STANDING ON THEIR SHOULDERS: DANGEROUS WOMEN OF WILPF

Script to Accompany the Powerpoint.

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VOICE 1

(SLIDE #1) Women’s International League for Peace & Freedom has been working continuously since our founding in 1915 to link the issues of war, conflict and violence to women’s rights and economic justice. They are all connected. Let’s look together at WILPF, and learn more about the DANGEROUS WOMEN who have inspired us from the beginning through today.

VOICE 2 WHO IS WILPF?

(SLIDE #2) IN 1915... IN THE MIDST OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR... A HANDBOOL OF AMERICAN WOMEN... WEARING LONG DRESSES AND HUGE HATS... BRAVED ATTACK AT SEA TO CROSS THE OCEAN AND MEET WITH EUROPEAN WOMEN PEACEMAKERS... AND THE CROWN HEADS OF EUROPE... IN AN EFFORT TO STOP THE HORRIFIC WORLD WAR THAT WAS RAGING. AN ENTIRE GENERATION OF YOUNG MEN WAS BEING WIPED OUT ...FOR REASONS THAT WERE NOT WELL UNDERSTOOD.

THE AMERICAN DELEGATION WAS LED BY CHICAGO’S JANE ADDAMS OF HULL HOUSE FAME. (#3) AT THE TIME... JANE WAS FAMOUS FOR HER ROLE IN THE SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT...THE LABOR MOVEMENT... AND IN ESTABLISHING THE SETTLEMENT HOUSE MOVEMENT IN THE US.

JANE WAS LATER CALLED BY FBI DIRECTOR J.EDGAR HOOVER... “THE MOST DANGEROUS WOMAN IN AMERICA”... BECAUSE OF HER POPULARITY AND HER STRONG VOICE FOR ECONOMIC JUSTICE... WOMENS’ RIGHTS ... AND PEACE.... THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN MET IN A WOMEN’S INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS, THAT DEBATED THE BEST WAY TOWARDS PEACE.

THEIR EFFORTS AT STOPPING THE WAR WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL... YET THEY SUCCEEDED IN CREATING A STRONG VOICE FOR WOMEN OF EVERY NATION ...WHO STOOD FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE. THEY FORMED WOMEN’S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE & FREEDOM.

EVENTUALLY (#4) ...WILPF’S WORK RAISING PEACE ...AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO A CRUEL AND UNNECESSARY WAR... AND BRINGING MANY NATIONS TOGETHER ...TO WORK ON ALTERNATIVES TO WAR, HELPED FORM THE BASIS FOR THE
LEAGUE OF NATIONS, LATER THE UN. THEY STRONGLY SUPPORTED THE INTERNATIONAL DECLARATION ON HUMAN RIGHTS.... AND THE KELLOGG BRIAND PEACE PACT... WHICH MADE WAR ILLEGAL.

THESE EFFORTS AND ORGANIZING ACTIONS EARNED JANE ADDAMS THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE FOR HER WORK IN ESTABLISHING WOMEN’S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE & FREEDOM. THAT’S JUST ONE OF THREE TIMES WILPF WOMEN HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE COMMITTEE, THE LAST IN 2017 AS PART OF THE ICAN COALITION. THE 2ND WAS WON BY WILPF WOMAN EMILY GREEN BALCH.

WILPF HAS LONG BEEN ACTIVE IN ANTI-WAR ACTIVITIES... (#5) BUT MORE IMPORTANT IS OUR LONG STANDING COMMITMENT TO ADDRESS THE CONDITIONS AND INJUSTICES THAT CAUSE WARS. WE CONNECT HUMAN RIGHTS AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE ...TO THE ROOTS OF WAR... IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT WAR. AND WE ARE THE ONLY ... AND OLDEST WOMEN’S PEACE ORGANIZATION TO TAKE THAT APPROACH.

(#6) WILPF’S PERSPECTIVE LOOKS AT THE AFFECTS OF WAR AND CONFLICT ON WOMEN AND FAMILIES.... A VERY DIFFERENT APPROACH. WE’VE BEEN CONNECTING HUMAN RIGHTS, WOMEN’S RIGHTS AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE TO THE ROOTS OF WAR FOR OUR ENTIRE HISTORY. WE ARE MULTI-ISSUE BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY ROOTS TO CONFLICT AND WAR.

VOICE 2: WHO IS WILPF TODAY?

TODAY (#7) WILPF IS A FUTURE FACING ORGANIZATION, WELCOMING YOUNGER WOMEN ACROSS ECONOMIC CLASSES AND EMPOWERING TOMORROW’S ACTIVIST LEADERS.

WILPF INTERNATIONAL HAS SECTIONS IN 40 LOCATIONS ACROSS THE GLOBE. THE US SECTION HAS BEEN ACTIVE SINCE 1915. WE PROTESTED THE VIETNAM WAR ... AND EVERY MAJOR WAR AND MILITARY CONFLICT SINCE.

WE MARCHED (#8) WITH REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR AND CORETTA SCOTT KING WAS A WILPF MEMBER... AS WAS ACTIVIST JANE FONDA... ACTRESS JOANNE WOODWARD... AND AN ARRAY OF AMAZING WOMEN AUTHORS.... INCLUDING ALICE WALKER AND URSULA LA GUINN... AND FEMINIST TEACHERS, RESEARCHERS AND AUTHORS... ON SEXISM & THE WAR SYSTEM:.... BETTY REARDON AND CYNTHIA ENLOW.
WILPF US HAS ABOUT 40 BRANCHES ACROSS THE US... WORKING ON IMPORTANT ENVIRONMENTAL... DEMILITARIZATION... WOMEN’S RIGHTS... DEMOCRACY .... AND HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES. (#9) YOU CAN FIND A GOOD DESCRIPTION OF THE PRIORITIES AND MISSION OF WILPF BY DOWNLOADING OUR ELOQUENT MANIFESTO.... REVISED IN 2015 AT OUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY CONGRESS.

......(#10) WHEN YOU JOIN WILPF US... YOU ARE ALSO AUTOMATICALLY JOINING WILPF INTERNATIONAL ... AND YOU HAVE ACCESS TO WOMEN PEACEMAKERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

YOU CAN FIND OUT MORE ABOUT WILPF US AT WWW.WILPFUS.ORG OR ON THE WILPF US FACEBOOK PAGE.

VOICE 1  DANGEROUS WILPF WOMEN – WE STAND ON THEIR SHOULDERS

WE HAD 2 BIG VICTORIES RECENTLY THAT ARE TYPICAL OF THE KINDS OF COLLABORATIVE WORK WE DO IN EVERY ONE OF OUR COMMUNITIES. ...(#11) .. OUR MEMBERS IN VERMONT WERE ABLE TO FORCE A BALLOT INITIATIVE IN THEIR STATE TO REJECT THE B35 BOMBERS FROM BEING BASED AT THEIR BURLINGTON AIRPORT. THEY GOT 59% OF THE VOTES, MORE THAN THE INCUMBENT MAYOR WHO DID NOT BACK THEIR EFFORTS. AND THIS WAS DESPITE THE COLLUSION OF THEIR SENATOR PATRICK LEAHY, WHO WAS WORKING WITH THE AIR FORCE TO BRING THE BOMBERS TO VERMONT. A WIN FOR WILPF & THE PEOPLE OF VERMONT!

VOICE 1 -

OUR .. (#12) .. INTERNATIONAL WILPF WOMEN.... WORKING WITH OUR ALLY ICAN –-(INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO ABOLISH NUCLEAR WEAPONS) .... HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD ON A NEW CAMPAIGN. DON’T BANK ON THE BOMB.

THEY ASK... “IS YOUR MONEY BEING USED TO FUND NUCLEAR WEAPONS?” THEY SHOW HOW NUCLEAR WEAPONS PRODUCERS RELY ON INVESTMENTS AND LOAN FROM BANKS, HEDGE FUNDS AND PENSION FUNDS. YOUR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION COULD BE USING YOUR MONEY TO FUEL A NEW NUCLEAR ARMS RACE. AND THEY DON’T WANT YOU TO KNOW ABOUT IT.

WE’RE ASKING HELP TO POST AND REPOST A FACEBOOK MEME TO GET THE WORD OUT ABOUT THIS INVISIBLE WAY YOUR MONEY MAY BE USED AGAINST YOUR VALUES. YOU CAN FIND THE FB POST IS ON THE WILPF US FACEBOOK PAGE. PLEASE SHARE IT WIDELY!
BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO TAKE AWAY FROM THIS PRESENTATION IS THIS ONE.... WILPF IS MUCH MORE THAN A VIRTUAL PLATFORM FOR ACTIVISM – THOUGH INCREASINGLY WE USE TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIAL MEDIA TO GET THE WORD OUT ABOUT OUR WORK.

WILPF CREATES A VISIBLE IDENTITY FOR PROGRESSIVE WOMEN IN THEIR COMMUNITIES..... LEGISLATORS AND MEMBERS OF CONGRESS GET TO KNOW WHO WE ARE. THE POLICE KNOW WHO WE ARE. SO DO SCORES OF LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS WE SUPPORT AS ALLIES. WILPF WOMEN ARE KNOWN AS THE WOMEN WHO SHOW UP. SO WE CREATE A SAFE SPACE FOR ACTIVISTS, EMPOWERING EACH OTHER TO GO BEYOND OURSELVES. IT HELPS TO MEET REGULARLY, GET TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER SOCIALLY, AND TO BE ASSURED THAT NONE OF US IS ACTING ALONE. WE HAVE OUR SISTERS WITH US WHENEVER WE ACT... FROM ACROSS TOWN OR ACROSS THE US. EVEN INTERNATIONALLY.

VOICE 2- STARTING THE ROLL CALL

... (#14)... THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF DANGEROUS WOMEN IN WILPF HELPING TO LEAD WILPF SINCE JANE ADDAMS. MANY SACRIFICED GREATLY... WENT TO PRISON ... AND THEIR STORIES ARE IMPORTANT TO TELL. HERE ARE A FEW OF THEM. KEEP IN MIND THESE ARE ONLY GLIMPSES INTO THE LIVES, WORK AND WOMEN OF WILPF US.

VOICE 1 -

YVONNE LOGAN  (#15) OF OUR ST. LOUIS BRANCH... HELPED INITIATE AND COMPLETE THE 1950s ERA BABY TOOTH SURVEY ACROSS THE US ...THE STUDY MEASURED THE AMOUNT OF RADIATION FROM NUCLEAR TESTS BEING CONDUCTED IN THE US.... AND HOW MUCH RADIATION HUMAN BEINGS WERE ABSORBING... HOW MUCH WAS BEING STORED IN BABY TEETH ALL OVER AMERICA. THIS STUDY HELPED DOCUMENT THE HEALTH THREATS OF RADIOACTIVE FALLOUT AND THE IMPACT OF DOWNWIND POLLUTION.

...(16)... ROSE DAITSMAN ... OF MILWAUKEE BRANCH ... WAS ONE OF THE FIRST WOMEN ENGINEERS IN THE 1940s. HER WORK ON THE MANHATTAN PROJECT CONVINCED HER OF THE DANGERS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND SHE HAS BEEN A LIFE MEMBER OF WILPF US EVER SINCE. SHE ALSO ESTABLISHED THE FIRST STEM ENRICHMENT PROGRAM IN MILWAUKEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ...WHICH CHALLENGED THE SYSTEM BY OFFERING THE SAME ADVANCED PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO STUDENTS OF EVERY RACE... CULTURE ... AND RELIGION.
FORMER WILPF PRESIDENT KAY CAMP OPENED THE DOOR TO PEACEWOMEN FROM RUSSIA TO VISIT THE US ... DURING THE DARKEST DAYS OF THE COLD WAR. HER GENEROUS BEQUEST TO WILPF ALLOWS US TO ASSIST WOMEN FROM AFRICA AND THE GLOBAL SOUTH, WITH SCHOLARSHIPS.... TO TRAVEL TO INTERNATIONAL PEACEWOMEN MEETINGS. KAY’S LEGACY TOWARDS INTERNATIONAL PEACEMAKING CONTINUES TO GIVE WOMEN PEACEMAKERS A VOICE.

ELLEN THOMAS ...(#18)... SPENT YEARS LITERALLY CAMPED OUTSIDE THE WHITE HOUSE... PROTESTING WAR AND NUCLEAR WEAPONS. ELLEN CONTINUES AS A CO-CHAIR OF OUR DISARM COMMITTEE AND HELPS PROMOTE THE CAMPAIGN TO END THE WHOLE NUCLEAR ERA. THE LINK TO THAT PETITION IS ON OUR TEXT PAD. GO SIGN IT!

...(#19)... IN THE 1980s, CAROL BURNETTE PLAYED PEG MULLEN OF IOWA IN A MOVIE MADE FROM HER BOOK, UNFRIENDLY FIRE... ABOUT HER SON’S DEATH IN VIETNAM. HER BOOK .... AND HER ACTIVISM .... CONFRONTING PRESIDENTS...SENATORS... DEFENSE DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES... AND JOURNALISTS ... HELPED RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THE REAL REASONS WE WERE IN VIETNAM... AND THE REAL COUNT OF US CASUALTIES. HER WORK HELPED END THE VIETNAM WAR.

FORMER WILPF US PRESIDENT ...(#21)... LAURA ROSKOS OF MASSACHUSETTS... CONCEIVED OF AND ESTABLISHED THE UN PRACTICUM FOR ADVOCACY ... IT BRINGS STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE US TO ATTEND THE INSPIRATIONAL AND ENGAGING UN COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN ..MEETINGS AND SIDE PANELS ...AND TO MEET W ITH THE WILPF INTERNATIONAL UN OFFICE STAFF. THE PRACTICUM TAKES PLACE IN NEW YORK CITY NEXT WEEK... ALONG WITH OUR LOCAL2GLOBAL PROGRAM. ...(#22)... ANY WILPF MEMBER CAN APPLY FOR THE LOCAL2GLOBAL PROGRAM WHICH PAYS ALL YOUR EXPENSES FOR THE WEEK IN NEW YORK CITY. AND THE PRACTICUM PROGRAM IS A GREAT WAY TO ATTRACT YOUNGER WOMEN TO WILPF MEMBERSHIP. COLLEGE AND GRAD
STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY. APPLICATIONS FOR BOTH PROGRAMS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE, USUALLY IN THE FALL.

VOICE 2
CAPE COD MEMBER...(#23)... AND FORMER WILPF US STAFF MEMBER... MARY ZEPERNICK ... WAS FEATURED IN THE FILM THE CORPORATION... EXPLAINING ELOQUENTLY THE PREDATORY NATURE OF UNREGULATED CORPORATE POWER AND ITS THREAT TO DEMOCRACY. AND MEMBERS JAN EDWARDS AND MOLLY MORGAN, FROM CALIFORNIA, AND VIRGINIA RASMUSSEN FROM NEW YORK, AUTHORED A PIVOTAL STUDY COURSE ON CORPORATE POWER... THAT STUDY COURSE HELPED AMERICA UNDERSTAND THE TERM “CORPORATE PERSONHOOD” .... LONG BEFORE MITT ROMNEY THOUGHT HE COINED THE PHRASE.

...(#24)... CAROL URNER... OUR FORMER DISARM COMMITTEE CHAIR... HAS SPENT A LIFETIME AS A PEACE ACTIVIST... IN THE US AND ABROAD... SHE’S WORKED TIRELESSLY ON INFORMING THE PUBLIC AND LOBBYING CONGRESS ON THE DANGERS OF NUCLEAR ANNIHILATION.

VOICE 1 -
...(#25)... MAGGIE ROWLANDS ... OF DES MOINES IOWA... MADE A BOLD MOVE FOR A WOMAN OF MODEST MEANS. SHE PURCHASED A FULL PAGE AD IN THE DES MOINES REGISTER DURING THE VIETNAM WAR .... WITH GRAPHICS OF A CROSS FOR EVERY US SOLDIER KILLED TO THAT DATE.

THE IMPACT OF THAT AD WAS FELT ACROSS THE MIDWEST AND ALL THE WAY TO WASHINGTON. AS A THREAT FOR HER DISSENT, LOCAL FOLKS FIRED SHOTS INTO MAGGIE’S HOME... BECAUSE... “AMERICA... LOVE IT OR LEAVE IT”. MAGGIE WENT ON TO CAMPAIGN HARD FOR A SMALL ARMS TREATY AT THE UNITED NATIONS....AND SAW THOSE EFFORTS THWARTED BY NRA LOBBYISTS.

...(#26)... LOLA MAVERICK LLOYD WAS ONE OF THE 1915 WOMEN WHO TRAVELED WITH JANE ADDAMS TO THE HAGUE TO TRY TO STOP WWI. HER GRAND DAUGHTER ROBIN LLOYD HAS BEEN AN ANTI-NUCLEAR... ANTI-WAR PEACE ACTIVIST ALL HER LIFE ... SHE HAS PRODUCED POWERFUL VIDEOS ABOUT WILPF, INCLUDING PEACE TRAIN TO BEIJING AND CROSSING BORDERS. DVDS OF THESE FILMS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FROM ROBIN. ROBIN HELPS LEAD OUR BURLINGTON VT BRANCH AND IS CO-CHAIR OF OUR DISARM COMMITTEE.
VOICE 2

WHEW! THAT’S A LOT OF DANGEROUS WOMEN!
SO, WHAT’S WILPF BUSY WITH TODAY?
WHICH OF OUR CURRENT LEADERS MOST INSPIRE US?

IN FALL OF 2017…(#27)… WILPF … WITH A COALITION OF ALLIES … UNITED AS INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS… (ICAN)… WAS AWARDED THE 2017 NOBEL PEACE PRIZE. OUR WILPF INTERNATIONAL DISARMAMENT PROGRAM IN NEW YORK, REACHING CRITICAL WILL, IS LED BY THE AMAZING RAY ACHESON, WHO WORKS BETWEEN NY AND GENEVA. RAY SPENT 10 YEARS OF CAREFUL DIPLOMATIC ORGANIZING TO LAUNCH THIS TIMELY AND URGENTLY NEEDED TREATY TO BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS. RAY ALSO ORGANIZED THE NEW YORK MARCH FOR WOMEN BAN THE BOMB IN JUNE 2017.

VOICE 1 - WILPF TODAY

…(#28)…WILPF US CONTINUES TO SUPPORT AND EMPOWER WOMEN ACTIVISTS WORKING IN THEIR COMMUNITIES … AND NATIONALLY TOO. LAST JUNE MANY OF OUR BRANCHES AND MEMBERS MARCHED IN NEW YORK … AND IN SISTER MARCHES AROUND THE COUNTRY… IN WOMEN BAN THE BOMB MARCHES…. TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS BAN TREATY AT THE UNITED NATIONS. OVER 120 NATIONS SIGNED THE TREATY.

…(#29)…WE HAVE 3 SOLIDARITY EVENTS LINED UP IN 2018 THAT A MAJORITY OF OUR BRANCHES WILL ENGAGE WITH. WE SUPPORT OUR MEMBERS WITH MINI-GRANTS…RESOURCES… THESE MONTHLY ORGANIZING CALLS… LEADERSHIP TRAINING CALLS… AND WE CREATE A COMMUNITY OF SUPPORT THAT SHARES THEIR SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES. WE WORK WITH WOMEN LIKE:

…(#30)… BECAUSE IT IS CLEARER EVERY DAY THAT WE CAN NOT WORK IN SILOS, WILPF SUPPORTS A VARIETY OF WOMEN ACTIVISTS WHO ARE OUR ALLIES. WE DONATE, SHARE PETITIONS, ISSUE JOINT NATIONAL STATEMENTS, ATTEND CONFERENCES TOGETHER, PROMOTE EACH OTHER’S PROJECTS AND ACTIONS, AND WORK TO BUILD A MOVEMENT OF MOVEMENTS… BECAUSE IT’S GOING TO TAKE ALL OF US. WOMEN LIKE: …(#31)…

CHARMAINE WHITEFACE OF SOUTH DAKOTA… A WILPF MEMBER WHO LEADS THE DEFENDERS OF THE BLACK HILLS. SHE EDUCATES AND PROTESTS FOR CLEAN-UP OF TOXIC URANIUM MINES ON SACRED NATIVE LANDS.
WILPF MEMBER MEDEA BENJAMIN FOUNDED AND IS THE FACE OF CODE PINK.

VOICE 2 -

CINDY DOMINGO... OF SEATTLE... IS A LABOR AND HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVIST. SHE RECENTLY PUBLISHED A BOOK ABOUT THE MURDER OF HER BROTHER... A LABOR ACTIVIST.... BY HITMEN HIRED BY FILLIPINO DICTATOR FERNINAND MARCOS.

LUCY LEWIS ...FROM OUR TRIANGLE BRANCH... IN NORTH CAROLINA... HAS ORGANIZED WILPF RESPONSES ...TO THE HORRIFIC CUTS TO THE HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET.. COLLABORATING WITH THE MORAL MONDAY MOVEMENT ... AND RISKING ARREST EACH WEEK IN THE STATE CAPITOL IN NORTH CAROLINA.

VOICE 1: DIRECT WITNESS...

JEAN HAYS ... FROM THE FRESNO CA BRANCH .... PRODUCED A VIDEO ON FRACKING IN CALIFORNIA ... THAT’S BEEN USED ACROSS THE US BY OTHER FRACKING & PIPELINE ACTIVISTS.

YOU CAN TALK TO JEAN ABOUT HOW TO ORGANIZE A FRACKING TOUR IN YOUR COMMUNITY, AND USE THE FRESNO VIDEO TO RAISE AWARENESS OF WHAT FRACKING DOES TO THE HEALTH AND WATER AROUND FRACKING WELL SITES.

VOICE 2 Q&A FOR NEW PEOPLE

LET’S PAUSE HERE. THAT’S A LOT OF INFORMATION TO TAKE IN QUICKLY! WE’LL TAKE A LAST ROUND OF QUESTIONS IN A MOMENT... BUT AS A REMINDER, IT’S EASY TO JOIN WILPF. DON’T MISS SIGNING UP FOR MORE INFORMATION BEFORE YOU LEAVE. TALK TO ONE OF OUR MEMBERS ABOUT WHAT THEY LIKE ABOUT WILPF. AND PICK UP SOME OF OUR HANDOUTS. .... SO... ARE THERE QUESTIONS YOU WANT TO ASK?

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU’VE HEARD, RAISE YOUR HAND.... WE’LL CREATE A STACK AND CALL ON YOU. WHEN WE CALL ON YOU PLEASE KEEP YOUR QUESTIONS BRIEF, SO WE CAN GET TO AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE BEGIN BY TELLING US FIRST YOUR NAME AND THE AREA WHERE YOU LIVE.

FACILITATOR CALLS ON FOLKS WITH QUESTIONS (Q&A ON WILPF/HISTORY&CURRENT WORK)
IF WE DIDN’T HAVE TIME TO GET TO YOUR QUESTIONS OR YOU THINK OF SOME LATER, CONTACT US AFTER THE PROGRAM, OR EMAIL US AT: ___________________________ LOCALLY, OR INFO@WILPFUS.ORG.

(#37) NOW THAT YOU KNOW A LITTLE BIT ABOUT US AT WILPF, WE’D LIKE TO LEARN A LITTLE BIT ABOUT YOU TOO. WE’RE STRONGER TOGETHER, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE KNOW WHO WE ARE AND WHAT INSPIRES US. LET’S GO AROUND THE ROOM AND SAY AGAIN OUR NAMES, OUR TOWNS AND WHAT BROUGHT US TO WILPF.... WHAT WOMEN ACTIVISTS INSPIRE US....

GO AROUND THE ROOM AND CALL ON EVERYONE.... ANYONE WHO DOES NOT WANT TO PARTICIPATE CAN SAY “PASS”, BUT MAKE SURE EVERYONE GETS CALLED ON INDIVIDUALLY.

(#38) POST THIS SLIDE WHILE YOU ARE CALLING ON PEOPLE.

(#39) THANK YOU FOR SHARING WITH US. I THINK WE ALL PROBABLY LEARNED MORE ABOUT ONE ANOTHER THAN WE KNEW BEFORE, EVEN OUR LONGER TERM MEMBERS. WE WANTED TO REMIND YOU THAT IT ONLY TAKES 10 LIKE MINDED MEMBERS – WOMEN AND MEN ARE WELCOME – TO START A WILPF BRANCH.

(#40) EVEN IF YOU HAVE A BRANCH IN ONE OR TWO CITIES IN YOUR STATE, CONSIDER A SECOND OR A THIRD. IT MIGHT MAKE SENSE BASED ON WHERE THE POPULATION CENTERS ARE LOCATED AND THE KIND OF TRAFFIC BETWEEN TOWNS. WILPF US HAS RESOURCES AND MATERIALS TO HELP.

(#41) WE’RE HERE TO HELP. AND WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US. SYSTEM CHANGE IS GOING TO TAKE ALL OF US WORKING TOGETHER. WHY NOT DO IT AS PART OF WILPF?!

THANKS SO MUCH FOR BEING PART OF OUR PROGRAM.