



The Pointer

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT GP YACHT CLUB

Our October General Membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 10th, at the GROSSE POINTE YACHT CLUB.

Meet and greet at 6 p.m. Meeting starts at 6:30.

If you have raffle tickets to turn in and you can come at 5:45, it would be appreciated.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

We are meeting at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club this month to:

1. Try the soup and salad bar option (please bring cash) AND
2. Draw the winners of our Dine Around Town Raffle!

APPLAUSE—RAFFLE UPDATE

As of September 30th, members have turned in **\$4,215** !!! Ya-hoo!!! That's 2/3 of our goal of \$6000 *which we could top this year!!!* That would be so exciting!!!

You can continue to sell right up to the day of the drawing, October 10th. I'll be at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club by 5:45 p.m. for members who are turning in their tickets that night.

Remember to bring all unsold tickets along with your SOLD ticket stubs and your cash or check payable to SOROPTIMIST.

Thanks so much!
HUGS, Diana

P.S. Call if questions or if you need more books to sell!!! 313-690-1515

MORE APPLAUSE FOR! ANTI-TRAFFICKING

COMMITTEE AND ITS SPONSORS

SIGP's Anti-Trafficking Committee organized a successful 5K Walk/Run to raise awareness of human trafficking. **\$320** worth of raffle tickets were sold the morning of the 5K with the wonderful assistance of Renee's Dad, Rich!

STOP TRAFFIC 5K

Anti-Human Trafficking Awareness Walk/Run



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STOP TRAFFIC 5K RUN / WALK

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SIGP 5K Walk/Run a Beautiful Success on a Beautiful Morning!

September 29, 2018 — St. Clair Shores



Dorothea Williams and Candace B. Ruisie, St. Clair Shores Councilwoman, help set up



Mike Lucas mans the corner of Lakeshore



Bette Lepouttre's grandson Thomas is ready to direct the turn onto Rosedale



Bette staffs the water station



Mary Ellen Burke and Anita Sandercott



Jane Evola, crossing guard for the event



Above: Roseanne's granddaughter Addy. A future Soroptimist?



Near left: St Clair Shores councilwoman Candace B. Ruisie



Far left: Roseanne Horne, Mile 2

Photos by Renee Rodriguez

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MORE 5K PHOTOS



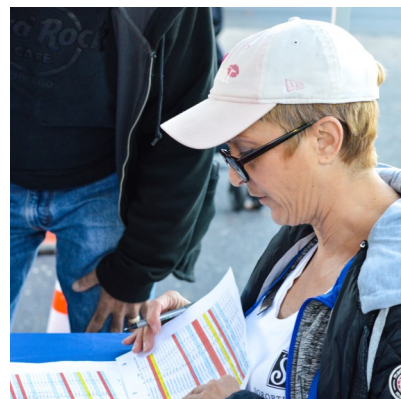
Standing: Renee Rodriguez, Myra Golden, Mary Ellen Burke, Diana Langlois, Ross Braun, Paula Davis, Carrie Petrocelli, Karrie Blankenship, Sarah Sheppard, Kathy DiCenzo, Liz Lucas. Kneeling: Jane Evola, Kathy Baetz and Judi Dara



Carol Hofer, Renee Rodriguez, Dorothea Williams, Roseanne Horne, Carrie Petrocelli, Aleksa Andjelkovic, Marya Malkovich, Helen Clarren, Ross Braun, and Mary Ellen Burke



Lakeshore Financial Team Members, our biggest financial sponsor, with Anita Sandercott (second from right)



Karrie Blankenship

**THANK YOU TO
EVERYONE WHO
PARTICIPATED!**

**GREAT GROUP!
GREAT DAY!**

Welcome New Members!



*(Left-Right) Jean Kroll, Laurie Jost, Felecia Berry, Susan Amejka, Leigh Kistler, and Sandra Mengel.
(Not pictured: Mary Jo Harris and Irem Yoruk)*

We now have 64 members! The New Member Induction was held at our September 12th General Meeting at the Village Grille. We look forward to another amazing year with new members, ideas, and service!

Every Cent Counts Toward Our Mission: Amazon Smile

Just think, every time you order something from Amazon.com you can give a share of your purchase to Soroptimist Grosse Pointe! Sure, you may not think .05% of your purchases is much, but when added to that of more than 60 others, it's money we wouldn't have had otherwise.

Go to AmazonSmile.com and see how you can make Soroptimist Grosse Pointe a sharing partner—without any cost to you!

SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT SIGP'S LIVE YOUR DREAM AWARD

Ready to begin a new life?

The Soroptimist *Live Your Dream: Education & Training Awards for Women* program has been helping women around the world since 1972. This program provides cash grants to women who are working to better their lives through additional schooling and skills training.



You are eligible to apply if you:

are a woman with primary financial responsibility for yourself and your dependents

are attending an undergraduate degree program or a vocational skills training program

have financial need

**Apply for a *LIVE YOUR DREAM AWARD* at
bit.ly/LYDA-apply OR contact:**

Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe

Name: Kathy Kraydich and Renee Rodriguez, Live Your Dream Award Chairs

Email: grossepointesoroptimist@gmail.com

Phone: 313-354-9415

Online: www.grossepointesoroptimist.org

Club Application Deadline: November 15, 2018

Amount of Club Award: \$3,000 & \$2,000

Notes: When filling out application be sure to send to the Grosse Pointe club. Our club will be giving out two awards. 1st place of \$3,000 and 2nd place of \$2,000.



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We've made contact! SIGP Friendship Link Chair Karrie Blankenship received the following response from SI Manchester, United Kingdom!

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M16 8LD
United Kingdom

E-mail: mkmita777@aol.com
16 September 2018

Dear Soroptimist Friends,

Re: Soroptimist International Friendship Links

I write to introduce myself as the new Soroptimist International (S.I.) Manchester Friendship Link Coordinator, a role which I have taken on recently.

I very much look forward to sharing with you news of the work and activities of S.I Manchester, including, for example, our Quarterly newsletter and annual report. I will keep you informed about our club's projects, activities and developments.

I joined the Manchester branch of S.I. in 2017 having previously been a member in Barnsley, South Yorkshire and Bingley, West Yorkshire. It is an honour to have the opportunity to share with you news of S.I. Manchester's work and we would be delighted to receive news of the developments in your S.I. club.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information. In the interim our forthcoming autumn newsletter will be sent to you in due course.

In Friendship.

Yours Faithfully,

Malgorzata Kmita, S.I.Manchester

TCBY TUESDAY nets \$63.69 on September 11 PLUS a Serendipitous Meeting!

A gentleman came in to buy a waffle cone and after listening to our pitch for the raffle he asked us to send him \$100 worth of tickets! When he and his wife received them in the mail she looked up SIGP on our website, mailed in a check for \$100 and now may join the club!!! We'll tell this story for a long time!!!

\$205 worth of Dine-Around-Town raffle tickets sold at TCBY! —*Diana Langlois*

Restaurant Crawl, on Nautical Mile, St. Clair Shores, MI

Judging from the photos below, the September 14th Get-together Was a Hit!



(Far left) Mary Ellen Burke, Ellen Chapin and Rosanne Morrow

(Left) Kerri Green at right with friends.

(Below) Roseanne Horne and Diana Langlois



MIDWEST REGION DISTRICT MEETINGS

- Karrie Blankenship and Mary Ellen Burke will attend Districts 1 & 3, October 5-6, in Benton Harbor, Michigan
- Carolyn Barth and Roseanne Horne plan to attend the Districts 2 & 4, October 12-13, in Lima, Ohio.



COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW)

The Commission of the Status of Women (CSW), a functional commission of the United Nations economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), is a global policy-making body dedicated exclusively to promoting gender equality and the empowerment of women. The commission was established by an ECOSOC resolution in 1946 with a mandate to prepare recommendations on promoting women's rights in the political, economic, civil, social, and educational fields. The Commission also makes recommendations to the Council on urgent problems requiring immediate attention in the field of women's rights.



UN Assembly Room

The members of the Bureau for the 62nd session (2018) of the CSW are:

Chair: H.E. Ms. Geraldine Byrne Nason (Ireland); Vice Chair: Ms. Koki Muli Grignon (Kenya); Vice Chair: Mr. Mauricio Carabali Baquero (Colombia); Vice Chair Designate: Ms. Ena Tasuja (Estonia); Vice Chair Designate: Mr. Shah Asif Rahman (Bangladesh)

The CSW is constituted of 45 members elected by the Economic and Social Council for a period of four years. Members, who are appointed by governments, are elected on the following basis: 13 from African states, 11 from Asian states, 4 from Eastern Europe states, 9 from Latin American and Caribbean states, and 8 from Western European and other states.

Here are some of the daunting statistics on Gender Equality, UN Sustainable Development Goal 5:

- ◆ In 18 countries, husbands can legally prevent their wives from working
- ◆ In 39 countries, daughters and sons do not have equal inheritance rights
- ◆ 49 countries lack laws protecting women from domestic violence
- ◆ 19% of women and girls aged 19 to 49 have experienced physical and/or sexual violence by an intimate partner in the past 12 months
- ◆ Globally, 750 million women and girls were married before the age of 18

—From *NGO CSW62 Forum Handbook*

Award Deadlines—Plan Ahead

Live Your Dream—November 15

Kathy Kraydich, Renee Rodriguez

Virginia Wagner Award—January 15

Liz Lucas, Diana Langlois

New process—applications are all online

Ruby Award—Mid February

Marlane Washington, Roseanne Morrow

Members can nominate candidates.

Bestowing educational awards to empower women is one of the primary reasons for our club's existence.

If you have any questions about the awards or their procedures, you can either go to the SIGP website:

<http://www.grossepointesoroptimist.org/>
or call one of the co-chairs listed above.

District III Emails

Governor-Elect **Kris Armstrong** - (krisquin@msn.com)

Governor Elect- **Darcy Merritt** (dmerritt81@hotmail.com)

Secretary - **Missie Austin** - (missieaustin@gmail.com)

Treasurer - **Audrey Jarvey** - (audreyjarv@charter.net)

District III Director - **Mary Pilon** (pilonmary0@gmail.com)

District III Secretary - **Lata Shastri**
(shastrilata@gmail.com)

Soroptimist Websites

Soroptimist International Midwest Region - (simwr.org)

Soroptimist International of the Americas
(soroptimist.org)

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(soroptimist.org/about-us/contact-us/index.html)

For upcoming SIGP events and information, click the link
<http://www.grossepointesoroptimist.org/>

DIMES FOR DREAMS UPDATE

Myra Golden continues to collect Dimes for Dreams. This time the project will help fund another novel on a timely topic. It is called, *Cut Flowers*, by Aneeta Prem, and is published in Great Britain.

The free distribution of this book to young girls is meant to raise awareness of female genital mutilation (FGM).

Your nickels, dimes, quarters, etc., will go toward purchasing these books along with the lesson plans that are appended to the book for teachers to use. Schools have an important role in educating children, young people and staff on the damaging effects of FMG.

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i> <i>Paula Davis Birthday</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3 Board Meeting</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6 Junior League Showhouse Tour</i>
<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10 General Meeting GPYC 6:00 Raffle Drawing</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> <i>Nancy Hohlfeldt Birthday</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i> <i>Dorothea Williams Birthday</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i> <i>Marina Houghton Birthday</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> <i>Carolyn Barth Birthday</i>	<i>31</i>			



When: Monday, October 8, 2018

Time: 6:45 p.m. (movie starts **promptly** at 7:00 p.m.)

Where: Okulski Family Theater at the Lavins Activity Center- Windmill Pointe Park-Grosse Pointe Park

Movie: *Coco Chanel*. This biographical film, starring Shirley MacLaine, details the life of French fashion designer Coco Chanel and her struggles and entry into French high society by designing her popular hats.

Cost: \$10.00 (pre-paid by following the instructions and completing the form below). **There will be no collections at the door and therefore no walk-ins will be honored.**

This is a fundraising event. Bring a friend and support the American Association of University Women Grosse Pointe Branch for an evening of friendship and camaraderie.

RSVP deadline: Wednesday, October 3, 2018

Please return the form below with your payment. Proceeds will benefit the AAUW Scholarship fund and STEM project.

Make checks payable to *AAUW Grosse Pointe Branch* and send to:
Barbara Tecos, 1237 Balfour, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230, (313) 882-1081

Name _____

Address _____ Phone# _____

Total # attending: _____ Total enclosed: \$ _____

Name(s) of those attending _____

Soroptimist Pledge

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A COMING ATTRACTION FEATURING SIGP MEMBER KATHERINE BAETZ

Katherine Baetz is playing Cassandra the pseudo-psychic housekeeper in ...

Vanya, & Sonia, & Masha, & Spike, a comedic drama

Dates: November 16 & 17; Time: 7pm wine/art reception & 8pm curtain

Place: Players Playhouse , 3321 E Jefferson Ave, Detroit MI 48207

Attire: Friday is business casual & Saturday is dressy to formal

Note: guests are welcome to bring a picnic basket to enjoy during the show.

Tickets: \$30 per person and can be purchased through Fine Arts Society Member—Katherine Baetz
313-530-7414. Deadline for tickets: Friday, November 2nd

It would be wonderful to have a SIGP presence at the show!

A great place to socialize and promote our club.

For Sale:

Beautiful ranch style condo in desirable, much sought after Harbor Place III gated community. Great location near Nautical Mile, Lake St Clair and Grosse Pointe's shops and restaurants. Private marina w/boat slips available to rent to residents. Full list of specs and amenities available. Please direct questions to Pat Casey, cell# 313-610-9022.