

Chapter Chair Candidate Statement

My name is Faith Wood, and I am honored to have been nominated for the position of MWN Chairman.

I have been a member of VDD-GNA since 2004. I was elected Business Manager of the MWN Chapter in 2008, and was reelected in 2011 and 2014. Serving on the chapter board was both challenging and rewarding. I strove to keep the chapter membership informed of news & events within the chapter. In June of 2014, I added the role of PPK administrator for GNA. In 2020, I was elected to the position of GNA Business Manager. In this role one of my goals was to update the website membership roster on a consistent basis, and I now provide the chapter boards with updated membership rosters on a regular basis.

Previously in my position as MWN Business Manager, I worked to provide regular updates to members about upcoming events and tests. One of my goals if elected MWN Chairman is to get back to providing those updates, similar to what GNA Chairman Mike Seckar has been doing recently for the entire membership. Another goal I have is to reach out to new members and welcome them to the chapter. When I send updated membership rosters to the chapters, I include members' join dates so that chapters are able to see who the new members are. I think personally welcoming new members with a phone call and email will be helpful to increase member engagement.

Lastly, thank you to Ned for his years of service to MWN and GNA. He has donated his time as chapter chairman, test host and director, performance judge, and whatever else was asked of him. Our group and chapter would not be where it is today without the generous dedication of members who have volunteered their time to serve. I believe in this group, and I am dedicated to the system. I look forward to the opportunity to work more with the MWN chapter board and membership, and it would be a privilege if I am elected. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration!