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Best for Women

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Calendar

All meetings noon BJ's

SEP

Sep 3 meeting or Zoom, noon Sep 10 meeting or zoom. noon Sep 14-17 Chocolate event, online

Sep 17 BOD, noon

Oct

Oct 1 meeting or zoom, noon
Oct 8 meeting or zoom, noon
Oct 15 BOD, noon
District meeting was cancelled

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September President's Message

Wow! I can hardly believe summer is drawing to an end. I don't know about you, but with the cancellation of so many regular summer activities, it's difficult for me to keep track of just where we are in the year.

One thing I know for certain – it is time for SI Hamilton to get back to our regular schedule for meetings. We will continue to have hybrid



meetings, of course, but our schedule will be our usual fall/winter/spring schedule. We will meet the first two Thursdays of each month at noon at BJ's with the Board of Directors meeting on the third Thursday. BJ's has arranged the room for maximum social distancing. In fact, up to 13 members can have their own table! We have a lot to do this year – so, let's get started! If there is one thing I know for certain, it is that this amazing group of women can do just about anything we set our minds to do!

Our biggest fundraiser is right around the corner. An Evening Wrapped In Chocolate will be a virtual event this year. The actual on-line event will be September 17. Bidding for auction items will open on September 13. We really need every member to spread the word. The success of the event depends on the number of people going to the website and actually bidding or donating. The committee, under the leadership of Patti Martin has done a fabulous job of collecting many auction items – and

they are all very interesting. This is not your normal silent auction! There are also several premiere items. . The video is going to tell the SI Hamilton story and will be interwoven with video clips by award members.

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The video is going to tell the SI Hamilton story and will be interwoven with video clips by award members. There are so many people to thank that I simply can't mention them all here. I really can't tell you how heartwarming it is to see how everyone is working so hard to make this event a success. I can't stress enough that YOU are the key to its success. Getting the word out is critical. Invite your friends, relatives, customers, clients anywhere around the world to join in. Let's set a record!!

If you haven't signed up for committees, please go to our website and sign up now. Our real work begins now and we need the ideas and energy of each and every one of our members.

Thanks so much to all of you who had planned to attend the District 4 Meeting. It was such a disappointment to have it cancelled. But, it is also good to know that the safety of our members was guiding the decision. Special thanks to our District Director Saundra Amsden and her registration assistant Amy Foote.

September is here. So, let's roll up our sleeves and prove that SI Hamilton is still alive and well! Remember, we've got this!!

Teri

Get well soon!!!

Past President Dixie Dies has a brand new knee! Dixie is recuperating from the surgery and after a couple of difficult post-surgery days is feeling much, much better. Physical therapy will start soon and if I know Dixie, she'll be outrunning everyone soon! I know Corresponding Secretary Robin Clute has already sent a card from the club, but feel free to text Dixie at406-3/81-0922.

Teri





An Evening Wrapped in Chocolate

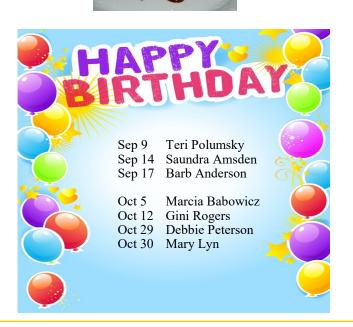
Tomorrow we are only 13 days away from going viral for our Chocolate event. I cannot stress how important that our membership gets behind this. We have been so disjointed because of Covid but now we can come together and make this a huge success. We have so many wonderful silent and live auction items. We have some beautiful jewelry, pictures, food items and a beautiful quilt made by our very own Viki Bell. Our committee has worked so hard to get these fabulous items for our auction so now it Is your turn to be an active member again. Please send the invite (coming soon) to all your business contacts, friends, and family. We need to get this information out, so people get online and bid their hearts out so to speak. This event is for our scholarships, last year we gave our \$18,000 and we made a difference, this year lets really make a difference in these woman's lives by doing even more. Please get online the 13th and register and look at our website that Nancy and Mary Lyn have been working on. It is easy, just go to the website and follow how to register. The last night, the 17th, have a chocolate party and follow the auction in real time. Let's make this a huge event for women who want an education to better their lives and their children's lives.

Thank you,

Patti Martin Chairman

Committee sign ups and much more are on the club website!

https://www.sihamilton.org/



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