ZANESVILLE, OH CHAPTER MIDWEST REGION

# Soroptimist Signal

#### OCTOBER 2014

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### President's Letter—Debbie Gheen

#### Hello Friends,

It's almost time for our October 7th human trafficking awareness event. So please remember to join us and help with this important event. I realize for some that human trafficking is not the most appealing topic. Also, for others it is something that only happens in big cities and not little communities like ours. However, what we need to remember is that Soroptimist is about women helping women and girls. This is part of our mission, joining in events just like this with women around our country and around the world.

Often times it is so easy to ignore the things that we aren't directly involved with or that don't concern our neighborhood. This reminds me of the story of the Mouse, Chicken, Pig, Cow, and Snake. I will summarize it for you. The mouse of a farm house realizes the farmer has purchased a mouse trap. He runs to the barn to ask the chicken, pig, and cow for help for surely he will die. Each of them refuse to help him because it is not their problem and they cannot be bothered by him. The cow even mocks him as if a mouse trap could ever be a problem for a cow. The mouse goes back to the house where he is from. Later that night, the farmer's wife catches a venomous snake in the trap and it bites her. She becomes sick from the snake bite so the farmer kills the chicken for soup. He hopes the soup will make her well. She dies anyway. Then the farmer cooks the pig and the cow for



in this story, the only one that lives is the little mouse.

So just like in the story, many of us think that other people's problems are of no concern to us. Is this really true? As you can see from the story, eventually everything comes back to us. All communities should share responsibilities and concerns for each other. Did you know Ohio is one of the leading states in America for human trafficking? Again, just like in the story, it's not one person's problem. It is everyone's problem. Please join us and make a difference. Let's help stop this abuse of people!

Debbie



### **October Meeting Information**

#### Date: Oct I

Location: Tlaquepaque Restaurant on Maple Avenue Board Meeting: 4:45pm Member Meeting: 6:00pm Menu: Order from the menu

**Price**: Depends on order Remember to notify Barb Parmer by September 28 at noon if your reservation needs to change. Members with standing reservations do not need to contact her, unless you are not able to attend. Barbparmer@yahoo.com 740-872-6124 (home)

740-452-0099 (work)



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### Smile Zone

Dental Health going We all want strong! this. Dr. Sulens and I have been treating students in the middle school and high school. We have had students return on recall with no decay and then we have had students return with decay they have not had in 5-6 years.

As we question the students, many are drinking pop, power drinks and sweetened tea. As you know, these all can cause many issues and we are seeing this in our students.

I continue to educate our students to choose water and milk as the drinks of choice. We have had 4 students with toothaches that we are working to eliminate.

Someone questioned me the other day as to what would happen if

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the school did not have this program to help our students. I try not to think of this as we are truly blessed with this program that has continued to enrich the lives of our students for 72 years.

Cheers to your SMILES!

Submitted by Valencia Clark

### **Benefits of Volunteering**

Perhaps the first and biggest benefit people get from volunteering is the satisfaction of incorporating service into their lives and making a difference in their community and country. The intangible benefits alone—such as pride, satisfaction, and accomplishment—are worthwhile reasons to serve.

In addition, when SERVICE

- Solve Problems
- Strengthen Communities
- Improve Lives
- Connect to Others

"Do your duty and a little more and the future will take care of itself."

-Andrew Carnegie



on October 17th. Pat Burkhart's cell number is 221-0404.

She will be glad to deliver your pecans. The pecans will sell for \$10.00 again this year - both regular and chocolate. New members are asked to sell 12 bags and others are asked to sell 24 bags (or more).

If you have any questions, please contact Pat. Happy selling!

> Submitted by Pat Burkhart

### **Member Milestones**

### **October Birthdays:**

- 12 Doris Baker
- 2 Joann VanGilder

October Anniversaries: Becky Archibald 1978



### "Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off the goal." - Henry Ford

### October Speaker Profile—Teiaira Campbell

The speaker for the October Member Meeting will be Teiaira Campbell with the Girl Scouts.

Some information from the Ohio website: "Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a bet-

#### ter place.

Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) is the largest organization for girls in the world. Our mission is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Through activities in science and technology, business and economic literacy, and outdoor and environmental awareness, Girl Scouting provides girls with opportunities for fun and friendship while fostering the development of leadership skills and self-esteem."



### **Three-Month Meeting Info**

October I—meeting will be held at Tlaquepaque. Members may order from the restaurant menu. Speaker will be Teiaira Campbell from the Girl Scouts regarding their mission. **November 5**—meeting will be held at Charlotte McGuire's home and she will present the Mary Kay line for member purchase. 25% of sales will go to SIZ. Box lunches from Heavenly Ham will be the menu. Desserts brought by members.

ting will **December II (new** arlotte **date)** —Holiday Party will she will be held at the Zanesville line for Country Club. Price will 25% of be the same as last year.

## **SIZ EVENTS**

A Snapshot of the Year Ahead

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

### 2014

October I — MM topic Girl Scouts Mission, with Teiaira Campbell, a Virginia Wagner Award winner, and Lisa Rook. Special Event at Zane State to raise awareness of Human Trafficking on October 7. Please bring small, unwrapped "white elephant" gifts to the MM for Doris Baker. Also, Cindy Brandi will be on Live at Noon on WHIZ on October 15. Monetary donations from members will be accepted for gift wrapping supplies. Special tape needs to be purchased.

November 5 – MM Mary Kay fund raiser night will be held at Charlotte McGuire's home at 1940 Newark Road. Small monetary donations or a package of nametags will be accepted for gift wrapping supplies.

December 11 (new date) — Member Holiday party at Zanesville Country Club, Gift wrapping fund raiser at Colony Square Mall 13-20. Small monetary donations or a bag of bows will be accepted for gift wrapping supplies.

### 2015

January 7 — TBD

February 4 — TBD

March 4 — TBD

April I — MM topic TBD. Style Show is scheduled for April II, Transitions Home Renovation TBD

May 6 — TBD

June 3 — Installation for new Board members and dinner at a location TBD, membership dues are due

July I or 8 Picnic with the board providing meat and table service. Golf Outing fund raiser on July II.

#### August 5 —



September —

Each month, one member is asked to create a scrapbook page as a remembrance for the chapter president upon the end of her term. Contact Donna Snider if you are willing to participate. She has all of the resources. Thank you in advance!

"I always wanted to be somebody, but now I realize I should have been more specific."

-Lily Tomlin



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### **Contact Information**

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Soroptimist International Mission Statement: To improve the lives of women and girls, in local communities and throughout the world.

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President's Theme: "Have fun and enjoy life-

President's Theme: "Have fun and enjoy life-Together we can make a difference for women in need."

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Why Women & Girls?

Throughout history women and girls face additional obstacles and discrimination solely because of their gender. As an organization of business and professional women we feel uniquely qualified to help women and girls live their dreams. Learn more by visiting the website noted to the right.

#### Quick Facts

- One in three women have been beaten, coerced Into sex or otherwise abused in their lifetime.
- Women represent 40 percent of the world's labor force but hold just I percent of the world's wealth.
- Of the more than 110 million children not in school, approximately 60 percent are girls.



An online community empowering offline action, helping women and girls to live their dreams.

http://www.soroptimist.org/whywomen/whywomen.html