



Court St. Anthony #330

Council Bluffs, Iowa

Autumn 2009

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

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Autumn Schedule of Events

Sep 14	<u>Mass:</u> St. Peter's Church	5:15 pm
	<u>Potluck dinner:</u> St. Peter's social hall	6:00 pm
	<u>Meeting:</u> St. Peter's social hall	6:30 pm
	<u>Project:</u> discussion of Make a Difference Day	
	<u>Dinner committee:</u> officers	
	<u>Agenda items:</u> honor 2 National Ed contest winners and present them with their \$100 awards	
Oct 12	<u>Dinner Meeting:</u> Tish's restaurant	6:00 pm
	Contact Jan Roth for reservations	
	<u>Agenda items:</u> Installation of new members	
Nov 9	<u>Memorial Mass:</u> St. Peter's Church	5:15 pm
	<u>Potluck dinner:</u> St. Peter's social hall	6:00 pm
	<u>Meeting:</u> St. Peter's social hall	6:30 pm
	<u>Dinner committee:</u> Charlotte Spoto, Tess Barnett	



Catholic Daughters  
Mission Statement

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

Regent Review:  
Jan Roth

Welcome to another fulfilling year at Catholic Daughters. This year, I feel, that our contributions and good works will be more important than ever in these economic times. We will "make a big difference" to many who need assistance this year not only on "Make a Difference Day" but throughout the entire next 12 months.

I just attended a family reunion for my mother's side of the family. At 86 she is the last surviving and also the youngest of nine siblings. What a joy it is to see the relatives come and chat with her as she sits in a chair beside her walker. There are many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. In one case one of the great, great, great nephews was sitting by her.

That's how I feel we are in the Catholic Daughters - almost like family to one another reaching out and enjoying each other for years and years. Let's all have a wonderful year - loving and helping our fellow Catholic Daughters as well as the community.

In Unity and Charity, Jan



Make a Difference Day



We will again be working on a Make a Difference Day project to help the teens in crisis who spend time at our local Children's Square shelter. Make a Difference Day is Saturday, October 24, 2009. We will talk about this more at our meetings. Bring your own ideas. We will need to find a youth group to partner with on this project.

Birthday  
Celebrations

September

1 Bernice Ronk  
5 Jo Garafalo  
7 Sue Thomas  
14 Mary E Sealock  
28 Charlotte Spoto  
29 Mariann Hilderbrand

October

2 Helen Dixon  
5 Carol Andress  
6 Tess Barnett  
6 Angela Cash  
8 Jo Meade  
9 Judy Mendel  
12 Geraldine Zelfel  
17 Margaret Mulvihill  
25 Yvonne Hanneman  
26 Irene Friesen

November

18 Darlene Morrow  
22 Sheila Graham



Charitable Projects:  
Linda Spencer  
Mary Ellen Sealock



## 2009 Summer Salad Luncheon Benefits Local Charities

The Catholic Daughters Summer Salad Luncheon, held on July 8, 2009, was another big success. Approximately 200 people were served with profits of over \$1,000.00.

This is one of our main fund raisers for the year. Proceeds will go to various organizations funded through the Catholic Daughters Charitable Donations Program. Many local organizations are beneficiaries of the Charitable Donations Program including the Phoenix House Domestic Violence Shelter, Birthright, Catholic Charities, Gabriel's Corner, Wings of Hope, Morality in Media, Micah House, Voices for Life, and Habitat for Humanity.

Over 150 salads were provided by our court members, approximately 15 members help set up the night before, getting the tables ready with flowered candles from our decorating committee, place settings set up everything in place for the next day.

On the big day we had several members available to replace the salads at the salad tables, serving drinks, replacing Ice and making sure the dessert table was full with all the tasty desserts also provided by our members. What a great showing of teamwork by all our helpers.

Whoops! We can't forget our clean-up crew--these ladies really put forth a lot of effort dishwashing, vacuuming, putting away all of the supplies, decorations, taking down tables and other duties I probably forgot to make sure the hall was put back in order.

We want to thank everyone for all their help, teamwork and prayers that made this event so special. We could not have done this without each of you.

Thanks again,  
Linda Spencer and Mary Sealock  
Salad Luncheon Chairs

## Iowa News

CDA State Workshop: This year's workshop will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2009, at Our Lady's Immaculate Heart in Ankeny. \$10. Anyone interested in attending, contact Jan Roth.

CDA Fall Retreat: The fall retreat on "We are called to pray" will be held on October 16-18 in Cedar Falls. Open to all CDA members, the cost is \$115. Contact Jan Roth.

CDA Sunday: This annual celebration of the Catholic Daughters organization is held this year on October 18.

## National News



### RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PRIESTS

WHEREAS, Pope Benedict XVI has declared June 19, 2009 to June 19, 2010 the year of the Priest; and  
WHEREAS, Catholic Daughters of the Americas has long provided spiritual and financial support for priests and seminarians, as well as honoring prieststhe first Sunday of June, by declaring it Priest Appreciation Day; therefore, be it  
RESOLVED, that Catholic Daughters of the Americas reaffirm their continued support for priests and seminarians; and be it further  
RESOLVED, that Catholic Daughter Courts be encouraged to use the Prayer for the Year of the Priest at their court meetings.

Adopted by the National Board  
July 10, 2009  
Belleville IL  
National Board Meeting



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