

**SSWLHC Unification Timeline
(Updated 5/28/09)**

April 2009	Present Draft Affiliation Agreement at Chapter Presidents' Meeting
June 1, 2009	Chapters File with IRS as doing business as a tax-exempt non profit/ 501(c)(3) OR Chapters indicate their intention in writing to file as a group with national SSWLHC
June 1-August 31, 2009	Establish Chapter as a 501(c)(3) AND National to file paperwork as a group
September 1, 2009	Chapter Affiliation Agreement Deadline <i>(Includes documentation of non profit status)</i> Chapters have affected members complete application for national membership <i>(those not currently national members)</i>
December 2009	SSWLHC confirmation back to chapters confirming affiliation
January 1, 2010	Chapter members become national members at no additional cost for initial 6 months of 2010
July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011	NEW FISCAL YEAR YEAR 1 OF UNIFICATION BEGINS Chapters collect dues at chapter rate and add \$10 per member to rebate back to national (50 members = \$500 to national for first fiscal period). <i>Due date for rebate TBA.</i>
April 2011	Affiliation renewal packages sent to Chapter Presidents
June 30, 2011	END OF FISCAL YEAR and YEAR 1 UNIFICATION PLAN
July 1, 2011-June 30, 2012	YEAR 2 OF UNIFICATION BEGINS National is responsible for collecting all member dues and sending rebates to Chapters. Membership dues will be set at the national rate (per tier) plus \$35 that will be sent back to Chapters for each member identified with that Chapter. Chapters will also receive rebates for those national members that have not been affiliated with a chapter in their geographic area.