

The Chick Times

STMA Women of Today

June 2011

President's Letter

Rain, Rain, Rain go away! For goodness sakes it's June 23rd and it's 60 degrees. Where in the world is summer? I sure hope it is just around the corner.

June 30th is our Founder's Day Picnic at Sharon's house. Please RSVP to her by June 28th so she can plan accordingly. Sure sounds like fun and hope many of you can make it. Remember this is open to your whole family. A great social opportunity to bring a prospective and show them how much fun we have.

With all of the storms we have been having, and yes they are landing on our meeting nights. Please read in the minutes the procedure on how we will be handling such.

On August 11 is the MNWT Ladies Night Out. Let's see how we can celebrate the occasion. We are in need of someone chairing this event. Please look on page 6, Chris Goulet has put an article together regarding the same.

As of right now we only have a general meeting planned for July — no projects, no socials or m-events. Enjoy your summer!

In Friendship - Peggy

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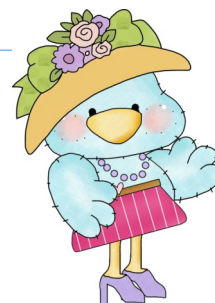
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- Big Chick/ Lil Chick
- Share the Secret
- Award Winners
- A Trip to the Orient
- Day at the Diamond

Meet the New Board Members

Beth Lovre - Membership Vice President

I moved to Otsego in 2005 with my husband. Knowing no one here I was having troubles finding women with common interests. I found Women of Today in January 2007. Now I walk into a store in the area and run into at least one person I know! I love that. It makes me feel at home. Thanks ladies for such a great welcoming!



From the desk of "Henny Penny"



As your treasurer, I am available by cell phone and text at 612-619-3131. My email is lauriedaniels@live.com. When you need my assistance, please use whichever is convenient for you. I check all very often, and can get back to you in short order. I currently work out of my home, and most recently at Columbia, right here in Albertville! While at Columbia, I may be limited to accessing my messages, but will get back to you as soon as I can.

Why so much information? I want to ensure your needs are taken care of by letting you know of my availability! Thanks, and if I can be of any help, let me know. ~ Laurie

ATTN: LPM'S

The Programming VP chicks would like to remind you of your completion date for Fast Start, arriving soon (August 2). If you need help, we would graciously 'coop'erate with you and would love to help!

Contact Jenny (763) 245-7653 or Meredith (507)261-3631 for help or questions!



Hey Ladies -

Do you have a fabulous recipe you'd love to share with the Chapter? If so, please send it to me as I'm ready to send out my first addition of Chick Feed and will need more recipes to add to my list.
send to: candykem@embarqmail.com

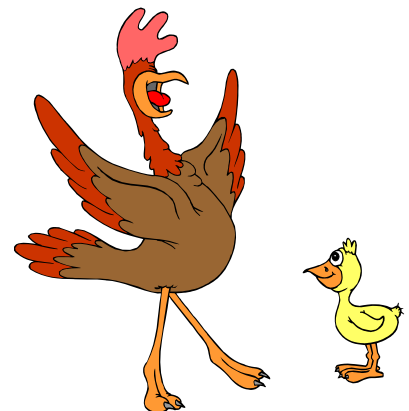
Thanks!

Big Chick/Little Chick

How are we doing so far on that list I gave you at the meeting?

If you weren't at the meeting, I am working on getting your sheets and names of your partners out to you. Any questions, please let me know!

Sassy Chick Beth L



STMA Women of Today

General Minutes

June 14, 2011

Attendees: Peggy Kaufman, Kathy Hansen, Wendy Christensen, Laurie Daniels, Meredith DonLevy, Beth Lovre, Heidi Clausen, Kris Goodin, Chris Goulet, Carol Gore, Lisa Haines, Amy Hoffman, Jenny Leonard, Candyce Mros, Dee Thies, Lisabet Thomas, Nancy Thompson Lynn VanDenBroeke, Emily Goldsberry, Marnette Hoiseve, Sheila Cartney

Call to Order: 7:04 pm

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Carol Gore

MN Women of Today Creed led by: Emily Goldsberry

A quorum was established with 22 members present.

Guests: Denise Barnett- Juice Plus gave a talk about her product.

Kathy Hansen-led us in a name game. She would love to have members to join her while she visits other Chapters, prize will go to the Chapter with the most volunteers. "Betting on a Full House with District 12" is her theme for this years fall convention, scheduled for September 23-25 in Brainerd (Craguns). District meeting Tuesday, June 21 in Mora, at Kanabec History Center 6:30 pm, please advise Wendy if going.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Secretary: Nancy Thompson

- May minutes were approved.
- Please send written reports to Nancy she will be giving out a prize for the most reports each trimester!
- June Birthday's are Michelle, Sharon, Jill, Kathy R and Julie W
- PALS: There was no interest to participate in PALS this year

Treasurer: Laurie Daniels

- Checking \$1,775.74. Savings \$8,293.70
- M/S/P (Laurie Daniels/Lisabet) I move that we accept the 2011/2012 Budget and Calendar that was published in the May newsletter.
- Donation requests: M/S/P (Laurie Daniels/Carol Gore) I move that \$250.00 from External Misc. be used to sponsor a hole for the John Lloyd Leonard golf tournament. M/S/P (Laurie Daniels/Heidi Clausen) I move that \$60.29 be taken from Internal Misc. to cover the expense of storage shed insurance. M/S/P (Laurie Daniels/Candyce Mros) I move that \$200.00 be taken out of External Misc. to sponsor a financial contribution of Gold Sponsorship to the STMA Rotary club's Strive program.
- Candyce gave recap on STMA Audit meeting. Meet May 18, 4 members attended, total hours worked 4. Review of last years books. All accurate.

Membership: Beth Lovre

- On time drawing winner: Lynn VanDenBroeke
- 1st Trimester renewals: please have to Beth by July 15
- New member orientation at Beth's house June 29 at 7:00 pm. sign up sheet on clip board.
- Handed out Info Sheet please fill out and return to Beth Lovre.
- Several members signed up for Big Sis/Little Sis and started their journey. If still interested please let Beth know.
- M events and socials: Goal is 2 a trimester. August 11 Learn to save with Coupons, time and place tba. Bike and Bar Hop- Lisa Haines July 30, 4-7 pm to meet and bicycle to bar hop. Sign up sheet will go around. Meeting place tba.

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- Movie recap: The STMA Chapter, along with members from Monticello and Otsego were present, overall 20 or more people showed.

State Delegate: Wendy Christensen

- Participation binder please fill out accordingly.
- District meeting is June 21 in Mora, at Kanabec History Center 6:30pm start. Sign up if plan on going working on carpooling
- Annual Convention recap/awards, Peggy:
 - 3rd trimester awards,
 - 2nd place SUCCESS
 - POP Division 5 winner
 - Membership incentives: early bird re-newals, in chapter extension
 - Chapter that got to convention the fastest- STMA
 - Candyce won the lucky buck "Chocolate Lover's basket"
 - Presidential pins- Sheila, VDB
 - Presidential medallion - Candi
 - Outstanding Records & Recognition LPM: Candyce & Lori
 - Outstanding Community Connections LPM: Kris G
 - Submitting district bylaws & policies: Kris G won a Twins themed bucket of goodies
 - Calling for "deal or no deal" membership incentive: Peggy won a MNWT bag
 - Incentive for submitting success: Peggy
 - Incentive from President Ann for finishing strong: Peggy
 - Completing LPM report: Candyce & Lori
 - PDC Olympics envelope: Candyce & Lori \$5.00 coupon for State store.
 - Incentives from Can do Canine SPM: Meredith & Susie
 - Incentive for submitting youth of today project nomination: candi
 - STEP 1 certification: Meredith
 - STEP 3 certification: Peggy, Candi
 - Annual awards for the year:
 - SUCCESS system top 10 overall: STMA 2nd place
 - POP, Division leaders : STMA for division 5
 - Membership awards for the year:
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 - Presidential challenge incentive: Peggy

Programming Vice Presidents: Meredith DonLevy & Jenny Leonard

New projects discussion: Any new ideas would be great, please bring any to the general meetings with information. Also the idea book is a great place to look if interested in heading a committee.

Internal Programming: Meredith

- Still looking to fill LPM positions, Living & Learning, and Records & Rec.
 - Newsletter: Peggy
 - Deadline June 21
 - Public Relations: Chris G
 - Founders day picnic will be held at Sharon Robinson's home on Saturday, June 25, 5:30-8:30 pm, family, and friends are invited.
 - Ways and Means: Candi,
 - Coborns Dairy Days recap by Nancy June 7, 4-7pm had 9 members attend with a total of 15 hours worked. Received a \$200.00 donation check.
 - Social Media Committee: Julie, nothing to report
- ### **External Programming: Jenny**
- Can Do Canines: Kathy R/Michelle nothing to report

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- Community Connections: Sheila
 - Highway Clean Up: Kathy Rice recap, May 19 met behind Market Place. had 5 members help with a total of 6 hours.
 - National Night Out: August 2, please advise Peggy if anyone would like to chair
 - STM Daze and Knights: nothing to report
 - Women's Wellness: Amy/Lisa
 - Lisa mentioned at IN-Fit free class called Wellness U, best to sign up via website. Next class at 7pm Thursday June 30.
 - Youth of Today: Lisabet
 - Track and Field days: Carol recap, total cost \$577.00 for the purchase of 2,500 ribbons. Gave out 2,000 ribbons. 7 members plus 1 outside member to volunteer, with a total of 15 hours.
 - AFCD Dunk Tank: Sheila gave recap June 11 9-12 pm, 6 members worked for a total of 12 hours. Raised \$289.00. Spent \$84.50 for dunk tank rental. FD filled the dunk tank. FD volunteers were in tank for the 1st 2 hours. \$5.00 for 3 balls, but let kids throw extra. All money raised will be donated back to the fire department.
 - Kids Week/Coborns-Lisabet, This consolidates the Coborns Kids week and WT kids week and is scheduled for August 2. M/S/P (Lisabet/Kathy Hansen) I move that we take \$300.00 from external misc. to create a budget for kids week. Coloring contest and books will be read. An idea was give out books to the children.
- President: Peggy**
- May Awards: Spot light, Lynn VanDenBroeke . Member of Month, Candyce Mros
 - Logo wear order: Order sheet sign up if interested in ordering a shirt.
 - Bad Weather procedures have been established to ensure safety of our members in the chance that severe weather hits while we are in a meeting during storms.
 - o Meeting will stop upon hearing sirens and warnings
 - o Members will move to safe place.
 - Members can choose to leave if they want, but must "sign" out with president for safety reasons (i.e., if a husband calls and asks where you are, and we did not even know you left!)
 - o Meeting will resume when storm passes.
- Good and Welfare: Peggy**
- Serves you Right Winner is Laurie Daniels
- US Women of Today Creed led by Marnette
Adjourned 8:45pm

PR for July 2011 STMAWT Newsletter

By Chris Goulet

Celebrate Founders' Day

In 1950 a group of MN women got together to form a community service organization which they named, Mrs. Jaycees of MN. In March of 1984, the Anoka Mrs. Jaycees group extended a new Mrs. Jaycees chapter in St. Michael. Our chapter started with just 7 members! In April of 1984, the new St. Michael Mrs. Jaycees hosted their first event, 'Lunch with the Bunny'. More than 100 children attended! Our chapter has a current membership of 46 women. The organization's name changed to Minnesota Women of Today in July 1985. July 1st has been dedicated as Founders' Day. STMAWT will celebrate Founders' Day on Thursday, June 30th, with a family event being hosted by Sharon Robinson. Watch for Sharon's flyer in this newsletter.

Crow River Senior Center Needs Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help with meals and monthly birthday parties at the Crow River Senior Center, located in the new St. Michael Towne Center, as follows:

- Help is needed from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm for lunch set-up, serving and clean-up. Lunches are served Tuesdays through Fridays each week.
- Volunteers are needed to help once a month with the monthly birthday celebration held during the lunch time meal.
- Volunteers are also needed to plan lunch menus twice a month.

Please consider signing up for one of these great opportunities to share some time with our local seniors. Even if you can only do it once, any time that you can give will be appreciated! It would be great to share a service opportunity with your newly "school free" older children over the summer. Please call the Crow River Senior Center at 763-497-8900 or contact Cathy Zachmann at 763-497-2746 to put yourself on the schedule. I hope to see some of you there!

"Share the Secret" - Ladies Night Out Events 2011-2012

This year's theme is "Share the Secret". To get the word out about our great organization, MNWT has set aside August 11th, 2011, October 18th, 2011 and April 17th, 2012 as official "Ladies Night Out" dates. For each event that we hold, our chapter will receive 1-5 entries in a drawing to be held at the Annual Convention in 2012. As the PR-LPM for our chapter, I will be receiving a list of "Projects in a Bag" from Stacy Pearson, Marketing Committee Chair for MNWT. "Projects in a Bag" ideas will help make sharing these evenings with prospective new members easy for our chapter. I am looking for someone to chair any of these events. Please contact me and I will pass the info on to you.

**STMA CHAPTER
FOUNDER'S DAY
PICNIC**

It's time!!!!

Enjoy the
friendships!

Fun will
be had by
all!

ENJOY THE SUN!
HAVE SOME FUN!
CELEBRATE !

Date:
June 30, 2010
Time:
5:30— 8:30 pm
Place:
Robinson's
19996 February St
Big Lake, MN

Let's Get
together...
yeah ..
Yeah ..

Bring a
Friend!

CELEBRATE
OUR BEGINNING!

Family Fun!

Horseshoe Tournament!

Volley Ball

Hot Dogs
Chips
Potato Salad
And more.....

Let's plant
some seeds!
Friends
welcome!

For:
Mom's
Dad's
Kid's

Please RSVP
by

June 28th.

763-257-4985

Games and
more!

Top 10 List
Fun Fun
Fun Fun
Fun Fun
Fun Fun
Fun Fun

Best Hat
Award!

AWARD WINNERS



May Member of the Month: Candyce
May Spotlight Winner: Lynn VDB
May Serves You Right Winner: Laurie

Annual Convention Awards 2010-2011

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Transmittals – 101

Submitted by: Laurie Daniels, STMA Treasurer

What is a Transmittal? A tool Women of Today use to track the funds our chapters and districts donate to their communities and/or other charitable foundations. By compiling information from transmittals, the State Organization is able to see the financial impact Women of Today has made statewide.

Donations made to a local organization or charity requires a transmittal; each donation needs a separate transmittal. STMAWT will send transmittals each trimester online at www.mnwt.org.

What kind of a donation? A donation can be money from a fundraiser, chapter donation, clothing, or other items donated to a shelter or camp, books donated to a library, bread donated to persons needing this service, food shelf donation, cell phones for abuse shelters, etc. Any time we donate something, we should fill out a transmittal with the value of what we have donated.

Do we include our donated time? No, our donated time is not figured on a transmittal. That should be included in our service hours on LPM/DPM reports to the State Program Manager for that programming area.

How do I fill out a transmittal for money raised in a fundraiser? STMA can make the check payable to Minnesota Women of Today and send to the state treasurer with the white copy of the transmittal form. The yellow copy of the transmittal form is kept for our records. Remember to indicate on the transmittal, the amount of donation, date of the project, type of project, and check the programming area. In the "How Donation Made" section, mark that the check is attached.

Alternatively, STMAWT can send the check directly to the foundation. All information, as described above, is needed on the transmittal form, except in the "How Donation Made section," mark that the check was sent directly to the foundation. Without a transmittal, they would not know that the donation was made!

How do I report the donations that we make in our local community? For any donation that is made to our local community, figure a dollar value, and use that amount on the transmittal for "Amount of Donation." Examples: a Halloween party that we sponsor and are paying for, and which we do not charge to attend, donations to After-Prom parties, donations to our library, etc. Fill out the transmittal as usual, marking the "Donation Made Locally" section.

Why is it so important to report donations to the State Organization? This is the best means of tracking the amount of money chapters raise and donate in their communities and foundations we work with. Women of Today chapters are classified as "non profit, non charitable." We should abide by the 70/30 rule for charitable organizations (at least 70% of expenses must benefit charities and not more than 30% toward internal use). Transmittals help the State Organization track all donations made throughout our state on behalf of Women of Today.

Some chapters do not donate much, so they do not send in transmittals. Each chapter is important! When all donation totals are added together from all of the chapters, the totals at Annual Convention are very exciting!

"Day at the Diamond"



MN Women of Today's 2011 Event – Target Field
Sunday, September 18th, 2011 - 1:10 p.m. at Target Field
MNWT has reserved 250 tickets – *They go fast!*
Ticket prices are \$26.00 ea (savings of \$3.00)
Seats are on the Skyline Deck, Section U, Rows 1-11

Please step up to the "plate" if you would be willing to chair this event, which involves making a list of women interested in attending, and sending in the check and order form for the tickets. Tickets must be ordered by Wednesday, August 17th. *This limited number of tickets go quickly, so we need to put a "fast spin" on this event!* To chair the event contact Chris Goulet – PR-LPM.



MNWT Facebook Challenge

Help MNWT meet our 1st Trimester Public Relations Challenge. Go "MN Women of Today" and select "Like" next to the name (if you have already done this the "Like" button will not appear). You might even post a word or two about your favorite thing about MNWT or STMAWT. Ask your friends, family and co-workers to "Like" MNWT. This is a great way to spread the word about Women of Today! Currently MNWT has over 490 Facebook fans, our PR challenge for the first trimester is to boost this number to 750 or more! PS: Don't forget "Like" our own Facebook page at "STMA WT". Top Facebook fan recruiters will be recognized for this PR challenge!



"A Trip to the Orient"

At Fall State

September 23-25 2011
Cragun's Resort and Conference Center
11000 Craguns Drive, Brainerd, MN 56401
www.craguns.com

Prices: Advance Registration: Full Registration: \$76.00 Late Registration: \$91.00. Additional prices are available to separate each of the events. I will be passing the information along at our next general meeting.

Hotel Reservations: Need to know by August 23, 2011. Double \$99.00/night (plus tax).

I will be passing a sign-up sheet at our next meeting in July. If you are interested in going before our next meeting in July you can e-mail me at wendychristensen@me.com.



Chick 'N Scratchings.....

Lynn, you are the best. I am so grateful for your help with my treasury duties! - Laurie

Thanks everyone for helping out with the dunk tank event it was a lot of fun! Sheila

Had a great time at Bridesmaids with all you crazy chicks! Thanks for putting it together Gretchen - Candyce

A huge thank you to Peggy for being so available to answer all my questions! I truly appreciate you! -Laurie

Nice representation at the District Mtg in Mora STMA! We Rock! - Candyce

Gretchen: I had a blast going out to the movies! It was awesome! Sassy Chick Beth L

Lisa - you and your husband really know how to eat pizza!!! - Sheila

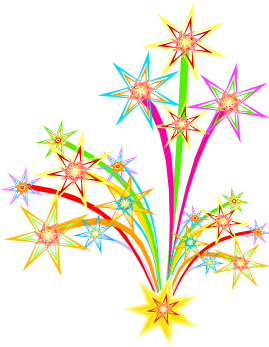
Candyce the Cougar - nice picture with the paramedic! - Sheila

Peggy - Thanks for taking the reigns for the 1st trimester! Truly appreciated! Candyce

To my fellow chicks -- love working with you! --Henny Penny

Sheila - Nice job with the Dunk Tank! Way to get out of getting wet! - Candyce

WOW! Thanks for the votes! I really appreciate my Excellence Award for May! Candyce



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★	4	Independence Day					★
★	5	Board Meeting					★
★	12	General Meeting					★
★	22	Gretchen B-day					★
★	26	Brandy B-day					★
★	30	Peggy B-day					★
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Happy Birthday To You!

- Michelle 6/2
- Sharon 6/3
- Jill 6/24
- Kathy R 6/29
- Julie W 6/29



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NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION!!

New member orientation will be at Beth L's house on Wednesday June 29th at 7:00pm. Please RSVP to Beth L.

Looking for Prospective Chicks to add to my Chick list!

Any one you might want to add to my list or if you want me to give them a call to tell them all about WT, just let me know!
Thanks! Sassy Chick Beth L

August Calendar

- 1 Heidi B-day
- 2 Coborn's Kids Week in conjunction with STMA WT Kids Week
- 2 Board Meeting
- 4 Rachel B-day
- 7 USWT Friendship Day
- 9 General Meeting
- 9 Kayla B-day
- 11 Susie B-day
- 11 MNWT Ladies Night Out
- 12 -14 STM Daze and Knights
- 18 Julie S B-day
- 19 Beth B-day
- 23 Jenny B-day
- 24 Amy B-day
- 27 Laurie B-day
- 30 Julie D B-day

