



SOROPTIMIST®
Investing in Dreams

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Issue

SOROPTIGRAM

Soroptimist International of Harrisburg, PA Inc
Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc.
North Atlantic Region
District IV

Chartered June 1, 1938
Making a difference for Women since 1921
The vision of SI is:
To be a Global Voice for women through
awareness, advocacy and action.

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MARYBETH

January Program

Decoding Dyslexia
Pennsylvania
Rosette Roth

INVOCATION

January
Peggy Schmidt

DATE: January 23
TIME: 1 P.M.

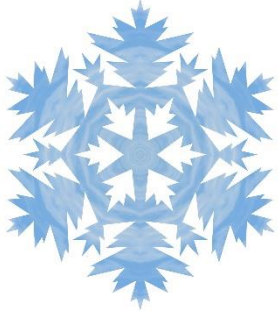
PLACE: Romano's
Macaroni Grill
2531 Brindle Drive
(Shoppes of
Susquehanna)

Cost: Each is
responsible for her
order.

Ladies, I hope you had an enjoyable holiday with family and friends. As we bring in 2024, I hope you are looking forward to the start of the new year. January brings new challenges each year. We have already been challenged with snow for the first time in several years and the weather is calling for more this week. For all of you snow lovers, enjoy.

January can challenge us to meet the needs of the busiest part of the Club year as we prepare for and present our awards and scholarships. These challenges allow us to meet our goal of improving the lives of women and girls. Thank you for all your effort to accomplish this mission.

We have stepped up our effort to fund raise to support our mission and awards and have finally come upon an idea. We are exploring the possibility of partnering with a local fire company to have a Bingo Night. I hope this inspires you to put on your thinking cap. If you have additional ideas, which would improve our finances, please let Susan Wolfe know. All ideas are welcome. As a board, we can't think of everything but together we can accomplish great things.



We are small but we can be mighty. Have a happy and healthy 2024. I look forward to seeing you at our meetings.

*Blessings,
Marybeth*

JANUARY 23rd MEETING

Our Luncheon meeting on Tuesday, **January 23rd will be held at 1:00 PM** at Romano's Macaroni Grill, 2531 Brindle Road (at the Shoppes of Susquehanna), Harrisburg. Each person will order off the menu and pay their own bill. You need to contact Billie Hawk by Friday, January 19 to inform her if you will be attending.

We will hear from Rosette Roth of Decoding Dyslexia Pennsylvania (www.decodingdyslexiapa.com).

JANUARY COLLECTION



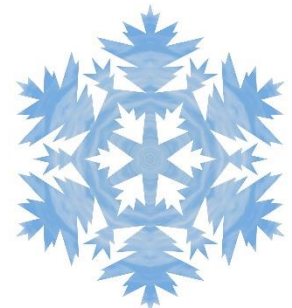
Caitlin's Smiles is attempting to collect 33,000 coloring books to start off 2024. Let's help with that effort by each of us bringing two or three coloring books to our January meeting. They can be for any age from preschool to teens.

LIVE YOUR DREAM AWARDS

The committee is reviewing the applicants and will make the selection of 1st and 2nd winners in January. Thanks to the efforts of the committee for promoting this worthy SIA program.



Congratulations to Susan Wolfe whose fourth greatgrandchild, Ava Elizabeth, was born on January 8th.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

January 23rd – SI Harrisburg Lunch meeting 1 p.m.
Macaroni Grill

January 25th – NAR Monthly ZOOM Meeting, 7 p.m.

February 1-- Deadline for submitting Live Your Dream Awards to region.

February 13th SI Harrisburg Board meeting via ZOOM

February 27th SI Harrisburg Lunch meeting 1 p.m. Restaurant TBD

April 26-28, 2024 – NAR Spring Conference, Gettysburg, PA

July 24-27, 2024 – SIA Convention, Bellevue, Washington



BIRTHDAYS



January 5 – Miriam Rothermel

January 6 – Jacalyn Speaks

January 25 – Peggy Schmidt

February 4 – Joan Gibson and Maria Lagasca

GIANT GROCERY CARDS

Treat a senior citizen, a family member and or give a gift to a family or individual in need of assistance. Giant grocery cards can be purchased in the amount of \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, and \$100 by contacting Jacalyn Speaks at jcspeaks@aol.com. The club receives 5% of the value of cards sold.

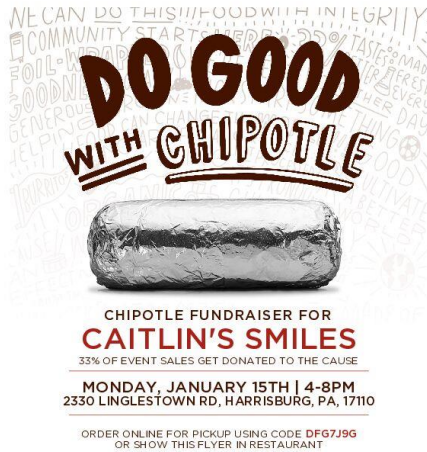


DISHCLOTHS FOR SALE



Handmade crocheted dishcloths will be for sale at dinner meetings. Funds are donated to our club. Prices:
1 dishcloth \$4.00
2 dishcloths \$7.00





Support Caitlin's Smiles by enjoying dinner at the Chipotle on Linglestown Road this coming Monday evening from 4 to 8 p.m.

Take a printout from this page OR simply mention the fundraiser when placing your order.



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

FRIENDSHIP LINK

You can now connect with our English friendship link on Facebook:

<http://sigbi.org/cannock-and-district/>

Or via the web at: <http://sigbi.org/cannock-and-district/>

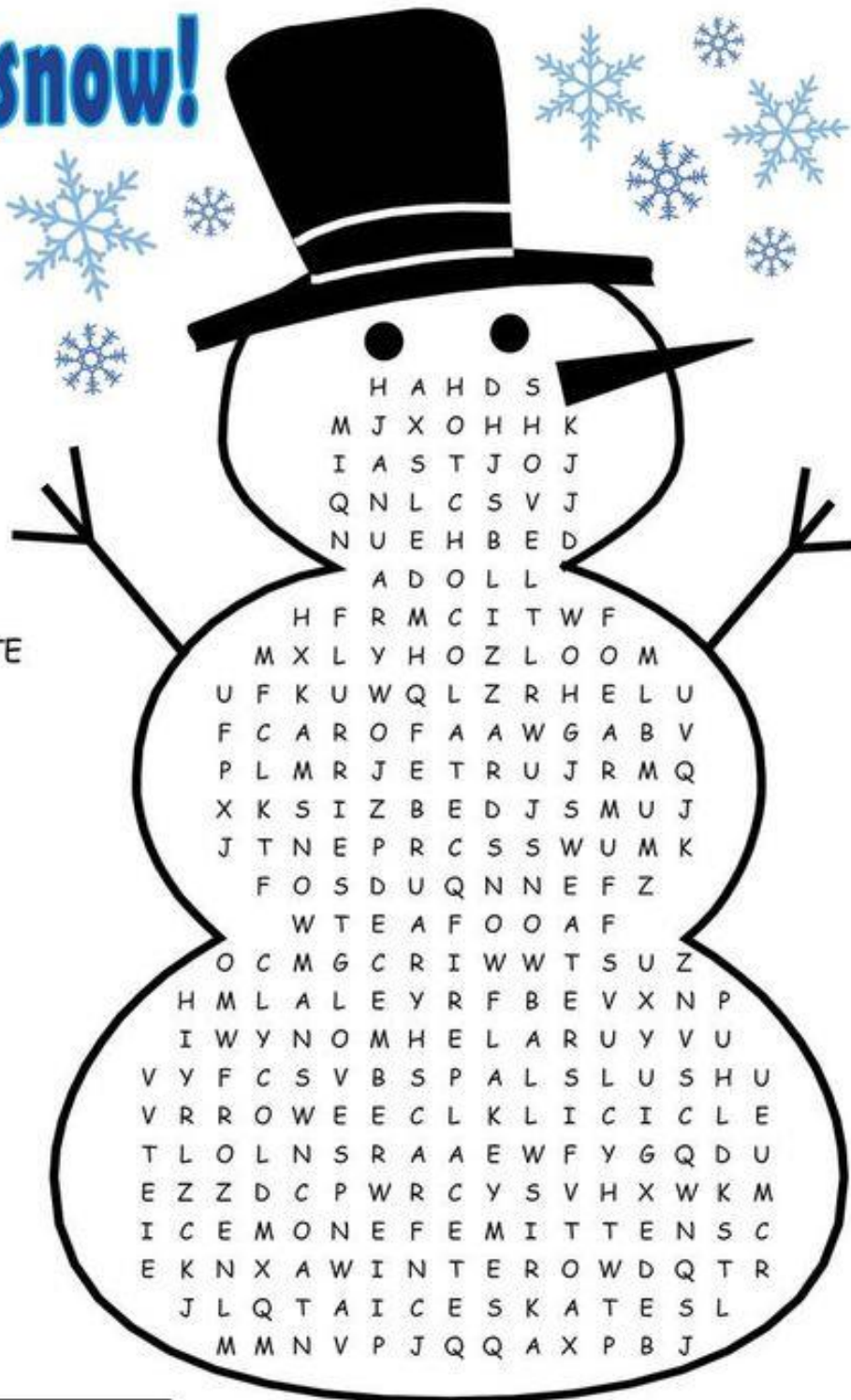


MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE MEMBERS OF CANNOCK AND DISTRICT SOROPTIMIST CLUB!

We received our Friendship Link's Christmas card. A printout of the entire card will be available at our January meeting.

Let it snow!

- BLIZZARD
- COAT
- COLD
- DECEMBER
- EARMUFFS
- FEBRUARY
- FIREPLACE
- FLURRIES
- FROZEN
- GLOVES
- HOT CHOCOLATE
- ICE
- ICE SKATES
- ICICLE
- JANUARY
- MITTENS
- SCARF
- SHOVEL
- SLED
- SLUSH
- SNOWBALL
- SNOWFLAKE
- SNOWMAN
- SWEATER
- WINTER



Name: _____

WHO ARE SOROPTIMISTS

Soroptimists are women of all ages, cultures, and ethnic groups. They are working moms and single women, small business owners and corporate executives, attorneys, teachers and physicians. Soroptimists are leaders across all professional disciplines that also serve as role models for younger women at the beginning of their careers. The common thread that connects all Soroptimists is the desire to make a difference for others through volunteer service.

Soroptimist International of the Americas (SIA) is part of Soroptimist International, the world's largest classified service organization for executive and professional women.

The Harrisburg Club's mission is to use our time, talents and resources to advance the status of women and children. To accomplish this mission, we establish and support specific projects to address the needs locally, regionally and internationally.

*We are on the web at:
WWW: si-harrisburg.org*

SOROPTIGRAM DEADLINE: Deadline the first Wednesday of month

SOROPTIMIST PLEDGE

**I pledge allegiance to Soroptimist
and to the ideals for which it
stands.**

**The Sincerity of Friendship
The Joy of Achievement
The Dignity of Service
The Integrity of Profession
The Love of Country**

**I will put forth my greatest effort
to promote, uphold and defend
these ideals, For the larger
fellowship in home, in society, in
business, for Country and God.**

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