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President's Message
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Cheers to a Happy New Year!

A New Year means new goals, resetting behaviors, and a fresh new start but it's also a time to reflect on our prior year, learn from our mistakes and show gratitude for the many blessings and achievements that have been accomplished in our personal lives and as well as a club.

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Covid was a huge challenge but we were able to continue to actively come together despite the threat and remain safe. We are now faced with a new variant that keeps lingering around us all so let's continue to maintain our safety and continue to accomplish our goals and mission as Soroptimist International of Kansas City. We tried some new things as a club this year so let's continue to challenge ourselves to continue to try new and unique things. First, let's start with new and unique resolutions for 2022. If you need help with some ideas, check out these unique resolutions for 2022

~ <https://www.countryliving.com/life/entertainment/a3861931/funny-new-years-resolutions/>

Thank you all for your continued support and dedication to Soroptimist International of KC.

"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much." ~Helen Keller

President Heather

January Calendar



January 3
Service Objectives
Committee Meeting

Kay's House
 2:00

January 12
Board Meeting

Location to be determined

January 19
Business Meeting
 O'Neill's Restaurant
 9417 Mission Road
 6:00 p.m.

January 24
Foundation Meeting
 Location to be determined



January Birthdays

Jane Zelazny-Belz January 3
 Valerie Phillips January 28

Business Meeting, Wednesday, January 19

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

5:30 Social Hour
6:00 p.m. Meeting

Menu
Full plated dinner
\$20.00



Program
Create No Sew Blankets for Safehome
(Don't forget your Scissors)



Please RSVP to Marie Parker
by COB Monday, January 17

Great Holiday Party

This year we celebrated the holidays with three other Soroptimist clubs in the area: SI Kansas City Northland, SI Liberty and SI St. Joseph. Wish I had taken more photos but I was having so much fun, I forgot. So here are a few taken by Ramon McGee (thank you, Ramon). We all had a wonderful time at Conrad's in Liberty.

Thank you SI KC Northland for hosting.



Soroptimist History



From The Independent Written by Clara Elizabeth Kellogg May 29, 1926

The ballroom of the Hotel Muehlebach presented an unusually attractive sight last Wednesday night upon the occasion of the Installation Dinner of the Soroptimist Club—the very youngest organization of business and professional women in town. The Speakers' table was decorated with vases of blue delphinium and pink roses, while the smaller tables held bouquets of vari-colored iris, syringa and snow-balls. Stuart Morrow, founder and organizer of the Soroptimist Clubs of America, Great Britain and France, installed the officers and presented the charter to the president, Patience E. Hocker, who acted as toastmistress. Albert I. Beach, Mayor, James E. Nugent and E.C. Meservy of the Board of Education, Reginald Davison, British vice-consul, Mrs. Eleanore C. Walton, of the Missouri Federated Clubs and Mrs. Helena Gamble, California State Organizer of Soroptimist Clubs gave brief talks, after being appropriately introduced by the toastmistress. Catherine Prosser, Moving Picture Editor of the Kansas City Star spoke entertainingly on "Movie Stars I Have Met" and Mrs. Julia Kiene, Director Household Searchlight of the Household Magazine, Topeka, Kan., gave a most interesting talk on "Business Women through the Ages." Barton Donaldson, a good looking youth, with a splendid baritone voice gave several delightful solos, accompanied by Edna Forsythe.

The club starts out with a splendid foundation, one hundred and one charter members and an excellent list of officers and directors. Patience Hocker, the president, has requisite for a successful executive, charm of manner, good looks, tact, sweetness and sincerity, combined with capability and the desire to serve. The club is to be congratulated upon having so representative and popular a business woman at its helm. Miss Hocker will be ably supported by Genevieve Turk as vice-president, Tiera Farrow as secretary and Mabel E. Stafford as treasurer. The Board of Directors is composed of Nettie Huff, Alice Steele, Lavalette Palmer, Edna Forsythe, Lenore Anthony and Mrs. Acenaith H. Reed.

Editor's note: This style of writing has long been out of style but is fun to read now. This event is especially noteworthy since American women had just won the right to vote only seven years earlier in 1919 after forty years of suffrage. We've come a long way and still have a long way to go.

(To be continued.....

Next month, how we became our own masters)