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Message from Peggy Guckin *State Regent*

Dear Catholic Daughters,

The last weekend of February gave us a welcome glimpse of Spring, but it didn't last long. As I write this letter, temperatures are dropping already, and we are in for another polar freeze and more snow. With Lent upon us, it's a time of renewal and a time to grow spiritually. Spring gives us new growth. With this in mind, let us all continue to give of our time and to share our talents.

I am sorry to report that we lost two courts since the fall—Court Our Lady of Victory #532 and Court Sacred Heart of North Hills #1560, and three courts are on reprieve. Let's

keep them in our prayers that they will rebuild their courts and we continue our good works under our banner of "Unity and Charity."

March brings us to the election of a Nominating Committee. The submission of officers for elections in May is a very important job. It is time to think about this—pray to Mary for her guidance—and, I hope you say "Yes" when God points "His Finger" toward you. Don't be afraid to consider being an officer. You will not be alone. You will have the "Tools of the Trade," your District Deputy and your State Officers for guidance.

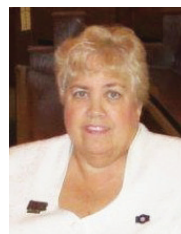
Circle of Love Reports—the two-year period runs from March 1, 2012 to February 28, 2014. Please complete reports and return them to the State Chairman—EXTENDED DEADLINE DATE - MARCH 15. The Circle of Love Local Court Reporting Forms have the State Chairman information on them. If you are unable to download them, please let me know, and I will send the forms to you. If you have an older copy, there is a correction for Sr. Mary Paul, Spiritual Enhancement Chairman. Her email is: smpgfdm@yahoo.com.

Lucky Lottery Calendars will be distributed soon by your State Officers. Please do your best. It would be great to have 100% sold.

A workshop will be held for all officers and members on October 3rd and 4th, 2014, at the sweetest place on earth, the Hershey Lodge, Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Your State Officers are looking forward to seeing many of our members at the 55th National Convention in Billings, Montana. Remember, regents, to send your court's delegation form to National and a copy to me.

Peggy Guckin, State Regent



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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Summer: June-August

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MEMBERSHIP

It's time once again to talk membership. With spring approaching and warmer weather due to arrive, plan on enjoying some of the nicer weather by planning a membership drive. Listed below are ideas to help.

Establish Goals

Determine the number of new members you are striving for. Provide incentives and perks for present members to bring in new members. Incentives may include gift certificates to restaurants or movie theatres or to an upcoming spiritual event in your community. Perks may be that the member can be the first in line for refreshments and not have to help clean up. Make your incentives and perks special so that everyone will want to participate.

Advertise

Make sure that whatever format your court chooses to recruit new members, the entire membership is aware of it. Posters, flyers, announcements, newspapers, radio, cable, bulletin boards, facebook, websites and personal contact should all be used to get the word out about an upcoming membership recruitment event.

Ideas include hosting an Easter Egg hunt for the children and inviting the moms to become members, hosting a brunch or luncheon for Mother's Day, and hosting a walk for one of the National or State Charities and Projects and invite the women who sign up to become members. Don't forget to ask the men who attend to encourage their wives, sisters and other women they know to consider joining the CDA. Be sure to have the pamphlets and flyers ready for them to take.

Be Organized

Planning an informational membership event, regardless of whether or not it is a social or formal event, needs to be thorough and done well in advance. Involve all your officers and as many members as possible. Establish a timetable. Arrange for the facilities, refreshments and all outside assistance. Call upon and use your District Deputies, Diocesan Chairs, and State Officers.

Get Help from Outside Sources

The court can contact a speaker from a local organization that the court supports such as the food bank or a member of a religious order to be available at a membership drive meeting.

Arrange for Transportation

This is probably the most overlooked aspect of membership. Assign a transportation committee to provide transportation for those who have difficulty making meetings and events.

Invite Women to Join

You may have a postcard campaign at one of your meetings whereby members invite someone via postcard. Personal invite is always a good way to get new members. After the informational aspects of your membership event are completed, present a membership application to each prospect. Avoid high-pressured salesmanship, but make sure you do ask all prospects to join the court. Follow up on all prospects and access from their responses how successful your events/meetings have been in recruitment.

Assign Duties to New Members

Women who join the court should be formally inducted at a meeting. They should be assigned specific duties within the court immediately. It is important for new members to feel useful and needed. Don't over do it, though, as you don't want your new members to experience burn-out.

The CDA Structure

All members, new and old, should know exactly how they fit into the CDA structure. All members are important—all should be involved in committees and projects that rely on their participation. The viability of your court depends on the involvement of the total membership, and it's best to start new members out right.

*The road to success
is always under construction.*
—Lily Tomlin

*Life is like a ten-speed bicycle.
Most of us have gears we never use.*
—Charles M. Schulz

Peg Rafferty, PA 1st Vice State Regent

Message from State Chaplain

Dear Catholic Daughters and Friends,

Happy New Year! (I realize you are reading this column weeks after January 1st; however, this is the first opportunity I have to offer you blessings on this New Year. May the Lord continue to shower His blessings on you, your families and the good work you do!)

As you read this letter, we will soon (or already have) started our season of Lent. May each of us use these weeks of Lent to deepen and strengthen our love for the Lord and His Church.

Keeping with the spirit of Lent, I would like to offer three invitations to each of our Courts in the state of Pennsylvania.

The first is the invitation for each of our Courts to create an opportunity to attend Stations of the Cross as a Court (at least) once during this Lenten Season. Most parishes have Stations of the Cross scheduled during Lent. If your parish does not, I am sure one of your neighboring parishes does. (This occasion may also present the opportunity for others attending the Stations to ask 'who you are' and then give you the opportunity to share some of the good works the Catholic Daughters does in the Church.) While Friday evening is the customary time for parishes to pray the Stations of the Cross, present-day circumstances sometimes warrant that the Stations be prayed on other days and at different times. (If you search, you will be able to find a church where the Stations are prayed at a convenient time for most of the members of your Court.)

The second and third invitations occur on the same day and represent an issue very dear to the Catholic Daughters—the Priesthood.

I encourage all of our Catholic Daughters, whether it can be done as a Court activity, or on a personal basis, to attend the Chrism Mass during Holy Week in the Cathedral of your (arch)diocese. While Holy Thursday morning is the traditional day for the Chrism Mass to be celebrated by the bishop, many dioceses across the country celebrate

this Mass on a different day earlier in Holy Week. (If you ask your pastor or chaplain, he can tell you what day the Chrism Mass is scheduled for your diocese, as well as the time.)

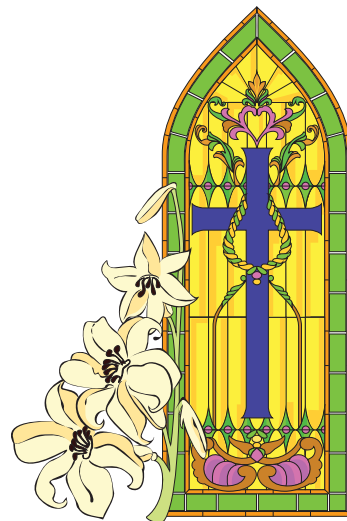
The third invitation I would extend to you is to join in the celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper celebrated on Holy Thursday evening. I have always found the Holy Thursday evening Liturgy to be one of the most beautiful, peace-filled liturgies of the entire year. Attending this Liturgy (whether as a Court or as individuals) is a wonderful expression of our faith in the Eucharist, as well as a great show of support for the priests who accompany you on your journey of faith.

These days of Lent will be over soon; don't let them pass by without using them to strengthen your faith! Make the best of Lent, so the Lord can make the best of you!

May the Lord continue to bless all our efforts offered in His name, and may His Mother, Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our nation, watch over us and intercede for us! Mary Immaculate, pray for us!

Rev. Timothy F. O'Sullivan, State Chaplain of CDA

P.S. Elsewhere in this issue can be found information on a trip I am hosting to Italy from my parish, leaving from Philadelphia. While it is rather short notice, please know that I would welcome Catholic Daughters on this incredible visit to one of the most beautiful (and delicious!) countries in the world! Anyone who would like more information can call my rectory for more information, **215-946-1638** or email me at tfjos64@aol.com.



Spiritual Intention Cards

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: _____

The seminarians in Rome at the Pontifical North American College have benefited from the use of our Spiritual Intention cards by \$108 during the period of December 2013 to February 2014. There were 24 intention requests by 16 supporters, with eight of these by new donors. As you can see, some people sent in requests for various people during this time.

Father Grimme, pastor of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus Church, in Altoona, will pray for our intentions on the third Sunday of each month. Please encourage your members to remember their loved ones with a Spiritual Intention card where all proceeds go to help the seminarians attending college in Rome.

If you need request cards, contact **Margaret Novak, IPSR, 1187 Oak Grove Rd., Breezewood, PA 15533, cdamargaret@gmail.com, 814-735-3386**. You may send a personal check for whatever donation you wish to make.

Margaret P. Novak, Immediate Past State Regent



Chatter from Courts

HARRISBURG DIOCESE

ALTOONA-JOHNSTOWN DIOCESE

Court St. Rita, #523, Tyrone, is busy preparing for their final fundraiser, a craft fair that includes the whole community of Tyrone and surroundings areas. Folks rent tables and sell their items, many of which are homemade. The court runs a lunch counter for the day. Again this year, a slightly used handbag sale will be held. Many of the bags are of the Vera Bradley nature. Some are donated on consignment, 40/60%. The Diocesan meeting will be held in Tyrone, and Court St. Rita serves as a hostess. We have used our fundraisers this year, gob sales and holiday basket raffle, to fund an emergency trip of our pastor to his home in Slovakia and to assist the Carmelite Community of the Word with medical and travel expenses of one of their own, who is also a member of our court. Our court is looking forward to installation of officers and a summer picnic to finish up the year.

Shirley Hall, 2nd Vice State Regent

ERIE DIOCESE

On behalf of the officers and members of Court Columbia #2, we would like to thank all the CDA members who came and sent cards and gifts to help us celebrate our 110th anniversary. Everyone was so kind and thoughtful.

Jeanette Kitch, Regent

GREENSBURG DIOCESE

Court Patricia #998, Kittanning, PA, has several ongoing activities. One is our prayer shawl ministry. We began knitting or crocheting prayer shawls and lap robes for people ill or in mourning and in need of comfort. We later expanded to making baby blankets to be presented to newly baptized infants in our parish. We have also contributed 6" by 9" rectangles to HAP (disbanded in 2013) to be assembled into afghans for wounded soldiers—enough to complete 43 afghans. We have currently added the making of hats to be donated to the local cancer center. In addition to this ministry of helping others, this activity has gained many new members for our court—women joined us to make prayer shawls, learned of our other activities and decided to join CDA.



Court Patricia's Prayer Shawl Ministry



Officers and members of Court Our Lady of Victory #588, Mt. Carmel, with Chaplain Fr. Frank Karwacki.

Court Lady of Victory #588 celebrated a "Twelve Days After Christmas" party on January 5, the Feast of the Epiphany. Members exchanged Christmas gifts celebrating the arrival of the Magi with gifts for the newborn King. Court Lady of Victory #588 also welcomed seven new members at the November and January meetings.



November new members: front, Michelle "Shelly" Koutch; from left, Mary Catherine Wydra, Regent; Mary Snyder, Honor Guard; Janice Koutch, and Rev. Frank Karwacki, Chaplain.



January new members, left to right: Theresa Zosh Yanonis, Cynthia Drucis, Cindy Saukaitis, Christine Seidel and Mary Lou Nolter.

Around Our State

HARRISBURG DIOCESE contd.

Members of Court Queen of Peace #1023, Lancaster, volunteered to help at the Winter Women's Shelter at the local YWCA on Wednesday evening, February 12, 2014 at 6 p.m. through Thursday morning at 8 a.m. On a night that was a snow emergency in the city of Lancaster with a wind chill temperature of 0°, they provided services and gave to the least of their sisters by performing Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy to eighteen homeless women.

*Feed the hungry, Give drink to the thirsty,
Shelter the homeless, Comfort the sorrowful*

"In giving you receive," was truly God's blessing bestowed on the volunteers. Court Queen of Peace #1023 now hopes to make this an annual court project and to find additional similar community endeavors to undertake.

Margaret T. Giordano, State Treasurer

PHILADELPHIA DIOCESE

Court St. Mark #1097, Bristol, held a successful flea market in the fall. They were sponsored by the First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association (FCSLA) as a matching-funds project, and pledged to match what Court St. Mark earned, up to \$600. The \$600 was used by the Court to fund their State, National and Local charities. This is the third year in a row that the FCSLA sponsored their flea market as a matching-funds project, and the officers and members of Court St. Mark are very grateful.



Back Row: Michelle Russo, Recording Secretary; Annie Mae Jacobs, Treasurer; Sarah Mastrull, Regent; Joan Foley, Financial Secretary; Seated: Bernie Mastrull

In December, Court St. Mark hosted its annual Christmas Luncheon along with St. Mark's Sodality. They were honored to have State Regent Peggy Guckin attend the luncheon.

Sarah Mastrull, Regent



Court St. Mark's annual Christmas luncheon



Michelle Russo, Recording Secretary; Helen Havick, State Regent Peggy Guckin; and Sarah Mastrull, Regent



St. Francis de Sales Court #2617, Philadelphia, was entertained at its Soup and Salad function by the singers of this barbershop quartet.

PITTSBURGH DIOCESE

Court Bellevue #655, Pittsburgh, sponsored a bingo party for the residents of the Vincentian Home, North Hills, on February 12. Members assisted the patients playing the games and provided enough prizes so everyone received one.

Court Bellevue will have a Smorgasbord Luncheon and Card Party on Friday, April 11, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bellevue. A flea market and bake sale will open at 10:00 a.m. The smorgasbord luncheon will be served at 12:00 noon. There will be raffles, door prizes and table prizes. For reservations (\$8.00), call 412-931-4328.



"I Will Love Mary!"

Saint Albert the Great applies to Mary a text from the Book of Wisdom, and says that Mary forestalls those who have recourse to her by making them find her before they even look for her. Richard of Saint Victor says that the love which this good Mother has for us is so great that, as soon as she is aware that we need something, she runs

to help us. "She comes before she is asked."

Now, if Mary is so good to all, even to the ungrateful and the negligent who do not love her and do not invoke her, how much more devoted will she be toward those who really love her and frequently call upon her? She is easily found by them that seek her (Wis 6:13). O how easy it is, says Saint Albert the Great, for those who love Mary to find her, and to find her filled with compassion and love! Our Blessed Mother protests: Those who love me, I also love (Prv 8:7). Though this most loving lady loves all people as her children, yet, says Saint Bernard, she knows and loves more tenderly those who love her. And these happy lovers of Mary, asserts Raymond Jordano, are not only loved by her, but are even served by her...

"Ah, my most sweet Mary," exclaimed Saint John Berchmans, S.J., "happy the man that loves you. If I love Mary, I am certain of final perseverance, and I shall obtain whatever I ask from God." Therefore, this holy youth never tired of renewing his resolution and of repeating often to himself: "I will love Mary! I will love Mary!"

Saint Alphonsus Liguori

Saint Alphonsus Liguori (+1787), a bishop, founded the Redemptorists. He is a Doctor of the Church. From The Glories of Mary, Liguori Publications, www.liguori.org.

March for Life

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This year was the 6th March for Life I myself attended. The bus I ride leaves from St. Bernadette Church in Monroeville. Fr. Tony celebrates Mass for us at 5:30 a.m. and the bus pulls out at 6 a.m. Our bus transported a variety of occupants—men, women, students—young and old. We arrived at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception at 11 a.m. Members from my court, vice-regent, Annie Roney and her mother, Donna Roney, traveled with me again this year. Annie and Donna opted to spend the day at the Basilica in prayer. Many from our bus choose this option yearly, and I encourage you to consider it in the future.

Every year that I have attended the March, I have had the pleasure of meeting up with Jeanette Kitch, Regent of Court Columbia #2. Jeanette was attending her 14th March this year. Jeanette's bus leaves Meadville from St. Agatha Church at 11 p.m. on the eve of the March. They travel through the night arriving in Washington early in the morning. On Jeanette's bus this year were 18 senior high school students, 12 younger students and the remainder were adults, for a total of 42 people. The youngest traveler was a 9-month-old baby! This dedicated group did not arrive back in Meadville until well after midnight.

Catholic Daughters from around the country meet in the area of the National Gallery of Art on Constitution Avenue. CDA members are easy to find. This year, warm scarves bearing the CDA emblem and vivid CDA colors were our new calling card. We carry our Catholic Daughters for Life signs. We hoist our CDA banner. We march for the 56 million children who have been aborted since *Roe v. Wade*. We March for Life!

Lisa McCann, State Treasurer

Reminders for Financial Review

It is almost that time of the year again—Financial Review for the period October 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014. Regents, please remember to contact your District Deputy for a date. We do ask that the DD attend both reviews if possible. The treasurer should fill out the form since she has the financial numbers, and the form could be filled out prior to the review. When the review is completed by the financial review committee members, sign the form with the DD, if she is present. The treasurer will make (4) copies with the original going to the National Office and copies to the State Regent, State Secretary, DD and a copy for your court files.

In looking over the Financial Reviews from the previous period, many courts are listing hundreds of dollars in section #3—Paid to State Court. The first line should only include the dues amount (you pay \$1.00 per member per billing period). The next line will list \$5.00, which each court is assessed. You may also add any donation you have given towards our Special State Court Projects which is Pro Life (advertising/general fund and the Haiti Community Birthing Center) and donations from our Spiritual Intention cards, which go to the North American College in Rome.

You may not list any monies from the Calendars or 10-Week Club tickets purchased by the court unless the Calendar or 10-Week Club ticket is given as a gift to a priest or a sister. The court cannot benefit from any winnings.

Peggy Guckin, State Regent



*If we honored
each baby
aborted since 1973
with a moment of silence,
we would be silent
for over 100 years.*



NATIONAL UPDATES

Your donations are at work in Pennsylvania. Ten grants were announced in New York City at the annual dinner for SOAR (Support our Aging Religious). Out of the ten awarded for 2013, nine are in Pennsylvania.

IHM Sisters, Immaculata received Century tubs and lifts.

IHM Sisters, Scranton, received a chapel air temperature control upgrade.

Sisters of Blessed Sacrament, Bensalem, received an upgraded infirmary call system.

Sisters of the Order St. Basil the Great, Fox Chase Manor, were able to have doors and a transmission system installed to make the chapel handicap accessible.

Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Haverford, were able to replace a handicap lift.

Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, Merion Station, were able to renovate a nursing station.

Little Sisters of the Poor, Philadelphia, were able to replace a whirlpool and lift hygiene chair.

Bernardine Franciscan Sisters, Reading, purchased three walk-in bathtubs.

Sisters of St. Joseph, Erie, purchased a sling mechanical floor lift, sit-to-stand mechanical lift and lift chairs.

On your behalf the State Board sent a check in the amount of \$3,619.98 to the National Office to cover your donations for National charities and projects from June to August 2013. \$50.00 was also sent directly to the Department of Navy, San Diego, for Project Handclasp.



Sr. Bernadette and Mother Marie Edward with the new, much-needed Century tub, purchased with the SOAR grant. We are most grateful for your support!

NATIONAL PROJECTS

Disaster Relief	\$535.00
Habitat for Humanity	445.00
Holy Cross Family Rosary	360.00
Smile Train	705.00
SOAR	390.00

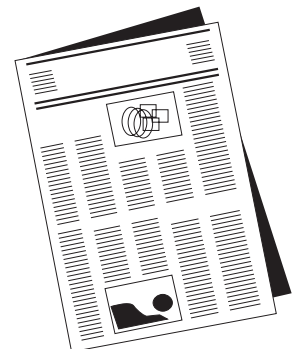
NATIONAL CHARITIES

North American College	224.00
Morality in Media	190.00
Catholic Relief Services	95.00
Apostleship of the Sea	50.00
Covenant House	125.00
Missionaries of Charity (Mother Teresa)	130.00
Tutwiler Clinic	220.00
The Laboure Society	130.00
Misericordia	20.00

It's That Time Again! 2014 Newsletter Contest!

Now is the time for all courts to submit their past three newsletters to be eligible for the state contest. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 15, 2014.** Each entry must be accompanied with a cover letter provided by the court. Winners selected will be sent to the National Convention. The newsletter is a wonderful tool to inform and educate our members. It inspires all of us and makes us realize that we are a part of something "GRAND." If your court never had a newsletter or just never entered, jump right in and give it a try. GOOD LUCK!

Please send newsletter entries to: **Gloria J. Kissel, 236 Connecticut Dr., Lower Burrell, PA 15068; phone 724-339-3614.**





CDA Pennsylvania State Courts

Don't forget to advertise your monthly meetings and any fundraisers in your church bulletins. Also, there are many members who do not drive and cannot walk to get to the meetings. Arrange for members who drive to pick up these members who could use a ride!

<u>CITY</u>	<u>COURT NAME AND NUMBER</u>	<u>REGENT/CONTACT AND PHONE</u>
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Easton	Easton #358	Deborah Starace: 610-253-5898
Jim Thorpe	Ryan #911	Mary Marzen 570-325-4922
Frackville	St. James #1029	Barbara Muesel: 570-874-3442
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Lock Haven	Ave Maria #399	Jean Hesler: 570-893-1278
Bellefonte	Rev. Patrick McArdle #448	Lorraine Fello: 814-383-4262
Tyrone	St. Rita #523	Rosemarie Long: 814-692-8535
Johnstown	Our Lady #647	Carol Watson: 814-535-6706
Ebensburg	Ebensburg #680	Sandra Inez: 814-472-8814
Cresson	Joan of Arc #716	Lucy Cogan: 814-886-5165
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Hollidaysburg	Our Lady of the Alleghenies #1755	Dorotheanne Simendinger: 814-695-9588
Mount Union	St. Catherine #1992	Mary Lyons: 814-542-8310
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Altoona	Prince Gallitzin #2625	Carol Galimoto: 814-946-3769
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Ridgway	St. Leo #356	Janice Wonderly: 814-776-1352
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Sheffield	De La Roque #657	Julie Bulicz: 814-968-4359
Reynoldsville	St. Marys #890	Elizabeth Wolfgang-Rugh: 814-653-2224
Coudersport	Doyle #932	Julia Kolat: 814-274-8437
Emporium	Bishop Gannon #1059	Rita May: 814-486-0787
Franklin	St. Thomas #1483	Kathryn Horner: 814-673-2518
Clarion	Immaculate Conception of Clarion #2454	Ann Enderle Liska: 814-744-9467
<u>Greensburg Diocese (15 Courts)</u>		
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Connellsville	Annunciata #260	Palmine Akers: 724-628-1599
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Uniontown	Uniontown #505	Paulmina Rawlings: 724-438-0764

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Greensburg Diocese (15 Courts) contd.

Blairsville	St. Theresa #562	Amy Henigin: 724-459-6229
Monessen	Monessen #776	Debbie Genemore: 724-708-8335
New Kensington	New Kensington #860	Theresa Shields: 724-335-6354
Kittanning	St. Patricia #998	Mary Ann Badura: 724-763-7598
Vandergrift	Vandergrift #1008	Arlene Colecchi: 724-567-5748
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YOUTH / JCDA

The Junior Catholic Daughter program was developed in 1926 to empower girls of all ages to live their lives as disciples of Jesus Christ. To accomplish these goals, a Junior Court chooses activities to help each girl develop their Christianity and grow spiritually as they serve others through creative and flexible programs. The JCDA was established for girls from 6 to 18-years-of-age. There are two divisions: those whose ages are 6-10 are Junioresettes and those who are 11-18 are Juniors.

Every Catholic Daughter Court has the ability to sponsor a Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas program. Guidelines for initiating a JCDA Court can be found in the Tools of the Trade or they can be obtained from National.

The Steps for initiating a JCDA Court include:

1. Determine the interest level in your community through talking to the priest and CDA members with daughters, granddaughters, nieces, etc.

2. Select a Chaplain and share the information concerning JCDA with him.

3. Hold an initial meeting. Advertise in the church bulletin, schools, and any other place that the information will be seen. The invitation should include the mothers. With the help of the Chaplain, information to be shared at this meeting should include the goals and program of JCDA and the good it will do for the girls, the community, for God and for the Church. Applications should be distributed at this time. A date, time and place for a second meeting (probably in one week) should be set.

4. The second meeting should be an organizational meeting based on the applications received. Leaders need to take the Child of God Program which is offered on the Diocesan or Parish level and have a background check, done by the State Police for a fee. The girls will be divided according to their respective age groups. The JCDA will determine the court name (it may or may not be the same as the local CDA Court), the amount of dues, and the date and time of their monthly meeting. Officers will be elected and a date for the Institution of the new JCDA Court should be set.

5. Installation of the new JCDA Court, Reception of New Members, and Installation of Officers will be held at the time chosen at the second meeting. The ceremonial for these can be found in the Tools of the Trade or from the National Office. The Local CDA could plan a reception following the ceremony.

6. Before the first official meeting of the JCDA Court, the new officers and leaders will meet to establish bylaws (guidelines in JCDA packet) and copy the Medical Release. JCDA Courts are covered by the liability insurance of the senior court.

7. At the first official meeting of the new JCDA Court, the bylaws need to be reviewed, changed if needed, and adopted. Medical Release forms are distributed to be returned at the next meeting. A banner will be designed by the members. Uniforms or a sash may be chosen and designed. Determine programs your court would like to

develop in order to promote God's message of service to others through community activities.

Some samples of activities a Junior Court may choose to develop are: supporting the American Cancer Society "Relay for Life," supporting the troops through various ways (Christmas or Valentine's cards, preparing "snack" boxes, etc.), supporting the elderly, or developing a youth literacy project for younger children. The interests of the Juniors should guide the project(s) you choose. There can be one "signature project" that you work all year toward or many smaller projects dealing with current needs in your community. The possibilities are endless—and as varied as the Juniors in your Court.

Dolores Croyle, Youth/JCDA State Chair

I enjoy sharing thoughts that others have written. Here is one that I recall... Arline Rich, PA National Supervisor and National Director Youth / JCDA

Are you a CDA Pencil?

A pencil maker told the pencil five important lessons just before putting it in the box.

1. Everything you will do will always leave a mark.
2. You can always correct the mistakes you make.
3. What is important is what is inside of you.
4. In life, you will undergo painful sharpenings, which will only make you better.
5. To be the best pencil, you must allow yourself to be held and guided by the hand that holds you!

We all need to be constantly sharpened. May this parable encourage you to know that you are a special person with unique God-given talents and abilities. Only you can fulfill the purpose which you were born to accomplish. Never allow yourself to get discouraged and think that your life is insignificant and cannot be changed and, like the pencil, always remember that the most important part of who you are is what is inside of you."

You are Catholic Daughters of the Americas Pencils!



Many Thanks for Your Prayers

As many of you know, I crushed my femur on January 9 when I took a fall on bleachers while attending my grandson's basketball game. Needless to say, I didn't get to see his team win the game. After surgery, I now have a plate and 9 pins in my left leg. I should light up the machine the next time that I fly! I am recovering at home with my husband, Nurse Goodbody, taking excellent care of me. It will be approximately another two months of no weight bearing on my left leg. I have learned to hop really well on a walker and have a driver's license for a wheelchair. I am keeping busy knitting, crocheting, reading, playing games and watching the birds.

I want to thank everyone who sent me cards, prayers, phone calls, and spiritual intentions. I know that God has really heard you as I have little pain and my leg is healing. God is really good! Please keep me in your prayers as I keep you in mine.

Margaret Novak, Immediate Past State Regent

Come, Be a Leader!

A leader's job is to be one "who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way" to others. Someone once said that to lead somebody is to walk beside them. Since we are not together right now, I am sending these comments that may help YOU become a leader in your local courts.

You may not recognize your potential as a leader, but every one of us is already a leader in our daily life. It's a matter of wanting to lead, then accepting the role of a leader in your court.

There are many things you might do within your court, such as chair a committee or volunteer to be on a committee, or you might think of becoming an officer in the upcoming elections. This is how you can become a leader in your court and possibly in your State.

We all began in our youth as a member of, then an officer in, perhaps the Girl Scouts, 4-H club or the JCDA. Now, as a member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, you have the opportunity of continuing as a person of service and commitment by sharing your talents with your court and State.

Offer to chair a committee or to become an officer in your court and perhaps your State. There are many friendships to be made as you serve the Order of the CDA and opportunities to strengthen your faith as you work to carry out the motto of the CDA. As a leader, you will help to shape the events of the Catholic Daughters and thus help to shape the organization. It has been said that "to do great things is difficult, but to command great things is more difficult." Come, offer to be a leader and help the CDA continue to do great things in "Unity and Charity."

Letty M. Calvetti, Leadership Chairman and Past 2nd VNR

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PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE POINTERS

"RIGHTING" MOTION (or Subsidiary Motion to Amend)

Purpose: To make the MAIN MOTION exactly the way you wanted it to be (even 5 years from now, when you look at the minutes for history—make it explicit).



The Subsidiary Motion to Amend (or "Righting Motion") clarifies the precise meaning of the motion (and amendment) on which the court will vote.

REMEMBER THE SUBSIDIARY MOTIONS—

all of which have RANK:

(Private to General)

Postpone Indefinitely	(Private)
Amendment	(Corporal)
Amendment the Amendment	(Sergeant)
Refer to a Committee	(First Sergeant)
Postpone to a Definite Time	(2 nd Lieutenant)
Limit or Extend Debate	(1st Lieutenant)
Previous Questions	(Captain)
Lay Table	(General)

If a motion is made, that is below the one pending, that motion would not be in order.

EXAMPLE OF MOTIONS AND AMENDMENTS

MAIN MOTION: "I move that the Court sponsor a Patriotic Festival at Garvey Manor on May 17, 2014"; seconded, discussion.

AMENDMENT: "I move to amend the motion, by adding: "featuring the making of Individual Patriotic Arrangements, and Cake Walk"; seconded; discussion.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT: I move to amend the amendment by adding: "and patriotic goodies"; seconded, discussion.

If no further amendments or subsidiary motions, the vote is taken on the words (of the amendment to the amendment) only.

If it carries, these words are added to the amendment and discussion resumes on the amended amendment. If there are no further subsidiary motions or amendments, vote is taken on the amended amendment only.

If amended amendment carries, it is added to main motion, discussion continues. When there is no further discussion, vote is taken on the amended main motion.

Patricia Gildea, CDA State Parliamentarian

National Projects

Thank you to all who sent and are still sending in your Circle of Love papers. Everyone is very generous in money and time. I like the idea of having the children help staple the white ribbons on the church bulletins—great idea. Start them young so they remember when they get older that pornography is bad. Thank you and please keep the Circle of Love going. God Bless, In Unity and Charity. *Jeanette Kitch, National Projects State Chairman*

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MARCH FOR LIFE

On January 22, 2014, 41 years after the Supreme Court's 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision that legalized abortion on demand in the United States, the 40th March for Life took place on a frigid cold day in Washington, D.C. Temperatures were in the single-digits, with a wind chill of around zero. The weather canceled flights and stopped some D.C.-bound tour buses. To the hundreds of thousands who did attend, it was a tremendous sacrifice to brave the extreme elements—but no sacrifice is too great for this cause.

Among the comments at the opening rally from Patrick Kelly, chairman of the March for Life, was that the March delivers a simple yet profound message: life is beautiful. "We may be freezing, but we're freezing for the best cause in the world." He welcomed all to the "largest and most important civil rights demonstration in the world."

The new chairman pointed out that March organizers are crafting an organization that is stronger and more effective than ever. At the rally he spoke of a new logo, new offices, a new staff and better communication with a variety of religions. The organizers are using all forms of social media at their disposal, including the use of Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to reach out to the younger generations, the generations that most need the message in their hearts. Through utilizing social media, Mr. Kelly said, "The goal is not only to come together once a year, but to be in touch with you 365 days a year and to work with you to build a culture of life in America."

The world's largest anti-abortion rally even had one very famous person's support. Pope Francis announced to his three million English language Twitter followers, "I join the March for Life in Washington with my prayers. May God help us respect all life, especially the most vulnerable."

In contrast, the White House issued a statement supporting a woman's right to an abortion and vowing to work harder to reduce the number of unintended pregnancies. President Obama expressed support for the Supreme Court decision that gave America an unfettered right to abortion, calling it a "historic commitment to protect the health and reproductive freedom of women." This statement should not come as a surprise as the president has said earlier that he wanted that choice (abortion) available in case one of his daughters needed access to it.

The overriding theme of this year's March was **adoption**. According to March for Life President Jeanne Monahan, there are 64 abortions for every child who is adopted in the U.S. She said, "We want to encourage women facing the option of abortion to choose adoption. Adoption is at the center of motherhood. Motherhood is all about sacrifices. This is an ultimate sacrifice for the good of the baby."

Thousands of youth gathered in Washington. Prior to the March, it was reported that more than 10,000 attended the Youth Rally and Mass for Life at the Verizon Center in downtown Washington. An additional Youth Rally and Mass for Life with thousands in attendance was held in the Stadium Armory. With their energetic presence, the large number of young people made a profound impact on all marchers. It is reported that 80 percent of the marchers were 25 years of age or younger. The conviction of the youth are our bright future in this fight. They are not afraid to stand up for their unborn brothers and sisters. They ARE the generation for Life!



Jeanette Kitch, Regent, Court Columbia #2
and Lisa McCann, State Treasurer

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