



# SITM Update

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## Calendar

- June 21 – Scrapbook/Year in Review; Ceec Abrahams Award
- June 28 – Installation 2018-19 Officers
- July 5 – DARK, No Meeting
- July 7-8 – Soroptimist Development Retreat
- July 12 – Community Outreach Committee
- July 17–Board Meeting, President Jeanne’s Home
- July 19 – Business Meeting, Perfect Attendance Awards
- July 26 – Airplane Calendar Sales KO

## SITM Meets...

### Thursdays at Noon

at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa Second Floor Convention Center \$20 for lunch

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### Soroptimist Is:

a global volunteer organization working to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.



## Thank You for a Great Year Soroptimists

My fellow Soroptimists,

This is my final installment of the President’s Message, and it feels surreal. My tenure with the club has been a whirlwind of activity and has been a constant in my life since I ran for my first board position only six months after my very first meeting.

I thank you all for the support and friendship you have all shown me, especially this club year. I have had so many strong women standing with me during my presidency; I was able to do the job because of them.

Thank you to my board and my fellow members for supporting me through this entire year, and the three membership years leading up to it. Thank you for allowing me to be your



*It was transition time at the Joint Board Meeting as President Rikki Hensley-Ricker conducted her last Board Meeting of the 2017-2018 Club Year. President-Elect Jeanne Naccarato hosted a barbecue at her home for the current and the new board members.*

club president. It was a great year, a year in my life I am truly proud of.

Yours in Soroptimism,  
President Rikki

## July 26 this Amazing \$1,600 Opportunity Disappears

For only \$5 per ticket, or 5 tickets for \$20 you could win a two-night stay at the Ritz Carlton Club Lake Tahoe for September 7 & 8, 2018. You can make it special and enjoy the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lake Tahoe Food & Wine Festival, September 7-9 at the Northstar California Resort.

This 2-bedroom and 2.5 bath Club Residence sleeps 4, is fully furnished, featuring a gourmet kitchen, spacious living room with fireplace, and a luxuriously-appointed master bath with heated floor and many more amenities. You will enjoy convenient access via gondola to the Village at Northstar to indulge in the finest dining, shopping and entertainment. The Ritz-Carlton

Tahoe Destination Club is located on the mountain side at Northstar. It is 10 minutes from Truckee, California.

Thank you to Niki Ewing for the donation of this fabulous raffle prize. But hurry, and purchase tickets. The drawing will be held at the July 26 meeting.



## SITM is Now Accepting Credit/Debit Cards

Debate and review has been underway for a few months now to “bring SITM into the 21<sup>st</sup> century” by accepting credit and debit cards. Several younger members have expressed interest in this since they infrequently carry checks or cash. The board recommended and the membership approved the purchase of “Point of Sale Squares” capable of accepting credit and debit cards.

Vice President/Service Penney Leezy has worked to secure the “Point of Sale Squares” to facilitate donations and fundraising sales to be made by credit



and debit cards. The first “square”, dedicated to fundraising activities, has already been purchased and an iPad to power it has been donated by Niki Ewing. Deposits are tied directly to the club’s Service Fund Treasury.

So as to minimize confusion and extra work for our treasurers, Penney is in the process of obtaining a second “square” and iPad (or similar) to be tied directly to the club’s General Fund Treasury. The second “square” can be used to pay dues and weekly luncheon costs deposited directly to the General Fund.

The “squares” come with a flat 2.75 percent service charge for each credit/debit transaction. The board recommended and the membership approved charging credit/debit card users the additional 2.75 percent service fee when paying dues or purchasing the weekly lunches that is deposited directly to the General Fund Treasury. It was further recommended and approved that the fee be waived for anyone using credit/debit cards to purchase raffle tickets or other fundraising items, or making donations.

Of course, “good ol” checks and cash will be cheerfully accepted for dues payments, weekly lunches, purchases or donations to fundraising events, with no fees.

## 50/50 and Lucky Star Quilt Raffle Tickets Still Available

Could you use a little extra cash right before Christmas? Who couldn’t? Now is your chance to help yourself and your friends, family or co-workers win 50% of “the pot” raised through this year’s 50/50 raffle. Last year’s winner, Becky Moody took home more than \$2,000 cash.

Tickets are available for sale at the table across from Attendance at each meeting. The Fundraising Committee did not “pre-package” tickets this year, but asks members to take tickets to sell at \$10 per ticket or 3 for \$25,

The winning ticket will be drawn at the November 15 meeting.

Tickets are still available to win Jan Bogikes’ beautifully hand-crafted

Lucky Star Quilt, for just \$5 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20. The Lucky Star pattern is framed in warm golds and browns and could be just right for a standard double bed, or hanging on your wall as the piece of art that it is.

Tickets are available from the Fundraising Committee across from the Attendance Table at club meetings to purchase or take some to sell to friends and family. The drawing will be held November 15 at the club meeting.

New this year -- It can be a traveling quilt, if you belong to a civic, community or church group that might be interested in purchasing tickets. See Fundraising Co-Coordinators Penney Leezy and Barbara Atwell to make arrangements to take the quilt out for display and sale of tickets.



### Lunch Price Increase Coming July 1

SITM has received the new contract from the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa for the weekly lunches for the 2018-2019 Club Year. The new weekly lunch charge from the Atlantis is \$21.36 beginning July 1. After review, the board recommended and the membership approved an increase (to round up) the weekly lunch price from the current \$20.00 to \$22.00. Members wishing to use a credit or debit card to charge their lunch will be charged \$23.00 in order to cover the card’s “service fee”. Checks and cash, of course, are still accepted, with no fees.



**Member Feature – Darlene DeLancey****Time for Scuba Diving After a Lifetime of Nursing**

By Faye I. Adersen

It all began with the sale of a 50/50 raffle ticket and it culminated with a new SITM member.

That ticket seller was Dot Watts and the buyer was new member Darlene DeLancey. Both are members of the Wild Whimsical Women at Sommerset. Darlene was curious about Soroptimist and between Dot's explanations and a couple of visits to SITM meetings, Darlene was inducted as a new member in October.

After working a lifetime in just about every nursing discipline imaginable, Darlene and husband Bob Widman decided northern Nevada would be where they would retire in June 2016.

Darlene grew up in southern California. She began her education at a local community college and then went on to get a nursing diploma through L.A. General Hospital. Darlene said, "From an early age I always remember wanting to be a nurse, except when I was nine, I wanted to be a ballerina." After graduating, she and a friend embarked on an idyllic trip to travel Europe on five dollars a day and a Eurorail pass.

A few years later she turned that into a bachelor's degree in nursing at the University of California, San Francisco and a master's degree in physiological nursing from the University of Washington in Seattle. She was the first in her family to get a college degree.

That led to a 10-year teaching position at Samuel Merritt College in Oakland. Switching gears to occupational nursing, Darlene became a corporate nursing manager for Levi Strauss overseeing the company's injury prevention, first response and wellness programs.

Darlene's first husband, Mark, died of cancer in 1988. She established a nursing scholarship at Samuel Merritt College in his name to be awarded to a nursing student with an emphasis on working with terminally ill patients.

She met husband Bob Widman at LAX. He was returning from a conference and he spotted Darlene reading her scuba diving certification book. They talked all the way to Oakland. She and Bob were married in an underwater ceremony 24 years ago, and yes they do enjoy scuba diving together, plus they are underwater

photographers. Go to [seashots.com](http://seashots.com) to see some of their photo work.

Darlene's last post in the health field was as Director of Wellness and Health for the Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula. "We're still in transition to retirement," Darlene says. "I've still got that fast-paced outlook and have projects and trips booked through August with more coming up."



*Darlene DeLancey & Bob Widman*

Of all the traveling, Darlene said, "We're having the time of our lives." Bob and Darlene are checking off the top five trips on their bucket list. They spent a month in Indonesia scuba diving. Next it was on to three weeks in Tanzania, where they logged 5,000 photos each. Bob and Darlene will head to Costa Rica in August to the Coco's Islands (think of Robert Louis Stevenson's book, "Treasure Island".) The Salomon Islands are the destination for 2019. Australia and New Zealand are planned after that. But a slower pace could be coming soon. They have bought a small Winnebago and plan to do more local traveling. They've enjoyed exploring the eastern Sierra lakes and the herds of wild horses.

In between trips Darlene has been volunteering for SITM projects. She volunteered at this year's Making a Difference for Women skills, training seminar. She said she thought, "The variety of women attending was fantastic, the programming was good in providing key information for employment."

She also joined the Education-Women Committee this year and found interviewing the scholarship candidates very rewarding.

Darlene has been impressed with SITM and said, "I wanted to do some volunteer work and Soroptimist felt like a good fit," she said. She especially singled out the Nepal Project for mention. "I also like the personal sharing that happens with the members," she said. "You can tell the members are supportive of each other. I like that."

Darlene also likes good wine, good food and being outdoors. So she should find a lot of camaraderie at SITM. Welcome Darlene. We're glad you have joined us.

*Faithful Rosie with Darlene*



## Thanks to Youth Celebrates our Community's Best

May 17 should live in the memories of many students, parents and SITM members when the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual Thanks to Youth program was presented at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa. More than 300 people attended the event to add their congratulations and encouragement to six high school senior scholarship recipients and 12 "Unsung Heroes".



*Matt Eck, an Associate Athletics Director for Strength and Conditioning at the University of Nevada, Reno was the keynote speaker at the event.*

The Education Youth Committee, Co-Coordinated by Eileen Fuller and Jo Ann Lessly, worked for months in advance to solicit scholarship and "Unsung Heroes" applications from schools, churches, and youth

were all great young people!"

During the special luncheon six scholarships for \$2,000 were presented to students continuing their education past high school. The 12 "Unsung Heroes" recipients ranged in age from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade. They were honored as "ordinary kids doing extraordinary things". Each recipient was presented with a

"family album" containing personal portraits taken by Penney's Portrait Studio and a selection of congratulatory letters and commendations from Nevada's U.S. Senators and Congressman and Governor, Reno and Sparks Mayors.

Following the ceremony, the "Unsung Heroes", and their parents were invited to Target for a \$200 shopping spree each, to thank them for their community service. "Hopefully, these awards will inspire and motivate our recipients to push themselves and realize their true potential," said Mary Beth Roselli, Thanks to Youth Co-Coordinator.



*Member Liza Chapen and her sister Leah Beth Davis sang the national anthem.*

organizations. As the process unfolded, Eileen said, "Selecting only six scholarship winners out of 18 applicants was not easy, nor were the "Unsung Heroes" selections. They



*Jo Ann Lessly with scholarship recipient Kaytlin Canner, from Damonte High School.*

The Thanks to Youth Committee, coordinated by



*Eileen Fuller with scholarship recipient Nicole Fierro, from Sparks High School*

Liza Chapen and Mary Beth Roselli, was responsible to stage the event in cooperation with the Atlantis. Mr. John Farahi, CEO of Monarch Casino & Resort, generously provides the room, luncheon meal and servers at no cost to SITM. The proceeds from ticket and

raffle sales at the event support the Thanks to Youth program for the following year. This year's event netted \$18,139.70.



*Mary Beth Roselli with Holly Villasenor, a 4<sup>th</sup>-grader at Robert Mitchell Elementary.*



*The 12 "Unsung Heroes" hold the family album presented to each recipient.*

## “Unsung Heroes” Go Shopping

Following the annual Thanks to Youth luncheon, the 12 “Unsung Heroes”, accompanied by parents and SITM members, were treated to a \$200 shopping spree at Target. The store also donated the cost of one of the shopping sprees. Some of the kids purchased clothes, toys and school supplies. Many of them purchased gifts for family members.



*Piper Mullen with Mia Pulido, a 3<sup>rd</sup>-grader from Hunter Lake Elementary.*



*Carol Dinneen with Holly Villasenor, a 4<sup>th</sup> grader from Robert Mitchell Elementary*



*Patte Robnette with Diana Giron Corpio, a 12<sup>th</sup>-grader at Reed High School .*



*Marquis Edwards, an 8<sup>th</sup>-grader at Sparks Middle School.*



*Ian Peoples, a 4<sup>th</sup>-grader at Coral Academy of Science.*



*Mary Beth Roselli with Acacia Cihlar, a 3<sup>rd</sup>-grader from Lincoln Park Elementary and Emmalee Sutton, a 5<sup>th</sup>-grader at Alyce Taylor Elementary.*



*Dinora Rangel, a 12<sup>th</sup>-grader at enCompass Academy with Nimra Nawaz, a 12<sup>th</sup>-grader at Hug High School, with Dot Watts.*



*Mackenzie Zappe, an 11<sup>th</sup>-grader at Reed High School.*



*Teagan Anderson, a 3<sup>rd</sup>-grader at Van Gorder Elementary.*

## SI/Reno hosts Annual Awards Luncheon

SITM's neighboring club, SI/Reno hosted their annual Awards Luncheon on May 22 at Hug High School. Eight members of SITM attended to cheer on and congratulate their recipients. Education Youth Co-Coordinator Eileen Fuller and Jo Ann Lessly also had the opportunity to present SITM's youth scholarships to a couple of Hug High students who could not attend Thanks to Youth due to conflicts with college exams.



Enjoying lunch with SI/Reno members were, from left: Margie Hermanson, Sarah Carrasco, Pam Robinson, Jeanne Naccarato, Jo Ann Lessly, Faye Andersen, Bev Perkins and Eileen Fuller.



Presenting Janelle Tan with her "family album" and SITM Youth Scholarship were Education-Youth Co-Coordinator Jo Ann Lessly and Eileen Fuller.

### Soroptimist Development Retreat Registration

RSVP at: [www.rsvpbook.com/event.php7516395](http://www.rsvpbook.com/event.php7516395) or visit the June 15 SNR E-Blast. Contact President-Elect Jeanne or General Fund Treasurer Kay Dunham for assistance.

Registrations after June 22 will be assessed a late fee of \$35.



## Soroptimist Development Retreat July 7-8, 2018 (Saturday noon to 1:30 p.m. Sunday) Atlantis Casino Resort Spa

This is a working weekend for all Soroptimist members who want organization and personal growth in Soroptimist.

20 Workshops to choose from:

Two Dream It. Be It. Workshops  
Easy Peasy Fundraisers  
Public Speaking from a New Angle  
Maximizing Live Your Dream Awards  
Communicating Across Generations  
Club Officer Training  
Embracing Change  
MORE

Five workshops, three meals and two presentations from our keynote speaker for one low price of \$115.

Guest Speaker Carolyn J. Carver  
Two Different Topics  
"Embracing Change" and  
"Communicating Across Generations"

When you are looking for an impactful message from a powerful speaker, look no further than Carolyn Carver! People who've had the pleasure of attending her keynotes use the same word time after time to describe her and the experience: FUN, FUN, FUN!

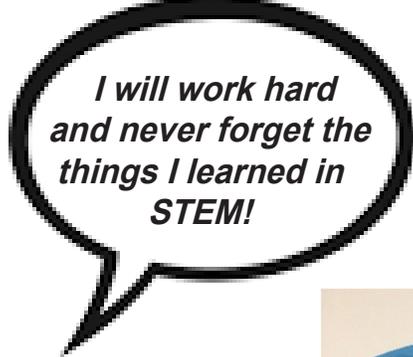


"Find out more about our wonderful organization!"  
Lane Parks  
SNR Governor, 2018-20

# DIBI Caps Off a Successful First Year of STEM Education

Every other Tuesday this past school year, a half-dozen SITM members could be found at Hunter Lake Elementary School, meeting with 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls engaging them in the fun, and sometimes perceived as daunting, world of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) education.

DIBI projects usually target high school aged girls with mentoring programs to help them grow up to be strong, successful, happy adults. The program provides girls with access to professional role models, career education and the resources to live their dreams.



However, when science is presented as a “make-your-own “ portable sustainable garden, or engineering is presented through the construction of a “lunar lander” made

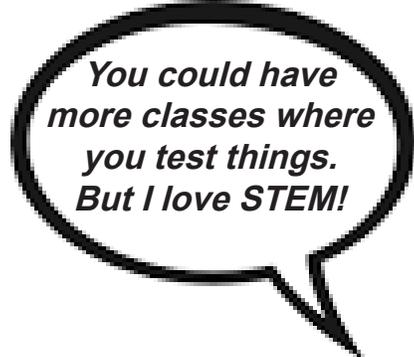
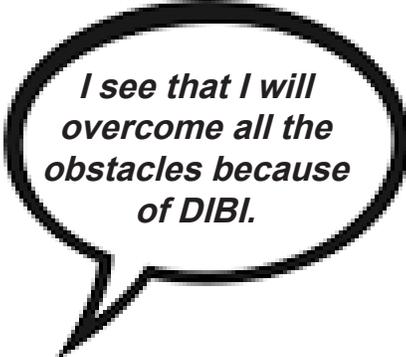
According to Co-Coordinator Patty Mamola and Kay Dunham, SITM decided to build our club’s DIBI program around girls 12-years and younger with a focus on STEM education because many studies show that girls don’t follow STEM education and careers unless they have technical opportunities and professional role models. As an example, Patty shared that the after-school group contains no sixth-grade girls, not because they weren’t invited, they just showed no interest.

out of plastic straws, cups and marshmallows, suddenly these technical disciplines enter the everyday world, easily understood by the girls.

Who knew how much math could be involved when mixing up and baking a “mug cake” (cake made in a coffee mug), or what skills are used to provide adequate padding to prevent a raw egg from breaking when dropped from some height.



It is all part of SITM’s “Dream It. Be It. Career Support for Girls” (DIBI) program launched in October 2017 at Hunter Lake Elementary School. DIBI is a federation project of Soroptimist International of the Americas, who have encouraged clubs to enact their own DIBI projects.



Members of the DIBI Committee conducted 15 sessions with the girl, all based on STEM education. Last month, the last session concluded with a pizza party, a survey and distribution of t-shirts designed by the girls themselves, as one of the class exercises.

The surveys showed the girls really liked the “mug cakes” and decorating cookies exercises (they got to eat their creations after the exercise). Most strongly agreed or agreed that they were more prepared to participate in STEM and use it to overcome challenges. The majority of the girls also saw “the biggest obstacle to your future success” as the money and ability to go to college.

## June Board & Business Recap

By Faye I. Andersen

Welcome to new member Angie Ruyak, who was inducted at the June Business Meeting. Angie is with Infinity Hospice Care in Reno. She was sponsored by Chris Fegert. Welcome Angie.



### Annual Meetings, Annual Reports

Since the June Business Meeting is usually considered the club's "annual meeting", several of the committees made reports on their activities.

### Membership

Kay Dunham, the Membership Committee Co-Coordinator, reported the committee had a busy year conducting orientations and inductions of 13 new members (including Angie Ruyak at the Business Meeting). They conducted one of the program meetings, pairing new members with seasoned members for discussions about club functions. A "New Member Retention Discussion" survey was conducted to provide information to the committee on how to become a more welcoming and effective organization.

### Making a Difference for Women

Jeanne Naccarato, Making a Difference for Women Co-Coordinator, reported on the success of this year's event, with six agencies and 29 women participating. The total cost was just over \$3,000 and \$600 was expended for three laptops from New2UComputer as training grants for participants. Participating agencies were very favorable about the program and recommend some scheduling changes for next year.

### International Goodwill and Understanding

The International Goodwill and Understanding Committee reported on the "40<sup>th</sup> and Final" Garage Sale. Thirty-two members, along with 16 family members and friends worked 306 combined hours to stage the event. A total of \$3,200 was raised for the Nepal project and the remaining unsold items were donated to Catholic Charities, except clothes stored for next year's Making a Difference for Women program.

### Dream It. Be It. Career Support for Girls

On behalf of the Dream It. Be It. Committee, Co-Coordinator Kay Dunham reported that the after-school project began in October with 22 girls and ended last month with 18 girls in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades at Hunter Lake Elementary School. The Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) curriculum spanned 15 sessions (twice each month) to include speakers, demonstrations and hands-on projects. The girls also completed a survey of likes and dislikes to help guide next year's curriculum.

### Airplane Calendars Coming July 26

On behalf of the Fundraising Committee, Diana Dillon presented a budget for this year's "Ghosts" airplane calendar sales. Based on previous efforts, this year's sales are predicted to be 240 calendars. The \$17 per calendar price is still in effect for this year. For members not wishing to find buyers for calendars and purchase them instead, Pam Robinson will take those calendars for distribution to veteran's groups in the area.

### Now Accepting Credit/Debit Cards

SITM is "joining the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" by accepting credit and debit charges using newly purchased "Point of Sale Squares". Purchases can be made to pay dues, pay for weekly lunches, or support fundraising activities such as raffles, or making outright donations. A service charge fee will be applied to credit/debt charges when used to pay dues or pay for lunch. A complete explanation and breakdown of fees can be found on page 2.

### Lunch Price Increase Effective July 1

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### May and June Happy Dollars

May Happy Dollars netted \$319 for Because I Can, an organization that helps brain injury survivors put their lives back together. June Happy Dollars are for Bristlecone Family Resources, President Rikki's choice.

## This Month's Program Speakers and Events



*Teresa M. Morros, CEO, CBIS, a Certified Brain Injury Specialist and Coach for Brain Recovery Assistance Institute Nevada (B.R.A.I.N.) spoke at the May 24 meeting. She told the story of her son Josh, who suffered a traumatic brain injury in 2008. Josh made an amazing recovery using a unique platform developed by himself and his mother Teresa. "Because I Can", a nonprofit organization, was founded by Josh as an advocate and educator for others with brain injuries or other neurological conditions. Josh tragically and unexpectedly died in December 2017. May Happy Dollars are designated for "Because I Can".*



*SITM Member Kathy Hudson will be working for the Sierra Nevada Region in the next biennium to help clubs initiate, update and implement their strategic plans. At the June 7 meeting, Kathy gave a preview of the presentation she will make at SNR's Soroptimist Development Retreat in Reno, July 7 and 8 and sought feedback on the program.*

*The Public Awareness Committee welcomed Kathy Carter, a Communications Strategist with Tri-Sage Consulting as the program speaker at the May 31 meeting. She called upon her background in communications and public relations to illustrate effective ways for organizations to get the word out about their mission and projects.*



*Celebrating June birthdays at the Business Meeting were Pam Robinson and Sarah Carrasco. The duo shared some of their "daring deeds", which mostly revolved around motorcycles.*



# Forty, Fabulous and FINAL! The Last Garage Sale

By Judge Connie Steinheimer

On June 1 SITM member friends and family gathered to sort and arrange discarded treasures for the last time to benefit the International Goodwill and Understanding's (IGU) Nepal Project.



Workers from Ethan Allen deliver furniture Friday night.

The crew emptied two moving trucks of merchandise from Ethan Allen and numerous boxes of donations, placing them into their assigned categories. Special items found their way to the Boutique. The evening ended with margaritas, chips, salsa, and pizza and a cool breeze.

The next morning, members and family

continued to "work" the sale. From 6 a.m. until Catholic Charities came to help box, bag, and haul away (using three moving vans) all of the "left overs" at 2 p.m., SITM members sold, sold, sold and visited, visited and visited. Many members truly got to know their fellow members on Judge Connie's driveway or in the garage.

When all was done, the driveway, street and garage were back in good order and the club

had raised \$3,200 for the Nepal Project, donated merchandise that was worth that much or more to Catholic Charities, and set aside a couple of racks of work clothes for the Making a Difference for Women Project.



Melissa Kreck, right, and daughter Naomi Smith sorting through piles of clothing.

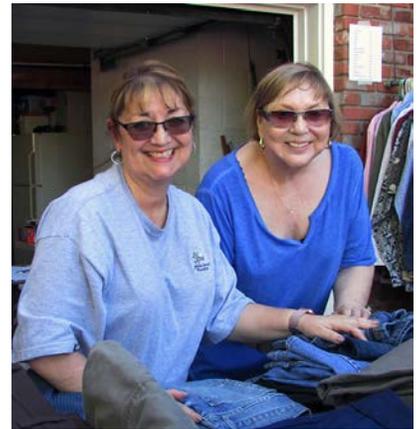
The IGU Committee would like to thank the 32 members who worked 65 shifts for 207 hours and the 16 family members and friends who put in another 99 hours for all of the work to support the Nepal Project of the club. We would also like to thank everyone for all of the donations, not just of their garage sale items (we like to call treasures) but of their time, and bottled water, ice, margaritas, chips, salsa, pizza, cups, donuts, coffee, sandwiches, ice cream, juice bars, paper products,



Linda and Bill Walker trying to find room for more stuff.



Teresa Mentzer inspecting the merchandise.



Anna McArdle and Patte Robnett ponder the pile of jeans.



The Friday night "set-up" crew.

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garbage bags, stickers, masking tape, warehouse storage space and the manpower to haul material to the sale.

SITM has had these garage sales for the past twenty years. We have sweated, laughed, shopped, and haggled together for the combined goal of raising money to see that the dormitory in Nepal (that we built to house girls while we provide scholarships so they can attend school) will always be viable. As much fun as IGU has putting on these garage sales, 20 years is long enough.

This was the last one. THANK YOU TO ALL.



Monica House and Connie Steinheimer staffing the cashier table.



Debbie Rovere from SI/Washoe County helps us price merchandise.



Pam Sutton and Liza Chapen ready to help customers.



Enid Oliver and sister-in-law Bobbejo Beach, staffing the "Boutique" sales.



Darlene DeLancey and Jo Ann Lessly trying to stay cool in the heat.



Soroptimists in their green aprons ready to sell from left: Eileen Fuller, Amanda Strong, Eve Johnson and Penney Leezy.

**Great job, SITM members. You ROCK!**

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For information about our organization, check out these Soroptimist Websites:

Sierra Nevada Region: [www.soroptimistsnr.org](http://www.soroptimistsnr.org)

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Best for Women

## Did you know . . .

### Introducing the Soroptimist Diamond Campaign

*Reprinted from Soroptimist International of the Americas*

The Diamond Campaign is a multi-year campaign to strengthen our organization's membership base as we approach Soroptimist's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The first year of the campaign will run from June 1, 2018 to May 31, 2019.

Through the Diamond Campaign we will ensure the future of Soroptimist, and our legacy will shine on as we carry our mission forward. By growing our membership, it becomes possible for us to deliver our brand-unifying Dream Programs. That brings us closer to our Big Goal to reach even more women and girls who face obstacles.

In this campaign, every club and region will work toward a unified membership goal. By doing this, we will be focused, dedicated, and stronger than ever!

#### Campaign Goals

- Overall net change in membership of -1% or better.
- Add new members representing 13% or more of your starting total membership.
- Terminated members represent 14% or fewer of your starting total membership.

Each Region Membership Chair will be in touch with the clubs in her region to define the number of members the percentages represent for each club, and to help develop strategies for membership success!

- Charter more than one new club.