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Colorado State Court Catholic Daughters of

NEWSLETTER

April 2018

Message from State Regent



DATES TO REMEMBER

National Convention
Sioux Falls
South Dakota
July 18 - 21, 2018

Colorado State
Workshop
Colorado Springs
August 3-5, 2018

Colorado State
Convention
Wheat Ridge
June 2019

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Ladies,

I hope that you & yours have a Blessed Easter. Easter came early this year. Hope you all have a very blessed day and was able to attend your favorite Mass and celebrate with your families and friends. The year seems to be going so quickly. Spring seems to already be here. The trees are blooming as are lots of other things. We are working on getting a few final items confirmed for the Workshop agenda and then preparation will be finished and ready to go. Hopefully some of you will joining me in Sioux Fall, SD. I am looking forward to it. I plan to visit Mount Rushmore. Please join us.

Don't forget that the spring financial reviews are here, and we have provided you with some helpful information in preparation for them. Most important of all is to consult with your State Advisor as she must be in attendance.



I wish you all a very Blessed and Happy Easter.

Bonnie Valcik, Colorado State Regent



Excerpts from the National Chaplain

This year's liturgical calendar therefore provides us with a providential reminder of the connection between our Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection, and the role played by our Blessed Mother. It was Mary's "yes" on that day the angel appeared that brought Jesus into the world, where He ultimately suffered and died for our sins, so that we might have eternal life. As we continue to celebrate throughout this Easter season, may we always be mindful of Mary, turning to her at all times. Remember, whether life seems like the celebration of the crowds greeting Jesus on Palm Sunday or the pain and suffering of Good Friday, Mary is there next to Jesus – and she is next to us as well. Never hesitate to ask for her intercession so that we may do God's will and so live in the glory of the Resurrection.



May God bless you and your families. A Joyful Easter!

Faithfully in Christ,

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

National News



EXCERPTS FROM OUR NATIONAL REGENT

The National Board and National Office Staff wish all members and their families a Happy Easter Season.

“Easter is one of the most important parts of our Christian faith. It promises new hope, new joy and new aspirations. Let us celebrate that Jesus Christ has risen. Easter reminds us how God had been good to us. He gave us his own precious son to save us from our sins. Let us return the favor by sharing our blessings with others. Happy Easter!”

In Unity and Charity,

Helene

ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES A Three-Day, Multinational Pro-Life Prayer Event for 2018 Friday, May 4th – Sunday, May 6th

Praying to end abortion is our largest weapon against abortion. Please join in the Million Rosaries for the Unborn, which will be held May 4-6th, 2018. This event is sponsored by the Archangel Organization. Those participating are asked to say at least one rosary during that weekend, “For an end to the surgical and nonsurgical killing of unborn human persons.”

A person may register to be a participant by going to the website:

www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org

or a person may send his/her intentions in writing to:

Saint Michael the Archangel Organization, P. O. Box 42141, Memphis, TN 38174



STATE CHARITY FOR THE NATIONAL CONVENTION SIOUX FALLS, SD

South Dakota has a strong support and love for the Military, both those who have served and those who are currently serving. We invite each State Court, each Local Court and each Catholic Daughter member to support our State Charity at this convention:

“WISHES FOR HEROES”

Your donation is for **end of life, Hospice**. “Wishes for Heroes” assists our dying servicemen and women with transportation to see a local place of interest one more time; a visit to a family member; celebrate a birthday or anniversary; have a family member stay in a local hotel when financial means would not have allowed; enjoy a special meal on site or in town; see a movie; or take a drive around town.

It’s simply A Last Wish!

Please bring or send VISA gift cards or a check made to: SD CDA with “Wishes for Heroes” in the memo. Say thank you to our Heroes and give generously. Will you be a Hero with our State Charity? Grant a wish!

MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING

Anytime a Court wishes to vote on anything that is important, new Court Officers, go to a National Convention, go to a State Convention, go to the State Workshop, vote on anything, the **Financial Secretary** is responsible for making sure that the members that are “voting” on whatever needs to be voted on, are members in good standing. This means that they are no more than three months in arrears.

State News

COLORADO STATE BOARD WEB SITE

To learn more about what is going on at the State level, please visit: www.catholicdaughterscolorado.org
There is also a link to the National Board's web site on the state's website or you can go directly to National at: www.catholicdaughters.org

SEMINARY BURSE

Your Court's donation to the Seminary Burse should have been received by the State First Vice-Regent, Barbara Barnes, by Palm Sunday, if possible. All monies received from the Courts for the Seminary Burse will be distributed to the three Dioceses of Colorado. Please be generous and support our Seminararians.

SPRING FINANCIAL REVIEWS

- ◆ Your state advisor must be present. Dates are a first come basis. Call her now if you want a special date!
- ◆ Appoint a financial review committee of three to four court members.
- ◆ Give the Financial Report form to the treasurer prior to the review. She will be able to complete much of the information before the review begins.
- ◆ Be sure to put the number of members in your court on the review form.
- ◆ Be sure the number of members your financial secretary says you have is the same as National. You can order your court roster via email at cdaroster@aol.com or look for the link on the CDA website. **Upon receipt, the Financial Secretary should immediately and carefully check the roster to determine that National has picked up ALL changes sent in for that six (6) month period. If some are missing, the Financial Secretary should notify National ASAP, sending a copy of the form the local court originally mailed.**
- ◆ Be sure that all membership deletions, additions and transfers are being reported, using the correct forms. If you are not sure you have the correct form, please check National's website: www.catholicdaughters.org
- ◆ The Financial Review form covers the period October 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018. Please return the **original copy** to the National Office **NO LATER THAN APRIL 30, 2018** and make sure you forward copies to those listed on the bottom of the form.
- ◆ Remember to have your checks ready to mail with the Financial Review Forms, National will bill you.

STATE WORKSHOP MOUNT ST. FRANCIS, COLORADO SPRINGS AUGUST 3 – 5, 2018

Included with this State Newsletter are the Registration Form and the Court Assignments (revised) for the Colorado State Workshop. The official agenda will be published at the Workshop. Reservations must be received by the State Regent by **July 15, 2018** and there will be no refunds after **July 30, 2018**. The State Board encourages all of our CDA members to go to the Workshop, even if they are not an officer.

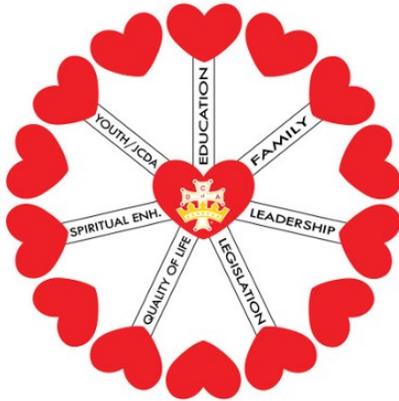
ATTENTION NATIONAL CONVENTION ATTENDEES

Those of you who are attending the National Convention, have you read about South Dakota's Fun Night? In the past they have been doing a State Pin swap! Do you want to give Your Only State Pin away? You should think about purchasing some additional Colorado State Pins!!!

Contact your Court's State Advisor. She should have some State Pins for you. If not, have her get some for you - They are \$5.00 each. Be sure you have your pins to swap with all your new friends!!!!



Circle of Love - Leadership



LEADERSHIP - CDA DNA

(Can **D**o **A**nthing with **D**edication, **N**urturing and **A**bility)

In May, our courts are electing new officers. I have spoken to you previously about stepping up and taking that chance and becoming a leader. This is your chance to blossom as a new, or a veteran, Catholic Daughter. Here is something to think about as you advance in your leadership roles:

As our previous National Regent, Anne Nelson, taught us – We all have Catholic Daughters **DNA** inside us. We are individual, but we are inseparable. We are the same, yet very different. The **DNA** for a Catholic Daughter is most unique. It can be shared but is slightly different in each member.

The **D** is for our dedication to our faith, our family and our organization. The **N** means we nurture each other in faith and in action. The **A** is for our ability to see the good and the potential in all situations and people.

It is time to step up for the good of your court, your state and this organization. Use your **CDA DNA** to reach out, give a hand, say a prayer, man the booth, bake a cake or become an officer. Don't let your **DNA** wither from lack of use. When called by the Nominating Committee Chairman to take a leadership role, please don't say no, but do ask for time to consider it. I ask that, if in doubt, you speak with the officer in the position you are asked to fill. Pray and the Spirit will guide you in your decision. Each court needs members to step forward and lead it into a new term to revitalize and renew the court.

Don't keep your **DNA** hidden. Let people say that when something needs to be done or someone needs assistance, a Catholic Daughter will be there!

Evelyn Irving, Immediate past State Leadership Chairman

ATTENTION ALL REGENTS

Here is how Regents can continue our leadership efforts by following the five following suggestions:

1. Build trust and mutual respect by standing up for your chairmen and officers. Give them the tools and support necessary to be successful. Then let them fly!
2. Over communicate – speak, write, email, send memos. Communicate what is right or wrong repeatedly. Monthly messages are helpful and a good reminder.
3. Always give praise. There is no financial cost but the good will created will be beyond value to officers and members.
4. Anybody have a better idea? Be open to new ideas. Give them the lead, stay in close contact, but allow them to try something new.
5. Problems? Listen to all sides of the story. Be honest to all sides. Don't pit one officer / member / committee against another.

Each court's leadership style is unique. Make sure it is geared towards your court's needs and advantage. You will not fail, because as National Regent Helene Shepard asks us, your leadership role will be "**Serving the Lord with Gladness.**"

Evelyn Irving, Immediate past State Leadership Chairman

National Convention

NATIONAL CONVENTION WORKSHOPS Sioux Falls, SD—July 17, 2018

♦ SPIRITUALITY – THE KEY TO POWERFUL SERVICE

Presenter: Olga Samaniego

Angel: Carolyn Bachmann

Are your members willing to take risks for God? Are they stepping out in faith? Embracing each member's relationship with God is a key to unleashing a member's ability to serve. Let's come together and talk about creating prayerful atmospheres and fostering attitudes of openness to new ideas within our Courts. Together, let's take our courts where the Lord leads!

♦ FAMILY – FAMILIES LEARNING TOGETHER AS ONE

Presenter: Essie Walker

Angel: Carol Bogacz

Come interact with your CDA members at our second Family Workshop. Experience cohesive and unique activities that will help each Catholic Daughter with activities in their court, parish, and in their family. They will experience activities that will come to life. Everyone will be engaged in making prayer a fun part of life. Experience ways of keeping the faith and sharing it in the family, so that everyone will enjoy what they do. You will find ways to ensure joy and fun so that it is part of the family's faith journey. Hands on activities will be one part of the workshop to help develop all the concepts of the workshop. The projects created are for the participants to take and share the ideas with others. The workshop will be Spiritual, Informational and Fun.

♦ LEADERSHIP – LISTENING, LEARNING, LOOKING GOOD AND LOVING

Presenter: Sherry Nilles

Angel: Rose Holschlag

How are you listening, learning, looking good and loving each other, all a part of Leadership? This workshop will discuss those four attributes and how they enhance leadership skills. Listening skills are a must for a good leader and the members. Do I really listen and understand? No one person has all the answers. Learning is being open to new ideas. Do I dismiss suggestions because I am not willing to accept that another may have more experience or knowledge? Can leadership be learned? Looking good helps a leader be more positive. Do I present myself appropriately? Loving is accepting all people. Is my heart a loving heart? Do I respect the opinion and words of others? Do I use the word "Mine" or "Ours"? Handouts will be available. This workshop will help you become the best leader you can be!

♦ MEMBERSHIP – ALL WALKS OF LIFE

Presenter: Emily Guilherme

Angel: Susan Hicks & Susan Mone'

How is recruiting like finding the perfect pair of shoes? Whether you are a sneaker, a heel, a sandal or a flat CDA membership is for you!

♦ YOUTH – JCDA & CAMPUS COURT

Presenters – JCDA: Arlene Rich

Camps Courts: Peggy Guckin

In this troubled world, let us help our girls to learn to love God and to show them how to be useful to others. Give them the opportunity to develop their God given talents and their leadership skills. You will hear what the girls have an opportunity to do and how to sponsor a JCDA court. JCDA put "Joy in all Hearts".

We need to encourage these girls, if continuing to college after high school, that they could have the opportunity to continue as a CDA member in a Campus court. As a Campus court member, they will see that they are not alone as they start on a new journey – away from home for the first that they could belong to a faithful sisterhood, to grow in their spirituality, to serve and to have fun at the same time. Come hear about Campus Courts and how you can sponsor one in your local area. Let us help and encourage these girls and young ladies to continue a "Lifelong Journey" in JCDA, Campus level and finally in CDA as a senior Court member. Come and get a "SMARTY".

♦ LEGISLATION – SPEAKE UP FOR A CULTURE OF LIFE

Presenter: Margaret Sitte

More pro-life gains have been made in the Past year than ever before. Now is the crucial time to rebuild a culture of life, defend marriage, and protect religious freedom. We will review what Catholic Daughters can and can't do as an organization at the federal, state and local levels. We'll also share the latest and best information on the culture war and have you leave inspired to take action.



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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.

Court News



Court Mount of the Holy Cross # 941- Grand Junction - (Mar) - The court will be having 2 - \$300 scholarships this year for female senior high school/home schooled students. Total amount raised from the Card Party was \$1080.10!
Court St. Teresa # 980 - Sterling - (Mar) - Nursing home visits continue to go well. \$525 was donated from the Shrove Tuesday Soup Supper to the Logan Family Treatment Court in Sterling. The Court lead Stations of the Cross on Friday, 3/16.
Court Sacred Heart # 1606 - Cortez - (Mar) - The Bridge Homeless Shelter sent a thank you for the \$200 donation. 278 parishioners have pledged to pray the rosary daily during Lent for unborn babies. We had only one CDA Education Contest entry.
JCDA Court Immaculate Heart #1606 - Cortez - (Mar) - The court raised \$191 at their Feb.11 Bake Sale after Mass for Heart to Heart Pregnancy Center. They led Stations of the Cross, had a Soup & Bread Dinner, & taught how to make rosaries.
Court St. Anne #1622 - Lamar - (Mar) - The court installed 3 new members! A vote to continue supporting Sister Renaldi from the Adopt-A-Sister program passed. A March Shower was held for Carenet Pregnancy Center & a playpen was used to collect donations in the church vestibule. Wanda Rohlman will give a talk on her trip to Israel.
Court of the Holy Family # 1794 - Security - (Feb) - The court donated \$70 to the National Disaster Fund. They had 8 ladies who volunteered to make meatless soup for the Lenten meals the Court is sponsoring. The parish will be having a Ministry Fair March 17 & 18. The court voted to give \$500 for St. Dominic's Church roof repair.
Court Madonna of the Mountains # 2035 - Lakewood - (Mar) - Happy Birthday was sung to the ladies with March birthdays! Abe's Café gave \$425 to their Court as the café donates 15% of the cost of meals when they & their guests say they support Catholic Daughters. A team of CDA members provided breakfast for the homeless on March 17th at the Action Center. A new drawing was organized for "Prayer Pals".
Court Our Lady of Peace #2728 - Wheat Ridge - (Mar) - The Court donated \$200 to the National Disaster Fund. They are planning an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids. They are having a Ministry table on April 28th & 29th to encourage CDA membership. Their biscuits & gravy breakfast went well earning \$323 with \$40 in expenses and their next breakfast will be 3/25. Court voted to do a cake walk & bake sale on 8/19 at the OLW Church Festival. Clergy Appreciation/Father's 25th Anniversary is 7/1/18 @2pm.



*** Prayers Needed ***

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bishop Emeritus Authur Tafoya who was Bishop of the Diocese of Pueblo for 29 years and passed away March 24th, 2018. Funeral Mass is Tuesday, April 10th @ 10am at Memorial Hall in Pueblo.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christ Smagacz, Susie Smagacz's sister-in-law. She leaves behind her husband (Susie's brother) & three children. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Enerta Roark, longtime CDA member.

The State Board wants to wish you and yours a very Blessed and Holy Easter.



**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS
2018 COLORADO STATE WORKSHOP
Court Assignments**

COURT ASSIGNMENTS	ADVISOR
Registration	Our Lady of Peace #2728 (Woodland Park) Bonnie Valcik
Social (Friday Evening) Program	Court Sange de Cristo #1810 (Alamosa) Court St Teresa #980 (Sterling) Barbara Barnes
Snacks (cake)	Court Madonna of the Mountains #941 (Lakewood)
Drinks	Court Sts Peter and Paul # 2669 (Wheat Ridge)
Break Snacks (Saturday Morning & Afternoon)	
Basket of Snacks (Granola bars, etc.)	Court St Little Flower #925 (La Junta) Court St Anne #1622 (Lamar) Lucy Gasaway
Soft Drinks	Court St Anthony #1248 (Durango) Court Mount of the Holy Cross #941 (Grand Junction)
50/50 Raffle	Court Scared Heart #1606 (Cortez) Court of the Holy Family # 2035 (Security) Evelyn Irving
Catholic Jeopardy	Pat Lynch and Lucy Gasaway

We are asking all participants who are coming to bring one of your name tag holders you might have from attending a previous workshop or convention. Also don't forget your Scrapbooks!

We are asking courts to bring the snacks and drinks for the breaks and the social. If you are uncertain as to what to bring, please contact your advisor.

We will plan on selling some hand-crafted jewelry and there will be some CDA articles to sell. These will be on a table in the Mt Cedar Room.

DOOR PRIZES: Each court is to bring one wrapped item. Each participant will have a door prize number.

We will have a 50/50 raffle at each meal. You can buy tickets while waiting in line to eat. The drawing will take place at the end of the meal: 25 cents each or 5 for \$1.00. We are asking Court Scared Heart (Cortez), and Court of the Holy Family (Security) to take care of these drawings.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS®
2018 COLORADO STATE WORKSHOP
RESERVATION FORM**

Dates: August 3-5, 2018
 Location: Franciscan Center
 Mount St. Francis
 7665 Assisi Heights
 Colorado Springs

Cost with room: Single \$255 per person)
 Double \$235 per person) Cost includes room, meals, breaks and materials
 Triple \$185 per person)
 Cost without room: \$150 per person Cost includes meals, breaks and materials
 Cost Saturday only: \$100 per person Cost includes lunch, dinner, breaks and materials
 Box Lunch (Friday noon) \$ 10 per person
 Thursday Night Single \$ 80 per person)
 Double \$ 50 per person or \$100 for 2) Cost includes breakfast Friday morning
 Triple \$ 40 per person or \$120 for 3)

Note: Single and Triple rooms are limited. These will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. The majority of the rooms have a private bath, but there are a few rooms that share a bath. There are no elevators to the second floor. Please specify if first floor is a necessity.

COURT: _____

PRINT NAME OF MEMBER. IF MEMBER IS AN OFFICER, IDENTIFY THE OFFICE. SPECIFY TYPE OF ROOM (single, double, triple, or no room) AND ROOMMATE'S NAME. If you are willing to share a room with a lady from Another court, please indicate so on roommate line. This will be helpful and could save your court money.

PRINT NAME	OFFICE HELD	S, D, T, NR, DAY	ROOMMATE(S)
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_____ Thursday Night	\$ _____
_____ Single @ \$255	\$ _____
_____ Double @ \$235	\$ _____
_____ Triple @ \$185	\$ _____
_____ No Room @ \$150	\$ _____
_____ Saturday Only @ \$100	\$ _____
_____ Friday Box Lunch @\$10	\$ _____
TOTAL DUE & ENCLOSED	\$ _____

First floor is necessary for whom: _____

Special dietary/allergy needs (& type) for whom: _____

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 15, 2018

Issue court check to: CDA Colorado State Court (No personal checks accepted)
 Mail reservation form and check to: CDA State Court
 c/o Barbara Barnes

NO CANCELLATIONS WITH REFUNDS AFTER JULY 30, 2018