

Soropti-Scoop

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"Ours is a circle of friendships united by ideals." ~Juliette G. Low

Message from the President

Our START meeting this year has a different configuration. We've arranged to have it outdoors in the beautiful roof garden that our club nourishes for the Holiday Inn and Suites. That should give us the safest environment to finally see each other in person after so many months on Zoom. It will be mostly a social meeting as we catch up with each other, munch some finger food, and drink a toast to the founders and ideals of Soroptimist.

This meeting will also be our first chance to mark the 100th anniversary of the founding of Soroptimist International. One way we will do this is to collect 100s—one hundred things we do to commemorate our centennial.

The first marker will be good deeds. I calculated if every member did just two, we would have cumulatively done over 100. I vastly underestimated the number of good deeds our members do on a regular basis. The first person I talked to said she had done 16 by the second day after receiving the email, the next person said she regularly does about 48 of the ideas on the list!

Count up (or approximate) the number of items on the list and the amount of times you have done them between getting the list and August 24th and bring that number to the meeting. We will total up the impact of those attending the START meeting. If you can't START with us, send me your number and we will add it to come up with grand total for the club!

What will the second and future 100s be? We will be brainstorming that at our September 28th Program meeting. One idea is for each member to collect 100 pennies. With about 50 members, that's \$50. If we each collect 200 pennies, we'll end up with \$100...and we could think bigger. Another idea is to paint 100 rocks with a Soroptimist logo on one side and a positive saying on the back and scatter them in gardens and on trails throughout Sequim. One rock could even have the number 100 on the back, redeemable for a prize. Start thinking about other clever and original ways to mark 100.

MEETINGS STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Our theme for the year is a Brand New Normal. We are trying to define how that will look as far as meetings go. What do we need to do to keep everyone both safe and in touch? Everything is still especially tentative as the Delta variant is wreaking havoc.

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Letter from the Editor

Dear Friends,

Did you ever notice how some things are more difficult to predict than others? The weather is one of those things. I know from experience since I was raised in Chicago. We had an adage there: if you don't like the weather, wait 15 minutes. It seems the only thing predictable about the weather is that it is unpredictable.

The weather here is Sequim has been a bit like that this week. Thursday after work I noticed it felt quite muggy. The weather report showed rain coming in late, but stopping by 5 a.m.

When I got up at 6 a.m. the next morning I looked outside; the walkway was dry. I put on my hooded nylon jacket, leashed up Blue and we headed out. It was overcast but there was no precipitation until . . . we were almost to the place where we turn around to go home, and I thought I heard rain. It was more of a drizzle, and it fluctuated in intensity along the walk back to the house. It was just enough wetness that I had to dry off Blue once we got inside. The rest of the day was mostly cloudy, but no additional precipitation.

The weather report showed no rain until Saturday morning after 9 a.m. When I got up Saturday morning and looked outside, I saw the walkway was wet. I donned the same nylon jacket; but instead of using the hood, I put on a brimmed Gortex hat. I like the brim because it keeps the rain further away from my body—almost like an umbrella. I leashed up Blue and we left to start our walk. The grass was wet from the rain that had fallen overnight. There was a very light drizzle as we made our way down the trail. I looked up to the sky; though it was mostly cloudy, I saw some blue peeking out. Was this an omen? By the time we turned around to head back, the drizzle had lessened. It was just enough wetness that I had to dry off Blue once we got home.

I call my sister Donna every Saturday morning at 7 a.m. PST. As I was talking with her, I noticed it had gotten brighter outside and rays of sunshine were streaming in the window. So much for weather predictions.

The muggy weather prompted me to look up the word *muggy* online, which showed warm and humid. That led me to look up *humid* which led me to look up *vapor*, which led me to look up *diffuse*.

- *Humid* marked by a relatively high level of water vapor in the atmosphere.
- Vapor a substance diffused or suspended in the air, especially one normally liquid or solid.
- Diffuse spread or cause to spread over a wide area or among a large number of people.

This reminds me of Soroptimists. Similar to being *humid*, we have a clearly noticeable, high level of energy in our atmosphere. Like *vapor*, we may have been a bit suspended due to COVID, but the substance of what we do has remained as we *diffuse* our mission–spreading it over our community and beyond.

I was thinking about the drizzle—and how the intensity changed. This happens to us too; sometimes our individual intensity fluctuates based on what is happening in our lives. We drizzle our time, treasure and talents over our activities. My choice to wear my Gortex hat brought to mind how we can choose to use the resources available to us. As Soroptimists this includes those provided by our region, federation and international organization.

Last year—our Outside the Box year—was, in a way, predictable. We knew our meetings and events would be virtual due to COVID. The year ahead may be a bit unpredictable. However, what is predictable is our strength as we continue to work together, moving forward in A Brand New Normal.



Light and Love, Kathy Purcell, Editor



"Good actions give strength to ourselves and inspire good actions in others." ~*Plato*

CALENDAR

August

*24 S.T.A.R.T. Meeting

September

- 10 Board Meeting
- 14 Business Meeting
- 28 Program Meeting

*Evening Meeting



"Rain symbolizes darkness but also represents an essential part of rebirth." ~Sabrina Claudio



"If life were predictable it would cease to be life and be without flavor."
~ Eleanor Roosevelt

Celebrate Life!

AUGUST

Amanda Beitzel Colleen Blazier Sara Ellen Peterson Janet Popelka Janet Real Cat Xander

SEPTEMBER

Elaine Bradford Paulette Hill Gail Watson Pat Willis



Note the phone number for our MEDICAL LOAN CLOSET 360-504-0231



"We need to encourage habits of flexibility, of continuous learning, and of acceptance of change as normal and as opportunity—for institutions as well as for individuals."

~Peter F. Drucker

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As of right now, we plan to hold both the Business and Program meetings on Zoom in September. This could change if our local case numbers drop, or SIA relaxes the mandate on allowing non-Soroptimists to attend meetings. Watch for an eblast before each meeting because we will do our best to keep you totally informed.

Our Survey Monkey did give us a few hints about what members would like to do.

For one thing, it's clear that we are doing our part—45 of the 46 responding are vaccinated. One person marked N/A.

The survey also demonstrated that our club members are flexible. The results of the Survey Monkey showed that 34 of the 46 responding would meet in person, while 39 of you would meet on Zoom. Thirty-five would be okay if we split the meetings with one in person and one over Zoom. Thank you for responding and letting us know you will be okay with whatever is safe!



President Cat
A Brand New Normal



SOROPTIMIST MEETING DATES TO REMEMBER



SIA CONVENTION Virtual October 1-2, 2021



SI 100th Birthday Event Virtual October 1-3, 2021



District 1 Meeting Embassy Suites by Hilton Lynnwood, WA October 15-17, 2021



NWR Conference Hilton Vancover Vancouver WA April 28 - May 1, 2022

SEEKING APPLICANTS FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Do you know anyone who is trying to continue their post-high school education or training during these challenging economic times? A nursing student? Someone who is trying to learn or upgrade a new skill? A woman whose goal is to get a degree?

For the 2021-22 budget year, SIS has funding for two \$2,000 Continuing Education Scholarships for women who are continuing higher education or training (sophomore and above). The money can be used for tuition or books. Applicants need to be either graduates of Sequim High School or a current Sequim resident. You can find the application here: http://sisequim.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/ContinEdApp2021.pdf.

Please spread the word. The deadline for applications has been extended to August 31, 2021. This scholarship is one of the wonderful reasons we worked so hard with the Gala Garden Show, See's Candies and the Shredding Event.





~Linda Rotmark, Awards and Scholarships Chair



"Educationists should build the capacities of the spirit of inquiry, creativity, entrepreneurial and moral leadership among students and become their role model." ~*Abdul Kalam*

DREAM IT, BE IT

A few years ago, Soroptimist International of the Americas refocused its mission and programs to empower women through education. What does it mean to be empowered? Our SIA website (www.soroptimist.org) states: "Women are economically empowered when they have control over their own finances and well-being, and when they have a voice in the financial decisions to shape their lives and the lives of



their families. When women and girls are empowered, they have a sense of autonomy, self-confidence, and the power to control their private and public lives. We focus on access to education because we believe it's the most effective way toward empowerment."

And thus, in 2015, the Dream It, Be It, Career Support for Women program (https://www.soroptimist.org/our-work/dream-it-be-it/index.html) was developed. This program helps girls determine their goals based upon their values, talents, and desires. It teaches them about dreaming, developing, and mastering their destiny. The program is slated for girls of the age 14 to 18. These girls may be trying to beat a cycle of abuse or poverty. Or, they might just need help in planning for their future.

If you are interested in helping the girls in our community realize their dreams, contact Sandy Lawrence.



~Sandy Lawrence, DIBI Chair



"My idea of education is to unsettle the minds of the young and inflame their intellects." ~Robert Maynard Hutchins



PATHWAYS COMMITTEE CONNECTING

The Pathways Committee kicked off the 2021-22 year with a luncheon and work session on Saturday, July 31st. Thanks to Athena Dunn (who joined via Zoom), Pam Hursey-King, Patty Lebowitz, Natasha Merkuloff Nichols and Karen Tyson for their enthusiasm and willingness to share their talents!

We enjoyed having time to chat, time to get to know one another...and time to learn more about SIS. Topics included the 2021-22 budget, monthly schedule of Pathways gatherings (2nd Saturday of the month) and researching the possibility of working cooperatively with our committed funds agencies to promote our missions and community outreach. New members plan to contact those organizations and report back to the group in September; a community project—or possible multiple community projects—will then be selected and shared with club members.

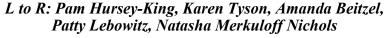
We're looking forward to an exciting and productive year!



~Amanda Beitzel & Missy Church-Smith 2021-22 Pathways Co-chairs

"We are like islands in the sea, separate on the surface but connected in the deep." ~ William James







Returning member Athena Dunn joined in via Zoom!

Hard at work!





S.T.A.R.T. Meeting Soroptimist Team and Reunion Time

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! (I have always wanted to say that in some form of that made sense.)

It is amazing that July has come to a close and we are headed full steam into the Fall season. Towards the end of this month, we are going to be starting our 2021-2022 year with Cat Xander as our new leader. The theme for this next year is "A New Normal!" As we all know the last couple of years have been anything but normal. Wearing masks, staying home, not traveling, not seeing family, the list goes on, none of which is the normal we know, and it is probably never going to be the normal we knew.

Soroptimist International of Americas has indicated that we can have in-person meetings, as long as there are No Non-Members present.

The S.T.A.R.T meeting will be:

Date: August 24th from 5:30-7:30 PM.

Location: Holiday Inn Express & Suites - Roof Garden

Bring: Hors d'oeuvres (appetizers)

For many of us. it will be the first chance we have had to see members in person and I for one am looking forward to talking, mingling and getting caught up. There are still a lot of questions as to what will happen in the future, but we have shown our resilience and that we can overcome the obstacles placed in front of us as SIS members.

This year we will be celebrating SI's 100th anniversary and SIS's 75th anniversary. For this meeting, you should have received a "100 Good Deeds" list; if not please let Cat Xander know via email so that she can send you one prior to the meeting: president@sisequim.org.

I hope to see you there, because I really have missed seeing all those smiling faces that have been hidden behind masks!



~Kim Renfro, Programs Chair



"You don't have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great." ~ Zig Ziglar

A FEMININE TOUCH AT THE SEQUIM FOOD BANK

The 2021 Olympic Peninsula Area Meeting was sponsored by SI of Sequim. The organization we chose to support through our service project was the food bank. Club members raised and donated \$935.75 to the Sequim Food Bank earmarked for purchase of feminine hygiene products. Women are the first to put the needs of their family and others before their own. This is one way we can improve their lives in an area that often can be overlooked. This photo, provided by Andra Smith, Executive Director of the Sequim Food Bank, shows the results of that purchase.





~Linda Klinefelter and Kathy Purcell, Co-chairs 2021 Olympic Peninsula Area Meeting



MEDICAL LOAN CLOSET

We continue to be extremely busy this month with requests for our equipment nearing prepandemic monthly averages in all categories. Wheelchairs, transport chairs, shower seats, and bath benches were in high demand. We lent **104** pieces of equipment, **79** pieces were returned or donated, and answered **172** calls in July. The pre-pandemic monthly average was **108** loans, **77** returns and **184** calls. The generous Sequim community donated \$300 in July.



It would be helpful to the volunteer on duty to have Soroptimist members identify themselves when needing to use equipment from the Closet. We do not need as much information from members as we require from the general public.



~Becky Archer and Chris Snow, MLC Co-Chairs

"If you'd rather live surrounded by pristine objects than by the traces of happy memories, stay focused on tangible things. Otherwise, stop fixating on stuff you can touch and start caring about stuff that touches you." ~ Martha Beck

OUR ROOFTOP GARDEN GROWS AND GROWS

Recently, Jan Chapman, Jess McNeil and I (Linda Klinefelter) did some major gardening with the roof-top garden. We did some plant replacement (we will be replacing a few more) and added soil to pots where soil has become compact. Heat and choice of plants prior to our caring for the garden prompted some of the changes.

We hope when you attend the S.T.A.R.T. meeting, you will notice some of the changes the three amigos made.



~Linda Klinefelter, Co-Chair Roof Top Garden









MUJERES UPDATE

Dear Soroptimists,

We on the Mujeres' board know that educating women and girls is near and dear to Soroptimists. And we have been privileged to have your support in that area on the international level as we work to provide access to education to indigenous girls and women in Chiapas, Mexico.



Our scholarship recipients can start with us as early as the 6th grade and have the opportunity to continue their education through university. Even if a girl decides that a couple of years is enough for her, we feel strongly that any additional education after primary is worthwhile. And the majority of girls in the communities where we work, raised in poverty and subject to machismo, are unable to continue their education after the 5th grade.

So, I want to share with you that of the 14 girls on scholarship for the coming year, five are studying at the university level. Gabriela will complete her degree in architecture this coming September. Yoli is in the 3rd year, majoring in English. Erika is starting her second year with an aim to becoming a teacher. Yessica enters university this year and her goal is to study law. And Alejandra is starting her 4th year, pursuing a nursing degree. We are so proud of these amazing young women, who have defied the odds and overcome obstacles and have become role models.

Just thought you'd like to know. Judith Pasco, Board Chair www.MujeresDeMaizOF.org mujeres @olypen.com

"Celebrate what you want to see more of." ~*Tom Peters*

100th SOROPTIMIST BIRTHDAY PARTY

The 100th Soroptimist International Birthday party is this October. You may have missed the early-bird deadline, so register now while this posed-to-be fabulous, two-day event is only \$50. Register at this link: https://www.soroptimistinternational.org/events/si-100th-birthday-event/.

The virtual party is being prepared professionally and will feature people, places and projects of our past. How did our projects affect those whom we helped? Where are they now? There will be special speakers and break-out sessions for you to speak. This is a once-in-a-lifetime event. Don't be the one who says you missed out.

I thought you might enjoy a slide-deck our planning team put together, and was shared at the July 29, 2021 Annual General Meeting. https://www.facebook.com/SoroptimistGlobal/videos/1123361568186896. Looking forward to celebrating our global voice for women; remembering our Bright Past while looking toward our Brilliant Future.

Come to the S.T.A.R.T. meeting to hear how our club plans to celebrate 100 Soroptimist International years and our 75 club years. If you are interested in working on birthday celebrations, please let Sandy Lawrence know you are excited to help plan festivities.



~Sandy Lawrence





PUBLIC AWARENESS—PRESS RELEASE GUIDELINES

A few years ago, Linda Klinefelter wrote an article for the Soropti-Scoop about press releases. The information is still valid today, so we are reprinting it below. We ask everyone—especially committee chairs to review the information and keep it handy for future reference. ~kp

I have been writing press releases for many years, long before I became a Soroptimist. I have learned what the paper usually wants, but I decided to get an update from the source. I'm always open to gaining knowledge. I contacted Mike Dashiell, Editor of the Sequim Gazette and he put together an informative list. It is still the same as I learned years ago but thought I would share what Mike sent. '

From the Sequim Gazette Editor:

Press releases: Who, what, when, where, why, how much and who to call.

The first thing to remember about a press release is that it probably will be rewritten. That's partly a matter of course, partly a matter of style and partly a matter of available space.

Who: What organization is making the announcement or sponsoring the event? You needn't say it's open to the public; if it weren't, the paper wouldn't print it.

What: What is the event, its name plus a brief description: a dinner, a play, an auction? Don't get gushy here. A dinner and silent auction aren't an evening of intoxicating fantasy just because you say so.

When: The time, day and date and where it will happen.

Example:

Time: 10 a.m. or 8 p.m. goes first. Use lowercase p.m. or a.m. and follow both letters with periods.

Day: The day of week. Don't abbreviate it.

Date: The month and date. Abbreviate months except for March, April, May, June and July.

NOTE: Make sure you use the right page of the calendar. It is easy to look at a November calendar for a December date.

Where: The location of the event, including a street address and city. Numbered street addresses are written as First through Ninth, then 10th on.

Why: What's the reason for the occasion?

How Much: If admission will be charged, how much is it? If prices range for tickets according to seating or for age groups, list them. Where can you buy them?

Who to Contact: Who (or what) should the public contact for more information?

Who again: Who can an editor or reporter call for clarification or more information?

If you are attaching a photo—identify and do so from left to right. Was the photo taken at some special event or place?

The style of writing used by newspapers is required by the Associated Press. It is a style used throughout the US. When writing your press releases for any of our events, the Public Awareness committee requests you use the forgoing information. We do ask that before sending anything out for publication, you send to the Public Awareness Committee for review and approval.



~Linda Klinefelter, Public Awareness Committee



"Old words are reborn with new faces." ~ Criss Jami

FUNDRAISING

It looks like we will not be holding the Gala Gift Show this year. SIA still has strict COVID protocols in place and the medical situation here is too uncertain to ensure success. We are looking at another online auction instead, possibly in November.

One of the most financially rewarding parts of the Gala Gift Show has always been our Bake Sale. One of our most successful categories in the Soroptimist Online Garden Show Auction was also food. Linda Rotmark's pies and scones raised more than \$1000 of our total funds. We want to build on our success and figure out how more members can contribute food items to make an online Bake Sale part of this auction.

Planters were another category that got lots of interest and raised funds at the online auction. Every planter sold for more than its estimated price, and one of Colleen Blazier's planters brought us more than double its value. It's going to be tougher to do planters in November, but succulents and Holiday evergreens in the hands of our artistic gardeners may be able to

the values we had put on them.

The other category that did well online was vendors who contributed products. We were lucky to have some of the vendors from the Virtual Garden Show give us their products to sell. Do you know someone whom you could ask for a product or gift card donation? Elaine Bradford

produce results. Other garden items also brought us prices that exceeded

acquired some great baskets from Purple Haze that sold very well. Linda Klinefelter got wonderful gift cards from Adagios, Rainshadow Coffee and the Rainshadow Cafe that did well in our food category.

We will be looking for bakers, jam makers, artistic creators, gardeners, and others to develop this auction. We are also still looking for items you would like to make, do, or donate. Do you have anything you could donate that would make a wonderful Christmas gift? Amanda Beitzel has already lined up some wonderful pottery wine goblets, and Linda Naylor has a Thomas Kinkade that will add class to our auction. Paulette and Rick Hill have offered a cooking class, and a card making party would be a great addition to our auction.

Be thinking of ideas of what you can do. Expect to hear more about this soon!



~Patty Lebowitz and Cat Xander, Fundraising Co-chairs

"I don't think you ever stop giving. I really don't. I think it's an on-going process. And it's not just about being able to write a check. It's being able to touch somebody's life." ~*Oprah Winfrey*

GALA GARDEN SHOW 2022

Here it is August already; time is moving in a fast pace, and we all know, once the holiday season hits, time will really start to fly by. There are still a lot of questions as to if we will have an in-person Gala Garden Show (GGS) or some form of an online GGS. Whichever it is going to be, we need help to develop and move forward with the work ahead of us. Deadlines are coming and as always, we are in rush to get things completed in a timely manner.

At this time, we are looking for the next **Featured Artist**; the deadline is August 15th for submission of artwork via email: **artwork@sequimgardenshow.com**. Make sure to spread the word and tell all your artist friends we are looking for their artwork. If there are any questions, see our website: sequimgardenshow.com for information.















WE NEED YOU!

It takes a team of people to make the GGS successful and **we want you** as part of that team. All positions on committees are still available. The GGS is one of our big events for raising money and we need ideas and people to help in making it a successful event. Join a committee, get to know other members in SIS and most of all Have Fun!

We will be having our first meeting the first week of September, place and date still in the works. I would like to have more people volunteering for committees, so that they can be part of the first meeting.

If you have an interest in a committee or questions about committees, feel free to contact Kim Renfro.



~Kim Renfro Chair GGS 2022



"A good team, like a good show, comes into being when the separate individuals working together create, in essence, another separate higher entity—the team—the show—which is better than any of those individuals can ever be on their own." ~ *Gary David Goldberg*

SI OF SEQUIM TURNS 75 ON MAY 2, 2022



Your ideas on how to celebrate are needed!

COMMITTEES 2021-2022

Awards and Scholarships

Chair: Linda Rotmark

Shirley Legg

Jane Manzer (HS)

Kris Osborn

Janet Real

Kim Renfro (Girls of the Month)

Gail Watson

Finance

Chair: Shelle Paulbitski

Shawn Dredla Dave Fickes Sherry Lacey Shirley Legg Cynthia Martin Jeanne Martin

Natasha Merkuloff Nicholls

Kris Osborn Janet Popelka Linda Rotmark

Membership

Chair: Shawn Dredla Becky Archer (Sunshine) Jan Chapman (Attendance)

Elaine Churchill Wendy Duende Jeanne Martin Sara Ellen Peterson

Pathways: New Member Committee

Co chairs: Amanda Beitzel &

Missy Church-Smith

Fundraising

Co chairs: Patty Lebowitz & Cat Xander Janet Wicker

Kathy Cunha Shirley Legg Wei Lindstrom Jeanne Martin

Gala Garden Show

Chair: Kim Renfro Jeanne Martin

Chris Snow & Shawn Dredla (Vendors)

Linda Rotmark (Speakers)

Medical Loan Closet

Co chairs: Chris Snow & Becky Archer

Melody Albertson Marti Campbell Susan Coffee Judy Field Paulette Hill Shirley Legg Jane Manzer Linda Naylor Janet Popelka **Elaine Powlesland** Jolene Sanborn

Public Awareness

Chair: Kathy Purcell

Susan Coffee (Proofreader) Linda Klinefelter (FM, Radio) Shirley Legg (Marketing) Jane Manzer (Proofreader)

Kathryn Pacelli Janet Popelka

Pat Willis (Proofreader)

Programs

Chair: Kim Renfro

Shawn Dredla (DVA, HTA) Mayme Faulk (VIP Luncheon)

Jane Manzer (DVA)

Gerry Sladowski (Holiday Joy)

PROGRAM Subcommittees:

Hospitality: Breakfast meetings

Co chairs: Jan Chapman & Linda

Rotmark

Amanda Beitzel Elaine Churchill Mayme Faulk Paulette Hill **Linda Naylor**

Dream It, Be It

Chair: Sandy Lawrence

Wendy Duede Pam Hursey-King

Tea with SHE

Chair: TBD

Melody Albertson Mayme Faulk Judy Field Pauline Geraci Pat Willis

SIA 100 Year Celebration

Chair: Sandy Lawrence

Mayme Faulk Janet Wicker Pat Willis

Hotel Garden

Chair: Linda Klinefelter Melody Albertson Jan Chapman Paulette Hill Pam Hursey-King Shirley Legg Jess McNeil

August 2021

National Sports Day	22	World Honey Bee Day	National Happiness Happens Day	BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH Amanda Bettzel Colleen Blazier Sara Ellen Peterson Janet Popelka Janet Real Cat Xander	
30	23 National Sponge Cake Day	16	National Book Lovers Day	International Friendship Day	Mon
National Trail Mix Day	24 S.T.A.R.T. MEETING	National Nonprofit Day	10 National Lazy Day	3 National Watermelon Dat	Tue
	National Banana Split Day	18 National Fajita Day	11	A National Coast Guard Day	Wed
	Women's Equality Day	19 Workd Photography Day	12 International Youth Day	National Oyster Day	Thu
	National Just Because Day	20	13 International Lefthanders Day	6	Fri
	National Thoughtful Day National Thoughtful Day National Thoughtful Day National Thoughtful Day	World Senior Citizen Day	14	International Root Beer Float Day	Sat

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH Elaine Bradford Paulette Hill Gail Watson Pat Willis 26 National Pancake Day 12 National Grandparents Day 27 National Scarves Day 20 National Care for Kids Day 14 Business Meeting 21 28 Program Meeting 7 National Grandma Moses Day Tue 22 Autumn Equinox 29 National Women's Health and Fitness Day 15 National Felt Hat Day 8 National Ampersand Day National Burnt Ends Day Wed 2 30 National Love People Day 16 Mayflower Day 9 National Teddy Bear Day Innergize Day 굺 24 National Brave Day 17 10 BOARD MEETING National Food Bank Day Ŧ 18 National Clean Up Day 25 National Daughter's Day 11 National Make Your Bed Day National Wildlife Day

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Sat

Summer Glory

by Annette Wynne

Is it true
That you
Are indeed
The shriveled seed
In spring I buried underground
Not a bit of green around?

Now you are
Full of light
As a star;
Out of night
Came this glory—grew to this
Little piece of perfect bliss;
O the joy to know
I helped you grow;
What mighty one would not be
Small helper in such glorious ministry!





Investing in Dreams

Soroptimist®: a global volunteer organization that provides women and girls with access to education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment.

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To a Person Making a Difference for Women