

1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President's report

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“Catholic Women: Instruments of Joy” – what a wonderful theme for this year’s annual convention! Let’s not keep this joy for ourselves, but share it: invite someone for coffee, bring your favorite dessert to share at work, renew a friendship, remember someone with a card just for the heck of it, or invite someone to convention!

We are gearing up, and this one should be wonderful. With the meeting rooms filled with genuinely joyful women, how could it not be a great weekend?

I want to encourage all of you to take the information about the convention program booklet advertising found in your Call to Convention, go out into your community, and collect ads. The revenue generated by our kind advertisers offsets the cost of the printing of the program booklet. It is important for our bottom line, and it is important for getting our DCCW name out there. Some of us have submitted regularly, and those businesses – and the women who solicit the ads– are very much appreciated for their continued support of the program.

But please don’t forget personal ads: a congratulations, a memoriam, a thank you. I believe every one of us has someone we would like to honor with an ad. And wouldn’t that be a wonderful way to spread joy?

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