

Happenings



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PRESIDENT SUE

WHAT A YEAR!



I cannot believe it, but my time as SIGLV President has come to an end. What an extraordinary year filled with extraordinary people and extraordinary events! Over these past months SIGLV has raised thousands of dollars, officially partnered with East Valley and its Bears and Binkies picnic, donated funds to disaster relief, raised awareness regarding human trafficking and its prevention, obtained several grants, and assisted those in need within our community. As usual, great job us!!!

I am so proud and grateful to have served this year. Thanks to all SIGLV members who trusted and supported me in this role - nothing happens without each of your efforts. A special thanks to SIGLV's fantastic Board. I so appreciate all of your hard work and dedication. Each one of you are amazing. I am privileged to call you friends.

An extra special thanks to my wonderful husband Wally for all he does for me and SIGLV every day. I know he, too, will miss hosting our monthly breakfast board meetings. I cannot imagine life without him; he is my forever "support system" and champion. Thanks again SIGLV for all you give and all you do. Let's keep on **"Making It Happen!"**

SEE SOLAR, COOK SOLAR INTERNATIONAL PROJECT

The solar cookers have begun arriving and being put to the test at Hart Home in Ba, Viti Levu, Fiji.

See Solar, Cook Solar educates, empowers and enables opportunities for women and girls by providing solar lanterns and cookers to: enable study or work after dark; save time gathering fuel; opportunities for enterprise; and reduce risk of burns and respiratory disease.

This will be year two of this rewarding Soroptimist International (SI) campaign on behalf of Human Rights Day, Dec 10. SI, in partnership with girls' education charity Camfed, has already distributed lanterns to girls in Zambia and now solar cookers to women in Fiji.

SI Greater Las Vegas e-newsletter

WHO AM I?



"... doesn't remember the exact reason she became a Soroptimist, but knows full well why she remains a devoted member. "I am a Soroptimist

because I like to grow. Soroptimist is the one place -- the one group of people -- where you are allowed to go through the pain and joy of growth without being judged."

Quoted March 1994. Answer in member news.



SIGLV Installation of Officers

Saturday, June 27, 5:30 pm

Desert Pines Golf Club

\$25

SIGLV RESOURCE PAGE



Club Board 2014-2015

President: Sue Trazig Cavaco
 Pres-Elect: Diana Walla
 Vice-President: Jer Roberson-Strange
 Treasurer: Trude McMahan
 Secretary: Maffy Forrester
 Director: Amber Schrock
 Delegate 1 yr: Melissa McDonald
 Delegate 2 yr: Esther Gregurek
 Past President: Kim Harney-Moore
 Parliamentarian: Catherine Bellver

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Soroptimistanbul
20th International Convention
July 9 to 12, 2015 - Istanbul, Turkey

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MEETINGS:

1st and 3rd Thursdays; 11:45 am,
 Desert Pines Golf Club,
 3415 Bonanza Road
 Las Vegas, NV 89101
 (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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What's Happening:

BOARD NOTES:

Our board meetings are open to all members.

- June 4: SIGLV Business Meeting, Committee reports– Technical Committees
- June 18: SIGLV – Program Committees
2015-16 club budget discussion and vote
- June 27: SIGLV Installation of Officers, Desert Pines Golf Club
- June 28: Joint Board Meeting 2 pm President Sues house
- July 2: First Business Meeting of 2015-2016 club year, welcome President Diana

BUSINESS MEETING ACTIONS:

(First Thursday of each month) next mtg July

Program Speaker: Thank you to our very own Leah for an outstanding program last month. Leah is the resource center manager at [East Valley Family Services](#) and shared with us all the programs and services offered by the organization. We have been partnering with East Valley Family Services on events for years. It was nice to be reminded of all they have to offer. The non-profit 501(c)3 organization provides support for families in need. They service the Las Vegas valley through a variety of programs targeted to families, children, and seniors.



Break These Chains: Save The Date! It is only six months until the annual *Break These Chains Human Trafficking Awareness Day Event* at Fremont Street Experience. On Saturday, **January 9, 2016** stand up, be counted and make your voice heard.

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month and Break These Chains, Live Free is once again holding an event to bring attention to and educate the general public on the problems of human trafficking.

The Human Trafficking Awareness Day Event brings the plague that is human trafficking to the forefront in an effort to eradicate it! The non-profit organization will stage a rally with leaders in Las Vegas' fight against human trafficking and performance art.

Service: All the items originally collected for **Seniors Stars** were repurposed. Pens, pencils, paper, granola bars, key chains, sample sized sundries and more went into goodie bags for the participants of the **Women's Research Institute of Nevada's NEW Leadership Nevada- NEWL**. Goodie bag items and small gifts went to the women in the **Senior Share Nutrition** program at East Valley Family Services. And reusable water bottles and cups (collected by us and East Valley Family Services) went to the terrific folks at **Teens Helping Teens**, a registered nonprofit corporation of teens who support and serve other teens in need. The refillable water bottles and cups were used for Summer Survival Kits for homeless youth in our community!

Fundraising: Mark your calendar! Sweet Fantasy will be held on Sunday, **February 28, 2016** at Silverstone Golf Club. It will be here before you know it!

E-Newsletter: **July 5 is our next newsletter deadline.** We encourage each committee to share their activities and updates.

Public Relations: Members are encouraged to peruse the Soroptimist International of the Americas and Soroptimist International Greater Las Vegas Facebook pages and "like" them. This is important for grant funding. Remember you don't have to be a Facebook member to view the page!

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

COMMITTEE ACTION:



Club Meetings, Special Events

MEETING CALENDAR

Club:

1st & 3rd Thursdays @
11:45 am

Soroptimist International Convention: July 9-12, 2015, Istanbul, Turkey. Amazing opportunity to visit with our entire global membership! Follow the Convention via their [website](#): 2019 Convention will be in Malaysia

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

SNR Conference: Next year, April 2016 Atlantis, Reno

SNR: Soroptimist Development Retreat (SDR): July 25-26, 2015, Atlantis, Reno

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS:

July 2, Maffy; July 1, Trude; July 27, Carolyn; July 31, Catherine.

SPECIAL EVENTS

NOTES from PE Diana: Minddie Lloyd, our newest member, will be inducted at the June 18 meeting. Be sure to attend and welcome her into the SIGLV family. To begin the 2015-16 year on an equally positive and exciting note, please be sure to contact Barbara or Melissa with your dues for the coming year if you have not already paid them. Also, please e-mail Diana your service hours and committee choices, and sign-up to attend the SIGLV Installation on June 27 at 5:30 at Desert Pines Golf Club. We hope you will bring your family and friends to thank Sue and the outgoing officers/committees for all their hard work and to welcome and support the incoming officers and committee chairs. What a year we've had!! What a year lies ahead!!!

Teens Helping Teens: our Regional Violet Richardson awardee, received 17 fleece blankets donated by volunteers in the club. We're so happy to support these amazing young women who provide support and service to homeless teens. Check out their website for examples of their efforts!

SHOUT OUT: So sad to hear of the loss of members favorite furry companions. **Kathy** lost **Mac**; **Diana** lost **Cleo**. We certainly feel your pain and share your memories. Long time members of the club may remember **Louise Kody** who passed on May 21. She was active in the mid 1980s. Former member **Evelyn Garcia** in town as part of staff for *New Leadership Nevada*. **Leah** shared the list of end of school year awards won by her children! Woo hoo! They are also settled in new home in Green Valley. **Maffy** sharing stories of great grandsons achievements in school. **Susie** back from a Caribbean vacation to Puerto Rico! **Sue** and Hubby celebrating their 15th wedding anniversary and vow renewal with family and friends in Hawaii!

MEMBER NEWS



Who am I? Thanks to Maffy for her research. The answer to this month's question is, SIA President Poco Davis! Here she is showing her support for Red Nose Day (May 21), a campaign dedicated to raising money for children and young people living in poverty by simply having fun and making people laugh. Mission accomplished, Poco!



SIGLV thanks Sue Cavaco, outgoing 2014-15 President, the Board, and the Committee Chairs for their outstanding leadership, as well as the entire SIGLV membership for their dedication and service.



Everything from our immensely successful Sweet Fantasy, awards ceremony, Live Your Dream Art Contest, Break These Chains Flash Mob, Pull Our Your Drawers donations, Bears and Binkies picnic in the park , goodie bags for the senior food project at East Valley Family Service, the blankets we made for Teens Helping Teens, the SI President's Appeal solar project, the crisis grant to Nepal, our phenomenal Program meetings and newsletter, as well as our SNR prize winning website, SOLT program and media programs owe their success to the efforts and commitment of President Sue, officers, and members. The year end reports testify to that.

