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Regent's Message

Go in Haste, Be Astonished, Treasure!

Mary is the patroness of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Let us rejoice, as we began each year by honoring Mary as Mother of God!

In the Gospel of Luke 2:16-21, the shepherds received a message from an angel and went in haste to Bethlehem where they found Mary, Joseph, and the infant Jesus. They spread this message of what they experienced to others, and all were amazed! Mary kept all these things, treasuring and reflecting on them in her heart.

We too, are given messages from God. Like the shepherds, despite the many obstacles we may encounter, must go in haste and act on this message, this mission. God is found in ordinary things, places, events, and in all of us. When He reveals himself to us and in those around us, let us be astonished as well. How amazing it is to have God speak to us! Afterward, like Mary, let us ponder, reflect, and savor all this in our hearts.

As Catholic Daughters, when we receive our messages, let us go in haste to act on the mission the Lord has given to us. Let us take the time to reflect and ponder our actions, savor them in our hearts, so that we can continue to grow and build God's love and to serve others, knowing that He also gives us the graces we need to fulfill the mission!

"Lord, I surrender this year to you. I trust you to lead me in wonder and joy to your perfect plans for me."

Shirley Antosh

Shirley Antosh, Regent

Save the Date:

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Court Annunciation #1962

Annual Family Dinner & 58th Anniversary

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Dates to Remember:
 * February 16—Lenten Stations of the Cross, 6:30pm
 * February 26—Court Meeting at 6:30 pm in Sacred Heart Center; **Special Lenten Prayer Service**
 * March 3—Jefferson Place Goodie Bag Delivery
 * March 25—Court Meeting at 6:30 pm in Sacred Heart Center
 * April 7—Jefferson Place Goodie Bag Delivery
 * **April 14—SAVE the DATE: Court Annunciation Family Dinner & 58th Anniversary**
 * April 22—Court Meeting at 6:30 pm in Sacred Heart Center
 * May 5—Jefferson Place Goodie Bag Delivery
 * May 27—Court Meeting at 6:30 pm in Sacred Heart Center
 * August 14-18—National Convention in New Orleans, LA

2024 DUES REMINDER

Due to the increase in National and State dues, an increase in dues was approved at the November meeting.

Annual dues of \$30.00 will be due on March 30, 2024.

Reminder Notices will be mailed out at the end of February. Please be on the lookout for this notice. We are 353 members strong and strive for 100% paid membership!

Payments can be mailed to CDA #1962, PO Box 275, La Grange, TX 78945 or placed in an envelope labeled CDA dues and dropped in the Sacred Heart Collection Basket.

Lenten Stations of the Cross

Friday, February 16th

After 6:30 pm Mass

Led by members of the Catholic Daughters

Volunteers are needed for a Mass Lector, Cantor (verse between stations), Stations Lector (leader part), Cross Bearer, and 2 Candle Holders. Contact Shirley Antosh at 979.966.3597 if you want to help.

Please notify Emma Proske if you know of a fellow CDA member in need of a cheer card or get well card.
 Emma Proske 979.505.0261
 cdproske11@gmail.com

February CDA Meeting/Prayer Service

A special Lenten prayer service will be held with a brief monthly meeting on February 26, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Msgr. Harry Mazurkiewicz Parish Center.

Please join us in Prayer as we continue on our Lenten Journey!

CDA Court Annunciation #1962 website:
 go to **www.lgtxcda.org** to get the latest news and past newsletters. Also, check out the link's tab for the latest CDA National & State Newsletters and Events!!
*If you have items for the website, email photos and items to **lgtxcda@gmail.com**.*

2024 National Catholic Daughters of the Americas® Scholarships

Applications must be Postmarked no later than April 1, 2024

National JCDA Scholarship: one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a JCDA Member entering her freshman year in college in the fall 2024.

National Scholarships for 8th grader entering 9th grade in a Catholic High School in the fall of 2024: two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded.

National Campus Court Scholarship: one \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a member of a Catholic Daughters of the Americas Campus Court for tuition to continue studies at a college or university for the fall semester 2024.

National Father Leonard Bachmann Graduate Scholarships: Three \$2,500 Scholarships will be awarded to persons who have completed undergraduate studies and who desire assistance for tuition to continue studies on the graduate level.

Applications may be obtained from Court Annunciation #1962 Scholarship Committee Co-Chairman Elizabeth Kallus, call or text 979.249.7519; or you may go to the National CDA website, www.catholicdaughters.org

*JCDA and Campus Courts Scholarship forms found under **FORMS** (link at top of home page):

- Scroll under **Juniors**—*JCDA Scholarship Application and JCDA and Youth Scholarship (8th Grader entering 9th Grade)*
- Scroll under **Campus Courts**—*Campus Courts Scholarship Applications and Instructions*

*Father Leonard Bachmann Scholarship (the graduate scholarship) found under **CIRCLE OF LOVE** (link at top of home page)
—scroll down till you find *Father Leonard Bachmann 2022-2023 Scholarship application*



60th Biennial National Convention August 14- 18, 2024 Hilton New Orleans Riverside New Orleans, Louisiana



The convention is a perfect place to learn more about Catholic Daughters and how we make a difference in the world. It is also an opportunity to make lasting friendships with women of a strong Catholic faith.

Our Court is allowed to send 6 delegates and 12 alternates. We will vote on the delegates and alternates at the February meeting. Please contact Shirley Antosh for more information and attend the February meeting if you are interested in being a delegate or alternate.

Tuesday, August 13, 2024: Pre-Convention Workshops & Concert

Wednesday, August 14, 2024: Opening Convention Mass

August 14-17, 2024: Meeting Days

Friday, August 16, 2024: Friday Fun Night (Mardi Gras Fund & Dance)

Saturday, August 17, 2024: Closing Banquet



Holy Hour

Submitted by: Regent Shirley Antosh

January 22nd is the *Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*.

A Holy Hour of prayer was held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Sunday, January 21, 2024. CDA members assisted with the readings and rosary.

Karen Janda read the 1st reading and Psalms. Marian Tajchman, Shirley Antosh and Earline Trlicek led the Rosary. Father Brian gave a beautiful reflection on how we should all strive to recognize the precious gift of life given to us by God and that only God has the right to end it. It was truly great to see so many come together to pray for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life in our country and throughout the world.



JCDA News

Submitted by: Rebecca Munsch

At their November meeting, JCDA members brought items and packed them into shoe boxes that were contributed to the CDA's November project for the Seafarers; after the meeting they visited Jefferson Place to distribute the CDA's goody bags. Then on November 11, members met at the La Grange City Cemetery and placed small flags and red, white, and blue floral bouquets on the gravesites of 29 veterans who had been members of Sacred Heart Parish. The Court donated a basket filled with the makings for a Thanksgiving meal to the local Thanksgiving basket drive for needy families.

At their December meeting, members decorated gift bags for the CDA's visit to Giddings State School, filled goody bags for Santa's visit to the KC/CDA's Christmas party, and made ornaments that were given to the residents of Jefferson Place during the Court's visit that day when they also handed out the CDA's goody bags. Members also sold Christmas cards after all Masses at Sacred Heart Church on the first 2 weekends in December. On December 9 several members took part in the Court's first ever JCDA Hike Day using the hiking trails at Monument Hill State Park. For its Christmas project, the Court filled the wish lists of 2 little boys who had submitted the lists to the Fayette County Child Welfare Board.

In January, members visited Jefferson Place after their meeting and placed the goody bags provided by the CDA at the residents' places in the dining room. To celebrate Respect Life month, members are hoping to give a handmade blanket to the first baby born in the parish. The Court is checking into once again having a baby shower benefiting Annunciation Maternity Home in Georgetown.

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

Please keep our departed members and their families in your prayers.

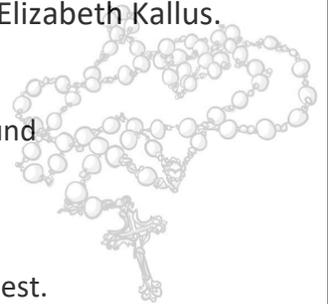
Submitted by: Elizabeth Kallus

Jackie Muzny passed away November 5, 2023, at the age of 67. She was a faithful member for almost 47 years, pledging her membership on March 20, 1977. Leading the Rosary before her funeral Mass were Stacy Ryza, Elizabeth Kallus, and April Feray. A Jackie Muzny Memorial Scholarship was named in her memory as a charity of choice.

Ruth Chovanec passed away November 30, 2023, at the age of 95. She was a faithful member for 42 years, pledging her membership October 14, 1981. Leading the Rosary before her funeral Mass were Regent Shirley Antosh, Financial Secretary Marilyn Kothmann, Stacy Ryza, and Elizabeth Kallus.

Remembrances for our deceased members:

- Perpetual Enrollment of prayer and Masses in the ADCCW Clerical Endowment Fund
- Five Masses said for her intention.
- Court’s banner displayed at funeral home and funeral Mass.
- Our Court leading the Prayer Service and/or Rosary at the Family’s request.
- Court Annunciation #1962 Memorial Scholarship in her name at the Family’s request.



Membership

Submitted by: Stacy Ryza, Chairman

979.968.5956 or 979.966.7027

Receiving new members into our Court is a vital and important aspect of growth with good ideas and works to implement and strengthen our Motto of Unity and Charity. Many hands and feet and definitely many hearts have helped to fulfill our Service to Others. We unite in spiritual prayer through retreats, praying together for vocations, public rosaries for Life, a Holy Hour of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, or just being together at Catholic Daughter events. There are many various avenues that we can help others in showing that we care. After all, we are the Hands and Feet of Christ here on earth when we show service to others.

Our membership committee is planning to have a reception of new members at our 58th Annual Anniversary and Family Dinner on Sunday, April 14th at the Knights of Columbus Center. We need the help of all members. Sometimes it’s a friend or a new parishioner you have just met. Tell them about our Catholic Daughters’ organization. Pass on any contact information to a court officer or the membership committee. We will take the next step and invite them to be part of a prayerful team and at the same time a loving team.

CDA RAFFLE PRIZE WINNERS - 2023



1. \$325 Visa Gift Card – Rosie Harney
2. \$130 Gift Certificate to Hostyn Hill Greenhouses – James Wostarek
3. \$120 Gift Certificate to Hruska's Store & Bakery – Samuel Gonzalez
4. \$100 HEB Gift Card – Larry Hernandez
5. \$100 Gift Certificate to D & D Ace Hardware – Doris Barta
6. \$100 HEB Gift Card – Monica Harbers
7. \$100 HEB Gift Card – Claudean Saunders
8. \$100 HEB Gift Card – J. Hajovsky
9. \$100 Visa Gift Card – Doris Citzler
10. \$100 HEB Gift Card – Paulette Urban
11. \$100 Gift Certificate for Younique Products of Choice – Loydell Wied
12. \$100 Wal-Mart Gift Card – James Wostarek
13. \$100 HEB Gift Card – Lynnette Boyd
14. \$100 Visa Gift Card – Pam Carpenter
15. \$100 Holman Valley Steakhouse Gift Card – Kim Newton
16. \$75 HEB Gift Card – Ryan Harbers
17. \$60 HEB Gift Card – Edgar Martinez
18. \$50 Whataburger Gift Card – Daniel Cernoch
19. \$50 HEB Gift Card – Caroline Wahle
20. \$50 Gift Certificate to Reba's – Lesley Wied
21. \$50 HEB Gift Card – Delores Janak
22. \$50 Gift Certificate to La Grange Cotton Gin – Diane Wessels
23. \$50 HEB Gift Card – Jerry Polasek
24. \$50 Academy Gift Card – Mia Solorzano
25. \$50 HEB Gift Card – Dan Tajchman
26. \$50 Gift Certificate to Le Petite Gourmet Shoppe – Lois Ruether
27. \$50 HEB Gift Card – Heather Deters
28. \$50 Gift Certificate to Park Lane – T. J. Ahrens
29. \$50 HEB Gift Card – Sophie Ricks
30. \$50 HEB Gift Card – Kelly Urban
31. \$50 Wal-Mart Gift Card – Elizabeth Votaw
32. \$25 HEB Gift Card – Stephanie Chavarria
33. Gift Card for Body Care Set – LaDonna V



Newsletter Article Submissions

The next deadline for the May newsletter will be **April 24, 2024**.
Please email any news or articles to wagner_elizabeth03@hotmail.com.

Thank you! Elizabeth Wagner Kubicek, Editor

HOSTESSES-Keep for Reference

Goodie Bags for Jefferson Place

Court Annunciation #1962 fixes goodie bags for the residents at Jefferson Place Assisted Living. Each month we fill the bag with snacks, candy, activity pages and lots of love! They are delivered to the residents on the first Sunday of each month by JCDA members.

To help defray the expenses, each month we ask members to donate \$8.00 - \$10.00. Please check the hostesses list for your scheduled month to donate. Donations can be mailed to CDA #1962, PO Box 275, La Grange, Texas 78945 or placed in an envelope marked "CDA #1962-Jefferson Place" and dropped in the collection basket at Sacred Heart, La Grange.

If you are interested in helping distribute the bags and visit with the residents, please contact Shirley Antosh at 979.966.3597.

Jefferson Place Assisted Living Chairman:

*Doris Lidiak * 979.968.3819*

Socials Committee Chairman:

*Stacy Ryza * 979.966.7027*

The next monthly meeting will be **Monday, February 26, 2024** beginning at **6:30 p.m.**

Thank you!



JEFFERSON PLACE ASSISTED LIVING

March 3, 2024

Sandra McCullough	Lola Meinardus
Guadalupe Mendez	Courtney Mihatsch
Linda Mihatsch	Dorothy Moerbe
Janet Moerbe	Miriam Moerbe
Gloria Monjaras	Ginnie Moon

April 7, 2024

Maricela Moya	Kelly Mozisek
Lisa Mueller	Theresa Mueller
Becky Munsch	Sharon Muzny
Gloria Naranjo Tellez	Donna Neiser
Barbara Niemeyer	Tracy Nygren

May 5, 2024

Cristina Olalde	Veronica Olivares Garza
Fide Orona	Mathilde Orona
Bea Ortiz	Jessica Ortiz
Linda Oviedo	Sandra Paulus
Trish Pechal	Carolina Perales

Social for May 27th Meeting

Cynthia Novak – Co-Chairman

Emma Proske – Co-Chairman

Phyllis Proske – Co-Chairman

Suzanne Peschke Sherry Pfluger

Belinda Flippen Sharon Novak

Debbie Hausmann Dolores Perry

Irene Polasek Laura Peschke

Shirley Polasek

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promotion of justice, equality, and the advancement of
human rights and human dignity for all.*

