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- Dec. 17 – Hospitality Holiday Social
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- Jan. 7 – Vice President Patti Doty
- Jan. 12 – Board Meeting
- Jan. 14 – Business Meeting
- Jan. 21 – Dream It, Be It STEM Program
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SITM Meets...

We are currently meeting on Zoom through January 14, 2021. To request access to the Zoom link contact info@sitmnv.org.

Soroptimist Is:

a global volunteer organization that provides women and girls with access to the education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment.



2020 – A Year to Remember or Forget?

Annus horribilis – Latin for a year of disaster or misfortune. I don’t imagine any of us thought back in January that the year would turn out the way it has. I’ve been saying to myself for some time now that 2020 can’t end fast enough. Be gone 2020!

And yet, when I really think about all that has happened in the past 12 months there has been a lot of good, especially where SI/Truckee Meadows is concerned. The Coronavirus pandemic made things more difficult, for sure. Yet we have continued to come together as a club with meetings and committee work, with the exception of March and April when we were “sheltering at home,” communicating via email and figuring out the new world order of Zoom.

By July we became one of the first clubs in the region to adopt a hybrid meeting format with some members participating in-person over lunch at the Atlantis and others participating via Zoom. Over time, we became more and more proficient with Zoom.

We had some program speakers join us in-person and others who visited with us via Zoom – and it was all good. I’ll remember Nevada State Senator

Julia Ratti’s interesting and highly engaging presentation to us via Zoom for a long time. And then there was the incredibly successful Candidate’s Forum in October – in the midst of a pandemic! Now we’re back to meeting entirely via Zoom for safety

reasons and we’ve had some terrific programs. Through all these changes our meeting “attendance” has been terrific – as good, if not better in many instances, than when we were able to have our “normal” in-person luncheon meetings.

Nor did we let a pandemic stop our good work in the community. While we were confined to our homes in March and April, we answered an urgent call from a member to sew cloth facemasks for healthcare professionals in the community. The “We Can Do It” Soroptimist Seamstresses

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Annual Angel Tree Project Another Success

Providing holiday cheer for some Hunter Lake Elementary School children and their families has become an annual tradition for SITM. See pages 4 & 5 for more information and photos.

Monica House and her Mom wrapped all of the presents for the children on their “wants” list, that were generously donated by Nevada Retina Associates.



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project was born. By June, we had sewn and distributed over 4,039 cloth facemasks to healthcare professionals at Northern Nevada Medical Center, Infinity Hospice, Northern Nevada HOPES, and Disability Resources. We even sewed brown facemasks for UPS drivers! And some of our members are still stitching away in answer to a plea for child-sized masks. Some of us sewed, some of us picked up and delivered finished masks or supplies, and many members donated funds to purchase supplies. It was truly a club-wide effort.

We figured out how to complete socially distanced interviews (some even on Zoom) for the Dreams Moving Forward scholarships. Six graduate school scholarships and eight undergraduate scholarships ranging from \$500-\$6000 were awarded in June to some very deserving women in our community. And while we were not able to hold our annual "Thanks to Youth" luncheon in May, we pivoted and created a festive and fun drive-through celebration on July 30th to recognize our 12 high school senior scholarship recipients (\$2000 each) and 13 Unsung Heroes (\$200 Target gift card).

We may not have had our "Mad as A Hatter" High Tea fundraiser, but we managed to have a lovely Soropti-TEASE luncheon for our members in September. And even though the Air Races were cancelled, we've sold a record number of Air Race "Ghost" calendars this fall! Christmas will be a lot brighter for some deserving Hunter Lake Elementary children and their families thanks to the many members who participated in this year's Angel Tree Project. Members crocheted nearly 100 afghans and various scarves and hats for a new recipient this year. And let's not forget, we've welcomed four new members to our club since July; other clubs are really struggling to maintain

their membership levels and we are growing.

SI/Truckee Meadows has overcome hurdles presented by the pandemic with ingenuity, resourcefulness, and a "can do" spirit. I'm in awe of all that we have accomplished in spite of Covid-19. And while we still have some difficult months ahead of us, I am confident that the same creative thinking and "can do" spirit will pave the way for us to continue to help women and girls in our community and abroad improve their lives and achieve their dreams.

The challenges of 2020 have taught us a lot and much of what we've learned we can apply to making 2021 a great success, with a lot of fun, laughter, and friendship thrown in for good measure.

Happy Holidays and a Merry New Year!
Millie Mitchell, President

Thank You from the Chico Club

Dear SI/Truckee Meadows:

Thank you for your very generous donation to our Bear Fire Relief fund. It helps many families who so need it at this time. It truly makes me proud to be a Soroptimist.

Thank you.

Bear Fire Relief Committee,
Rosie Potestio
Margaret VanLaanMartin



Offering Words of Inspiration and Encouragement

At the November 19 meeting District 5 Director Susan Horst gave a thoughtful reflection about the importance of social integration and connections during the present pandemic. With clubs unable to meet in-person she encouraged members to find ways to stay connected and achieve the Soroptimist mission in new and different ways.



District 5 Director Susan Horst

She encouraged all of us to reach out to one another and "be mindful of how the smallest deed or choice of words might set in motion influences that could change the course of others' lives. When taken collectively, as an international organization, the impact is truly oceanic."

She offered the following suggestions may help us to be even better agents of change:

1. Let go of the past
2. It's never too late to try
3. Embrace change and try new things
4. Don't miss the moment
5. Step into the new you
6. Accept your mistakes and move forward
7. Believe in yourself
8. Each new breath and moment is a gift
9. Remember today is a clean slate
10. Be blessed to be a blessing

Whole Hearted Auction Needs Your Help

By Darlene DeLancey, Fundraising Co-Coordinator

The Fundraising Committee in partnership with the Public Awareness Committee is stepping out of their comfort zone and planning an online fundraising auction! In addition to being a learning experience and making money for the club's important programs for women and girls, it will be TREMENDOUS FUN.

Here's the who, what, where and how you can help make this virtual event successful.

In addition to selling auction items online there will be an opportunity on the auction site for individuals to "fund a need" for a specific program such as Live Your Dream and the STEM/STEAM programs. Stay tuned for more information about this after the holidays.

HOW YOU CAN HELP MAKE THIS VIRTUAL EVENT SUCCESSFUL

- **Become excited about the event and get the word out.** Tell your friends, family and neighbors. Direct them to the website and use the event flyer to spread the word. Post on bulletin boards, your Facebook page, etc.
- **Help obtain auction items.** Then prepare a Whole Hearted Online Auction Donation Form (available on the website) and forward it to Laury Macauley for review and acceptance. There is a form available on the website that must be completed for each auction item and forwarded to Laury Macauley.
- Talk with businesses you frequent.

Thanks From WACCS for Happy Dollars

Dear Faye and Friends from Soroptimist International of Truckee Meadows:

It is always a happy day when I receive a letter from Faye on your behalf! And when I found out that WACCS is the recipient of \$500 in Happy Dollars, I was setting off fireworks in my head in your honor! Thank you all so much! It does my heart good to know that there's good stuff happening in your lives during this pandemic.

Things at WACCS are radically different, yet still the same. We made a conscious decision to stay open during the pandemic to serve our neighborhood, which was in crisis. We did have to cancel our classes to curtail the spread of the virus, but we boosted our food distribution, peer crisis counseling, toilet paper dispersal (thanks to Amazon, we never ran out!) and developed and updated a packet of COVID information including resources, explanations of eviction moratorium, the need to stay home, how to wash hands effectively and activity



- Send a donation request letter to a business you frequent. The committee has a letter template.
- Identify businesses that the Fundraising Committee can send a donation request letter to. Email or text your recommendations to Darlene DeLancey or Linda Walker via email or text.
- Make a direct donation to the event in the form of an auction item or cash donation. The cash donation can be made directly during the auction or at any time by sending a check to Ana Nadimi noting on the check that this is a donation to the 2021 Whole Hearted Online Auction.

The Fundraising Committee thanks you for your support of our fundraising activities as they help make some of the club programs for women and girls possible.

sheets for moms to keep their kids entertained. And of course, we continue to give out diapers!

I'm disappointed I did not get to see Faye and catch up with what's happening with your club. It's only a matter of time before we get to the post-COVID normal. Until that time, please be well and be safe!

With gratitude and love,
Pam Russell,
WACCS

Pam inside the WACCS Diaper Bank.



Members Provide Gifts and Cheer to Hunter Lake Students

Once again, SITM members stepped up to provide some holiday cheer and surprises for 12 Children in Transition children at Hunter Lake Elementary School, as well as their six families.

Members were assigned "needs" lists to purchase items for the children and their siblings. Dr. Steve Friedlander and Nevada Retina Associates donated \$1,000 to provide the children's "wants" on their lists. Monica House and her Mom wrapped those gifts for the children. Sarah Carrasco knitted hats for each child.

Members shopping and wrapping gifts for the children were Linda Lamke, Carol Dinneen, Millie Mitchell, Faye Andersen, Pam Robinson, Patty Downs, Jeanne Naccarato, Kay Dunham, Niki Ewing, Liza Chapen, Angela Owings, Holly Nash, Linda Walker, Darlene DeLancey, Valerie Hahn and Shirley George, who also bought presents for one child's grandmother.

Members also donated money so holiday baskets could be assembled for the six families. Dot Watts did the shopping for popcorn, cookies, hot chocolate, candy, games, a fleece throw and other delights. Eileen Fuller bought the baskets and mugs and helped with the basket assembly. Connie Steinheimer also provided "hotpots" for families living in motels, as well as a book for each child. Dot and husband Vern delivered the baskets to Connie's home, where package sorting was in progress.

Contributing money to the baskets were Dot Watts, Annette Friedlander, Eileen Fuller, Faye Andersen, Jo Ann Roberts, Ana Nadimi, Paula Ringkob, Doris Phelps, Eve Johnson, Patte Robnett, Debbie Handke, Gayle Kmetovicz, and friends of members.

A big thank you to all members who bought and wrapped gifts, donated money or volunteered their time to carry out this annual project.

Special thanks to Annette Friedlander, who organized, assigned and kept track of the children's "wants" and "needs" and member assignments (and this list), so everything ran smoothly.

Gifts and family baskets were delivered to the school counselor at Hunter Lake Elementary School by Connie Steinheimer, Shirley George and Monica House.



Dot Watts' granddaughter Maycee Mitchel was helping with the baskets.



Is Pam Robinson waiting for Santa near the fireplace?



Holly Nash out shopping for her child's gift.



Eileen Fuller works assembling the family baskets.



Annette Friedlander checking her list, and checking it twice.



Dr. Steve Friedlander and staff from Nevada Retina Associates donated \$1,000 to the children's "wants" lists.



Finn is searching for those socks he saw Mom Millie bring home.

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Shirley George is ready to wrap.



Family Baskets ready to go.



Faye Andersen holding sibling gifts.



Darlene DeLancy displays the outfits she and Linda Walker purchased.



Paula Ringkob's Jimbo showing an early present.



Connie Steinheimer sorting through all of the gifts.



Angela Owings with one of her gifts



Milo is more interested in the ribbon on Jeanne Naccarato's package than his new antlers.



Chocolates disguised as snowmen.

Thanks to everyone for sending in your photos.

Crocheted Afghans Delivered to Safe Embrace

Members of the Community Outreach Committee, as well as other club members who crochet, have produced a carload of afghans again this year. The past couple of years, the afghans were delivered to Sister Carmen and the Community Outreach at Our Lady of Snows Catholic Church for their family holiday baskets. However, this year the nuns have returned to their community house in the Bay area.

According to Committee Co-Coordinator Diana DeMatei, the chosen recipient of this year's bounty is Safe Embrace, providing compassionate and trauma-informed services to individuals suffering from current or past domestic abuse, sexual violence and/or human trafficking.

The crochet-ers provided:

- 82 Adult/Youth Afghans
- 10 Baby Afghans
- 3 Baby Caps
- 5 Caps
- 10 Scarves

With help from husband Jeff, Diana delivered the afghans after she and her Mom washed and dried each one (so they would smell nice). Following the delivery, Diana said, "Safe Embrace is excited to partner with us and I will be able to deliver afghans throughout the year as we accumulate enough to make a trip."



Diana DeMatei with Jessica Cisneros from SAFE Embrace.

December Board & Business Recap

By Faye I. Andersen

Congratulations to two new members, Kaylyn Dazey-Harper and Joanna Moran. Both were inducted at the December Business Meeting. Joanna is a returning SITM member, sponsored by Kay Dunham.



Angela Owings and Kaylyn Dazey - Harper



Kay Dunham

Joanna is a financial advisor with Greater Nevada Financial Services. Kaylyn was sponsored by her mother



Joanna Moran

Angela Owings. Kaylyn is a graphic designer with Stan Can Design. Welcome to both Kaylyn and Joanna.

Back to Zoom Meetings Until January 14, for Now

On November 25, President Millie called a special board meeting to discuss continuing our weekly meetings at the Atlantis. After discussion, the SITM Board approved a motion to suspend in-person meetings of SITM through January 14, 2021, while continuing to meet and conduct business via Zoom.

The SITM Board approved a second motion to conduct a member survey taken via email regarding the recommendation for suspending in-person meetings. President Millie subsequently conducted the survey that was answered by 38 members (56.7% of our total 67 members). All but two members voted to suspend in-person meetings. The Atlantis has been informed of the club's decision.

SITM Tuna Drive Underway Until December 17

The Hospitality Committee made a motion for members to conduct a "tuna drive" to benefit the Food Bank of Northern Nevada in lieu of the club's usual Holiday Social on December 17. The board recommended and the membership approved the drive to benefit the Food Bank of Northern Nevada. Committee Co-Coordinator Margie Hermanson announced that cans of tuna can be delivered to the homes of President Millie in Sparks, or Doris Phelps in Reno.

Those not wishing to shop for tuna can mail a check, made out to the Food Bank of Northern Nevada, to Margie at 7398 Little Easy Street, Sparks NV 89436. Note on the memo line that this is for the SITM Tuna Drive. Margie will collect the checks and the tuna and deliver them to the Food Bank. Please send checks by December 17.

Dress-Up for the Virtual Holiday Social

We all know we can't get-together for our usual Holiday Social on December 17, but that doesn't mean you still can't don your favorite holiday fashions. Get those "ugly sweaters" out of the closet, wear a fabulous hat or whatever else to show your holiday spirit.

Come prepared to share your memories of a favorite Christmas too. You'll have to keep it short to maybe a minute.

Auction Items Needed for Upcoming Online Auction

The Fundraising and Public Awareness Committees have been busy working on plans for the upcoming "Whole Hearted Online Auction" for February 4-7. Members help is needed to obtain appropriate auction items. See page 5 for more information.

According to Fundraising Co-Coordinators Darlene DeLancey and Linda Walker, gift cards are ideal, as well as items that could be easily shipped. Fragile, bulky or heavy items are not the best for an online auction.

An Auction Donation Form has been sent to members and is attached to this newsletter. A fillable pdf copy can also be found on the SITM website at www.sitmnev.org. PLEASE complete the form with your donation item and send it to Lauray Macaulay BEFORE you actually obtain the item. She's monitoring what can be appropriately sold online.

Scholarships and Unsung Heroes Programs Suspended for 2021

The Education/Youth Committee has met and approved, and the board has recommended, a motion that Youth Scholarships and the Unsung Heroes Programs be suspended for 2021. They have received few applications and nominations to date, the difficulty being so many students are not in school, teachers and administrators are spread thin without a lot of time to be administering scholarship and recognition programs. The schools are also closed to outside visitors. The membership approved the motion.

In addition, the Thanks to Youth Committee, responsible for staging the annual spring luncheon honoring scholars

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and youth, has met and approved, and the board recommended a motion to suspend the Thanks to Youth event for 2021. The membership approved the motion.

The two committees will be meeting again after the first of the year to discuss potential fundraising efforts to fund the annual program, including a now open date in May, when the luncheon would normally be held.

Special Committee Appointed for 100th Anniversary

October 3, 2021 marks the 100th Anniversary of Soroptimist and President Millie has appointed a special committee to review ideas/proposals for ways that SITM can celebrate this milestone event. The committee will be headed by President-Elect Valerie Hahn, and she will be joined by Chris Fegert, Margie Hermanson, Holly Nash, Penney Leezy, and Sarah Carrasco. Interested in joining this committee, contact President Millie.

November Happy Dollars for Children of Persia

Happy Dollars in the amount of \$573 were collected in November for the Children of Persia, which is a group of compassionate and caring friends who promote health, education and social services for disadvantaged children in Iran and the U.S. December Happy Dollars are designed for the Soroptimist International President’s Appeal, “SI Road to Equality, 2019-2021”.

You Can Still Contribute to Happy Dollars

Don’t forget there is a “donate button” for Happy Dollars on our website, www.sitmnv.org. Or, you can always mail a check to Service Fund Treasurer Ana Nadimi. Make sure you designate Happy Dollars in the “notes” on your check.

Best Wishes to Members with December Birthdays

Two of our members with December birthdays attended the Business Meeting. Penney Leezy was born December 25 and Holly Nash was born December 26.

In addition, the following members are celebrating December birthdays.

- Patti Doty December 2
- Cindy Burk December 9
- Barbara Atwell December 12



Holly Nash



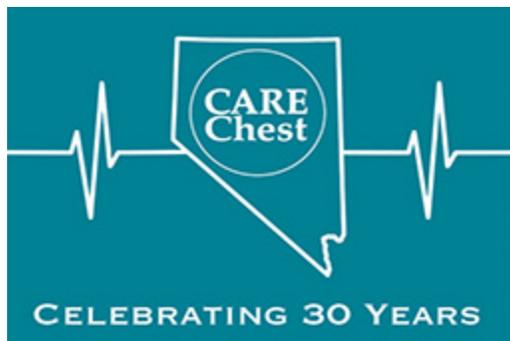
Penney Leezy

An Update from Asma Aimal, a Double Major Graduate



Hello Soroptimist Mentors and Friends, I would like to let you know that I have completed my studies at UNR, and I have graduated with a double major (Communications and Political Science). It is hard for me to express how happy, proud and grateful I am to achieve wonderful milestone. As you know, it is not easy to be a woman in Afghanistan. I was never encouraged to drive, pursue higher education, and the only encouragement I got from my uncles and family members was to be great in cooking, and do house chores. While I learned those things too which are important, I always wanted to do more. I wanted to be an independent woman who have a voice, and can think for herself. I wanted to help others, but I knew I couldn’t do that if I couldn’t help myself. That is why I was blessed to be able to come to America, and I couldn’t do that without Kay Dunham’s help. I am forever grateful to Kay for believing in me, and getting me out of Afghanistan. After getting to the U.S, I was so blessed to meet all of you amazing women for helping me with the scholarship. Without the Soroptimist support and encouragement, it would have been extremely hard to get my college degree. I want to thank you all truly from the bottom of my heart. I can’t wait to get a job, and become a Soroptimist member to learn from you, and to give back to the community and the world. You all are my source of inspiration and role models, and I couldn’t be more blessed to have you all in my life. Despite of Covid-19, 2020 has been a wonderful year for us. Aimal and I were blessed with a beautiful and smart little girl (Zahra Sophia Halim), and on top of that I got a double major from the amazing UNR. For me, this is the definition of the American dream, and I cannot tell you how blessed I am to be able to live freely in this wonderful country. Thank you all so much again.

Best wishes, Asma



Thank You from CARE Chest of the Sierra

Dear Soroptimist International of Truckee Meadows:

Thank you for your recent gift of \$500 to support our mission to provide medical resources to Northern Nevadans in need, free of charge. While we are always grateful for the generosity of our community and the support we've received the past 30 years, now, during this troubling time in the world, we are especially grateful for your thoughtful and generous gift.

CARE Chest is a fluid and dynamic organization that actively works to best meet the health needs of our community. Since the beginning of this "new normal" our outreach team has been on the front lines making sure those in need have the vital supplies and equipment they require to remain safe and healthy. Whether through curbside service at CARE Chest or via home deliveries, we are safely serving clients because of donors like you.

Thank you once again for helping to ensure the health and independence of our community.

Anne M. Schiller

Executive Director

Jacob R. Johnson

Development & Marketing Director

Empowering Girls Through Girl Scouts

Empowerment for Women Committee Co-Coordinator Angela Owings and Liza Chapen presented Ann W. Nelson, Chief Executive Officer of the Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada (GSSN), at the December 5 meeting, in recognition of Human Rights Day and the SI President's Appeal, SI Road to Equality, 2019-2021.

Ann has an extensive background in private and state organizations, including serving as legal counsel to the Nevada Governor. She joined GSSN in June. Ann detailed the efforts of GSSN to continue to provide some unique programming and keep girls engaged with individual and at-home projects while troops cannot meet or conduct group projects.

Ann W. Nelson

Communication in the Time of Coronavirus

By Doris Phelps

As we continue to look at "7 Leadership Principles in the Time of Coronavirus," we have arrived at Principle 3 which is Communication. John A. Quelch, the author of "7 Leadership Principles in the Time of Coronavirus" describes Communication as:

"Communication. You have to relentlessly communicate, communicate, communicate. This is to avoid rumors developing that muddy the waters. But when I'm talking about communication, I'm also talking about a strategy for communication. You need a sense of order in which to communicate decisions and priorities, but also have rapid communication to the entire body of constituents—not delays over hours or days or, even worse, weeks. Silence is absolutely the worst possible thing that you allow to happen, because that's when the rumor mill develops."

While his comments remind me of many of the communication skills seminars, we've probably all attended, it's so basic to our success. Words have power. Communication is the real work of leadership.

A couple of quotes I'd like to share:

"We are stronger when we listen, and smarter when we share." Rania Al-Abdullah, Queen of Jordan

"The most important thing in communication is hearing what isn't said." Peter Drucker, author and management consultant

"I asked my caddie for a sand wedge; ten minutes later, he came back with a ham on rye." golfer Chi Chi Rodriguez.



SI President's Appeal -- Road to Equality 2019-2021

Soroptimist International President's Appeal is celebrated December 10th Human Rights Day. SI President Sharon Fishers' 2020-2021 Appeal, SI Road to Equality – strategically focuses on taking *Action* and *Advocating* on topics affecting women and girls, including *Child Marriage, Female Genital Mutilation, Domestic Violence, Rights of Older Women, Migration, and Human Trafficking*.

The Appeal incorporates a mix of projects, alongside information, and education, to build awareness and engage Soroptimists and friends through discussion. A recent addition to the programme are the SI Voices Webinars, where you can hear from a range of experts and grassroots activists on the key subjects

Through access to tools, facts and stories, we believe that each of us will be able to raise our capacity to be a *global voice for women* on our journey towards achieving gender equality.

HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

"Today is just one day, but it is one day that Soroptimists can join together to make sure our global voice is heard. Inequality, impunity, discrimination, exclusion, and violence cannot go on. We must be active in removing barriers, changing mindsets, and the systematic practices and inequalities that hold women and girls back.

Human Rights for all.
Join us on the Road to Equality."

Sharon Fisher, SI President

A GLOBAL VOICE FOR WOMEN
100
FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS

ROAD TO EQUALITY

SI VOICES WEBINAR

PROGRESS:
FROM OUR PAST TO OUR FUTURE
ON THE ROAD TO EQUALITY

17 DECEMBER - TWO SESSIONS
JOIN AT 8AM OR 6PM PST

With almost 100 years' experience working at the grassroots and international level to advance the rights of women and girls', SI Voices Webinar "From our Past, to our Future" will embrace some of the inspirational projects, Appeals, themes and messaging, and discuss our position as pioneers in women's rights.

For the first time this webinar will be available at two different times, so please choose a time that suits you best and go to www.soroptimistinternational.org and click on Road to Equality to go to the registration page.

Option One
8:00 AM Vancouver

Option Two
Repeat in alternate time zone
6:00 p.m. Vancouver



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Board Meets monthly on Tuesday
 following the first Thursday, noon.
 Ana Nadimi's home

SITM Board 2020-21

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



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Did you know . . .

The Finishing Touches on the Holiday Angel Tree Project

Connie Steinheimer poses with the donations from members and friends for the Angel Tree Project.

13 large bags filled with presents for the children (depending on the wants and needs of the children and purchasing decisions of the members) 5-9 wrapped packages inside each bag.

6 large bags with family baskets (laundry hampers) for each family.

2 extra-large bags for the motel families with extra food for use with the electric hot water pots.

Total- 21 bags full!

Delivery to the school is scheduled for mid-morning Monday, December 14.



Whole Hearted Online Auction

February 4,5,6, & 7 2021
Soroptimist International of Truckee Meadows
Visit sitmnv.org for more information



Want to tell your Valentine ...

♥ *I'm wild about you*

♥ *I'd be lost without you*

♥ *I'm yours forever*

***Shop for dinners, a pampering session,
and other unique gifts.***

***OR, make a cash donation in your Valentine's name
in support of local women and girls.***

***All proceeds from this event provide educational
opportunities and other support for women and girls.***

Treat your Valentine, while supporting a fundraiser for Soroptimist, a global organization that improves the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. We are a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.



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Auction Donation Form



Member's Name _____

Preferred Contact Information _____

Description of item or service being donated **BEFORE** you pick up the item from the donor.

Approximate Fair Market Value: \$ _____

This is an Online Auction, so fragile, bulky or heavy items are probably not best. We're going to try to avoid a lot of shipping costs and extra work, if possible.

Please submit this form, or contact Laury Macauley for review before you pick up the donated item.
Email: laury@macauleylawgroup.com Cell: 775-813-6672

Items should be submitted to Laury no later than January 15 for photos and descriptions.

Donor's Representative Name: _____

Donor Company Name: _____

Mailing/Physical Address: _____

EMAIL: _____

Phone Number: _____

Thank you for your support!

For committee use only:

Donated item accepted: Yes _____ No _____ Date _____

