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2019 Newsletter

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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We hope you enjoyed the newsletter. Please contact Sarah Ebey at 706-799-4415 or Juanita Oppermann at 979-388-3324 with any suggestions, future newsletter items or corrections.

Many thanks to members who contributed articles and photos for the newsletter!

*** All articles are written by Sarah Ebey unless otherwise noted. ***

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Lent is over and Holy Week has come and gone. Easter season has begun. This is a holy time in the church. A time for renewal. Just as spring is a time for new life and new growth, we also have a chance to begin a new life. Our new life should be a life lived in accordance with the will of God. During Eastertide, we are reminded that we no longer belong to the earth, but our lives belong to God. Christ rose from the dead. Which reminds us that we too will eventually rise from the dead to join Jesus Christ in heaven. I wish everyone a new beginning in a life filled with grace.

I also want to thank everyone for all the help you gave to make our “Chicken Spaghetti Dinner” a big success. Without the contribution each of you made, we would not have met our goal. Thank you again.

Our next project is our Mother’s Day bake sale on May 12. Hopefully, it also will also be a big success. We need your baked items. Make them pretty and festive.

Join us for our May meeting on May 23 at 6:30 p.m. We will be making plans for our “May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary”. JCDA State raffle tickets will be available for those who wish to support our Junior Catholic Daughters.

The May meeting will be a great celebration in honor of Mary, our mother. Hope to see you at the May meeting. Thanks again for all you do and for your unending generosity.

By Juanita Oppermann, Regent
DID YOU KNOW...

In the tools of the trade, there is a protocol for meetings. The following is an excerpt.

Protocol

The Catholic daughters of the Americas is a distinct organization founded on ceremony and order. Our image is powerfully reflected in the protocol we practice. There, rules of etiquette in ceremonies and observance of accepted practices are important.

These highlights are the basis for proper protocol which should be exercised in every court. Consistency and preparation make for a smooth process. Courtesy demonstrates diplomacy, dignity, and social decorum of the organization.

II. Meetings

A. Regent
   1. Stand (if possible) when conducting business or addressing membership
   2. Exercise command of meeting with prepared agenda and timely schedule
   3. Use courteous tone and manner
   4. Introduce visitors, prospective members, and any guests or dignitaries to the membership.

B. Officers/Chairman
   1. Rise when addressing membership
   2. Be prepared with presentation at hand
   3. Speak slowly and with conviction

C. Members
   1. Arrive on time
   2. Stand, wait to be recognized, address the Chair as “Worthy Regent”
   3. Be courteous to all

D. Visitors/Guests
   1. State/National or District deputy/State Representative is greeted by a member and escorted to seat.
   2. If Clergy/Spiritual Advisor is present, he/she should be asked to lead prayer
   3. District Deputy/State Representative (if present) may be invited to lead prayer

Reprinted from the “Tools of the Trade.”
FROM THE STATE WEBSITE

Formed in 1903, under the patronage of the Blessed Mother, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas® (CDA) are united by their faith in Jesus Christ and their devotion to the Catholic Church. We are one of the oldest and largest Orders of Catholic women in the Americas.

The Texas State Court was organized January 25, 1917. Our Mission Statement is a reflection of the CDA motto of Unity and Charity®; "The members of the Texas State and Local Courts love Christ and His Church. We are dedicated to leading others to Christ and to His service through active participation in the Catholic Daughters of the Americas."

The Statue of Our Patroness, Mary, the Blessed Mother of God, is on display at the National CDA office in New York. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of Texas.

Taken from the Texas CDA Home Page http://www.texascda.org

28TH BIENNIAL TEXAS STATE JCDA CONVENTION 2019

JCDA is having their state convention right in our back yard, Sugarland, Texas! The convention theme this year is “The Lord is My Maker and My Guide” and will be held June 28–30 at the Marriot Hotel.

State convention project is “Suitcases for Kids” all monetary donations shall be made payable to State JCDA Convention Project and mailed to Shelia Martinka, 307 Spur Drive, Victoria, Texas 77094. For questions contact Shelia Martinka at smartinka@earthlink.net or Peggy Supak at fayetteatty@Hotmail.com.

Items Needed to place in bags

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More information can be found on the Texas CDA website. http://www.texascda.org
Read Across America

We had 4 volunteers, Janet Spicer, Janet Gibson, Sarah Ebey, and Deanna Hudgeons for “Read Across America.” The group read at the Memorial Child Care Center in Freeport. Janet Gipson read to the 3-4-year-old class, Hello, Goodbye Dog. Deanna Hudgeons read to the 3-year-old class, Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes. Sarah Ebey read to the 4-5-year-old class, Piranhas Don’t Eat Bananas and Be Who You Are. Janet Spicer read to the 6-7-year-old group, Giraffes Can’t Dance. Sarah Ebey brought activity sheets for each book to leave for them to complete.

By Janet Gipson, Committee Chair
**Calling All Bakers!!**

**MOTHER’S DAY BAKE SALE**

Warm up those ovens, get out the pans and mixing bowls and get on your aprons!

It’s time to start baking for our annual Mother’s Day Bake Sales. The date is May 12th, this week. Bake sale profits help with scholarships and other organizations that we support. Our goal for this bake sale is $1000.00; let see if combined efforts can make that happen.

By Sarah Ebey, Newsletter Editor

**BRAIN FAIR**

Thanks to District 35 CDA Sisters for the another successful co-operative Bake Sale benefitting The Gathering Place with proceeds of $649! Thanks to our Regents for passing info and getting the great volunteers!!

We appreciate our Angleton CDA Sisters kicking off the Brain Health Fair Bake Sale!!

By Dottie Mensik, Co-Chair
The annual Chicken Spaghetti Fundraiser was held March 3, 2019. The money we earned will be used to provide money for our scholarship program, Youth on a Mission, Jr. High Camp, Vacation Bible school, and community donations. On March 2nd we had a dedicated crew for set up, cooking, the silent auction, and decorations. A good time was had by all as the day slowly came together. Wlczek Hall looked great! Bright and early on Sunday morning Janet Gipson, Katie Bailey and the cooking crew was hard at work. The silent auction was ready to go. Rachel and her crew were busy setting up the raffle and prize table and selling tickets. Thanks to the hard work of many the day was a big success. The court netted $8,895.72 which will enable us to give $4000.00 in senior scholarships and meet our other goals of providing funds for the youth programs and donations to various community charitable groups. This is a real team effort and it could not be accomplished without the generosity of many members of the court. Thanks to all who physically helped, sliced and cooked, baked desserts, donated prizes, bought raffle tickets and bid at the silent auction.

By Juanita Oppermann, Regent

L to R: Doraine Morgan, Dottie Mensik, Janet Spicer, Katie Bailey, Sandy Seely

L to R: Betty Jo Jurries, Shuria Thompson, Pat Williams, Olivia Gomez, Deanna Hudgeons
Chicken Spaghetti cont.

CHICKEN SPAGHETTI

L to R: Msgr. Leo, Janet Spicer & Katie Bailey

6th Place: Patty Bettge

2nd Place: Karen Koranek

L to R: Sarah Ebey with her daughters Michelle and Mary

Grand Prize and 9th Place: L to R: Doraine Morgan

L to R: Dottie Mensik, Janet Gipson & Juanita Oppermann

L to R: Dottie Mensik, Katie Bailey, Janet Gipson and Karen Koranek

L to R: Sandy Seely, Sharon Ernst, Dottie Mensik, Melody Viktorin, Margie McAda, Isabel Respondek, Juanita Oppermann, Bunny Swist, Ann Riedel.

By Juanita Oppermann, Regent
Prayers and Thank You!

PRAYER REQUEST
We have so many members & friends in need of prayers.

Condolences for those we have lost recently:
Raul Garcia (Montague); Marcie (Marcella) Martinez (former member of our court); Deacon Singer from Baytown, & Jim Swanzy (husband of Margaret Kana)

Faithful prayer warriors, please continue to pray for all those on our prayer lists & especially pray for those below on our current detailed prayer request list:

- Tim (JoAnn Forse’s son)
- Gay Black
- Ruth Cleaver
- Mike Dougherty
- Hudson Flanagan
- Bevelyn Granger
- Whitney Wilcox Hoobler
- Ernie Mensik
- Kathy Latino
- Bubba Moore
- Gilbert Ramirez Jr.
- Wendy S.
- Mirella Sherman
- Vic Smajstrla
- Joyce Sykora
- Ray Villarreal

By Mary Montague, Committee Chair

JOKER’S CORNER
During a Eucharistic Congress, a number of priests from different orders are gathered in a church for Vespers. While they are praying, a fuse blows and all the lights go out.
- The Benedictines continue praying from memory, without missing a beat.
- The Jesuits begin to discuss whether the blown fuse means they are dispensed from the obligation to pray Vespers.
- The Franciscans compose a song of praise for God’s gift of darkness.
- The Dominicans revisit their ongoing debate on light as a signification of the transmission of divine knowledge.
- The Carmelites fall into silence and slow, steady breathing.
- The parish priest, who is hosting the others, goes to the basement and replaces the fuse.

Submitted by Juanita Oppermann, Regent

March Meeting Hostess
Good lookin’ group ..... & they cook good too!!
THANK YOU!!!

L to R: Lois Loftus, Doris Grigar, Jan Denomy, Karen Koranek, Doraine Morgan
Birthdays

APRIL BIRTHDAY’S
3 – Shirley Girouard
3 – Joan Harris
5 – JoAnn Forse
5 – Lisa Matzke
13 – Collette Garcia
14 – Lisa Peralez
14 – Shuria Thompson
22 – Laurie Taylor
23 – Kathy Moore

MAY BIRTHDAY’S
6 – Andrea Drabek-Guice
8 – Sue Merritt
13 – Doraine Morgan
15 – Deanna Hudgeons
17 – Charlene Jones
21 – Grace Hatfield
20 – Doris Grigar
23 – Mary Lux
25 – Kim Blackwell
27 – Georgia Nagle
27 – Pat Perdue

JUNE BIRTHDAY’S
4 – Grace Kiefer
7 – Judy Ozuna
7 – Nan Smith
10 – Debbie Massey
25 – Susie Mensik
25 – Rhonda Palasota
27 – Lillian Sablatura
28 – Bridget West

You were known by your creator even before you were born, and He continues to love you.
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