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through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.*

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*“A loving heart
is the truest wisdom.”
~Charles Dickens*

Message from the President

It just dawned on me, that every month, our editor is going to ask me to write an article for our newsletter! At this moment of realization, I am in utter panic! What do I have to say every month? What words of wisdom, if any, do I have? I have never really been a talker or writer, so how am I going to come up with something every month to write about? Something that will inspire readers and get you out and about again. Well, I have no words of wisdom to impart on anyone, just pure panic since I do not have a clue as to what I am doing! But I know the club will help me and guide me, because that is what I have found out about this club; you are there when people need you.

Since I have no words of wisdom, I will be asking for people to volunteer and guide me in a clean-up and re-organization of the club's storage unit. After visiting it on several occasions recently, it is evident that things are in disarray and there may have been some unwanted visitors.

We need to do some cleaning, consolidation and sprucing up of the storage unit. Not only do we need to get things out of boxes, but we also need to possibly clean out items that we will no longer use. So, I am asking for volunteers to aid me in this endeavor, especially since I need to know what goes where and why. Supplies will be furnished.

If you would like to volunteer, the date is **September 10, 2022, at 10 a.m.** We do need to label and reorganize many of the totes that we have and ensure that items we keep are protected and kept clean and safe.

Bring gloves, mask—since the place is extremely dusty, and work clothes. Also, come prepared to have fun, since I am sure we will find things in there that have been around forever. If you would like to volunteer, email me at president@sisequim.org.



President Kim
Change is Always Good



“When we clear the physical clutter from our lives, we literally make way for inspiration and ‘good, orderly direction’ to enter.” ~Julia Cameron

Letter from the Editor

Dear Friends,

It's August. It is typically one of the hottest months of the year. In fact, it has gotten the nickname the dog days of summer.

As a dog lover I wanted to know why dogs are getting this bad rap. I went online to check it out. Several sites say it is assumed that the "dog days" reference is about hot and lazy dogs lying around in the heat. Then why not call it "cow days" of summer, or "horse days" of summer as those animals spend more time out in the heat?

I looked further and found this myth buster: "Naming the days of late July and early August the dog days actually originally referred to the rising of the star system Sirius. Sirius is the brightest star visible from Earth and is part of the constellation Canis Major or the Greater Dog. That is why Sirius is often called the Dog Star."

In close proximity is the constellation Lepus; its name is Latin for hare. The constellation is located under Orion's feet. Lepus is usually depicted as a hare being hunted by Orion or by his hunting dogs.

You may be wondering why I mention Lepus. It all started with my article from last month's newsletter. I talked about two bunnies that I saw while on my morning walk with Blue. Well, since then I've seen at least one bunny virtually every day. I've seen three on several occasions. I see them mostly in the area between two bridges. When something repeatedly shows up in front of me, I take it as a sign that there's something more waiting for me to discover.

For many clubs—including our own—August is part of the Soroptimist summer hiatus. However, some clubs have a board retreat and/or club brainstorming meeting in August. As most of you know, I find words quite interesting.

For example, the word retreat can be used as a verb: meaning to withdraw, or as a noun: meaning a quiet or secluded place in which one can rest and relax. This sounds kind of like a hiatus. When I look at the word brainstorming, what comes to mind is a storm in the brain—a headache. But brainstorming is a noun: meaning a group discussion to produce ideas or solve problems. This is not like a hiatus. Though because of the hiatus, the brains of members may be more relaxed and open.

Some boards, committees and members are meeting, planning and strategizing. Like Sirius we are the brightest stars serious about the Soroptimist mission. No consternation here; our group of stars is forming our own constellation—the recognizable pattern of empowering women and girls through access to education.

The myth that the dog days of summer phrase came from the idea of lazy dogs lying around in the heat has been dispelled. Similarly, we can see the myth that Soroptimists have a hiatus is dispelled. Like the bunnies between two bridges, we are bridging the past year to the upcoming year. Whatever the future holds, we move forward together knowing Change is Always Good.



Light and Love,
Kathy Purcell, Editor



"There comes a time when the mind takes a higher plane of knowledge but can never prove how it got there." ~*Albert Einstein*

CALENDAR

August

- 17 Board Retreat
- *23 S.T.A.R.T. Meeting

September

- 9 Board Meeting
- 10 Storage Unit Cleaning
- 13 Business Meeting
- 27 Program Meeting

*Evening Meeting



"The only difference between you and the star is that you shine below, and the other shines above: wherever you are located, you are a star!"
~*Michael Bassey Johnson*



"Planning is bringing the future into the present so that you can do something about it now."
~*Alan Lakein*

Celebrate Life!

AUGUST

Amanda Beitzel
Colleen Blazier
Sara Ellen Peterson
Janet Real
Cat Xander

SEPTEMBER

Cheryl Easterling
Pat Willis



S.T.A.R.T. MEETING

Soroptimist Team And Reunion Time

Coming on Tuesday, August 23, 2022!

5:30 PM

Holiday Inn Express

The Soroptimist Team and Reunion Time is scheduled for Tuesday, August 23rd at the Holiday Inn Express Meeting Room. It's our kickoff and first in-person social for the new club year. Bring your favorite summertime potluck dish, any personal refreshment and your enthusiasm. Rumor has it the 2021-2022 Year-in-Review will be presented. See you there!

“When a gifted team dedicates itself to unselfish trust and combines instinct with boldness and effort—it is ready to climb.” ~Pat Riley

Note the phone number for our
MEDICAL LOAN CLOSET

360-504-0231



MLC is OPEN

*“The best portion of a good man’s life—
his little, nameless, unremembered
acts of kindness and love.”
~William Wordsworth*

SOROPTIMIST MEETING DATES TO REMEMBER

D1

District 1 Meeting
Semiahmoo Resort
Blaine, WA
October 28-30, 2021

Olympic Peninsula Area Meeting
TBA
February 25, 2023



NWR Conference
Davenport Hotel
Spokane, WA
April 20-23, 2023



SI Convention
Challenge the Future
Dublin, Ireland
July 27-29, 2023

SPREAD THE WORD: WE WANT APPLICANTS!

It's almost fall and time for school to start again.

We have two educational funding opportunities currently open. One is the Continuing Education Scholarship; applications for that are due on August 15th. The other is the Live Your Dream Award; the application period opened August 1st and closes November 15th. Because we want your help getting the information to any woman who might qualify, here's a list of the key differences:




Live Your Dream awards cannot be used for graduate education, but Continuing Ed awards can be. Live Your Dream applicants must provide the primary support for their dependents; there is no such requirement for Continuing Ed applicants.

Live Your Dream awards go to the recipient who can use them for any purpose that will help them reach their career and educational goal; Continuing Ed scholarships are paid directly to the school. The Live Your Dream awards are judged by an outside panel while the Awards & Scholarships committee (and interested members) judge the Continuing Education applicants.

Spread the word so more women have a chance to apply. This funding will help ease their financial responsibilities, allowing them more time to concentrate on their education. Additional information about these can be found on our club website: www.sisequim.org.



~Cat Xander, Awards and Scholarships Chair 

Cat contacted the most recent recipients of these awards and scholarships to let them know funding is available at this time. See some of their responses on page 8-9.

MEMBERSHIP IS GROWING

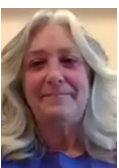
Hello and welcome to a new club year! We are so excited to get new members and are always looking for more. Becky Archer will continue her role as the "Sunshine Lady." She is the one who sends out those thoughtful birthday cards and other correspondence to members. Amanda Beitzel and Missy Church-Smith will remain as Co-Chairs for the Pathways Committee, and they have already had their first meeting!! We will be sending out info shortly on the Secret Pal program and sign ups. You won't want to miss this fun time. Look at last month's SoroptiScoop! We will be inducting a new member, Lisa Martinez, at the S.T.A.R.T. Meeting in August and handing out new name tags to our newest Golden Girls and Silver Sisters.

Golden Girls (15 plus years as a Soroptimist)

Jan Chapman
Missy Church-Smith
Amanda Beitzel

Silver Sisters (10 plus years as a Soroptimist)

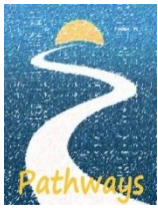
Janet Real
Pat Willis
Elaine Churchill



~Shawn Dredla, Membership Chair 

SPECIAL NOTICE: We recently were informed that our beloved member, **Marilyn Hooser**, passed away. Although she had moved out of the area, Marilyn still supported our club. We will have more in next month's newsletter, including a tribute from members who knew her. We are already missing her.

PATHWAYS GETTING IT TOGETHER



Four of the five new members met July 27 for fun fellowship at the SunLand Sunny Shores Beach Club Cabana, which overlooks the Strait. It was a perfect day and setting for an introduction to SIS. We introduced ourselves and found that everyone

had lived in California at some time, which gave an immediate connection for conversation. Amanda, co-chair, gave a brief overview of the Pathways agenda and members set their monthly meeting time for the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10 am. The new members in attendance were **Sunni Becker, Jan Hartig, Lisa Martinez, and Rosie Tomlin.** Due to work commitment, **Cheryl Easterling** was unable to attend. Please see the picture of these enthusiastic new members and welcome them at the START meeting.



~Amanda Beitzel & Missy Church-Smith, Pathways Co-chairs

“Tell me and I’ll forget. Show me, and I may not remember. Involve me, and I’ll understand.” ~Native American Saying

MEDICAL LOAN CLOSET

We want to thank **Linda Naylor** for volunteering at the Closet for the last several years. She is taking a one-year break from Soroptimist. We hope to see her back as she was a wonderful member of our Team!

Activity at the MLC is now at or above pre-COVID levels. We received **143** calls during the month of July. We loaned **104** items, had **87** items returned, and received **\$310** in donations. Our volunteers who began serving on the MLC team in 2021 and 2022 have commented on how much busier they have been during their week of service. We would love to have a couple more team members, so if you are interested in serving at the MLC, please contact Chris or Becky. We provide training and support as you share this important gift to our community.



~Becky Archer and Chris Snow, MLC Co-Chairs



“Something that has always puzzled me all my life is why, when I am in special need of help, the good deed is usually done by somebody on whom I have no claim.” ~William Feather



The 2021-2022 club
Women of Distinction
 Award
 recipient
Paulette Hill
 (on the right)

Award presented by
President Cat
 (on the left)



This smiling face is the
2021-2022
President's Award
 recipient
Linda Naylor

“Don’t work for recognition, but do work worthy of recognition.” ~H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

LAVENDER WEEKEND WITH A FLEURISH

For those of you who didn’t come out for Lavender Weekend, you missed a fun time pouring gallons of lavender sangria, enticing customers with luscious baked goods—baked by all of you—and serving wonderful Olympic Cellars wines. Pauline Geraci and Dave Fickes organized the event, so everything went smoothly from set up to take down. Except for the extra gallons of sangria Dave had to make because it was so popular.

We were in a new location, toward the back of the property next to the stage. It was a good place to be, as folks wanted to listen to music and have a glass of something.

The two days grossed over \$3,000 and netted over \$2,000. It’s amazing how much sangria and how many baked goods we sold!

Thanks to all our willing Soroptimists who provided all the delicious treats, and to Dave and Pauline for their organizing and planning.



~Natasha Merkuloff-Nichols,
 Fundraising Co-chair



Pictured with Dave and Pauline is their newest member of their family, Sara, who was a member of the team some of the time.



“To sell means to help. Find all the ways you can help your prospect.” ~Meir Ezra

GARAGE SALE

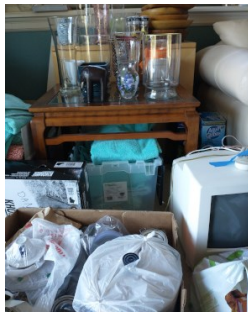
Cat Xander and Natasha Merkuloff-Nichols hosted a garage sale July 30-31 to benefit Soroptimist. They netted \$1700 over the two-day period! They will be donating that money to the club.

It was hotter than blazes over the weekend in the cul-de-sac by Cat's house, so major kudos and thanks for the great assistance by Patty Lebowitz, Sandy Lawrence, Kathy Cunha, and Rosie Tomlin who were all out in the baking sun. Linda Naylor, Janet Wicker, and Mayme Faulk cleverly helped in different ways prior to the sale, so they escaped the sunburn.

Some items were left over, and they will be donated to Habitat for Humanity, the Children's Hospital Guild, Serenity House, Goodwill and the Adventist Clothes Closet.



~Cat Xander & Natasha Merkuloff-Nichols



“The more material things that we possess, the less clear life becomes. Therefore, if you want clarity, have a garage sale.” ~Craig D. Lounsbrough

Letters from most recent past recipients of Continuing Education Scholarships and Live Your Dream Awards

Cat,

Thank you for contacting me for an update, the year was fantastic, and there is great news too!

If I never bit off more than I could chew, then I'd never know what it felt like to have my mouth way too full.

In the first half of the year, I left Stymies to chase my technical career. I quickly landed a job in a small local software company that develops software for routing service for waste management. It was a very neat experience. I was a help desk agent, customer service agent, and software trainer to newly onboarded clients. In that capacity, I would troubleshoot client issues, find and teach a solution or pass the issue to a development team. I also facilitated communication between the development team and clients.

My head would spin and for the first time in many years I fell asleep to mental exhaustion instead of physical exhaustion . . . what a difference.

All was excellent there and I enjoyed the work and I learned new things every day. But a new job at the Jamestown Tribe opened for application in April. Needless to say, I applied and have returned to the tribe as their newest IT help desk agent (System Administrator in Training). My benefits have been bridged and my previous years of service have been maintained. It's like I planned it.

I couldn't be more pleased with the path I've chosen.

I can proudly say that I didn't miss a single soccer game for either child this spring.

Thank you, and the whole of Sequim Soroptimists, for supporting me when I was choosing to try to make a change. It worked. I will be continuing school this fall to finish the knowledge I need for certifications necessary to "show" long term that I've learned something. They are called COMP TIA examinations and after a few more classes I should be ready to take them.

I will look over the application and make sure my plans still qualify me to apply.

Thanks again everyone, I feel certain your support made me feel courageous in the moments I felt timid or doubtful.

Sincerely,
Junko

Hi Cat,

Good to hear from you! I have completed two semesters in my post-bac program, and I am just a couple of weeks from finishing my third. I finally moved to California as classes have returned to in-person learning; yay! Things have been great the last two semesters, and I maintained a 4.0 GPA. It was a lot of long hours studying but very much worth it. I am set to complete the program in May of 2023 and plan to apply for medical school in June of 2023.

Thank you again for awarding me the Continuing Education Scholarship. This scholarship helped me cover my tuition for two semesters, which allowed me to focus on my studies and volunteering. I have been volunteering at the San Francisco General Hospital in their Health Advocates Program. It has been great to be working with patients again, helping them navigate the medical system and addressing social determinants of health.

Kindly,
Arianna Flores-Cisneros

Hi Cat.

School is going great at Western Washington University. After summer quarter I have two more classes before getting my BA in Human Services. In the fall, I will begin taking courses at Peninsula College for my Substance Use Disorder Professional credentials. I'm working at the Jamestown Healing Clinic now as a Substance Use Disorder Professional Trainee. I did get married recently. I will definitely let people know about the scholarship opportunity through Soroptimist.

Jessica Furnish-Coda

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." ~Nelson Mandela

Hi, Cat.

Thank you so much for including me in this message.

As a previous recipient of this scholarship, I offer my gratitude forever!

My scholarship allowed me to attend Pacific Lutheran University and complete my Bachelor's in Nursing Degree. I had previously attended Peninsula College and completed an Associate's Degree in Nursing. I worked for almost 10 years before I was able to get back to my original "plan."

It means so much to me to have the support of my hometown as I continued to grow in my profession.

I have been a Registered Nurse for 47 years with the last 22 years self-employed and continue to work. It is an honor to serve in this capacity, and my work is certainly soul fulfilling.

Again – my heartfelt thanks and gratitude for ALL that you do!

Bonnie
Bonnie Robb Consulting

“Effective consulting is about gathering and presenting actionable data, and helping businesses solve problems, implement solutions, and innovate.” ~*Hendrith Vanlon Smith Jr*

Hi, Cat.

My year was amazing!! By far the best experience I've had with school and earning my career and education. It was all made possible by the many generous donors and scholarships I received that I was able to save up and spend a lot more time with my children this past year than I ever thought I would. Over this past year, I have earned honors for all quarters and ended the year with a ceremony for honor students. I am also a member of the nursing honors society. I am so excited to start my second year and complete at the end of this next year with my life long goal of being a RN. Thank you for checking in with me, I will be filling out that other scholarship as well so thank you so much for that.

Rylie Roberts

Hi Cat,

I just passed my state exam today actually!!

I am hitting the ground running with my new career and am already looking into some mandatory continuing education classes for the coming year.

I will pass on the information. I appreciate you touching base!

Many Thanks!
Bee
(Brandy Wilkinson)
Busy Bee Business Services

“To educate yourself for the feeling of gratitude means to take nothing for granted, but to always seek out and value the kind that will stand behind the action. Nothing that is done for you is a matter of course.

Everything originates in a will for the good, which is directed at you.
Train yourself never to put off the word or action for the expression of gratitude.”

~*Albert Schweitzer*

Soroptimist International of Sequim turned 75 this year. In preparation for this event, we tried to find all the members who had belonged over the years. Walking through the hall of pictures near the auditorium at Sequim High School, I recognized many names of those who had belonged to Soroptimist or who had family members who belonged. I also spotted a lot of names from our 75 years of scholarship awards. With all those connections, we thought you might be interested in finding out a little more about the club.

Soroptimist was started by a man, almost by accident. Soroptimist tradition says Stuart Morrow was in California in the process of organizing a men's club when he walked into the Goddard-Parker Secretarial School in Oakland, expecting to find potential male members. A conversation with one of the co-owners, Adelaide Goddard, led to the idea for a women's club similar to Rotary.

Morrow began working to form an organization that became the Soroptimists in 1921. Today, Soroptimist International of Sequim is part of an international organization which has more than 80,000 members in about 130 countries.



Picture from the First Installation Banquet 1947

The installation and chartering for Sequim took place on May 2, 1947 at a formal banquet. All the officers and others wore formal dinner gowns. It was held at the Olympic Cafe (where Over the Fence and Jose's are today) and the meal cost \$2. Ethel Clark, mother of Bob Clark, was the first president.

MARIE ABBOTTS	ANNA BELL MCFARLAND
IRENE BERG	HELEN NELSON
MARY BRAYTON	MARJORIE OLTS
ETHEL CLARK	BESSIE PETERSON
RUTH DAWLEY	AGNES SCOTT
LOUISE DELANEY	MABEL SEVERN
RITA DEVINE	FLORENCE SILBERHORN
CATHERINE DONLON	MAXINE STAEGER
HELEN GATES	KATHIRO STEVENS
HELEN HALLER	GERTRUDE STONE
RUBY HAMILTON	BARBARA TAYLOR
LAURA JARMUTH	MARION TAYLOR
EVELYN LEHMAN	DOIRA THURSTON
MINNIE LOTZGESELL	MARY TRIERWEILER
MARION MARCHAND	ELLA ULRICH
	VESTA YOKUM

Charter Members of Sequim Soroptimists

The 32 charter members of the Sequim club were some of the prominent business women in town, like Louise Delaney, the Town Clerk and Helen Haller, principal of Elementary School #323.

Haller was the second president of the Sequim club. In 1950, the club sent a letter to the School Board saying



left to right Ruby Hamilton,* Dorothy Messenger (Mayme Faulk's mother - not a member), Louise Delaney* (Town clerk), Anna (in rear related to the Severns), and Mabel Severn* *Those with * were charter members.

that the new elementary school should be named after Helen Haller. (Sadly, the school does not even have a picture of her today.) Members have continued to be key to the community through the years. Virginia Keeting was SIS President in 1971-1972. She wrote the "Sequim-Dungeness Valley News" page of the Port Angeles Evening News and was the first woman named Sequim's "Man of the Year" back in 1968. Hard to imagine today, but those busy women met every week for lunch.

Mayme Messenger Faulk is still an active member today. Three of her relatives were charter members. One of the club's first projects was to pay for the first 100 metal street signs in Sequim back in 1948. (Of course Mayme says it was just a two street town then!) They also put "resting benches" in town in 1967 and two boy scouts refinished them for a service project in 1980. Some other major projects:

CAMP RAMBLEWOOD

The Sequim club was asked to furnish the interior of a building at the State Park to make it into a space for use by the Girl Scouts. They began equipping Camp Ramblewood

starting in about 1950 with everything to make the interior useful, including items like doors, cupboards, a hot water tank, drinking fountain, windows,



Scouts restoring benches in 1980

Quarterly Newspaper of Sequim Schools Alumni Association

The history of Soroptimist International of Sequim made it into the Ditchwalker!

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Celebrating 75 Years!

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SENIOR CENTER

Soroptimists started the Golden Age Club with St. Luke's Episcopal Church in 1957. It was the first club for seniors and their motto was "The Best Is Yet To Be." Soroptimists paid the rent for the group for the first six months. It became the Leisure Club and our club supported them with yearly donations for at least 10 more years.

EDUCATION

Support for education was always a primary goal of the organization. In 1948, the club members endorsed a high school class called "Living, Understanding One's Self, Marriage And Family Problems." In January of 1949 they formed a committee for the aid of minor and needy girls and resolved that "every Soroptimist member be available for help anytime she was needed."

The club began awarding scholarships in 1948 and has given over 400 to date. Up until 2006, the club gave scholarships to both boys and girls, but Soroptimist is a coined Latin word that means "Best for Women" so the emphasis has always been on young women.

FUNDRAISING

In order to pay for scholarships and other community projects, fundraising was necessary. In the early days, the club raised money with dances, Bunco parties, card parties, and rummage sales. They also sold coffee and cookies at the Clark Tulip fields, and dressed dolls for a Christmas Raffle. For the last 25 years, the club has produced a Gala Garden Show the third full weekend of March.

A funny and slightly off-the-wall fundraiser was the dinner, dance and Cow Drop in 1992. People bought raffle "leases" for squares of land marked off in Carrie Blake Park. If the cow put their first "pie" there, they won.

Some of you may remember "The Book Nook" in back of the Southwoods store. It sold "elegant junk." Not only donated books, but also jewelry, kitchen items and other gently used items. Soroptimists built a small park for the city with a picnic table outside the Book Nook on what is now the parking lot next to the A-1 Auto Parts store on Washington.



In 1963 Soroptimists began renting baby furniture and medical equipment. That was the forerunner of the club's Medical Loan Closet.

Since 1977, the Soroptimists Medical Loan Closet has loaned various types of durable medical equipment, such as wheelchairs, walkers, transport chairs, commodes, and knee scooters, to Sequim community members for free. The only condition is that they live within the boundaries of the Sequim School District. Anyone needing medical equipment can contact the MLC at 360-504-0231 and leave a message. A Soroptimist volunteer will call to make an appointment.

SEQUIM HIGH SCHOOL SUPPORT

Soroptimists made donations through the years that might have impacted a class or program you took: band uniforms beginning in 1952, the choir, the nurse's aide program 1977, the summer recreation programs, the stadium fund and a Booster stadium seat, lighting fund, many students for Business Week and Girls' State, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, the pool and recreation center, the library and many projects through the Sequim Education Fund.

~ Cat Xander, President Sequim Soroptimist International

MOO—LA raiser



COW DROP WILL RAISE FUNDS. Dee Christianson and Sherry Phillips of the Sequim Soroptimist Club posed by an appropriate sign as they promoted the upcoming Cow Drop Contest. To participate you can purchase a cow drop lease for \$8 and if one of three cows drops on your square yard of property, you'll win \$200, \$300 or \$500. A dinner and dance will be held in conjunction with the event at Carrie Blake Park on Saturday, Sept. 26. The dinner—which will feature Chili Cow Carne, Cow Slaw, Cow on the Cob and Blackberry Cowber—will begin at 6 p.m. with the cow drop at 7 p.m. and a dance, featuring Liljedahl and Hoffman will start at 8 p.m. Tickets for the event are available at Cowloon's Hallmark in Sequim or from a Soroptimist member.

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Clipping from Soroptimist's Fundraiser

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People enjoying the Gala Garden Show

August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH Amanda Beitzel Colleen Blazier Sara Ellen Peterson Janet Real Cat Xander</p> 	<p>1 International Mahjong Day</p> 	<p>2 Nat'l Coloring Book Day</p> 	<p>3 National Watermelon Day</p> 	<p>4 National Coast Guard Day</p> 	<p>5 National Oyster Day</p> 	<p>6 Nat'l Root Beer Float Day</p> 
<p>7 National Lighthouse Day</p> 	<p>8 National Dollar Day</p> 	<p>9 National Book Lovers Day</p> 	<p>10 National Lazy Day</p> 	<p>11 Global Kinetic Sand Day</p> 	<p>12 National Vinyl Record Day</p> 	<p>13 National Bowling Day</p> 
<p>14 National Creamsicle Day</p> 	<p>15 National Relaxation Day</p> 	<p>16 National Rumm Day</p> 	<p>17 Board Retreat</p> 	<p>18</p>	<p>19 National Potato Day</p> 	<p>20 World Honey Bee Day</p> 
<p>21 National Spumoni Day</p> 	<p>22 National Pecan Torte Day</p> 	<p>23 S.T.A.R.T. Meeting</p> 	<p>24 National Waffle Day</p> 	<p>25 National Banana Split Day</p> 	<p>26 National Dog Day</p> 	<p>27 National Just Because Day</p> 
<p>28 National Red Wine Day</p> 	<p>29 National Lemon Juice Day</p> 	<p>30 National Beach Day</p> 	<p>31 National Trail Mix Day</p> 			

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH Cheryl Easterling Pat Willis</p> 				<p>1 National Burnt Ends Day</p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3 National Food Bank Day</p> 
<p>4 National Wildlife Day</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>HAPPY LABOR DAY</p> 	<p>6</p>	<p>7 National Granda Mosses Day</p> 	<p>8 National Ampersand Day</p> 	<p>9 BOARD MEETING</p>	<p>10 Storage Unit Organizing 10 a.m.</p> 
<p>11 National Make Your Bed Day</p> 	<p>12 National Grandparents Day</p> 	<p>13 Business Meeting</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 National Felt Hat Day</p> 	<p>16 Mayflower Day</p> 	<p>17</p>
<p>18 National Clean Up Day</p> 	<p>19</p>	<p>20 National Care For Kids Day</p> 	<p>21</p>	<p>22 Autumn Equinox</p> 	<p>23 Innergize Day</p> 	<p>24 National Brave Day</p> 
<p>25 National Daughters Day</p> 	<p>26 National Pancake Day</p> 	<p>27 Program Meeting</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Women's National Health & Fitness Day</p> 	<p>30 National Love People Day</p> 	

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In case I've forgotten it
I wish you a lovely morning
Fill your coffee cup with sunshine
With glory and grace
A soft whispering sunshine
is surrounded with love
A fountain refreshing in your face

Of this beauty
I photograph this picture in my soul
and hiding it for dark winter days
The silence, the sun, the smell of honeysuckle
and flames of the northern lights
Yellow sunshine and blue sky, I want to paint
Nature's wonders, is forever dear



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