

The Signpost

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Soroptimist International of Kansas City
South Central Region



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Investing in Dreams



President's Message
Lynn LeCount



All,

What a busy month we had in September, with thanks to all who lent a hand making White Elephant Bingo so enjoyable.



October promises to be another fun round with an Amelia Earhart outing (see page 3) and serving lunch at the KC Hospice House (see page 5).

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Kudos to our full-steam-ahead committees and their chairs, who launched our first quarter with panache.

For our second quarter, we're building our digital footprint, organizing meaningful community service opportunities, launching our next fun(d)-raising campaign (see page 7), and gathering applications for those tough choices on how to allocate the 2025 Foundation distribution!

Kay Stewart, Editor

Caitlin Miller,
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Checker

Well done!

Lynn

2024 - 2025 is the club year

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October Calendar



Special & Cultural Events

Amelia Earhart Museum

October 6, 2024
Leave KC 9:30 a.m.

Board Meeting

October 9, 2024
6:00 p.m.
KC Shepherd's Center
Kansas City, MO

UMKC Archives Research

October 11, 2024
8:30 a.m.,
800 E 51st Street,
306 Miller Nichols Library
UMKC, Kansas City, MO 64110

South Central Region District's Meetings

October 11-13
Wichita, KS

Business Meeting

October 16, 2024
6:00 p.m.
O'Neill's Restaurant
Leawood, KS

Community Service Lunch at KC Hospice House

October 19, 2024
Arrive 10 a.m.
Serve Lunch till 1:00 p.m.
Chief's Tailgating Theme

October Business Meeting

6:00 p.m.
October 16, 2024
O'Neill's Restaurant
9417 Mission Road
Leawood, KS 66206

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

Menu

Choose your own meal off O'Neill's Menu.

Go to <https://www.kconeills.com>

Make your choice. Your cost will be the amount shown on the menu plus 9.11% tax and 20% gratuity.

Payment will be due upon arrival at O'Neill's.

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

Speaker

Stephanie Hoover
Sheffield Place

RSVP to Heather Rollins

at attendance@kcsoroptimist.org
no later than Friday, October 11



October Birthdays
(Darn! None this month)

Amelia Earhart Cultural Event

This coming Sunday we will be motoring north to visit the Amelia Earhart Home and Hangar Museum. The weather promises to be beautiful. Hopefully, the trees will start turning color and the cider mills around Weston open and inviting.

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 have 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 calendars. **RSVP no later than Friday, October 4** so we can have an accurate count and arrange carpooling.

Kay and Jerri Cofran are planning to drive and will welcome passengers.

We could use a couple more drivers.

Please join us. It will be a wonderful experience.



SCR Districts Meeting

The South Central Region Districts Meeting

October 11-13, 2024

Holiday Inn Wichita KS East I-35

OCTOBER is Domestic Violence AWARENESS MONTH

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK.

1 in 3 women experience sexual assault or domestic violence at some point in their lives. Someone you know probably is, or will become a victim. We want to support these victims and take a stand against domestic violence.

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

- Conditio-Shampoo and Conditioner
- Shine n Jam Gelly Gel
- Blue Magic
- Shea Moisture
- Boa beauty hair brush
- Detangling brush
- Hair picks
- Metal rat tail comb
- Hair spray/gel
- Perfume
- mascara
- eye liner

DISTRICT II Women's Hygiene

- Hair brushes
- Lotion
- Body Wash
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Q-tips
- Razors
- Sponge
- Nail Clippers
- Tweezer
- Nail polish
- Nailpatch remover
- Cotton balls/rounds

DISTRICT III Baby/Child Hygiene

- 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

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR SIGN UP & PURCHASE LINKS/QR CODES!



wichitafamilycrisiscenter.org

SCR Districts Meeting



Hospitality Suite

We need your help in making our Hospitality Suite enjoyable for everyone. We are asking for the following contributions based on your club membership:

District I: Beer

District II: Wine

District III: Water, soda, other non-alcoholic

Please contact Teresa about what your club will bring:
Teresa Young, 51 Palmyra, 806.239.8979, teresa.young@wbu.edu

Hands On Service for October

Taking Tailgating to Kansas City Hospice House

There will be a sign-up sheet at the October 16th business meeting so we may coordinate our Chiefs themed menu at the Kansas City Hospice House luncheon. We'll need a handful of volunteers to set up the tailgate spread, then clean up. The kitchen is open until 1:00 p.m. We invite everyone to contribute autumn themed dishes and tailgating goodies. If you're not in a position to deliver your food by 11:30 a.m. directly to KC Hospice House at 12000 Wornall Road, we can arrange a pick up in advance. The Chiefs play the following day and our hope is to leave behind some of those tail-gating goodies for folks to enjoy during the game.



Service Objectives Grant Applications Now Available

Norma McKelvy, Service Objectives Chair has advised that our 2024-2025 grant applications are now available on our website: www.kcsoroptimist.org.

The links for the applications, the funding criteria, and the mid-year report forms can be found at www.kcsoroptimist.org.

Click on Programs/Service Objectives Grants
Scroll down for forms.

If you know of any organization that has specific projects that benefit Women and Girls in our community, please provide the links to them so they may apply.

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**APPLY NOW
APPLICATION
DEADLINE NOV. 15**

Are you a woman that has been enrolled or accepted into a vocational/skills training program or an undergraduate degree program? Are you the primary financial support for yourself and dependents?

TAKE THE FIRST STEP

soroptimist.org/lyda-apply

Live Your Dream
Applications
Available



Ways & Means Meat Raffle



Soroptimist International of Kansas City

MEAT

Raffle



Oct. 1 - Nov 11

Winners announced and notified November 20, 2024

Grand Prize \$500 ★ 2nd Prize \$250

Purchase tickets @ www.kcsoroptimist.org



Proceeds will aid in the work SIKC does to support women and girls in the KC metro area.

Tickets

\$20 ea

LIMITED TO 250 TICKETS



A special thanks to Kansas City Cattle Company

White Elephant Bingo



Your Special & Cultural Events committee had the best time hosting our white elephant bingo event at the American Legion Hall in Independence. We weren't sure if this was a "special" event or a "cultural" event. We just know we had a lot of fun and took some interesting prizes home. We even raised about \$300 for our Ways & Means goal this year. Not much, but it is more than we had before. Thanks to all who participated. We had a good time.

