



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

Community Life Communique # 4



Inspired by the Spirit...Women Respond to God's Call

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TO: Diocesan Chairpersons of Community Life
CC: Provincial Executive (for information)
CC: National Chairperson of Community Life (for information)
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Ladies, May the year 2018 be filled with renewed energy, deeper courage to follow where God's Spirit calls you, and the movement both personally, and globally, toward greater justice for all of God's Creatures.

This communiqué brings some information which I hope you will find worthy of prayerful consideration, and perhaps a call to action. The first is an item relating to Alberta's 'dubious reputation' of wasting the most food per person in Canada, according to government study. I'm including the link [Holiday season clogs Edmonton waste management centre](http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/holiday-season-waste-edmonton-1.4465916), as well as the web address <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/holiday-season-waste-edmonton-1.4465916>. To Christians, this unfortunate reality, is more than merely an embarrassment, but is in fact, a moral issue on so many levels. "The largest contributor to waste during the holiday season, comes from those holiday leftovers sitting in your fridge. Food waste is still the number one thing we see going into the recycling when it obviously doesn't belong there".

The second piece of information that I would like to share with you is connected to that tragic story out of Calgary. A safe-haven program called **angel cradle** at two Edmonton hospitals may have saved a baby's life this year, a Covenant Health spokesperson says. Only one baby has been dropped off since the service was created in 2013. Again, I'm including a link that will provide you with information for your personal awareness, but one that I hope you will share with others.

[Angel cradle at Edmonton hospital may have saved baby's life](http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/edmonton-hospitals-covenant-health-angel-cradle-1.4465834)

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/edmonton-hospitals-covenant-health-angel-cradle-1.4465834> Raising people's consciousness and awareness are critical tools whenever we consider any issue of Social Justice, human rights, refugees or immigration.

And my third resource that I know you will want access to is directly connected with our ongoing commitment to our Indigenous sisters and brothers. As Canada 150 draws to a close, a project highlighting alternative narratives from Canada's history has become so popular it's now part of the curriculum in some schools. This resource is both visual and informative. The site is filled with valuable information that can be used either by the Community Life chair, the Education & Health chair, or even the Spiritual Development chair. I've included the link to the site:

[Alternative Canada 150 project redraws history to spotlight untold stories](http://www.cbc.ca/news/entertainment/remember-resist-redraw-canada-150-history-1.4429262)

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1 Remember,
Resist, Redraw Intro

as well as the intro poster the poster for January 2018. [Remember, Resist,](#)

[Redraw](#)



REMEMBER
RESIST
REDRAW


A RADICAL HISTORY POSTER PROJECT

To develop our **RADICAL IMAGINATION**,
we *need* to work against
the **SYSTEMIC SOCIAL ORGANIZATION**
of **FORGETTING**,
and a **NECESSARY ANTIDOTE**
to the social organization of *forgetting*
is the **RESISTANCE** of **REMEMBERING**.

- Gary Kinsman, queer activist & historian



Graphic
History
Collective



**WE STILL THINK OF
THE YUKON AS
OUR LAND**

2.5.1.1
subject to
5.14.0. that
Yukon First Nation
and all persons who
are eligible to be
Yukon Indian People
it represents, as of
the Effective Date of
that Yukon
First Nation's Final
Agreement.

**cede, release
and surrender**

to Her Majesty the
Queen in Right of
Canada, all their
aboriginal claims,
rights, titles, and
interests