



President's Message

It's such a great opportunity for me to serve as your President. This year in July I will have been a member for 20 years. Over the last 20 years I have had numerous opportunities to serve in various positions in our club. This is my second time being President and the most valuable thing I have learned is that I'm not doing this alone. I have so many people backing me up and doing things in background that I'm not even aware of until after it's done. Serving on our board is not only rewarding but it is also fun. I get the pleasure of spending time with a close group of lovely ladies that will do anything to help me whenever I ask. We are just going into our new board nomination process and I encourage any and all of you who are members to consider taking a board position or volunteering to chair one of our programs.

We just held our annual Live Your Dream Award Luncheon. What a powerful event. Each one of the ladies we

honored had a story to tell. Not all stories are fairy tales, but each of these ladies has valiantly embraced change through education to make a difference in their own life and the lives of their children. I am really delighted that our club was able to give 10 awards this year. We helped in ways we may never know, but made a difference in their lives. Each of the ladies that spoke thanked the Soroptimist for the scholarship and invited us to know that it helped them financially but especially gave them confidence in themselves. It was such a pleasure to meet each of these ladies and listen to their narrative on the circumstances that brought them to this point in their lives. Each of them has embraced education as the route to their personal growth.

Our Soroptimist Vision and Mission statements are ... Vision: Women and girls have the resources and opportunities to reach their full potential and live their dreams. Mission: Soroptimist is a global volunteer organization that provides women and girls with access to the education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment. Our club is doing the things that our

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vision and mission statement says we are about. Thank you to all of you for supporting the women and girls that we have the opportunity to touch.

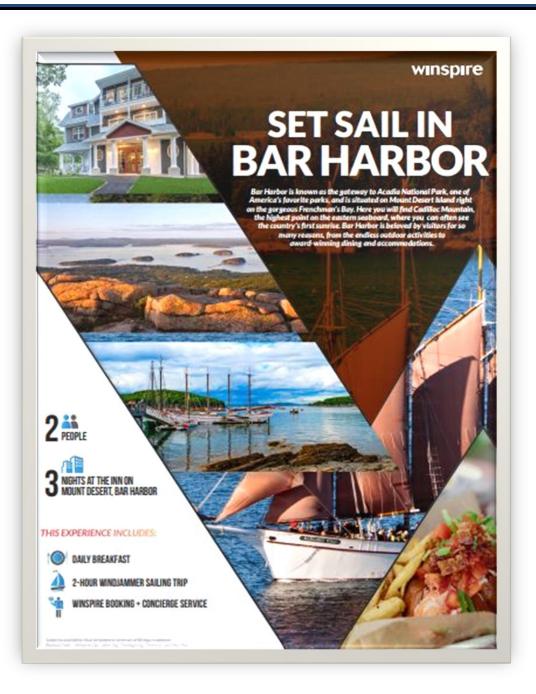
Carma Ingram, President, SI of Salt Lake

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Congratulations to Curt Ward!

Curt Ward, Marilyn Tang's son, was the winner of our Winspire trip drawing. Our Club total donations for this trip were \$3,900 with a net after trip costs of \$2,395.

Many thanks to everyone who donated!



2023 — 2024 Board

By Rita Offrett

A new year of officers will soon be upon us. As I am starting to plan our next year for SISLC I need help in identifying members that would be willing to participate as officers and Chairpersons for our 2023-2024 year at Soroptimists of Salt Lake City.

Everyone in our club is a leader and I would appreciate them volunteering to take a position of some kind, if at all possible. If one position that you are interested in seems too large, let me know, as President Elect you can co-share a position in our club. It takes all of us to make the Club run; just a few can't do it all. Let me know how big or small a job you are willing to do. We are especially in need of nominations now for:

- President-Elect
- Secretary
- Treasurer-Elect
- Director at Large
- Delegates (2)

If anyone has any questions about what each of these jobs entails, I would be glad to have a call from you and we can discuss. Thanks for your consideration of these positions. You can be nominated by someone else, or nominate yourself. Please contact me, Ann Treacy, or Julia Vernon as your nominating committee. Deadline for nominations is March 7th. Please contact <u>roffrett@hotmail.com</u>.

Ríta Offrett, Presídent Elect



Dreams

2023 Service Droject By Angela Yarborough

We are still collecting purses that we will donate to the women graduating from a program at People Helping People. We will donate the purses in May. **We currently have 12 purses and our goal is 25.** It is recommended that the purchase of the large personal care items should be coordinated so that the items are the same or very similar. We'll work as a club to get this coordinated.

Update on People

Helping Deople

Suggested Items: Hairbrush, Lotion, Body Wash, Washcloths, Shampoo, Conditioner, Tampons

We will be collecting these purses through May and deliver them to PHP for their awards ceremony in June. Please help us meet this commitment to People Helping People by donating a new or likenew purse.



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Carma Ingram is collecting the purses and any small personal care items that you want to donate for the purses as well. Please bring a new purse to our next event. We'll get together in May and insert the hygiene kits and other items into the purses. Thanks for your support. Salty Soroptimist News

International Women's Day Tea Party

Soroptimist International is hosting a virtual International Women's Day Tea Party on March 8th. To celebrate this event, our club will be meeting at:

Auntie Rae's 4704 South Holladay Blvd. Date: March 8th Time: 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm Cost: \$25.00 per person (plus tax and gratuity)

We will enjoy a 4-course high tea experience and watch the SIA Zoom Tea Party. RSVP to <u>carma.ingram@gmail.com</u>



On March 19, 1911, International Women's Day was officially marked for the first time. More than one million people celebrated in Austria, Denmark, Germany and Switzerland. Women demanded the right to vote, to fight against sex discrimination in the workplace, and to hold public office. The theme for 2023 International Women's Day is "Embrace Equity" *March Dream It – Be It*

By Kym Wells

We are excited for our upcoming Dream It Be It Program which will be held at Granite Connections and Horizonte. We have invited Angela Larson to be the first hour presenter.

Angela is a former member of our Soroptimist club and owns a credit correction company. Angela has agreed to speak to the girls about finance, handling money, credit cards, credit and title loan company practices.

The second hour of our presentation will include a career panel that will talk about their careers. We have invited a nurse, hair dresser, real estate agent, juvenile court clerk, esthetician, and tattoo artist.

The career panel was chosen based on the requests of some of the girls on what they wanted presented. We are excited to meet at the two schools in March. Please try and come and support this event. The dates are as follows:

Tuesday, March 21st9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.Granite Connections High School,501 E. 3900 South, SLC (typically 30 girls)We meet in the library/media room

Thursday, March 23rd 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Horizonte, 1234 South Main Street, SLC (typically 40-60 girls) We meet on the 4th floor in the library



Soroptimists Plan Night of Service

By Jan Crane



Join us for an evening of hands-on service at:

The Center for Women and Children 697 W. 4170 South, Murray, UT Thursday, April 20th 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

We will prepare and serve women who are going through the detoxification process. Clients are homeless and low-income women who are moving toward greater self-sufficiency.

Here's how you can participate:

- Donate to provide the food for the dinner
- Come and help prepare, serve and clean-up (at least 6 needed)
- Gather and donate some small motivational gifts for the women

SIA to elect President-Elect for 2023-2024

The following 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 Board Members are candidates for 2023-2024 President-Elect:



Gloria "Ginger" Cole SI/Los Angeles, California (Camino Real Region)

SI/Oak Harbor, Washington (Northwestern Region)

Watch for an email \dots our club must vote for one of these two candidates by April 27th

Peaks to Plains Region Conference

April 28 – 29, 2023 Omaha, Nebraska Embassy Suites – Omaha Downtown Old Market

Thinking about going to Region Conference? This



year it will be held in Omaha, Nebraska. This is a great opportunity to experience Soroptimist programs first hand with great presenters. It is also a great way to meet other members from clubs all over our Region, which is now The Peaks to Plains Region. It is also a great opportunity to visit somewhere that you may have never been.

Air fares range from \$388 to \$528. The Call to Conference just came out so it's time to plan your trip. Mark your calendar for this upcoming event!

Hotel Reservation Deadline – March 27th Registration Deadline – April 27th

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Meet Our 2023 Live Your Dream Award Recipients



We enjoyed a beautiful luncheon on February 25th with members of our club and 8 of our 10 Live Your Dream Awards winners. Many of the award winners brought their friends and family to support them as they shared their stories with us. This year our club awarded \$13,500 in Live Your Dream Awards.

Many of the *Live Your Dream Awards* recipients are survivors of domestic violence, trafficking or sexual assault. All of them share a story of courage, resilience and the desire to create a better life for themselves and their

children. Nearly all of the women and families we serve have overcome enormous obstacles including poverty, teen pregnancy, and drug or alcohol addiction.

Live Your Dream Awards recipients may use the cash award to offset *any* costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education, such as books, childcare, tuition and transportation.

Although the awards address economic need and make a difference in a practical way, we know they also affect women in a personal way. Women who have received the award report an increase in self-confidence and self-



esteem, and pride for being recognized for having the courage to change their lives. Our 10 award winners are:

Elizabeth Matthews – Our first-place winner, Elizabeth Matthews received an award of \$2,500. Elizabeth is the mother of 4 children ranging in age from 5 to 12. She is attending Joyce University of Nursing.

Alicia Naea – Our second-place winner, Alicia Naea received an award of \$2,000. Alicia is the mother of 6 children ranging in age from 1 to 13 children and is attending school at the Salt Lake Community College studying nursing.

Jessica Lewis – Our third-place winner, Jessica Lewis received an award of \$2,000. Jessica is the mother of 3



children ages 15, 12 and 10 and is studying instructional design at Utah State University.

This year our club has been able to give 10 awards to Live Your Dream applicants. We have 7 more ladies that we want to honor all of whom received \$1,000 each.

Jessica Lewis

Amy Kelley – Amy has one young child under the age of 1 and is studying Medical Coding with a goal of receiving a bachelor's degree in Technical Management at DeVry University.

Alicia Naea

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Jenna Marizza – Jenna has a 5-year-old child and is attending college at Utah Valley University with a goal to have a career in mental health.

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Tiffany Martinez - After raising her granddaughters

for 10 years Tiffany is now the caretaker of her mother and graduated as a Master Esthetician continuing her education in skin care and health coaching.



Liliya Reymer – Liliya has one child age 2 and is attend Utah Valley University studying substance use disorder counseling.

Josi Rust – Josi has one child age 12 and is attending Salt Lake Community College with a goal to receive a master's degree in social work.

Christian Saavedra – Christian has 3 children ages 8, 11 and 13 and is attending Joyce University of Healthcare Sciences in the nursing program.

Austin White – Austin has two children ages 6 and 13. She is working on a bachelor's degree from Western Governors University.







Rita's Table





Congratulations to these amazing and inspiring women!





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Dream

Campaign for Soroptimist International of the Americas

We believe in the power of dreaming big.

That's why we've set a goal through our Dream Big Campaign of investing in the dreams of half a million women and girls.

That's four times the number of women and girls we currently reach.

It's a big, audacious goal. But no more audacious than the courage and resolve of the women and girls our Dream Programs will impact.

Each woman and girl we help has a story. Each has a dream.

They dream of achieving success on their own terms. They dream of raising healthy families and giving back to their communities. They dream of a day when violence and inequality will no longer stand in their way.

You can make dreams come true for women and girls. Consider donating to the Soroptimist of the Americas Dream Big Campaign. Current donations at \$4M ... Goal \$15M



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Upcoming Events

March 6	Board Meeting 6:00 pm, Carma's house
March 8	International Women's Day High Tea Party - 4:30 pm
March 21	• Dream It Be It Granite – 9:00 am to 11:00 am
March 23	• Dream It Be It Horizonte – 9:00 am to 11:00 am
April 3	Board Meeting 6:00 pm, Carma's house
April 3	Newsletter deadline
April 20	• Serving Dinner at Center for Women and Children – 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
April 28-29	Peaks to Plains Region Conference, Omaha, Nebraska

Happy Birthday



WHAT?!? WE HAVE NO MEMBERS WITH MARCH BIRTHDAYS? LET'S GET RECRUITING....



In Loving Memory...



Janis Nash's beautiful mother Bertha Hall passed away on February 27th.

Bertha was born on April 9, 1922 and was almost 101 years old when she passed. Janis has been really close to her mother and a great help and support to her. Losing a mother is a very sweet sorrow. Our sincere condolences to Janis and her family.

Viewings will be held on March 10th 6-8 pm, and on March 11th 9:30-10:45 am, with services to follow at 11:00 am at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1950 E. Viscounti Drive, Sandy, UT.