

Salty Soroptimist News

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President's Message

I am so grateful to have the opportunity to share my thoughts regarding all of our recent activities. I feel like everyone in our club has been busy participating and involved in the work we are committed to do. I had a wonderful time at our Thankfulness Dinner held in November at Cheri Richardson's clubhouse. It was a lovely venue with a great time to reflect on what we are thankful for and share time with one another.

November has been such a busy month with all the preparations for our annual Breakfast with Santa which took place on Saturday, December 3rd. We did our first Breakfast with Santa event in 2007, and each year since we have the experienced the love and gratitude of the mothers we are able to serve. This year Teresa Just chaired the event and held weekly meetings on zoom to discuss what needed to happen. Jan Crane took over the task of breakfast for the families, which was just lovely. Our newest member, Kristina Worthington, took on the task of organizing all of our volunteers and greeting them at the door with their assignment. Everyone in the club participated in some way to make this event special. Thank you to everyone that filled their assignment, donated, and worked the event.

I'm excited to meet with everyone at our annual Christmas Party. This year it will be held at Kym Wells home. Make sure to bring a pot luck food item and a \$20 gift to exchange. The club will provide a ham with rolls to add to the festivities. I love this party and hope everyone is able to attend.

I want to take this opportunity to tell everyone in our club how grateful I am for each and every one of you. You are my support system and you are my friends. I am grateful to have people in my life that share the passion I have for helping women and girls achieve their dreams. My observation is that everyone's lives are so busy with different responsibilities and family commitments.

We honor each one of you for the path you are on and for taking time to share yourself with us as much as you can! As the Christmas season is upon us it is my wish that we all take time to feel and enjoy the Spirit at this time of year. Christmas is magical for lots of reasons, but the giving our club does at this time of year is amazing and fills us all with that special feeling of love and gratitude. Merry Christmas to all of you.

Carma Ingram, President, SI of Salt Lake

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Deadline Extended – there's still time!

Donate to Win a Fabulous Vacation for Two!

Your \$50 donation gives you one ticket; your \$100 donation gives you three tickets.
Enter TODAY at sislc.org Drawing to be held February 18.

Set Sail in Bar Harbor

Windjammer 2-hour sailing trip, 3-night stay at the Inn on Mount Desert

This Experience Includes:

- 2 people
- 3-night stay in a standard room at The Inn on Mount Desert
- Daily breakfast for 2
- 2-hour Windjammer sailing trip
- Winspire booking & concierge service

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The Inn on Mount Desert

Enjoy a 3-night stay in a standard inn room including daily breakfast for two. The Inn on Mount Desert offers modern amenities in a historical setting on tree-lined Mount Desert Street in the heart of Bar Harbor. Relax on the front porch, enjoy a game of bocce in the garden, and walk to the waterfront less than 10 minutes from the hotel.

Windjammer Sailing Trip

Enjoy a leisurely sail for 2 people along Frenchman Bay that includes narration about historical and geographical points of interest. View wildlife including eagles, seals, and porpoises. Experience beautiful views of Acadia National

Park from the water. Sail among the Porcupine Islands of Frenchman Bay, enjoy a picnic or just relax on our spacious decks. Beverage Service with wine, beer, and soft drinks with live music offered on Afternoon and Sunset Trip.

Please share this with your friends!

Welcome, Kristina Worthington!

Salt Lake Soroptimists Give Thanks

By Cheri Richardson

On November 16, sixteen Salt Lake Soroptimists, including our adopted member Georgia Presnell and our newest member, Kristina Worthington, gathered to celebrate our work, our achievements, and our friendship. Oh, and to eat!

Jan Crane prepared the meal, which consisted of two delightful soups, a crisp fall salad, and pumpkin pie dessert squares. The food was amazing – thank you so much for all your work, Jan!



As we enjoyed our meal, each of us had the opportunity

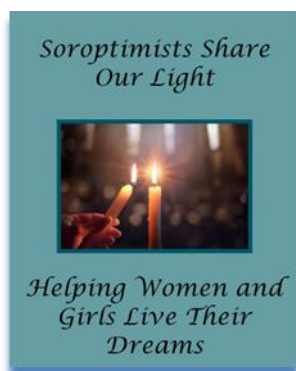


to express what we are grateful for. Family and friends, health and recovery, and Soroptimist were common themes as we shared our gratitude.

Following the meal, Cathy Stevens inducted her daughter, Kristina Worthington, into membership. Kristina brought pictures of herself attending several of our events. "It's time for me to give back," she told the members in attendance. We look forward to Kristina's contributions to our club.

I am Kristina Stevens Worthington. I'm a mother to a 7 yr. old boy named Rexton whom I love and adore. I have a husband named Bryan and we have been married for 8 amazing years. I am the daughter of Kent and Cathy Stevens.

I was diagnosed with Stage 3 breast cancer in 2016 and I am not only a survivor, I am a thriver. I love to travel, go boating, ride 4 wheelers, and go camping. I like to exercise, dance, and play volleyball. I attended college on a volleyball scholarship and earned a bachelor's degree in business. I am an event coordinator. I like to make people laugh and smile. I like to help people and I am excited and proud to be a member of the Salt Lake Soroptimists.

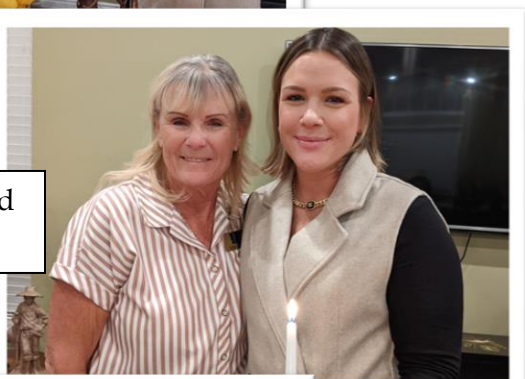


Soroptimist Christmas Celebration



Kristina's
induction
ceremony

Cathy and
Kristina



Carma and
Kristina



We filled several baskets and bags with women's underwear for the Women's Resource Center and wrapping supplies for Breakfast with Santa. Thank you, Salt Lake Soroptimists!



Kym Wells is hosting this year's Christmas Celebration at her home: 1836 East Mountain Crest, Draper, Utah, on **Wednesday, December 14, at 6:30 PM.**

The annual Christmas Party is one of our longest running – and most fun – traditions. This event is one of the few where we just have fun together and enjoy each other's company.

Plan on bringing a potluck dish – Soroptimist Potlucks are legendary for both quality and variety.

Bring a \$20 wrapped gift which will be used in an action-packed trading game. Will you bring the gift everyone wants this year?

15th Annual Single Mom's Breakfast with Santa

By Teresa Just



Santa is in the house!

I want to start by celebrating all of you, our members! This program is only possible because of our members who give of their time and resources.

This year we helped 35 single mother families with a combined total of 75 children. Even more amazing is 33 of 35 families attended the event in person. Wow, I don't remember a year where we had this level of attendance.

It was so good to see the joy and gratitude in the eyes of these mothers. All you have to do is to talk with these women to understand what a big impact Soroptimist of Salt Lake City has on their lives.



Cathy and Julia
at check-in

It was best said by Heather Day, former Live Your Dream recipient and Dream Believer, in her Facebook post: *We are so blessed to be a part of The Soroptimist Family. Thank you for having my family at the annual Breakfast with Santa. You are true angels. Thank you to all the volunteers and the amazing friends I consider my family. #soroptimist #utah #angels #love #blessings #friends #family #thankful*



Teresa and Heather



Kids craft



Moms' gifts



Thanks to our Sponsors

We also have amazing volunteers, donors, and sponsors. Their generosity is heartwarming. We had such an outpouring of toy donations, that each child received 3 to 4 gifts this year. The value of in-kind donations is over \$9,000. We also received several large cash donations including \$200 from Mrs. Clause.

Many of us consider Breakfast with Santa the kickoff to the holiday season. It is in the spirit of giving that Soroptimist truly excels.

Happy Holidays!



TOYS!!!!

I'd like to say Thank You for helping me with Christmas this year. It's the hardest time of the year for me and I am eternally grateful for all the love and support from you and all the volunteers from the bottom of my heart thank you!!!

Alisha Jacques, Participant



Volunteers with Santa



Thanks to our Volunteers!



Warm clothing purchased for each child



Breakfast Area

Upcoming Events

December 5	• Board Meeting 6:00 pm, Carma's house
December 5	• Newsletter Deadline
December 10	• President's Appeal
December 14	• Christmas Party hosted by Kym Wells
January 9	• Board Meeting 6:00 pm, Carma's house/selection of Nominating Committee
January 18	• Luncheon/Program Meeting
February 1	• Live Your Dream Award Transmittal due to District



Happy Birthday

DIANE MCCARTY - DECEMBER 6
PAT MURDOCH - DECEMBER 26



President's Appeal 2022



Each year, on December 10th, Soroptimists throughout the world raise funds toward a project chosen by the current Soroptimist International President.

Opening Doors to a Bright Future is the Soroptimist International (SI) President's Appeal, 2021-2023, officially launched October 1, 2021. Headed by **SI President Maureen Maguire**, the Appeal, now part of the broader, recently established Soroptimist International Foundation, unites Soroptimists, Clubs, Unions and the five Federations, with the aim of delivering tangible benefits to some of the world's most marginalized women, girls, and their communities. With plans to establish Appeal projects in each of the five Soroptimist Federations, projects are already taking place in Cambodia and Uganda.

This worldwide project underlines the Soroptimist commitment to Education throughout the life-course, and its immense power and fundamental role as a driver for sustainable development, peace, and equality. Investing in girls' education brings high rewards, breaking cycles of poverty and aiding economic growth. Education empowers women, girls, and their communities, delivering skills and knowledge, whilst increasing confidence; enabling women and girls to make informed decisions affecting future wellbeing, health, participation, and quality of life.