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STMA Women of Today

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Holiday Party Fun





Help Celebrate International Women's Day

On March 10, 2018, we are hosting a painting event for all kids in the area. We will have two or three different paintings for the kids to create. The event will be an open house for about two-three hours. The cost will be \$10 per child/painting.

In addition, we will provide information on creativity, ingenuity, achievements to promote equality for girls and boys.

I am looking for assistance on March 10 with setup, check-in, clean-up, and painting guidance (no experience necessary). The event is being held in the upper room at Albertville City Hall. Please let Bobbi know (952-412-0948 or b.fehrmann@gmail.com) if you can help for a couple hours between 9 and 1.



**Everyone
needs a
blanket
sometimes**

Fleece Blanket Making

Come help put together comfy, cozy blankets.

Saturday, January 20, 2018: Starting at 9am, there will be an open house until noon for everyone to come assist with the cutting and tying of the blankets. (No sewing or previous experience needed.) All blankets are being donated to Great River Family Promise.

The open house is at Bobbi's home: 10336 Kali Ave NE, Albertville.

If you have any questions, contact Bobbi at 952-412-0948 or b.fehrmann@gmail.com.



STATE Delegate Corner – Carol Gore

Better Together

Winter State Convention is coming up the last weekend in January. If you missed the January general meeting we are collecting items (or cash) for two baskets. The State WT Bucket of Sunshine project is Wigs for Women. At the Wigs for Women annual fundraiser held in February they raffle off baskets. The MN WT is collecting items for baskets, baskets, or money to make baskets. The baskets are for any age but they especially need baskets for teens. It seems most baskets are aimed for adults (wine) and the kids get left out. The fundraiser in Feb. is for the whole family. Our chapter has \$150 in our Bucket of Sunshine budget. We will be making two baskets one for a teen girl and one for a teen boy. **If you want to donate to these baskets please let me know and I will pick them up prior to the State convention.**

We will also be donating \$150 to the Priority Project Breaking Free. This is the last year for the three year Priority Project Breaking Free. Our chapter has \$150 in the budget for this project. Winter State Luminary Walk • Together we can fill the halls at Winter State Convention with luminary bags. • Please help promote sales of our luminary bags at a suggested donation of \$5 each. The proceeds of this will go towards buying a van for Breaking Free. • The luminary bags are a sign of celebration and honor for the women whose lives have been taken through sexual exploitation and human trafficking. These bags will send a message that “Girls and Women Are Not for Sale!” and we want to let everyone know we have had enough! With the Super Bowl coming up here in MN this message needs to be heard loud and clear. **If you would like to donate as well, please let me know and I will pick up your donation prior to the State convention.**

Upcoming Area 2 3rd trimester meeting will be held on March 23 in Rice, MN. Hear what our State President has to say. If you would like to attend this meeting let me know. I will have more details at the Feb general meeting.

The District 6 3rd trimester meeting will be on April 11th here in STMA. The District Directors chapter hosts this meeting. Let me know if you would be interested in co-chairing this fun project with me.

Remember we are “BETTER TOGETHER”



Just Drive Event Committee

I am looking for members to help me put together the Just Drive event, April 28. I will need assistance with creating ideas and then finding vendors, attaining prizes, advertising, and putting together any other crazy events we can create. If you are interested in helping or just finding out more, please contact Bobbi at 952-412-0948 or b.fehrmann@gmail.com

2018-2019

**St. Michael/Albertville WT Board Election Candidates
Recommendations/Interested Nominees**

It is a new year with new opportunities. Serving on the board is an excellent way to learn more about our organization, provide your input, and gain confidence!!

Board Position	Nominee	Nominee
President	_____	_____
State Delegate	_____	_____
Membership VP	_____	_____
Treasurer	_____	_____
Secretary	_____	_____
Programming VP	_____	_____

Past President/ **Candi Testa**
Parliamentarian

Please list any members that you feel might be interested in a position or list yourself if you are interested. Please return to Nancy Thompson by email

nancythwt@gmail.com

If you have any questions about a position or would like more information, please feel free to ask any current board member. Thanks!

Officer Position Definition and Responsibilities

President:

- Presides over meetings of the chapter including setting an agenda for each meeting. (The board should assist in finalizing the agenda.)
- She also oversees other officer positions, assisting when necessary.
- Attends as many district, state and area meetings as possible.
- She may also assist in the completion of Success each trimester and submit a year-end and/or mid-year evaluation.

Programming Vice President (PVP): (May be divided into Internal and External Vice President positions.)

- Encourages local program managers (LPM).
- Helps orientate the LPMs
- Reminds LPMs of report deadlines
- Helps recruit members to take programming positions
- Assists in reporting in the areas that do not have an LPM.

Membership Vice President (MVP): Assists the chapter with membership responsibilities. Including:

- renewals
- membership nights
- orientation of new members
- Installation of new members/renewal ceremonies, etc.

State Delegate:

- The official liaison between the chapter and the district and the state organization.
- Should attend as many district and state meetings as possible.
- May be responsible to RSVP for district, state and area meetings
- Report to the chapter about the highlights of convention and other meetings after attending.
- May also submit a year-end and/or mid-year evaluation.

Secretary:

- Keeps the official minutes of each meeting.
- May also serve as the official contact with the PALS chapter.
- May coordinate chapter newsletter.

Treasurer:

- Keeps track of the chapter finances.
- Manages the checkbook and reports the financial status of the chapter at each meeting.

Parliamentarian:

- Reads the orders of the day at each meeting.
- Establishes a quorum at the meeting.
- Assists in the voting process.
- Chair of the Bylaw/Policy Review Committee

Parli Report-Nancy

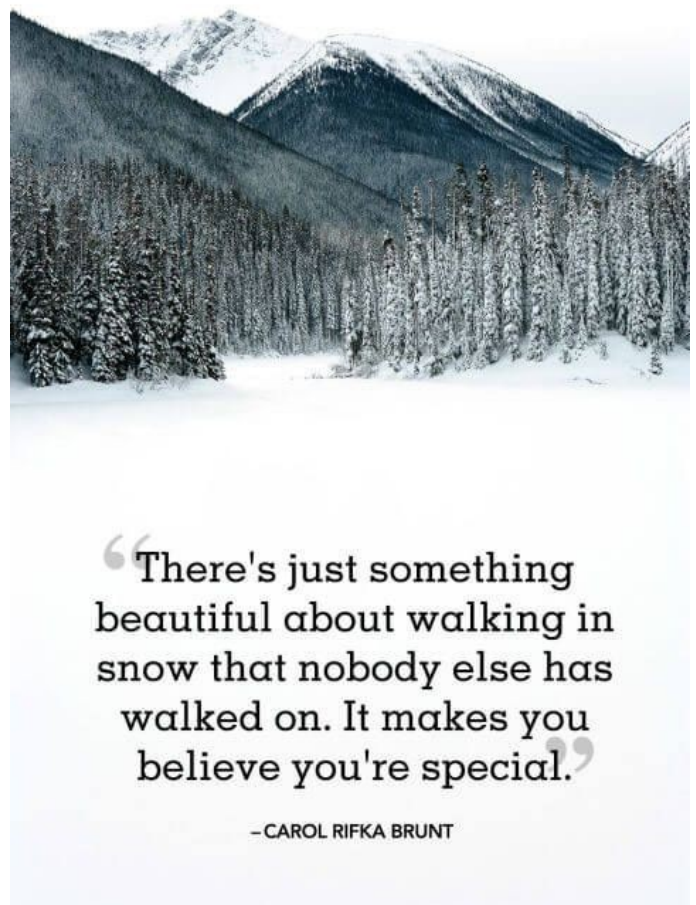
The 2018-2019 Nominating Committee is looking for STMA WT members who would like to sign up to be on the Board for the 2018-2019-and possibly the [2019-2020](#) years.

There is discussion whether or not to have Board positions as a 2-year position. The Bylaw/Policy Committee will be bringing to the membership for a vote in February.

If you are interested, please or would like to nominate someone please fill out the nomination form and return to Nancy Thompson at nancythwt@gmail.com.

Soon one of the Nominating Committees will be calling you to see if you are interested in a position on the board or becoming a Local Program Manager (LPM)

If you aren't ready for a board position please consider a LPM position, there are many areas to choose from.





Certification Night
February 1st (Thursday)
6:30pm at Lori's House
512 5th St SW, St. Michael



Please join us for an evening of fun while we fill out certifications together and enjoy snacks and beverages!

Carol's homemade irish cream recipe:

- 1 2/3 cups Irish whiskey
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1 (14 oz) can sweetened condensed milk.
- 2 Tbsp instant coffee granules
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 tsp almond extract

Blend all ingredients in blender on high until frothy, 20-30 seconds. Chill 24 hours before



Chapter



Susie– Love seeing your smile! Thank you for the extra certification copies! Lori

Candi– Thanks for coordinating the bus to drive us to the best holiday light displays; it was a very relaxing and entertaining evening! Gretchen H

Nancy– It was great seeing you and catching up at the general meeting! Kris

Kathy H– Thank you for keeping our minds sharp with the word find! So fun and cute prizes! Lori

To all at the holiday party - It was so fun to see you all - Carol

Candi– Thank you for all you do for WT & members. We appreciate your hard work & thoughtfulness and feel honored that you would spend your birthday at our meeting! Lori

Jill– Thanks for all the planning you have done for the holiday party; it will be a great event. Gretchen H

Sherri– Thank you for stepping up to help with PR! Lori

Board– Thanks for the yummy cocoa bar at the meeting! Kris

Carol– AWESOME Irish Cream! Lori

Gretchen H - Awesome sweater! - Carol

Kris– Great job with the newsletter! Lori

Bobbi– Thank you for planning 3 awesome projects! Lori

Jill- Fun time at the holiday party!! Kris

Heather– Prayers for you and your family. Thank you for sharing-we are here for you! Lori

Sherri - So happy we get to be roomies again! - Carol

Jackie– Congratulations on being a new grandma! Lori

Marnette– You are so funny! Made the meeting even more lively! Lori

Candi - Thanks for the ride(s), you know me so well, I don't do snow! - Carol

Jill - Great job on the Holiday party- Carol

Cheryl - Welcome!! - Carol

Michelle– Thank you for being secretary and keeping everything straight! Lori

Angela– Great seeing you at the holiday party. Glad you were able to get out and join us! Kris