

Past President

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As I am reading Evelyn's past presidents communique from 2018, I realize that not much has changed, she reported of a difficult summer with prolonged intense heat, drought, fires, evacuations and smoke-filled days. This year seems like a repeat of 2018, but there was a change, we had to deal with the Covid pandemic, and are still dealing with it, although life seems slowly to become normal again.

Welcome to our new past presidents Debbie and Christa who recently completed their productive terms as presidents of Nelson and Victoria dioceses, and welcome back to experienced past presidents Sylvia D., Diane, and Barbara. Carol is still holding the fort as past president in Whitehorse; I think we have to pray a little harder for their council to have a new president so Carol can finally become a past president.

The Executive Handbook states: "The passing on of history and tradition gives members a sense of pride and importance in belonging to the League." It also outlines the duties of the past president, to serve the council in a consultative capacity, being responsible for the archives and history of the council.

I would like to focus on the study and implementation of the Constitution & Bylaws, as presented in Anne Gorman's communique. She advises to begin slowly and start with page 23 (Part XII Section 7: Past President).

I will attach the Handbook for Past Presidents, a very good guideline for archives, giving good information to the everlasting question of what to keep and what to discard.

I am looking forward to the next two years to journey with you. May Our Lady of Good Counsel guide us in all our decisions.

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