

The regular meeting of Court Immaculate Conception #322 was called to order by Regent Karen Selensky on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 7:45 pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit parish hall. All officers were present. Twenty-nine members attended.

Regent Karen Selensky introduced Maddie Abbott. Maddie contacted Regent Karen Selensky and asked if she could attend the meeting and become a member. Maddie was formerly involved with Junior Catholic Daughters in Perham, MN.

Vice Regent Dorleen Wolbaum read correspondence from the following: 1) Thank you from Assumption Abbey 2) Mother Chiara and Our Lady of the Angels Convent 3) Fr Jordan Dosch, Diocese of Bismarck 4) Sr. Idelle Badt, Stepping Stones Ministries 5) Mother Mary Joseph, St. Mary's Sisters and 6) Assumption Abbey newsletter.

Regent Karen Selensky reported that there is a list of items in the CDA State Newsletter from last year's State Project that you may donate toward -- "Project Ignite Light" that was emailed to all members. The State Newsletter is also available on the [bismarckcda.org](http://bismarckcda.org) website. Regent Karen Selensky asked that anyone wishing to donate any items to bring them to the April or May meetings.

Regent Karen Selensky reported that there is a delay in the new medallions being shipped. The medallions will be part of the new dress code for officers of white tops, black bottoms and black shoes.

The Minutes were approved as presented. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented and filed as shown. Financial Secretary Barb Thorson reported receiving \$925 in February for past dues. She will be contacting 19 more members. From the roster of 160 members, 16 are 50-year members! Financial Secretary Barb Thorson reported that 23 members will be removed from the roster due to no longer wanting to be a member.

## OLD BUSINESS

Regent Karen Selensky reported that the following volunteers met on February 26 to start planning the April Fundraiser Tea Party. Members include Rose Mayo, Mary Uhlman, Jelene Barfield and Regent Karen Selensky. Vice Regent Dorleen Wolbaum, Shirley Staiger and Barb Thorson were unable to attend. The venue has been changed to Christ the King for Saturday, April 26, 2-3:30 pm.

Discussion took place on members volunteering to bring mini sandwiches, mini cookies, tartlets, scones and hot, cold and something appealing for the younger crowd type teas. Regent Karen Selensky reported that the group will be ordering paper China tea sets and using tea party items from Cathy Bergan for the center pieces. Jelena Barfield took inventory of the current tablecloths we had in storage and the group will decide what else is needed to order. The estimate goal of participants is 50. Regent Karen Selensky reported that Sister Idelle is unavailable and suggested we invite Fr. John Paul Gardner to talk about his trip to the African Mission or possibly Abby Lardy. Rosie Dingus suggested contacting Steep Tea to see if they may want to make a presentation and possibly donate some tea type items. Cathy Bergan's porcelain doll will be the

door prize, and tickets can be purchased for \$2.00. The suggested price for attendance is \$10 per person (ages 18 and up) and \$25 per family (children 0-17). The committee suggested a RSVP phone number or email be included for guests to register.

Molly Freidel will design the posters once the information is finalized and post the information to our Facebook page and website.

Regent Karen Selensky and Delores Friedt completed the Circle of Love forms and emailed them to the appropriate chairperson for the State Convention. Regent Selensky suggested that members refer to Page 8 and 9 in the membership book for more details on the Circle of Love program.

Regent Karen Selensky reported she will donate a door prize (which she won from the Richardton CDA event) for the State Convention. She also reported that Beloved Pearl will donate a \$25 or higher priced prize for the State Convention Silent Auction that each Court is required to bring.

Regent Karen Selensky reported that our Court Symbol for the State Convention is the Blessed Mother. Officers will be completing the poster showing the Nativity Scene. A summary explaining the symbol was submitted by Regent Karen Selensky to the State Regent. Regent Karen Selensky asked members if anyone has a Blessed Mother they can use for the State Convention, and Virginia Dolajak offered to let us borrow one from her.

Regent Karen Selensky expressed her thanks to the officers and other individuals who consistently follow through with their assignments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until the next meeting on Tuesday, April 1, at 7 pm at the Cathedral parish hall.

Diane Krupinsky