

Meeting Minutes - CDA
Court of the Immaculate Conception #322
Tuesday, April 2 - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit Parish Hall

Father John Paul Gardner led the rosary. Regent Marella Krein opened the meeting. Regent Krein asked if there were any changes to the March Minutes and Treasurer's Report available for review on the tables.

Regent Krein reported a change to the March Minutes that will be corrected **to show that the Treasurers report is for February 2024 and not March 2024**. The Treasurer's Report for March 2024 was approved, and details are listed below:

- Beginning balance \$4,421.03, total income - \$710.03 (includes bingo, dues, bake sale, card party and cash change for card party and bingo), expenses - \$1,205 (includes badges, down payment of \$500 to Cathedral of the Holy Spirit Church capital campaign pledge, with an additional \$1,000 balance to be paid for a total pledge of \$1,500, cash prizes for education awards), total savings - \$715.13, total assets - \$4,641.19.
- Virginia Dolajak asked about the highlighted amount of \$1,545.25 reported on the Treasurer's Report. Mary Ann Morford reported it is money that came from families of members who have passed away and give a memorial amount of money to the Court. The Court is able to use that money toward special things that the Court may need. In the past, some of the money has been used for card tables, the Blessed Mother statue, the table for the Blessed Mother, the laminated cards used for the meetings and the plaque with the names of the past Regents.
- Karen Selensky asked if all members sold or bought their \$20 worth of tickets for the card/bingo party. Regent Krein reported that the goal was that everyone that received them would buy or sell them as we have so few fundraisers, but that does not happen very often. It is on the honor system, the Board does not keep tract of who donated and who did not.

Regent Krein introduced Sharol Haugen, Court Education Coordinator to introduce the winners of the CDA 2023-2024 National Education Contest. Themes for the contest: **“God’s Love and Kindness Will Shine Upon Us Like the Sun That Rises in the Sky” or “How Does My Love Shine For Others”**. There were 138 entries from three Bismarck schools: Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, St. Anne's Grade School, and St. Mary's Academy. The winners are as follows:

Division 1: (Grades 4-5)

Poetry:

1st Place: Mya Miller – St. Anne School

2nd Place: McKayla Klym – St. Anne School

3rd Place: Megan Frohlich – Cathedral of the Holy Spirit School

Art:

1st Place: Ellen Finck – St. Anne School

2nd Place: Callie Martinez - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit School

3rd Place: Breckyn Deeter – St. Anne School

Essay:

1st Place: Olivia Kincaid - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit School

2nd Place: Noah Grensteiner - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit School

Computer Art:

1st Place: Cooper McLean - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit School

2nd Place: Brinley Evink - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit School

3rd Place: Emily Wilson - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit School

Division 2: (Grades 6-8)

Poetry:

1st Place: Ramona Heick – St. Mary’s Academy

2nd Place: Bella Standing Elk – St. Mary’s Academy

3rd Place: Joseph Senger – St. Mary’s Academy

Art:

1st Place: Kaitlyn Long – St. Mary’s Academy

2nd Place: Avery Steiner – St. Mary’s Academy

3rd Place: Kennedy Long – St. Mary’s Academy

Essay:

1st Place: Morgan Waliser – St. Mary’s Academy

2nd Place: Evelyn Krebs – St. Mary’s Academy

3rd Place: Gavin Griffin – St. Mary’s Academy

Computer Art:

1st Place: Jake Miller – St. Mary’s Academy

2nd Place: Brogan McKenzie – St. Mary’s Academy

Photography:

1st Place: Megan McKittrick – St. Mary’s Academy

2nd Place: Zayden Koppy – St. Mary’s Academy

3rd Place: Warren Beyer – St. Mary’s Academy

Fr. John Paul Gardner, Sharol Haugen and the winners in attendance had their picture taken to be submitted to the National Catholic Daughter’s of Americas Share Magazine and placed on the CDA-Bismarck website.

Regent Krein reported the following members will be part of the nominating committee to help select new officers in May: Virginia Dolajak, Rita Mastel, Johanna Nagel and Molly Freidel.

Regent Krein handed out a previous fundraising list of ideas. Karen Selensky reported that the bingo planning and fundraising members (Karen Selensky, Cindy Knox, Dorleen Wolbaum, Mary Ann Morford, Kathy Silbernagel, Bev Rivinius and Molly Freidel) will meet and discuss additional fundraising ideas and report back at one of the upcoming meetings with ideas.

Rita Mastel reported that a past member of the Mandan CDA Court asked about joining the Bismarck Court and wondered about paying dues. Regent Krein reported that they would need to pay the dues of \$25 when they join and then again in January 2024.

Regent Krein asked that everyone continue to pray for our nine seminarians. Rita Mastel made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Johanna Nagel. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted – Karen Selensky