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Unity and Charity



Regent's Message

Women Working Together!

August begins our fiscal year with many new faces joining our local court leadership.

We welcome Sherry Hebert, Suzanne Peschke and Rosa Galipp who will be a great addition to the team!

Sherry was voted in, at the August Meeting, as the new Vice Regent. Suzanne is our new chairman for the Texas State Court Memorial Scholarship Enrollments (Spiritual Remembrances). She is replacing Frances Guenther who stepped down after serving many years as the chairman. A Big Thank You to Frances for her many years of service with the CDA. Rosa will serve as the District Deputy for District 11, which includes courts from La Grange, Fayetteville, Hostyn, Schulenburg, and Weimar. Thank you ladies for saying "yes" to these services.

Just as we the people make up the body of the Church, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas could not exist without you, the members. This great organization could not uphold its motto, "Unity and Charity" without the members and leaders working together. Officers and chairmen are there to guide, but the strength of the Catholic Daughters comes from all of us praying and working as a team.

As sisters in the Lord, let's be real, true, genuine, simply ourselves, all pulling together. Our strength is in serving together!

"Love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor. Do not grow slack in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord."

Romans 12:10-11

Shirley Antosh

Shirley Antosh, Regent



Dates to Remember:
 * September 25—Court Meeting
 * at 6:30 pm in Sacred Heart
 * Center; Guest Speaker:
 * Hospice 101 (*no reading of*
 * *reports*)
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 * October 4—Jefferson Place
 * Goodie Bag Delivery
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 * October 15—National CDA
 * Mass at 9 am with reception
 * of new members, and social
 * after Mass
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 * October 23—Court Meeting at
 * 6:30 pm in Sacred Heart
 * Center; Guest Speaker:
 * Admiral Koenig-Balance of
 * Powers; "Pack a Purse"
 * Collection
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 * October 29-November 4—
 * WRAP (White Ribbon Against
 * Pornography)
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 * November 1—Jefferson Place
 * Goodie Bag Delivery
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 * November 14—Annual KC and
 * CDA Memorial Service & Mass
 * at 6 pm, Sacred Heart
 * Catholic Church
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 * November 27—Court Meeting
 * at 6:30 pm in Sacred Heart
 * Center
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 * December 3—KC/CDA
 * Christmas party
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 * December 4—Cookies for
 * Homebound, Sacred Heart
 * Narthex Meeting Room,
 * Bagging and Deliver
 *
 * December 6—Jefferson Place
 * Goodie Bag Delivery
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Hospice 101

What is Hospice?

Who Pays?

*When does
someone use it?*

Who qualifies?

Join Regional Director of Business Development, Cathy Guajareo and Celeste McGraw, at the September 25th meeting for all the answers!!

(Reading of reports will be omitted to allow for more time for our speakers.)

Annual KC and CDA Memorial Service & Mass

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

La Grange, Texas

Recitation of the Rosary at 6:00 p.m.

Memorial Service & Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Followed by a meal provided by the KC's at the Parish Center

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.

Request for Raffle Prizes

Barbara Eilert	979.249.6427	barbara@lagrangechiro.com
Becky Munsch	979.249.6299	rebeccasmunsch@gmail.com

Court Annunciation will be holding its annual raffle fundraiser this year in conjunction with the KC/CDA Christmas party on Sunday, December 3. The Court needs and appreciates the support of each of its members during this fundraiser. The raffle committee is currently seeking donations for the raffle; all prizes this year will be gift cards. Any CDA member who would like to donate a prize, whether it be a specific gift card or money that can be used to purchase a gift card, may contact Barbara Eilert or Becky Munsch. The deadline for donations is Wednesday, October 11.

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

Emma Proske
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October is Respect Life Month

Submitted by Regent, Shirley Antosh

As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from conception to its natural end. We are invited to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

During October we come together at two special events to pray the rosary for all life. Please join us at the candlelight rosary on October 18th after the 6:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart and for the "America Needs Fatima" public rosary on October 14 at the gazebo across the street from the courthouse & banks.

Another opportunity to help others is the "Pack a Purse" collection at the October meeting to be donated to the Family Crisis Center. These women often have to leave suddenly with nothing. You can donate items to put in a purse and/or a purse. Some suggested items are hand sanitizers, combs, paper, pens, shampoo, kleenexes, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, chapstick, nail files, nail clippers, prayer cards, gift cards, or any daily essentials.

November Monthly Meeting Collection: Christmas at Sea

The November meeting collection will be for the Seafarers, to show "We Care"!

Suggested Items: small items needed to fit in shoe boxes

(Since there are very few women seafarers, please purchase items for men)

Toiletries: *shampoo, body wash, shaving cream, razors, toothbrush, toothpaste, lotion, nail files & clippers, band-aids, etc.*

Other items: ski or ball caps, crew socks, gloves, flashlight w/ batteries, cards, games, anything fun

Snacks: microwave popcorn, nuts, trail mix, chewing gum, hard candies, M & M's, any non-perishable snacks

Anything fun!! *These men are away from their families during the holidays.*

Save those shoe boxes—we need 23 standard size shoe boxes to fill!!

Collect those unused soaps, shampoos, etc. from your hotel stays!!



Important Notice

After the increase in the National and State CDA dues, and with much consideration, the officers feel that it is necessary to raise the local CDA dues from \$25.00 to \$30.00 per year per member. The decision will be decided at the November 27 meeting at which time the members will vote on the dues increase. Our court is required to pay dues and fees to National & State as listed below. After these payments, only 47 cents per member remains for our charities.

Breakdown of dues & fees:

Dues Paid to National:	\$18.00
Dues Paid to State	5.00
Theology fee to State:	1.00
JCDA fee to State:	.20
<u>Liab. Insurance fee to State:</u>	<u>.33</u>
Total	\$24.53

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**.*

JCDA State Convention

The JCDA held its biennial state convention June 30-July 2 at the Austin Marriott North in Round Rock. Court Annunciation member Ale Solorzano presided as state president. Local court members were recognized as the outstanding juniors in the state for the past 2 years – Celeine Fabre for 2021-2022 and Ella Nygren for 2022-2023. Members Ella Nygren and Elena Supak received state pins, and Leticia Solorzano was honored with the St. Anne medal. During the convention Celeine Fabre was elected State 2nd Vice President for the next biennium.

Pictured right: Elena Supak, Ale Solorzano and Celeine Fabre



Court Annunciation #1962 - Annual Family Dinner and 57th Anniversary held June 4, 2023, at the KC Community Center

Submitted by Elizabeth Kallus and Stacy Ryza, Co-Chairmen

Thanks to all members who attended the annual dinner; also, thanks to those who helped in any way with the event. Social began at 3:30 p.m. followed by a KC catered dinner at 4:30 p.m. consisting of roast beef with trimmings, a variety of cakes for dessert, and homemade bread donated by Lukas Bakery. The hall tables were nicely arranged and beautifully decorated thanks to Marilyn Freedman and decorating committee and husbands who helped.

Court officers present were Regent Shirley Antosh and husband Gary, Recording Secretary Carolyn Weishuhn and husband James, Financial Secretary Marilyn Kothmann and husband Jim, and Treasurer Judy Evanicky. These officers helped with various presentations.

We were honored to have celebrate with us special guests: CDA State Officers, namely Regent Carolyn Ritchey and husband Frank of Sealy, First Vice State Regent Mary Jane Albert and husband Merv of Houston, Second Vice State Regent Virginia Olsovsky of Flatonia, State Treasurer Janet Purdy of Weimar, and Immediate Past State Regent Rebecca Brown of Angleton. Also, in attendance was 2021-2023 JCDA State President Alessandra Solorzano of La Grange; Court members who serve as state chairmen, namely State Youth/JCDA Co-Chairman Peggy Supak and State Ways and Means Co-Chairman Cynthia Novak; and Court Chaplain Rev. Fr. Brian Phillips. Unable to attend was State Spiritual Enhancement Chairman Mary Lou Anderle.



Pictured Left: Five new members, two-50 year and six-25-year membership pins presented, and the four Charter Members recognized.

Pictured Right: \$500 Sacred Heart Catholic School Library Donation





Pictured Left: CDA State Guests and Officers of Court Annunciation #1962.

Pictured Right: National CDA Priest Appreciation Day gift



Pictured Left: 2023-2025 Texas CDA Regent and 2021-2023 Texas JCDA President

2023 Court Annunciation #1962 Education Contest Winners:

Division 1 (Grades 4-5): Essay – 1st Lyla Westberry, 2nd Cody Cernosek; Poetry – 1st Henry Gross, 2nd Zach Kocian, 3rd Maddox Kleiber; Art – 1st Hannah Garza, 2nd Kirtley Kallus, 3rd Emma Wilkerson; Computer Art – 1st Tabitha Smith, 2nd Annabelle Zoch, 3rd Riley Breeden. Division 2 (Grades 6-7-8): Poetry – 1st Eliana Anzaldúa, 2nd Madison Markwardt; Art – 1st Madison Markwardt, 2nd Makenna Emmel; Photography – 1st Lyla Cowan, 2nd Lyria Hartley, 3rd Kenlie Jo Kallus. Division 4 (Adult CDA Members): Poetry – 1st Debbie Greene, 2nd Melinda Dunk; Art – 1st Melinda Dunk; Photography – 1st Melinda Dunk.

2023 State Education Contest Winners: Eliana Anzaldúa, 3rd Place in Division 2, Poetry and Melinda Dunk, 3rd Place in Division 4, Art.



Pictured Above: Court Annunciation #1962 Education Contest Winners



Pictured Left: Court Annunciation #1962
Scholarship Committee

Pictured Right: 2023 Court Annunciation #1962
Memorial Scholarship Recipients present
at Family Dinner



Pictured Left: JCDA Court Annunciation #1962 members
present at Family Dinner

Save the Date Sunday, April 14, 2024
Court Annunciation #1962 Annual
Family Dinner & 58th Anniversary

Membership

Submitted by: Stacy Ryza, Chairman
979.968.5956 or 979.966.7027

Court Annunciation welcomes Mindy Markwardt, Maricela Rodrigues Moya, Lois Ruether, Lesley Wied & Robin Zapalac who pledged their membership at our Family Dinner on Sunday, June 4, 2023.

We will celebrate our annual National Catholic Daughters' Day Mass on Sunday, October 15th at 9:00 A.M. at Sacred Heart Church. The Mass is offered for the Living and Deceased members of Court Annunciation #1962.

Our Court will be receiving new members at the end of this Mass. Ask your friends, relatives, new parishioners, ladies can be from other parishes if there is no Court established. Contact Stacy Ryza, Beatrice Ortiz, Jacinta Cano or any officer.

Members are asked to join us at Mass and refreshments for all parishioners will follow after Mass in the Church Narthex.

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 Wednesday of each month.

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, September 25, 2023** beginning at **6:30 p.m.**

Thank you!

Newsletter Article Submissions

The next deadline for the November newsletter will be **October 25, 2023**. Please email any news or articles to

wagner_elizabeth03@hotmail.com.

Thank you! Elizabeth Wagner Kubicek, Editor

JEFFERSON PLACE ASSISTED LIVING

October 4, 2023

April Feray	Estella Flores
Maria C. Flores	Linda Gaddes
Debbie Gaertner	Lesley Garcia
Maria G. Garcia	Silvia Garcia
Carol Johnson	Glenda Joost
Stephanie Kaiser	

November 1, 2023

Barbara Kalina	Elfriede Kalina
Elizabeth (Liz) Kallus	Susie Kalmus
Denise Kaminski	Christine Kana
Diane Kasperek	Susan Kaspar
Pam Keilers	Judy Kirkland

December 6, 2023

Debbie Kleiber	Karissa Kleiber
Pat Kline	Adeline Koehl
Elaine Koehl	Marilyn Kothmann
Joy Kovar	Laura Kozel
Aimee Krause	Cynthia Krause
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the principle of faith working through love in the
promotion of justice, equality, and the advancement of
human rights and human dignity for all.*

