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CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS COURT ST. ANTHONY #330: COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

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Mission:

Catholic Daughters strive 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.



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We, the elected officers of Court St. Anthony #330, Council Bluffs, IA freely assume the responsibilities entailed by holding office in this court. Further, we promise to act together in harmony and cooperation with one another and with those in authority at the state and national levels of the order. In this resolve, we humbly ask the divine help of the Holy Spirit of God.

FROM YOUR REGENT

I plan to send out information to you all at least once a month, or more, so that you all can participate in approving bills and making decisions on our budget for 2020-2021 which is due in September. Thank you for all your support, your prayers and your input. A world-wide pandemic will not stop us from carrying on the charitable mission of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. It is difficult to be apart, but I am only a phone call or an email away. All five officers and our district deputy will continue to do what must be done to keep us a functioning and devout group of 63 members.

In Unity and Charity, Carol Hollenbeck

CIRCLE OF LOVE: SPIRITUAL PROJECTS

This is the 10th year that our court has supported our local parish RCIA and Confirmation programs. Carol Hollenbeck delivered canvas Bible covers/ St. Anthony holy cards to the parishes in June:

RCIA - St. Patrick 7, Corpus Christi 7, St. Peter 3

Confirmation - St. Patrick 40, Corpus Christi 25, (St. Peter held their Confirmation Mass in February).

As one of our court's youth programs, we donate to the local parishes for their First Communion programs. It is our hope that this will show the students how important we believe this time is for them and how we join in their celebration! This year we presented gifts to all First Communion children in our parishes: a St. Anthony Prayer Card (with CDA Court #330 sticker attached) and a gold angel pin attached to a bookmark: St. Patrick 45, Corpus Christi 65, St. Peter 15.

CIRCLE OF LOVE: EDUCATION PROJECTS

2020 State of Iowa Education Contest Winners from our Court:

Art Div I	Art Div II	Art Div III
1st - Elise Wilson	1st - Natalie Crisp	1st - Mia Allmon
Essay Div III	Music Div III	
1st - Reegan Wolford	2nd - Brigit Geiver	
Computer Art Div II	Computer Art Div III	
3rd - MacKenzie Pierson	1st - Ellerie Tarbox	
Photography Div II	Photography Div III	
2nd - Jeremiah Sherrill	2nd - Gavin Sommerville	

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

IOWA CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS IowaCatholicDaughters.org

State Rosary Project: A new policy has been established to collect rosaries which CDA members make or other rosaries they wish to donate to be distributed to Iowa Hospitals, Parishes, Care Centers, Prisons and Funeral homes around the State. The State Board will distribute the rosaries to the entities in the name of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

Iowa Courts' Pro Life Activities: As members of Catholic Daughters, we will continue to support Pro Life activities by prayer, financially, and with volunteerism.

- State Chaplain: Rev. Timothy Schott
- State Regent: Mrs. Karen Kasparbauer
- First Vice State Regent: Mrs. Rita Carlson
- Second Vice State Regent: Mrs. Kaye Stock Arndorfer
- State Secretary: Suzanne Torrey
- State Treasurer: Miss Sandra Burgart

NATIONAL CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS CatholicDaughters.org

- National Regent: Sherry Nilles (FROM IOWA!!!)
- National Regent-Elect: Emily Guilherme
- First Vice National Regent: Susan Moné
- Second Vice National Regent: Essie Walker
- National Secretary-Treasurer: Connie Dronette

FINANCIAL REVIEW



We held the Financial Review that should have occurred last April on Thursday, July 30. The five officers, district deputy Terri Dynek, and members Rita Hughes, Jan Roth, and Jessica White worked on the review.

Have you ever wondered what goes on at a review of our financial records? Volunteer to help at the next one and find out. It is a great way to serve your court!

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Do you know which court member....
transports her coleus plant to Arizona every winter?
could play piano at 3 & once performed with Liberace?
broke her arm & leg doing a double twist jump?
is the 3rd of 10 children?
went on a mission trip to Guatemala?

What are some fun facts about you? It is good to share with each other and get to know each other better!! Contact Sheila Graham if you have something to share.

Be genuinely interested in everyone you meet and everyone you meet will be genuinely interested in you.



MEMBERSHIP BIRTHDAYS

August

4 Barbara Jean Paulson
8 Pat Christensen
15 Mary Carroll
26 Marilyn Good

September

7 Sue Thomas
9 Sharon Orton
14 Mary E Sealock
25 Pat Cox
28 Kathy Plourde
28 Charlotte Spoto
29 Mariann Hilderbrand

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

August

8/10/2015 Joan Von Tersch-Wege
8/14/2017 Lucile Burk
8/14/2017 Jane Grote

September

9/9/2013 Mona Schlautman
9/12/1994 Linda Spencer
9/13/2004 Jo Meade



MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

If you move, change your email, or change your phone number, please contact Sharon Orton as soon as possible to keep our records current. We send change of address to the state and national as well.



NEED A PRAYER BOX?
CONTACT CAROL HOLLENBECK
402-350-3834
LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS
MINISTRY ON OUR WEBSITE!



Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Share this newsletter with family, friends, and all active Catholic women of our parishes (18 years +) and invite them to join us!

WHAT CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS IS . . .

- + one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas, formed through the Knights of Columbus in 1903
- + a spiritual charitable organization of women dedicated to the Catholic Church

WHO CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS ARE . . .

- + 63,000 dues-paying members in 1,150 courts in 45 states across the country and in Puerto Rico, Mexico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Kenya and Peru
- + women from all walks of life with a common faith goal

WHAT CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS DO . . .

- + donate to charities, parishes, and Catholic schools
- + participate in community projects and events
- + plan youth projects, contests, and recognitions
- + take time for our own spiritual development
- + enjoy each other's company at meetings and events
- + work within and for our own parishes and communities

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS ORGANIZATION HAS A TWOFOLD PURPOSE: SPIRITUALITY AND SERVICE . . .

The integration of spirituality and service is the foundation of the Catholic Daughters. CDA helps women develop their spirituality and provides avenues of service to live out that spirituality. The CDA gives members a unique opportunity to share their faith with other Catholic women. Helping others through charitable acts in the spirit of Jesus Christ is the heart of our organization. "Spirituality and Service": the heart and soul foundation of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas.

HOW YOU CAN LEARN MORE ABOUT US . . .

- + talk to any current members
- + visit our local court website: cda330.org
- + Visit our local court Facebook page: facebook.com/cda330
- + visit the Iowa Catholic Daughters website: IowaCatholicDaughters.org

HOW YOU CAN JOIN US . . .

- + contact Carol Hollenbeck carolhollenbeck@gmail.com

We'll be friends
until we're old and senile...
then we'll be new friends!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: JOAN VON TERSCH-WEGE

Member since August 10, 2015

By Carol Hollenbeck, Web Manager

Joan heard, over the years, that her mother had originally stated that she would “Never marry a farmer, never become a Catholic and never have children.” As it turns out, the Holy Spirit was busily at work in her mother’s life. Joan was raised on a farm outside of Denison, Iowa. She was the third of nine children (five boys and four girls.) And they were all baptized in the Catholic Church.

Joan graduated from the Denison Community Schools. Her first post High School degree was in Early Childhood Education from The College of St. Mary in Omaha, Nebraska. Joan’s second degree is from U.N.O. in Elementary Education. And finally, Doane College, in Crete, Nebraska presented her a Master’s Degree in Education/Brain Research.

Joan owned a preschool, serving ninety children, in Millard, Nebraska for nearly ten years. After a few years in school in Millard, her three sons were transported daily, across the Missouri River, to attend St. Albert in Council Bluffs. After she sold the preschool her family moved to Council Bluffs. Her sons were able to attend St. Albert without that long commute every day. Joan taught school at St. Albert for three years. Then she transferred to Council Bluffs Community Schools, taught preschool and did grant writing and accreditation work for them. She taught for 25 years at Roosevelt Preschool, retiring four years ago. Joan was the recipient of an Excellence in Teaching Award presented by the Nelson Family Foundation in 2008.

Joan has three sons, as mentioned above, and currently has seven grandchildren. She is fortunate to have her sons living close to home. Two of her sons reside in Elkhorn and Bellevue, Nebraska respectively. The third son lives in Council Bluffs and owns the 1892 Beer House, located in the hundred block downtown (142 W Broadway.) Joan has repeatedly volunteered to help with the Council Bluffs Community School District’s “Blast from the Past” spring fundraiser events at her son’s business. She stated those events have been “lots of fun.”

Retirement from teaching has not altered Joan’s interest in working with children. Since 2017 she has been volunteering at Children’s Square in Council Bluffs. She is currently on the Friends of Children’s Square Board. She has done volunteer work at Mohm’s Place and of course in her home Parish of St. Peter’s. She also volunteers yearly with Celebrate CB activities, which includes the annual Celebrate CB Parade. She is very active in the CB Pro-Life activities. She currently serves our CDA Court #330 as Chair of our annual LifeSaver Drive.

Our Blessings are showered on Joan, because on June 13, 2020 she and Bill Wege were joined in Holy Matrimony by Fr. Chuck Kottas at St. Peter Catholic Church. It was a limited affair, due to the COVID-19 restrictions, but both immediate families were there to celebrate with the happy couple. Joan’s mother recently passed, and she and her family have sold some farmland outside Denison, Iowa. Joan and Bill are currently building a new home outside of Crescent, Iowa, which will be completed this Fall.

Joan’s husband, Bill Wege, is a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Council Bluffs and Joan will continue to belong to St. Peter Parish after the move to Crescent. They have shared attendance and have made lots of friends in both church families. Joan also told me that not only did her mother marry a Catholic, but during their marriage her parents took “many trips to the Holy Land and group tours to places like Yugoslavia and China to visit religious sites.” One never knows where the Holy Spirit will lead, if we are open to it!



We wish Joan and Bill the very best for a long and happy marriage and joy in their spiritual journeys. Congratulations!

“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment: that you love one another.”

John 15:11-12