

**CCW GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING**  
**MSGR. MULLIGAN HALL**  
**APRIL 2, 2024**

Today the New Board was installed during a beautiful ceremony held in the Church at St. Brendan's. Father Tony did the honor of performing the installation of the follow New Board. As he installed each one, he asked of them who they chose as their Patron from the titles that the Blessed Mother carries.

President – Dorothy Taylor – Mary of Miracles

Co-Vice Presidents – Monica Myers – Mary Queen of Sorrows

Joyce Wojtowicz - Mary Queen of Peace

Co- Treasurers – Ann Goldbach – Our Lady of Knock

Liz Prence– Our Lady of Good Counsel

Recording Secretary – Kathy Guidi – Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Corresponding Secretary – Bonnie Brady – Our Lady Star of the Sea and Angel Gabriel

Membership – Kathy Plante – Mother Mary the Merciful and Compassionate

The installation of the New Board was followed by an end of the CCW Year Luncheon celebration and then the End of the year General Business Meeting.

Father Tony offered Grace before the delicious Luncheon portion of the meeting opened at 12:10 PM by Co-President Mary Pfiffner. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America followed.

The Business portion was called to order at 1:15 PM by Mary Pfiffner.

**RECORDING SECRETARY** – Jane Snyder asked for a motion to accept the Minutes of the March 5, 2024 General Business Meeting. First by Judy Horta and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kay McNaughton.

**TREASURER REPORT** – Peggy – See attached.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Carol Shea – As of the meeting there were 100 members. Although there were 5 guests at this meeting, officially, 4 signed up as new members bringing the total membership to 104. (The Youngest member was 8-week-old Baby David.)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RETREAT** – Alice reported that 50 had signed up for the Retreat while only 40 attended. Fr. Cipel was the moderator and it was held here at St. Brendan's. Linda Williams once again outdid herself with a spectacular breakfast plus a delicious coffee break assortment.

**FLOUR AND FLOWER SPRING BAKE SALE** – Jane reported that it was a tremendous success not only with the funds raised but with the CCW Members' participation in, baking, preparation set

up, and clean up. It takes a Village and this Village came through. Gross profit - \$3210.17 and Net \$2314.32. The plants were the highest cost as no store would give a discount. They were subsequently purchased from Walmart which had the best prices as well as the best selection. No plants were left over nor were there any baked goods remaining. As it turned out Officer Winter from the Clearwater Beach Police Dept. came by and the goodies that remained were given to her to share with her fellow officers.

**Vice President** - Loraine Tsarvaris gave an interesting as well as detailed recap of the CCW 2023 – 2024 Year. She began with the CCW's Mission Statement and how all the activities grew from there and each month's activities. Each event was supported by the members. The current Board has been in place for 4 years and is now stepping down. She thanked all for their dedication and service. Over the 4 years the CCW has raised \$95,000 that has been able to be distributed to the Charities that the Club supports. She thanked Anju Galer and Joanne Schickel for their very professional work in identifying and establishing who the Charities are.

Here is Loraine's summary of the year:

## **CCW - Notes for General Meeting - April 2, 2024 - year in review**

### **Introduction**

Here we are at the end of another CCW year. Can you imagine – where did the time go. First of all, I want to say that I have the honor of working with a dedicated and professional Board for the past several years. These women are dynamos and I have learned a lot from them.

More importantly, I would like to take a few minutes to focus on all the **wonderful work** that has been done during the past year by all **the members of CCW – and this should be celebrated.** So, this **CCW YEAR IN REVIEW – is about all of you.**

As I always mention, **you are a dynamic and formidable group of women and I feel that there is almost nothing that you couldn't do for our members and our community. So, let's start with the Mission Statement of CCW and keep it in mind when I review all that the CCW membership has done this past year.**

### **Mission Statement for CCW:**

**The mission of St. Brendan's Council of Catholic Women is to promote and enhance the spiritual welfare and fellowship of its members and to identify and support projects of pastoral concern and local outreach programs.**

### **2023**

As I briefly go through this list – I know I will miss a lot of names – so I apologize in advance. After our final meeting last April:

July - Peggy Boyer, our Treasurer, organized a **Summer Potluck** in July. 20 members attended.

October –our new year began:

#### **At the General Meeting - October**

1. **The current CCW Board started the second year of their second term.**
2. **Linda Williams, our Parliamentarian, and her team continued to prepare our wonderful lunches for the next CCW year.** Note – this is not the duty of the Parliamentarian! Thank you, Linda.
3. Due to the expert financial expertise of our **Treasurer, Peggy Boyer, CCW passed our financial Overview.** You should know **that Peggy is a former Federal Auditor.**
4. It was at this meeting that we started the request for **volunteer assistance** for so many ventures in the year ahead.
5. Our **co-chairs of Membership, Carol Shea and Carol deBliek**, updated us on membership numbers, collected and kept track of dues, and announced and welcomed new members. They do this every meeting. It was at this meeting that Carol deBliek announced that she was stepping down. **We thank you both for all your work and a special thank you to Carol de Bliek – you are the best!**
6. We also have **two Secretaries:** 1) **Our Recording Secretary – Jane Snyder-** who writes all the minutes for our Board Meetings and General Meetings; 2) Corresponding Secretary – (**Communicator in Chief**) **Debbie Dolak** who writes the CCW Newsletter

#### **November**

1. **We held our annual Mass of Remembrance that honors CCW's deceased members. Fr. Tim said the mass and gave a wonderful blessing before lunch.**  
The **Scroll at the alter in Church have the names of those who passed this past year and so many were involved in making this wonderful Mass happen.** RAISE HANDS
2. The Famous **"Flour and Flower" Bake Sale** was held under the leadership of **Jane Snyder**, our secretary, and her many dedicated volunteers. Due to the efforts of many, the event was a great success and generated **several thousand dollars** to be added to CCW's charitable contribution efforts. All those involved – raise hands.

#### **December**

1. In lieu of a regular meeting, we celebrated the season with our **Annual Christmas Luncheon** at the Island Way Grill. Under the leadership of our **co-president, Alice Jones and her extended team of volunteers (worthy of special mention were Kathy Guidi, Jane Snyder and Mike Dolak (St. Nick)**, the Christmas luncheon made a profit – although this is not a fund raiser. More money to be added to CCW's pastoral outreach and charitable contribution efforts. And oh – what fellowship! We will hold our 2024 Annual Christmas Luncheon at Island Way Grill again. All those involved with the Christmas Luncheon- raise hands.

2. **At the Christmas luncheon CCW's Outstanding Service Medal was awarded to Madonna Campion. Congratulations again Madonna.**

## **2024**

### **January**

1. **Our very own, Debbie Noble, gave a wonderful presentation on St. Brendan's Respect Life efforts. Members brought diapers for Kimberly Home.**
2. **The CCW Queen of Harts Card Party chaired by our co-president Mary Pfiffner. 40 people were in attendance, and we made a profit of over \$900.**
3. **Alice Jones, Joanne Persak and Mary Ellen Kilbane agreed to serve as the Nominating Committee in anticipation of replacing the entire Board, which, as you know, will be stepping down after this meeting.**

### **February**

1. Our speaker was: **Allison Dolan, President of the Clearwater Historical Museum, who gave us a wonderful overview of the history of Clearwater.**
2. **Co-Chairs Peggy Boyer, Mary Ellen Kilbane, Carol Shea and Debbie Noble and their many wonderful volunteers delivered an incredibly success Fashion Show at the Belleair Country Club. This is our leading fundraising event of the year and generated over \$19,000 to be added to CCW's charitable contribution and outreach efforts. RAISE HANDS Many thanks to everyone to all who attended to help to support all our efforts. This is our leading fundraising event.**
3. The Board hosted a successful **New Member Tea on February 15**. This is the **third year** that this has been done and it does make our new members feel welcome. The Tea was held at Linda William's community room at her condo; The Tea is the brainchild of Alice Jones.

### **March**

1. At our March meeting, we had our **John Tsavaris** speak on **The History of Tarpon Springs**.
2. **March 13 – CCW was hosted to a private viewing of the Clearwater Historical Museum by their President, Allison Dolan**
3. March 16-17 – **Another creative and successful Flower and Flour Sale** – under the creative leadership of **Jane Snyder** and her many volunteers – which raised several thousand dollars. All those involved – raise hands.

4. OUR Co President - **Alice Jones** – initiated, coordinated and organized the **CCW Prayer Breakfast and Retreat on March 22**. This was a wonderful opportunity for reflection and prayer. Monsgr. Cippel was moving and effective.

## **April**

**This meeting, we have reviewed the final list of charitable contributions for this year. The spreadsheet is on the table. Look at what your efforts have accomplished. You have raised \$26,700 “to support projects of pastoral concern and local outreach programs.” And – if you combine last year with this year – the total of over \$50,000!!! The past three years – close to \$75,000 and the past four years approximately \$95,000. Not only is this amazing, but your two co-chairs of the Charitable Gifts Committee: Anju Galer and Joanne Schickel have done as professional job for us as anyone running a Foundation. They have researched each charity, written a description of each for us, highlighted the Overall Star Rating from IRS Form 990 FYE, The Beacon Weight and Financial Metrics. Thank you, Anju and Joanne!!!!**

## **LAST BUT NOT LEAST:**

**We need to give our thanks to our Co -Presidents – Mary Pffner and Alice Jones. They touch every aspect of what CCW does. They plan and run every Board and General Meeting. They have been involved in all that was done this year – either directly or indirectly.**

**They dedicate countless hours, get their hands dirty, and worry about the membership -- you -- Is CCW fulfilling its role for the membership, the parish, the community.**

**Thanks to all of you, it has been a wonderful year.**

**And we welcome the new Board and wish them all good luck and success in the next two years. This is a wonderful group of women – you will do just fine.**

**CCW -Give yourselves a round of applause. You deserve it!!**

## **NEW BOARD:**

### **NEW BOARD MEMBERS---**

**President---Dorothy Taylor**

**Co-Vice Presidents---Monica Myers and Joyce Wojtowicz**

**Co-Treasurers---Liz Prence and Ann Goldbach**

**Corresponding Secretary---Bonnie Brady**

**Recording Secretary---Kathy Guidi**

**Membership---Kathy Plante**

Co-President Alice Jones thanked Loraine for the summary of events and proclaimed her as “Queen of the By-Laws and a Human File Cabinet of Information.”

Thank you to Linda Williams again for all her luncheons. She and Mary Pfiffner will be the luncheon coordinators for next year.

**Door Prizes** – each member picked a colored balloon and that balloon corresponded to a colored bag with a prize except for the black balloons.

**50/50** Thank you Madonna for selling the tickets - \$150 was won by Sandy Masolowski of which she gave half of it back.

Attendance – 47 plus 5 Guests

Adjourned at 1:40 PM

Respectfully submitted by Jane Snyder, Outgoing Recording Secretary