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NEXT MEETING

Saturday, February 2, 2019, starting with the Rosary at 8:00 a.m. and Mass at 8:30 a.m., followed by breakfast and monthly business meeting.

MISSION STATEMENT

“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.”

REGENT MESSAGE

Dear Sisters in Christ: Here is wishing you a holy and blessed New Year! I would guess by this time many of you have established your New Year's Resolutions or maybe some of you have already thrown in the towel. I listened intently as Deacon Garry talked about the way to change our lives and the lives of those around us through the practice of "Holy Moments". He mentioned "Holy Moments" are those times when we believe God is calling us to do something and we follow His directions.....even though we would rather do our own thing. Those "Holy Moments" could be as simple as saying a prayer for someone, doing an act of kindness for someone we are not fond of, or stopping what we are doing to meditate on God for a few minutes. Dieting, healthy living, and saving money are all good practices to work on during the new year, but as Deacon Garry mentioned those "Holy Moments" can change you and those around you enough to get to Heaven. Let's all start practicing those "Holy Moments".

Diane O'Donnell, Regent

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Let's continue to pray for peace-- in our country, world, families, and parish! Join us on Thursday, February 7th at 7:00 p.m. to recite the rosary in the Church. Thanks to all who participant.



MEETING DRAWING WINNER

Missy Landry won the money drawing.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

TO OUR SISTERS IN JANUARY

Mary Ellen Novak (3rd), Lucy Thompson (5th), Sylvia St. George (6th), Katherine Naehar (6th), Donna Lewis (12th), Mary Elledge (15th), Maria Muniz Lopez (16th), Palmae Hanslik (27th).



UPCOMING EVENTS

Second Annual Fish Fry

Court Mary, Mother of God, #2084 Hempstead, Friday January 18 at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 22892 Mack Washington Lane. serving from 5-7 pm for \$12 which includes fish dinner, desserts tea and coffee. Silent Auction items will be there also. Rosalie Melia and Dianne O'Donnell are organizing a group to carpool from St. Anne Church at 4:00. Please call or email Dianne to let her know if you are interested.

PAINTED CHURCHES TOUR

On Saturday, January 26, 2019, join us for a guided tour of the Painted Churches. Bus leaves St Anne's parking lot at 8:00 a.m. for a fun filled trip to visit four churches in the Schulenburg area. Cost for the bus is ten dollars (\$10). Lunch is a buffet at your own expense and return time is scheduled for 3:30. There are a few places left. Call Maggie Zanco to make a reservation.

CHRISTMAS PARTY RECAP

The Christmas Party held Dec. 15th, was a great success with over 55 people attending. We thank our music director, Lorealee Fontenot, and the Children's Choir for entertaining us with Christmas carols and Advent songs. Instead of a gift exchange the court voted to bring gifts for the Hope Center and the Tomball Pregnancy Center. A collection was taken at the Nov meeting and sewing projects were handed out. The monetary contributions from Nov/ Dec totaled \$450 for Hope Center, to be used to purchase bus passed for their clientele, and \$124 for the Pregnancy Center, to be spent as needed. There were also scarves, hats, gloves, socks, baby wipes, onesies, diapers, lotions, bibs, and baby outfits delivered by our members Barb Kevil and Pat Merriam. The officers commend everyone who contributed for following our charter of "unity and charity". We especially thank the Committee in charge of the party: Pat Caron, Barb Kevil, Missy Landry, Elaine Steinbach Dinah Bachmeyer and Alice Padilla for an outstanding job.



ST VINCENT de PAUL

SVdP is in desperate need of jelly jam, macaroni & cheese and Coffee. You can drop these items off at the

Parish office any day, and we will continue to collect them at the February meeting. We received groceries, weighing approximately 63 lbs. for November.

CIRCLE OF LOVE

Read Across America – To Enhance Literacy. We are continuing to collect books for this charity throughout the year. "A mind is a terrible thing to waste" Arthur Fletcher.



CARE AND CONCERN

Remember our sisters: Jean & Jerry Weingarten, Madeline Pouliot, Ruth Hardeman, Karen Heffernan, Ellen Sedita, Palmae Hanslik, Sylvia St. George, Tess Bigg and Lucy Thompson with prayers for healing. Also pray for special intentions Deborah Blake and Ewalde Wudi in their time of need.

STATE CONVENTION

This year the State Convention is scheduled for May 2-5, in McAllen, TX. Our court is allowed 5 delegates and 10 alternates. Anyone interested in attending the convention is urged to call Diane O'Donnell to make a reservation. Cost of the trip is the responsibility of the attendees. See details at www.texascda.org.

Due to the officers going to the convention, the May CDA meeting is moved to April 27th. That means there will be two meetings within the month of April and none in May.

TIDBITS

- Our sister, Madeline Pouliot, has moved into assisted living in Conroe. She needs a 36" wide three drawer plastic storage container for her cabin. Anyone who has one to spare can contact Elaine Steinbach.
- St. Anne is organizing a Ministry Faire for Sunday, April 24th, please save this date. We will be looking for help to create and man our table.
- The KofC is Sponsoring their annual Valentine Dinner/Dance for Vocations on Saturday, Feb. 9th at 6:30 in the gym. Please come and enjoy the evening and support our Seminarians who benefit from the proceeds. The CDA will have a table so get your tickets from a knight and let Diane know you are coming.
- Our Rose Sale this year will take place the weekend of Mothers' Day, May 11-12. We will need workers on Saturday May 11 from 9-1 to put together the bouquets. Please put this activity on your schedule.
- The Bereavement Ministry provides a meal after the funeral for those families of the parish who wish to have one. If you are interested in this rewarding work, please call Diane O'Donnell.
- Minister of care teams are still in need of volunteers to take the Blessed Sacrament to the shut-in and nursing homes in the area. For more information call Diane O'Donnell.