



November 2021

# Colorado State Court Newsletter Catholic Daughters of the Americas



## Message from our State Regent

I hope you have a November filled with love and the joy of family and friends. This month we spend time remembering those who have gone before us and reconnecting with those we love. On November 1<sup>st</sup> we remember the saints who have been such a part of the history of our church. On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, we spend time remembering those of our family and friends who have gone before us to be with God.

Thanksgiving is such a special time for me as I spend time with my family and friends. I have so many blessings in my life. Last Thanksgiving was so different with the COVID-19 restrictions. I learned that things didn't have to be the same as they used to be, they could be special with a new way of thinking and accepting of God's will. My prayer this year is that we can all get back to being able to spend time together and share our blessings with those we love. May this be your most blessed Thanksgiving ever. Advent begins November 28 and is the beginning of our preparation for the Nativity of our Lord. This year let us all begin our Advent with much prayer and a very open heart.

Your State Board is madly working on creating a Workshop to be held in June at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Colorado Springs. Please plan on coming to spend this time with us. We are planning something special for everyone who attends. We would like very much for everyone to attend.

Many blessings for you and your family, and many thanks for the blessings you have sent my way. Every time I feel like I cannot find my way or the path ahead seems very dark, I get a cheery and upbeat message, call, or card from one of my Catholic Daughter Sisters. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Barbara Barnes,  
State Regent

### MISSION STATEMENT:

Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive 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.

### Barbara Barnes

State Regent

barbjohnny@aol.com

**Linda Peck**, Editor

nineliveslinda@gmail.com

**Rachel Brown**, Co-Editor

brownrr30@yahoo.com

### Inside this issue

National Rep .....	2
Prayers .....	3
Spiritual Message .....	3
State News .....	4
National News .....	5
Past Regents Report...	6
Local Court News .....	7

### Dates to Remember

- All Saints Day Nov 1
- All Souls Day Nov 2
- Veterans Day Nov 11
- Feast of the Miraculous Medal Nov 27

November 2021

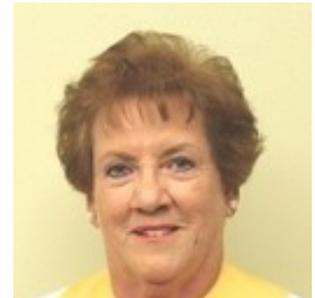
## Colorado State Court Newsletter Catholic Daughters of the Americas



### Message from our National Representative

Greeting to all my Colorado CDA sisters.

It's that time of the year when we are thinking where has the time gone. As I write this Halloween is just about a week away and we have just 2 months left to 2021. As we celebrate All Saints and All Souls Days let especially remember in prayer all those who have died this past year due to covid. Just about all of us have lost family member/s or close friend/s. At the end of 2020 we longed for the New Year thinking we'd start a fresh new year back in our normal routines with covid behind us. And yet here we are with another New Year's close, and some people still quarantined, testing positive for the virus, in hospitals and on ventilators and sadly dying from covid. The reports seem to indicate that the situation is heading in the right direction. But I encourage all of you to take the necessary steps to keep yourself safe but go about your life and service with Faith rather than Fear. Remember that God is in control, He has our backs!



Often, we think where is God in this and why is He letting this happen? We can't answer that, but we know that He won't forsake us and will carry us all through this. During difficult times we sometime focus on all the negative things happening but if we take a closer look, we see the good things that has come out of the past year and a half. Sometimes God works in ways we can't see. Let's spend some time these last 2 months to focus on those good things and Praise God. Thankfully we have been able to be out and about more than last year and enjoying the fellowship of gathering even with some restrictions to do the work of our courts. We can hold our meetings and are back to serving Our Lord where He needs us.

A couple weeks ago I had the pleasure to join in with your State Board for their board meeting by way of zoom (thank you Lord for the gift of technology!). You are blessed to have a great board who are working hard together to serve all the CDA members in CO. The meeting was very well organized, covered a lot of information. I can tell you that the good of CDA in CO is in excellent hands. Thank you to your board for their leadership and to every member for all that you do for the good of our order.

You are in my daily mass and prayers for the continued success of your courts and for the health of all your members.

God's peace and blessings,  
Susan Moné  
First Vice National Regent

We are on the web at:  
[Catholicdaughterscolorado.org](http://Catholicdaughterscolorado.org)

November 2021

Colorado State Court Newsletter  
Catholic Daughters of the Americas



## Prayers

### FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF:

Edna Escalante, a very active member of Court Holy Family #1794 for 44 years, passed away. Her funeral was held on October 7th.

Long time CDA member of Court St. Teresa #980, Joan Montgomery passed away Wednesday, October 25, 2021. Joan was a past state officer and a past regent.

We pray for all those who have died as a result of the COVID virus. May they rest in peace.

### FOR HEALTH AND HEALING:

Carol Drury of Court St. Teresa #980 is recovering from hip surgery.

Please pray for all of our CDA sisters and their family members who are suffering from cancer.

### FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

## Spiritual Message for November

### Love in the present moment

But who is our neighbor? We know very well. We don't have to look far. It's the person right next to us in this present moment. To live as a Christian, we have to love our neighbor right now, in practical ways, not just with nice feelings. We have to be concrete in our love with each person in each moment.

Chiara Lubich  
The Art of Loving p35





November 2021

## Colorado State Court Newsletter Catholic Daughters of the Americas

### State News

#### Message from the State Leadership Chair

First of all, I want to thank our State Regent, Barbara Barnes, for asking me to be your State Leadership Chairman. It is an honor to serve on her team.

For those of you who do not know me, I feel I have a good amount of experience in Leadership in the Catholic Daughters. I have been a member of Court Holy Family #1794 in Security since 1998 and a charter member of Court Our Lady of Peace #2728 in Woodland Park since 2017, but I have also served the State of Colorado as State Regent three times.

Through the upcoming months, I will share with you what being a leader in CDA is, how to show it, and hopefully make each of you realize that EVERY member of the Catholic Daughters is a Leader and has her own set of skills to share.

After my recent telephone conversation with Barbara Barnes, she showed me how she has grown as a Leader and one way was to take advantage of the knowledge and experience from past state and court officers, as well as long-time members of CDA.

As soon as I can, my goal is to “check in” with every court and see if I can help in any way. But please don’t wait for me to contact you – please either call me or send an email to [eirv898@msn.com](mailto:eirv898@msn.com) so I can start “being there” for you now.

Evelyn Irving, State Leadership Chairman

#### 50/50 Christmas Raffle

Reminder! Please return your ticket stubs, unsold tickets and a check to Lucy Gasaway, CDA State Court Games Manager **postmarked no later than Saturday, November 27, 2021!** Any questions, please contact Lucy at [lvgasaway@mail.com](mailto:lvgasaway@mail.com).



November 2021

Colorado State Court Newsletter  
Catholic Daughters of the Americas

## National News

### Congratulations to our New Courts

Court Rosa Mystica #2771  
Instituted April 7, 2021  
Regent Ana Deciga  
240 S. Miller Avenue  
Mt Pleasant, TX 75455

Court Los Sagrados Corrazones de Jesus y de Maria  
#2772  
Instituted May 27, 2021  
Regent Maria del Socorro Orantes  
Urb Parkville Sur, A-22 Calle Harding  
Gyuanabo, PR 00969

### 2022 Newsletter & Website Contests

Now is the time to begin thinking about the 2022 Newsletter and Website Contests. Rules and entry forms for both contests are included in the September 2021 National Quarterly and also available on the national website; catholicdaughters.org.

Why have a newsletter and/or website? Draw in new members, Keep members who can't be at meetings in the loop, educate all members about our organization and show that we are an international organization.

For those of you that have been thinking of starting a newsletter or website, now is the time to jump in and just "do it"!

*Feast of the Miraculous  
Medal  
November 27th*



November 2021

Colorado State Court Newsletter  
Catholic Daughters of the Americas

A Report from  
**COLORADO PAST REGENTS CLUB**

The out-going officers of the Past Regents Club want to thank all of you who were able to participate in the business meeting which took place prior to the State Convention in Cortez from June 4- 6, 2021.

Congratulations to the newly elected officers of the Past Regents Club:

President – Donna Barnes (Court St. Anthony #1248 – Durango)

Secretary – Julie Hatch (Court Our Lady of Peace #2728 – Woodland Park)

Treasurer – Evelyn Irving (Court Holy Family #1794 – Security)

The Past Regents Club officers and members wish to congratulate our newly elected State Board:

State Regent - Barbara Barnes, First Vice State Regent - Linda Peck, Second Vice State Regent – Rachel Brown, State Secretary - Sandy Cozad and State Treasurer - Mary Jane Armstrong.

During the State Convention, the Past Regents Club celebrated a Memorial Mass for all deceased members during the past two years (since our last State Convention), of which two deceased members were Past Regents: Marge Barta (Lakewood) and Eileen Quaney (Security). Our State Chaplain, Monsignor Jim Koenigsfeld, made arrangements for special masses to be celebrated at St. Columba Catholic Church in Durango:

Marge Barta – was held on Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Eileen Quaney – was held on Friday, June 18, 2021

Thank you Father Jim for honoring our deceased members

There are actually 85 past regents in Colorado that are eligible to become a member of the Past Regents Club, plus 15 in two disbanded courts. However, as of the State Convention in June 2021, our paid members amount to 33. If you were a member of a disbanded court, you can still be a member of the Past Regents Club as long as you pay our dues. You do not have to be a member of a court to be a member. Our dues are only \$6.00 for two years.

The earliest information we have shows that the Colorado Past Regents Club started in about 1982. Being a member of the Past Regents Club is an honor given to those Catholic Daughters that have “stepped up” to lead their court. There is no longer a time limit for your term as Regent of your court in order to become a member. It is a good way to keep in touch with your fellow past regents and a way to pass on your experience to others. There are only two meetings in a two year period: we have a social meeting and luncheon at the Colorado State Workshop and a business meeting and luncheon at the Colorado State Convention.

Please consider becoming a member.



## Local Court News

Please make sure your court is emailing a copy of their minutes to [nineliveslinda@gmail.com](mailto:nineliveslinda@gmail.com) so that we can share your local news with the rest of the courts in our state.

### **Court Mount of the Holy Cross #941**

In addition to adding 3 new members, the Court raised approximately \$5,000 for their local charity, Drops of Hope. A dinner party is held September to raise money for this charity that helps the Igbo tribe of Imo State, Nigeria, especially women and children by providing school tuitions and helping those in need start their own small businesses.

### **Court St. Teresa #980**

For CDA Sunday, the members of this court met at the 9:00am Mass dressed in purple. After Mass they served coffee, juice and donuts and distributed membership information. They also donated \$200 to the Catholic Charities Diaper Drive.

### **Court Sacred Heart #1606**

Court #1606 held a Highway Cleanup last on October 23rd then met at Denny's restaurant afterwards. The JCDA members were invited to help. The court is also planning a Christmas Bazaar on December 4th & 5th. They will invite the KOC to sell hamburgers and hotdogs for the Saturday lunch.

### **Court Holy Family #1794**

Held a potluck on October 15th to recognize some members for their accomplishments, award pins were given. Members brought their families and prospective members. The court also donated \$150 for the Children's Choir robes.



Advent Begins Nov. 28th