

Sorop-Times

President's Message



For most of us, November brings to mind Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a national holiday celebrated on various dates in the United States, Canada, Grenada, Saint Lucia, and Liberia.

The dictionary defines the word Thankful as "pleased and relieved". These words describe my feelings after our important role as the host club for the District III Fall meeting on October 30th. Thank you to all who took part in making it fun and successful!

Have you ever thought about the difference between Thankful and Grateful?

"Being thankful is a feeling and feelings fade. Being grateful is an action and is a state of being, where you feel a sense of appreciation that comes from deep within. Gratitude is more than just the feeling of thankfulness."

"Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It turns a meal into a feast, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow" – Melody Beattie

I am grateful to the club for all that we do for each other, our community and for the lives of women and girls.

Happy Thanksgiving!

President Terri

November Birthdays

November 19th

Eleanor Snyder

November 26th
November 28th

Monica Logan
Tango Tangorra

November Club Anniversaries

1981
2006
2020

Victoria Hobbs
Anna Curren
Erin Liddell

November Club Calendar

November 2nd Business Meeting: Happy Hour 5:15 p.m. Business meeting 6:00 p.m. Bankers Hill Club, 3030 Front Street, San Diego 92103.

November 5th Beach Happy Hour; 4:00 p.m. Shelter Island 4.

November 9th Book Club: 5:30 p.m., ZOOM, "In Her Own Words" by Ruth Bader Ginsberg

November 16th Program Meeting: Happy Hour 5:15 p.m. Program meeting 6:00 p.m. Author Jill Hall will discuss the issues in authoring a book. Bankers Hill Club, 3030 Front Street, San Diego 92103.

Committee Meetings

Bylaws & Procedures: Wednesday, November 3rd, 4:00 p.m.; Joy Brown's home. Chair Ruth will provide snacks.

STAT: Wednesday, November 10th, 5:30 p.m.; contact Paula Day for the location/Zoom link.

Recruitment & Retention: November 11th, 11:30 a.m. Location: Ticor Title (Cindy Younger's office); 2275 Rio Bonito Way, Suite 160. San Diego 92108

Community Projects: November 17th, 6:00 p.m. at Kathy's home & via Zoom.

Fundraising: November 19th, 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Save the Date!

Welcome New Year: January 15th, San Diego Yacht Club.

Wine Tasting Auction: February 12th. Judy Lawton's home.

District III Winter Meeting: March 5th.

Spring Fundraiser: March 12th: Sheraton Harbor Island.

Desert Coast Region Annual Conference: April 29th – May 1st. Doubletree Mission Valley, San Diego.



Thank you to all who supported the 2021 "Catch a Rising Star" Fall Fundraiser on September 24, 2021. The fundraising committee met on October 21 and recapped the event, as well as had preliminary numbers reported.

The committee also discussed setting up for the District Meeting on October 30, 2021, and started working on the March 12, Spring Fashion Show.

Save the date!

**Soroptimist International of San Diego presents
Diamonds and Divas Fashion Show
Celebrating 100+ years of empowering women
Boutique + Luncheon + Fashion Show
March 12, 2022
Sheraton Silver Pearl Ballroom**

The committee will be meeting via zoom through the holidays. Our next meeting will be 6 pm on November 19th zoom link to be shared soon.



COMMUNITY PROJECTS

We are currently collecting new or gently used girls' and women's coats & jackets that will fit kindergarten through 8th grade girls (sizes: extra small to 16). The young ladies of the Boys and Girls club will be the recipients of this donation. The collection will continue through November. Family and friends can donate too!

The club has collected 30 plus jackets for our jacket drive. Jessica will recommend as to what sizes still may be needed. The committee is developing a 6-month calendar that will have a sheet and towel drive. We are also looking at the possibilities of working on a new project we can partner with.

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS



Last month I had the great pleasure to spend an evening in Istanbul with Melek Berkem, Emine Erdem, Zehra Canfesci and Hüray Böke of our friendship link, Etiler Soroptimist Kulübü.

They were so happy to hear again how much we enjoyed Meltem's Cooking Class and ask me to reiterate their deep appreciation for all the support we have given to their projects, especially in these challenging times.

Unfortunately, the Balat Cultural House and Cooking School remain closed. The girls making purses are working from home, and, as we know, the Mardin Carpet School is back in action. They asked if we have any special requests as to size and color of future carpet.

The Etiler Club has now undertaken a new project called SAGE (Soroptimists Advocate for Gender Equality). It's rather difficult to describe but they are gathering groups at several universities and presenting students a board game with thought provoking questions for discussion. There is then much follow-up on social media.

I continue to marvel at the energy of the Etiler Club members and the scope of the projects they take on... And am so proud to know we are partners in support of some of these programs.

Bev Parsons

November 16 Program Meeting Jill Hall, Author

Ladies, haven't you always wanted to write?

We all put words on paper and think we should be able to do it well, so we are excited to have a speaker who really does it well. Jill Hall will talk to us on November 16th discussing the issues of authoring a book. She is the author of "The Black Velvet Coat," a San Diego resident, and the recent winner of the 2021 Next Generation Indie Awards for her Anne McFarland series. The number of women who are published authors in San Diego is small, so it is a treat to have one of them come to talk to us.

"The Black Velvet Coat" is a fast read about two women a generation apart and the issues they had to resolve at the time they owned the coat. Our club focuses on helping other women who do not have as much as we do, but sometimes we need to take time to refuel ourselves. This book, while it may not touch the issues of each of us, talks about searching and figuring out what is important in a way that is fun.

Read the book, bring your copy for her to sign, but most of all come to hear this amazing woman on November 16th.



Unvaccinated members need to wear a mask at all our meetings!

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.

- ✓ 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 Vista & North County November Bulletin:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/19linr_HwUXpaG7mE8nB0DGhvI9CfE1gM/view?usp=sharing

SI La Mesa November Bulletin:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1KjgQH2pcBI dqYf8cCta rHtTrsl1ZGNFz/view?usp=sharing>

SI La Mesa Thanksgiving Breakfast evite:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1XBIfs-bpMDzkrLY7tw77YhorMsJxJSM/view?usp=sharing>

SI Alpine Holiday Poinsettias Fundraiser:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1R43dwFBteFCjMaAuaHiCGaczAoD2cwke/view?usp=sharing>

Desert Coast District III Fall Meeting



Over 70 members representing the 13 clubs in Desert Coast Region's District III met at the Banker's Hill Club on Saturday, October 30th for their annual fall meeting. The gathering was hosted by our own San Diego club.

The theme for the gathering was "Dreams Coming Alive" with District III Director Bonnie Mendenhall presiding. Members were encouraged to 'Reconnect with Friends', "Be Inspired", to "Spotlight Your Club" and to "Motivate Other's."

SI San Diego members came away enthused and looking forward to working to provide women & girls access to education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment.

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[#SoroptimistAtWork](https://twitter.com/Soroptimists_SD)

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