

Soroptimist News

PROGRAMS

- October 5 Business Meeting
The Grand~12 noon
Tostada Supreme
- October 19 Program Meeting
The Grand~12 noon
Chicken Caesar Salad
- October 26 Board Meeting
Anne Miller's Home~12 noon

IMPORTANT DATES

- October 12 SILB Recruitment Event
The Historic Bembridge House~5:30 pm
Wine and Hors D'oeuvres
- October 22 Fall District Workshop-SI Montebello



Nancy Hegelheimer, Margaret Leake, Shirley Jackert, Jaye Johnson & Dorothy Deatherage joined Jane Barrett in celebration of her 90th Birthday which was on August 18th.



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BIRTHDAYS

- October 2nd
Judy Hess
- October 9th
Libby Tigner
- October 17th
Marie La Fortune
- October 27th
Diane S. De Walsche
- October 29th
Lori Woodruff

*Happy Birthday
Soroptimist!*



*We're on
Facebook!*



SOROPTIMIST MISSION

Soroptimist is an international volunteer organization for business and professional women who work to improve the lives of women and girls, in local communities and throughout the world.

CAMINO REAL MISSION

It is the mission of the Camino Real Region to bring together women from all walks of life and to enable them, through the development of their leadership skills, to truly make a difference in their communities and throughout the world.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends:

As we begin our new year together as Soroptimists, I would like to tell you how excited I am to be embarking on our new journey with all of you in our new theme of "New Beginnings – Best for Women". We will begin again to renew our friendships and enthusiasm for the work we do in our Club, and we will discover some changes that will keep us alive and growing. I have chosen the Butterfly as a visual for us to enjoy while we travel into this transformation.

I think any successful journey begins with looking inward, outward and forward. We are women with purpose and belief and our **looking inward** is us reviewing our Soroptimist Mission, as well as our Camino Real Mission. Our Mission is the reason we are here and the reason we continue to come together. We work together to improve the lives of women and girls, as well as bring women together from all walks of life to enable, empower and develop their leadership skills. We embark on some changes together in our **looking outward**. Change can be a challenge sometimes, but we may end up discovering something that you love, change can keep us feeling alive and not stagnant, and change is worth any downside it may bring because overcoming obstacles can fill us with hope and joy. We can inspire action and create opportunities to transform the lives of women and girls by using our voice generously in our **looking forward**. We can collaborate with our Long Beach Community and communicate to all who we are, what we do and that Soroptimists are one of the best kept secrets for the last 90 years!

I would also like to thank all of you for sending me to the Soroptimist 19th International Convention in Montreal, Canada this past summer. The Program Theme was: Women – Leaders in Civil Society, and we all learned that Soroptimists all over the world are truly experts at identifying needs and sharing understanding of valuable global information about the rights of women and girls. Women's rights are human rights and we must never forget that. This convention was a wonderful, inspiring and transformational event for me and I am proud to have represented SILB there.

I look so forward to working with all of you this year!

All my best,

Anne

SI PROJECTS FOR 2011-2012

COURTESY OF SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE

Quadrennial Project

Project SIerra: A Family and a Future partners Soroptimist International with Hope and Homes for Children to transform the lives of some of the most deprived women and children in Sierra Leone by providing support to young mothers, assisting children living on the streets and working to assist the most vulnerable families in the country. For more information, visit the Project SIerra website at



www.projectSierra.org.

December 10th Appeal

On December 10th every year, the Soroptimist International President invites all Soroptimists to join her in making a personal sacrifice and donating funds to a specifically designated project that will assist women and girls in extreme poverty. Donations, earmarked for the appeal, can be sent to SIA headquarters.

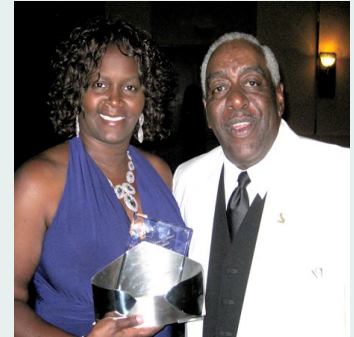


NEW FLEX MEETING

JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT!

Flex Meetings are fun, social meetings that will be hosted by a different board member each month. They will be held at a place chosen by the board member and it well may be a lunch, dinner or happy hour type arrangement. The cost, if any, will be paid directly to the board member and will not be a part of our regular SILB billing that we get from our Treasurer. President Anne will be communicating these flex meetings well ahead of time. Members will RSVP directly to the board member in charge for that month. The best way to find up-to-the-minute info on FLEX meetings will be at the club's [Facebook page](#).

HONORING TWO OF OUR OWN



CTI Environmental, Inc. is California Black Chamber of Commerce's **2011 Small Business of the Year** recipient for Southern California. This award was presented to Robin Thorne, President and CEO.

Robin was also honored as a Press Telegram Amazing Woman 2011 nominee in the environment category.



St. Mary Medical Center Foundation has announced the newly elected trustees of the Foundation Board which includes Dr. Minnie Douglas, Health Education Consultant and retired Professor of Nursing/Health Education, Long Beach City College.

Congratulations

Robin and Minnie!

S-CLUB

2011-2012 OFFICERS

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Yvonne Wei
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Dr. Sabira Tejani

S-Club will be meeting every even Tuesday. Please keep in mind that these are our members of tomorrow, so lend Sabira your helping hand when she's looking for volunteers.

EX-PRO'S

MEETING AND EVENTS SCHEDULE

Ex-Pro's meet on the 3rd Tuesday, every other month.

In November, the meeting will be at Buster's, 168 North Marina Drive on the 15th @ 12 noon.

Lifetime, retired or former Soroptimist members are welcome to join us.

OCTOBERS FLEX MEETING~EACH ONE BRING ONE MEMBER RECRUITMENT WINE AND CHEESE

AT THE HISTORIC BEMBRIDGE HERITAGE HOMESITE IN LONG BEACH

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

953 Park Circle Drive, Long Beach 90813

(located at the west end of 10th Street)

Cost: \$15

If you bring one or more guests, you pay only \$5 per person for you and each guest.

The evening includes wines, hors d'oeuvres and an insider's tour of the Bembridge House by a pre-eminent expert on the architectural and historic significance of this important period home -- and the ghost who still haunts it.

We are partnering with Interval House for "Break the Silence" Long Beach Day. For domestic violence awareness day, please wear purple to the event show your support to end violence against women.

Recruitment incentive:

Each guest you bring counts for a chance at the grand prize giveaway --

Dinner for two at the elegant La Traviata Restaurant in Long

Beach

About the Bembridge House

One of the most significant historic homes in Long Beach, the Bembridge House was constructed in 1906 in the Queen Anne Victorian Style. The house has 18 rooms with original woodwork and finely carved ornate detail. Because of its extraordinary architectural splendor, its importance in the history and development of Long Beach and the tragic and mysterious death of one of its prominent owners, this house stands as one of the most intriguing residences in the city.

Please RSVP your attendance and the names of your guests to Freda Hinsche Otto at fhinsche-otto@charter.net by October 7, 2011. Note: Parking is primarily on the street so car pools are strongly recommended.

Don't forget to wear your purple proudly!

SMALL WAYS PROJECT

SILB's Small Ways Projects are another way we support mission of "Best for Women." Besides grants and scholarship, we help year-round with smaller projects. Please bring your items to the Business Meeting on the first Wednesday of the month. Since we have limited storage at The Grand, please do not bring these items and simply leave them on the back table. Give your goodies to the "collectors" and they are :

Toiletries - Judy Pedneault

Greeting Cards - Jane Barrett

Used Cell Phones - Lori Brault

Eyeglasses - Jane Barrett

Clothing - Working Wardrobes, Rosalie Rowe

Note: Working Wardrobes - Please have items cleaned, pressed, on hangers and covered with plastic. Working Wardrobes also accepts shoes and other accessories and men's clothing. No rummage or other clothing stuffed in bags!

MAJOR COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Woman Who Make A Difference (WWMAD)

Date-TBA

Location-TBA

Maggie Shapiro

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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Submission specifications for Soroptimist newsletter:

1. Please send type-written submissions by snail mail or email (text within email or attached as a document).
2. Please email or mail (I will scan) photos of members and Soroptimist events.
3. Depending on space, submissions will be included on a first-come, first-serve basis.
4. Deadline is the 25th of every month.

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Alternate Federation: Anne Miller

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