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Spring 2021 Bulletin

Announcements from the Transition Group

(Margie, Roz, Shirley, Mary)

Leadership Team and Transition Group Meeting

We met with the Leadership Team over Zoom on March 5 to review the service to CCA and delegations of each group at this unprecedented period in CCA's history. We will continue to meet together periodically, for the benefit of CCA.

CCA's 50th Anniversary Celebration Update

The CCA LT and TG have realized that the time to have a formal 50th Anniversary Celebration has passed, especially since we are unsure when we will be able to meet again in-person; however, there are some components of the celebration we hope to retain, including:

- A slide presentation to acknowledge the 50th anniversary and show pictures from the work that has been done on the anniversary, to be presented at an online meeting.
- An opportunity to remember the members who have died during these 50 years.
- Tape as many talks as possible to use in various ways, post on web site, etc.
- An opportunity to come to Baltimore to see the archives some afternoon whenever we are next at BonSecours

Stay tuned for more information!

Women at the Well Dialogues

The transition group met with Claire Sokol over zoom to review Session 6 and look ahead to Sessions 7 & 8 to discuss the approach going forward.

Reminder: Session 7 takes place April 27 1:30-3:30 ET, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Central, 10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

Association Formator

The transition group met with Claire over Zoom to brainstorm ongoing formation desires and opportunities for CCA. Claire will be in contact with the communities.

Shared Services Collaborative

Implementation of the Collaborative began in January with an assessment or "check up" of each monastery's administrative operations, conducted by BMT for the purposes of identifying needed services. Assessment results support communities' needs for services requested in three main categories: financial services; benefits management; and information technology. These are some of the services that will be available through the Collaborative in the initial implementation phase.

The Collaborative has also entered into a relationship with a professional archivist, whose services are available to the communities on a consulting basis. The archivist is in the process of drafting an Archival Processing Manual for CCA. When it is complete, we will be inviting interested sisters to review and provide feedback on the draft.

Contracts for the services to be offered are in process. Work is underway to define terms and establish rates for the proposed shared services; arranging informational meetings between SSC members and CBS representatives; and getting help on an ad hoc basis for those communities with immediate needs for service.

Sisterly Visits

The transition group met with Susan Weber and Judy Long over Zoom to brainstorm ideas and ways of moving forward. Stay tuned for more information.

Dream Weavers

Conversations have taken place with sisters who were active in the newer members gatherings. We are wondering if the time for DreamWeavers has passed. The goals of this program have been met, and there are no sisters who desire to take leadership of this program.

CCA Website

Sisters Shirley, Jeanne-Marie, Mary Fleig, Marita have been delegated to work as a team in the refreshing of CCA's Website. They are in the process of making updates to the website, and will soon meet with Christian Brothers to go through the discovery process to look at the website needs for the future.

Save the Date!

Your Transition Group invites you to a Zoom Meeting for all CCA members on May 10 at 1:30 p.m. ET, 12:30 p.m. Central Time, 10:30 a.m. Pacific Time. Please save the date. More information and agenda will follow.

Have a Blessed Holy Week and Easter!

Marjorie

Roz

Shirley

Mary