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Soroptimist

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Soroptimist's events...

Boca Raton - September-October, 2006

- Boca News-Society Monday Section ~ September 18, 2006 ~ under Rebecca Reports..."I started the week with lunch at....On Thursday, I attended my first event for **Soroptimist** International, a group I couldn't previously pronounce, now I even know what the name means, "best for women", from the Greek. The occasion was a reception for honorees for the 2006 Women of Distinction Awards Breakfast coming up on October 18th. Event Chair Elke Schmidt and Sponsorship Chair Liz Wilsman welcomed guests to the Robb & Stucky Interiors community room packed to the gills with most of the 35 nominees and members. Official breakfast sponsor Dr. Marta Rendon M.D. was hand with her team, who I have to say were a handsome bunch! Well if you're a dermatologist it makes sense to have a good looking office!"
 - On September 14th, **Soroptimist** offered at Reception for Women of Distinction Nominees, Sponsors and Guests for the October 18th, Women of Distinction Breakfast (our biggest fund raising event) at Robb & Stucky Community Room, with a delicious buffet by Royal Palm Catering and beautiful people such as the Countess Henrietta De Hoernle and all our nominees wearing their blue and red ribbons. Thanks Elke for your efforts organizing this event!!!
 - We also had the pleasure of attending the event From B Flat to C Sharp, where Mrs. Jenna Justice-Music Therapy Manager for Hospice of Palm Beach County, throughout her guitar interpretations taught us how music improves the quality of life and how it is used to address physical, emotional, cognitive and social needs. We really had fun playing weird instruments, closing our eyes and traveling to other **Soroptimist's** levels...
 - On September 5th, two new women became members of **Soroptimist**. Mrs. Jacie Keeley from PBCC and Mrs. Cynthia Andrade our Journal's Designer and Graphic and Event Planner. Connie Siskowski welcomed them with yellow roses as a symbol of friendship and pins and applauses. Welcome to the club Jackie and Cynthia!!!
 - Don't miss out the VHFC's 5th Annual Golf Tournament on October 9th at Boca Greens Country Club to benefit Boca Respite Volunteers and the Caregiving Youth Project. For more info www.boca-respite.org or www.aacy.org.
 - Also from September 13th to December 1st, on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday come to the Palm Beach Community College in Boca Raton for their Massage Therapy Program-Student Clinic by appointment only (561) 862-4722.
 - Looking to be Part of Research - and Get BEAUTIFUL at the same time???
- Dr. Rendon is doing some research on eye cream. She wanted to extend the opportunity to our **Soroptimist** club. If anyone wanted to participate, they should contact Fern at the office to come in anytime this week (561) 750-0544.

Until next time, have a wonderful **SOROPTIMIST** day !



Countess Henrietta De Hoernle



Elke Schmidt



Jenna Justice



Jacie Keeley, Connie Siskowski and Cynthia Andrade

President's Message

Dear Members:

There is a saying:
"It's not what you say,
it's what you do."

Well, our club says we are the "Best for Women" AND we do what we can to demonstrate that. Many members are not aware of the scholarships we have been giving to women through the **Women's Circle** in Boynton Beach. Two women have been able to complete their studies in child care and received certification for work in this field. Meanwhile, our successful sales of the **Beads for Life** made by the women of Uganda will help them to survive as single parents in a politically troubled world. Our **Violet Richardson Award** to a young woman between the ages of 14-17 will financially recognize the recipient of the award and her volunteer work. The **Women's Opportunity Award** will financially assist the recipient to achieve her career goals. Our club continues to do what we can to recognize and assist women and the upcoming **Women of Distinction Breakfast** is a very public statement that our actions speak louder than our words. We are all looking forward to another very successful Breakfast as we do what's "Best for Women". See you there!

Respectfully,
Co-President Cynthia Cummings

Soroptimist "MEMBER OF THE MONTH"

Maureen Burke

Mother of 4 sons and 4 grandchildren.

Became a member in 2003 and has served as VP Programs, President and currently Co-President. Retired as Director of Deborah Hospital Foundation (Florida-Puerto Rico Region), retired RN and Retired Certified Fundraising Executive.



She really has an adventurous side and is a good sport about joining in on even the most foolish of fun things...

"Being a part of **Soroptimist**, affords me the ability to assist women and girls here and internationally, while at the same time I am enriched by working with so many bright professional women.

WOD BREAKFAST

Our Women of Distinction Breakfast/Fundraiser is just around the corner. Last call for sponsorships, underwriting opportunities or raffle prizes. Help make it another successful event. Contact Liz Wilsman at 561-392-8612 or Elke Schmidt 954-427-1224.

Wednesday, October 18th
Hotel Boca Raton Marriott
7:30 a.m. Tickets \$30

This year our Official Sponsor is The Dermatology and Aesthetic Center run by Dr. Marta I. Rendon, M.D.



Liz Wilsman & Dr. Marta Rendon

District I Meeting

This is a fun event and a really great way to learn more about **Soroptimist** and its activities at regional, national and international levels. Contact Cynthia Cummings at cicdelray@yahoo.com or (561) 330-9166 for more information.

Friday, October 13th

From 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Leadership Training (all invited) at the Hampton Inn, 7801 S.W. 6th Street. Plantation, FL 33324.

Friday, October 13th

At 6:30 p.m.

Dinner at Kavanagh & Morrissey's. Cornerstone Plaza. Plantation, FL (\$35 with cash bar)

Saturday, October 14th

At 8:00 a.m.

District I Meeting (registration paid by SI Boca Raton/Deerfield Beach) at Pine Island Ridge Country Club. 9400 Pine Ridge Drive. Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33324. Meet new friends, caught up with old ones and learn tips and ideas to bring back to our club.

Some of our Nominees for the Women of Distinction Breakfast 2006



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Soroptimist International

2006 Women of Distinction Nominees



Greg Skover, Eric Bassett, Dr. Marta Reado, Alex Reado, Jordan Schwartz



Dr. Connie Sikowski, Elle Schmidt, Dr. Marta Reado, Helen Babione, Lorry Herdeen



Liz Wilman, Rosemary Krieger, Bea Krieger, Colette Herietta de Hoersle, Charlotte Beasley



Kelle Kueck, Kim Champlin, Jille Sloan, Loraine Marks, Brenda Cole

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL of Boca Raton's Deerfield Beach recently hosted a reception for the 2006 Women of Distinction Nominees, sponsors and guests at Robb & Snacky Interiors, Mizner Park. It was "standing room only" as guests toasted the nominees and applauded the sponsors for their generous support. The 35 Women of Distinction Awards Nominees will be Guests of Honor at the 33rd Annual Women of Distinction Breakfast, to be held at the Boca Raton Marriott, 5150 Town Center Circle on Wednesday morning, October 18, 2006 from 7:30-9:00 am. Honorary Chair for the 2006 Breakfast is Mary Perper. The Breakfast Committee includes: Elle D. Schmidt, Chair; Helen Babione, Lorry Herdeen, Perrille Oxborg, Dr. Connie Sikowski, and Liz Wilman. Assisting them will be Soroptimist Co-President Cynthia Cummings and Maureen Burke. Official Sponsor for the Awards Breakfast is Dr. Marta I. Reado, MD. The Dermatology and Aesthetic Center, Boca Raton. Tickets for the breakfast are \$30 per guest, with assigned seating for pre-paid tables of 10. All other reservations will be open seating. For reservations, call 954-427-1077.



Courtesy Herietta de Hoersle, Madelyn Szarek



Gedy Andrade, Doreen Bittel, Lynn Spague, Carmen Uceda



Rose Robinson, Pat Torres, Dr. Mary Russell, Etta Schaeffer, Elaine Bonda, Laurie Sullivan

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Soroptimist International of Boca Raton-Deerfield Beach

Andrade, Cindy (Newsletter Chair and Program Assistant)

Graphic Designer/Event Planner/Virtual Secretary

Babione, Helen (Honorary Board Director)

Babione Funeral Home

Beck, Celeste (Provost)

Palm Beach Community College

Burke, Maureen A. (Co-President 2006)

Caplan, Suellen (Community Volunteer)

Carder, Toni (Recording Secretary)

The Arc

Cummings, Cynthia (Co-President)

Floyd, Marla K.

Weekes & Callaway, Inc.

Herdeen, Lorry (Director)

Florence Fuller Child Development Center

Jenner, Lystra

Town Insurance & Financial Services

Keeley, Jacquelyn

Program Specialist Learning Unlimited PBCC

Leible, Marie

Dir. Institutional Advancement Pope John Paul II

Ostberg, Pernille (Treasurer)

Matrix Home Care LLC

Reed, Patricia

Pat Reed Interior Design

Rendon, Marta I.

The Dermatology & Aesthetic Center

Schmidt, Elke D. (Director-WOD Chair)

Realtor

Siskowski, Connie (VP-Membership)

Volunteers for the Homebound & Family Caregivers

Sprague, Lynn

Jewelry Designer

Su "Angie", Hui Fang Huang (Former Director)

Nova Southeastern University

Uceda, Carmen

Home Companion Services

Wilsman, Elizabeth (VP Programs-WOD Sponsor)

Co-Chair

Elizabeth Wilsman C.P.A.

Calendar of Events 2006

- 10-03-06 Business Meeting**
10-13-06 District Meeting
10-14-06 District Meeting
10-15-06 WOD Raffle Assemble Meeting
10-18-06 WOD Breakfast from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
At the Boca Raton Marriott Hotel
11-07-06 Business Meeting
11-19-06 Holiday Shopping Event from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
At the Boca Raton Town Center Mall
12-03-06 Christmas Party 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Cynthia Andrade's Home
12-05-06 Business Meeting

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!!

- 9-7 Su, Hui Fang Huang**
9-19 Marta Rendon
9-23 Patricia Reed
9-24 Connie Siskowski



The Key to Healthy Membership

Ask women who are not members to help with your next service project. Tell them what your club is trying to achieve and ask for their assistance. Try to involve them in making a difference through their contribution of time, money or in-kind goods or services. Even the busiest woman will rarely refuse to help out when asked for something specific. If she cannot honor your request, chances are good that you will receive a donation or an offer to help in the future. You may also have "planted the seeds" for an invitation to membership. It's flattering to these women to be asked, and good public relations for your club. The club's activities will be known and the Soroptimist mission will be associated with the name.

You are part of an organization whose members, through their international connections and outreach, desire to make a real difference in the lives of women and girls. Clubs are committed to trying new approaches to membership recruitment and retention. Flexibility, self evaluation and engaging, mission-focused projects are the key to a happy and healthy membership.

From Louise (Lou) Barlow

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Florence Fuller Child Development Center

Lorry & Fred Herdeen

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