

# COURT CHRONICLES

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*Catholic Daughters of the Americas strives 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.*

### **The Regent's Corner:**



Dear Sisters,

Here I sit contemplating a Christmas message to share with you. I usually browse the internet for some inspiration to get me started, but today I glanced across the room and found my inspiration. Leaning against the wall is a piece of art that my sister, Donna, had created. Donna is my sister that passed away this past spring so it is especially dear to me. The sentiment is a quote from Charles Dickens which says, "I will honor Christmas in my heart and try to keep it all year."

The question is then, how do we "honor" Christmas? We celebrate family and friends which we certainly should do all year. We send messages of peace and goodwill which we certainly should do all year. We thank God for the gift of His Son. We honor Mary for answering God's call to be the Mother of Our Lord. And we praise Jesus for His willingness to take the human form in order to be our Savior.

As individuals we all may have different ways of honoring Christmas, but it is important for us to recognize that Christmas is not only a time or a season, but a state of mind.

No matter how you spend these last few days of the year, may it be filled with joy, health and happiness.

*In Unity and Charity and Love,*

*Diane*

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## Court News:

- At our November meeting our District Deputy Linda Coletti installed our newest member, Cynthia Angelini. Thank you, Beverly Gallant, for bringing Cynthia to us! Welcome Cynthia!!!



- Member Cecile Fanti introduced our guest speaker, Representative Sally Kerans. Representative Kerans spoke of the legislation and many bills she is working on for our community. Later, we sang Happy Birthday to Cecile to celebrate her November birthday.



- On November 20<sup>th</sup> your Board delivered to Operation Troop Support all the food products collected as well as the **4,259** Christmas cards (surpassing last year's total of 4,200!!!) we all wrote out for our troops. Colonel and Mrs. Moody were very touched by our continued support. Pictured: Vice Regent Pauline Butler, Regent Diane McGrane, Financial Secretary Sandra Lane, Treasurer Beverly Gallant, Colonel Dick Moody, Recording Secretary Judi Shooter.



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- After the OTS drop off, Pauline and Sandy continued on to the Plummer House where they met Ali and dropped off 57 pounds of candy to be used in this year's Christmas gift bags for the residents.



- Recording Secretary Judi Shooter would like to thank all the members who donated items, baskets, and colorful paper filler for this year's Christmas Fair raffle baskets. From your generosity, 21 baskets were put together!



Any member birthdays in December? Happy Birthday!!! Hope your day is/was all that you hoped for!!!

## Court Business Meeting Calendar 2021-2022

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| December 16 <sup>th</sup> | Business Meeting / Christmas with the Right Family<br><b>Hostesses:</b> Claire Nichols, Maura Saldarini, Dot Sabol |
| January 20 <sup>th</sup>  | Business Meeting / Re-gifting Auction<br><b>Hostesses:</b> Kate Ambrose, Genevieve Fiorente, De Reilly             |
| February 17 <sup>th</sup> | Business Meeting<br>Speaker:<br><b>Hostesses:</b> Lucia Casali, Deborah Mahoney, Diane McGrane                     |
| March 17 <sup>th</sup>    | Business Meeting<br>Alternate date for Speaker:<br><b>Hostesses:</b> Ann Skahan, Mary Ann Zuber, Janet Koza        |

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- April 21<sup>st</sup> Business Meeting / Bingo for Smile Train  
**Hostesses:** Dot Sabol, Esther Pelletier, Jane DeAngelis
- May 19<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting / Baby Shower for Pregnancy Care Center  
Speaker:  
**Hostesses:** Maura Saldarini, Claire Nichols, Cecile Fanti
- June 16<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting / Ice Cream Social  
**Hostesses:** officers /volunteers

## State News:



It's the Christmas Season!! For those of us focused on the religious significance, it's the Advent season right now. We are waiting for Jesus, the Light of the world! We look forward to and prepare for the coming of our Savior. Our many beautiful Catholic traditions allow us to be mindful of and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas: Advent Wreaths and calendars, Jesse Trees, Christmas trees, traditional carols, Nativity scenes and plays, visits to shrines, and many personal, culinary, and cultural favorites. These provide a sense of shared spiritual meaning.

*State Regent, Pat Adams*

- Our CDA Patroness, Our Blessed Mother Mary, is especially celebrated this month. On December 8<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation. The feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is celebrated on December 12<sup>th</sup>.
- **2022 MA State Court Collegiate Scholarship** - Nancy Ryan, Court St. Clementine #821 is Scholarship Chairwoman for 2021-2022. Information and forms are available on the State Court website – [www.masscatholicdaughters.org](http://www.masscatholicdaughters.org) Please contact Nancy if you have any questions.

## National News:



Can you believe that we are almost in the Christmas Holiday season? Let's not forget the real reason for the celebration. It is a time for families and friends to come together to celebrate the birth of Jesus and to give thanks for all blessings received during the year. During these special times, share the gift of love, peace, and happiness. There is no greater gift than to spend time with family and friends around the Christmas tree and talk about the journey of Mary and Joseph.

*Essie Walker, National Supervisor*

- The September 2021, National Quarterly is posted online at [catholicdaughters.org](http://catholicdaughters.org) for your viewing. This quarterly is filled with information, forms, rules, deadline entry dates, and so much more for the 2022 contests and scholarships.

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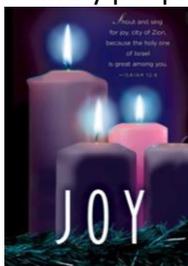


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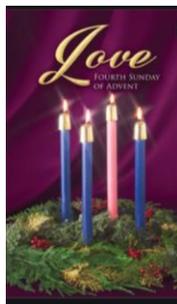
- On the second Sunday of Advent, the second purple candle called the "**Bethlehem Candle**," is lit. This candle represents peace and symbolizes Christ's manger. This "Christ Candle" represents the life of Jesus Christ that has come to light the world.



- The third Sunday of the advent season is on December 12, 2021. The day is called the Third Sunday of Advent or Gaudete Sunday. It is the Shepherds' candle, reminding that God sent the angels to proclaim His arrival to common man and that He still uses ordinary people today to spread the good news of Christ.



- The fourth Sunday of Advent represents love. May we take some time this season to love our neighbors as we love ourselves.



## *Supporting our sisterhood in Unity & Charity*

- Pray for all the souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them.
- Pray for all our family members and friends fighting cancer or other chronic illnesses.
- Let's remember all of our CD sisters and loved ones who have passed.

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- Remember those that are homeless and alone.
- Please remember to send up prayers for God to protect our servicemen and women.
- Let's ask God to watch over all the members of Court Henry A. Sullivan as we come together in unity and charity. May we make a special effort to keep those who cannot attend our meetings due to circumstances beyond their control in our prayers and find ways to include them in other ways.



**Final Prayer:** Maura Saldarini, Spiritual Chairperson

“For it is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas, when it's mighty Founder was a child Himself.” Charles Dickens

“And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star”. Matthew. 2:9-10

May the joyous light of Christmas be with you throughout the coming year. Merry Christmas to all our Catholic Daughters everywhere.

“Precious Lord, as we embrace this Advent season, please help us discover Your hidden presence in this world and within our souls. May we become sanctuaries in which You dwell so that we, like Your dear Mother, may bring Your presence into the world. Lord Jesus we praise and thank You in this joyful season for the wonder of Your birth. May our celebration of Your birth lead us to a deeper appreciation of all life. Help us to cherish the gifts of family, friends and the time to enjoy them. May we grow in gratitude for the presence of Your Holy Spirit throughout the year. Amen.”

Blessings,

*Diane, Pauline, Judi, Sandy, Beverly, Linda and Msg. Murphy*



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