## <u>Important Upcoming Events and Dates – Volunteers needed</u>

## Be An Active Participant In Your County

## **November 13 Convention and Executive Committee meeting:**

5 volunteers are needed for registration of which 1 is to train for credentials for the November 13 convention and future conventions. Volunteers need to be at convention location by 5:45

Fill out the sign-up sheet to indicate whether or not you will be attending the convention November 13, 2023, so I do not need to call you for the count. A quorum of 30 is needed for the convention so I will be looking to obtain at least 35 to 40 for sure attendees. It is important for executive committee members to attend so we have a quorum for our after convention meeting. If we do not have a quorum for convention night we will have to call a special meeting quickly. Above completed at last nights meeting.

I will be making phone calls to those delegates/alternates who were not at the meeting to verify they will be coming to convention to insure we have a quorum to complete our business.

March 16 is the date set for the St. Patrick's Parade in Crosslake. This is big event, and we will be in a Presidential general election year. We should have a presence at this event. Looking for volunteers to step up and start putting planning together for a float, handouts, walkers, riders etc. If we wait too long, we will be too rushed or too late as this will be a busy year. Contact me if you are willing to be a part of this so a group can be formed and get the ideas flowing.

Caucus: February 27 and it will come up quickly

4 locations Brainerd, Crosby, Crosslake and Pequot Lakes (exact locations TBD

In 2022 we inserted a flyer in the Echo and Ironton paper to announce Caucus and the locations along with a QR code. I need volunteers interested in putting this together so we are set when the state publishes the QR code that will take you to their caucus site listings. Also, so we can get new pricing from the papers and get approvals for funds on time. We purchased extra last time which volunteers posted in stores and public locations.

Convener and Secretary at each Location: Brainerd: Lowell Smith & Forest Hyatt

Pequot: Donna Winge & ? volunteer needed

Crosslake: Jackson Purfeerst & Robin Sylvester Crosby: ? need volunteers - 2 volunteers needed

**Precinct Chair and Secretary:** Think about getting elected as a precinct chair or secretary. These positions become part of the Full Committee.

These positions will be the liaison with the executive committee for communicating with the delegates and non-delegates within your precinct to encourage their attendance at conventions and volunteering. Talk to others you know in your precinct about caucus and the opportunities available.

Caucus conveners and secretaries as well anyone who will try to get elected as a precinct officer can start planning caucus meetings to work on the caucus script and all the paperwork that needs to be printed and copies made.

The state will be posting caucus documents on their site by December 9. MNGOP.Org

December 9 is a state central meeting date where sample packets will be handed out to BPOU's with an overview of the caucus process. State Central Delegates and Alternates watch your email for the call.

**December 15** we will receive our caucus delegate allocations for each precinct.

**December 21** is the deadline to email caucus locations for each precinct.

January 9 - GOP caucus training on zoom - Details will be emailed

**February 7** – conveners must be in place and reported.

**February 27 AM** - we will receive the form for caucus attendee entry which must be submitted by March 4 to the party online.

I will need 2 to **three volunteer proofreaders** for the submission data.

**Important:** Anyone entering names etc. at caucus (typically the secretaries of each precinct) must have excellent printing skills so the input for the state does not require a lot of deciphering phone calls.

There will be training meetings to insure all goes smoothly at all locations. Everyone is invited to training so they are familiar with the caucus process.

## **Election Judges:**

Anyone wishing to be an election or ballot board judge will have to sign up again in 2024. Election judge signup and training is only valid for 2 years.

As soon as we have the particulars on election judges, we will let you know. In 2022 we signed up many election judges at caucus.

It is our hope to upscale our **fundraising large event next year.** To accomplish this, we should start planning ideas now or in the very near future to formulate venues, activities, speakers, and costs etc.

This will take several volunteers to plan an event that will attract all types of donors in our county.

Mark the above dates on your calendars!!!! Please send me an email to notify me where you would like to volunteer to help with these very important activities. Please note there is no limit on the number of activities you can volunteer for.

Thanking you in advance for stepping up,

Donna Winge, Deputy Chair