



CATHOLIC  
DAUGHTERS  
OF THE  
AMERICAS

*Our Lady of Good Counsel #309*

*Wichita Falls, TX*

*Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Month (except July & December)*

*7:00 PM in Sacred Heart Church Parlor of Parish Hall*

*1501 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Wichita Falls, TX*



*Unity and Charity*

*Newsletter*

*March/April 2014*

**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.



**2014**

**~~~EDUCATION CONTEST RESULTS~~~**

Maureen Gilleland – CDA Education Chairman



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In February our Court held a Presentation of Awards for all the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and Adult CDA winners of the Art & Poetry Education contest. The theme was "How Do I Promote Peace In The World". We received many excellent entries from Notre Dame Catholic School. All Notre Dame winners and their families were present. A brief description of the Catholic Daughters organization was given along with written information of our Court's service projects. We encouraged our female guests to join the Catholic Daughters and the girls to join the JCDA organization. The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners were presented with a certificate, a ribbon and a check from our Regent Susan Walton. Pictures were taken and refreshments were enjoyed by all. The first place winner's entries will now be judged at the State Contest.



**This year's winners are:**

**Art – 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

1<sup>st</sup> – Sydney Kindsvater  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Kyle Brinkman  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Rose Parker

**Poetry 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

1<sup>st</sup> – Leilani Nguyen  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Emma Gazdik  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Sergio Modesto

**Poetry Adult CDA**

1<sup>st</sup> – Mary Lynn Boyd





**March Birthdays**

2<sup>nd</sup> – Gloria Rodriguez  
 17<sup>th</sup> – Irene Butterfield  
 26<sup>th</sup> – Rita Robinson

**April Birthdays**

7<sup>th</sup> – Susan Walton  
 14<sup>th</sup> – Mary Frances Walton  
 15<sup>th</sup> – Angie Solorio  
 21<sup>st</sup> – Sallie Ray

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- March**
- 7 - Dessert Sales Fund Raiser at the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Sacred Heart Parish Hall
  - 11 - CDA Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Parlor of Sacred Heart Parish Hall (Bring Hospice of Wichita Falls Donations)
  - 14 - Dessert Sales Fund Raiser at the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Sacred Heart Parish Hall
  - 21 - Dessert Sales Fund Raiser at the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Sacred Heart Parish Hall
  - 28 - Dessert Sales Fund Raiser at the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Sacred Heart Parish Hall

- April**
- 4 - Dessert Sales Fund Raiser at the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Sacred Heart Parish Hall
  - 8 - CDA Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Parlor of Sacred Heart Parish Hall (Bring Pregnancy Help Center Donations)
  - 11 - Dessert Sales Fund Raiser at the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Sacred Heart Parish Hall
  - 12 - Spring Bake Sale after 5:00 PM Mass in Sacred Heart Parish Hall
  - 13 - Spring Bake Sale after 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and Noon Masses in Sacred Heart Parish Hall

**USED POSTAGE STAMP COLLECTION**

*Elizabeth Lane - Chairman*

We ask all members to save and cut out used stamps from their work or home mail. Bring them to the meeting and give them to me. I will then check and trim them if need be. They are then bundled up one a year, weighted and given to Nan Ruddy to mail overseas with the stamps collected by Sacred Heart Altar Society.



**IN THANKSGIVING TO OUR HEAVENLY FATHER  
 FOR THE ORDINATION AND SAFE KEEPING OF OUR  
 NEWLY ELECTED BISHOP MICHAEL F. OLSON.**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2014 – 2016 TERM**

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It is once again time to start the process of electing a new slate of CDA officers for the next term of office which will run June 2014 to May 2016. The Nominating Committee of five shall be elected at the regular meeting in March. Nominations shall be made from the floor. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms on the nominating committee. Normally the first person nominated will be the Chairman of this committee.

The Regent will then give the Chairman a copy of the CDA Election Procedures and an up to date roster of all members in good standing. After the Nominating Committee election, the Chairman will call for a meeting with all the members of the Committee. The Committee should use the two month time to try and fill all the offices though they are not obligated. It is much more important to have a competent person fill the office than a name.

Written notice of at least ten days from the date of postmark must be given to all members of the Court, as to the time, date, place of election, and the slate officers as submitted by the Nominating Committee. At the May meeting the Nominating Committee Chairman will present the proposed slate to the membership. Prior to the election, nominations may also be made from the floor at this meeting. A majority vote shall elect the slate of officers. Each officer shall assume the office to which she is elected with or without installation thirty days following election. Court #309 will have an Installation Ceremony at the June 2014 meeting.

It is very important that we prayerfully consider serving on the Nominating Committee or as an Officer of Court #309. It is a very rewarding opportunity to answer the Lord's call helping to lead this Court as we live out our CDA Mission Statement of:

**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.**

I am one of the three co-chairman: Gina Karbner, Sandra Fortunas and myself for Hospice. When I say Hospice, I mean we donate to the families that are staying in the Hospice Center with their critical family member. We try to provide a variety of reading material, toiletries, snacks and beverages for those who didn't have time to grab those things or just can't afford the extras. It's a nice treat for them. We occasionally bring in homemade baked items for the family members too. Please bring any items you would care to donate to the March Meeting. They are always welcomed by Hospice with THANK YOU'S and TEARS!!! Call me at 232-0536 with any questions.



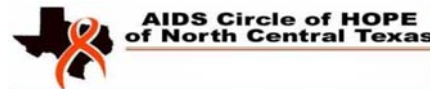


We pray for Judy Schroeder and family and for the repose of the soul of her husband Buck Schroeder who passed away on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

May the soul of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

† We ask the Lord to bring healing and peace to all who have been suffering with illness and loss. †

Circle of Hope is a program available to HIV/AIDS clients registered at the Tarrant County Public Health Department. The Circle of Hope is a non-profit organization, whose funds come strictly from donations, private grants and fundraisers. The Circle covers eleven counties, with an average of 35 – 49 clients and does not discriminate. The Circle is run strictly by volunteers who must sign an oath of confidentiality. Through Circle of Hope, clients have access to the food and personal care pantry, and discounted bus passes. CDA Court #309 provides an annual \$150 monetary assistance to help defray the cost for the annual AIDS/HIV Walk/Run fundraiser held in October. In December the Court provides refreshments and volunteers at the Circle of Hope Memorial Service for the families and friends whose members have passed on due to AIDS/HIV. This Memorial Service is always held on December 1<sup>st</sup> at Sacred Heart. CDA Court #309 also sponsors a yearly food and personal items collection, usually in November.

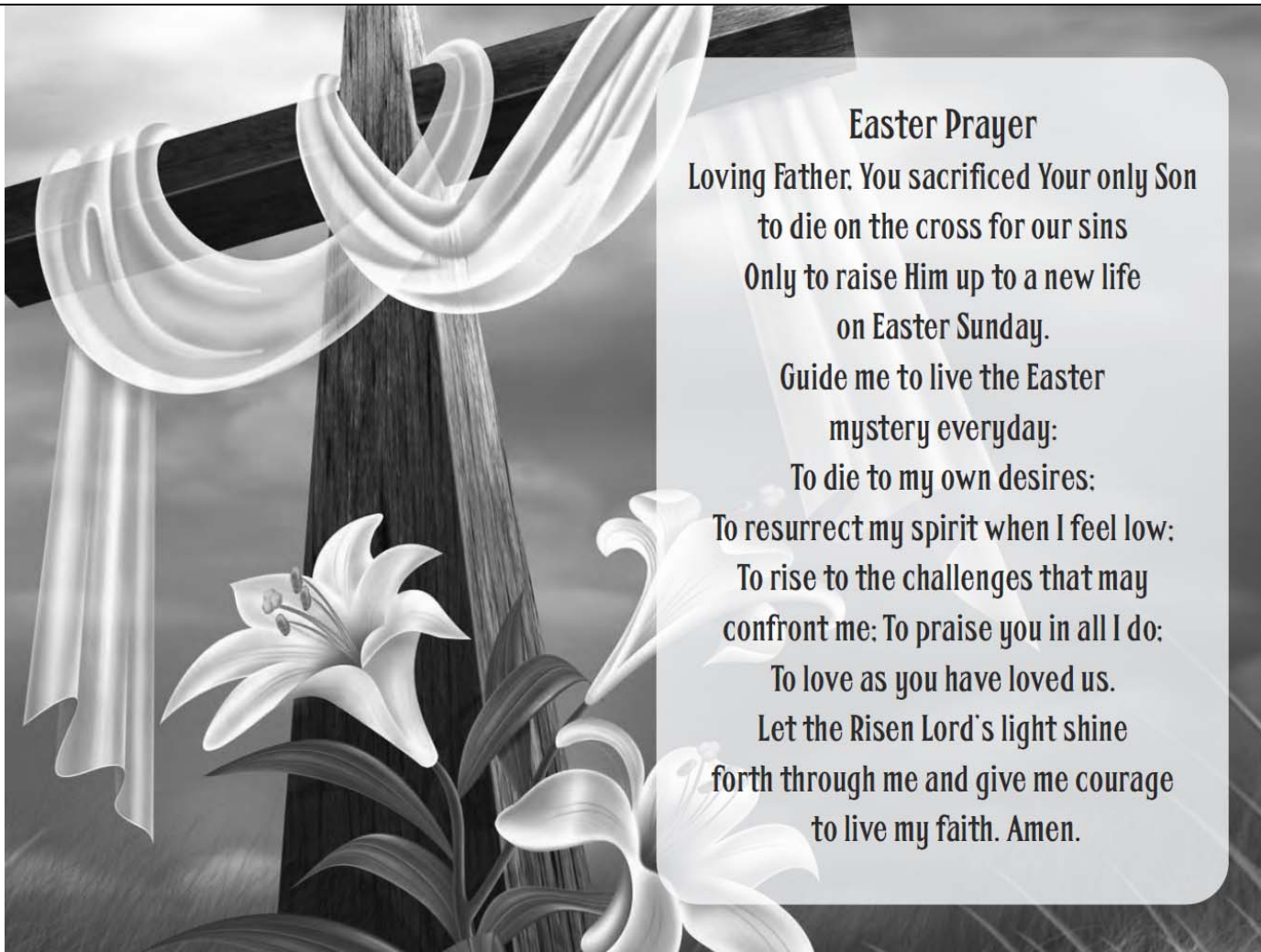


~Irene Butterfield  
Chairman

**PLEASE MAKE THESE CHANGES TO THE CDA ROSTER:**

Corrections: Judy (Judith) Malone, PO Box 503, Holliday, TX 76366. Phone 940-586-1104, Birthday August 1<sup>st</sup> and email: [JMalone8901@msn.com](mailto:JMalone8901@msn.com).

**REMEMBER TO PLEASE CONTACT ME IF THERE IS AN ERROR OR CHANGE ON YOUR EMAIL, MAILING ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER. YOU CAN LEAVE A MESSAGE ON MY HOME NUMBER 940-689-8855 OR E-MAIL ME AT [SWLTN79@AOL.COM](mailto:SWLTN79@AOL.COM).**



### Easter Prayer

Loving Father. You sacrificed Your only Son  
to die on the cross for our sins  
Only to raise Him up to a new life  
on Easter Sunday.  
Guide me to live the Easter  
mystery everyday:  
To die to my own desires:  
To resurrect my spirit when I feel low:  
To rise to the challenges that may  
confront me: To praise you in all I do:  
To love as you have loved us.  
Let the Risen Lord's light shine  
forth through me and give me courage  
to live my faith. Amen.



-----CDA FUND RAISING-----

Susan R Walton – Chairman  
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We have 4 fund raising events each year to support our court and to raise monies for Charities:

1. Chicken Enchilada Dinner – held the First Saturday in February of each year. Amount brought in is usually around \$1500 - \$2000. The supplies are donated for the event by generous local merchants. We serve over 300 people each year. We always need members to help setup, prepare food, serve and cleanup.
2. Spring Bake Sale – held before Easter each year. Amount brought in is usually around \$1000. The baked items are donated by members who are asked to bake at least 2 items each.
3. Fish Fry Desserts (sweets for sale at the Knights of Columbus #10998 Annual Fish Fry) – held for 6 weeks during Lent. Amount brought in is usually around \$800. The Ice Cream is purchased by any leftover gift cards we receive for the Enchilada Dinner. Members are asked to work and or bake an item for at least one of the 6 nights of the dinners.
4. Fall Bake Sale – held the weekend before Thanksgiving. Amount brought in is usually around \$1200. The baked items are donated by members who are asked to bake at least 2 items each.

& SPRING BAKE SALE &

Chairman Susan Walton is asking that members please bring 2-3 home made items for our Spring Bake Sale to be held at Sacred Heart Church after all masses on April 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. You can deliver your items downstairs in the Parish Hall beginning at 4:00 PM Saturday afternoon or anytime between 7:30 and noon on Sunday. Please call Susan at 689-8855 if you have any questions or if you need someone to pick up your items.

Recipe  Corner

**Oatmeal Carmelitos**

Submitted by Christy Watson

**CRUST:**

- ✚ 2 cups all-purpose flour
- ✚ 2 cups quick oats
- ✚ 1 ½ cups firmly packed brown sugar
- ✚ 1 tsp baking soda
- ✚ ½ tsp salt
- ✚ 1 ¼ cup softened butter

**FILLING:**

- ✚ 1 cup (6 oz pkg) semi-sweet chocolate chips
- ✚ ½ cup chopped nuts
- ✚ 1 cup (12 oz jar) caramel ice cream topping
- ✚ 3 tbsp flour

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 13" x 9" pan. In a large bowl combine crust ingredients. Blend together to form crumbs. Press half of the crumbs (about 3 cups) into the greased pan. Bake 10 minutes. Remove from oven, sprinkle with chocolate chips and nuts. Blend caramel topping and flour. Drizzle over chocolate chips and nuts. Sprinkle with remaining crumbs. Bake an additional 18 to 22 minutes until golden brown. Cool completely. Cut into bars. Makes 3 to 4 dozen.

**Christy Watson - Newsletter Editor**

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