

HAPPENINGS



Soroptimist International of Greater Las Vegas, October 2015

Reach Out, Bring In



President's Ponderings

October highlights the problems of domestic violence in our city and around the world. Genese Jones-Torrence, our September Distinguished Speaker from Safe Nest, eloquently addressed the effects of domestic violence on women, children and even the animals they love, as well as why so many choose to return to the relationship.

At the District 6 meeting on October 3, the CEO of Jude 22 talked passionately about the problems of seniors in our area, many of whom are living on \$500 per month and are raising their grandchildren and even their great-grandchildren.

I am proud that SIGLV will begin the Breakfast Buddies program at Senior Share on October 16 and start collecting for Sock-It-to-Me and Teens Helping Teens.

I know that sometimes the need and our response can seem overwhelming. Just remember, "You first, No guilt!"

If you can, however, find time to follow the Advocacy Committee's request to e-mail your elected officials concerning the need for more legal help for victims of domestic violence, just click on the link in the email or go to liveyourdream.org for link. Be sure to check the "I am also a Soroptimist."

There was an enormous outcry when a pet store owner left animals to burn in a fire and when a dentist shot a lion which had a name. Shouldn't there be at least as much outrage over the plight of victims of domestic violence and poverty? We all, both as individuals, as Soroptimists, and as liaisons to our many other group affiliations, can continue to **Reach Out** to raise the level of awareness about these very serious issues.

President Diana

Soroptimist International of Greater Las Vegas Speaker Forum

Thurs Oct 15, 2015, 11:45 AM - 12:45 PM

Captain Lisa Smith & Stacy Cramer



Our October Program will be presented by the Salvation Army of Southern Nevada's, assistant director of social services, Captain Lisa Smith and it's Seeds of Hope program head, Stacy Cramer. The organization provides emergency shelter and food, counseling services, victim advocacy and medical care, and serves as many as 5,000 residents per month.



Oct 29: Halloween Pumpkin Carving Party and Potluck at Barb's House! 6-8 pm

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Genese Jones-Torrence is a community activist, consultant, training facilitator, educator and victim advocate. Shown with Prez Diana.



SIGLV members, working in partnership with Tiffany Cleaners, collecting gently used clothing for Safenest. Fill a bag, Tiffany will deliver. Awesome project!

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MEETINGS:

1st and 3rd Thursdays: 11:45 am,
 Desert Pines Golf Club,
 3415 Bonanza Road
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 (across from Clark County Family Court)

E-Newsletter published on the 10th of each month and sent via your preferred email.

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Amelia "Nancy" Hippert recently relocated to Southern Nevada - she teaches history classes at UNLV - and transferred her membership from SI of San Jacinto-Hemet Valley. Shown with Pres Diana and Membership Chair Catherine.

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"The Heart that Gives__Gathers"

Hannah Moore



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Club and Committee Happenings

Program Speaker: OCT 15 Captain Lisa Smith and Stacey Cramer, Salvation Army.

Birthdays: Minddie Oct 4; Shirley Oct 14; Nancy Hippert Oct 21

Break These Chains: Save the Date, Saturday, Jan 9, 2016 is our day to stand up and be counted at our annual *Break These Chains Human Trafficking Awareness Day Event* at Fremont Street Experience.

Fundraising: Fundraising is asking members who secured donations last year for Sweet Fantasy, to confirm if they will be contacting their donors again to let Kim and Susie know by Oct 13. Want all donations secured by Dec 1 to allow plenty of time for donor recognition and to avoid the holidays. Next committee meeting Sat Nov 7, 10 am @ Susie's house.



Live Your Dream Art Contest:
Who do you look up to?

Service: LIVE YOUR DREAM Art Contest Project begins with presentations and forms to Mater Academy students by Oct 30. Note other projects listed to right!

Advocacy: Asking members to Tell Congress to provide domestic violence survivors with free or reduced cost legal aid for protective order proceedings and other related legal matters Go to livelyourdream.org, click on link and sign the petition + check the "I am a Soroptimist box."

Award Deadlines: October 15 – Ruby Award Nominees to Alicia.
November 1 – Live Your Dream Women Empowerment Applications to Alicia.

Membership: Welcome to Amelia "Nancy" Hibbert. She teaches at UNLV and transferred from SI San Jacinto-Hemet CA See Pix, page 2.

E-Newsletter: Nov 5 is our next newsletter deadline. Please share your committee updates.

Public Relations: Check out the *Soroptimist International of the Americas* and *Soroptimist International Greater Las Vegas* Facebook pages and "like" them. This is important for grant funding. You don't have to be a Facebook member to view the page!

Website: Visit our website soroptimistgreaterlasvegas.org. Please sign in so you can access the "member" section. Melissa will provide your password.

WOW Moments! PBS channel 10 used the SIGLV club group pix taken during our brown bag lunch tour on their facebook page! Lois's schnauzer Isis passed this past week...waiting by the rainbow bridge. Sue sporting a new Maserati sports car! Kim in Phoenix celebrating her anniversary. Happy landmark birthday to Minddie! Diana's new car — a Hyundai Sonata AND she adopted a 2yr old B & W pit bull-Terrier mix named Minnie. SIGLV was recognized by SIA at District 6 meeting for participation in the Live Your Dream Education and Training Awards for Women. SIGLV presented SNR with a check for \$250 to help victims of the California Fires. Whoo Whoo to Kathy and Lois for bagging hundreds of donated clothing items to donate to Safe Nest. Thanks to Tiffany Cleaners for providing donation bags and delivering the donations!

Calendar

Club Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursdays @ 11:45 am, Desert Pines Golf Club

Oct 31 Board Meeting: 10 AM at Soroptimisthouse. all members are invited to attend and take part in the discussions.

Winter District Function: Jan 23, 2016

SNR Conference: April 2016, Reno

SIA 44th Biennial Convention: July 20-23, 2016, Walt Disney World Dolphin Hotel, Orlando FL

Service Projects:
SOCK IT TO ME DRIVE for Seniors now thru November 19. Drop off to Leah at EVFS or give to Barb at club.

TEENS HELPING TEENS donations for fall/winter survival kits for homeless/displaced teens. Need: gloves/mittens; knit, crochet or fleece scarves; fleece blankets; beanie hats; hand warmer packets; Kleenex packets; hand sanitizer and chap stick. Lois will deliver, Please bring to club:

KLEENEX AND CHAPSTICKS FOR OCTOBER!

BREAKFAST BUDDIES, The once a month Senior Project begins October 16 8:30—11:30 am at EVFS. Four volunteers are needed to serve and socialize. Please contact Leah.

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Best for Women

Sierra Nevada Region – District 6

Fall District Meeting

October 3, 2015



Apologies for the photo quality. Lighting in room was difficult! But we all had a wonderful time and enjoyed the well planned meeting!