

**Summer
2020**



Prayer and Service for the Spread of Christ's Kingdom

**Diocese
of
Central
Pennsylvania**

**Daughters
of
the
King
Assembly**



June 20, 2020

Adapting to the new normal

Letter from our Diocesan President

Greetings Sisters in Christ,

With the resignation of Carolyn Hinton as diocesan president of The Order of the Daughters of the King effective June 1, 2020, I have assumed the role of president in accordance with the bylaws to complete Carolyn's unexpired term of office. I am very grateful to Carolyn for her hard work, and I sincerely thank her for her dedication and service to the order. Please join me in wishing her well in her new endeavors. As a result of the change in assembly leadership, please welcome Kristle Evans as the new 1st vice president and Susan Landin as the new 2nd vice president. Thanks to these two sisters for volunteering to serve.

During my term as president, I want to strengthen our chapters and use electronic resources such as email and Zoom gatherings to build camaraderie in our sisterhood. In this time of restrictions on group meetings, I hope we will be able to use readily available technology at the diocesan level as well as the local level to meet each other virtually, to get to know each other better, and to strengthen our prayer community.

The next election for assembly officers will be held in the spring of next year, 2021, and we need to form a nominating committee comprised of one daughter from each chapter, if possible. Please consider this opportunity to serve your organization and let me know if you are interested in helping.

Thank you in advance for your support of our officers.

For His Sake,
Linda



Diocesan Officers

Linda Hoover

President

Kristle Evans

1st Vice President

Susan Landin

2nd Vice President

Kitty Mussett

Recording Secretary

Ross Fairweather

Corresponding Secretary

Alison Vedder

Treasurer

The Rev. Eric Hillegas

Chaplain

News from Kristle Evans

Membership

Many of you may know that the Daughters of Glory chapter from St. Andrews in the Valley has been without an “official” president since Cathy Rippeon moved to Indiana last fall.

As membership chair, I have been connecting with Carole Dembosky to check in on these remarkable women as they move through this transition without their former leader, Cathy. We’ve attempted to meet in person, but each time an obstacle seemed to prevent it from happening and then of course COVID came onto the scene.

Despite these setbacks, we’ve been able to maintain contact and the joy is that I’m learning more each time we talk about the servant leadership these women are doing for their community, parish and the world beyond.

Carole keeps in touch with her chapter members, shares DOK news and phones or emails parishioners who are living alone. Carole has also been working on helping her parish in transitioning back to worship and is considering the possibility of gathering on the lawn with the Daughters in her chapter now that the weather is better. Like so many of us, she is eager to resume activities and get back to their current sewing project of making dolls for children at homeless shelters.

Please continue to keep Carole and the Daughters of Glory in your prayers.

Daughters at Large

The Province III Daughters at Large (DAL) chairs met on May 11 via phone conference and plan to meet again on July 13. We discussed a post that I brought to the attention of the group that appeared on the Daughters at Large Facebook site. It was a good reminder to everyone of the importance in keeping our DALs in community with us.

As chapter presidents and members, please remember to continue to send cards, become prayer partners, call our adopted DALs and other Daughters who have lost contact with chapters and continue to look for ways to connect and keep our engagement with each other intact.

If you find that there are issues with payment of dues, our province president and national membership chair, Kathy Paulo, is willing to help. There is also staff in the National Office who can also help with membership issues. As soon as we learned of the Daughter who posted on Facebook, we held her up in prayer and she has now reconnected and some positive outcomes have resulted from these prayers.

We all know the power of prayer, so please continue to make these connections with our sisters, offer support, and let them know how much they mean to us.



What's Happening in DOK DCPA

OLD BUSINESS

- **Executive board meetings** are held on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom or conference call. We conduct business-and-prayer meetings on the odd-numbered months and prayer meetings on even months.
- **Resources for members:**
 - DOK National: <https://www.doknational.org/>;
 - The Royal Cross, Cross + Links, Conversations with Daughters Zoom calls
 - DOK Province III: <http://dokproviii.org/>
- **National dues:** The \$40 annual dues notice was sent directly to members in June 15th via email; you can either pay online or print the invoice and mail it with your check. If you have not received this email, it may be in your email spam folder. Otherwise, your contact info may inaccurate, in which case you must log on to <https://www.doknational.org/>; you will need your membership number as your user id; your membership number is printed on the mailing label of the Royal Cross publication.
- The **Province III mini-retreat** was held via Zoom on May 30, 2020. Many thanks to Michele Marini and the Province organizational committee. The program featured the book *Pond River Ocean Rain – Find Peace in the Storms of Life* by Charles Howard; there were 196 attendees. The service project was Crayons to Cradles (<https://www.cradlestocrayons.org/>); our diocesan assembly contributed \$100 to Crayons to Cradles.
- Our **2020 DPCA Fall assembly** will be offered by Prince of Peace in Gettysburg at a date to be determined. Given the ongoing pandemic, this may be a virtual meeting. One of the business topics to be discussed is the need to convene a Nominating Committee at the Fall Assembly in order to propose a slate of officers for election at the 2021 Spring Assembly. There should be representation from each chapter on the committee and the Chair will be appointed by the President.
- **DPCA Service project:** The Episcopal Home in Shippensburg was chosen in 2019 to be our service project. Unfortunately, it is closing this year due to lack of funding; residents will be relocated to other facilities throughout but not until 28 days after moving to the COVID-19 green phase. Please consider maintaining support of The Episcopal Home during this transition period. As a result of this closure, we will need to identify a new service project; please send ideas via email to your chapter president or to Linda Hoover (lsh4488@gmail.com)

NEW BUSINESS

- **Directory and mailing lists** will be updated this summer. Please respond to emails from Corresponding Secretary Ross Fairweather requesting validation of your contact information. In an effort to offload the chapter presidents, Linda Hoover will send DPCA news and information directly to the membership using the DPCA distribution list. (Chapter leaders will continue to inform members who do not use email.)
- **Triennial:** The DOK National Triennial will be held June 23-27, 2021 in Baltimore, Maryland. Province III is host. Our diocese has volunteered to take charge of Registration. This is the perfect volunteering opportunity because it is finished when the event starts, allowing us to take advantage of the entire event which is in our backyard!! Mark your calendars.
- **How to serve** during quarantine: We are prayer warriors and as such, we should reach out with prayers, telephone calls, emails, hand-written notes, contact shut-ins.



An Invitation from our DOK National President



My Sisters in Christ,

I pray this email finds you well. Mark your calendars! Join us on June 27th for the next Zoom meeting, Conversations with Daughters about Racism.

The meeting will take place via Zoom, **Saturday, June 27, 2020 at 4:00 PM ET.**

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85862013404>

Meeting ID: 858 6201 3404

Dial In to Listen: +13126266799 or +19292056099

I hope you will join us. I look forward to seeing you there.

For His Sake,
Krisita Jackson
National President

New to Zoom? Download the resources below to prepare for the meeting in advance.
[Download instructions for participating in a Zoom Meeting](#)
[Download the free Zoom application](#)

Words of Inspiration

***If there is anywhere on earth
a lover of God who is always kept safe,
I know nothing of it,
for it is not shown to me.***

***But this was shown:
that falling and rising again
we are always kept in that same precious love.***

***Let nothing disturb you.
Let nothing frighten you.
Everything passes away except God.***

***Julian of Norwich
(1342—1416)***

Prayers

The Prayer of the Order

O Eternal Father, you have sent us your Son to teach us things pertaining to your heavenly Kingdom.

Give your blessing to our Order wherever it may be throughout the world.

Grant that we, your Daughters, ever may discern your truth and bear the cross through the battles of our earthly life.

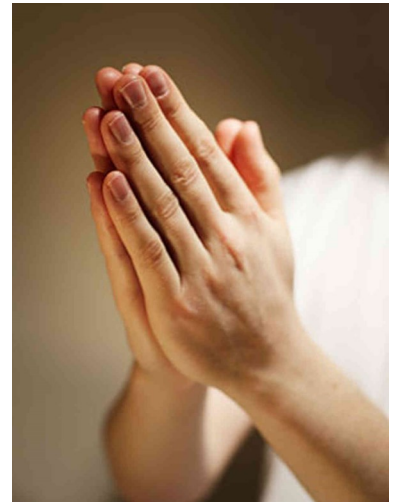
Give us strength to overcome temptation and the grace to work to spread your Kingdom and to gather your scattered sheep within your fold.

Pour out upon us the sevenfold gift of the Holy Spirit that we may always remember it is your work we are called to do, that all we think, do or say may be pleasing in your sight.

We ask it all For His Sake, our King and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

We pray for continued blessings on everyone who promotes nonviolent solutions.



We pray that the Holy Spirit may embrace the most vulnerable members of our society.

