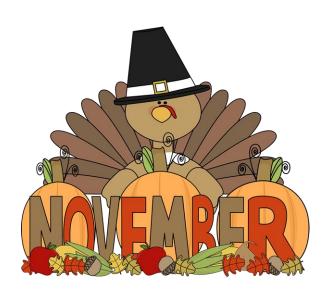


# SOROPTINEWS—SI MIDDLETOWN NOVEMBER 2023



# PRESIDENT GAYLE'S MESSAGE

When I think of November it is an official autumn farewell – the golden season ends, and winter vibes start to trickle in. The last month of fall is one of the best periods of the year. That's why I think of it as a wonderful time of the year. It is the prelude to our winter holidays, shopping, sharing meals and spending time with family and friends but most important a time to give thanks!

As we enter this time of the year, we need to be thankful for each other and the wonderful things our club has accomplished over the year including the awards and scholarships we have been able to give as a result of our hard work and fundraising.

We need to be thankful that we have been able to meet each month in person and share friendship, fellowship, and our meal.

If those are not enough reasons to be thankful, look at what November has to offer us. Check these out:

Housewife's Day (Nov 3).

Candy Day (Nov 4)

Veterans Day (Nov 11)

World Kindness Day (Nov 13)

Philanthropy Day (Nov 15)

Mickey Mouse's Birthday (Nov 18)

Women's Entrepreneurship Day (Nov 19)

Child's Day (Nov 20)

Adoption Day (Saturday before Thanksgiving)

Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday)

Giving Tuesday (Tuesday after Thanksgiving Day)

Military Family Month

Movember-(for the men)

WOW!!

So, throughout the month let each of us give thanks because we all have reason to be thankful and grateful. Too often we get caught up in the hustle and bustle of everyday life and forget to thank those around us that make our lives better. Take a moment to make a list and call, email, or send a card to let them know they are appreciated.

"Piglet noticed that even though he had a Very Small Heart, it could hold a rather large amount of Gratitude." — A.A. Milne, "Winnie-the-Pooh"

I am happy to report that our Ways and Means are well on the way to securing our fundraising efforts. HundredX is signed and secured for February, and I have access to the new tool kit. Sue is working on finalizing the bourbon as is Elaine with the Donation Letter.

Now we need to focus on membership. Barb and I attended the District Meeting and much time was spent on membership, both growing our clubs and maintaining membership. For our November meeting I will be sharing with you some ways we can possibly attract new members as well as learn more about Soroptimist by looking at Soroptimist 101. We will also take time to practice short, but effective, "elevator speeches."

Looking forward to November!

See you soon!

Gayle

# **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

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**CLUB ANNIVERSARIES** 

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NOVEMBER RAFFLE

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**NOVEMBER INSPIRATION** 

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#### **CALENDAR**

**November 2** 7:00 p.m. Zoom Board Meeting

**November 5** Daylight Savings Time ends

**November 7** Election Day

**November 9** General Meeting at Mt. Pleasant

November 11 Veterans Day

November 15 Form 990 due to IRS

**November 15** Live Your Dream Applications Due to Clubs

**November 23** Thanksgiving

### SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS

Do you know a woman attending college or technical school who could use some extra money for her schooling? Interested women can find writeable applications on our website <a href="www.middletownsoroptimist.org">www.middletownsoroptimist.org</a> This is an easy way for them to get an application. Every year we struggle to find deserving applicants, so <a href="please">please</a> share this information freely. The deadline is November 15th.

#### **GUESS WHO THIS MEMBER IS**

- 1. I was bitten by a copperhead snake and almost lost my leg.
- 2. I hiked into one of Carter Caves in Kentucky. It was a known bat cave. We spent the night in the cave watching the bats leave at dusk and return at dawn. There were thousands of them. It was interesting to do once. I remember the odor. The challenge was having to go to the bathroom. I was with two friends with spelunking experience.
- 3. I used to be both a certified lifeguard as well as a 2<sup>nd</sup> year pointe ballerina.

We'll give the answers at the next meeting. Who's next?

# Recipe of the Month: Betty's mom's Dressing

2 loaves of white bread. Cut up bread into small pieces. Put in a roasting pan and bake in low oven until bread is dry (mix the bread periodically while it's drying).

Saute until cooked (but not mushy) about 1 1/2 stalks of celery (diced) and about 4 medium onions (diced) in 2 sticks of margarine with salt and pepper.

Brown 1 pound sage pork sausage (don't drain)

Mix 2 packs of pork gravy mix (you can use more water than called for since this is just for flavor and moisture. about 1 1/2 cups water per packet)

Combine celery mixture with bread and mix. Add sausage (with drippings). Season with seasoning and poultry seasoning (to taste). Add gravy to make desired moisture..

Bake at 350 for about an hour and (I usually keep it covered to keep it from drying out).

# **BETTY'S BITS**

## **Live Voicemail**

Live Voicemail lets you automatically see a real-time transcription as someone is leaving you a message. You can even pick up the call as they're leaving their voicemail.

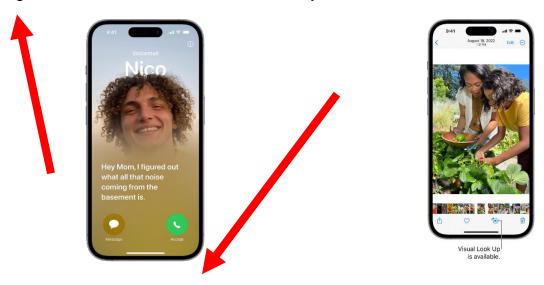
To turn on Live Voicemail, do the following:

- 1. Go to Settings > Phone > Live Voicemail.
- 2. Tap to turn on Live Voicemail.

When Live Voicemail is enabled, your iPhone answers an incoming call in order to capture the caller's voicemail for you to see. Data rates may apply. The caller will not be able to hear you and you will not be able to hear them unless you choose to answer the call.

If your iPhone is turned off or is out of your carrier network's range, the call is sent to carrier voicemail, if available.

If you have Silence Unknown Callers turned on, unknown numbers go directly to Live Voicemail without ringing you first. Calls identified as spam by your carrier don't go through Live Voicemail and are instead instantly declined.



# Visual Look Up to identify objects in your photos and videos on iPhone

With Visual Look Up, you can identify and learn about popular landmarks, plants, pets, and more that appear in your photos and videos in the Photos app . Visual Look Up can also identify food in a photo and suggest related recipes.

- Open a photo in full screen or pause a video on any frame.
   If the Info button displays a symbol with stars such as or to visual Look Up is available.
- 2. Tap the starred Info button, then tap Look Up at the top of the photo information to view the Visual Look Up results.
- 3. Tap to close the Visual Look Up results, then swipe down on the photo or video frame to close the photo information.



# HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN WHEELING (Part 1): Hidden in Plain Sight...

#### LAUNCHING OUR "DRINKS FOR DREAMS" BOURBON RAFFLE



The upcoming holiday season is the perfect time to introduce our raffle featuring some great brands of one of the most popular adult beverages – BOURBON! While raffle tickets will be distributed shortly, <u>now is the time to pre-sell</u> your tickets to family, friends, neighbors, coworkers and even yourself. Bourbon makes an awesome Christmas gift! Here are the details.

SI Middletown is selling only 100 tickets at \$30 (Cash or check only). Three prizes will be awarded.

- 1. Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Year Bourbon 750ML, Average Price \$1,500
- 2. Stagg JR Kentucky Straight Bourbon 750ML, Average Price \$400
- 3. Buffalo Trace Kentucky Straight Bourbon 750ML, Average Price \$37.99

Winning tickets will be drawn December 14<sup>th</sup> during the Club's annual Christmas Party.

While your ticket buyers will be excited at these odds of winning some great bourbon, our Club can be excited about this wonderful opportunity to raise \$3,000 toward scholarships and local

projects helping women and girls "Live Their Dreams". If we all work toward selling 5 tickets, we will reach our goal in no time.

"Drinks for Dreams" - 100% of raffle proceeds will help change lives of needy women and girls!

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