

LCWR 9 Communicators Report April, 2021

Due to COVID-19, Communicators of Women Religious 9 (CWR)-Wisconsin has not had a meeting, but members have been active in the programs offered by the national office.

1. The 2020 Annual Conference was a virtual event in October that drew basically the same number of attendees as in-person conferences, albeit a slightly different group of attendees due to the vastly shortened event (3 hours on one day and 2 hours on another) and thus the drastically reduced cost.
2. CWR-Wisconsin members are involved as board members (Tricia Buxton and Jean Merry, treasurer), and several are on committees including:
 - A. Finance, Membership and Conference Committees
 - B. Cycling with Sisters (originally a CWR project that was “returned” to CWR by A Nun’s Life in February 2021)
 - C. National Catholic Sisters Week (new to CWR management for this year) and
 - D. Meet Our Sisters Tour (a CWR-Chicago initiative that is going national this year – hopefully – it has been delayed by COVID)
3. A number of CWR-Wisconsin members have participated in a variety of other programs offered by CWR, including webinars, flash conversations, the listserv and LinkedIn Learning.

We remain hopeful that we will be able to begin meeting again in person in 2021. On a national level, members are “complaining” of Zoom-fatigue and virtual meeting overload, and CWR-Wisconsin members are likely feeling the same frustrations.