



ACWR: FIRST IMPRESSIONS

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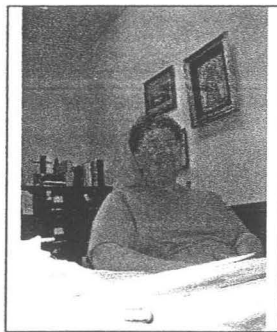
After my first-ever ACWR conference, I am still impressed not only at the quality of the sessions but also the friendliness of all the participants. For me, it felt like a combination of a family reunion and a professional development experience. Along with the formal presentations, there was a great deal of informal sharing which was invaluable. As another first-time participant said so well, "Whether you have been an Archivist for twenty years or two days, you can gain something. Everybody's here to help each other." It was also obvious that everybody had the same focus and commitment: to learn how to be more effective in our ministry of dealing with the "sacred trust" of our congregations. During our time in St. Louis, I was equally impressed with the excellent way the conference was organized, the comfortable pace of each day, the variety of topics presented and the expertise of each presenter. Then the tours on Saturday afternoon were an ideal way to have brief experiences of some St. Louis highlights. For me, visiting the "new" Cathedral for the fourth time was more special than previous visits because I had never spent time in the museum before.

While our group was in the Jesuit Archives talking to a Jesuit historian/author about Fr. Daniel Lord, several, people in the group spontaneously sang the Sodality song as heartily as they must have sung it 40-50 years ago. That was a special historical insight for me since I had never belonged to a Sodality. Seeing the new site of the OSU and RSCJ Archives was a wonderful finale to our group's tour. Most of us envied Frances Gimber, RSCJ, and Rosemary Meiman, OSU, their well planned workroom as well as all the other space they have in the former public library building. While I regretted having the conference end on Sunday noon, I have a feeling the informal sharing and networking will not end but will continue among members. I hope that the newsletter will follow up on our September 28 Q&A session since we can still learn more. Because of the excellent professional development provided at this year's conference, I am already looking forward to our ACWR conference in 2006!



Letter from the President

Dear Members of ACWR,



I am very pleased to serve as your President. My experience of the collaborative working style of the board during the past year gives me great confidence. We have different strengths and weaknesses; by working

together we make up for what is lacking in us individually. Collaboration among us enriches and strengthens us.

Many thanks to each and every one of you, hospitality committee members, speakers, participants, exhibitors, and planners, who made the 2003 Triennial Conference a success.

Thank you for the many positive remarks we received regarding the Triennial Conference.

During our December 4-7, 2003 board meeting, we will study your evaluations, and formulate plans to respond to your suggestions, requests, etc. Other topics presently on the board's agenda are:

- Executive Secretary/ACWR National Office
- New Election Committee
- Finance Report
- Communications from SAA
- Policy regarding stipends for speakers, etc.
- Evaluation of November 2003 Newsletter
- Plans for April 2004 Newsletter
- Preliminary plans for ACWR meeting at SAA during summer 2004
- Preliminary discussion of location of Conference 2006

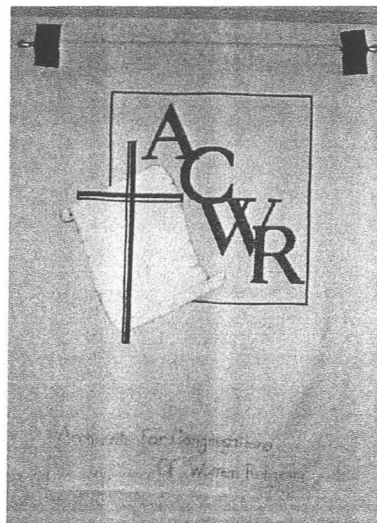
If you have a topic you believe the board should address, kindly put it in writing and send to lorarchives@kyol.net no later than December 1, 2003.

Enclosed in this newsletter are: the nomination ballot for Vice President/President-Elect, Board Secretary and a Directory Supplement #1. Please return the nomination ballot to the nomination/election committee by January 1, 2004. The update can be added to the Membership Directory you received.

One of the suggestions made at the Business Meeting was to reintroduce "How'd You Do That? ACWR Answers for the Active Archivist." In reviewing my files I found that "How'd You Do That" was a single sheet filled on both-sides with information. Sometimes the entire publication was devoted to one topic, sometimes to several topics depending on the amount of information being shared. "How'd You Do That" was published in December and June. If you have a question you'd like answered, or if you have information you'd like to share, please let me know by Dec. 1, 2003 at the above email address. Perhaps we could have our first publication in December or early January.

I wish you a blessed Advent and a joyful, peace-filled Christmas.

Sincerely,
Kate Misbauer SL
President, ACWR



ACWR Budget Summary
 July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003

Pictures from the Triennial Conference

INCOME

Membership Dues	\$ 9,420
Donations	595
Miscellaneous	15
Interest Income	<u>2,679</u>
<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>	\$12,709

EXPENSES

Board

Meetings	\$ 854
Travel	2,032
Mailing/Postage	176
Other Expenses	<u>115</u>
<i>Total Board</i>	\$ 3,177

Executive Secretary \$ 0

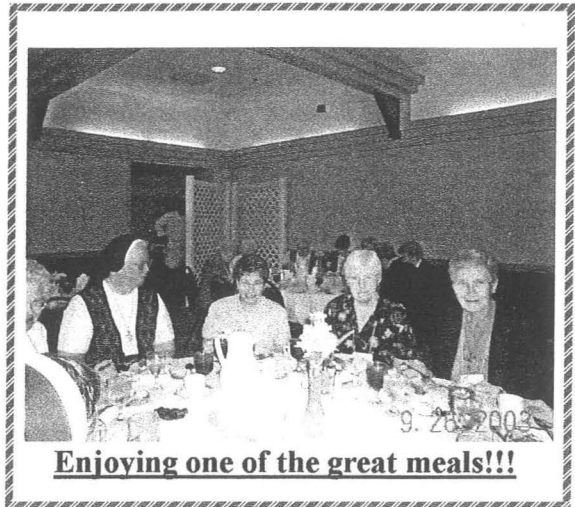
Office Expenses

Newsletter-2 issues	\$ 1,101
Other Printing	171
Postage	331
Internet/Website	290
Election Expenses	130
Other Expenses	<u>9</u>
Total Office	\$ 2,032

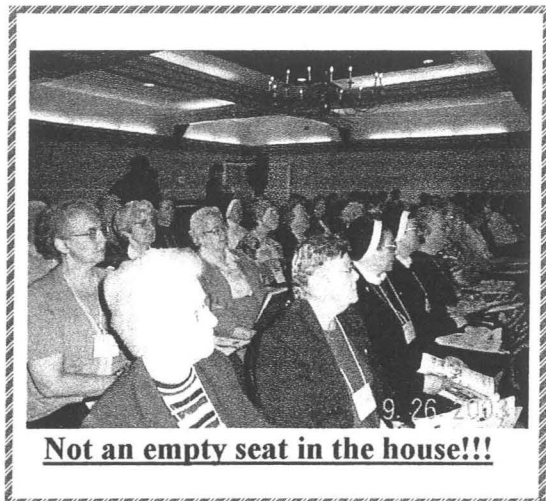
SAA Conference Speaker \$ 50

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 5,259

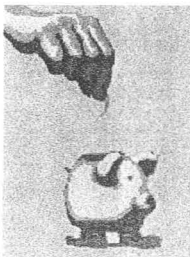
BALANCE \$ 7,450



Enjoying one of the great meals!!!



Not an empty seat in the house!!!



ACWR NEW MEMBERS

Esther Aherne, OP, Tacoma, WA
Marie Rene Azar, SSJ, St. Augustine, FL
Katherine Baker, CSJ, Hartford, CT
Ann Jerome Bisek, SSND, Rome, Italy
Dorothy Booms, OP, Adrian, MI
Patricia Brandmeir, SNJM, Spokane, WA
Florence Brandt, OSF, Pittsburgh, PA
Louisa Brost, OSU, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada
Norma Bryant, SSJ, Watertown, NY
Barbara Carroll, SNJM, Los Gatos, CA
Mary Charlotte Chandler, RSCJ, Chicago, IL
Rosemary Cina, OP, St. Catharine, KY
Pilar Dalmau, ACJ Atlanta, GA
Lorraine Delisle, SC, Mount Saint Joseph, OH
Judith Dolloff, RSM, Nashua, NH
Mary Elizabeth, CHS, New York, NY
Loretto T. Felici, CSFN, Philadelphia, PA
Celine Fitzgerald, RSM, Buffalo, NY
Darlene Fulgenzi, OSU, Springfield, IL
Sharon Gallagher, RSM, Dallas, PA
Catherine Garry, MSC, New York, NY
Margaret Golub, OSU, Floral Park, NY
Joan Goulden, CSJ, Honolulu, HI
Carol Marie Haag, SDS, Milwaukee, WI
Bernice Marie Hollenhorst, CSC, Notre Dame, IN
Agnes Hoormann, RSCJ, St. Charles, MO
Mary Louise Hynd, OSF, West Peoria, IL
Selin James, Emmitsburg, MD
Francis Assisi Kennedy, OSF, Oldenburg, IN
Mary David Krasowski, CSSF, Coraopolis, PA
Germaine Lauzon, O.CARM, New Orleans, LA
Heather Lawton, Great Falls, MT

Mary Alice LeBlanc, CSJ, New Orleans, LA
Sheila Lemieux, CSJP, Washington, DC
Bert Lieux, CSJ, Cincinnati, OH
Marion McCarthy, RSM, Bermondsey London, England
Elizabeth McGoldrick, SSL, Woodland Hills, CA
Barbara Moran, RSM, Burlingame, CA
Bridget Nolan, OSU, Canfield, OH
Kathleen O'Brien, rc, Ronkonkoma, NY
Ellen Pierce, Maryknoll, NY
Philippa Provenzano, MSC, Philadelphia, PA
Suzanne Rodriguez, SSJ, Buffalo, NY
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Maura Therese Schwarting, CK, Lincoln, Nebraska
Barbara Sellers, SCL, Leavenworth, KS
Rachel Shepard, SSS, San Francisco, CA
Magdalen, Stengler, OSU, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada
Carole Strawn, SNJM, Marylhurst, OR
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