

**DCCW PRESIDENT'S REPORT**  
**JANUARY 2022**  
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I hope this finds all of you healthy and ready to begin work on our next convention. Our DCCW meeting in November was productive and the updated convention guidelines were reviewed and approved. Thank you, Leadership Chair, Kirsten Mele and members of the guidelines committee, for a job well done.

We are all back in the “wonder” stage of the status of the pandemic, but plans are moving forward for the 93<sup>rd</sup> annual convention, scheduled to take place at the Sheraton Hotel in Salt Lake City on April 23-24, 2022. Our theme is “A Vision for the Future”, the theme from NCCW in 2021. Our keynote speaker will be Mr. Dan Misleh, founder of Catholic Climate Covenant. Mr. Misleh was a speaker at a past NCCW convention and also WUCWO (World Union of Catholic Women Organization). He was very informative and a great presenter. Since our January meeting will be conducted over ZOOM and not in person, the majority of the convention packets will not be printed and mailed. I will send convention packet information to you online, which falls in place with trying to save our environment. Thank you, everyone, for your cooperation. Affiliate presidents may still receive a hard copy to duplicate and distribute.

As you know, Past NCCW President, Past Province Director, Past DCCW President, (and on...), Bobbie Hunt, retired from the position of Director of Meetings and Woman of the Year Chair at the November meeting. Thank you, Bobbie, for your 29 years as chairwoman! A huge “thank you” to our new Director of Meetings Chair and Co-Chair, Becky Hicks and Marcie Downs, for saying yes when asked to serve. These ladies are communicating with people at the Sheraton Hotel, as well as our convention committee, for this next convention. We realize that many of you suggested changing hotels in 2022. However, those hotels that can accommodate our size of group are not available this year but will be considered for the coming years.

Thank you, too, to the Woman of the Year Chair, Lydia Farnell, and Co-Chair, Susan Nielsen, for accepting the positions when I called to ask for their help. I am so grateful for their acceptance and happy to have them in our DCCW leadership once again. I know they will do a beautiful job. The forms and information for Woman of the Year will be found in your online (or printed) copy of the convention packet.

I look forward to convention, although they are a great deal of work for everyone. Seems like we just did this, right?? You are always welcome to contact me by phone or online with any questions or comments. More details about convention will be found on our website and in the upcoming issue of the AWARE newsletter. Thank you everyone!