



*Court Our Lady Queen of Peace #1374*  
**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS**

**P.O. Box 125 EL CAMPO, TEXAS**

NOVEMBER 2017



***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.”

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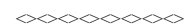
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***REGENT'S MESSAGE***

*BY DANA STERNADEL*

November is the time to reflect on all our past court members, as we do every year during our annual Memorial Mass, which was held November 6th. Thanks to all of you who always attend this Mass as we remember our members who have died, especially those members we've lost since last November as their names are announced during the Mass. Special thanks to Renee Beery for coordinating the Mass.

At last month's meeting, members enjoyed a demonstration on how to make plastic mesh wreaths, and Renee Beery was the lucky winner of the wreath made that night. Thanks to Donna Mikeska for the demonstration, and special thanks to our member Cindy Riha for providing the supplies for the wreath. Cindy also made and brought a framed Christmas decoration to give away, and our newest member Virginia Hummel, who joined our court that night, won that prize. Welcome and congratulations, Virginia!

In addition to the wreath demo, Donna spoke about El Campo Memorial Hospital and introduced Carol Wootton, who is ECMH's new Senior Program Coordinator. Carol talked about a new program at ECMH called Senior TREK for senior citizens 55 and older. The Senior TREK (Travel, Recreation, Education and Knowledge) Program offers travel opportunities, monthly luncheons, and educational programs for its members. Membership is \$10 per year and you can apply at the hospital; for more info call 543-6251.

Since last year when we initiated sending our bulletins by email, we are now emailing bulletins to 108 members and eight non-members (state officers, district deputy, etc) each month; therefore, saving our court \$20 each month in postage. If you are currently receiving your bulletin by regular mail, and you'd like to be added to my email list, please let me know so we can even save more on postage!

At this month's meeting we'll review our Standing Rules for any necessary changes; the current rules are inside this bulletin. If you see something you'd like changed, added, or deleted, and can't attend the meeting, please give me a call.

See you at the next meeting on November 20th at the Fellowship Hall following the 6:30 rosary! And to everyone, have a Happy Thanksgiving!



**"UNITY AND CHARITY"**



## OCTOBER MEETING NOTES

The regular meeting was held Monday, October 16, 2017.

Correspondences included thank yous for 4th grade bibles from Katherine Nicks, Bethany H, Dylan Sless, Liliana Lopez; and Evelyn Dornak for birthday wish. Request for donation from Max Volanski for walk for life.

Financial Secretary reported 32 members present tonight and our total membership as of October 16, 2017, is 495.

### Committee report:

1. Quality of Life - none
2. Crafts - Mrs. Olivia McDonald gave a report and a copy is filled with the minutes.
3. Spiritual - Mrs. Nelda Schmidt gave a report and a copy filed with the minutes.
4. Refreshments - Cathy Dornak gave the report and need chairman for November, March and June. Sue Hubenak volunteered for November and Nelda Schmidt volunteered for January; still need Volunteers for March and June.
5. Nursing Home - No report
6. Memorial Cards - Rose Ann Mitchell reported.

### Old Business:

1. Audit committee reported all went well.
2. National CDA Sunday was October 15th.
3. Bakeless Bake Sale - January to March 2018.

### New Business:

1. No action on request for donation from Max Volanski
2. Standing rules to be reviewed at November meeting
3. Crucifix purchased for member Jessica Dornak for her wedding
4. Renee Beery asked for volunteers for color guard for Memorial Mass  
October birthday - Renee Boutelle

Attendance Prize - LaDell Janda

Next meeting will be held Monday, November 20, 2017 at the Fellowship Hall. Starting time is 6:30 pm with the rosary in the chapel.

# THANKS!

Thank you to  
*Cathy Dornak*  
for getting it together for the October meeting.

Pot Luck... Casseroles, pizza, several salads, veggies, desserts, garlic bread and tea!! Everything was very delicious!!

The ladies that helped prepare the meal were Stacy Krasucky, Gladys Krenek, Patricia Kresta, Mary Ann Kruppa, Becky Kubala, Dorothy Kubala, Sloane Kubala, Jane Ladewig, Amanda Leopold, Patricia Leopold, Essie Leslie, Judy Lezak and Kayla Lezak helped supply the meal.

Thank you to Jane Ladewig and Kayla Lezak for helping serve and clean up.

Thank you so much!!!  
*Janiece Holub*  
Financial Secretary



## OCTOBER HOSPITALITY CARDS SENT

### Birthday

Janette Wishert  
Bernice Popp  
Geraldine Trochta  
Mary Ann Kruppa  
Barbara Junek  
Jeanette Novak  
Irene Cerny

### Get Well

Addie Knebel  
Barbara Naiser  
Martha Hubenak  
Joann Hlavaty

### Sympathy

Julie Satsky - Brother in Law  
Debbie Bubela - Mother  
Denise Couey - Mother  
Diann Srubar - Mother in Law  
Joyce Svetlik - Father in Law

### Congratulations

Betty & B.G. Parma - Married 60 Years

Get well cards are sent to members who are ill. Sympathy cards are sent to members upon the death of a husband, child, father, mother, sister, brother, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, or grandchild. Congratulations are sent for the birth of a child, golden wedding anniversary, 60th anniversary, 65th anniversary, etc. Cards of encouragement will be sent to the seriously ill. Birthday cards will be sent to members age 75 and over.

...from the standing rules; adopted in 1999

If you know of any occasion which necessitates sending a hospitality card, please call me at 543-4734.  
— Margie Swoboda

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**STANDING RULES (Revised February 2017)**

1. Scholarships will be awarded annually to children of Court #1374 members who are paid up and have been members for at least two consecutive years. Member's dues must be paid by January 31 of the year in which the student applies for the scholarship. No more than ten (10) scholarships of \$300.00 each will be given. The scholarships will be awarded to eligible applicants when proof of enrollment in a college/technical school is presented. (See Scholarship Application for details.)

2. The Court will host a reception annually for graduating seniors, their parents and school officials.

3. The Court will host birthday parties at Garden Villa by providing refreshments for residents and gifts for the birthday honorees. These parties are to be held several times a year depending upon requests from Garden Villa managers.

4. A Crucifix will be presented to a member when she marries.

5. Get well cards are sent to members who are ill. Sympathy cards are sent to members upon the death of a husband, child, father, mother, sister, brother, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, or grandchild. Congratulations are sent to members on the birth of a child, also on 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th, etc. wedding anniversaries; and birthday cards will be sent to members age 75 and over. Cards of encouragement will be sent to the seriously ill.

6. Funeral lunches served (see attached page for guidelines). In the event of an out-of-town funeral of a member or member's spouse when the lunch is not served by the court, the court will present a check to the family in the amount of \$75.00.

7. Bibles will be given in September of each year to all 4th grade students at St. Philip's School and CCE classes and at St. John's CCD class.

8. \$1,000.00 will be given in February of each year to the St. Philip's School General Fund.

9. The court will have a Christmas Party at the December meeting for members and their guests. The Christmas Party committee will determine details.

10. The court will give monetary gifts at the Clergy Appreciation celebration in the amount of \$100.00 to our court chaplain; \$50.00 to each priest and \$25.00 to each deacon who serve the El Campo and Taiton parishes. Seminarians will be honored with a Memorial Mass card at the beginning of each calendar year.

11. The court will host an "Over Sixties" party the first Sunday in December for members and non-members.

12. The court will have an annual fundraiser to cover general fund expenses and charitable contributions.

13. The convention fund will maintain a minimum balance of

\$4,000.00 and in the event it falls below the minimum balance, we will sponsor a fundraiser. If there is any overage, the overage will be transferred to the general fund. Each delegate to the state convention will receive the convention package paid by the court plus \$300.00, as funds are available. Each delegate to the national convention will receive the convention package paid by the court plus \$500.00, as funds are available. To receive the funds, each delegate must attend the total convention and then be reimbursed at the return home of the convention.

14. Any request or motion for disbursement of funds, other than state or national dues, in excess of \$500.00 will be tabled for publication in the next monthly bulletin so that all members are notified in writing of the amount and purpose of the expenditure. Action will be taken at the meeting following publication.

15. Officers' dues will be reimbursed by the court at the end of their 2-year term.

16. The Financial Secretary and Treasurer will receive an annual \$100 stipend payable by May 31st.

17. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated in November of each year in memory of all deceased members.

**STANDING RULES CONCERNING FUNERALS**

1. Upon the death of a member, her husband, or a person of her immediate family living in her home such as a child or parent, the Court will furnish a sandwich lunch, or help serve a catered meal and furnish desserts and coffee. If a member predeceases her husband, upon his death, he will be afforded the same courtesies given to his wife.

2. The Regent should be notified of the funeral arrangements as soon as they are finalized.

3. A representative of Court #1374 will be present at the wake and rosary service to assist the priest or deacon in leading the rosary. The CDA Resolution of Condolence will be read at the service and then presented to the family.

4. The CDA banner or plaque will be displayed at the wake service of a deceased member.

5. The meal following the funeral will be served at the Fellowship Hall if available; otherwise the family of the deceased will be required to make arrangements for some other hall or facilities.

6. Upon the death of a member, the court will make a \$55.00 memorial donation in honor of the deceased member. The donation will be sent to one of the following funds, which will be chosen by the deceased member's family:

- A. Mass intentions at the parish of the family's choice
- B. CDA Seminary Burse
- C. State CDA Memorial Scholarship Fund
- D. St. Philip's School Endowment Fund
- E. St. John's Altar Society Memorial Fund
- F. Court #1374 Scholarship Fund

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CDA Crafters are winding up their projects for the year. We will be playing games on the 16th. On the 30th we will pack cookies, trash and other goodies for the Over Sixties Party. We will have made other door prizes for a total of more than 40. Plan to go to the party and enjoy.

For more information, please call Olivia at 543-7587.



CONGRATULATIONS  
HOUSTON ASTROS  
BASEBALL TEAM!



FIRST TIME EVER  
WORLD CHAMPIONS



We now have 495 members.

32 present at the meeting.

Welcome new member Virginia "Cookie" Hummel.

Janiece Holub

Financial Secretary

**NEXT MEETING:**

**November 20th, 2017**

*(Rosary for Deceased Members @ 6:30 p.m. in Chapel*

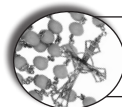
*Meal @ 7:00 p.m. Mikeska Fellowship Hall)*

A LIGHT MEAL WITH DESSERTS WILL BE SERVED.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!

*Birthday ladies come for the monthly drawing!!*

*Don't forget to sign-in and put your quarter in the bowl.  
You may win the monthly door prize!!*



**GARDEN VILLA ROSARY**

NELDA SCHMIDT

*In communication with Garden Villa on obtaining a morning time frame for the Rosary.*

*Will have more to report at the next meeting.*

*Please give Nelda a call at 543-7259  
to assist her with scheduling leaders today!*