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The Washington State CDA Newsletter



Dear Sisters in Christ,
Happy, productive Lent. Recently Fr. Pedro, from Walla Walla, was challenging us to go beyond the giving up of spiritual things and to do the work of deeper spirituality. How that caught my heart. It is so hard to 'give up' critical thoughts, words or actions, but what a difference to who we are and how the light Christ wants us to proclaim will be viewed.

As we near the convention, I've had more opportunities to speak with many of you and what an amazing impression I've gotten of the great works of mercy being done throughout the state. Membership is being addressed in more courts and the numbers are encouraging. This is really a priority for Shirley Seyfried, our National Regent. It is critical that each of us invite and encourage women to join CDA for several reasons. It gives new life to our courts. It helps us develop ourselves and our sisters in their faith and strengthens all of us as we deal with challenges to our faith. If your court is feeling stagnant, new members can dramatically change the dynamics of your court. Why not be part of the energy that moves your court toward a new vitality by making invitations to join your new challenge?

With deadlines for convention approaching, I know all of you have plenty to do! Don't forget to encourage your membership to go attend, if at all possible, so that the vision of who we are state-wide and nationally is clearly known to all. When we all catch that vision of strength in numbers and the power it gives us to do really amazing things, we can truly fulfill what God wants of us as women and Catholic Daughters. There will be some really fun surprises at the Convention and you can be assured of many blessings with the fabulous women who will attend. Saturday night's banquet will be an opportunity to dress up, if you like. I would also like to invite all the men in your life that are knights to attend in their 4th degree regalia, if they would like to. When inviting guests, be sure to register for their meals and payments for those with the state Secretary when you send in your registration. I am sure we can add them even up to a few days before the start of the convention, if you need to wait with that.

I look forward to seeing you at the Red Lion at the Quay in Vancouver this spring! Please call me if you have any questions.

May God bless each of you with a very Holy Lent and even deeper spirituality!

Christy Hall,
WA State Regent

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With each issue, several newsletters are returned as undeliverable, so please keep us up to date regarding address changes.

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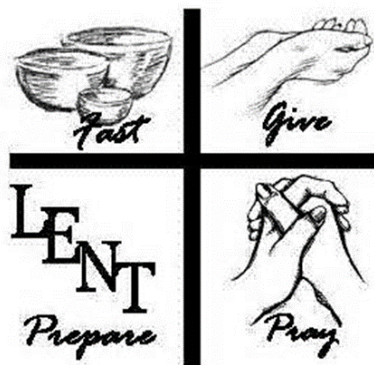
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Dear Sisters in Christ,

I hope that your Lent is off to a good start. I was reflecting in my own plan how many of us begin our experience of Lent by giving something up. This can be a good practice to remind us how plentiful our society is and how many comforts we can accumulate in our lives. Living a more simple life void of our favorite things can indeed help us to remember that many people in different countries don't have as much as we do. The extra money usually spent on those comforts can make a great donation to the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl project or other favorite missionary charity. If you are giving something up, I pray for the Holy Spirit's assistance in helping you.



**Welcome to our
NEW CDA MEMBERS!**

- Court Saint Cecilia #668
 - Kimberly Fazzari
- Court Saint Rita #957
 - Theresa Bervell
 - Sheryl Blumer
 - Conchita "Ching" Casilan-Atazan
 - Maria Christina Orig Richards
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 - Margaret McNeil
- Court Madonna of the Valley #2556
 - Kathie Drake
 - Theresa J Walsh
- Court Queen of Angels #2576
 - Corisa Bentacourt
 - Cleo Mikkelson

I would like to suggest a book for your Lenten reading I recently read. This book has had a tremendous impact on helping me develop a deeper love and appreciation for the Eucharist. The book is entitled *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist* by Dr. Brant Pitre. In this book, Dr. Pitre highlights the history of the Jewish people and kinds of fascinating and often overlooked reference that prefigure the Eucharist. He states clearly in the book that his findings are not new or revolutionary—just greatly overlooked. In light of the general trend of dwindling Mass attendance in our country, especially among young people, this book can serve as a powerful catalyst to engage people on the centrality of the Eucharist and why we as Catholics will never move away from this amazing gift God has given us to be renewed in the New Covenant.

It has been sometime since I have stumbled across such an inspiring book that I can highly recommend. I would like to encourage you to get a copy and then maybe consider passing it onto a friend. People cannot love what they do not understand. This book will help you see the Eucharist in a totally new and beautiful light. It will also help you see the continuity of God's revelation and the fulfillment of the Last Supper as the New Passover.

I wish you all a most fruitful Lent and a joyful Easter!

In Christ,
Fr. Jim Northrop,
State Chaplain



***** Very Special Court Anniversaries *****

Dear Friends:

Prayers and blessings to all our Catholic Daughters of America everywhere. Enjoy these photos, too, of the 100th anniversary celebration of the Catholic Daughters of America in Wenatchee. We had a great celebration that started with Mass. Because of the Rite of Election the next day in Yakima, I didn't stay for the dinner. But I did note during my homily that my grandmother was a member for many years here in Yakima and that the organization had a wonderful way of bringing together one's faith with one's care, love and concern for one's country. Many prayers and blessings.

+Bishop Joseph Tyson

**100th Anniversary in CDA
Court Wenatchee #255**

On Saturday, February 21, 2015, Court Wenatchee #255 celebrated their 100th year anniversary of CDA. Pictured from left: Father Seamus Kerr;



lain Father Tom Kuykendall; Bishop Joseph Tyson; Court Regent, Alice Goodwin; State Regent Christy Hall; State Treasurer Shirley Foster; Court Vice Regent Carole Hunsaker, Financial Secretary Charlene Dronen and Treasurer Jan Wallick.

**Celebrating 40 Years in CDA
Court Sacred Heart #2104, Pullman**

October may have been our initiation as a court, but this year in November, Court Sacred Heart #2104 celebrated their 40th anniversary with a double celebration.



Two charter members, Lucille Guettinger, and Linda Fulfs (pictured below), were honored for 40 years of membership with an anniversary cake and certificates. Six new members were brought into the court the same evening!

**90 Years to Celebrate CDA for
Court Caruana #906, Yakima**



Court Caruana #906 celebrated their 90th CDA Anniversary on Saturday, February 7th with Mass celebrated by their court Chaplain, Father Michael Ibach (seated in the center—close to that cake!), followed by a lunch and various games. As usual, the CDA ladies had great fun, food and laughter. This was no dreary February day for these lucky ladies!

Our Lady of Lourdes

(continued from Winter Issue 2014)

THE LADY SAYS HER NAME: "QUE SOY ERA IMMACULADA COUNCEPTIOU"

On March 25, 1858, the day of the sixteenth apparition, Bernadette went to the Grotto where, at the initiative of Father Peyramale, priest of Lourdes, she asks "the Lady" to say her name. Three times Bernadette asked the question. A fourth application, "the Lady" replied patois: "**Que soy era Immaculada Counceptiou**", which means in French "**I am the Immaculate Conception**". Bernadette did not immediately understand the meaning of this word. The Immaculate Conception was promulgated only four years prior in 1854. Bernadette went immediately to the parish priest to pass the name of "Lady". He understands that it is the Mother of God appeared to the Grotto. Later, the Bishop of Tarbes, Bishop Laurence, authenticate this revelation.



During the thirteenth Apparition Our Lady said to Bernadette: "**Go, tell the priests to come here in procession and build a chapel here.**" "Come here in procession" means always moving, in this life, towards others. "Build a chapel here." In Lourdes, chapels were built to receive the crowds that came here. But these chapels are only the signs of the communion based on the love to which we are called. The chapel is the "Church" that we want to build where we are, in our family, at our place of work, in our parish, in our diocese. All Christians spend their lives building the Church, living in communion with others.

Congratulations to the following Courts Celebrating Anniversaries

Ct Washington #196, 102nd Anniversary	Instituted March 11, 2013 in Spokane
Ct Saint Joan of Arc #493, 95th Anniversary	Instituted April 18, 1920 in Colton
Ct Saint Rita #957, 90th Anniversary	Instituted April 8, 1925 in Everett
Ct Our Lady of Fatima #1611, 63rd Anniversary	Instituted April 7, 1953 in Pasco
Ct Blessed Mary of the Narrows #2003, 47th Anniversary	Instituted May 28, 1968 in Tacoma
Ct Saint Pius X #2270, 30th Anniversary	Instituted March 10, 1985 in Mountlake Terrace
Ct Our Lady of the Islands #2514, 12th Anniversary	Instituted May 19, 2003 in Oak Harbor
Ct Saint Teresa of Avila #2564, 9th Anniversary	Instituted March 25, 2006 in Kennewick
JCDA Court St Therese, the Little Flower, 1st Anniversary	Instituted March 2, 2014 in Everett

JCDA Court Saint Angela of Kennewick



Our newest Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas court stays active and involved in local activities. Pictured at left are: in the green hoodie is Bluebell; the aqua coat is Teresa Nuxoll; the burgundy hat is Mariana Jewell, President; and waving is Victoria Packwood, Recording Secretary. These young ladies joined St Joseph Parish in Kennewick on January 24, 2015 for the "Crosswalk for Life".



Washington State Newsletter Contest

There are only a few weeks left to become the Court with the best newsletter in the State of Washington! Don't wait until the last minute—get your newsletters in now. The judges are ready, willing and able to read and assess your newsletters. Good luck to all.

The newsletter contest guidelines can be found on the National CDA web page under Contests. A quick synopsis of the elements required are:

- CDA Mission statement,
- CDA registered logo,
- Regent and Editor information,
- Court name, number and location.

Three sets of newsletters need to be submitted (each set requires 1 copy of each of the last three (3) published newsletters).

Judging will be based on the following categories: layout, headlines, local,-state, and-national coverage, journalistic styling, and special features.

The entries and verification letter must be sent to the State Newsletter Chairman via regular mail or email:

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Entries must be POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE **MARCH 20, 2015**.

Newsletters will not be accepted for judging after the deadline.

A Note from Our National Director

Greetings Washington CDofA,

This is a busy time of year for all of us with Catholic Daughters with our state and local projects and ministries at full speed. Your State Board and the members of the convention committee are busy working with great efforts to make your Washington 46th biennial state convention a fun and productive weekend. I hope that you have made your reservations to attend YOUR convention in Vancouver. I am looking forward to joining you and have the opportunity to meet many of you.

As members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, we have the opportunity and commitment to expand our interests and assume new responsibilities as we serve in Unity and Charity.



Our National Regent has challenged all of us to make every effort to retain and increase our membership as well as look for every chance to start new courts in our state. Know that every one of you are a member of both your local court and state courts membership committee. Many women are just waiting for someone to ask them ~ be that someone. Invite someone to come as a guest to your next court meeting. BOGO ~ Bring One~Gain one!

As you journey through this Lent to the Resurrection of our Savior, take time each day to spend some quiet time with God that we grow in His love and are ready to rejoice this Easter.

God's blessings to all of you,
Susan Mone', National Director

Dear CDA Members,

A few days ago a friend of mine gave me a quilt piece for my coffee table done in purple colors to help keep the spirit of Lent. It is really a lovely quilt and it made me think about the season of Lent and how God is fashioning us like a quilter does a quilt. The first thing I would think a quilter would want to do is determine size and pattern of the quilt, then the colors to be used, think how to go about cutting the pieces and assembling them and if one has the time and energy for the project. Lent calls us to follow the same kind of pattern. To make Lent spiritually enriching, we have to stop, reflect on the direction of our lives and what should be our pattern for life. We have to figure out how we are to color this pattern which could be the three tradition forms of Lenten practices: prayer, fasting and almsgiving or using other methods like acts of charity, working to avoiding certain types of sin that we have committed, being proactive in promoting causes of the Church. We have to continually be checking and rechecking our activities to see that we are on the right track and the pattern is followed and make corrections if not. The project will require much time, patience, review, correcting and constant vigilance so that we accomplish what we hope to achieve—a better and more committed person of faith. And with persistence, the grace and blessing of God, we will produce a life that conforms to the "way" of Christ and we will be truly grateful that we allowed God to form and fashion us into one of his beautiful, holy people. Looking forward to see that in each of you.

Have a blessed Lent and God's peace.

Father Michael Ibach





Dear Catholic Daughter friends:

On behalf of Court St. John #2105 and Court St. Therese #1879, we are looking forward with great anticipation to our **State Convention in Vancouver on April 24 and 25, 2015.**

We look forward to greeting our Catholic Daughter friends from previous conventions and new members who are just joining us for the first time.

We have a wonderful program planned for all of you. Remembering the past, enjoying the present and looking forward to the future.

Catholic Daughters is a spiritual group like none other and we look forward to sharing a few days of camaraderie and friendship in the southern part of Washington with all of you.

The WA State CDA Quilt to be Raffled in April!

Marilyn Hanses has done it again! You will not believe how beautiful all our court blocks look together and what a piece of history we have the chance to own. Recently, Christy emailed the picture of the whole quilt and their courts' block so that everyone can see what a work of



art we have. This quilt is approximately queen size. Tickets are on sale now and will continue through the convention when we will draw for this beautiful Washington State CDA Quilt. Make sure that you don't miss out on this historic quilt. As usual, tickets are \$1 per ticket or \$20 for a page of 20, always a good idea! Send your money and tickets to Marilyn Hanses, State Secretary, at 106 Berkshire Ln, Pasco, WA 99301

Christy Hall, State Regent

Don't forget to get your quilt raffle tickets at only \$1.00 per ticket!



Holy Father's Intentions for March, April and May 2015

March 2015

Universal: Scientists

That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person.

Evangelization: Contribution of women

That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognized always.

April 2015

Universal: Creation

That people may learn to respect creation and care for it as a gift of God.

Evangelization: Persecuted Christians

That persecuted Christians may feel the consoling presence of the Risen Lord and the solidarity of all the Church.

May 2015

Universal: Care for the suffering

That, rejecting the culture of indifference, we may care for our neighbors who suffer, especially the sick and the poor.

Evangelization: Openness to mission

That Mary's intercession may help Christians in secularized cultures be ready to proclaim Jesus.



In Memory of our Deceased

CDA Sisters

Court Our Lady of the Lakes #1850

JoAnne M Lott

Court Saint John the Evangelist #2105

Arlette Bellant

Court Our Lady of the Islands #2514

Eileen Martin

2015 CDA National Education Contest Themes

It is time to encourage our youth to enter the 2015 CDA National Education Contest. The themes for this year are:

- "Love your neighbor as yourself"
- "Be a good neighbor".

Let's spread the word. Remember that there are monetary rewards for students at the state level.

The Train

At birth we boarded the train and met our parents, and we believe they will always travel on our side. However, at some station our parents will step down from the train, leaving us on this journey alone.



As time goes by, other people will board the train, and they will be significant i.e. our siblings, friends, children, and even the love of our life. Many will step down and leave a permanent vacuum. Others will go so unnoticed that we don't realize they have vacated their seats. The train will be full of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, hellos, goodbyes, and farewells. Success consists of having a good relationship with all passengers, requiring that we give the best of ourselves. The mystery to everyone is: We do not know at which station we ourselves will step down. So, we must live in the best way, love, forgive, and offer the best of who we are. It is important to do this so when the time comes for us to step down and leave our seat empty, we should leave behind beautiful memories for those of who will continue on the train of life.

I wish you a joyful journey on the train of life. Reap success and give lots of love. More importantly, thank God for the journey.

Lastly, "I thank you" for being one of the passengers on my train.

Author unknown

(this article was taken from the December newsletter for Court Our Lady Queen of Peace #2463)

Installation
of Officers

WANTED—State Historians Need Information

Share your court news and activities with the State Historians.
 We are looking for envelopes and boxes to arrive in the mailboxes of Marie Smith (507 W 21st Ave, Kennewick, WA 99336) and Barbara Keen (4204 S Sharron St, Kennewick, WA 99337). For electronic photos and information, email to historian@catholicdaughters-wa.org

Spring Tea

Dinner
Auction

Walk for Life

Father's Day Breakfast

Memorial
Mass

!!! REGENT'S CHECKLIST !!!

(Feel free to print this)

- ◆ **March 1st, 2015:** Delegate/Alternate authorization forms must be returned to the State Regent.
- ◆ **March 15th** - Deadline for State Education Contest Entries to State—Education Chairman is Kathy Murphy
- ◆ **March 15th** – Proposed bylaw amendments and resolutions to the State Regent
- ◆ **March 15th**—Nominations for the Catholic Daughter of the Year is due to Angela Francois.
- ◆ **March 20th**—Deadline for the State Newsletter Contest postmarked to Sandy Colquhoun. (see details on page 6 of this newsletter).
- ◆ **March 22nd** - Deadline for State Convention Registration (with a **court** check) to State Secretary Marilyn Hanses
- ◆ **March 24th**—The hotel rooms for the convention must be reserved. The hotel is the Red Lion at the Quay in Vancouver WA. They can be reached at **360-694-8341** or 877-423-7115. Be sure to mention Catholic Daughters so you are booked into our block of rooms.
- ◆ **March 31st** – Circle of Love Forms are due to the State Chairmen
- ◆ **April 1st** - State Charitable Contribution Form and court check to the State Secretary
- ◆ **April 15th** - Past Local Court Regent Dues (\$5 per past regent) to the State Secretary with a **court** check and the new Past Regents Club Membership form that was sent in the initial packet.
- ◆ **April 24th** - Convention Opens in Vancouver
- ◆ **April 30—Financial Reviews:** The court financial review should be completed before April 30, 2015 and sent to state and national. This review is as of March 31st. Be sure to invite your State Representative to attend your review.

REMINDERS:

Have you submitted your local court news, projects or activities to the state newsletter? Send us a picture and/or short write-up. We would love to feature different courts in each newsletter. **Please send to Christy Hall at: stateregent@catholicdaughters-wa.org**

Please send any changes to your court meeting time and place to Christy Hall so it will be updated in the state directory.

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**Mission Statement of the
Catholic Daughters of the Americas**



The purposes of the organization are to participate in the religious, charitable and educational apostolates of the Church. Catholic Daughters of the Americas engage in creative and spiritual programs which provide its members with the opportunity to develop their God-given talents in meaningful ways that positively influence the welfare of the Church and all people throughout the world. Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive to embrace the principal of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality, the advancement of human rights, and human dignity for all.