

JOIN THELMA AND LOUISE ON THEIR

# WILD RIDE

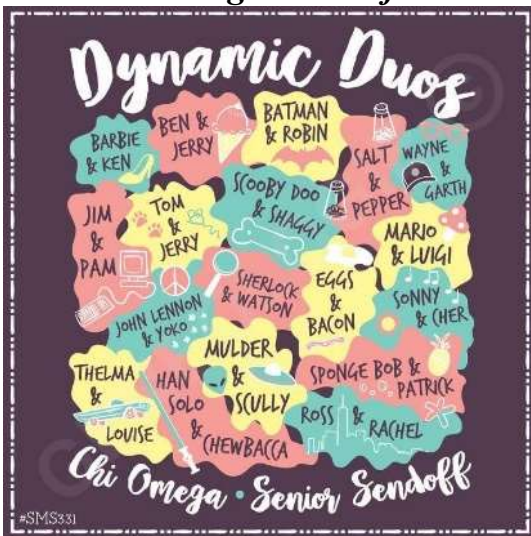
MN WOMEN OF TODAY WINTER STATE CONVENTION



January 25-26, 2019

Come dressed with your BFF or chapter member; Bert/Ernie, Batman/Robin, Raggedy Ann/Andy, Sonny/Cher, Lucy/Ethel, Donny/Marie. Prizes given for most creative!

*It's not too late to register – due Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> (Late registration after that date). See link on the front page of the website at [mnwt.org](http://mnwt.org) for registration info. You can register and pay on line, register on line and send a check or mail your registrations. The info for room reservations are on the registration form as well.*



*Remember the “Most Creative Duo” competition at the Friday Night Party. What are you planning on dressing up as? It could be a chapter member, your friend, another staff member – anyone! The ideas are endless. Thelma and Louise are wondering who else are coming dressed ready for the Friday Night Party. Put a picture out on FB with the hashtag [#mnwtwinterstate](https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/mnwtwinterstate) or [#mnwtws2019](https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/mnwtws2019) of your duo (not dressed up) that are attending Winter State. You can add a mystery clue if you want as to what your duo will be to keep us guessing.*

## First Timer?

Convention is a fun time to introduce newer members to all that is MNWT. Invite a friend along with you for a wild ride at Winter State. Make sure first timers (anyone who has never attended a full convention) mark themselves as First Timers on their registration form. We have a fun competition where one First Timer can earn their next convention registration paid as well as some special recognitions for all first timers. Already registered for Convention but missed the First Timers box? No worries! Email Jane “Louise” Hanson at [hanson3@cccinternet.net](mailto:hanson3@cccinternet.net). Register now & don't miss the First Timers Get Together on Friday Night!

## ONTO Flowers

Your Chairman of the Board needs your orders for ONTO Flowers ASAP!

Here's a chance to surprise someone with a beautiful carnation at Winter State. Don't forget to buy one for: Your Secret SIs; Your Chapter President; Your District Director, a friend in another chapter or one for President Brenda.

Pricing is \$3.00 each or 4 for \$10.00 All proceeds from the sale offset the costs related to National Conventions.

There will be a very limited supply for sale at Winter State. Pre-Order to ensure that flowers are available for all the special people you know in the Minnesota Women of Today.

Order form with tags are available in my Fall State CIP on the Website.

### Fudge Sale

Fudge sale is set for Winter State. This is the Finance Committee fundraiser. The fabulous Walnut Grove Fudge will be available in several flavors and cash and carry for \$6 each box!

### Statewide Buckets of Sunshine Project

Chair Shellie Matthes has done an awesome job with the [Minnesota Milk Bank for Babies](#) this year! This project culminates with a presentation at the Luncheon on Saturday @WS2019. Click [this link](#) for more information on what your chapter can still do for this organization.

We are now accepting nominations for the 2019-2020 Statewide Buckets of Sunshine Project. When nominating an organization for this, keep in mind not only how we can help the organization, but also how the organization can promote Minnesota Women of Today. There is a [new online form](#) available that is due Saturday @WS2019. Remember, if you submit an organization for this project, you and a representative from the organization must be available to attend the Marketing Committee Meeting in March to present it for the vote.

### MNWT Blog Scavenger Hunt

It's the Web Development Subcommittee's goal to get you looking at all of our online resources. So in that endeavor, we have been busy this year reinvesting in the MNWT Blog. A blog is a regular feature appearing as part of an online publication that typically relates to a particular topic and consists of articles and personal commentary by one or more authors. Thanks to Social Media Team Lead Jeny Ohr and Membership Vice President Anna Nichols, we have been regularly posting articles to the Blog this year focusing on our chapters and our officers; in second trimester, we will also be reintroducing the "What's Your Why" program.

This [scavenger hunt](#) will introduce the MNWT Blog to you and get you used to interacting with this social media platform. When an item says "to date," the versifier will see the correct answer according to your submission date...since the blog is an ongoing endeavor, the answers may change. Please take some time to complete the scavenger hunt and your name will be placed into a drawing for an incentive to be awarded at Winter State 2019.

### Raffle Fundrasier

The Finance Committee Raffle Fundraiser will wrap up at Winter State. Tickets are still available from Executive Council and Finance Committee members for \$5 each. Prizes are \$100 in cash and several weekend get-away trips to favorite hotels.

### Programming Changes/Vote at Winter State

The Programming Task Force has been hard at work looking into recommendations for our programming areas for the future. One recommendation is to combine the current programming vice president positions of Internal VP and External VP into one Programming Vice President position. After much discussion and with the approval of the Future Directions Committee, the Programming Task Force will be bringing forward a motion for vote at Winter State to make that change.

Attached is a full flyer with additional information to help you be ready for this vote at the Winter State Business Meeting.

### Lucky Buck for Foundation Baskets

At the luncheon we will again be holding our annual lucky buck auction. The proceeds from this auction support the chapter grants program that awards grants to individual chapters for their community projects.

If you, your chapter or a group of friends have a donation, please contact the chair listed below for each basket to Nicky at [foundation@mnwt.org](mailto:foundation@mnwt.org).

We are looking for items for the following baskets:

- Outdoor / Recreation (Shelli Stryzyk)
- Pamper Basket (Cathy Snyder)
- Party Basket (JoAnn Miller)
- Tech Item (Past Presidents/Nancy Dvoracek)

*Bring your dollars!*

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Looking forward to seeing you all to celebrate the successes of second trimester, honoring the Outstanding Honorees Recipients and hosting the US Women of Today National Staff.

Watch for our travel updates on Facebook! We will be in Minnesota soon to party with you all,

**Thelma and Louise**