

# AGI Women of Today Agenda

Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 – Times of Your Life

[www.freewebs.com/AGIWomenofToday](http://www.freewebs.com/AGIWomenofToday)

**1) Roll Call/Welcome Guests:** Mary, Kim, Sarah, Gwen, Sharon, Jen, District Membership VP: Jane Hanson and a special welcome to our newest member Nicole Roepke.

## 2) Officer Reports, Old & New Items:

- **President (Kim) = (20 minute limit)**
  - **Follow up from previous meeting(s) =**
    - **Generic Business Cards/Sandwich board sign:** (Kim) Generic business cards are here for everyone to take, a sandwich board sign was approved to purchase for \$90 and will say AGI Women of Today, with a tagline of "supporting our community since 1990". Kim will try to get done before Green Isle event. Discussed our website and a motion was approved to buy the [www.agiwomenoftoday.org](http://www.agiwomenoftoday.org) domain.
    - **Project Procedures due to Kim:** Easter event (Dana), Scholarship Awards (Dana/Jen), Town & Country Days (Mary), Relay for Life (Dana – Nicky needs this too)
    - **Bylaws:** (Kim, Sarah, Sharon, Barb & Jen) A motion was approved to accept the proposed Bylaws, Kim will add to website and send to state/district.
    - **Promotional Brochures:** (Mary, Sharon & Caroline) Mary is working on a draft, Jane will send some examples, everyone send Mary pictures of our events if you have them.
    - **Points based Membership fees:** (Gwen) – everyone please review attached points for accuracy and let Gwen know if there are changes needed. Gwen to bring 1 copy of points standings to each meeting for members to be able to review.
  - **Transmittals:** The State wants us to record donations monetary or gifts – Sarah will handle this [http://www.mnwt.org/new\\_pages/bookofforms/form\\_report\\_transmittal\\_quarterly.htm](http://www.mnwt.org/new_pages/bookofforms/form_report_transmittal_quarterly.htm)
  - **Summer Presidential Pin Nomination:** Mary Keen was nominated for the pin for her work in supporting the new members and taking on projects when no one else will. Thanks Mary for your "rockstar" support!
  - **District Training June 30<sup>th</sup>:** (Kim & Sarah) = Both were very happy that we attended training, now have a sense of belonging to a larger organization and don't feel like it's just "us" out there.
  - **August meeting theme:** Would like to put a "theme" to each of our meetings. This month was brainstorming for new members, next month we would like to brainstorm on what kind of training opportunities are out there for our members. There is a possibility we can combine our wish for personal enrichment and recruiting new members.
  - **Aug 17-23 WoT Kids Week:** (Jen/Barb) Discussed many ideas like having story hour at the library, but in the end we decided we only had enough energy to have a coloring contest. We would also incorporate ideas for Family week in the newspaper such as go for walk, icecream night, etc. Coloring contest is a great way to get potential member mailing list. Have Safari Island Ticket for prize/drawing
  - **Buckets of Sunshine MN Project:** PJ's for Kids is the State project chosen this year. Attached is more info, but we should consider this when doing a free will event to ask people to donate new PJ's.

### • Treasurer (Sarah)

#### Treasurer's Report

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>2,057.18</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Scrapbook Registration	200.00
Dues Paid	35.00
<b>Expenses</b>	
Dues to State	(35.00)
Postage	(9.67)
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>2,247.51</b>
(2 scholarships already paid out)	

### 3) 2008 Events: (20 minute limit)

- **Town & Country Days Games (Mary) – Sat June 14, games 12:30pm-2pm** = Huge success! The obstacle course was a hit and that company would like to come back for other events we do. This event was not meant to be a fundraiser, but to offer community support – did make \$89. It had been a long time since we did anything for Town & Country Days.
- **Relay for Life (Dana) – June 20<sup>th</sup>** = Only Dana and Mary walked, but because many of you donated baked goods, they raised about \$1100. Each person who baked goods will receive 1 point towards membership – please let Gwen know so she can add to the chart.
- **GI Fire Dept Celebration games (Sharon Games/Jen Parade) – Sat July 26<sup>th</sup>** = parade at 1:30, will have a float with items that represent what we do, i.e. easter bunny, scrapbook, games, etc. All members are invited to ride on the float with their kids and toss out candy. Lets just have fun here! Then freewill food and games 2-4pm. Please come to help Sharon between 1:30 and 4pm with the games. Confirmed Princesses will help.
- **Sibley County Fair (Sharon) July 30 – Aug 3** = Sharon will check with GI school to see if we can put up a drawing at their booth for a large prize like a Bike – great way to add to our mailing/recruiting list. Will try to have brochures done by this time to have next to the drawing.
- **Lillian's Fall Fundraiser (Kim) – Tues Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, 5pm-8pm** – Our Sept meeting will be held here again.
- **Outdoor movie (Kim) – Friday, Sept 12<sup>th</sup>** = Sibley County Fairgrounds 7:30pm. Kim will bring movie ideas to Aug meeting. Will ask Boy Scouts, Girls Scouts and 4H if they want to come sell food as a fundraiser there. We will have Chan Dinner Theater ticket drawing.
- **G.I. Softball Concession (Dana) – Sat Sept 13** Dana will bring sign up sheet to Aug meeting
- **Oktoberfest in Green Isle (Sharon) - Sat Sept 20** - no parade again this year, only park activities
- **2009 Planning/Budget Meeting (Kim) – Tuesday Oct 14** – main agenda for Oct meeting, need EVERYONE to attend!
- **Halloween Event (Jen) – Sat Oct 25<sup>th</sup>**
- **Fall Scrapbook Event (Barb) Sat Nov 8** – Mary, Caroline & Sarah = food, will go until Midnight, Thrivant form was submitted, will hear at our Aug meeting if they will match our fundraising efforts
- **Santa's Helpers (Stacy) – December**
- **District 16 Winter Meeting (Sharon/Sarah):** need to determine date, location and food
- **M Night (\_\_\_\_) =**
- **Current Fundraiser (Kim) – Year round** – get friends and family to order through link on our website.  
<http://currentfun.com/product~subCatID~currPage~1~useStoredQuery~.asp>

### 4) For another Time:

- **Other events discussed but no chairs:** Library Story Hour, Queen for a Day, Women's Expo, Mother/Daughter fair, Build a Bear, Santa's Letters, New Years Party for Kids, Coloring contests, Swim in Movies = anyone interested in chairing these?

### 5) State/District Meetings, Conventions, Trainings & Fun!

- **District 16 Summer Meeting:** Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 6pm North Mankato Annex – *anyone want to go w/Kim?*
- **Summer Awards:** Friday Aug 8 & Sat Aug 9, Mankato
- **MN Women of Today Day at the MetroDome:** Sun Sept 28 - \$25 Twins tickets, you can extend this order form to any of your family or friends interested in a Twins game (attached form)
- **District 16 Fall Meeting:** October, LeSueur
- **MN State Women's Wellness Retreat:** Fri Oct 10, 7pm to Sat Oct 11, 2pm (TBD)
- **President Retreat:** Sat Oct 11 & Sun 12, Annandale
- **Fall State:** Friday – Sunday, Nov 21-23, St Cloud

- **District 16 Winter Meeting:** January, AGI
- **Winter State:** Feb 20-22, St Louis Park
- **District 16 Spring Meeting:** April, Mankato
- **LOTS Training:** May 2
- **Annual Convention:** May 15-17, Duluth

**6) Meeting Theme (everyone):** member recruit ideas/brainstorming – everyone to bring 1 idea

- Lots of discussion around having a training opportunity to bring members in:
  - Time management
  - Interview skills
  - One pot meals
  - How to get along with your enemies at work
  - Women's wellness
  - Coordinate with SNAP to try out machines
  - Thrivent program for women on saving money
  - Going "green"
- Discussed how "death by chocolate parties" just don't bring in people, it has to really interest them:
  - Pampering night
  - Weii party
  - Amazing races
  - Wine tasting
  - Valleyfair trip
  - What not to wear
- Jane has some "magic acts" which are prepackaged m-nights that we can use and she will host if we want:
  - Are you smarter than a 5<sup>th</sup> grader
  - Amazing race
  - Food Shelf/Scavenger hunt
  - Getting green with WoT
  - Go go bananas
  - Summer/State Fair on a Stick
  - Unbirthday party
  - Warm up or grow with WoT
  - Walking in Winter wonderland
  - Chicken soup for the soul
- Next month we will brainstorm ideas for training opportunities as well as possibly incorporate one of the above into an M Night

**7) Next meeting: Tuesday August 12<sup>th</sup>, 7pm @ Times of Your Life!**

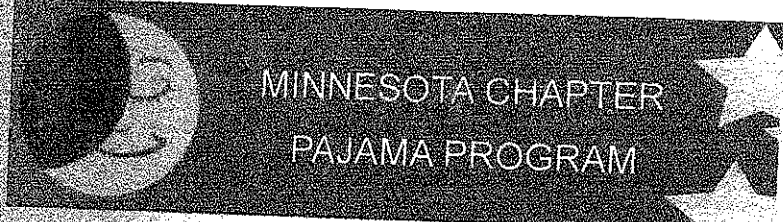
**MN Women of Today Creed**

We, the Women of Today are service, growth and 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.

**US Women of Today Creed**

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.





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**2008 ~ 2009  
Buckets of Sunshine  
Minnesota Women of Today  
Statewide Project**

**MNJOTS CIP**

The Pajama Program is a non-profit organization that delivers new sleepwear and new nurturing books to children in need throughout the state of Minnesota. Serving children and teens in over 65 domestic abuse and homeless shelters, the Minnesota Chapter has set a goal of collecting and distributing 25,000 new pajamas in 2008.

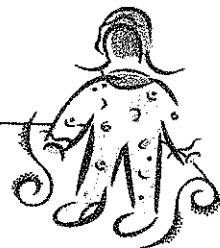
As the Buckets of Sunshine Project for the Minnesota Women of Today for the 2008-2009 year, we want to assist the Pajama Program in reaching the 2008 goal and give this organization a head-start in achieving it's goal in 2009. We will be having two state-wide collection celebrations—one at Fall State Convention in St. Cloud and the second at Winter State Convention in Minneapolis!

It's time to put on your 'night caps' ladies! Get your chapter members and communities involved in this very worthwhile endeavor!

Read on for some ideas to get you started. Also included in this CIP is information from MN Chapter Pajama Program President, Nancy Hagan.

*Terri Dahlberg*

*MARY PRAMANN*



What Can Your Chapter Do?

- **Hold a Pajama Party M-Nite!** *Burnsville did it! We collected pajamas from members and guests, ate lots of healthy foods, watched movies, and had a sleepover!*
- **Jumpin' for Jammies!** *Host the blow-up jumping machine for a couple of hours at a community event (4th of July!); make signs advertising that all money raised will go to purchase Jammies for Kids!*
- **Sponsor a Pajama Pot-Luck** in your chapter, neighborhood, or at work! *In addition to bringing a dish to share, ask members, neighbors or co-workers to bring a pair of new pajamas too.*
- **Pass the Pajama Pot** at every chapter meeting; collect spare change to keep a child warm, to let someone know that you care!

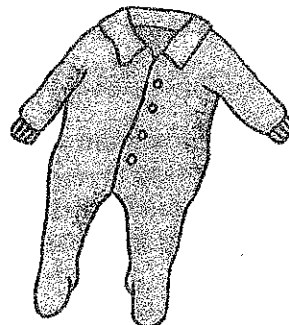
**\*\*Please note: Right now, the greatest need is for pajamas! Currently, there are more books than can be stored!**

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**Contact a Local Business:** *Get your community involved by contacting local businesses and asking to set-up a donation bin (plastic with lid works best) for two weeks. Create a sign with your chapter name and contact information (example below) and attach it to the bin with clear packing tape. Please note that you may have to stop by the location several times during the drive to empty the bin! If you have success at the location, the business will be more than willing to have you back!*

**Location Ideas:**

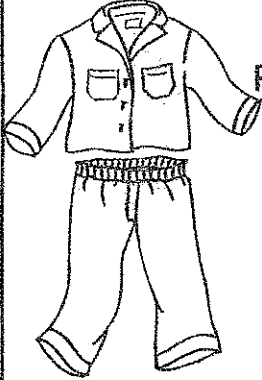
- Coffee Shop
- Grocery Store
- Bookstore
- Office Building Reception Area
- Public Library
- Pre-School
- Place of Worship
- Childcare Centers



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**Example of Sign for Bins:**

**The Minnesota Women of Today**  
*in conjunction with*  
**The Pajama Program, Minnesota Chapter**



Please Donate New Pajamas (with the tags on)  
for Children ages 0 to 18  
to be distributed to Domestic Abuse and  
Homeless Shelters throughout the State.  
Thank You!

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**For more information call : Mary at 952-894-2338**  
**Visit our Chapter Website: [www.burnsvillewomenoftoday.com](http://www.burnsvillewomenoftoday.com)**  
**Or Visit our State Website: [www.mnwt.org](http://www.mnwt.org)**

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**Send Us Your Ideas Contest!**

Do you have a great idea for the Pajama Program Buckets of Sunshine Project! Send it us! Email us your project idea and an explanation of how you implemented it (it doesn't have to be fancy or in outline form)...Each quarter we will draw a winner from among the submissions, and the winning chapter will win a PAJAMA PARTY PACK! PLUS—the best submissions will be included on our MN Pajama Program page on our chapter website! So keep a lookout for your submission at [www.burnsvillewomenoftoday.com](http://www.burnsvillewomenoftoday.com).

# Minnesota Women of Today "Day at the Dome"



**Sunday, September 28 @ 1PM!**


- *Twins vs the KC Royalls!*
- *President Sarah throws out the first pitch!*
- *Order tickets by Wednesday, August 27th!*

Tickets & Concessions	Price (each)	Quantity	TOTAL
<u>Game Tickets</u> (Section 113)	\$25 (regular price \$29)		

**Order tickets by Wednesday, August 27!!!!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_

Check payable to: MN Women of Today  
 Mail order form & payment to:  
 Naomi Smith  
 PO Box 881  
 Blooming Prairie, MN 55917  
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You are Invited to the District 16 Summer Meeting  
Fishing for Fun Summer Fishing Tournament  
Hosted by the Madelia Women of Today

Location: North Mankato Annex  
Date: Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 6:00 pm registration and meal  
6:30 pm meeting  
Cost: \$5.00 - that includes the cost of your entry fee into this  
quarter's fishing tournament, food & bait but bring your own boat!

Prizes will be given for biggest fish, most fish and nicest boat.

We hope that you can all join us to support our "Fishing Guide" DD  
Amanda as we find out all the great fun and adventure in store for  
District 16 this year.