

The Signpost

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South Central Region



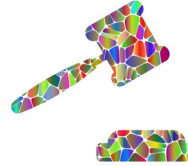
SOROPTIMIST® September 2024

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Investing in Dreams



President's Message
Lynn LeCount



All,

How exciting to see the club year come together with projects and plans now coalescing into events and dates! Thank you to everyone for your extra efforts getting us launched so well.

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If you haven't already, please extend an invitation to someone to join us for the September 22nd White Elephant Bingo Party (details on page 3) and/or the October 6th Atchison outing for lunch at Willie's Sports Pub followed by tours of Amelia Earhart's Birthplace and Hangar Museums (details on page 7).

See you there!

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2024 - 2025 is the club year

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FUN!

September Calendar



UMKC Archives Research

September 6, 2024
8:30 a.m.,
800 E 51st Street,
306 Miller Nichols Library
UMKC, Kansas City, MO 64110

Board Meeting

September 11, 2024
6:00 p.m.
KC Shepherd's Center
Kansas City, MO

Business Meeting

September 18, 2024
6:00 p.m.
Iron Horse
Lee's Summit, MO

White Elephant Bingo

Sunday, September 22
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Kay's House
Lee's Summit, MO



September Birthdays

Bonnie Cutler September 2
Heather Rollins September 3
Lynn LeCount September 7
Jerri Cofran September 11

September Business Meeting

6:00 p.m.

September 18 2024

Iron Horse of Lee's Summit, MO

1012 S.E. Blue Parkway

Lees Summit, MO 64434

5:30 p.m. Social Time

6:00 p.m. Dinner

Menu

Choose your own meal off the Iron Horse Menu.

Go to www.ironhorsegrillbar.com.

Make your choice. Your cost will be the amount shown on the menu plus 20% gratuity.

Payment will be due upon arrival at the Iron Horse.

It is important that you be seated at the table prior to 6:00.

Speaker

To be determined...

September Community Service project

Write a vet - or two or three. Feel free to bring to the September 18th business meeting those postcards, greeting cards, or pictures to help you compose your message(s).

Important Note regarding the SCR District Meeting

The September 18th business meeting is the deadline for supplying Grace with your completed registration form with payment, as applicable.

RSVP to Heather Rollins

at attendance@kcsoroptimist.org

no later than Wednesday, September 11

HerLife (one more time....)



Our contact at HerLife let us know that they were going to put one more ad for our club into their September issue at no charge.

Please take a look and share with everyone you know.

It appears on page 45, and will also be on our website and Facebook page. Check it out!

White Elephant Bingo

Your Community Service Committee and Ways & Means Committee are collaborating to host a White Elephant Bingo party at Kay Stewart's home.

It has been a while since we have held this fun event.

It will be a combination of social time and fund raising for our Foundation.

All libations and snacks will be provided by the committee.

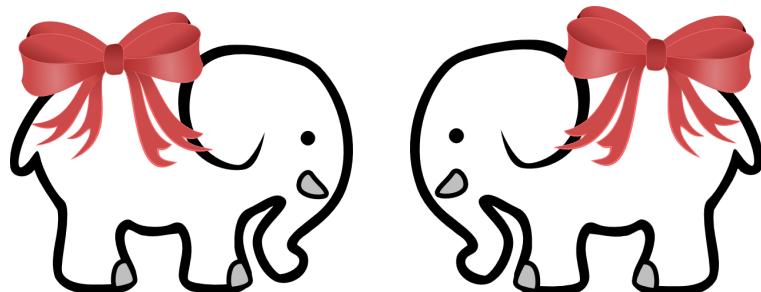
Date: Sunday, September 22, 2024

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (or whenever the last item is won)

Find some white elephants around your house, wrap them up in the grocery store ads and bring them and a friend or two for an afternoon of fun.

Cost to play: \$10 for the 1st bingo card, or 3 for \$15.

(We need members to help supply card tables and folding chairs. If you have some you will loan us, please contact Kay for pickup. We would like to have them no later than September 20 for planning purposes)



SCR Districts Meeting

The South Central Region Districts Meeting

October 11-13, 2024

Holiday Inn Wichita KS East I-35

← 2024 Call to D...rict Meetings PDF



At this year's SCR District Meeting, we will partner with the Wichita Family Crisis Center to make LOVE Packs to provide for those that are in crisis and need immediate supplies. We will assemble the packs on Saturday afternoon. Each District has been assigned a category. Please bring or purchase enough of each item to make 100 packs. You can bring your items with you or ship them to the hotel directly.

 DISTRICT I Self Care Products	 DISTRICT II Women's Hygiene	 DISTRICT III Baby/Child Hygiene
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cantu-Shampoo and Conditioner Shine n Jam Edge Gel Blue Magic Shea Moisture Boar bristle hair brush Detangling Brush Hair picks Metal rat tail comb Hair spray/gel Perfume mascara Eye liner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hair brushes Lotion Body Wash Shampoo/Conditioner Q-tips Razors Sponge Nail Clippers Tweezers Nail polish Nailpolch remover Cotton balls/rounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baby Lotion Baby Wash Baby Shampoo Infant nail clippers Kid Toothpaste Sippy Cups for all stages Baby oil Kids bath sponge Diaper rash ointment Teething Gel Teething rings Baby digital thermometers



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FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION, PLEASE: If you'd like to participate in the South Central Region (SCR) collection for the Wichita Family Crisis Center LOVE packs, please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F45AAAB2FA0FA7-50679036-district#/> to indicate which of the self-care products requested by the SCR you plan to purchase in lots of 20. Feel free to partner up with other Soroptimists if you'd like to split the lot of 20 products.

The Wichita Family Crisis wish list is available at <https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/owner-view?registryId=2VIDG3N9E3GRB> and can be shipped directly to the SCR meeting hotel [Holiday Inn Wichita East I-35, 549 South Rock Road, Wichita, KS 67207, Phone: 316-686-7131] by setting your delivery date to October 7th in Amazon.

SCR Districts Meeting



Don't forget! If you plan to go, our treasurer Grace is required to send in registration and meal money for each SIKC attendee in one check. Please be prepared to give her your check at the September 18 club meeting.

Another Opportunity for Hands On Service

We will be serving lunch at the Kansas City Hospice House

Date: Saturday, October 19

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Arrive about 10:00 to drop off of help set up

Theme: The Kansas City Chiefs Tailgating

If you can take part, please mark your calendars. They only need 5 or 6 volunteers to serve but we could use more members to contribute dishes.

Suggestions: Brats/buns

BBQ

Chips

Potato Salad

Baked beans

Macaroni Salad

Cookies/Brownies

Soft drinks/bottles of water

Paper plates/napkins/paper cups

Anything else you like for tailgating....



Ways & Means



Fundraisers Planned 2024 – 2025

Meat Raffle

*We have partnered again with veteran owned and operated, **KC Cattle**, for our on-line **Meat Raffle**

*The raffle will run from **October 1 - November 11, 2024**

*Drawing to be held Wednesday, November 13, during our business meeting

White Elephant Bingo

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 22, 2024,

2PM-4PM for some fun at Kay's house.

*Bring a friend or family member

*Cost to play: \$10 for 1 card; \$15 for 3 cards

*Bring a wrapped White Elephant gift

*Snacks and beverages provided

*All monies go towards our fundraising efforts

Women's International Day - Week of March 3, 2025

*Seek out locally owned restaurants and businesses for donations

Power of the Purse Plus - May, 2025 (exact date TBD)

*Event will be held at Valerie Phillips, Gallery V

*Would include donated purses, jewelry, hats, gloves, scarves, items for men

*Start spreading the word

*And gathering donations of new/gently used purses, jewelry, accessories, etc.

Special and Cultural Events



This year your Special & Cultural Events Committee decided to hold a cultural event that would feature a famous woman from our area.

One of the most famous was Amelia Earhart, a woman who never let the fact that she was female stop her from embarking on flying adventures around the world.

She was born and raised in Atchison, Kansas, a mere hour's drive north from Kansas City. Her home was high on a bluff overlooking the Missouri River and can now be toured by the public. Atchison has proudly erected a hangar museum to house all the Amelia memorabilia and tell her fantastic story.

As our club is all about women and their achievements, your committee feels it is time for us to motor north and visit the spot that inspired this amazing woman .

With that in mind, we propose an outing for October.

Date: Sunday, October 6, 2024

Time: Leave KC about 9:30 a.m. Reach Atchison around 11:00 a.m.

Lunch: Willie's Bar & Grill

Tour the Earhart home: about 12:30

Tour the Earhart Hangar: about 3:00, then home

Cost: About \$28 for tickets to her home and the hangar.

(Group rates are available. When we can a confirmed count, we can arrange the tours and get a discounted cost for tickets.)

Lunch will be on your own at Willie's.

Please mark your calendar and be prepared to RSVP at the September club meeting so we can get an accurate count.

Directions will be forthcoming.



School Supply Collection in August

Thank you to all who contributed...



120 pencils	64 (24 pack) of crayons
156 ink pens	4 (36 pack) of crayons
1 pencil sharpener,	2 binders
8 bottle & stick glue	
17 packs of markers	6 (2 pocket) folders
3 packs colored pencils	7 spiral notebooks.
14 pairs of scissors	6 composition books.
4 pencil boxes	13 packs notebook paper.
4 rulers	

SIKC donations

The above listed school supplies collected by Soroptimist International- KC were delivered to



Lindbergh Elementary School on Friday August 23. They were received by Amada Hearn, School Counselor, Principal Dustin Wiley and Social Worker Hermon Rezene.



Also pictured are Kim Ford of Metropolitan Leadership Institute, Inc (and a Lindbergh alumni) who facilitated the donation and Norma McKelvy, SIKC.

Principal Wiley said "Wow this is great. Teachers have already been asking for crayons and I know which classrooms will get some of these supplies."

Lindbergh is located at 641 N 57th St. in Kansas City, KS. There are 220 students this year of which 87% are minority and

81% are on free lunch. Math and Reading test scores are below the 50th percentile but Lindbergh is listed in the top 20% of most improved schools in Kansas.