

## Soroptimist International of Grass Valley

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#### **SIGV** Calendar

Thursday, May 2nd **Business** Meeting 5:00-5:15 Social 5:15-6:45 Meeting NCCA Thursday, May 9th **Outstanding** Effort Award Luncheon 12:30 - 1:30pm NCCA Monday, May 13th **Board** Meeting 4:45-6:00pm Tina Skrukrud's Office Verger Mortgage Thursday, May 30th **Celebration** of Service 5:00-7:00pm NCCA May Birthdays: Ruth Evans - 3rd Patricia Rogers - 22nd **Planning** Ahead: Thursday, June 6th **Business** Meeting 5:00-5:15 Social 5:15-6:45 Meeting NCCA Monday, June 10th **Board** Meeting 4:45-6:00pm Tina Skrukrud's Office Verger Mortgage Thursday, June 27th Installation Potluck Dinner 6:00pm Shauna Vance's Home

#### **Co-Presidents'** Message

We love May! May is a month of inspiration and excitement as we close out the last two quarters of the 2023 - 2024 year, and, because I am teaching this year, look forward to a long, relaxing summer. May is why I am a Soroptimist. This is the month when SIGV witnesses the fruits of our fundraising and commitment to mission in our Outstanding Effort Awards Luncheon, Celebration of Service and installation of the new Board.

First, the vital Business Meeting on May 2nd opens the month with the inspiration of exciting possibilities for the new 2024 - 2025 year. We validate projects and renew our commitment to mission by voting on the budget. As much as the task of determining budgets requires challenging financial responsibilities and healthy discussions, it is inspiring to witness the passion of our members.

Next, all SIGV members are enthusiastically encouraged to attend the Outstanding Effort Award's luncheon on Thursday, May 9th. We honor graduating 8th graders who have not only overcome serious obstacles, but have inspired their teachers and fellow students with their tenacity and positive attitude. By celebrating their achievement we boost their selfconfidence and validate the importance of their hard work. At the same time the student stories remind us why we are Soroptimists.

We truly look forward to the inspirational SIGV Celebration of Service on Thursday, May 30th. Through the organizational skills and dedication of Fran Freedle and the Grants Project Team, the joyful program not only showcases the fruits of our labor in the Teriyaki Chicken Booth during the Nevada County Fair, but we learn the positive impact we make on the community.

However, before May begins, a special kudos goes to Lynn for leading the well organized E-waste Community Service Project on April 6th. This hands-on project not only helped our community dispose of ewaste appropriately, and informed the public about the Soroptimists, but it raised over \$1,700 to support the many projects of SIGV.

As we move into the motivational busy of May, including registering for the SNR Conference (June 7- 9), installation of the 2024 - 2025 Board, and membership dues We are thrilled by the opportunity to serve our community with you. Your grace, kindness, support and humor keep us going and another important reason why we are Soroptimists.

R. Kate Laferriere and Bonnie Resendes

### **EWaste Community Service Project**

SIGV is pleased to announce that we served over 300 cars at April 6th's EWaste event and collected over 107,000 pounds of ewaste. Soroptimist project leader Lynn Mehren Costa did a fantastic job setting up and organizing, lots of positive comments from the public on how smoothly it ran. Thank you too Waste Management for sponsoring this event and sending such an awesome crew. Thanks also to CCC for all your hard work directing traffic. Calvary Bible Church donated a perfect space for the event, thank you. Much gratitude also to the public for their generous donations at this community service project.

We plan to do this again about the same time next year.



On May 9, 2024 at 12:30 pm at NCCA, we will honor 2 graduating 8th graders who have been nominated by their schools because they have overcome obstacles in their life to succeed in Middle School. This award had been given since 1984 and has honored young people for their tenacity, perseverance, and commitment to their future. SIGV invites their families and teacher to celebrate their achievements. Congratulations to Landon Tucker from Lyman Gilmore and Kacey Davis Christmon from Magnolia.

Judy East, Outstanding Effort Award Project Team

### Celebration of Service

Once a year we set aside one of our meetings to celebrate our accomplishments for the year, our efforts to raise funds to help our community, and enjoy our club successes. It is the Celebration of Service (to our community) and every Soroptimist should be there to join in the fun!

May 30th from 5:00-7:00 pm at NCCA.

We meet and celebrate our grant recipients as they are our guests and come to receive their grant checks for programs that make us partners providing a wide variety of services to help women and children. Our dollars magnify many times and help numerous people through our grants. We will meet and celebrate our Vocational Scholarship winner who comes from a life of struggle, but has high aspirations to earn a Sonogram Certificate to help patients in need of special care. This is our opportunity to mingle with our community partners, celebrate our accomplishments and share in the joy of service. Please put it on your May Bucket List as one of those important things to do.

Fran Freedle, Grant Project Team



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## Fundraiser: Day for Women

A Day for Women



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Once again after 4 years, SIGV is partnering with Sierra College Foundation, NCC, to bring back A Day for Women, a women's enrichment conference, on September 14, 2024. As a fundraiser, it is imperative to get sponsorships to defray the costs for putting on the event. We are asking members to email their list to encourage family, friends and business associates to sponsor the day. It would also be advantageous to check with businesses you regularly frequent (hairdresser, nails, etc) to also sponsor. A letter and form have been electronically sent to you for you to distribute. Help make this event successful and meaningful to our community of women!



### **Dues and Fundraisers**

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF GRASS VALLEY P. O. Box 663, Grass Valley, CA 95945 2024-2025 DUES Dues are due May 15, 2024 and delinquent June 15, 2024 Add \$10 Late Fee if paid on June 16, 2024 or later. Make checks payable to SIGV, send to above address or Hand payment to Treasurer at any SIGV meeting. Name: Please advise if there are any changes for the Roster. Regular Regular \$150.00/ If late \$160.00 SIA Founders Pennies Voluntary for all \$6.30 **Dues Summary: Regular Members SIA Federation Dues \$74 SIA Federation Insurance \$9** SI Per Capita Payment \$9 **SNR Region Dues \$25 SNR Fellowship \$1** • SIA Project \$1 **SNR Growth & Development \$1** SNR Membership \$1 • SNR S Club \$1 Totals \$122/ Remainder to SIGV \$28 Please note that there may be dues adjustments that we have not received to date.

Zero Waste Kits are still available to purchase. All money goes to the Delegate's Fund. The kits are a sustainable way to attend club meetings without using paper and plastic products that end up as waste in our landfills. The kits save the club money by not having to purchase single use plates, cups and cutlery. The kits are created with upcycled thrift store items and all items purchased locally. Each kit contains a plate, bowl, cup, coffee cup, silverware, napkin, tea towel in a tote bag.

Make a difference for the planet, for the environment and for our community in supporting sustainability.

> Marlene Sharon, Delegate \$20.00 to SIGV Order via email: msharon@mac.com

### 2024-25 Installation of Officers

# Save the Date! June 27th, 2024 • 6:00-8:00 pm Potluck Dinner Sandy Terrell, Installation Officer

Come celebrate the upcoming year of community service, friends, fun and fundraisers. The board is excited to be serving again! Potluck dinner with board providing wine, beverages, plates and cutlery. Please bring your favorite summer potluck dish or dessert to share. Formal evite to come with RSVP. Location: Shauna Vance's Home 26136 Table Meadows Road, Auburn (Off Combie Road, Outside LOP) Thank You to Our Sponsors! We are accepting NEW and RETURNING Sponosorships for our 2024-25 club year. \$50 includes your business card in 12 newsletters and also available on our website. Sponsor fees due June 31st.



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