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Soroptimist International of Harrisburg, PA, Inc. Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT KAY

Greetings Ladies

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at the September dinner meeting, especially our new members. Let's all make a special effort to attend this meeting since it will be the first meeting of the new fiscal year. Renee Jones will share some of the highlights of her San Francisco trip. It was quite an adventure, I understand!

I encourage all committee chairs to get your committees together early so you can be well prepared for the new club year. Let's use the Soroptigram to list highlights and scheduled meeting for your committee events.

Renee and I have met with the Venture committee, some exciting highlights will be forth coming.

Until we meet again remember " Life is not about waiting for the storm to pass, it's about learning how to dance in the rain."

President Kay

Meeting Information

DATE: Sept. 28, 2010 **TIME:** 6:30 P.M.

Invocation: Renee Jones

Induction of new member: Anne Bednar

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 September meeting is September 22nd.**

MENU SELECTION

Chicken Caesar Salad with Cup of Soup



In Loving Memory



Jean E. Short

Jean E. Short, 89, of Duncannon died Sunday, August 15, 2010 in Holy Spirit Hospital, Camp Hill.

She was born November 9, 1920 in Duncannon. Jean was a member of the Duncannon Presbyterian Church where she taught Sunday School and had been a trustee. She was also a member of the Duncannon Alumni Association, Soroptimist Club of Harrisburg since 1976, and was a retired employee of AAA.

She was the widow of Lt. Robert Harley Short and is survived by a sister, Sally Tait with whom she lived.

A service of witness to the resurrection was held on August 19, 2010 at the Duncannon Presbyterian Church.

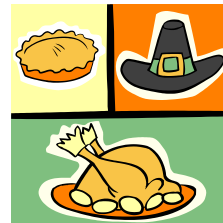
Soroptimotes

Doris Stringer extends a thank you for the lovely flowers, the cards she received and the concern and caring shown during a difficult time. It is wonderful to have a Soroptimist Family.

Mary Ann Podraza announced a new email address after the new roster was printed. Please update your contact list to joep.map@comcast.net.

We will have books at the September Meeting. Did you get to read something really good over the summer? If so, share it with your Soroptimist friends and we can all enjoy some new titles. Happy

reading. 😊



Interclub Thanksgiving Luncheon is scheduled for Monday, November 22, 2010.



S/I Harrisburg East is sponsoring a bus trip to the City of Bethlehem on Saturday, December 18, 2010. Enjoy the Sands Casino, Lunch at the Hotel Bethlehem, Main Street Shopping, the Moravian Christmas Putz, and an Architectural Bus Tour. All for only \$95.00, full amount due November 12 (Casino refund is \$25.00). Contact Carole Fair at (717) 737-0624.

Summer Social

Our annual Summer Social “Soiree” included thirteen club members and five Soroptimists. Casual conversations flowed easily among the small groupings of friends clustered in Billie’s inviting garden rooms. Perfectly grilled burgers and hotdogs accompanied by baked beans, macaroni and cheese, salads, veggies, pickled beets and eggs, as well as luscious summer fruits satisfied everyone’s appetite. Some of our members added special desserts, cookies and cake that topped the evening’s fare. While sipping a glass of wine, a frosty beer or icy soda, Billie and Bill’s beautiful garden provided a scenic setting for Club members to share stories, summer happenings, and upcoming events. The infamous “Lottery Ticket” Hat made a special appearance. Peggy strolled around the garden inviting members to take a chance and our President Kay was the winner! A special thanks to Billie and Bill for their generosity and hospitality. Our annual Summer Social event loops the end of a Club year with the beginning of another Club year giving our members the opportunity to get to know each other. Hope to see YOU next year.



Billie Hawk and Helen Drothler



Peggy Schmidt and the “Lottery Tickets Hat”



And the winner is President Kay



Jayne Brinkley, Doris McGarvey, Helen Drothler

Attention-All Club Members:

It is time to order your grocery store cards for the coming Club year. If you shop at Giant, Weis or Karns and you purchase your gift cards from our Club, we receive 5% of your purchase amount in the form of a rebate. Last Club year, we reduced our dues with our earnings. A big thank you to our members who participated. We are starting a new Club year, so please call Heidi 566-1054 for Giant cards and Gretta 564-0179 for Weis and Karns cards. Then come to our meeting with your check made out to the Club. So easy- nothing to lift and carry, just grocery shop until next month. And we all love to eat!



Soroptimist Business

Community Service Committee is to meet at 5:45 p.m. before our dinner meeting on September 28th. The members of the committee are: Betty Barnes, Jayne Brinkley, Helen Drothler, Renee Jones, Patti Krow, Susan Luu, Doris McGarvey, Cathy Orwan, Susan Sherman, Jackie Speaks, Kathy Stynchula, Kay Straw and Doris Stringer, Chair.



UPDATE ON BON-TON FUNDRAISER

At our meeting September 28th, you will be receiving five (5) valuable coupon booklets that sale for just \$5.00 each good toward the great things at the Bon-Ton family of stores. 100% of the booklet sales benefit our organization. Heidi Kilpatrick is coordinating this fundraising event. In addition you can sale booklets in the store. This fall's event will be held Saturday, November 13, 2010.

Women's Opportunity Awards Change

Women with undergraduate degrees are now eligible to apply for the Women's Opportunity Awards. The SIA Board of Directors changed the eligibility requirements to reach more women in need.

The award can still only be used for undergraduate degrees or training programs

Women working on advanced degrees are not eligible. Updated application [materials](#) reflect this change.



Soroptimist Workplace Campaign

Visit the new Soroptimist Workplace Campaign to End Domestic Violence [web pages](#). The "You Deserve to Feel Safe" cards (now available as an SIA sales item) include this new web address and will drive people to this information. The pages also encourage visitors to participate in the campaign.

Club Giving—Empowering Women to Live Their Dreams

Welcome to club year 2010-2011! As Soroptimist moves into its 90th year, our clubs continue to provide essential financial contributions that enable us to transform the lives of women and girls locally and globally. For the new club year, we are excited to announce a brand new title and design for the Annual Club Campaign—**Club Giving...Empowering Women to Live Their Dreams**. The new design offers a broader scope of recognition, as well as fun, innovative ways to showcase your club projects. [Learn](#) more about these exciting opportunities!



Venture Business



Birthdays

September 2010

Patty Krow	14
Meada McAllister	15
Doris McGarvey	17
Jayne Brinkley	21
Janet Smith	26

October 2010

Ella Rothenberger	3
Donna Winch	3
Eleanor Shields	31

Calendar of Future Events

October 12, 2010	Board Meeting
October 26, 2010	Dinner/Business Meeting at the Holiday Inn East, Capitol West Meeting Room
October 30, 2010	District IV Meeting, SI Butler is host, Sheraton Hotel, Cranberry Twp (North of Pittsburgh)
November 22, 2010	Interclub Thanksgiving Luncheon
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 19 th Convention, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
April 27-29, 2012	NAR Conference, Albany, NY

Venture will be holding its first meeting of the 2010-2011 club year on Tuesday, September 21, at 6:30 p.m. at Calabrese Management, 4305 North Sixth Street, Suite A, Harrisburg, 17110. At that time, we will be signing up for various hands-on service opportunities for the fall months. **A representative from Venture will be at the SI meeting on the 28th to share info about these opportunities and to invite any interested Soroptimists to join us in service.**

As one of our donation service needs, two local organizations, Caitlin Smiles and Bethesda Mission Women's Shelter, are in need of basic school supplies for the children that they serve. **We will be collecting these supplies, or funds to purchase the needed supplies, at the S/I Harrisburg meeting on September 28th.** The following represent the most needed items: **crayons (8-16 count), washable markers, #2 pencils, notebooks (70-100 pages), folders, binders, filler paper, backpacks, pens, etc.** We encourage anyone who is able, to donate any amount. Thank you.

Once again, Venture will be selling Pellman's Pies as our fall fundraiser. Brochures and order sheets will be available at the meeting for your ordering pleasure. Payment is needed at the time of order. The pies will be delivered November 16th, just in time for the holidays!



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2010-2011**

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Two Years: Margaretta Morrow
Two Years: Susan Wolfe

DELEGATES

One Year: Carol Ann Colyer
Two Years: Eileen Hileman

Friendship Link

The following information was included in the Club's September newsletter. To learn more about the many activities used to raise money to help Trish Smith visit the web site listed below..

For many years SI Cannock & District has supported club member Trish Smith in the work she does in the Townships in South Africa to provide crèche facilities. We have all been thrilled at the work Trish and Barry have carried out – they make such a difference to the lives of so many women and children and it's good for us to know that our fund-raising helps so immediately and so practically. When Trish joined us again this year she told us about a new crèche project she is involved with.

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

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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.

The editors would appreciate comments or suggestions about the new format of the newsletter.

