Pennsylvania Pride

"It's a Fiesta!"

September-October 2008

President's Message



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Hello Pennsylvania Women of Today!

I have been having such fun reading your newsletters and hearing about what you have going on in your chapters. Congratulations to all of you – you're doing amazing jobs in your communities – keep up the great work! Following are some dates to keep in mind. These are all interesting things that you can pick and chose to participate in. I hope to be able to meet many of you at upcoming evenings.

PAWT FAMILY PICNIC – Hold the date of September 20th. Cindy Hilbert is working with the Annville-Cleona ladies to come up with a central location and we'll send more information when we know it.

WOMEN OF TODAY WEEK – is the last full week in September. This year it will be celebrated September 21 – 27 (give or take a day on the beginning or end). Plan something for your chapter to celebrate. Go out to dinner, see a movie, plan a picnic for your families, but most of all, give yourselves a pat on the back for all the work you're doing in your towns!

USWT MID-YEAR MEETING – will be held Oct 3-5, 2008 in Omaha, Nebraska. I'll be attending. I don't have a registration form yet, but if you're interested in attending, drop me an email and I'll get the form to you as soon as I have it.

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NOVEMBER BOARDS FORUMS – Do you know how to do something that you'd be willing to share with your fellow PAWT members? At Leadership College, Stacey Small taught us how to rubber stamp on scarves. I'd like to find one or two people to conduct a short forum at November Boards to do something fun with the attendees. If you've got an idea and are willing to share, drop me an email or call me. Share your talents!

FUN DAY – March 14, 2009. Cindy Hilbert is working on another Fun Day for us. Save the date and look for more information in upcoming PA Pride newsletters.

MAY CONVENTION – May Convention will be held on May 1, 2 & 3. At this time, we don't have a chapter that has expressed an interest in hosting. If you're chapter is interested, please talk with me!

PRESIDENTIAL PINS – Did you know that the President of the PAWT gives out Presidential Pins to those members that go over and above the call of duty? Anyone can nominate someone – it doesn't have to be your local president. If you see a member that's done a wonderful job, fill out the pin form in this newsletter and send it to me. I want to hear about all the outstanding members we have in PA!

Every morning when I come down my stairs, I see the quilt wall hanging that was made for me when I served the USWT as President. And every morning when I see that wall hanging, I smile. I've made such great friends all across the national, but especially in the Pennsylvania Women of Today and that brings a smile to my face. I smile when I think of all the events I've been involved in raising money for people less fortunate than myself, learning about and raising money for organizations like Domestic Violence Prevention, animal shelters, March of Dimes and Breast Cancer Awareness. I smile when I think of all of you! Don't you want to give that to other women? Invite the woman in line in front of you at the grocery store to your next meeting or event. Invite the woman that baby sits for you. Invite the woman that sits next to you at work. Invite the person that sits next to your husband at work. Invite those women that need a smile. And smile every time you think about the Women of Today and those wonderful friends you've made!

Pennsylvania Women of Today – it's a FIESTA! Terry Pronko, President Pennsylvania Women of Today



NOMINEE'S NAME __

Pennsylvania Women of Today PRESIDENTIAL PIN NOMINATION

_____ CHAPTER_____

and con	scribe the impact that this member has made on the Women of Today both locally I throughout the state. Please use specifics to describe her accomplishments and stributions this year and why she is deserving of this recognition. Please submit to State President at least 2 weeks prior to presentation.
1.	Current offices held (local, state, other):
2.	Significant accomplishments (members signed, programs prepared, chapters helped, manuals written, travel. etc):
3.	Words that describe why this individual is outstanding:
4.	Short paragraph telling why you feel this individual is deserving of this honor.
Pers	son submitting nomination:



Membership – How Does Your Garden Grow?

Vicki Jo Smith 2008-09 PAWT Membership VP

"Membership Mary" wants to congratulate Dover for adding "3 new seeds" to our membership garden during the 1st quarter. "Mary" also wants to congratulate Annville-Cleona, Lititz, Northeastern, and Womelsdorf for nurturing their "perennials" by achieving 100% retention for the quarter. Our ends of the first quarter stats look like this...

1ST QUARTER	BASE	Due	Renewed	Retention	New	YTD
Annville-Cleona	14	1	1	100%	0	14
Dover	48	9	7	78%	3	49
Lititz	28	3	3	100%	0	28
McConnellsburg	10	4	2 transfer	0%	0	6
Muhlenberg	10	0	0	NA	0	10
Northeastern	28	7	7	100%	2 transfers	30
Womelsdorf	33	2	2	100%	0	33
PENNSYLVANIA	171	26	22	77%	3	170

Women of Today week is right around the corner, so please use it to promote public relations and membership for your chapter. Also support the PAWT fundraiser. The items are delicious, cheap, and make great presents for those hard to buy for people on your holiday gift list.

Please make sure that I receive your 2nd quarter renewals, new members, and payment by the October 15 due date. I look forward to seeing all of you at the Sept 20 Picnic and November Boards. Remember to keep nurturing your "*Membership Garden!*"

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Challenge Your Mind with PROGRAMMING



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Have you "Challenged your Mind" this summer? Did you sit idle waiting for the cooler months to show up? Well, now is the time to start thinking about what you can do to sharpen your intellect. I have the solution! Participate in the Programming area of Women of Today.

The USWT is going to update our programming area this year. They have formed a committee to look into what our members want in this area. I am part of that committee and would like some feedback from our members as to what would interest them. If you have an idea, let me know by September 22nd and I will take it along to the USWT Midyear meeting to discuss in committee. Remember, "no idea is a dumb idea"! We need to know what our members want, so put on your thinking caps and get your ideas to me.

SEPTEMBER EMPHASIS:

<u>Membership</u>: Are you planning a membership drive for Women of Today Week? <u>Public Relations</u>: Do you handout brochures at your projects & advertise in the newspaper?

<u>USWT Foundation</u>: All chapters are eligible for grants from the foundation. <u>Website</u>: Check out the website for upcoming events, national staff incentives, convention news and much more.......

OCTOBER EMPHASIS:

Bucket of Sunshine: This is a good tool to use throughout the year. **Chaplain:** Certify in this area this month to receive an incentive from your state & national chaplains.

PROJECT RECOGNITION: Do you have a project that deserves recognition? Complete the required outline and send it to me by September 15th to be recognized at Midyear or by May 1, 2009 to be recognized at Yearend.

OAP: Outstanding Achievement in Programming. When you complete the requirements, send me the completed form for recognition. This can be completed throughout the year.

In Friendship, Brenda S. Almoney PAWT Programming Vice President



PA Women of Today Treasurer

2008 - 2009

For the new members of the PAWT, I am your state treasurer for the second year in a row. As a charter member of this organization, I've done a lot, seen a lot and been quite a few places. In doing so, I've also made many great friends. These friends are in my local chapter, other chapters, in the state organization and even on the national level. My husband, Colin, also supports the Women of Today. He understands what these friendships mean to me.

Lisa Clark is the United States Women of Today Treasurer. She has visited PA and is a good friend to many of us. Her theme is "Rainbow of Fun-d's" and her logo is a rainbow. She sent information regarding a new IRS form. That information is enclosed in this newsletter.

To each chapter treasurer – all I can say is please keep a record of every transaction for the year. It is important to keep accurate records of your chapter finances. Try your best to attend each and every meeting for your chapter. You are in charge of making sure the financial records are in order and readable.

Whoever is in charge of Ways & Means for your chapter may want to let other chapters know what fundraisers are fun to do. Share your ideas with other chapters. Your state newsletter is a good way to do that. Each chapter president should be sending an article for the PA Pride every two months. Let us know your best fundraisers.

And speaking of fundraisers – The members of the Northeastern Women of Today are running a fundraiser to benefit the Pennsylvania Women of Today. It is Naylor Candies, a local candy maker from the Manchester area. You can order a sample pack and take orders for the candy. Both forms are enclosed. We are hoping this helps to raise approximately half the funds it takes to alleviate the costs of the PAWT officers. Forms are enclosed in this newsletter.

I would like to thank those chapters who have voted to donate money to the PAWT. It is important for this organization to have funds to survive. It is difficult for officers and program managers to pay for incentives out their own pockets. With your chapter's help we can have a good year.

Have a good year and I hope to see you at the picnic on September 20th.

"Sum It All Up!"

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NEW IRS FORM REQUIRED!!!

The following is taken directly from the IRS website. If you would like to learn more please visit www.irs.gov and click on the "Charities and Non-Profits" tab at the top.

This requirement will begin in 2008, so that means each chapter, state and USWT will have to file the 990-N starting in June of 2008 for this year, if you do not already file a 990 or 990-EZ. It is filed electronically and should be simple to do. Remember, each Tax-Exempt organization is required to file a 990 or 990-EZ if they have gross income of \$25,000 or more in any year. So that means if your organization has gross income of *less* than \$25,000, you will need to file the 990-N.

New Annual Electronic Filing Requirement for Small Tax-Exempt Organizations - e-Postcard (Form 990-N)

Beginning in 2008, small tax-exempt organizations that previously were not required to file returns may be required to file an annual electronic notice, Form 990-N, *Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations not Required To File Form 990 or 990-EZ.* This filing requirement applies to tax periods beginning after December 31. 2006. Organizations that do not file the notice will lose their tax-exempt status.

Small tax-exempt organizations, whose gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, are not required to file Form 990, *Return* of *Organization Exempt From Income Tax*, or Form 990-EZ, *Short Form Return* of *Organization Exempt* from *Income Tax*. With the enactment of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (PPA), these small tax-exempt organizations will now be required to file electronically Form 990-N, also known as the E-Postcard, with the IRS annually. Exceptions to this requirement include organizations that are included in a group return, private foundations required to file Form 990-PF, and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations required to file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. In addition, this filing requirement does not apply to churches, their integrated auxiliaries, and conventions or associations of churches.

The IRS began mailing educational letters in July 2007 notifying small tax-exempt organizations that they may be required to file the E-Postcard. The IRS is developing an electronic filing system (there will be no paper form) for the E-Postcard and will publicize filing procedures when the system is completed and ready for use.

The PPA requires the IRS to revoke the tax-exempt status of any organization that fails to meet its annual filing requirement for three consecutive years. Therefore, organizations that do not file the E-Postcard (Form 990-N), or an information return Form 990 or 990-EZ for three consecutive years, will have their tax-exempt status revoked as of the filing due date of the third year.

If you would like additional information about this new filing requirement, including notification when the filing system is ready, or information about other new developments, <u>subscribe</u> to Exempt Organization's EO Update, a regular e-mail newsletter that highlights new information posted on the Charities pages of irs.gov.

What Information Will the Annual Electronic Notice Include?

The notice will require you to provide the following information:

- * Organization's legal name,
- * Any other names your organization uses,
- * Mailing address,
- * Website address (if applicable),
- * Employer identification number (EIN),
- * Name and address of a principal officer of your organization,
- * Organization's annual tax period.
- * Verify that your organization's annual gross receipts are still normally \$25,000 or less.
- * Indicate if your organization has terminated (is no longer in business).



Just My Size

Kmart

Kohl's

Macy's

Orbitz

Lands End

Lillian Vernon

Office Depot

Omaha Steaks

One Hanes Place

Oriental Trading

Payless Shoes

Office Max

Linens 'n Things

Fundraising Solutions

Did you know that the State has an ongoing online shopping fundraiser? Yes we do and it is through Fundraising Solutions, which is a free fundraising program designed for non-profit organizations. Their fundraising program is built on a highly effective online shopping program. They have over 1,000 major companies that participate and give a percentage of their online sales to our organization. Some of the merchants included are:

1-800-Flowers.com	5-6% back	PETsMART	4-7.5% back
1-800-PetMeds	6-8% back	Roaman's	2.5% back
Amazon.com	2% back	Sears	1% back
AppleiTunes	2.5% back	Staples	0.5-3.5%
Avon	4% back	Target	3.5-5% back
Barnes & Noble.com	1-2.5% back	Teleflora	5% back
Bath-and-Body.com	9% back	Terry's Village	3-4% back
Best Buy	0.5-1.5% back	The Pfaltzgraff Co.	4% back
Boscov's	2.5% back	Thrifty Rent-A-Car	0.5% back
Circuit City	0.5-1.5%	Toys R Us	up to 1.5%
Colorful Images	5% back	Travelocity	1-3% back
Dicks Sporting Goods	5 5% back	United Vacations	1.5% back
eBay Stores	\$12.50 back	Verizon Wireless	\$5.00-22.50
Enterprise Rent-A-Ca	r 0.5-1.25 %	Wal-Mart	3-6.5% back
Fashion Bug	2.5% back	Woman Within	2.5% back
FTD.com	4-5% back		
Hallmark.com	4.5-7% back		
Hotels.com	2.5% back		
Hotwire.com	1% / \$1.00		

3-4% back

1% back

2% back

3-4% back

2-2.5% back

up to 3%

3.5% back

2.5% back

2.5% back

3.5% back

2-3 % back

\$1.00-11.00

2.5% back

4% back

But this is just the tip of the iceberg. The entire list is unbelievable! Since we started the fundraiser in August of 2006, we have raised \$207.31. This is pretty good, but just think what we could do if every member participated and we got our neighbors, families, and friends to participate as well! I personally have tried it and just love it. I also know that several of our members have tried it and liked it as well. I have been very pleased with all of my purchases and really love the fact that I am earning money for our organization. Plus, I didn't buy anything that I didn't need, I didn't have to ask people to buy something they didn't want, and they in turn didn't have to feel obligated to buy it. So, it you haven't participated, what are you waiting for? I trust you will be both amazed and pleased. Just log onto our website at (www.geocities.com/women-



of-today), click on this icon: Support Us!, and shop till you drop! Please remember though that you must first go to our website to be directed to the Fundraising Solutions Marketplace. Once there, you can go to any website that is listed and use any coupons or discount codes that you have. If you should bypass our website and go directly to the merchant's website or order products over the phone, we DO NOT get any money back.

Should you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me: dhs1@comcast.net or 717-767-9420. Happy shopping!

In Friendship,

Deb Stein

Naylor's Nut and Mints PAWT Fundraiser

- Vicki Smith and the Northeastern chapter will run this fundraiser.
- We will be selling a total of 9 items. You can purchase one tub of each of the items to use as samples for \$15.25. Your chapter and its members can buy these samples of the Naylor Candies to promote sales.
- Samples will be delivered to the WT Picnic on Sept 20 or via other arrangements made with Vicki.

- Since the Northeastern treasury is low, your payment for the samples must be paid in advance. Checks should be made payable to the Northeastern Women of Today and sent to Vicki Smith 525 Hammond Road York, PA 17406
- Contact Vicki ASAP to place your order for samples. Orders can be placed via email or by phone: 717-757-4881 or 717-873-2056 or vsmith@dejazzd.com.
- Order Form is included in this newsletter. Orders are due by Monday, Oct 27. Product will be available for pick up at the Northeastern chapter meeting on Wed, Nov 12 or at November Boards.
- It is recommended that each chapter pick a chairman for this project. This chairman should gather individual members' orders and phone/email them in as a whole chapter to Vicki. Products will be separated by chapter and the individual chapter chairman should sort the orders for their individual members. Payment for the order should be sent to Vicki once the order is placed.

Order Form is attached to this newsletter!!

Pennsylvania Women of Today

Crossing Our "Teas"

I hope to see many of you at our Pennsylvania Women of Today's "Fall Picnic". There is no better way to kick of Women of Today week than spending a few hours with all your Women of Today friends from across the state. Please check the enclosed flyer for more details. See you there!!

Next newsletter articles are due October 25th for our November-December newsletter. Don't forget this will be the last newsletter before the Holidays, so you may want to add your Season Greetings at that time.

Cindy Hilbert

Deborah L. Stein



"Women of Today...A Winning Hand"

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Greetings Pennsylvania Women of Today Members,

As your Parliamentarian this year, I would like to share with you a few survival tips regarding Parliamentary Procedure.

Unanimous Consent

"If there is no objection ...". These are the 5 most helpful words a chairperson will ever find.

In cases where there seems to be no opposition in routine business; or on questions of little importance; and in the presences of a quorum; you can save time by obtaining Unanimous Consent (General Consent) from the assembly.

Any meeting can be ten times more productive if the chair will merely state, "If there is no objection, (we will adopt a motion to do such and such)." When no objection is heard, the chair states, "Since there is no objection, ... (such and such a motion is adopted)." If someone objects, the chair cheerfully proceeds with the traditional method of motion making.

Examples of situations which clearly beg for the Unanimous Consent approach are:

- 1. To correct or approve the minutes. You do not need a time wasteful motion for this.
- 2. To suspend a rule on a matter clearly not controversial (and as long as no By-Law is violated).
- 3. To allow a speaker a few more minutes than the prescribed time.
- 4. To allow a guest speaker to speak in an order contrary to the approved agenda (or Rules of Order).
- 5. To divide a complex motion into logical parts for discussion, amendments, and voting purposes.
- 6. To close polls on a voting process after inquiring if there are any more votes. No motion to close the polls is necessary.
- 7. To elect a lone nominee by acclamation.

In reality, as long as you have a quorum and do not violate a By-Law, these 5 powerful words can allow a chair to quickly accomplish just about anything.

I hope you find this tidbit helpful. Should you ever have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Until next time, have a safe fall and a wonderful Women of Today Week.

In Friendship, Deb Stein

Quiet Moments-Finding Peace in Stressful Lives

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BREATHE

Breathe you say? I do that every day—in and out, in and out---but do you really? It is the short shallow breath of a busy and stressed woman or the deep belly breath that nourishes the brain and body? It is important to become aware of how we breathe –while it is called 'involuntary' –the practice is not. Our brain needs a fresh supply of oxygen to replenish and refresh. Breathing also removes carbon dioxide from our system---healthy breathing keeps our brain and bodies in balance and gives us energy, as well a helps us deal with stress. It takes PRACTICE...this is what you need to do...

- 1. get in a comfortable position
- 2. put you hand on your 'belly'
- 3. breathe deeply through you nose pushing the breath down so your belly expands-make the breath as deep & full as possible
- 4. hold for a count of 2 to 4
- 5. **slowly** release the air through you nose (or mouth if more comfortable)

It is a good to practice this several times a day, as well as times when you are beginning to get fatigued or stressed out. Try for a minimum of 5 deep breaths each 'session'. Ladies—this month I am suggesting that you commit to trying this at least once a day and feel the difference!

Focus on Women/Chaplin
Bernie Marcovitch (bmarcovitch@comcast.net)

Charities/ US Emphasis

Hi Ladies,

Wow it's hard to believe that the kids are starting school already. Where did the summer go?!?

I would like to remind each of you that this year the United States Women of Today adopted National Coalition against Domestic Violence (NCDV) as our three year priority project. NCDV is the headquarters and network for over 2000 shelters in the U.S. Don't forget that there are many

forms of Violence that happen to women, children and men on a daily bases. Not only is there the physical abuse that you can see but. there is also the hidden verbal and mental abuse; no one should have to endure any form abuse. If you would like to obtain information you may contact the PA Coalition Against DV, their address is:

PA Coalition Against DV 6400 Flank Drive Harrisburg, PA 17112 Phone – 717-545-6400 E-mail – www.pcadv.org

Don't forget to submit the Charities form to me no later than October 25 so that I may calculate the monetary donations that you are donating. Also, don't forget the man hours that each of your chapter's are giving to your local community.



Cristal Brandt, Charities/Us Emphasis Program Manager

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Get your chapter certified in Personal Enrichment. IT'S easy and fun. If you did something new & fun, let me know. I can share it.

Send your paperwork to me by October 31st. I will be waiting to hand out awards at November Boards.

Can you believe it is back to school time? It is time to see summer fading into Fall. Every evening it is getting darker a little earlier. Yuck!

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the family Picnic and PA November Boards.

"TOOTING OUR HORNS"



Cheryl Miller PAWT Public Relations Program Manager 4257 Marlborough Road Dover, PA 17315 (717) 292-4095

Hello Ladies.

It's not too early to start thinking about what your chapter is going to do during Women of Today week which is September 21-27, 2008 this year. What is Women of Today week? This is a time where we celebrate **US**. We put so much of ourselves into our chapters and this is the week where we take pride in our efforts and do something for ourselves. Start advertising your chapter's plans in the newspaper. What better time to recruit those new members than Women of Today week!

Here are just a few ideas for your chapter for Women of Today week:

- 1. Bring a friend night. Invite a friend to go with you to your chapter's next meeting and/or social.
- 2. Hold a social for your members and remember to thank them for their time and enthusiasm for your chapter.
- 3. Invite a guest speaker in to your next meeting or have a separate night for this guest speaker.
- 4. Don't forget to invite the public to your projects and meetings. Put an article in the newspaper announcing your plans for Women of Today week.

Let's show our SPIRIT and start "Tooting our Horns" and get the PR out about your chapter.

Don't forget to take lots of photos of all your Chapter's projects and send me a copies for President Terry's scrapbook.

Looking forward to hearing your "Horns Tooting"!



Stacey Small Webmaster 2008-2009

http://www.geocities.com/women-of-today/

It's time for a web scavenger hunt, so those of you who don't have access to the web will not be able to participate in this scavenger hunt, sorry.

The first one to email me with the correct answers will win a prize.

- 1. What is the Pennsylvania Women of Today's web address?
- 2. There are six pages; please list them.
- 3. On the home page is an index to a shopping site, what is the address the link brings you to?
- 4. Who does the contact form get mailed to?
- 5. How many PA WOT newsletters are available to read?
- 6. How many chapters are listed on the chapter page?
- 7. Are all the chapters' pages up to date? (If you are a chapter president get with me to change your text)
- 8. Are the officer's current?
- 9. What is the Membership VP's theme?
- 10. The FOW area has 4 areas of concern, please name them?
- 11. One of the officer's pages opens up sideways, which officer does it belong to?
- 12. Which page is the creed on?

Thanks for playing! Your webmaster Stacey Small

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Wicky Wacky Weekend

November 14-15, 2009

Place: Comfort Inn, Rt 22/78, Bethel, PA

Exit 16 on 178 from East or West

Rooms: \$85 a night (up to 4 people) Continential

Breakfast

Rooms must be reserved with Bonnie Wyandt, not hotel

Lunch: \$18.50 Family style meal includes: Roast beef, ham, filling, baby carrots, green beans, applesauce, coleslaw, rolls, choice of coconut crème or cherry pie, coffee and tea. (hot or iced)

Registration: \$5.00 per person for a wacky good time.

Includes Friday night splash party and light refreshments

Reservations should be sent to:

Bonnie Wyandt, 48 North 2nd Street, Womelsdorf PA 19567 610-589-5204

Checks payable to: Womelsdorf Area Women of Today

Registration deadline 11/1/08

We are asking for donations for Berks County Women in Crisis Items suggestions: cleaning supplies, furniture polish, dish detergent, powdered laundry detergent, etc

November Board Meeting Agenda

as of 8/8/08

(subject to change at the President's discretion)

Friday:				
6:00 p.m.	-	7:30	p.m.	Registration/Food provided by Womelsdorf
7:30 p.m.	_	8:00	p.m.	FORUM - SHARE YOUR TALENTS
8:00 p.m.	_	9:30	p.m.	Future Directions
9:30 p.m.	-	11:30	p.m.	Hosting Chapter's Entertainment / Hospitality
Saturday:				
7:00 a.m.	_	9:00	a.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m.	_	9:00	a.m.	President to Presidents
8:00 a.m.	-	9:00	a.m.	S.T.E.P. and Effective Speaking
				Competitions
8:30 a.m.	-	9:00	a.m.	First Timers
9:00 a.m.	-	10:00	a.m.	FORUM - SHARE YOUR TALENTS
10:00 a.m.	_	10:30	a.m.	Meet the National Staff
10:45 a.m.	_	12:15	a.m.	Fellowship Program by Bernie Marcovitch
12:15 a.m.	_	12:30	p.m.	Check Out
12:30 p.m.	-	1:45	p.m.	Lunch with Guest Speaker, USWT President Janet Esper
1:45 p.m.	-	2:00	p.m.	Womelsdorf's Raffle / Prepare for Business Meeting
2:00 p.m.	_	3:30	p.m.	Board of Director's Business Meeting
3:30 p.m.	-	4:30	p.m.	Awards



PENNSYLVANIA WOMEN OF TODAY IT'S A FIESTA!



PA Women of Today & Families

When: Saturday September 20, 2008
Time: 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm??
Where: Cleona Playground
Cost: A covered dish to share
(State will provide the rest)

Contact Cindy Hilbert by September 13th @ 717-266-0421 or cindyhilb@aol.com

Help get US WOT Week off to a great start! Come join us for an afternoon of fun, friendship and good food!

*Directions from the East: On 422, from the traffic light at Lebanon Valley Mall (Boscov's), go 1.2 miles; turn left onto Lincoln, go to the stop sign at the top of the hill, across from you will be Cleona Elementary. Turn left, go to next stop sign, and turn right, Playground and parking lot is in back of elementary school. If you miss Lincoln and get to the traffic light at Center Street.; turn left & follow the rest of the directions, you will end up at the same place.

*Directions from the West: On 422 go through Annville; continue through traffic light past Giant Shopping Center (on left) to the next traffic light, this will be Center Street. Turn right on Center or proceed to the next street, which is Lincoln and follow the directions above.

"It's a Chapter Fiesta"

ANNVILLE-CLEONA "Reaching Our Goal ... Inch By Inch"



We had some good community projects in the last few weeks, from helping out at the Youth League Golf Tournament, to dipping up tons of "Rita's Ice" at National Night Out, and making many dozens of baked goods for the "Battle for Brandt" Day for the 4 year-old with cancer in our community.

We also sold chicken barbeque tickets for this cause. At our August GM/Covered Dish meting, we'll be collecting items for Domestic Violence.

In September we'll be going to the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater to enjoy "The Sound of Music". We'll do our annual bingo at the Lebanon Valley Home's Block Party, and have a sandwich sale. Of course, Sept. 20 will find us helping to kick off WOT week with the PAWT Fun Day Picnic to be held at the Cleona Playground.

In addition to planning our holiday projects in October, we'll be going to Rehoboth for the Sea Witch Festival (always a good time), and finishing the month with a candy stand during trick-or-treat in Annville.

Annville-Cleona loves visitors. Come and see us. Cec Edwards



Dover "IT THEMES TO BE FUN"

Dover is gearing up for a busy Fall. In September we have the Baby Contest, Scrapbooking Day, Grandparent's Day, Ronald McDonald House meal, Girl's nite out to see Elvis. Women of Today wee we are having a speaker open to public.

October we are doing finger printing at the Dover Fall Fest. The next day is our Annual Basket Bingo. We are collecting school supplies and food for the Food Bank. We have made several improvements at our building. Come check us out.

Helen Northeastern Women of Today "Flying into the Future" 2008 – 2009



The Northeastern ladies are proud to welcome Bonnie & Petie Miller into our membership. They both come with a wealth of knowledge as past members of the McConnellsburg chapter. It's good to have you "on board" gals!

We have been busy this summer with many projects. School Kits for Kids, Helping Hand donations, NE Clothing Bank, church visitations, Founder's Day & Friendship Day are just a few that keep our members busy. We are currently working on a fundraiser for the state and hope all chapters will participate in this project. Look for info about this fundraiser in the mail.

We want to thank the Womelsdorf, Annville/Cleona & Dover chapters for visiting our July picnic. Our lb sale raised \$100.00 for Domestic Violence. We invite you to come visit again soon!

We love to visit, three of us traveled to the Womelsdorf's Carnival & the Annville/Cleona summer picnic. We had lots of fun & good food. It was nice seeing members we haven't seen in a long time. We also get some good ideas to take back to our members.

Don't forget to come visit, we love to have company!

President Brenda



Womelsdorf Area

Aloha from the Wicki Wackey Wahenies from "Frodslemow" (Womelsdorf backwards) had a Hot and busy July and August. We had our Community Days Carnival and Raffle visited by Cindy Hilbert, Brenda Almoney and Vicki Smith, Founder's Day, supper and miniature golf for Friendship day, visited a

children's shelter & held an ice cream social with them, Kids week we helped at the Library Fun Day, delivered backpacks to Berks county Women in Crisis shelter and to our Conard Weiser Schools.

September 6th, we will have a booth at the 1st Annual Western Berks Family Expo. We will have a display table with photos and thank yous from people, charities and events we've helped; also our new chapter brochure and a ladies only door prize. We hope to get some prospective members. September 7th "Flaming Dick and the Hot Rods" play at Music in the Park, we will help keep the crowd cool at our "Ice Cream Stand". Women of Today week, we will open to the community with instruction by member Stephanie Gundy on "Yoga" and on "Make Up".

October 19th, we are doing a "Casino Bus Trip" to the Tropicana for \$25. This includes a meal on the bus and \$10 cash back. If you would like to go along call me for more details and to reserve seats. Our October 1st meeting is our annual "Covered Dish & Chinese Auction". The meal will have a "Luau" theme to eat at 6:30. Each chapter is asked to bring a dessert. Hope to see many of you there. Also October we do our "Witches Pot".

Besides all of these events, we are busy working on a new project for Spring for "Earth Day" and hosting Pennsylvania November Boards.

For now "Aloha" from the isle of Frodslemow.

Linda

"News from the United States Women of Today Fiesta"



Greetings Pennsylvania Women of Today Members!

Speaking as your USWT Extensions Director, I would be absolutely thrilled if Pennsylvania could extend a new chapter (or 2) this year. I would be willing to chair the endeavor, but I need a few dedicated committee members to help. If you would like to work with me on this endeavor, please contact me. Likewise, if anyone

has any suggestions or possible contacts, please contact me. As soon as I hear from you, I will set a planning meeting.

In Friendship, Deborah Stein USWT Extensions Director

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Pennsylvania Women of Today Creed

We believe,
 That service to our fellowman is service to God;
 That in striving thus to serve, we enrich our own lives
 And contribute to the welfare of our community;
 That working together in service develops good and loyal friends;
 That fellowships and lasting friendships enrich our own and our families' lives.
 Because we believe these aims can best be achieved through united efforts,
 We have organized the Pennsylvania Women of Today
 So that we can work together to build a better community.