



The Catholic Women's League of Canada
London Diocesan Council



To: All Parish Presidents, Past-Presidents/Historians
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Directive #3

It was good to see so many of you at the fall regional meetings. Hoping all your bazaars and bake sales were a success.

Elections

Have you held your elections yet for a new executive? Were you able to fulfill most positions? If you are still in the process of receiving nominations, remember that personal invitation is one of the best ways to not only recruit new members, but also to encourage members to take on leadership roles. Ensure those considering taking on a leadership position that they are not alone. Being on the executive should be a team effort and those becoming chairpersons need to have other members assist them with their tasks.

For those who are new past-presidents, welcome to your new position. Remember that your role is to be a mentor. Do not be offended if the person you give advice to chooses to do things their own way.

Archives

Election time is the time to review your archives. This should be done every two years. All archives should be kept in a locked filing cabinet on church property or in a secure facility. Binders and acid-free file folders or large envelopes are usually the best way to preserve historical information.

Photograph albums, with names, dates, location and occasion noted, are invaluable. Use of an acid-free pen on acid-free paper or typewritten information placed near the picture will give information about the people in the photograph when memories fail. Items such as newspaper clippings should include names, publication and date.

Stay tuned for my next directive with more helpful hints.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel be with you during the Advent season.

God bless,
Angela

