

SOROPTIMIST NEWS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

PRESIDENT: Wendy Duede

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Hello Everyone!

September is almost here and so comes the time for the first of our fall fundraisers!

Schedule for September

September 10: Lunch meeting
(11:30 at the Cup)

September 17: Dinner meeting
and Yankee Candle Party at Pat's
(5:30)

Hostesses: Pat and Ruth

At our dinner meeting on September 17 at Pat Durbin's home, we are all encouraged to bring a friend or two or three to show off our fundraiser and show them how much fun we Soroptimists have! I will send all of you more information on the first--that is the day we can start ordering online. We will also be able to pass around Yankee Candle catalogs before and after our dinner. I will have envelopes with catalogs available at my work to pick up if you want to get a head start on this.

September Birthdays:

None.

We will receive 40% of all sales, which a great deal. That's \$4 for every \$10 in sales. With an early kick-off, there is plenty of time to order for the holidays. I will also send you an e-mail link that can be forwarded to your friends and family so "Aunt Margaret" in Arizona can order, too.

Foster Kids Birthday reminders:

Haven (4 on September 20) Betty

Alex (10 on September 20) Ruth

Lizzy (10 on September 29)

Wendy

Shane (14 on October 8) Diane

I will be ordering some items so we can check them out at the dinner. Please keep on the lookout for my next e-mail--we can have fun with this!

President Wendy



Mark your Calendar:

2015 District 1 Meeting:

October 9-11, Little Creek Casino, Shelton, WA

2016 NW Region Conference

April 21-24, 2016, Spokane, WA

Davenport Hotel

2016 SIA Convention:

July 20-23, Orlando, FL



Former SI Port Townsend president, Nancy Slater, now living in Henderson, Nevada, was recently awarded the "Volunteer of the Month" for August by S.A.F.E. House. Nancy says it's a great place to volunteer.



September dinner meeting notes from Pat Durbin:

If several people can bring some kind of savory appetizer I can make a good salad (maybe a Caesar with chicken?) and that with bread might be enough. Someone might opt for a dessert, too.

I'll provide all the wine, tea, etc. and have enough place settings (as long as people let me know). We might have to do it buffet style with TV trays if there is overflow. I can seat eight in the dining room, and six in the kitchen. I also have another table I can put in the living room for six more.

Member News:

From Pat: Just put that Pat has led a very uneventful life the past month. Finally.

From Wendy: I will be gone to Oklahoma and Missouri next week so I will miss the luncheon meeting. I'm looking forward to some time away. Sorry, I won't make the lunch meeting. I'm hoping to work on the coupon book this week, if anyone has already spoken to a merchant for the book, please let me know. I've only spoken to Subway and Bickie's so far. (Thanks Bickie! I will make note of the change.)

From Fran: The sandstorm/haboob (don't know if that is the correct spelling) pretty much went around us. The wind put a lot of leaves, etc. in the pool and of course we always take in the patio cushions, etc. so they don't get wet. The main clean-up for us this time was just a lot of dust. There is always a fair amount of dust here even though we have the windows closed and the air conditioning on.

I get the club newsletter and the meeting minutes, so I read about the changes they were making. Earlier I had wondered about how the club was doing when there were some e-mails about how many people would attend a dinner as they needed eight and were asking for more or they

would have to cancel. Hope the changes will help and things will work out.

I am really surprised to see the temperatures that you are having now. Allen keeps us posted from his area but I believe they are a little warmer than Port Townsend.

From Penny: Losing power doesn't happen very often around here. But I had the "blessing" of losing power from Saturday morning, August 29 at 10:00 am until it resumed at Sunday evening at 6:00 pm. It was an interesting time and it provided lots of thought, candles, flashlights, and most of all reading. I'm fortunate to have a gas cook top so cooking food was not a big deal. But I kept flicking on light switches here and there and nothing happened. Then I thought, oh, I'll iron some clothes.... then, I'll wash some clothes..... etc. etc. The comedy never ended. I thank Betty for letting me come over Sunday and dry my hair after doing a "quickie" shower at home. She fed me tea and cookies... A good friend indeed. When I returned home Sunday afternoon around 4:30 there were FIVE trucks at the end of Adelma and Discovery Roads. I rolled down my window and asked if they were there for trees or power. They were there for POWER. I thanked them all as I snaked around the trucks. And, 90 minutes later we had power. Yay!!!

From Ruth: Ruth is in a low-level tizzy fit because she made an offer on some land and she doesn't have time to actually deal with all the contingency issues and the contingency period is passing and she still has to do her 2016 department budget! Otherwise she's basically okay and things will work out. She hasn't spent all her money yet--that comes later.

From Betty: No comments, just some funny stuff:

The horrible truth behind marshmallow ranches. Now that they are fat from grazing all summer, they will be slaughtered to make smaller ones, bagged and sold in stores. Some are cut up and held over a fire while still alive! Remember that golden brown is the only humane way:

Marshmallow Ranch:



And finally:



Ella's Joke Corner:

GREAT DEFINITIONS

Adult: A Person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

Beauty Parlor: A place where women curl up and dye.

Chickens: The only animals you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

Committee: A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

Dust: Mud with the juice squeezed out.

Egotist: Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

Tomorrow: One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

Handkerchief: Cold Storage

Inflation: Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

Mosquito: An insect that makes you like flies better.

Raisin: A grape with sunburn

Secret: Something you tell to one person at a time.

Skeleton: A bunch of bones with the person scraped off.

Toothache: The pain that drives you to extraction.

Wrinkles: Something other people have, similar to my character

