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#### **DUES REMINDER**

Dues are due for the 2019-2020 CDA year, June 1st. Please submit to Nicole Geppert, 25640 368th Ave, Kimball. Remember dues are \$25/year or \$15/year for those over 80. Any questions can be sent by email to ngeppert@hotmail.com or you can call at 605-680-3021. Thank you!

\*\*If you would like to set up bill pay for paying your dues, please contact Nicole Geppert at the bank!

# **Cindy's Comments**

Greetings, CDA sisters!

Can you believe fall is upon us? Although our court takes July and August off from meetings, we have still been busier than ever! We participated in the Scavengers Journey Rummage Sale in June. Thank you, Audrey & Rosemary for heading this up! Sue Benda did well in organizing our Patriotic Rosary the weekend before the 4th of July! Our country is always in need of more prayers! July took several of our ladies to Love Feast in Mitchell to prepare and serve a meal to the largest in-house attendance ever! Thank you, Mary Mairose for all your help with this!

On July 1, three of us attended the Institution of Miller's new Court St. Joseph #2754! This was SD's first new court since Feb. 2015! They have 43 new members! And, (drum roll), after a few organizational meetings this summer, we have a new sister court! Chamberlain has started Court St. James #2757! Thank you so much to all of our members that helped at those meetings and at the Institution Mass on Sept. 9! We provided a meal afterwards and also gifted them a new court banner.

We had good attendance at the funeral of member, Marie Petula, in August. May she Rest in Peace! And we welcome new members, Marianne London & Becky Lutter!

Also, this summer, our court sponsored a Spirituality Group on Thursday nights. Lanae Oyen led this group as they read and discussed the book, Walking with Purpose, by Lisa Breninkmeyer. The group was well attended and they are hoping to continue to meet. Thanks, Lanae!

After being our State Chaplain for 6 years, Fr. Russell Homic, has returned to his home state of Michigan. Our new State Chaplain is Fr. Andrew Dickinson. He is the parish priest at St. Paul's in White, SD and at SDSU's Pius XII Catholic Newman Center. We look forward to his leadership!

Our first meeting this fall will be September 18. We will begin by reciting Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary at 7PM. Let's make this another great CDA year through our works of Unity & Charity! Join us and bring a friend! God Bless

~ Regent, Cindy Lutter

#### Calendar of Events

Sept. 2 – Labor Day

Sept. 8 – Grandparents Day

Sept. 18 – First CDA Meeting in the Fall

Sept. 20 – CDA Mass

Sept. 23 – Homecoming Week

Sept. 23 – Autumn begins!

Sept. 29 – Confirmation at

St. Margaret's

October – Respect Life Month

October 76 – Respect Life Sunday

October 16 – CDA Mass/ CDA Meeting

October 20 – World Mission Sunday/ **CDA Sunday** 

October 26 – Make A Difference Day

October 27 – Priesthood Sunday

October 31- Halloween

November 1 - All Saints Day

# **Prayers**

Pray for the sick, medical issues, and devastation of natural disasters. Pray for our members with ailing illnesses. Pray for world peace, our military and our future of CDA in SD.

### 1/2 Years Dues

Mary Paulette Lenz She was not present.

### **Adopted Seminarians**

All our seminarians have prayfully decided to go different directions in life. Please say extra prayers for them and that our court will find a couple more seminarians to support!

### **Upcoming CDA Masses**

September 20 October 16

#### CHURCH CAMPS

If any adults or youth plan to attend church camps or retreats this summer, and would like financial assistance, our court would like to help! Please contact Cindy Lutter if you would like to use this opportunity!

#### **LUNCH COMMITTEE & ROSARY LEADER**

Lunch: Officers and Trustees Rosary Leader: Elaine Stanek

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Please help us welcome two new members, Becky Lutter and Marianne London, to our Court! We are so blessed to have helping hands in our faith community.





### **CONGRATS! WELCOME NEW BABIES!**





Rick and Emily Blasius, baby boy Lincoln

# Sympathies are extended to:

To Marilyn Leiferman and family on the loss of her mother, Lillian.

To the family of Marie Petula.

To Judy Konechne and family on the loss of her father, Phillip.

To Frances Blasius on the loss of her husband, Glen, and Kari Blasius (fatherin-law) and family on the his loss.

~May all their souls rest in peace.~

#### MILITARY GIFT BOX

Thank you to Eileen Kroupa for putting together a gift package for Phil Lenz.

#### **LOVE FEAST**

Our court served another successful Love Feast meal on Thursday, July 25. Brenda, Roberta, Sue Benda and Mary Mairose assembled 24 food service size pans of Tator Tot casserole, enough to serve 450! 250 take-out meals were filled, along with a "larger than expected" in-house crowd. Sue Mairose and Audrey helped serve and Audrey supplied activities for the children after the meal. Thanks to all of you that donated the pre-cooked ground beef or gave a monetary donation. Our grocery expenses came to \$318. The ladies from Farm Credit are always a joy to serve with as well.

#### SPIRITUALITY GROUP

The women attending group have shared that they are growing spiritually and are gaining biblical insights. The group has also offered the women in our community to forge stronger relationships with one another. We will continue to meet during the fall.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Winter Fest is scheduled for January 18, 2020.

# **Birthday Wishes** Sept 2 – Becky Rybak



Sept 5 – Tressa Reindl

Sept 9 – Brenda Smith

Sept 16 – Mandy Konechne

Sept 25 – Cindy Pranger

Sept 26 – Jeri Donald

October 1 – Rose Leiferman

October 1 – Jeanne Scott

October 3 – Theresa Rogers

October 9 – Fran Mahoney

October 10 – Mary Peters

October 24 – Rebecca Rasmussen

October 25 - Mary Mairose

October 30 – Sue Benda

### JUNE MINUTES

The Catholic Daughters Court St. Patrick met on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 7:00 PM with Brenda Smith leading the rosary for the souls of Mary Goin, Clara McGregor, and Mariann Powers.

The meeting was called to order by Regent Cindy Lutter. The opening ode was sung and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. All officers were present except Eileen Kroupa with Janet Thomas sitting in as the recording secretary, and Nicole Geppert.

The minutes of the May 15, 2019 meeting will stand approved as published.

Correspondence was read including: National Quarterly, Hot Springs Right to Life, Share Magazine featuring Mandy Konechne, National Center of Sexual Exploitation, and thank yous from Kyle Loecker, Kimball Back Pack program, and Ty Namanny.

Brenda Smith gave the treasurer's report with a balance of \$3524.59.

#### **Bills:**

> Eileen Kroupa - \$30.00 for the military package sent to Phil Lenz

#### Report of Chairmen:

- > The rummage sale coinciding with The Scavenger Journey is set for this weekend with Project Safe, Pathway, and Missouri Valley Crisis Center invited to take all leftover items. Set up will be Thursday evening and there will be a table of older religious items at 50% off.
- > Thanks was given to all who offered their homes and prepared food for the Totus Tuus team.
- > The Past Regents put out crosses for Memorial Day. Gas cards were given to the Deacons in appreciation and a thank you was received from Jim Bregel.

Bible study was talked about last month. Lanae Oyen offered to lead the group with a plan to meet once a week for six weeks beginning on Thursday, July 11th at 7:00 PM. Motion by Audrey Konechne/Rosemary Rasmussen to begin a spiritual group open to anyone to begin on July 11, 2019 for six weeks. All aye.

Lanae Oyen talked about getting a spiritual group for younger kids and will present ideas in September.

A military package was sent to Phil Lenz in May. Cindy Lutter will prepare a package to be sent in July. This will be an every other month project.

There was a request for reimbursement for the cost of a confirmation retreat. Motion by Pat Woodraska/Roberta Thomas to pay \$25 as reimbursement toward the cost of the retreat. All aye.

Sue Benda spoke of the Patriotic Rosary and needs five volunteers. Motion by Mandy Konechne/Sue Benda to say the Patriotic Rosary after Mass on June 30, 2019. All aye.

On Thursday, July 25th members will serve Love Feast in Mitchell beginning at 5:00 PM. Audrey Konechne will organize the children's activity and Mary Mairose will be sending a sign-up sheet.

Bill-pay now is an option to pay dues. Dues are due June 1st of each year. There are 83 members.

Mandy Konechne shared a story on proper usage of holy water for storm seasons. Sprinkle bedrooms and on the

foreheads of children. Never pour down a drain or in a sewer drains.

Regent Cindy adjourned the meeting. Prayers for the sick were said and the closing ode was sung.

Mary P Lenz's name was drawn for ½ year's dues. The lunch fund was designated for the Kimball Food Pantry.

The next meeting is set for Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

~Janet Thomas, Acting Recording Secretary



"Starting tomorrow, all the months end with 'brr' because it's getting colder."



# >OUR FAITH CONNECTION <

## POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: Apostleship of Prayer, The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network - http://popesprayerusa.net/popes-intentions/

UNIVERSAL: THE PROTECTION OF THE OCEANS That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

# NATIONAL CDA NEWS - ENCOURAGEMENT National Regent

"Our world is growing more and more complicated and life is filled with conflict and discontent. Our parishes and communities need women in love with the Lord who are living life He has planned for them. The world needs Catholic women on fire for the Lord. In short, the world needs you-- a constantly growing and blooming you. The world needs women who say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.' So, pray, listen to the Lord, and do what He tells you to do. Be assured, you have my prayers for a productive CDA year!"

~National Regent, Olga Samaniego

#### STATE CDA NEWS: NEW COURTS!

State Regent, Brenda Anderson

Welcome TWO new courts to South Dakota in Miller and Chamberlain! We are all so excited to add all of the new ladies to our sisterhood and share the Lord's calling to help our communities and beyond.

# POPE FRANCIS SAYS HE WELCOMES CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM

https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/pope-francis-says-he-welcomes-constructive-criticism-89485

Vatican City- Speaking aboard the papal plane from Madagascar to Rome Tuesday, Pope Francis said he welcomes criticism if it is given openly, fairly, and with a willingness to be debated.

"Of criticisms, I always see the advantages. Sometimes you get angry, but the advantages are there," he said Sept. 10 during an in-flight press conference.

"A fair criticism is always well received, at least by me." He said when receiving criticism one should examine it for truth, but that he appreciates when the criticism is given honestly and to his face.

"I do not like it when critics are under the table. They smile, they let you see their teeth and then they stab you in the back. This is not loyal, not human," he said.

Critics who, he said, give criticism without being willing to hear an answer do so like they are giving someone "arsenic pills," or "throwing a stone and hiding the hand."

"This does not help," he added.

Francis said the "fair" way to criticize the pope, in a way that demonstrates "love for the Church," is to voice criticism and wait for a response.

Whereas, he added, "to criticize without wanting to hear the response and without dialogue is not wanting the good of the Church. It is to go backward to a fixed idea, to change the pope, to change the style, to create schism, this is clear no?"

Pope Francis spoke about criticism on the flight back to Rome after a six-day trip to three countries in sub-Saharan Africa: Mozambique, Madagascar, and Mauritius.

He answered a question addressing an informal comment he had made during the flight from Rome to Mozambique Sept. 4.

Accepting a book authored by La Croix reporter Nicolas Seneze, entitled "How America Wanted to Change the Pope," Francis joked that the book is "a bomb" and told Seneze that he considered it "an honor that Americans attack me."

After the pope spoke with reporters, Vatican spokesman Matteo Bruni clarified that the pope's remarks were directed at critics, and were not intended to insult American Catholics.

"In an informal context, the pope wanted to say that he always considers criticisms an honor, particularly when it comes from important thinkers, in this case, from an important nation," Bruni said.

The book purports to describe concerted efforts by conservative Americans to undermine and ultimately replace Francis as pope. It is only available in French.

During the in-flight press conference, Pope Francis said he is not afraid of possible schism, because there have been schisms throughout Church history, but he is praying it will not happen.

Describing schism as "an ideology separated from doctrine," he said it is "not Christian."

"It is one of the actions that the Lord always leaves to human freedom," he stated.

He also said he believes, however, that the People of God will speak up and help in such circumstances, "that there will be a correction if there is some mistake."

"Today we have many, many schools of rigidity inside the Church, that are not schism, but they are Christian pseudo-schismatic paths that in the end finish badly," he said.

"When you see rigid Christians, bishops, priests, behind them there are problems, there is not the holiness of the Gospel, for this we should be meek, not be severe, with the people that are tempted by these attacks, because they are passing through a problem, and we should accompany them with meekness."

