**Midwinter Executive Meeting**

**St. John Bosco, Edmonton**

**February 2, 2019**

**Past President’s Report**

Madam President:

Since our Diocesan Fall Meeting I have answered questions that were asked by the Diocesan President and other Diocesan Officers.

I attended an October **Parliamentarian Procedure Workshop** held in Red Deer at which presenter John Noonan made a “dry topic” interesting, lively and informative. The workshop followed the 11th revision of ***Roberts Rules of Order*** and there were excellent notes taken by Cathy Bouchard; copies of which are at my display table.

I began preparations for the 2019 Diocesan Elections. Cathy Bouchard and Gwen Elliott have agreed to sit on the Elections committee. The Elections Register was updated on January 1st which contains the names of all current and past executive members eligible for election, present officers (except past president) who have served a full term and any council presidents have served a full term. Officers and presidents remain eligible for three elections following the last term served. Responses from these letters will form the Eligibility List. President-Elect Mary Molloy has affirmed her willingness to assume the presidency for the upcoming term of 2019-2021. Those eligible have been recently sent a letter by post which I can also make available to you by email. Anyone who feels they are eligible and have not received their letter, please see me at one of the breaks or contact me by phone or email.

Being an election year, you will also be receiving election information from Provincial Council in the coming weeks.

You will find in the envelopes your council received today an information update sheet concerning the ***We Remember*** project that was introduced at Fall Meeting in 2017. Thank you to those councils who have completed their submissions and have forwarded them to me. Most appreciated are your collaboration and support of this project. I invite you to contact me with any questions you might have.

We are responsible for the history and archives of the council by maintaining the records, pictures, scrapbooks, and mementos of anniversaries and special occasions. It is important to make sure that the council's information is stored all together in a safe place and that the location is known. Photo albums need to have names and dates with the pictures to pass along to your successor.

If you have presented the Bellelle Guerin Award and/or Maple Leaf Service Pin in your council during the past year, please provide me with their names and some information about them so that their stories can be recorded and serve to inspire others. Thank you to the councils who have provided information….keep up the great work!

This concludes my report. Are there any questions?

Mary Hunt

Diocesan Past President