

The Signpost

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Investing in Dreams



President's Message
Lynn LeCount



Hello Ladies,

Is it me or is there a weird time-warp acceleration that occurs during the summer months? August is upon us already. I'd like to acknowledge everyone's efforts as we formulate the upcoming year – there have been lots of constructive conversations and the teamwork is starting to outline our club year.

We're underway!

President Lynn

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2024 - 2025 is the club year

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August Calendar



UMKC Archives Research
 August 2, 2024
 9:00 a.m.,
 800 E 51st Street,
 306 Miller Nichols Library
 UMKC, Kansas City, MO 64110

Primary Election Day
 August 6, 2024
VOTE!

Board Meeting
 August 14, 2024
 6:00 p.m.
 KC Shepherd's Center
 Kansas City, MO

Business Meeting
 August 21, 2024
 6:00 p.m.
 The Mason Jar
 Kansas City, KS



August Birthdays
 Dianne Young August 13
 Elaine Fry August 28
 Caitlin Miller August 30

August Business Meeting
 6:00 p.m.
 August 21, 2024
 The Mason Jar
 941 N 74th Drive
 Kansas City, KS 66112

5:30 p.m. Social Time
 6:00 p.m. Dinner

Menu

Choose your own meal off The Mason Jar's Menu.
 Go to <https://www.masonjarkc.com>
 Make your choice. Your cost will be the amount shown on
 the menu plus 25% gratuity.
 Payment will be due upon arrival at The Mason Jar.
 It is important that you be seated at the table prior to 6:00.

Speaker

Mysti Meiers
 SIA Convention Updates

Collection|
School Supplies
(Missouri Tax Free Holiday August 2-4)



RSVP to Heather Rollins
 at attendance@kcsoroptimist.org

no later than Wednesday, August 14

Committees at Work

Several of our 2024-2025 Committees are hard at work, planning activities and projects for throughout the year.

Dates are being set so MARK YOUR CALENDAR so you can participate.

Community Service: Goal– 3 collections, 3 projects during business meetings, 3 hands-on volunteer events. August 21st, school supply collection/October 19, Hospice House dinner.

Recruitment and Retention: First planning meeting completed July 29. Stay tuned.

The August issue of HerLife will feature the last ad in our series of requests for volunteers. It appears on page 47.

The page 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.

History Committee: Meeting August 2 at UMKC Miller Nichols Library. Goal-to deliver and inventory archival materials, explore options for Foundation documents, find materials for 2026 conference.



Public Relations: First meeting set for August 7 via Zoom.

Special and Cultural Events: Goal, establish dates/venues for 2025 Holiday Party (club date: December 8 and combined metro clubs if needed), Installation on June 18, 2025, two cultural events.

The first is to be a White Elephant Bingo party on September 22 to benefit the Foundation, the second to be a tour of the Amelia Earhart Hangar Museum, her home and lunch in Atchison, KS on October 6. Details to come. MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW...

Ways & Means: Goal-pursue one major event and multiple smaller fundraising opportunities, one for each quarter Power of the Purse Plus at Gallery V, Bingo party, meat raffle, Restaurant night donation % of sales to commemorate International Women's Day in March.

Live Your Dream: See next page....

Live Your Dream

The following information is at www.kcsoroptimist.org/live-your-dream/. There is a link to the SIA website to start the application process here.

The 2024-25 Live Your Dream application cycle will open August 1, 2024. SI of Kansas City offers several awards ranging in amounts from \$250-3,000. For more information about this financial opportunity through SIKC, email Marcia Boutz, LYD Chair.

Please tell all your friends, coworkers and anyone who might be able to direct a young woman to this great program.

2025-2026 Committees

Committees/Appointee

Service Objectives: Norma McKelvy, Chair; Bonnie Cutler, Marie Parker, Grace Boswell, Nora Magee, Kay Stewart and Rosemary Moran

Attendance: Heather Rollins

Laws & Procedures: Marcia Boutz

Recruitment & Retention: Elaine Fry, Chair; Margaret Smith, Angie Guynes

Ways & Means: Jerri Cofran, Chair; Danielle Sidney, Grace Boswell, Nora Magee, Marie Parker

Special & Cultural Events: Kay Stewart, Chair; Caitlin Miller, Nora Magee. Jerri Cofran, Marie Parker

Community Service: Lynn LeCount, Chair; Candy Routledge, Danielle Sidney, Tanya Johannes, Margaret Smith

Live Your Dream: Marcia Boutz, Chair; Grace Boswell, Tanya Johannes, Margaret Smith

Dream It, Be It: Melanie Simpson, Chair; Margaret Smith, Rosemary Moran

Public Relations: Mysti Meiers, Chair; Kay Stewart (Newsletter), Mysti Meiers (Webmaster), Lynn LeCount (FaceBook), Candy Routledge (Technology/WordPress), Caitlin Miller (Social Media Knowledgebase, Reality Check, Photojournalist and News Copy)

SI North Kansas City Mum Sale

It's early this year...

Orders can be submitted by September 3



The 8/9" pots are available in five colors: red, orange, yellow, purple, and white. There is only one plant per pot, but the plants overfill the pot and are approximately 16" across when blooming. They are smaller than last year, which is reflected in the cost.

Cost is \$15.00 per pot.
You may pay when you pick them up.

Orders can may be sent to them from August 1 to September 3.

Pickup is Saturday, September 14 from 9:00 am to Noon.

The location is iWerx at 1520 Clay Street
North Kansas City, MO 64116.

The garage entrance is on Burlington between 15th and 16th street.

Our friends at SIKC Northland have been selling these for years.
Let's help support them.

The flowers are gorgeous and it is fun to see everyone on pickup day.

