Well, where has the time gone. It seems we just met in Roosevelt for our last board meeting. How can that be? Time flies by so quickly. It has been an absolutely beautiful Fall, I hope you all got to enjoy the awesome fall colors and weather. I certainly did, how wonderful is our Earthly home, created by our loving God, we are truly blessed. I hope you take the time to be grateful for what you have been blessed with, no matter how trivial you think it is, be thankful. As I write this report, I am reflecting on all the fabulous women of the DCCW who have blessed me with their support, mentorship, direction, and friendship. You are truly blessings in my life, thank-you!

Our Annual Pastoral Meeting with Bishop Solis for Oct. 18 was cancelled, but have it rescheduled for Nov. 3, one day prior to this meeting. I will report on Bishop Solis meeting with the board Saturday November 4. We are blessed to have Bishop Solis support us. He wrote a beautiful letter of support last year supporting CCW's throughout the Diocese. October is the Council Recognition month. Many of the Affiliate CCW's had special recognition events at their parishes. I hope you were able to attend these special events. Please remember to share your Parish events, retreats, fundraisers, with me so I can relay them for you, through either the website and/or via email to the board to spread your message. I know many of you are having Holiday boutiques, Advent Retreats, fund-raisers, or presentations. Let's spread the word. The more who know, the more who will come. Don't forget to let Marie Mischel (marie@icatholic.org) at the Intermountain Catholic know also, you may get some special coverage.

On October 25th I was invited by Annette Pressley (Wasatch Deanery President) to attend a meeting with the Wasatch Deanery priests. Annette, Jeanne Audiss, and I met with the Wasatch Deanery priests to promote CCW's and explain affiliations to NCCW and how it all works. I wish we would have had more priests present, but it was a good start. Share CCW with your priests, so many of them don't know what we are about.

Our 2024 Convention will follow the NCCW theme "Path of Renewed Encounter". We will have Yen Fasano, 2022 NCCW Speaker, who touched me with her retreat-like presentation. I'm excited to hear her presentation. We will have a new venue, Little America, please come and check out this beautiful convention center. The Convention hosts are working diligently to make this convention memorable. We hope to have a Spirit filled conference for you and look forward to seeing you there. Save the date April 27-28, 2024.

The DCCW Nominating Committee is actively looking for candidates to fill the 2024-2026 Executive board. Please consider running for one of the positions, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. It is very rewarding to serve such a great organization, plus you will get to meet so many wonderful ladies who become life-long friends. You will not regret serving in the DCCW Leadership, God is good and He directs all that happens according to His will. Share your gifts, everyone of you have wonderful gifts. Come join us. "Let go and let God".

The board won't be meeting again until January 2024, a lot happens between now and then. I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving, reflective Advent, Joyful Christmas, and a blessed New Year.



Humbly yours in Christ,

Barb Kerouac

DCCW President