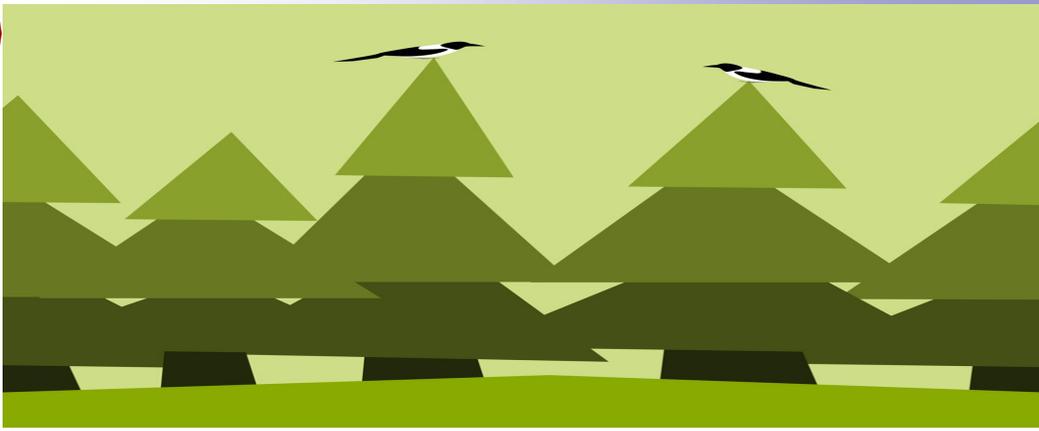


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MEMO FROM OUR CEO, STEPHANIE "Greetings Ladies,"

Summer has passed quickly and now we say, "Welcome Fall!" Fall is such a beautiful time here in the mountains. My thanks to Judy Stoltenberg for designing, ordering and delivering our new SI of Twain Harte aprons. Also, thanks to Margaret, Willie, Lynn, Sandy, Marilyn and Becky who all helped with the New Student Orientation Barbeque held at Summerville High School. And we must give a very special thank you to Jan Verhage

for developing our SI of TH Activity Overview. This listing gives all of us a clear view of what our club does and reminds us at a glance what an amazing group of women, working together, can accomplish for the betterment of our community. The overview will also assist with new member orientations.

This month is special in a number of different aspects. It is our turn now

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"Nothing else in all of life is such a maker of joy and cheer as the privilege of doing good."

"GETTING TO KNOW YOU. . ."

SEASONED MEMBER SALLY DIOS TELLS US HER STORY. . .



SALLY DIOS

Sally, one of our newest club members is not new to Soroptimist. She was a seasoned member of the Sonora club for many years. She actually transferred her membership to Twain Harte when the Sonora club had to close. A true Sagittarian, Sally was born in Oakland on December 10th. She loves people, and trusts in the inherent goodness of all mankind. Once you get to know her, you will find that Sally wants everyone in her life to be as happy as she.

These are all traits of the fire sign of Sagittarius. Sally's early years were unsettled as were most children who were toddlers during WWII. Her mentors were a couple she looked to as family, Hugh & Althea Sheehan. But, she was on her own by the age of 15, working as a nanny. As she graduated from high school, she got a scholarship to University of Marilyn, and received her degree in social work. She married at 28, to Allen H. Dios, a

superintendent with Cal Trans. They were married on May, 20, 1968 and continued as a couple for 47 years. They had no children. Sally went on to work in property management as she managed apartments for an Asian doctor for more than 30 years, worked for Johnson and Johnson, and Sterling Health and finally as an independent contractor for Bristol-Myers selling medical supplies to the military. Cont-page 3

A Few More Things to Think About



Holiday Basket Time is near. . .

Sign Ups are going around in October for our annual Food Baskets for Families.

3 Families for Thanksgiving and 3 families for Christmas.

Sign up to bring 3 food items of the same type and you can shop for all six, as

long as they are not perishable, at one time.

Very Convenient!
Women Are Planners!

Once you sign up for that food item it becomes yours for the Thanksgiving AND Christmas Baskets.

Bring your items to

El Dorado Savings Bank in Twain Harte or the home of Marilyn Knudson BEFORE November 14th.

In December, please follow the same instructions as above, BEFORE Dec. 10th.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING SPREE. . .save the date!

Marilyn Knudson is the Chair/Organizer for this annual event and will be seeking volunteers to assist the families we find to help with their child's Christmas Shopping Trip to Wal-Mart.

Children are guided by our skilled and tactful

club members to choose clothing they may need, desperately, in some cases.

For example, a good winter jacket for school, underwear, socks, a hat, mittens. I do believe they get one small toy or book.

If you need your heart filled with gladness and the Christmas Spirit this is the event for you!! It is special and helps us all remember why we volunteer.

DECEMBER 2ND!



WOMEN SALUTING WOMEN !!

TUESDAY NOVEBER 14TH

SIGN-UPS ARE GOING AROUND AT MEETINGS FROM NOW UNTIL THE END OF OCTOBER. THE COMMITTEE IS PLANNING, AND PLANNING AND MOST OF WHAT HAPPENS WILL BE A SURPRISE! Bring a guest or 2. **RSVP NOW \$20/PERSON.**

Call Jan: 536-9227 or text to: 559-1201

“GETTING TO KNOW YOU. . .” cont. from pg 1

Sally’s husband passed away two years ago. After a few months of illness and re-grouping Sally is going strong again and the joy of life seems to come right out of her pores!

She likes to say she is a “professional volunteer”. And it seems that everything she has done in her life has helped her come to this point of peaceful happiness she is living today.

Sally volunteers with Hospice, Elk’s Emblem Club, All Saints Church in Twain Harte, the ladies guild and she is a Eucharistic Minister. That is one who assists the priest in the communion service or may administer the communion to one who may be home bound. Whew! I am dizzy just thinking about all those meetings. We are fortunate to have her in our club! And if you haven’t tasted her “perfect brownies”, you’ll get another chance to try them as the brownies will be part of the dessert at the



Women Saluting Women luncheon on November 14, 2017. When you see her, why not give her a special hug for baking all those brownie samples for us to try. She’s a peach!

SI OF TWAIN HARTE MEMBERSHIP POTLUCK DINNER

In the fall of every year. . .

Members of Soroptimist International of Twain Harte gather for a special dinner to welcome prospective new members. It is a social time for our seasoned members and an evening where we welcome those who are considering a membership in our club.

Various members will speak about our special projects and talk about what is required when one becomes a member of our club.

It is a wonderful night of fellowship and sharing!

This year the dinner meeting will be held at Sharon Kelley’s home (see side panel).

Time is running out to RSVP if you

haven’t >> Call ASAP to Sharon, Gloria, or Margie M. It’s a potluck & dinner at 6:00pm

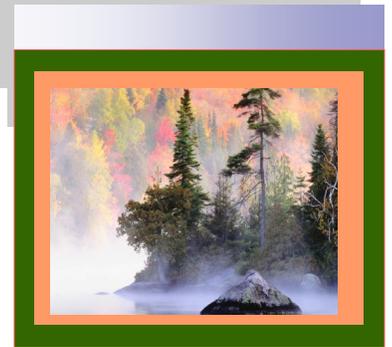
Here’s the scoop on what to bring! If your last name begins with:

A-K=Side dish

L-P= Main dish

Q-Z= Dessert

See ya there!!



* Directions to Sharon Kelley’s House 24215 Sierra Park Road Mi Wuk Village, CA 95346 Go East on Highway 108 toward Pinecrest, when you reach Mi Wuk Village, go past the Diamond Jim’s, the laundromat and the general store, continue toward Pinecrest. Very shortly, you’ll see the Christmas Tree Inn on the right side of Highway 108. Directly after the Christmas Tree Inn is Sierra Park Road. Turn right on Sierra Park Road, continue downhill for ½ mile to 24215 Sierra Park Road which is on the left side of the road – a white house with brown trim. Parking available in either driveway & adjacent to the house.



“AUTUMN IS A SECOND SPRING, WHEN EVERY
LEAF IS A FLOWER.”

Albert Camus

Since the Live Your Dream Awards program began in 1972, about \$30 million in education grants have been disbursed to assist tens of thousands of women achieve their dreams of a better life for themselves and their families.

Each year, more than \$1.7 million in education grants are awarded to more than 1,300 women, many of whom have overcome enormous obstacles including poverty, domestic violence and/or drug and alcohol abuse. Live Your Dream Awards recipients may use the cash award to offset any costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education, such as books, childcare, tuition and transportation.

Here in Twain Harte, our last year’s winner was Brittany Boucher. She balanced the active life of a single mom to a son with autism while studying for her undergraduate degree in preparation for earning a teaching credential for elementary education.

Our club is now underway in our search for this year’s Live Your Dream winner. We have contacted the counselors at Columbia College and the Child Care Center seeking candidates who meet the following qualifications: Head of Household mother who is enrolled in a college or vocational training program who also has a financial need to reach her goals. If you know of a woman who may qualify, please contact Sharon Kelley for more information at (209) 770-3633 or email: sharon@wpkelley.com. **The deadline for applications is November 15, 2017.** Editor’s Note: THE “Live Your Dream Award” is THE premier award for all Soroptimist clubs in the Soroptimist International of the Americas(SIA); our club is part of this Federation.



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MISSION:

"...working to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment."
BEST FOR WOMEN

We are always excited when women in our local community are interested in joining our club. We are never too busy to talk to a potential new member and we will welcome women with open arms and hearts.

Want to know more?

Feel free to attend our meetings:

2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesdays—12:00 Noon-1:00pm

The banquet room at The Rock of Twain Harte



"Celebrating 50 years in Service to our Community"

"Autumn. . .the year's last, loveliest smile." William Cullen Bryant



President's Message continued. . .

to operate the free eye exam booth at the annual Tuolumne County Health Fair on the 17th and 18th.

Our club also has a new member potluck each year. This year it will be held at Sharon Kelley's home on October 24th. Members may bring a guest that they feel might be a potential new member.

November will find us hosting our "Women Saluting Women" luncheon on the 14th. You may want to bring a guest so please remember to RSVP by November 3rd to Jan Hiebert. The fee for lunch

is \$20 per person. It's an event you won't want to miss.

We will be collecting food to fill baskets for 3 families in November and again in December. Sign-ups are going around at future meetings. The Tuesday before Thanksgiving will find us back at TH Golf Club for the annual dessert auction. Be thinking about what you will bring in the way of a dessert or holiday décor item to auction off. Proceeds from this event help us pay for administrative expenses that assist in the day-to-day operations of the

club.

December will find us at Walmart helping kids shop for clothes, bringing more food for Christmas baskets, dropping off a toy at El Dorado Savings Bank for the firemen to distribute toys in and around our area, and finally our annual Christmas Lunch at McCaffrey House.

What a productive group!!

Best wishes,

President Stephanie