

The Signpost

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Soroptimist International of Kansas City
South Central Region



SOROPTIMIST® June 2024

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Investing in Dreams



President's Message
Margaret Smith, MD



Greetings fellow Soroptimist,

This is my last formal greeting as your president. It has been a challenging year for me but I/we have managed to make it through with the help of the Board, Foundation, and our hardworking active members.



May we held our premier event, the Celebration of Service. It was a huge success and I would like to thank our former president and Service Objectives committee chair, Norma McKelvy and her team for putting together a wonderful event.

June promises to be very busy with our joint business and board meeting, the installation of officers, and our fun fundraiser! For those of you who are planning travel this summer, happy trails! Congratulations to those who will celebrate graduations with family and friends. And for the rest of us who just plan to be this-enjoy the weather and fun summer events.

Thank you all for an amazing adventure this year! And I will see you next month as immediate past president.

President Margaret

2023-2024

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June Calendar



Board & Business Meeting

June 1, 2024
2:00-5:00 p.m.
Blue Ridge Library
9253 Blue Ridge Boulevard
Kansas City, MO 64138-4028

Installation of Officers

June 12, 2024
6:00 p.m.
Hereford House
5001 Town Center Dr,
Leawood, KS 66211

Flag Day

June 14, 2024



SIKC Fundraiser

June 23, 2024
T-Shotz
Details on page 5.



June Birthdays

Candy Routledge June 1

June Installation of Officers

6:00 p.m.
June 12, 2024
Hereford House
5001 Town Center Drive
Leawood, KS 66211

Details on Page 4.

RSVP to Marie Parker
at attendance@ksoroptimist.org
no later than Friday, June 7



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June Board & Business Meeting

Saturday, June 1st at 2:00 p.m. at the Mid-Continent Public Library
Blue Ridge Branch

Blue Ridge Community Room
for our annual SIKC Board and club members combined meeting.

Following the business meeting, we will brainstorm ideas for the 2024-2025 club year, then break into groups to further refine the results. We will have a brief break then reconvene to synthesize our ideas into preliminary plans.

We'll have available sweet treats, salty snacks and bottled waters for our afternoon break. Please bring with you any beverage you would care to enjoy during the meeting.



Recruitment and Retention

The June issue of HerLife will contain a quarter page ad for our club.

It appears on page 53.

The ad is on our website and Facebook.
Please share with everyone you know.

We need more members and now is our chance to get the word out.



Installation of Officers

On Wednesday, June 12, 2024, we will hold our Installation Ceremony with dinner at Hereford House in Leawood, KS.

Social time: 5:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:00 p.m.

Program: 7:00 p.m.

The following officers will be installed:

SIKC Board

President – Lynn LeCount

President-Elect – Mysti Meiers

Secretary – Candy Routledge

Treasurer – Grace Boswell

Directors – Angie Guynes & Marie Parker

Foundation Trustees

Chair – Marcia Boutz

Co-Chair – Tanya Johannes

Treasurer – Danielle Sidney

Secretary – Jerri Cofran

New Trustees

Caitlin Miller

Dianne Young

Dinner Selection

1) **5 oz Bacon Wrapped Beef Tenderloin** grilled over hickory charcoal

2) **Barbecue Chicken** hickory grilled chicken breast with house-made BBQ sauce

*****The two entrees above are served with garden salad, seasonal vegetables, and mashed potatoes.***

3) **Blackened Shrimp Linguine** (does not include additional side items)

Bread, water, coffee and iced tea are included.

The cost for the guest(s) is \$32 plus tax and gratuity which is: \$41.89, per person. Coffee, tea and water are included in this price.

Soda and cocktails are separate (cash bar) and will have tax and 20% gratuity added.

We are looking forward to another special celebration together!

Ways & Means Fundraiser

PAR-TEE
 For Service Objectives!
 with
SIKC

*Not a golfer?
 NO PROBLEM they
 have all you need!*

*Golfer?
 You can bring your
 clubs and let 'em fly*

JUNE 23RD

3 - 6 PM

Raffle **\$50** Prizes
 Includes buffet
 soft drinks
 & more!

T-SHOTZ
 DRIVES • DINE • DRINKS
 660 NW Metro North Drive
 KCMO 64155



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\$25 of this purchase is considered tax deductible; however, donors should confer with tax experts regarding the tax handling of any charitable donation.

visit our website: www.kcsoroptimist.org

Celebration of Service

Last month, Soroptimist International of Kansas City held it's 68th annual Celebration of Service by distributing grants to non-profits who work to improve the lives of women and girls. This year we gave out \$59,000 to seventeen non-profits in the Kansas City area that have projects focused on women of all ages.

These included *The Whole Person* who are establishing an ASL program to help young deaf girls communicate with their families; *Keeler Women's Center* who serves women in the Hispanic Community; *Gateway of Hope* who will provide mental health scholarships to women; *Fashion Arts Fund* is providing scholarships to young women building their careers in fashion; *Madam President Camp* provides leadership training to middle school girls; *Baby Grace* provides diapers to families in need; *Transition Zone* works with young women to teach them how to master power tools through their DIY Chics program; *The Single Mom KC* supports single mothers both financially and emotionally; *The Salvation Army* provides medical and dental needs for homeless women; *Shepherd's Center of KC* provides Adventures in Learning classes for seniors; *Mother's Refuge* provides shelter and training to young homeless mothers to be; *Safehome* will provide food for their residents; *Jackson County CASA* works to provide a healthy transition from foster care to being on their own as they age out of the system; *Hope House* helps women with their financial needs; *CAPA* will help young mothers through their Healthy Families Program; *Hillcrest Transitional Housing* provides an apartment and financial training for homeless families; and *Cultivate KC* grows food in their Juniper Gardens Training Farm.



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