

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS



Court St. Anthony #330
Council Bluffs and Carter Lake Iowa
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February

1st – February Meeting at:

Our Lady of Carter Lake

3501 N 9th St

Carter Lake, IA

- 5:30 – Rosary
- 6:00 – Dinner
- 6:30 – Meeting
- GIK – Collection for Gabriel's Corner

14th – Ash Wednesday

March

5th – Education Contest Awards
Dinner and March Meeting

Saint Albert School

400 Gleason Ave

Council Bluffs, IA

- 4:00 Set up for dinner
- 6:00 Awards Dinner
- Regular meeting to follow dinner

January

Member Anniversaries in January
 2002 – Mariann Hilderbrand
 2002 – Dola Mehsling
 2003 – Sheila Graham
 2003 – Irene Schlautman

Member and Clergy Birthdays in
 January

12th – Joan Von Tersch-
 Crampton
 19th – Deacon Monty
 Montagne
 24th – Patty McGinn
 25th – Dawn Cox
 29th – Dola Mehsling
 29th – Kay White

**February**

Member Anniversaries
 in February

2015 – Donna Leick
 2016 – Mary Carroll
 2017 – Pat Cox

Member and Clergy Birthdays in
 February

8th – Elaine Fenner
 9th – Mona Schlautman
 15th – Mary Martin
 17th – Deacon Emmet
 Tinley
 17th – Josephine Goesser
 21st – Deacon Darwin
 Kruse
 26th – Mary Sue Wickham

March

Member Anniversaries in March
 1999 – Judy Mendel
 2017 – Elaine Fenner

Member and Clergy Birthdays in
 March

17th – Sue Meidlinger
 29th – Mary Alice
 Wickham

**Dues Announcement**

Member Dues for the 2018 year are now due.

Please note the increase to **\$30.00**.

Make checks payable to Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

Mail to Financial Secretary:

Sheila Graham
 18 East Ridge Dr
 Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Or bring to our next meeting, February 1st.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR COURT LEADERS

Dear Court #330,

It has been a remarkable year for our court. Reflecting back we installed seven new members, installed a new Chaplain who blesses us with celebrating Mass before our meetings in our cozy new location at Our Lady of Carter Lake on our new meeting date being on the first Thursday of the month. We did it all through the grace of the Holy Spirit and I think we've gradually overcome and adapted to these changes. Sadly, we lost two members Pam Ratigan † and Alice Reiman † along the way and may they rest in eternal peace. We donated monies to various charities as well as food and clothing to the local shelters and children organizations. A big donation of money (and prayers) was sent to the CDA National emergency disaster relief fund to help assist the other courts affected by the hurricanes and fires. We hope and pray those harmed and displaced can get back to a normal way of living.

This year on the agenda is nominating new court officers in May for a June installation. Have any of you thought about being a court officer? It is only a 2-year term and believe me it goes by fast. It is a personal commitment and very satisfying to experience being part of the growth in our court. I enjoy attending the various workshops and conventions. I've had the opportunity to meet so many nice ladies too! Each of you have special talents and contribute to the success of our activities so don't be shy if you are interested in serving as one of the officers in our court.

Wishing you all a joyous, healthy new year! May the Lord give you love and peace.

In Unity & Charity

Angie Shea

Regent

Fellow Court #330 Members –

Happy 2018. I am looking forward to a wonderful new year with CDA. We have installed some new members and have had some other ladies visiting. I am excited to grow our Court even more in 2018. We had quite a few changes last year but we are a strong group of Catholic women and we can persevere. If you haven't been to a meeting since we moved to Carter Lake I invite you to come give it a try. It is a very nice space and they have been very welcoming there. If you need a ride give me a call to set something up. (515-418-2339)

In Unity and Charity – Julie Marlow – Vice Regent

Dinner Committees

January:

No Meeting

February:

Donna Collins
Jo Meade
Mary Roush
Charlotte Spoto
Rose Spoto

March:

Education Contest
Awards Dinner

COURT ACTIVITIES

At our December meeting we installed two new members; Sharon Orton and Stephanie Schuster. We had mass at Corpus Christi Parish – Queen of Apostles site, we had a great meal and some fun games (Like dressing Mary Sue and our guest Felicia Davidson as Santa!!) Thanks to everyone who came to our December Christmas meeting and party. Please join me in welcoming Sharon and Stephanie to our Court.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

KATHY CARLIN – MEMBER SINCE 5-13-2013 PRAYER WARRIOR

Kathy was born in St. Joseph, Missouri, but since age five has been a resident of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

She graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School in 1964. She was married to Dick Carlin the following year. Dick worked as a truck driver for Crouse-Cartage Company. That union lasted for nearly 40 years, until his death in 2004. Kathy and Dick were blessed with four children; three girls and one boy. They lost a ten-year-old daughter to Leukemia. Kathy says she has four children, “three living and one in heaven.” She has a daughter, living in Alabama, who has given her two grandsons and one granddaughter. Her only son lives in Phoenix, Arizona and has one son. Her other daughter lives here in town and has three daughters. One of those daughters has blessed Kathy with one great-grandchild. All in all, she has seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Three of Kathy’s children were born at the old Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs, then her last daughter was born in the newly constructed Mercy Hospital. Kathy’s mother was an Obstetrics Tech at Mercy Hospital for many years. Kathy spent 28 years working as a cook at Jennie Edmundson Hospital before retiring in 2011. She got up at 4:30am and worked from 5:00am until 1:00pm. In later years, after her workday, she would go pick up grandchildren from school and care for them, until they could drive themselves.

Kathy has washed the ceremonial linens, used at Queen of Apostles Church, for over “20 some years!” She started washing them when Father Dan Kirby was assigned to the church as a newly ordained associate pastor. “It’s just what I do,” she says. She remains an active Corpus Christi Parishioner, serving as a Lector on weekends, as well as at daily Mass. She sings with the choir at the 4:00pm Saturday Masses. She taught Religious Education classes for many years. She is also a hard-working and faithful member of the church cleaning crew. She is on the church prayer line and makes Rosaries with the Corpus Christi Rosary Makers. She serves as an officer of the GO GETTERS social group from the Parish.

Well, I am nearly worn out, just listing all Kathy’s volunteerism efforts. But there’s much more to be done outside the Parish! Kathy is a weekly volunteer at Gabriel’s Corner. She is a busy member of The Serra Club. Years ago, she served Outreach Communion to Mercy Hospital patients. These days she conducts a weekly Communion Service at Fox Run and every other Sunday carries communion to individual residents there. Kathy also provides a Divine Mercy Prayer Group every Thursday, in her home.

Kathy joined our Catholic Daughters Court #330 in 2013, following her retirement in 2011. She says it was Carol Hollenbeck who urged her to join our court at a Stewardship Fair. She stated that she joined because “I loved the idea and I love what they do.” Kathy has conflicts that don’t allow her to attend the monthly meetings, but she continues her membership as a Prayer Warrior, supporting our efforts before our Lord in prayer. I’m sure that we could not ask for a better advocate than this CDA Sister.

Since her retirement, Kathy has found more time to devote to her interest in reading. Also, more time for TV has turned her into a “cop show addict.” All the NCIS shows have her hooked. Put your feet up Kathy and enjoy!! May God Bless your efforts on His behalf.

....Prosper the work of our hands! Prosper the work of our hands! Psalm 90:17

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Anna Baxter Day - The Anna Baxter Day will be held in Iowa City hosted by Court # 94 Craigie. Plan on attending June 24th, 2018.

SPIRITUAL BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS - CDA gives us the opportunity to come together with other women who share our faith and our call to service. Membership in a court allows us to have sisters who will pray with us and for us. They are there in happiness and in sorrow. They help us to hear God's voice as He gives us His counsel and His consolation. Court members who pray together are powerful intercessors. Christ says to us in Scripture, "Where two or more are gathered in my name, I am in their midst." Belonging to a court ensures that that we are never alone; as we pray together, God is with us, and with Him, "All things are possible." CDA gives us the ability to answer God's call to service. As you may know from our old Baltimore Catechism days (if you are very young, this may be before your time), we were created to know, to love, and to serve God. CDA retreats, days of recollection, corporate Communion, and private and collective prayer, all help us to come to know God so that our love for Him grows. It is that love of God that calls us to service. The fact that we belong to a CDA court then allows us to use our gifts to answer that call to service. As court members, we live out the corporal and spiritual works of mercy by praying for and taking care of God's people. When we feed the hungry, build Habitat Houses, visit the sick, pray for those in need, teach children, support our clergy, all of that is part of living a life of service. Even when we raise money, we are serving. Where will the money for our seminarians come from? How will we buy rosaries so that we can teach children to pray? How will the local women's shelter get money for school supplies or clothing for battered women? Some of it will come from our bake sales and Christmas raffles, and chicken dinners. Even when we raise money, we serve and answer God's call. In the end, we become CDA and CDA becomes who we are. We live out our lives praying and serving God's people, and when the time comes, it is our CDA sisters who will be there to pray for us as we pass from this life into the next. by Olga Samaniego, National Regent Elect In the state of Iowa, our deceased members receive the following spiritual benefits from membership: remembered at the local court's annual Memorial Mass and every two years at the state convention they are remembered at the Memorial Mass. All members, living and deceased, are remembered at the state chaplain's monthly First Friday Masses.

NATIONAL CDA

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SOAR! Honors Helene Shepard with Special Award

National Regent Helene Shepard was awarded the Inaugural Dorothy Day Service Award from SOAR! (Support Our Aging Religious), one of the five Catholic Daughter National Projects. She received the award at SOAR!'s annual awards banquet in New York City. The event was attended by many Catholic Daughters, including the entire national board.

Upon accepting the award, Helene presented a check for \$10,000 to SOAR! President Sister Kathleen Lunsman on behalf of the Catholic Daughters nationwide.

SOAR! Chose to honor Helene with this award "for the Catholic values she models, the talents she willingly shares, and the gift of herself which she keeps on giving"

Mission: 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.

Motto: Unity and Charity

Purpose: As the largest organization of Catholic Women in the Americas and founded through the Knights of Columbus Catholic men's organization, our purpose is to participate in the religious, charitable and educational Apostolates of the Church.