



# SOROPTIMIST NEWS

Soroptimist International of Port Townsend/East Jefferson County

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July, 2017

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**EDITOR:** Betty Oakes

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Schedule for July

**July 8:** Retreat at Katy's house  
10:00 AM

Schedule for August

**August 10:** Business meeting at  
Katy's Conference Room at US  
Bank

**August 24:** Dinner meeting at a  
restaurant to be chosen at the  
business meeting

July Birthdays:

Betty Oakes (July 17)  
Ruth Gordon (July 19)  
Fran O'Brien (July 29)

August Birthdays:

None.

Foster Kids Birthday reminders:

Hannah (12 on July 12) Ruth  
Saphina (4 on July 24) Wendy  
Raelynn (8 on August 3) Carol  
Kylie (7 on August 9) Katy  
Nikolai (7 on August 9) Ruth  
Jordan (16 on August 29)\*\*

\*\*Need a volunteer\*\*

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Sisters,

First of all, I want to say Thank You to those who attended the retreat at my home on Saturday. It was a very productive meeting with a lot of great discussion around the viability of our club.

It was decided that the club will remain active for at least one more year. Penny has sent out excellent minutes from the retreat, and if you haven't already, I would encourage everyone to read them to get the details of the discussion.

I'm happy that we were able to come to a consensus about continuing for at least one more year. It is an honor to be part of an organization that does so much good for women and girls. And it is my honor to be involved with all of you.

Best,

President Katy

**Mark your Calendar**

**District 1 Meeting**

Ferndale, WA  
Silver Reef Casino & Resort  
October 20–22, 2017

**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

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Correction from last month's newsletter: Katy took this picture in Vancouver, WA, while attending the Region Conference. It did indeed remind her of the little girl in our Gateway "Soroptimist" Park:



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**MEMBER NEWS:**

From Betty Oakes: An update on my trip to the UW Medical Center yesterday. I'm moving a little slow this morning. The surgery went well and the doctor said she would be "stunned" if the mass was cancerous. She gave more info to Penny and now that I'm coming out of my fog I'll have to have her tell me again what the doctor said. But meanwhile, I'm tired and moving very slow. So if you find mistakes in this newsletter, we'll attribute them to my condition! (By the way, thanks to Penny for taking the day off from work and taking me over to Seattle for the procedure.)

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**ELLA'S JOKE CORNER:**

An Elementary School Teacher had twenty-six students in her class. She presented each child in her classroom the 1st half of a well-known proverb and asked them to come up with the remainder of the proverb. It's hard to believe these were actually done by first graders. Their insight may surprise you. While reading, keep in mind that these are first-graders, 6-year-olds, because the last one is a classic.

Don't change horses **until they stop running.**

Strike while the **bug is close.**

It's always darkest before **Daylight Savings Time.**

Never underestimate the power of **termites.**

You can lead a horse to water but **how?**

Don't bite the hand that **looks dirty.**

No news is **impossible.**

A miss is as good as a **mister.**

You can't teach an old dog new **math.**

If you lie down with dogs, you'll **stink in the morning.**

Love all, trust **me.**

The pen is mightier than the **pigs.**

An idle mind is **the best way to relax.**

Where there's smoke there's **pollution.**

Happy is the bride who **gets all the presents.**

A penny saved is **not much.**

Two's company, three's **the Musketeers.**

Don't put off until tomorrow what **you put on to go to bed.**

Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, cry and you have to **blow your nose**.

There are none so blind as **Stevie Wonder**.

Children should be seen and not **spanked or grounded**.

If at first you don't succeed **get new batteries**.

You get out of something only what you **see in the picture on the box**.

When the blind lead the blind **get out of the way**.

A bird in the hand **is going to poop on you**.

Better late than **pregnant**.

