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17th Annual Soroptimist Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon



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Left to Rt., BCA Chair, Lorraine Ramsden, 2014 Person of Distinction Judi Rumsey and President Rose Worthington
Judi was honored for her contribution to Breast Cancer Awareness

Save The Dates!



Please Join Soroptimist International of Redding for:

Marie's Auction & Luncheon

Tuesday, November 18th, 2014

Cattlemens

Time: 11:30 am until 1:30 pm

Tickets \$17.00

Auctioneer: Theresa Nachman

Seating is limited, so purchase your tickets today! For more information, contact Leslie Morgan at 524-3581.

The History of Marie's Auction

A Soroptimist Family Tradition

Marie Burke was a charter member when Soroptimist International of Redding was founded in 1946. The club needed a way to finance the expenses of delegates to Regional Conference and Federation Convention. So, in 1949, Marie started holding auctions every year just before the Thanksgiving holiday. She not only auctioneered, but also donated all of the goods for the auction from her own pantry - homemade jellies, jams, canned fruits and vegetables and of course, baked goods.

"Marie's Auction" soon became a successful fundraiser and too difficult for one person to carry the responsibility, so the other club members joined in and began to bring in their own homemade items and handcrafts.

In 1987, Marie Burke auctioneered her last "Marie's Auction". She was not well at the time, but stayed at the podium until the last item was gone. A few weeks later, she went into the hospital. Marie died on January 28, 1988. Her memory lives on as we continue with the tradition of "Marie's Auction".



Soroptimist International of Redding invites you to:

-KEEP DECEMBER PLAYFUL-

Are you interested in learning more about what it means to be a Soroptimist? Join us for SI Redding's Membership Social!! We will be playing Bunco & enjoying snacks & vino, all while filling you in on our club & programs. This is the perfect opportunity to gather membership info & meet our current members in a fun & casual environment. We hope to see you there!!

BRING A FRIEND!



HOLIDAY SNACKS, DESSERTS & WINE

Friday, December 12th, 2014 6 p.m. to 8:30ish..

Location: 707 Sunriver Lane Redding, CA 96001

Donation: \$10.00, Includes: Snacks, Bunco, and a Door Prize Ticket - Bunco winners will receive holiday gift baskets!

Please RSVP by Dec. 9th! For more information, call Jennifer Harris: 530-526-7777, or e-mail her at: reddingsoroptimist@gmail.com



Mardi Gras 2015

February 28th from 7-11pm

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SIR Receives Update on Shasta County Secret Witness Program



For our September 22nd meeting **SIR** heard from Sharon Lassiter, President of the Shasta County Secret Witness. Sharon is also a member of **SIR**. Sharon explained that the Secret Witness Program was started in 1974 by Soroptimist International of Redding. The Rotary Club gave the first \$1000 seed money to start the program. The board meets once per month with members from local law enforcement. The by laws were fashioned after the Soroptimist bylaws. The program continues through annual fund raising concerts at the Cascade Theater and private donations. Over \$27,000 in reward money was given in 2013 for information leading to the arrest of criminal offenders in the community. Thank you Sharon for updating us on this vital community service organization.



On October 28th Joan Nelson and Marian Chandler from the Lake Redding Ladies Golf Club visited **SIR** to present us with a generous donation from the proceeds of their 1st annual "Rally for the Cure" golf tournament. The event attracted 40 players and raised \$2600 for our mammogram fund! Thank you Joan and your club for honoring us with this generous contribution!



On October 21st Susan Wilson joined us and shared the past history and beginnings of the Power to Seniors Soup Kitchen which is held annually to benefit seniors in need of assistance with their power bills. Susan explained how the program works and who to contact is you are a senior citizen in need. This program is very helpful to our area seniors. **SIR** supports this event each year by helping set up and serve.



Power to Seniors gets a helping hand from the ladies of **SIR**. This annual event raises funds to help local seniors in need of assistance to pay their power bills.

Lft to Rt: President Rose Worthington, District Director Sherry Hoyer and Polly Yount-Smidt enjoy the evening serving up food and fun!



Lft to Rt: and Leslie Morgan having fun dipping up delicious gourmet soups from local restaurants!



Lft to Rt: Leanne and Linda Jee



On October 24th, One Safe Place presented Elizabeth Smart and “Season of Change” at the Win River Events Center. Elizabeth was abducted from her bedroom in her family’s Salt Lake City home on June 5, 2002 at the age of 14. She was found nine months later on March 12, 2003, in Sandy, Utah, 18 miles from her home. Soroptimist International of Redding members purchased tickets to attend this fabulous evening and listen to Elizabeth’s heart wrenching and inspirational story of abduction and terror. Elizabeth exemplifies taking a tragic personal event and using it to help educate and improve the world around her in the hope of helping other victims.



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President's Message from Rose Worthington

First of all I would like to thank all of our members and sponsor's for making our 17th annual **Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon** October 3, 2014 such a phenomenal success. As you all know October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and it's great for us to be the lead event for the month.

You can well imagine our club has been really busy during our first few months of the club year. In September "The 1st Thursday Quilters" group held an auction and donated the proceeds to our Mammogram Fund.

We helped the Exchange Club sell entrance tickets at the Redding Air Show and received a donation for our club from them.

We also participated in other activities involving Breast Cancer Awareness.

We were sponsored at a local **Shasta Roller Derby** game on Oct. 18, 2014 "Bash out Breast Cancer" and part of the gate and raffle proceeds were donated to our Mammogram Fund.

We also helped **SIR** member Lyn Brophy hold a wonderful 90th birthday party for her husband. Lyn made a donation to SIR for our service.

We participated in the Non-Profit day at the Mt. Shasta Mall where we gave out information on our Soroptimist Club and Breast Cancer Awareness Brochures.

Some of our members attended the Elizabeth Smart Dinner held by **One Safe Place**. Our club is always thinking of ways to help end domestic violence and partner with this great organization.

On November 6th **SIR** volunteered at the **Power for Seniors Celebrity Soup Kitchen**. This is always a fun time for the club members and raises money to help pay utility bills for seniors in our area who are in need.

For our next big project we will be planning our annual **Mardi Gras** event as our major fundraiser of the year. The money raised from this event goes towards projects, which include our **Ruby Award**: For women helping women, **Live Your Dream Award**: This program provides grants to women who are working to better their lives through additional schooling and skills training.

We now have a new Soroptimist project called **Dream It Be It**. This new program empowers girls in the same meaningful way in which the **Live Your Dream Awards** program empowers women. **Dream It Be It** targets girls in secondary school who face obstacles to their future success. It provides girls with access to professional role models, career education and the resources to live their dreams.

Please join us as we continue to
"**LOVE, INSPIRE and SERVE.**"

Rose Worthington, President
Soroptimist International of Redding



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CALENDAR

Nov 4.....Business Meeting, noon
Nov 6.....**Power to Seniors Soup Kitchen**
Nov 11.....Veteran’s Day program
and **SIR Club 68th Anniversary Party**
Nov 18.....**Marie’s Auction! 11:30am**
Nov 25.....No Regular Meeting, Board Meeting 6pm
Dec 2..... Business Meeting, noon
Dec 9.....**Human Rights Day** program
Dec 12.....Membership Social 6pm
Dec 16.....**Club Christmas Party**, noon
Board Meeting 6pm
Dec 23.....**Camp Hope Christmas Party**
at Elks Lodge 5-7pm
Jan 6.....Business Meeting, noon
Jan 13.....Introduction of Mardi Gras
King and Queen Candidates!

For current events and information about
our scholarships, projects and events
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**Meetings are held each Tuesday at Noon at
Cattleman’s Restaurant
1830 Hilltop Dr., Redding**

Meetings include lunch and program unless
the scheduled meeting is a business meeting
Prospective members are encouraged to
join us. Lunch cost is \$17. Please call
Jennifer Harris at 526-7777
and visit us soon!