



Minnesota Women of Today Chapter Mailing



November 2024

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Happy November!

As we enter into this time of gratitude and thanksgiving, I want to start by expressing my sincere thank you to every member across Minnesota. You humble me with how you are showing up this year for yourselves, each other and our communities. I personally have been on the receiving end of that support more times than I can count this year and for that I am truly grateful.

The last couple of months has provided me with multiple opportunities to visit and connect with so many chapters, districts and members. You have been embracing my requests to "Be a Connector. Be Present. Be Positive." I have seen chapters bringing in more enrichment such as speakers, projects and activities to engage members more actively at your chapter meetings. If you feel you could be getting more from your meetings and engage your members more actively, reach out and let's talk about what other chapters are doing. It is working.

We are at the half-way point of our year and now is a great time to do a check-in with your chapter members and goals. We have a number of challenges to encourage you and your chapters. If you haven't already, check out the Fall State President CIP for not only check-in ideas, but also an overview of all of the challenges offered by the staff. These range from signing new members or having chapter membership growth to submitting your chapter newsletter to MKVP Michelle.

Thank you for taking the time to read this update from the Staff and State Program Managers. They all put so much effort into making each year special for our membership. They are here to support you in meeting your goals and in growing and strengthening your chapter. I am offering individual chat sessions for any members who need extra support. You can reach out directly or check out the email sent to your chapters with a Sign Up Genius invitation for chats.

In friendship and gratitude,

MNWT State President 2024-25

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Marketing Corner w/ Marketing VP Michelle Cloutier



I can not believe we are half way through the year! We hope you have found value and ideas in our Marketing posts on Facebook so far this year.



As we shared on the Webinar, we are having a Newsletter Contest at Winter State Convention! It is going to be so easy to participate. We are asking chapters that would like to participate to bring a copy of their chapter newsletter. Each member attending will get 1 vote for their favorite.



We are continuing to look for group photos from chapters to update the photo carousel on the main page of the website. You can send your photos to mkvp@mnwt.org. Don't forget by sending in not only do we get to freshen up on gallery but you also get enter into a drawing at Winter State!



Suzanne is looking for articles for the Newslet along with Personals. Personals are due January 28th.

I am here for you! Send me a message and let me know what I can do to help assist your chapters marketing needs.

Mary Sobczak Presidential Assistant

Greetings MNWT members, it's Mary the Presidential Assistant here to remind you to start thinking about getting those scrapbook pages done.

Is your chapter or district hosting a fun event?

How about an exciting social?

Take pictures and add them to your scrapbook page!

All chapters should have received their page from their District Directors. If you have not received one, its a standard 12 x 12 page front and back.

Why a scrapbook page?

It is tradition to give the State President a scrapbook at Annual Convention to reminder her of all the wonderful things that happened around the state during her year. Have fun and be creative with your page. Work on it as a chapter project or assign to a chapter member.

Make sure to get your page to me by April 1st. As an added incentive, all chapters and districts that turn in their page will be entered into a drawing for a fabulous prize that I will give out at Annual Convention. Lets show President Tevyan how awesome MNWT is!

Membership Team

Kathy Hansen
Extensions Director

The Iron Range had 2 meetings, They were August 17, 2024, and The 2 nd time was on the September 12, 2024. On the 15th of October we charter the Iron Range Chapter! They signed up 10 new members. And they are going to do a zoom to decide when they are going to meet next.

Shirley Visselman
Chapter Management VP

What is your chapter doing to have “Success With Sparkle”?

Brainstorming - Tri 2 Chapter Challenge:

Chapter Management VP, Shirley is challenging chapters to hold a Brainstorming social in Trimester 2.

Invite all your members and guests to a fun night, where the sky is the limit...

▶ Come up with a list of questions (here are some ideas)

- ◆ Speakers / Organizations / Topics I'd like to learn more about
- ◆ Member Social / Fun Activities
- ◆ Let's donate too
- ◆ Fundraising Ideas
- ◆ Community Activities We Could Participate IN
- ◆ Projects / Events we'd love to try

▶ Organize in a way that all members become engaged and participate.

- ◆ Put 1 question on a clipboard and pass the clipboards around and around... giving everyone the opportunity to comment.
- ◆ Put questions on large post-it notes and hang on the wall. Have members write on small post-its and place on the sheets.
- ▶ Someone takes the sheets and compile the information.
- ▶ Share the information with your chapter and CMVP. Email: cmvp@gmail.com
- ▶ Review and discuss the information with your board
- ▶ Talk with chapter members about the list and start using the suggestions/ideas.

Most important, keep it positive and make it fun. Maybe a pizza party, or Brainstorming and Bingo.

Encourage attendance and guests are welcome too. Who knows, you may get a new member.

Remember... send your compiled information to cmvp@mnwt.org along with pictures and comments on how it went, and get your chapter in a drawing at winter state convention.

Questions? Need some help? Reach out to cmvp@mnwt.org. I'd love to visit with you.

Programming

Sharon Scholl

“Taking a Journey Down LIFE STREET” Living and Learning

It was so great seeing everyone at Fall Convention – what a powerful and inspirational gathering. I hope each of you came back with renewed energy. A big shout of Congratulations to:

Tri 1 Living & Learning LPM – Lori Gourtermont, STMA

Tri 1 Project of Trimester – Book Club Author Event, Maple Grove

Our journey continues, make sure to keep completing your LIFE STREET Passport which can be found in the Living & Learning FALL CIP. There’s still time to start your engines on this journey – you can choose to either start at the beginning completing the challenges listed in the MNJOTS CIP or start out with the FALL CIP challenges. Remember it’s never too late to start something new.

Trimester 2 Book Selection is – “Misdiagnosed” by Jean Sharon Abbott. Jean has a powerful and uplifting story of perseverance. After enduring 3 decades of countless doctors visits, medical procedures, unnecessary medications and surgeries, she heard the words – “You’ve been misdiagnosed.” Join me at Winter State Convention to share how Jean’s story has inspired you.

Has there been a female figure in your life that has been a role-model, inspired you or help shape you into the person you are today? We all have someone special in our lives – here is your opportunity to share their inspiration. Participate in the EFFECTIVE WRITING COMPETITION.

Topic: Who is the most influential woman you know? How did/does she inspire you?

Essay Guidelines:

1. Length should be 600-800 words
2. Essay should be typed, double-spaced, one side of paper only.

Entry Fee: \$5

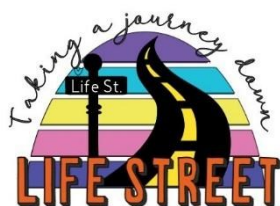
Entry Due Date: December 15 th

Submit to: All essay submissions must be postmarked by December 15, 2024. Mail essay along with \$5 entry fee to:

Sharon Scholl, L&L SPM,

17119 172 nd Ave SE, Big Lake MN 55309

Big Journeys begin with small steps! Autumn Blessing to all.



Deb Froemming

Priority Area

Shout out to Melissa Bueckers who received the Outstanding Program Manager for Trimester 1, Congratulations!

Shout out also to the Duluth WT chapter for submitting the Project of the Trimester, Congratulations! Thank you to all who submitted nominations. Outstanding Program Manager and Project of the Trimester nominations are being accepted for Trimester 2, no need to wait until the end of the trimester. I look forward to reading many nomination submissions!

I have been contacting the schools that are listed to offer the REACH program for the contact names and emails. Please email me if you'd like specific contact information. This is the year to learn more about our priority area, the REACH program. Our goal is to offer our help to known schools with REACH. This may be by preparing a RAK for the students and/or teachers, fundraising or volunteering. The first step is to reach out to a local school or contact me for a school to adopt.

If you'd like to me visit your meeting, in person or by ZOOM, email me at priority-area@mnwt.org. I'd be happy to join you!

Join the monthly REACH - ZOOM meeting on November 26 at 7 pm to learn more about Reach with and teachers and WT members from around the state. Watch your chapter emails for the ZOOM link and more information.

Sue Sangren

Women's Wellness

Any form of movement can be fun and beneficial. At your next meeting, stand up and do the Hokey-Pokey, or the classic Chicken Dance. Try and contain your laughter as you have fun and move your body.

My challenge to the members of MNWT, make a cash donation of \$ 10 to the Woman Who Impact award in memory and to honor Lois by January 1st, 2025. I will have random drawings for a 6 pack of beautiful and delicious cupcakes to give away. The more donations given, the more cupcakes to give away

Programming, Continued

Cheryl Watson Youth of Today



Congratulations Lorissa Hanson from the Blooming Prairie chapter. She was awarded the Youth of Today Outstanding Local Program Manager for 1st tri.

Congratulations to the Coon Rapids chapter for their Hope 4 Youth Project of the tri.



Thanks to everyone that participated in the Spooktacular Silent Auction at Fall State which earned \$273 for the Outstanding Young Adult Scholarship



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Spooktacular Spoons craft make & take at Fall State which earned \$56 for the Outstanding Young Adult Scholarship



Nominate an Outstanding Young Adult for a \$500 Scholarship. Entries were due 11/1/24 and have a \$25 entry fee. The Outstanding Young Adult scholarship will be awarded at Winter State.



Donate \$25 to the outstanding young adult scholarship and your chapter will earn 25 success points and an entry into a Pens & Pie craft party for your chapter. Drawing will be held at Winter State.

Sara Rocksted Community Connections

Hello Friends!

I cannot believe we are already through the first trimester! You are all doing a fantastic job! I Love seeing how you are getting out in your communities and making a difference. It was so great to see everyone at convention. If you missed it I had a booth at the project fair on Friday where I raised money by selling numbers to win a quilt and a table runner.

We managed to raise \$261.00 to go towards the person with determination award!!!

Congratulations to Kathy Hanson for winning the quilt! Also congratulations to Shelly Matthes for winning the table runner!

Be sure to follow the Programming page on Facebook. I love making posts on ways to help your community and I also love hearing about yours!!

Thank you for all that you have been doing to make communities great! Keep up the great work!

Michelle Kocak-Jones Programming VP

Please include the 5 W's: Who, What, When, Where and Why when reporting, not just for monthly and trimester reports, but also when submitting Projects of the Trimester and Outstanding Program Managers of the Trimester. The more information you provide, the more helpful it is for SPMs to choose a deserving project and member!

November is Women's Wellness emphasis month so please watch and see what WW SPM Sue will have for you to do. There will probably be a lot of wiggling going on! Make sure to check out her Facebook page each week.

November 1st was the due date for nominations for Women Who Impact, Person with Determination, and Outstanding Young Adult Awards. The SPMs and PVP are excited to recognize a deserving individual in each area at Winter State Convention.

Andrea Schue
Administrative VP

State Delegates!

Be on the LOOKOUT! I've had a few inquiries about a zoom meeting so we can discuss concerns or share ideas. I want to do this 2nd Tri and will be polling for a time that would work for most people. Look for this in the chapter email and Facebook page. If you are not on the Facebook page please reach out to me!

Connie Fink
Financial VP

“Buy a Pie” on the Wheel!

There are still spots on the wheel to buy! Chapters or Districts donate \$50 to Ways and Means and pick your spot on the Wheel. Anyone can donate \$50 to Ways & Means and chose a spot on the wheel. President Tevyan will spin the wheel at Annual for two \$150 Amazon Gift Cards! Email me when the donation is made.

Raffle Tickets!

Please turn in your ticket stubs and money to me or Tanya by Winter State. I will be at the Statewide Committee Meetings if you would like to turn them in at that time.

Jeny Ohr
Parliamentarian

Remember to send in your chapter's bylaws and policies to parli@mnwt.org to have them reviewed as well as enter into the new MNWT Chapter Bylaw/Policy Repository. Your chapter can get Success Points for sending them on as well as having a Bylaw and Policy review, as well as being entered into a gift card drawing at Winter State!

Tri 2 Presidential Success Bonus Points

- During M-Week (Nov 3-9), hold an event and sign a member. Verified by MVP – 50 pts
- Donate \$25 or more to Outstanding Young Adult Scholarship. Verified by YT SPM – 25 pts
- Donate \$25 or more to USWT Ways & Means. Verified by FVP – 25 pts
- Submit article to NEWSLET for Post-Winter State edition. Verified by MKVP – 25 pts
- Volunteer or hold a service project on Make A Difference Day, Oct 26. Verified by PVP – 50 pts
- Sell two or more books of Winter State Raffle Tickets. Verified by FVP – 25 pts
- Submit the Program Manager Trimester Report. Verified by PVP – 25 pts

November

14th: MNWT Orientation Zoom
15th: Early Bird Renewals due POSTMARKED to Chapter Service Center
16th: State Committee Meetings (MMC, Marketing, Future Directions)
17th: Mid-Year Exec Council Mtg
30th: Chapter President monthly reports due to DD
30th: NMAs due IN HAND to Chapter Service Center

December

1st: Chapter Grant Applications due to MNWT Foundation Chair
1st: Key Woman Nominations for Winter State due to Key Woman President
15th: All Renewals due POSTMARKED to CSC
28th: 2nd Trimester Close Out
31st: State Delegate Reports due to AVP
31st: NMAs du IN HAND to CSC
31st: Chapter President monthly reports due to DDs
31st: L&L US WPD Certifications Due to L&L SPM
31st: STEP certifications due to CMVP
31st: End 2nd Trimester

January

2nd: Outstanding Program Manager nominations for Tri 2 due to PVP
2nd: Project of the Trimester nominations due to SPM
2nd: 2nd Trimester Programming reports due to PVP
2nd: Presidential Pin & Medallion Nominations due to State President
2nd: Bidding SPM Plan of Action Due to State President
2nd: NEWSLET **articles** due for Post Winter State Issue due to NEWSLET editor
2nd: ONTO Flower Orders due to COB for Winter State
3rd: Finance Committee Meeting
7th: 2nd Trimester Success due to Success Coordinator
11th: MNWT Foundation Meeting
24-25th: Winter State Convention & Cheryl L Anderson Art Auction
26th: NEWSLET **Personals** Due to Post Winter State Issue due to NEWSLET editor
31st: Chapter President Month Reports due to DDs
31st: NMAs due IN HAND to CSC

Amy Pumper
Chairman of the Board

As we head towards celebrating our 75 th Anniversary at Winter State, here is more on the beginning of our organization:

1961-Marilyn King of White Bear Lake was the president. With a campaign chant of “Join the Swing, vote for King”, she kicked off the year. Mrs. Jaycees were officially recognized in the Minnesota Jaycee State Bylaws. The debate also began with focus on the Mrs. Jaycees Bylaws, specifically the section on membership being limited to only wives of active or associate Jaycee men and that these women must be under 36 years of age. We reached 2100 members and 93 chapters. An extension kit and membership brochures were revised, and a membership drive was initiated. Convention planning was a duty given to the State First Vice President and the chairman of the board was assigned the supervision of the regional vice presidents. The awards program was revised, and the name “Recognition through Records” was accepted. “Onto Las Vegas” buttons were sold for a National Convention fundraiser and 1000 turkey sandwiches were given as a favor at convention. A second uniform, navy blue culottes and a white blouse, was adopted for casual wear.

1962- “Here’s the Key, Vote for Marie” was the election slogan of Marie Cavers of Virginia. This historic year had three women vying for state president. Many new goals were met– 2300 members, 96 chapters, our NEWSLET went to a newsprint format with an increase in size and addition of pictures. Three six-page issues were printed. All past state presidents were made honorary member of Mrs. Jaycees, receiving the NEWSLET free of charge. The tradition of inviting all past state presidents to Summer Awards was instituted. The Central Mailing System (what we now know as Chapter Mailing) was implemented and minutes of state meetings were included. This system is still being used and all chapters receive one copy, with additional ones available for a small cost. Dues were increased to \$1.50/member. Marie had a baby during her term-daughter Lisa Anna, born just before the Fall meeting.

Information in the National Jaycee Auxiliary Manual revealed that the Mrs. Jaycees of Minnesota is the largest Jaycee Auxiliary in the United States.

1963- “Flower with Nauer” was the campaign slogan that South St. Paul’s Priscilla Nauer used. Priscilla’s Executive Council will always remember receiving a floral roll of bathroom tissue to help them continue to “Flower with Nauer”. We reached 103 chapters, but membership dropped to 2100. A new leadership training committee was formed, and a portion of the Civil Defense project introduced a medical self-help Child protection segment. The Indian scholarship program reached \$1900. Minnesota Association for Retarded Children purchased a camp near Annandale (Camp Friendship) and Minnesota made a substantial contribution toward its purchase. NEWSLET used colored print for the first time -some rather startling ink colors-lime and fuchsia. Priscilla was also a charter member of the Women of Today Foundation and instrumental in its organization.

12-3-63 Dear Mrs. Nauer:

Nothing has meant more to me during these hours of sorrow after the death of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy than the messages from friends like you. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. I shall cherish your prayers in the days ahead.

Sincerely Lyndon B. Johnson

“The greatest reward of this position is the opportunity it affords to meet so many wonderful Mrs. Jaycees and I thoroughly enjoyed getting to know so many of you personally.” - Priscilla Nauer State President

1964 - Hastings provided our next state leader with Darlene Hallberg. She ended her year with 109 chapters and 2260 members. The Child Protection program was enhanced and adopted. A tour of the camp in Annandale was offered to our members and a tour of the Cystic Fibrosis Research Center at the U of M was offered. Three Native American students received some college financial support. Extension kits were revised, state chairman (program manager today) reports were initiated, and a debate section was added to our leadership section. Darlene’s year was highlighted by the opportunity to speak about Minnesota’s leadership at the Iowa convention.

1965 - Gerry Troland of Moorhead served as our next president, logging in at 11,396 miles traveled. The chapter base grew by 14 and at year end 122 chapters were divided into 14 regions. “Tips for Talks” program was initiated, and we now use this basis for our Effective Speaking competition. Regional and state competitions were held. Service projects were developed and \$5370 in contributions was reported. Our state project was Aid to Retarded Children. Cystic Fibrosis detection clinics were held in 25 Minnesota sites with 14,000 children tested. Four Native American students received financial support and Stranger Danger Slides were made available to chapters. ID bracelets and the medical self-help courses were popular.

What a great time 25 members and guests had at the USWT Mid-Year meeting the weekend of October 11-12 in Omaha, Nebraska! There were many awards for members and chapters – stay tuned for all the excitement as it rolls out by President Tevyan and CMVP Shirley. It isn't too early to plan to attend USWT Annual Convention, June 13-14 th in Duluth where we will be celebrating the USWT 40 th Anniversary!

At Winter State convention in January – we will be celebrating our 75 th Anniversary and the past presidents are working hard to make it an amazing event! There will be a memorabilia room, a special celebration activity at the luncheon and there are special 15 oz wine glasses for sale to commemorate our 75 years as the Mrs. Jaycees/Jaycee Women/Women of Today. I hope you are enjoying the Countdown posts on Minnesota Women of Today Facebook page.



Anna Nichols, Chair

Membership Management Committee

Thank you to everyone who joined me on our Extensions Brainstorming and Discussion zoom on October 9th. A lot of great ideas come out of the meeting that I am excited to share with you over the next few months.

Our next Membership Management Committee Meeting will be on November 16th at 11:30 am at Star Bank in Eden Prairie. All are welcome welcome to attend. We may even have a 30 second dance party. Contact me for more information.

Are you looking for a fun quick chapter activity for your general meeting? Consider Bean Boozled. Check out this video of a few brave MNWT members from across the state who tried the Fire version of the game at Fall State. <https://youtu.be/CDjuR5H1iEA?si=E-YWCDMqrVAeHQkO>

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Executive Director / Chapter Service Center

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CSC hours are: Tuesday 10 am – 2 pm; Wednesday 3 pm – 7 pm; Thursday 10 am – 2 pm



MNWT WINTER STATE CONVENTION

January 24-25, 2025

Wyndham Minneapolis South, Burnsville, MN

Saturday Luncheon

Soup & Sandwich Buffet
 Soup Du Jour ~ Choice of
 deli sandwich ~ Pasta Salad
 ~ Potato chips ~ Assorted
 Cookies

Saturday Banquet

Italian Buffet
 Chicken Marsala ~ Penne &
 Fettucine pasta ~ Alfredo &
 Marinara sauce ~ Caesar Salad ~
 Green Beans ~ Garlic Bread Sticks
 ~ Anniversary cake

Back to the 70s Party

Will you go **SOULY** or **DISCO**?
 Join in the fun at the Friday Night party!
 There will be a cash bar and we will be
 serving some special drinks.

Let's celebrate 75 years of MNWT by going back to the 70s!



Reservations need to be made by Jan 5, 2025. Call (952) 435-2100 for reservations – mention MNWT for group rate. All rooms are spacious and include mini fridge/microwave. For more details visit wyndhamhotels.com. Rates: king or double queen - \$95+ tax/night; suites - \$109+ tax/night

MINNESOTA WOMEN OF TODAY WINTER STATE CONVENTION 2025

Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Chapter _____ District _____

Email Address _____

Advance registration must be postmarked by January 5. Refund requests must be made by January 18, 2025.

A \$5 cancellation fee will apply. Registrations received at Winter State 2025 are not guaranteed meals.

<u>Advanced Registration (by Jan 5):</u>		<u>Late Registration (after Jan 5):</u>		Make checks payable to MNWT and mail to: Dolly Kinney 1408 Keller Lake Rd Burnsville, MN 55306
_____ Full Registration	\$109	_____ Full Registration	\$125	
_____ Friday Night Party	\$ 15	_____ Friday Night Party	\$ 15	
_____ Business Meeting	\$ 7	_____ Business Meeting	\$ 7	
_____ Saturday Luncheon	\$ 45	_____ Saturday Luncheon	\$ 50	
_____ Saturday Banquet	\$ 55	_____ Saturday Banquet	\$ 60	
<u>Women of Today Information (check one):</u>				For General Information: Tanya Rothstein @ 320-845-2055 csc@mnwt.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Member <input type="checkbox"/> First Timer <input type="checkbox"/> Guest <input type="checkbox"/> MNWT Past President <input type="checkbox"/> Exec Council/Staff				
Specify dietary needs (i.e. gluten free, vegetarian, etc.) _____				

The Meeting was called to order by President Tevyan Sorensen at 1:30 pm.

The invocation was given by Living and Learning SPM, Sharon Scholl.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by District 7 Director, Laurie Lillie.

The United States Women of today Creed was led by Administrative VP, Andrea Schue.

Guests were introduced by President Tevyan

Orders of the Day were given by Parliamentarian, Jeny Ohr. A quorum was established.

Minutes from the Annual Exec Council meeting on May 17th, 2024, Elections meeting on May 18th, 2024, and Special Exec Council meeting on May 18th, 2024, were approved as written in the June Chapter Mailing. Minutes from the MNJOTS Exec Council meeting were approved as written in the July Chapter Mailing.

Secretary, Liz Weigel (Secretary@mnwt.org), Stick To It

- Staff Reports-will update template for SPMs
- M/S/P (Secretary/COB) “Remove a revised copy of the state's bylaws and policies from Policy S 1.”

Administrative VP, Andrea Schue (AVP@mnwt.org), You are Solid Gold

- Let’s hear it for your SOLID GOLD District Directors as they share their successes of 1st Tri and what they are looking forward to in 2nd Tri.
 - District 2 Director, Tami Borgen. My theme this year has been “Bloom & Grow”.
 - It was good to get my first district meeting under my belt! The highlight of our district meeting was that two of our district members, Carolyn Fortier from Warroad and Andrea Schue from Roseau, received USWT awards and they were presented at the meeting.
 - A goal I had was to have our bylaw and policy review meeting in Tri1 and to vote at our Tri2 meeting and that is on the agenda for our meeting.
 - A success is that we have a Girls’ Rock the Capital Committee formed again and in the planning stages, with a trip in 2025!
 - Our Tri2 District meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 20th, at The New Moon Coffeehouse in Baudette. Registration starts at 4:00 p.m. and the meeting at 4:30 p.m.
 - District 3 Contact Cindy Sanders will transition into Tri 2 with a theme of Together we Stand.
 - The district meeting will be Saturday, Oct 26th in Aitkin.
 - District 4 Director Tracy Neyens wants you to “Be the Reason someone Believes in Good People”
 - A goal of mine is to have someone representing from our district at every convention. Also, super excited District 4 had the highest retention in the state!
 - Our next district meeting is scheduled for October 21st at The Old Number 1 Bar and Grill in Morris.
 - Thank you so much to Andrea for all of your help, with hosting my first district meeting! Thank you so much to State President Tevyan and Shirley V. for attending and speaking as well!
 - Anita Smoley is letting everyone know they are “Everyday Heroes” in District 5.
 - My goal this Tri was to visit all the chapters, each I was able to do.
 - District meeting will be on Oct. 26 at the Boy Scout Building in Sartell at 9am. We will be doing a project for Make a Difference Day.
 - District 6 wants us to “Grow Together.”
 - The District 6 meeting was a great time with Deb Froemming speaking about REACH. 5 out of the 6 chapters were in attendance. Our Tri 2 meeting is Oct. 22nd in St. Michael.
 - We had a District Social in August in Rogers. We had dinner, played a Grease Trivia game and had door prizes.
 - Our biggest success this Trimester was having Elk River members attend both the District Meeting and Social for the 1st time in many years.
 - Laurie Lillie is “Growing Together” into the District 7.
 - District 7 has completed their policy review. We had not completed them since the merge of our 2 chapters last year.
 - White Bear Lake will host our tri 2 district meeting on Thursday, October 24 at Normandy Park Education Center in White Bear Lake, MN. Dinner at 6:00, the meeting will follow at 6:30.
 - “Coming Together, One Stitch at a Time” in District 8 with Kenya Czerwinski.
 - Success for this tri has been around communication. Communicating out to the chapters to keep them informed and sharing chapter events on the District Facebook page.
 - I was able to visit all chapters for a monthly meeting, it was encouraging to see the variations in meeting structures – it was great to see the chapters doing what works for their members. Tri 2 I’m planning to visit something fun such as craft shows, tree decorating, etc.

- Our Tri 2 meeting will be held on Saturday, November 2, Social and breakfast at 9:00 – 10 am social and breakfast, 10 am meeting. Our discussions will be around celebrating success and marketing events for success. If you would like to contribute to the session, please contact me.
- District 9 Director Allie Staley is letting her chapters know “Adventure is Out There”
 - Our next district meeting will be Wednesday, October 30th in New Ulm at 6:30pm.
 - One positive from the trimester is the communication increase and our amazing growth!
 - For Tri 2 she’s going to focus on encouraging community involvement and getting out there, so people know who they are.

Membership VP, Shellie Lemmerman (MVP@mnwt.org), Make a Difference

- We signed 24 members in May and June for President Tevyan’s Birthday. President Tevyan drew a number for winner.
- We had a number of chapters and districts working hard at retention and recruiting this trimester. We will be recognizing those chapters who achieved retention goals, new member adds and chapter growth tomorrow. For District retention achievement, I would like to recognize the following: District 5-76%, District 9-78%, District 2-80%, District 7-80%, District 6-82.5%, District 8-82.9%, and the District with the highest retention for Tri 1 is District 4 with 83.3%. District 4 DD Tracy will be carrying the Minnesota flag in at the luncheon tomorrow. While every district signed new members in Tri 1, we had two districts that achieved growth for the Tri. Lets congratulate District 4 for growth +1, and with the highest growth, District 9 with growth +3. We will have Amanda Ackerman, co-president of the St James chapter carrying the American flag and representing District 9 at the luncheon.
- Membership Week is November 3-8. The theme is Gratitude. This is a great opportunity to be visible with your district or with chapters around the state.
- The Membership Challenges and Foundation Rebates are all designed to help chapters with membership and become healthy chapters. The healthier we are the more appealing we will be to others. Please encourage chapters, especially if they are looking for help to try at least one of these and to participate in the zoom calls and webinars. We have a number of fun challenges this trimester and hope you will encourage chapters to participate

Chapter Management VP, Shirley Viesselman (CMVP@mnwt.org), Success with Sparkle

- The St James Chapter signed a new member 1st trimester and has come off the TLC list. Our other TLC chapter, Fridley, decided to close. We have 5 members remaining from Fridley who are being invited to transfer to another chapter or their membership will lapse at the end of this trimester. We have two chapters in their first trimester of TLC, Brooklyn Park and Hawley with 8 members each.
- As you have heard a few times, my biggest goal this year is to get all our chapters to 15 or more members. This alone will increase our membership by 62 members. Including the TLC chapters, I started the year with 18 chapters under 15 and at the end of tri 1 we are down to 17. Congratulations to New Ulm for rising to 16 members. We are here to support these chapters so please encourage them to reach out.
- We had 36 members attend the President/State Delegate retreat in Aug. WE had a lot of positive feedback. People loved the interactive presentations & crafts. Sparkle boxes were given to each chapter in attendance with a random act of kindness project. A special thank you to Tevyan, Andrea & Michelle, they were AMAZING.
- I’ve attended a few district and chapter meetings this Tri. Sharing the importance of positivity, being intentional and sharing a random act of kindness project.
- October 29th President Tevyan and I will be teaming up with the Chapter Presidents on zoom, to walk through chapter agenda best practices.
- As CMVP, I’m here to help wherever I can. Please reach out.

Extensions Director, Kathy Hansen (Extensions@mnwt.org), Stand Together and Shine

- No Report

Programming VP, Michelle Kocak-Jones (PVP@mnwt.org), Shaking it Up

- Please support SPMs in nominations for Outstanding Young Adult (YT), Person with Determination (CC) and Women Who Impact (WW) Awards.
- Encourage your chapters and districts to complete Trimester Report Forms.
- Encourage your chapters and districts to nominate an Outstanding Program Manager and Project of the Trimester.

Community Connections, Sara Rocksted (CC@mnwt.org), Things Come Together One Stitch at a Time (Presented by Michelle K-J)

- I am planning on promoting Person with Determination Award Friday night business Fair, Via Facebook and email so I can reach my goal of 5 nominations by November 1st.
- I will be encouraging chapters to Communicate How they plan on celebrating Make a Difference Day in Their Communities. To reward their Communications I will be putting them in a drawing at Winter Convention for a basket and also incentives to all who participate
- I will be promoting the Joint Ventures Award, Community Impact Award, Civic or environment project, giving details and ideas of past nominations.
- All Communications will be done via email, Facebook, and visitation

Living and Learning, Sharon Scholl (LL@mnwt.org), Taking a Journey Down Life Street

- Please share within your districts and chapters the LIFE Street Passport- positive comments from chapters participating. Goal to increase participation for Tri 2 by 20%.
- Tri 2 member challenges:
 - Vote

- Create New Family Holiday Tradition
- Read book Misdiagnosed.
- The Tri 2 LPM challenges are:
 - host a chapter PEP course
 - Submit a 2nd Tri Project of Trimester Nomination. Goal to increase participation for Tri 2 by 20%.
- Help promote Effective Writing Competition - Topic "Who is the most influential woman you know? How did/does she inspire you?"
- M/S/P (LL SPM/DD03) "Jean Abbott's book "Misdiagnosed" be sold at the Living and Learning table during Fall Convention Project fair on behalf of the author for a retail cost of \$15.00 (tax included)."

Priority Area – REACH, Deb Froemming (Priority@mnwt.org), REACHing Out Hand to Hand

- No Report

Women's Wellness, Sue Sangren (WW@mnwt.org), Wiggle to Wellness

- Life update, I changed my name to Sue Sangren.
- For Exec Council, there will be a special drawing for anyone that donates \$10 to the Woman Who Impact award to receive a delicious 6 pack of cupcakes at Winter State. Donate by January 1st

Youth of Today, Cheryl Watson (YT@mnwt.org), Connecting with Children

- I will have a Spooktacular Silent Auction at the YT table to raise money for the OYA scholarship. I will also be collecting donations at the Spooktacular spoons session on Saturday.

Marketing VP, Michelle Cloutier (MKVP@mnwt.org), Recipe for Success

- We are still looking for personals for the Fall State Edition. Personals can still be turned in this weekend. The cost is \$2.00 per message or 25 for \$20.
- I will be introducing a new Marketing Award this weekend. Nomination form will be available soon for Tri 2. Once it is announced tomorrow we can then promote during Tri 2.
- I shared our hashtag for this weekend #MNWTFallState2024. When you are posting photos this weekend, please include this. I would encourage posts to share the excitement of convention. If someone is here and they get an award, awesome post away. 😊 It is however fun to build some excitement to entice members for meetings that take place after convention. Let there be some surprises. 😊 An example would be if you have lots of awards don't photograph them all upright with what they are. Leave them in the envelope or flip upside down and say something like....we cleaned house! Come to the next meeting to share in the convention recap

Financial VP, Connie Fink (FVP@mnwt.org), Wheel of Treasure

- I had 11 Fast Starts turned in by June 30th. President Tevyan drew a number for winner.
- I had 6 more Fast Starts turned in by July 15th. President Tevyan drew a number for winner.
- Donations made by Sept 1st to Ways and Means were entered in a drawing. President Tevyan drew a number for winner.
- 5 members found my three \$ icons in my CIP. President Tevyan drew a number for winner.

Parliamentarian, Jeny Ohr (Parli@mnwt.org), Tips with Bob & Me

- District Director Tri 1 challenge winner- Thank you to the 3 District Directors who invited me to their District Bylaw and Policy Review. You have helped me complete my goal for the year. Here is a thank you card.
- District Director Bylaw and Policy Repository- Thank you for those of you that have sent in their district's bylaws and policies. Here is a thank you card. I know a few still need to get their approved at their Fall meeting. We are almost at 100% sent in.
- District Director challenge- Every chapter that sends in their bylaws and policies during 2nd and 3rd trimester will get the DD's name entered into a drawing for a gift card at Annual Convention. Please reach out to your chapters and encourage them to send them to parli@mnwt.org.
- M/S/P (Parli/COB) "Remove Policy J. OFFICER'S DUTIES 5. Programming Vice President f."
- M/S/P (Parli/Secretary) "Add the following to Policy J. OFFICER'S DUTIES 8. Secretary; Shall serve on the Marketing Committee."
- M/S/P (Parli/PA) "Change shall serve a one (1) year term to shall serve a two (2) year term to Policy O. COMMITTEES 3. Statewide Committee Descriptions and Specifics c. 2)"
- M/S/P (Parli/DD05) "Add Executive Director and change shall a one (1) year term to shall serve a two (2) year term to Policy O. COMMITTEES 3. Statewide Committee Descriptions and Specifics d. 2)"
- M/S/P (Parli/Extensions) "Add State Store Manager to Policy O. 3 Statewide Descriptions and Specifics a. 1)"
- M/S/P (Parli/Marketing) "Add Policies W. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 3. h Shall serve on the Future Directions Committee, i. Shall serve on the Marketing Committee, j. Shall serve on the Membership Management Committee."

Chairman of the Board, Amy Pumper (COB@mnwt.org), Keeping the Vision Alive

- You can begin filing for the 2025-2026 positions on December 1st. Call COB, Amy 507.206.1508 for more information.
- The Redistricting Plan has been shared with the District Directors. There are just a couple of changes we are looking at.
- The 2nd Trimester Committee Meeting will be Saturday November 16th. The 3rd Trimester Meeting will be Sunday, March 2nd. March Planning will be Saturday, March 1st. The Regional Meetings will be Saturday March 22nd and March 29th.
- M/S/P (COB/DD05) "Approve Jane Hanson, Lisa Hahn, Wendy Homyak, Sharon Erickson, Laura Gaylord, Cathy Shuman and Cindy Goldbuff for two year terms beginning with the 2024-2025 year to the Finance Committee."
- M/S/P (COB/DD03) "Add Char Ostenberg to the ONTO Committee."

- M/S/P (COB/DD03) “Approve the following members to the Marketing Committee for the 2024-2025 year: Area 1 Rep. Nicky Anderson, Area 2 Rep. Mary Hansen, Area 3 Rep. Sharon Erickson, Area 4 Rep. Cindy Goldbuff, Expos Coordinator, Wendy Homyak, General Members: Anna Nichols, JoAnn Miller and Connie Fink.”
- M/S/P (COB/DD03) “Approve the following members as 2024-2025 Election Representatives: Marie Pedigo representing Area 1, Maggie Holmberg representing Area 2, Abi Baker representing Area 3, and Dorene Perkins Monn representing Area 4”

Executive Director, Tanya Rothstein (CSC@mnwt.org), You are the Magic

- Mid year executive council is scheduled for November 17th at Wyndham in Burnsville. We will be handing out the registrations.
- I am looking for someone to host convention for Annual 2025 in Alexandria if you know of anyone, please send them to me. it is May 15-18, 2025.

Presidential Assistant, Mary Sobczak (PA@mnwt.org), Live and Learn

- Last Call to have quilt squares made.
- See Mid-year exec hand outs for registration info, etc

MNWT Foundation Chair, Laura Gaylord (Foundation@mnwt.org) (presented by Amy Pumper)

- Stop by the Foundation table tonight at the project fair to get a peak at the jewelry and you can buy your chances! While you're there don't forget about checking out how you can become a sustaining member!

Future Directions Committee Chair, Cat Schuman (FDC@mnwt.org)

- The second trimester state committee meetings will be held Saturday, November 16, 2024 at the Star Bank in Eden Prairie. Registration starts at 9:30 am followed by Marketing Committee at 10 am, Membership Management Committee at 11 am, and Future Directions Committee at 1 pm. Break for lunch around 12:30 pm. Light breakfast and lunch are provided by the state committee chairs. Anyone can attend these meetings, so please join us in person or by zoom.

Membership Management Committee Chair, Anna Nichols (MMC@mnwt.org) (presented by Amy Pumper)

- All members of executive council are invited to be part of in the Minnesota Women of Today Membership Management Committee. As an extra incentive, Anna will have a special drawing for Exec Council members only that attend her next meeting in November. Rumor has it one of you could be the winner of a \$20 Amazon gift card. More information about MMC and the 2nd trimester meeting by Anna at our business meeting tomorrow morning.

MNWT President, Tevyan Sorensen (President@mnwt.org), We Go Together

- Special Presentation, Presidential Medallion Presented to Anita Smoley

Ongoing Business-None

New Business-None

Announcements-None

Benediction was said by LL SPM, Sharon Scholl

Minnesota Women of Today Creed Was Led by District 4 Director, Tracy Neyens

The meeting was adjourned at 3:14 pm by MNWT President, Tevyan Sorensen

The Meeting was called to order by President Tevyan Sorensen at 9:11 am.

The invocation was given by Living and Learning SPM, Sharon Scholl.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by District 6 Representative, Connie Fink.

The United States Women of today Creed was led by District 8 Director, Kenya Czerwinski.

Guests were introduced by President Tevyan

Orders of the Day were given by Parliamentarian, Jeny Ohr. A quorum was established.

Minutes from the Business meeting on May 18th, 2024, were approved as written in the June Chapter Mailing.

Secretary, Liz Weigel (Secretary@mnwt.org), Stick To It

- Thank you to the 18 chapters/districts that turned in their Fast Starts, the 10 individuals, chapters, and districts that donated to the Plan of Action, and the secretaries that have turned in their minutes so far.
- Announced the winners of drawings for POA (Sauk Rapids) and for Tri 1 challenge (Amy Pumper from Byron).

Administrative VP, Andrea Schue (AVP@mnwt.org), You are Solid Gold

- Thank you to all members this trimester who supported their districts directors and state delegates.
- I had 21 State Delegates complete their fast starts, and 11 complete their trimester reports.
- Announced the winner of trimester challenge (Lisa Hahn) and Friday night project fair drawing (Shellie Haun).
- The district directors worked hard to get their year going, I hope you all enjoyed your first district meetings and I look forward to seeing more members as I visit district meetings in second Tri.

Membership VP, Shellie Lemmerman (MVP@mnwt.org), Make a Difference

- We welcomed 40 new members in Tri 1 and had retention of 78%. We started Tri 2 with 905 members.
 - We had 25 new members signed in May and June and met President Tevyan's birthday challenge to sign 22 new members. Two chapters won the drawing for \$100 donation to support a service project or organization of their choice. We also had 9 chapters & districts participate (and let me know they did) with an event during Membership week in August. They each received an incentive in the DD bags.
 - I received 10 fast starts from MVPs across the state. Thank you and your incentives were placed in the DD bags.
 - We are really looking forward to continuing the excitement and energy from Tri 1 and we have some great challenges for you to encourage that. The challenges for Tri 2 are detailed in my CIP:
1. Sign 75 or more members and President Tevyan will draw from all chapters with new members, 2-\$100 donations to their chapter
 2. If at least 40 chapters achieve 75% retention, one chapter will win a M-Event/Social hosted by the state staff
 3. If at least 40 chapters add 1 new member (or more), we will award 1 free Winter State convention registration each to 2 chapters
 4. For each new member a chapter signs in Tri 2, that chapter will earn 1 spot in the very first group through the buffet at the Winter State luncheon.
- We have two membership incentives sponsored by the MNWT Foundation. First, when your chapter signs 3 or more members AND shows growth in Tri 2, you will receive a \$25 rebate at Winter State. And second is that each chapter to achieve 100% retention in Tri 2 will receive a \$10 state store gift card.

Chapter Management VP, Shirley Viesselman (CMVP@mnwt.org), Success with Sparkle

- We have two chapters in their first trimester of TLC, Brooklyn Park and Hawley with 8 members each.
- Announced winners of the Sparkle boxes (Shellie Zaffke of Staples Motley Area & Shellie Hahn of Lincoln, NE)
- The winner of the taffy (only off by 2) was Nancy Larkey of Albany.

Extensions Director, Kathy Hansen (Extensions@mnwt.org), Stand Together and Shine

- We have been working hard to get a chapter started in the Iron Range. (Hibbing, Chisholm, Virginia, and Mountain Iron to name a few.) Our next meeting is planned for October 15 in Hibbing. Please follow the Iron Range Women of Today Facebook page for updates and share the news.
- The MNWT Foundation is providing the following incentives this trimester: Charter a chapter by Nov 15 and the new chapter will receive \$500. Charter by Dec 31 and the new chapter will receive \$300.
- 2nd Tri Challenge: contact me with leads for extensions, visit the Extensions Director MNWT webpage and let me know one resource you found useful, and/or to participate in Facebook posts throughout Trimester 2. Every time you participate your name will be put into a drawing for a prize at Winter State.

Programming VP, Michelle Kocak-Jones (PVP@mnwt.org), Shaking it Up

- Thank you to the 13 PVPs for completing your Fast Starts and to the 17 chapters for submitting your 1st trimester programming reports.
- Nominate at least one LPM or chair/co-chair for the Outstanding Program Manager of the Trimester and submit a Project of the Trimester nomination in at least two programming areas.
- Please contact me at pvp@mnwt.org if interested in becoming a SPM for the 2025-26 year.
- "USWT Domestic Violence Awareness Program Manager Dawn Nissen is hosting a DVA forum today .

Community Connections, Sara Rocksted (CC@mnwt.org), Things Come Together One Stitch at a Time

- 7 Completed their CC Fast Starts. Drawing winner (Viky Petrovich, Duluth)

- First Trimester CC hours were 2523 and monetary amounts were \$25,504.00
- CC Project Fair booth raised \$261 and the winner of the Quilt : Kathy Hansen. Table Runner: Shellie Matthes
- I look forward to seeing everyone who comes to my Forum! Lets get puzzled and learn about the importance of communication!!

Living and Learning, Sharon Scholl (LL@mnwt.org), Taking a Journey Down Life Street

- Thank You for the 10 Living & Learning LPMs for completing your Fast Starts and to the 5 Living & Learning Certifications received. Thank you to the 12 members who participated in the LIFE Street Passport challenge. The winner of the Passport incentive challenge is Julie Keets, Maple Grove.
- Check out my Tri 2 CIP for new LIFE Street Passport challenges that are due January 5th.
- Join the Book discussion, talking about All Rise, the Journey of Alan Page
- First Trimester LL hours were 225.5.

Priority Area – REACH, Deb Froemming (Priority@mnwt.org), REACHing Out Hand to Hand

- Thank you to the 9 Priority Area program managers for completing Fast Starts.
- The winner of the gift basket at the Project Fair is Stefany Nikolaus.
- 37 service hours reported. Donation of funds are \$248.
- Learn more about REACH during the forum.

Women’s Wellness, Sue Sangren (WW@mnwt.org), Wiggle to Wellness

- 10 Fast Starts for WW were completed. Winner of the random drawing is Rhonda Eckhart, Monticello.
- My CIP has a wiggle worm hidden. Snap a photo of it to me to prove you have read my CIP. I received 15 photos from members and the winner of the random drawing is Shelly Zaffke of Staples Motley.
- My goal is to have 5 chapters participate financially or in the May 2025 walk.
- 191 volunteer hours were reported and \$1072 was raised for WW 1st trimester
- Thank you for the OPM nominations! The winner for the random drawing is Kathy Johnson, Maple Grove
- Join me for SINGO

Youth of Today, Cheryl Watson (YT@mnwt.org), Connecting with Children

- 6 Fast starts for YT were completed. Incentives are in the DD bags.
- 20 chapters participated in Kids Week with 30 activities. Drawing winner is Atkin.
- YT had 1,138 service hours and \$15,338.95 in donations (in kind and monetary combined)
- Outstanding Young Adult Scholarship Goal 6 entries
- Come and Check out the Enrichment activity.

Marketing VP, Michelle Cloutier (MKVP@mnwt.org), Recipe for Success

- Thank you to Wendy Homyak and Sharon Erickson for helping us with our vendors for the Project Fair.
- Thank you to the 14 chapters that participated in my Tri 1 challenge for Founder’s Day. The winner of my gift basket is St. Joseph.
- Our next Webinar Series is October 23rd. Our sessions will focus on The 5 W’s of reporting, Newsletter 101, How to Host a Convention and MNWT Q&A.
- Our next Marketing Committee Meeting will be Nov 16th at Star Bank in Eden Prairie. Marketing will kick off the day starting at 10am.
- Photo challenge for Tri 2. Submit a updated chapter photo or two to be used on the carousel for the MNWT Website.
- The deadline for NEWSLET Personals is Sept 29th for the Fall State edition.
- I am introducing a new award, Marketing Award, at the banquet tonight. Nomination forms for Tri 2 will be available soon.

Financial VP, Connie Fink (FVP@mnwt.org), Wheel of Treasure

- Thank you to the 17 treasurers that turned in Fast Starts. I had two Fast Start Drawings. The first winner for turning in by June 30th is Deb Froemming from Hutchinson. The second winner of all turned in is Teresa Earl from Maple Grove.
- Thank you to all who ordered from the Driven Coffee Fundraiser. As of this morning we have raised \$396! That is awesome! Thank you for your support!!
- 10 out of the 28 spots are filled on the “Buy a Pie” on the wheel! Donate \$50 to Ways and Means and your name can go on for a chance for a \$150 Amazon Gift Card. If I fill two boards, there will be more chances to win and a special activity for President Tevyan. The winner for the Ways and Means drawing is Tevyan from Burnsville.
- I also had 3 \$ icons in my MNJOTs CIP. The winner for finding them is Teresa Earl from Maple Grove

Parliamentarian, Jeny Ohr (Parli@mnwt.org), Tips with Bob & Me

- Thank you to the chapters who either sent in a fast start, chapter bylaws and policies or invited me to their chapter bylaw and policy review during Tri 1. I received 30/46 chapters. The winner of my Tri 1 challenge is the Champlin Chapter.
- MNWT Bylaw and Policy Review- will be held on October 8th at 6:30pm by zoom. Recommendations should be sent to parli@mnwt.org by October 6th. All members that attend will be entered into a gift card drawing at Winter State.
- Tri 2 Challenge- Send in your chapter’s bylaws and policies or invite me to your chapter’s bylaws and policies review by Jan. 20th and you will be entered in a drawing for a gift card at Winter State.

Chairman of the Board, Amy Pumper (COB@mnwt.org), Keeping the Vision Alive

- Thank you to the three members that met the Chairman of the Board Challenge first trimester: Jeannie Wolbeck from Albany, Brandy Mausbach from Blooming Prairie and Gerin Dehn from Brainerd Lakes Area. An incentive was place in the DD Bags. Past chapter presidents check my CIP for the second trimester challenge.
- I met with the District Directors to discuss redistricting, and we will vote on the following changes at Winter State: move

Hawley to District 2 and Melrose Area to District 4. See me if you have any questions.

- Start planning for the 2024-2025 year. Contact COB for more information. But remember, that if you file for a state position, you should only share with COB. At the Executive Council meeting yesterday the following were approved to serve on the 2024-2025 Elections Committee Marie Pedigo from Area 1, Maggie Holmberg from Area 2, Mary Hansen from Area 3, and Dorene Perkins Monn from Area 4.
- March 1st is March Planning and March 2nd will be the 3rd Trimester Committee Meetings. You can submit a recommendation at any time. Contact me for more information.
- President Tevyan's ONTO Shirts are available for sale for \$20 for sizes S-2X and additional for larger sizes. ONTO flowers are now on sale for \$2.50 each or 5 for \$10. There will be an ONTO T-shirt quilt to buy chances on at Winter State – the chances will be \$1 each or 6 for \$5. There will be an ONTO T-shirt quilt to buy chances on at Winter State.
- National Mid-Year will be held October 11-12 in Omaha, Nebraska. Registration is now \$115. Welcome some of our ONTO Committee members for a presentation.

Executive Director, Tanya Rothstein (CSC@mnwt.org), You are the Magic

- Fall State CIPs are available on the website and any chapter that requested paper copies on the Chapter Officer Information form or from me directly, the DDs have them.
- I am Seeking a convention host of Annual 2025 Arrowwood in Alexandria for May 16-18, 2025. Please contact me for more information. I will be sharing information on what is involved in hosting a convention, how you can make money doing it and how much fun your chapter can have on the October 23 webinar. Please make plans to attend.
- If you have not yet filed your 990n with the IRS be sure to do so before October 1 to avoid the next late fee of \$40. If you have trouble or your filing was not accepted, you must contact me at the CSC for assistance. Please also be sure that your Annual Renewal has been filed with the MN Secretary of State's Office.
- We are working on a new website so please bear with us as we are converting over the pages from the old website to the new one. If there is something on the website that is crucial to be fixed we will get it fixed on the current website otherwise it will be addressed on the new site as we are creating and converting it. You can either fill out the form on the website for the fixes/updates or email CSC@MNWT.ORG.

Presidential Assistant, Mary Sobczak (PA@mnwt.org), Live and Learn

- All scrapbook pages for President Tevyan's scrapbooks that are turned in by April 1, 2025, will be entered into a drawing for a fabulous prize to be awarded at Annual Convention
- And if your chapter or district hasn't already, please consider donating to President Tevyan's Year End gift.

Future Directions Committee Chair, Cat Schuman (FDC@mnwt.org)

- The 2nd trimester meetings will be held on Saturday, November 16, 2024 at Star Bank in Eden Prairie with FDC starting at 1 pm.
- This state committee advises and makes recommendations to the Executive Council on a variety of topics including MNWT structure, administration, and programming. FDC has the authority to make decisions on state matters except for bylaws & policies. FDC consists of various subcommittees and task forces that review ideas, recommend changes, and implement actions that are approved by the full committee.
- Give to the Max Day November 1st.

Membership Management Committee Chair, Anna Nichols (MMC@mnwt.org)

- The MMC Project Fair drawing winner is Lorisa Hanson from Blooming Prairie.
- The Membership Management Committee (MMC) is currently working on various orientation trainings including and orientation retreat, membership recognition, guidelines for handling member deaths, and leadership support. All members can attend MMC. Contact Anna Nichols at mmc@mnwt.org for more information.
- Our next MMC meeting is Saturday, November 16, 2024 at Star Bank in Eden Prairie. Meetings can be attended in person or via zoom.
- Extension Support & brainstorming zoom Oct 9th @ 7pm. Check your chapter emails for more information.

MNWT Foundation Chair, Laura Gaylord (Foundation@mnwt.org) (presented by Vice-Chair Cindy Umland)

- Lucky Bucks will take place at the luncheon: Home Sweet Home basket, Gift Card basket and Tech basket
- 40th Anniversary Jewelry enter to win: You can go to the members home page on our MNWT website scroll down and you will find the link to the form to fill out with your information, how many chances you want, and how you would like to make payment.
- Chapter Grant deadline is Dec 1st; to be awarded at Winter State.

MNWT President, Tevyan Sorensen (President@mnwt.org), We Go Together

Ongoing Business-None

New Business-None

Announcements-None

Benediction was said by LL SPM, Sharon Scholl

Minnesota Women of Today Creed Was Led by District 2 Director, Tami Borgen

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am by MNWT President, Tevyan Sorensen