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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Schedule for April

April 14: Lunch/Business Meeting (11:30 at US Bank)

April 28: Dinner Meeting 5:30 at Wendy's home.

April Birthdays:

April 16: Bickie Steffan

April 26: Penny Westerfield

May Birthdays:

Alyce Hansen: May 4

Katy Guthridge: May 4

Pat Durbin: May 23

Foster Kids Birthday reminders:

Bryson (3 on April 2) Katy

Heavon (14 on April 10) Diane

Carmella (3 on April 25) Penny

Dakota (16 on May 12) Carol

Hello sisters! Spring has sprung! The earth is readying for its re-birth—which means we get to clean up our yards, mow the grass, and pull the weeds! I'm okay with that; spring is my favorite season!

Betty, Penny, Katy, and I will be heading to Region Conference at, you guessed it, the Davenport Hotel in beautiful downtown Spokane, WA! To take along with us, our club is responsible for a basket for the District raffle. This basket must include at least \$50 worth of goodies. We were thinking of joining Sequim's group for the basket, but it was decided to supply one of our own.

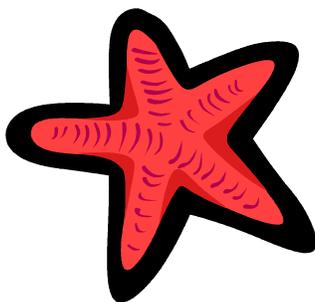
On that note, I'm counting on each of you to bring something that represents Port Townsend to the lunch meeting on April 14 at the conference room at U.S. Bank. We've decided on a wine, chocolate, and "beachy" theme. Ideas are local chocolates, a bottle of your favorite local wine or cider, wine accessories, or beach items. So far, I've found a couple of acrylic wine glasses with beach stuff on them and a towel from Don's Pharmacy that has a crab on it and says Port Townsend.

Be creative! Think about what you would love to win in a raffle basket. If you can't make it to the lunch meeting on the 14th, you can drop it by my office or by Katy's or Diane's. We need to get these things together right away so Penny (who doesn't know she so graciously volunteered!) can put the basket together.

A big thank you to Alyce. She brought a wonderful large basket to the last meeting for the raffle! If everyone brings a little something, it will be a great contribution. Thank you everyone for your support!

Happy Spring!

President Wendy



Mark your Calendar:

2016 NW Region Conference
April 21-24, 2016, Spokane, WA
Davenport Hotel
2016 SIA 44th Biennial Convention:
July 20-23, Orlando, FL
Walt Disney World Dolphin Hotel

HAPPY SPRING EVERYONE!



Member News:

From Ruth Gordon: During the month of March Ruth has spent more time in her car driving down to Olympia and back than ever before. Luckily, the days have lengthened and she's no longer doing that trip in the dark. Beautiful weather and bright baby leaves in the sunlight along the Hood Canal make the drive almost like a two-hour vacation. Much more fun than the first weeks of the legislative session, when she was driving in the dark and the rain. Have a beautiful springtime, everyone!

From Penny Westerfield: Betty and I spent a very windy rainy weekend in Seaside, Oregon, the first part of March. In all our years going there, this was the first time that we didn't get out on the beach because it was SO windy!!! We were entertained watching others trying to head out, but were thwarted by the weather and had to come back in.

We did head south to Tillamook during a rare break and had fun eating cheese and ice cream. We also saw a LOT of hail alongside the road that made it look like it had snowed. Did you know there are now "Tillamookies"? (Ice cream cookies.) Clever marketing! We weathered the storm from our nice room drinking hot chocolate with marshmallows, followed by cocktails!

From Janet Jacobs: I'm back in Port Townsend and plan a late April trip for Passover, the plays in Ashland, and a family stop.

From Wendy Duede: I had all of the grandkids and their parents over on Easter. It was great to get them all together! I still love working for 1st Security Bank! They really treat their employees great and I couldn't be happier!

ELLA's JOKE CORNER:

How to prepare Tofu:

1. Throw it in the trash.
2. Grill some Meat.

I just did a week's worth of cardio after walking into a spider web.

I don't mean to brag but.....I finished my 14-day diet in 3 hours and 20 minutes.

A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.

Kids today don't know how easy they have it. When I was young, I had to walk 9 feet through shag carpet to change the TV channel.

Remember back when we were kids and every time it was below zero out they closed school? Me neither.

I may not be that funny or athletic or good looking or smart or talented....I forgot where I was going with this.