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President's Letter—Lynn McGlade

The holidays are upon us!

We have given thanks & are preparing to join relatives & friends for festivities.

We have a good opportunity to talk to them about Soroptimist International of Zanesville and all the good we do, as well as the fun we have together.

Wouldn't it be great to have our good friends and good relatives join us in our endeavors? That is the goal given to us by Helen Bailey, Vicki Hicks and Soroptimist International—to get more members.

It is on my Christmas list. So I'm wishing for all of you a very Merry Christmas & a very Happy New Year.

Remember that how we make people feel will echo through eternity.

- Lynn McGlade



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Best for Women

December Member Meeting

Date: Wednesday, Dec 2

Location: Bryan Place

Board Meeting: 4:45pm

Member Party: 6:00pm

Cost: \$20

Menu: Beef Tips, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Garden Salad/Rolls, Soft drinks, Brownies

For meal reservations/changes, contact [Donna Snider by Nov 24:](#)

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Smile Zone



Christmas and stocking stuffing time is here. This is a great time for new dental health items.

How about a new toothbrush, or better yet an electric toothbrush? These are great for cleaning teeth and

gums. Maybe a new flavor of dental floss or toothpaste? How about a water pick or water flosser?

Whitening products always make good gifts (whitening stripes, toothpaste, mouth rinse and pens). What ever

choice is made, look for an approval rating from the American Dental Society on the side.

Healthy smiles are Happy smiles!

- Valencia Clark

Thank You

Thank you to our members for supporting the May Kay Fundraiser. There was a total of \$645 in sales with 25% going to our club, a check for \$161.

As a special thank you I will give you a 25% discount for your personal shopping during my Holiday Sale, Dec. 4th & 5th. Call me or stop by Fri. & Sat. 10am-4pm.

- Charlotte McGuire



**An Example of
why we support
Transitions**

**A Powerful
Story from
"Humans of
New York"**

Supporting Women and Children Victims

"I grew up in a household where you were beaten for small things. Like breaking a dish. Or asking for food. I ran away when I was thirteen. I lived in group homes and foster homes in every borough. When I met him, I was working at the supermarket. I was sixteen. He was sixteen years older than me. He had a car. He was handsome. He'd do little things to make me laugh. Soon we were spending all our time together. I moved out of the group home and began living with him. I cooked for him, and did his laundry, and ironed his clothes. The first time he hit me was when I was seven months pregnant with our first child. I woke up to him screaming at me: 'You see I'm awake, now get up and help me!'"

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Member Milestones

December Birthdays:

10—Judy Wofter

December Anniversaries:

None



Supporting Women and Children Victims (cont'd)

"I started to become afraid of him. But I never argued back because I thought it would make him even more angry. He started to pick on me. He'd criticize how I dressed. And how I wore my hair. I told myself, 'Everyone gets a beating sometimes.' We had four children together. It's hard to explain why I stayed. He began beating blood out of me. But then he'd hug me and tell me he was sorry. He told me about his childhood. He told me that his father beat him every day. I told myself he'd been traumatized. And it wasn't his fault. But here's the thing-- I'd been traumatized too. And I didn't hurt anyone."

"One day the counselor at my daughter's elementary school called me. She gave me a pamphlet for a place called HeartShare. We'd been at the shelter for just a few days when he showed up. He tracked me using the GPS on my phone. He was screaming that I'd stolen his children. And that everything was my fault. And it made me feel guilty. He always knew how to make me feel guilty."

"I'm trying to make it on my own. It's been a tough road. I fell behind at our first apartment and we got evicted. But I went through a job program for women and now I work as a case manager with Coalition for The Homeless. I love my job, but I'm trying to raise four kids on a single income. We don't have much extra stuff. But at least we're together. And we have a home. And we're safe. I tell the girls all the time that we should feel lucky. I think they get tired of me saying that. But I honestly feel that we're so lucky."



Read more at <http://www.humansofnewyork.com/>

Three-Month Meeting Info



Dec 2—meeting location will be Bryan Place for our annual Christmas party and dinner. Cost is \$20 per person. The menu will be: beef tips, garlic mashed potatoes, green beans, garden salad/rolls, soft drinks, brownies. Let Donna know by Nov 24.

Jan 6—meeting location is First Christian Church on the corner of Dresden and Military Roads. It will be a pot luck. Mitzi Shook will speak about her position as Zanesville Victim's Advocate.

Feb 3—meeting will be held at First Christian Church and will again be a pot luck to allow for last minute weather-related cancelation. Speaker will be on the topic of Transitions, and a drive for supplies—hygiene and kitchen items, tote bags.

SIZ EVENTS

A Snapshot of the Year Ahead

Membership Meetings (MM) are typically held on the first Wednesday of each month

2015

December 2—Member Christmas party will be held at Bryan Place, cost is \$20 per person. The menu will be: Beef Tips, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Garden Salad/Rolls, Soft drinks, Brownies. Carol Bryan needs to be notified by Nov 25th of the number attending. Gift-wrapping fundraiser at Colony Square Mall Dec 12-19

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January 6—MM will be held at First Christian Church and will be a pot luck to allow for last minute weather-related cancelation, Mitzi Shook, Zanesville Victim's Advocate, will speak

February 3—MM will be held at First Christian Church and will again be a pot luck to allow for last minute weather-related cancelation. Speaker will be on the topic of Transitions, and a drive for supplies—hygiene and kitchen items, tote bags. Spirit of Women Day of Dance at Colony Square Mall.

March 2—Scholarship Awards Night will be held at Gitty's at Dillon State Park.

April 6—MM will be held at the Zanesville Country Club in the club room. The menu is lasagna, salad, bread, dessert and soft drink for \$20.00, Annual Style Show will be on April 16, MW Regional Conference will be April 22-24 in Ann Arbor, MI

May 4—Meeting location will be at Honey Baked Ham with the Quarter Auction/Sister Fun Night being held, Transitions renovation on May 20 and 21—we will be doing the kitchen in yellow

June 1—Installation Meeting will be held at Terra Cotta Vineyards

July 7—Annual Summer Picnic will be replaced with the 75th Anniversary Celebration of Soroptimist International of Zanesville. It will be a catered event held at First Christian Church

Membership Responsibilities:

- Attend meetings frequently
- Participate in Service Projects
- Be involved in fundraising events
- Actively serve on committees
- Live the Soroptimist Pledge





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Soroptimist International Mission Statement:

Soroptimist improves the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.

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President's Theme: "People will never forget how you made them feel, so what you do echoes in eternity."

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Pecan Sales

The pecans have been distributed but some of our members still have some left. Please bring any bags you cannot sell to me at Dr England's office (1024 Military Road). Then other members needing more pecans can contact me to pickup bags to sell. Thanks for all your sales efforts.

- Pat Burkhart

