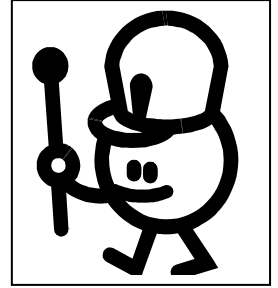


**Pensacola-Tallahassee Council of Catholic Women
DCCW Convention Board Meeting
O'Charley's, Pensacola FL
April 24, 2015**



LEADERSHIP/ORGANIZATION COMMISSION REPORT

Dear Council Board and Members,

Leadership is inately a part of each one us. We all influence the people around us in one way or another. How we influence each other is directly connected to our creed of life. Who influences your style of leadership? How do you interact with those around. What is your purpose?

We are women of faith, called to witness and share the good news . This is central to how we should lead with "courage, wisdom and love". The National Council of Catholic Women, NCCW , has a new program,"We are Called to Witness" it is a resource for all of us. All materials can be downloaded from the NCCW.org website. It contains ideas and reflections to help you become an even better leader a we spread the "good news" through our actions and our lives.

An informed leader is an effective leader.

Each Meeting, Convention, Conference and workshop is an opportunity to "Witness". A time to share our faith, our energy and love. Opportunities to share and influence those around us in love, gracious hospitality and prayerful reflection. Are you informed about all the programs NCCW is involved? Have you checked out the new updated website.

The NCCW is celebrating 95 years as an active Catholic Women's Organization. This could not happen without the general memberships support. To help Council maintain computers, effective databases, amazing National Office Staff your monetary help is very important. Dues are one way we show our support. Our affiliation dues covers very little of the budget. Consider supporting Council by becoming an Individual member for \$60 a year. As an individual member you get the right to a vote, the Catholic Women Magazine, and you are e-mailed the monthly Connect. You can also participate in live wbinair meetings on many topics. If you can you might consider the \$100 Supporting member level. This comes with a special pin.

The NCCW budget makes or breaks with participation at Conventions, **Plan to attend the NCCW Convention, "Be the Voice of Catholic Women: Sowers of Hope" in Orlando, September 9-12, 2015. There are some amazing speakers and fantastic workshops. Plenty of opportunities for Spiritual enrichment, and of course great fellowship and fun. All materials are available on line. Registration is \$320 good until June 30th and the the price goes up by \$50. There are materials available at this meeting.**

If you have never been to a National convention, you are missing out on something very special. Hope to see you all in Orlando!

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