

**Mrs. Joyce Ann Fleming**  
State Regent  
62 Cushing Street  
Medford, MA 02155



**Very Rev. Kevin J. O'Leary**  
State Chaplain  
Saint Peter Church  
31 Buckingham Street  
Cambridge, MA 02138-2297

**Mrs. Linda M Coletti**  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice State Regent  
11 Sanger Street  
Medford, MA 02155

**Ms. Constance Pagan**  
State Secretary  
15 Edmonds Rd., Apt. 104  
Framingham, MA 01701

**Mrs. Phyllis M. Surman**  
2nd Vice State Regent  
9112 Inwood Drive  
Woburn, MA 01801

**MASSACHUSETTS STATE COURT  
CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS**

**Mrs. Marie Treggiari**  
State Treasurer  
51 Marked Tree Road  
Needham, MA 02492

**May Newsletter**

**April 28, 2009**

*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.*

**Dear Worthy Regents, State Chairmen, District Deputies, Chaplains and Members:**

**Here we are at a close and a new beginning! Congratulations to our newly-elected State Officers!!!!**

**Linda Coletti, State Regent  
Connie Pagan, 1st Vice State Regent  
Judi Shooter, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice State Regent  
Maureen Trainor, State Secretary  
Mary Ann Gruszecki, State Treasurer**

**I look forward to serving with these capable and dedicated ladies as the Immediate Past State Regent! A big thank you to my outgoing Officers: Linda Coletti, Phyllis Surman, Connie Pagan, Marie Treggiari and Patricia Devine for a job well done, ladies!! This present Board will be going out of office on May 18, 2009. We will be holding a transition meeting that week.**

**Regents, please schedule your Financial Reviews for the period October 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009, if you have not already done so. Phyllis Surman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice State Regent, will be mailing dues statements May 1<sup>st</sup>. Your Court does not have to vote payment. Please give this bill to your Court Treasurer, so it can be paid promptly. Dues for this current period should be sent to Phyllis at 9112 Inwood Drive, Woburn, MA 01801.**

**Our Summer State Conference is being held at Sacred Hearts Gym, Haverhill, on June 27, 2009 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Donations are \$17.50, made payable to MA State Court. Please send your reservations and monies to Connie Pagan, 154 Union Street, Apt. 5A, Framingham, MA 01702. Hope to see you there! Directions are enclosed. We will announce the winners of our Education Contests, Scholarships, Newsletter Contest, and Membership Awards, as well as important information from our State Convention, especially our Resolutions which were passed. Our calendars will be at a reduced sale price of \$5.00. We will also have Convention Bags for \$10.00.**

**Congratulations to our April Gambit Winners:**

**\$10. On #806 to Priscilla Robinson of Court Our Lady of Lourdes #2396**

**\$10. On #307 to Claire Nichols of Court Henry A. Sullivan #584**

**\$15. On #164 to Patricia Kalinoski of Court Salem #434**

**\$15. On 309 to Tim and Matt O'Brien of Court H.A. Sullivan #584**

**\$25. On #834 to Mary Slamin of Court St. Bernadette #2410**

**\$50. On #716 to Mamie Curley of Court St. Francis of Assisi #1859**

***Regents and/or Delegates and Alternates, please mail your Evaluation Forms from Convention to Judi Shooter, 2 Lester Road, Danvers, MA 01923. The feedback is very important to us!***

***It is no longer necessary for you to save receipts from Shaw's and Star Markets. I was told by Mr. Murphy of the Eternal Life Radio Program that shoppers should give the Radio's Tax I.D. # 49001018648. The Markets have their computers programmed to credit 1% of your total to their Tax I.D. #. He appreciates the Catholic Daughters for their support. If you run into any problems, please let the Board know.***

***I would like to thank each one of you for the lovely rocking chair and monies I received at this State Convention. It was such a pleasant surprise! I had no idea! My Board keeps a secret well! I have already enjoyed rocking and listening to the Daughters of St. Paul's music and I look forward to many more pleasant times! I'm not sure when I am going to catch up on the housework; it is always more inviting to sit in the rocker than to clean! Maybe I'll schedule 2 hours rocking, one hour cleaning! Just kidding!***

***I would like to thank my Board for all their support! Thank you Patricia Devine for all your help on all my letters, whether the monthly letter or a letter to a dignitary. She was my right arm, and then some, on the State Convention Program Book. Thanks to Linda for helping in so many little things that aren't written anywhere and for doing such a GREAT JOB on Gambit and the Conferences. Thanks to Connie for patiently waiting for my monthly letters and getting them out so fast and for typing all those Board Meeting & Conference Minutes. That certainly wasn't easy! Thanks to Phyllis for doing a great job on the Dues and Membership records. She also did a great job on the Education Contests. Marie Treggiari did such a great job on the books; they are so neat and balanced to the penny! Thanks to all of you!!!***

***A big thank you to all my Circle of Love Chairmen, as well as the additional Chairmen we have in our State: St. James Society - Nora Cummings; Priest Appreciation - Lois Corbett; Prolife - Eleanor Sennott; Fundraisers - Nancy Meehan and Patricia Johnston; Publicity - Cynthia Young; Web Page - Michelle Fleming; and the Purple & Gold Forum - Maureen Trainor. A job well done!!***

***Thank you to my Chairman and Co-Chairman of Convention Patricia Devine and Patricia Johnston, and to all the Convention Committee Chairmen . . . and the workers, thank you!! thank you!! and thank you again! You all did your part and made this Convention a big success!!***

***Thank you to our Parliamentarian Kay Duffy for saying “yes” and serving as our Parliamentarian!***

***I would like to thank our National Supervisor Helene Shepard for her support and help. She helped us pull everything together those first 2 days before Convention and continued to help us during Convention. Thank you, Helene!***

***What an inspirational opening by Jean Rousseau and what a beautiful Blessed Mother Shrine. We were delighted to have our State Chaplain Kevin O’Leary with us and enjoyed his spiritual prayers throughout the Convention.***

***There are a few reminders from last month’s letter. Regents, please get a count of members who can attend the Mass for all Priests to be celebrated June 7, 2009, at 7:00 a.m., at Channel 7 Station in Boston. Please call Connie Pagan at 508-309-4833 by May 31, 2009. We want a good attendance this year!***

***Please try to participate in the three-day multi-national Pro-life Prayer Event May 1, 2, 3, 2009, and pray for the end of surgical and non-surgical killing of unborn human persons. You can register on [www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org](http://www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org), or write to St. Michael the Archangel Organization, P.O. Box 41257, Memphis, Tenn, 38174, to register to pray the Rosary.***

***Finally, but very important! We have been invited by Father Leo of Holy Cross Family Ministries to join them June 6<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 4 p.m. at Stonehill College, at the W.B. Stadium, for a Family Rosary Fest of Prayer, Praise and Worship to honor the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of their Founder Father Peyton. (See Directions below.)***

***Directions: Take Rte. 93 South; take Exit 4 to Rte. 24; follow Rte. 24 to Exit 17B; merge onto Belmont Street, Brockton; Rte. 123 towards Easton. Turn right onto Stonehill College Road and follow the signs to W.B. Stadium. Everyone is invited; bring your families!  
We hope some of you can attend – please try!***

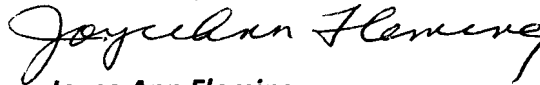
**Let's pray for and offer our intentions for successful operations for Patricia Devine and Marie O'Brien. Please send them a card. Please remember other Catholic Daughters who are recuperating; Helen Doherty at Life Care Center of Stoneham, MA; Mary Smith, Regent of Court Our Lady of Knock; Marie Fanning - cards for Marie may be sent to Patricia McShane, Regent of Court Our Lady of the Presentation; Fran Kwasniowski - cards for Fran may be sent to Mary Ann Gruszecki, Regent of Court Santa Regina; and Joan Gniadek, Regent of Court Margaret.**

**Please help me, God, accept, not judge nor criticize my friends. Help me show them love, like you show me, and forgiveness without end. Help me not to cast a stone, but to look within myself, and every time I seek fault...to set that stone upon a shelf.**

**By Sharon Fuqua, Salesian Publications**

**We remain in Unity and Charity,**

**Linda, Phyllis, Connie, Marie, Pat, Father Kevin and I.**



**Joyce Ann Fleming  
MA State Regent**

**Connie Pagan  
State Secretary**

Directions to Sacred Hearts Gym 168 South Main St. Bradford, MA  
FROM BOSTON/SOUTH

Take I-93 N

Merge onto I-495 N via EXIT 44A toward LAWRENCE (North)

Take the RT-125 exit, EXIT 48, toward WARD HILL/BRADFORD.

Enter Exit 48 MA-125 CONNECTOR (YOU WILL SEE BJ'S ON YOUR RIGHT.)

At 3<sup>rd</sup> traffic light Bear LEFT onto MA-125 N, SOUTH MAIN ST

PROCEED ON SOUTH MAIN STREET FOR ABOUT A MILE. YOU WILL SEE SACRED HEARTS CHURCH ON YOUR LEFT AND THE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM ON THE RIGHT.

PARKING IS AVAILABLE IN THE YARD AREA BESIDE THE GYM.

#### FROM THE EAST

Take I-95 N toward N.H./MAINE.

Take the RT-133 W exit, EXIT 54B, toward GEORGETOWN.

Merge onto E MAIN ST.

E MAIN ST becomes MA-97.

Turn LEFT onto LINCOLN AVE/MA-113 N/MA-97 N. Continue to follow MA-113 N. (Water Street)

Turn LEFT onto MA-125 Proceed over the Bridge and Continue to follow MA-125 through Bradford Square – Church will be on the right and School Gym will be on the left.