DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT WINTER BOARD MEETING REPORT JANUARY 27, 2024

Greetings to all! I hope you are enjoying the January weather and staying warm. Time goes by so quickly, it will be Easter before we can blink, and the tulips and daffodils will be showing their lovely little heads in our flower beds!

The holidays flew by quickly and I know we were all very, very busy with social gatherings and family. I do not have much to report, except that your DCCW Nominating Committee is meeting online and will be searching for new officers for the 2024-2026 council years. There are openings for the office of First Vice President, President Elect; Second Vice-President; Secretary; and Treasurer. I know there are many qualified candidates in our membership who would be awesome to serve in any of these positions. You are just out there waiting to be asked!

Each Deanery has one woman as a representative on the nominating committee, as well as a member-at-large from DCCW. These reps will be contacting those members who meet the criteria to be eligible to serve in an office. If approached, please, please don't say "No way" immediately. Take a moment to think about serving, pray about it, and honestly consider a position on the board. It is fulfilling, gratifying, and rewarding. Our council needs to remain strong and vibrant. We do great things and we want to continue to move forward as the strong women we all know we are!!!

I want to put a "plug" in for our Province Meeting in February, to be held in Salt Lake City. Details will be presented by our own Jeanne Audiss, San Francisco Province Director. I was asked by Jeanne to chair the silent auction once again for the Province meeting. If you are interested in donating any item for this silent auction, please contact me. The funds help support Jeanne's monetary obligation to the Province. Thank you everyone. The Province Meeting is always amazing and Jeanne has another fabulous line-up of speakers this year. You won't be sorry if you decide to attend. It is well worth it!

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