



The Catholic Women's League of Canada Alberta Mackenzie Provincial Council

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We Have Seen The Lord!

It has been a busy year for Alberta Mackenzie councils. All diocesan councils have reported their parishes are taking action on passed resolutions, the most predominant being;

- [*Building Relationships and Partnerships with Canada's Indigenous Peoples*](#)
 - Councils report action in the form of reaching out through various measures including *Catch the Fire* Workshops, personal invitation to aboriginal members of the community and bringing in speakers to help educate members on the issues.

Other resolutions that councils are taking action on are:

- *Criminalization of the Purchase of Sexual Services Action Plan*
- *Employment Insurance Benefits for Adoptive Mothers*
- *Employment Insurance Benefits for Cancer Patients and their Caregivers*
- *Human Trafficking*
- *Euthanasia*
- *Pornography*
- *Property Rights*

Councils report that action takes the form of writing letters, researching issues on the internet, and discussion with their various community leaders on how these issues can be overcome.

Members also report that *The Canadian League* magazine is a valuable source of information on the status of resolutions along with the national and local websites.

Catch The Fire! has sparked a few flames in our province and territory. Councils are reporting that these sessions are reminding members of the importance of resolutions and encourage members to become aware of issues affecting society and to begin to study these issues and take action on them.

Councils are also reporting that resolutions are a somewhat daunting task and there is a call for more training.

Some councils within Alberta Mackenzie are following up on the 2013 Provincial Convention Resolution on Lyme disease and the related funding and research occurring in the province. Efforts are underway to educate members on the disease and its impact on individuals.

Further work is being conducted by one council on the resolution not passed at 2013 National Convention regarding limiting the disclosure of the sex of the fetus.

At least two of our diocesan councils report that their members are currently working on a resolution for consideration at their convention in 2014.

I look forward to working with the councils over the next two years.

Respectfully submitted,

God Bless,

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