



# Catholic Daughters of the Americas

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Lake Jackson, TX

## Lakeside News



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## March/April 2019 Newsletter

### 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."**

### What can you find in this issue of Lakeside News?

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We hope you enjoyed the newsletter.

Please contact Sarah Ebey at 706-799-4415 or Juanita Oppermann at 979-388-3324 with any suggestions, future newsletter items or corrections.

Many thanks to members who contributed articles and photos for the newsletter!

\*\*\* All articles are written by Sarah Ebey unless otherwise noted. \*\*\*

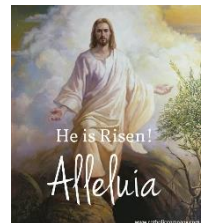
For more Catholic Daughter news visit these Websites

National CDA - [www.catholicdaughters.org](http://www.catholicdaughters.org)

Texas CDA - [www.texascd.org](http://www.texascd.org)



## *Regent Message*



### REGENT MESSAGE

Lent is over and Holy Week has come and gone. Easter season has begun. This is a holy time in the church. A time for renewal. Just as spring is a time for new life and new growth, we also have a chance to begin a new a life. Our new life should be a life lived in accordance with the will of God. During Eastertide, we are reminded that we no longer belong to the earth, but our lives belong to God. Christ rose from the dead. Which reminds us that we too will eventually rise from the dead to join Jesus Christ in heaven. I wish everyone a new beginning in a life filled with grace.

I also want to thank everyone for all the help you gave to make our "Chicken Spaghetti Dinner" a big success. Without the contribution each of you

made, we would not have met our goal. Thank you again.

Our next project is our Mother's Day bake sale on May 12. Hopefully, it also will also be a big success. We need your baked items. Make them pretty and festive.

Join us for our May meeting on May 23 at 6:30 p.m. We will be making plans for our "May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary". JCDA State raffle tickets will be available for those who wish to support our Junior Catholic Daughters.

The May meeting will be a great celebration in honor of Mary, our mother. Hope to see you at the May meeting. Thanks again for all you do and for your unending generosity.

By Juanita Oppermann, Regent



# *National News*



## **DID YOU KNOW...**

In the tools of the trade, there is a protocol for meetings. The following is an excerpt.

### **Protocol**

The Catholic daughters of the Americas is a distinct organization founded on ceremony and order. Our image is powerfully reflected in the protocol we practice. There, rules of etiquette in ceremonies and observance of accepted practices are important.

These highlights are the basis for proper protocol which should be exercised in every court. Consistency and preparation make for a smooth process. Courtesy demonstrates diplomacy, dignity, and social decorum of the organization.

## **II. Meetings**

### **A. Regent**

1. Stand (if possible) when conducting business or addressing membership
2. Exercise command of meeting with prepared agenda and timely schedule
3. Use courteous tone and manner
4. Introduce visitors, prospective members, and any guests or dignitaries to the membership.

### **B. Officers/Chairman**

1. Rise when addressing membership
2. Be prepared with presentation at hand
3. Speak slowly and with conviction

### **C. Members**

1. Arrive on time
2. Stand, wait to be recognized, address the Chair as "Worthy Regent"
3. Be courteous to all

### **D. Visitors/Guests**

1. State/National or District deputy/State Representative is greeted by a member and escorted to seat.
2. If Clergy/Spiritual Advisor is present, he/she should be asked to lead prayer
3. District Deputy/State Representative (if present) may be invited to lead prayer

Reprinted from the "Tools of the Trade."

<https://www.catholicdaughters.org/ToolsOfTheTrade/Section%2008%20-%20Protocol.pdf>



## State News



### FROM THE STATE WEBSITE

Formed in 1903, under the patronage of the Blessed Mother, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas® (CDA) are united by their faith in Jesus Christ and their devotion to the Catholic Church. We are one of the oldest and largest Orders of Catholic women in the Americas.

The Texas State Court was organized January 25, 1917. Our Mission Statement is a reflection of the CDA motto of Unity and Charity®; *"The members of the Texas State and Local Courts love Christ and His Church. We are dedicated to leading others to Christ and to His service through active participation in the Catholic Daughters of the Americas."*

The Statue of Our Patroness, Mary, the Blessed Mother of God, is on display at the National CDA office in New York. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of Texas.

Taken from the Texas CDA Home Page <http://www.texascd.org>

### 28<sup>TH</sup> BIENNIAL TEXAS STATE JCDA CONVENTION 2019

JCDA is having their state convention right in our back yard, Sugarland, Texas! The convention theme this year is "The Lord is My Maker and My Guide" and will be held June 28–30 at the Marriot Hotel.

State convention project is "Suitcases for Kids" all monetary donations shall be made payable to **State JCDA Convention Project** and mailed to Shelia Martinka, 307 Spur Drive, Victoria, Texas 77094. For questions contact Shelia Martinka at [smartinka@earthlink.net](mailto:smartinka@earthlink.net) or Peggy Supak at [fayetteatty@hotmail.com](mailto:fayetteatty@hotmail.com).

#### Items Needed to place in bags

Comb/Brush  
Journal to Write In  
Small Blanket  
Small Pillow  
Socks

Inspirational Notes  
Pen/Pencils  
Small Books  
Snack Items  
Toiletries  
Toothbrush/Toothpaste



JUNIOR

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS  
TEXAS STATE COURT

### SUGARLAND SKEETERS

JCDA Take Me Out to The Ball Game  
Friday Night Fun Night  
"Baseball, Hot Dogs, and JCDA!"

Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup> – 7:05PM  
vs. High Point Rockers at Constellation Field

We will be joined by Skeeters mascot SWATSON as we watch the game and take part in many of the fun activities during the game.

We will enjoy the game from the comfort of the Wells Fargo Picnic Pavilion which features an inground swimming pool. You can also visit the Children's Memorial Herman Play Land featuring a sport court (basketball hoops), playground, and splash pad.

**\$20 per person**  
Includes entry, hot dog, cookie, and a drink

Other refreshments will be available at additional costs.  
All JCDA members and their families are invited to attend at this special rate. Complete the appropriate area for the number of tickets on the registration form.

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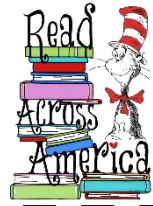
More information can be found on the Texas CDA website.

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# Read Across America



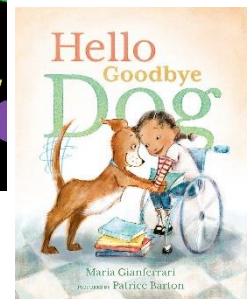
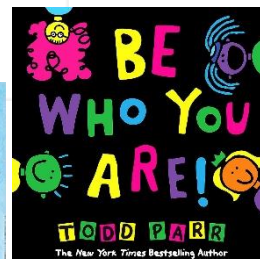
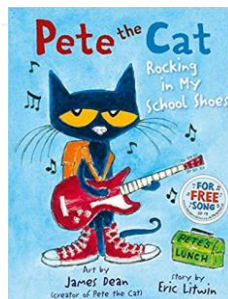
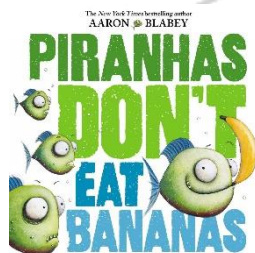
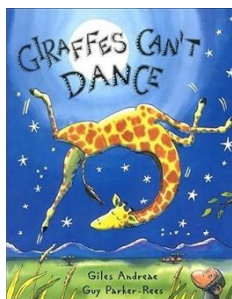
## READ ACROSS AMERICA



L to R: Deanna Hudgeons, Janet Spicer, Janet Gipson, and Sarah Ebey.

We had 4 volunteers, Janet Spicer, Janet Gibson, Sarah Ebey and Deanna Hudgeons for "Read Across America." The group read at the Memorial Child Care Center in Freeport. Janet Gipson read to the 3-4-year-old class, Hello, Goodbye Dog. Deanna Hudgeons read to the 3-year-old class, Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes. Sarah Ebey read to the 4-5-year-old class, Piranhas Don't Eat Bananas and Be Who You Are. Janet Spicer read to the 6-7-year-old group, Giraffes Can't Dance. Sarah Ebey brought activity sheets for each book to leave for them to complete.

By Janet Gipson, Committee Chair





## Calling All Bakers!!



### MOTHER'S DAY BAKE SALE

Warm up those ovens, get out the pans and mixing bowls and get on your aprons!

It's time to start baking for our annual Mother's Day Bake Sales. The date is May 12<sup>th</sup>, this week. Bake sale profits help with scholarships and other organizations that we support. Our goal for this bake sale is \$1000.00; let see if combined efforts can make that happen.

By Sarah Ebey, Newsletter Editor

### BRAIN FAIR

Thanks to District 35 CDA Sisters for the another successful co-operative Bake Sale benefitting The Gathering Place with proceeds of \$649! Thanks to our Regents for passing info and getting the great volunteers!!

We appreciate our Angleton CDA Sisters kicking off the Brain Health Fair Bake Sale!!

By Dottie Mensik, Co-Chair



L to R: Juanita Oppermann Lake Jackson Court 2364 Regent, Dale Libby of The Gathering Place and Pat Williams Co-Chair.



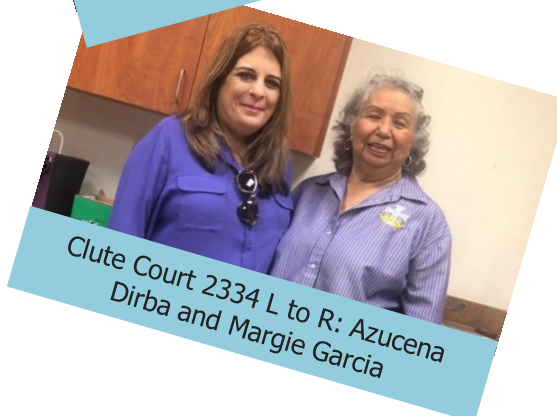
Lake Jackson Court 2364 L to R: Jan Taplett, Dottie Mensik Co-Chair, Ann Riedel, Isabel Respondek, Lillian Sablatura and Pat Williams Co-Chair



Angleton Court 2134 L to R: Gail Thomas Blanca Ochoa, Carol Peltier and Joyce Echols



Brazoria Court 2289 Front L to R: Nelda Walkewicz, Lina Gamino and Susie Hernandez Back L to R: Virginia Solis and Rosemary Pavlosky



Clute Court 2334 L to R: Azucena Dirba and Margie Garcia





# Chicken Spaghetti



## CHICKEN SPAGHETTI



**Silent Auction Set-Up  
Start the Bidding!**



**Tables Set  
Bring on the Food!**

The annual Chicken Spaghetti Fundraiser was held March 3, 2019. The money we earned will be used to provide money for our scholarship program, Youth on a Mission, Jr. High Camp, Vacation Bible school, and community donations. On March 2<sup>nd</sup> we had a dedicated crew for set up, cooking, the silent auction, and decorations. A good time was had by all as the day slowly came together. Wlecyzk Hall looked great! Bright and early on Sunday morning Janet Gipson, Katie Bailey and the cooking crew was hard at work. The silent auction was ready to go. Rachel and her crew were busy setting up the raffle and prize table and selling tickets. Thanks to the hard work of many the day was a big success. The court netted \$8,895.72 which will enable us to give \$4000.00 in senior scholarships and meet our other goals of providing funds for the youth programs and donations to various community charitable groups. This is a real team effort and it could not be accomplished without the generosity of many members of the court. Thanks to all who physically helped, sliced and cooked, baked desserts, donated prizes, bought raffle tickets and bid at the silent auction.

**By Juanita Oppermann, Regent**



L to R: Doraine Morgan, Dottie Mensik, Janet Spicer, Katie Bailey, Sandy Seely



L to R: Betty Jo Jurries, Shuria Thompson, Pat Williams, Olivia Gomez, Deanna Hudgeons





## Chicken Spaghetti cont.



### CHICKEN SPAGHETTI



L to R: Msgr. Leo, Janet Spicer & Katie Bailey



Doraine Morgan



Janet Gipson



6<sup>th</sup> Place: Patty Bettge



Grand Prize and 9<sup>th</sup> Place: L to R: Sarah Ebey with her daughters Michelle and Mary



L to R: Dottie Mensik, Janet Gipson & Juanita Oppermann



2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Karen Koranek



L to R: Dottie Mensik, Katie Bailey, Janet Gipson and Karen Koranek



L to R: Janet Spicer & Janet Gipson



L to R: Sandy Seely, Sharon Ernst, Dottie Mensik, Melody Viktorin, Margie McAda, Isabel Respondek. Juanita Oppermann, Bunny Swist, Ann Riedel.





# Prayers and Thank You!



## PRAYER REQUEST

**We have so many members & friends in need of prayers.**

Condolences for those we have lost recently:

Raul Garcia (Montague); Marcie (Marcella) Martinez (former member of our court); Deacon Singer from Baytown, & Jim Swanzy (husband of Margaret Kana)

Faithful prayer warriors, please continue to pray for all those on our prayer lists & especially pray for those below on our current detailed **prayer request list**:

Tim (JoAnn Forse's son)  
Gay Black  
Ruth Cleaver  
Mike Dougherty  
Hudson Flanagan  
Bevelyn Granger  
Whitney Wilcox Hoobler  
Ernie Mensik



Kathy Latino  
Bubba Moore  
Gilbert Ramirez Jr.  
Wendy S.  
Mirella Sherman  
Vic Smajstrla  
Joyce Sykora  
Ray Villarreal

By Mary Montague, Committee Chair

## JOKER'S CORNER

During a Eucharistic Congress, a number of priests from different orders are gathered in a church for Vespers. While they are praying, a fuse blows and all the lights go out.

The Benedictines continue praying from memory, without missing a beat.

The Jesuits begin to discuss whether the blown fuse means they are dispensed from the obligation to pray Vespers.

The Franciscans compose a song of praise for God's gift of darkness.

The Dominicans revisit their ongoing debate on light as a signification of the transmission of divine knowledge.

The Carmelites fall into silence and slow, steady breathing.

The parish priest, who is hosting the others, goes to the basement and replaces the fuse.

Submitted by Juanita Oppermann, Regent

## March Meeting Hostess

Good lookin' group .....  
& they cook good too!!

**THANK YOU!!!**



L to R: Lois Loftus, Doris Grigar, Jan Denomy, Karen Koranek, Doraine Morgan



# Birthdays



## APRIL BIRTHDAY'S

- |                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| 3 – Shirley Girouard | 14 – Lisa Peralez    |
| 3 – Joan Harris      | 14 – Shuria Thompson |
| 5 – JoAnn Forse      | 22 – Laurie Taylor   |
| 5 – Lisa Matzke      | 23 – Kathy Moore     |
| 13 – Collette Garcia |                      |



**Happy  
Birthday**  
to You.

As You Start the Journey of  
Another Year Today, May  
God's Purpose for You  
Come to Pass. Happy  
Birthday, Daughter  
I Love You.



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## MAY BIRTHDAY'S

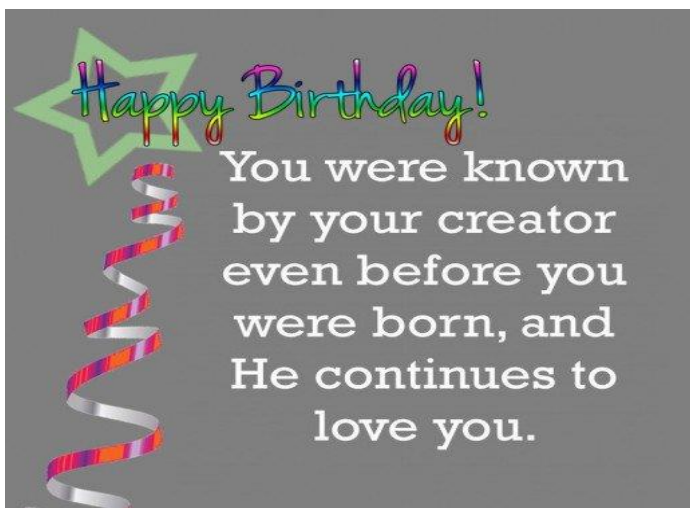


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| 6 – Andrea Drabek-Guice | 20 – Doris Grigar  |
| 8 – Sue Merritt         | 23 – Mary Lux      |
| 13 – Doraine Morgan     | 25 – Kim Blackwell |
| 15 – Deanna Hudgeons    | 27 – Georgia Nagle |
| 17 – Charlene Jones     | 27 – Pat Perdue    |
| 21 – Grace Hatfield     |                    |



## JUNE BIRTHDAY'S

- |                    |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 4 – Grace Kiefer   | 25 – Susie Mensik      |
| 7 – Judy Ozuna     | 25 – Rhonda Palasota   |
| 7 – Nan Smith      | 27 – Lillian Sablatura |
| 10 – Debbie Massey | 28 – Bridget West      |







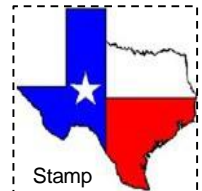
# CDA Court Calendar



Date	Event	Time	Location
2 Mar	Red Across America		More to Come
2 Mar	Set Up for Chicken Spaghetti Dinner		Wleczyk Hall
3 Mar	Chicken Spaghetti Dinner / Silent Auction / Raffle		Wleczyk Hall
6 Mar	Sewing Day	9a – 1p	F-Wing
8 Mar	KC Fish Fry	5p	Wleczyk Hall
14 Mar	Board Meeting	6:30p	TBA
15 Mar	KC Fish Fry	5p	Wleczyk Hall
22 Mar	KC Fish Fry	5p	Wleczyk Hall
23 Mar	Gathering Place Brain Fair	9a – 1p	Brazoria County Fairgrounds
28 Mar	Regular Business Mtg	6:30p social / 7p mtg	Angelina
29 Mar	KC Fish Fry	5p	Wleczyk Hall
3 Apr	Sewing Day	9a – 1p	F-Wing
11 Apr	Board Meeting	6:30p	TBA
22 Apr	Senior Scholarships Due		
25 Apr	Regular Business Mtg	6:30p social / 7p mtg	Angelina
2 – 5 May	State Convention	McAllen Convention Center	
3 – 5 May	One Million Rosaries for the Unborn		
9 May	Board Meeting	6:30p	TBA
23 May	Regular Business Mtg	6:30p social / 7p mtg	Angelina
1 Jun	Clergy Appreciation Day	TBA	Family Life Center
2 Jun	Cardinal DiNardo's Mass and Reception to Follow	9:30a Mass After Mass	Church Wleczyk Hall
23 Jun	Msgr Leo Retirement Party	After 11a Mass	Wleczyk Hall
27 Jun	Perfect Attendance Dinner	TBA	TBD
25 July	July BUNCO	6:00 p. m.	Msgr. Leo Wylcezyk Hall
23 August	Monthly Meetings Resume	6:30 p.m.	Angelina Room



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