

SCOREBOARD



SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF PORT ANGELES

President's Letter

Out-going President Message

There really is much to love about June. Between graduations, weddings, summer festivals, vacation times, new chapters in lives begin and end this month. In the Northwest, days are warm but not hot, damp but only as mist with sunshine bookending our days with lovely green nature and colorful blooms abounding. With upcoming sports, BBQing, Father's Day and of course Pink Up festivities we have much to look forward to in June and beyond.

Catching you up on our May activities will be a joy! We had great luncheon programs: VIMO representative, Zoey, explained the Community Garden projects and all the education sessions going on there; the second STAR Awards – always a treat to see these youth in action; and then we had the long awaited presentation by Dr. Cindy Bidegary on the United Nations annual meeting (March 2015) on women's issues around the world. There were photos of the street parade in NY City, Hillary Clinton and other figurehead speakers, and a meaningful focus on the greatly devastating issue of genital mutation. Cindy was highly informative and of course, totally entertaining (even before the wardrobe malfunction!) Many thanks to our program coordinator and facilitators.

Programs in June, so far, have been the awesomeness award, formally known as the Women of Distinction Award, to a much deserving Soroptimist, Lori Oakes, for her commitment to community in many areas. We have college scholarships to present this month as well! Some Business Meeting items included changing the Board Meetings to Wednesdays at 11:00am to 12:45 starting July 2015 with location pending as the moment. We also granted the remainder of our 2014-15 Allocations fund to the balance needed for a Hand Cycle for Bonnie Richardson, a local women with quadriplegia, who will now be able to exercise and enjoy nature from the Discovery Trail and more – what a life changing gift – Thanks for your vote. Grateful notation also goes to the many SIPA members that made personal donations to bring the total to the needed amount !!

And we're off to a roaring start with the 2015 PINK UP for Operation Uplift with the Pink Champagne On Ice kick-off . I am so looking forward to this night! Donations are rolling in, details are nailed down, T-shirts are ready and excitement is high... Let the fun(d) raising commence!

Big thanks and Kudos to all for the extraordinary year of good works and camaraderie. Its been a pleasure to be part of this great group of dedicated, supportive and loving women!

Writing this last "President Message" is almost as fun as public speaking each week. Yet knowing that you kind-hearted ladies have been forgiving of my written and verbal faux pas has been a blessing indeed. Thank you for all the support and kindnesses this year.

Yours truly,
Tammy Gallagher
 President 2014-2015

June 2015

Calendar

June

- 5th - Business Meeting
- 12th - Awards Program
- 19th - Scholarship Recipients
- 26th - Pink Up Golf Tournament

July

- **3rd** - No Meeting— Happy 4th of July
- **10th** - Business Meeting
- **17th** - Tammy Gallagher/Clallam Co Fair Royalty
- **24th** - Tricia Berry
- **31st** - TBA

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STAR AWARDS



The STAR Awards were started by our club's Education Committee in 1987, as a result of a member's suggestion to recognize junior class students. **STAR** stands for **ST**udent **A**ctivity **R**ecognition.

The STAR Awards were created to recognize exceptional students during the very demanding Junior year; and motivate them to continue with their hard work. It is enjoyable for our members to watch these award winners as they move on, through their senior year and graduation.

Letters and nomination forms are delivered to the high school junior counselors in the fall and the spring. These forms are forwarded to teachers for their nominations.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION INCLUDE:

1. Effort and willingness to work in the subject area
2. Success in the subject area
3. Passing in all subjects with above average grades in the subject area
4. Extracurricular activities in the subject area are not required, but may be considered

Spring Winners

Winter Winners



First row from left: Haili Hill – Creative Learning; Natica Wood – Career & Technical Ed.; Haili Farnam – Physical Ed. & Athletics; Emma Smith – Academics.

Back Row from left: Gretchen Sotebeer – Fine Arts and Jeff Glatz – Instrumental Music.

Live Your Dream Winner. The Soroptimist Live your Dream Award assists women who provide the primary source of financial support for their families by giving them resources to help improve their education skills and employment prospects. Eligible applicants must be enrolled in a vocational skills training program or an undergraduate degree program and they must demonstrate a financial need. **Sara Brown** was given this \$1000.00 award from Soroptimist International of Port Angeles, Noon Club. She is a student in the associate degree nursing program at Peninsula College working towards becoming a registered nurse. She has two young daughters and a goal of becoming financially stable. She wants her children to know that they are beautifully and wonderfully made and capable of overcoming whatever this life may throw at them. Soroptimist wishes her the best in this quest. Judges not Soroptimist members were **Brian Betts**, **Lucille Schmitt** and **Eleanor Tschimperle**.

From Wendy Shea



Pictured from left: **Ethan Hoch** - vocal music; **Nick Lewis** - Lincoln School; **Katherine Gordon** – extracurricular/community service and **Mary Kheriaty** – business; **Debbie Riley** President Elect.





Ruby Award Winner. The Soroptimist Ruby Award honors women who through their professional and personal efforts are making extraordinary differences in the lives of women and girls. The Soroptimist International of Port Angeles, Noon club selected **Reath Ellefson** as their Ruby Award winner for 2015. Reath is a long time member of the Port Angeles Community and she has volunteered her services in many different areas. She is the founder of the Queen of Angels Community Thanksgiving Dinner which began in 2007 and has grown substantially over the past 7 years. She is also involved with and cooks for the Homeless Connect breakfast and lunch at the Vern Burton, the Job Fair lunch and the Veteran’s Stand Down. Reath also received a 2015 Community Service Award. Thank you Reath for all that you have done and continue to do for our community.

Pictured from left: Reath Ellefson and Tammy Gallagher, President, SIPA-Noon Club

Violet Richardson Award Winner: The Soroptimist Violet Richardson Award recognizes high school aged young women who make the community and world a better place through volunteer efforts. **Astrid Schick** was given this \$500.00 award from Soroptimist International of Port Angeles, Noon Club. She is a senior at Port Angeles High School where she excels academically, musically and in sports. Her volunteer activities are many and varied including work with villagers on a small island off of Kodiak Alaska to build a community a greenhouse and clean up beaches and a playground. She’s also been a volunteer at the Homeless Fair, the Juan De Fuca Festival, and the Teddy Bear Picnic and for Heart for Hospice and many other places. She sees her vision as “a future where volunteering and intellectual curiosity is a life-long joy, where my own gifts and talents are challenged to be put to their highest use in serving others.” Schick’s mother, **Solveig Christenson**, attended the awards luncheon.



Pictured from left: Astrid Schick and Sally Pearson, Awards Chair, SIPA Noon Club



2015 Pink Up Schedule of Events

June 19th - Pink Champagne on Ice: Located at the Eagles Lodge 6pm Food, Cocktails from your favorite bartender featuring “PINK” Music by the Jimmy Hoffman Band (Tickets \$50.00) Sponsored by Olympic Peninsula Title

June 20th - Pink up the town with ribbons and joy: Breast health Clinic for those who need an exam without insurance. Bake Sale at Swains. 10am till sold out.

June 21st - 4th Annual Dennis Wilcox Pooch and Papa Walk: A doggie bag for your pooch and a t-shirt for you, Come get a photo to remember the day. Sponsored by Randy’s Auto Sales & Motorsports, Windemere Real Estate and Kathleen Graf, LMP

June 24th - Pink out the Pier 6pm: Enjoy music on the Pier and learn about Cancer and ways to detect and care for those who are going through this battle. Sponsored by Rudy’s Auto Repair.

June 25th Pink Take over of the Chestnut Cottage: A rollicking good time, eat your fill of great pasta served by local celebrities who are competing for top waiter award. This is always the highlight of the week. Still only \$10, Sponsored by First federal

June 26th - 11th Annual Soroptimist Golf Tournament: Noon at Peninsula Golf Club. Shot Gun start with prizes for Hole in one, Closet to the pin, Longest Drive. Sponsored by Mac Ruddell Community Fund



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1st Ann Ashley-Johnson
2nd Wendy Shea
18th Jeanne Sparks
24th Amy Keller
25th Pili Meyer
30th Linda deBord



*****NEWSFLASH*****

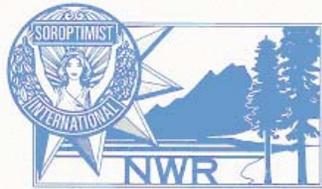
The 2015/2016 Board Meetings will change to Wednesday's at 11 or 11:30 with the location TBA.

The July 18th Meeting will be held at the Hospital Cafe

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