

Diocese of Texas Daughters of the King – Fall Assembly 2022 Board Reports

PRESIDENT – TORY ARNOLD

It has been my honor to post a daily prayer, sending it to several different groups of people. It is what I believe that God has asked of me, and since He leads me every day, I will follow. I send letters of encouragement, hankies to those who mourn, prayer squares to those who need support, and knitted Blessings Blankets to some who need comfort. I listen for God's voice to guide me in these areas. It has been an honor to represent the Diocese of Texas DOK at funerals, installations, Diocesan Council, Province 7 Assembly and our Spring Assembly. I cook for our church's food ministry weekly, and help to deliver meals when needed.

- February 18-19 St Richard's Round Rock and St John's Austin cohosted a great Spring Assembly which 88 attended. It was a lovely campus, welcoming people and God was glorified. We had wonderful Speakers and workshops and you can see the videos on the dokdot.org website for more details.
- February 25-26 Sponsored a booth at the Diocesan Council, meeting and greeting people, talking about daughters
- February 28 Called for daily prayer for Ukraine at 7pm.
- February 28 Began my quest to find Speakers and workshop leaders for Fall 2022 Assembly
- March 4 To Beaumont to honor Sweet Martha who passed into glory after a battle she fought bravely.
- March 7 Registered for Triennial
- March 15 Covid
- March 25-27 San Antonio for Province & Assembly
- April 4 ZOOM meeting with Province 7 Membership committee
- April 14 We welcomed Eric Ray to the family 2 weeks early, bilirubin problems, readmitted to PICU...
- April 28 National calls for donations to offset cost of Triennial, board Votes to donate \$1200.00
- April29-May1 JDOK retreat at Camp Allen spend the time as chief dishwasher and nurse
- May 12 Had to cancel Triennial due to pressing need for foot surgery
- May 30 Attended Grace Church Alvin for the installation of four new members
- June 1 Started making calls to Bishop, Mother Lacy, Renate on how to approach the reunification of the DOT
- June 14 Foot surgery...the next 4 weeks are a blur.
- July 6 Received confirmation of St James LaGrange willing to host Spring 2023 Assembly
- July 8 Attended the funeral service for Irene Duncan at St Andrews, Pearland
- July 8 Received confirmation of churches to host Fall 2023 Assembly Pearland and Alvin
- July 21 ZOOM with Camp Allen and St Theresa chapter to set up 2022 Assembly
- July 25 Spoke with Cynthia Eichenberger Pres of the DOK of North Texas. Great lady, so happy to - have her on board!
- July 28 ZOOM Executive Board meeting
- August 1 Started working with the St Theresa Chapter at St Stephens Liberty
- August 20 Class in Liberty presented.
- August 22 more communication with Liberty

Between Kathy Akin and I we have spent at least 3 solid weeks of work on the scholarship program. It is very time consuming and we are looking at making changes there.

There are numerous tasks and activities that I have not mentioned; there are emails, questions, fires to put out and love to be shared. There is so much more to this position than most people are aware

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and I am grateful that you entrusted the DOKDOT to the care of me and my fabulous board. I am the President, but the Board does the huge amount of work all year long to ensure that your trust is well earned.

Joyfully, Tory

VICE-PRESIDENT – KAREN COURVILLE

Since Spring Assembly I have continued to forward emails to the Convocational Representatives for President Tory. Also, I send reminders to Convocational Representatives to contact Chapter Presidents about changes in their officers. I appreciate each one for their willingness to serve in such an important way. You are our lifeline in communications. Convocation Representatives are invaluable. **Welcome our newest Convocation Representative from Ft. Worth, Texas, Cynthia Eichenberger!**

Austin: Carol Winship	SE: Nancy Polmanter
Galveston: Teresa Antley	East Harris: Catherine Thompson
San Jacinto: Elisa Hall	NW (Waco): Carol Mellis
West Harris: Corinne Cooper	SW: Mary Bounds
Central: Nancy Leaton	North Region: Cynthia Eichenberger
NE: Linda Leath	

A request that Daughters volunteer to be a backup convocation representative so I may contact them whenever a position should be vacated. If you want to volunteer for this list, please email me at: casey@reagan.com you may give me a note here at Assembly.

Diocese of Texas Vice-President - Karen Courville

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MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY – NANCY POLMANTER

DOK Membership Report - August 15, 2022

SENIORS

Chapters	114
Members	2,040
At Large	95
Behind on Dues	267
Chapters with 0 Members	7
Chapters with 1 Member	8

JUNIORS

Chapters	18
Members	134
At Large	8
Behind on Dues	55
Chapters with 0 Members	4

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Polmanter, Membership Chair

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COMMUNICATIONS – WEBSITE – LINDA BLUMBERG

I've been updating our diocesan website – www.DOKDOT.org – to keep it up-to-date. At the Spring Assembly, the local church videotaped the speakers and that is available on our new YouTube page (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcIXnsiJAoowDKgbeaZ0vA>). There's a great amount of information on the website – check it out for ideas for future assemblies, meetings and spiritual enrichment ideas, reflections, past assembly sermons and presentations, website links and much more. Go check it out – <https://dokdot.org/>

If you have any events you would like to advertise such as Quiet Days or Retreats, send the information to Linda Blumberg (L.Blumberg@alumni.utexas.net) for the website or Teresa Antley (tantley01@comcast.net) for Facebook,

DAUGHTERS AT LARGE – PATSY ORGAN

My work with the Daughters at Large, has increased in my effort to find everyone a Chapter home. In the meantime, we have started our own Prayer Chain and attempting to having our own meetings at Assemblies. I have found it helpful to notify the DAL of all Quiet Days in our area, so that they might take advantage of this special service. And I am sending every Daughter at Large notification of each and every functions and information within our Order. I have just started working with our Hispanic Daughters to connect them to a Spanish Chapters and Parishes.

I have personally talked to some of the DTL that do not have email, but this is an ongoing effort. I am working to make all Daughters at large to feel a part of our Order and not overlooked.

Patsy Organ, Directress Daughters-At-Large

GLORY BOUND SINGERS – LINDA PATTERSON

The Glory Bound Singers had three opportunities to lead worship this Spring: in February for the Diocesan Assembly, in March for the Province VII Gathering, and in Baltimore in June for the Triennial. A group of 18 members provided music for the Triennial, with a leader only able to play the piano with one hand, due to wrist fractures earlier that week. Two GBS members who are priests, the Revs. Nan Doerr and Marcia Sadberry, provided instrumental accompaniments and covered for me during my ER visits. Another GBS member was hospitalized during the Triennial, but we persevered and we were told that our music blessed those in attendance.

In spite of publicizing that we are seeking new members, we have only had two new members join us. Now that COVID-19 restrictions are easing, we would like to continue to publicize the fact that all Daughters are welcome to join us for rehearsals and Assemblies! We are recruiting all vocal parts for our upcoming Assemblies, with the requirement only to be at our rehearsals in Bryan to learn the music. Mother/daughter pairs of Daughters, as well as Jr. Daughters are welcome. It will only be 2 years until the next Triennial meeting in 2024 in Louisville, KY, so our process of getting ready will begin again soon!

It was another tough year for the group, with many members suffering from medical challenges or serious illnesses of other family members. In spite of the challenges, they continue to be faithful to the Order and to each other! We are blessed to have Tory Arnold leading daily devotions for us on our GroupMe app.

We will continue to do our best to represent our Diocesan ministry this year, with God's help.

Respectfully submitted, Dr. Linda Patterson, Glory Bound Singers' Director

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JUNIOR DAUGHTERS OF THE KING – VICKI TERRELL and ADELLE MULLER-MCKINSTRY

ANNUAL JDOK RETREAT

January 13 – 15, 2023

Camp Allen, Campsite 3



Leadership Team:

- Retreat Directress – Adelle Muller-McKinstry & Vicki Terrell
- Retreat Registrar – Lissette Smead
- Retreat Chef – Paige Akard
- Camp Nurse – Tori Arnold

Registration:

- On-line August – September 30, 2022 - \$30 per girl
- October 1st – October 31, 2022 - \$40 per girl

Needs:

- Kitchen help
 - Unloading on Friday evening (starting at 3pm)
 - Shifts
 - Friday from 3 – 7 pm
 - Saturday 7am – 12pm
 - Saturday 11 am – 3 pm
 - Saturday 3 pm – 7 pm
 - Packing kitchen materials Sunday morning (starting at 10 am)

COMMUNICATION & TRAINING

GOOGLE GROUP/Facebook/Instagram

- All known directresses and involved adult leaders are invited
- Communicate information about the retreat & gatherings/luncheons/workshops
- Communicate activities & events of Junior Chapters

GOALS & GROWTH

- Increase support & networking for Directresses
- Focus on transitioning older JDOK (Transition Retreat February 2 – 5, 2023)

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SERVICE – LISA BORTNER

DOT DOK Possible Service Projects

Once again, I have tried to think of service projects that we could all do at the same time, but within our own communities.

Here's the three that I think have the most merit:

1. Loads of Love- Here's the idea: Coordinate with a local laundry mat in your community, and ask the owner if your chapter can come and wash people's clothes for free. Granted, your chapter would be responsible for providing the laundry detergent and dryer sheets and then paying for the laundry services, but for the patrons of the laundry mat, their clothes would be being washed at no cost to them. Whether or not this looks like putting money into the machines and simply blessing their day, or actually folding and drying their clothes is up to you and your chapter. How often you provide this service throughout the year would also be up to the chapter. The goal of this is to serve and love others. It's a simply way to bless others, because Jesus loves them.
2. Nursing Home Outreach-Choose a nursing home in your area to bless. Again, each chapter would decide how often to provide some type of activity for the nursing home. This could include calling a bingo game once a quarter or some other program. The major event would be erecting and decorating a Christmas tree and then singing Christmas carols with the residents. The idea is to engage with the residents rather than just providing gifts. This activity would need to be coordinated with the Activity Director at the nursing home.
3. Bags for Children in Foster Care-The idea is to create simple overnight bags or backpacks for foster care agencies to give to the kids they serve. Sometimes children in foster care situations have to be moved very suddenly into a different living situation. This can be jarring and unsettling. Also, these children sometimes only have a trash bag to carry their belongings. Providing simple drawstring backpacks or tote bags with a few comforting items can make a world of difference to a child in a stressful situation. Ask care agencies what items would be most useful, but the bag could include things like an encouraging card, a storybook, crayons, a coloring book, a small stuffed animal, toothbrush and toothpaste, a snack, and a flashlight. The chapter can pray over the bags as they are creating them and also pray for the recipients.

Lisa Bortner