

COURT SACRED HEARTS #864
CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

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Dear CDA Member:

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Our new year is beginning. Your Court Officers have met and enclosed you will find a calendar of happenings for our coming year. Do you have any ideas or thoughts for our monthly program, - please give it some thought and bring those ideas to our September meeting.

Our first meeting will be held on **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2005 at 1:00 p.m.** in the Pastoral Center "Friends meeting Friends". Please note that the September meeting date has been moved from the second Saturday of the month to the 24th of September. This change was approved at the meeting with the officers due to the fact that your Regent will not return from Europe until September 12th and that the Fall Conference of the Massachusetts State Court will be held on the following Saturday, September 17th. It appears that this will be the only change for this year .

Our June meeting ended our year with Mass in the Chapel at the Pastoral Center celebrated by our Chaplain, Rev. Richard Moran. Thank you Fr. Rich for your continued help and guidance. A luncheon then followed at the Fairway Grille of the Georgetown Country Club. Thank you to Eileen Clarkson, Ginny Carbone, Sheila Kanan and Maxine Ratte', our Luncheon Committee and thank you also to Sheila Kanan, our Leader of Song.



September 11th - It was resolved at the 2002 CDA National Convention - that all members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas annually observe September 11 as a day of prayer.

Court Sacred Hearts #864 welcomes Rev. Robert Conole as their new pastor. Fr. Conole was previously assigned to St. Francis of Assisi in Braintree. Please join with Fr. Conole at his Installation Mass to be held on Sunday, September 11, 2005 at 11:30 a.m. in Sacred Hearts Church.

On Saturday, September 17th at 9:30 a.m. the Fall Conference of the Massachusetts CDA will be held at St. Clement's Parish Hall in Somerville, MA hosted by Court St. Clementine #821. At the Conference a Reception of New Members for 2002-2005 will be held. New members during 2002-2005 are invited to

attend the Conference and to participate in the Reception for New Members ceremony. A donation for attendees at the Conference is \$17.50 and the donation for new members is \$10.00. If you are interested in attending please contact Eileen Clarkson, Fin. Sec. at 978-373-0951. Our State Court welcomes Very Rev. Kevin J. O'Leary from St. Peter's Church in Cambridge who has answered our prayers and has agreed to be our State Chaplain. The Quilt Raffle to raise money for the CDA house for Habitat for Humanity will take place at the Conference. Thank you to those who purchased tickets for this raffle.

At our Court's October 8th meeting the Rosary will be prayed. We ask also that you bring an item (s) to fill shoeboxes/bags for the seamen who come to the Port of Boston for the Apostleship of the Sea program. For those of you who ask what to bring?? Items such as toothbrushes, tooth paste, playing cards, pens, small pads of paper, socks, etc. Some of these men are at sea for long periods of time and when they arrive in Boston welcome these boxes.

A CDA History Lesson - The Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) was founded in Utica, New York in 1903 by John E. Carberry and several other Knights of Columbus as a charitable, benevolent and patriotic sorority for Catholic ladies. It was originally called the National order of Daughters of Isabella," and is dedicated to the principles of "Unity and Charity," the order's motto. They were originally called the national order of the Daughters of Isabella, and Carberry served as the first Supreme Regent. The Knights established our two standards of Unity and Charity. CDA had 90 courts by 1908, and had grown from a membership of less than 100 to more than 10,000. The membership encompassed 69 cities in 18 different states. (Taken from the Catholic Daughters of the Americas website www.catholicdaughters.org)

I hope to keep you informed as to what is happening or what has happened. Remember if you have a question, please ask. So many times we forget that we have new members and motions are made and passed on subjects that are familiar to us but not to those who are new to our organization. Our officers will try to explain what each project is to make sure that everyone knows and understands why something is being done. You may also use www.mastatecourt.org, the web-site for the Massachusetts State Court which will link you to the Court Sacred Hearts #864 web page and also to CDA National.

Please continue to pray for our church and for Archbishop Sean that God and the Holy Spirit will continue to guide them. Also please keep Josephine Driscoll, Dora Hansbury, Bruni Richard, Janet Dutil, Grace Balboni and Janie Newman in your prayers as they continue on their journey to get well.

Our **GOAL** this year --**INCREASE MEMBERSHIP**. I am asking you to think about it. Maybe there is someone you would like us to ask. People always like to be invited. Please let us know and we will send a letter of invitation along with a CDA pamphlet about being a Catholic Daughter.

Remember you may bring a friend to a meeting - to join us in prayer - friendship - and works of charity.

May God bless you all.

Sincerely,

Maureen Trainor

Regent

"We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love."....Mother Theresa