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Soroptimist International of Harrisburg, PA, Inc. Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT KAY

Hello Ladies,

This is a story about four people named EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY and NOBODY. There was an important event to be held and lots of tickets and ads to be sold, plus door prizes to be collected. EVERYBODY sold tickets, ads and collected door prizes and invited SOMEBODY to this event. SOMEBODY helped and told ANYBODY. ANYBODY helped and made sure that NOBODY was missed. The ending to the story is that EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, and ANYBODY did a great job working together for a successful event, because NOBODY was missed. HEY, I know these four people EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY and NOBODY, they belong to our club. They just completed a successful Fashion Show, our profit was \$5,900.00.

NAR Spring conference was great, we were invited to a Beach Party and what a Beach Party it was. The Club members from Districts I,II,III, and IV were warmly welcomed by the Host Club. Our Club had 8 members in attendance. At the request of our own District IV Director, Meada, I worked at the Registration Table for District III and District IV. It was nice getting to see everyone again. Our Club received two outstanding NAR Region Honor Roll recognition certificates one for success in Fund raising and second for Membership. Two of our Club members, Eileen Hileman and Carol Colyer, also received NAR Region Honor Roll recognition for outstanding service to our club. What a great weekend!

REMINDER- *Bring your Revised Budget for 2010-2011 and New Proposed Budget for 2011-2012. You will be voting on these at the May meeting. Committee Selection and Roster Change Forms are due at the May meeting. Think about what YOU would like to do for the Summer social! Remember it is YOUR Club!*

President Kay

Meeting Information

DATE: May 24, 2011 **TIME:** 6:30 P.M.

Invocation: Heidi Kilpatrick

Program: Guests will be the two recipients of the Margaret Weaver Scholarships

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 May meeting is May 18th.**

MENU SELECTION: Lasagna

Business Meeting
Election of Officers for 2011-2012
Adoption of 2011-12 Budget
Adoption of revised 2010-11 Budget

FOR SALE AT MEETING:
Pot Holders and Dishcloth Sets - \$5.00
Dishcloths - \$2.50



Soroptinotes

Mary Ann Podraza would like to thank all the Soroptimists that donated a gift certificate or a door prize for the Fashion Show. We had 38 gift certificates and 50 gifts.

Dear Soroptimists. I would like to thank all of you who sent me sympathy cards upon my Dad's passing. Since I am new, it really made me feel good to know you all cared enough to send a card. Bev Barletta



The book exchange will be available in May. If you bought and read a good one in March, please bring it back in May so we can recycle it to another member. 😊

SMART MONEY

The Smart Money Committee would like to remind all members that it is time to order your supply of grocery cards to hold you over the summer months. If you order at the May meeting, you will receive your supply at the June meeting and can buy food all summer long with your cards. An easy way to help your club. Thank you ALL!

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Remember to send cards and prayers to our members and their families that are having sickness and distress.

Members to keep in your prayers: Betty Barnes, Joyce Burger (and spouse), Jeanie Johns, and Helen Swaincott.

Soroptimist Business



Proposed Budget for 2011-12 Club Year

You received a copy of the proposed budget as a separate attachment to your email or it was mailed with the copy of the April Soroptigram.

Please review prior to coming to the May membership meeting. Bring it with you to the May meeting because we will vote on the adoption of the proposed budget then.

If you have any questions, contact Dot Sutton, Chair, Finance and Investments Committee or Kay Straw, President.



Reminder - The Community Service Committee has scheduled Bingo at Spring Creek Rehabilitation & Health Care on Saturday, May 21, 2011 from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for all residents in the large recreation room. Spring Creek is located at 1205 South 28th Street, Harrisburg. The Activity Director has advised that they typically have 60 to 70 residents play Bingo and that we will need 6 to 10 of our members to volunteer to assist at this event. So far only three members have volunteered to help at this event. Please contact Jayne Brinkley if you are able to attend.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The slate of proposed 2011-2013 Club Officers are:

President-elect: Susan Wolfe
 Corresponding Secretary: Jayne Brinkley
 Assistant Treasurer: Susan Sherman
 Director (1 year): Miriam "Billie" Hawk
 Director: Kay Straw
 Delegate: Sue McMahon Luu
 Election will be at the May meeting.



Venture Business

Venture Club of Harrisburg and Soroptimist International of Harrisburg Joint Service

Project: Sunday, May 22, 2011 at 1 p.m. at Caitlin's Smiles, 3303 North 6th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110.

Last Business Meeting: Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 6:30 p.m., Calabrese Management, 4305 North 6th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110.

Please contact President Meghann Connor (717-265-4142 or mconnor24@comcast.net) if you would like to attend either event.



SI Proposed Dues 2011-12

Federation	Regular	Life
Dues	\$53.00	\$10.00
Insurance	2.00	2.00
SI Dues	5.00	5.00
Magazine (Optional)		11.00
Federation Service		
Founder Pennies	5.46	5.46
Regional		
Dues	10.50	
Bulletin	0.50	0.50
Regional Service		
Ethel F. Lord Fellowship	1.00	
Subtotals:	\$76.46	\$33.96
Local Dues	24.54	24.54
Total Dues	\$101.00	\$58.50
Dinner Fees:	\$19.00	\$19.00

Summer Social

Our annual summer social, held in August, is a time to gather and get to know our members and spouses in a casual setting. In the past our members have enjoyed potluck and catered backyard barbeques, a wine tasting picnic at a local vineyard, a wine and cheese party, a dinner-theater party, and other organized events. Some members may also recall a Night at the Casino including a lovely buffet dinner and various nightclub, horseracing and casino activities. The summer social can be an enjoyable gathering for our members, spouses, family and friends as well as a lucrative fundraiser. Please give some thought to the type of event you would enjoy and attend. We will discuss everyone's suggestions at the May and/or June meetings. Bring your ideas for this important Club social activity.

April 2011 Award Winners



Front Row, left to right Shelly Baish, Women's Opportunity Award winner; Rev. Jody Silliker, Ruby Award winner; Courtney Holmes, Venture Student Aid Award Winner; and Teresa Yang, Violet Richardson Award winner.

Back Row, left to right: Ralph Owens and Carole Sawchuck, PA Literacy Council; Shonyah Hawkins, Neighborhood Center; and Kelly Lesch, Pinnacle Health.

NAR 2011 Conference

The North Atlantic Region (NAR) Spring Conference was held April 28th to May 1st at Plymouth Meeting, PA.



In addition to your delegates, Eileen Hileman, Carol Colyer and President Kay, five other club members attended. Alice Lubrecht won two baskets at the Silent Auction and Renee Jones won another one.

The official start of the conference business

meeting included a moment of inspiration, the presentation of the US and state flags for the region. There was an initial credentials report; the final report showed that of the 53 clubs in the four districts, 41 clubs were represented at the conference by 68 delegates, 8 district officers, 3 regional officers for a total voting of 113 and 75 non-delegate members. There were 206 attendees at the conference. Other business included adoption of the budget, approval of minutes, committee chair reports, and recognition of First Time Attendees (Donna Winch received her Strawberry).



During the committee reports Jeanine DeBor, Program Chair, indicated in the near future they would be sending instructions to club presidents so that all correspondence from NAR and SIA could automatically be forwarded to all local board members. Mary Huber, Chair of the Public Awareness Committee, indicated they were placing on the SIA website a template for local clubs to use in creating their own website. Later in the conference Mary also indicated that they were doing away with the scrapbook, press book and newsletter competitions at conferences. They are planning a more proactive approach to sharing information rather than a competition. Wanda Price, Nominating Committee Chair, talked about the need to recruit for the next generation of Soroptimists at the District and Region level. Remember: If Everybody leaves it up to Somebody to do, Anybody might not

come forward and then Nobody will do the work.



The morning keynote address was by Shirley McCoy, a Federation Official, on embracing change whether it is technology or just trying something new in the way we conduct programs and business at the local club level. After her presentation we went to short training seminars in the morning and additional longer ones in the afternoon. Alice Lubrecht led the Club Treasurers Workshop.



At the Memorial Service, Sunday morning, there were 7 deceased members honored including our own Jean Short.

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Japan Earthquake

In the aftermath of the earthquake and tsunami in Japan, Soroptimist has made a \$10,000 donation to The Iwaki Fureai Support Center, an organization that works with domestic violence victims in Iwaki City, Fukushima prefecture. Funds are being used to repair a damaged domestic violence shelter. Click [here](#) to donate to help women and girls in Japan.

In related news, [Soroptimist](#) is committed to raising awareness about the increased risks of violence and sexual assault Japanese

women and girls face while living in evacuation centers. To learn how you can help, visit [Act Now!](#) on the SIA website.



Birthdays

May 2011

Joy Miller	19
Eleanor Clark	28
Doris Stringer	31

June 2011

Mary Ann Podraza	26
Helen Swaincott	26

Calendar of Future Events

May 24, 2011	Dinner/Business Meeting, Holiday Inn East
June 14, 2011	Board Meeting
June 28, 2011	Dinner/Business Meeting, Holiday Inn East
July 10-14, 2011	SI 19 th Convention, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
October 29, 2011	District IV Meeting, S/I Hanover host club
April 27-29, 2012	NAR Conference, Albany, NY

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

President: Kay Straw
President-elect: Renee Jones
Recording Secretary: Heidi Kilpatrick
Corresponding Secretary: Joyce Burger
Treasurer: Alice Lubrecht
Assistant Treasurer: Jackie Speaks

DIRECTORS

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. Teamwork: Together We Achieve The Extraordinary.

The most important thing in any relationship is not what you get but what you give. It does not hurt to worship at a shrine which is quite unconscious, for out of it may grow and inner development in yourself and sometimes a relationship of real value. In any case the giving of love is an education in itself.

**This Is My Story
Eleanor Roosevelt**

