# Catholic Daughters of the Americas® Court Annunciation #1962, La Grange

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## La Grange, TX 78945

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## Regent's Message

Dear Sisters in Christ,

It is so hard to believe that my last term as serving as your Regent is almost at the end. This has been one of the most rewarding and fulfilling acts of service I have ever experienced. It fills my heart to know that our Court actually makes a difference in many peoples lives near and far. My experience was also significantly enhanced by the many members of our court who are so willing to help when called upon. I will be forever grateful for your service, kind hearts and words of encouragement throughout this journey. Court Annunciation is so very blessed to have so many faithful women with servant's hearts. Thank you for making this an experience that I will always remember and hold near and dear to my heart.

The National Convention is just around the corner and it is being held in Dallas, July 15-19. If you are interested in attending, please contact me ASAP. Registration is due June 1. There are so many wonderful activities at these conventions, you will NOT be disappointed. And the Masses, there is no way I could describe in words just how beautiful these Masses are. It is an experience you would not soon forget.

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!"

Luke 1:42

Sincerely,
Mary Lou Anderle
Mary Lou Anderle, Regent

#### **NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

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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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\*Tuesday, May 26\*—Check \* emails to see if meeting will be held at Center or through Zoom

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- \*• June 15-July 15—Court's book study, Zoom meeting ※ every Wednesday ※ . . .
- 🐥 July 15-19—National Catholic 🔆 \* Daughters of the Americas \* Convention, Dallas, Texas
- ※ August 24—Meeting at Sacred Heart Center, 6:30 p.m. light ※ meal, 7 p.m. meeting 米
- September 28—Meeting at Sacred Heart Center, 6:30 p.m. light meal, 7 p.m. meeting

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#### Melodie Brunt Texas State Regent 2019-2021 April 15, 2020

Ladies, we are in uncertain times and as such we must proceed the best we can. We have National Bylaws to follow and we have Tools of the Trade to help us keep on track. But no where are there instructions for "How to meet and elect during a 'Shelter in Place'!"

My advice has been, do the best you can, document what you do, and report it in your minutes. There are so many ways to meet now – Zoom, Conference Calls, Webinars, FaceTime. You are in good hands with your regent, Mary Lou Anderle. She will find a way to get the work done.

Do not get discouraged! We will persevere through these tough times, just like our ancestors did with Polio and Scarlet Fever. Find ways to help each other. Create a website so you can have "Live Feeds". Volunteer to be on a calling committee to call each other every day or two just to check in. Depression can set in even with young adults and children, so get up off the couch and walk or clean out a closet or two.

This is the Easter season. Let us rejoice; for Jesus has risen!

#### Janet Prudy District Deputy #11

Dear Court Annunciation,

I hope everyone and their families are doing well in this time of uncertainty and social distancing. Even though I have been getting a lot done around the house that I have been putting off, I sure miss the socializing and giving and getting hugs. I appreciate the Masses and rosaries that are said on social media, but I am ready to attend Mass in church and receive the One Body and One Blood in Holy Communion. Hopefully, by the time you receive your Courts newsletter, this pandemic will be over and life will be back to normal as we knew it. Whatever normal is.

Take care, stay healthy and stay safe. God Bless!

#### **2020 DUES REMINDER**

Submitted by Peggy Sulik

CDA dues of \$25 for 2020-2021 were due March 31st. If you received a letter in March about dues and you have not mailed them, please do so to:

CDA, P.O. Box 275, La Grange, TX 78945

We value your membership and your dues help us to accomplish many good deeds for not only our local community, but for our state and nation as well.

## 2020-2022 Election of Officers

Submitted by: Mary Lou Anderle

Our Nomination Committee of Peggy Supak, Cynthia Novak and Rita Sulik have worked very hard during these difficult times to put together a slate of officers for the 2020-2022 term. Below is the slate of officers:

Regent: Shirley Antosh

Vice Regent: Carolyn Weishuhn

Reporting Secretary: Mary Lou Anderle

Financial Secretary: Marilyn Kothmann

Treasurer: Judy Evanciky

My deepest gratitude to the Nomination Committee for your dedication to our Court and to the ladies who have stepped up and said yes to a leadership role in our court. May God grant you all many blessings for your service to "Unity and Charity."

Since we are unsure as to whether or not we will be able to have a physical meeting to hold elections in May, we must proceed in the following manner to be prepared for anything. Therefore, if you would like to nominate someone from the floor, please submit that to me either by email or letter no later than Thursday, May 21st. It must be in writing and the person you are nominating must be informed and be willing to accept the nomination. No fear, I will follow up with a phone call to the person nominated to confirm acceptance. If by chance we get to meet in person, we will also accept nominations from the floor there. If we cannot meet physically, I will email/mail ballots for the election if and only if there is a need for an election. If no one contests any of the positions, then the slate of officers is elected by acclamation. But again, I will let you know all of that as the time arrives.

### **CDA Summer Retreat & Book Study**

Debbie Greene cre.sacredheart@gmail.com

Our CDA Court will host the 4th annual summer retreat this year. We will be reading "33 Days to Merciful Love," the next book in the series from Father Michael Gaitley. For this one, we will read individually each day for 33 days, "meet" daily via email for short reflections on the daily readings, and meet once a week for 30 minutes to check-in on the reflections using Zoom. The Zoom meetings will be Wednesday evenings at 8 P.M. beginning June 17 until July 15. Our consecration day will be July 22, the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene. The consecration day is a Wednesday also, so we are hopeful that our consecration can be at the Wednesday evening Mass on July 22 with a celebratory meal to follow. You must purchase your own book, which you can do at <a href="mailto:shopmercy.com">shopmercy.com</a> (supporting Fr. Michael Gaitley and his community directly) or at <a href="mailto:amazon.com">amazon.com</a> or at <a href="mailto:barnesandnoble.com">barnesandnoble.com</a>. (The ebook is \$6.95-\$9.95 and the paperback is \$10.40-\$14.95.) Please contact Debbie Greene at <a href="mailto:cre.sacredheart@gmail.com">cre.sacredheart@gmail.com</a> to register. We hope you will join us on our journey. Note, you do not have to have joined us for any of the previous retreats to join this one.

# Catholic Daughters of the Americas





## **Convention Information**

- Invitation from Texas board
- CDA Choir
- Fun Night
- Program Ads
- Restaurants
- Tours

\*\*If you have never attended a CDA State or National Convention, here is your opportunity. Please consider making the trip. We will need help with various events and would love to have you join us. If you are interested, please contact Mary Lou Anderle (979.966.2145) for more information!

#### Join TEXAS CDA on Facebook!

Courts around the state are sharing the many great works they do, and you will have great access to spiritual reflections, most recently, a book study on "The Lamb's Supper: the Mass as Heaven on Earth" by Scott Hahn.

This is a closed group. To join, search for Texas CDA on Facebook. You will be prompted to answer 3 questions.

1. Your court name and number: Annunciation #1962

2. Your court's Regent: Mary Lou Anderle

3. The city in which your court is located: La Grange

#### **Scholarship News**

Submitted by Elizabeth Kallus

Memorial Scholarships will be awarded to thirteen Class of 2020 graduating high school seniors who are children of our members and who are members of our Court's Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

If you have any questions about the Scholarship Program and for information on how to make donations (we have enrollment cards available), contact Court Annunciation #1962 Scholarship Committee members: Co-Chairmen - Elizabeth Kallus 979.249.7519 call or text, Stacy Ryza 979.968.5956 and 979.966.7027 call or text; Committee Members - Marilyn Freedman 979.966.2662, Brenda Seberger 979.249.7444, Peggy Supak 979.966.2286, Theresa Wolff 979.702.0827, Sharon Belota 979.968.3394, Rowena Belvill 979.338.0454, Veronica Olivares-Garza 979.966.3557, Beatrice Ortiz 979.966.2059.

#### In Loving Remembrance

"Well done, good and faithful servant" Matthew 25:21

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

Annie Kallus passed away April 4, 2020 at the age of ninety-nine.

She was a faithful member for over 38 years, having pledged her membership on March 21, 1982.

Reminder of the Spiritual Benefits when a member of Court Annunciation #1962 departs this life:

\*\*She is remembered in prayers and masses with a Perpetual Enrollment in the Clerical Endowment Fund,

Austin Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. (\$25.00)

\*\*\$25.00 is given for a total of five Masses to be offered for her intention at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in La Grange (3 Masses) and Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Hostyn (2 Masses).

\*\*Memorial Scholarship: The family approved donations be made to the Catholic Daughters of the Americans, Court
Annunciation #1962 Scholarship Fund: Annie Kallus Memorial Scholarship.

Also, members of Court Annunciation #1962 will lead the prayer service and recitation of the Rosary at the Wake if the family so wishes. We may do so by helping the clergy at the Wake; or we may conduct the prayer service and Rosary on our own. The Court's banner is taken and displayed for visitation, the Wake service, and the Funeral Mass.

#### **Newsletter Article Submissions**

The next deadline for the August/September newsletter will be August 26, 2020. Please email any news or articles to wagner\_elizabeth03@hotmail.com.

Thank you! Elizabeth Wagner Kubicek, Editor

#### **JCDA News**

#### Submitted by Rebecca Munsch

#### In January, JCDA members:

- On Monday, January 20, four members of Court Annunciation delivered numerous items to Annunciation Maternity Home in Georgetown. These items were donated by the parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish at the pro-life baby shower held in October.
- Members made a blanket for the first baby born in the parish after the January meeting; the blanket has not yet been presented.

#### In February, JCDA members:

- La Grange Mayor Janet Moerbe attended the February meeting and signed the proclamation for National JCDA Sunday.
- Sienna Davidson was received as a member of Court Annunciation at the February meeting.
- 12 members of the Court visited Jefferson Place after the February meeting; each resident received a Valentine's gift bag filled with candy, tissues, and hand sanitizer.
- 14 members of Court Annunciation celebrated National JCDA Sunday and the Court's 36th anniversary by attending the 9:00 A.M. Mass as a group on Sunday, February 16. Nine of the members took part in the liturgy. Following Mass, members gathered in the cafeteria of Sacred Heart School to enjoy cake, punch, and a congratulatory speech by former member Erin Supak, who spoke on behalf of fellow Court alumni Sophie Solorzano and Claire Supak.

#### In March, JCDA members:

- After the March meeting, 15 members of Court Annunciation delivered gifts of chocolate gold coins and Lucky Charms cereal to the residents of Jefferson Place.
- Ella and Tabitha Smith read to the religious education classes on Wednesday, March 4, and Malee
   Kleiber and Haedyn Cooper read to residents of Jefferson Place on Thursday, March 12, in observance of Read Across America.
- 9 members helped deliver plates to homebound parishioners on Friday, March 6, during the CDA's fish fry fundraiser.

#### In April, JCDA members:

- The Court's April meeting, scheduled for March 29, was cancelled due to the coronavirus restrictions on gatherings of more than 10 people; however, the Court's counselors met at Sacred Heart Center and drew the winners for this year's raffle fundraiser. The drawing had been scheduled for that day during the CDA's Family Dinner. We thank the CDA members who supported our raffle by donating prizes or purchasing tickets.
- Members continue to collect ring tabs for Ronald McDonald House. All other April activities have been cancelled due to the coronavirus

# HOSTESSES-Keep for Reference

Stacy Ryza, Socials Committee Chair 979.968.5956 (home) 979.966.7027 (cell)

Jefferson Place Assisted Living Rose Cernoch, Chairman 979.966.2485 (cell) 979.968.8069(work)

A party is held on the first Wednesday of each month and members serve the dessert for the noon meal. Hostesses for each month are asked to donate \$8.00 to \$10.00 to help defray the expense of the refreshments. Mail donations to Catholic Daughters of Americas, P.O. Box 275, La Grange, TX 78945, or give to Rose Cernoch prior to party. If you have any questions or would like to serve dessert, please contact Rose: 966-2485 (cell) or 968-8069 (work). Your help is always appreciated!

# Meeting Social Monthly Co-Chairmen

The responsibility for organizing the social and contacting other hostesses is up to the Co-Chairmen, however the other hostess' may contact the named Co-Chairmen and offer to help out in any way possible.

Hostesses are asked to have food at the Sacred Heart Parish—Msgr. Harry Mazurkiewicz Center around 5:45 P.M. The social begins at 6:30 P.M. prior to the 7:00 P.M. meeting. Two or three members are needed to help serve and then clean up the kitchen and meeting area.

Prepare food for approximately 25 members. Food suggestions include: sandwiches, soups, meat/cheese tray, chili, casseroles, pizza, vegetable/fruit trays, salad, chips, cake, bars, cookies, coffee, tea or soft drinks. The Court provides the decaf coffee (in freezer), paper goods (plates, bowls, napkins, plastic ware, beverage cups).

Co-Chairmen, if you have any unused social money, please turn in to the financial secretary. This money will go into the general fund to help defray cost of items provided by Court.

Thank you!

# JEFFERSON PLACE ASSISTED LIVING

June 3, 2020
Linda Gaddes
Debbie Gaertner
Eufemia Galindo
Rebecca Gerecke
Thais Gerik
Darlene Gilmore
Ramona Glisson
Loretta Greenwood
Dolores Guenther-Vacek
Bernice Guettler

July 1, 2020
Michelle Gulash
Anna Mae Hajovsky
Debra Hajovsky
Casey Harbers
Ann Margaret Harper
Suzanne Hart
Dr. Tamara Haygood
Jan Haynes
Monica Heine
Denise Henderson

August 5, 2020
Mary Louise Hernandez
Maxine Holub
Natalie Hudec
Josephine Huelsebusch
Dorothy Janacek
Delores Janak
Janis Janca
Katie Janda
Carol Janecka
Marva Jecmenek
Carol Johnson

September 2, 2020
Stephanie Kaiser
Elfriede Kalina
Denise Kaminski
Pam Keilers
Sheila Kielty
Judy Kirkland
Debbie Kleiber
Adeline Koehl

Georgia Kovar



#### **MEETING SOCIAL**

May 26, 2020
Cindy Dippel, Co-Chair
Melinda Dunk, Co-Chair
Doris Citzler
Rebecca Deen
Myra Dippel
Melissa Driskell
Judy Evanicky
Dawna Faldyn
Kathy Faldyn

#### No Meetings in June or July

August 24, 2020

Marilyn Freedman, Co-Chair
April Feray, Co-Chair
Estela Flores
Gracie Fucik
Silvia Garcia
Debbie Greene
Frances Guenther
Maria Guevara
Carla Hartley
Sherry Hebert

September 28, 2020
Jean Heger - Co-Chair
Jennifer Henneke – Co-Chair
Pat Henneke
Karen Janda
Laurie Janda
Glenda Joost
Barbara Kalina
Susie Kalmus
Christine Kana



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