

HAPPENINGS



Soroptimist International of Greater Las Vegas July 2015

SIGLV Presents Check



On July 2 SIGLV presented a check for \$2,500 to the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) Vice and Sex Trafficking Section.

Gwendolyn L. "Lou" Pascoe, director of LVMPD Southern Nevada Human

Trafficking Task Force was at the meeting to accept the donation and speak about the work Metro's Vice and Sex Trafficking Task Force is doing and shared one of the uses of the money we gave previously. It was used to help a young woman who had been so brutalized by a trafficker that they feared for her life. She needed to be moved far away if she was going to ever have a chance. Our funds enabled the task force to send her to a non-profit organization in Maryland that has a transitional residence program for women recovering from trauma and trafficking that emphasizes life-rebuilding and reconciliation skills.

The LVMPD Vice and Sex Trafficking Task Force is working hard to vigorously prosecute sex traffickers, to seize traffickers' assets, and to partner with local service organizations and social service agencies to bring wrap around services to survivors. The Task Force, an arm of Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, works with victims of trafficking who are usually transient and disconnected from family and friends. They also focus on programs for prevention through local based groups, school personnel, students and other service organizations. Money raised is used to cover unique and extraordinary costs, not covered by other programs, to assist the victims of trafficking in Southern Nevada. \$1500 of our donation has been designated for direct aid to victims of trafficking. The other \$1,000 has been designated for equipment and training.

Reach Out, Bring In



One member recently said that SIGLV "fills a need to be responsive in the community."

Over the years SIGLV's members have worked hard to respond to the needs of women and girls in our community, in our federation, and throughout the world. I am in awe of all your talents and accomplishments, of all the service you have so generously and selflessly given. SIGLV has helped children to picture their dreams and their role models. Our club has stood up against trafficking and domestic violence and for helping the victims. We have helped women to continue their education and those suffering from Nepal's earthquake to rebuild their lives. We have created an unbelievable fundraiser to power all the service we give. We have fashioned a newsletter that has no equal, as well as an award-winning website and Facebook page.

Let us continue to build on all that we have done and to **reach out and bring in** the best in resources and ideas. Let us not be afraid to ask questions, to dream big, to try new ideas and ventures, and to expand the best that we do.

Thank you for the high honor you have bestowed on me as President. I promise that I will listen to your advice and concerns, engage in constructive dialogue, and work tirelessly to earn the trust you have put in me.

President Diana

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CONDOLENCES TO:

- Barbara, on the loss of her brother and SIGLV Friend, Bob Klinfelter. He will be missed.
- Diana, on the loss of her sister in Pennsylvania.

Club Resource Page

Club Board 2015-2016

President: Diana Walla
Pres-Elect: Trude McMahan
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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)

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each month and sent via your preferred
email.**

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Soroptimist International of Greater Las Vegas 2015-16 Committee List

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Barbara

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Melissa
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Facebook) –

Kathy
Newsletter –

Lois
E-mail Distribution –

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Sunshine –

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Social –

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Club and Committee Happenings

Program Speaker: July 16 Representative from New Leadership Nevada

Meeting Calendar

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

Board Meeting: Aug. 1st at 10 AM at Barb's house. Of course, all members are invited to attend and take part in the discussions.

SNR: Soroptimist Development Retreat July 25-26, Atlantis, Reno

SNR Conference: April 2016, Reno

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

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: *Sweet Fantasy*, our premiere fundraiser, will be held on Sunday, Feb 28, 2016 at Silverstone Golf Club. The Committee is hard at work!

Membership: Welcome to our newest member, Minddie Lloyd!

E-Newsletter: Aug 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.

Birthdays: July 11, Trude, July 31 Catherine

SHOUT out! It's official, *Alicia* retired with honors! (photo attached); *Misty* is a Deadhead! She travelled to Chicago over 4th of July weekend to see the Grateful Dead's last performance; *Barb* heading to Cedar City later this month; *Lois* enjoyed the 4th of July in Brianhead, escaping the heat and recouping.

Club NOTES:

- The club voted to hold a 3 hour Strategic Planning Meeting in August. Sue C. and Kim volunteered to organize it.
- Pres Diana and Shirley will represent SIGLV at the SDR Conference in Reno from July 25-26
- The club voted to donate \$250 to Kaliyah Burton to help her attend the "Kentucky Hoopfest" and play with the Vegas Elite team at a coaches viewing on July 6-8 in Louisville, KY, as well as the "National Basketball Exposure Camp" on July 10-13 in Nashville, TN.
- Funds were sent- \$150 to SI for Presidents Appeal. \$150 to WRIN. And a donation to Honor Flight of Southern Nevada in honor of Maffy's son John.



2015-2016 SIGLV Installation of Officers

