

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

Paving the Pathway

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3 Cheers for Future Directions!

I have never been so pumped! Over 20 MNWT members sat in the lower level of Billy's in Anoka, on a very hot and humid late July afternoon, attending the Membership Management, Marketing, and Future Directions Meetings. It's exciting to see this level of participation and true *engagement* in the issues facing our organization today. Many thanks for sharing your Saturday with your favorite MNWT State Committees!

During FDC we accomplished many tasks. We approved changing the manual review schedule from a 3-year to a 4-year rotation. The review process for each manual takes time as updates and sometimes re-writes are required. On the schedule for review during 2011-12 are the Outstanding Awards and Living and Learning Manuals. The new Extensions Manual was approved, and will be printed soon. Thank you Jen Kinzer, Manual Review Chair, for setting smart goals for us.

The new sub-committee International Chapters, led by Sue Ellen Toppings, is putting together a guidebook for international extensions. Working with members from our Cypress extension, and the United States Women of Today Extensions Director, a solid out-

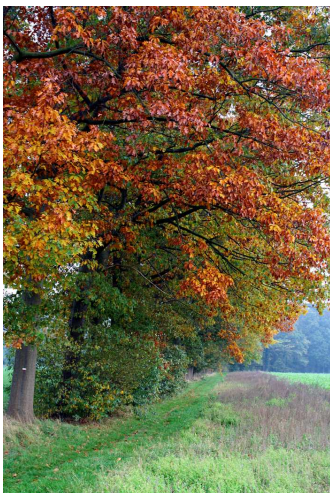
line to the guidebook should be ready by Winter State.

We are in need of a chair for the Awards Committee. This committee is responsible for managing the Outstanding Awards given at Winter State convention. The chair will work with chapters and nominees, answering questions and facilitating the nomination and judging process. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact me as soon as possible.

The most exciting part of the afternoon was during the Strategic Plan discussion. Setting long range (3 year) goals for the Minnesota Women of Today brings out a dialogue filled with ideas, passion, and fervor. In the end... we agreed to reach further than lower level of Billy's; **your** input is needed! The next meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee will be scheduled soon—contact me if you'd like to attend, or keep an eye out on the MNWT Facebook page and MNWT website for more information.

Hope to see you there!

Terri



FUTURE DIRECTIONS
MEETING
SATURDAY, DEC. 3RD
1:30PM
AT
BILLY'S IN ANOKA

Cindy Sanders President	Nicky Anderson Membership VP	Heidi Westerlund External VP	Kayla Hermann Past FD Chair
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Naomi Smith, Area 4	Steph Putzier Area 4	Shelah Heien Area 4	Jane Hanson Area 4
Open Area 1			
	2011-2012	Future Directions	Committee

State Committee Meetings
Saturday, 12/3/11
Billy's in Anoka
Membership Mgmt 10:00
Marketing 11:30
Future Directions 1:30

Share your ideas and suggestions regarding the above HOT TOPICS with your State Committee Chairs:

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Watch for updates to the MNWT website committee pages, coming soon!