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**Soroptimist International of
Port Angeles Jet Set
Jet-Streams**



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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT KATHY

Happy New Year everyone! I hope your holidays were festive and fun—with a bit of peaceful time, as well.

January 2026 is upon us, and we will be busy over the next few months.

First, a reminder that our program and business meetings for the months of January and February are by Zoom only. The board will meet in person those two months, and I hope we can come up with a couple of socials.

The area meeting will be hosted by the Noon Club this year. The date is February 28; time and place yet to be determined, but it will start in the morning. We can take some notes after the event as our club will host the 2027 area meeting.

The Northwest Region Conference will be held in Montana on April 23-26 at Grouse Mountain Lodge. If you are interested in attending, now is the time to start planning.

Our speaker for our program meeting on January 8 is Sharon Chambers Gordon, Founder & CEO of Raising Girls.

The human trafficking Studium Generale program is January 29.

President Kathy

The New York Times asked their readers for the best advice they had received. Some of the favorite responses were published on December 27, 2025. Here's a sampling—

From a fellow vegetarian: Don't bother ordering the sad, token meatless item on the menu when they drag you to a steakhouse. Just get dessert, and relish it. – Emily Wasserman, Portland, Maine

Put away your phone whenever there is a human being in front of you. – Emily Herrick, Vashon, Washington

Best advice for decluttering: If you didn't own it, would you buy it again? – Margaret Roberts, Kodiak, Alaska



Be the Light!

Upcoming Programs

- Jan 8 Program: Sharon Chambers Gordon, Founder & CEO at Raising Girls, 7:00 am, Zoom only
- Jan 15 Business Meeting, Zoom, 7:00 am
- Jan 22 Social Meeting, TBD
- Jan 29 Studium Generale, 11:30 am, Peninsula College Little Theater: Human Trafficking Presentation, Sergeant M.H. Marlies Dick, NCO i/c Provincial Counter Human Trafficking Unit, RCMP "E" Division Major Crimes
- Feb 12 Program: Emily Dexter, Executive Director at Port Angeles Food Bank, 7:00 am, Zoom only
- Feb 19 Business Meeting, Zoom, 7:00 am
- Feb 26 Social Meeting, TBD

Happy Birthday

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



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

Upcoming Events & Happenings

Chamber of Commerce January Lunch

January 14, 2026

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Topic: Olympic National Park Updates

Sponsored by: Ridgeline Homecare Cooperative

Upstairs at Red Lion Hotel

221 N Lincoln St

Port Angeles

Studium Generale

January 29, 2026

11:30 am

Human Trafficking Presentation

Sergeant M.H. Marlies Dick

NCO i/c Provincial Counter Human Trafficking Unit

RCMP "E" Division Major Crimes

Peninsula College Little Theater

1502 E Lauridsen Blvd

Port Angeles

Area Meeting

February 28, 2026

Hosted by Noon Club

Details to be determined

Northwestern Region Conference

April 23-26, 2026

Grouse Mountain Lodge

Montana

49th Biennial Convention

July 22-25, 2026

Incheon, Korea

Registration opens early 2026

Christmas Party



Our annual Christmas Party was held at Wildcat Café on December 11, 2025.

Jill Oakes was our not-so-ugly Christmas Sweater winner.

Below (from right to left):
Joan Putnam, Deb West, Patty Rosand,
Sylvia Orth, Mary Galvin, Gwen Porterfield,
Wende Porterfield, Martha Hurd,
Judi Hoffman, Kathy Estes, Jill Oakes



B & G Club Christmas Party



Dessert of the Month 2026

January	Jean Hordyk
February	Anna Shields
March	Deb West
April	Helen Fox
May	Patty Rosand
June	Ruth Thomson
July	Leslie Mraz
August	Mary Galvin
September	Kathy Estes
October	Jill Oakes
November	Gloria Godfrey
December	Stephanie Kinnaman

Chris Anderson is the winner of the 2026 Dessert of the Month. Bakers/Cooks, please contact her at 360-775-9662 to set up a time for delivery of the dessert.

Committees 2025-26

Economic/Social Development & Health

October Programs
Ruth Thomson

Education

November Programs
Wende Porterfield
Gwen Porterfield
Joan Putnam

Environment

March Programs
Marsha Robin, Chair
Linda Sudela
Gloria Godfrey
Gwen Porterfield
Wende Porterfield

Federation/International Goodwill

June Programs
Jean Hordyk

Finance

February Programs
Deb West
Anna Shields
Wende Porterfield - ex officio

Laws & Resolutions

May Programs
Deb West
Anna Shields

ROAR/SOLT

April Programs
Jill Oakes - Chair
Sylvia Orth
Traci Taylor

Social

December Programs
Helen Fox
Traci Taylor
Mary Galvin
Sylvia Orth
Patty Rosand

Youth

September Programs
Helen Fox
Sylvia Orth

Ways & Means

***Each committee will choose a member to serve on Ways & Means*
Helen Fox
Patty Rosand
Ruth Thomson
Mary Galvin

Facebook - Patty Rosand

Newsletter - Wende Porterfield

Website -

Publicity -

Instagram -

Programs:

September—Youth
October—Economic/Social Dev/Health
November—Education
December—Social
January—All Club Members
February—Finance
March—Environment
April—ROAR/SOLT
May—Laws & Resolutions
June—Federation/International Goodwill
July—All Club Members

Soroptimist Protocol

Proper Soroptimist Custom and Protocol

- Begin and close meetings on time; be on time for meetings.
- Attend regularly.
- Address the presiding officer as president, governor or, if the vice president is presiding, by her title followed by her name, e.g. “Vice President Mary.”
- Address another Soroptimist by her first name.
- Do business with Soroptimists on a business basis, expecting no favors or special treatment.
- Pay your own way, unless you’re invited as a guest or as a speaker.
- Invite Soroptimists and others (as deemed appropriate by the president) to business meetings. Welcome visiting Soroptimists.
- Disagree politely and keep informality within the bounds of fellowship and parliamentary procedure.

Use correct terminology:

- We are Soroptimists — **not** Sorops.
- We are members — **not** sisters or girls.
- We are clubs — **not** chapters.
- We are a federation — **not** national or federal.
- We have a pledge — **not** a creed or motto.
- We attend a club or district **meeting**, region **conference**, federation or international **convention**.
- We elect region officers — **not** regional officers.
- We believe in Soroptimist — **not** “Soroptimism.”

Use correct names:

- Soroptimist International of (name of your club)
- Soroptimist International of the Americas
- Soroptimist International of Europe
- Soroptimist International of Great Britain and Ireland
- Soroptimist International of the South West Pacific
- Soroptimist International Africa Federation
- Soroptimist International

Helping Hands

Little Free Pantries of Port Angeles

Across Port Angeles, there are 5 Little Free Pantries - anyone can get FREE FOOD 24/7 with no paperwork, registration, etc! Please take what you need and give what you can.

2634 S. Francis St - outside Lutheran Family Services office, across the parking lot from the PA Boys and Girls Club



301 E. Lopez Ave - outside Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, across the parking lot from the Port Angeles NOLS Library

1134 E. Park Ave - on the sidewalk outside the Peninsula College CHI Dorms



316 S Cherry St - on the sidewalk at the intersection of 4th and Cherry Streets, near the Port Angeles Food Bank

1140 W 9th St - on the curb at the intersection of 9th and E Streets, near Shane Park



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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.



Program Schedule 2025-26

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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Soroptimist International of Port Angeles—Jet Set Board Members 2025-26

Kathy Estes
President

Deb West
President Elect

Jill Oakes
Secretary

Wende Porterfield
Treasurer

Patty Rosand
Assistant Treasurer

Helen Fox
Director—Past President

Mary Galvin
Director—Past President

Jean Hordyk
Director—Past President

Sylvia Orth
Director