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# *Catholic Daughter of the Americas* *St. Isidore Patron of the Land # 2340*

P.O. Box 872, Needville, Texas

August 2024

## Mission Statement:

Catholic Daughters of the Americas strives to embrace the principal of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all.

### Regents Message:

Hello CDA sisters,

I can't believe two years have already passed. Time flies when you're having fun. I am excited that I can serve another two years as your regent. Our new board for 2024-2026 years are Veronica Kresse as regent, Julia Mueck as vice regent, Jo Svatek as treasurer, Wanda Hubenak as recording secretary, and Debbie Asselin as financial secretary. I look forward to attending the National CDA convention in New Orleans, LA on August 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>. I hope to bring back new ideas for our court. We had our July Raffle on July 21<sup>st</sup> instead of on July 14<sup>th</sup> because of hurricane Beryl. I July raffle brought in a lot of money and will have the final report given at our August meeting. I hope all of you have recovered from the hurricane. I know some of us went without power or water for days, but most of the power was restored in a week. Remember we will be in peak hurricane season starting this month. Please be prepared and ready for anything that may come our way. Continue to pray for our farmers who are trying to get their crops in this season. We need to remember our CDA motto for Catholic Daughters is Unity and Charity. We need to strive to serve and give more to our community this year. At our meeting we discussed adopting another family this year. We have some potential families this year and we are partnering with St. Michael's SVdP organization to help us. We will vote on a family at our next meeting. Please come and hear the potential families who need our help. All the families were helped with school supplies from St. Michael's SVdP as they begin school year.

I recently became a great aunt. My nephew Mark and his wife Kim had a little boy Knox Alan Carlisle on July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, weighing 8 pounds and 7 ounces. He looks just like his dad Mark when he was a baby. Grandparents are CDA member Jennifer Carlisle and husband Joseph.

Continue to pray for clergy and religious life. I recently went to AYC at the end of July and had the opportunity to watch and hear from the producer of a movie called "Love's God Will". If you have a chance, please consider watching. I promise you won't regret it.

Thank you,

Veronica Kresse  
Regent



Aunt Veronica holding her great – nephew, Knox Allen Carlisle

## Mark Your Calendars

|                    |                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| August 27, 2024    | <del>CDA Meeting – Social 6:30 pm, Meeting 7:00 pm</del> <b>POSTPONED TO TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 – 7:00 pm</b> |
| September 8, 2024  | KC Council #7067 Annual Turkey Dinner – 10:30 AM drive thru                                                       |
| September 15, 2024 | St. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church Bazaar                                                                    |
| September 22, 2024 | Blood Drive – 8:00 AM – 12:30 PM – St. Michael's CCD Bldg                                                         |
| October 12, 2024   | Public Square Rosary Crusade – St. Michael's courtyard-noon                                                       |
| October 27, 2024   | St. Michael's Catholic Church Bazaar                                                                              |

# *ANNUAL DUES – \$35.00*

If you haven't paid your dues – please pay as soon as possible. If you are needing assistance with your dues, please contact your Regent, Veronica Kresse

# JUNE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Installation of new officers: Regent - Veronica Kresse, Vice Regent – Julia Mueck, Recording Secretary – Wanda Hubenak, Financial Secretary – Debra Asselin and Treasurer – Jo Svatek.
- July Raffle was postponed to July 21, 2024. List of winners in this newsletter.
- Members attending National Convention in Louisiana: Veronica Kresse, Jo Svatek, Deborah Asselin, Marie Rosales, Josie Lazo, Rosemary Gonzalez, Susan Ernest, Annette Prihoda.
- Members voted to adopt a family for 1 year (August 2024 – June 2025).
- CMG safe haven training is required for all members – see Veronica Kresse for more info.
- Marie Rosales was our Attendance Winner
- Sang Happy Birthday to our June and July Birthdays.

Queen of Peace Rosary 25<sup>th</sup>  
of every month at 10:00 a.m.  
Sts. Cyril & Methodius



Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
St. Michael's on the First Friday of  
Every month after 8 AM Mass.



MEET OUR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS FOR THE 2024-2026 TERM – THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME FOR OUR COURT. (Left to Right – Debra Asselin, Financial Secretar; Julia Mueck, Vice Regent; Veronica Kresse, Regent; Wanda Hubenak, Recording Secretary; Jo Svatek, Treasurer; Back – Nancy Zurek, District Deputy



CDA Members attend the National Convention in New Orleans, LA – August 15-18, 2024



2023-2025

Texas State Officers

### *State Regent*

Carolyn Ritchey

"Where God Guides, He  
Provides."

Isaiah 58:11

### *First Vice State Regent*

Mary Jane Albert

### *Second Vice State Regent*

Virginia Olsovsky

### *State Secretary*

Debbie Johnson

### *State Treasurer*

Janet Purdy

### *State Chaplain*

Bishop Brendan Cahill

### *Associate State Chaplain*

Deacon Ben Munguia

## State Mission Statement

The members of the State Court love  
Christ and His Church and are  
dedicated to leading others to Christ  
and to His service through The  
Catholic Daughter of the Americas.



## State News

*(Taken from the Texas State Website)*

### Quality of Life Chairman Christine Moore

Your Quality of Life reports have been received and judged. Thank you so much to all the courts who submitted reports. The "winning" projects are listed elsewhere in the newsletter.

We appreciate your participation in the contest. But more important, we thank you for your service, love, kindness, and charity to others. You truly demonstrate the love of Christ by your actions.

In the March newsletter, projects for the veterans were highlighted. This month we are focusing on activities to support the elderly and the long-term care facilities in their communities. Here are summaries of this years' projects: Staff support for a two-day diocesan conference offered in English and Spanish on topics critical to older adults and their families. Transportation for senior citizens to church services /activities, medical appointments, and shopping trips. Christmas gifts and visits for homebound residents of the community. Haircuts and styles for nursing home residents who do not have the funds for the service. Holiday gift bags for nursing home residents. (Christmas, Valentines, Easter, Mother's & Father's Day, Patriotic, Thanksgiving, Birthday) Christmas party at local long term care facilities. Monthly nursing home visits, rosary, bingo, door decorations and/or sing-along. Visiting Sisters in Christ (or Daughters-to-Daughters) providing personal attention to CDA sisters who are unable to attend meetings. Monthly activity bringing seniors together for an afternoon of games, food, and fellowship. If your Court is ready to enhance your support of the elderly, you might consider one of these activities. For more information, feel free to contact me. And don't forget the elderly during the summer.



**National Officers  
2024-2026**

**National Regent**

Emily Guilherme

“A Beacon of Hope; A  
Light in the Darkness”

**National Regent**

Susan Mone

**National Regent –  
Elect**

Essie Walker

**First Vice National  
Regent**

Connie Dronette

**Second Vice  
National Regent**

Nancy Bambenek

**National  
Secretary-  
Treasurer**

Brenda Anderson

**National Chaplain**

Reverend Erick Villa

# National News

(taken from national website)



Newly elected National Officers



THE NEWLY-ELECTED NATIONAL OFFICERS

Left to right, Second Vice National Regent Nancy Bambenek, National Regent-Elect Essie Walker, National Chaplain Rev. Erick Villa, National Regent Susan Monè, First Vice National Regent Connie Dronette and National Secretary Treasurer Brenda Anderson.



## August

Alice Poncik (1)  
 JoAnn Bily (4)  
 Debra Asselin (6)  
 Arlene Eickmann (9)  
 Kathleen O'Dowd (9)  
 Paula Vecera (9)  
 Taylor Weiss (10)  
 Joyce Wendel (15)  
 Loretta Myska (20)  
 Sheryl Norman (26)

## Sepember

Paula Janota (3)  
 Frances Klepac (6)  
 Josie Lazo (18)  
 Dorothy Mach (19)  
 Annette Prihoda (19)  
 Caitlin Shipp (19)  
 Veronica Kresse (27)  
 Rita Kulcak (27)



## The Source of Miracle - Divine Mercy Miracles

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## A PRAYER FOR PEACE OF MIND AND HEART

Lord Jesus, Give Me Your Peace. Give me confidence in the depths of danger. Give me hope when I am surrounded by fear. Still my worries, calm the anxieties pressing in on me from the world I live in. Lord Jesus, give me Your peace. Reassure me that You are with me when I seem alone. Ease my doubting, as You did Thomas's. Lord Jesus, give me Your peace. Guide my searching for peace, so that I may not seek it where it is not to be found, but I may seek it in You. Lord Jesus, live in me and give me Your peace.

Janet Faye Rapsilver (Mother of Carolyn Ritchey) passed away 8.13.24

Irene Gramza (National Director)

Let the perpetual light shine upon them.



## Prayer List:

Please add these members  
and families to your  
personal prayers.



Merv Albert  
Jody Buchta  
John Doggett  
Fred Fojtik  
Zelma Groze  
Marcella Hackstedt  
Allen Hanzik  
Ethel Horak  
Alice Khovjak  
Delores Macha  
Kristine Martin  
Kelly McDaniel  
Loretta Myska  
Beverly Petrusek  
Veronica Prihoda  
Alice Poncik  
Joe Rosales, Sr.  
Joe & Eva Rosales  
Annie Schilhab  
Jeanette Seiler  
Allen Seiler  
Deborah Stavinoha  
Nancy Sury  
Thomas Sury  
Natalie Wesneski  
Deacon Brady Williams

Nursing Home Residents  
All CDA Members,  
Living & Deceased  
All Military Personnel & First  
Responders

If you need to add someone to  
this list, please notify, Veronica  
Wesneski, Newsletter editor, at  
713.501.2834.

## \*\*\* News You Need to Know \*\*\*

### Prayer Cards:

\* If you need a Mass Card, contact Kathy Taylor (713)504-5912) or you can get one from her at our meeting, for \$3.00 ea. Court must sell \$50 per year to be able to enter Senior Scholarships.

\* Shirley Kaminski has Mass Cards for ACCW for \$5.00 ea. Court must sell \$50 per year to be able to enter Senior Scholarships.

### CDA Sales:

\* Our homemade noodles are on sale at Needville Feed.

\* Religious Articles are on sale every 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of the month. Volunteers are needed. Contact Shirley Kaminski (979-793-6638) & Denise Sbrusch

\*\* Find Texas CDA on Facebook and join to keep up with all the State CDA news! You will need our Regents name (Veronica Kresse) and our Court Name/Number to join.

**VOLUNTEERS are always needed.....**

## Committees/Chairmen

|                                    |                                                                                             |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Budget                             | Gloria Lindstrom, Jo Svatek & Kathy Taylor                                                  |
| Financial Review                   | Jo Svatek, Kathy Taylor, Vivian Jedlicka, Frances Klepec, Wanda Hubenak & all the officers. |
| Newsletter                         | Jo Svatek                                                                                   |
| Youth in Education                 | Francis Klepec & Bonnie Limbaugh                                                            |
| Senior Breakfast/Lunch             | Brittany Foerster, Veronica Wesneski, Bonnie Limbaugh, & Brenda Zwahr                       |
| Fundraising:                       | Kathy Taylor & Jo Svatek<br>Wanda Hubenak & Sheryl Norman                                   |
| July Raffle                        | Kathy Taylor & Jo Svatek                                                                    |
| February Drive Thru<br>& Bake Sale | Kathy Taylor, Jo Svatek & Wanda Hubenak<br>Sheryl Norman                                    |
| Coushatta Trip                     | Brittany Foerster                                                                           |
| Calling Committee                  | Nancy Sury, Rosemary Gonzales, Donna Besong, & Kay Kruk                                     |
| Religious Articles                 | Shirley Kaminski & Denise Sbrusch                                                           |
| Mass Cards                         | Kathy Taylor                                                                                |

### 2024 Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 2340 Raffle Results

| <u>PRIZE</u>                                  | <u>DONOR</u>                                     | <u>WINNER</u>              |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. \$500.00 Gift Card                         | CDA #2340                                        | Jeanette McDaniel          |
| 2. \$50.00 Gift Card                          | Kathy Taylor                                     | Erin Wleczyk               |
| 3. \$50.00 Gift Card                          | Frances Klepac                                   | Victoria McCary            |
| 4. \$100.00 HEB Gift Card                     | Bonnie Limbaugh & Donna Besong                   | Jerry W. Pekar             |
| 5. \$50.00 Gift Card                          | Fort Bend Czech Heritage Society                 | Richard Kalisek            |
| 6. 18 Pk. Soft Cooler w/Bluetooth Speakers    | Needville Insurance, Bradley Stavinoha           | Judy Hardin                |
| 7. \$100.00 HEB Gift Card                     | Sheryl Norman & Delores Macha                    | D. Primrose                |
| 8. \$50.00 Sonic Gift Card                    | Kathy Taylor & Jo Svatek                         | John Rouane                |
| 9. \$200.00 HEB Gift Card                     | Wanda Hubenak, Nancy Sury, Tuly Kramer, Kay Kruk | Jo Ellen Janota            |
| 10. \$50.00 Gift Card                         | JoAnn Bily                                       | Sandra Kresse              |
| 11. \$300.00 Gift Card                        | Alton Aerobic Wastewater, LLC                    | Mark & Gayle Bludau        |
| 12. \$100.00 HEB Gift Card                    | Teresa Kopycinski                                | Becky Kohleffel            |
| 13. \$75.00 Gift Certificate to Lillie Kay's  | Lillie Kay's                                     | Lindsay Vasquez            |
| 14. \$50.00 Gift Card                         | Dustin Vacek/Remax Opportunities                 | Ben Pavlak                 |
| 15. \$50.00 Hobby Lobby Gift Card             | Paula Janota                                     | Vanessa Zurovec            |
| 16. \$50.00 Gift Card                         | Brittney Foerster                                | George Krejci              |
| 17. \$100.00 Lowe's Grocery Gift Card         | Brenda Zwahr & Shirley Kaminski                  | Wanda Hubenak              |
| 18. \$100.00 Gift Card                        | Damon Farm & Ranch                               | Braydon Zamamen            |
| 19. \$100.00 HEB Gift Card                    | Josie Lazo                                       | Eric Ramirez               |
| 20. Handmade Crochet King Size Bedspread      | Jo Svatek                                        | Teresa Kopycinski          |
| 21. \$200.00 Gift Card                        | Knights of Columbus 7067                         | Glynn Janota/Donnie Janota |
| 22. Wood Wall Hanging                         | Vivian Jedlicka                                  | Veronica Kresse            |
| 23. \$250.00 Gift Card                        | CDA #2340                                        | Rita Saucedo               |
| 24. \$50.00 Gift Card                         | Veronica Kresse                                  | Hannah Spacek              |
| 25. \$150.00 Gift Certificate to Lillie Kay's | Annette Prihoda                                  | Delores Macha              |
| 26. Cross                                     | Nancy Sury                                       | Mark & Gayle Bludau        |
| 27. \$50.00 Gift Card                         | Julia Mueck                                      | Tara Bennett               |
| 28. \$100.00 Gift Card to Hometown Metal      | Hometown Metal                                   | Shirley Kaminski           |
| 29. 4 Pc. U.S. American Flag Wall Hanging     | Vivian Jedlicka                                  | Veronica Prihoda           |
| 30. King Size Quilt                           | Debra Asselin                                    | Joe Kovar                  |
| 31. \$50.00 Gift Certificate to Beth's Blooms | Beth's Blooms                                    | Loretta Myska              |
| 32. \$100.00 Gift Card                        | Jennifer Carlisle                                | Donald Zacek               |
| 33. \$100.00 Gift Card                        | Judy Pasteka & Sandy Kohleffel                   | J. Sanchez                 |
| 34. \$50.00 Gift Card                         | Julia Mueck                                      | Mark Wesneski              |
| 35. Cross                                     | Nancy Sury                                       | Ollie Bainbridge           |
| 36. Diamond Art Religious Wall Hanging        | Jo Svatek                                        | Mark & Veronica Wesneski   |
| 37. \$50.00 Gift Card                         | Veronica Wesneski                                | Vern Evanicky              |
| 38. Bird Feeder w/Bird Seed                   | Kathy Taylor                                     | Veronica Kresse            |
| 39. Cross                                     | Marie Rosales                                    | Bonnie Kovar               |
| 40. Canned Goods Basket                       | Damon KJZT Juniors                               | Richard Kalisek            |

Newsletter Editor: Veronica Wesneski

If you have anything you want in the Newsletter, please let me know.

Example: Weddings, Anniversaries, Births, Deaths, or any exciting happenings in your family, you would like to share, also if you see something that needs to be removed, let me know.

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**CDA WORD SEARCH**

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**VICE REGENT**  
**RECORDING SECRETARY**  
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