# Salty Soroptimist News June, 2023





# President's Message

Looking back over this past year, I am amazed at how many wonderful experiences I had specifically because I agreed to be President of our club this year. I am grateful every day for my membership in Soroptimist and for the friendships I have made over the past 20 years belonging to this club and putting my energy into our work. Soroptimist offers a unique opportunity for all of us to do what we can in our community to help women and girls improve their lives, and along the way we are blessed with the opportunity of working with wonderful women that embrace our vision and our shared goals.

This past year has seen some really great accomplishments. In the Fall we had a fun fundraiser where we provided "Breakfast in the Park", cooking pancakes and bacon

and serving breakfast on a cold fall day. Our club made \$1,500 at that breakfast to kick off our year and followed that with trip drawing to Bar Harbor, Maine where we made \$2,400. We ended our year with our Spring Fund Raiser where we were able to make almost \$6,000 for our club. Our Spring Fund Raiser was a dinner at a park with live music, silent auctions and opportunity drawing items. It was a great success and a lot of fun. We have one more trip drawing for a 3-day stay at the Eureka Resort in Wendover; I am so looking forward to seeing our success with that.

Cheri Richardson has been our newsletter editor and done an amazing and beautiful job. Kym Wells was our Dream It Be It Chair and organized 3 different DIBI presentations at two different schools. We hosted over 90 girls each time at Granite and Horizonte. Teresa Just chaired the Breakfast with Santa event that we held in December where we hosted Breakfast and a modest Christmas for 34 moms and 72 children. Barbara Rosner was our Live Your Dream chair and worked really hard to get the

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word out to our local colleges about this scholarship. In February we held our Live Your Dream Award luncheon where we honored 10 very special women. We gave away \$13,500 in Live Your Dream scholarships to the 10 women we honored. I also loved our People Helping People project where we provided 25 new purses and bath and hygiene items to women graduating from the PHP program. Great effort everyone!

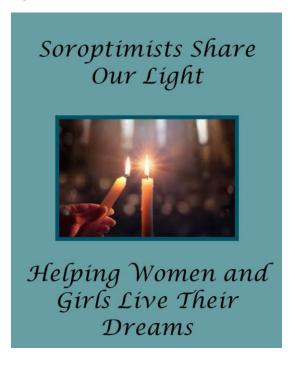
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There are so many people to thank and acknowledge for all the work done throughout this year. Thank you to all of our members who gave selflessly of your time and money helping improve the lives of women and girls in our community and worldwide! You all light up my life!

### Carma Ingram, President, SI of Salt Lake



# Zulie Langarica Earns Master's Degree



Our own Zulie Langarica recently graduated with a Master of Science in Counseling/Clinical Mental Health Counseling. She writes,

I freeze when I have to do write about me, but I wanted to share with you from my graduation

**A**. This was a very hard and painful journey and I'm a

domestic violence survivor. Although things were so hard at times, and I had to put my classes on hold to recover from my emotional pain, I didn't want to give up on my dream to finish my career. It took me 12 years to finish my degrees from Associates through Master's Degree and Soroptimist International had a great influence on me not giving up. Every woman in our club and their stories, and every woman participating to get a scholarship to get an education were my inspiration to fight the good fight to achieve my dream.

"Dream it, be it" phrase played a very important part when things got really tough.

Thank you for everything!



Congratulations Zulie! You will be an amazing counselor.





We received a very nice thank you letter from People Helping People for our purse project. We donated 25 new purses, full size bath items and hygiene items to the women who will be receiving an award from People Helping People for completing their program. Their letter to us said:



We are so grateful to you for your interest in our Employment Program and for your generous donation of purses and personal care bags to support our Summer Client Awards Ceremony. Your contribution to our program helps us to reach our goal of working with 1000

low-income women living along the Wasatch Front every year. Our work of the past 29 years has taught us a lot about what women can do,



what women can accomplish, and what women can contribute when given good employment opportunities and support.

People Helping People will be holding their Award Ceremony on Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.

# Donate to Win Stay at Eureka Resort

The Eureka Hotel and Casino graciously donated two certificates for a three-day, two-night stay and a \$75.00 credit at Gregory's Restaurant. You can win

this \$400 package by donating to our club. Your \$20 donation gives you one chance in the Opportunity Drawing; your \$50 donation gives you three chances. Click here to donate today!



# Spirit of Soroptimist Award

By Carma Ingram

Every year our club votes for someone in the club who has gone over and above in their efforts for our Soroptimist club. We love the opportunity to give that person an award at our June meeting.

The June meeting is a potluck summer picnic at my house on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Please put that on your calendar. By June 15<sup>th</sup> I would like to receive a small paragraph from you nominating a person for the Spirit of Soroptimist Award. Please email these to me and I will accumulate the votes and prepare the award for our June 21<sup>st</sup> summer picnic. Please participate in this request. Thanks, Carma

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# Friday Night in the Park

By Cathy Stevens



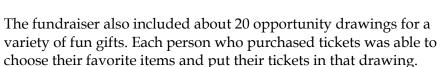
Murray Park was the setting for our Spring Fundraiser, with the theme "Friday Night in the Park." The event was held on May 19th under one of the parks pavilions. The weather was perfect for a lovely evening. We had a good attendance from our members, their families and friends.

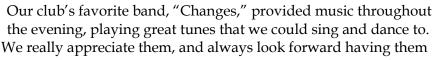
President Carma Ingram greeted guests and gave a brief message about our programs, Live Your Dream, Dream It, Be It, Dream Believers and Breakfast with Santa.

The buffet dinner was delicious, with BBQ chicken, ham, 2 kinds of salads - green and shrimp macaroni, glazed carrots, and warm rolls. The food was catered by Midvale Mining Café, and dessert was provided by Loretta Peterson. Table decoration were bright and colorful with vases of sunflowers.



There were over 40 silent auction items ranging from a 50" big screen TV, homemade quilts and shawls, jewelry, goodie baskets, artwork and a weekend stay in Mesquite Nevada. Thank you to everyone for their donations.





at our events.

A special thanks to all of the sponsors, the donations, and a heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped in anyway, make the fundraiser a success, our final total reported by Teresa was \$5,739.00







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# **Upcoming Events**

June 5 June 21 June 30 July 1 July 27 – 29 Sept. 23

- Board Meeting 6:00 pm, Carma's house
- Summer Picnic and Board Induction
- Opportunity Drawing Eureka Resort, Mesquite, NV
- Dues, Form 200 SIA & Region, Celebrating Success-Region only
- SI Convention, Dublin Ireland
- District Meeting, Evanston, WY

# **Happy Birthday**



ANGELA YARBOROUGH - JULY 9
JENNIFER LANZETTI - JULY 14
JULIA VERNON - JULY 20
PAMELA BENNION - JULY 23
MARGY RUSSOTTO - JULY 25
BARBARA ROSNER - AUGUST 5
GAY HOUCHENS - AUGUST 8
JANIS NASH - AUGUST 14



# SIA Club Giving

Club Giving contributions are an invaluable source of funding for the tools and supports that SIA provides our members and the women and girls we serve globally. The Salt Lake Club always gives 10% of our net. This year we have budgeted \$1200 for Club Giving, which we will finalize after the Mesquite drawing.

### Among other things, Club Gifts ensure that SIA can:

- Enable newly chartered clubs to provide their first *Live Your Dream Award*.
- Provide Soroptimist Club Grants to local club projects that support the Big Goal.
- Develop resources that help clubs raise funds and create impact locally.
- Create and annually update training materials for the Dream Programs.
- Translate materials so they are available in the six languages used by our members and the women and girls we serve.
- Track and analyze program data across all regions to be able to communicate our collective impact.
- Fund *Live Your Dream Awards* for region and federation recipients.
- Fund *Live Your Dream Awards* for women who do not live near a Soroptimist club.
- Provide information to help our volunteer representatives with their advocacy efforts for the UN and UN-related events.
- And more!

