

# SITM UPDATE ~ "The Power Within: to Make a Difference"



*Soroptimist International of Truckee Meadows*

## Letter from the President by Gayle Baxley

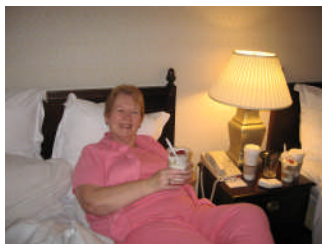
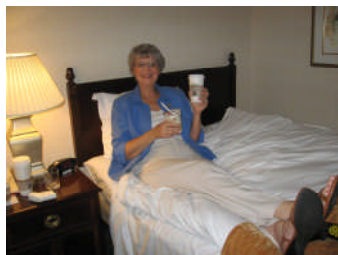
It is hard to believe it is already September. The Air Races are again history. This year was very traumatic, with the loss of three pilots. My sympathy goes out to their families and to their extended Race Families. These tragedies affect everyone involved in air racing.

Preliminary information indicates that our calendar sales were strong, but maybe not as strong as in previous years. We will be hearing from our Air Race Coordinators, Kay Dunham and Diana Dillon, in the near future. Our Club owes these two ladies a huge bouquet of thank-yours. Most of us cannot imagine the hours these two ladies worked coordinating this event. Also, bouquets of thank-yours go out to all the day coordinators. Without you ladies (and spouses) it would not be possible to coordinate each shift of workers. Finally, a thank you to all who worked, be it one shift, two shifts or multiple shifts. Without you, the job could not have been done.

When the report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Fund Raising was adopted last spring, it included a stipulation that the Air Race Committee do a survey of the members as to their desire in continuing this fund raiser. Now is the time to consider this fund raiser, analyzing all the pros and cons, and voice your opinion as to its future.

We have some great programs planned, including a report from Governor-Elect Sue Camp on the SI Convention in Glasgow, Scotland on September 27<sup>th</sup> and a second report from the Ad Hoc Committee for Service Project on October 18<sup>th</sup>. You won't want to miss these meetings. Also, the IGU Garage Sale is coming up on October 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Pictures from Philly



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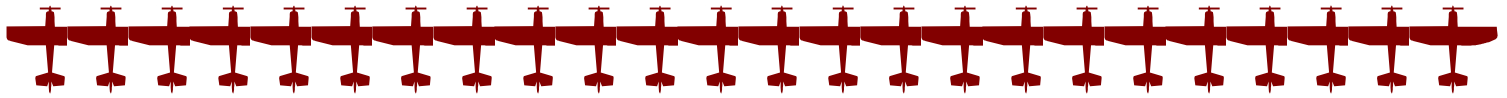
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- Kelley Kordonowy—Delegate 1 year
- Marna Griffin—Delegate 2 year
- Billie Mendiola—Alt. Delegate 1 year
- Liz Lukasavich—Alt Delegate 2 year

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## News of Our Members—HAPPY DOLLARS!

### 8/16/07

**Gayle Baxley**—trip to Philadelphia to Soroptimist leadership conference with Pres-Elect Marilyn. **Pam Robinson**—program today and light bulbs, no vacation in HI due to hurricanes, Kay being back after surgery, Liza in our thoughts and support of our club. **Billie Mendiola**—mother’s new house, Liza Chapen, the Attendance Committee doing such a great job, the program on energy saving today. **Jo Ann Roberts**—for the recovery of Kay Dunham, for memory of Larry Chapen and peace to Liza Chapen. **Vicky Schultz**—daughter Lori sold her home in Virginia which will close in September before her new home is ready in October, daughter Nicole awarded another scholarship—without a skip, and she didn’t make a “fool out of” herself taping an interview about retirement planning for AARP that will air on local stations in September. **Georgia Baker**—for Hot August Nights (it was John’s first year and they went to events Tues, Thurs, Fri and Sat!). **Cindy Burk**—for Liza Chapen, Doris’s granddaughter Lauren who’s Dad she knew when he was Lauren’s age. **Margie Hermanson**—son and his family are coming for the weekend and they are taking grandson Austin for a program at Sparks Marina for disabled children—they are rock-climbing and doing water sports, they are also celebrating her daughter, son, and daughter-in-law’s birthday’s. **Jennifer Crowe**—for Kay’s recovery, for remembering Liza as always such a welcoming member to her when she joined, for the Lake Tahoe Summit where she also got invited to the private party afterward (very excited!). **Carole Criddle**—went to a success seminar and learned about making more money doing what you love! **Eileen Fuller**—happy about vacation with golf and cousins (1 week, 52 holes of golf for her and 76 holes for Rod), happy about grandsons/kids as daughter is on her way up for a weekend visit, Maxwell is with her at meeting today and his big brother worked with her at WFV for two days, Saturday she will have a party at Wildflower from 6-8 for Native American art and another on Tuesday which she is nervous about, and happy about AM and PM classes—if members didn’t get an invite, let her know. **Patti Doty**—happy for the program and going to replace bulbs, for grandson playing football at Reno High, and for granddaughter on a traveling soccer team. **Linda Lamke**—thanks to Diana McDonald’s son (11-years old) for collecting toys to donate to Libby Booth, and glad Kay is back, well and happy. **Liz Lukavavich**—happy her hubby and she just returned from a 10-day cruise of the Scandinavian capitals (Tallinn, St Petersburg, Helsinki, Stockholm, etc.). **Tracy Turner**—happy about water bill conservation after killing their lawn and replacing it with xeriscape (cut it 1/3), going to Maine on vacation next 2 weeks, and for Liza Chapen. **Dawn Pontrelli**—happy for today’s guest and the great “411” he had to offer all of us, for her little sis’ 39<sup>th</sup> birthday, and for getting together with an old friend for Air Race week. **Norma Rash**—happy to be home, to be a Soroptimist, that her parents are home, for her friend Billie Westeroff who is there today, and for friend President Gayle—“Wonder Woman.” **Faye I Andersen**—issued a challenge to everyone with a fairly new home to go check out the number of vanity light bulbs in the bathroom and consider installing compact fluorescent light bulbs to save energy and money. **Kay Dunham**—glad to be back after surgery, and reminded everyone that they still need volunteers for Air Races. **Deborah Albrecht**—happy to be back into walking shoes after spraining ankle two weeks ago.

### 9/6/07

**Norma Rash** – The beginning of soccer games for my grandsons, in honor of the members of the SOLT committee, and grateful for the members of SITM. **Patti Doty** – Happy for today’s program, attending her grandson’s first football game in which he played most of the game. **Michelle Jones** – Happy that it’s Fall, thankful to those who donated/sponsored her for the JDRF walk, she and her husband spent a long weekend in Las Vegas, Jersey (her dog) got spoiled by her Grandma while they were in LV, and happy for today’s great meeting. **Doris Phelps** – Happy to be attending a meeting as she’s been absent for awhile; she wanted members to know that the Food Bank has a job opening for a seasonal date entry person over the holidays. **Jeanne Baxter** – Ethan Allen is looking for a new receptionist. **Billie Mendiola** – Excited to be attending grandson’s soccer game. **Mich Glazier** – Happy dollars for the meeting today and because she’s on vacation in 4 weeks and going to Lake Tahoe. **Sue Camp** – Announcing that Sierra Pacific Region Governor-Elect, Barbara Giambastini will be joining us at the next meeting and also Governor-Elect Amelia, of Founder’s Region is coming for a visit 9/21. **Laurie Chappelle** – Thanksgiving for Gayle Kmetovicz’s recovery, St. Catherine’s of Siena Episcopal Church continues to grow, and in a Jeopardy Game many years ago, Judge Deborah Agosti played Vanna White. **Janice Hoke** – will be going on a rock art survey trip over the weekend, southwest of Tonopah; reflected on a long ago trip to Hilton Ranch with Laurie Chappelle. **Georgia Baker** – She and John rented a Harley motorcycle for a 9/11 ride this weekend; she had to see Wendi Dennis to buy a cover for her head for “Helmet Hair”. **Teresa Mentzer** – Her husband, Stan, surprised her with a ticket to fly home to see her sister, brother and Mom; he will even take her place working all day Friday at the Air Races so she can go. **Kimberly Rossiter** –has started a new job at Lumos and Associates in their marketing department and Thomas is getting his 2 top teeth and she’s hoping they come in soon because she’s not getting much sleep. **Vicki Schultz** – Great program today and she also gave out \$25.00 gift cards for the opening of Gesture, next to Orvis at the Summit Mall on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>; you will need an hour just to look at all the great stuff and gift cards also placed in mailboxes. **Cheryl Powell** – returning after 2 weeks in San Diego for her High School Reunion. **Eileen Fuller** – Balloon races, she went to Elmcrest Elementary and tethered on Thursday morning, and SWS Balloon Race Art Show at Wilbur May. Also, she will be gone for the next 3 meetings; 1.) To meet with Caroline Young, a silk painter who is doing a meeting program for my Latimer Art Club. 2.) Going to a week long art workshop at Sorensen’s Resort for birthday. 3.) As President for Latimer, she has to conduct our meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

### 9/13/07

**Gayle Baxley** is celebrating her eldest granddaughter’s 17<sup>th</sup> birthday which is occurring on September 15. She was also pleased to see her friend Barbara Giarbastini, Sierra Pacific Region’s Governor Elect as a guest at the meeting on September 13. Gayle and Barbara worked together on that region’s finance committee in 1988-1990. **Becky Moody** was glad to be at the meeting today as she would rather be at lunch than moving into her new office. Her office is packed up and she will be challenged with the task of unpacking her things this afternoon. **Paula Ringkob** recently had a chance to visit with Kathryn Wishart, a previous SITM member. Kathryn sent along her greetings to SITM and also invited us to a fundraiser for the Nevada Women’s Lobby which will be held September 20. Paula missed the meeting last week as she was in Minnesota for a Sorority Pledge Class reunion. **Bev Perkins** paid Happy Dollars as she will be missing next week’s meeting due to a long awaited trip to Disneyland. **Sarah Carrasco** paid Happy Dollars as Bristlecone is the recipient of this month’s Happy Dollars and she is a member of their Board. **Linda Lamke** paid Happy Dollars for Bristlecone and for Diana and Kay and their hard work at the Air Races. Linda has already been at the Races three days this week and said Diana and Kay are doing an awesome job there and are ex-

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trremely organized. **Pam Robinson** served for eleven years on the board for Bristlecone and paid Happy Dollars for those eleven years. She also paid Happy Dollars for the Air Races and for her assistant Polly Casey who helped at the Air Races when Pam wasn't able to complete her shift due to a situation which occurred at the bank and required her immediate attention. And last weekend Pam was able to spend some time with her daughter in Phoenix doing "mother-daughter activities." **Carrie Porter** is going to Las Vegas for the September 22 wedding of her granddaughter. After the wedding she will be celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of her mother-in-law. As a special birthday gift, Carrie will be taking some iris bulbs which are known as the Hawk Family Iris. Carrie moved the original bulbs from Florida to New Mexico to Las Vegas and to Reno. Each time they have thrived and now some will be returned to the remaining sisters from the Hawk family. **Patti Doty** paid Happy Dollars for working at the Air Races and especially for the chance to spend some time with Norma Webster as they worked together. **Judie Henderson** paid Happy Dollars to indicate her appreciation and love for Soroptimists especially those members of SITM and for the opportunities she has received from the association. Daughter Molly is now seven years old and having a fun time at the Coral Academy. She is also thankful for Gayle Kmetovich's recovery and her continued progress. The Airport Authority is also doing some work on her condo including new windows, vents and soundproofing. **Vickie Schultz** will be moving on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> into her new offices so things are a little hectic. She indicated Gesture is now open and looks great but you will need an hour to browse before buying. **Pat Levy** has started a new sport with her husband – kayaking and she mentioned there are great places to kayak especially at Lake Tahoe. During the summer she attended the Levy Family Reunion which included celebrating with her 90 year old father-in-law. And after ten years in the same location she is moving into a new office at the Newspaper. **Sue Camp** has a busy schedule ahead of her as she goes to the Bay area for the birth of her granddaughter scheduled for September 20 and coming back over the hill for the Soroptimist Night at R. Herz and Brothers Jewelers. Then the next day it will be a trip to South Lake Tahoe for the District II meeting. **Marna Griffin** is looking forward to a trip to Tuscany but will have time to see her four grandchildren in Las Vegas. Her ankle is healing well and she is able to ride her horse that was beginning to languish after six months of not being ridden. Her grandson Jordan is playing soccer and usually has two games per week which she has been able to watch. And, she is looking forward to working all day Friday at the Air Races with her husband Jeff. **Barbara Daily** paid Happy Dollars for Bristlecone and for the Air Races. **Norma Rash's** guest was Barbara Giarastini, Governor Elect of Sierra Pacific Region, who is also a friend of Gayle Baxley. Norma paid Happy Dollars to have Barbara at the meeting and also for the efforts of SITM members, particularly Diana and Kay, who are working so hard at the Air Races. She will be traveling again to Roswell and Houston. And a special Happy Dollar for Gayle Kmetovich's continuing recovery. **Enid Oliver** is happy for her son Eddy's wedding the weekend of September 8 and for Paula Leyba who was the photographer for the wedding and for Judge Connie Steinheimer who performed the ceremony. Her son and daughter-in-law are honeymooning in Italy. **Paula Leyba** worked at the Air Races Tuesday, Wednesday and will be there again on Friday. She had a great time working there and for being the photographer for the beautiful wedding for Enid Oliver's son. Paula is going to Ely to see her father who had a stroke and needs to see doctors for some additional tests. She will be taking him to Las Vegas for a possible heart blockage. **Margie Hermanson** had friends from California visit last week and took them to the balloon races for their first time. They also spent some time at

Lake Tahoe for an enjoyable time with lots of fun. **Billie Mendiola** is looking forward to an enjoyable week in Calistoga, CA. Billie was involved in an accident so while she is gone her car will be in the shop being repaired. She also thanked Margie for bringing her to the meeting today and after the meeting taking her to pick up another car. **Faye I. Andersen** had sad dollars as we are missing so many members at the business meeting. But she had Happy Dollars that they are out at the Air Races making us money for SITM.

## Points to Ponder *From the Internet*

1. The nicest thing about the future is that it always starts tomorrow.
  2. Money will buy a fine dog, but only kindness will make him wag his tail.
  3. If you don't have a sense of humor, you probably don't have any sense at all.
  4. Seat belts are not as confining as wheelchairs.
  5. A good time to keep your mouth shut is when you're in deep water.
  6. How come it takes so little time for a child who is afraid of the dark to become a teenager who wants to stay out all night?
  7. Business conventions are important because they demonstrate how many people a company can operate without.
  8. Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than everyone else looks?
  9. Scratch a dog and you'll find a permanent job.
  10. No one has more driving ambition than the boy who wants to buy a car.
  11. There are no new sins; the old ones just get more publicity.
  12. There are worse things than getting a call for a wrong number at 4 AM. It could be a right number.
  13. Think about this ... No one ever says "It's only a game" when his team is winning.
  14. I've reached the age where the happy hour is a nap.
  15. Be careful reading the fine print. There's no way you're going to like it.
  16. The trouble with bucket seats is that not everybody has the same size bucket.
  17. Do you realize that in about 40 years, we'll have thousands of OLD LADIES running around with tattoos? (And RAP music will be the Golden Oldies!)
  18. Money can't buy happiness – but somehow it's more comfortable to cry in a Corvette than in a Yugo.
- After a certain age, if you don't wake up aching in every joint, you are probably dead.

"THE MEASURE OF AN UMPIRE IS HIS ABILITY TO BE FAIR"

## September Board/Business News *by Faye I. Andersen*

### September Board/Business Actions

Take the **September Business Meeting**, add the Reno Air Races and the outcome is a very short business meeting. Besides some committee reports, most business was deferred until a later time, since so many members were busy working at the Reno Air Races.

### Changes to Re-Entry Women Scholarships

The **Education-Women Committee** announced a change in **SITM's Nancy Gomes-Mary Gojack Re-Entry Women's Scholarship** Program. Previously, successful applicants needed to carry 12 credits each semester to be considered full-time students. Following much discussion, the requirements for full-time status has been lowered to nine credits per semester. The committee felt this will provide a larger applicant pool, since many re-entry women are working, and many are mothers unable to carry the heavier credit load.

### Renewal of CD

The **Finance Committee** recommended and the membership approved renewing the CD for the club's \$30,000 reserve fund with First National Bank of Nevada. Following a competitive bid, FNBN provided the highest return at 5.25 percent for one year.

### SIA Fund Council Nomination

The Federation has solicited nominations to stand for election to the **Fund Development Council**. SITM has submitted the name of Leslie Williams from **SI/Truckee-Donner**. Leslie currently serves the **Sierra Nevada Region** as the **SIA Fundraising Renaissance Chair**.

### Happy Dollars for Weed & Seed

Members donated \$470 in **August Happy Dollars** to Weed & Seed, a program of the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows. The request for the funds came from the **Economic & Social Development Committee**. **September Happy Dollars** are designated for Bristlecone Family Resource Center, a drug treatment and rehabilitation agency.

### Presentations Postponed

With so many members working at the Reno Air Races, the second reading of changes to the **Club Bylaws**, was delayed until the **October Business Meeting**. **President Gayle Baxley** and **President-Elect Marilyn Pearson** also delayed presentation of their activities at the **Soroptimist Leadership Conference** last month in Philadelphia.

### Leaves of Absence

The Board granted leaves of absence to **Jennifer Crowe** through September for maternity leave; to **Jean Neddenriep** through November for work reasons; to **Gayle Kmetovicz** through February, for medical reasons. Remaining on leave are **Carole Criddle** through October 7 for family reasons; **Wendi Dennis** through October, for work reasons; to **Marie Edwards** through October for personal reasons; and to **Thuy Schneider**, through November, for family/personal reasons.

## SOLT Column *From Norma Rash*

### Lessons from Geese

**Fact 1:** As each goose flaps its wings it creates "uplift" for the birds that follow. By flying in a "V" formation, the whole flock adds 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew alone.

**Lesson 1:** People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.

**Fact 2:** When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of flying alone. It quickly moves back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front of it.

**Lesson 2:** If we have as much common sense as a goose, we stay in formation with those headed where we want to go. We are willing to accept their help and give our help to others.

**Fact 3:** When the lead goose tires, it rotates back into the formation and another goose flies to the point position.

**Lesson 3:** It pays to take turns doing the hard tasks and sharing leadership. As with geese, people are interdependent on each others' skills, capabilities, and unique arrangements of gifts, talents, or resources.

**Fact 4:** Geese flying in formation honk to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

**Lesson 4:** We need to make sure our honking is encouraging. In groups where there is encouragement, the production is much greater. The power of encouragement (to stand by one's heart or core values and encourage the heart and core values of others) is the quality of honking we seek.

**Fact 5:** When a goose gets sick, wounded, or shot down, two geese drop out of formation and follow it down to help protect it. They stay with it until it dies or is able to fly again. Then, they launch out with another formation or catch up with the flock.

**Lesson 5:** If we have as much sense as geese, we will stand by each other in difficult times as well as when we are strong.

## Committee Reports *by Carole Criddle*

### Service Committees

#### **Arts & Culture**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Economic & Social Development**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Education Youth**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Education Women**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Environment**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Health**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Human Rights/Status of Women**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **IGU**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

### Technical Committees

#### **Archives**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Attendance**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Laws and Resolutions**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Finance**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Hospitality**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Recruitment & Retention**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Public Relations**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Newsletter**

Carole Criddle, editor, reports that we need articles and photos from SITM members. Please send them to [planetcruiseship@sbcglobal.net](mailto:planetcruiseship@sbcglobal.net). Submission deadline is the day after the business meeting, every month. We want to know what you and your committee are doing!

#### **Photo/Scrapbook**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Roster/Data Base**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **SOLT**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Ad Hoc for Service Committee**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Air Races**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

#### **Thanks to Youth**

The committee had no update to report at this time.

## What you Missed *By Carole Criddle*

### 8/16/07

The Environment Committee presented a most interesting program today featuring Bert & Patti Reslock who spoke on "Retrofitting Solar into Your Home" and about other ways we can save on our electricity costs, especially changing over our light bulbs to fluorescent.

### 8/23/07

Becky Moody conducted the meeting in President Gayle's absence, which was presented by the Education/Youth Committee. Jeannie Janning, mother of Nathan Janning, a Thanks-to-Youth scholarship recipient, spoke on behalf of her son. Together they established the first Lymphoma walk, "Light the Nightwalk", in Reno scheduled for Sept. 29th at Idewild Park and encouraged us to join in the walk.

### 8/30/07

The Health Committee presented speaker Julie Dyson, a registered dietician, to talk to the group about eating healthy (at the Atlantis...). Pres-Elect Marilyn and President Gayle spoke briefly on their trip to Philadelphia.

### 9/6/07

The SOLT Committee, led by Norma Rash, led the group through a game of Soroptimist Jeopardy complete with raffle prizes. Air Races Committee reports calendar sales are going well!

### 9/13/07

Business meeting (see details in article on page 4). We also had a visitor, Barbara Giambastini, Governor-Elect of Sierra Pacific Region. Most of the members were at the Air Races—busy weekend!

## Pictures Needed!

We need pictures from events, meetings etc.!

Please bring your camera, take pictures and send them to the newsletter editor by the Friday after the business meeting for publication in the next newsletter. The e-mail address is

[planetcruiseship@sbcglobal.net](mailto:planetcruiseship@sbcglobal.net).

Thanks! THE NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

## Spotlight on Dawn Pontrelli

by Tracy PetersonTurner

Dawn joined SITM in August 2006. Her friend and sponsor, Evelyn Decker, got her interested and sponsored her into the club. Dawn and Evelyn have been friends since fall of 1993; they became acquainted while attending TMCC and have remained close ever since.

When Evelyn brought Dawn to SITM, Dawn had been looking for many years for a way to give back. She liked what she saw when she visited SITM with Evelyn, and she liked what we did.

The idea of giving back is important to Dawn because when she looks around our community she sees the vast differences in people's lives and lifestyles here. She feels fortunate to have what she has, and she wants to help those who are less fortunate. In particular, she is interested in helping youth—because she has a daughter. She is also interested in helping women in her own age group—those who have fallen through the cracks. SITM is giving her the chance to do that. Dawn says our meetings show that we **are** making a difference.

Dawn describes herself as an entrepreneur. She has designed and made jewelry for the last four years. She got interested in making jewelry by looking at what she saw in department stores. She saw the possibilities and then went to craft stores. Her mind, as she says, is "like a gerbil on a wheel." Most of what she's making goes to family and friends, but she's looking to broaden her horizons.

Dawn and her family member/business partners bought Jolt-n-Java, a coffee cart business, in 2006. They currently have five mobile coffee carts primarily operated out of the Reno/Sparks Convention Center. She says working Jolt-n-Java is lots of fun because she gets to meet a variety of people. Through buying that business, Dawn and her partners were then able to purchase a coffee cart business at UNR.

While Dawn likes to make jewelry and run her coffee cart business, Dawn says her most important job is that of being a mom. She loves reliving her childhood through her daughter. She and her husband, Greg, are delighted that their daughter, Sierra Rose, is happy, healthy, and well rounded. She is their angel.

Dawn is serving on the Education Youth committee this year as well as on the Scrapbook committee. She has worked Arts, Authors, & Autos and is interested in serving as a Delegate—hopefully next year!

When asked about her favorite Soroptimist experience, Dawn said she loves the Air Races—being out there in the midst of it all and meeting a wide variety of people. Dawn loves the chance to visit with the people she meets there and get to know a bit about them and their countries.

Dawn and Greg have been married 15 years, and on the day

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## What's Coming Up *By Carole Criddle*

**September 20, 2007** · Economic and Social Develop.

**September 27, 2007** · Recruitment and Retention

**October 4, 2007** · Hospitality, Founder's Day

**October 11, 2007** · Business Committee



**Salvation Army  
Gift Delivery to Seniors  
Saturday, December 8, 2007  
Mark your calendars now!**



**The Launching Pad, Inc  
A Women's Sober Recovery Home  
Is Having an Open House  
and Pampering Party featuring:  
The Body Shop at Home**

**When: Saturday, Sept 22 from 10-4**

**Where: 1465 Sbragia Way, Sparks, NV 89431,  
775-772-7119**

***The Launching Pad is the only independent 12-step based Women's Transitional Living Home in the Reno/Sparks area. We help women from all walks of life learn to live sober one day at a time.***

***This is an open house and fund raising event intended to benefit the Launching Pad's in its efforts to provide safe and structured housing for women in recovery.***

***The Body Shop at Home aligns with the values we try to promote and 100% of the proceeds from any purchases will benefit The Launching Pad.***

***To browse our online catalog and order products please click on this link:***

[www.thebodyshopathome.com/web/dawnoverbay](http://www.thebodyshopathome.com/web/dawnoverbay)

***Please include LPI as host during check out so that The Launching Pad will receive the proceeds.***



### ***Quote of the Month***

*One of the first things you should look for in a problem is its positive side*

*unknown author*

## Announcements

### Your old stuff can provide a new life for a young girl in Nepal.

The 15<sup>th</sup> SITM Garage Sale is set for Saturday Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> at the cul-de-sac near Judge Connie Steinheimer's house in Reno. The club holds garage sales twice each year to benefit our project, "Removing Barriers to Education for Girls in Thulipokhari, Nepal." Since 2000, SITM members have been donating their unwanted stuff to the garage sales, which have raised thousands of dollars for the Nepal Project. On average, the garage sales net more than \$2,000! That's good money for all of our old junk!

And the money goes to a fantastic cause. The Nepal Project is SITM's international project that enables girls in a remote village in Nepal to attend school. SITM provides funding for scholarships, books, and supplies, in addition to paying for the ongoing operation and upkeep of the dormitory the club constructed for female students. In recent years, SITM has expanded its support of the village to include the Animal Assistance Program, which provides low-income loans to villagers to purchase livestock such as chickens, bees, goats, and water buffalo. The generosity and hard work of our club members truly pushes the economic engine of this small Nepalese village.

The garage sales would not be a success without all of the generous donations of SITM members, their family, friends, and neighbors. So start rummaging through those closets and garages for garage sale treasures! Donations can be dropped off at the Ethan Allen warehouse between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. most weekdays; though it's always a good idea to call in advance at 322-2200 to make sure your delivery won't clash with a furniture delivery. Ethan Allen is located at 9065 South Virginia Street. For more information about the garage sale, don't hesitate to contact a member of the IGU Committee!



### Job Announcement

#### Business Manager Food Bank of Northern Nevada

The Food Bank of Northern Nevada is currently accepting applications for a Business Manager. This position involves management duties with expertise in non-profit accounting, human resources, and employee supervision. Minimum of 5 years of progressively responsible accounting and supervisory experience, preferably in a non-profit environment, is required. Pre-employment drug screening and background check is required. Competitive salary and benefit package.

To apply, please email a resume, cover letter, and salary history to [cmitchell@fbtnn.org](mailto:cmitchell@fbtnn.org).

Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

The Food Bank of Northern Nevada is an equal opportunity employer



### Announcing

Addison Crowe Clark

9/7/07 8:30 p.m.  
8 pounds 13 ounces  
22 inches long  
She's healthy and  
Mom is recovering.  
Feel free to drop  
Jennifer a note.



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of our interview they were celebrating the 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their first date. They met in 1989 while she was working as a Kelly Girl at IGT. She met him on the third day. She says she "chased him until he thought he caught" her. Greg is her best friend. She and Greg have lived in Wingfield Springs since 2005.

Dawn is proud to be a Soroptimist and thrilled to be part of making a difference in our community. She is very energetic, enthusiastic, and positive. Take a few moments to get to know Dawn. You will find yourself energized,



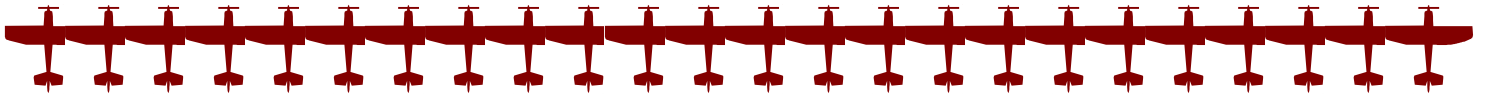
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## **Celebrating October Birthdays!!!**



Deborah Agosti..... October 10  
Faye I Andersen ..... October 9  
Jean Neddenriep..... October 3  
Norma Webster ..... October 25

