

THE TRUMPET

THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING
NEWSLETTER OF THE DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE
WINTER 2012



DIOCESAN PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Daughters,

These are good times! We are doing a much better job of paying our dues in a timely manner. Hopefully your Chapter can say that all of your Daughters have paid their dues. It is amazing to me that the National Office is able to administer to all of us on \$35 per member for the whole year and none of the money from the various Funds is used for administrative operations. (As you know, \$5 is returned to the Diocese and another \$5 goes to Province IV.) I wish that I could budget that well. Both the Diocese of TN and Province IV need the dues allotment for our functions. As we have mentioned before, if a Daughter has difficulty paying her dues, please let me know and the Diocese of TN DOK will be glad to consider a grant.

My three years are just whizzing by. The committee for selecting the new officers will have a slate of officers for 2012-2015 for presentation at the Spring Assembly. Of course, the floor will be open for nominations at that time. The new officers assume office at the Fall Assembly on September 15.

Please read this newsletter carefully for the details of the events happening in 2012. Briefly, we are having a joint ECW and DOK Quiet Day on Saturday, February 25, 2012, at St. Bartholomew's Church in Nashville with Bishop Bauerschmidt as our facilitator. The Spring Assembly is Saturday, April 21, at St. Phillip's in Donelson. The Triennial will be June 27 - July 1 at the Marriott in Indianapolis. And finally, the Fall Assembly is on Saturday, September 15 at Christ Church in Nashville.

The annual meeting of the Diocese of TN was at St. Andrew's School in Sewanee on January 20 and 21. The DOK had an exhibit with the opportunity to distribute brochures and respond to questions. The Diocese of TN has an exceptional group of priests and lay members. The committee reports were concise and meaningful with appropriate humor. It was a good meeting. I am so thankful to be a part of this Diocese.

Peace,
Carolyn

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

HAPPY NEW DAY

It is mid-January and most all of the Christmas decorations have been packed away for yet another year, while Valentine cards and heart-shaped candy boxes fill the store shelves. Some New Year's resolutions are still being settled on, while others are hopefully still on track.

The thought process that goes into resolution-making can be quite interesting. Some of us make very general resolutions, and then some of us make very specific ones. Some of us make resolutions that we know we can keep. Others of us make resolutions that we have tried before and maybe have kept to some degree or maybe haven't kept at all. And then there are those of us who make resolutions because we feel pressure from friends or family.

There are all kinds of reasons why people make resolutions, but one thing is for certain. And that is -- people who choose to take on the challenge of resolutions all have something in common. They all share the need or have recognized the need for some kind of change. They've decided that it's time to do something different, rather than continuing to do what they were before.

A new year is an ideal time for re-creating the life we wish to live, but a new day is maybe even a better time. For me, the Baptismal Covenant is the place I begin to understand and evaluate my life. Those vows were taken on my behalf when I was an infant, and I have renewed those vows many times since. "I will with God's help." Even though I don't know how I will do *this thing* or take care of *that thing*, I can only do *everything* with God's help.

None of us is perfect, and yet because of God's amazing grace, God continually seeks us out, draws us closer, and loves us into a right relationship. I am reminded that a theologian once said, "We are not human beings having spiritual experiences, but rather spiritual beings having human experiences." We are going to mess up and we are going to feel like we need to change, but the point is not for us to win, but to take part. The only way I know to do that is to walk the path, set out on the journey. Sometimes my compass doesn't point due north, and I have no idea where I am going, but I trust that God does, and if not, I trust God to be not only an Eagle Scout, but also an excellent tour guide. But most of all, I trust that God knows how to continually Create and Re-create, even when given nothing to work with.

For me and maybe for you, Micah 6:8 is sort of a touchstone. "And what does the Lord require of [me]? Act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with [my] God." If at the end of the day, I can look back and feel like I have tried to do the things the Lord requires of me, then I can rest a little easier, until the next day when I begin all over again with God's help.

The Rev. Monna Mayhall



Dear Lord,

So far today, I'm doing all right. I have not gossiped, lost my temper, and been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or self-indulgent. I have not whined, complained, cursed, or eaten any chocolate. I have charged nothing on my credit card.

But, I will be getting out of bed in a minute, and I think that I will really need your help then.

Hoping against Hope
Bishop Bauerschmidt to Lead
DOK / ECW Quiet Day
Saturday, February 25, 2012
at
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
4800 Belmont Park Terrace, Nashville, TN 37215

The Daughters of the King and the Episcopal Church Women will sponsor this year's Lenten Quiet Day. Our theme this year is *Hoping against Hope*. Bishop Bauerschmidt will be our leader for this event. The day will begin at 9:00 for light refreshment and fellowship. Eucharist will begin at 9:30 and the Quiet Day will end after lunch.

This is a wonderful way to begin Lent!

All women are invited to attend!

The Quiet Day will be at St. Bartholomew's Church, 4800 Belmont Park Terrace, Nashville, TN 37215 on February 25, 2012. Soup and beverages will be provided for lunch. There is **no charge**, however, **reservations are requested**. Please contact Carolyn Avery at carolyn@caverypc.net or call her at [615-269-4037](tel:615-269-4037) if you plan to attend.

The Order of the Daughters of the King
TRIENNIAL 2012
June 27 - July 1, 2012
Indianapolis Marriott East, Indianapolis, Indiana
"Looking to Jesus, Spreading His Love"

God has blessed The Order of the Daughters of the King for over 125 years and you are invited to celebrate our sisterhood at Triennial 2012! We will gather to tell stories of what God has been doing among us and center our attention on our King and Savior, Jesus Christ, and His great love for us. We will delight in our international guests and enlarge our vision of what God has done and is doing today. As our speakers challenge us, we will commit ourselves anew to spread God's love to others.

We will feast and laugh, elect a new Council, pray and worship together and be inspired. Make your reservations NOW by going to our National website to register and find information about our hotel. Begin your Prayer Vigil NOW so that we may "pray without ceasing" for those who are planning and those who will be attending.

Each Senior Chapter should elect a delegate and alternate to attend.

BEING A DAUGHTER AT LARGE
by Mavis Harrop

FOR HIS SAKE.....

I am but one, but I am one.

I cannot do everything,

But I can do something.

What I can do, I ought to do.

What I ought to do,

by the grace of God I will do.

Lord, what would you have me do?

Over 10 years ago I became a Daughter of the King. The chapter at my church was small and within a year or less from the time I joined, everyone had left the church or moved, including the priest. Since I have been a Daughter at Large for most of my time, I try to remember our motto on a daily basis.

It can be challenging to be a DAL, especially if you are not a very disciplined person like myself. I think most of us do better when we can be part of a community because it makes us more accountable and we also can provide support to one another on this journey of life. We have each made a commitment to prayer and service and trying to grow closer to our Lord. However, all the business of life gets in the way. As a DAL I have often gotten caught up in the "stuff" of daily life and not focused as much as I could have and/or should have on the commitment I made when I became a Daughter.

Since I do not have a chapter at my church, what do I do to grow spiritually and increase my commitment to God? I attend Advent and Lenten retreats where I can be with other like-minded Christian women to study and share scripture and relate it to my life and my spiritual journey. I try to have a devotional time most days. No, I don't do them every day although that is a goal! For me driving to work and listening to Christian music is a time for me with the Lord. It centers me to prepare for the rest of the day. A time of prayer is also an important part of the journey even if not always in the most conventional way. God is just glad when we come to him! I involve myself when opportunities for service are available and fortunately at my church there are many.

I find the correspondence from Liz Himes, the DAL Diocesan representative, to be encouraging and I appreciate her efforts to keep us "in the loop" and to feel included. I really think community is important and if there are opportunities to become a part of a specific community of DOK, then I and other DALs perhaps should make an effort to do this as I know it would be beneficial to each of us.

Georgiana Post McClenaghan
1926 - 2011

Georgiana McClenaghan, former DOK Diocesan President went to be with the Lord on December 24, 2011 at her home in Nashville, TN. Born January 2, 1926, Georgiana was a faithful servant to our Lord, always loving and sharing her time and counsel in many ways in the church and in the community. She served the St. Catherine's Chapter at Christ Church as President and also held other offices. She served the Diocese as President of the Daughters. She was an Associate of St. Mary's Convent and followed the simple rule of life. She participated in the Celtic Pilgrimage with Sister Mary Lucy to Ireland, Scotland, Wales and England.

Georgiana loved storytelling and enjoyed the Festival at Jonesboro for many years. She loved literature, traveling and cats. As a storyteller and miniature enthusiast, no detail was too small or insignificant. She shared her passions for cooking and genealogy with her children and grandchildren. A perfectionist in her penmanship, she remembered all with beautifully written cards and letters. Her endearing ability to make everyone feel valued and appreciated will be missed by all. She will be greatly missed by her Sisters in the Order.

DOK SPRING ASSEMBLY**Saturday, April 21, 2012****at****St. Phillips Episcopal Church, Donelson, TN****registration begins at 9:00**

**Our speaker will be Joyce Pipkin, from the DOK Diocese of South Carolina.
Joyce will be sharing her experiences with Haiti Ministry Volunteers and her involvement
with the DOK Chapters in Haiti.**

Check out her website at www.lovetohaiti.com

Registration contact information will follow soon.

Please make your plans now to attend this exciting and inspiring gathering.

FUNDS OF THE ORDER

Although we are not allowed to raise money in the name of the Order, the fruits of our individual giving have spread Christ's Kingdom in many ways. Gifts to the four funds of the Order are collected by the Chapter Treasurer and forwarded directly to the National office. Individual contributions may be made at any time.

SUMMARY OF FUND INGATHERING

FUND	INGATHERING	SEND TO
Endowment	November 1	National Office
Master's	Pentecost	National Office
Self-Denial	February 2	National Office
Alpha	September 5	National Office

- * A Daughter may make an individual contribution at any time to any of the funds. Gifts are also welcomed from those who are not Daughters.
- * The current national fund chairs are listed in the Royal Cross. Contact the fund chair with any questions.
- * For amounts of \$250 or more, the donor will receive a tax receipt.
- * A contribution form is found at the back of the National Handbook and on the website.

Prayer for the Self-Denial Fund -

O God, who makes the Church the messenger of your Gospel, accept the gifts of your Daughters to speed your message to the whole world and to enable your love to be the portion of all, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and King. Amen.

The Mission of the Order:

***the extension of Christ's kingdom, especially among women and girls,
and the strengthening of the Church's spiritual life.***



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DOK DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE

www.tndok.org

DOK NATIONAL

www.DOKnational.com

DOK PROVINCE IV

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