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GIVE SUNSHINE

November-December 2008

President's Message



Happy Fall!

Changes have been made. I hope you are all enjoying the new meeting spot, Sam's. We have had incredible cooperation from the management and staff that I feel we have finally found our home.

If you have any suggestions you would like to have considered, please, feel free to call me at any time and I shall see what I can do.

Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years are approaching so rapidly it is amazing. First of all I want to wish everyone a great fall and holiday season. Remember we will not be meeting from Thanksgiving until January 8th, 2009, so I am sure we will be having a lot of phone conversations.

Our Christmas party this year will be at my home, 2209 Springwood Ct., S.R., at noon on December 11th. Getting us all in the holiday spirit, I plan to have a pot luck luncheon and gift exchange. Gifts are not to exceed \$10.

Happy holidays!! It has been a pleasure serving as your president this year. I encourage any of you to call me at any time with complaints, suggestions or just to talk. I want to have this a successful year.

Have a joyful and warm holiday season!

Barbara Young

November PROGRAMS

- Nov 6th** Business Meeting
- Nov 13th** Dec 10th International President's appeal
- Nov 20th** Katherine Hargitt, Counselor for children who have survived commercial and sexual exploitation
- Nov 27th** No meeting
Thanksgiving Day

INSPIRATIONS

- Nov 6th** June Hunter Clarke
- Nov 13th** Marj Conley
- Nov 20th** Carolyn Aloia

December PROGRAMS

- Dec. 4th** No meeting
- Dec 11th** Christmas Party
- Dec. 18th** No meeting
- Dec. 25th** No meeting
Christmas Day
- Dec. 31st** No meeting
New Years Eve

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November Birthdays

- 14th Marj Conley
- 18th Lisa Chen

December Birthdays

- 8th Cheryl Taylor
- 25th Claire Bramwell
- 26th Michele Taylor
- 27th Sima Vaghti
- 31st Malia Anderson

Inspiration given Sept 4, 2008 by new member Lisa Chen

Each smallest act of kindness
reverberates across great
distances
and spans of time,
affecting lives unknown to the one
whose generous spirit was the
source of this good echo,
because kindness is passed on
and grows each time it is passed,
until a simple courtesy
becomes an act of selfless
courage years later and far away



◀ Upcoming Events ▶

November

- 18th Spirit of Philanthropy Award Luncheon honoring Sonoma County Volunteer Center as well as a special person or business which can be honored by non-profit organizations. SI Santa Rosa is honoring Ray Carlson; sponsored by Helen Sager.
Flamingo Hotel from noon to 1:30 pm; Registration at 11:30 am. Keynote speaker: Kay Sprinkel Grace Individual tickets \$40. For tickets call 922-5773
- 23rd Evening of Giving fundraiser: Tickets are \$10 each Event will be held in both Santa Rosa Malls — Coddington Mall from 5pm to 8pm **and** Downtown Santa Rosa Plaza from 7pm to 10pm. Our club will be serving wine at Coddington. Big discounts at several of the stores along with entertainment and food!! Sell those tickets!!!

27th **Thanksgiving Day**



December

- 4th SOROPTIMIST HOUSE Christmas party from 5:30pm—7:30pm
Sign up to bring a pot luck dish at the November business meeting
If you have questions or need directions, see or call Carolyn Aloia at 481-1978
- 10th December 10th President's Appeal:
Restoring Dignity: Hamlin Fistula Relief and Aid Fund of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The monies provide ongoing medical care and training skills to women with fistulas that cannot be completely cured. Members are encouraged to donate.
More information at www.soroptimistinternational.org
- 11th Club Christmas party @ Barbara Young's house, 2209 Springwood Ct., Santa Rosa, CA.
Party starts @noon and it is a pot luck. Please bring a gift of \$10 or less. Members and prospective members are welcome
- 13th Salvation Army Bell Ringing in Coddington: Outside the Shutterbug Store: 10 AM – 6 PM
<wear your Christmas Headbands!>

25th **Christmas Day**

September October Programs

New member Lisa Chen was inducted
September 4, 2008



Sabrina Coyle Johnson was happy to receive our Ethel Balbi Master's Award certificate and a check for \$3000 to continue her Masters program studies at Sonoma State. A second Master's awardee, Shana Friedman, was unable to attend the event, but hopes to come to a future club meeting.

**Ethel Balbi Masters Award Winner
September 11, 2008**



LEFT: Alexander Verdoni
RIGHT: Alexander "Casey" Jones

Music Majors at Santa Rosa Junior College

**Claire Saffell Music Award Winners
September 11, 2008**



President Barbara is proud to receive her Fellowship pin from District 4 Fellowship Director Jeannie Griffiths.
September 18, 2008



Member Marj Conley shares a picture when she played clarinet in the state championship band
September 18, 2008



Kristi Lucas-Hayden, Volunteer Coordinator at the Schultz Museum, presented an update on activities and volunteer opportunities.
October 9, 2008



Ellen Daly, professional home and office organizer, shared a few methods and tips on how to "declutter your mind and your world."
October 16, 2008

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**Happy
Thanksgiving
And
Merry Christmas
Happy New Year**



Upcoming special event? Committee Meeting?

Let us know!

Deadline for the January/February issue is December 29th.

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