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Catholic Ladies of Columbia Joins the Nationwide Family



For over 125 years, Catholic Ladies of Columbia (CLC) has stood for faith, fellowship, and financial protection. We're proud of this legacy and grateful for the trust you've placed in our Society.

Today, we're sharing important news about the future of your policy. CLC has entered into an agreement with Nationwide Life and Annuity Insurance Company (Nationwide) under which Nationwide will assume all existing CLC insurance policies. Effective June 22, 2026, your policy will be legally transferred to Nationwide.

This decision was made with one priority in mind: continuing to protect you and your family for the long-term. By joining the Nationwide family, you'll benefit from the stability, scale and resources of a nationally recognized, Fortune 100 company located here in Columbus, Ohio, with comprehensive customer support nationwide.

What This Means for You

While our corporate structure is changing, what matters most remains the same – your coverage and your peace of mind:

•Your policy coverage continues without interruption
Your life insurance policies, annuities and IRAs remain in force. There are no changes to your coverage, benefits, premiums or beneficiaries.

•Strong financial backing

Nationwide brings long-term financial strength and a broad range of insurance and financial products and services designed to help protect what matters most.

•Our Mission Continues

Although CLC will no longer operate as an insurance company, your councils will continue to serve their communities, ensuring that the fraternal spirit and charitable mission of CLC lives on.

What happens next

You do not need to take any action at this time. In May, you will receive a welcome letter from Nationwide with additional details and instructions, including updated member service contact information and resources available to you.

We're here to help

We understand you may have questions and invite you to review the attached Member FAQ page. You may also contact us at 800-845-0494 with any additional questions.

Thank you for your continued faith and membership.

The Board of Directors
Catholic Ladies of Columbia

Upper Sandusky Council and the KofC Help Keep The School Strong Through Pancakes And Baked Goods



CLC members Deb Mulholand, Mykenna Donnersbach, Cookie Davidson and KofC members Vincent Donnersbach and Jerry Davidson presented the proceeds from the Catholic Schools Week Pancake Breakfast and bake sale to Upper Sandusky St. Peter's 6th grade.

This World Needs Your Fraternal Spirit To Continue

For 125 years, this society has been more than a provider of protection; it has been a sanctuary for families. Today, as we prepare to say goodbye, we do so with hearts full of the shared history that has defined us since our founding. When our predecessors first gathered over a century ago, they did so with a simple, powerful belief: that we are stronger together. You are the living proof of that mission. You didn't just hold a policy; you held a place in our brotherhood and sisterhood. You stood with us through world wars, economic hardships, and the quiet, everyday moments of life, trusting us to guard the futures of your children and grandchildren.

While the doors of CLC are closing, the fraternal mission must not.

The spirit of mutual aid, the devotion to neighbor, and the commitment to shielding the vulnerable are not tied to a contract or a building—they live within you. We ask you now to carry that flame forward. Continue to look out for one another, to serve your communities with the same

heart you brought to this society, and to keep the bond of our fellowship alive in your daily lives.

It has been a great honor to be the stewards of your legacy. The values we cultivated together for twelve and a half decades are your true inheritance. Though our formal association ends, the impact of your kindness and loyalty will resonate for generations to come.

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your family story. We are eternally grateful for the trust you placed in us and for the lifetime of memories we leave behind.



FAQ

•What is happening to CLC?

- o All policies are transferring to Nationwide on June 22nd.
- o CLC the Fraternal will be going away after June 22nd.
*See “what about the councils”

•Why is this happening?

- o CLC has been looking for a partner for years for added security to our members’ policies.
- o CLC is doing this to protect our members’ policies and ensure their successful financial future.

•Will this change my policy?

- o Not at this time; your policy will remain in-force as it is.
- o If you are paying a premium, that premium will not change but rather only the mailing address and whom you make the check out to. If it is set up on ACH, it will continue to be taken out automatically BUT your statement will say Nationwide and not CLC on the transaction.
- o You will receive a policy endorsement for your records, documenting the legal details of the transfer of your coverage to Nationwide.
- o RMD’s scheduled monthly withdrawals and scheduled interest payments will not change from what they currently are.

•How do I know my money is safe?

- o By joining the Nationwide family, you’ll benefit from the stability, scale and resources of a nationally recognized, Fortune 100 company located here in Columbus, Ohio, with comprehensive customer support nationwide.

•What is the new mailing address, phone number and email?

- o The updated Nationwide mailing address, phone number and email will be sent to members in a welcome letter that will be mailed in May.

•How do I request funds from my policy?

- o Fund requests will occur in the same way as before. You will need to fill out paperwork and return it to the new Nationwide address/email.
- o Your policy has not changed so all withdrawals are still subject to contract provisions.

•Do I have the same agent?

- o If your current agent is licensed with Nationwide, you will be able to keep working with them.

- o If your current agent is not licensed with Nationwide, they have been given the option to become licensed with Nationwide. If they choose not to become licensed with Nationwide, or if you would like to switch agents, you will be able to work directly with another Nationwide agent.

•Who do I contact at Nationwide about my policy?

- o When you call the Nationwide provided phone number, you will be directed to the same staff you currently work with in the CLC Home Office. We are remaining on with Nationwide to support your policies.

•Is there a physical office I can come to?

- o Our Gahanna office will be closing on June 22nd.
- o You will need to work with a Nationwide agent or over the phone/electronically with staff.

•What if I am in the middle of a death claim/with drawal/transfer?

- o You will continue to work with Jacki on claims. The process will continue as it was and there will not be any delays in processing.

•How long will it take to get my money now?

- o Processing time will be the same or faster than it currently is.

•Can I purchase additional life insurance/investments?

- o If you would like to purchase additional products, you will be able to work directly with a Nationwide agent who will fit you will products that fit your current needs.

•Can I make additional deposits into my existing annuity/IRA?

- o Not at this time. you will be notified if this changes

•Is the scholarship(or any other fraternal benefit) still available?

- o The CLC scholarship (or any other fraternal benefit) is no longer available.

•What about the councils?

- o The Councils will remain active if they have their own EIN; they are separate entities from CLC home office.
- o Councils will no longer have the Parent company “Catholic Ladies of Columbia” since the parent company will no longer be in business.

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Fairy's Facts...

As we welcome the arrival of spring—a season synonymous with renewal and new beginnings—we are pleased to share an important update regarding the future of the Catholic Ladies of Columbia.

After 125 years of dedicated service to our members and communities, the CLC Board of Directors has made the strategic decision for our members to join Nationwide Life and Annuity Insurance Company. This choice was made with the utmost care and after navigating significant challenges, always with the primary goal of safeguarding your policies. By joining the Nationwide family, our members will benefit from the enhanced financial strength, stability, and security of a premier industry leader.

While the Board has had to make difficult decisions, we remain confident that this path best honors our commitment to you and your families. Please rest assured that on December 31, 2025, all liens were paid in full for active policyholders, ensuring that the full value of your policies will transfer to Nationwide. You will receive detailed information as this transition progresses.

This evolution allows our councils to continue their vital work. While fraternal organizations across the country face declining engagement—as reflected in our transition from 95 councils in 2017 to 17 active councils today—the spirit

of CLC remains vibrant. It has been a true privilege to attend your events, from Spring Flings to tailgates; the warmth and hospitality of our members, and famously, your incredible cooking, have always made these gatherings special.

We understand the challenges of maintaining council leadership and attendance. We encourage you to continue hosting meetings and activities, and to remain diligent with required filings. These efforts sustain the local support for our schools, churches, and neighborhoods that defines who we are.

Finally, we invite you to continue supporting the Ohio Scholarship Income Tax Credit, which provides critical aid to students attending private schools. For those interested, please consult your tax advisor or visit the Ohio Department of Taxation for more details.

As we look toward this new chapter, let us also keep those affected by global conflicts in our prayers. We are profoundly blessed to live in this country and to belong to such a dedicated community.

Thank you
FROM THE BOTTOM
OF OUR HEARTS