



# Court St. Anthony #330 Council Bluffs, Iowa Autumn 2008

*Catholic Daughters of the Americas*

## Court Officers

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## Autumn Schedule of Events

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| September 8 | Mass: St. Peter's Church<br>Dinner: St. Peter's Social Hall<br>Meeting: St. Peter's Social Hall<br>Bring new or used suitcases/bags for<br>the children at Children's Square | 5:15 pm<br>6:00 pm<br>6:30 pm |
| October 13  | Meeting: Holy Family Church Hall   | 6:00 pm                       |
| October 19  | CDA Sunday Mass at Holy Family<br>Brunch in their social hall following Mass<br>to honor our 50+ year members  | 9:30 am<br>10:30 am           |
| November 10 | Memorial Mass for deceased members<br>Dinner: St. Peter's Social Hall<br>Meeting: St. Peter's Social Hall<br>Bring items for the Phoenix House                               | 5:15 pm<br>6:00 pm<br>6:30 pm |



Member rosters are available: call Jan Roth at 323-1996.

**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**

Dear Members,

We look forward to a new season at Catholic Daughters. In these economic times many charities are feeling the "pinch" of small contributions to their worthy causes. As in the past we will try to continue our donations and good works to the community.



As I was reading information on our new Des Moines Bishop, Most Reverend Richard E. Pates, I learned that he favorite saint is St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and that is mine also. She was named a saint on September 15, 1975, the first US born person to be declared a saint in the Catholic Church. She had many roles in her life: daughter, wife, mother, widow, teacher, and nun. She founded the first Catholic school in the US. Her life was very busy as a religious woman. In our busy lives also we strive to do good works through prayer and fellowship with each other through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our officers are excited to be planning speakers and activities for the coming year. Watch the newsletters for more details as they get set up. Let's all have a great 2008-2009 season as Catholic Daughters of Court St. Anthony!

In Unity, Jan Roth

**The 1903 Society**

The purpose of this Society is to ensure the preservation of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas National Headquarters, a National Historic Landmark.

In 1903, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas instituted its first court in Utica NY. The rich history of this organization is kept alive by the works of its many members and is orchestrated by the National Board through the working of the staff in our New York Office.

This headquarters at 10 West 71st St. in New York City is a five story brownstone building purchased in the 1920's.

Your membership in this Society will help in the upkeep of this beautiful historic building which not only contains the offices of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas but an apartment as well. The apartment is used to house the National Officers while working in New York.

It is a beautiful building and a valuable asset. 1903 Society members understand the importance of historic preservation and take pride in supporting CDA National Headquarters.

To join the society, please click the 1903 Society link on the National CDA website.

**Birthday Celebrations**

September 1 Bernice Ronk  
September 5 Jo Garafalo  
September 7 Sue Thomas  
September 14 Mary E Sealock  
September 16 Janet Hansman  
September 28 Charlotte Spoto  
September 29 Mariann Hilderbrand

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



November 18 Darlene Morrow  
November 22 Sheila Graham



### Salad Luncheon



Our summer salad luncheon was another fun day with over 185 people attending and enjoying all that great salad! We cleared over \$900!

Our two raffle winners of \$50 gas cards were our own Jean Palensky and one of our attendees Pam Feuring.

This has become such a great event for us to make some money for our charitable donations. Thank you to everyone who helped out that day!

Charitable Projects:  
Linda Spencer  
Mary Ellen Sealock

The officers have decided to hold a drive for the children at Children's Square who come without bags or suitcases to carry their clothes and personal items. At our September 8 meeting we will collect from you any new or used suitcases, book bags, gym bags, etc. to take to those children as a court project. If you have any questions, please call Jan Roth.

### CDA Sunday

We will be doing something special this year during our annual CDA Sunday celebration: we will honor our 14 court members who have been a Catholic Daughter for 50+ years! Mass will be at 9:30 am at Holy Family. A brunch and celebration will be in their social hall following Mass. Please RSVP to Sheila Graham by October 1 at 256-0195 so we can plan the lunch. We will discuss this more at our September 8 meeting.



### 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. As in the past, we will give a donation of money toward the purchase of personal items and underwear and socks and other items that they could use to help them feel more at home there. The actual day of delivery will be on Make a Difference Day which is Saturday, October 25, 2008. We will talk about this more at our meetings. Bring your own ideas.

**Court Event  
Information**



**Court Membership  
Information**

**Iowa News**

New Audit Committee:

The following members have volunteered to serve our court as our new audit committee:

Jeanette Bowen  
Sheila Graham  
Mariann Hilderbrand

Thank you to these women who have faithfully served on this committee for our court:

Alice Reiman  
Charlotte Schwarte  
Evelyn Seidler

Memorial Gift:

The family of Charlotte Schwarte, a member of our court who recently passed away, has offered \$730 of her memorial gifts to our court. This is a wonderful tribute to her love for the Catholic Daughters and our court.

New court members:

Carol Andress of St. Patrick's parish  
Judy Lookabill of St. Patrick's parish

CDA State Workshop: This year's workshop will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2008, at St. John's Basilica in Des Moines. Anyone interested in attending, contact Jan Roth.

CDA Fall Retreat: The fall retreat on "We are God's work of art" will be held on October 10-12. Open to all CDA members, the cost is \$110. Contact Jan Roth for info on time and place.

CDA Sunday: This annual celebration of the Catholic Daughters organization is held this year on October 19. We will celebrate with a Mass and recognition brunch at Holy Family parish.

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Mary, Queen of Peace,  
pray for us.

