



# KDCCW President Report

Fall 2017

## Getting Started

I am very honored and humbled to join the ranks of many wonderful women as the new KDCCW President. I hope these next two years can be times of growth for us all. As our National Mission statement says we are women called to live lives of spirituality, leadership and service.

May all we do as individuals and as members of CCW show our love for others and our love for God.

If there are any suggestions, questions, or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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**But among you  
it will be  
different.  
Whoever wants  
to be a leader  
among you must  
be your servant.  
-Matthew 20:26**

## Why We Do What We Do

It's always a good idea to remember what our Mission and purpose is as an organization.

### ***Mission Statement***

The National Council of Catholic Women acts through its membership to support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service. NCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.

The Knoxville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women follows the mission statement of NCCW in structure and programs. Our goal is to continue the vision of our council sisters and promote the good works of the affiliations around this nation and throughout our world.

### ***Purpose***

- Develop the spiritual growth and leadership potential of Catholic women of the Knoxville Diocese.
- Motivate and assist Catholic women to act upon current issues in the Church and Society.
- Unite the Catholic women's organizations and individual Catholic women of the Knoxville Diocese.

***Let us keep these in mind throughout the year and at our CCW meetings and gatherings.***

### **Upcoming Dates**

#### **KDCCW Board Meeting**

- Saturday  
January 6, 2018  
9am-3pm  
*(Shea Room, Sacred Heart,  
Knoxville)*

#### **KDCCW Annual Convention**

- April 12-14, 2018  
Board Meeting on  
April 12<sup>th</sup> before  
opening Mass  
*(St. Stephen's Parish,  
Chattanooga)*

## Who's Who on the KDCCW Board

### Officers

President—Karen Vacaliuc  
 Vice President—Julie Bomar  
 Secretary—Gigi Chasey  
 Treasurer—Amelia Sweeney  
 Immediate Past President—Pat Ryan

### Commissions

Leadership—Cathy Hundley  
 Legislative—Lisa Morris  
 Service—Jan Byers  
 Spirituality—Sister John Catherine Kennedy, OP

### Committees

Corresponding Secretary—Lacey Metz  
 Directory updates—Mary Cooper  
 E-secretary—Aimee Place  
 Historian—Kathy Morin & Rosamaria Perez  
 Membership—Lynn Christ  
 Parliamentarian—Anne Wharton  
 Public Relations—Gisela Chaparro  
 Training—Debbie Donahoo & Susan Tribble  
 Web Mistress—Judy Collins

**2018 Convention Chair**—Arlene Webb

### Deanery Presidents

Chattanooga—Julie Bomar  
 Cumberland Mountain—Nikki Kapolka  
 Five Rivers—Michelle Ronsse  
 Smoky Mountain—Mary Wilson

Please welcome them and offer them any support you can!

*Have you remembered to send updates to Aimee Place and Mary Cooper? They need all the updates for Deanery and affiliate board changes. Please contact them ASAP!!*

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*Mary Cooper*

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## Goals and Challenges for 2017-2019

As I begin my term as president, I have some goals to share with you. Hopefully, many of you will help me attain these goals and we can accomplish them together.

**Membership goals**—my membership goal is for each active affiliate to add one NCCW member its roster each year. I think this is a very reachable goal. Just think to yourself who might be interested in your parish. Maybe it's even you!

**Affiliate goals**—my goal for each affiliate is for them to lead/recruit one new person to attend the KDCCW Convention each year. Another very reachable goal, don't you have a wonderful and spiritually fulfilling time at convention, don't you know someone who would love to come as well?

**Deanery goals**—my goal for the deaneries is to approach the parishes that are unaffiliated, that is those that don't have active CCW groups, and begin discussion with them. We are hoping to plant some seeds that might grow future affiliates.

I appreciate your support and prayer as we work together to reach these goals in the next couple years.

LEADERSHIP  
 IS ABOUT MAKING OTHERS  
 BETTER AS A  
 RESULT OF YOUR PRESENCE  
 AND MAKING SURE  
 THAT IMPACT LASTS IN YOUR  
 ABSENCE.

### Cathedral Donation

Many thanks to all the Deaneries who gave toward the KDCCW donation to the new cathedral. We purchased a cross and censer stand and have given it in memory of Msgr. Mankel, a big supporter of KDCCW over the years.