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Dear Honorable 2nd Vice State Regent,

Court Margaret Mary, #2453 of Mitchell, nominates our court member, Janice Kristensen for the Member Achievement Award. Janice lives the CDA motto "Unity & Charity" every day as she is a very giving, generous, positive, trustworthy, honest and spiritual woman who selflessly serves others. She shares her faith with Catholics and non-Catholics to make our community a loving and welcoming place for everyone.

Janice is a fun, faith-filled friend to all. She finds ways to help anyone in need and spearheads several projects in our community such as providing food, toys, clothing, and other necessities to families of deployed servicemen and women. She also took charge and began visiting 40 Veterans living in local nursing homes and assisted living centers, bringing care baskets of baked goods, hand soaps and candy. She brings her grandchildren along to bring even more cheer to the Veterans. When the traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall was on display in a nearby community, Janice arranged for and funded, a wheelchair accessible bus to take any Veteran or CDA member to visit.

Another project Janice organized was praying the Rosary monthly at all nursing homes and assisted living centers. She also leads the Rosary at our meetings, at funerals of our departed sisters, and brings her grandchildren along as well.

Daily Mass is part of Janice's routine, and she serves the church by cleaning the holy water bowls weekly, offering rides to those who cannot drive, prepares for special Masses including CDA Sunday, Life Savers and WRAP Sundays, and Divine Mercy Sunday and is a sacristan.

Janice Kristensen lives her faith daily as a devout Catholic with compassion for all people. She finds good in every soul and is always the first to say yes to service projects. Her love of God is contagious.

In Unity and Charity,



Carol Grode-Hanks
Vice Regent
Court Margaret Mary #2453