

FROM: Kay Wilson-Kirby
SENT: Wednesday, January 25, 2023
TO: TACOMA WA. CHAPTER
THE LINKS, INCORPORATED
RE: The Vice President's Report, January 25, 2023

Dear Link Sisters, I hope everyone had a long and glorious holiday season!

January is a busy month filled with Link deadlines:

- This month Core Value Impact Presentation (MVP webinar) is "Celebrating the legacy of Our Friendships" and will be presented on January 31, 2023.
- Chapter members should be on their way to completing their 48-hour service hour requirement. Please visit www.trackitforward.com.
- April 1, 2023, is the due date for 2022 inductees to pay their building assessment fee.
- The National Friendship Month Report and Chapter Data Information (Program) Report are to be completed and submitted by February 1, 2023.
- Applications for "Alumna" are now open through March 31, 2023. We have one application so far.
- The Chapter Handbook will be corrected and resubmitted to the website in late January. Printed copies will be passed out for Chapter review and any missed corrections, at the January 28th chapter meeting.
- Additional Chapter members are still needed for the audit committee. A sign-up, Link sheet will once again be provided at the January chapter meeting, in case anyone is interested in serving.
- The correct e-mail for Link Gina Hatcher, Chapter Corresponding Secretary, is gmajor.link@gmail.com. Please notify her if you are unable to attend the chapter meeting.
- Finally, I have recommended to the Membership Committee, that we plan our next new candidate induction for the year 2023-2024, instead of for 2022-2023.
Because this is the first year that we have resumed face to face meetings, it has taken some time to get up to speed. Our retreat was done in person; however, our first Chapter

meeting was done virtually. Our first face to face meeting was in October. At this meeting, we generally vote to affirmatively hold membership inductions and distribute forms to potential sponsors. In November, we begin screening candidate profiles for chapter requirements. We are a little behind in the Induction Process timeline, and even though the process is still possible, it would be a tight timeline because of all the activities required as part of this process. At the January MVP Webinar for the Membership Induction process, Area Director Karen Cole, suggested that if a Chapter is facing a tough timeline, the induction process could be planned for 2023-2024, which would be a delay in our process. Area MVP Sharon Cole went over suggested timelines for this year's Candidate induction process. Other Western area Chapters may also be reaching this decision, because of the uniqueness of this year. The Membership committee will instead present additional recommendations to the Chapter on the upcoming celebration of our newest Chapter members inducted in 2021 and 2022 and our newest Platinum members, approved for Platinum status for this Chapter year.

BEST WISHES.....Kay Wilson-Kirby