

# Soroptirosan



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# President's Message



It has been my pleasure to serve you this past year. You have beyond a doubt given me sunshine. We have accomplished so much it is astonishing. Thanks to all who planned and participated. To mention some of the projects we accomplished – Kids Spree at Coddingtown – Bell Ringing for Salvation Army – Christmas Party at the Soroptimist House - Human Trafficking Event –purchase of a Defibrillator for the Ridgway Swim Center – dedication of Art Project to the Children's Village – Saturday of Service with the Women and Children from the Safe House – work with the Earle Baum Center of the Blind – Booth at the Human Race – marching with the Fire Safety Trailer at the Rose Parade – Night in Italy – Bunko Parties – and of course the 6th Street Playhouse Theater Fund Raising.

I am sure there are more items I neglected to mention, but WE SHOULD BE SO PROUD OF ALL WE ACCOMPLISHED!

Personally, I can not thank the club enough for giving me the once in a lifetime opportunity to attend the Convention in Taiwan. It was a tremendously exciting, educational and emotional experience for which I am so grateful to you for making the trip a reality.

We are truly fortunate to have so many long-time members who serve as role models to our club. We were saddened at the passing of two of our oldest and dearest members this year – Lily Greer and Dora Finnemore. These two women were such faithful Soroptimist, and loyal friends to all who were privileged to know them. May they rest in peace knowing they HAVE made a difference in our lives.

Members of Soroptimist International of Santa Rosa have always been supportive of both our service projects and Soroptimist goals, whether at the club, district, region, or federation level. A recent example was the pinning of 6 new club members as Region Fellows for the 2008- 2009 club year. Each pin represents \$1000 toward doctoral scholarships for women who are in their last year of study at a university in Founder Region and are in great need of support to ensure they complete their work.

Thank you to my amazing Board, wonderful club members, and loyal family and friends. I hope I was able to Give Sunshine to you this year as well. Good luck to next year's leaders and thank you for "stepping up" and saying yes to serve our club.

President Barbara

# **June PROGRAMS**

June 4<sup>th</sup> Business meeting

June 11th Social Advocates for Youth

**J**une 18<sup>th</sup> Project Sierra

**J**une 25<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

## **Inspirations**

June 4<sup>th</sup> Gwen Hall

June 11<sup>th</sup> Marj Conley

**J**une 18<sup>th</sup> June Hunter-Clarke

#### May Birthdays

19th Lorraine Komor

20th Erin Temple

30th June Hunter-Clarke

#### June Birthdays

7th Gwen Hall

21st Edith Zanelli

22nd Linda Burille

#### July Birthdays

22nd Fran Miller

23rd Gerry Humes

31st Ann Baumann

#### **August Birthdays**

1st Sandy Frazer

7th Lynn Riepenhoff

22nd Kris Huot

30th Carolyn Aloia

30th Lucy Barnett

#### Member News

Our website host has moved on, so, we have a **temporary website**. Bill and Carolyn Small are the temporary website hosts. The website can be found at:

http://www.wmsmall.users.sonic.net

Please note, Lola Haran's new e-mail address: <a href="mailto:lolaharan@att.net">lolaharan@att.net</a>

Please welcome new member Gerry Humes, who has given us many wonderful pictures for our newsletter and in albums on the internet.

Her birthday is July 23rd. Her interests are photography and genealogy. We look forward to meeting her husband Cecil at future events.

### **Upcoming Events** ▶ June 14th Attend services at Redwood Memorial Grove, Prairie Creek to honor past club members Father's Day 21st Ingoing/Outgoing Board Meeting-5:30 pm 25th Leadership Training @ Inn Marin, 27th 250 Entrada Dr., Novato, CA 94949 415-883-5952 www.innmarin.com Registration begins @ 8 AM. Cost for training and food is \$85 July 4th 4th of July Holiday 11th Installation of New Officers Chloe's, 3883 Airway Dr., Santa Rosa. Event begins @ 10:30 AM Call Lucy Barnett for more information. 17th BBQ at Earle Baum Center: Come help cook and serve between 11 am & 1:30 pm You can help if only for 1 hour. 25-26th Fire Safety Trailer @ Schulz Museum, 2301 Hardies Ln. Santa Rosa, CA 95403 707-579-4452 www.schulzmuseum.org We need volunteers to pass out coloring books, etc. Please, wear your T shirts. Start and ending time to be announced. August 1st Kids Spree at Coddingtown. Help "at risk" children shop for school clothes, shoes, get a haircut and a hot breakfast. 7—11am. Contact Helen!

Please consider what Service Projects would best honor Dora Finnemore and send your ideas to Edith Zanelli or Marje Conley.

# Region and District News



**Edith Zanelli** 



President Barbara



**Director Sandy Frazer** 

Santa Rosa club members honored two long time members Edith Zanelli (left) and Irene Becker Lampson (right) by donating \$1000 in each of their names to the Founder Region Fellowship doctoral scholarship fund. Director Jeannie Griffitts also presented pins and certificates to other club members who became fellows this year, for which our club won the District 4 award for the most new fellows for 2008-2009—a handmade Soroptimist Pledge banner. This banner is proudly shown at every club meeting.



Fellowship District IV Club Award Banner



Irene Becker-Lampson



**Mary Priest** 



Carolyn Small

# Club Awards and Thank Yous



Member and Past District 4 Director Helen Sager represents the club in honoring current District 4 Director and club member Sandy Frazer with a luxurious basket Scholarship chair June presented Youth Achievement Awards to Ridgway graduating senior winners, Yesenia Salomon and Raymond Markiewicz



Certificates and Award checks are presented to Vera McCulloch winner Tina Montero (above) and Genevieve Mott winner Nazareth Tesfai (right)



President Barbara is surprised and delighted with a thank you gift from the club—a special Soroptimist pin with a cat admiring her reflection in a mirror.







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International of the Americas: <a href="www.soroptimist.org">www.soroptimist.org</a>

Soroptimist International: www.soroptimistinternational.org

Happy Father's Day



Upcoming special event? Committee Meeting?

Let us know!

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