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COMMUNIQUE #1

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TO: Parish Community Life Chairpersons
From: Janet Seward, Community Life Chairperson

Hello everyone,

I would like to introduce myself: I am Janet Seward. This is a very new year for me. It is also my first couple of months on the diocesan level and I will be attending my very first provincial convention this July. It is a new learning curve for me but very exciting! I look forward to meeting you and getting some helpful hints on leadership within the diocesan council.

I would like to draw your attention to our National Community Life Chairperson Marie Rackley's Communique #6. It is very informative on what is happening in the Middle East. What is very well said in her communique is how we must keep Christianity alive and help our brothers and sisters in whichever way we can. Even in our very own country, there are many challenges to keeping Christianity going.

On a personal level, I am originally from the province of Newfoundland (for those of you who have not figured it out yet). I will be delighted if there are other ladies here from the east coast as well. I have been a member of the CWL since the 1970's, though I have had a break in between those years and present day. My husband was in the mining industry which led to a few moves here and there to places where there were no CWL councils. Presently, I am with the St. Philip's Council in Richmond and just recently became a member of the Ottawa Diocesan Council. As well, I work part time at our local supermarket.

I am enjoying our local parish CWL. This was a lifesaver when we moved to the Richmond community – a great way to meet other ladies and get involved in our parish ministries. It is with great joy that I look forward to meeting you ladies!

May God bless you and your councils.

Sincerely,
Janet Seward