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Soroptimist Signal

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President's Letter—Debbie Gheen

Dear Friends.

As I come to the end of being president, I think back to the beginning of my term. It was then that I asked each one of you to consider making fellowship and fun a priority this year. Projects come and go but the opportunity for friendship and memories can so often be missed during the reluctant and rushed times that we labor.

Sawyer's experience of turning work into something everyone wanted to do? Others willingly joined him to paint a fence because they thought he was having fun. Before long, they were actually enjoying themselves. One reason they had fun was simply just being together and I am sure they made lifetime memories that day too.

that I mentioned Tom



It's been a great year for us as a club. Together, we accomplished many things that helped women and girls. It is my hope that you had fun and enjoyed the time together. As Tom Sawyer may have said, "I thank you for painting with me." It's been fun!

> In Friendship, Debbie

Maybe you remember

June Member Meeting & Dinner

Date: Wednesday, June 3 Location: Terra Cotta Vineyards needed by May 21: Installation Meeting: 6:00pm Menu: Choice of chicken or beef, salad, potatoes, veggies and bread, glass of wine or soft drink, chocolate cake flambé

Dinner reservations: are Barbparmer@yahoo.com 740-872-6124 (home) 740-452-0099 (work)



Smile Zone

Dr. Sulens and I just completed our last treatment in the mobile dental unit for this school year. We finished 2 root canals, placed 2 crowns, and did numerous fillings and sealants to get students finished for the summer. Toothbrushes are going home with students so brushing can happen all summer. We have had another great year of treatment in the mobile dental unit and dental health education in the classroom. Keeping our students smiles healthy and preventing dental health problems is the objective of the Dental Health Pro-

gram. Thank you to all Soroptimist for your continued support of this much needed * program. Healthy Smiles to you all! - Valencia Clark

Midwest Region Conference Reports

Dream It Be It Career Support for Girls

This is a new, innovative program targeting girls ages 14-18 years old to guide them to fulfill their dreams, set career goals, and face and overcome obstacles. Last year, the new curriculum and resources were developed by SIA Headquarters and now refined and further developed for club implementation. The main Program Goal is: "Through education and access to role models, girls will be empowered to pursue their career goals and reach their full potential."

The SIZ Board voted to sponsor a One-Day Conference at OUZ/ZSC with Cindy Brandi as chair of the event this fall.

-Linda White

SIZ Awards at MWR Conference

Soroptimist committees include Membership, Program, Public Awareness and Fundraising. Local clubs are awarded Certificates of Merit during MW Region Spring Conference each year (Milwaukee this year) based on the local club's Governor's Report data and evidence of club activity. Soroptimist of Zanesville was awarded an Outstanding Award for activities:



Membership points included two required Membership events

• Program points included Human Trafficking Awareness event at Zane State, Transitions Renovations, and Educational Grants and Scholarship Awards to five recipients, Focus Reports, and SIZ financial support to Soroptimist International project

• Public Awareness points included WHIZ Live at Noon and radio event coverage, four print articles, Club Newsletter, Website update, published articles in the Vision Newsletter about Human Trafficking event and Doris Baker's Birthday celebration, Facebook, and updated club brochure.

• Fundraising points included Founders Pennies, fundraising events for Educational Scholarships & Awards, and Club Giving.

• Additional points were tallied for member attendance at 2014 Spring Conference and Fall District Meeting plus ten Program Focus Reports submitted online to SIA.

• SIZ donated over \$8,000 to women and girls' projects/awards for current club year, which assisted over 1,800 individuals.

SIZ members have volunteered hours of time, energy, talent and funds to our community "to improve the lives of women and girls". What an awesome team effort!

-Linda White

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Member Milestones

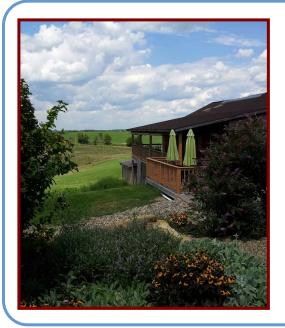
June Birthdays:

June Anniversaries:

Carolyn Sherry 2012

- 7 Cindy Brandi
- 9 Burdeen Higginbotham
- 23 Judy Rebic





June 3 Installation Meeting

Our June meeting is centered around the installation of a new Board for the 2015-2016 year. The setting will be the beautiful Terra Cotta Vineyards, where we have previously held our holiday celebration. This will give you the opportunity to see the setting in the day-light! It is spectacular!

Reservations are needed to Barb Parmer by May 21. See additional information below. Join us for our annual Installation Ceremony

Three-Month Meeting Info

Jun 3—June Installation dinner at Terra Cotta Vineyards, cost \$25.00 for choice of: Stuffed Chicken Breast or Beef Tenderloin, Rosemary potatoes, Chef's choice veggie and bread, Mixed green salad, Glass of wine or soft drinks, Chocolate cake flambé. Jul 8 (new date) —annual summer picnic. Please bring a pot luck dish and the board will provide meat and table service. Location will be at the shelter house at First Christian Church, where we had it last year. In case of rain, we will be inside the church

Aug 5— August 5th meeting will be at Gitty's.

Menu: Pork Roast, Baked Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Assorted desserts & Beverages \$12.50



A Snapshot of the Year Ahead

SIZ EVENTS

Membership Meetings (MM) are typically held on the first Wednesday of each month. Planning for the next fiscal year is in progress. Stay tuned!

2015

June 3 — Installation for new Board members and dinner at Terra Cotta Vineyards in Rix Mills, membership dues are due. The date for members to sign up for the June dinner is May 21st.

July 8— Pot luck picnic with the board providing meat and table service, Picnic will again be held at the shelter house at First Christian Church. Golf Outing fundraiser on July 11.

August 5 — TBD	As the new
September — TBD	
October—TBD	fiscal year
November—TBD	begins,
December—Member Christmas Party, details TBD	committees
Each month, one member is asked to create a scrapbook page as a remembrance for the chap- ter president upon the end of her term. Contact Donna Snider if you are willing to partici- pate. She has all of the resources. Thank you in advance!	will meet to
	set a path for
	the year
Membership Responsibilities:	ahead



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





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MWR Conference—Shining Star Award for Public Awareness

The District IV Shining Star Systems Award for Extra Effort Soroptimist International of Za- Newsletter created monthly by nesville! What a super surprise! Melodie Hayes.

Not only is news media coverage in The Times Recorder, WHIZ TV and radio important, but SIZ's increased community partnerships with Muskingum County Chamber of Commerce and the ACES award, plus partnerships with Zane State College for annual Scholarships and sponsoring the Human Trafficking Awareness event and SIZ's recent contract to partner with Spirit of Women / Genesis Health Care

future events were Public Awareness noted by Governor Vicky Hicks went to who also reads our outstanding

> Zanesville Soroptimists are getting the "S" logo out there and logo recognition is important. The logo and name are increasingly in the public's awareness locally on Save the Date cards, business letters and envelopes, Style Show program, event flyposters, ers and College program, Chamber Spring Break mission and "brand".... THANK ACES list, website YOU! www.zanesville.soroptimist.com and Facebook.

Thanks to the Public Awareness team that contributed to this award. Photos were sent to Facebook, SIZ website, flyers, and SIZ Newsletter by Debbie, Kelly, Melanie, Melodie, Pat and Taffy; Newsprint, WHIZ radio and TV coverage by Cindy and Valencia ; Facebook coordinator Taffy; Muskingum Chamber and Spirit of Women contact for SIZ is Linda. Apologies to any omitted contributors.

Zane State To all members who helped pub-Scholarship Breakfast licize Soroptimist of Zanesville's

- Linda White

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Back porch, play area Flowers and Garden

Transitions Reno Project 2015

Thank you to everyone that helped on Friday and Saturday (Melodie, Jaye, Cindy, Pat, Deborah, Molly, Donna, Vickey, Taffy, and Allison).

A special thank you to Doris for her special gift, Linda for the tricycle and Tammy for the bunk bed). This project does so much to help the women and children in need in this community and I appreciate everyone pitching in to make this a successful project.

-Melanie Smith



There is always more to do on the Human Trafficking ____Front

Human Trafficking MWR Conference

I learned we need to keep trafficking in the public eye - keep a spotlight on it. I went to a program by Anne Reem who wrote a book Lived Through It, about survivors of trafficking.

Anne is the founder of The Voices and Faces Project. It is a healing project for these survivors. We need to focus on getting victims out of situation but help with shelter, child care, food, education, jobs, and mind -set changes.

During the class time, another club said they were having a "Shine Your Light" program inspired by the book The Johns written by Victor Malerick. It brings the perspective of the johns and why they do what they do. This program wants to try to change the mind-sets of the johns, and focus on why they do this. Indications are they are influenced by the internet porn, magazines and even TV.

Shine Your Light motto is AAA - Awareness Advocacy Actions , bringing to light the johns - they don't want to be exposed.

- Lynn McGlade







