

Janet's Tip #168



OUTLOOK: DELEGATE REPLIES

Scenario: You're in charge of an event. You need to email dozens of people about the event. However, any questions or other responses should go directly to a colleague.

If you simply ASK, in the email, that people respond to someone else...inevitably some people will miss that part of the message, or forget – and you'll end up getting the replies that you didn't want.

Solution: Turn on the DIRECT REPLIES TO function.

- 1. Start the new email message.
- 2. Address it to whoever you need to.
- 3. Complete your subject and the body of the message.
- 4. BEFORE sending it:
 - a. Click the OPTIONS tab.
 - b. In the MORE OPTIONS sections (at the end of the ribbon) click the DIRECT REPLIES TO button. (Never noticed it before, did you.)
 - c. At the PROPERTIES window down in the DELIVERY OPTIONS section you'll see that HAVE REPLIES SENT TO is already checked.
 - d. Either remove your name and use the TO button to substitute someone else in there; or, leave your name (if you do want to also see the replies) and use the TO button to add another person(s).
 - e. Click OK.
- 5. Send the message.