# Kirksville Women of Today

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### \*\*Upcoming Events\*\*

## August 2012

- 12 Sundaes on Sunday with Maplewood @ 2:30pm
- 23 General Membership Meeting/Taco Salad Supper – 6:30pm at Nancy & Sandy's
- 25 Macon's Fork & Cork Festival

## September 2012

- 3 Labor Day
- 15 Red Barn Arts Festival
- 22 MWOT State Meeting-Independence
- 23-29 Women of Today Week

27 General Membership Meeting, 7pm, Patty's

29 Macon's "Girls Night Out" – Breast Cancer Banquet & Auction/Fundraiser at Expo Center

# Happy Birthday

Sherry Lamberson – August 9 Robin White – August 15 Sue Alexander – September 11 Gerry Shoop – September 22 Gwen Perrachione – September 26

# Happy Anniversary

Kris & Kenny McKim – August 20 Lisa & Tim King – September 8 Gwen & John Perrachione – Sept 9

# ---- From the President ----

Happy August, my friends!

Thanks to Nancy for organizing our "National Friendship Day" cookout and, of course, for fixing food and grilling burgers and dogs. Twelve members and their guests enjoyed the food, fellowship, AND cooler weather. It was nice enough to "play" outside and appreciate the comfortable "sitting on the deck" weather – something we haven't been able to do this summer. Every day is a good day to honor friends but in addition to the first Sunday in August, you might want to mark your calendar for:

The third Sunday in August (that's Aug. 19 this year) – Women's Friendship Day

The month of February – International Friendship Month

The third week in May – International Old Friends, New Friends Week

I hope all of you will be able to come to the annual "Taco Salad Supper" on August 23, and bring books to sell and money to buy. It's always a fun evening!

Have you been watching coverage of the Olympics from London? I must admit that I have the television tuned to the events most of the time even if I'm doing something else at the same time. Along those lines, I have one more "friendship item" to share with you that I read in my "Celebrating Friends" book.

"Everything I learned about friendship I learned on the monkey bars. Fall off, and your friend is there to pick you up. Do a fancy new trick, and your friend will clap for you. Struggle to get from one side to the other, and your friend will encourage and cheer you all the way across."

Let a friend know you care!

#### Next General Membership Meeting

The next meeting will be held on August 23 at 6:30pm at Sandy & Nancy's house located at 28 Kellwood Drive. This will also be our annual Taco Salad supper and Books Sale. Hope to see you there!

### Selling and Buying Books to Help Fight Cancer

Bring the books (hardback and paperback, fiction, nonfiction, cookbooks, etc.) you no longer want to the August 23 meeting. Then buy some books to take home with you. Paperbacks will be 50 cents and hardbacks \$1.00. The money we raise will go into our Relay for Life fund. The books that are leftover will be donated to the Kirksville Public Library for their book sales. Join in the fun!

#### Can you fill in any of the blanks?

In an effort to get better organized and preserve some of our KWOT history, we held a meeting and went through most of the papers Marilyn had and came up with this list of items to track. Unfortunately we have some holes in our information. If you have any of the missing information on your computers or in your files/piles or memory, please send it or share it with Sandy or Nancy. The list will be emailed with the newsletter. Thanks!

Sandy & Nancy



We will be making sundaes with Maplewood on Sunday, August 12 at 2:30 in the afternoon. Thank you to those who signed up for items. This is always a fun project to do so feel free to come out and help make (and eat) sundaes. If you need me to pick up your items, call or text me.

#### Items:

Ice Cream – Lisa King Strawberries – Mary M. Caramel – Patty Whip Cream – Mary M. Gummy bears – Nancy Bowls – Gerry Spoons – Lisa King

#### Assisting with the making of sundaes:

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Lisa King		Patty L.
Marilyn		Tammy

Chocolate syrup – Gwen Bananas – Marilyn Sprinkles – Sue Nuts—Karen Cherries – Tammy M&Ms – Patty

#### Secret Pals for 2012-13

Don't forget your secret pal! If you need help with delivering your gifts, etc. please give me a call or email me for assistance.

Gerry

#### Update from Cheryl

I was supposed to include this in the July newsletter and forgot to so I'm including it in this issue.

Dear KWOT friends,

Just wanted to send you a quick update -- I moved into my apartment the first of March (Jerilyn and I began to get on each other's nerves after a couple of months!! :) As you know, I sold all of my furniture before I moved up here and my apartment is fortunately (or unfortunately) only one block from Homemakers Furniture -- so I purchased all new furniture. However, the month after I moved into my apartment, the motor in my little car gave out so I have now purchased a "new to me" car! Things were pretty hectic for a little while, but Parker and I are pretty settled into things now.

I'm enjoying my job at Kaplan University as a Financial Aid Officer. I work 10 hour days Monday-Thursday so I have every Friday off (which is a perfect day for mani/pedis, I've discovered). New enrollment terms start every 10 weeks and each Financial Aid Officer is assigned students that we assist from their enrollment through their graduation term so we are involved in every aspect of their financial aid and assist in all of the areas - which has been a great learning experience for me.

I'm going to begin completing my degree in July so I'm looking forward to the learning experience again and having the opportunity to use the Gift of Knowledge that is offered to all Kaplan employees. Kaplan will accept all of my previous credits so I hope to complete my degree in a year.

I'm having a lot of fun here -- only live about 1 mile from a Super Target (so I can go there on my lunchtime!!) and about 4 miles from Jordan Creek Mall. I go to church with my friend, Sue (she's the one who came to the basket classes with me) and we go to the movies almost every weekend. Have been on some day trips with my cousin, Pam, through the Des Moines Senior College.

Jerilyn has a new job as Marketing Director and Event Coordinator for Occasions Catering & the Maid Rite Corporation so I've done some bartending at weddings that they have catered -- that's been fun and extra money to pay for my furniture.

I miss all of you and want you to know how much I appreciate being a part of the KWOT while I lived in Kirksville. You certainly gave my life joy and meaning while I was there.

I'll be in Kirksville in October for my niece, Amanda's wedding - so I might see you around town!!

Good wishes to everyone and have a great summer!! Cheryl