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Unity and Charity



Regent's Message

Summer vacations have come to an end. Teachers and students are back in class, and we begin another CDA year. During June and July, we spent time with our families, attended many parish festivals, and hopefully spent some extra time with our Lord. When summer arrived, the students put their books away, CDA officers and members took a break from meetings, and some of us may have pushed our prayer and reflection time with the Lord to the side as well. Fortunately for us, the Lord is patient, full of love and mercy, and ready to welcome us back at any time!

CDA meetings are always opened with prayer. While there are many business matters to discuss, attending a meeting gives us a chance to spiritually relax amongst our CDA sisters in Christ's presence. Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Remember, Christ works through us. Within the local court, there are numerous ways that we are able to let Him work through us in serving others. For starters, our dues support many charities on the local, state, and national levels; allowing the CDA to touch so many lives with love. Our Court also has two drive-thru meal fundraisers which help contribute to our charities and scholarships.

Catholic Daughters is more than just fundraisers. There are many opportunities to pray together. In October we will have our annual candlelight Rosary, which is truly inspiring. The church lights are dimmed and a candle is lit for each bead of the Rosary. This is a very beautiful and solemn Rosary. I encourage you to attend. October 17th is National CDA Day, and we will gather together for the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church. Throughout the year, we have various retreats, book studies, and more. Reminders for all CDA events are in the church bulletins and sent out by email. New, this fall, our local court's website will be live; giving you another resource to access all our events and calendar! Please watch for these reminders of our upcoming events!

May God bless you and keep you safe,

Shirley Antosh

Shirley Antosh, Regent

"Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours." St. Teresa of Ávila

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- Dates to Remember:**
- September 27 —Court Meeting at 7pm in Sacred Heart Center w/ guest speakers from "AMEN"; food drive for AMEN
 - October 3—Respect Life Sunday
 - October—Candlelight Rosary, TBA
 - October 7—Jefferson Place Party
 - October 17—National CDA Sunday; 9am Mass
 - October 25—Court Meeting at 7pm in Sacred Heart Center
 - Oct 21-Nov 6—WRAP (White Ribbon Against Pornography)
 - November 3 —Jefferson Place Party
 - November 9—KC & CDA Memorial Service & Mass; location and time pending
 - November—CDA Fall Dinner Fundraiser, TBA
 - November 22—Court Meeting at 7pm in Sacred Heart Center
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COMING SOON!!

Court Annunciation #1962 Website

Available Fall 2021

- Calendar of Events
- Photos of Court's Activities
- Contact Information & MORE!!

CDA State Facebook Page

See what's happening in CDA courts across Texas (including our court), join in live prayer sessions, and get all the latest news and updates from Texas State Officers/Chairmen by joining the Texas Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/texascdca>.

This is a private group, and you will need to answer three short questions about your local Court to be admitted, so keep your newsletter handy!

Annual KC and CDA Memorial Service & Mass

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

Location and Time pending

Recitation of the Rosary
Memorial Service & Mass

Followed by a meal provided by the KC's

A special service takes place before Mass where family/friends carry a lighted candle in remembrance of members who passed away since the previous memorial.

All deceased members are listed in a booklet of remembrance. Members and their families are encouraged to attend this commemoration to pray for our faithful departed members. May their souls rest in peace.

Please notify Emma Proske if you know of a fellow CDA member in need of a cheer card or get well card.

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Newsletter Article Submissions

The next deadline for the November newsletter will be October 27, 2021. Please email any news or articles to wagner_elizabeth03@hotmail.com. Thank you! Elizabeth Wagner Kubicek, Editor

State Leadership Workshop

Submitted by: Mary Lou Anderle

The State Leadership Workshop for the 2021-2023 biennium was held at Circle Lake Retreat Center in Pinehurst, Texas on September 5 - 8, 2021. Attending the event from Court Annunciation #1962 were Mary Lou Anderle, State Spiritual Enhancement Chair; Cynthia Novak, State Ways and Means Chair and Peggy Supak, State JCDA Co-Chair. Also attending was Janet Purdy, our District Deputy for District 11. The retreat center was absolutely beautiful and built for enhancing spirituality. The weekend was filled with meaningful prayer services, including a Mass and extremely informative workshops that will assist us as we move forward this term. The prayer services began with "The Catholic Daughter's Prayer Service" on Thursday evening. This enlightened everyone of all of the symbols within CDA and their meaning. On Friday morning, we began the day with an outdoor Living Rosary. Friday evening, there was a prayer service that detailed the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, then we sang some spiritually uplifting songs. Saturday morning, we sang the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy while watching a PowerPoint of clips of the Passion of Jesus Christ. We ended the weekend with a Mass. The workshops covered everything from the history of CDA to how to use technology to enhance and meet the needs of our courts to financial review tips. There were many take aways from this weekend, but the one that stood out to me was that we should all not become comfortable in our roles. We should always be evolving and growing not only in our faith, but in our service as well. We should also be looking for that someone who could take over our roles. As women, we should support and be each other's cheerleader. So, my challenge to each and every one of you is "What can you do to grow in faith and service?" You can talk to any one of us state chairmen or court officers if you are interested in getting involved in a specific area. Thank you for always supporting our leadership, we could not do our jobs if we didn't have members to help us fulfill our duties.



In Loving Remembrance

“Well done, good and faithful servant” Matthew 25:21

Please keep our departed member and her family in your prayers.

Judy Stolle passed away May 17, 2021 at the age of 71. She was a faithful member for over 6 years having pledged her membership on March 16, 2015.

Our Departed Sister in Christ – Remembrances

*Remembered in prayers and masses with a Perpetual Enrollment in the Clerical Endowment Fund, Austin Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (\$25.00 per enrollment)

*Five (5) Masses said for her intention: 3 Masses at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in La Grange, 2 Masses at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Plum

*The Court's banner was displayed at the funeral home visitation, Rosary and Memorial Service.

*The Rosary with prayer service was led by members of Court Annunciation #1962.

Judy Stolle Memorial Scholarship

As one of the Charities of Choice, the family approved donations to the Court Annunciation #1962 Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of their loved one.

Court's 55th Anniversary & Family Dinner - June 13, 2021

Submitted by Elizabeth Kallus and Stacy Ryza, Co-Chairmen

Here are some highlights from our Court's memorable 55th Anniversary - where all of our recognitions and presentations were incorporated for members to enjoy! The social began at 3:30 p.m. followed by a KC Catered dinner at 4:30 p.m. consisting of roast beef, brown gravy, buttered potatoes, California blend veggies, peach cobbler, tea and coffee. The hall tables were nicely laid out and beautifully decorated thanks to Marilyn Freedman and committee and husbands who helped.

We were honored to have celebrating with us special guests: State Regent Rebecca Brown of Angleton, State Secretary Virginia Olsovsky of Flatonina, National Director and State Parliamentarian Carolyn Malik of Shiner, District No. 11 Deputy Janet Purdy of Weimar, JCDA State 1st Vice President Mia Solorzano of La Grange, who were all presented gifts of appreciation from our Court, Court Chaplain Rev. Fr. Brian Phillips, Rev. Fr. Bob Knippenberg, Rev. Fr. Keith Koehl, Deacon John McCourt and wife Eileen, Seminarian Wyatt Parlow, and Court members who serve as state chairmen, namely State Youth/JCDA Co-Chairman Peggy Supak, State Ways and Means Chairman Cynthia Novak, and State Spiritual Enhancement Chairman Mary Lou Anderle.

Regent Shirley Antosh and husband Gary, Vice Regent Carolyn Weishuhn and husband James, Recording Secretary Mary Lou Anderle and husband James, Financial Secretary Marilyn Kothmann and husband Jimmy were present; and unable to attend were Treasurer Judy Evanicky and her husband David and Court Spiritual Advisor Deacon Mike Meismer.

In her Welcome, Toastmistress Antosh said "...we strive to live the motto of the CDA, Unity and Charity...One person can make a difference, but a group working together as a Team can make an Impact!" In her message, State Regent Brown shared thoughts on CDA Courts being "places where we are filled spiritually, see charity working, feel grace moving in our lives, and know we are blessed."

Remembrances, Recognitions, Presentations, Reception of New Members

As a "Special Tribute" for the 55th Anniversary, our Court having been instituted on March 23, 1966, the Past Regents of Court Annunciation #1962 were thanked for their leadership.

Betty Janecek was Charter Regent 1966-1967 and she passed away January 11, 2021. Evelyn Ulbrich 1967-1968 and she passed away May 22, 2014. Dolores Guenther Vacek 1968-1975 and 1979-1981. Barbara Brauner 1975-1977. Della Freudenberg 1977-1979 and she passed away March 11, 2000. Stacy Ryza 1981-1985 and 1997-1999. Rose Cernoch 1985-1987 and 2001-2002. Elizabeth Kallus 1987-1989. Cynthia Novak 1989-1991 and 1999-2001. Theresa "Terri" Wagner 1991-1995 and 2004-2008. Edelmia Thompson 1995-1997. Judy Evanicky 2002-2004. Frances Guenther 2008-2012. Elizabeth "Susie" Kalmus 2012-2016. Mary Lou Anderle 2016-2020. Shirley Antosh 2020 to the present.



Past Regents seated from left. Dolores Guenther Vacek, Stacy Ryza, Rose Cernoch, Elizabeth Kallus, Cynthia Novak, Theresa "Terri" Wagner, Edelmia Thompson, Frances Guenther, and standing from left, Vice Regent Carolyn Weishuhn, State Regent Rebecca Brown, Past Regents Elizabeth "Susie" Kalmus, Mary Lou Anderle, and present Regent Shirley Antosh. Unable to attend were Past Regents Barbara Brauner and Judy Evanicky.

\$500.00 Donation to Sacred Heart Catholic School Library

Regent Shirley Antosh announced, while Recording Secretary Mary Lou Anderle presented a check to Fr Brian Phillips. This donation was in memory of Msgr. Harry Mazurkiewicz who was Court Chaplain for over forty years, and in honor of our Court's Chaplain Fr. Brian Phillips and Spiritual Advisor Deacon Mike Meismer.

Four Living Charter Members

Lorine Bertsch, Anna Mae Hajovsky, Doris Lidiak, Polly Supak were recognized and received gifts of appreciation.



From left to right: Regent Shirley Antosh, Charter members Polly Supak, Lorine Bertsch, Doris Lidiak, and Vice Regent Carolyn Weishuhn. Unable to attend was Charter Member Anna Mae Hajovsky.

25-Year Membership Pins were presented:

Obtaining this milestone were April Feray and Mary Lou Anderle.



From left to right: State Regent Rebecca Brown, 25-Year Membership Pin Recipient Mary Lou Anderle, Regent Shirley Antosh, Financial Secretary Marilyn Kothmann. Unable to attend was pin recipient April Feray.

Twelve New CDA Members Welcomed

Twelve new members were received and welcomed by Court Annunciation #1962. Seated from left to right: Nancy Belota, Chloe Belota, Stephanie Chavarria, Diane Kasperek, Mia Solorzano, Sarah Darr, Laura Kozel, Maria Flores. Standing from left to right: State Regent Rebecca Brown, Membership Chairman Stacy Ryza, Ernestina Lopez, Lucy Ramirez, Sandra Paulus, Cristina Olalde, and Regent Shirley Antosh.



CDA Education Contest Winners

Rita Sulik, Education Contest Chairman, announced the winners, and Emma Proske assisted by presenting Certificates and monetary prizes of 1st place \$20.00, 2nd place \$15.00, and 3rd place \$10.00. Winning entries were on display; and the two themes were "Let all you do be done with love" 1 Cor 16:14, or "Show love to one another".

Division I (Grades 4-5): Art – 1st Byntlee Bishop, 2nd Andrew Garza, 3rd Lyria Hartley; Poetry – 1st Abby Cernosek, 2nd Aiden Harbers, 3rd Madison Markwardt; Essay – 1st Lilly Bell, 2nd Jordan Faldyn, 3rd Morgan Bertsch; Computer Art – 1st Kenlie Kallus.

Division II (Grades 6-7-8): Art – 1st Ella Nygren, 2nd Melanie Janacek; Poetry – 1st Jackson Elliott, 2nd Quade Brothers, 3rd Mason Kleiber; Essay – 1st Camila Vega; Photography – 1st Ella Smith.

Division IV (Adult CDA Members): Art – 1st Loretta Greenwood, 2nd Melinda Dunk; Poetry – 1st Melinda Dunk; Photography – 1st Melinda Dunk, 2nd Elizabeth Kallus.



Seated from left to right: Byntlee Bishop, Andrew Garza, Lyria Hartley, Melanie Janacek, Aiden Harbers, Madison Markwardt, Quade Brothers, Mason Kleiber. Standing from left to right: Regent Shirley Antosh, Elizabeth Kallus, Loretta Greenwood, Melinda Dunk, Lilly Bell, Jordan Faldyn, Morgan Bertsch, Camila Vega, Kenlie Kallus, Ella Smith, and Education Contest Chairman Rita Sulik. Not pictured: Ella Nygren, Abby Cernosek, and Jackson Elliott.

2021 - Memorial Scholarships Awarded

17 Memorial Scholarships in the amount of \$400.00 each were awarded to children of our members on June 13, 2021 at the 55th Anniversary and Family Dinner of Court Annunciation #1962.

Recipients

Katelyn Bernsen, Daughter of Brianne & William Bernsen
 Megan Brothers, Daughter of Darlene & Allen Brothers
 Alyssa Dela Rosa, Daughter of Myra & Lorenzo Dela Rosa
 Kaimbry Deen, Daughter of Rebecca Deen & David Deen
 Adolfo "A.J." Garza, Son of Veronica & Adolfo Garza
 Ben Gerik, Son of Thais & Rodney Gerik
 Jassiel Gonzalez, Son of Claudia & Hector Cruz
 Michael-Leah Hart, Daughter of Suzanne & Garland Hart
 Javier Lopez, Son of Juany & Jose Lopez
 Natalie Martinez, Daughter of Dolores & Marcos Martinez
 Yesenia Martinez, Daughter of Sandra & Jesus Martinez
 Philip Matocha, Son of Mary & Vincent Matocha
 Joseph Mueller, Son of Lisa & Doug Mueller
 Lily Nygren, Daughter of Tracy & Erik Nygren
 Katherine Perales, Daughter of Carolina & Daniel Perales
 Mia Solorzano, Daughter of Leticia & Joel Solorzano
 Allison Veilleux, Daughter of Christine & Rodney Kana

Memorial Scholarships

Bertha Karstedt
 Audrey Belota
 Emily & Sidney Cernoch
 Bernice Holubec
 Carol Roensch
 Gus F. Lindemann
 Annie Kallus
 Gus F. Lindemann
 Patricia Villasana
 Audrey Belota
 Audrey Belota
 Audrey Belota
 Audrey Belota
 Sharon Belota
 Emily & Sidney Cernoch
 Lambert Lidiak
 Lawrence Ryza

3 Memorial Scholarships in the amount of \$150.00 each were also awarded to Court Annunciation #1962 Outstanding JCDA who remained active members through their senior year in high school.

Kaimbry Deen
 Mia Solorzano
 Lily Nygren

Ann Wessels
 Ann Wessels
 Marjorie Kenne

At the Anniversary Dinner, Scholarship Committee Co-Chairmen Stacy Ryza and Elizabeth Kallus made the announcements while memorial family members and friends made the presentations. Assisting were Scholarship Committee members Peggy Supak, Brenda Seberger, Theresa Wolff, Veronica Olivares Garza, Beatrice Ortiz, and Amber Carroll standing in for Rowena Belvill.



Standing from left to right:
 State Secretary Virginia Olsovsky, Court Chaplain Rev. Fr. Brian Phillips, Jassiel Gonzalez, Javier Lopez, Adolfo "A.J." Garza, Ben Gerik, Philip Matocha, Katelyn Bernsen, District Deputy No. 11 Janet Purdy, Regent Shirley Antosh.
 Seated from left to right: Allison Veilleux, Yesenia Martinez, Natalie Martinez, Michael-Leah Hart, Kaimbry Deen, Katherine

Perales, Megan Brothers, Alyssa Dela Rosa. Not pictured: Mia Solorzano, Joseph Mueller, Lily Nygren

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Doris Lidiak, Chairman

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Due to COVID, we are unable to hold the monthly cake and ice cream parties. We will give the residents goodie bags with snacks, activity pages and a handwritten note, letting them know we are thinking of them and miss visiting them. This will be done on the first Wednesday of each month. Hostesses for each month are asked to donate \$8.00 to \$10.00 to help defray the expense of the snacks. Mail donations to Catholic Daughters of Americas, P.O. Box 275, La Grange, TX 78945, or drop them in the Sacred Heart, La Grange or Sts. Peter and Paul Church Collection Basket in an envelope addressed to: *CDA #1962—Jefferson Place Donation* If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Doris at 979.968.3819. Your help is always appreciated!

Meeting Social

Due to COVID, the meals before the meetings are still suspended for the remainder of the year.

The monthly meetings are held in the Msgr. Harry Mazurkiewicz Parish Center.

The next monthly meeting will be **Monday, September, 27, 2021**, beginning at **7:00 p.m.**

Thank you!

JEFFERSON PLACE ASSISTED LIVING

September 1, 2021

Sandra Martinek	Mary Matocha
Elaine Matthys	Debbie Matula
Melissa Maxwell	Rachel McCourt
Sandra McCullough	Ginger Meinardus
Lola Meinardus	Rita Mensik

October 6, 2021

Irene Michalsky	Courtney Mihatsch
Linda Mihatsch	Dorothy Moerbe
Janet Moerbe	Miriam Moerbe
Gloria Monjaras	Ginnie Moon
Isidra Morales	Lisa Mueller

November 3, 2021

Becky Munsch	Jackie Muzny
Sharon Muzny	Donna Neiser
Barbara Niemeyer	Cynthia Novak
Sharon Novak	Tracy Nygren
Veronica Olivares Garza	Fidelfa Orona

December 1, 2021

Mathilde Orona	Beatrice Ortiz
Jessica Ortiz	M. Cristina Olade
Linda Oviedo	Sandra Paulus
Trish Pechal	Carolina Perales
Dolores Perry	Sherry Pfluger



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