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## **EXTENSIONS FALL STATE CIP – 2016**

I have some very exciting news to share with you! Eastern Carver County chartered on August 1, 2016 and Hutchinson Area chartered on August 29, 2016! Congratulations to them. Let me know if you would like to be on an Extension Team; we could still use some help in growing our organization.

Do you remember the first time someone asked you to join the Women of Today? Remember the feeling of being needed, wanted, and making new friends and how wonderful you felt all over? I want you to go out and find two friends and tell them about this wonderful group; tell them about the friendship, volunteer opportunities, leadership training, the many talents you have strengthened, skills you have gained and share these with others in your town.

When you meet a prospective member, the personal touch is the best way to go. Invite them to a social or an m-night and don't be afraid to invite them to join. Together we will "Explore Across Minnesota with Extensions."

*Cathy*

**CASH INCENTIVE FROM THE MN WOMEN OF TODAY  
FOUNDATION FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> TRIMESTER**

\$200.00 will be granted to the New Chapter if the Extension is completed by October 1<sup>st</sup>

\$100.00 will be granted to the New Chapter if the Extension is completed by November 15<sup>th</sup>

## **EXTENSIONS- WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?**

DO YOU KNOW WHAT "EXTENSIONS IN PROGRESS" MEANS?

1. WE, AS MEMBERS, IDENTIFY A COMMUNITY THAT HAS AN INTEREST IN THE WOMEN OF TODAY ORGANIZATION.
2. AN EXTENSION TEAM (INDIVIDUALS, A CHAPTER OR A DISTRICT) SETS UP INFORMATIONAL
3. MEETINGS IN THE COMMUNITY.
4. WE SIGN UP NEW MEMBERS IN THE NEW COMMUNITY AND A NEW CHAPTER IS STARTED.

### EXTENSION IN PROGRESS

Congratulations to the Extension Teams for all of your hard work this past trimester.

Current extensions in progress are:

- Alexandria being extended to by members of District 4.

If you know of anyone in this area, please contract Shelli Lemmerman (dd04@mnwt.org).

### **Congratulations to the following new chapters!**

- ❖ **Eastern Carver County chartered on August 1, 2016, with 10 members**
- ❖ **Hutchinson Area chartered on August 29, 2016, with 14 members**

## **You have a new chapter....what now?**

**Reminder: Every chapter is different; you need to discover what is best for you.**

Some items that you can begin to work on in the first year:

- \* Electing board members
- \* Approving bylaws and polices
- \* File articles of incorporation, get a Fed ID number etc
- \* Fundraisers and open a checking account
- \* Training for board members and members
- \* Start to use a meeting agenda
- \* Learn about reporting and completed on-line reports
- \* Check out the MN Women of Today website..mnwt.org
- \* Contact Katie at the Chapter Service Center to introduce yourself
- \* Go to a district and state convention
- \* Learn about our programming areas and pick one or two to focus on.
- \* Plan socials to bond as a chapter
- \* Plan some membership night to bring in new members
- \* Plan a community service project
- \* Contact your District Director, Extensions Director (me) or other state staff to ask for feedback and direction! We are here to help you every step of the way.



**Whether it's a board, bylaws, fundraisers, socials, treasurer reports, newsletters, short meetings, long meetings, team building training, or communication with the whole membership, you need to do what is right for the membership within YOUR chapter.**

### **TWO AND UNDER CHAPTERS**

- Coon Rapids Women of Today
- Lakefield Women of Today
- Eastern Carver County Women of Today
- Hutchinson Area Women of Today

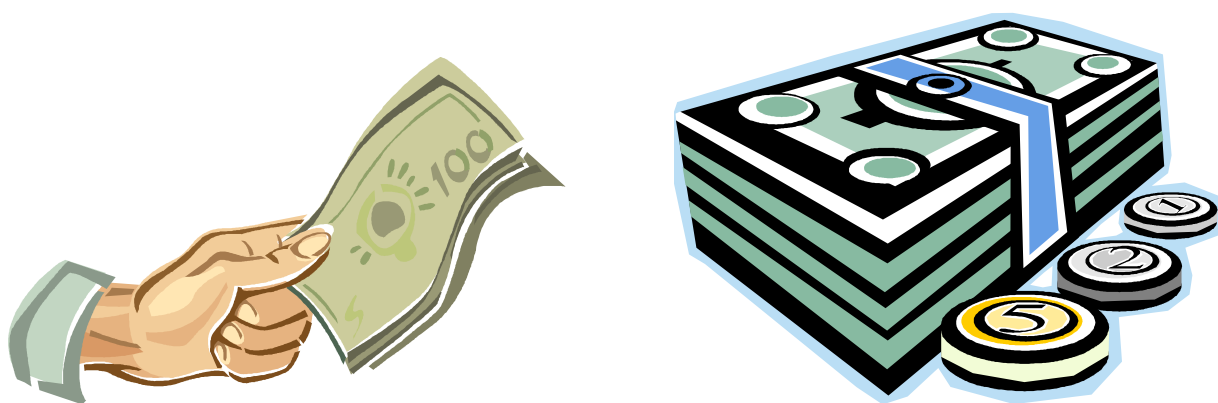
**Second trimester two and under challenge due to me by January 13, 2017, to receive an incentive at Winter State Convention 2017:**

- ❖ Hold an m-night or social and send me a picture.
- ❖ Send me a copy of your monthly meeting agenda any month (October, November, or December).
- ❖ Put an article in your local paper or on Facebook about an upcoming event.

## 2<sup>ND</sup> TRIMESTER MEMBERSHIP REBATES

SIGN 3 NEW MEMBERS AND RECEIVE A \$25.00 MEMBERSHIP REBATE.

SIGN 4 NEW MEMBERS AND HAVE 80% RETENTION, RECEIVE A \$50.00 REBATE.



### **Presidential SUCCESS Bonus Points**

Submit a nomination for the Outstanding Young Adult (OYA),  
Outstanding  
Person with Developmental Challenges (OPDC), or Lois M Christensen  
Women Who Impact Award {50 pts}  
and/or

Sell two boxes of the World's Finest Chocolate OR  
sell two books of Raffle Tickets (\$100) for the  
MNWT State Ways & Means fundraisers {50 pts}  
and/or

Have at least one chapter member attend the  
MNWT Foundation Retreat {50 pts}  
and/or

Sign at least two (2) members the week of October 24-31 for the  
October  
IMPACT Monday (October 31) {50 pts}

**Maximum of 100 bonus points**