

National Regent Message (continued)

Thanks, as well, to the state and local officers who have encouraged members to stay united and to be creative to accomplish court goals, and thanks to the members who have entered into the spirit of the pioneering women of CDA! Courts have been having Zoom meetings, conference calls, and email voting so that they could keep up with the needs of the organization. They have held online fundraisers and have practiced social distancing while delivering court sponsored meals and fundraisers. I am so grateful to all who kept us moving when it was so easy to let everything slide.

My one regret during this time is that the pandemic has caused me to have to stop traveling. I had hoped to attend some anniversaries and workshops this spring. I am sad that I will end my term without being able to do that. However, even though we are not physically seeing each other, you have all been in my prayers.

Finally, as Scripture tells us, "...all things work together for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28) It has been hard to curtail our usual activities, but I believe God in His mercy brings good even out of the sequester. I hope the forced inactivity has brought you a time for rest and renewal, and that you are now ready to head into the future with renewed faith and hope.

I pray for your health and safety and for the safety of your families. I also pray for those who are ill and for those who have been lost to this virus. May God keep us all in his loving arms until we can be together again. May the joy and blessings of the Risen Lord be with you.

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