



SOROPTIMIST NEWS

Soroptimist International of Port Townsend/East Jefferson County

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Schedule for September

- 9-2: Scrapbook sorting
- 9-9: Business Meeting
- 9-16: Ann Katzenbach-KPTZ FM 91.9
- 9-23: Dinner Mtg- Judi M's
- 9-30: No Meeting

September Birthdays

- 9-2: Judy Cavett
- 9-25: Dinah Reed



HOSTESSES -SEPTEMBER

Judi Morris
Fran O'Brien

HOSTESSES- OCTOBER

Wendy Duede
Barbara Reavis

Dinner at Wendy's (not the fast food place!)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The summer is nearly behind us and thanks to the efforts of so many of our members, former members, and generous sponsors, the 12th Annual *Scramble for Service* was a big success. It propels us into fall with a tidy nest egg to see us through our long term projects over the coming year.

The day couldn't have been more perfect for golf. It was a pleasure soaking up the sun and visiting with everyone throughout the day and evening. I hope you all enjoyed the day and working together to bring some fun to the golfers, our sponsors and each other.

We can look forward to several upcoming events over the next few months, and one of the most exciting is the District I meeting October 15 through 17. It is being held this year at the Tulalip Casino and Resort, and promises to be a really fun event while still allowing time to enjoy the "activities" of the resort.

Part of Joy McFadden's *President's Focus* last year was designated for funding additional members attendance at the district and/or regional meetings. Both are in locations this year that are within easy driving distance. I hope some of you will consider attending one or both. There is no better way to learn how Soroptimists around the world work to improve the lives of women and girls than by meeting with others who work toward the same goals. Their projects and fund raising efforts are creative and inspiring.

Attending for the first time last year was an eye opener for me and showed clearly how our little club is part of an organization with the power to change lives all around the world in many different ways for many different women with varying backgrounds, cultures and languages.

Our first meeting in September will be fun and very different. After lunch we will be participating in a group function to test your memories and organizational skills. Pique your interest? Be sure to attend for a new 'hands on' exercise!

I look forward to seeing each of you there!

Pat



GOLF SUCCESS!
by Judi Morris

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of our last tournament. The day

was beautiful, players were generous and members volunteered to make the event great.

We still have to collect some sponsorships and pay a couple bills, but it appears that we will net slightly over \$5000.00. Given the challenging economic environment I am very pleased.

SECRET SISTER NEWS

Karen Bednarski says, "I would like to thank my secret sister for thinking about me because I'm thinking about her!"

Don't forget to send your secret sister a card EVERY month!!

KUDOS TO:

Karen Bednarski for being the ONLY member to respond (by the deadline) to your editor's request to tell us what they like best about fall! She says, "I love the warm days and cool nights of fall, but most of all I love the colors! I also like going out to the ocean in fall because school is back in session, and the beaches are not crowded."

Several members give Kudo's to **Judi Morris** for a great golf tournament. The club owes Judi much for her contribution of organizing this successful event so many times over the past years and making it the cornerstone of our project funding. **THANK YOU JUDI!**

Kudo's also to **Joy McFadden** and her entourage of diligent workers at Gateway Park. It looks beautiful, and we all know that she and her volunteers have performed some backbreaking labor over the last few months in their "War on Weeds."

Kudo's to Pat Durbin for answering the question (a little late though) – She likes fall for the cool, crisp mornings but DOESN'T like the fact that winter is just around the corner.

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FOSTER KIDS' BIRTHDAYS

October birthdays are:

- 10-22: Asa (boy) will be 10
- 10-14: Austin (boy) will be two
- 10-25: Makayla (girl) will be four

Please notify Barbara Reavis if you can provide a birthday present for one of these children.

WELCOME BACK TRELY!

Trely has rejoined us after leaving her position at State Farm Insurance.

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It will be great to have you back Trely!!

SAVE THIS DATE

September 16:

Ann Katzenbach from KPTZ, FM 91.9 will give a presentation to us, along with another member of their board of directors, on their broadcast coverage area and describe some of their programming ideas.

They would like to get our feedback on Port Townsend Radio.

CATCHING UP WITH:

by Betty Oakes, Roving Reporter

I recently caught up with Dinah Reed who has been having a devil of a time this summer with her bad back. That has kept them close to home and Wes has been extending the size of his storage area for his tools. They've had visits from family from Olympia and Tacoma as well as visits from family who live in the area. They plan to winter in Yuma again this year, leaving in November for three or four months. She also says she enjoys going to her shop, "Dinah's Yarn Shop" on an almost daily basis to sit and knit with the customers. We are all invited to stop by and "knit for awhile with Dinah."

Penny Westerfield recently hosted 27 family members at a family reunion at her house. They all enjoyed a halibut dinner and each family member deigned a quilt square to be incorporated into a quilt to present to Penny's Mom who is turning 90 this year. It was the first time her brother and sister and all her nieces and nephews and their families who live all over the country had been together in a long time.

The always busy Joy McFadden is enjoying retirement, playing in her garden and doing her craft projects. She has already put up a batch of



strawberry jam and was busy at work making a twine covered pot when I called. Her daughter and husband have moved to Port Angeles. With Kate's new job in Sequim, Joy won't see baby Dayna on a daily basis anymore.

Joy and Mike are both busy with Master Gardeners and at a recent conference donated their home as a Bed and Breakfast for a night in a silent auction. The high bidders (who donated \$800 to Master Gardeners for the privilege of staying with Mike and Joy in their Lake Leland home) arrived in early August and thoroughly enjoyed their visit.

As I called Joy she and Mike were off to Indian Island for a tour of the facility to include the Wild Life Preserve on the island.

MORE FROM THE PREZ

Pat and Frank are going to Vancouver BC on September 18-21 to visit her Chicago son who will be there on business.

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HOLY HUMOR

A lady was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part



of the country. The postal clerk asked if there was anything breakable in the package.

She replied, "Only the Ten Commandments!"

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A small boy approached his father and said proudly, "I know what the Bible means."

It's easy he said, "It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'"

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While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage. Attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign..."Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in exhaust."

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A Sunday School teacher began her lesson with a question, "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?" A small boy held up his hand, "He is an artist!" The teacher asked how he knew that. He said, "You know..Our Father, who does art in heaven.."

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People want the front of the bus, the back of the church and the center of attention.

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Sunday after church, a Mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson was about. The daughter answered, "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilt." Mom was perplexed and later asked the minister what the lesson was about. He said, "Be not afraid, thy comforter is coming."

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

The good thing about the rain – I don't have to water my flower beds!!