



Seroptimist International Midwestern Region

**October
2019
Edition**

The Vision

2019 Date to Remember

- **10/18-19** District I & III Meeting
- **10/25-26** District II & IV Meeting
- **11/15** Form 990 due to IRS
- **11/15** Live Your Dream Applications Due to Clubs
- **12/15** Club Live Your Dream Award Winner due to District Director

2020

SPRING CONFERENCE

- April 24-26
Ann Arbor, MI

SIA CONVENTION

- July 22-25
Bellevue, WA

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Governor's Message



Hello Midwesterners

As summer continues to hang on, your leadership team is in the home stretch of District Meeting preparation. A few people have asked me what to expect and my answer is: I have no idea. Beginning with Vivian's term and continuing with mine, the Directors and Secretaries are responsible for meeting content and leading the meeting. All Governor-Elect Darcy and I have to do is show up and maybe chatter on about a few things. I do know that they've got a couple of things planned that we've not done before, so I'm looking forward to attending!

Clubs should be hitting their "new year" stride this month. Lots of stuff going on: the Live Your Dream application portal is open, so you should be checking your club email at least once a week; Wagner Applications are available, please advertise and work with your local colleges to promote the program; some clubs have completed Dream It Be It events and others are being planned; and for a real change up, registration for the 2020 SIA Convention opens this month. Hopefully we will have a big group of Midwesterners in attendance.

See you at the District Meetings

Kris Armstrong
Midwestern Region Governor

SAVE THE DATE(s)

October 18 & 19, 2019
District I & III Fall Meeting
Essenhaus Inn & Conference Center
240 Hwy 20
Middlebury, IN 46540



October 25 & 26, 2019
District II & IV Fall Meeting
DoubleTree by Hilton
50 North 2nd Street
Newark, OH 43055





Join Us for SIA's 46th Biennial Convention

You won't want to miss it!

Reach New Heights with SIA in Bellevue! The 46th Biennial Convention will be one for the books. There is so much fun, friendship and learning in store. Plus, be there as we kick off Soroptimist's year-long 100th Anniversary celebration!

See the back of this page for information you need to plan your trip—including pricing, where to stay, how to register and more! Be sure to follow the convention Facebook page <<https://www.Facebook.com/SIAConv2020/>> for updates on speakers, tours and other exciting details!



Make new friends and catch up with old ones! This is your chance to connect with Soroptimists from around the world!



Be inspired by informative keynote speakers and workshops!



Indulge in a world-class urban experience and enjoy all the shopping, dining, arts and culture you can handle.



Explore the great outdoors and take in the beautiful scenery the Pacific Northwest has to offer.



#SIAConv2020



SOROPTIMIST®
Investing in Dreams



Start Planning Your Trip Today!



Registration and housing open in October!

Visit the SIA website Soroptimist.org/SIAConv2020.html for all the details you need to make this convention one you'll never forget!

Hotel Information

Hyatt Regency Bellevue Hotel
900 Bellevue Way, NE
Bellevue, Washington 98004 USA
Phone: (425) 462-1234

Book your room when you register for convention via the hotel link included with the convention registration information. Must book online to receive SIA discount.

- **Single or Double (king or two queens):** \$219 USD, + 14.4%, tax per room/per night
- **Triple (three people sharing room):** \$244 USD, + 14.4% tax per room/per night
- **Quad (four people sharing room):** \$269 USD, + 14.4% tax, per room/per night

Hotel reservation deadline: June 10, 2020

Meals/Social Events

- Wednesday, July 2—Friendship Dinner: \$110 USD
- Thursday, July 23—Sit-down Lunch: \$70 USD
- Saturday, July 25—Sit-down Lunch: \$70 USD
- Saturday, July 25—Recognition Banquet: \$120 USD

Registration Rates*

	Early Bird <i>By January 15</i>	Regular <i>January 16-May 15</i>	Late/Onsite <i>May 16-July 25</i>	Daily
Member/ Non-Delegate	\$550	\$625	\$675	\$325 \$375 (late/onsite)
Delegate**	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Guest	—	\$350	\$375	—

*Registration fees cover the cost of convention, including speakers, interpretation services, and audio visual services that enhance your experience through projections, live camera operators, teleprompters for presenters and more.

**SIA will send an invoice to all clubs for the delegate fee. All clubs are required to pay this fee.



Save the Date
Spring Conference 2020
April 24, 25, & 26
Kensington Hotel Ann Arbor MI

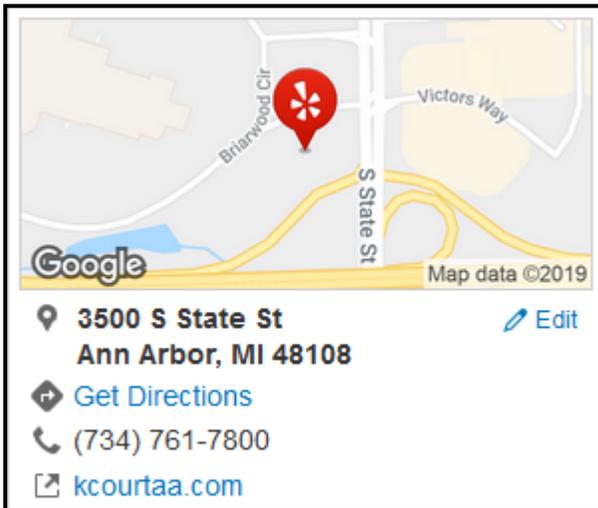
Educate to Empower

Darcy Merritt
Installed as Governor of the
Midwestern Region

SCROPTIMIST
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SCROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL
MIDWESTERN REGION

The poster features a blue sky background with a row of silhouettes of women holding hands at the bottom. It includes the Scroptimist logo, the event title, dates, location, and a circular logo for the Scroptimist International Midwestern Region.



3500 S State St
Ann Arbor, MI 48108
(734) 761-7800
kcourtaa.com

The map shows the location of the Kensington Hotel at the intersection of S State St and Victors Way. It includes a red location pin, the Google logo, and contact information.



**MORE INFORMATION
TO FOLLOW**

**Helping women and girls
live their dreams**

Soroptimist International Midwestern Region

Celebrating Success

My judges are judging all 55 entries for Celebrating Success. I will have a report for all of you at both District Meetings for October. The winners and runners up will be announced at Spring Conference. I don't know if our Region has ever had 55 entries. This may be a first!

Thank you to all clubs in our Region for not only the number of entries but for innovative programs. If any club would like more information about a specific program, please contact that club for more information.

We want clubs to try different programs, try something new. Perk up your club with a new program. Have fun.

Best of luck to everyone. See you soon at District Meetings.

Vivian Walczesky
Chair, Celebrating Success 2019
Midwestern Region USA

Soroptimist International Of Mt. Vernon and Knox County Soroptimist Officers 2019-2021



Front Row left to right: Connie Cline, Sabrina Pugh, Diana Oswalt, Andrea Rees
Back Row left to right: Kelly Brenneman, Marilyn Nagy, Sally Wright, Shelley Coon, Chris Compton, Rhonda Gherman

Soroptimist International Of Greater Macomb

4.16.2020	Soroptimist Greater Macomb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited Seating • Silent Auction • Raffle • Speakers 	Save the Date
	75th Anniversary and Award Banquet		
	BEAUTIFUL PAST ~ ~ BRILLIANT FUTURE		
	Italian Cultural Center Clinton Twp., MI		
			

Stay tuned for more information as it develops



Welcome

Stephanie
Graza

to Soroptimist



Soroptimist International Midwestern Region

Dear Clubs in the Midwestern Region,

Just a reminder that nominations are open in our region for the 2020-2022 Governor-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, all District Directors and all District Secretaries.

The nomination form is listed below and on the region website under **members only – tools & resources - then click on the 2020-2022 MWR Nomination Form and download.** Nomination forms will also be available at both District Meetings.

Please consider stepping up and taking a board position.

If you have questions, please contact the Region Nomination Chair Valencia Clark at vclark003@columbus.rr.com

2020-2022 MWR Nomination Form



Soroptimist International Midwestern Region Nomination Form: Election 2020 Nominations are due by December 20, 2019

Candidate for: _____

Name: _____

Member of Soroptimist International of: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Soroptimist Offices/Committee Positions Held:

CLUB: _____

REGION: _____

FEDERATION: _____

Educational Background: _____

Community Service Activities, Awards and Honors: _____

What does Soroptimist mean to you? _____

Email completed form and any attachments to:

- Region Chair: Valencia Clark - vclark003@columbus.rr.com
- District I: Mary Dale Donald - marydale.donald@att.net
- District II: Judy Solten - golfmlady@watchtv.net
- District III: Amanda Melkert - Akmelkert@gmail.com
- District IV: Barb Eberts - barbara.eberts@att.net

ARTICLE IV – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 4.1 The elected officers shall be Governor, Governor-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers shall constitute the Region Board of Directors. The District Directors and District Secretaries elected by each District shall also serve on the Region Board of Directors.

Section 4.2 To be eligible for the office of District Director, the member must have served as a District Secretary or Club President. If no one meeting these requirements is willing to serve, eligibility shall be expanded to include any regular member.

Section 4.3 To be eligible for the offices of Governor and Governor-Elect, the member must have served as a member of the Region Board and have been a Club President. If no one meeting these requirements is willing to serve, eligibility shall be expanded in the following order:

- 1) Those having served as Region Board Members
- 2) Those having served as Club Presidents
- 3) Any regular member

Section 4.4 Elected officers shall hold offices for 2 years, beginning July 1 in even-numbered years, or until their successors are elected. They shall be eligible for no more than 2 consecutive terms in office.

Soroptimist International Midwestern Region

Dream It Be It

Submitted by: Ruth Waggoner
Midwestern Region Chair

Career Support for Girls- gives girls the tools they need to achieve their education and career goals, empowering them to break cycles of poverty, violence and abuse.

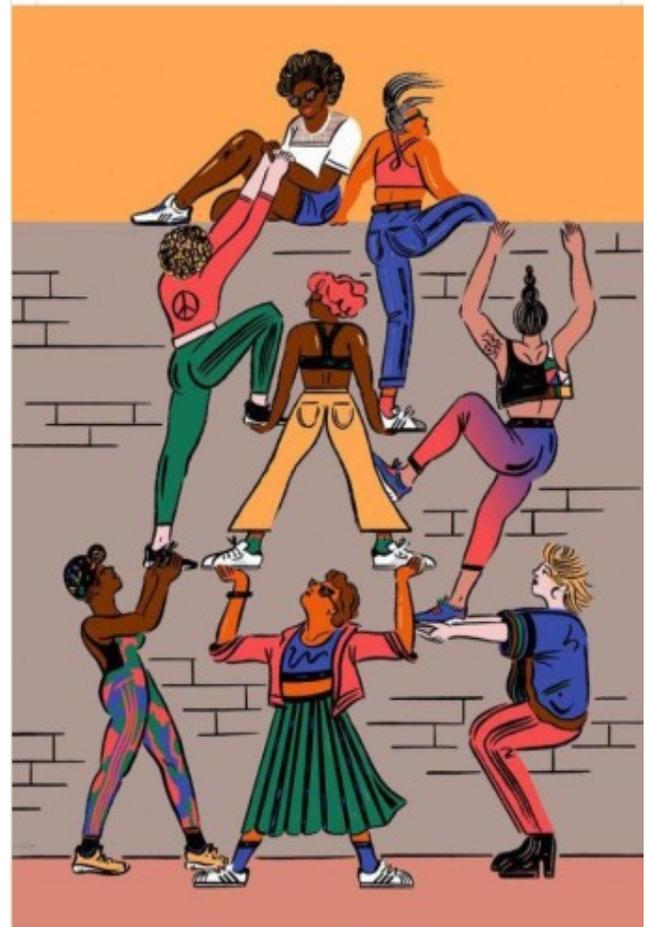
What a Powerful Statement! Congratulations to the Midwestern Region in making a difference, with their Dream It Be It Program for girls. The clubs who participated from June 1st 2018 through June 1st 2019 in our region increased the program by 15% in participation. Wow! What a super job you all did and I am very proud of all of your efforts. This is super exciting because this shows how much we want to reach out and help all these girls.

Helping girls – Discover their Dreams, Exploring Careers, showing them how to Achieve Their Goals, How to Rise above Obstacles, How to turn Failures into Success, life is stressful no matter what age, show them how to Balance Stress, then we can Put Their Dreams into Actions. There is your seven sessions and the updated curriculum is available now, so make sure you visit SIA website.

We are in our new year for Dream It Be It. Remember all reporting is done online at least one month after your program. I am hoping all our clubs are thinking about doing a Dream It Be It program. Whether you are a small or a larger club, you can always partner with someone. Think outside the box to make the sessions, fun and exciting for the girls. You don't have to do them all, pick what will work for your club to do a program. Remember the more girls we reach out to - we will be helping them make a difference in their lives.



Women helping women rise



Soroptimist International Greater Macomb

Hope everyone had a Happy Autumn Equinox. Autumn here we are!



Everyone please welcome Stephanie Garza to Soroptimist. She is our newest member; she officially joined at our Sep. 5th Business Meeting. Stephanie moved from Texas about a year ago for university studies and her new job.

On Saturday Sep 21st SIGM held our 2nd Dream It Be It of 2019. Thank you Katelyn from Four H club for enrolling the girls, supplying homemade lunches for all, and for acquiring the meeting room for us. We only had 6 girls attend but we had excellent content and presenters, and the girls all received very personalized attention.

We will be looking at possibilities for future DIBI events including bringing previous attendees back for a follow-up session, changing month we hold the event to have more girls attend.



Pictured are: Amanda Merkel and Vickie Harrington



Left back row: Amanda Merkel and Vickie Harrington
Left front row: Sue Todd, and Stephanie Garza
Right: Bev Todd, Katelyn from 4H and Mona Clugh.

Soroptimist International of Chicago



Please join

Soroptimist International of Chicago

for a powerful presentation on **Wednesday Oct. 9, 2019**

The Role of Resilience: Sustaining Equity through Eliminating Sexual Violence.

Resilience has a double meaning as both the agency name and the broader framework of the organization.

Founded in 1974, Resilience (formerly Rape Victim Advocates) has been on the front lines of working with survivors of sexual violence. Resilience now addresses the entire spectrum of sexual violence, including harassment, abuse, and prevention, with an additional focus on public education and institutional advocacy.

Speaker: Lillian Cartwright is the **Director of Education & Training with Resilience**, where she oversees the provision of sexual violence prevention education programming in schools for staff, parents, and youth in grades K-12. The team also provides training and workshops designed to raise awareness and engage the community in disrupting rape culture, supporting survivors, and creating systems of accountability that move us collectively closer to ending sexual violence.

Date and Time: Oct. 9 from 6 - 8 PM

Guests Welcome

Location: Pasta D'Arte 6311 N. Milwaukee, Chicago

Street Parking or in the Wintrust Bank lot across the street.

Dinner: Order from the extensive menu and pay at end of evening.

Wednesday drink specials: \$5 Tito's Vodka drinks and \$5 Glass of house wine
Pizza appetizer will be provided by the club as we order.

RSVP by 9/7 - sichicago@yahoo.com or Terry Phillips 773-550-1343

Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe



On September 21st SIGP, along with St. Lucy's Catholic Church and our new sponsor, the St. Clair Shores YMCA held our 2nd annual 5k Walk/Run Event. Proceeds will be donated to anti-human trafficking organizations in the Metro Detroit area.

Click the link to view photos from the event courtesy of

Renee Rodriguez Photography
(SIGP member and an In Kind Sponsor)

<https://www.renee-rodriguez.com/f606268430>

Password: Grossepointe

**SHE'S NOT FOR SALE
STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe will host the second annual Stop Traffic 5K on Saturday, Sept. 21. The event will start and end at St. Lucy's Church on Jefferson Avenue in St. Clair Shores. The beautiful walk/run course will meander by the lake and through charming neighborhoods in both St. Clair Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods.

Proceeds from the event will be donated to various Metro Detroit organizations dedicated to ending human trafficking in our communities.

Along with the untimed, family friendly walk/run, the event will include organization exhibits that assist human trafficking and domestic violence victims, aid the homeless, provide health and wellness services and empower women and girls. They will answer questions and provide information about their work.

Though this is a very serious topic, make no mistake it will be a fun and family friendly event. There will be music, camaraderie, exercise and maybe a few surprises to make for a great Saturday morning!

To register for the event, visit www.grossepointesoroptimist.net/stop-traffic-5k-registration.html. The cost is \$35 and includes a free tote along with post-race refreshments and other goodies.

Soroptimist International is a non-profit, volunteer organization that provides women and girls with access to the education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment. To learn more, visit grossepointesoroptimist.net.

**NATIONAL
HUMAN
TRAFFICKING
HOTLINE**

Call 1-888-373-7888 (TTY: 711) | Text 233733 | Live Chat

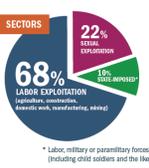
Soroptimist International of Canton County

On August 9, at 6pm, our club held its inaugural clothing swap event at Massillon Museum, co-chaired by Denise Hollenbach and Alex Coon. 40 attended, and learned about labor trafficking as it relates to the fashion industry. We partnered with Partners Against Trafficking Humans (PATH) and distributed literature to attendees. Refreshments were provided and the atmosphere was casual and conversational. Denise provided a presentation to guests about labor trafficking and its relationship to the clothing trade, while garments were inventoried and staged to prepare for the swapping. Of the several hundred articles of clothing donated for the event, 125 were shopped, and the remainder donated to Common Goods in North Canton. Of those who attended as guests, two have joined Soroptimist! Overall, the event was a success in creating awareness about Soroptimist, and labor trafficking, and we plan to hold a Spring Swap in 2020!

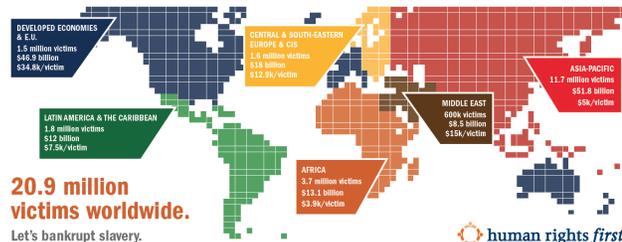


The Business of Modern Day Slavery

Human traffickers make \$150 billion/year in profits, but it is estimated that only \$124 million/year* is spent globally fighting it. Human trafficking is the fastest growing criminal enterprise. We must do more. Human Rights First is bringing together governments, law enforcement and the private sector to disrupt—and eventually bankrupt—human trafficking.



MAP: VICTIMS & PROFITS BY REGION



20.9 million victims worldwide. Let's bankrupt slavery. For more information visit humanrightsfirst.org



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Soroptimist International of Greater Macomb

We are really looking forward to our Oct 17 Program Meeting. Our speaker will be Nate Knapper from The Joseph Project, a relatively new 501-C-3 which Nate founded. Nate’s background is in law, he is with the FBI; he’s going to tell us about his organization’s work arranging pro bono legal services for Human Trafficking survivors.

The Joseph Project works to connect human trafficking survivors with pro bono legal services

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/news/the-joseph-project-works-to-connect-human-trafficking-survivors-with-pro-bono-legal-services>

Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe

STOP THE TRAFFICKING

Human trafficking is probably not how you imagine it: Here's how

By Jeremy Allen

Posted: 1:18 PM, September 24, 2019
Updated: 1:18 PM, September 24, 2019

**From ClickOnD:
submitted by Karrie Blankenship, SIGP**

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/news/stop-the-trafficking/human-trafficking-is-probably-not-how-you-imagine-it-here-s-how>

Soroptimist International of Lucas County

The 16th International Human Trafficking & Social Justice Conference was held this year on September 19 & 20 in the Student Union of the University of Toledo. On Thursday September 19th after the conference Theresa Flores held a Survivors Dinner for the ladies. This was an opportunity for the ladies to unwind and to share a meal with others. Theresa introduce a new program to help with education cost for the survivor’s and information was given to the ladies on how to apply.

The members of the Lucas Co. Club of Soroptimist International participated by providing the dinner for the event. Theresa took a moment to recognize the work our group does she also thanked our group and asked all the ladies to take a moment to look up our organization on the web, as we too work to give funds to help the survivors with education.

There were many hugs, photos, and fun. The ladies were given gift bags upon leaving.

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Soroptimist International Of Grosse Pointe

Newsletter link below



<https://mailchi.mp/e6b7e8d47a92/beempoweredjuly-1941665?e=343799f317>

Soroptimist International Of Columbus & Franklin County



By Abby Bouton

On September 4, I attended a brown bag lunch, they were showing the documentary - Period. End of Sentence. Opening the program was Ruby Schiff, one of the executive producers, who is currently a junior at Kenyon College double majoring in Psychology and Women and Gender Studies. Her journey began as a high school freshman, when as a member of Girls Learn International Club, she was a delegate to the UN's Commission on the Status of Women. Upon hearing of the issue of menstruation and girls missing or quitting school: she and her classmates started The Pad Project. They raised money with bake sales and yoga-thons. And through connections with Ruby's producer father, funded the documentary, which can be seen on Netflix. Also for more info: Thepadproject.org

14-Year-Old Kenyan Girl Dies By Suicide After Teacher Allegedly Period-Shamed Her

https://www.yahoo.com/huffpost/14-year-old-kenyan-girl-dies-by-suicide-after-teacher-allegedly-period-shamed-her-173506338.html?soc_src=community&soc_trk=ma



This is why Day's for Girls needs our help!
Click the link to save a life!
<https://www.daysforgirls.org/>

Soroptimist International Of Trenton

TRENTON

SOROPTIMISTS THANK MANY



It was a perfect day for the ride. The Trenton Area Soroptimists would like to thank the many people, groups, and businesses who helped to make the 16th annual "Save the Girls" motorcycle ride a success. Motown Harley-Davidson allowed the 118 motorcycles to begin and end their ride at their dealership. The staff helped immensely with set up and provided entertainment with the band [Wisteria](#). Everyone enjoyed a Chicken Shack meal after the ride.

The event concluded with several types of raffles: spin the prize wheel, 50/50, a four-piece patio furniture set raffle donated by Linda Crisi, and a silent auction of several specialty items donated by local businesses and generous individuals like [Jeff Thomas Photography](#), [Iron Bandogs of Ohio](#), and [Tessa Smith](#). **Many donated gift cards: Applebee's, Bar None Steak & Fish, AT & T, Bruegger's Bagels, E.G. Nick's, Gus's Carry Out, HUSH, Impulse Boutique, Ironwood, O'Callaghan's, Penn Grill, Pie Sci, The Post, Rosenau Powersports, Smoke Street BBQ, Starbuck's, Walmart/Sam's, Subway, McDonald's, Sweet Sensations, Livingston Leather Shop, and Buffalo Wild Wings.** We especially thank our many sponsors: **Accumed Billing Inc.; Arlene and Traci Turner; Catherine Teifer; Chris Speedie; Jackson, Snider, & Parker, DDS; Hilliard Lyons, Iron Bandogs Central MC/LE; Nancy and John Colina; Marty Evans; Mercure Insurance Agency Inc; Sibley Gardens; Snelling Staffing Services; Splasher's Carwash; and Sportsman's Pizzeria.**

The Trenton Soroptimists wish to extend gratitude to the three **Wayne County sheriffs, the Huron and Sumpter police departments, and the Motown H.O.G. Chapter** who acted as escorts to keep the 214 riders safe. Our sincere appreciation goes to all the bikers and riders who supported this great fundraiser. All proceeds of the ride will benefit the worthy cause of raising awareness of women's health issues, domestic violence, and human trafficking.

The Trenton Soroptimist organization meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at the Brownstown Community Center, 21311 Telegraph Road. All women are welcome to attend. You may contribute to the foundations that the Soroptimists support on smile.amazon.com and krogercommunityrewards.com. If you are interested in learning more about the Trenton Area Soroptimists and our other activities, check out our page on Facebook@Soroptimist Trenton, MI or sioftrenton-area@gmail.com.



<https://www.facebook.com/139263856117963/videos/557755361430194/>

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Soroptimist International Of Cleveland

The Cleveland Club has officially completed our first fundraiser and raised over \$6,000! It was a time crunch to get everything ready but the club pulled together for a great turn out. As we head toward the end of the year we are working on our final fundraiser, 250 Club! Make sure to get your tickets (email: soroptimistcleveland@gmail.com) before October ends. Our first drawing is November 6th!



Top: Ann Lang, Jessica Hanes, Lee Ann Cochran
Bottom: Richelle Trunk, Laura Oleksa, Shannon Parente , Emily Adams

**PLEASE REMEMBER WHEN SUBMITTING PHOTO'S TOO
INCLUDE THE NAMES OF THE PEOPLE IN THE PHOTO.**

Soroptimist International Of Greater Macomb

ALL profits go toward local educational grants, and donations to local organizations working to assist Human Trafficking survivors.

Click the link to register.
\$35 registration fee

<https://eastsideracing.enmotive.com/events/register/sigm-5k>

Soroptimist International Of Grosse Pointe

**Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe
DINE AROUND TOWN RAFFLE**
Proceeds benefit Soroptimist Awards and Projects

MI Raffle License #R5395

Prize 1: Value \$550
Beyond Juicery + Eatery
Chocolate Bar Café
Fairfax Market
Fishbones
Grubhouse Restaurant
Jet's Pizza
Josef's European Pastry
Jumps Restaurant
Little Tony's
Luxe Bar & Grill
Mimi's Bistro
Salvatore Scallopini
Telly's Place
The Jagged Fork
Village Grille
Village Wine Shop
Waves

Prize 2: Value \$500
Beyond Juicery + Eatery
Blue Bay Fish
Brownie's on the Lake
Cafe Nini
Champs
Chocolate Bar Café
Firehouse Pub
Golden Chopsticks
Grubhouse Restaurant
Mack Avenue Grille
Red Crown
Sabby's Lounge
Salvatore Scallopini
Side Street Diner
The Jagged Fork
Village Grille
Village Market

Prize 3: Value \$450
Cafe Nini
Champs
Ferlito's Family Dining
Firehouse Pub
Grubhouse Restaurant
Jet's Pizza
Licavoli's Market
Lyla's
Mike's on the Water
Nautical Deli
Pepperoni Grill
Red Crown
Sahara Restaurant
Salvatore Scallopini
TCBY

Prize 4: Value \$400
Bucci Ristorante
Caffè Far Bella
Donna's Family Dining
Ferlito's Family Dining
Grubhouse Restaurant
Irish Coffee
Jet's Pizza
Ram's Horn
Sahara Restaurant
Sierra Station
Telly's Place
The Jagged Fork
TCBY
Trattoria Serventi

Prize 5: Value \$350
Andary's Restaurant
City Kitchen
Detroit Wing Company
Donna's Family Dining
Grubhouse Restaurant
Irish Coffee
Marge's Bar and Grill
Mike's on the Water
National Coney Island
Pegasus Taverna
Sahara Restaurant
TCBY
Uncle Harry's Deli

Prize 6: Value \$300
Cabbage Patch Saloon
City Kitchen
Eos Café & Coffee House
Grubhouse Restaurant
Little Tony's
Milestone Bar & Grill
Norma G's
SpagBurger
Tropical Smoothie
Uncle Harry's Deli

Prize 7: Value \$240
Detroit Coney Island
Detroit Wing Company
Eagles Bar & Grill
El Charro
Grubhouse Restaurant
Jumps Restaurant
Marchiori Catering
The Jagged Fork

Prize 8: Value \$200
Gaudino's
Grubhouse Restaurant
Jumps Restaurant
Plaza Mexico
Sabby's Lounge
Sahara Restaurant

Prize 9: Value \$165
Eagles Bar & Grill
Grubhouse Restaurant
Jumps Restaurant
Shores Inn
The Charlevoix

Prize 10: Value \$150
Gilbert's Lodge
Grubhouse Restaurant
Jumps Restaurant
Outback Steakhouse

**Drawing on October 9, 2019
at the Village Grille Restaurant, Grosse Pointe**
Winner need not be present to win
Tickets: \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00
For details of prize packages visit grossepointesoroptimist.org

To purchase a raffle ticket please contact SIGP via email at grossepointesoroptimist@gmail.com

Soroptimist International Of Lucas County



Soroptimist International of Lucas County

You're Invited to our *Wine Tasting*

Saturday
October 5, 2019
4:00 - 7:00 PM

Moose Lodge 1579
6072 Main St.
Sylvania, OH 43560

Tickets \$20

To purchase tickets contact a Soroptimist member or email us at silucascounty@soroptimist.net.



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Best for Women

Soroptimist International Of Flat Rock

4th Annual Road Rally 2019 FOR THE CURE

COST: \$35/PERSON
 (INCLUDES FOOD AND SOFT DRINK)
PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED TEAM
50/50 RAFFLE & BASKET RAFFLE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2019
BROWNSTOWN RECREATION CENTER
21313 TELEGRAPH ROAD - BROWNSTOWN TWP., MI
REGISTRATION STARTS AT 3:00 PM
ROAD RALLY STARTS AT 3:30 - 5:30 PM

PIZZA, SALAD AND SOFT DRINKS AFTER THE RALLY.

PREREGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AND TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE THROUGH EVENTSITE
[HTTPS://WWW.EVENTSBRITE.COM/E/RALLY-FOR-THE-CURE-TICKETS-70077659165](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rally-for-the-cure-tickets-70077659165)
TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE THROUGH ANY SOROPTIMIST MEMBER.
FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL SHELLY @ 734-771-4030.



Soroptimist International Of Indy Metro

NOVEMBER FUNDRAISER

ANNOUNCING DESIGNER HANDBAG BINGO!
November 2nd, 2019 in Indianapolis, IN
Shortened Eventbrite Link- <http://bit.ly/2GwPT1S>



SOROPTIMIST

Best for Women

Indianapolis Metro Presents:

Designer Handbag Bingo



SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2019

Doors open at 11:00 am
Bingo starts at 12:00 pm
\$35 in advance, \$40 at door



Northside Events & Social Club

2100 E. 71 Street
Indianapolis, IN 46220



Gift Basket Raffle (\$50 - \$150 Value)

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5.
One (1) raffle ticket included with entry fee.



Food, snacks, and drinks (including alcoholic beverages) will be available for purchase.



Must be 18+ to play & participate

Tickets are available on Eventbrite at:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-designer-handbag-bingo-presented-by-soroptimist-indy-metro-tickets-65007016737>

OUR MISSION

To improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. Funds raised will support our scholarship awards & mentoring programs to help women & girls.

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MIDWESTERN REGION 2019

- November 15 Form 990 due to IRS
- November 15 Live Your Dream Applications Due to Clubs

- December 2 International Day for the Abolition of Slavery
- December 10 Human Rights Day – President’s Appeal
- December 15 Club Live Your Dream Award Winner due to District Director

MIDWESTERN REGION 2020

- January 11 National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness in the US
- January 15 Virginia Wagner Award Applications due to Clubs
- January 15 District Live Your Dream Award Winner due to Region Chair
- January 18-20 MWR Winter Board Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana

- February 1 Club Live Your Dream Report due to District Director
- February 15 Virginia Wagner Club Award winners due to District Director
- February 15 Region LYD Winner info due to both SIA and Treasurer Audrey Jarvey by Region Chair

- March 1 Soroptimist Club Grant applications due at SI HQ
- March 8 International Women’s Day
- March 8 Virginia Wagner District Winners due to Region Chair
- March 15 Award Report due from District Directors to Governor Elect Darcy
- March 31 Region Virginia Wagner Award Winners names to Region Treasurer Audrey Jarvey by Region Chair
- March 31 Governor’s Award Form due to Governor Kris Armstrong

- April 23 & 24 MWR Board Meeting Kensington Hotel - Ann Arbor, MI
- April 24 - 26 2019 Spring Conference Kensington Hotel - Ann Arbor, MI

- May 31 Club Giving and Founders Pennies contributions to SIA for 2020 recognition

- June 1 Dream It, Be It Online Club Reporting due to SIA

- July 1 Club Celebrating Success forms due to Kris Armstrong
- July 10-12 MWR Summer Board Meeting, Location TBD
- July 22 - 25 SIA 46th Biennial Convention- Bellevue, WA
- July 26 – 27 Governors Roundtable – Bellevue, WA