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Soroptimist Signal

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Best for Women

President's Letter—Debbie Gheen

Dear Friends,
“The days are long and the years are short. (Gretchen Rubin).”

This saying sure is fitting as winter seems to have come so quickly. I think we would all agree it's too soon! It doesn't seem that long ago that we were fighting the freezing temperatures and snow. Where has the year gone? How can we be getting ready for a new year again so quickly? I must say that I am not one to make New Year's resolutions. However, I am a planner and a goal setter so naturally this makes me think of the New Year and I start to

plan for it. So, I can't help but to be reminded of Gretchen Rubin's saying about the years being short. I realize how true this seems to be. I myself can't possibly figure out where this past year has gone. Or better yet, how my daughters seem to have grown up overnight. Surely that wasn't 28 years! The years really are short. Yet, funny as it is, the days themselves do seem to go slow. Anyway, I can't slow down time but I have learned to plan my days to allow more time to do the things that matter most with the people that matter the most.

So, starting this Christmas season and into the New Year, maybe you would like to join me? Let's try to make a goal or resolution, whatever you want to call it. Plan dates with your family and don't forget your friends. Let's slow down and take time to have fun and enjoy life.

Here's to long days and
LONG YEARS!

Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!

Debbie



December Holiday Dinner

Date: Thursday, Dec 11

Location: Zanesville Country Club

Holiday Party: 6:30pm

Menu: See page 3

Price: \$25

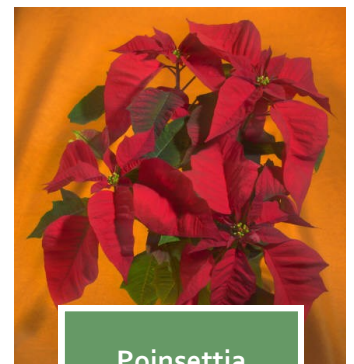
We need 25 attendees in order for us to have our party. Please notify Barb Parmer by December 1 at noon to

make your reservation. Members with standing reservations should contact her this month only so she has an accurate count.

Barbparmer@yahoo.com

740-872-6124 (home)

740-452-0099 (work)



Poinsettia

Smile Zone



Dental Health Education has continued to take place at the schools. The students have been learning the proper ways to brush and floss their teeth.

Diet and good snack choices are discussed as well as discussion on pop

drinking versus water and milk.

Prevention is always the key to good dental health. If we continue to work on good dental health, habits begin to develop.

Need a Christmas stock-

ing stuffer? How about a new toothbrush or a power tooth brush, dental floss (new flavor) or different types of toothpaste?

Cheers to your healthy SMILE!

- Valencia Clark

"It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference."

-- Tom Brokaw

Fundraising Efforts

Pecan Sales -

The sales are going well. As of November 20th, I have a half box of regular pecans and 1-1/2 boxes of chocolate pecans left for pickup. Thanks to all of our sales people. Let me know if someone has regular pecans left in case someone is asking for these. Again, thanks to all of you for your efforts and turn in any outstanding money on December 11.

- Pat Burkhart

Mary Kay Member Sales -

I just wanted to thank you for supporting the Mary Kay fundraiser at the November member meeting held at my house.

If you are interested in any additional purchases, you can do so by contacting me before the end of November.

- Charlotte McGuire

Colony Square Mall Giftwrapping



Be sure to sign up for our giftwrapping fundraiser scheduled for December 13th thru the 20th. We need everyone's support.

This is a great money maker for our group, but it has to be a team effort.

It is also fun as we see many of our friends shopping & the Christmas atmosphere puts you in the mood.

Also, donations of bows are still needed. You may contact Joyce or

Charlotte about the schedule.

- Joyce Haddox

Member Milestones

December Birthdays:
10 Judy Wofter

December Anniversaries:
None



“The heart of a volunteer is not measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference in the lives of others.” --

DeAnn Hollis

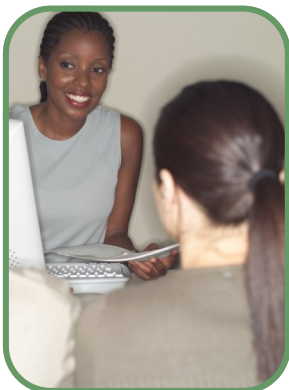
December 11 Meeting — Holiday Party

The SIZ annual Holiday Party is a time for members to relax and enjoy a festive evening with our club sisters. This year it will be held at the Zanesville Country Club. We do have a minimum number of attendees that we must meet, so it is very im-

portant that Barb Parmer know an exact count well in advance of the party. Please plan on joining in on the wonderful evening of relaxing, enjoying the lovely surroundings, and fellowshiping with each other. It’s a busy time of year, but

we’ve all worked hard on various fund raising projects and we deserve a night to celebrate!
Menu: Pork Loin and Chicken Marsala with Mediterranean vegetables, au gratin potatoes, salad, dinner rolls, and beverage.

Three-Month Meeting Info



December 11 — Holiday Party will be held at Zanesville Country Club on Thursday, Dec 11. Please notify Barb Parmer by December 1 regarding your attendance.

January 7 — Committee teams will meet and update on progress of initiatives and projects

February 4 — Speaker will be Meg Dietrick, who will discuss 211 services

SIZ EVENTS

A Snapshot of the Year Ahead

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

2014

December 3 — Member Holiday party at the Zanesville Country Club, price \$25, Small monetary donations or a bag of bows will be accepted for gift wrapping supplies.. Gift wrapping fund raiser at Colony Square Mall 13-20.

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January 7 — MM will concentrate on committee planning and updates

February 4 — MM will feature Meg Dietrick, who will talk about 211 phone number and the many services it can connect you with.

March 4 — MM will feature our scholarship winners with a special dinner TBD

April 1 — MM topic Influential Person Night - Members are asked to bring a person that has influenced them or who they have influenced to dinner. Style Show is scheduled for April 11, Transitions Home Renovation TBD, Spring Conference 2015 in Milwaukee

May 6 — Sister Fun Night, Quarter Auction and Door Prizes

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

July 1 or 8 Picnic – Golf Outing fundraiser on July 11. The club also has a pot luck picnic with the board providing meat and table service.

August 5 — TBD

September — TBD

October—TBD

November—TBD

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!

“ To the world you may be one person, But to one person you may be the world.”

-- Anonymous



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.

- President Debbie Gheen
- Vice President Lynn McGlade
- Recording Secretary Kelly Moore
- Corresponding Secretary Cindy Brandi
- Treasurer Molly Ross
- Delegate Jamie Clark
- Delegate Donna Snider
- Director Judy Rebic
- Director Linda White

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



#GivingTuesday from SI website

How Will You Celebrate #GivingTuesday?

On December 2, people around the world will come together for #GivingTuesday, a global day dedicated to giving back. SIA is proud to be one of the thousands of organizations participating this year, and we hope you’ll take part, too, by making a gift to help empower women and girls.

Watch the video at this link

<http://www.soroptimistsummary.org/>
to learn more about the idea behind #GivingTuesday.

Don’t forget to spread the word to your friends and family, and stay tuned for more information about this year’s #GivingTuesday.

#GivingTuesday

The day after Cyber Monday

A Day “Tue” Give

**Support the charities close to
your heart!**

