

From National Regent Claudia R. Bosch

Dear Officers, Chaplains and Members,

Autumn is soon upon us giving us the opportunity to witness the explosion of beautiful colors as the foliage turns into a rainbow of fall hues. It also is the time that CDA springs to life. I hope that you have had a relaxing summer and are now energized to share your talents and enthusiasm in your CDA courts.

The National Board recently shared our excitement and enthusiasm for Catholic Daughters with your State Regent along with another State Officer at the Biennial State Officers Conference. The beautiful setting of the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows provided a serene environment for numerous spiritual activities as well as leadership and officer training.

We were so pleased to have several State Chaplains attend as well. If only we could bottle up these wonderful and dedicated men for all of our CDA states!

When the workshops are scheduled in your area, please attend – the officers went home with so much material to share with you. Become involved my friends – be an active member of the CDA Team in your state

Quarterly Newsletter
Fall, 2007

1903 SOCIETY

Please note the flyer attached regarding the 1903 Society. This has been established to ensure the preservation of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas National Headquarters which is a National Historic Landmark. Please watch for the Winter issue of Share for more details.

STATE MEMBERSHIP TEAMS IN ACTION:

“All Aboard The CDA Train” National Membership Drive is ongoing. How many new members have boarded the CDA train in your parish? If none, please get on the track and start filling the seats on the train on your parish. The passengers that are on the CDA train now please do not let them get off. **Remember retain and recruit.** We want all seats filled on every CDA Train. How awesome it will be to watch our membership grow. If you need any ideas on membership drives – please contact your District Deputy or State Officers and they will be more than willing to give you great ideas. Please email Vickie Broussard (vmbroussard@aol.com), National Director and Membership Chair and let her know of the ideas you have come up with using the theme “All Aboard The CDA Train.” So blow your whistle and say All Aboard, Whoo-Whoo is ready to become a CDA member. Attached is the Train of Life Poem that can be used with your membership drive. Good luck on your membership drives.

SEPTEMBER 11TH REMEMBRANCE

In remembrance of the tragedy of September 11, 2001, we ask you to set aside time for special prayers in honor of all victims and their loved ones.

NATIONAL CDA DAY

National CDA Day will be observed on Sunday, October 21, 2007. Our theme this year is *Women Embracing the Gift of Humanity- Working with Love under the Patronage of Our Blessed Mother.* Local courts are asked to consult with their chaplain and/or parish priest and plan a Mass of renewal. A

sample Proclamation is attached. It is our hope that the Proclamation will be made public in your church and in the community, at large.

MORALITY IN MEDIA

- Pornography Awareness Week – Sunday, October 28 to November 4, 2007
Please involve your courts with the White Ribbon Against Pornography Campaign (WRAP).
- Websites for MIM information: www.moralityinmedia.org and www.obscenitycrimes.org.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

- *Make a Difference Day* – Saturday, October 27, 2007.
- Join volunteers around the country by taking ONE DAY to make a difference in the lives of others.
- Courts are urged to sponsor an event with a youth organization and/or a JCDA Court.

SEMI-ANNUAL FINANCIAL REVIEW

- Audit form for the period ending September 30, 2007 is enclosed
- Contact your Representative/District Deputy to arrange for the audit
- Regents are to appoint three members to serve on the Audit Committee
- Audit is to be completed by October 31, 2007.
- Forms are to be returned to State and National by **November 1, 2007**

NATIONAL AUDIT

Attached is the audit report as done by Tempesta and Farrell. P.C.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007 – EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE!

- Every vote counts and yours are vitally important!
- Catholic Daughters of the Americas organization cannot endorse or support a political candidate or a political party. We **CANNOT** advise our members to “vote for the pro-life candidate”.
- If a state or local court plans to encourage its members to get out and vote on November 6th, you may advise them:
 - To know the issues
 - To know the candidates’ position on the issues
 - To vote their moral conscience on pro-life issues

YOUTH

- Please review the attached Youth/JCDA Report by Theresa Kocer, National Director and National Chairman of Youth.
- Is your Court sponsoring the Youth and/or JCDA Scholarships? See attached applications.

EDUCATION CONTEST AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Enclosed are Education Contest and Father Leonard Bachmann Graduate Scholarship Guidelines
- Note changes in criteria and timelines - please read carefully
- The 2008 Education Contest Themes are: **JESUS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD** or **PEOPLE WHO LIGHT UP MY WORLD**.

NEWSLETTER CONTEST

- Enclosed are the Newsletter Rules and Guidelines, as well as scoring sheets. Please note there are many changes. Please review carefully in order for your Court to qualify for this contest.
- Duchess Collins, National Director is the National Chairman

LEGISLATION

Enclosed you’ll find an *Operation Morning Star Legislative Newsletter* from Helen Johnson. Please share this information with your membership.

NATIONAL CONVENTION PLANS WELL UNDERWAY

It's not too early to start planning to attend the National Convention to be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico on Wednesday, July 16 through Sunday, July 20, 2008. Chairman, Libby Ramirez, Nation Regent-Elect, is working alongside both the current and immediate past state New Mexico Officers and the National Committee, to ensure that this is one of the best conventions to date. The Executive Committee has reviewed your many suggestions and has many exciting changes to present for this convention. Watch for further details.

SUBMIT PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES BY JANUARY 15, 2008

If you are planning to submit a proposed Bylaw change for consideration at the National Convention, you must submit five (5) copies, with appropriate rationale, **no later than January 15, 2008**, to Second Vice National Regent, Anne Nelson, Chairman, at 6420 Wilben Road, Linthicum, MD 21090. These must have the approval of your local court before being sent to Anne. Since weather has been unpredictable these past winters, I would further suggest that you review the Bylaws early in order to meet this deadline. Check the Tools of the Trade for the proper format.

RESOLUTIONS

Attached you will find a resolution presented by the Louisiana State Court and amended and adopted by the National Board at their July Board Meeting in Belleville, IL.

Please remember to send your Resolutions to our National Chairman, Margaret Bingham, 428 South St., Springfield, VT 05156, to be presented at our National Convention. The deadline date is June 15, 2008.

PROJECTS ENDORSED BY NATIONAL

Since CDA has had the same National Projects for many years and several voluntary National Charities have been added, it was felt that it was time to revamp the National Projects and National Charities. As a result of a proposal that was voted on and passed at the State Officers Conference, by the State Officers in attendance, we will now have **five (5)** National Projects. Each local court would donate **\$15.00 or more per project per year** to these projects and the rest would be voluntary National Charities from which courts can choose to which ones they wish to donate. Please review the attached list with your members.

NEW COURTS

Messages of congratulations may be sent to our new Regents!

Brenda Rajkovich, Regent Court No. 2588 Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal 100 Deerwood Trail Havelock, NC 28532	Michele Goodwin, Advisor Campus Court No. 2590 Daughters of St. Catherine of Alexandria University of Texas – Austin 2010 University Avenue Austin, TX 78705	Sr. Janet May, Advisor Campus Court No.2591 Our Lady of Grace Briarcliff University 3303 Rebecca Street Sioux City, IA 51104
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DISBANDING COURT MATERIAL

After permission has been given by your **State Regent** to disband, the following materials are the **only items** to be sent back to the National Office:

1. Recording Secretary Minutes that include 2002 to the present
2. Treasurer's Book that include the last 5 years of transactions
3. Final Bank Statement showing a zero bank balance on all accounts

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES

Please update your records to show the following corrections:

Msgr. Gerald Walsh – new email address – msgwr@aol.com
Duchess Collins, National Director – new email address – duchesscda@comcast.net
Anne Nelson, 2nd Vice National Regent – email address – anelson@archbalt.org
Libby Ramirez, National Regent-Elect – new email address – libby59@suddenlink.net

PRAYER CORNER

- The repose of the souls of:

Sister Eileen Kraemer, OSB, sister of National Director, Lorayne Zimmerman
Condolences can be sent to Lorayne Zimmerman
National Director
1130 NW Maple Avenue
Corvallis, OR 97330-1444

Chuck Besch, father of National Director, Duchess Collins
Condolences can be sent to Duchess Collins
National Director
330 Brook Forest Trail
Sugar Land, TX 77478

Patrick Patek, husband of Rose Patek, Benefactors of the National Office Elevator.
Condolences can be sent to Rose Patek
1461 Peacock
Seguin, TX 78155

PRICE CHANGES

#162 Membership Deletion Pad \$13.00

See attached Jewelry Prices. Orders for Gold Jewelry take 10-12 weeks. Please order jewelry for your outgoing Regents **early!**

NEW ITEM: Great Recruiting Tool

#369-s 2 1/2" CDA Button – “Ask Me About Catholic Daughters of the America” - \$1.00 each sold in lots of 10 only

CDA TRAVEL

Your National Regent and members of the National Board have been “Out and About” representing Catholic Daughters at the following:

- ~ Cardinal’s Dinner in Las Vegas, NV
- ~ 2008 National Convention meeting in Albuquerque, NM
- ~ Habitat for Humanity builds in VA and MN
- ~ Blessing of the VA home and Dedication of the MN home
- ~ National Board meeting in Belleville, IL
- ~ State Officers Conference in Belleville, IL
- ~ Site visit for 2010 National Convention in Buffalo, NY
- ~ Ribbon Cutting of the elevator at the National Office in NY

The National Board is always available to assist you in your needs as you enter into this CDA year. Keep your National Representative informed. Best wishes for a successful and rewarding CDA year~

*I leave you with this quote from Zig Ziglar's Little Book of Big Quotes:
"The quality of a person's life is in direct proportion to his or her commitment
to excellence, regardless of his or her chosen field of endeavor". Your
commitment to CDA is valuable in ALL endeavors!*

Continue being "Women Embracing the Gift of Humanity".

Blessings,

*Claudia R. Bosch
National Regent*

Enclosures:

- † 1903 Society
- † National Projects
- † Jewelry Price List
- † Resolution
- † Membership Flyer
- † CDA Sunday Proclamation
- † Morality in Media
- † Operation Morning Star
- † National Audit Report
- † Financial Review Form
- † Youth/JCDA Report
- † 2008 Youth Scholarship Application \$1,000
- † 2008 JCDA Scholarship-Catholic School \$500
- † 2008 JCDA Scholarship-Public School \$500
- † 2008 Fr. Leonard Bachmann Scholarship \$3,000/\$1,000
- † 2008 Education Contest
- † 2008 Newsletter Contest
- † 2007 Contest Winners

Jewelry Prices, effective August 1, 2007

Membership Jewelry

# 15	\$3.50
#5	\$3.50
#17	\$4.75
#7	\$4.50
#6	\$3.50
#16	\$3.50
#18-23	\$6.00
#24	\$6.00
#9-a	\$6.00
#10-a	\$6.00
#25	\$7.25
#26	\$9.50
#27	\$6.00
#28	\$6.00
#29	\$6.00

#8 Past Regent's Charm

Gold Plate	\$ 35.00
10K Gold	\$105.00
14K Gold	\$130.00

#13 Past Regent's Emblem Pin (with gavel, guard & chain)

10K Gold	\$110.00
14K Gold	\$140.00
Gold Plate	\$ 40.00

#1 Past State Regent Ring

Sterling Silver	\$195.00
10K Gold	\$340.00
14K Gold	\$410.00

#2 Past Regent Ring

Celestrium	\$160.00
Sterling Silver	\$180.00
10K Gold	\$340.00
14K Gold	\$400.00

#3 Membership Ring

Sterling Silver	\$180.00
10K Gold	\$325.00
14K Gold	\$390.00

Past State Regent Pendant (new)

# 4	14K gold	\$200.00
# 4-a	14K chain (24")	\$100.00

14 Same as # 13, (without gavel, guard & chain)

10K Gold	\$105.00
14K Gold	\$130.00
Gold Plate	\$ 30.00



PROCLAMATION

Whereas, Sunday, October 21, 2007, has been designated as Catholic Daughters of the Americas Day by the National Board with the theme "Women Embracing the Gift of Humanity-- Working with Love under the Patronage of our Blessed Mother, and

Whereas, Women have been richly blessed with a unique life as a special gift From God, and

Whereas, Women exhibit their humanity through tolerance, sympathy, gentleness, understanding and kindness, and

Whereas, Mary, our Blessed Mother and Patroness, embodied all qualities and aspects of charity through her humanity, and

Whereas, We honor and ask Our Lady to continually lead us to her Son through unity and love.

Now, therefore, I, _____

Proclaim Sunday, October 21, 2007, as Catholic Daughters Day in _____

Signed _____

