

SOROPTIMIST NEWS

Soroptimist International of Port Townsend/East Jefferson County

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Schedule for January

Business Meeting: January 11,
11:30 in Katy's conference room at
US Bank

Dinner Meeting: January 25,
place to be determined at
business meeting

January Birthdays:

None

February Birthdays:

None.

Foster Kids Birthday reminders:

Aliyah (4 on Jan. 9) Alyce

Sovereign (8 on Jan. 17) Diane

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HAPPY NEW YEAR Everyone!!!

I love the start of a new year! For me it's a time for reflecting on the year that passed and for setting new goals and "resolutions" for the year ahead. It's a time for new possibilities, new adventures, and new beginnings. Whether they are large, "big picture" goals, or small, daily tasks that help us stay on track and keep the focus clear and manageable along the way.

My theme for our club has been "Shine a Light." I am inspired by Martin Luther King Jr's words: "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." Our club may be small in "size" but we are big in "heart." As we focus on what is truly important—the mission of Soroptimist—we will shine a light on the women in our community who endeavor to improve their lives and the lives of their children. Our Live Your Dream Award can shine that light.

I look forward to a new year with you in which our club will shine a light on things that matter.

All the Best,

President Katy



Mark your Calendar

Area Meeting

February 24, 2018 (Place TBD)

NWR Conference

Coeur d'Alene, ID

Coeur d'Alene Resort

April 20–22, 2018

45th Biennial SIA Convention

Yokohama, Japan

July 30–August 2, 2018

District 1 Meeting

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From Villy Makou of SI Kifisia, Greece:



MEMBER NEWS:

From Ruth Gordon: Ruth ends 2017 a sadder and hopefully wiser soul. I have survived the transition in case management systems that was 6 years in the making. It turns out this modern system is not an improvement over the software written in the 1970's and we now work longer to accomplish not quite the same stuff. After a certain amount of to-ing and fro-ing, I am still in about the same stuck place in regard to our Homeowners Association legal problems. Someday the light at the end of the tunnel will prove to be a bright, bright sunny day, or possibly, an oncoming train. Meantime, I keep putting one foot in front of the other. I wish you all a very happy new year.

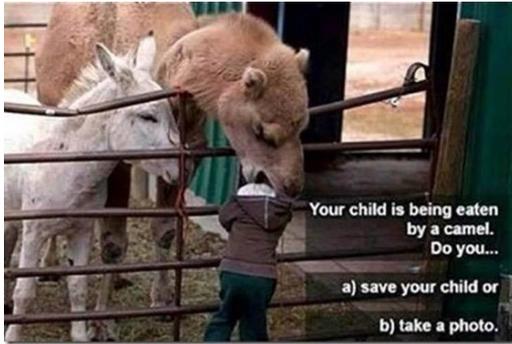
WONDERFUL NEWS from Victoria Kelley: I am happy to report that my husband, Tom, is completely recovered from his six-month medical ordeal and is back to work and his birding. We thank you for your well wishes, prayers and card. We were extra Merry this Christmas and wishing you a fabulous New Year! ☺🎄 God bless, Victoria Kelley



From Betty Oakes: I'm happy to report that after 7 months, my kitchen and bathroom are nearing completion (I know—what's the rush!). I'm in the process of moving boxes of stuff back into the house. It's a good time to purge, so a lot is going to Goodwill, a lot is going into the trash and some is even making it back into the kitchen. Happy New Year!



JANUARY FUNNIES:



The fattest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much Pi.

I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.

She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.

A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class, because it was a weapon of math disruption.

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.

A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.

Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.

A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.

Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other: "You stay here; I'll go on a head."

I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.

A sign on the lawn at a drug rehab center said: "Keep off the Grass."

The midget fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.

The soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.

A backward poet writes inverse.

In a democracy it's your vote that counts. In feudalism it's your count that votes.

When cannibals ate a missionary, they got a taste of religion.

If you jumped off the bridge in Paris, you'd be in Seine.

A vulture boards an airplane, carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at him and says, "I'm sorry, sir, only one carrion allowed per passenger."

Two fish swim into a concrete wall. One turns to the other and says "Dam!"

Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, so they lit a fire in the craft. Unsurprisingly it sank, proving once again that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

Two hydrogen atoms meet. One says, "I've lost my electron." The other says, "Are you sure?" The first replies, "Yes, I'm positive."

