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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.

YEAR AT A GLANCE:

October: Socktober

Gummi Bears for Habitat for Humanity

November: Memorial Program for Deceased CDA Members

December: Christmas Party and Adopt a Family

January: Winterfest Bake Sale

February: Education Contest, Pie and Pop Fundraiser with K of C

March: Easter Ham and Pie Raffle

April: Pillow Cleaning Fundraiser

Pregnancy Options Baby Shower

May: Crowning of Mary

Schoenstatt Retreat

June: CDA Salad Luncheon

Priest Appreciation

July: No Meeting

August: Potluck Picnic and Pillow Cleaning Fundraiser

Sacred Heart School Staff Luncheon

GABRIEL

COURT SACRED HEART #1424
WASECA, MINNESOTA

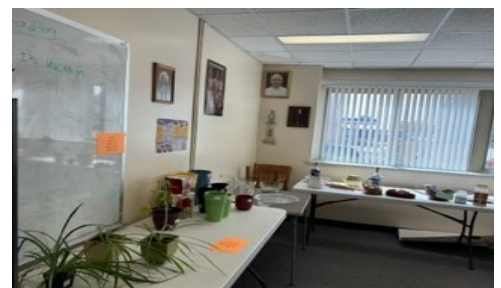


OCTOBER 2023

Next CDA Meeting: TIME CHANGE!!!! Tuesday October 10th. Rosary at 6PM!!! Meeting at 6:20PM!!! Treanor Campion Dining Hall at Sacred Heart Waseca.

Treats A-Plenty!

There were plenty of goodies to go around at our Country Store we had to fundraise for the school at the Sacred Heart Fall Festival. We even had beautiful fall décor, plants, and homemade crafts as well. Our committee chairs from the Country Store, Connie Ockwig, Shirley Skorczewski, and Lori Mickelson want to say a special thanks to all who donated items or volunteered their time to help with the Country Store and making it a success.



Letter from our Regent.....

Dear Sisters in Christ.

God has certainly blessed us with some great weather. As I write this, the sun is shining brightly. It is great to see the sunshine, and it was so good to get some much-needed rain. The leaves are going to be beautiful this year. What a lovely gift God gives to us just before winter drops in on us. I hope that you can get out and enjoy the weather. Even if it is just taking time to sit on your front porch and breath in some fresh air while you praise God.

Some of our members have asked that we keep their phone numbers, addresses, etc. private. Please be aware of this when accessing the Program Book. This information should only be used for Catholic Daughter's purposes.

Fr. Frerichs will be at our October meeting to be installed as the Chaplain of Court Sacred Heart #1424. I hope that many of you can be there to welcome him.

Have you checked in on the National or State Catholic Daughter websites? There is a plethora of information in both places. You can learn more about CDA, find prayers and uplifting articles from the National and State Chaplains, information about the education contest, information about what other courts are doing, and on and on. There is so much there for you. When you are out there surfing the web stop in on the CDA pages!!!

Speaking of that, please make sure to read through the newsletters. There is a lot of important information in each newsletter. I often get questions from members about this or that, and if they had read the newsletter they would have had the answers. So, take a look.

In Unity and Charity;

Pat Foley, Regent
Court Sacred Heart #1424

IT'S SOCKTOBER TIME AGAIN

During the month of October, the Catholic Daughters of Sacred Heart collect socks of all sizes. These socks are donated to the Neighborhood Service Center to be given away so that everyone in Waseca County can have warm, dry feet this winter. There will be a basket in the north entry where you can place the socks that you wish to donate. All sizes are needed, girls and boys, men and women. Let's make sure there are many happy feet this winter!



GUMMY BEARS

On Saturday October 7th from 9am-1pm Catholic Daughters will be handing out gummy bears at the Waseca Walmart and Bomgaars stores to raise funds for Habitat for Humanity. Please come out to show your support.



PROGRAM BOOK INFO

Please remember when accessing the CDA Program Book, that the addresses, phone numbers and email addresses of the members are to be use for Catholic Daughter business only. Please do not use this information for personal or other uses. Some of the members want to keep their information confidential. Thank you for honoring their wishes.

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September 12, 2023 CDA Minutes

Rosary was led by Deb Wobschall at 6:15 pm prior to the start of the regular meeting of Court Sacred Heart #1424, Waseca.

Lunch was served by Deb Perreault and Brenda Walter.

“Membership Prayer” was led by Spiritual Enhancement chair, Deb Wobschall.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Regent, Pat Foley. Silent roll call was taken. There were 5 officers present and a quorum.

Minutes from the May 9, 2023 meeting were read. Judy Thomas motioned to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded, no discussion and minutes approved.

Reading of Correspondence by Lori Harris.

The Treasurer Report was printed and given by Carmen Battenfeld.

Yearly Budget needs to be finalized - Discussion and approval of the yearly budget is tabled until the October meeting.

Funds paid out for the following:

Date	Check #	Pay To	Description of Expense	Income/Expense
5/9/2023	5847	Lori Harris	Confirmation Blankets	\$128.94
5/9/2023	5848	Lori Mickelson	Confirmation Blankets	\$100.00
5/12/2023	5849	Sacred Heart Faith Formation	St. Felix Campaign	\$500.00
5/12/2023	5850	Pat Foley	50 Year Pins and Member Info Forms	\$84.00
5/30/2023	5851	CDA	State Dues	\$255.00
5/30/2023	5852	Waseca County Pioneer	April Pillow Cleaning Ad	\$30.00
6/20/2023	5853	Cash	Salad Luncheon Startup	\$100.00
6/20/2023	5854	Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary	Grant Money	\$570.00
6/20/2023	5855	Pat Foley	Salad Luncheon Groceries	\$252.69
7/6/2023	5856	Sacred Heart	Fr. The Farewell Party	\$200.00
7/10/2023	5857	MN CDA	Workshop	\$53.00
7/18/2023	5858	Geri Kassel	Salad Luncheon Groceries	\$35.91
7/18/2023	5859	Deb Perreault	Salad Luncheon Groceries	\$110.00
8/5/2023	5860	Carlson Pillow Cleaning	August Pillow Cleaning	\$872.10
8/16/2023	5861	Waseca Chamber	Kitchen Staff Thank You	\$25.00
8/16/2023	5862	Pat Foley	Teacher Appreciation	\$212.28
8/26/2023	5863	MCCL	Waseca County Fair Materials	\$75.00
8/30/2023	5864	Sacred Heart	Deacon Josh Miller Fund	\$300.00

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Reading of Bills - Patty Masberg
None

Reports of Chairman

Salad Luncheon - Deb Perreault

The June luncheon was well attended. Net profit of \$1016.40

Pillow Cleaning - Pat Foley

The August pillow cleaning brought in a profit of \$202.90.

Pillows were donated to our court and will be put on the Fall Festival Live Auction.

Teachers' Luncheon - Pat Foley

Thank you for the donations of food for the teacher luncheon in August.

Teachers and paras were given gift bags.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

2023-2024 Membership Books

The books are complete. The following corrections need to be made: M. Priebe no landline, Judy Thomas phone #507-304-0915, Tammi O'Brien address 908 9th Ave. SE, Kris Butterfield email butk21@gmail.com, Peggy Hildebrandt email phildebrandtcph@gmail.com

Fall Festival Country Store - Lori Mickelson, Connie Ockwig, Shirely Skorczewski

All slots filled to work during the Fall Festival. Donations can be dropped off at the beginning of any shift. Price sheet handed out to label goods. Please mark items for possible allergens such as nuts.

Habitat for Humanity Gummi Bears - Bea O'Brien

Bea will contact Wla-Mart and Bomgaars for dates to pass out Gummie Bears. Gummy Bears will also be available at Masses for one weekend. These dates will be announced in the Church bulletin. Donations raised go to the State and National Habitat for Humanity. Our court can apply for these funds.

Socktober - Pat Foley

Joann Earle has agreed to be the chairperson. New socks will be collected and donated to the Waseca Neighborhood Service Center. We ask them to give the socks away and not charge for them.

Dues - Pat Foley

Breakdown of dues: \$18 National + \$5 State + \$5 State Fundraiser + \$2 State Project \$30. State dues went up \$2 because of inflation and decrease in membership. This leaves no money for our local court. [Lori Mickelson](#) made a motion to raise dues to \$35 and give membership till the October meeting to consider and vote. Motion was seconded, discussion held, vote taken and passed with 2 opposing. Judy Thomas motioned to start dues at \$30 and table the decision until the October meeting. Motion was seconded, discussion held, vote taken and passed with 2 opposing. Dues tabled until the October meeting.

Maui - Pat Foley

The National Court is asking for donations to send money to the diocese in Maui. Sue Hargath made a motion to not use court funds, but take a collection from membership at the October meeting. Motion was seconded, discussion held, voted on and passed unanimously.

Book for In-Kind Donations Records - Lori Mickelson

We have a notebook to record members "in kind" donations such as paper, stamps, pop, service hours, etc.

Robe Survey On National Website - Pat Foley

Members are encouraged to go to the National CDA website to take the online survey about robes and dress code.

Fr. Frerich's Monthly gift - Pat Foley

Father has requested that the court not bring him monthly gifts of food because of his food allergies. Sue Hargath made a motion to continue our monthly gifts to Father and give a gift card (ElMolino, Wal-Mart, KwikTrip, etc) and/or card with a prayer intention for Father. The motion was seconded, discussion held, voted on and passed unanimously.

Leukemia marathon - Linda Groh

Linda and Andy Groh are running a half marathon to raise money for the National Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. They welcome prayers of support and/or donations, which can be sent by November 6 to 625 2nd Ave. NW Waseca, MN 56093 or visit the fundraising website <https://pages.lla.org/tnt/mn/ggh23/LGroh>.

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Meeting Minutes Continued Again

Fall Festival Carnival - Pat Foley

Andy Hoehn sent an email asking our court for funds to help pay for kid prizes for the Fall Festival Kids Carnival. Sue Harguth made a motion to give \$200 for the carnival prizes, motion was seconded, discussion held, vote taken and passed unanimously.

Business from the floor:

Court Anniversaries

Court St. Joan of Arc of Marshall is celebrating their 85th Anniversary. Court Madonna of Wilmont is celebrating their 100th Anniversary. Lori Mickelson made a motion to send a card to each court with a donation of \$25 each, motion was seconded, discussion held, voted on and passed unanimously.

Financial Secretary's report as needed - Patty Masberg

Announcements:

Rosary for Elizabeth Wobschall Sunday, September 17 at 7p.m. at 3rd Street Chapel

Jane Christianson announced the Courier mentioned the Diocese Women's Day titled "Beloved" will be held on November 11th in Rochester at Resurrection Church. If you would like to carpool with Jane, call her at 507-213-1657.

Meeting ended with a Hail Mary Prayer and adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Next Meeting - October 10, 2023

Why I am a Catholic Daughter

By Lori Mickelson

The motto of CDA is Unity and Charity. The meaning of unity is having multiple parts combined into one, or the state of being united or joined as a whole. The meaning of charity is the voluntary giving of help, typically money, to those in need. Thus, CDA stands for volunteering, as a group, to help others in need.

I enjoy being a member of CDA because I know I am never alone – I have a united group of "Sisters" to work with, volunteer with, pray with, and socialize with. CDA members are spirit-filled women who love Christ, His Church, our country, communities, and all of humanity.

Our Patroness is the Blessed Mary, who was also a Christ centered person (as the mother of Jesus), one who obeyed or followed what God asked of her (conceiving and giving birth to Jesus), and who also volunteered to help others (spending time with her cousin Elizabeth who was pregnant with John), and who assisted where there was a need (asking Jesus to turn water into wine at the wedding of Cana). Our CDA emblem, the Cross and Crown, symbolizes the reward promised to the faithful, thus bearing our burdens (the Cross) and then coming into the Glory of Heaven (the Crown).

As with any organization, there are members who are extremely imbedded or involved in the group, those who help or come to events and meetings when it fits in their schedule, and those who are paper members only. You may think that if a member never attends meetings or events, it's not worthwhile to the CDA court. Well, let's not forget about the power of prayer. A member may have conflicts on meeting nights, family, or work obligations. A member might not drive or have health concerns preventing her from attending. There are many reasons – but the important thing, I feel, is the prayer support for any requests our court has, is something all our members can participate in! I feel comforted when I ask CDA members to pray for a certain intention or need I might have. I embrace the knowledge that when I pass into the next life, my "Sisters" will be beside my body praying the rosary in my honor! What better send-off is there?

ROBE SURVEY

A committee of Catholic Daughters from across the nation has been appointed with the task of studying the use of ceremonial robes. The result will be compiled and presented to the delegates at the National Convention in August 2024. The deadline for submitting the survey is January 31, 2024.

Any changes made need to allow us to maintain the dignity and distinction that we have had for so many years with the current ceremonial robes. **YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT.** How can you respond to the survey? For those with computers go to the Catholic Daughters of the Americas webpage. On the first page, on the right side is a column "Updates and Reminders". You can click on the survey information there and follow the directions. Surveys can be filled out and submitted directly from that site. For those who do not have computer access we have provided you with the survey in this newsletter. Complete the survey and mail it to: Helene Shepard, Chairman

Robe Committee
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Washingtonville NY 10992



Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

National Robe Survey

1. Should we continue with the current style of Ceremonial Robes for: *

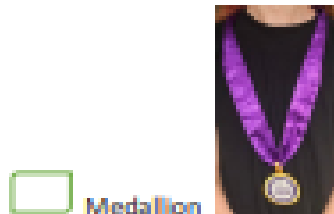
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National Officers:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
State Officers:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local Officers:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. If we replace our Ceremonial Robes, choose one: *

Please use the "Other" option to enter your suggestions. We encourage everyone to share their ideas.



Sash



Medallion

Other _____

3. What would we wear with the sash/medallion (choose one): *

Please use the "Other" option to enter your suggestions. We encourage everyone to share their ideas.

- White Dress
- White Top with Black pants/skirt
- White Top with White pants/skirt

Other- Specify: _____

4. Additional comments:

5. Name: _____

6. Court Name & Number: * _____

7. State: * _____



<https://forms.office.com/r/v9GHCXAaba>

Court Sacred Heart Budget		
Aug 1, 2023 - July 31, 2024		
Income		
Dues: \$35 x 100 members	\$3,500.00	
Winter Bake Sale	\$1,000.00	End of Jan
Pillow Cleaning (net)	\$400.00	April & August
Lunch Kitty	\$130.00	
Salad Luncheon (net)	\$1,000.00	June
Pie/Pop KC Burger Fry (net)	\$1,100.00	
TBD Fundraiser	\$300.00	
Ham Raffle and Pie Sale (net)	\$500.00	Before Easter
Other		
Total:	\$7,930.00	
Expenses		
Nat'l CDA Dues ; \$18 x 100 members	\$1,800.00	
MN Dues \$5 x 100 members	\$500.00	
MN Fundraiser \$4 x 100 members	\$400.00	
MN Project \$2 x 100 members	\$200.00	
Liability Insurance	\$55.00	
Share Magazine 1yr subscription (National)	\$7.00	
National Charities	\$100.00	
National Projects	\$100.00	
Faith Formation/Yth & Adult	\$400.00	Requests to fund camps, trips, Catholic Enrichment
Waseca County MCCL Fair Booth	\$75.00	
Meeting Expenses & Supplies	\$75.00	Special meeting needs, supplies, Pavilion rental
Masses (home parish \$5; Nat'l \$1	\$50.00	Masses offered for deceased Members and Priests
Newsletter	\$200.00	Paper, ink, Postage (not bulk) (\$50 to office in May)
Teacher Appreciation	\$300.00	Welcome back teacher gifts & Catholic Schools
Misc Postage	\$75.00	Court business, cards, (buy 50 stamps for sunshine chair)
Bulletin Print Ad	\$525.00	SH Parish print ad
SH Web Page ad for CDA	\$264.00	SH Parish Website sponsorship (Solutio)
Winterfest donation from bake sale (50%)	\$500.00	50% of proceeds from bakesale donated to school
Marathon	\$300.00	SH School
Sacramental Gifts	\$250.00	1st Holy Communion Rosary gift packets / Confirmation
Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary - Sleepy Eye MN	\$200.00	
Pregnancy Options	\$200.00	
Convention and Summer Workshop	\$800.00	delegate fees and baskets - state 2022-2023/Nat'l 2023-
Pastoral Gifts - Father	\$100.00	\$100 to Father
Adopt-A-Family	\$225.00	
Seminarians (4) yearlong sponsorship	\$200.00	No Checks
SH Kitchen Staff - Salad Luncheon / events	\$25.00	token of thanks for kitchen staff supervision for our use
Other		
Total:	\$7,926.00	
Difference	\$4.00	

VOTING ITEM FOR OCTOBER MEETING

At the October meeting, we will be voting to decide if we will keep our annual membership dues at \$30 per person per year, or if we will increase them to \$35, per year. Just to clarify if you are 85 years old or older, you have the option to have our court pay your membership dues for you. The reason for asking for the increase in dues is because the state and national dues increased, so of the \$30, none of it goes to the local court anymore for funding our charities and projects. There was a lively discussion at the September meeting about our budget and the pros and cons of increasing dues or staying the same. Below here is a perspective on this topic, from one of our members. As women we had to fight for our right to vote in government, so this month attend the meeting and let your voice be heard. Let us pray we make a choice that helps our organization to thrive.

THE COST OF MEMBERSHIP

By: Lori Mickelson

Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) is not only a local organization (court). We are also part of State and National courts. Consider power in numbers!! When asking for prayers, think of how it multiplies! Because we are not only a local court, there are obligations to meet. For the State organization to support the Seminarians and Women's Religious as our State project, each CDA court in Minnesota is assessed \$2 per year, per member. This state project is voted on, biennially, at each convention. Prior to convention, any member can submit a proposal for a new project, and organized discussion occurs at the meeting prior to voting. There is also an assessment of \$5 per member per year for state court funding. This assists the running of the state organization in paying stipends for travel expenses for the state board, district deputies, state chairs, etc.; purchasing office supplies; for newsletter costs; and other items as deemed necessary by the state board. And with all non-profit organizations, there is a need for fundraising and all courts are assessed \$5 per member per year for a state fundraising fee.

Now let's discuss the National organization. Each local court is assessed a fee of \$18 per year per member. Where do these funds go? Towards operating expenses for sure. It costs money to travel, and the National board members do have travel expenses, since they are responsible for helping courts in different cities and states from where they live. And then there are 5 projects which are supported by National Catholic Daughters: Habitat for Humanity, Holy Cross Family Ministries, LaBoure Society, SOAR, and National Center on Sexual Exploitation. (Do an online search and you will find interesting information for each one.)

Along with those projects are 10 Charities: North American College, Catholic Relief Services, Apostleship of the Sea, Covenant House, Tutwiler Clinic, Disaster Relief Fund, Human Life International, Catholic Extension, Missionaries of Charity, and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Again, imagine the power in numbers. What one member alone is able to donate, is multiplied by 63,000 national dues-paying members from 1,150 local courts in 45 states across the country and in Puerto Rico, Mexico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands. That's many extra dollars going to charities, and many extra hands providing volunteer support.

So – what do we get for the \$30 per year that it costs to be a member of the State and National CDA? The satisfaction that you are contributing financially to causes which coincide with your beliefs. Some of which may be the value of human life, the importance of spreading faith to others, supporting the men and women religious, providing support to those in the midst of disasters, helping others live in affordable housing, and the list goes on.

****Keep in mind that currently, our membership dues are \$30 and since the fees for State and National are \$30, this does not allow our court to keep any funding for our local needs.**

Now lets talk about the local court. Why be a member of the local CDA? For me its socializing – creating lasting friendships – being with other like minded women. In charitably volunteering our talents and gifts, we work with other Catholic women who share our faith and similar values. By giving our time, ideas, knowledge, dedication, and enthusiasm to CDA, we in return receive the gift of friendship. We can enjoy the fun of working together in unity on projects that support our local community, we can gain leadership skills within a committee or on the local board, we broaden our horizons when learning about the state and national projects and charities, we strengthen our own faith while sharing faith with others, and we can get a sense of accomplishment when a project is completed.

As a Catholic Daughter, we are pursuing our mission of faith, working through love to promote justice, equality, and the advancement of human rights and dignity for all. We pursue this mission locally and by contributing to the state and national CDA.

Of course, there are other faith-based organizations, committees, project crews, etc. But CDA, formed in 1903, is one of the largest, and oldest, organizations for Catholic Women in the Americas. At 120 years and still going, that's a lot of financial support and volunteer hands in action for charitable causes in local communities and across the nation!

Hurray for VALUE of CDA!

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HONORING OUR OWN, BEA O'BRIEN

On Friday September 15, 2023 proud Waseca families packed the Waseca Football field to cheer for our team, and to honor Bea O'Brien, who is an active CDA member. The football game had a coaches versus cancer event and honored Bea for surviving breast cancer, and for providing hope to those out there currently fighting the battle.



VOTING ITEM FOR OCTOBER MEETING

With our new voting rules, we present a proposed donation request at a meeting, and vote on it the next meeting. At the September meeting, Linda Groh has requested a donation to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society for a half marathon she is doing in San Francisco, CA on November 5, 2023. She is walking in honor of one of our members, Jeanne Sexton, a multiple myeloma survivor. The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society has helped advance 70% of the blood cancer treatment options approved by the FDA since 2017. To find out more, here is their website: <https://www.lls.org/who-we-are>. Linda Groh is grateful for the donations received so far towards their fundraising, so thank you to all who donated so far.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL STAFF APPRECIATION SALAD LUNCHEON

On August 28, 2023 Court Sacred Heart united to show appreciation for our Catholic School staff. We had various members prepare salads or desserts for the event, and then members to help serve the lunch and clean up. Teachers were also presented with goodie bags of stickers, and a gift card.



Heavenly Father,
Be with all cancer fighters.
Empower them with hope for
each & every day. Surround
them with loving care,
laughter & support.
Grant them Your
complete healing!
Amen!



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