



**RE-ELECT JULIANNA WOSTYN PRESIDENT  
MICHIGAN STATE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**

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As Michigan State Numismatic Society President, **Julianna Wostyn** has worked very diligently to improve the programs and prestige of Michigan State Numismatic Society. She is open minded and listens to new ideas and works hard to implement new concepts that lead MSNS into the future.

**Julianna** is a team player: She has developed a cohesive team of hard-working directors, committee chairs, and appointees, all who work with her to help MSNS progress to the future. Innovations that Julianna has implemented include a revamped web-site, an ANA exhibit of the 1804 Silver Dollar and the 1913 Liberty Nickel (to be displayed at our fall Convention), Payment of dues online with PayPal, the first

MSNS Auction for our fall show in many years (to be held by Stacks Bowers), new educational forum speakers and an expanded YN program with two seminars (up from one)!

**Julianna** has worked together with the MSNS Board of Directors and she will be able to effectively work with the incoming Directors (all of whom are running unopposed). Julianna appointed Michael Strub as successor Secretary/Treasurer, Mike has worked very well with Julianna and significant progress has been made as they have worked together to accomplish the needed changes that have been implemented. Julianna has successfully developed the support of all of the hard working directors who are running for re-election. Those individuals, along with our new Webmaster, James Motley and new Secretary/Treasurer, Michael Strub have built a strong working relationship with Julianna to improve this Society and move it into the 21st Century.



Al Bobrofsky, former two-time MSNS President and a Board member with over 40 years of service says this about **Julianna**:

**“Julianna Wostyn is the Best Michigan State Numismatic Society President that we have ever had.**

She is honest, hard working and seeks only the best for MSNS members and our wonderful organization. I fully support her re-election for President and I urge all MSNS members to vote for her as our President.”

Bill Anderson, one of the newest MSNS Directors states:



“As a new MSNS Board Member I was immediately struck by **Julianna's** work ethic, knowledge about MSNS, and her ability to lead others. She has made me a more effective MSNS Director. I urge all MSNS members to vote for **Julianna Wostyn** as MSNS President”

All of the MSNS Directors who are running for re-election and our new Webmaster join Al and Bill in urging MSNS members to vote for **Julianna Wostyn** as MSNS President. They all agree that **Julianna** has done a great job as President and look forward to working with her to continue the progress that she has initiated.



Webmaster and ANA Presidential Award winner James Motley has this to say about **Julianna**:

“What brought me to work with MSNS as its Webmaster is **Julianna's** enthusiasm and professional attitude. I thoroughly enjoy working with Julianna as she always works towards our Society's best interests in everything we do. I am voting for **Julianna Wostyn** and I urge all MSNS members to re-elect her as MSNS President.”

We have all worked with **Julianna Wostyn**, she has the necessary qualities of dedication, honesty, hard work and a vision to improve the quality of service that MSNS provides to its members. MSNS needs a leader with a future vision. Her re-election is critical to the future success of the Michigan State Numismatic Society.

The undersigned all support **Julianna Wostyn** for MSNS President, to continue working with her as the leader of this cohesive team, so that MSNS can continue to expand its youth programs, put into place effective technology, establish new educational initiatives, expand our show format and bring our conventions back into the top tier of conventions in the country.

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| Al Bobrofsky, Past MSNS President and current MSNS Director | Brian Tideswell, Bourse Chairman                               |
| Bill Anderson, MSNS Director                                | John Chirco, MSNS Director                                     |
| Brett Irick, MSNS Director                                  | Steve Friedman, MSNS Director                                  |
| Chuck Sharpe, MSNS Director                                 | Tom Klunzinger, MSNS Director                                  |
| Ann Bobrofsky, Past MSNS President,                         | Ron Sirna, former MSNS Legal Counsel and current MSNS Director |
|   | James Motley, MSNS Webmaster                                   |

The following MSNS Members also urge MSNS members to vote for **Julianna Wostyn** for President:

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| Danaca Tassara L637          | Patrick L. Baxter R10921    | Don Reid R10076      | Phillip Curtis R10461    |
| Robert J. Sebenick, Jr. L488 | Larry Comer, R6786          | Linda Jonker R10402  | Ronald Stoutjesdyk L353  |
| Gary V. Manley R10316        | Rich Michalewicz L624       | Carl J. Tackett L175 | Cheri Michalewicz R10611 |
| Richard M. Bateson L474      | Jerry L. Goschka R8784      | Sue A. Ward L562     | Hanna B. Reid R10156     |
| Mark R. Kurzawa R10832       | Stephen D. Loftus, DDS L518 |                      |                          |

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## **Candidate for MSNS President**

Hello. You probably recognize my face or my name. In my almost 38 years of MSNS membership I have served you as Secretary/Treasurer, Business Manager, YN Co-Coordinator, convention Co-Coordinator, board member, and 2nd Vice-President. I am 51, married 24+ years to Lisa. You've probably seen her at our conventions too.

I am running for President because in the past two years many issues have come forth harming our club. Please allow me to show you why I am running.

During my tenure as your Secretary/Treasurer, the position served until either the Secretary/Treasurer resigned or until the Board of Director's removed them by a super majority vote. The person holding the position was appointed by the President, and confirmed by the board. The position was set up this way, so that the Secretary/Treasurer could speak independently on MSNS administrative issues and financial issues without fear of being easily removed from office. By not being a set term, the Secretary/Treasurer could also have many years of experience under their belts.

In late 2013, the Board changed the term of office of the Secretary/Treasurer to a two year term, to run staggered from our election years. When they did this, my position was that it ended my term of office. The action to make this change was done with no debate, invoking a Robert's rule of order procedure, calling the question, immediately following the original motion. You'd have to ask the board members who voted for this change, not all of them did, as to their thoughts. An obvious answer is they did not like my opposition to some of their plans. Under the new terms of office, how can our Secretary & Treasurer speak their mind when if they upset the President they may lose their next appointment? This is not good for MSNS.

So what are some of the issues I spoke against?

The board adopted an Official Membership Application, on which it is mandatory that a new prospective member be recommended by an existing member. I disagree with this form. Are we an exclusive organization, or do we welcome new budding numismatists? So what has happened to our membership lately? From the February 9, 2013 official board meeting minutes our membership count was 1,324 total members. Now, let us review the February 8, 2014 official board minutes, they show a membership count of 974. Is that a report that shows a healthy steady or climbing membership? I would work to change this requirement that new prospective members have to be recommended by an existing member.

The board has authorized MSNS to acquire a credit card with multiple authorized signers. No doubt, this makes it easier for authorized people to spend MSNS money, but is this something we want? We lasted over fifty years paying our bills via check. Can the board guarantee that funds will not be misspent via the credit card? I would work to close this account, or place the cards in a lockbox, not to be used.

The board authorized an expenditure of money, and I assume paid, for a consultant to work with them on future planning for MSNS. Please note that the consultant is related to a current director, and that the director abstained from voting on the issue. One of the results of this project was the board approved a vision statement. (from the official minutes of February 8, 2014) It reads, "Adopt cutting edge internet & digital technology to effectively educate the public, membership, and especially youth to promote numismatics." The board also approved a mission statement, "Promote numismatics and serve the public through education, conventions, and fellowship with particular emphasis on bringing young people into the hobby." May I draw your attention that the public is listed before the membership in the vision statement and not at all in mission statement. Shouldn't membership count more?

Because the election is before our Fall 2014 convention, you have not seen this new policy in practice yet. But, are you aware that you will have to show photo identification in order to enter the bourse floor at our fall convention? I do not think MSNS members have ever had to show photo identification in order to enter our own convention before in the history of MSNS. I would work to rescind this policy, At a recent board meeting, the current President asked to hire a person from her place of employment to collect email addresses of attendees at the convention. Is this a good use of our treasury? Dealers, are you ready for a possible reduction in floor traffic due to this policy?

During July of this year, you probably received a request to donate money to MSNS, many of you even received more than one request. Why is MSNS in such financial shape today that the membership has to be asked to donate additional money? I do not agree with formal soliciting of money to fund expenses. If you want to donate to MSNS, or remember MSNS in your will, that's great! But, I find it disturbing to run formal fund raisers in this way.

Our education exhibit program under the direction of Frank Passic is world class! Our current board has been tinkering on the edges to make changes to this program. Are you aware that some of our award winning exhibitors can no longer exhibit competitively if they also donate their time to serve on our board? I fully support Frank Passic and our educational exhibit program.

MSNS is not a SE Michigan organization. I firmly support bringing a MSNS convention and/or an educational seminar to the central or western parts of our state. I will work towards this goal.

If you agree with my positions, may I have your vote?

**(Paid for by Joe LeBlanc)**