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Calendar

June 6—Business Meeting@
noon BJ's

June 13—Installation of
officer's at Marcia's 5:30pm

June 20—Board Meeting
@noon BJ's

June 27—Evening Social @
Venue TBA 5:30pm

July 11—Speaker/SOLT
meeting@ noon BJ's

July 18—Board Meeting
@noon BJ's

July 25—Evening Social @
Venue TBA 5:30pm

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June President's Message

First, I want to thank you all for the opportunity to be your President. It was mostly good although I must admit 3 years was a long haul as President/ Vice President. I think the choice to have only one VP was a good one. I am ready to hand the reigns over to Dixie.



As President I had things I wanted to accomplish: My roadmap from then to now. How well I met those goals varied, because it wasn't about me. I was just steering the boat. You all made the year happen.

I still like my goals and stand by them. I think its worthwhile to share them again as we transition:

1. Recognize the women who have come before us, my heroes. (Inspire)
2. Talk more about the things we accomplish and do (Celebrate)
3. Discuss ideas and issues that affect women in our valley (Educate)
4. Talk less talk about ourselves and our own administration
5. Better define the role of the Board
6. Align committees better with our mission to focus our limited time on what matters most: service and fundraising
7. More hands-on involvement in the community
8. My mantra: Respect and support one another: never gossip – never judge someone else's journey through life
9. Get our name "Soroptimist" out into the community and tell our story of what we do
10. More participatory. Less of me and more of all of you

And really, thank you all for what you do. I have been totally amazed at what we have been able to accomplish in this last year and a half. Yes, YOU ROCK! My plans are to take a break from Soroptimists for awhile so I can recharge. Already thinking about where I could best fit in to help us CHANGE THE WORLD!

EXTRA DONATION OPPORTUNITY TO HELP SI HAMILTON.

Help SI Hamilton get donations, for free! This opportunity ends on June 15, 2019, so act swiftly!

Join iGive.com and designate SIHamilton as your recipient and earn a donation of at least \$10.00 for the club. Make your first purchase by June 25th in order to receive the donation. iGive.com makes it super simple to earn donations to the club while doing your normal shopping

You can also join at #iShopiGive.

Another easy way to donate painlessly to the club is to designate the club as your recipient

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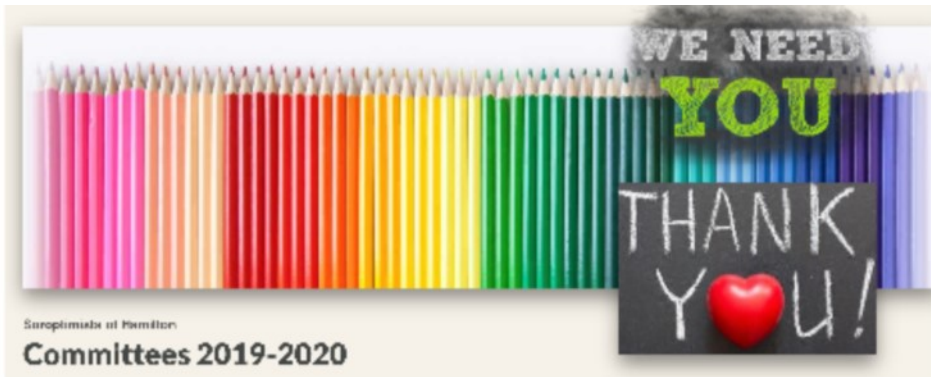
Inviting all Soroptimists and Spouses/Partners to

INSTALLATION 2019-2020
June 13, 5:30 at Marcia's House
230 Cap Lane, Hamilton

Pulled pork sandwiches and coleslaw will be provided. Please bring your own beverage and sign up on our website for salads, chips and dessert.

Wear your Life is Good tee shirt
if you have one.





It's Committee Sign Up Time

Click on <https://www.sihamilton.org/committee-sign-ups> to read descriptions and sign up for the committees where you would like to help.

Human Trafficking Committee

Three organizations have invited the Human Trafficking committee to present the documentary “Chosen” this spring. These groups were United Methodist American Baptist Women , Republican Women and Hamilton Christian Academy youth. Everyone found the presentations to be a real eye-opener. Lively discussions followed with lots of great questions from the audience. More presentations will be scheduled for the fall.

OUR CORE VALUES

Gender Equality

Women and girls live free from discrimination

Empowerment

Women and girls are free to act in their own best interest

Education

Women and girls deserve to lead full and productive lives through access to education

Diversity & Fellowship

Women from varied backgrounds and perspectives work together to improve the lives of women and girls.



Upcoming Conferences

District 4 meetings

- * October 4-6 2019, Hilton Garden Inn, Kalispell, MT
To reserve a room call 406-756-4500. Be sure to say you are with the Soroptimist District 4 meeting. (See below for more details)
- * October 2-5 2020, Grouse Mountain Lodge, Whitefish, MT

NWR Region Conference

- * April 16-19 2020, Hyatt Regency Lake Washington, Renton, WA
- * April 22-25 2021, Davenport Hotel, Spokane, WA

46th Biennial SIA Convention

- * July 22-25 2020, Hyatt Regency, Bellevue, WA

SIA 100th Anniversary Celebration

- * October 1-3 2021, San Francisco, CA



Time to make your reservations for District 4 Conference. We would love a great turnout and I am very sure fun is involved! Meeting begins on Friday Afternoon with our leadership workshop and social event hosted by SI Whitefish.

Dates: October 4-6, 2019
Where: Kalispell Hilton

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Mary Lou and Sandra spent a morning with our 4th grade class in Corvallis on an art project. What started out as picture frames turned into a creative art project. The kids had a blast gluing, drawing, and designing their own framed artwork.

The kids were very excited to see Mary Lou again. This was her first project with the class since her strokes in October. It was fun to see how many of them were relieved to see she was OK!

Sandra even had one young lady say “I like you.” What a wonderful feeling to know we have made a difference to this group of kids.

The week of 3 June is our last week for the school year. This project with Liz Jameson’s 4th grade class has been so much fun. The kids immediately connected with our volunteers, and sometimes you could see the disappointment in their faces when they weren’t chosen to work one-on-one with us.

If you are looking for a fun way to help out community, and get so much more in return than the effort you put in, this is the way to do it. We will be working with Liz’s class again next year, so let Sandra know if you want to participate. Everyone has something to give to these kids, and they just soak up the attention.

Thank you for agreeing to give us the opportunity to work with the Corvallis Primary School.





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