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Regent's Message

Lord God, be our focal point today.

After a busy summer comes the start of a new school year and the beginning of the CDA's fiscal year. Our lives are spiraling in all directions as we try to get our schedules back on track, wondering how we can get it all done.

Now, more than ever, we need to find our focal point. Rather than feeling stressed and bewildered, we should keep our eyes on God, and let him be our focal point. He is our Father who loves us unconditionally. He is the source of grace and mercy that gives us hope, encouragement, and the strength to do all things. When we feel things are unmanageable, we need to take a break and turn our eyes to the Lord. Take time to look at a Crucifix, a Holy Card, or a Rosary. Let these items remind us of his love and how he is calling us to be a child of God. Let his presence comfort us and give us strength.

As CDA sisters, we help each other stay focused on God's Love for us and sharing that love with others. There are many opportunities through various retreats and activities during the year to help us stay focused. October is the month of the Rosary and the CDA candlelight Rosary will be on October 12th after the evening Mass at Sacred Heart Church in La Grange. Members, along with the youth classes, teachers and parents will join together to form the Rosary. A candle is lit for each bead as we pray the Rosary, making it a lovely and solemn prayer. October 16th is National CDA Day and we celebrate this day with Mass. The Mass is truly amazing as members come together in prayer with the JCDA members, our families, and others. The power of God's love can be seen and felt! I hope you will join us for these events and meetings throughout the year as we gather in prayer on our journey to stay focused!

Shirley Antosh

Shirley Antosh, Regent

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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MOTTO:

Unity and Charity



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Dates to Remember:
 *• September 26—Court Meeting
 * at 6:30pm in Sacred Heart
 * Center; Guest Speaker
 * Turtlewings Foundation
 *• October 5—Jefferson Place
 * Goodie Bag Delivery
 *• October 12—Candlelight
 * Rosary at 7:00pm
 *• October 16—National CDA
 * Sunday, 9:00am Mass
 *• October 24—Court Meeting at
 * 6:30pm in Sacred Heart
 * Center
 *• October 30-November 6—
 * WRAP (White Ribbon Against
 * Pornography)
 *• November 2—Jefferson Place
 * Goodie Bag Delivery
 *• November 3—Pork Steak
 * Dinner Fundraiser
 *• November 8—KC/CDA
 * Memorial Service at Sts Peter
 * & Paul
 *• November 28—Court Meeting
 * at 6:30pm in Sacred Heart
 * Center
 *• April 26-30—Texas CDA State
 * Convention, Galveston
 *• June 4—57th Anniversary &
 * Family Dinner

Annual KC and CDA Memorial Service & Mass
Tuesday, November 8, 2022
Sts Peter and Paul Catholic Church
Plum, Texas

Recitation of the Rosary at 6:30 p.m.
 Memorial Service & Mass at 7:00 p.m.
 Followed by a meal provided by the KC's at the parish hall

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.

Please support Court Annunciation #1962
 Annual Dinner Fundraiser

BBQ Pork Steak Drive Thru Supper
 with buttered noodles, California blend veggies and corn
 Prepared by KC Council #2574

Thursday, November 3, 2022
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
 KC Community Center in La Grange

Pre-Sale Tickets Contact: Shirley Antosh 979.966.3597
 Marilyn Kothmann 979.966.2997 Mary Lou Anderle 979.966.2145
 Carolyn Weishuhn 979.966.8775 Peggy Sulik 979.249.6808
To Reserve Plates in Advance : 979.968.5117 KC Center
Proceeds benefit CDA Charities

Newsletter Article Submissions

The next deadline for the November newsletter will be October 24, 2022.
 Please email any news or articles to
 wagner_elizabeth03@hotmail.com.
 Thank you!
 Elizabeth Wagner Kubicek,
 Editor

CDA Court Annunciation #1962 website is now available!!

Go to **www.lgtxcda.org** to get the latest news and past newsletters.

Installation of Officers for 2022-2024 Term.

(L-R) Financial Secretary Marilyn Kothmann, Vice Regent Monica Heine, Court Spiritual Advisor Deacon Mike Meismer, Regent Shirley Antosh, Recording Secretary Carolyn Weishuhn, Treasurer Judy Evanicky and District Deputy, Dist. #11, Janet Purdy



Congratulations to our State & National Education Winners!

Aubri Bernsen: (Div. III - Art) 1st Place State & 3rd Place National
Katelyn Bernsen: (Div. III - Computer Art) 1st Place State & 3rd Place National
Melinda Dunk: (Division IV - Photography) Third Place State

Court Annunciation & JCDA National awards received at the National Convention:

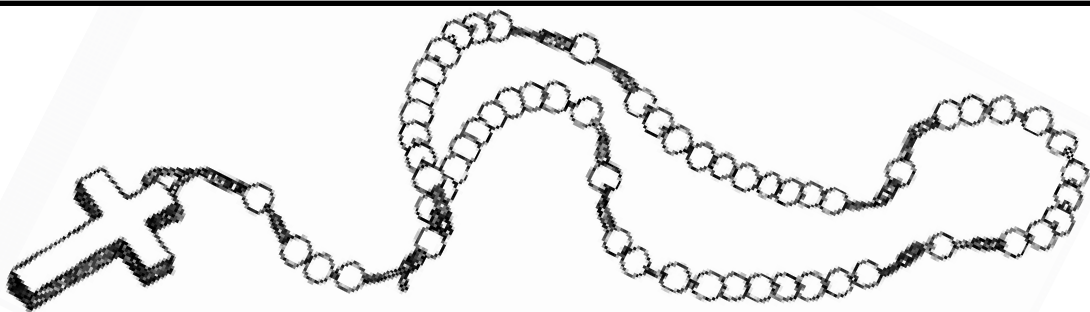
- Court Membership** - Texas - 1st Place with 35 new members (Court received a \$200 cash award)
- Court Website** - 2nd Place
- Court Newsletter** - 1st Place
- JCDA Newsletter** - 1st Place

Congratulations to all the chairman and members that make this possible!



Pictured Left - Right: Vice Regent Monica Heine, Aubri, Katelyn, Melinda, Regent Shirley Antosh

Photo taken at the CDA National Convention held in July in Puerto Rico. Court Annunciation #1962 Delegate Debbie Greene and Texas State Court Regent Rebecca Brown



Multi-District Meeting & Day of Reflection

Submitted by: Regent Shirley Antosh

The Multi-District Meeting & Day of Reflection was held on August 6, 2022, at St. Mary's Nada Community Center. Members were invited from Districts 11, 29, 37 & 67. Deacon Dusty Leopold gave a wonderful reflection on Discipleship relating to our purpose as CDA members and how to carry out this mission. He challenges us to take Jesus with us to work, the grocery store, and in all our daily activities. Service is a joyful occasion as it reveals God's love through us for others. The day included praying a living Rosary, fellowship, and a delicious meal of salads.

Attending from our Court (left to right): Marian Tajchman, Elizabeth Kallus, State & Local Spiritual Enhancement Chair Mary Lou Anderle, Regent Shirley Antosh, Treasurer Judy Evanicky, State Ways & Means Co-chair Cynthia Novak, and Fide Orona.



Membership

Submitted by: Stacy Ryza, Chairman

Just a quick look at who we are—We are the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, belonging to a Local, State and National Organization with the Motto of “Unity and Charity”, dedicated to our Patroness, the Blessed Mother. It is a special blessing to be a Catholic Daughter. How Awesome is that !!!

Here are a few statistics to notify our membership through our “award winning” newsletter, Court Annunciation #1962 currently has a membership of 343 members. We pray for and miss those five (5) members we lost to death just this year of 2022. But we are blessed to have received twenty-one (21) new members at our annual Family Dinner in April, and again one new member, Virginia Higdon who pledged her membership at our annual summer Fellowship Day in July.

We would like to “Toot” our horn about being awarded first place on State level and now recently at the National Convention in July, in our membership division, we were awarded first place with a net gain of 35 members. Congratulations to Court Annunciation!

We plan to receive new members once again at our annual National Catholic Daughters Day Mass on Sunday, October 16th at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart Church. This Mass is offered for our Living and Deceased members. Tell your friends and/or family members to join our outstanding active court. If you need any help, please contact one of the following committee members.

Thank You to the membership committee who continue to contact and invite ladies to join, they include: Beatrice Ortiz, Jacinta Cano, Fide Orona, Marilyn Kothmann, Debbie Greene and Shirley Antosh – Regent, and Stacy Ryza – Chairman. Membership is an ongoing process.

Left to right:
new member, Virginia Legler Higdon
and membership chairman Stacy Ryza



Fellowship Afternoon held July 31, 2022

Submitted by: Stacy Ryza

An afternoon of fun, food and fellowship was held on Sunday, July 31, 2022 at the Sacred Heart Center from 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. for members of Court Annunciation #1962. The event began with all present participating in prayer.

Members extended a warm welcome and were excited to have Virginia Legler Higdon of College Station, formerly of La Grange become a new member of our Court as she pledged her membership. Many members might remember Virginia's mother, Viola Legler who was an active and Charter member of our Court.

Everyone then spent an enjoyable and relaxing summer afternoon playing bunco, putting puzzles together, visiting, and dominoes were available as well. A light meal of various sandwiches, chips, dip, dessert and drinks of tea, lemonade and water was served. Prizes were given to game winners, and each attendee received a door prize. Favorable comments were received expressing the fun, food and fellowship gathering.

Stacy Ryza served as chairman and committee members included: Elizabeth Kallus, Marilyn Kothmann, Laurie Janda, Cynthia Novak and Fidelfa Orona.

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

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

Spiritual Remembrances for our Deceased Members

*Prayers and masses with a Perpetual Enrollment in the Clerical Endowment Fund, Austin Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (\$25.00 per enrollment)

*Five Masses said for her intention

*Our Court's banner is displayed at the funeral home for visitation, Rosary and Prayer Service, and at Church for the funeral Mass.

*If the family wishes, our Court leads a Prayer Service with Rosary.

*Families may also wish to name a Court Annunciation #1962 Memorial Scholarship in the name of their loved one as one of the Charities of Choice.

Sandra Ellison passed away February 14, 2022 at the age of 53. She was a faithful member for almost 29 years pledging membership on March 14, 1993. Sandra was our Court's Circle of Love Leadership Chairman at the time of her death. Leading her Prayer Service and Rosary were Shirley Antosh, Carolyn Weishuhn, Stacy Ryza, Marilyn Kothmann, Elizabeth Kallus, Cinda Tomgenovich, and Nancy Hakemack. Sandra Ellison Memorial Scholarship was named in her memory.

Victoria “Vicki” Latapie passed away June 28, 2022 at the age of 69. She was a faithful member for over 4 years pledging membership February 26, 2018.

Dorothy Janacek passed away July 9, 2022 at the age of 91. She was a faithful member for almost 16 years pledging membership October 25, 2006. Leading her Prayer Service and Rosary were Shirley Antosh, Mary Lou Anderle, Stacy Ryza, Marilyn Kothmann, Cinda Tomgenovich, Cynthia Novak, and Carol Svrcek. Dorothy Janacek Memorial Scholarship was named in her memory.

Marjorie Hackemack passed away August 5, 2022 at the age of 78. She was a faithful member for almost 16 years pledging membership October 25, 2006.

2022—Memorial Scholarships Awarded

Court Annunciation #1962 Scholarship Program - Awarded Twelve Memorial Scholarships to children of our Members

\$500.00 Memorial Scholarships

Recipients

Emily & Sidney Cernoch	Abigail Dela Rosa Daughter of Myra & Lorenzo Dela Rosa
Sharon Belota	Amanda Urban Daughter of Michelle & Milton Urban
Jonnie Mae Kulhanek & Marianna Kulhanek Burk	Kambri Mihatsch Daughter of Courtney & Jody Mihatsch
Henrietta Thuemler	Kadyn Hall Son of Candice & Tiger Hall
Judy Stolle	Maira Benitez Daughter of Esbeida & Humberto Martinez
Angeline Winkler	Mattie Konvicka Daughter of Naomi & Matt Konvicka
Gail Dozier	Alessandra Solorzano Daughter of Leticia & Joel Solorzano
Barbara Tieken & Jon Davidson	Sienna Davidson Daughter of Cinda & Darek Tomgenovich
Audrey Belota	Brynn Mikulenska Daughter of Katie & James Swafford
Audrey Belota	Carlos Anaya Son of Maria & Juan Lopez
Audrey Belota	Kylee Burgess-Franke Daughter of Brittany Burgess
Audrey Belota	Eleanor Benbenek Daughter of Pam & Joe Benbenek

Three Memorial Scholarships were awarded to Outstanding JCDA of Court Annunciation #1962

\$300.00 Memorial Scholarships

Recipients

Patricia Villasana	Alessandra Solorzano
Sharon Belota	Brynn Mikulenska
Emily & Sidney Cernoch	Sienna Davidson

2022 Texas State Court Memorial Scholarships

The State Court received 131 applications and awarded 44 Memorial Scholarships totaling \$55,000.00 to qualifying high school seniors. Court Annunciation #1962 sponsored four winners.

\$1,250.00—Alessandra Solorzano, mother is Leticia Solorzano and sisters are Sophia and Mia Solorzano

\$1,000.00—Brynn Mikulenska, mother is Katie Swafford

\$1,000.00—Abigail Dela Rosa, mother is Myra Dela Rosa

\$1,000.00—Kelsey Polasek, grandmother is Shirley Polasek

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Stacy Ryza, Socials Committee Chair

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Jefferson Place Assisted Living

Doris Lidiak, Chairman

979.968.3819

Due to COVID, we are unable to hold the monthly cake and ice cream parties. We will give the residents goodie bags with snacks, activity pages and a handwritten note, letting them know we are thinking of them and miss visiting them. This will be done on the first Wednesday of each month. Hostesses for each month are asked to donate \$8.00 to \$10.00 to help defray the expense of the snacks. Mail donations to Catholic Daughters of Americas, P.O. Box 275, La Grange, TX 78945, or drop them in the Sacred Heart, La Grange or Sts. Peter and Paul Church Collection Basket in an envelope addressed to: *CDA #1962—Jefferson Place Donation* If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Doris at 979.968.3819. Your help is always appreciated!

The next monthly meeting will be **Monday, September 26, 2022**, beginning at **6:30 p.m.**

Thank you!

JEFFERSON PLACE ASSISTED LIVING

October 5, 2022

Crystal Wostarek	Gailynne Zapalac
Suzette Zarr	Patricia Zatopek
Melinda Zbranek	Shelley Zbranek
Violet Zbranek	Debbie Zigal
Cathy Zingelmann	Courtney Zingelmann

November 2, 2022

Terri Ahlschlager	Elvira Alvarado
Kathleen Alvarez	Maria Guadalupe Anaya
Barbara Anders	Beverly Anders
Mary Lou Anderle	Shirley Antosh
Veronica Anzaldua	Virginia Aranda

December 7, 2022

Mary Baca	Vicky Bargas
Maria G. Barron	Judi Bayless
Angela Beck	Chloe Belota
Nancy Belota	Amber Belvill-Carroll
Rowena Belvill	Pam Benbenek
	Brianne Bernsen



Need a Ride to the CDA monthly meetings?



Give us a call:

Shirley 979.968.5877

Carolyn 979.966.8775



DRIVERS NEEDED!!

Give us a call and let us know if you can help drive members to the CDA monthly meetings!

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

