



Catholic Daughters of America
Court Daughters of Mary # 2755
Bedford, TX
<https://www.smcchurch.org/cda>
November 2020



Thanks to all who have volunteered to serve on the committees. If you would like to help with a committee, please contact one of the officers. If I have omitted anyone's name, please let me know.

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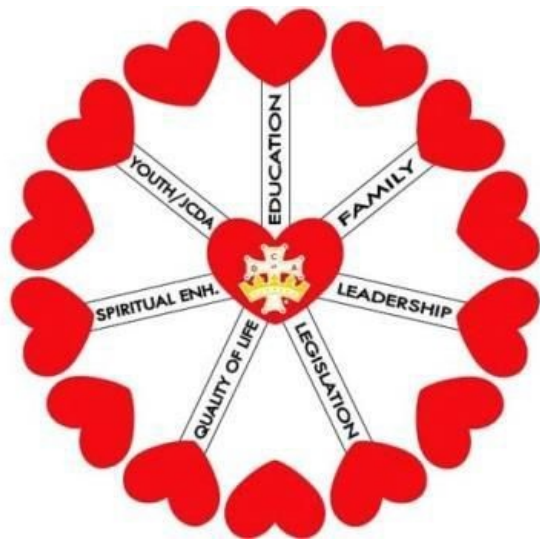
Judy Goldthorp

Meetings for Court # 2755

Our monthly meeting is on the 2nd Monday of the month. The Rosary starts at 6:30 pm, the meeting starts at 7 pm. Our next meeting is Monday November 9. Instructions for joining the Rosary and the meeting by Zoom will be in an email the weekend before the meeting.

Officers meet monthly on the Sunday that is a week before the meeting. Our next officers' meeting is December 6. Members are welcome to join this meeting. Email us at catholicdaughters@smcchurch.org if you are interested in participating in these meetings, so we can send you the Zoom link.

If you would like to add an item to the agenda, please email us at catholicdaughters@smcchurch.org by the last Friday of the month. Next deadline would be November 27.



Circle of Love

CDA activities and projects at the Local, State and National level are an extension of the vision, focus and creative commitment of the Circle of Love program. The seven points represent the needs of the Church and community best served by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas in the areas of: Education, Family, Leadership, Legislation, Quality of Life, Spiritual Enhancement, Youth/JCDA. This program binds Catholic Daughters of the Americas together in a common cause: members can support large scale projects at the national and state level and also initiate projects in their communities. This program provides Local Courts with structure and flexibility to creatively minister to their nearest neighbors most effectively.

Circle of Love: <https://texascda.org/circle-of-love>

National Projects: <https://catholicdaughters.org/national-projects-and-charities>

State Projects: <https://texascda.org/state-projects>

Don't let the list of projects overwhelm you. As a court, we can agree to support 1 or 2 National Projects, 1 or 2 State Projects, and 1 or 2 local projects. So the question to our members is: What project speaks to you? Where would you like to see our donations go? As a new court, we are not expected to support projects from all 7 points of the Circle of Love, but to concentrate on 1 or 2 of them.

Each month, we will highlight a National Project and a Texas Project.

Habitat for Humanity (National Project)

The Catholic Daughters in partnership with Habitat for Humanity work to build simple, decent, affordable homes for economically disadvantaged people so they can have a better environment in which to raise their families. We provide the finances for the house and also help "hands on" to build these homes. We, as Catholic Daughters, may leave the site of the build bumped, bruised, and tired but it is very rewarding for all involved. CDA was one of the first women's organizations to complete a house in Habitat's seven day "Blitz Build."

More recently, a Habitat For Humanity build in Edinburg, Texas, was an important goal for Texas State Regent at the time, Rosie Stockwell, and the State of Texas. The Raising of the Walls was on September 23, 2017 and the Dedication of the home was held on February 10, 2018. Helene Shepard, National Regent at the time, along with her board, awarded the Texas CDA State Court a \$15,000.00 grant to help with the costs in December 2017. The rest of the \$50,000.00 was raised through court donations and a HFH fundraiser (a Skeet Shoot held on December 2, 2017). Helene flew to Edinburg, to present the check to the Habitat for Humanity local office the weekend of February 10, 2018.

American Wheelchair Mission (Texas Project)

The American Wheelchair Mission is a non-profit organization with a goal to deliver brand new, free wheelchairs and mobility aids to physically disabled children, teens and adults throughout the world who are without mobility or the means to acquire a wheelchair. The American Wheelchair Mission will continue to change the lives of entire families with the gifts of hope, dignity, freedom and independence.

Texas CDA Facebook Group

Did you know that our state CDA has a Facebook group?

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/texasda> It is a private group, meaning you have to answer a question in order to be admitted to the group. There are devotionals, news about other Courts, and information about our Texas CDA.

Financial Review

Our semi-annual Financial Review took place on October 25. Thanks to Carol Dufinetz, Maria Chacon, and Patti Lenz for completing a year's worth of Financial Reviews! Thanks to Judy Oliviero for helping (via Zoom) with questions.

Treasurer's Report

Current balance in our checking account is \$3904.39. Our Budget Committee met on October 25 to set up a Budget for the next 8 months. We will present this Budget to the members at our November meeting. Thanks to Yvonne Carstens, Barb Falcone, Ellen Gallagher, and Judy Oliviero for their help with the budget!

Prayer Requests

* Give us the courage to always be detached from our political loyalties and be first a faithful follower of Jesus, the true King. And when it comes time for us to contribute to the political realm, help us to cast our vote in a way that is pleasing to You. (From The Novena for The Election at www.PrayMoreNovenas.com)

* For the repose of the soul of Brian Uszko

What else would you like to see in your newsletter?

Send suggestions to Judy G at judygold47@gmail.com or to catholicdaughters@smcchurch.org

