

*To my precious sisters,*

*After many emails, face-to-face meetings, Zoom meetings, phone calls, visits, and other responsibilities, the Board will be taking a short break to enjoy time with our families. From December 20 until January 6, we will not be tied to our computers and phones as we usually are. We will check in from time to time, but if we don't respond to your message right away, just give us a little time to get back to you. After January 6, believe me, we will be operating in overdrive, taking care of the business of the state as well as preparing for the upcoming convention—which will be here before you know it! Start making your plans for attending!*

*--Lovingly, Elaine*

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*



Ring out wild bells to the wild sky,  
The flying cloud, the frosty light:  
The year is dying in the night;  
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,  
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:  
The year is going, let him go;  
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,  
For those that here we see no more;  
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,  
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring in the valiant man and free,  
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;  
Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

*--Alfred, Lord Tennyson (from "In Memoriam")*

*Lovingly,  
Elaine, Cel, Paige, Nancy, and Chery*