 18, 2022, with Courts Sacred Heart #1424, Waseca; St Anne #1840, Medford; and Owatonna #1180, Owatonna. It was hosted by Court Sacred Heart in Waseca and was held in the Treanor Campion building, across from the Church of the Sacred Heart in Waseca, at 10:30am.

Cathy Nelson, State 2nd Vice-Regent, was the representative from our State Board, and Betty Hager, District Deputy, was also there to officiate our installation.

We started out with Mass; our celebrant was Father Thé. After Mass, Waseca had two new members recognized and received into CDA. Each board group was recognized, sworn in, and blessed by Father Thé.

Court Sacred Heart had a wonderful luncheon for all who attended the event. It was a nice way to end a very nice service.

Court Owatonna’s new Officers for 2022- 2024 are: Ruth Broumley, Regent; Rose Ann Rypka, Vice-Regent; Ellyn Jardine, Recording Secretary; Julie Bosshardt, Financial Secretary; and Terri Schuette, Treasurer.

I’d like to thank Court Sacred Heart #1424, Waseca for hosting the installation of Officers and for a wonderful event, and to Cathy Nelson for representing our State Board, and to Betty Hager for officiating the event. Also, a thank you to our new Officers, and Dina Atkinson for taking the time to be at this event and to Lee Jardine, who took pictures for us.

In 2024 it will be Court Owatonna’s turn to host the Joint Installation of Officers and New Member Reception.



Officers of Court Owatonna #1180



Officers of Court St. Anne #1840



Officers of Court Sacred Heart #1424

Miracles Happen

This is the story of an answer to prayer, the power of the Rosary and God’s timing.

On June 20, 2022, just before our courts meeting, I received a text message from my sister, Kathy. A friend asked if Kathy knew anyone who said the Rosary. Kathy forwarded her friends request to me – the friend’s grandson, Nate, had been in a boating accident and was going into surgery and could we pray for him. We said a Rosary with Nate’s intention. By the end of our meeting, Kathy sent another text saying that Nate was out of surgery and the doctors were hopeful but that he would have a long recovery.

On June 21st, Kathy sent a text saying that Nate had “face time’ with his parents, was sitting up in a chair, and was eating. Also, that Nate was moved from ICU to trauma care (less critical).

On June 22nd he passed the cognitive and balance tests, and he was sleeping well.

On June 23rd he went home.

Update on October 23rd, Nate is in college and doing well.

The power of the Rosary, God’s timing, and faith caused an answer to a grandmother’s text for prayer.

Ruth Broumley, Regent Ct Owatonna #1180



Left: **Court Sacred Heart, Waseca** held an Election Day Prayer Service the week prior to Election Day 2022. Through an advertisement in the local church bulletin, members of the parish were invited to attend, and all CDA members were encouraged to invite their friends, family, and neighbors. At this service, those gathered prayed the Patriotic Rosary and recited the Litany for Liberty.

Warm Feet - Loving Hearts

Right: **Court Sacred Heart #1424, Waseca**, asked all parishioners to contribute socks for the Annual Socktober Project during the month of October. A clothes basket was kept in the church entry all month long for new sock donations. 619 pairs of socks were collected, and then donated, to the local Neighborhood Service Center. Socks are the most requested item of the homeless. This winter, there will be a lot of warm, happy feet in Waseca County!



Court Winona #191's Sophi Schneider and Colleen Peplinski



Above and right: Celebrating Catholic Daughters of the Americas Sunday and our State Gummi Bear project is **Court Winona #191** members Sophi Schneider and Colleen Peplinski. Sophi arrived at our October meeting with TONS of pop tops (okay, just over 9 pounds!) that we save for the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester, MN, serving children and families seeking medical care since 1980. Just another small way we are helping families in our area!

Court Our Lady of the Fields #2107, Argyle

New Officers were Installed September 21st at St. Rose of Lima in Argyle. The members of the court were thankful that several women said “yes” to the office. The officers and court members decided at the September meeting that the monthly meetings would not be held during cold months of January and February (but would meet in June and August instead). The court will continue to provide supper in February to the local Group Home residents and staff members. Other projects that the court will continue include Prayer Blankets; cards to students in First Eucharist, Confirmation, and high school graduates; baby gift bags; two scholarships to high school graduates; sponsoring the Community Christmas Tree for the Argyle Group Home residents, and several other activities within the community. The Salad Bar Luncheon is scheduled for May 6 at St. Rose.



Above: The officers photographed include in the front row: Treasurer Liz Anderson, Vice Regent Patsy Whitlow, Regent Melanie Nelson, Financial Secretary Veronica Knoll, and Secretary Judy Adolphson. In the back row: District Deputy Alana Kuznia, State Regent Mary Pufall, and State Treasurer Vera Hannig.



Court Queen of Peace #1558, Slayton

Quilts made by Past Regent Joyce Risacher were taken to St. Francis House in Sioux Falls, SD to be used by the homeless residents.

Pictured left to right:

Back—Joann Halbur, Rita Lear, Rose LeTendre Center front—Mary Gaul

Right: Char Harguth has been a member of **Court Sacred Heart #1424, Waseca**, since 1960. Not only has she been an asset to our court by being generous with her time, she is also an accomplished artist, creating beautiful drawings on various mediums, which have been on display at our local art center. Recently, she was awarded 1st place in the State, in the Adult Poetry division of the CDA education contest. Congratulations, Char!



The **Catholic Daughters of Blue Earth Court Joan of Arc #691** displayed white ribbons in front of our church on the trees and asked CDA members to display ribbons at their homes and on various places in town as a reminder that involvement with pornography leads to behavioral, psychological and social problems and for the need to enforce obscenity and related laws.



Below: There were two new projects for **Court St. Mary #509, Moorhead** this fall: one for Education and one for Legislation.



Left/bottom pictures: **Education**

A request was made from St. Joseph School for the need of dictionaries for the 3rd grade classrooms as they use them in class every day. The previous donor was no longer able to provide them. Court St Mary #509 voted to support the local school children in this way. Cathy Bjorklund presented the dictionaries to the students.



Above: **Legislation**

There were many political offices up for a vote this year, so Court St. Mary #509 partnered with the local Knights of Columbus to host a prayer service the day before election day at St. Francis de Sales church. The prayer service included an opening prayer and song, the patriotic rosary, the litany for liberty, and then a closing prayer and song. There were approximately 40 people from around the Fargo-Moorhead area in attendance.



April: Birthright Baby Shower, Pizza Ranch Fundraiser for Horizons Crisis Center

May: Memorial Mass for deceased CDA members. Support Seminarians with Mass Kits and personal letters of encouragement. Presented 2 \$500 Scholarships to Lauren Zick and Brenna Springborg.

Summer: Created a Butterfly Garden at Hill Street Place, along with an Ice-Cream Social, calling Bingo and Dilly Bars at Heritage Point. We shared coffee with cookies in the Fall when we planted Mum plants for all to enjoy. Pressure washed the Statute of Blessed Mary at the Holy Redeemer School along with adding many shrubs to surround her. A CDA volunteered to create 30 Fidget Mats, presented one to an autistic boy, 12 to Heritage Point, 3 to Marshall Public School, 12 Marshall Area Dementia Awareness Network, Sponsored a Rosary at the Hi-Way #19 Cross Site. Continue sewing quilts for many requests for pre-school and the elderly. Cleaned 30 large round tables in our church reception hall. Cleaned the Faith Formation kitchen and 4 storage rooms for our quilting supplies. CDA worked a 10am-3pm shift at the Local Lyon County Fair Stand. Attended the CDA Fall Workshop.

September: Installation of New Officers, welcomed five new members, had a Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser of \$1,511, this was presented to the Sisters of Mary Morning Star for remodeling their kitchen.

October: CDA Mass, distributed Gummi Bears, Trunk and Treat for all the children. A "NO Work Yard Sale monetary collection.

November: Election Prayer Service with patriotic rosary, litany and patriotic music. Serving at Reception after the Holy Redeemer All Soul's Mass for all deceased members in the past year. CDA Volunteers a daily delivery of "Meals on Wheels for 2 weeks.

Just a wrap of all our love for serving our community!

Right: Installation of Officers:

Mary Carstensen, Susie Sammons, Paula Curry, Deb Louwagie and Mary Tate



Left:
Ice Cream Social
at Heritage Point

Below: New Members:

Joyce Kesteloot, Julie Dolan, Dar Doom, and Evelyn Schmidt, not pictured Mary Coquyt



Below: Gifting Fidget Mats





Left: Canvas & Wine - Ct St Charles #1791 hosted this recruitment event on September 22. Attendees were treated to wine and snacks as they painted their canvas.

Regent Tina Lewis invited nonmembers to join CDA and gave a short talk about CDA goals and activities.

Right: Officers of Court St Charles hosted the first meeting of the year as "School Lunch Ladies" and provided a packaged lunch as a take on back to school. The officers will have a theme each monthly meeting.

Pictured (l-r) Ashley Polzin, Pam Beirne, Vicki Gathje, Tara Miller and Tina Lewis



Above: Past Court St Charles Regent Michele Splittstoesser stirred up a magic potion at the St Charles October meeting



Right: Court St Charles members participated in "Trunk or Treat" on Oct 29th, giving out candy to over 400 children.

What a fun time!!!

Right: "Make & Take Pie Fundraiser" - Court St Charles members gathered and made homemade apple pies and froze them to be picked up for Thanksgiving dining.

Pictured is brand new CDA member Val Heim and Chairperson Marlys Hinckley. Lots of helping hands made for a great time.



Court St. Rita #409, Perham

Court St. Rita #409 hosted a School Days themed Style Show on Oct. 29, 2022 at St. Henry's Church basement in Perham. This was our 53rd annual Style Show to raise money to support many local charities throughout the year. Fashions from local merchant's, Nadines, Norththreads and Sweet Bee's were modeled. The event included a brunch, silent auction and door prizes. JCDA Court St. Teresa of Calcutta members assisted with handing out prizes. Guests enjoyed the decorations which included old pictures of schools and students. Pictured on the stage are some, but not all, of the many members who worked hard to decorate and bring everything together. Just before the show, Regent Leanne Stoll gathered members together for a prayer of thanks just before guests arrived. Because members worked together in Unity and Charity, the event was fun and successful!

While this is our biggest event, Court St. Rita was also busy during September and October sponsoring a Patriotic Rosary with the KC's on 9-11-22 between morning masses, participating on CDA Sunday filling various ministries during mass followed by serving coffee and Sweet breads to the parish. There was a display table of information and members to answer questions for CDA and JCDA. On this day members offered Gummi Bears at the 4 parishes in the NCACC for the Habitat for Humanity State Project. Court St. Rita also collected items for the month of October for Someplace Safe, raising awareness for domestic abuse.



Left: back left to right, Sue M, Financial secretary Pat H, Sharon N, Mary M, Cheryl W, Dianne R-S, Regent Leanne S. Front L-R: Sherryl H, Vice Regent Janel A, Lori C, Recording secretary Jackie H, Fuzz H.



Summer Tour

Left: Fifteen members of Ct St. Mary Peter #1864 (including our court chaplain) toured the Preston/Fountain/Spring Valley area on Wednesday, August 3, 2022. The day started out by visiting St. Columban Catholic Church in Preston with oral history of the church’s beginning to present day. We then visited the Veterans Cemetery, recited the Patriotic Rosary and took a self-guided tour. After having a wonderful lunch at the Branding Iron, we toured the Fillmore County History Center and Museum. Our day ended with wine tasting at Four Daughters Winery. It was a fun-filled day and enjoyed by all.

Ronald McDonald House-Rochester

Right: After two years of not being able to serve meals in person at the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester, Ct St. Mary Peter #1864 was back in business serving dinner to the families residing at the house on Wednesday, October 19, 2022. Forty-three meals were served. Families enjoyed chicken breast, mashed potatoes, stuffing, glazed carrots, coleslaw, rolls, fruit cups and raspberry dessert. The families were very appreciative of the home cooked meal. Our court also purchased items to fill pantry at the house.



Picture of Court members at Ronald McDonald House Left to right – Patrice O’Reilly, Rick Ryan (filling in for Jan Ryan), Andrea Arens, Kathi Arendt, Linda Kazmierczak, Jeanette Richardson



Appalachia Christmas Mission

Above: Ct St. Mary Peter #1864 participated in the Appalachia Christmas Mission organized by the St. Paul & Minneapolis Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women. Court members purchased Christmas gifts and made Papal Footprints shoe boxes for the residents of Kentucky where the need is even greater after the summer floods. Jan and Rick Ryan delivered the boxes to the Olive Hupf farm in Randolph. The Ryan’s vehicle was packed to the brim. Thanks to court members for their generosity.

Mother Teresa Exhibit

Right: On Saturday, October 8, 2022, Saints Peter & Paul’s Catholic Church (Mazeppa), Knights of Columbus and Ct St. Mary Peter #1864 hosted an exhibit of Saint Mother Teresa, organized by our Court Chaplain, Deacon Paul



Tschann. Participants learned the life story and works of Saint Mother Teresa as they walked through the exhibit and watched the documentary “Mother Teresa: No Greater Love.” A first-class relic of Saint Mother Teresa was on display throughout the day. Sisters of Charity from Minneapolis shared their testimonials with the group. It was a day of prayer and healing with Veneration of the Relic, Adoration, Confession, Anointing, and Mass.

Court St. Anne #1840, Medford

Our court partnered with the Hosea Initiative, to bring a presentation to Steele County on October 16, 2022. The Hosea Initiative is an organization created to tell the story of Bernard Nathanson (known as the “Abortion King”), and how he duped America into thinking that abortion was okay. He was formerly the director of the largest abortion clinic of the western world. He was the last living founding member of NARAL the Pro-Abortion organization which brought legal abortion to the entire United States.

Bernard Nathanson is quoted as saying, “this is the greatest mistake of my life and legal abortions was the greatest mistake this nation has ever conceived.” After he saw the new technology of the ultrasound, he regretted his part in bringing abortion on demand, and spent the remainder of his life being a strong advocate for Pro-Life.

Our speaker Clare Ruff presented the material during our 2- hour presentation with people coming from Owatonna, Medford, Waseca, Litomysl, and the surrounding area to hear the message. Our court provided refreshments and cookies for the event held at St. Joseph’s Church in Owatonna. We also partnered with the Medford -Deerfield KC’s to purchase small booklets to be handed out at church to continue to spread the message.



Our CDA sisters worked hard selling Gummy Bears for Habitat for Humanity. On Oct 1st they were located at Hy-Vee and Fareway Foods in Faribault raising over \$782. Then on Saturday, October 15th after Celebrating CDA Sunday, Ladies again sold Gummy Bears after our special mass raising additional funds for a grand total of \$1,082.75. It was a wonderful project with great results.

Pictured L to R: Gloria Dietz, Mary Lou Davidson, Diane Reck



State Convention in Detroit Lakes

Theme is 'Celebrating a Century of Faith, Hope and Love'



Court Holy Rosary and the State Board will welcome you to beautiful Detroit Lakes April 20-22, 2023. Please plan to arrive on Thursday, April 20th. Registration is from 3-7 pm at the Holiday Inn, Committee Meetings begin at 6pm for the Financial Review and 7 pm for the others. At 8 pm join us for MN Fun and Frolics Night!

We encourage you to revive a skit from years past or make up a new one! Has anyone seen Potluck Polly?? Please submit photographs or a short video of your court to Monica Capra by February 1st to be included in the Convention Video. Business Sessions begin Friday and Saturday at 9:00 a.m. Friday is Red, White and Blue day. Mass on Friday will honor our Deceased Members and the Installation of Officers will be during the Saturday Mass.

At our noon luncheon on Saturday we will be celebrating our 50 year members, which is a highlight of the convention for me!

Saturday night will feature Keynote Speaker Tim Eggebraaten presenting "The Rhythm of Life, Finding Your Beat".

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Come one, Come all!

Perpetual Calendars are \$8.00 and make lovely gifts!

Who We Are Books are \$2.00 - are great for new members and as a tool to share MN CDA.

Prayer books are \$5.00



To purchase these contact Mary, Monica, Cathy or Jeanen if interested.

We will arrange for delivery—

Membership



'Let Your CDA Light Shine'

*Shine your CDA Light ~ Spread the Word ~ Share the Blessings
Invite other Catholic women to join our CDA 'Sisterhood' through the*

**Minnesota Catholic Daughters
2021-2023 MEMBERSHIP CONTEST**

THE CHALLENGE

- Achieve a 100+ NET increase in Minnesota CDA members from April 2021-April 2022
- Achieve a 100+ NET increase in Minnesota CDA members from April 2022-April 2023

THE REWARDS FOR LOCAL COURTS

- \$100, \$75, \$50 respectively to the three local courts with the top NET percentage increases in membership from April 2021-2022
- \$100, \$75, \$50 respectively to the three local courts with the top NET percentage increases in membership from April 2022-2023
- \$1 per member reduction in the Fall 2023 State Membership dues for the local court which has the highest increase in NET membership from April 2021-April 2023

THE REWARDS FOR ALL

- A NET increase in Minnesota CDA membership of 200+ members
- A revitalization of local and Minnesota CDA courts
- New ideas, new energy, new friends, new CDA 'sisters'!



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'Let Your CDA Light Shine'

YOU CAN . . .

By Being ...		By Hosting ...
Prayerful	☀	Membership Drives
Faithful	☀	Socials and Fun Nights
Knowledgeable	☀	Spiritual Events
Enthusiastic	☀	Anything that spreads the Light of Christ to others
Welcoming		

MEMBERSHIP PRAYER

Heavenly Father, as we venture into growing our membership, we come before You asking for Your guidance, wisdom and support. Fill us with Your grace, Lord God, as we make contact with others. Remind us that all that we do, all that we accomplish is for the pursuit of truth for the greater glory of your kingdom, and for the service of humanity.

Guide our hearts, our words, our actions, to be a shining light for all to see. May the face of Christ shine through. We ask Your Mother, our patroness, by her powerful intercession, to be with us as we witness to others. We ask all these things in Your most Holy name. Amen.

2021-2022 Winners!



**'Let Your CDA Light Shine'
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2021-2022 Membership Contest**

FIRST PLACE WINNER

Court Madonna #839, Wilmont



Mary Pufall, State Regent

Congratulations!

Good Luck to all Courts for the 2022-2023 challenge!



**'Let Your CDA Light Shine'
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SECOND PLACE WINNER

Court OWATONNA #1180, OWATONNA



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THIRD PLACE WINNER

Court St. Mary Peter #1864, Mazeppa Bellechester



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State Newsletter and Website Awards 2022

2022 MINNESOTA NEWSLETTER CONTEST
Category I Division I

State Entry

FIRST PLACE

Is Awarded to:

Court St. Bernard #886
Lismore, Minnesota

Mary Pufall, State Regent



2022 MINNESOTA NEWSLETTER CONTEST
Category I Division II

State Entry

FIRST PLACE

Is Awarded to:

Court St. Anne #1840
Medford, Minnesota

Mary Pufall, State Regent



2022 MINNESOTA NEWSLETTER CONTEST
Category I Division II

State Entry

SECOND PLACE

Is Awarded to:

Court St. Rita #409
Perham, Minnesota

Mary Pufall, State Regent



2022 MINNESOTA WEBSITE CONTEST
Category I Division II

State Entry

FIRST PLACE

Is Awarded to:

Court St. Rita #409
Perham, Minnesota

Mary Pufall, State Regent



2023 Circle of Love Reports, Non Circle of Love Reports

National Regent Emily sent out the Circle of Love Forms and Education Contest Information. Please be sure that your local court chairmen receive the forms and are aware of the deadlines. They will come up fast after the Holidays and you know how the days fly by! If you don't have the forms, please contact one of the State Board members and they can help you get them.





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Newsletter Guidelines:

- Story should be 50-125 words
- Include who, what, when, where, and why in your story
- Include Court name, number & city
- If submitting photo, attach it as a .jpeg file to email with article-give photo a caption & identify each person
- Deadlines to submit articles: **July 10—Nov 10—Feb 10**
- Include your name, court, phone and/or email so we can contact you if we need more information.

Welcome New Members!!

Ct. Joan of Arc #691, Blue Earth

Karen Hernandez, Mary Ellen Coquet, Julie Dolan, Joyce Kesteloot, Evelyn Schmidt, Darlene Doom, Roberta Zak

Ct. St. Theresa #973, Currie

Katie Gervais, Samantha Gervais, Gabrielle Gervais

Ct. St. Margaret Mary #605, International Falls

Joeleen Kennedy

Ct. St. Peter #1601, St. Peter

Bernadette Haberle, Barbara Lienemann

Ct. St. Margaret #1888, Eveleth

Teegan Bentley, Luca Bentley

Ct. Winona #191, Winona

Lorraine M. Multhaup

Ct. Caledonia #555, Caledonia

Leesa Fookes

Ct. St. Cecilia #2025, Red Lake Falls

Pam Paradis

Ct. St. Bernard #886, Lismore

Jean Loosbrock

Blessed Be Their Memory

Ct. Caledonia #555, Caledonia

Dianne Mullins, Mary Meyer

Ct. St Anne #1840, Medford

Mary Sorenson

Ct. St. Mary #509, Moorhead

Adele Vander Linden, Janeene Miller

Ct. St. Cecilia #2025, Red Lake Falls

Dorine Schmitz

Ct. Joan of Arc #691, Blue Earth

Doris Wilhelmi

Ct. Margaret Mary #605, I'Falls

Kathleen Cowlishaw

Ct. Joan of Arc #1291, Marshall

Betty Krogman, Genevieve Sammons, Doris Eis, Janet Slagel

Ct. Owatonna #1180, Owatonna

Lorraine Grass, Dorothy Kenney, Margaret Liebreuz, Evélyn Meese

Ct. Sacred Heart #1424, Waseca

Evelyn Kahnke, Jean Byron

Ct. St. Bernard #886, Lismore

Marie Schnieder

Ct. Plainview #497, Plainview

Kathleen Steffen

Eternal
rest grant
unto her
Oh Lord,

...and may
perpetual light
shine upon
them.