

NEWSLETTER

DAYTON CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB

JULY-SEPTEMBER 2025

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Save These Dates

Day of Recollection
St. Leonard's Faith Community
8100 Clyo Rd, Centerville
Saturday, Oct 4, 2025

Christmas Boutique and Luncheon
Presidential Banquet Center
4572 Presidential Way, Kettering
Saturday, December 6, 2025

St. Patrick's Game Party and Luncheon
Presidential Banquet Center
4572 Presidential Way, Kettering
Saturday, March 7, 2026

2025 CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE & LUNCHEON

Margene Robinson, Chair

The DCWC Christmas Boutique & Luncheon will be here soon. It is December 6th, 2025.

This year, if you fill a table of 8 ladies, your name will go in a drawing for a SECRET CASH PRIZE!!!!!! The flyer & information will be coming in November. Mark your calendars NOW.

If you are donating a raffle prize this year, please wrap it. If it's a basket, place a tag on the outside with the contents, the value & your name if you wish. If it is a Gift Card, you can place it in a small envelope with the value. If the VALUE is more than \$50.00, your donation will be placed in the large raffle, otherwise it will be placed in the chance raffle. All tickets can be purchased on the day of the event. Large raffle tickets will also be mailed with the flyer in November.

If you have any questions or are donating a prize for the raffle, you can email me at margenerobinson5050@gmail.com.

LET'S MAKE THIS SIGNATURE EVENT A SUCCESS. Invite family members, neighbors, etc. Your support is so important. It enables DCWC to maintain our Scholarship and Grant Programs.

REMEMBER, WE ARE ONLY AS STRONG AS OUR MEMBERSHIP.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Lisa Scherbauer, President

Dear Ladies of the Dayton Catholic Women's Club, My name is Lisa Scherbauer, and I was honored to become President of the Dayton Catholic Women's Club in May 2025. I'm excited to serve in this role for the next two years.

I've been a member of DCWC since the fall of 2019. My cousin—and our immediate past president—Gail Brockman, invited me to attend a board meeting. I was immediately inspired by the work the club was doing with local non-profits, our grant program, and our scholarship fund. I knew right away this was a group I wanted to be part of.

Shortly after that first meeting, I joined the grant committee and began forming wonderful new friendships. Through that experience, I came to appreciate just how generous our members are—and how much of a difference we make in the community. Reviewing grant applications opened my eyes to the many needs in our area and deepened my appreciation for the role DCWC plays in addressing them.

Over the years, I've had the opportunity to work on a variety of projects and committees, including the grant committee, ad sales for the membership book, serving as vendor liaison for the Christmas Boutique, participating in the 100th Anniversary Celebration committee, and acting as marketing chair. I've enjoyed every experience and look forward to continuing this journey—and getting to know more of you along the way.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to Gail and the entire board for their hard work and leadership over the past two years. They've made significant progress on the goals outlined in our five-year strategic plan, and I'm excited to continue building on that momentum.

One of my key goals as President is to increase both membership and member engagement—especially at board meetings and events. I've learned that it truly takes a team to make our work possible. Many hands make light work, and your participation is so valuable.

I encourage you to attend our monthly board meetings, held on the second Monday of each month. These meetings are open to all members, and we would love to see you there.

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We're planning to introduce some new features to our board meetings, including guest speakers from the many non-profits we support. This will begin in November. We'll also continue our signature events, including our Day of Recollection on October 4th and the Christmas Boutique and Luncheon on December 6th. Please mark your calendar—and see the enclosed flyer for details on the Day of Recollection. I hope to see you there!

To stay updated on all things DCWC, visit our website at www.daytoncatholicwomensclub.org and follow us on Facebook at Dayton Catholic Women's Club. Don't forget to share with your family and friends!

Finally, please join us for our next board meeting at the Spirit Center on the St. Albert the Great campus. Note the date change for September—we'll meet on the third Monday, September 15th, instead of our usual second Monday. We'll resume our regular schedule on October 13th.

Your Friend in Christ,

Lisa

MEMORIALS & MEMBERSHIP

Sandy Reed, Membership Chair

Deceased Member

DCWC has lost the following member due to death since the last newsletter.



Sharon Keeley 7/25/2025

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord; may she rest in peace. Amen. (Please note in your membership books and say a prayer for our deceased members as you do so.)

We don't always know right away of anyone passing. If you know of any deceased member who has not been mentioned in the newsletter, please advise Sandy Reed (937-890-1375) or Barb Kreuzer (937-901-9446). Thank you for helping us remember our lost members.

New Lifetime Members

Kasandra Feldmann
Dara Jenkins
Stephanie Skelley

New Members

Helen Anderson
754 Foxfire Trail, Vandalia, OH 45377 937-477-1614
Tammy Carter
2333 Otello Ave., Dayton, OH 45414 937-275-9619
Lisa Ford
134 Notre Dame, Dayton, OH 45404 937-580-9608
Elena Mikalauskas
4929 Arrowhead Dr., Dayton, OH 45440 937-269-7079

New Member and Lifetime

Abby Snider Robinson
7181 White Gates Pl., Clayton, OH 45315, 937-902-3865

Changes of Address and/Phone Number

Florence Cobey
10 Wilmington Ave. 223 W., Dayton, OH 43420
Frances Duell
5233 N. Mount Pleasant Rd., Greenwood, IN 46142
(daughter's address)
Kathleen Kammer
355 W. Central Ave #125, Springboro, OH 45066
Sandy Mefford
201 Tamarac Lane, Kettering, OH 45429
Constance Wright
2015 Montford Dr., New Bern, NC 28562

Members' Dues

Until the end of December 2025, yearly dues are \$15, and Lifetime dues are \$150. Starting January 1, 2026, Member dues will be increasing. See the *Dues Article below* for further details.

If the year above your name on the mailing label says 2024, you still owe \$15 for 2025. It is an excellent idea for all members to renew their membership for the coming year(s) or become a lifetime member before the end of 2025 and prior to the rates going up!

DCWC DUES UPDATE FOR 2026

As the Board reviewed the budget for the upcoming year, we determined that it is necessary to increase membership dues beginning in **January 2026**. This will be the first dues increase since **2015**, when our membership totaled approximately **450-500 members**. Currently, our membership stands at about **315-350 members**.

The following has been proposed to the Board of Directors for review and will be voted on at the October 13th Board meeting. All members are invited to the meeting and are welcome to vote on this change to our constitution. The Change states that effective January 2026, **annual membership dues will increase from \$15 to \$25 per year. The Lifetime Membership will change from \$150 to \$175.**

Membership dues are a vital source of funding that allows us to continue our charitable mission. Each year, your contributions help us provide **\$16,000-\$18,000 in grants** to local non-profits and **\$5,000-\$10,000 in scholarships** to deserving students. In addition to dues, our annual events—including the **St. Patrick's Day Celebration, Summer Luncheon, and Christmas Boutique**—also help support this important work.

We appreciate your continued support and commitment to the Dayton Catholic Women's Club.

Your generosity and involvement make it possible for us to serve our community in meaningful ways.

DCWC BOARD MEETING UPDATES

The following is enclosed with this newsletter mailing:

- Day of Recollection flyer: October 4th – event details

Upcoming Membership Meetings for 2025-2026

Where: St. Albert the Great Spirit Center

3033 Far Hills Ave. Kettering, OH 45429 at 6pm

- Monday, September 15, 2025
- Monday, October 13, 2025
- Monday, November 10, 2025
- Monday, December 8, 2025
- Monday, January 12, 2026
- Monday, February 9, 2026
- Monday, March 9, 2026
- Monday, April 13, 2026
- Monday, May 11, 2026

Opportunities to stay informed and become involved:

- Attend a meeting and learn more about DCWC's mission and what DCWC does to plan events. All members are welcome at these monthly meetings.
- Volunteer to help with an event or participate in a committee. It's an easy way to meet new friends, help others, and enjoy meaningful activities. Opportunities to volunteer will be provided in the newsletter and on the DCWC website. For more information on volunteering call Lisa at 937-657-1029
- Follow DCWC on Facebook. Search Dayton Catholic Women's Club and you'll find our page and up-to-date information about our activities and events.
- Please feel free to contact the DCWC at our new email, DCWC1923@gmail.com. We welcome your questions, ideas and feedback.

Picnic on the Porch Recap

Our Patriotic themed Picnic on the Porch was held on Flag Day at Miami Valley Golf Club. Attendees wore red, white and blue to promote our theme. Plans to use the porch changed with the weather. Avoiding the rain, we met in the beautiful dining room at MVGC.

New President Lisa Scherbauer welcomed everyone and introduced the new executive board and other board members present. She followed this with a short informational presentation about DCWC to acquaint our guests with our organization. Then, we enjoyed the free picnic buffet of hamburgers and hot dogs and all the sides provided by the MVGC Staff.

Red, white and blue star shaped cookies put the finishing touches on the great meals.

We had 40 people in attendance including members and guests, and six grant recipients and one scholarship winner and her mother. Grantees were able to provide information on their organization and speak one on one to the members, and after lunch each grantee spoke to the group and answered questions. June Schindler won the \$175 50-50 raffle. Geoff Davis, Dora Patrick, and Lisa Ford won the door prizes.

Donations for Oasis House

Oasis House of Dayton has served survivors of human trafficking for over 20 years and today operates a safe house where women can live for up to 2 years as they work on healing & transformation to good health & wellness.

To support this important work, DCWC members attending the Day of Recollection are asked to donate any of the following items:

- Non-bleach cleaning supplies
- Laundry detergent & dishwashing soap
- Sandwich, freezer storage bags, foil, plastic wrap
- Shampoo & conditioner for damaged hair
- Feminine hygiene products
- Small & large trash bags
- New bath, hand & wash towels
- New bras, underwear or socks (all sizes)
- Journals/Devotionals
- Copy paper

Financial donations are greatly appreciated. It costs approximately \$38/day to support a survivor as she journeys toward healing and restoration.

Attention Members – We Need Your Help!

The Dayton Catholic Women's Club is updating our membership roster to include email addresses. Please send us your current email address so we can keep our records up to date and ensure you receive important club information. Email your address to: dcwc1923@gmail.com Thank you for helping us stay connected!

PRAYER CORNER

As the Dayton Catholic Women's Club begins a new year and prepares for the Day of Recollection in October, allow this scripture verse to inspire reflection and renewal, a beautiful reminder of the importance of spiritual renewal and seeking a fresh start with a pure heart.



Our Mission:

To enrich the faith lives of
Catholic women of the Greater Miami Valley
through service to women, children & families.