

Minnesota Women of Today 2024-2025 MNJOTS CIP Programming Vice President Shaking It Up

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Hello Programming Vice Presidents,

I am looking forward to "Shaking It Up" with all of you this year as your State PVP! I hope to help you and your chapters strengthen your reporting systems to include your monetary donations and volunteer time. This is important for the success of our organization. Plus, it is fun to see how much we contribute as an entire group of women from around the state!

I joined Monticello Women of Today in 1997 when I had a newborn (Kayla, who is now my 27-year-old newlywed daughter and a WT member since she was 18), a one year old son (Victor, who is now my 28-year-old son, who still helps at WT events) and a three year old daughter (Trista, my 30-year-old daughter, who joined for 10 years when she was 18 and who recently re-joined as a member after a couple of years off). I have been retired from teaching for 3 years after a 35 year career working with students with different abilities. My husband, Mike, and I have been married for 16 years and recently became first time grandparents when his daughter, Cassandra, had a baby boy in April. We enjoy camping and traveling around the country.

I have held all board positions (some more than once) in my chapter. On the state level, I have served as DD, YT SPM, AVP, CMVP, and MKVP. I have also been a member of the Finance Committee, Marketing Committee and Future Directions. I have been waiting for the opportunity to be the PVP and am so excited that this time has come. I am passionate about supporting you and the SPMs to make our organization a better place for serving within it!

## MNWT Programming Vice President Fast Start What To Do:

- 1. Hold an orientation for the LPMs that you supervise. This can be provided by you, the chapter, or the district.
- Set 3 specific goals for your PVP position, providing a copy to your chapter president or district director and send a copy to <u>pvp@mnwt.org</u>
- 3. Write a letter of introduction and send to PVP at pvp@mnwt.org
- List information for all LPM positions filled, including name, address, phone and email.
- Explain how you encouraged your LPMs to complete their Fast Starts.



Trimester 1 President Success Bonus Points: Submit an Outstanding Program Manager nomination (25 pts verified by PVP).

### **Programming Vice President Role**

As your Chapter PVP, here are tips to get started for your amazing year:

- 1. Educate yourself on all programming areas
- Provide LPMs with an orientation and promote LPM Fast Start completion
- Train LPMs on how to report with a written report for the secretary
- 4. Review SPM CIPs and share with your LPMs, encouraging them to share ideas from the CIPS with their chapter
- COMMUNICATE with LPMs before every meeting, letting them know to have a report to share at their meetings.
- Recognize LPMs with Outstanding Programming Manager and/or Project of the Trimester Awards

# nomination (25 pts verified by PVP).

Each trimester, all five SPMs will recognize a wonderful project and an outstanding programming manager in their area. They review nominations sent in by chapters and districts around the state. Receiving the Outstanding Project of the Trimester and the Outstanding Programming Manager Award is truly an honor and one to be proud of.

**MNWT Trimester Programming** 

Awards

As your chapter PVP, consider sending in a project of the trimester in each of the five areas <u>every</u> trimester.

Also, make sure to nominate LPMs each trimester for the Outstanding Programming Manager Award. Even if your chapter does not have LPMs, nominate a member performing exceptional work in any of the programming areas.

#### 2024-2025 State Program Managers

#### Community Connections (CC)

Sara Rocksted, cc@mnwt.org

Facebook Mondays Sara's theme is "Beautiful Things Come Together One Stitch at a Time". The CC area encourages chapters to become involved in their communities, to increase recognition of joint ventures with local community organizations, to support the Person with Determination Award and to honor chapters who have established Community Connections Awards at MNWT Annual Convention. July is True Friends emphasis month.

#### Living and Learning (LL)

Sharon Scholl, Il@mnwt.org

Sharon's theme is "Taking a Journey Down Life Street". The LL area encourages personal growth through LL certifications, Personal Enrichment Program (PEP) courses, USWT Wellness and Personal Development certifications, speaking, writing and impromptu competitions, and participation in fellowship coffee chats at conventions, invocations & benedictions.

#### Women's Wellness (WW)

Sue Bay, ww@mnwt.org Facebook Wednesdays Sue's theme is "Wiggle to Wellness". The WW area encourages women to become more involved with their physical and mental well-being, promotes community events that benefit women, and supports the Lois M. Christensen Women Who Impact Award.

#### Priority Area (REACH)

Deb Froemming, priority-area@mnwt.org Facebook Thursdays Deb's theme is "REACHing Out Hand to Hand". This area is new this year and changes every three years. This area encourages members to support a statewide organization through awareness, raising funds, and in volunteer efforts See description in this CIP for more information on REACH.

#### Youth of Today (YT)

Cheryl Watson, yt@mnwt.org

Cheryl's theme is "Connecting with Children". The YT area promotes activities that allow youth the opportunity to experience the importance of volunteering. There is an emphasis on Kid's Week held in August as well as support for the Outstanding Young Adult program. August is Community Connections emphasis month.

#### REACH: Our New Priority Area

REACH (Relationships, Education, Accountability, Character, Hard Work) classrooms provide a safe place where students are supported in personal and academic growth through individual instruction, value driven goal-setting and social-emotional learning. REACH keeps students in school by preparing them for their economic future through time management, problem solving, conflict resolution, teamwork and job exploration. REACH challenges students to face their fears, manage their mental health, to be accountable and to break past cycles by growing past limitations. REACH supports students through trauma, stress, mental and chemical health issues, and family/personal struggles.

Facebook Fridays

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Facebook Tuesdays

## The Importance of Reporting

When you complete your report forms and turn them into your chapter, district and state representatives, you are helping Minnesota



Women of Today track our donations and hours served. This is when you see the big checks at Annual Convention, designating amounts (in kind-donations other than money and monetary) for each programming area and the grand total of our efforts.

In your WRITTEN reports remember to include: <u>WHO</u>-names of members who attended/participated <u>WHAT</u>-name of the event/project/activity <u>WHEN</u>-date and time of events <u>WHERE</u>-place/location event was held <u>WHY</u>-reason you held event, including hours/money donated

<u>Example report</u>: On August 18, from 6-8pm, Mary, Cat and Barb packed 50 backpacks for Wright County students K-12 who needed school supplies. This project, called, Helping Our Kids, was held at Resurrection Church, Monticello, with a total of 12 hours and \$50 in cash and \$60 in supplies donated from chapter members. Other organizations who assisted included Monticello Lions and Rotary members.

When reporting hours, include those of your family members who helped, travel time to and from the event, to and from the store to get supplies, shopping, report writing, etc. ANYTHING you do from beginning to end counts-setting up location, phone calls, emails, meetings, etc.