

**LATEST UPDATE ON NATIONAL PROJECTS AND CHARITIES:**

In the last quarterly we included a flyer which explained the **5 Projects** and **8 Charities**. Due to the fact that the Seminary at Louvain in Belgium is closing their doors after this semester, because of the lack of seminarians, we have removed Louvain from our list of Charities. If you wish to continue to support seminarians please send your donations for the North American College. In so doing you will be supporting seminarians who will be our future priests. Therefore we will have the same **5 Projects but only 7 Charities**.

In addition to fostering spiritual growth among our members we, as Catholic Daughters, continue to send donations for the **5 National Projects** and **7 Charities** and strive *“to be helping hands where there is pain, poverty, sorrow or sickness.”* These remain empty words unless we select and support real causes.

Unfortunately, the rising costs of gas, oil and all items necessary to live comfortably cause us to increase the suggested donation for our **5 National Projects** from **\$15 to \$20**.

**The enclosed flyer has been revised** to reflect the changes and it identifies the **5 National Projects** that CDA has chosen to sponsor. It is **suggested** that each court contribute a minimum of **\$20.00 per project**.

In this way, we continue to put a smile on a child’s face, a roof over a needy family’s head, shelter and comfort for our Religious Sisters and Brothers in their golden years, counsel and support for troubled families and immediate help to victims of disasters. We are, in a very real way, responding to the words of Christ,

**“Whatsoever you do for the least of my brothers, that you do unto me”.**

Please urge your courts to contribute to the **5 National Projects** and **7 National Charities** so we may continue to be *helping hands* to all.

Only checks made payable to **Catholic Daughters of the Americas** will be accepted for this purpose. Please indicate the Project or Charity of your choice and the amount designated. If you have any questions concerning the **National Projects or Charities** please contact **Helene Shepard, National Chairman**.