

Salty Soroptimist News

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President's Message

We have one more month of our 2020-2021 club year.

I don't know about all of you, but I am looking forward to summer with family vacations and camping.

As we prepare to install our new Club Officers, I have been thinking about all the possibilities the new year will bring for Soroptimist of Salt Lake.

We are very fortunate to have Carolyn Roberts ready to lead as our Club President.

Please plan to join us for the installation of our new officers. We are finalizing the arrangements and will send out the details very soon.

I hope to see all of you at our next in-person meeting.

*Teresa Just,
President
SI Salt Lake*

*Soroptimist International
of Salt Lake City
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Soroptimist of Salt Lake – May Social Event

Potluck Dinner



Date: May 20, 2021
Time: 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Where: Rita's Backyard
4599 S. Driftwood Drive
Taylorsville, UT 84123

Bring a Potluck dish to share

This event is for members only
due to SIA restrictions

(masks optional)



Our May 20th Potluck was held at Rita Offrett's house, in her lovely backyard.

In attendance was Rita, Cathy, Becky, Jackie, Jan, Diane, Carolyn and Teresa.

We enjoyed good food, beverages, and fun socializing with each other.

It was nice to be together in person, no masks since most of us are fully vaccinated.

We missed those of you who were not able to attend.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL for 2021-2022

Due By June 20th

Pay By Check: \$155.00

Make check payable to– Soroptimist International

***Mail to: Loretta Peterson, 427 E 5600 S,
Murray, UT 84107***

Pay by Credit Card (add \$5 handling fee)

Go to Club Website: sislc.org

OR call Loretta to give your CC information



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DREAM IT • BE IT CAREER SUPPORT {for girls}

Thursday, May 20, 2021.

25 Girls in Attendance

Presented by Jennifer Lanzetti

Final Session of the Year.

Jennifer was funny and engaging. The girls laughed, asked questions and participated in the overall presentation.

Jennifer was a contender on the TV “Survivor” show.

She began by giving the girls some background on that experience.

She also gave background on her own life challenges growing up including ADHD, anger issues, cancer and other personal family matters.

She encouraged the girls to be centered in themselves and not let some other person male or female, complete them.

She talked to them about overcoming hardships & going to college to get a degree and working hard.

She told them to write a letter to themselves about money and figure out what feelings they had about money to help them think positive things when it comes to money.

She told them how hard she worked to own her own business and ultimately make money that she always set her goals on.

She told them to go to college and if needed to get a loan to go to school. She advised them that they are worth it.

Jennifer currently owns a retail store in Salt Lake called “Bin and Buy”. She invited the girls to come to the store when they had a job interview and pick out an outfit that they could have at no charge to wear to their interview.

She also offered to mentor them if they would contact her.

Soroptimists attending the session were Carma Ingram, Rita Offrett, Jan Crane, Margy Russotto and Carolyn Roberts. Others participated on Zoom.





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{for girls}

Congratulations to our
Scholarship Winner
Beatriz Gomez





MONTHLY MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Marilyn Tang

Everyone knows Marilyn! How could you not—her presence fills the room with her warm personality. She has been a Soroptimist for longer than anyone else in our club and has invited countless wonderful women to join with us. Our club would not be what it is today without Marilyn.

She was born in Ogden Utah. The fourth child (of seven) and graduated from Ogden High School. Her first husband was a hairdresser and together they had one son, Curtis. Later she found the love of her life, Gary Tang, who has been supporter and loving companion for fifty years.

Marilyn was working for a company that sold industrial supplies. When they went out of business she decided to open her own company, Certified Interior Systems (later Certified Handling). She needed capital to get started and applied for a business loan. But, being a woman, she was not eligible! So, Gary had to step in to help. Thank heavens times have changed! Her sister, Jeanne, was a partner and they ran a very successful company winning many local customers selling products to manage warehouses and move and store inventory.

As a Soroptimist she has served twice as club president, as well as in many other offices and as the Rocky Mountain Region Governor. Her motto was “Stick Your Neck Out” and her mascot was a giraffe—reminding everyone to get involved. If you want to know some thing about Soroptimist, ask Marilyn—her vast experience serves us well. Over the years she has visited members in other countries and made many life long friends around the world.

Love and laughter are important to Marilyn. She likes to have a good time, to giggle and play and get involved in the party. In the last couple of years, Marilyn has had some serious health issues and she hasn't been as active as she would like. Phone calls, visits or cards would be appreciated.



Soroptimist History

submitted by Marilyn Tang.....



During World War II Soroptimist clubs in Europe ceased to hold meetings or met clandestinely as it became dangerous to pursue their usual activities. Some would gather in the home of one of the members just before blackout time and spend the night together busily making clothes, mending and preparing articles needed by civilians. They returned home in the early mornings after restrictions were lifted.

In England, links with other clubs were kept up through the International Liaison Secretary. By March 1942—26 European clubs were listed as in-existence. Lives of the British were overturned due to the air raids, bombings and the general strain of war. But somehow, the publications of the British Soroptimists made it possible to follow the impact of the war on Soroptimism and the lives of the members.

Right after the beginning of the war, in an October 1939 issue, the editor wrote: “Two things are clear to us in the midst of the bewilderment and distress of the present days. One is that, as a band of women whose aim is the furthering of International understanding, we must stick together and keep in active working order our Soroptimist Organization, the value of which is greater than ever before! The other is that when we emerge from this nightmare and the struggle is over, we must be stronger than ever to see that all our influence is cast on the side of a just and lasting peace.”

The London Clubs changed its dinner meeting to a luncheon in order to save light and avoid travel after dark. Just as many meetings were planned and well attended. In November 1939, an appeal was made to British Soroptimists to contribute to the purchase and outfitting of an ambulance with the Soroptimist Emblem on their sides were presented. Soroptimist also did all kinds of volunteer service in canteens, hospitals, civilian defense, factories, and many other wartime jobs.

A fund was started with a voluntary annual levy which prove helpful in reconstruction in England and on the continent. The Federation governing board met in out-of-the-way places and issued the following statement: “Admittedly there are difficulties but none that cannot be surmounted given imagination, energy, goodwill and enthusiasm, and no division that dare lay claim to a lock of these in their midst.” And added these powerful lines: “The difficulty is what takes a little time. The impossible is what takes a little longer!” What a great foundation these brave women were building for us to grow with.

Soroptimist International of Salt Lake Gratefully Acknowledge their PAST PRESIDENTS

1931-32+ Gertrude Arbuckle Torney*

1933+ Dr Mildred Nelson*

1934+ Dr Maud B Callison*

1935+ Isabelle Murphy*

1936+ Maud Chegidden*

1937 Margaret McQuilken*

1938+ Maud Baker*

1939+ Dr Margaret Andrews*

40 Reva Beck Bosone*

1941+ Kandace Hudson*

1942+ Irma Bitner*

1943-44+ Beryl Homer*

1945 Nancy Finch*

1946 Jessie Perry*

1947 Clara Miller*

1948+ Marguerite Taylor Beck*

1949 Ada Graham Taylor*

1950 Norma Pedersen Beck*

1951 Evelyn Pixton*

1952 Leona Howard*

1953 Grace Jones*

1954 Ann Pehrson*

1955 Madeleine Swanner*

1956 Berdie Stenbule*

1957 Ann MacDermott*

1958 Vivian Kelly*

1959 Margaret Embleton*

1960 Cathryn Andrew*

1961 Maida Bailey*

1962 Rhoda Saunders*

1963 D Vivian Weggeland*

1964 Grace Jones*

1965 Ann Pehrson*

1966 Afton Neff*

1967 Grace Flinders*

1968 Beverly Beck Clopton*

1969 Ruth Clawson Shields*

1970 Juanita Smith*

1971 Grace Flinders*

1971 Grace Flinders*

1972 Beverly Beck Clopton*

1973-74 Ruth Clawson Shields*

1975-76 Blanche Furlong*

1977-78 Helen Henderson*

1979-80 Marilyn Tang

1981-82 Mary Guinn

1982 Ruby Poole*

1983 Helen Watts*

1984 Aileen Leslie

1985-86 Thelma Olsson*

1987 Cheri Richardson

1988-89 Helen Robinson-Young

1990-92 Irene Himmelberger

1992-94 Pamela Bennion

1994-96 Barbara Reeves*

1996-98 Ruth Fox

1998-99 Mary Clark*

1999-2000 Kay Ruiz

2000-02 Pat Murdoch

2002-04 Rita Offrett

2004-05 Janis Nash

2005-06 Wendy MacDonald

2006-07 Janette Kozinski

2007-08 Carma Ingram

2008-09 Marilyn Tang

2009-10 Nancy Mitchell

2010-11 Cheri Richardson

2011-12 Gabrielle McAfee

2012-13 Margy Russotto

2013-14 Barbara Rosner

2014-15 Jan Crane

2016-17 Sheri Hoffman

2017-18 Teresa Just

2018-19 Donna Schultz

2019-20 Loretta Peterson

2020-21 Teresa Just

+Charter Member *Deceased



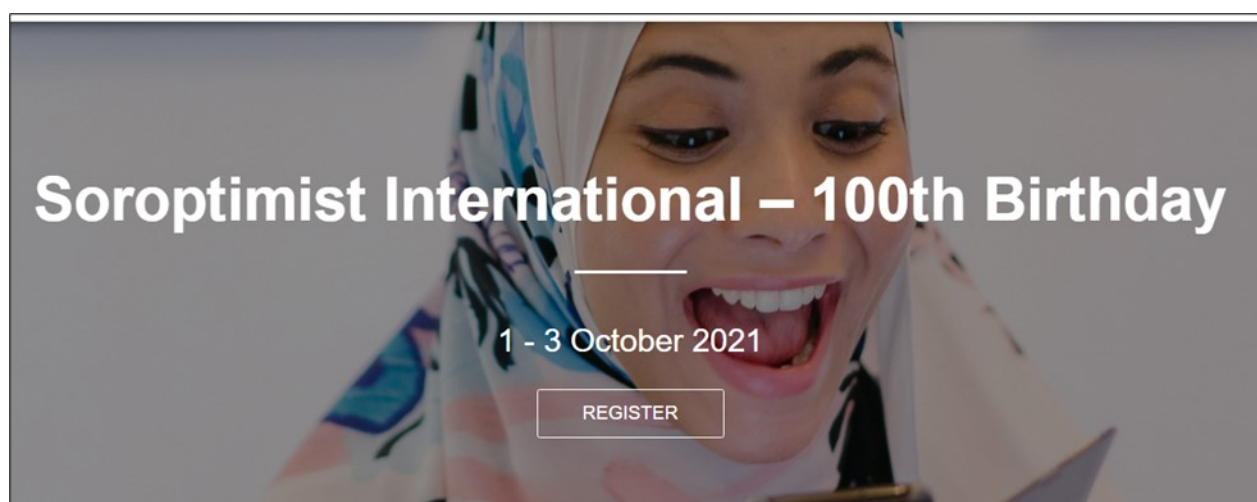
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Announcing our 2021-2022 SIA President-elect

Our warmest congratulations to **Stephanie Smith**, who has been elected as our 2021-2022 SIA President-elect beginning on September 1, 2021. She will assume the office as SIA President on September 1, 2022 and will serve in that position through August 31, 2023. Our best wishes on success as the 63rd President of Soroptimist.



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Stephanie Smith

SI/Oak Harbor, Washington
(Northwestern Region)



June 2021

Wednesday	2nd	Board Meeting	5:30 pm
Thursday	17th	Program Meeting	6:30 pm
		Installation of 2021-2022 Officers	
Sunday	20th	Father's Day	
Tuesday	22nd	Newsletter Deadline	

Words for Thought....

"Thankfulness creates gratitude which generates contentment that causes peace"



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