



Minnesota Women of Today Foundation

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MNJOTS 2021 CIP

Hello MN Women of Today Members!

The Foundation is here to help you and your chapter to be successful! Whether we can provide your chapter assistance by accepting your donation as a 501c3 (see page 2), an extension grant, a scholarship to a chapter member or a grant to your chapter for a local community project, we want to help **you!**

Additionally the MNWT Foundation financially supports the organization with funding for speakers, officer training, equipment for the Chapter Service Center and other trainings. In order to support these programs, we rely on donations from individuals, chapters and corporations.

Remember the Foundation while planning out this new Women of Today year. We would love to be included in your chapter budget this year either with a one-time donation or something each trimester. Your donations directly **support MNWT members** and chapters. You may wish to designate your donation for a specific purpose such as chapter grants, outstanding awards, scholarships, or “undesigned”, which allows the Foundation Board to use the funds according to the needs of the Women of Today. We appreciate your donation!

A donation of at least \$25 will qualify you as a sustaining member. A donation of \$35 or more will qualify your chapter for Success points. No matter the size of your donation, it is appreciated.

Please **make your check payable to the MNWT Foundation, and mail to:**

Jane Hanson, Treasurer, MNWT Foundation, P.O. Box 232, Anoka, MN 55303

I look forward to working with you this year. *Nicky (find Mickey Mouse and email me about my CIP and get into a drawing at fall stated.)*

Amazon Smile: Raise funds for the MNWT Foundation

DO YOU SHOP ON AMAZON? Here is an easy way for you to support the MNWT Foundation while you shop Amazon. Go to AMAZON SMILE, select the Minnesota Women of Today Foundation as your charity and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the MNWT Foundation.

How easy is that?! Here is how you do it:

1. Go to www.smile.amazon.com
2. Log in with your usual amazon.com email and password.
3. Select the Minnesota Women of Today Foundation as your charity.
4. Go Shopping!

Be sure to bookmark AmazonSmile so all your eligible purchase will count. Purchases using your regular Amazon account will not be credited toward a MNWT donation.

Foundation Calendar

July 1-Cheryl L Anderson Scholarship Applications due

August 14th- Foundation Board Meeting 10:00 AM
location TBD

September (Fall State Convention)- Annual Meeting at Fall State and Cheryl L Anderson Scholarship Awarded

Anytime-Straight River Scholarship Applications Accepted

November 6th -Foundation Board Meeting (zoom)

Dec 1-Chapter Grant Applications due

Consider becoming a Foundation Board Member

Have an interest in supporting the MNWT through the work of the Foundation? Please contact me if you are interested in serving on the Foundation Board. Each term is for 2 years and we meet approximately 5 times a year.

Straight River Scholarships

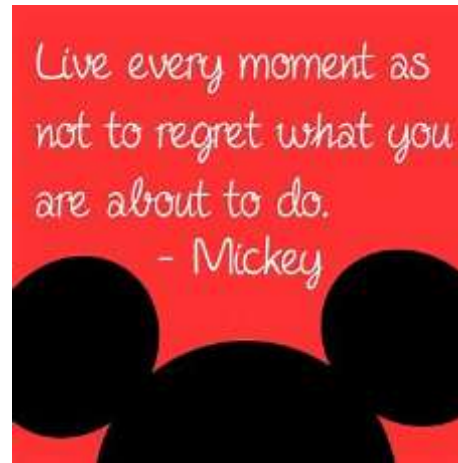
Are you pursuing further education in an area that helps those who are physically and/or mentally challenged? If you need assistance attending a conference or workshop. If so, you should apply for a Straight River Scholarship. Scholarships up to \$400 can be awarded at any convention.

Contact JoAnn Miller for more info

Become a Sustaining Member

For an annual \$25 donation you, your chapter, district or all of the above, can become sustaining members of the Foundation. Funds are used at the board's discretion to support the mission of the MNWT. Funds have been used for the membership rebate program, for PE courses, to pay for speakers at convention, to support the President/State Delegate retreat and many more programs. Won't you send your donation today?

Check out the MNWT Foundation page on the MNWT website including minutes, scholarship applications and information on the upcoming meetings. Feel free to join us for a meeting.



A little more about the MNWT Foundation....

Don't know much about the MNWT Foundation? That's okay. There is a lot to know about the MNWT and the Foundation is a part of that.

The MNWT Foundation has Committees chaired and organized by various Foundation Board members: Scholarship, Chapter Grants, Endowment Fund, Corporate Solicitations, and Planned Giving.

As you may have read above, the Scholarship Committee handles the Cheryl L Anderson Scholarships, Straight River Scholarships and the Fall Art Auction.

Chapter Grants, reviews chapter applications awarding grants to chapters for their projects.

This committee also organizes the Winter State Lucky Buck Baskets to fund the grants program.

Endowment Fund works to set up our Endowments Funds, solicits sustaining memberships and helps with other fundraising.

Corporate Solicitations provides assists chapters to secure grants through the Foundation. Those donations, grants are then donated back to chapters with a 1% fee. This committee also manages the Amazon Smile fundraiser and various other funding opportunities.

Last, is Planned Giving. This committee is relatively new and has recently completed a brochure on how to plan giving to the Foundation.

Fall State Silent Art Auction Donations Needed

Donations of art pieces are now being sought for the Fall State Silent Art Auction benefiting the Minnesota Women of Today Foundation Cheryl L. Anderson Scholarship.

We need your help in securing pieces of art. You may donate something that you have or obtain a piece of work from a local artist, art gallery, gift shop or framing store. Many artists are willing to donate a piece of their work to such a worthy cause if asked. Donations are tax deductible and a receipt will be furnished upon request.



Suggested items: Paintings, framed prints, pottery, sculptures, photography and original art work of all types.

For more information or to offer a donation, please contact NickyAnderson, Wendy Homyak, or Jessica Schultz at foundation@mnwt.org

Cheryl L. Anderson/ Straight River Scholarships

Cheryl L. Anderson Scholarship

Cheryl was a member of the Anoka Women of Today for 9 years. She served her chapter and the state organization in many positions including President of the Key Women Club. She was an art teacher and unfortunately passed away in 1989. One of Cheryl's unfulfilled goals was to return to school and further her education in school counseling. Her goal lives on in this scholarship.

To be eligible, you must be a member in good standing for 2 or more years and entered college with an approved program. You must show a need for financial assistance. Applications are due by **July 1** and will be awarded at Fall State.

Straight River Scholarship Fund

This scholarship is funded by the Straight River Women of Today. Their chapter consists of members who have physical and developmental challenges. They run many of the same fundraising projects as other chapters do. This scholarship is for the members who are furthering their education in an area to help those who are physically or mentally challenged.

To be eligible, you must be a member in good standing for 2 or more years and seeking to further their education in a field related to working with mentally or physically challenged people. Applications need to be submitted by **July 1st , January 1st, and April 1st** for the Foundation Board to consider awarding a scholarship in conjunction with our meetings.

A special thank you to the Straight River Chapter whose generous contributions make this scholarship possible for our members.

For more information on either of these scholarships, contact Nicky Anderson or JoAnn Millere Scholarship Committee member. www.mnwt.org find the Book of Forms and search for Foundation: Applications.