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To: Parish Council Past Presidents / Historians
From: Betsy Currier, Diocesan Past President / Historian
cc: Diocesan Executive, Provincial Past President / Historian

Welcome to all of you. You have done an amazing job as the president of your council over the past 2 years (and for some of you even more than 2 years) but your job is not done...it's just transformed. Change is something we tend to fear and become anxious about. But we are told...

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave or forsake you.” Deuteronomy 31:6

And so we transition.... You and I are now more than ever mentors, encouragers, supporters, consultants. It is our job to help the president in her new role in any way we can.

We also have some other responsibilities. Besides serving in a consultative capacity, we are responsible for archives and history. Our archives include written documents and pictures that tell the story of our councils. On page 75 of the National Manual of Policy and Procedure we can find some ideas to help us share our rich history with everyone. “Take charge of League history and archives or appoint an interested member. Bring scrapbook or history to some meetings for members to see.”

We are also responsible for reviewing once in our 2 year term the council's manual of policy and procedure for any needed additions, deletions and corrections. All changes must be brought to the membership for approval before amending the manual.

In future directives, I will talk more about our council policy and procedure manuals. In the meantime, if you need any help with either archiving or drafting/revising a P&P manual please give me a call (705-942-3978) or send me an e-mail elizabeth_currier@sympatico.ca

I love to hear from you.

Blessings and hugs, Betsy