



The Catholic Women's League of Canada
London Diocesan Council



Environment Care

To: All Parish Presidents, Organization Chairpersons

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"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

Mentoring is probably one of the most important things we can do. We do it automatically within our families. We do it at school, work and lots of other places or during other activities. We can forget how important "mentoring" is within our own C.W.L. council. We who hold an office of any sort should be working on finding our replacement. This is the way you can guarantee a successful council. I remember being at a diocesan convention where a fellow member from my council introduced me to many of her friends and also the National CWL president, and some Life members. She told them she saw potential in me. I was certainly not thinking that way at the time, however they planted a seed. She had made the convention more personal for me by introducing and sharing time with these women. Don't underestimate your words. They can encourage, or tear down. Try to invite someone new to the next League event you attend. Be to them, what that person was to me. Plant that seed! The annual convention is coming up. Try to get members who have never been, to attend some or all of it. There are always great spiritual programs, education through interesting speakers and of course lots of fun!

If there is anything you would like help with for your council, or if there are questions you may have please feel free to contact me.

Thank-you to the many council presidents who submitted their annual reports to me by the deadline. For those who took a little more persuasion there is still next year.

And may the blessing of the rain be on you – the soft sweet rain. May it fall upon your spirit so that all the little flowers may spring up, and shed their sweetness on the air.(taken from an old Irish journey blessing)

I hope many "little flowers" spring up from the seeds you plant and nourish.....**Theresa**