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SOROPTIGRAM

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NAR Theme: One Voice

District IV Theme: May All Our Dreams Come

True



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Making a Difference for Women since 1921
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To be a Global Voice for Women Through
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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT KAY

Dear Club Members,

Spring is just around the corner? As a winter storm rages outside, I can hardly wait until Spring arrives. Although the snow is beautiful. "Through Winter snow piled deep, I love it all - the Winter's call- with all the world asleep, a different world and yet the same - this Winter's call."

Now back to the real world of ice and snow. The Fashion show is just around the corner, March 20, 2010. The Fashion show committee is hard at work, but needs your help and support. ARE YOU WILLING TO SUPPORT YOUR CLUB?. If we each sell tickets, collect door prizes and get Ads, think of the results, "SUCCESS". The Fashion show will be the topic of our February 23rd business meeting. Please bring your Ads, Door Prizes, and Ticket money to this meeting. If you need any additional information contact Chairman Toni, Tess for Tickets; Mary Ann for Door Prizes; Kay or Peggy for Ads; and Jackie for Baskets. Looking forward to a successful day.

Thanks go to Ella and her committee for the Women's Opportunity Award. Their job is complete and a name was submitted to Regional by the due date. Also, thanks to Joyce and her committee for completing our Violet Richardson selection process in time to send our winner to Regional. Great job to both committees.!

Hope to see you all at the February 23rd meeting.

Until then, "Stay warm", President Kay

FEBRUARY MEETING

DATE: February 23, 2010 TIME: 6:30 P.M.

Invocation: Becky Emerick Program: Fashion Show Details

PLACE: Holiday Inn East

4751 Lindle Road Harrisburg, PA SPECIAL NOTES 2

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

THIS MONTH, members who plan to attend the dinner meeting MUST notify Ella Rothenberger (545-7836) the Wednesday before the meeting. Deadline for dinner reservations for the February meeting is February 17.

MENU SELECTION

Chicken Parmigiana

February 2010

10 Betty Barnes 12 Lynn Diehl

13 Joyce Burger

March 2010

1 Carol Colyer



Smart Money UPDATE:

The Smart Money Committee would like to report the Club has earned \$935.00 to date. \$125.00 from Karns, \$225.00 from Weis and our largest, \$585.00 from Giant. We are at the halfway point in our Club year. A big thank you to all our members who can use the cards.

Keep those orders coming.

Peggy (657-2449) and Gretta ((564-0179)

Looking for Service Opportunities?

Renee Jones will have information about opportunities for members to donate items to Caitlin Smiles or knit squares for "Warm UP America"



CALENDAR OF FUTURE EVENTS

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February 17	Deadline for dinner reservations
February 23	Dinner/Business meeting at Holiday Inn
March 9	Board meeting
March 17	Deadline for dinner reservations
March 23	Dinner/Business meeting at Holiday Inn

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March 20	Fashion show
April 30 – May 2	NAR Spring Conference, Harrisburg Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center, New Cumberland, PA
July 7-10	SIA 41st Biennial Convention, San Francisco Hilton, San Francisco, CA
July 10-14, 2011	SI 19 th Convention, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

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NEEDED for the Fashion Show!

Jean Johns reminds us that the committee decorating for the Fashion Show needs Brandy Snifters or small glass containers for the table



decorations. Please call Jean (561-6034) to let her know if you have these and then bring these to the February meeting!

Many thanks for all the prayers, cards and emails received from my many Soroptimist friends during my recent surgery and recovery. The doctor has discharged me and I seem to have more energy than before my hospital stay. The prayers and greetings were very helpful in my recovery.



In January the Margaret Weaver Memorial Fund decreased in value in

January by \$780.27. The income was \$78.47 and the ending value was \$109,309.50

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

from the February meeting.

Due to the snowstorm on February 9, the Board meeting was postponed.

Look for Board highlights to return next month.

SAVE the DATE

The Fundraising Ad Hoc
Subcommittee on Casino Night has
secured our own dining room for
Saturday, May 15, starting
at 5 p.m.. Tickets will be
\$40 a piece and include
a dinner buffet and \$5
in casino money. Our
dining room overlooks
the track and there will
be live racing that evening. In
addition, May 15th will have the
running of the Preakne4ss, the 2nd
leg of the Triple Crown. This will
be simulcast in our room.

VENTURES: New Member Social is next Tuesday, February 16th, at 6: 30 p.m. at Cornerstone Coffeehouse in Camp Hill. Please RSVP for yourself and any guests (please inlcude their first and last name when RSVPing) by this Friday, the 12th. I have only heard from two members so far. Looking forward to seeing everyone next week!

NAR Spring Conference:



The NORTH ATLANTIC REGION – 2010 SPRING CONFERENCE will be held from Friday, April 30 through Sunday, May 2. Our Club is helping with the registration table. Available to help? Contact President Kay (545-4010). A local conference gives you a wonderful opportunity to experience our larger organization at work. Highlights will include hearing from regional winners in our various award programs.

Come experience Soroptimist at its best!

SIA wants you to Save the Date!

The 41st Biennial convention is July 7-10, 2010, in <u>San</u> <u>Francisco</u>, California. Don't miss keynote speakers Victor Malarek, an award-winning journalist and expert on human trafficking, and Cynthia D'Amour, CEO of People Power Unlimited. Visit the <u>Meetings/Convention</u> page for bios on these speakers and check back often for the latest information on this exciting event. Registration is now open



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2011 International Convention theme has been announced: "Women: Leaders in Civil Society". The convention will take place in Montreal, Canada from July 10th to the 14th, 2011.

Why Attend an SI Convention? Convention Chair Yvonne stills remembers her first SI Convention. It was held in Nottingham in the UK in 1991 and yes – delegates even met the sheriff! "I was most impressed with the Soroptimists I met from all over the world and very grateful to be a part of this organization whose focus on women and girls is as needed today as it was in 1991," says Yvonne.

Speakers, workshops, social events and informal encounters will offer occasions to discuss, debate and dialogue with women who are leaders in their professions and their communities. Plan to return home to your club with renewed enthusiasm and commitment for our mission.

FASHION SHOW



Winter is still upon us but Soroptimist International of Harrisburg is THINKING SPRING!

Consider joining us on March 20, 2010 for our 17th Annual Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show at the Radisson Penn Harris Hotel and Convention Center, Camp Hill.

Social Hour 11:00 AM Lunch at 12 Noon

The Fashion Show Committee is busy making plans for an afternoon of friendship and fashions.

We hope that your schedule will permit you and your friends to join us. Reserve your table for ten or share a table with our other guests and make new friends. The Soroptimist members provide lovely theme baskets for an auction which everyone has always enjoyed. It's will be a wonderful afternoon of Fun, Fellowship, Fashion and Prizes!

For Tickets or information contact: Kay Straw - 717-545-4010

Toni Gilhooley - 717-433-0560 Tess Bockes - 717-920-0707

FASHION SHOW REMINDERS

BASKETS: Remember – all baskets must be delivered to the Radisson Penn Harris Hotel by 10 am on March 20th.

DOOR PRIZES: Last call for door prizes. Bring what you have collected to the meeting.

Think warm and look forward to lunch and another wonderful afternoon on March 20th.



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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.

WHO ARE SOROPTIMISTS

Soroptimists are women of all ages, cultures, and ethnic groups. They are working moms and single women, small business owners and corporate executives, attorneys, teachers and physicians. Soroptimists are leaders across all professional disciplines that also serve as role models for younger women at the beginning of their careers. The common thread that connects all Soroptimists is the desire to make a difference for others through volunteer service.

Soroptimist International of the Americas (SIA) is part of Soroptimist International, the world's largest classified service organization for executive and professional women.

The Harrisburg Club's mission is to use our time, talents and resources to advance the status of women and children. To accomplish this mission, we establish and support specific projects to address the needs locally, regionally and internationally.