



SOROPTINEWS—SI MIDDLETOWN

DECEMBER 2021



PRESIDENT GAYLE'S MESSAGE

December is here and so is the most wonderful time of the year. Where has the year gone? I am so happy to be celebrating our holiday season once again together at Sue and Rick's home. We will be able to enjoy each other, a great meal, and a fun gift raffle. So makers, bakers, shoppers, and treasure hunters, get ready for a fun filled evening!

The holiday season is filled with so much joy for most of us, but it is also a difficult time for others. If you are aware of someone struggling at this time, reach out in some way. It can be as simple as a card, a call, text or email.

I personally want to wish you and your families a very happy holiday, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Please remember to get your raffle ticket stubs and money to Betty! Our first drawing is coming up soon!

There is no Board Meeting this month.

We do have one business matter to attend to at the December meeting and that is the election of 2022-2024 SIA Board of Directors. The candidates for 2022-2024 SIA Board of Directors Electoral Area 11 are Victoria Hicks, SI of Columbus & Franklin County, and Vivian Walczesky, SI of Monroe County. The resumes and videos for all the electoral area candidates are now available for your club to review on the [SIA website](#).

Merry Christmas All!

Gayle

Holiday Party at the Willis Home

Rick and I are excited to invite the members and their guests to our annual December meeting and party on Thursday, December 9th, 6 pm, at our home - 6548 Liberty Ridge Dr. in Liberty Township! The last several years have presented challenges that have postponed or cancelled this holiday gathering. We are looking forward to hosting this long running tradition on our regularly scheduled date. I have been hard at work since the beginning of November planning and putting up this year's displays with a "new look". With the giant store house of Christmas decorations I have amassed, I was intent on not buying anything new, but as usual I have added some new items that best fit this year's theme. I challenge those of you with a keen attention to detail to identify those items for a chance to win prizes.

Wear your favorite holiday apparel. For those who wish to do so, there will be a contest for the ugliest and most beautiful outfits. A full course Christmas dinner, preceded by drinks and appetizers will be provided at \$20 per person. As usual, Rick cannot tell me the menu he is planning. If I waited until he knew to announce it, I would have to publish it in the January newsletter! This year we will host the entire party in the house (versus the house and garage) for a cozy atmosphere. My holiday decorating energy is starting to wane in my later

years – don't forget I am now fully retired! LOL

Please come ready to bid high and often on our holiday auction items. This year we are not wrapping the items in the hope of maximizing our revenue. Our auction is the perfect opportunity to do some Christmas shopping for family and friends. Thanks in advance for your generous support.

Wishing everyone a great start to the holiday season!

Sue & Rick

CALENDAR

December 2 no board meeting

December 9 6:00 p.m.
meeting/Christmas Party at Sue's

December 10 Human Rights Day –
President's Appeal

January 15 deadline for Virginia
Wagner Award

March 1 deadline for Miami University
Scholarship

April 22-24 Spring Conference at Hilton
Fairlawn in Akron, OH

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

28 Dee

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

2017 Marti

1998 Dee

1998 Beth

2018 Jennie

DECEMBER RAFFLE

Betty

DECEMBER INSPIRATION

Elaine

DREAM LUNCHEON RAFFLE

There's been some great activity in the selling of Dream Raffle Tickets for the club. Congratulations to all of you for a great job!

If anyone still needs raffle tickets, please contact me as soon as possible as they may be going fast. I will be contacting those of you who have sold tickets with money to turn in to pick up between now and the December Meeting/Christmas party on December 9. I'd like to have all the tabulation of tickets done before the meeting so that we can all sit back and enjoy ourselves.

Thanks to all of you—you have done a fantastic job of selling the Dream Raffle Tickets!!!!!!!!!!!!

Betty

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