

# Soroptimist Signal

Zanesville, Ohio Club Midwest Region

June/July 2019

## What are you looking at?

A Message From Our President, Donna Snider



Make it your mission to magnify people's strengths not to highlight their weakness. The strengths of the team collectively are what make us work. Look back on our successes from the past Soroptimist year – We implemented the new restaurant fundraisers, meal costs are lower, committees are doing a bang up job, more people are aware of Soroptimist and what we do, we increased the amount s raised, we added a second place education award and so much more! As you are completing your club assessment surveys, think about what worked or how we can improve individually and as a club.

Enjoy Summer! With Love, Donna

Invoices have been sent out for club dues. Please pay your dues to Molly as soon as possible. If you did not receive an invoice, please let Molly know.





## **SURVEY SAYS...**

It's time to do another club assessment survey. Surveys can be picked up at a meeting. Please let Amy know if you prefer to receive the survey by e mail.

Surveys must be returned to Amy Hursey no later than <u>July 22, 2019</u>. The results will be discussed at the August planning meeting.



## Smile Zone

## Valencia Clark

Another School year in the books! Thanks to the Soroptimist for their continued support of the Mobile Dental Unit by purchasing supplies and for toothbrushes, floss and toothpaste for classroom instruction.

This important program helps children with dental health issues, as well as trying to instill prevention. Your help is a blessing and greatly appreciated!

Keep Smiling! Valencia



## Four Pillars Undates

- **Membership-** We love what we do. Let's invite a friend to join us in Soroptimist. Who do you know that would be a good addition to our club? Membership surveys are available. See the announcement on page 1 of this newsletter. Please pay your club dues! Brenda is making updates and changes to member books. If you have changes or additions please let her know ASAP
- **Fundraising-** Golf outing planning is underway. Please make sure you are working to secure your tee sponsors. If you are available to help at the outing, please let Taffy know. Thanks to everyone who helped at the Style Show in May. Tues. July 16<sup>th</sup> been selected for the Steak and Shake Fundraiser.
- **Program** June is the Officer Installation Banquet. We will have a special program and meeting. In July we will have our fun meeting / picnic at the home of Cindy Brandi.
- **Public Awareness-** SIZ participated at the Family Literacy Event at Colony Square Mall on 5-18-19.

Congratulations to Kim Brandfass and Tammy Findeiss as they celebrate 5 years of membership with Soroptimist in July. Ladies, you are greatly appreciated for all you do to share the mission of Soroptimist!



## 4 MONTH MEETING INFORMATION

RSVP to Brenda Elswick at <a href="mailto:belswick@zanestate.edu">belswick@zanestate.edu</a> (740) 255-1266



<u>June 6, 2019</u>- Officer Installation, Zane State College Cafeteria. Meal is catered by Edie's. Chicken, red skin potatoes, green beans, salad, roll and drinks. Cost is \$18 per person. *RSVP by May 24<sup>th</sup>*.



<u>July 11, 2019</u>- The meeting has been changed to the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of the month due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday. Our meeting will be on Thurs. **July 11<sup>th</sup>** at 6 pm. Please bring a picnic dish to share with others and carpool as parking is limited. We will be gathering at Cindy Brandi's home once again. Wear your best red white and blue to celebrate. Let Brenda know what you plan to bring.

August 1, 2019- First Christian Church, Fettucine Alfredo provided. Members are asked to provide garlic bread, salad, desserts or beverages. Committees will meet and plan ahead for the year. Be prepared to report back to the entire club. Let Brenda know what you plan to bring.

<u>Sept. 5, 2019</u>- *National Cheese Pizza Day!* \$10. Pizza and Salad First Christian Church. Members provide desserts or beverages. *Please watch for meeting info and updates on our Facebook page!* 

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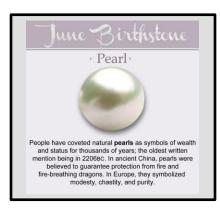
Soroptimist International of Zanesville

#### **Mission Statement:**

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

#### President's Theme:

Be, Accept, Value, Forgive, Bless, Express, Trust, Love, Empower Yourself and Others



# Member Milestones for June

<u>Birthdays</u> 7<sup>th</sup>- Cindy Brandi 23<sup>rd</sup>- Judy Rebic <u>Anniversaries</u> 2012- Carolyn Sherry

## Member Milestones for July

<u>Birthdays</u>

21st-Kim Brandfass

26th- Brenda Elswick

Anniversaries

1993- Pat Burkhart

2003- Crystal Zellar Hinkle

2012- Carolyn Sherry

2014- Kim Brandfass

Tammy Findeiss
5- Amy Hursey

2015- Amy Hursey







## **Society**

Four of SIZ's members were recognized at the MWR Conference for being Laurel Society Contributors.

These ladies are:
Valencia Clark
Crystal Zellar-Hinkle
Lynn McGlade
Barb Parmer
Sincere appreciation to each of you!

For more information on how you can contribute to The Laurel Society, contact one of the club board members or visit www.soroptimist.org



Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation *under God*, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

## We've Come a Long Way, Baby!

In April, Governor DeWine signed a bill commemorating 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment. SB 30 creates the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission to oversee events that celebrate the date when The State of Ohio ratified the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment, giving women the right to vote. The goal of the commission is to celebrate the trailblazers who lead the way for women, and to educate young people on the historical significance and modern day impact of the amendment.

Ohio played a large role in the suffrage movement. The first Suffrage convention was held in Cleveland. Cleveland was the first city in Ohio to allow women to vote.

Jen Miller, director of the League of Women Voters in Ohio says, 'My hope is that every day Ohioans- especially women, and especially young women, understand how hard it was to win the right to vote. I hope that they see it as sacred, and I hope that they will do everything they can to be active voters."

## Suffragettes posting bills in Cininnatti, Ohio



100 Years of Progress



## The Hildy Guild

The Acorn Guild is a way for the MWR clubs to fund the Virginia Wagner award. The Acorn Guild is similar to The Laurel Society except we are not asking you to donate a \$1000. Donate just \$100 dollars and you are a member! Perks of membership include a delightful Acorn Guild Pin featuring a squirrel wearing a tiara! Our club also receives credit on the Governor's Award forms for Acorn Guild members. The biggest perk though, is ensuring that the region has the ability to provide the Wagner Award. Amy Hursey has information if you would like to "chase squirrels" and join the guild.



## **Golf Update from Taffy:**

Remember to save the date of <u>July 13<sup>th</sup></u> for the Golf Outing. The registration fee of \$192 per team includes the cart rental.

The registration begins at 8:30 am, shotgun start at 9:00 am

The theme is Lucky 13 (13<sup>th</sup> annual, on the 13<sup>th</sup>)

Lunch is pulled pork from Bills BBQ, baked beans from Lynn, Pasta Salad from Cindy and Cole Slaw from Amy Serving Hot Dogs and Turkey Dogs at the turn.

If you can donate packaged snacks, cookies, fruit or cases of bottled water, please let Taffy know.

Tee sponsors are being contacted and the response has been favorable so far. Team registration forms have been mailed out to last year's teams.

## What's Happening?

#### June

- Submit a Dream It, Be It club transmittal form to your Dream It, Be It Region Chair within one month of completing your project (no later than **June 1**).
- Submit Dream It, Be It evaluation information within one month of completing your project no later than **June 1**
- Ensure that the club treasurer has collected dues from all members to allow sufficient time to make payment to the federation and region by **July 1.**
- Facilitate the transition of new club officers and committee chairs through an exchange of materials and joint training sessions. An important part of the club president's responsibility is to ensure that her successor is well-informed and trained.
- Evaluate all club activities for effectiveness and to ensure that all projects and programs are consistent with SIA's mission and goals.
- Notify headquarters of new club president and treasurer either online or by sending Form 200 due on or by **July 1**.
- Officer Installation Ceremony **June 6**<sup>th</sup>.

#### July

- Annual federation dues, Form 200 (New Officer Information) due to headquarters by July 1.
- Sign new signature cards at the club's bank (president and treasurer) for disbursement of club funds during the coming year.
- Appoint committee chairs and members (if applicable) and update your club roster
- Attend federation convention (during even-numbered years, usually in July or August).
- Download Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women materials from the SIA website.
- Submit entries for Soroptimist Celebrating Success Awards to region chair on or before July 1.
- Distribute Live Your Dream Awards applications. (*Application deadline for club-level awards is November 15.*)
- Annual Member Fun Picnic and New Member Induction Ceremony July 11th
- Golf Outing Sat. July 13<sup>th</sup>
- Return Member surveys by July 22



#### 2019 Spirit of Soroptimist Award Winner-Lynn McGlade

A member of Soroptimist International of Zanesville is recognized each year for significant contribution to the club, and for epitomizing the model of "The Soroptimist Spirit". The award recipients are professional, service oriented women who use their time and talent to support SIZ projects and events. This year's recipient is Lynn McGlade. We were able to surprise her and show off her talents at the Style Show. We felt that it was important to let others outside of SIZ to know just how special Lynn is to our club.

Lynn retired after 44 years of working in one department at Genesis. She continues to volunteer at the hospital and help where ever she can. She has served 1 ½ terms as club president and is now on the board as an "Ex Officio". She is passionate about the Soroptimist Mission and is a wonderful asset to the club. Congratulations Lynn!

## 2019 Mid West Region Conference Recap

At the end of April, Donna, Kim, Molly, Amy, Lynn, Kim and Pam attended the annual MWR Conference. Pam was a first time attendee! She says that everyone needs to go at least one time, just to get a better feel of the scope of our mission.

A lot of valuable information was shared at the break out training sessions.

We were able to see and hear from the region award winners for Violet Wagner and Live Your Dream. These ladies are going to change the world! Zanesville received two certificates, one for participating in the Governor's Award Program and the other was for participating in the Live Your Dream Award program.

Each of our members who attended were asked to share their favorite part, and their biggest take away from the conference.

Kim says that her biggest take away was hearing the different suggestions and ideas from other clubs. Her favorite part was the women's health workshop and being with the women who have been there the longest. And of course, the comradery with everyone there.

Pam shared that her biggest take away is just how large and far reaching our organization is, and that Soroptimist gives so many opportunities to those who choose to participate. Her favorite part was hearing the speaker for Rahab, who is a former FBI agent who worked on human trafficking.

Amy's favorite part was the leadership workshop with Christine Shearer. Her biggest take away was that there is as much importance in doing the small things as there is the big things.

Lynn said she had a true a ha moment when the Rahab Director explained that trafficking survivors need time to re adjust to living life as a normal person because they are so used to the life of being abused. People don't realize that the resources are there to help them. Her favorite thing about conferences is getting to know other club members better.

Molly said her favorite part of conference was attending the financial workshop. She picked up a lot of information and plans to apply what she learned to our club budget and finances.

Donna received many compliments from other clubs for Zanesville's efforts. Her favorite part was the workshop on leadership. She says "it really gave me a different perspective on the many ways or styles of leadership and trying to figure out what my style is or to look at a different way that suits my personality".

The fall District Meeting will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at the DoubleTree by Hilton on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Newark. Since this is so close to home, everyone should make an effort to attend. The information you learn is invaluable and the friendship is priceless!



We are doing another restaurant fundraiser at Steak N Shake on **Tues. July 16**<sup>h</sup>. A portion of the day's proceeds will be donated to our club for each person who dines in or drives thru that day. A flyer is not needed to receive credit, but an announcement sheet will be on our Facebook Page, and it will been e mailed to everyone. Please copy, share and post this flyer with everyone you know, and of course, eat at Steak n Shake!

## Soroptimist Snaps

A few pictures from the Spirit of Women Event on April 18<sup>th</sup> and the MWR Conference on April 26-28.

Be sure to check out the photos from the Style Show on our Facebook Page!



Spirit of
Women
Left- Our
purse entry
Right- Lynn
at our
beautifully
decorated
table





Little Black Dress Banquet L to R: Molly Ross, Amy Hursey, Lynn McGlade, Pam Edwards, Kim Brandfass, Donna Snider





L: Pre banquet selfie C: Lego Team Building R: Gov. Kris Armstrong with Kim Brandfass

