



SOROPTIMIST

Best for Women

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Soror \ [Latin] *sister*

Optimus \ [Latin] *best*

Coming up: 2006



October- *Domestic Violence Awareness Month*

- 3. Soroptimist Founder's Day
- 5. Board Meeting
- 7. District III Meeting- Host Club: Groveland
- 9. Columbus Day
- 10. Business Meeting @ Delancey Street Restaurant
- 14. District I Meeting-Host Club: Salinas
- 15. SISF calls for applicants for Violet Richardson Award; Women's Opportunity Award ; and Georgia McHugh Scholarship
- 16. Happy Birthday Ligia Viales!!!
- 21. District IV Meeting –Host Club: Merced
- 24. United Nations Day
- 28. OFFICIAL CALL: 1st District II Meeting/Sierra Pacific Region– Host Club: Santa Clara
- 29. Happy Birthday Frances Morioka!!!
- 31. *Halloween*



November-

- 1. All Saints Day/ Happy Birthday Nancy Thompson!
- 2. Day of the Dead
- 5. Happy Birthday Bea Rickels!
- 7. ELECTION DAY
- 9. Board Meeting
- 11. Region Board Meeting- TBA. /VETERAN'S DAY
- 14. Business Meeting @ Delancey Street Restaurant
- 15. IRS Form 990 due

Dear Soroptimists,

Founder's Day is October 3, 2006.

What's Up, Soroptimists?

Join us Tuesday, October 10 as Governor Lauren fills us in on Soroptimist activities past, present and future.

Soroptimist International began in Oakland on October 3, 1921. Governor Lauren will take us on a tour through the current Renaissance Campaign. Learn exactly what the Renaissance Campaign is, how to be a Renaissance club, and all about the Club Campaign, Founder's Pennies, the Laurel Society, and other initiatives to fund Soroptimist programs on the international level.

So what's up? Come October 10 and find out!

Yours truly,

Andrea Hall, President



SISF 2004 SERVICE GRANT TO BLIND SAILORS REPORTS BACK!

Pam Habek and Scott Duncan

SISF gave Pam Habek and Scott Duncan a grant in 2004 that helped them to purchase a radio system for their boat as they set sail and became the first legally blind couple to attempt to sail around the world. They returned Sept. 12, 2006 to thank our club and tell us all about it. Below are excerpts from their website, www.blindsailing.com. (Reprinted with their permission).

“On October 11th 2004 at 12:35 pm we cast off our lines and set sail for the Blind Circumnavigation!”

“On November 10, 2005, after sailing over 9,000 nautical miles we reached Whangarei, New Zealand becoming the first legally blind people to cross the Pacific Ocean! We are so excited about achieving this first major milestone of our circumnavigation!”

“We are now visiting the United States while both Starship [our new, bigger boat] and Tournesol [our original vessel] are worked on to prepare Starship for the continued blind circumnavigation, and to give Tournesol a little well deserved care after her voyage across the Pacific, before she is sold in New Zealand.”

Thank you Scott and Pam; good luck on the rest of your voyage!

22. Happy Birthday Anita Aaron

23. THANKSGIVING

25. Soroptimist Workplace Campaign to End Domestic Violence- U.N. International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women



December -

1. deadline for WMAD NOMINATIONS to be received

1. deadline for VR applications to be received

1. -31. (andJan'07) SISF Awards Committee to meet and review VR and WOA applications and WMAD nominations **and select winners**

10. S.I. President's appeal Day – Project Punjab: Helping Girls Into School

10. INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

14. HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAJA J. PETERS!

15. deadline for WOA applications to be received

15. HANUKKAH begins at sundown

15. DEADLINE – Nominations for District Representatives for Nominating Committee due to Region Nominating Committee

20. HAPPY BIRTHDAY XENIA von WEDEL ROSEN!

25. CHRISTMAS- HAPPY HOLIDAYS

26. KWANZAA begins

30. (EID) AL ADHA

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T- SHIRTS and TOTE BAGS

They are here!

Judy Lee is selling Soroptimist T-shirts and totebags! Call or email her.



SISF LIFE MEMBER TEA and FASHION SHOW Saturday Sept. 9, 2006

Our Life Member Tea and Fashion Show was well attended, but not by Life Members ! They all answered the invitation and wished us a successful event and they all promised to come next year. They missed a lot of fun...who knew tea came in red and clear colors and was poured out of tall bottles?



Kerry Murphy, Diana Owyang, Xenia von Wedel Rosen, Agnes Driver, Susan Ruwart, and Judy Lee drinking "tea" and eating great foo-foo sandwiches and other food as they await the Fashion Show.

Diana Owyang trying to figure out the Weekender Fashion Catalogue



McHUGH SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS WRITE TO SISF:

September 18, 2006

Dear [Soroptimists],

I am glad that I was able to attend the dinner [Sept. 12, 2006]. I enjoyed being with you guys. Thank you very much for helping me reach my goals and dreams.

I am glad to know how wonderful you are and I appreciate your help more than you know. Thank you so much.

The fortunate girl,
Jasmin [Hossain]

September 19, 2006

Dear [Soroptimists]

Thank you very much, I think I will come back during the Christmas break and will come to the dinner meeting during that time of period. See you soon!!

Sincerely,
Jenny Huang



*******REMINDERS *******

Soroptimist members are living their dreams,
while empowering other women and girls to live theirs.



SISF CELEBRATES 85 YEARS

**With an Awards Dinner and Fundraiser
When: Saturday, March 24, 2007, 6-9 p.m.
Where: Imperial Palace Restaurant
818 Washington Street, between Grant and Stockton
San Francisco
Cost: \$85.00**

**www.sfsoroptimist.org
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SOROPTIMISTS!

**NOW IS THE PERFECT TIME TO GO TO YOUR EMPLOYERS AND ASK THEM TO
SPONSOR OUR 85TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT BY BUYING A TABLE! OR HALF A TABLE!
LET'S GET EVERYBODY ON BOARD BY THE HOLIDAYS!**

"THE 3 R'S...REVITALIZE, RETAIN AND RE-GROW"

OFFICIAL CALL

**1ST DISTRICT II MEETING
SIERRA PACIFIC REGION
2006-2008**

**HOST CLUB: S.I. SANTA CLARA
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2006
8 A.M. TO 3 P.M.**

**MARIANI'S INN AND RESTAURANT
2500 EL CAMINO REAL
SANTA CLARA, CA 95051**

