

May 2018



Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

Court Oregon #118 Eugene, Oregon

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Dear CDA Sisters,

Regents Message

Our Court will meet on May 10th when we will vote on a new board of Officers. I mentioned at the April meeting that I will be running again for Regent. Although I have already served 2 terms (four years) I did not feel that leaving the Regent position at this time would benefit our court. This decision was not made lightly and I did need the approval of our State Regent Irene Duda and National Regent Helene Shepard. I have received approval from both.

May is a beautiful month with the celebration of Mother's Day and the Month of Mary. Many of the ladies in our court are mothers and I wish you all a "Happy Mother's Day". Ladies that do not have children I say "Happy Mother's Day" to you as well. You are great role models for others and give your time and talents to CDA and the church, especially my Vice Regent Oguilvia. Oguilvia gives so much of herself to the church, St. Vincent dePaul Chapter and other areas in the church community. Oguilvia is one outstanding lady who truly gives of herself. She has all the qualities of a mother. I thank her for being such a wonderful role model to me and others.

May 1st I fly to Alaska for a week to be with my daughter, Michelle and family. Grand-daughter Katie will be receiving her First Holy Communion on May 6th. I am excited that I will be with her on this most special day.

We just finished with our semi annual Financial Review. Members from our Court are needed to conduct this task. I would like to thank Heather Meenaghan, Stacy Lee Vinolus, Laura Cox and Jane Myrand. Also, thank you to our State Parliamentarian, Tess Cersovski for her time in conducting our courts financial review.

I continue to pray for our members. I look forward to the future and am hopeful that our court will grow in number.

In Unity and Charity,

Julia Kelso, Regent

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas is one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas.



Mission Statement

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

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Court Oregon #118

Our next meeting will be held May 10th the Second Thursday of the month, all others will be held the third Thursday of the month. Mass is offered for all CDA members at 12:15 Followed by a potluck lunch & meeting at 1:00 pm at St. Mary Parish Hall 1062 Charnelton St. Eugene

Prayer Corner



For our Court members

Kay Gillette - Past Local Court Regent, Eileen Laudani, Donna Schatz, Mary Maira, Olga Saban, Ernestine O'Brien, Ruby Meyer, Pat Vohs, Rosy Makyadath, Cathy Frei, Anna Seeley, Cathy Kirby, Pat Heinrich and Ronnie Chouinard

Family of CDA members

Grace Englehardt – Sister of Tess Cersovski
Carrie Myrand – Daughter-n-law of Jane Myrand and Sister-n-law of Julia Kelso
Sarah – Granddaughter of Ernestine O'Brien
Darren – Husband of Cathy Kirby and son-n-law of Anna Marie Blume
George - Husband of Christie Beltran
James - Son of Marjorie Robb.
Sal – Husband of Eileen Laudani
Julie Ann Daughtery – Daughter of Eileen Laudani

Deceased Family of CDA members

Sherry Englehardt – Niece of Tess Cersovski

For others in need of our prayers

Pope Francis, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Archbishop Alexander K. Sample, Archbishop Emeritus John G. Vlanzy, Bishop Steiner, Bishop Smith and Bishop Cary.
All Priests and religious men and women.
Every one affected by natural disasters.
For all that are looking for employment.
All men and women serving our country.
All those suffering from medical / mental impairments.
Please send prayer requests to Regent Julia Kelso.

Prayer

Mary, Queen of our hearts, your destiny is meant to be our destiny. Teach us to love our God as you did, to love our neighbors as you did and, above all, to love our family as you loved yours. We consecrate ourselves and our loved ones to you with the ancient prayer:

My Queen, my Mother, I give myself entirely to you, and to show my devotion to you, I consecrate to you this day my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my entire self without reserve. As I am your own, my good Mother, guard me and defend me as your property and possession. Amen

Taken from "The Tools of the Trade"

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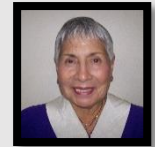


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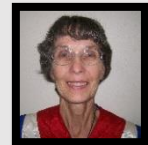
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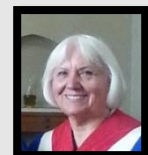
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A Message from Our Court Chaplain



Rev. Ron Nelson,

In the next couple of weeks we will have several of our youth receiving their first Holy Communion. This is indeed a wonderful time for these children. I have been working with second grade class at O'Hara helping to prepare them for their big day.

I have read and heard people speak about how their first Holy Communion was one of the happiest days of their lives. I invite you to reflect on that moment when you received the Eucharist for the first time. And try to recover that joy and that anticipation. I often have asked children, why do we call it *first* Holy Communion? Well, it is because we have the joy of receiving the Eucharist a second time and a third time ... it is the beginning of a new and deeper relationship with our Lord.

Let us never take this great gift for granted!

In Christ, *Fr. Ronald Nelson*

Seminarian Chair—Oguilvia Skelton

Friday, May 4th will be “Cookie Day” at Mt. Angel. If you would like to attend please contact Oguilvia. Any goodies can be dropped off at Jane Myrand’s (541-607-2908), Pat Halvorsen (541-342-8535) or Oguilvia Skelton’s (541-689-4030) home.

Two of our Seminarians are graduating and they are Isaac Allwin and Joshua Nehnevaj. Also graduating is Giancarlo Renzo Gazani. May they be blessed with a faith filled journey with the Lord. Please continue to keep the Seminarians in prayer as they take summer break.

When did the State Adopt-A-Seminarian/Novitiate program begin? Look for the answer on page 9.

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death.

By our worship of the sacrament of your body and blood,

we beg you to give the Church more priests.

Guide them to be worthy ministers for your altars and courageous servants of the Gospel.

Help them to serve you with undivided hearts as they follow in your footsteps.

Strengthen them to pour out their lives in loving service to their brothers and sisters.

Keep them faithful to your teaching and never let them be parted from you

For you are Lord forever and ever. Amen

Seminarians for Court Oregon #118

Tristan Dillon, Salt Lake City,
Mt. Angel, College 4
Isaac Allwin, Tucson,
Mt. Angel, College 3
Dalton Rogers, Fresno,
Mt. Angel, Pre-Theo. 2
Anthony Hoangphan, Portland,
Mt. Angel, Pre-Theo 1
Joshua Nehnevaj, Seattle,
Mt. Angel, Pre-Theo. 1
Bonaventure Okoro, Fresno,
Mt. Angel, Theo. 1

**Mount Angel Abbey
1 Abbey Dr.
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Keep the Seminarians in your prayers as they graduate or are on their summer assignment.



LOCAL COURT NEWS

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Quality of Life

Lynda Atto – Human Trafficking
Corrine Clifford – Health and Wellness

Youth

JCDA Leader Lisa Hurlimann
JCDA Assistant Julie Rutledge-Sanchez

Legislation

Vacant

Education

Christie Beltran – Education Contest

Spiritual Enhancement

Lisa Hurlimann ~ Spiritual Chair
Ogulvia Skelton ~ Adopt-A-Seminarian

Leadership

Stacy Lee Vinolus – Membership
Jane Myrand & Pat Halvorsen
Refreshment

Family

Pat Halvorsen – First Way

Court Parliamentarian

Tess Cersovski

Webmaster

Miriam Cersovski

Birthdays

May

- 10 – Cynthia Fisher*
- 15 – Olga Saban*
- 19 – Phyliss Porter
- 20 – Cathy Kirby*
- 21 – Mary Anne Olsen
- 26 – Janeane McClure*
- 28 – Jane Kim*(past Regent)



June

- 3 – Julie Rutledge- Sanchez*
- 4 – Christie Beltran*
- 7 – April Hogan
- 14 – Mabel Kruger
- 22 – Julia Kelso*
- 26 – Ruby Meyer*



There is an article by “*The National Center on Sexual Exploitation*” in the **SHARE MAGAZINE** on page 24.
This is one of CDA National Projects, which our court supports annually.

Circle of Love ~ Quality of Life

Take a stand against Sexual Exploitation - Human Trafficking Vigil

The monthly vigil is held on the first Sunday of the month. The vigil is from 1:30-2:00 pm (only 30 minutes) and held on Gateway Street, Springfield near the main entrance to the Gateway Mall just south of the LTD bus transit station. Signs are provided and all are welcome.

Dates for the first Sunday of the month.

2018

January 7 ~ February 4 ~ March 4 ~ April 1~ **May 6** ~ June 3 ~ July 1~August 5
September 2~ October 7 ~ November 4 ~ December 2

LOCAL COURT NEWS

MAY MEETING CHANGE MAY 10, 2018 (2nd Thursday)

What will be on the agenda at this meeting?

Our Court will be voting on new Court Officers for 2018-2020. I hope you will join us for this important time in our Court. There will be an opportunity to make nominations from the floor. Please consider offering your time and talents to serve in the Catholic Daughters. If not on the board we have chairmanships that need to be filled.

The Nominating Committee members were Pat Halvorsen, Jane Myrand and Lisa Hurlimann. Chair Pat Halvorsen reported at the April meeting the following Slate of Officers

**Regent – Julia Kelso
Vice Regent – Tess Cersovski
Recording Secretary – Susan Freeman
Financial Secretary – Vacant
Treasurer – Corrine Clifford**

Thank you to the Committee for their time and energy.

FIRST WAY – BABY SHOWER

Please help First Way with donations of Baby Items. All donations will be delivered following the May meeting.

New and Gently used baby items may be brought to either of these Court meetings.

Other ideas: baby wash, diapers, diaper wipes, blankets, towels, wash clothes, baby fingernail clippers and just about anything related to what a baby might need. First Way also collects items for toddlers as well.

If you are unable to bring your donations to a meeting you can drop off your items at Pat's house just give Pat a call.

Chair - Pat Halvorsen phone 541-342-8535

**Annual Court Dues
Of
\$30.00 are now due.**

**Membership voted in favor of a \$5
increase at the
September 21, 2017 meeting. Please
mail you dues to:**

**Pat Halvorsen,
Financial Secretary
1560 Acorn Park
Eugene, Or. 977402**

**Or
Pay your dues at our next meeting
May 10th.
Thank you for doing so.**

Good Bye Sally Ross

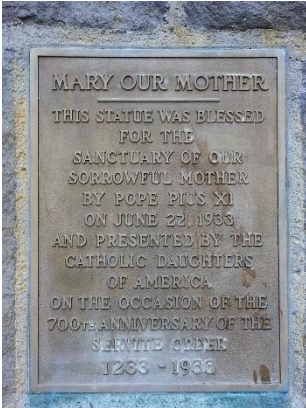
We say a fond "Farewell" to Sally Ross Secretary at St. Mary parish. Sally has helped our Court in a very quiet way over the years, with getting copies of our newsletters. We have appreciated her fitting this into her busy day as well as scheduling all of our CDA events. In appreciation for all Sally has done for CDA and the Parish, Catholic Daughters will purchase a couple "Farewell Cakes" and we will serve the cake following the 11:00 mass on Sunday May 6, 2018.

Please join us in wishing her a happy retirement and a safe journey as she relocates closer to family.

Sally you will be missed.

State News

August 19, 2018 ~ Day at the Grotto



Patroness of our order is Mary Our Mother. Do you know the history on this beautiful statue? Read the article “Court History” on page 8 and 9 and you will find the answer. Catholic Daughters gather for noon mass yearly at The Grotto in Portland. If you need a ride there’s always a carpool to the Grotto.

Photo on the left is of the plaque that is at the base of the statue that was donated by Catholic Daughters.



State Conference and Workshop

September 7-9, 2018

This Conference and Workshop is meant for all CDA members. Come join other CDA sisters from different parts of our state for a fun time of fellowship, prayer and an opportunity to learn more about CDA. The hosting court is:

Court Columbia #151, Astoria

We will be staying at the Comfort Suites Inn (503) 325-2000. Room rates are \$169 per night. Be sure to mention you are with Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Ladies who are planning to attend this year’s State Conference are Julia Kelso, Oguilvia Skelton, Tess Cersovski and Pat Halvorsen. There’s always room for more to go and you still time for you to decide if you would like to attend this event.

Deadline is June 10, 2018

October 13, 2018 (Saturday)

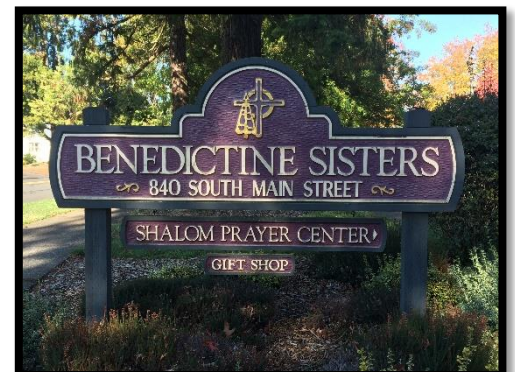
Day of Recollection

The Day of Recollection is a day of prayer, fellowship and to hear an inspirational speaker. We always end with a beautiful mass in the upstairs chapel. If you have not attended before I encourage you to join in the carpool ride up to Mt. Angel and then enjoy this beautiful day.

This year’s State Penney Drive is for the Benedictine Sisters at Mt. Angel. Loose change and bills are collected at every meeting. If you are unable to attend a meeting and want to make a donation for the Benedictine Sisters please send your check, with “Benedictine Sisters “on the memo line, to the Financial Secretary:

Pat Halvorsen 1560 Acorn Park, Eugene, Or 97402

These funds will be taken to the State Conference in September with a combined donation from all the Oregon CDA courts.



National News

Ladies I would like to bring your attention to the “Share” Magazine. This National CDA magazine is put out quarterly. Every member is sent the Share magazine. If you are reading it great; if not, I encourage you to do so. There is a lot of information in this quarterly magazine. Let me give you a very brief lay out.

There are letters from our National Chaplain, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York and our National Clergy Consultant, Fr. Jeffrey J. Maurer and our National Regent, Helene Shepard. These letters are for us and are filled with much encouragement.

Articles are written by some of our National Officers. This issue they are on Spirituality and Hope.

At the 2016 National Convention a proposal was presented to change the name of our organization from “*Catholic Daughters of the Americas*” to “*Catholic Daughters of the World*”. A committee was in charge of studying all issues pertaining to this proposed change. The committees report is in the Spring issue. We all are encouraged to read this article.

There are articles about our National Projects. This issue focuses on the Loboure` Society and The National Center on Sexual Exploitation. Our Court contributes annually to these two worthy projects.

Several articles on activities that involve our National officers. Toward the end is a section of “CDAinAction”. Here courts from all over have an opportunity to send in a photo and write about what is going on with their Court.

I hope you will take the time to read this very well written magazine.

National Convention 2018 Sioux Falls, SD July 18 – 22, 2018

Delegates and Alternates were nominated and voted on at the Feb 15th meeting. The two Delegates that will be voting on your behalf are Julia Kelso, Regent and Tess Cersovski, Recording Secretary. The Alternates are Oguilvia Skelton-Vice Regent, Corrine Clifford, Rosa M. Gonzalez and Juana Guilliams.

If you are considering going to the Convention and have not yet told the Regent, please do so soon, as reservations for airline tickets and hotel reservations need to be made.

Deadline for the National Convention forms is June 1, 2018

COURT HISTORY

(April Newsletter Part I)
(May Newsletter Part II)
(June Newsletter Part III)

An Article was written by Gloria Amort for the:

“Oregon Catholic Historical Society” Newsletter Volume 31 Number 1 Spring 2018

Permission has been given to Court Oregon #118 to use for CDA puposes. I am grateful for the permission given and will share portion’s of the article in the April, May and June newsletter.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS IN OREGON (Part II)

Vice Supreme Regent, Miss Mary Duffy, presided at the first State Convention of the Catholic Daughters of America in Oregon. Elected as Oregons’s first Grand Regent was Miss Genevieve Ryan, Portland. Rev. Edwin O’Hara, Chaplain for the Eugene Court, was appointed State Court Chaplain.*

Archbishop Christie spoke of his recent travels to Rome at the first State Conference held in March 1924. He presented each attendee with an autographed photo of himself and gave his sanction of and a promise of assistance in any work undertaken by the Catholic Daughters of America.

Patroness of the Order is Mary Our Mother who is the exemplar and guiding light . At the 1925 National Convention, the Oregon State Court asked National to asist in placing a statue of Mary Our Mother at The Grotto, the Sanctuary of our Sorrowful Mother in Portland. The statue would commemorate the 700th Anniversary of the founding of the Servite Order and honor all Catholic Daughters. The bronze statue was specially designed for the Sanctuary and blessed in the Vatican by Pope Pius XI. It was erected 150 feet directly above Our Lady’s Grotto in 1933. On the Sunday closest to August 15th Catholic Daughters from throughout Oregon gather at The Grotto for noon Mass. Support for the Grotto has been a state project for many years.

The 1930’s brought the great depression, unemployment in Oregon reached 30%. Several courts suspended dues. With concern for the seminarians, the Seminary Fund was advocted as a state and local project in 1932. Support continues with donations to Mt. Angel Seminary, and the Archdiocese of Portland and Baker Diocese seminary funds. Also, the Daughters offer the Very Rev. Joseph B. Hayes Scholarship for a day-student in the theology program at Mt. Angel Seminary.

A native of Ireland, Fr. Hayes studied for the priesthood at St. John’s in Waterford and was ordained for the Diocese of Baker in 1946. He served as Catholic Daughter State Chaplain from 1978 until his death in 1995. Fr. Hayes emphasized that being a Catholic Daughter was a calling. A member must do more than give her time and talent in sharing her faith, she needs to constantly grow in her own spiritual life.

Towns were razed, people displaced and cemeteries relocated when the second largest city in Oregon, Camp Adair, was constructed in 1942. The camp, now referred to as Oregon’s largest ghost town, was located in the Willamette Valley and Catholic Daughter Courts in Albany, Mt. Angel* and Salem* assisted by furnishing a recreational room. The Daughters in Stayton invited the soldiers stationed at Adair to Sunday dinners. Many courts, including Klamath Falls*, Pendleton*, Astoria* and Portland, were very active manning the USO service for military personnel stationed in their areas. All Oregon Courts were involved in some way with the war effort and continued regular projects as well.*

Catholic Daughters have not forgotten the veterans and donations are sent to the Verteran hospitals and nursing home in Oregon to buy books, and basic items, but mostly to provide holiday celebration fun for the patients.

The Daughters flourished in th 1940's with courts organized in Stayton, Albany, Tillamook*, McMinnville*, Hillsboro, Lebanon*, Cottage Grove, St. Helens, Portland and Newberg*.*

During the 1950's more Catholic women in Oregon were given the opportunity to share their faith and God-given talents when new Courts were organized in Portland, Canby, Prineville, Molalla, Tigard, Hermiston*, and Medford*. In 1958 there were 3,199 members in 26 courts.*

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas (JCDA) for 6-18 year old Catholic girls began in Astoria in 1924. In the 1940's and 50's JCDA expanded to other areas of the state. The JCDA program gives the girls an opportunity to live the message of their church in their community and country. The Oregon State JCDA Court was organized in 1978. Judith Piatz, Mt. Angel, was elected as the first JCDA State President. The Msgr. Edmond Murnane scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating JCDA member to assist her further studies. Msgr. Murnane served as Catholic Daughter State Chaplain from 1939-1978. He urged the Daughters to be well organized, keep meetings short and prioritize starting with the needs of their parish and community.

One court organized in the 1960's: Court Our Lady of the Valley, Corvallis. Next expansion was in the Baker Diocese with new courts in Bend* and Baker in 70's, John Day and Merrill in the 80's. The century finished with courts established in North Bend/CoosBay*, Gresham* and St. Pius X in Klamath Falls*. The new millennium began with courts organized in Gervais*, The Dalles and LaPine*. Many courts have been instituted in Oegon and several have disbanded for various reasons. Oregon currently has 24 active courts.*

With the efforts of Catholic Daughter Ann Maggi, Emily School (a Montessori school) for disabled and non-disabled children was started at Providence Child Center in Portland. Emily School has been a CDA State project since it's beginnings in 1962. At the 1971 CDA Conference Ann Maggi reported that Catholic Daughters were giving \$8,000.00 - \$9,000 a year to Emily School.

In January 1973 the Supreme Court ruled on Roe versus Wade and Catholic Daughters took up pro-life issues in earnest. Oregon CDA projects regarding pro life: Oregon Right to Life, supporting homes for unwed mothers in Salem and Medford, and Stand-Up-Girl. Courts also support other pro-life issues in their communities. Over the years, Oregon Catholic Daughters have contributed thousands of baby items for unwed mothers.

At the suggestion of a member of the Oregon City Court, the CDA State Adopt-a-Seminarian/Novitiate program began in 1985. Every seminarian at Mt. Angel is adopted by a Catholic Daughter Court. The adoptees receive prayers, letters and remembrance on special occasions. Prior to the start of exam week is "Cookie Day." On this day, which is very popular with both the Catholic Daughters and the seminarians, the Daughters take all kinds of snack items to the Seminary. Courts are also encouraged to donate to the Special Needs Fund. Money from this account assists seminarians with emergency expenses.*

(*) Denotes Active Court

Part III (Final part) to be in the June Newsletter



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2018 Calendar of Events

- May** 1 – Carmelite Dinner at O’Hara Catholic School. For Tickets contact member Heather Meenaghan 541-944-3073 or St. Mary Parish office 541-342-1139
- 4 – Seminarian Cookie Day at Mt. Angel
- 10 - CDA Monthly meeting** 12:15 mass followed by a potluck/meeting at 1:00 held at St Mary Parish hall 1062 Charnelton St. Eugene. **Please note change to 2nd Thursday**
- 17 –12:15 Mass offered for CDA members at St. Mary Parish NO meeting**
- June** 1 - Save the Date O’Hara’s 20th Annual Living Saint Projects 12:30-2:30 in Gymnasium
- 9 - Campus Court invites Court Oregon to *New member reception June 9th at 2:00 pm.*
At St. Thomas More Parish
- 17 – CDA to make and serve coffee cake at KC Father’s Day Breakfast**
Serving Coffee Cake on Father’s Day
We will make coffee cake on Saturday June 16th, 9:00-12:00 at St. Mary ~ Kitchen.
- 21 - CDA Monthly meeting** 12:15 mass followed by a potluck/meeting at 1:00 held at St. Mary Parish hall 1062 Charnelton St. Eugene
- July** 17-22 CDANational Convention in Sioux Falls, South Dakota
- August** 18 – CDA Court Picnic at Corrine Clifford home
- 19 - CDA Day at the Grotto
- September** 7-9 State Conference/Workshop, Astoria
- October** 13 – Day of Reflection, Benedictine Sisters at Mt. Angel