



Power with PINK (People in Numbers & Knowledge)

Eden Prairie Women of Today

General Meeting Minutes – Star Bank Community Room

Thursday, July 21, 2011

Attendees/Members: Charlotte Perz, Linda Niedzielski, Kerry Anderson, Melissa Redzuan, Marie Robinson, Licia Jacques, Pratibha Aphale, Stacey Dietz, Barb Pabst, Mary Erickson-Kamp, Sue Ellen Toppings, Pat Brandon, Suzanne Smith, Lisa Yee, Kimberly Rowland, Beth Wojahn,, Gail Weeks, Rekha Dixit, Nancy Reich, Fay Clark, Kim Behing, Toni Knorr, Amber Stoner, Beth Koehler, Erin Strot

Guests: Tessa Sargent, Ashlie St. Clair, Annette Schaufler – Monticello Chapter, Sarah Sundiries-Monticello chapter, 2 others from Monticello Chapter

Guest Speakers: Vijay Dixit for Raksha Walk and Barbara Berndston SPM for Women' Wellness (American Heart Association)

Call to Order: 7:05 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Kim B.

United States Women of Today Creed: Led by Kerry Anderson

We, the United States Women of Today, are dedicated to serving our community and nation, are committed to strengthening our individual talents, and stand united by our friendship and belief in the future.

Orders of the Day: Parliamentarian-Stacy D.

Ice Breaker: Provided by Sue Ellen Toppings - What did you do during the heat?

Welcome to our Guests

INTERNAL PROGRAMMING Vice President (IVP): Kimberly R.

➤ **Living & Learning-Lisa Y.**

Share Your Light Night – Sue Ellen, August Bonfire, date and time TBD

Crafter's Night and Foodie Adventure -Gail and Suzanne, both events will be combined in one for the month of August. Dinner and visit art center August 4th time TBD

Toothbrush Tuesday - Barb Pabst, PE Course on Stress Management, August 30th time TBD

Game Night-Tammie M. – not present, no report

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➤ **Records & Recognition-Kimberly Behning**

First Trimester certifications, reminder for chairs for recaps

➤ **Newsletter-Hetal Agrawal (Charlotte for Hetal)**

Please have all articles, project recaps & zoot notes to Hetal by Wed July 27, 2011

➤ **Webmaster/Facebook-Sue Ellen, no report**

➤ **Ways & Means-Mary E-K**

Eden Prairie Cookbook –Sue Ellen, recipes needed ASAP

\$5 for Friendly Service? Mary Erickson-Kamp, need ideas and or volunteers

Carver County Fair Clean Up-Fay Clark & Sue Ellen Toppings, August 11-14th, 2011

➤ **Public Relations-Amber Stoner**

Women of Today Week- Amber & Fay, September 10-18th

- Adapt- a-Highway – clean up and lunch after, 10:00 am, Sept 10th
- Walk and Women's Safety, Sept. 12 , Walk at Round Lake at 5:30pm and Safety at 6:30pm
- Social potluck of wine, cheese, and desert, Sept. 13th, at Katie Castro's, time TBD, (certification night also)
- Dinner at Monthly Meeting and State speaker, Sept. 15th, 7 pm Star Bank
- UnBirthday Party, collection & assembling of Birthday bags, Sept 16th
- Blood Drive, chair, Mary - Erickson Kamp, Sept 18th
- Day at the Diamond with MNWT, Sept 18th

Ladies Night Out – Sue Ellen, Open Board Meeting at Dunn at 7pm August 11th, advise Charlotte if attending as may need to book a bigger room.

EXTERNAL PROGRAMMING Vice President (EVP): Shannon S. (Charlotte for Shannon)

➤ **Women's Wellness-** Erin S.

Go Bald, October 21, to support Savage area Women of Today (chair Stacey)

Rely for Life Recap- Kimberly R. and Mary Erickson Kamp, \$661 total in donations
36 baskets were donated by groups, and worth about \$1400 total

Humor for the Tumor, Sept 24th 4 to 11pm; need 8-10 volunteers

➤ **Youth of Today-Joanna T. (Charlotte for Joanna)**

Back to School Party, Joanna Takes & Shannon Seymour co-chairs, August 20th

School Supplies Drive at August general meeting, list coming or may find lists at store

➤ **Can Do Canines-Joan N. (Charlotte for Joan)** No report

➤ **Community Connections-Gail W.**

BINGO- Suzanne, August 9th 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Feed My Starving Children-Kim B., August 16th 6:30-7:30 Chanhassen location

Motion - by Katie Castro to donate \$25 to Feed My Starving Children to help offset shipping costs, Second by Kim R., Passed

Sojourner, \$67 worth of snacks were donated tonight (July 21) by EPWT

EP Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament – Sue Ellen, on July 25 at Bearpath 6:30pm to 7:30pm, need 2- 4 volunteers, note dress code of no jeans or t shirts

Summer Smash Gala-Sue Ellen & Beth W., Friday August 12, 2011 at Epic Event Center in Minneapolis - Assistance requested by Savage, contact stacpearson@juno.com if you have questions or would like to sign up as a volunteer. www.summersmashgala.com Note, free entry to event, but will need to pay own parking

Raksha Walk - Rekha & Sue Ellen, August 6 at Purgatory Creek Pavilion, 7:30 am – 8:45 set up time, 9:00 am registration, 10:00 am vigil & speaker, walk to follow, \$11 to register

Miracles for Mitch Triathlon – chairs Charlotte, Sue Ellen, Katie, need volunteers for check points on August 20th 7 – 7:30 am to start, race starts 8:00 am

➤ **New Business/Announcements**

Women's Advocate Shelter in St. Paul – Barb P., an interest in a group tour?

Charity Garage Sale – Hetal (Charlotte for Hetal) For Breast cancer research, July 21-22 9am to 4pm and Saturday July 23 9am to 1 pm

Hopkins Rotary - Laura Wood is seeking volunteers – Katie C. possible live auction spring date & time TBD

Heart of the Summer Race - Erin S, wants support

Wellness Buddy System – Erin S, to motivate each other, August - September, talk to Erin if there is an interest

New idea to raise funds – Mary Erickson Kamp, If EPWT refers business to her contact; he will than donate money back if a sale is made. Board will review.

District 9 Social-Marie R., Learn how to curl, August 7th Burnsville Ice Center, \$15 per person for training, \$5 to watch, deadline August 1st. Wear long pants and no streak tennis shoes.

Possible Halloween event with Anoka PALS – Linda N will look into

****10-15 Minute Break: Snacks provided by Prathiba A. & Charlotte!!!! THANK YOU! ****

Officer Reports

➤ **President: Charlotte P.**

Looking for new State Delegate

➤ **Parliamentarian: Stacy D.**

➤ **State Delegate:**

Charlotte, Melissa, and Sue Ellen filling in until position is filled

Fall State Convention- Sue Ellen, Sept. 23-25. Deadline for registration is Sept. 1st.

www.mnwt.org/pdfs/meetins/fall_registration.pdf

Reminder to book your own room or arrange to share a room with another EPWT member

➤ **Membership Vice President (MVP): Barb Pabst**

Membership Committee Meeting will be August 8th at 6:30 pm at Ruby Tuesdays in Eden Prairie

➤ **Treasurer: Licia J.**

Treasurer's report. Approved

➤ **Secretary: Linda N.**

PALS – Anoka will be our PALS chapter for 2011-2012

Approval of June minutes - Approved

➤ **Good & Wellness:** A chance to share good news or not-so-good news for cheers, support & encouragement!

Invitation to JOIN!!! See MVP Barb Pabst after the meeting.

Inspirational Thought - Provided by Lisa Yee

Minnesota Women of Today Creed - Led by Tessa S.

*We, the Women of Today, are service, growth & fellowship. We believe that through us great lessons can be learned, worthy deeds performed and a hand of fellowship extended to millions of women everywhere. May we leave the world a better place because we lived and served within it. **Adjourn***