



# Colorado State Court Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

# JUNE



## DATES TO REMEMBER

National Convention  
Sioux Falls, SD  
**July 18-21, 2018**  
Colorado State  
Workshop  
Colorado Springs  
**August 2016**

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NEWSLETTER Colorado State Court Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

## Message from State Regent

These past two years, it has been an honor to serve you all as your State regent. It has been a pleasure and a privilege serving the Catholic Daughters of the Americas here in the state of Colorado. It has been a learning experience for me. I could not have done it without your help and cooperation. I have had a wonderful state board that has helped me through all these trials and tribulations. God has sent me many angels along the way. I have seen and heard many wonderful things from all the ladies of the courts.

Ladies, please consider running for a state office. Many of you wonder why you always see the same faces at the head table at conventions or workshops – it is because so many of you, who are truly qualified and are exceptional leaders, do not step up to the plate and run for state office. I hope that some of you will step forward in the future to change that.

As we get ready for our “Summer”, let us not forget that we are Catholic Daughters, even if, we are adjourning for the Summer. “Unity and Charity” is something we need to continue to profess thru out the Summer, for the year as far as that goes. Remember, it should all start at home. The children will soon be under foot & will soon be “bored” looking for something to do. Tempers will become short and flare at times. It’s amazing how “nice” we can be to strangers and forget about our families. We expect them to understand, after all, “Love is never having to say you’re sorry.” Maybe, it’s true, but it’s surprising what will happen, when a few “sorry’s” and “Thank you’s” are given out to your families, instead of just expecting them to understand, remember to treat your families like you would a stranger, use your best manners. Don’t forget, people will be watching to see if you are a Catholic, by the example you set with your actions and not just words.

Here is a thought, may God guide you to continue doing your service for your family, your community and your Church. “They are to slander no one, to be peaceful, considerate, exercising all graciousness toward everyone.” Titus32

Due to the timing of the Newsletter. Look for lots of State information in September.

Have a great Summer and come back refreshed!!



Bonnie Valcik



**CDA Pin  
for sale at  
Convention  
\$5.00**

**COLORADO STATE BOARD WEB SITE**  
To learn more about what is going on in the State,  
please visit: [www.catholicdaughterscolorado.org](http://www.catholicdaughterscolorado.org)

There is also a link to the National Board’s web site  
on the state’s website or go to National at:  
[www.catholicdaughters.org](http://www.catholicdaughters.org)

## Excerpts from the National Regent's message June 2017



Dear Catholic Daughters,

To those of you who have been elected, thank you for accepting the challenge to serve joyfully for the glory of God: **congratulations!**

To those who have served these past two years and are passing the baton: **we say thank you!**

To those of you on all levels, who support the officers, we applaud your continued dedication - you are the most important group of the membership: **thank you for your trust.**

No matter where I visited, I found we all say the same thing about our service: **Do all for the glory of God.** You may say, "Well, how do I actually put that into practice?" It requires the **right attitude** and the **right motivation.** The right attitude is, **I do it out of gratitude, not for gratitude.** The right motivation is, **I do it to honor God, not to gain honor for myself.**

How do you know if it's going to bring glory to God? Any goal that causes you to love God more brings glory to God. Any goal you set that causes you to trust God more, brings glory to God. Any goal you set that causes you to obey God, to love God, to serve God, that's the goal that brings glory to God.

In I Corinthians 10:31, St. Paul says, **Whether you eat or drink** (What could be more ordinary than eating and drinking?) **or whatever you do,** (wow, so no matter what it is we do - *everything* - the most mundane, ordinary and unimportant stuff in our life) **do it all for the glory of God.**

Let us look to this time in our states as new beginnings, with new goals and visions and always keeping the words of St. Paul in front of us: **Do all for the glory of God.**

In Unity and Charity,



*Helene*



### SEMI-ANNUAL DUES INVOICE

All courts should have received their Semi-annual Dues Invoice, as well as their annual Liability Insurance Invoice. You have also, no doubt, noticed that the two bills appear on one invoice.

Be sure to retain the Liability Insurance Certificate in your court files, please **DO NOT** return it with your payment. Please pay these invoices promptly as our order relies upon these funds to operate.

### ON THE WEB SITE

While **Tools of the Trade** instructs you to contact the National Office for a copy of the most current **Chaplain's Welcome Letter** to be read at a reception of **New Members**, it is now available on the website at, [catholicdaughters.org](http://catholicdaughters.org) right below the National Regent's photo.

While we're at it, the **Tools of the Trade** (Second Edition) is now available for free on the website while the Third Edition is being worked on and updated by your National Board.

Be sure to check out the web site regularly for the changes and updates and to see the various items available for the sale at the CDA Store.

### ADDRESS CHANGES

Regents, please ask your Financial Secretaries to contact the National Office immediately with address changes for all members of your court. This helps us to save on postage of undelivered mail and to ensure that you receive your *Share* magazine

*Share* is sent from a mailing house. All addresses are read electronically by the post office and if we have too many errors, we get charged a fine. The National Change of Address (NCOA) database identifies not only people that may have moved, but all address errors. We have gotten the mailing list errors from NCOA down from 2600+ to just over 1000, there is still work to do.

## National News continued

### NATIONAL CENTER ON SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

We have launched our annual **Dirty Dozen List**. Here are the twelve entities we have identified as facilitating sexual exploitation.

Amazon  
backpage.com  
EBSCO Information Services  
snapchat and snapcash

ALA (American Library Association)  
COMCAST  
HBO  
twitter

Amnesty International  
COSMOPOLITAN  
ROKU  
Google's You Tube

### VICTORIES from the annual Dirty Dozen List

Google  
HILTON Worldwide

facebook  
Department of Defense  
InterContinental Hotels Group

Google play  
Walmart/RITE AID/Food Lion

### THE WATCH LIST

Department of Justice

Hyatt Hotels Corporation

Verizon

Check out the **Dirty Dozen List** included in National's Newsletter for additional information on the companies listed above. We have also moved. Our new address is 440 First Street NW, Suite 840, Washington, DC 20001

## NATIONAL PROJECTS & CHARITIES

The following National Projects & Charities have benefited tremendously from the Courts continued generosity! Please continue to keep encouraging your court to give generously.

**Human Life International - PRO-LIFE PASTORAL HANDBOOK PROJECT - \$2,000**

**Covenant House - \$5,000**

**Catholic Relief Services - Operation Rice Bowl - \$6,900**

**Misericordia - \$1,000**

**Smile Train - \$5,000 (3X matching grant)**

## Excerpt's from the National Chaplain's Message



Dear Daughters,

"Summertime and the living is easy" or so the song says.

June is also the time to start slowing down. If this is the case for you that's awesome! If it isn't, please read what follows even more closely.

If you find you are spending almost all of your free time babysitting grandkids, if your kids' sports calendar looks like a map of the invasion of Normandy, and you can't remember the last time you had time to yourself, then you are doing way too much.

Let this be a warning sign from above: God doesn't call us to exhaustion but to fidelity. Often we keep ourselves busy because it is filling a need or creating an impression of worth. This regularly happens to folks who are recently retired or those trying to avoid stuff.

Give yourself a weekly day of rest. Spend the lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer actually resting and re-freshing so that September finds you free, ready and willing to say "Yes!" to what your courts will be doing. May God bless you with His Peace and His Presence today and all summer long.

Sincerely in Unity & Charity, Rev. Jeffery J. Maurer



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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

**Ct. Little Flower #925 - La Junta - (May)** Connie Cook reported the update of the successful Enchilada Fundraiser that was on May 5 and May 6. A total of 88½ dozen enchiladas were sold. At the time of this meeting, the sale made a profit of \$1373.

\$686.50 (50%) will be given to the church. A motion was made by Connie and it was seconded to give \$150 to the church for use of the kitchen and utilities. Motion passed.

Connie made a motion and it was seconded to give Maria Estrada \$20 for the use of her car to pick up items for the sale. Motion passed. **Ct. Mount of the Holy Cross #941 - Grand Junction - (May)** Lynda Colesworthy reported it has been a slow period for the Vet Bags. She will contact the V.A. on Monday. Lynda Colesworthy will be the Program Chairman. We will meet during the summer to schedule meetings and programs for the fall and 2018. **Ct. St. Teresa #980 - Sterling - (May)** Family – Carol Drury informed the Court the Step Out for Kids is coming up again and the Social Services is in need of clothes for kids 8 – 16 years of age. Consensus of the Court is to hold a clothing drive from May to July. This will be added to the bulletin. Carol also thanked those who came to help make Palm Crosses and get them out to the shut-ins. They were very much appreciated by the recipients. **Ct. Sacred Heart #1606 - Cortez - (May)** Power Lunch: Karen Andrews reported that this years Power Lunch at the Dolores School Library was a success. The teens were asking for it to be held next year twice a month and with more speakers to present. First Communion: Regent Cathy Patch passed out the 22 First Communion cards to the members present to fill them out and a First Communion cross/gift bag was inserted in each envelope to be given on May 14, 2017 after the 10:30am Mass. **Ct. Madonna of the Mtns 2035 - Lakewood - (May)** Lady of Fatima Centennial Celebrations: The Vatican has announced that Pope Francis will canonize Blessed Francisco and Blessed Jacinta while on his trip to Fatima, Portugal, in May. Francisco and Jacinta Marto were the two youngest shepherd children, who Our Lady appeared to in 1917. The following information is from handouts. Our Lady of Fatima Parish Celebrations: Relics of Francisco and Jacinta are on permanent display to the right of the statue of Our Lady of Fatima in the church. The goal to pray one million rosaries by October 13, 2017, has been surpassed. The tally is now 1,024,752! We honor Our Lady of Fatima by keeping her wishes of praying the rosary for the conversion of Russia, world peace, and our own special intentions. Our Lady of Fatima Parish now has a new goal of praying two million rosaries by October 29, 2017, the closing date of this pilgrimage year. Everyone is encouraged to make a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Fatima Church during this special year. The Holy Doors have been bestowed with a Papal Plenary Indulgence. There will be a special choir Mass dedicated to Our Lady, on her feast day and the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady's first apparition to the three shepherd children, on May 13 at 5 p.m. **Ct. Sts. Peter & Paul #2669 - Wheat Ridge - (May)** Marian Procession: Regent Charmie Kirby stated that on June 4th there will be a Marian procession at 2:00 from Queen of the Vietnamese Martyrs to Sts. Peter and Paul Church. We will have a reception in Big Mac. QVM is providing 200 egg rolls, and SPP will provide a cake. A volunteer or two is needed to help with the reception around 3:00 pm. **Ct. Our Lady of Peace #2728 - Woodland Park - (May)** Emily Pappadakis- Gave a presentation on One Nation Walking Together organization. Native American families suffer from food insecurity and hunger daily. ONWT is committed to fighting hunger by delivering food supplies and basic life necessities to some of the poorest reservations in our country. With generous help we can help fight hunger and bring hope to those living in impoverished conditions. One Nation's goal is to collect 10,000 pounds of nonperishable food items and cash donations through May 31st to help ensure that Native People do not go to bed hungry. The Court approved to run this event. Emily already has the posters and boxes needed. Julie will get approval from Father Timothy.

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