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January 2011

Soroptimist International of Harrisburg, PA, Inc. Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT KAY

Greetings Ladies,

I hope you enjoyed the holiday season and are looking forward to the start of a new year. We are approaching our most significant events of the club year. The Fashion Show, April 16th and the Awards Dinner, April 26th. These events will require the involvement of "ALL" club members. The better we do at the Fashion show, the more Awards we can give...Remember our mission "Improving the Lives of Women and Girls in Local Communities and throughout the World". So "Say Yes to that Dress" for our Annual Spring Garden Fashion show & luncheon, by buying and selling tickets, ads and collecting door prizes.

Please come forward if you are willing to serve or have suggestions for filling any of the following offices...Vice President-elect, Corresponding Secretary, Assistant Treasurer, Director and Delegate.

Lastly, we ask you to start compiling names of potential new members to invite to our Membership Social in May. The success and growth of our club rests in your hands. Are you doing your part? To my Soroptimist family, your family and loved ones, to you I wish all of life's best things, good health and happiness throughout the coming year.

President Kay

Meeting Information

DATE: January 25, 2011

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

Invocation: Cathy Orwan

Program: Business Meeting and
New Member Initiation

**PLACE: Holiday Inn East
Harrisburg Suite
4751 Lindle Road
Harrisburg, PA**

THIS MONTH, members who plan to attend the dinner meeting MUST notify Carol Ann Colyer (540-1278) the Wednesday before the meeting. Deadline for dinner reservations for the January meeting is January 19th.

MENU SELECTION

**Broiled Haddock
in Savory Garlic Herb Butter**



Soroptinotes

The Community Service Committee has scheduled two **Bingo events**, as follows:

- **Paxton Ministries** on **Saturday, January 22, 2010 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** at 2001 Paxton Street, Harrisburg.
- **Homeland Center** on **Saturday, February 12, 2010 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** at 1901 North Fifth Street, Harrisburg.

Assistance is needed from our members. Please contact Jayne Brinkley if you are able to attend.

Bon Ton Report

The Bon Ton Event Committee is proud to report that the fundraising efforts of SI of Harrisburg for this event resulted in \$1,049.29 collected for the club.

190 coupon books, valued at \$5.00 each, were sold by SI members for a total of \$785.00.

In addition, since the club sold over 50 coupon booklets, we were awarded an additional bonus of \$264.29 by The Bon Ton Stores for the club's extraordinary efforts.

The committee would like to thank the entire membership for their

participation.

Attention All Club Members

Now is the time for all members to think about ordering cards to give as gifts for any upcoming gift giving event. Think about:

We can order Giant, Weis or Karns—any denomination. And they are ALWAYS the right size.

Your Smart Money Committee

Fashion Show Information



APRIL 16, 2011 -
KEEP THIS
DATE OPEN for
the BIG EVENT

April 16, 2011 is our annual Fashion show date. The Chairperson(s) of each sub-committee have been working hard to provide you with information about this event. We ask the club members to please remember to solicit door prizes for the Fashion Show. If you have any door prizes please bring them to the January meeting. Thank You, Mary Ann Podraza .

Soroptimist Business

SOROPTIMIST ETIQUETTE

Proper Custom and Protocol:

- Be on time for meetings. Attend regularly.
- Begin and close meetings on time.
- Address the presiding officer by title and first name, e.g. President Kay.
- Address fellow Soroptimists by first name.
- Do business with other 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.
- Present a membership card as credentials when visiting another club.
- 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 and district meetings, region conferences, federation and international conventions.
- We elect region officers - not regional officers
- We believe in Soroptimist - not Soroptimism



Birthdays:

January 2011

Miriam Rothermel	5
Jacalyn Speaks	6
Peggy Schmidt	25

February 2011

Betty Barnes	10
Joyce Burger	13

Calendar of Future Events

January 22, 2011
Bingo at Paxton Ministries

January 25, 2011
Dinner/Business Meeting
Holiday Inn East

February 12, 2011
Bingo at Homeland Center

February 15,, 2011
Board Meeting

February 17, 2011
SOROPTIGRAM Deadline

February 22, 2011
Dinner/Business Meeting
Holiday Inn East

April 16, 2011
Fashion Show
Penn Harris Hotel, Camp Hill

April 29-May 1, 2011
NAR Conference
King of Prussia, PA
Crown Plaza Valley Forge

July 10-14, 2011
SI 19th Convention
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

April 27-29, 2012
NAR Conference, Albany, NY

Special Projects: We are currently accepting nominations/applications for the Student Aid Award for Students with Physical Disabilities, applications due February 28, 2011. Please contact President Meghann Connor (mconnor24@comcast.net or 717-265-4142) if you need paperwork or if you have any questions.



Venture Business

Donations and Fundraising:

As always, we continue to collect pull tabs and cell phones. You may bring these to any meeting and one of the attending Venture members will collect them.

Service: A BIG THANK YOU to the Soroptimists who have signed up to serve at our Venture Club sponsored events. We are so excited to have you joining us in hands-on service. Several Venture ladies will be joining Soroptimists at the bingo scheduled at Paxton Ministries in January.

Meetings and Gatherings: We will be holding our next meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2011.

Friendship Link

SI Cannock and District Project

Each Soroptimist International club identifies the needs of its community, then establishes specific projects to address these needs. All our projects relate to one or more of the six Programme Focus Areas: Economic and Social Development, Education, Environment, Health, Human Rights and the Status of Women, and International Goodwill and Understanding.

South African Creche and Nurse Training



Over the last few years Cannock club has fully equipped TWO creches in townships near Capetown, South Africa and is presently raising the funds to equip a third. The club has also paid for the training of two nurses to work in the townships.

This work has been made possible because of the hard work of one of the members of our club who spends a few months each year in South Africa. She has seen first-hand the needs of the people of the black townships and has been able to personally supervise the allocation of the funds.

Here is the second nurse we helped with our member Trish Smith.



Visit the web-site: www.soroptimist-gbi.co.uk/cannock-and-district



Soroptimist International Convention

The theme for the Soroptimist 2011 Convention is **WOMEN: Leaders in Civil Society**

Day Themes within the overall convention will include:

- Women as Catalysts of Change in Human Rights
- Women as Stewards of the Environment
- Women Leaders in Health & Sciences and Sports
- Women as Role Models in Arts, Entertainment and Media
- Women as Catalysts of Change in Government

[Visit the Website for more information](#)

**Officers & Board of Directors
2010-2011**

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Corresponding Secretary: Joyce Burger
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One Year: Cathy Orwan
Two Years: Margaretta Morrow
Two Years: Susan Wolfe

DELEGATES

One Year: Carol Ann Colyer
Two Years: Eileen Hileman

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EDITOR'S NOTE

Thanks to everyone who helped in the preparation of this issue of the Soroptigram. Many hands make light work.

Reminders:

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