



# SITM Update

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## Calendar

- Aug. 23 –VPs Program and Membership
- Aug. 30 –OPEN
- Sept 6 –Delegate’s Report of SIA Convention
- Sept. 11 – Board Meeting
- Sept. 13 – Business Meeting
- Sept. 20 – Open
- Sept. 27 – Membership Committee

## SITM Meets...

**Thursdays at Noon**  
 at the Atlantis Casino Resort Spa  
 Second Floor Convention Center  
 \$22 for lunch  
 RSVP to [sitmtruckeemeadows@hotmail.com](mailto: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.



## Moving to Rebrand our Signature Programs to the SIA Dream Programs

I want to thank SITM members for providing me the opportunity to attend the SIA Biennial Convention in Japan. It was a wonderful and enlightening experience which I will share more about on September 6.

The one thing I would like to comment on before the Delegate Report is this, for all the good we do as Soroptimists, our programs are an unknown in the marketplace. We all know the impact our programs have in the world, but rarely are folks outside of Soroptimist able to identify us as the force behind making a difference in the lives of women and girls.

This is because the programs we offer all have different names which don't mention our signature Dream programs. With that in mind, the Education-Women Committee has a survey out that is designed to rebrand, as in rename, some of our signature scholarship programs for women. My question to you is, "Why stop there? I challenge all of us to rethink our branding to incorporate our Dream programs. Then and only then, as Soroptimists will we become an organization recognized for our signature Dream programs that benefit

women and girls in our communities and around the world.

On another note, Thank you to Darlene DeLancy for stepping up to co-coordinate the Fundraising Committee. We're still looking for a Co-Coordinator to join Darlene. No experience necessary; just a willingness to jump right in and oversee Fundraising activities alongside an enthusiastic, idea generating group of committee members.

Remember our Air Race "Ghosts" calendars are available for sale. They make great holiday gifts and may also be purchased for donation to a local veteran's group.

The year continues to move forward with committees meeting to plan and execute our signature programs and activities. I think that's what I enjoy most about SITM. Whatever your passion, we have a program that fits your time and talent.

I encourage everyone to find their niche.

President Jeanne



**Mark your calendar to attend the September 6 meeting for President Jeanne's Delegate's Report from the SIA Convention in Yokohama, Japan.**

*SITM Arrives in Japan. Our SITM members, shortly after arriving in Japan, from left: Anna McArdle, Penney Leezy, President Jeanne Naccarato, Kay Dunham and Sarah Carrasco.*

## Observations of Japan by Our Traveling Soroptimists

Five Members of SITM traveled to Japan to attend the Soroptimist International of the Americas 45<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention in Yokohama, Japan, July 30 – August 2. Despite the travel delays and difficulties in reaching the island nation, which was experiencing a typhoon at the time, all reported enjoying the convention and experiencing some of the countries sights and culture.

President Jeanne Naccarato will be presenting her Delegate’s Report and highlights of the convention at the September 6 meeting. Make sure you plan to attend. In the meantime, our members shared some observations about their time in Japan.

### Mastering the Yen Versus the Dollar By President Jeanne Naccarato

The first thing we needed to master was Japanese money so we could make our way in restaurants and shops. The paper money was easy, but we seemed to collect change everywhere we went and discerning a 500 yen vs. a 100 yen was sometimes tricky. Then too, the 5 yen has no marking as to its value. It is however considered good luck and as such is the coin of choice for offerings at shrines. Needless to say, we eventually became masters of the yen and enjoyed shopping and many scrumptious meals in our free time.



*For our desert-dwelling members, the humidity in Japan was a challenge for hairdos.*

At current rates, approximately 100 yen is equivalent to about 90 cents in U.S. currency. A typical lunch for one (fast food versus restaurant lunch) costs approximately 1,100 to 2,200 Yen (\$10-\$20).



*Notice the 5 yen has no denomination.*



*Lunch on the street then recycle your trash.*

### The People, the Food Kiosks and Yes, the Bathrooms By Penney Leezy

I would like to focus on the people of Japan and a few other items.



*Anna McArdle joins in the Japanese custom of tossing coins in front of a shrine and praying for good luck, health, wealth and answering prayers.*

This was my first trip to Japan and I hope not my only trip! I was surprised at the extreme cleanliness of the country. No litter anywhere!! There were Kiosks where you could purchase water, coffee etc., as well as food you consume right there and throw all your used products in the proper recycling bin.

Our Yokohama Bay Hotel was a short walk to the Intercontinental Hotel

where the convention was being held. The metro system was near the area we crossed every day. So we saw the men and women going to and from work. Keep in mind the weather was 97 degrees with 93% humidity and yet these women were



*Greeting an old friend is Penney Leezy with SIA President Dawn Marie Lemonds at convention registration.*

impeccably dressed in long pencil skirts with beautiful flowing blouses, nylons and pump heels!

Next, let’s talk bathrooms! I just loved the toilets! Heated seats, lots of options for cleanliness and music when you have “noise”. So stay tuned and attend our Sept 6 luncheon for more updates about Japan and the SIA Convention!!



*All the comforts of home in the commode.*

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## Tours, Cleanliness, Traditional Japanese Dinners and More

By Kay Dunham

My experience in Japan included a visit to Tokyo Disney, Mt. Fuji and attending the SIA Convention in Yokohama.



Enjoying the Kimono Cultural Experience, Kay reported the "obi" is wrapped tightly around one's middle and is quite restrictive.

The most striking observation was how orderly and clean the cities are. No litter anywhere! In fact when our guide noticed a plastic bag on the side of the road she

said "someone will be by to pick that up before long". Wow! The Japanese take great pride in their stewardship of their environment. The tour of Tokyo was great with a final stop at the Tokyo Tower for panoramic views of the city.

Mt. Fuji was shrouded in clouds the day we were touring the area due to the passing of a typhoon! Lots of wind and rain! Our day concluded with a



A museum dedicated to noodles?

trip on the Shinkansen Bullet Train from Odawara to Tokyo. Over 60 miles were covered in approximately 17 minutes! Quiet, on time, spotlessly clean. I also had a tour to Kamakura,

a seaside town home to a large bronze Buddha and several noted temples and shrines. We also visited "Shopping Street", the Japanese version of Chinatown.

The weather was extremely hot and humid during our entire visit. We moved from air conditioned area to air conditioned area as much as possible.

The "Region Night Out" included a trip on the train to downtown Yokohama for a traditional Japanese dinner. The event was coordinated by Governor



The view from the top of the Tokyo Tower.

Lane's son Scott Parks (he lives in Tokyo). Those less adept with chopsticks managed to survive, however eating rice was challenging for sure.

I loved the traditional Ramen and have included a photo of the CupNoodles Museum. They take their ramen seriously!

The convention presented some challenges with the language issues as not all sessions were translated from Japanese to English and many speakers used their native language without translation. The workshops were informative and I especially enjoyed the Kimono Cultural Experience. We were fitted with a kimono, visited by a model wearing a traditional bride's costume and were given our kimonos as a gift at the end of the workshop. The "obi" is tightly wrapped around one's middle and is quite restrictive.

The focus of the convention was on the Dream programs to achieve full participation across the entire Federation.



Kay with granddaughter Supriya at a fogged-in Mt. Fuji.

## Mickey Mouse Japanese Style at Disney Tokyo

By Anna McArdle

President Jeanne and I went to Tokyo DisneySea on our last day in Japan. We took a luxury bus that picked us up at our hotel and it took about an hour to get there.

It was 93 degrees with 80% humidity but you wouldn't know by the disposition of the park guests. It really was the "Happiest Place on Earth"! Groups of people were dressed alike, with Disney logo/character-clothing, hats or accessories. All were happily looking for their next adventure. I even saw a guy wearing the same Disney logo cross body purse as his girlfriend! My husband loves me but I'm pretty sure he would never go that far for me. Their Disney attitude was infectious. You couldn't help but smile and be happy.

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The park “cast members” goals were to provide a pleasant experience for all. While we were standing in line for the restroom, a guest service person came up and made a shadow picture of a mouse, just to make us smile!



Entertaining park visitors with a “shadow Mickey”.

We obtained a Fast Pass to go on the Indiana Jones ride. When we

returned, the ride was down for maintenance. They didn’t know how long it would be before it was up again. We took a chance and waited. By the time it came on line again, all the people in front of us had left so we were the first car on the ride. It was so much fun!

We, also, rode a river boat through the park, rode another crazy roller coaster, ate at an Italian Cafeteria, enjoyed a tasty shaved ice dessert, and walked all over the park to see as much as we could see.

Our time was up too soon. We had to catch the bus to return to the hotel. We had a plane to catch! Goodbye Disney Sea Tokyo! Thank you for the memories. You really were the Happiest Place on Earth. Hopefully, I can return some day

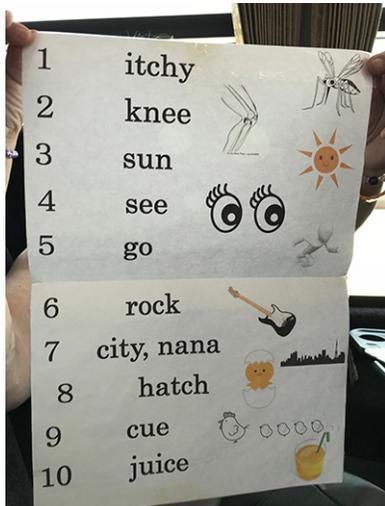


President Jeanne with Mickey at Disney Tokyo.

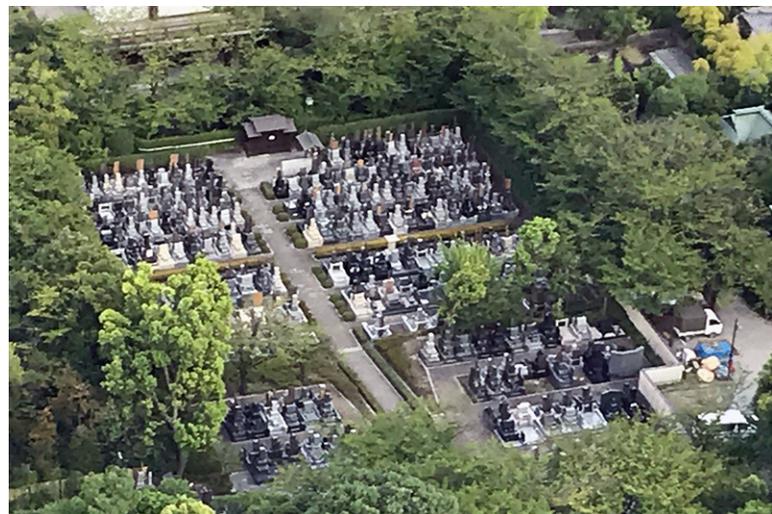
and enjoy another day with Mickey, Minnie and all their friends.

### Ordering Coffee, Visiting a Buddhist Temple and a Kimono to Take Home By SNR Governor-Elect Sarah Carrasco

Generally speaking, the people in Japan are so polite and gracious, there were language issues at times and there was a lot of pointing at menus in restaurants. I was very happy to learn that Starbucks everywhere in the world has the same coffee as I get in Reno. The funny thing is, I ordered a latte with no foam and the young gentleman



I received a lesson in speaking numbers in Japanese. I can say 16 in Japanese. It is “itchy rock”.



From the top of the Tokyo Towers, a cemetery is visible below. Sarah said, “When I travel I always seek out the cemeteries. I am obsessed.”

at the register kept looking at me oddly. He didn’t understand at first and then he said, “Oh you mean no bubbles.”

On Friday before getting to the airport to come home, we took a tour of Tokyo and stopped at Tokyo Towers. This is taller than the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

I visited a Buddhist temple, but unfortunately could not go inside due to a special ceremony taking place. The kimono I was wearing in the picture was mine to take home. I am going to put it in a shadow box along with all the gifts I received from the other attendees. The lady in the photo

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was engaged to marry. She was very pretty and very quiet and very young.



*Sarah enjoyed the kimono ceremony and wanted to illustrate what the humidity did to her hair.*

The custom of giving gifts as you meet people was very interesting part of the time. I don't think they really understood us but the gesture was well understood by all.



*Buddhist Temple*



*This Rickshaw used by the royalty is very high off the ground. The wheel was as tall as Sarah.*

## SITM Seeking Live Your Dream Applicants By Pam Robinson



It's time again to solicit applications for our SITM Live Your Dream award, coordinated by the Education-Women Committee. Women who serve as the primary wage earners for their families and seek financial assistance to continue their education or receive training can now apply for this award. The amount budgeted this year is \$1,500. The application of our club's recipient will be forwarded for consideration to the Sierra Nevada Region, and the Region winner is sent to SIA Federation for consideration. In the past we have had several women recognized at the Region level.

This year the application process has changed. Women are to apply through a new Federation website, [bit.ly/LYDA-apply](http://bit.ly/LYDA-apply). They will create a user name and password and make their application online. They will input the names of two references who will then be automatically contacted to provide the references. It was thought that the references will feel more comfortable by providing feedback directly instead of giving the responses to the applicants.

We are hoping to receive many applications this year with hopes that the new system will be easier for the applicants. If you know of anyone who might be eligible for this award, please encourage them to apply. For more info, contact Education-Women Co-Coordinators, Patti Doty, Pam Robinson, or Margie Hermanson or see the attached poster.

## Your Chance to Rename our Women's Scholarships By Pam Robinson

The membership recently approved changing the name of our undergraduate and graduate scholarships, and the Education-Women Committee is holding a contest for members to submit possible ideas.

Currently the undergraduate, re-entry women's scholarships are named after Nevada Assemblywoman Nancy Gomes and beloved members Mary Gojack, and Sue Camp. Mary Gojack initially proposed the undergraduate scholarships in memory of Nancy Gomes. After Mary passed away, her name was added to the scholarships. Former SNR Governor and past SITM President Sue Camp was very passionate about the program, and after her passing, her name was added.

The graduate scholarships were created by our own life member, Jeanne Baxter, in memory of her Sorooptimister Jack Simon who was instrumental in supporting our many scholarship fundraising efforts.

The Sorooptimist International of the Americas Federation has been rebranding our programs. The Live Your Dream award and the Dream It. Be It. programs are two examples, and SITM participates in both of these. Although our undergraduate and graduate scholarships will still be in memory of Nancy, Mary, Sue and Sorooptimister Jack, it is felt that renaming the scholarships will spark new interest and enthusiasm as well as updating them.

Please submit your ideas to Education Women Co-Coordinators Margie Hermanson, Patti Doty, or Pam Robinson.

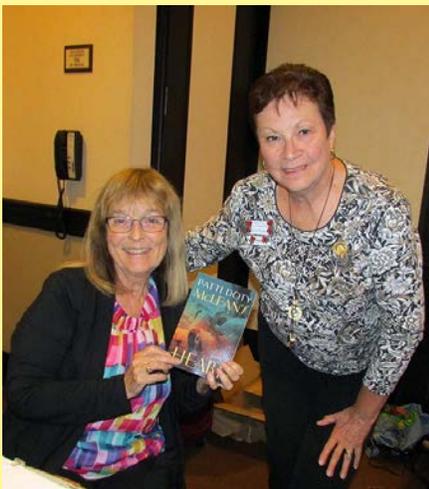
## Fundraising Seeks Your Input and Participation

At the August 2 meeting the Fundraising Committee outlined this year's budget for various projects and stressed the need to raise funds to keep these programs running. Faye Andersen presented money flowing out of a "piggy bank" graphic to illustrate what the club has budgeted to spend next year on programs like Making a Difference for Women, the Soroptimist Ruby Award, SIA Club Award and Laurel Society, plus committee projects.

Faye also asked members to complete an individual survey expressing members' willingness to participate in different kinds of fundraising activities, plus contacts for potential fundraising venues and donations. A "writeable form" of the survey was sent to members not in attendance that day to complete and return to Faye at [fia@pyramid.net](mailto:fia@pyramid.net). Contact her if you want a copy.

Fundraising Co-Coordinator Barbara Atwell outlined the many rewards programs that SITM is signed up for – Smith's; Save Mart; Amazon Smile; and e-Script + Benefits that give a percentage of the purchase back to SITM. Barbara demonstrated on her phone how easy it is to use e-Script + Benefits to purchase gift cards for commonly used local restaurants and retailers that donate a higher percentage of the purchase back to SITM.

### Another Donation for SITM



SITM member and author Patti Doty has completed her new book, "McLean's Heart", the third in her Quinn DeMello series. "Runaway" and "Finding Home" were the first two in the series. Patti graciously donated \$1 per book sold at the July 26 meeting to the SITM's Service Fund. She is joined by Doris Phelps.

### A quick update on activities to date ...

The raffle of the two-night weekend stay at the **Ritz Carlton Club Lake Tahoe** netted \$432.25. Thank you to Niki Ewing for the donation of this spectacular prize. Thank you to all of the members who purchased tickets. The winning ticket was drawn on July 26 and Linda Lamke was the lucky winner.

Ticket sales for the beautiful handmade **Lucky Stars Quilt**, expertly crafted by member Jan Bogikes, are still available for just \$5 per ticket or five 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 winning ticket will be drawn at the November 15 meeting. To date the raffle has netted \$202.39. If you belong to a civic, community or church group where you think you could display the quilt and sell tickets, let President-Elect Penny Leezy know.

The **50/50 raffle** could be your ticket to some extra cash around the holidays. Tickets are available for \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Last year's winner was Becky Moody, who took home a little more than \$2,000. Members are encouraged to take tickets to sell to colleagues, family and friends. The winning ticket will be drawn at the November 15 meeting. To date the raffle has netted \$346.56



Some of the members of the Fundraising Committee were starting off the new year with their first strategy meeting. From left: Co-Coordinator Barbara Atwell, Margie Hermanson, Darlene DeLancy, Harmony Hobbs, Sarah Carrasco, Jo Ann Roberts and Eve Johnson.

**Member Feature – Angie Ruyak****A Competitive Saleswoman with an Affinity  
for Helping Children Succeed**

By Faye I. Andersen

Angie Ruyak is a self-proclaimed “small town girl”, growing up in Salem, Illinois, about 100 miles south of St. Louis, Missouri. Following high school, she graduated from St. Mary’s of the Woods, a small Catholic women’s college, with 100 others in her graduating class. Armed with her new education degree she set off to suburban Chicago to teach elementary school.

While the culture shock was pronounced at first, she taught there for 11 years, during which time she also earned her MA in education. She also oversaw a program for at-risk teens for seven of those years, something she’d never encountered back home in Salem.

“So many children don’t have the opportunity to succeed,” she said. It was unlike her own upbringing where school and college graduation were not just a dream, but an expectation of her by her family. “Some of these kids I worked with weren’t even expected to finish high school. For some of them, no one in their families had ever finished high school, so it wasn’t even a concern to them.”



*Angie and Chris in Ireland last month.*

Describing it as “an amazing experience”, Angie took in two of the kids from her program that were not expected to graduate from high school. With encouragement and mentoring, along with a new set of expectations, Angie says with deserved pride, under her tutelage both finished high school and went on to college. Today, one is a dental hygienist and the other is an engineer.

Shortly thereafter, Angie and family moved to Reno, following her husband’s job opportunity, and a new business pursuit for Angie. With a friend she founded “Dream Dinners”, one of the first pre-packaged meal programs in the area. But, when a medical issue sidelined her business partner, Angie changed focus again.

Ten years ago she ventured into medical sales and she’s been working in the hospice industry for the past six years now. Angie said she had been active in sports in her younger years, progressing to running half-marathons as an adult. She parlayed her competitive

spirit learned playing sports to thrive in the competitive occupation of sales. That driving spirit is something she instills in her kids today.

She joined Infinity Hospice Care in January 2018. Recently Angie accepted a promotion to Director of Admissions, over the organization’s sales team.

Turning to family, this wife, mother and businesswoman, says today with a big smile, “There are always tons of teenagers at my house all the time.” Angie remarried three years ago and became Mom to a blended family of two girls and three boys, ranging in age from 20 to 14. “I prefer they are at my house,” she said, speaking as an experienced mother who closely watches over her maturing brood.

McKenna, 20, is a junior at UNR studying criminal justice; Josie, 16, is a junior at Reno High School; Brennan, 16 and Brogan, 14 are junior and sophomore students at Damonte Ranch High School; Calvin, 20, is a junior at West Point, expecting a five-year commission upon graduation.

Last month, Angie joined a group of friends on a tour of Ireland and loved it. With her Irish heritage, she found “the countryside amazing, the people friendly and laid-back.” In addition to the tours of castles and cathedrals she most enjoyed their stops at local pubs to meet the people and listen to the music.

Angie first became aware of Soroptimist through Chris Fegert. She had a professional relationship with Chris at Northern Nevada HOPES and she became a volunteer for HOPES. Angie was recently invited to join the Board of Directors for Care Chest and looking forward to contributing to their mission.

Angie is so new to SITM, she just joined in June, that’s she getting to know members and just starting to be exposed to the club’s projects. Welcome Angie! SITM members are enjoying getting to know you and we hope you will enjoy getting to know us as well.



*Angie and Chris on their wedding day with their kids.*

## Pick Up Your 2019 “Ghosts” Airplane Calendars

SITM’s annual sales of the 2019 “Ghosts” calendars are in full swing. Diana Dillon and Doris Phelps can be found at the back table across from Attendance. The committee would like each member to try to sell five calendars, or make a donation. 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. Proceeds will benefit projects funded by SITM’s Service Fund Treasury.



*Diana Dillon, left and Doris are distributing calendars and collecting the proceeds from those sales which help fund the SITM’s Service Fund Treasury.*

## Our Proud New Parents, for the Second Time

On August 17, Harmony and Scott Hobbs became parents for a second time by adopting Maddox James Hobbs, who had been in foster care for 580 days. Maddox now joins big brother Ricky, who was adopted by Harmony and Scott in February 2017.



*Celebrating adoption day are Judge Bridget Robb holding Maddox, Ricky Hobbs, Scott and Harmony Hobbs.*



*Concentrating on their Air Races Bingo card are Ana Nadimi and her guest, her sister Aria.*



*Korine Viehweg, Executive Director of R.A.V.E (Respite and Volunteer Experiences) explained the importance of the R.A.V.E program for care-givers, at the August 2 meeting..*

## August Board & Business Recap

By Faye I. Andersen

It's been another short month for SITM as we took a recess on August 9 during the week of Hot August Nights. The SITM Board was back in action for their August 14 meeting, and members joined in the August 16 Business Meeting

### Renaming Our Women's Scholarships

On a motion from the Education-Women Committee, the board recommended and the membership approved the renaming of our current women's undergraduate and graduate level scholarships. The undergraduate scholarships will still be given in memorial of Nancy Gomes, Mary Gojack and Sue Camp. The graduate level scholarships will still be given in the name of Jack Simon. However, the Education-Women Committee is looking to "re-brand" the scholarships in conjunction with the Soroptimist International of the Americas' Dream Programs—Live Your Dream and Dream It. Be It.

Co-Coordinator Pam Robinson handed out "Name the Scholarship Contest" forms seeking name submissions. If you have an idea for a new name(s) just send an email or otherwise contact Co-Coordinators Pam Robinson, Patti Doty and Margie Hermanson. They are offering an unnamed prize for the winning name(s).

### The Squares Are Up and Running

Yes, the technology bugs have been conquered and you can now charge your lunch, or use a debit card at the weekly SITM meetings. Thanks go to an anonymous member who donated a tablet compatible with the Squares. The cost for lunch using the Squares is \$23 per person \$22 if using a check or cash. The Square for fundraising to purchase raffle tickets, has been up-an-operating since June.

### No Surcharges on Fundraising Sales

The board recommended and the membership approved a motion to allow credit card purchases for fundraising activities to be surcharge free to the purchaser. The cost for the use of the Squares for credit cards is 3.5% to the club.

### Seeking a Fundraising Co-Coordinator

Are you interested in fundraising for SITM? Then the Fundraising Committee is looking for a Co-Coordinator to replace Barbara Atwell, who has taken a leave of absence for personal reasons. Darlene DeLancey has stepped up as Co-Coordinator. Thank you Darlene. But another Co-Coordinator is needed. Interested members

should talk to President-Elect Penney and/or President Jeanne.

### Special Committee Announced for 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

President Jeanne has appointed a special committee to work with the Hospitality Committee on planning the club's 40th Anniversary Celebration on October 25. SITM was chartered October 23, 1978. Members interested in joining this special committee, especially Past Presidents, should contact Faye Andersen.

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### Happy Dollars for July and August

July Happy Dollars totaled \$177.86 for Adoption Choices for Northern Nevada, providing assistance to children, birth parents, and adoptive parents. August Happy Dollars are designated for R.A.V.E (Respite and Volunteer Experiences) Family Foundation.

### Membership News

The board approved a leave of absence to Barbara Atwell through January 2019 for personal reasons.

## 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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 Sierra Nevada Region: [www.soroptimistsnr.org](http://www.soroptimistsnr.org)  
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# Did you know . . .

## New Sierra Nevada Region Website Announcement!

The SNR Technology Committee is proud to present our new Soroptimistsnr.org website! It is a fast moving world and technology dictates updates every few years. Newer technology allowed us to design it to be easier to navigate and fast for all of our members to find what they need to best improve their service to women and girls in their communities and around the world.

The website is designed to be clean, fun and helpful. Please send all comments and complaints to [webmistress@soroptimistsnr.org](mailto:webmistress@soroptimistsnr.org) and the Technology Committee will do their best to see how to improve your experience with the website.

Most of the SNR Region forms are located in the Member Info - Forms - section. If any of the forms challenge you for a password (like the Roster), the password is 1921 – the year Soroptimist was formed! We hope this will be a memorable password. More will be added as they are uploaded.

Thank you for all you do to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.

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# Ready to begin a new life?

The Soroptimist *Live Your Dream: Education & Training Awards for Women* program has been helping women around the world since 1972. This program provides cash grants to women who are working to better their lives through additional schooling and skills training.



## You are eligible to apply if you:

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are a woman with primary financial responsibility for yourself and your dependents

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are attending an undergraduate degree program or a vocational skills training program

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have financial need

**Apply for a *LIVE YOUR DREAM AWARD* at [bit.ly/LYDA-apply](http://bit.ly/LYDA-apply) OR contact:**

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Name: Pam Robinson or Patti Doty

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Phone: 775-742-0627

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Online: [www.sitmnhv.org](http://www.sitmnhv.org)

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Club Application Deadline: 11/15/2018

Amount of Club Award: Up to \$1,500

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