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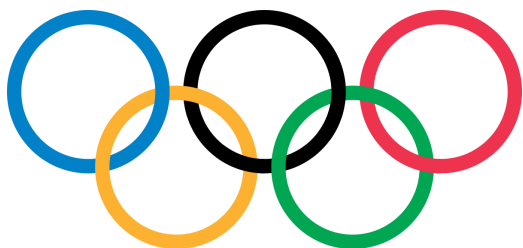
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President's Message  
Heather Rollins



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Greetings Everyone!

I cannot believe we are already in the month of August. This year has really flown by so fast. Definitely not as fast as the United States men's 4x100 relay swim team who took home the Gold medal with a world record time of 3:26.78 minutes. Fun Fact: The United States men have won every Olympics gold medal in the 4x100m medley relay in event history. If you haven't done so already, please take time to watch and cheer on this year's athletes as they compete in the Olympic competition. Watching it lights a fire in me to do more for our organization and community.

One way we support our community is through our Ways and Means committee. As a reminder, we are still in need for someone to chair this committee along with a new Covid Compliance officer. If you have not signed up to chair a committee, please consider taking on one of these roles for the 2021-2022 club year. Please contact me directly if you would like to sign up!

During our last meeting, we inducted three new members! We are so excited to have Wakisha, Lynn and Jassma join our club. As we continue to grow our membership, remember that the best recruitment is through word of mouth. Please reach out to your friends, family, colleagues, and neighbors and invite them to learn more about Soroptimist International of Kansas City and our mission to improve the lives of women and girls, in local communities and throughout the world.

Thank you and see you all soon!

President Heather

## August Calendar



**August 11**

### **Board Meeting**

Blue Cross Blue Shield  
2301 Main Street  
Kansas City, MO 64108  
6:00 p.m.

**August 18**

### **Business Meeting**

O'Neill's Restaurant  
9417 Mission Road  
Leawood, KS 66206  
5:30 Social Hour  
6:00 p.m. Meeting



## August Birthdays

Wakisha Briggs August 8  
Dianne Young August 13  
Elaine Fry August 28

### **Business Meeting, Wednesday, August 18**

**O'Neill's Restaurant**  
**9417 Mission Road**  
**Leawood, KS 66206**

**5:30 Social Hour**

**6:00 p.m. Meeting**

### **Menu**

**Heavy Appetizers**

**Cost: \$15.00**

payable at the door

### **Cash Bar**

### **Program**

**Judy Temaats**

President, Kansas City, Kansas Angels

### **Collection**

School Supplies

(see pages 4 and 5 for list)

**Please RSVP to Marie Parker**  
**by Monday AM, August 16**



*Olympic Fruit Platter*

## Kansas City, Kansas Angels



It is always good to find new organizations to support in our efforts to assist women and girls in our community. Come learn about just such an organization when we welcome Judy Temaat, President of Kansas City, Kansas Angels at our August 18 club meeting.

Their mission is to walk alongside children, youth, and families in the foster care community by offering consistent support through intentional giving, relationship building, and mentorship.

### POWER OF THE PURSE FIRE SALE



### RECRUITMENT MEMBER DRIVE



As we discussed during our July Business Meeting, the idea of having an upcoming business meeting combining the **Power of the Purse Fire Sale AND Recruitment Member Drive** received resounding “Yea’s”. That said, we first need to ensure it complies with Covid Measures, as well as check with O’Neill’s on capacity limits.

While we’re waiting for more information, we can think about who all we would like to bring as our guests and get ready for the POP Fire Sale. Stay tuned for updates!



## School Supplies Collection for our August Club Meeting



Academy for Integrated Arts

### ***2021-2022 School Supply List for Primary Grades (PK-2nd Grade)***

1 box of crayons (24 count)

1 box of markers (12 count)

5 folders with pockets

(one of each color: red, blue, yellow, green, purple; preferably plastic)

2 glue sticks

1 pair of scissors

2 boxes of Kleenex

1 package of #2 pencils

2 composition notebooks

(solid color or black & white; preferably Primary Wide Lined)

2 pink erasers

4 black dry erase markers

1 pair of headphones

Plastic pencil box

***AFIA is a charter school.***

***They provide school supplies for all their students no matter their financial situation.***

***Anything you can bring will be appreciated.***

## School Supplies Collection for our August Club Meeting

### ***2021-2022 School Supply List for Upper Elementary (3rd-6th Grade)***

- 1 wide lined spiral notebook (blue)
- 1 wide lined spiral notebook (red)
- 1 composition notebook
- 4 two-pocket, 3 pronged folders (one of each color: red, blue, yellow, green; preferably plastic)
- 1 pair of Fiskar brand child scissors
- 1 package of plain #2 pencils (24 count)
- 2 boxes of crayons (24 count)
- 1 box of markers (12 count)
- 1 package of wide ruled loose leaf paper
- 1 ruler (12 inch)
- 4 glue sticks
- 1 bottle of white glue
- 1 package of blank 3x5 index cards (100 count)
- 2 soft erasers
- 4 black dry erase markers
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- Plastic pencil box (added 7.29.21)
- Choose one of the following:
  - 1 container of Clorox wipes
  - 1 box of large ziploc bags
  - 1 box of small ziploc bags
- Optional:
  - 1 box of colored pencils (12 count)



Academy for Integrated Arts



## NEW MEMBERS!



Marie Parker led the induction of our three newest members at the July Club meeting.

SIKC members happily watching our three new members come into our club. Despite COVID and a year of Zoom meetings, we are making progress.



Our photographer, Jane Zelazny-Belz and cohort in crime, Tanya Johannes gleefully filling up Kay's iPhone with photos.

## WELCOME WAKISHA, LYNN AND JASSMA!



L-R: Wakisha Briggs, Lynn LeCount, former President Dianne Young and Jassma Thomas. We welcome our newest members and look forward to their involvement in our Community Service projects.

Sponsors Norma McKelvy, Dianne Young and Kay Stewart (standing in for Melanie Simpson) attaching membership pins to each of our new members.





## Soroptimist Kansas City Foundation

Your Foundation Trustees met for the first time this club year on July 19 via Zoom. Sarra Hobbs, our UMB Trust Department representative presented an update on the corpus and assured us the recent volatility in the market place will not have a major impact on our funds. Our Foundation is doing well and is projected to continue growing in a positive manner. Covid has impacted the market but a 10-15% pullback in the market is normal in a calendar year.

New officers were elected for the 2021-2021 club year.

They are: Margaret Smith, Chair  
Candy Routledge, Vice Chair  
Jane Zelazny-Belz, Secretary  
Marie Parker, Treasurer

The Foundation calendar was proposed for the upcoming year.

Proposed calendar:

October 19, 2021

January 24, 2022

April 25, 2022

June 20, 2022

July 18, 2022

All meetings to start at 6:00 p.m.

They are to be held at Shepherd's Center, The Loretto through January.

Shepherd's Center will be relocating in March 2022. If space is available at their new location, we can continue to hold our Foundation meetings there.

