



President's Newsletter

February 2019

Women Welcoming Change

Women called to Holiness to sanctify the World for a Holistic Development

WUCWO's Priority for 2018-2022 chosen at General Assembly in Senegal, Oct 2018

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National Board Meeting some highlights: An important item of business at the first meeting of the year is to choose the At Home Appeal, National Mission Project and the Jubilee Fund recipients. What a difficult task you set us. Thank you for the thought and research that goes into your great nominations. The successful names are to the right. We were very pleased to appoint and welcome two new special officers. Many of us are saddened by the closing of branches across all dioceses. The Board workshopped ideas of how to invigorate and rejuvenate our members and branches. We are working on ideas to grow CWLANZ. These may include new ways of operating and promoting ourselves. Watch this space. The Board wants you all to be part of this conversation. *Susan*

AT HOME APPEAL 2019:
Tourette's Association of NZ
National Mission Project: Sisters of Nazareth, Tonga \$1500
St Theresa's Novitiate, Solomon Islands, \$375.50
St Theresa's Mission School in Samoa \$375.50
Jubilee Fund: de Paul House, Auckland \$419.53

New Board Appointments



National Social Issues Convener, Dawn Mullins from Auckland Diocese

I've worked in Social Services during my working life and as a volunteer advocate when asked by people for help. My mother was a member of CWL for many years which gave me an appreciation of the CWL function and activities. I am humbled to be appointed to this position and look forward to sharing a perspective on the pertinent issues as they may arise.



International Secretary, Colleen McMurchy from Auckland Diocese

Colleen McMurchy has been a CWL member almost continuously since leaving Papatoetoe Homemakers in 1976. Currently an Associate member she held various positions in the Maori CWL in Auckland from late 1980s until it disbanded in 2001. She has served several terms on the Auckland Diocesan Council returning late 2017 as Diocesan Secretary. Colleen was privileged to be a member of the NZ delegation to WUCWO in Mexico in 1991 and the Asia Pacific WUCWO Assembly in Canberra 1996. She was on the organising committee of the Asia Pacific WUCWO conference in Hamilton in 1993 and edited the Conference proceedings. Colleen comes from a background of Teacher Education and Maori Education. After retiring from University of

Auckland she trained tutors in Adult Literacy & Numeracy. She has been a JP for 34 years.

CWLANZ National Board January 2019 – From left to right header photo: (absent Kay Blackburn immediate past president) Kathy Bell national Treasurer, Susan Dickson national president, Jenny Muschamp national mission Secretary, Tricia Stevenson RSJ national board chaplain, Val Langley Christchurch diocesan president, Tui Pasco Dunedin, Zella McGirr national secretary, Christine Paterson Wellington arch diocesan president, Colleen McMurchy international secretary, Margaret Brownsey Hamilton diocesan president, Colleen Petricevich Auckland diocesan president, Pat O'Connor Palmerston North diocesan president, Dawn Mullins national social issues convener

At Home Appeal 2019



The Tourette's Association of NZ is the first and only charitable trust to provide support and information services for kiwi kids and adults

Don't know anything about Tourettes?

A programme on Tourettes is running Tuesday nights on Bravo Channel at 9.30pm. It is also available on "On Demand" through T V 3.

A fact sheet is available online at: www.Tourettes.org.nz

The Hamilton Diocesan Council has been successful in obtaining a Guest Speaker for their Diocesan Conference in Morrinsville, 23rd March. A mother and son duo who live

in the town.

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"We offer peer support for children, adults and parents of those with Tourette Syndrome"

WUCWO RESOLUTIONS



WUCWO is committed in this quadrennium 2018-2022, to work specifically, although without neglecting other needs existing in local areas, on our resolutions:

1. A healthy planet depends on all of us.
2. Let us take care of the family in difficult situations, especially its most vulnerable members
3. Let us eliminate discrimination and violence against women
4. Let us educate to respond to the call to holiness"

Growing the Membership Supporting Branches

The National Board is developing an Action Plan

- We are working on a *Rejuvenating Kit* for branches. This will be full of ideas on how to make our branches interesting and inviting. How to showcase the work we do
- Find out more about our founder, Margaret Fletcher, and promote her widely as an inspiring woman.
- Develop clean, modern, eye-catching promotional material. New logo? Also, promotional guides for branches to use.
- Continue to develop the website and encourage its use by diocesan councils, branches, members and the public.
- Write guidelines for branches to follow when they need help
- Continue to talk to our members on the best way forward



Thank you, last Board meeting for Tui from Dunedin and Val from Christchurch

CHCH members Zella, Tricia, Val, Jenny,



Hard at work



Executive Team – Kathy, Zella,