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



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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT KATHY

October is here! It's my favorite time of the year, and the house is decorated for Halloween. I stressed over the perfect green pumpkin to put out front and guess I picked the right one. The deer have been enjoying it immensely and supplementing their diet with fresh produce! Who knew---- Needless to say, any other heirloom pumpkins are going into the fenced-in back yard.

This is a busy time of the year for our club. The Bewitching Tea will be here before you know it! Many thanks to those of you who are procuring items for the auction. There will be a great variety of purses and other items—some for raffles and others to bid on. Please let me know if you need tickets.

Even though most of our efforts are on the tea, we have two great programs for you. Tammy Gallagher will be speaking about tips for aging at our program meeting on October 9. And our social will take place on Wednesday, October 29. We will learn more about the robotics program sponsored by Feiro. Updates on that event will come later.

Many thanks to Deb West who will be representing our club at the District 1 meeting in Seattle later this month. I look forward to hearing about all her adventures.

A great time was had by all those who attended the social at JoAnn Vickery-Cook's studio. It is a beautiful, calm setting, and it was fun to learn about JoAnn's mission to offer a welcoming space for local artists.

As the days get shorter, it's more important than ever to shine your light.

Take care and stay spooky.

President Kathy



Be the Light!

Upcoming Programs

- Oct 9 Tammy Gallagher, Estate Planning, St Andrews, 7:00 am
- Oct 13 Board Meeting, St Andrews, 5:00 pm
- Oct 16 Business Meeting, St Andrews and Zoom, 7:00 am
- Oct 23 No Meeting due to Bewitching Tea
- Oct 25 Bewitching Tea, Red Lion, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
- Oct 29 Social, Feiro Marine Lab, Robotics Program, 5:30 pm
- Nov 13 Program Meeting, St Andrews, 7:00 am
- Nov 20 Business Meeting, St Andrews and Zoom, 7:00 am
- Nov 27 Thanksgiving, No Meeting

Happy Birthday

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



Lisa Wyatt	October 6
Gwen Porterfield	October 8
Stephanie Kinnaman	October 20
Brenda Connely	November 13
Marsha Robin	November 19
Ruth Thomson	November 27
Joan Putnam	December 4

Upcoming Events & Happenings

Chamber of Commerce October Lunch

October 8, 2025

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Upstairs at Red Lion Hotel

Tea With She - Defensive Driving for Seniors

Sponsored by Soroptimist International of Sequim

Guest Speaker - Chief Mike Hill, Sequim Police Dept

October 8, 2025 - 1-3 pm

Trinity United Methodist Church

100 Blake Avenue

Sequim, WA

All Hearts Gala

Presented by Clallam Mosaic

October 18, 2025

5-8:30 pm

Field Arts & Events Hall

Bewitching Tea and Purse Auction

October 25, 2025

Price: \$50

Red Lion Banquet Room

221 N Lincoln St

1:00 - 3:00 pm

Boys & Girls Club Dinner & Auction

November 8, 2025

Boys & Girls Club in Sequim

Tickets: \$145 per person

Let Leslie Mraz know if you are interested in attending.

Inspirational Women



Dame Agatha Mary Clarissa Christie, Lady Mallowan Miller; September 1890 – January 1976), was an English author known for her 66 [detective novels](#) and 14 short story collections, particularly those revolving around fictional detectives [Hercule Poirot](#) and [Miss Marple](#). She is widely regarded as one of the greatest writers, particularly in the [mystery genre](#).

It's been 100 years since author Agatha Christie created the famous private detective Hercule Poirot and launched her career as one of the most successful authors of her time. Her detective novels and short stories have sold over four billion copies. Despite her clear success as an author, Christie often claimed herself to be the “slow one in the family,” and always found writing and spelling very difficult. As a child Christie was homeschooled, and wasn't expected to learn how to read until she was eight years old—but five-year-old Christie taught herself how to read years before it was expected of her. Christie and her mother were also avid storytellers, and Christie later wrote in her autobiography that she began her interest in becoming an author at eleven years old, when she started to put her stories to words and publish them in the local newspaper. Christie was challenged with dysgraphia, and possibly even dyslexia. Her dysgraphia, a condition that made it difficult for her to write, spell, and perform calculations. She also experienced struggles with rote learning and memory, which were exacerbated by the difficulty of balancing a checkbook. To work around these challenges, Christie often dictated her stories to be typed or used a dictaphone, adapting her writing process to overcome these obstacles and still achieve her status as the best-selling novelist in history.

Dessert of the Month 2025

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MONTH	NAME
JANUARY	Kathy Estes
FEBRUARY	Jean Hordyk
MARCH	Margie Castle
APRIL	Helen Fox
MAY	Deb West
JUNE	Ruth Thomson
JULY	Leslie Mraz
AUGUST	Joan Putnam
SEPTEMBER	Mary Galvin
OCTOBER	Jill Oakes
NOVEMBER	Marsha Robin
DECEMBER	Wende Porterfield

Chris Anderson is the winner of the 2025 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