

The Catholic Women's League of Canada

Kingston Diocesan Council

Resolutions Standing Committee ~ September 27th, 2014

Mark 16:15

And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

At this present time I am asking you to bare with me as I write my first ever directive. In my old diocese we did two newsletter a year that went out to every member electronically, this was in place of directives.

On September 11th, I met with President Stephanie and Anne Madden as they handed me my resolution package, and learn of today's meeting report due. WOW 16 days to prepare and 8 of those days I am away at fast ball meetings, setting up fall conventions, and on course learning new techniques of grief therapy: creative practices for counselling the bereaved.

Talking to National past President Betty Anne Brown Davison two weeks ago at Wooler's CWL 75th anniversary, she congratulated me on my move into Kingston diocese. Betty said, "Don't expect it to be the same as your other diocese, but try to find the joy in your new diocese".

Easier said than done, as I am so home sick for Warkworth and my strong community where we lived for 28 years and raised our 3 daughters. I left my heart in Northumberland. A beautiful small community where we were strong in faith and value. It took the whole community to build a 3 bedroom hospice own and operated by the village.

Ladies I know in any CWL the resolution and legislation chairs are always the last to be filled if filled at all. This is my first time ever doing resolution as well. Not sure if is the word that scares us or the work we believe that is behind the word resolution.

A resolution is a lot like the small community I lived in, it takes a village to raise a child, it takes several women to make a resolution to work. If anyone is interested in helping with a resolution please speak to me or email me. If each person takes a little piece of the puzzle together we will finish with a master piece.

Thanks to Margie in her legislation report, Margie reported on all the new resolutions that past at National.

We have received two other suggestions and open to many more.

- 1) Canada Post ~ rural service, cut backs etc...

- 2) Texting ~ USA has several signs along the highway stating the mileage before the next TEXT stop area, is this possible for Canada?
- 3) **Feathers of HOPE**, Empowering First Nation Youth a 5 year plan.

Personally my passion is mental health and suicide awareness, reaching out to our high risk communities. I have 15 years of experience in Victim Services covering over 70 suicides and delivering death notifications, along with the 3 D's.

Looking forward to meeting you all, and please let me know what your passions are, and from your passions is there a hidden resolutions just waiting to be discovered.

Together we can MAKE a DIFFERENCE!

Respectfully submitted

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