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President's Message

Greetings, Jet Setters!

I received some great news this last week! The Port Angeles Chamber of Commerce has voted SI Port Angeles-Jet Set as the May Business of the Month in recognition of our work on the waterfront trail! There will be a formal presentation made at our May 1st meeting as well as the May 5th Chamber of Commerce meeting. A sign will be posted on the trail in front of the Red Lion indicating our receipt of this award. Congratulations to all of us!

We had six members attend the Area Meeting on Saturday, April 12th, hosted by SI Olympic Rainforest. About 45 women gathered together on a beautiful day in Forks for great information, fun, entertainment, and fantastic food. A separate article and pictures about our weekend with Charlotte Bowen, District 1 Director, is included in this newsletter.

Don't forget the upcoming rummage sale on Saturday, May 10th, at the Campfire Clubhouse. The Social Economic Development/Health Committee is looking forward to a sizable donation to *Relay for Life* as a result of this event!

SIPA (noon club) will be hosting our Grant of Friendship visitors from New Zealand and have some activities planned for Thursday and Friday, May 1st and 2nd. We are invited to attend the "no host" dinner at the Bushwhacker Thursday evening and the potluck barbeque at Peggy Hansen's on Friday. I will send around sign up sheets for these activities.

One more item of special note...our Venture Club has been awarded a Venture Grant for \$2,500 to be used to support the *Hand-Up for Girls* project. SIA President Machiko Yamada indicated in her letter to our club that this project showed an exemplary effort to make a difference for women or children and was recommended for funding by the task force made up of Program Council members to rate each proposal. SIPA-Jet Set is responsible for securing the grant dollars for Venture by signing a contract with SIA.

The four of us taking off for the Region Conference in Idaho this next week intend to bring back oodles of terrific information to share with you on our May 15th SOLT meeting. We are not leaving until Thursday afternoon, so if you have any additional input for our vote on the proposed indexes and/or candidates, please feel free to call or e-mail me.

Spring showers bring May flowers...but what about April snow??? Stay warm, dry, and healthy!

President Jill

Calendar of Events

April 24-27—SI Regional Conference—CDA, ID
May 1—Volunteers in Medicine, Patty Hannah
May 8—Parks & Recreation, Director Richard Bonine, Youth & Family Programs Coordinator Amber Mazingo
May 10—Rummage Sale-Campfire Club House
May 15—SOLT (Region trip adventures)
May 19 – Board Meeting
May 22—Business Meeting
May 22—Spelling Bee—City Council Chambers
May 22—Scholarship Night—Port Angeles High School
May 29 – Marilyn Santiago (Vietnam Trip)
June 6 —Relay for Life

Did you know...

Anna Shields received \$500 from CitiCorp Foundation for 200 service hours. Soroptimist Jet-Set thanks you, Anna. Your commitment to making a difference for women is greatly appreciated!



2008 AREA MEETING

Submitted by Jill Oakes

Our area meeting was held on Saturday, April 12, 2008, in Forks and hosted by SI of the Olympic Rainforest. There were approximately 45 Soroptimists in attendance. With the exception of one club, all were represented.

Charlotte Bowen, District 1 Director and a member of SI of Fairbanks, arrived in Port Angeles Friday evening. I was excited and honored to have Charlotte stay in my home while she was visiting our area. I had the opportunity to share information with her about SIPA-Jet Set's projects as well as the Peninsula.



Six Jet Setters and Charlotte traveled out to Forks early Saturday morning. We were met not only with sun and a



beautiful day, but with cinnamon rolls and scones made by Ramona (Anderson) Oakes. After introductions by President Mary Jacoby and a welcome by Mayor Reed,

Cheryl Gray and Cherie Gray, financial advisors with Edward Jones, spoke to us about being financially prepared and provided us with excellent handouts.

Charlotte Bowen gave a report on Region and District activities which was followed by club sharing. Hearing about all of the projects going on in our area was exciting as well as remarkable. The creativity is amazing!

Once again, Ramona provided a delectable buffet lunch. We were entertained with a historical era clothing fashion show narrated by Adria Fuhrman. This set us up for our keynote speaker, Glynda Schaad, who presented *Women to Reckon With: Untamed Women of the Olympic Wilderness*.

The meeting ended with Tell and Sell which is always a fun event for me! We did well selling our t-shirts, aprons, and coffee bringing home over \$350!

On the way home we took Charlotte by Lake Crescent for a few pictures before stopping by Harbinger's Winery where Marsha Robin and Jean Schneider were there to meet us with food and smiles. After our wine sampling and conversation, Ruth Thomson and I took Charlotte out to the casino for a short time. We all enjoyed the penny machines and Charlotte walked away with an extra \$15 for souvenirs!

Sunday morning brunch at Chestnut Cottage was enjoyable for four of our members and three Noon Club members. We had a chance to discuss ideas learned from the Area Meeting and talk to Charlotte about current happenings and new possibilities for our clubs.



After breakfast, Ruth and I took Charlotte to a flea market, the waterfront trail, out to the spit, and then to Swains. Charlotte had a couple hours to finish her packing and relax before going back to the airport. She made it home safe and sound to only about six inches of new snow...I haven't told her yet that spring is hiding from us, too!



Soroptimist Jet-Set Program Highlights

Krista Chatters and Dena Riccobene, adoption literacy specialists for the school district, recently talked with Soroptimist International of Port Angeles-Jet Set members about the mentor text program that accompanies the Lucy Calkins grade 2 writing curriculum. Jet Set members donated \$1,000 for the purchase of the mentor texts for all second grade teachers and classes in the district.



Lower Elwha Police Detective Scott Crouse gave an overview of the main drugs of abuse in the Port Angeles area, the physical effect the drugs have on the body, and the paraphernalia used to ingest the drugs. Detective Crouse is a member of the Olympic Peninsula Narcotics Enforcement Team (OPNET), that targets drug violators who have a major impact on our community.



Port Angeles Citizens for Education (PACE) member Norm Schaaf speaks to the SIPA Jet-Set about the May 20 Port Angeles School District Technology Levy. Mr. Schaaf was joined by district administrators, teachers and students who shared information and answered questions.

There are two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.
-Albert Einstein-



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Happy Cinco de Mayo!