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CPA Happenings

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Greetings from Your Regent

My dear Sisters,

Anyone who knows me knows that I am rarely at a loss for words; except when it comes time to put my thoughts down for the monthly newsletter! Either I can't think about what to say or my thoughts are all over the place and I can't settle on one thought. Most of the time I leave it up to the Holy Spirit to guide me, and when I finally sit at the computer, the words come.

This month was no different. I had been really focused on the theme of life changes because my sister is retiring and moving and nothing in her life will be the same for her; she is very frightened and excited. Then last week our pastor wrote about life changes, so I thought for sure I was on the right track, that the Holy Spirit was guiding me that way.

And then we had Ordinations and a big funeral – more life changes. This morning when I sat in church a young lady sitting ahead of me was wearing a tee-shirt that said "Faith Can Move Mountains. (Matthew 17:20)" POW! That's it!

When our life is turned upside down, when we are walking down an unfamiliar path, when we are facing a giant obstacle, it is our faith in God that keeps us going. If we didn't have faith, if we didn't believe that God has a plan for our lives, the churches would be empty. Even when we are afraid or alone, we have to continue to have faith that it is part of God's plan.

Even the hairs of your head have all been counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth much more than many sparrows! (Luke 12:7)

In Unity & Charity, Diane



National News

(catholicdaughters.org)

Our National Officers and Directors will be joined this summer by the newly installed State Officers throughout Catholic Daughters for leadership training as they take on their roles. Let us pray for the success of this conference.

State News

(cdanys.org)

Congratulations to the newly elected 2023-2025 State officers who were installed at the New York State Convention on May 6.

State Regent Connie Breindel

1st Vice State Regent Tina Bigelow

2nd Vice State Regent Judy Sterling

Secretary Patti Drivanos

Treasurer Hazel Roberts

The theme for the new term is:

Grow and Flourish Planted in the Love of Christ (Psalm 92, 12:14)

Please pray for the success of the new board.

Our newsletter placed second in our division in the NYS Newsletter Contest. We received a certificate at Convention.

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COURT FUNCTIONS

Wednesday, June 7 7:00 P.M.

Father Tetreau Hall

Education Contest Winners and Scholarship Presentations Ice Cream Social (all Are Welcome to Attend)

Wednesday, June 14
7:00 P.M.
Father Tetreau Hall
Monthly Court Meeting

Wednesday, July 12 7:00 P.M.

Father Tetreau Hall

Monthly Court Meeting Red/White/Blue Bag Grab

[no meeting in August]

Wednesday, September 13
SOAR Annual Awards Dinner

Wednesday, September 20* 6:30 P.M.

Father Tetreau Hall

Memorial Mass and Monthly Meeting

[*due to the scheduling of the SOAR Awards Dinner, the Annual Memorial Mass and Monthly Meeting will be moved back one week]

Keep in Your Prayers:

Marianne Devitt, Cindy Heintz, and members of our court who, because of poor health, are no longer able to participate in court functions

Bob Alcaro, Bob Kaiser, Tom Murray, Gerry Sherman and Dennis McGuinness

Lynn Eismont's mother

Our Parish Priests, Deacons and Seminarians All of our healthcare providers, first responders and teachers, and all who have requested our prayers.

Condolences

Condolences are extended to **Maureen Burns** and her family on the death of her husband Jim. May he rest in peace.

The family has asked that memorial donations be made to the

Tunnel to Towers Foundation 2361 Hylan Blvd. Staten Island, NY 10306

Happy News

Congratulations to Fathers Zachary Alspaugh and Collins Ashu, recently ordained to the priesthood. Members of our parish have offered much support to these men during their time in the seminary, and now we pray for their success as priests in the Archdiocese of New York.

Next Meeting:

Greeter: Bernie Mullady
50/50: Janet Allen
Refreshments: Gail Erickson

Dotty Murphy Regina DeFazio

Milk: Margaret Healey
Clean Up: Linda Jurain

Food For Kids Program

The Food for Kids Program has a constant need for microwaveable cups of macaroni-and-cheese and Chef Boyardee pasta. During the school year they need almost 800 cups each per month! Please consider making a monthly donation of these products to help feed children in this community.

Summer Lunch Program

Once again Catholic Daughters are being asked to assist in preparing PB&J sandwiches and stuffing lunch bags several mornings a week at the High School. Please consider donating some of your time for this very worthy cause. Many hands make light work!

[Jars of creamy peanut butter are always in demand too!]

I Scream!
You Scream!
We All Scream!
For Ice Cream!

Everyone is welcome to celebrate with the Education Contest entrants and Scholarship winners on Wednesday, June 7 at 7:00 in Father Tetreau Hall.

We will have ice cream with a variety of toppings.

[We will save the leftovers for the following week's monthly meeting!]

We Could Use a Good Laugh

Pat Cooney, Humor Editor

A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbor and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle, and I can't figure out how to get started."

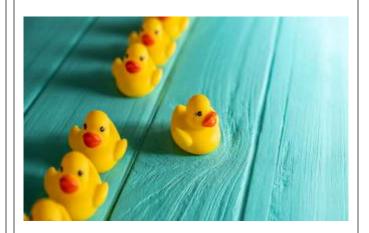
Her neighbor asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?" The little old lady says, "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster."

Her neighbor decides to go over and help with the puzzle. She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table. He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box, then turns to her and says, "First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster."

He takes her hand says, "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea, and then," he said with a deep sigh ...

"Let's put all the Corn Flakes back in the box."

Working hard to get my ducks in a row, then this happened ...



Birthdays

June

Helene Shepard (6/1) Jane Hosford (6/6) Joan Oram (6/7) Rose Ann DuBartell (6/11) Lou Ann Sindaco (6/11) Helene Spear (6/21)

Janet Heidemann (6/24) Diane Mack (6/28)

Patricia Johnson (6/29)

July

Diane Meore (7/2) Marion Schrader (7/2) Minerva Ortiz (7/3) Marion Bottomley (7/4) Suzanne Ferrigno (7/10) Ann Frohnhoefer (7/10)

Lee LoMeli (7/12) Rory Kahn (7/17) Mary Cuddy (7/18)

Carol Ann Shepard (7/18)

Mary Spear (7/23) Carol Latimer (7/25) Tina Jacobellis (7/28) Monica Morais (7/29)



Court Finances

(As of May 31, 2023)

Checking Balance: \$9,161,72 Convention Fund: \$3,983.71 Reserve Fund: \$3,767.42

Ongoing Happenings

Recycle empty **cans and bottles** and bring to meetings. Funds are used in our convention fund to help offset costs.

Computer ink cartridges – recycling them offsets office supply purchases.

Bring Food Pantry and/or Food for Kids donations to the meeting. Any and all non-perishable food items are always in need.

Education Contest and Scholarship Winners

Each year our court participates in the National CDA Education Contest. Winners at the local level are selected by a panel of judges – members of the community who are not Catholic Daughters. Local first-place winners are sent to NYS for judging, and first-place winners at the state level are sent on to National for judging. There are categories for art, essays, photography, poetry, music and graphic arts. There are different divisions for different ages of students and there are divisions for adults. This year, on the local level, here are the winners:

Art – Division 1 1st Place **Jayden Bull** 2nd Place **Caroline Ferry**

Poetry – Division 1 1st Place **Caleigh Ferry**

Photography – Division 4 1st Place **Roseann Horgan**

Poetry – Division 4 1st Place **Miranda Frisbee**

On the State level, **Caleigh Ferry** received 3rd place for her poetry entry.

Congratulations to all of the winners and thank you for participating.

The \$1,000 Court St. Ann, Mother of Mary #2419 scholarship is being awarded to **Madison Conklin**, granddaughter of Joan Oram.

The \$500 Frances Wontz Scholarship is being awarded to **Samantha Mynio.**

Our court newsletter placed 2nd in the NYS Newsletter Contest.

This is how we started May:



Delegates during Convention business meeting



A rare opportunity when we were all together!



The beautiful Mary grotto



Helene Shepard, NYS Leadership Chairman

This is how the month ended:



Memorial Day Parade



Father Zach's first Mass



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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."



