

EDEN PRAIRIE WOMEN OF TODAY
General Meeting – St. Andrew's Church
Thursday, August 21, 2008
7:00 P.M.

Attendees:

Katie Castro	Cathy Snyder	Mary Boerner
Beth Wojahn	Marinda VanDekieft	Sue Ellen Toppings
LeAnne Frolander	Shannon Seymour	Melissa Redzuan
Fay Clark	Kerry Anderson	Pat Brandon
Marie Robinson	Therese Simmons	Joanna Takes

Guests:

Asekar Glay	Mohammed Aden
Faisa Aden	Joan Negu

A quorum was established.

Call to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Marie Robinson.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Marinda VanDekieft.

US Women of Today Creed led by Therese Simmons.

Ice Breaker provided by Shannon Seymour. Say hello in any way, but not the same.

Presentation by Mohammed Aden.

Programming Reports

Internal Programming VP (IVP) – Marinda Van Dekieft

11%ers – Sue Ellen – Information will be in the newsletter.

Wellness 360 – we will continue to walk on Saturdays 7:30 or 8:00 A.M.

Share Your Light Nights

September 16 – Sue Ellen – 5:30 meet at Davanni's, 7:30 talent show

October 14 – Melissa – either water color painting, or I'll tell you about my culture.

Living and Learning – Beth Wojahn/Fay Clark

Thanks to Kerry Anderson for her personalities PEP course on August 18

Records and Recognition – Katie Castro/Marie Robinson

No report, but reminder to do your project reports.

Newsletter – Joanna Takes

Articles are due August 28. The August prizewinner is Carol Baltzer.
Webmaster – Stacy Pearson – Stacy had a baby boy, and was assisted by Sue Ellen Toppings.
Ways and Means – Sue Ellen – We have \$17.96 (Link Share) this month.

External Programming VP (EVP) – Kerry Anderson .

Women’s Wellness – Cyndy Mertz – no report

Youth of Today – Melissa Redzuan – Joanna and Melissa held the kids games on Saturday, August 16 at Pioneer Park. There were 4 members and 10 guests who did 3 legged races, spoon races, etc. and then had a picnic.

Chutes and Ladders – Marinda VanDekieft – located at Hyland Park, and will start at noon on August 23.

Crisis Nursery – Mary Boerner – we work on September 7, and will be serving fish.

Innsbruck Paper – Fay Clark – proceeds can be used to buy fleece for Project Linus; we get 50% of it. Take it to work, and orders will be picked up at the September meeting.

Community Connection – Shannon Seymour

Fire Station Open House will be October 11 from 11:00 – 2:00. Only 3-5 people needed to do tattoos. Marie is looking for a chair.

Poinsettia/Butterbraid Sales – Katie will chair Butterbraids and Kerry will chair Poinsettias .

H.O.M.E. – help for Seniors. Kerry will chair.

Senior Bingo Night – Fay and Kerry will co-chair.

Art Center Gala Event – will be Saturday, December 6. This could be a yearly event. Katie and Shannon will co-chair. There is a lot of work to be done.

Officer Reports

President – Marie Robinson – Marie passed around a September sign up sheet
Presidential pins were awarded to Fay Clark and Sue Ellen Toppings.

Parliamentarian – Katie Castro – we received the All American Chapter Award
No report

State Delegate – Cathy Snyder – Katie, Beth, Marie and Cathy attended the convention in August. Many awards were given out, including the Presidential pins to Fay and Sue Ellen (presented at the meeting). Katie received the Outstanding Chapter President 2007-2008 award.

Congratulations to the 6 LPM for their quarter reports: Fay, Shannon, Beth, Cyndy, Melissa, Sue Ellen.

There were 7 out of 25 chapters who were in the Success System Top 10.

Three areas are up for a vote for the upcoming three years at Fall State: Cheerful Givers, Shriner’s Hospital, Hearing and Service Dogs of Minnesota.

Bucket Full of Sunshine state wide project - collect pajamas for children

ages 10-18 (new with tags attached only), See article in next newsletter.
Flannel pants for \$25.00 are a new item in the State Store. Orders due
by October 15, to be collected at Fall State.

There were four first timers at Convention.

Upcoming Events:

October 11-12 – President/State Delegate Retreat in Annandale

October 25 – Make a Difference Day

November 21-23 – Fall State Convention in St. Cloud. \$69.00 due November 5.

January 16-18 – Women’s Expo at the Mall of America. Help is needed-let Rita
Johnson know.

February 21 – Volunteers Expo at the Project Fair.

Waconia Extension Events: Information Night at the Frost and Steam
September 8 from 5:30 -7.

Membership VP (MVP) Open

Chapter shirt order – Fay Clark – white shirt with EPWT embroidery suggested,
but others available. Sign up sheet passed around.

Women of Today Week is September 21-27 – Sue Ellen Toppings

Sunday, September 21 – ADOPT A HIGHWAY, Jerry’s Foods -9:30 AM

Monday, September 22 – DECA-DO NIGHT, Southdale Center -7:30 PM

Tuesday, September 23 – CAW-FEE TALK, Caribou, EP Mall – 11:30AM

Wednesday, September 24 – DAVANNI’S, all day

Thursday, September 25 – CERTIFICATION NIGHT, Katie Castro – 7:00 PM

Friday, September 26 – DARTS TOURNAMENT –Brunswick Zone -6:00PM

Saturday, September 27 – HUMOR TO FIGHT THE TUMOR, The Depot –
Minneapolis – 6:00PM

Treasurer – Mary Boerner – We had \$162.00 donation to PROP for school
supplies.

Beginning Balance: \$635.62

Link Share income: \$17.96

Expenses: \$201.10

Ending Balance: \$452.48

Secretary – Pat Brandon – July minutes were approved as read.

New Business/ Announcements

Inspirational Thought – Melissa Redzuan

Good and Wellness – Sue Ellen reported that Pilar Toppings wrote that EPWT
had meant a lot to her and that she wished she could find something like it in
Alaska.

Katie Castro sent around a card to cheer a woman with cancer.

Katie announced that her case had been accepted at Mayo Clinic.

Invitation to Join – was extended to our guests

Minnesota women of Today Creed led by Fay Clark.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM

Pat Brandon, Secretary