

Investing in Dreams



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> "Health is the greatest gift, contentment the greatest wealth, faithfulness the best relationship." ~Buddha

THE MONTH OF MARCH CELEBRATES WOMEN

The month of March is all about women, thus an opportunity to reflect on the Soroptimist Mission not only locally, but worldwide. I encourage you to visit the Soroptimist blog to learn more about both events below.

International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated every year on March 8, to recognize and honor the achievements of women throughout history, and to raise awareness about gender equality and women's rights.

The origins of IWD can be traced back to the early 1900s, when the global women's movement was gaining momentum. In 1908, thousands of women marched through New York City to demand better working conditions, voting rights, and an end to discrimination. The following year, the first National Women's Day was observed in the United States on February 28.

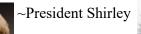
As we celebrate International Women's Day on March 8, the theme set by the <u>United</u> <u>Nations, "Invest in Women: Accelerate Progress,</u>" resonates strongly. Gender equality remains a cornerstone for building resilient communities, just economies, and a sustainable planet for future generations.

To solve the world's greatest problems, everyone must contribute. But as Malala Yousafzai once said: *"We cannot all succeed when half of us are held back."* Soroptimists have known this truth for a long time. That is why our members are so passionate about helping women and girls reach their full potential.

The UN has outlined five critical initiatives for the 2024 International Women's Day theme. Unsurprisingly, the thread of Soroptimist's impact is woven throughout these initiatives.

In 1981, Congress passed a joint resolution Public Law 97-28, designating "**Women's History Week**" beginning March 7, 1982, to recognize and celebrate "American women of every race, class and ethnic background" whose roles and contributions had been "consistently overlooked and undervalued in the body of American History. Women's History is now celebrated the entire month of March.

During Women's History Month, we celebrate the countless women who have fought tirelessly and courageously for equality, justice, and opportunity in our Nation. We also reaffirm our commitment to advancing rights and opportunities for women and girls in the United States and around the world. <u>https://blog.soroptimist.org.</u>





Letter from the Editor

Dear Friends,

It's Saturday morning, the day before the March Soropti-Scoop will appear in your email inbox. As of this moment, the editor's article hasn't made its way to the computer yet. The words are still floating around in my head, making friends with one another, deciding which ones will wind up beside which other ones. Is it writer's block?

Last night when Rob & I headed to bed Blue was still in the front room. I called him but he didn't get up; he just looked at me. By the time Rob and I got partially down the hall, Blue was following behind me. Then he passed me and passed Rob, taking the lead by the time we got to the bedroom door. I was thinking perhaps a good night's sleep would allow the appropriate words to formulate into my article.

This morning while walking with Blue I was contemplating what to write. Where might I start? What would be a good topic on which to focus? How will the article look? When will the ideas congeal? Who will inspire me? It's Women's History Month—but President Shirley has covered that in her article. Why do the words seem to be stuck in my head?

Turning a corner with Blue, what came to mind was words that can be used in multiple ways; some words can be used as nouns or verbs or adjectives. They can fill in as different parts of speech. This thought removed any block that was blocking the flow of words. Look at that—the word block was used as a noun and then a verb.

Other words came to mind, continuing the flow: *incline* and *project* were the next words that danced through my head. If we're inclined to project an upward incline for a project, we will see it go up; it will succeed. Some other words that came up were: open, figure, deal, issue, steer, support, garden, start, focus, tandem.

When we are open-minded, we open ourselves to new possibilities. In the coming months we will be figuring out our budget for 2024-2025 using figures from this year as a guide. It's not a big deal when we deal with things together. We issue our decisions on an issue by getting a consensus. Our board is a steering committee that steers our club forward. We support women and girls and our community with our financial support. Garden starts will start to show up at the Gala Garden Show next weekend.

I was thinking about how Blue started following Rob & me last night but wound up getting in front of both of us. The words that come to mind are: *follow to lead*. Blue was following first, and then leading. That reminds me of Soroptimist. We have mentors who show us the ropes, so we don't strangle ourselves on them. We are followers first, eventually taking the lead. Like the words that can fit in as different parts of speech, we can fit into different roles in the club.

We will have many opportunities to follow and to lead as we start planning for our 2024-2025 club year. When we focus our focus on our tandem mission, we work in tandem to empower women and girls. As we move through March, we march together Lighting the Path Forward.



-Kathy Purcell, Editor

"Regardless of differences, we strive shoulder to shoulder.... Teamwork can be summed up in five short words: We believe in each other." ~*Author Unknown*

CALENDAR

MARCH

- 5 GGS Core Meeting 9 am 1st Security Bank
- 8 Board Meeting
- 12 Business Meeting
- 16-17 Gala Garden Show
 - *26 GGS Potluck Celebration

APRIL

- 5 Board Meeting
- 9 Business Meeting (GOM)
- *23 After GGS Potluck Celebration at Natasha's
- 25-28 NWR Conference Lake Washington Hyatt, Renton, WA
 - *30 5th Tuesday—Field Arts and Events Hall in Port Angeles Tour

*Evening Meeting



"It isn't about the words you say. It's about the energetic message you send." ~*Pete Carroll*



"The most important things are the hardest to say, because words diminish them." ~*Stephen King*

Celebrate Life!

MARCH Brandi Larson Kathryn Pacelli Gerry Sladowski

APRIL

Christy Holy Chris Snow



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



"Won't you come into the garden? I would like my roses to see you." ~*Richard Brinsley Sheridan*



NEW LOCATION—SAME TIME

Beginning February 13, 2024 we started meeting at Dungeness Valley Lutheran Church 925 N. Sequim Avenue. The church is located just south of Hardy's Market. We will meet in the sanctuary!

Program Meeting for March – GGS Celebration Potluck

Many of you know that we take the March program meeting and make it an evening to celebrate our hard work with the garden show. After a hiatus of four years, we are resuming that tradition with a potluck. The 2024 celebration will be held at Natasha Merkuloff Nichols' home. You are invited to bring one of the following –

- ♦ Main Dish
- Salad
- Hors d'oeuvre
- Dessert

Include with your item of choice something to drink but our host will be providing seltzer water, coffee, or tea.

Mark your calendar for March 26, 2024 / 5:30 p.m., 202 Lands End Lane, Sequim.

Our host indicates the entrance through the garage has the least steps and you are welcome to park along the driveway or out by the ocean front.

SOROPTIMIST MEETING DATES TO REMEMBER



NWR Conference Lake Washington Hyatt Renton, WA April 25-28, 2024



MEET THE FEBRIARY GIRL OF THE MONTH

PAIGE KRZWOKZ



Paige Krzyworz is our February Girl of the Month. Paige is an active volunteer and was named as the Youth Volunteer of the Year at the Food Bank. She is currently the Youth Coordinator at The Sequim Food Bank and has been there for over seven years. One of her goals is to create a non-profit to help end food insecurity in the world sometime during her life.

Paige is a very busy young woman: she is a mentor in the Girl Scouts, in her second year as a Varsity bowler and somehow, she has found time to work at Dungeness Kids since 2021.

Paige loves her US History class this year, but her favorite subjects are math and science, so she thinks she might like a career in one of those fields...or interior design!

"The purpose of learning is growth, and our minds, unlike our bodies, can continue growing as we continue to live." *~Mortimer Adler*

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Awards & Scholarships Committee recently received this information from Sarah Brooks, the Sequim High School College and Career Counselor.

"I will also say there are a lot of other girls who are in need, but do not qualify for McKinney-Vento because of housing insecurity.... Single parent households, unemployed, grandparents as guardians. I got about 80 scholarship notebooks this year. I think you will definitely have girls you are excited to give scholarships to after hearing their stories."

Consider donating for extra Soroptimist scholarships. You'll be early for your 2024 taxes, but not too late to help some of these girls. Donations \$2000 and over can be directed to a particular scholarship or type of student; donations under \$2000 will go into the general fund and become part of the club funds for scholarships.

One relatively painless way to give is through a Qualified Charitable Deduction (QCD). If you have an IRA and you are over 72 ½ you probably have just had to take your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). For 2024, instead of taking the money and then donating it, you can send it directly from your IRA to Soroptimist. That way it doesn't count as income and your taxes could be reduced!

Then there is the possibility of money from an employer. Last year one of our donors gave us 5000 of her money and the company matched it—10,000 worth of scholarships! Some companies don't even require a match but will make a donation to the charity of an employee's choice. If you are working, or have a child or grandchild who is, encourage them to check whether their company has a program like this and remind them that Soroptimist is a wonderful 501(c)(3) charity.



-Cat Xander, Awards & Scholarships Co-chair



"There is no more noble occupation in the world than to assist another human being – to help someone succeed." ~*Alan Loy McGinnis*

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBER!

HOLLY, Christy



Hello, my name is Christy Holy. I have lived in Port Angeles for eight years. I moved from Los Angeles, but I am originally from Plano, Texas. I came to Port Angeles because of life transitions and my parents live here. I learned about Soroptimist from several members who I have met over the past few years, and most recently at the Sequim Chamber of Commerce. I currently own my own business assisting seniors— Better Call Christy. I have worked in the Arts and as an administrative assistant. I have volunteered for church organizations, politics, Women in Theater, and local theater. I am the Vice Chair of 24LD Democrats, and I am involved with OTA and Women in Theater. My family includes my parents, Joey and Ole Olson who live in Port Angeles, and a brother, Mark Holy, in Colorado. I enjoy singing, acting, directing, mindfulness,

writing, hiking, and camping. I have a Master of Fine Arts in Directing. I like what Soroptimist International of Sequim does for the community, and I'd be honored to be involved.

Best Advice: Be true to yourself.

"Remember what Bilbo used to say: 'It's a dangerous business, Frodo, going out your door. You step onto the road, and if you don't keep your feet, there's no knowing where you might be swept off to."" ~*J.R.R. Tolkien*

PATHWAYS UPDATE

Hello from Pathways!

The time has come for the garden show!



We could not be more thrilled to be experiencing our first year of this amazing event, and as we hand out fliers and speak to local businesses, many of them have stories and fond memories to share from prior shows!

We were fortunate to have two guest speakers visit us this month. Jeanne Martin discussed finance, the treasurer role, and the proposed budget, and in true Soroptimist fashion, she brought in the volunteer sign-up sheet to ensure that no one missed the opportunity to assist in the garden show. In addition, our president, Shirley Legg, visited to provide more information on our board of directors, the proposed slate, and elections for the board.

We have much to think about moving forward in Soroptimist as the paths become clearer; thankfully, the garden show provides a great opportunity to put our eager hands and minds to work!

We appreciate your enthusiasm for welcoming us to Soroptimist and all of your guidance moving forward!

"There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about." ~Margaret J. Wheatley



~Brandi Larson, Pathways Committee 🚽



MEMBERSHIIP UPDATE

Hello All! We were able to induct a new member, Christy Holy, at the business meeting on February 13th. She was sponsored by Jan Hartig. Welcome Christy! We also had 14 members attending in person and six members on Zoom and one guest. Jane Manzer hosted the meeting and brought a delicious gluten free breakfast casserole and Rice Krispie treats. We had 16 members attending in person at the program meeting on February 27 and six members on Zoom to give our speaker a warm welcome. Linda Klinefelter provided scones! We encourage more members to attend in person or on Zoom. Please let Jane or Shawn know if you would like to host a meeting. It's not hard! I promise! Jane and I would also like to thank the Membership Committee members who helped prepare the Membership Mission Statement and guidelines.





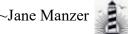
~Shawn Dredla & Jane Manzer, Membership Co-chairs

"I cannot even imagine where I would be today were it not for that handful of friends who have given me a heart full of joy. Let's face it, friends make life a lot more fun." ~*Charles R. Swindoll*

NEMBERSHIP—COOL STUFF

My sister and I were shopping for fabric at JoAnn's in Spokane when I caught sight of someone in the distance who I thought looked a lot like Rose Jaeger. She wasn't facing me, but I was so sure that I told my sister that woman had to be Rose or related to her. So after we had our fabric cut, we walked toward where she had been just as she was headed to the cutting table. Once we saw each other head on, I knew it was Rose and she recognized me. Rose was gathering fabric to make quilts for the Pediatric Emergency Center at Sacred Heart Hospital, where her daughter April is a pediatrician. As we visited, I came to find out she lives relatively close to my sister,| and I'm sure we'll get together for coffee on one of my future trips to Spokane.









Amanda Beitzel's daughter's latest book, *Constellation Clues: The Cipher of the Seven Stars*, is now available! And we have opportunities to support her! We can visit our local bookstore and ask for it. That helps them be aware the book is available. We can order online through <u>Bookshop</u>, <u>Amazon</u> or <u>Barnes</u> and <u>Noble</u>. Library requests help authors, too. We can read the book and write a review: Here is Lee's <u>Goodreads page</u>, or <u>Amazon</u>; lots of indie bookstores also have review by customer options.

HAPPY DOLLARS

This is a new column recently added to the Soropti-Scoop; it is called **Happy Dollars**: <u>The backstory</u>. At the end of our club meetings members are asked if they have something they are happy about and if they would like to share with a Happy Dollar donation. Not all members are able to attend all meetings, which means they miss out on hearing the happy things. It was suggested that the information be included in the newsletter so all members get a chance to experience the shared joy. This also allows us to learn more about our members, strengthening our club overall.

Jeane Martin gave (3)\$ for being at the meeting as she hasn't seen everyone in two months.

Sam Fouts gave because the program was informative.

Shawn Dredla's daughter is engaged!

Sandy Lawrence gave because of the comradery of time with club members at the area meeting.

Natasha Merkuloff-Nichols because she had 5\$ cash in her purse.

Patty Lebowitz gave because of Dungeness Courte Memory Care and any members wanting to check it out should tell Jan Orr they're from Soroptimist.

Virginia Kostanich just because she's happy to be a part of this club.

FRIEND CONNECTIONS

A suggestion was made to add a new column to the newsletter that would have info from former members—kind of like Happy Dollars, but in written form. Although they are no longer official members of Soroptimist, they are still a part of the Soroptimist Family. Friendships that grew while they were members didn't disappear when changes in their life called for more of their attention. The new column is titled **Friend Connections**.

An email was sent out inviting former members to share what's happening/happened in their life. It said they can write about something great that's happened or something not-so great that's happened. For the great things we celebrate with them; for the not-so great things we encourage and support them. Staying connected is important. It keeps us healthy. Below are a few replies I received. ~kp

Several months ago, some friends and I ventured around Western Washington to visit the Danish recycle artist, Thomas Dambo's trolls. Over two days we were able to view Pia the Peacemaker on Bainbridge Island, Jakob Two Trees in Issaquah (some yummy Indian food there), Frankie Feetsplinters in Ballard, Bruun Idun in West Seattle (Endolyne Joe's had great food too) and Oscar the

Bird King on Vashon Island. Our final PNW troll will be Olle Bolle in Portland and he's on our itinerary for April. In addition to me, you might recognize a couple more former SIS members in the attached photo (Connie Vanroosendahl and Sharron Empens).

~Elaine Bradford





MORE FRIEND CONNECTIONS

Hi all.

If you did not know, about three years ago, Tim and I moved to Spokane. I have two of my three daughters living here as well as my two new granddaughters. Tim and I had a house built and then proceeded to put in the yard and garden beds. It is a work in progress. I have been flying to Arizona about once a month to help with my newest grandbabies, they are 3 and 1. We have managed to do some traveling. Ireland last year, Prague and vicinity this summer, and the Canadian Rockies this Fall. Needless to say, I am busy. I have joined the local Soroptimist club here and do some other volunteer work as well. I enjoy hearing about the club and members.

~Rose Jaeger

Hello Ladies!

There are so many new names since I left the group about 5 years ago. I hope you are all enjoying it as much as I did, Soroptimist was my main group of girlfriends and community connection when I first arrived in Sequim, sight unseen.

After leaving SIS I joined the Sequim Bay Yacht Club to become a rower. Early morning rows on our beautiful bay, year-round, was fabulous until my body said, "you better stop." There are plenty of other jobs to do and I took most of them! I am currently, and for the past three years, the treasurer, which is hysterical because I've never even tried to balance a checkbook in my life, just never cared! I'm not in prison so I guess I'm doing alright.

Recently I added the Sequim Dungeness Hospital Guild to my life. I started as the handywoman, quickly ended up as President of the Guild. We have a great crew and the cute little thrift shop on 2nd and Bell received a "dolling up" over the winter and is overflowing with treasurers waiting to be had. Opening March 7, hope we see you there!

I miss my many friends in Soroptimist. You do wonderful work! See you all at the Garden Show!

~Deb Carlson

Who works on the Garden Show? EVERYONE!! That was my mantra for the seven times I co-chaired the "Big Show." And I'm sure you've heard it a time or two as you ramp up for this year's show. I am so happy to know that the club is, once again, hosting the show. And I know the community is looking forward to filling the Boys & Girls Club and enjoying all the hard work you ladies have done!

I can happily report that I have finally moved into my permanent home—a lovely condo in Edmonds. There were many delays, and after a few renovations, the cat, Penny, and I settled in on February 12th. And I'm loving it!

However, I also loved living in our daughter and son-in-law's lovely apartment, attached to their lovely home in the Magnolia area of Seattle. It was wonderful having them so close by, and I will miss that every day. But I will not miss the 40–45-minute drive every day to visit my husband, Gary, who resides in an adult family home specializing in memory care. His residence is in Lake Forest Park, about a 10–15-minute drive from Edmonds—a much easier drive!

You are in my thoughts as the third weekend in March approaches, and I wish you great success at the 2024 Soroptimist Gala Garden Show!!

With fond memories, ~Jan Chapman

"Each little update—each individual bit of social information—is insignificant on its own, even supremely mundane. But taken together, over time, the little snippets coalesce into a surprisingly sophisticated portrait of your friends' and family members' lives, like thousands of dots making a pointillist painting." ~*Alex Soojung-Kim Pang*

MEDICAL LOAN CLOSET UPDATE

We are continually touched by the people who use our services. The following was written by one of our volunteers. Please enjoy this snippet of her experience while volunteering at the Closet.

"Not to say interesting, but I'm always surprised at how many people I meet at the closet, who I know in real life. For example, the woman who works at Starbucks, my neighbor on the other side of the HOA, the lady at the mail place, one of the nurses at OMC, one of the people I meet on my walks. It just reinforces for me how we reach so many different strata in the community.



"And then there are the people who I'd like to stay in touch with because they inspire me, like the 88-year-old who had ankle surgery and wanted a scooter. I tried to talk her out of it-I mean, she's 88! But her daughter was there and she said let mom try it. So mom took off on that scooter and was going full tilt boogie in the parking lot. Came back and asked if we had anything faster (a) honest!!!"

We also refer our clients to other services available in the community. One of those services is the Sequim Valley Lions Handicap Ramp Project. David Blakeslee is the Handicap Ramp Chairman who coordinates wheelchair ramp building. David can be reached at 360-674-8403 or Liondavid60@gmail.com.

Despite the continued cold, wet and windy weather, we had a very busy month. We received **171** calls during the month of February. We lent **123** items and had **89** items returned. We received **\$710** in donations from our generous community.



~Becky Archer and Chris Snow, MLC Co-chairs

"Your living is determined not so much by what life brings to you as by the attitude you bring to life; not so much by what happens to you as by the way your mind looks at what happens." ~Kahil Gibran

WHAT'S UP IN THE REGION

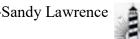
The Olympic Peninsula Area Meeting was a wonderful event. There were many friends to chat with and learn from. Our round table activity was to plan and create a new club somewhere on the Olympic Peninsula. Each table came up with unique ideas. Who knows, maybe we will generate a new club in the near future. We are privileged to have a robust club full of active members. In the Presidents' reports, there were a few clubs whose membership numbers are under 20 members.

The "Call to Conference" has been posted. If you haven't had a chance to look through the Call, please take an opportunity to do so. Registration is only \$30. Renton is close enough that you could drive over on Saturday to attend the Live Your Dream luncheon. Help celebrate our own winner.

Sign in or register, if you haven't already, to: www.soroptimistnwr.org. Then choose the link: NWR 2024 Call to Conference to download the .pdf. It is 55 pages, so you'll want to read it on your computer.

Staying the entire conference is ideal. Now is the time to schedule a room, or plan who to share a room with. If you have questions, or are interested in going to the conference, please let Shirley or Linda know.







AREA MEETING - FEBRUARY 25, 2024

This year the Olympic Peninsula Area Meeting was hosted by SI of Greater North Kitsap on February 24th in beautiful Poulsbo. Our club was represented by Sandy Lawrence, Natasha Merkuloff-Nichols, Shelle Paulbitski and Linda Klinefelter.

The day started with coffee and breakfast goodies and the Pledge of Allegiance by the newly crowned Miss Poulsbo, Catherine French, and a welcoming presentation by Mayor Becky Erickson. Mayor Erickson's presentation was followed by District Director Becky Taft, sharing the words of Governor Karen Marshall. After hearing words of inspiration from the various speakers we took the motivation and applied what we heard in a workshop prior to lunch. The afternoon progressed with an informative presentation by Shirley Wilder from Days for Girls. This organization is instrumental in making kits to address the inequity that is experienced by girls and women with their menstrual cycle throughout the world. The meeting concluded after hearing updates from all the representatives.



Linda Klinefelter gives our club's report.



~Linda Klinefelter, President-elect





Secretary Sandy Lawrence, Treasurer Shelle Paulbitski and President-elect Linda Klinefelter paying close attention.

"Leaders are more powerful role models when they learn than when they teach." ~*Rosabeth Moss Kantor*

FUNDRAISING—SWEETEN YOUR SPRING

Welcome Spring! It can't come soon enough. We now have two Spring online fundraisers running.

Soroptimist International of Sequim invites you to order See's Candies for your loved ones this spring. All you have to do is follow these easy steps:

- 1. Login to the SI of Sequim Sweet Shop at:
- 2. <u>https://www.yumraising.com/secure/</u> soroptimisti_sequim_soroptimist_sweet_shop77/NatMer9563/candy
- 3. Select the products you want to buy.
- 5. Wait for your candy to arrive it is shipped directly to you!



Candies started shipping February 20. Our Sweet Shop will close on March 25th to ensure delivery of your candy in time for your Spring Holiday enjoyment and giving.

FUNDRAISING—A NEW KIND OF FLOWER POWER

Not only is the Sequim Sweet Shop open to order Spring Candies, we have opened a **Flower Power** fundraiser to take care of your Spring planting needs. With over **60 products** to choose from, you can order your seeds, bulbs, plant starts, or bare roots, and receive them just in time for planting in our zone. Orders begin shipping April 1, 2024. Each order ships directly to you for \$6.99 no matter the size.

With Flower Power Fundraising, every time you shop online through our group's fundraising page we receive 40-50% of your qualifying purchase. It really is that easy! The last date to order is **May 15, 2024**. You can support our club by going to: <u>http://sequim.fpfundraising.com/</u>













~Sandy Lawrence and Natasha Merkuloff-Nichols

"But the golden-rod is one of the fairy, magical flowers; it grows not up to seek human love amid the light of day, but to mark to the discerning what wealth lies hid in the secret caves of earth." ~*Robert Fuller*

GALA GARDEN SHOW ON THE SCENE AND BEING SCEEN



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I Follow by Star BG

I follow, follow, follow, the inspiration wherever it leads. The spark that gives power to pen. Expanding breath that bonds inside hands. The light that integrates with words.

I follow, follow, follow the inspiration wherever it leads. The scenes that penetrate eyes. Open ears that perk from birds. The heart that whispers with song.

I follow follow, follow, the moment that gives me purpose, celebrating with gratitude the inspiration where ever it leads.





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