



SITM Update

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- Aug. 14 – Board Meeting, President Jeanne’s Home
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- Aug. 23 –VPs Program and membership

SITM Meets...

Thursdays at Noon
 at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa
 Second Floor Convention Center
 \$22 for lunch
 RSVP to sitmtruckeemeadows@hotmail.com
 no later than noon on the Tuesday before the Thursday meeting.

Soroptimist Is:

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



Off to SIA International Convention in Japan

July is prime summer vacation time. If you are traveling, be safe and return home refreshed and relaxed. Speaking of travel, I am excited to be heading to the SIA 45th Biennial Convention in Japan. Anna and I will be traveling companions and will connect with Kay, Sarah, and Penny once we are all in Japan. As your President, I am grateful for the opportunity to represent us at this global Soroptimist convention. I look forward to the chance to meet and mingle with Soroptimists from around the globe to share ideas, learn about other clubs, and build lasting friendships. I will take many pictures and share our adventures when I return. I want to thank all of my SITM members for making this possible.

Since it is already late July, Hot August Nights are about to hit Reno. Little do the car enthusiasts realize we’ve already had Hot July Days and Nights with temperatures already over 100°.

As the temperatures rise please stay hydrated and limit outside activities in the heat of the day. Or better yet, stay inside where it is cool and comfy.



August also signals the kickoff of our Air Race calendar sales. Options for these artistic calendars include buying and giving them as gifts or selling them yourself, or buying and donating them to a local Veterans group arranged by our own Pam Robinson. Either way, this fundraiser supports our many SITM activities throughout the year. Thank you in advance for your generous support of this fundraiser.

And now...Mata Raigetsu! (translation: See you next month!)

President Jeanne

It STARts With Me

Jeanne Naccarato Installed as 2018-2019 President



President Jeanne Naccarato, in the center seated in the “life guard’s chair”, with husband Drew and son Brett kneeling. From left are: Margie Hermanson, Parliamentarian; Amanda Strong, Delegate; Chris Fegert, VP-Membership; Pam Robinson, General Fund Treasurer; Linda Walker, Secretary; Drew, Jeanne, Brett; President-Elect Penney Leezy; Dot Watts, VP-Program; Rikki Hensley-Ricker, Director; Lynne Catrow, Service Fund Treasurer.



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It STARTs With Me

Jeanne Naccarato Installed as 2018-2019 President



For desert, the Atlantis chefs prepared a special cake based on President Jeanne's theme. The room was decorated by the Atlantis in a beach theme with items from the Atlantis pool.

SITM is entering its 40th year as a Soroptimist Club, with the installation of its 40th President, Jeanne Naccarato. At the June 28 program, Installing Officers Margie Hermanson and Jennifer Burnitt used a starfish and beach theme to illustrate President Jeanne's "It STARTs With Me" theme. As each new officer was installed, they were presented with a special visor to protect them from the sun at the beach. Each was asked to select a sea shell to add to a collection depicting the officers, director and delegate for the club making a difference.



Immediate Past President Rikki Hensley-Ricker opens a thank you gift from SITM.



One of two Installing Officers Margie Hermanson with President Jeanne Naccarato.



President Jeanne pins Immediate Past President Rikki with her Laurel Society Pin, a gift from the club for her year of service to SITM.



The "line-up" of newly installed officers, director and delegate.



President Jeanne adds her unique seashell.

Member Feature – Nancy Madrigal**From L.A. to a New and Prosperous Life in Northern Nevada**

By Faye I. Adersen

Nancy Madrigal was born and raised in Los Angeles. She remembers the L.A. Riots of 1992 sparked just a block from the house where she grew up. (Also known as the Rodney King riots.) She attended a “big city high school” which could not have prepared her for the next stage in her life.

So when her father planned to move with a job opportunity to Sparks, Nevada in 1994, it was a culture shock. Her father was an operations manager for a company that manufactured Christmas ornaments, based in Sparks. It was decidedly a “hillbilly town” in Nancy’s mind. But, she had recently married and had a baby son, Eddie, so Nancy and husband Fernando moved with the family. Nancy graduated from Washoe High School. Nancy and Fernando have been married for 27 years now.

Nancy is the only daughter in a family of six brothers. She was working as a marketing representative for the insurance industry, traveling a lot in U.S. and Mexico, when her mother died of cancer in 2006. She was suddenly thrust into the role of matriarch of the family, taking care of her father and her brothers, who ranged in age from elementary school to college-age.

She admits it was tough. “I used to leave the house at 6 a.m. to drop my son and two brothers off at their elementary, middle and high schools, take breakfast to my father and his boss, then head off to work.” She repeated the trek at the end of the day for pick-ups from school and after-school activities. “All of them played football, because I wanted them to focus on school and stay out of trouble,” she said.

In addition, she was attending Morrison College studying towards a business degree. That had to take a back seat after her mother died, but she eventually graduated with her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business.

Liking her work in the insurance industry, she founded

La Luna Insurance, primarily serving the Latino community. That’s how she met SITM member Jennifer Burnett. “I used to refer clients to Jennifer at A&H Insurance and now Traveler’s Insurance,” she said.

She became well-known in the Latino Community for insurance and said, “I liked the flexibility, but after 10-years I felt I was done owning a business, managing employees and all of the business aspects. It was time for a change.” She sold the business to Freeway Insurance in 2017. Nancy’s son and a brother stayed with the corporation. Yet, insurance wasn’t far from her mind. Almost immediately after the sale she became an Independent Insurance Agent operating as Madrigal Insurance Group Services, LLC.

Today, she provides preferred market commercial, life and personal, auto and home insurance. She admits she needed a change, “It’s not about the money, but about the quality of life. I wanted to enjoy life and not jeopardize the quality of my health.”

For fun, the family takes an annual vacation to Mexico City. She likes to visit the Basilica of the Virgin of Guadalupe. On their trip last year, the city was struck by a 7.1 magnitude earthquake the day after they left. Genealogy is also of interest, and she has traced her grandfather’s lineage to 100% Spanish and her grandmother’s lineage to 100% Aztec.

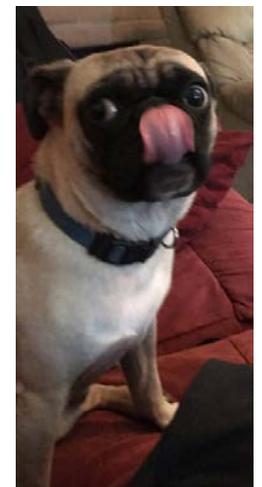
She was attracted to SITM by Jennifer and learned of our mission to empower women and girls. She said she’d like to get more involved in helping women in the Latino community who truly need help. Nancy’s philosophy: “I’ve always



Nancy with son Eddie.



Nancy and Fernando purchasing pearls from a shop while vacationing in Vietnam.



The well-pampered Pug, Diego.

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believed that if you receive, you should always give back.” She’d like to do that by donating her time and encouraging women to do and be better.

Sounds like Nancy’s already locked into the Soroptimist mission. We’re glad you’ve joined us Nancy.

The lone sister with six brothers in southern California. Back row from left: Nancy, Peter, Eric, Freddie. Front row from left: Francisco, Adrian and Christian.



Congratulations to “Perfect Attenders” During 2017-2018

Congratulations to 24 members who completed “perfect attendance” during the 2017-2018 Club year. This class of 24 cumulatively have achieved 210 years of perfect attendance. Their diligence proves the Soroptimist saying, “participation is the price of membership”. Thanks to all of our members who attend our meetings and participate in committee and other club work.

can be made by attending SITM monthly Board Meetings, District, Region, Federation and

International meetings, conferences and conventions and working at other specified club projects.

- Sarah Carrasco 1
- Penney Leezy..... 1
- Linda Walker..... 1
- Chris Fegert..... 2
- Annette Friedlander 2
- Doris Phelps 2
- Jeanne Naccarato 2
- Doris Phelps 2
- Rikki Hensley-Ricker 3
- Anna McArdle 4
- Barbara Atwell 5
- Pam Sutton..... 6
- Carol Dinneen..... 6
- Dot Watts 7
- Enid Oliver 7
- Vicki Schultz 9
- Patty Downs 10
- Margie Hermanson 11
- Marilyn Pearson..... 11
- Bev Perkins 15
- Diana Dillon 21
- Kay Dunham..... 22
- Pam Robinson 28
- Faye Andersen 32



Perfect attendance is achieved by attending weekly meetings. “Make-ups” for missed meetings

Lunch Price Increase Effective July 1

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Ceec Abrahams Award Presented to Penney M. Leezy

At the June 21 presentation of the annual Ceec Abrahams Award, Pam Robinson, a member of the Membership Committee, began her remarks with, "This year's Ceec Abrahams Award recipient will be no surprise to any of us."

Penney Leezy was named the 2018 recipient of the award, where she was joined by a surprise visit from her sister Linda Weber and husband George.

Each year the award is presented to a member of SITM who has gone above and beyond the call of duty to support the club and all of its activities. The award recognizes an "every member" for her tireless efforts, someone who volunteers without being asked, who is always there--someone who is a great supporter of our organization.

Penney was lauded for her work in producing creative and fun ways to fundraise and accounting for all of the funds raised to help out the treasurer throughout last year. Special note was made for Penney taking on SNR Governor Vicki Watson's Dress a Girl Around the World project. Through her contacts, persistence and continual "marketing" of the project, SITM members, family and friends were able to sew and donate 250 dresses for the region project.

In addition, Penney has been an ambassador for SITM in serving as Marketplace/Sales Coordinator for the past three Sierra



Penney accepts the Ceec Abrahams Award, presented annually with each recipient's name engraved on the pedestal of the silver bowl.

Nevada Region Governors.

Thanks for all of your hard work Penney, and congratulations on receiving this well-deserved award.



Penney Leezy, center with sister Linda Weber and husband George

A Heartfelt Thank You

To Soroptimist international of Truckee Meadows:

On June 21st I was totally surprised and honored to receive the Ceec Abrahams Award. To have my dear sister Linda and my husband George take part in the surprise presentation brought more than a tear or two to my eyes. This award is the highest honor I have ever received and I was humbled by the presentation. Thank you all for this very special award.

With Gratitude,
Penney M. Leezy

Starting Off the New Year at the Soroptimist Development Retreat

Excerpted from President Jeanne Naccarato's Report



Sierra Nevada Region Governor Lane Parks presides over the Saturday night dinner at SDR.

Nine SITM members attended this year's Soroptimist Development Retreat (SDR), July 6 and 7 at the Atlantis. We had four presenters at SDR representing SITM: Governor-Elect Sarah Carrasco; Kathy Hudson, SNR Strategic Planning Coordinator; Kay Dunham, SNR Live Your Dreams Coordinator; and Faye I. Andersen. Joining us were Linda Walker and Nancy Madrigal. In addition, Penney Leezy and Barbara Atwell served as Marketplace/Sales Coordinators for the vendors at the event.

I attended the President's Workshop and left feeling very proud of the organization we have in Soroptimist International Truckee Meadows. The topics we covered and the helpful suggestions were all things that our club already does.

- Kathy Hudson liked the workshop quality, and I agree there were some

fabulous workshops.

- Governor-Elect Sarah enjoyed the presentation on social media and getting our message out.

- Faye commented that these training sessions and conferences are a time to renew old friendships and receive updates on region projects and activities.

- Kay liked the new "Live Your Dream" online application process



President Jeanne fended off the cold chill in the room with one of Barbara Atwell's quilts.



SIA Federation President Dawn Marie LeMonds, left was a special speaker at SDR. With her is Past SIA President Poco Davis.

and that all clubs were encouraged to participate in "Dream It, Be It"

I found the speaker exceptional at this event. She was Carolyn Carver. Her speech covered "Communicating Across Generations." She journeyed through the different generations by briefly describing what influenced them and listing some of their characteristics.

Traditionalists are those born before 1946 and are influenced by: The



SITM members attending the Soroptimist Development Retreat were, from left: Faye Andersen, President Jeanne Naccarato, Kathy Hudson, Linda Walker, Kay Dunham, SNR Governor-Elect Sarah Carrasco, Penney Leezy, Nancy Madrigal and Barbara Atwell.

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Depression and World War II. Their traits include: Loyalty and respect for authority; they're independent and have an excellent work ethic; they have advanced communication skills, especially face-to-face.

The Boomers, born 1946 to 1964 are influenced by: The Vietnam War; the 60s; and postwar social changes. Their traits include: Questioning authority; they like teamwork; are well educated; and tend to be adrenaline junkies.



Barbara Atwell makes a sale to SI/Carson City member Mary Luster at SDR.



Penney Leezy offered her custom jewelry for sale at SDR.

After 1995 Generation Z, are influenced by media saturation; they are the children of Generation X. Their traits include: being connected; they like instant gratification; they lack a community oriented nature

My take away is that a thriving organization includes members from all generations. While these aspects are only generalizations, there is one aspect that crosses all generational lines. People not only want to give value, but know they are valued.

Generation X, born 1965 to 1980 are influenced by: Sadly this group has experienced more divorce than any other; they experience a lack of identity. Their traits include: being "Latchkey kids"; strong entrepreneurial abilities; they are independent; have a low tolerance for bureaucracy; are critical and hard-working

Generation Y 1981 to 1995 are influenced by: technology and doting parents (think helicopter parents). Their traits include: they are tech savvy; accepting of change; they require a work life balance; they're socially responsible; and they like it when everybody wins.



Hoping to win the "50/50 raffle", Kay Dunham flashes her ticket stash.



Sierra Nevada Region Governor Lane Parks' logo and theme for the 2018-2020 Biennium

Anti-Trafficking Fundraising Dinner – HELP! Each Member Can Participate

By Sarah Carrasco, SNR Governor-Elect

Last February the members of SI Truckee Meadows voted to take on a Human Trafficking Project and formed the Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committee of which I am hopeful includes every member of SITM. I have worked with the Nevada Attorney General's Office and Nevada Trucking Association on the last four fundraising dinners. This year, the co-hosts of the 5th Annual Benefit for Survivors of Human Trafficking Dinner are the Nevada Attorney General's Office, Soroptimist International of Truckee Meadows, Soroptimist International of Washoe County and Nevada Trucking Association. At this month's Business Meeting the Membership voted to continue the Human Trafficking Ad Hoc Committee and project.

The Supporting Our Survivors event will be on August 23, 2018 at the Silver Legacy. Cocktails/silent auction begins at 5:30 pm., with dinner at 7 pm.

Here is How SITM Members Can Participate

- Donate a silent auction item, please bring to any of our luncheons and I will take the item, please provide me with a value and contact information for the donor, name of company, contact person, address, telephone number (we will be sending thank you notes after the event). The donor is welcome to provide any promotional materials (flyer, business card) which we will put next to the silent auction item. We welcome the opportunity to advertise for them. The donor will be recognized on an insert we place into the program. Let the donor know that attendance at this event is 500.
- If you have contacts of persons whom you believe would be willing to sponsor this event, please reach out to me, Sarah at (775) 544-3733 and they will be contacted. Sponsorship of \$2,500 will garner one table and recognition in the program and slide show which runs

through the evening; and sponsorship of \$5,000 will garner two tables and recognition in the program and slide show which runs through the evening. A sponsor does not have to attend the event, they can sponsor and the seats will be filled by others at the sponsor's request.

- ATTEND THE EVENT (get a group together, public awareness event), \$75 per plate or table of 10 \$700. Purchase tickets on-line at NEVADA TRUCKING.COM. SITM and SI Washoe are putting together a joint wagon of wine, Napa theme, to be auctioned. I would appreciate any donation of wine and fun wine things.

The event itself will be worked by five members of SI Truckee Meadows, myself, President Jeanne Naccarato, President-Elect Penney Leezy, Margie Hermanson and Valerie Hahn; along with five members of SI Washoe County, President Lesli Brisson, Vice President Kristin Setty, Treasurer Mary Long, Delegate Juanita Hluchan and member Andreana Cirling. These 10 ladies have quite a job to do on the day of the event. All will be helping in organizing the display of silent auction items, some will be manning the registration desk, some will be selling raffle tickets and other fundraising things, and some will be overseeing the silent auction area. All will be on their feet during the event. Our 10 "wonder women" will be running around the room taking donations by credit cards. Then these same, not exhausted, women will take payments for the silent auction items by credit card.

It is wonderful that our club is participating in a Human Trafficking project. I personally do not have the skill set to help any of the victims, nor the professional background to do advocacy for this problem. I recognize that there is a problem in our community. I was fortunate to be given the opportunity to participate with the Attorney General's Committee. I would rather help raise funds to assist the victims than do nothing. I hope you each feel the same about this project. Thank you for helping.

**SUPPORTING
OUR SURVIVORS**
A Benefit Dinner for
Survivors of Human Trafficking

50/50, Quilt Raffle and What Else You Missed This Month

Ticket sales for the 50/50 raffle and the beautiful quilt donated by Jan Bogikes are moving slowly. This year, the Fundraising Committee did not issue “packets” of tickets for members to sell, but instead ask members to take tickets to sell to friends, family and colleagues. That could be why tickets are moving slowly. So, please take some tickets to sell or purchase.

Tickets for the 50/50 raffle are available at the table across from Attendance at each meeting, with tickets selling for \$10 per ticket or 3 for \$25. Last year’s winner, Becky

Moody, pocketed more than \$2,000.

Tickets for the Lucky Star Quilt are available in the same location 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.

The drawings will both be held November 15 at the club meeting.



Members of the new Community Outreach Committee gathered for this photo following the July 12 meeting where they explained the purpose and function of this new committee. Plus, members got a chance to conjure some outrageously funny projects while vying for Diana’s animal cracker prizes. From left are Faye Andersen, Bev Perkins, Coordinator Diana Dillon, Marilyn Pearson and Vicki Schultz.



Ticket Sales Opportunity at Local Quilt Show • Volunteers Needed •

SITM has been invited to show off Jan Bogikes’ Lucky Star Quilt and sell raffle tickets at the Truckee Meadows Quilter’s Show, August 17 and 18 at the Reno-Sparks Convention Center, Hall C. The Fundraising Committee is seeking members to sit for two-or-four hour shifts from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Some volunteers are already in place, but it would be nice to have two at the table for each shift. Free admission to the quilt show is also available, if there is one member to watch the SITM table, while the other “shops”.



Immediate Past President Rikki Hensley-Ricker shows off the scrapbook from her year as President, presented by Scrapbook Co-Coordinator Bev Perkins and member Dot Watts, plus member and artist Eileen Fuller who painted a special picture included in the book.



Former member and Past SITM President Gaye Baxley provided a helping hand to the Scrapbook Committee in putting together the Year in Review photo slide show reviewing the club’s activities over the past year.



Some of the members of the Organization Assessment (OA) Committee celebrated their successful revision of the Club’s Bylaws and Policies and Procedures in order to reduce the number of board positions and realign the club’s committees. Margie Hermanson hosted the gathering at her home. Back row from left were Faye Andersen, Finance/Laws and Resolutions Co-Coordinator Pam Sutton, OA Coordinator Doris Phelps, and Sarah Carrasco. Front row from left: Margie Hermanson, Linda Lamke, Penney Leezy, Jo Ann Roberts and Dot Watts.

July Board & Business Recap

By Faye I. Andersen

Welcome to the 2018-2019 new Club Year. New President Jeanne Naccarato conducted her first Board and Business Meeting in July, along with several new Board members, and some returning members.

Lunch Price Increase Effective July 1

President Jeanne announced the new lunch contract with the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa is in effect 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 asked to pay \$23.00 in order to cover the card's "service fee". See page 4 for additional details.

Two Fundraising Motions Approved

The Board recommended and the Membership approved two motions for fundraising opportunities. The first was to display and sell tickets for Jan Bogikes' donated Lucky Star quilt at the Truckee Meadows Quilters show on August 17 and 18 that the Reno Sparks Convention Center. If you'd like to join in see Fundraising Committee Coordinator Barbara Atwell. See page 9 for additional details.

The second motion was to allow three authors to sell their books to interested members at upcoming meetings, including SITM's own Patti Doty. Patti's third book, "McLean's Heart" will be available for sale at the July 26 meeting. Patti is donating a portion of her sales to SITM. Other approved authors are Julie Starkle, with her new coloring book for adults and author Dave Mulligan will attend with his book "Mulligan's Wake".

The "Ghosts" Airplane Calendars Are Here

SITM's annual sale of the 2019 "Ghosts" calendars begins 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 about 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.

Human Trafficking Dinner Set for August 23

Sarah Carrasco, coordinator of the Human Trafficking

Ad Hoc Committee, has provided more information and details on how members can be a part of the "Support Our Survivors" 5th annual benefit for survivors of human trafficking dinner, August 23 at the Silver legacy in Reno. For the complete details and how you can help, see page 8.

Happy Dollars Designated for 2018-2019

Requests for designating monthly Happy Dollars to various non-profit organizations and projects were recommended by the Board and approved by the membership at the July Business Meeting. The complete listing can be found on page 11.

June and July Happy Dollars

June Happy Dollars totaled \$344 for Bristlecone Family Resources, offering comprehensive addiction and mental wellness treatment services in Nevada. July Happy Dollars are designated for Adoption Choices for Northern Nevada, providing assistance to children, birth parents, and adoptive parents.



Celebrating their July birthdays are from left: Kathy Hudson, Chris Fegert, Jo Ann Roberts and Diana Dillon.

Save the Date - October 13 for the District 5 Fall Meeting

The District 5 Fall Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 13 at the Beach Resort & Spa, South Lake Tahoe, California. According to District 5 Director Sue Chambers, SI/South Lake Tahoe and SI/Tahoe Sierra will be the host clubs for the meeting.

Circle the date on your calendar and plan to join the nine other clubs of District 5 for the first meeting of the 2018-2020 biennium. Depending upon how many from SITM plan to attend, let's carpool.



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Board Meets monthly on Tuesday
following the first Thursday, 5:30 p.m.
President Jeanne Naccarato's home

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- Nancy Madrigal
- Barbara Atwell
- Patti Doty
- Anna McArdle

SITM Board 2017-18

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Pam Robinson |
| President – Elect
Penney Leezy | Treasurer/Service Fund
Lynne Catrow |
| VP/Program
Dot Watts | Director
Rikki Hensley-Ricker |
| VP/Membership
Chris Fegert | Delegate
Amanda Strong |
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Margie Hermanson |



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Sierra Nevada Region: www.soroptimistsnr.org
Soroptimist International of the Americas: www.soroptimist.org
Soroptimist International: www.soroptimistinternational.org



Did you know . . .

SITM Happy Dollars are Designated for 2018-2019

At the July Board and Business Meetings, the Board recommended and the membership approved the following organizations to receive SITM's monthly Happy Dollars for the coming year.

- July Adoption Choices of Northern Nevada
- August Rave Family Foundation
- September Bristlecone Family Resources
- October Disability Resources Inc.
- November Women & Children's Center of the Sierra
- December SI President's Appeal
- January Nevada Youth Empowerment Project
- February Sierra Nevada Stitchers
- March Northern Nevada Hopes
- April Amplify Life – Camp Lotsafun
- May National Alliance on Mental Illness Northern Nevada
- June LEAD with Horses
- July Sierra Nevada Journeys

Soroptimist International of Truckee Meadows

2017-2018 YEAR IN REVIEW

\$96,480 Donated to the community and Soroptimist projects
3,546 Volunteer hours raising funds and supporting community projects

CONTRIBUTIONS to COMMUNITY

\$34,500 in Women's Scholarships

8 Nancy Gomes/Mary Gojack/Sue Camp Re-Entry Women's Scholarships; 3 Jack Simon Graduate Women's Scholarships; 1 Live Your Dream Award Scholarship.

\$14,400 in Youth Scholarships & "Unsung Heroes" Awards

Scholarships for 6 High School Graduates, 12 "Unsung Heroes" stipend shopping sprees and awards.

\$3,533 Making a Difference for Women Seminar & Grants

All-day skills training seminar for 29 unemployed or under-employed women from six local agencies; plus small grants to facilitate employment.

\$2,638 SI & SIA & SNR Donations

Soroptimist International President's Appeal, Educate to Lead: Nepal; Soroptimist International of the Americas Laurel Society; SIA Club Campaign; SIA Federation Founder's Pennies; Sierra Nevada Region Endowment; SNR Fellowship.

\$12,429 Club, Committees, Members, Miscellaneous and In-Kind Donations

250 Dress a Girl Around the World dresses sewn and donated; 137 hand-crocheted afghans for community members; 146 hand-beaded "Beads for Strength" bracelets for Renown Oncology Infusion Center patients, Making a Difference for Women clients and Dream It, Be It (DIBI) elementary school girls; shirts and supplies for 20 DIBI girls; Soroptimist Ruby Award: For Women Helping Women recipient charity; member toiletries drive for the Youth Empowerment Program and Northern Nevada Hopes; 25 Christmas gifts for disadvantaged Hunter Lake Elementary School children; 1,765 diapers collected and donated to Women and Children's Center of the Sierra; women's sanitary products collected and donated to PODS for Pads for school-aged girls.

\$24,530 Education Project for Girls in Nepal and the Village of Thulipokari

Dormitory housing and tuition scholarships for girls to attend school; computers for school girls and village Women's Literacy Project; provided Soroptimist shirts, scarves, clothing, toiletries and school supplies for the girls; micro-lending to help villagers obtain animals and animal upkeep; collective group herds of animals, plus enhanced vegetable gardening through the Vital Seeds.

\$4,450 in Member Monthly Happy Dollars

Northern Nevada Hopes; Care Chest of Sierra Nevada; Food Bank of Northern Nevada Backpacks for Kids; Disability Resources; Women and Children's Center of the Sierra; Soroptimist International President's Appeal; Urban Lotus; Sierra Stitchers; Nepal dormitory jute flooring and heating project; Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada; Because I Can; and Bristlecone Family Resources.

Source of Funds

\$34,500 - Women's Scholarships & Grants
\$34,000 - SI Educate to Lead: Nepal Grant
\$11,798 - Nepal Pledges and Garage Sale
\$18,140 - Thanks to Youth
\$12,429 - Club, Committees, Members, Miscellaneous & In-Kind Donations
\$4,450 - Member Monthly Happy Dollars
\$4,082 - United Way Designated Giving
\$3,863 - Fundraising Raffles, Special Events, Rewards Programs
\$2,489 - Air Race Calendars, Art & Associated Sales

Grand Total \$125,751