

**The Catholic Women's League of Canada  
Kingston Diocesan Council**

Organization Chairperson Directive – January 31, 2015

To: Diocesan Parish Council Organization Chairpersons  
From: Nancy Richer, Diocesan Organization Chairperson/1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
cc: Kingston Diocesan Executive, Past Presidents and Life Members

*“I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength” (Philippians 4:13)*

### **Annual Report Forms**

Thank you to those councils who have sent in your annual reports, I am still missing information from 11 councils. It isn't too late to tell your story. For those councils who haven't sent in your reports please make sure you send me two of your council high lights for 2014 for our annual report book. **You may send your report electronically to [cn-flyfishers@storm.ca](mailto:cn-flyfishers@storm.ca), or by mail: 11155 Grisdale Blvd., Iroquois, Ontario, K0E 1K0.**

### **Membership**

On November 12, 2014, I was involved with a teleconference call with the other organization chairperson across the Province. Our main discussion was dealing with membership and ideas to increase our membership. Lots of ideas, but the main theme from everyone was personal contact seemed to be the best way. Some of the ideas were: recruit three members and yours will be paid for, envelope in Sunday collection envelopes, speak at Masses, newsletters, early bird draws, wear your pin, plus many more. Also included with this directive, is a sheet that can be reworked for individual parish councils during your membership drive. We will be having another teleconference call in March 2015.

Make an extra effort this year to reach out to those who did not renew last year. We all agree that making personal contact is by far the most effective way to bring members back.

### **Catch the Fire! / S'Mores**

Councils are encouraged to host a *Catch the Fire!* presentation if they have not already completed one or if members are asking for it again!

The *S'Mores* workshop binder is formatted as a one day workshop or can be used as individual workshops at league / parish development days. This includes the following modules: Conflict Resolution; Discernment; Effective Meetings; How to develop a Manual of Policy and Procedures; Mentoring; Parliamentary Procedure; and Protocol. If any council would like copies of these workshops please let me know.

May our Lady of Good Counsel Bless you!

Your sister in the League

**Nancy Richer**