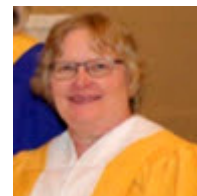




***SOUTH DAKOTA
CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE
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**Judy Konechne
State Regent**

State Regent's Ramblings

PRAYERS:

- For all members and their families suffering from illnesses or the loss of a loved one.
- For all members, past, present and future.
- For an end to COVID and for those suffering from COVID

Greetings, I love to ride on roller coasters. The problem is, the weather roller coaster is not a lot of fun. The temps are certainly on the big roller coaster. Be prepared for what ever the temps will be as you go about your daily routines. Remember to dress accordingly and stay safe from all the sickness that comes with weather like this.

Included is information for the Lenten Retreat to be held in March. See box with info and an attached flyer to post.

I am including the deadlines which are nearing that may involve your circle of love Chairs and other items.

There is information about the National convention—we hope that you will consider joining your CDA Sisters in Puerto Rico in July.

Have you asked a friend or neighbor to join CDA? Continue to pray and ask new ladies to the community about joining..

Gods Blessings to each of you—Judy, regent

Next Deadline for the State Newsletter is **March 2, 2022**

Courts—Please send your activity write ups including pictures before this date to be included in the newsletter!

Email pictures and articles to:
SDCDA1918news@gmail.com

District Deputies and Chairs are encouraged to send an article to introduce yourself if you haven't already done so.

2022 Lenten Retreat:

Make plans to attend the Lenten Retreat sponsored by the South Dakota Catholic Daughters.

Retreat Director: Fr. Jim Friedrich, SD CDA Chaplain

Theme: *"Vanity of vanities - why bother?"*

Saturday, March 19, 2022— Dimock

—15 miles south of Mitchell, SD

Registration 8:30 / Retreat begins 9:00 / ends 3:30

Cost of Retreat - \$15.00 per person to be paid at the door when signing in.

Please pre-register by calling/texting

JoAnn Hoffman—605-770-7928

by March 15th so meals can be planned.

Rolls, coffee, juice, lunch and snacks will be provided.

Hope to see many of you at the Retreat

Please post the poster that is attached in your church to invite all.



Charitable Contribution forms: Please ask your treasurer to us the updated form when sending contributions to the State. It is on the SD Website under resources—forms—Charitable Review (report) dated 5-21-2021. Using the most current forms really helps with court tracking and bookkeeping. Reminder—Feb 15th (extended to 25th this year) is the date for contributions for each year. This gives us time to send all contributions to National and be included in their numbers for the year. Thank you for using the most recent form.

Updates to State and National—where does it go!

***New members—mail** completed form to State Secretary and the National Office.

***Deceased members, address changes, email changes, resignations, forfeitures** — may be emailed or mailed to:

STATE SECRETARY

• Lynda Steichen
23579 US Highway 281
Woonsocket, SD 57388
sdcdasec@gmail.com

NATIONAL CDA

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
10 West 71st Street
New York, NY 10023
carmencita@catholicdaughters.org

PLEASE NOTE THESE CHANGES—Thank you.

2022 Local Elections

This is the year, now is the time. ALL local officers will be elected for a two year term, through 2024. If you were elected in 2020, you may run for a 2nd term in your office, per national bylaws. If you see or feel that another member would be a great officer, please encourage them to consider running for an office. We all have a talent of some sort and maybe CDA is the way to develop that talent God entrusted to you. Here's the timeline:

March—elect three to be the nominating committee; cannot serve if they were on that committee in 2020.

April — present the slate of officers

May— further nominations from the floor and Election is held

June—Installation Mass or ceremony of new officers and a reception of new members.

Happy Anniversary to the following Courts!

February:

2-02	Ct. Holy Heart #163— Woonsocket	110 years
2-22	Ct. St. George #2688 —Hartford	7 years
2-27	Ct. Joan of Arc #846 — Milbank	98 years

March:

3-03	Ct. St. Ann #1121 — Ft.Pierre/Pierre	93 years
3-04	Ct. Immaculate Heart of Mary #2654 Lemmon	10 years
3-25	Ct. St. Christina #2336 — Lennox-Tea	32 years

April:

4-7	Ct. Sancta Maria #368 —Dell Rapids	103 years
4-20	Ct. St. Monica #1436 —Faulkton	75 years

“Best Wishes and Blessings to each of You!”

2022 National Convention Information:

Puerto Rico extends an invitation to all CDA members to attend the 59th Biennial National Convention of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas to be held at the Sheraton Hotel and Casino in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Dates of the convention are July 20-23, 2022 (Wed—Sat) with workshops being held on Tuesday, July 19th.

Information of the tours has not been put out yet. These are usually will be 2-3 days prior to the convention. There will not be any after the convention. Rooms can be adjusted to include these dates if you which to go on a tour.

The South Dakota State Board has reserved an area of rooms. If you are interested, please contact me, Judy Konechne, regent to obtain one or more of the rooms. They are \$149.00 per night plus taxes. The rooms have 2 double beds or 1 king bed in them. I will transfer the rooms to your name once you contact me.

Airline reservations would be your responsibility to make from the airport of your choice.

You DO NOT need a passport to travel to Puerto Rico. Currency used in Puerto Rico is USD.

Additional information may be found on the National CDA Website.

We all need prayers from time to time,
Please send your prayer requests to:

Michele Sage at:
sdcdavice1@gmail.com;

she will get your message out to all the regents who can pass them on to their membership and our *Prayer Warriors* can shower heaven with prayers. Amen.



Note—NEW Editor for the newsletter—same email
NEWSLETTER email: sdcca1918news@gmail.com

Carol Grode-Hanks - editor

SD WEBSITE email: sdcca1918web@gmail.com

Mandy Konechne, editor

State Website: www.cdassouthdakota.com

National Website: www.catholicdaughters.org

Up coming Deadline Reminders:

Send to the name listed on the forms or listed below or on the State Contact list. I will also attach the forms with the Chairs name on the form. You may email to the chairs but MUST also mail them as the originals must be sent to National if it is a winner.

Guidelines for the Education Contest, Court Website, and Court Newsletter are found on the National Website under "Members - Contests (toward the bottom of page)

Feb 10 Circle of Love (COL) reports from your court postmarked by February 10

- Send to the Chairman listed on the forms that were sent out in October 2021
- The forms are also on the SD CDA Web site under 'Resources' if you do not have them.

Writing a COL report for your court should show:

A title - something more than 'bake sale'

Example: sweet treats and fun to eat.

the plan (how was it organized and how many helped doing this project)

the purpose (the goal)

the outcome of each of your court projects for each area. (how did it impact your parish or com-munity)

How your report is written makes a difference. Try to explain or present it in a way that makes it interesting or exciting. Include a photo only if you feel that ...a picture is worth a thousand words.

March 1 Local Education Contest winners to State—must be postmarked by March 1

2021-2022 Education Contest Themes:

With God, all things are possible—Mathew 19:26

Where is God in my life when I am struggling

- To State Education Co-Chrm Cleo Kast 1001 GrandView Dr Beresford, SD 57004
or Deb Bergland 411 West Main St Beresford, SD 57004

March 1 Local Court Website contest entry

- To State Website Contest Chrm Kim Euker 6604 S Crane Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57108

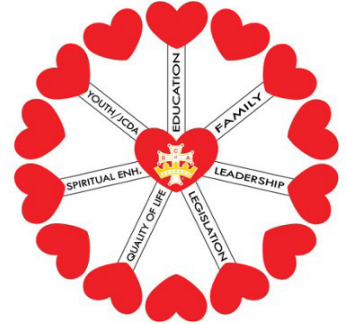
March 1 Local Court Newsletter contest entry

- Newsletter Contest Chrm Rene Brand 3507 Ivy Ave Rapid City, SD 57701

APRIL 1st POSTMARK

State Chairs for all the above—you must have the STATE WINNERS postmarked by April 1st to National to be eligible for National judging.

Also—please send a listing of the winners to



REPORTS — District Deputies and State Chairman

Per Leadership training, ALL District Deputies and State Chairman are to submit a written report of their activities to your State Supervisors; DDs to JoAnn Hoffman and State Chairs to Michele Sage. They have received very few reports on your activities. A report is to be filed twice a year but not less than once a year. PLEASE send your reports of what you've worked on, where you've been etc. Email reports are acceptable. **Deadline is March 1st.** A copy to Judy too if possible. Thank you

"We should concentrate on creating space in our lives to ponder and be present to the loving presence of God."
Eamon Tobin