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President's Message



I hope everyone is having a good summer. John and I took a road trip to Colorado and had a fun time. It felt so good to get away and it always feels great to be home.

August is our first month for official business for 2021-2022. I look forward to hearing new ideas for future projects, discussion about bigger goals and filling our social calendars! I appreciate the individuals who have volunteered to chair our various committees this year. All committees should have a meeting scheduled during our first month of business. My personal goal is to attend at least one meeting of each committee within these next two months.

Thank you everyone for the quick response and support from our members when asked to host the District III Meeting this Fall on October 30th. More information will be forthcoming. I am hoping to secure the venue at Bankers Hill Club; however, I am waiting for the final approval from our District Director, Bonnie Mendenhall. Let's all start thinking of some fun Halloween décor.

Speaking of fun and exciting, we will be holding both of our August meetings at The Bankers Hill Club. This will be a good opportunity for us to try it out and decide if this is the right location for us.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, its flip flop season, stay cool!

President Terri

August Birthdays

August 15th

Dr. Angeliqe Hood

August Club Anniversaries

2016
2018

Tracie Arlington
Allison Whitney

August Club Meetings

August 3rd Business Meeting: Happy Hour 5:00 p.m. Business meeting 6:00 p.m. Bankers Hill Club, 3030 Front Street, San Diego 92103.

August 17th Program Meeting: Happy Hour 5:00 p.m. Program meeting 6:00 p.m. Bankers Hill Club, 3030 Front Street, San Diego 92103.

Committee Meetings!

Special Events: August 7th, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Susie's home, 3986 La Cresta

Public Affairs: August 10th, 11:30 a.m. The Brigantine in Del Mar

STAT: Wednesday, August 14th, 5:30 p.m.; contact Paula Day for Zoom link.

Community Projects: September 15th, 6:00 p.m. at Kathy's home.

Save the Date!

SISD Club Retreat: July 31st, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Monica's clubhouse 6161 Caminito Plata, San Diego. More details to follow.

"Meet Up at the Beach": August 6th; 4:00 p.m.

SISD Book Club: August 10th, 5:30 p.m. via ZOOM, "Lions of Fifth Avenue" by Fiona Davis

Desert Coast Region Leadership Training: August 21st, Palomar Estates West, San Marcos, more information to follow.

DCR – District III Fall Workshop: October 30th, more details to follow.

Desert Coast Region Annual Conference: May 1-2, 2022

Best wishes go to Kathy Conrad and Grace Meyers who are chairing the committee this coming year.

Margie McNeil



Community Projects

Last Projects for Club Year 2020-2021

Near the end of the club year, the Community Service committee had some monies left unallocated. The club members expressed enthusiasm for the presentation Jessica Barajas made about our history with the Girls Club of San Diego and its merger with the Boys and Girls Club, so we approached Jessica for a proposal for the girls of her club. Following is Jessica's response. We believe our donation will be very well spent:

The money donated will be going to the William J. Oakes branch, the oldest of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater San Diego's 20 sites that serves the Logan Heights community and is just a few blocks away from the old Girl's Club location. The money will be used to purchase a Cricut die cut machine as well as an iPad to use with the machine. The machine will be used to kick off the new Crafting Program for teen girls at the club house. With this machine, the girls will be able to create custom logos, shirts, mugs, cards, etc. They will then in turn sell these items to people in order to gather enough money to help those in need during the holidays. The girls will be able to shop for those in need of sweaters this winter. This program can and will become bigger with the help of SISD. There will be a big push for volunteers throughout this process, but it will be extremely rewarding.

Jessica, be sure to let us know exactly what the girls make at Holiday time so we can buy some, too.



Last Saturday, July 17th, Kathy Biewenga, Susie Hartmann, Grace Meyers and her daughter, Marsha gathered at Margie McNeil's house to sort school supplies for ***Girls Rising***. The paper, pencils, binders, etc. were put in gift bags for 18 girls and 5 backpacks were added for those not in the program last year. Their numbers are down now due

to Covid 19. There will be a picnic at the beach, which we sponsor, to distribute the items in August. It will be fun.

Community Projects Meeting Schedule for 2021

For those who want to meet in person, a meeting will be held at my house in conjunction with the zoom: 6587 Park Ridge Blvd SD, CA 92120. Please come with an open heart. All ideas are welcome! I will not be sending out reminders for meetings or zoom.

Topic: **Community Projects**

Time: Sep 15, 2021, 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)
Every month on the Third Wed, until Feb 16, 2022, 6 occurrence(s)

Sep 15, 2021, 06:00 PM
Oct 20, 2021, 06:00 PM
Nov 17, 2021, 06:00 PM
Dec 15, 2021, 06:00 PM
Jan 19, 2022, 06:00 PM
Feb 16, 2022, 06:00 PM



Mark your calendars and save the date for our annual Fall fundraiser!

Soroptimist International of San Diego presents, "**Catch a Rising Star!**" **Friday, September 24th from 6-10 p.m. at the Bankers Hills Club.** Ticket information and formal invitation to follow soon. Guests will be able to enjoy delicious food, drink, & live music while gazing at the stars! Stargazers will also raise valuable funds for women and girls to gain access to education and training so that they may achieve economic empowerment.



Shelter Island Happy Hour

- ✓ Every 1st Friday of the month
- ✓ 4:00 p.m.
- ✓ On the grass across

from the Concert Entrance at Humphreys on Shelter Island. Bring a chair, something to drink, and something to add to the charcuterie board.

- ✓ It gets chilly so think layers!

See you there!!

If you get lost, text Eleanor 619-323-4427 or Susan 602-696-1856.



Community event flyers & newsletters are received electronically by SISD.

To view, please click on the links:

SI La Mesa Bulletin:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dN-6x-Z6CkieR68SAbPIjP2PxJYDPWO/view?usp=sharing>

STRUT Event Flyer:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ydAtBd19GGYDnkZcdGKZ1dErBMrUxOPn/view?usp=sharing>

The committee sign-up sheet was circulated at the June business meeting and is included with this bulletin. If you have not had the opportunity to select your committee choices for the 2021-22 club year, please contact either President Terri or the committee chair to have your name added to the listing.



SISD members received messages from two of our former **Live Your Dream** recipients Saltanat and McKayla. Both ladies provide good examples of how our club "goes beyond the initial cash award" with support for our Live Your Dream recipients.



SISD member Judi Cole recently visited with Saltanat, a recent Live Your Dream club recipient and presented her with an additional \$1000 cash grant to assist in defraying education & living expenses. She was very surprised and very happy. She states "I am

eternally grateful for Soroptimist. Please tell everyone thank you." She used the money for July's rent. The unexpected grant provided a very big relief for her as she continues her education.

Saltanat is taking a class over the summer and this fall term will be her last semester at Miramar College. She is applying to both Cal State San Marcos and SDSU.



Good morning Terri 😊. I hope you are having a beautiful start to your morning. I just wanted to send you a photo from our morning. Thank you for everything the Soroptimist's have done for my son and me. I was able to get everything he needed for school, and more! Thank you! ❤️❤️ McKayla

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