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OUR PURPOSE

- *To unite women in a fellowship of worship, study, and offering which will deepen and strengthen their own spiritual lives, and lead them into Christian service in parish, community, diocese, nation, and world.*
- *To work for and sustain an informed interest in the mission of the Church.*



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Holten Canadian War Cemetery in the Netherlands. Photo: Wikimedia Commons

We remember

On Remembrance Day, we honour and remember the sacrifices of the more than 118,000 Canadians and Newfoundlanders who, since Confederation, have given their lives serving in uniform — including in the First and Second World Wars, the Korean War, Peacekeeping duties around the world and the Afghanistan War.

Remembrance Day, on Nov. 11, is a day of national commemoration for the more than 118,000 Canadians who have died in military service and the many more who survived and continue to serve.

The annual day of commemoration for Canada's war dead began after the First World War.

It was first observed as Armistice Day, in 1919. "Armistice" means the formal stopping of a war, like the end of the fighting of the First World War at 11 a.m. on 11 November 1918.

For over 10 years, Armistice Day was the first Monday in November. In 1931, the name was changed to Remembrance Day, and the date of observance was fixed to November 11.
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RENEWAL OF VOWS



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Past diocesan ACW president Rosemarie Kingston was accompanied by her only two grandchildren who walked her down the aisle on a very special occasion. She and her husband, Darryl, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 25 and renewed their vows in front of a few family members and friends. In lieu of gifts, donations were made to Bishop McAllister College in Uganda.

Book of Remembrance - Roll of Honour -

Please notify Linda Collins LeBans and your Deanery representative with the names of those who should be entered into the Book of Remembrance. If you would like to put a member on the Roll of Honour, please contact Linda at 506-454-2649; email: lclebans@gmail.com or 55 Woodfield Crescent, Fredericton, N.B. E3B 2N2



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National ACW meets in Corner Brook, NL

BY ROSEMARIE KINGSTON

After three years of not meeting face-to-face, the National ACW was finally able to meet this year in Corner Brook, NL. Friday. On Sept. 30 we held our business meeting.

This was also Truth and Reconciliation Day, so the room was filled with a wave of the colour orange to honour this day.

While not pictured, David Lehmann from the Council of the North spoke of how 85 per cent of Anglicans need the help of the C of the N. Many of the clergy have to take a second job as there is no parish money for clergy. Many parishes have no church to worship in. Many of the retired clergy have no pension or health plan.

PHOTOS:

Top - Dr. Scott Brubacher from the Anglican Foundation of Canada spoke of the many projects the foundation is working on, including the "Say Yes! to Kids" project.

Middle - Janice Biehn, from PWRDF, is on the many projects the fund supervises. Our national meeting took place a week after Hurricane Fiona had caused much damage, including lost homes.

PWRDF had already sent up a relief fund for those affected by the hurricane. The Thursday evening service at the cathedral had an offering of over \$700.

The National ACW voted this offering be given to the hurricane relief fund.



Bottom - A group of local indigenous women sang a few songs to us in their first language. One was

a lullaby which calmed us ladies almost to sleep.

ACW Quiet Day held in Fredericton

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Anglican Church Women, 26 in all, gathered at St. Margaret's church in Fredericton for Quiet Day on Sept. 7.

Quiet Day is an annual gathering, though it hasn't been held since 2019. The day is a chance to meet, worship, pray, chat, share lunch and have some fun together without the time constraints of the annual meeting. However, the title is a bit inaccurate, as ACW members are quick to describe the event as "anything but quiet."

Members attended from Blackville, Newcastle, Bay du Vin, Stanley, Riverview, Oromocto, Sussex, Woodstock and Fredericton.

Peggy Boucher, vice-president of the diocesan ACW, organized the day with help from Nancy Wiggins, Georgina Terry, Wendy Chase, Melissa O'Neill, Cathy Lutes, Carolyn Pellow and Claire Mullen.

This year, the Rev. Rob Langmaid led the service and gave a short homily. He noted the day's theme, "Together Again In Prayer."

He told those gathered that praying on Zoom for two years was not the same as coming together in corporate prayer.

"I'm glad to see so many here today, to worship, pray and fellowship together," he said. "We are not meant to live this life of prayer on our own.

"Even if we go into another full lockdown, I encourage you to find another person to pray with."

Peggy led a craft where members made a keychain or bracelet, using coloured beads that corresponded to the ACW prayer.

After a hearty lunch of sandwiches, homemade chicken soup, salad, lasagna, apple crumble, cookies, and squares, Ann Deveau



Organizers of the ACW Quiet Day included Melissa O'Neill and Peggy Boucher, pictured above in the front pew.

At right, the dessert table was full of delicious delights.



MCKNIGHT PHOTOS

gave a presentation on Christ Church Cathedral's Monday morning outreach.

The program began with then Dean Bill Hockin, who got plenty of knocks on his deanery door from people asking for money. He would give them \$5, which then became a \$5 gift card.

Then the committee started the Monday outreach to help draw people there rather than to the deanery. It began with a bowl of apples and a pot of coffee.

Before the pandemic, the group organized and hosted a drop-in on Monday mornings that offered food, nursing care, bible study and fellowship for those in need. Once a month, they drew a bigger crowd by

giving out \$10 gift cards to local supermarkets or \$10 bus vouchers.

Since the pandemic, their outreach event takes place the last Monday of the month, and includes the \$10 vouchers and gift cards. About 45 people show up for the highly-sought-after cards and vouchers, plus baked treats, fruit, toiletries and more. It's not a lot, but it's a help to those who come, said Ann.

"For the Monday morning outreach, we open our hearts to people in need," she said. "Some we see once and never again, and some we see over and over. There were a lot of new people during COVID."

Ann described their guests as

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ABOVE: Susan Black (Christ Church Cathedral), Jean Essensa (St. Mary's York) and Nancy Robinson (Woodstock) show off their newly made bracelets. Top centre: Ann Deveau speaks during the afternoon session.



ABOVE: Layreader Nancy Wiggins leads, with the Rev. Rob Landmaid in the background.



Left: Joy Knox, Lydia Janes (both Parish of Sussex) and Donna Mulholland (Parish of Oromocto and Maugerville) work on their bracelets and keychains.

ACW Quiet Day, continued

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having a variety of background: some from shelters, some with kids, and seniors.

“The common denominator is they’re poor,” she said, adding some have illnesses and addictions, or a lack of education, while others are just lonely.

Over the years, the group has lost a lot of their guests to cancer, suicide and even murder.

“When you see people panhan-

dling, or living in a tent, and they look a little sad, know that they have a story. They have a name.”

Members have visited their guests in hospital, accompanied them to court, driven them to medical appointments and the food bank and helped them find furniture.

“You can’t fix them. You can’t save them,” said Ann. “Our goal is just to make their day a little bit brighter.”

Ann told the group that scripture is the inspiration for what they do:

Hebrews 13:2 - *Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.*

The outreach committee has some help with its efforts. The generous congregation of the Cathedral, members of the New Maryland United Church, and St. Margaret’s are all involved in providing volunteers, cash and/or food.

The day ended with Peggy reading an article about aging.



Reminders from Launching Out

- The deadline for submissions is always the 22nd of the month before publication: Aug. 22 for September; Oct. 22 for November; Jan. 22 for February and March 22 for April.
- Launching Out needs your news! Please consider sharing your news so it can be included in the next publication of Launching Out. Don't hide it under a bushel — let it shine! Send to: gmcknight@diofton.ca

Back in the garden *Farraline Place holds first garden party in three years*

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Not too hot, not too sunny: the 24 degree weather was perfect for the 2022 Farraline Place garden party held Aug. 11 on the home's grounds.

This is the first garden party, normally an annual summer event, since 2019, and the enthusiasm showed. Residents of the ACW-affiliated seniors' home, their families, board members, ACW members and others gathered to celebrate the 100th birthday of Farraline Place.

A roaring twenties theme saw music of the era played, and ladies wore feathers in their hair. The menu was eclectic: orange ice cream floats and punch, quiche, chicken wings, pigs in a blanket, sandwiches, lemon squares and a cake to celebrate the home's birthday.

Archbishop David Edwards brought greetings from the diocese, noting the black and gold table décor matched the colours of his favourite football team, the Wolverhampton Wolves. During the afternoon, he made a point of visiting every table to chat.

Home administrator Judy O'Donnell welcomed everyone back after the three-year break. She thanked residents, ACW members and board members for their concern and prayers during her medical leave.

Peggy Boucher, representing the ACW as its vice-president, brought greetings from her group. Darline Cogswell, president of the board, spoke, saying, "I'm so happy Judy was able to plan this party."

The Calithumpians, a theatre troupe based in Fredericton, entertained with 11 members singing



MCKNIGHT PHOTOS

Top: Farraline Place administrator Judy O'Donnell, left, surveys the crowd at the annual garden party. Above left: Members of the Calithumpians theatre troupe entertain. Above right: Marlene and the Rev. David Mercer share a table with Doreen Smith, a long-time Farraline Place supporter.

and playing a variety of instruments: keyboard, trumpet, ukulele, cajon and several guitars. They performed songs from this year's skits, plus ones from previous years, all relating to New Brunswick events and people.

One song, to the tune of Old Time Rock and Roll, extolled the virtues of Fredericton City Hall and its efforts to escape the wrecking ball 50 years ago.

"Lately I can't drive my car," sung to a Beatles tune, promoted staying local in the midst of rising fuel prices.

"I think it went well, considering

this is the first one [in three years]," said Judy. "It's good to see people enjoying life again. The Calithumpians were wonderful. The residents loved them.

"I want to especially thank everyone for supporting the home, especially the ACW members."

Each resident receives birthday cards from ACW branches, something they appreciate, said Judy.

Information on Farraline Place and any vacancies is available by contacting Judy at the home (506-455-6443) or by visiting their website: www.farralineplace.com/



Wow! I never imagined all that would be taking

place as your new president.

I guess I will blame it on COVID!

I figured I would have a couple of years to learn about procedures and expectations; but with no in-person meetings, this did not happen, and I feel a little overwhelmed.

But I also know that I have a great committee and they will be helping tremendously to get everything up to snuff.

A huge highlight so far of my presidency was being able to at-

tend the National ACW meetings held in Newfoundland.

It was extremely uplifting and such a joy to be surrounded by so many wonderful people.

I look forward to meeting in-person and facing our challenges head on.

I have been praying a lot for guidance, and I am sure my prayers will be answered.

Continue to stay safe and walk humbly with your God!

Shediac deanery meets in Moncton

The 63rd annual Shediac Deanery Meeting was held Oct. 12 at St. James Church, Moncton. The theme was the Power of Prayer.

There were 36 members present, including new diocesan president Jill Stewart. It was noted that there has been quite a decline in numbers since the pandemic.

The guest speaker, the Rev. Wendy Amos-Binks, spoke on prayer, describing the use of stones in the early years for counting prayers. This technique has evolved over the years to what we use today (prayer beads). These beads are used in many denominations, although may take on a slightly different style.

The ladies from St. James Church prepared a lovely lunch for participants.

There were five clerics in attendance. Archdeacon Brent Ham offered the homily, and the Rev. Chris Hayes officiated the Service of Holy Eucharist.

The next annual meeting will be held at St. John the Baptist, Riverview, on Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2023.



The new Shediac Deanery executive for the coming year, along with outgoing executive. From left: diocesan president Jill Stewart, president Janice MacKay (St. John the Baptist), secretary the Rev. Barbara Haire (St. Mary's, Hillsborough), past treasurer Janet Metzler (St. John the Baptist), past secretary Mary DeLong (St. Ann's, Westcock), past president Inez Estabrooks (St. Paul's, Sackville). Missing from the photo, treasurer Marge Hanson (St. John the Baptist).

The new officers are deanery president Janice MacKay, secretary the Rev Barbara Haire, and treasurer Marge Hanson.

St. Ann's, Westcock, was scheduled to host the Annual Meeting in 2020, with assistance from St. Paul's, Sackville. But due to the pandem-

ic, the meeting was hosted by St. James Church, Moncton. The last Shediac ACW Annual Meeting was held Oct. 2, 2019, at St. Andrew's Church, Petitcodiac, hosted jointly by St. Andrew's & St. John's ACW Salisbury. *Submitted by Mary DeLong, St. Ann's, Westcock, N.B.*

Deanery of Woodstock ACW meets, 20 in attendance

BY JEAN COLLICOTT

On Oct. 18 members of the ACW in the Woodstock Deanery met for their first official meeting since 2019. The meeting was held at St. Luke's Church in Woodstock.

Members from St. Luke's in Woodstock and the Church of the Good Shepherd in Florenceville-Bristol attended. Including guests, 20 people spent a pleasant and productive day together. It was a pleasure to have Peggy Boucher and Cathy Lutes from the Diocese Executive attend our gathering.

The day began at 10 a.m. with an opportunity for socializing during registration time. The Florenceville branch provided coffee, tea, muffins, cheese and fruit. A special thank you goes to the ladies for the wonderful spread.

At 11 a.m. the Rev. Harold Boomer led the Holy Communion service, supported by the Rev. Bob LeBlanc's musical talents. ACW ladies took part by reading the lessons, Psalm and a litany for women. The names of the deceased members for the past year were read and flowers were placed in the church in their memory.

At noon a lunch was provided by St. Luke's ACW, assisted by ladies from the church Guild. A special thank you to Guild members who did a wonderful job with the lunch preparation.

In the afternoon there was a business meeting. Voting on the use of money and the election of new officers were the prime aims.

In the area of money, the group voted to give our collection of \$185 to the Red Cross for help with Hurricane Fiona. The registration money (\$85) was given to Camp Brookwood.

The results of our election of officers for the year saw Nancy



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: The Rev. Harold Boomer and the Rev. Bob LeBlanc; Nancy Robinson leading the activity - Praying in Colour; Enjoying lunch; Memorial flowers



Robinson elected as president and Dorine Dennique as secretary/treasurer. A thank you goes to them for their willingness to serve.

The final section of the meeting was a presentation by Nancy Robinson entitled "Praying in Color. It was very well received and provided us

with a structure to help us pray.

It was wonderful to be together again. If all goes well, next fall the deanery meeting will be hosted by the ACW of the Church of the Good Shepherd in Florenceville-Bristol, in the Parish of Wicklow, Wilmot, Peel and Aberdeen.



Be a helper

... They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks, nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid. (Micah 4:3b-4a)

It's been over 75 years, and Europe is at war again. Who saw that coming?

It's hard to imagine — 75 years of Armistice ceremonies, poppy campaigns, and prayers of thanksgiving for sacrifices made.

Of course, the world is never at peace. We know this. Syria, Iraq,

Iran, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Somalia — the list goes on.

It's discouraging. There are more refugees in the world than ever before. It would be easy to just throw up our hands and lament, "Why Lord?"

Or, instead of being overwhelmed by the enormity of it all and giving up, we can, one at a time, bit by bit, do something practical.

When I was on vacation in August, visiting my family in the Eastern Townships of Quebec, I learned of a local family, friends of mine, who decided to do just that.

A farmer inherited a house. It's on a country road, and needed a lot of work. Instead of letting it sit empty and neglected, he decided to put it to good use. He, along with family and neighbours, got busy fixing it up so that it could be livable again.

He contacted the Canadian Red Cross and set the wheels in motion to invite a family of Ukrainian refugees to live there.

When local volunteer groups found out about it, fundraisers were organized, and they ended up with more than they needed. The family is settled in now, and in the process of integrating into the area.

The optimism and sense of accomplishment that resulted from this generosity lifted the spirits of the entire community.

People didn't feel so helpless anymore. They saw that they really could do something practical and tangible.

The sense of being overwhelmed by the suffering of the world was diminished just a little, and offered hope and incentive to

do more of the same.

Mr. Rogers famously advised, that when feeling overwhelmed by the suffering of the world, we should "look for the helpers."

When the cares of the world seem impossible to face, the best thing we can do, besides pray, is find a way to be a "helper."

It was much harder during COVID restrictions, but with things easing up now, there are opportunities galore.

Nursing homes are welcoming volunteers again. Hungry school children need to be fed, the homeless need to be housed.

We may not be able to stop Vladimir Putin from bombing innocent civilians in Ukraine, but we can feed and shelter those right here on our own doorsteps. That's what the Kingdom of God looks like.

We're all helpers, conscripted into God's service, and there are no exemptions. Every single one of us can do something, no matter how small.

The simplest gesture or act of kindness is kingdom work. We aren't helpless, we are helpers! My goal is to pay attention. I'm sure God will give me plenty of opportunities to be a helper if I'm willing and available.

How do I counter-attack against the terrors of the world? Don't just sit there - do something!

And how do I honour the fallen on Remembrance Day? By doing my best trying to make the world a better place, as they did.

Blessings,
Eva

Kingston & the Kennebecasis Deanery ACW meeting held

The 66th Annual Meeting of the Kingston and the Kennebecasis Deanery ACW was held on Thursday, Sept. 15 at Trinity Anglican Church, Parish of Kingston.

Registration and fellowship began at 9 a.m. at the Parish Hall. Annual dues and "Change for Paul" were collected. Refreshments were served by the host ACW and were enjoyed by members.

A service was held in Trinity church led by the Rev. Douglas Painter. The sermon's theme was "Ac-

tion is the Hallmark of Christianity"

A lovely lunch was enjoyed by everyone.

Guest speaker was the Rev. Steven Scribner who spoke on his Camino pilgrimage in France and Spain. They walked 800 km over 37 days. The talk was very interesting and informative.

Jean MacDonald conducted the memorial service for 28 departed ladies. The 23rd Psalm was repeated by all those present. A white carnation was placed in a vase for each departed lady.

Collection for Sept. 15 was \$100 and was given to Kingston outreach programs.

Discussion centred on the future of the Kingston/Kennebecasis Deanery as there are only six ACWs left.

It was decided that a four-member committee would be formed consisting of one member from the church

of Ascension – Apohaqui; Grace Smith will stay on; Diane Todd will be secretary/treasurer; and one member from Trinity Church, Sussex.

The 2023 Deanery meeting will be held on the third Thursday in September — Sept. 21. The meeting will be hosted by Church of Ascension, Apohaqui and Trinity Church Sussex.

The Courtesy Committee thanked the Parish of Kingston for hosting the meeting, the Rev. Painter for leading the service, the organist, Deacon Sharon Arbeau, the readers, Steven Scribner, Jean MacDonald for the memorial service, and the committee for all their work.

Deacon Sharon Arbeau closed the meeting with a prayer.

Submitted by Paula Adams.

ACW Treasurer's Report

BY CATHY LUTES

This fall has brought about the joy of gathering together again in our Deanery annual meetings and at the Quiet Day held at St. Margaret's in September.

Everyone who has attended these meeting has been so happy and relieved to finally meet long-time friends again.

These events have put that fire under our own branch members at St. Margaret's to start up our meetings again and plan for various events for the future months.

Talking to other branch members around the province, I have been told that some branches have continued to meet in various forms during the past couple of years, while others were not comfortable

to meet and, unfortunately, some have folded.

I commend all the branches for their decisions, whatever they were, during these difficult years. I'm hoping the difficult days are behind us and nothing but positive, joyful events fill all of our branches with hope and determination to persevere.

Saying this, we are entering the last two months of 2022. I encourage each branch to send in their yearly dues (if you haven't already) by Dec. 31.

I will be closing the financial books for 2022 on Jan. 31. Any cheques I receive after that will be recorded for 2023.

I have also included with my report a copy of the revised ACW Funds (**see page 12**). Here you will find what each fund, found in the Branch Treasure's Report, is stipulated for.

The biggest change is the Fanny Billings Fund which will be used

with the Social Action Fund to help support the the students that we help from Bishop McAllister College.

I also included a revised Branch Treasurer's Report (**see page 11**). The major change you will find is the Farraline Home Roof Fund is gone.

They have replaced the whole roof now and therefore it is no longer needed. Still remember Farraline Home for they are in continual need for capital improvement funds for the building.

I pray that this report finds you all healthy and happy. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at 459-3265.

Cathy Lutes is the ACW diocesan treasurer.





Branch Treasurer's Report Form



Please read information carefully before completing the form.

Date: _____ Deanery: _____

Church: _____ Place: _____

Divinity Scholarship Fund..... _____

Administration Fund - \$50 per Branch _____

Social Action Fund – At least \$25 per Branch _____

Extra-Cent-A-Day Fund..... _____

Our Fair Share..... _____

Helen Burton Fund..... _____

Diocesan Camps Projects..... _____

Camp Medley..... _____

Camp Brookwood..... _____

Paul Jeffries' Stipend..... _____

Bishop McAllister College, Uganda..... _____

Farraline Place _____

PWRDF _____

Council of the North..... _____

Threshold Ministries (Church Army renamed) _____

Kara and Nelson Mejiaj-Honduras..... _____

Anglican Foundation of Canada - ACW Trust Fund..... _____

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ACW Funds – an explanation, revised as of May 2022

Divinity Scholarship - Branches are asked to try to contribute to this Fund. All money received is sent once a year to Diocese Synod to be invested, and the interest is used to assist theological students from this Diocese. Over the years, the grants given to these students have been of great help to them.

Administration – Every Branch is asked to contribute \$50 yearly. The money is used for costs pertaining to our Annual Meeting (e.g., printing of the Diocesan ACW annual reports), stationary, stamps, bank charges, and additional items as voted on at the diocesan annual or executive meeting (e.g., extra expenses from Diocesan ACW events such as the Diocesan Annual Meeting and Quiet Day).

Travelling expenses are covered for the ACW president attending the National Presidents' Conference, Farraline Place board meetings, annual Deanery meetings and planning meetings for the Diocese annual meeting (not executive meetings) are also paid from this fund.

Social Action – Every Branch is asked to contribute at least \$25 yearly. Over the years, this fund has been used at the discretion of the executive in various venues, including PWRDF and Coverdale Foundation.

During the last few years, the executive has been using this fund to support students attending Bishop McAllister College only. With the number of branches declining, the fund has needed assistance from the Administration fund. In May 2022, the executive decided to use the funds from the Fanny Billings Fund for support and this will begin in 2023.

Extra-Cent-A-Day – This Fund is used to assist parishes in need of large rectory renovations. Over the years, the many grants given have been a great financial boost to parishes, and there are many families living in rectories that benefited.

Originally, this Fund was set up to install bathrooms in rectories, but fortunately, this need has been met. Therefore it was decided to continue the Fund for other major repairs.

Some Branches use birthday money, others take up a collection each meeting, while other Branches just give a donation. It is up to each Branch to decide what they will give, or whether they will even give to the fund.

Traditionally, it has been calculated as \$3.65 per member, but now is rounded to \$4 per member/year.

For those rectories needing renovations, Vestry can submit the renovations needed and cost to the Synod Office. Email all information to Cheryl Jacobs (cjacobs@diofton.ca).

All requests will be previewed by a team at the Synod office and a recommendation will be sent to the ACW executive.

Our Fair Share – Branches contribute to this Fund as they feel called and are able. All money is voted on at the ACW Diocesan annual meeting, and it is one way for us to join together and support, in Christ's name, many causes which individual Branches could not themselves support.

Transition homes, Canon Paul Jeffries' stipend, Threshold Ministries, Council of the North, Inner City Youth Ministry, and the Diocesan School of Church Music are just some of the places we have been able to assist.

The many letters of thanks we receive tell us how much our assistance is appreciated. Any money sent to the treasurer for things other than the funds listed above is forwarded

to wherever it has been designated, but it is preferable if Branches would send it directly themselves.

Some Branches still use the United Thank Offering Boxes, which is fine, and this money is put into Our Fair Share. Family Life donations are put into Social Action. Please make cheques payable to the Diocesan ACW, and include a return address so that a receipt can be mailed.

Helen Burton Fund – All money is invested, and the interest is given once a year to the J.J. Fraser Farraline Place. This project has been of great interest to our members over the years.

William and Mary Quinn Fund – A number of years ago, the Diocesan ACW was left a large sum of money to be invested, with the interest only to be used. Each year at our annual meeting, a prepared disbursement of this interest is voted on. Individual branches do not contribute to this fund. Farraline Home, camp projects, Coverdale and Canon Paul Jeffries' stipend are the recipients of this interest over the last few years.

Fanny Billings Estate – This fund was also a bequest to the Diocesan ACW. With the number of branches diminishing over the years, the funds in Social Action have been diminishing as well.

It was decided by the ACW Executive that the money in the Fanny Billings Fund will be used to help in the sponsorship of the students at Bishop McAllister College as well. Therefore, the Fanny Billings Fund will be added to the yearly Budget as of 2023.

Submitted by ACW diocesan treasurer Cathy Lutes.