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**Welcome
Officers and
Directors, for
2011-2012**

President:
Helen Sager

Vice President:
Sandy Frazer

Secretary:
Phyllis Rogers

Treasurer:
Kris Huot

Directors:
Marjorie Conley
&
Alice Sanford

Other elected
positions
(not pictured)

Delegate:
Carolyn Small

Alt. Delegate:
Barbara Young



President's Message

I am excited about working with each of you this year as we plan new service projects and partner with other community groups to improve the lives of women and girls.

I'd like to start the year by sharing my favorite parable:

A pencil maker told his pencil five important lessons just before putting it in the box:

- ◇ Everything you do will always leave a mark.
- ◇ You can always correct the mistakes you make.
- ◇ What is important is what is inside of you.
- ◇ In life, you will undergo painful sharpening, which will only make you better.
- ◇ To be the best pencil, you must allow yourself to be held and guided by the hand that holds you.

We all need to be constantly sharpened. This parable may encourage you to know that you are a special person, with unique God-given talents and abilities. Only you can fulfill the purpose which you were born to accomplish. Never allow yourself to get discouraged and think that your life is insignificant and cannot be changed and, like the pencil, always remember that the most important part of who you are, is what's inside of you and then allow yourself to be guided by the hand of God.

I know that each of you as members of Soroptimist International of Santa Rosa will bring a unique perspective this next year. I encourage you to share your ideas and be ready to experience new growth as a member, and a future club leader.

Your President,

Helen Sager

What's Happening



JULY

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY

- 4th **Red, White & Boom** at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds. Opens at 4 p.m.; Fireworks begin @ 9:30.
- 10th Open House from 3-6pm with a 4:30 presentation at Allyson Ahlstrom's shop "Threads for Teens" 810 De Best Court, Windsor. RSVP at allysonahlstrom@gmail.com
- 10th –14th **42nd Federation Biennial Convention** in Montreal, Canada.
- 15th Earle Baum Center BBQ: Need 8-10 members starting at 10 AM to prepare and serve food to their clients.
- 16th Club retreat, \$5 per member. Time and place will be announced at the July 7th business meeting.



AUGUST

The End of Summer

- 6th Kids Spree: Active 20-30 & Soroptimists; shopping @ 7 AM; Coddington
Need as many members as possible to go shopping with an "at risk" child.
Please be there by 6:30 AM



SEPTEMBER

Hello Fall!

- 5th **LABOR DAY** 
- 10th 25th annual "Beer in the Plaza, 3-7pm Healdsburg Soroptimists. \$20 adults, 8 to 20 years \$10, under 8 free.
- 23—24th Earle Fest Silent Auction : need 4-6 people Friday (9/23) to set up and four shifts of 2 on Saturday to watch items

MEETINGS in JULY/AUG

No program meetings in July / August—reserved for committees

- July 7th & August 4th **Business Meeting:** Members are encouraged to attend and vote on committee recommendations
- July 14, 21 & August 11, 18 Meeting room at Sam's reserved for committee meetings during our normal lunch meeting time. Discuss plans and forward recommendations to the board
- July 28th & August 25th Board meetings at Coldwell Banker, review /act on committee recommendations

Save the date!

Enter on your calendar now

Sept 25th, 2011

Reserve this Sunday to help at the "Handcar Regatta and Exposition" if we vote to volunteer at this event. Other local Soroptimist clubs are already interesting in joining us

Sept 30th—Oct 2nd HARVEST FAIR.

Reserve this weekend to attend the fair and be available if we vote to staff a Soroptimist Booth. Other local Soroptimist clubs may be joining us, which would be a wonderful opportunity to share our goals and show our strength to the community

Oct 7th "Catwalk for a Cure"

9th annual fashion show and luncheon benefiting the Sutter North Bay Women's Health Center from 10:30 am - 2:00 pm at the Wells Fargo Center for The Arts.

Date to be Determined

6th STREET PLAYHOUSE fundraiser:
"A Christmas Story"

February 25th, 2012

ANNUAL CLUB FUNDRAISER
"Night in Italy"

Member News

July Birthdays

- 22nd Fran Miller
- 23rd Gerry Humes
- 31st Ann Baumann

August Birthdays

- 1st Sandy Frazer
- 2nd Paddy Coreris
- 7th Lynn Riepenhoff
- 22nd Kris Huot
- 30th Lucy Barnett



Life member Margaret Ann 'Dixie' Dixon passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 14, 2011, at the age of 93.

Dixie joined our club in 1966, working for 30 years as the admin. assistant at the Sonoma County Humane Society.

A memorial service will be held at 3pm this Sunday, July 10th, at Daniels Chapel of the Roses.

Memorial donations may be made to Friends House Patient Fund, 684 Benecia Dr or Sonoma County Animal Care, 1247 Century Court.

Club Programs & Events



LEFT: Club members donated twenty-four hand made blankets to the Valley of the Moon Children's Center

RIGHT: Club member Alice shared financial guidelines to consider in today's economy.



Caprice Lee was the club's Genevieve Mott winner honoring our 1st president.

Scholarship Winners shared their plans for future studies and their career goals



Brianne Nelson was the club's Vera McCulloch winner honoring a member's mother.



Our club welcomes new members Maria Kitchen (left) and Denise Palmer (right) as they are inducted by Membership Chair Lola. Maria enjoys spending as much time as possible with her new baby, and favorite pastimes for Denise are camping and gardening.



(left) President Malia thanked the club and her board at her last meeting for the year. (center) 20-30 past president Gioia told us how important our club support has been throughout this year. (right) Member Carolyn receives her Fellowship pendent.



SOROPTIMIST

Best for Women

LEADERSHIP MEETING

Soroptimist International of Santa Rosa P.O. Box 933 Santa Rosa, CA 95402



(top left): At one of the many break-out sessions, members learned about options for creating a club web site (top right) Attendees had a great breakfast and lunch buffet (bottom left) The Tater family was introduced as "any member" in your club and (bottom right) everyone agreed that we want to bring in more Partici-Taters as new members!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS?

Please send your new address to: President Helen Sager or to the PO Box above.

NEED MORE COPIES?

Call or fax your request to (707) 545-6089 or by e-mail to our club mailbox at sisrclub@sonic.net



Stay informed. Visit our Soroptimist of Santa Rosa Web Site for the most recent club news. http://www.sisantarosa.org@sonic.net

To see other Soroptimist Web sites—Visit

Founder Region Website: www.sifounderregion.org

International of the Americas: www.soroptimist.org

Soroptimist International: www.soroptimistinternational.org

Happy Fourth Of July



Upcoming special event? Committee Meeting?

Let us know!

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To improve the lives of women and girls, in local communities and throughout the world.