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Soroptimist International of Port Angeles Jet Set Jet-Streams



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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MARGIE

Hello Ladies:

It's Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays. May your days be merry and bright.

'Tis the season for sharing our time and resources, large or small. Let's not be overwhelmed by the season. Let's meet each day as it comes and be surprised by even the smallest things — robins, ribbons, smiles of children.

We have a great opportunity with the Boys and Girls Club party. Set up is 4:00 to 6:00 pm on December 14th. We need every available body to make many hands, light work. Then, Friday, December 15th, 3:00 to 5:30 pm for seeing all the smiling faces of happy children at the party.

But first, we will have our own party December 14th at 1:00 pm at Joshua's. Please let Helen know if you are coming. It's always a great time.

The 360° Dance show on December 21st has been canceled due to trouble with the venue. Maybe next year.

The next big commitment will be January 11, 2024. First we will Zoom with Anne Shaffer and the Coastal Watershed at 7:00 am. Then at 12:35 pm is Studium Generale at Peninsula College. We have Agent Heather Wright coming from Seattle to talk about Human Trafficking with all the clubs invited. Don't want to miss it.

I can't leave without saying what a good time everyone had at the ROAR/SOLT meeting on November 30th. Even though Jill was under COVID watch she planned a great program. It was so fun and the food was fabulous.

In closing, you are not too old, too tired or too 'anything'. You're younger than you are tomorrow, stronger than you realize and wiser than you know. Don't give up before you ever try.

Finally, you come from dust and you will return to dust. That's why I don't dust. It could be someone I know!



Let Heaven and Nature Sing! All the best for the season.

Margie Castle President



Upcoming Programs

Dec 14 Christmas Party, 1:00 pm, Joshua's Restaurant

Dec 15 Boys & Girls Club Party, 3:00 - 5:30 pm

Jan 11 Anne Shaffer, The Coastal Watershed, 7:00 am, Zoom only

Jan 18 Business Meeting, 7:00 am, Zoom only

December - No meetings except for the Christmas Party!

Jan 25 Social Meeting TBA



The following members have birthdays this month and the following months:

Joan Putnam	December 4	Sylvia Orth	February 4
		Chelsea Aitken	February 21
Martha Hurd	January 7	Anna Shields	February 24
Ann Agren	January 15		
Jill Oakes	January 16	Linda Sudela	March 14
Wende Porterfield	January 26		



Upcoming Events & Happenings

December 13, 2023
December PA Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
Presenting Bruce Williams
CEO of The Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce
11:30 am - 1:00 pm

December 14, 2023
Set up for Boys and Girls Club Party
Boys and Girls Club Gym
4:00 - 6:00 pm

December 15, 2023 Boys and Girls Club Party Boys and Girls Club Gym 3:00 - 5:30 pm

Committees

SIPA JET SET COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

PROGRAMS OF SERVICE

Economic Social Development & Health

Scholarships to selected graduating senior girls from PAHS, Lincoln HS, and Crescent HS from those eligible to apply; Women of Distinction recognition to community women nominated by club members who volunteer behind the scenes; Healthy Families of Clallam County; Rose House "Jet Set" room (Domestic Violence Survivors Program, part of Healthy Families); holiday meals/gifts for Rose House residents, current/former Live Your Dream Award recipients who are domestic violence survivors; Oxford House support as funds allow; Port Angeles Food Bank donation and collection of money and/or tuna (protein)for the Tuna Challenge annually; donation to Peninsula Behavioral Health.

Education

Two \$1500 scholarships awarded - Vocational and Jean Fairchild academic; \$1200 Educational Grant; spelling bee for grades 4-6 and 7-8.

Environment

Scholarships awarded with environmental focus; support summer programs for Feiro Marine Life Center including ROV (girl focus); support of Girls in Science summer program Dungeness River Audubon; Roctopus maintenance, coastal cleaning of Ediz Hook with community youth; oversee funds earned for Dog Park.

Youth

Boys & Girls Club Campaign for Girls; Lincoln/Crescent HS Girl of the Quarter; Lincoln High School lunch for graduating girls; Boys & Girls Club Christmas party annual event.

Committees (continued)

MEMBERSHIP

Recruitment, Orientation & Retention (ROAR)/Soroptimist Orientation and Leadership Training (SOLT)

ROAR is growth and development: (1) ability to retain current members; (2) ability to attract new members; (3) form new clubs. ROAR is the membership committee and maintains club member contact list birthday list, and directory. Invitations are sent to perspective members, name badges and pins are ordered, and various Club, District, Region, and Federation documents are provided to new members. Coordinates with club members to host a "recruitment" opportunity.

The second aspect of this committee is Soroptimist Orientation and Leadership Training (SOLT). The responsibility of SOLT is:

- 1. Educate club members as to the heritage, purpose, objects, policies, protocol, and programs of the organization;
- 2. Provide an orientation presentation to new members;
- 3. Prepare club members for leadership within the organization and in our own community.

<u>Finance</u>

The Finance Committee is in charge of the budgeting and financial procedures. This committee must be familiar with objectives of the organization, adopted bylaws which are an authority for various budget items, financial requirements of the organization, and adopted financial procedures and policies. The Finance Committee submits the proposed budget for the succeeding year at the business meeting in June. This proposed budget is subject to revisions prior to the July business meeting when it is presented to the club members for approval.

Committees (continued)

Laws & Resolutions

The Laws and Resolutions Committee is responsible for reviewing all proposed amendments to the Soroptimist International constitution and to the bylaws of this federation, and for making recommendations to the club. The committee reviews the bylaws annually and prepares any amendments considered necessary. Any changes to the club bylaws requested by the club's Board of Directors will be prepared and presented to the club members for a vote.

(NOTE: Finance and Laws & Resolutions have been combined into one committee.)

Social

Recognizes members' birthdays; organizes installation of officers; plans fun social events for the club during the year; assists with decorating for special meetings such as the scholarship breakfast, Women of Distinction, holidays; schedules programs during the assigned month.

FUNDRAISER

Ways & Means Committee

All the fundraisers held each year are coordinated through the Ways & Means Committee. Even though all club members are also members of the Ways & Means Committee, each committee selects one person from their committee as a representative to serve on this committee. The Ways & Means committee will select a chair from among these representatives.

The intention of this committee is "project oversite" to the club's approved fundraisers. The Ways & Means committee will help in the following ways:

Committees (continued)

- 1. Make sure a fundraiser has a chair. (Who is not necessarily a member of the Ways & Means Committee)
- 2. Make suggestions as needed to help with the fundraiser.
- 3. Ensure input is received from each committee and member.
- Make sure tasks assigned to an individual or a committee are completed.

In order for fundraisers to be successful it takes everyone pitching in. This committee coordinates those efforts.

FEDERATION/INTERNATIONAL GOODWILL

This committee oversees the "signature" Federation programs, Live Your Dream Award and Dream It Be It (Girls Circle). There is a process to the selection of the Live Your Dream Award winner which is facilitated by a member of this committee. The Live Your Dream Award is given to a women meeting specific criteria such as "head of household" and seeking higher level education often in the midst of extreme circumstances. Dream It Be It is meant to be a mentoring program for young women, middle/high school age.

This committee also facilitates an annual event focusing on human trafficking awareness, sees that funds are provided for the December 10th SI President's Appeal, and seeks nominations at the end of our club year for the Jet Setter of the Year award.

Helping Hands



Contact Information

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Online Meetings

Meetings will be held in person and online for those wishing to join virtually. An email will be sent out with the Zoom Audio/Video Conference Information for each meeting.

Our business meetings will need to have a majority of the club participating either in person or online. The meetings also provide you with needed appropriate social contact to help keep you healthy in mind as well as body.

At a minimum, please participate in the **CONFERENCE CALL**. This is the easiest and most accessible to all and can be accomplished by anyone who has a telephone. **Please know how to MUTE and UN-MUTE your phone** to eliminate background noise. Just call the conference number 2-5 minutes prior to the meeting.

See the most recent email for up-to-date information on logging in to the Zoom meeting by either phone or computer.

If you have internet access on your personal computer, laptop, etc. and would like to participate in the video conference, please set up your device ahead of Thursday's meeting. If you cannot set this up ahead of time - please use the conference call information above, and we will work with everyone to ensure they can get setup for video conferencing in future.

If you log on from your computer, you will need a microphone and audio capabilities (speakers) If you do not have a microphone and/or speakers - just dial the conference number above to get into the audio portion of the meeting. Please login to meeting 10-15 minutes before it is scheduled to start.



Breakfast/Program Schedule 2023-24

MONTH COMMITTEE

September Youth

October Economic/Social Development/Health

November Education

December Social for Holiday Party - no meetings

January All Club Members

February Finance/Laws & Resolutions

March Environment April ROAR/SOLT

May Federation/International Goodwill

June All Club Members
July All Club Members

August No Meetings

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