



CDA Happenings

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Message from our Regent

In a few days I'll be leaving, along with several other members of our Court, to join our beloved member, Helene Shepard, in South Dakota where she is already working on and planning her final meeting and convention as National Regent of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. I was honored to be there in Pittsburgh two years ago to celebrate her great achievement of becoming the National Regent after many years of hard work and dedication and I can't wait to celebrate her "Grand Finale" with her.

Additionally, I look forward to all the workshops and sessions with Catholic Daughters from all over this Country as well as Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. There will be over 1100 women and Clergy in attendance. The fellowship and sharing of experiences and knowledge that happens at these conventions is enlightening and inspiring and wonderful. We learn so much about our organization and the world and gain so much useful information for continuing all we do in our home Courts. We work hard and play hard and we make many new friends along the way.

Good Lord willing and the creek don't rise (a saying I got from an old friend) I'll see you all at the July meeting on the 25th and share what I've learned in South Dakota. Meanwhile, I hope you're all having a great summer.

God bless and keep you all,
Gail

National News

...and They're Off

On July 8th Helene Shepard left for Sioux Falls, SD to begin her Convention. In Pittsburgh Helene was installed as National Regent but in Sioux Falls she will be running the show in her final days as National Regent. Joining her from our Court are delegates Gail Erickson, Grace Alcaro, and Karen Rave along with alternates Linda Jurain, Mary Spear & Margaret Healey. Diane Meore has been serving as Helene's National Secretary and will be on the dais recording all the business of the Convention. Diane has been Helene's "Gal MTWTFridayS&S" for the past two years arranging airplane flights, driving, typing, printing, and bringing all her paperwork to Convention in her car. As Helene will attest, Diane has been worth her weight (and more) in Gold. We wish them a safe journey there and home.

Wrapping things Up

CDA in Action



It was wonderful to see the response of so many members eager to wrap more than 1000 gifts for the National Convention. It only proves the point that, "**Many hands make light work.**" Thanks to: Diane,

Grace, Rory, Mary Ann H, Pat, Nora, Claire, Margaret, Linda, Carmen, Joan, Nanette, Betty, Mary Ann K, Ginny W, Lynn, Marion, Jane, Maureen B, Anne A, Karen and Heather, and to Brian for setting up. Thank you Mary Ann for the elephant ears. They were delicious. We prayed, worked and laughed together.

Please pray for the success of this convention. I am grateful for your help and continued support. God bless each of you as we, "**Serve the Lord with joy.**"

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Mark Your Calendar!



COURT FUNCTIONS

Court Meeting
July 25, 2018
7:00 p.m.
Fr. Tetreau Hall

Brown Bag Auction



**57th Biennial
National Convention**
Sioux Falls, SD
July 18-21

Feast Day of Sts. Anne & Joachim
July 26th



Feast of the Assumption
August 15th



NO August meeting

Court Happenings

Circle of Love

Youth

The Youth are our Future—

Lauren Santos has been a dedicated and hard-working member and chair of the Youth branch of our Circle of Love, which among other things acts as a liaison to our two youth groups here at St. Mary's, helping with Adorations, involving the young people with CDA at some of our events, volunteering to help with VBS and Camp Veritas, spooky bingo and Santa's annual visit. However, she has moved to North Carolina and, although some long-distance relationships do work, this one would be quite difficult. We are now looking



for a new chair of the Youth branch. Please consider stepping up and stepping in to this rewarding position on our Circle of Love so that we can continue all the good work it does—and I'm sure we can even come up with some new ways to get involved with our youth in the Parish. Please contact Diane Meore (496-4922), our new chairperson of the Circle of Love, or Gail Erickson (496-3723), Regent, to volunteer and get involved.



Grace Alcaro has taken over the position of Ceremonial Coordinator now that Diane Meore has moved up to Vice Regent and **Nora McCaffrey** has expanded her position of brightening some of our shut-ins or sick member's days as our Sunshine Committee Chairperson to include Honey Kelleher's duties of sending Mass Cards to members and/or families who are seriously ill or have died. Thank you to both of these wonderful CDA ladies.

Step Up

One of the more enjoyable parts of each of our meetings is the socializing and sharing that takes place while we gather round the "water cooler" of coffee, tea and delicious snacks before each meeting. For that to happen, we need volunteers to come a little early and set up, volunteers to bake or bring those goodies, volunteers to greet each attendee and prospective guest and volunteers to sell those profitable 50/50 tickets we all love. So far, we have **NO** volunteers for the July meeting and few for the rest of this year.

PLEASE consider helping out in one of these positions for one of the upcoming months. Our Board can't do it all and we have so many members it should be easy for someone to do a month here or there. If you can help with the July meeting, please let Gail know (496-3723) or email gerickson52@gmail.com right away.

Changing of the Guard

Two years pass by in a heart beat and new board members take the helm of our Court. Gail Erickson, Regent, Diane Meore, Vice-Regent, Cheryl Curran, Recording Secretary, Ann Adami, Financial Secretary, and Marion Schrader, Treasurer were installed for the term 2018-2020 by Fr. Maurer, Court Chaplain at Mass. Fr. Maurer was assisted by Deacons Timothy Curran and Barney Kahn, National Regent, Helene Shepard, and NY State Regent, Heather Rave. Please give them and the Court your support and encouragement for the next two years.



Parish News

September is a BIG month here at St. Mary's so mark your Calendars and save these dates:

September 7th—the Cardinal will be coming to dedicate our new Church addition.

September 9th-Father's Annual Pig Roast, always a wonderful event.

What great opportunities to be together working and sharing with fellow parishioners and Catholic Daughters.

Request from Our Pastor

And Speaking of the Pig Roast....

Our Court has, once again, been asked to help serve and make the salads and corn breads for this Parish event on Sunday, September 9th. So dig out your best recipes to bring to the party. There will be a sign-up sheet at our July meeting for Tossed Salads, Potato Salads, Cole Slaw, Macaroni Salads of all kinds and corn bread makers and servers. If you can't be at the meeting, email me with what you will be making and/or if you can help serve.



September - A Time to Remember

When we return for our September meeting on the 14th we will begin with our annual Memorial Mass at 6:30 pm. At this Mass our Memorial Book that contains the names of our members who have died since our court was instituted, as well as names of our deceased family and friends, is placed on the Altar to include them in our prayers. If you have someone whose name you would like written in the book and remembered at the Mass through our prayers, please be sure to see Cheryl Curran who will have the book at the meetings or call Cheryl at (845) 496-5636.

Anniversary Dinner

Janet Allen, Lynn Eismont and Cheryl Curran have graciously volunteered to head our Anniversary Dinner Committee and are working fast and hard to make their plans. Anyone interested in helping them, please speak to one of them at the July meeting or contact them during our August Break. They will need help with shopping, setting-up and working the event on November 17th.

Janet Allen (845) 496-1970
Lynn Eismont (845) 496-1830
Cheryl Curran (845) 496-5636



Tea Time for Oct. 24th

Pat Cooney has volunteered to run this year's annual Fall Tea if she can get a few helpers who are familiar with how the Tea is run. Two good Samaritans have already jumped in to help. If you would like to join their committee and help out, please contact Pat at (845) 496-7405 / 500-5431. Remember, many hands make light work—and have more fun.



Birthdays

July



Honeysuckle

Marion Schrader	7/2	Mary Cuddy	7/12
Diane Meore	7/2	Rosemarie(Rory)Kahn	7/17
Marion Bottomley	7/4	Mary Spear	7/23
Jeri Madsen	7/8	Carol latimer	7/25
Suzanne Ferrigno	7/10	Ruth Lowry	7/27
Ann Frohnhoefer	7/10	Tina Jacobellos	7/28
Lee LoMeli	7/12	Gabriele Spear	7/29
Carol Ann Shepard	7/12		



Poppy

August

Rosemary Cali	8/4	Claire Evans	8/18
Marie Temple	8/4	Attilia DePaolo	8/21
Marilyn Miller	8/5	Regina DeFazio	8/21
Dorothy Murphy	8/6	Mary Taeschner	8/24
Christine Frisbee	8/6	Heather Rave	8/26
Jane Nienstadt	8/8	Victoria Drake	8/28
Kathy Palazolla	8/16	Janet Allen	8/28
Brigid Pineda	8/16		

Court Finances

Checking Balance:	\$13,791.47
Convention Fund:	\$4,618.97
Reserve Fund:	\$3,501.96



June 50/50 Winner

Mary Spear



Pictured is Gail giving Claire Evans a bouquet of flowers from the court. Claire has retired and is moving down South and leaving Washingtonville. Claire has been a dedicated and active member of our Court and we send her off with our love and prayers.

June Birthday Members



Joan Oram, Helene Shepard, & Jane Hosford

Ongoing Happenings

- ▶ Collect **boxtops** for Education to benefit St. Mary's Little Lambs Preschool and register shopping cards on line.
- ▶ Recycle empty **cans and bottles** and bring to meeting. Funds are used in our convention fund to help offset costs.
- ▶ Bring **Food Pantry donations** to the meeting: This month's collection is canned tuna, canned chicken, peanut butter, jelly, and/or any non-perishable food item on sale.
- ▶ Bring items for the **Food for Kids** backpacks and place them in the bins outside the St. Joseph's Room.
- ▶ Rosary maker meeting—1st Friday of the month at 9am in the Parish Center.

Kids in Church

Jesus' Dad's Name

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?" One child answered, "Mary." The teacher then asked, "Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" A little kid said, "Verge." Confused, the teacher asked, "Where did you get that?" The kid said, "Well, you know, they are always talking about Verge n'Mary."



Welcome Our New Member

Gail welcomed and installed Rory Kahn at the June meeting as she pledged to the mission of the Catholic Daughters, with the support of her husband, Deacon Kahn, and received her pin as a member. Deacon Kahn and Rory are a wonderful addition to our membership.



On Saturday, July 28th there will be a table set up at the doors of Stop & Shop from 9 am to 3 pm in Washingtonville Brotherhood Plaza to help supply the shelves for the backpack weekend food program for the coming school year. Each Thursday volunteers pack up over 50 backpacks with food for the weekend for children in the Washingtonville Schools. The backpacks are brought to the schools on Friday and distributed. There is always a great need of supplies to restock the shelves each week.

The following items are needed:

- *Individual microwavable pasta cups (Chef Boyardee)
- *Individual microwavable cups of Mac & Cheese
- *Granola bars (any variety)
- *Juice boxes (individual, 100% juice)
- *Fruit cups (in fruit juice, light syrup, or sugar free)
- *Jello cups
- *Pudding cups
- *Individual snack bags of pretzels, chips, etc.
- *Jif To Go Creamy Peanut Butter (18 pack snack)

And of course, monetary donations are always welcome. Items and/or money can be dropped off at the fund raiser at Stop & Shop or brought to the Court meetings.

"When you did it to these my brothers, you were doing it to me!" Matthew 25:40



Preparations for the Summer Lunches distributed at 5 locations for the children on the W'ville school district. Right—making PB&J sandwiches, left—loading up the car for delivery to Mountain Lodge.



Recipe of the Month

Smashed Red Potato

5 lbs. red potatoes—boiled and cooled until you can work with them
1 small red onion—peeled and diced
3/4 jar Hellman's mayonnaise
1 tsp celery salt
1/4 tsp black pepper
1/2 tsp mustard powder

Rub skin off potatoes so some remains and break up into small chunks by hand while potatoes are still warm but not too hot. Mix in red onion. Spoon mayo over and mix celery salt, black pepper and mustard powder into mayo. Gently stir into potatoes and onions. Chill and serve. Add a little mayo if too dry.

Keep in Prayer



Please keep in your prayers Mary Kavanah, MaryAnn Devitt, Carmen Bruckner and her daughter, Christine McCartney, Betty Mahoney, Marie Temple's nephew, Jamie Erwin; Carol Lacata of Ct. Margaret Mary; Mary Spear's sister-in-law, Margaret Duane; Gerry Sherman's daughter, Ann; Lynn Eismont's mother, Barbara; Cindy Heintz; Danny McManus, a ten year old who has leukemia; and all who have requested our prayers.

Newsletter Prayer Updates

I realize we can all use prayers all the time, but this is intended for specific situations and members often forget to let us know we can take someone off the list, so we will be starting over every few months beginning with our September issue, in an effort to keep it current and accurate. If you would like to be mentioned or have a family member mentioned, please let Janet Heidemann or me, Gail, know. (contact info on front of newsletter)



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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”*



