

President's Message

WOW, it's hard to believe our Soroptimist year is coming to a close. Thank you for allowing me to serve as your president this past year.

We did some awesome things we should all be very proud of. As always we gave a lot of money to help different organizations in our community. Comedy Night was a roaring success and we continue to fine tune the planning to make it run smoother each year.

In addition to the normal club activities, we collected food this entire year and donated it monthly to Interfaith Good Samaritan. All donations mean a lot to them but with the economy in the state it's in, more and more families needed help. Thank you for stepping up to help!

Our PJ project for the Crisis Shelter collected a lot of items that will sure to be used and appreciated by those admitted. I'm sure that nice touch will go a long way to making someone feel just a little bit better.

Our help at the public library was enjoyed by those of us that were able to help, and I know Susan and her staff really appreciated the help. It's an ongoing project that is never really completed.

Greenbelt Clean Ups allowed for a couple of mornings outside in the fresh air and allowed some camaraderie with other club members.

Regional Conference was a great experience. It's fun to hear what other clubs are doing and fun to bring back ideas we can implement in the coming years.

I hope to see all of you at our installation dinner. It's a nice way to wrap up the year; celebrating our past board and wishing our new board well. It's also a great time to socialize with our fellow sisters as we all go our separate ways throughout the busy summer.

Have a Wonderful Summer and Make a Memory to Cherish!

President Denise

Upcoming Events & Activities

INSTALLATION DINNER

Our installation dinner will be this Wednesday, May 26 at the Laramie Country Club. Dinner will be served at 6:30. Bar will open at 5:30 for cocktails and relaxing. In addition to installation of our local club officers, Regional Governor Jan Fitz will install Jonnie Jenkins as Governor Elect of Rocky Mountain Region. Please RSVP meal choice of either Skirt Steak or Haddock (both \$16.00) by 4:00 p.m. on May 25th to diannevp@msn.com. Hope to see you there!

SPRING CONFERENCE IN CODY

Several of our members attended spring conference April 30 to May 2 in Cody. The Cody club did a great job, and as always our first time attendees came away especially impressed and inspired.

PJ PROJECT

Thank you everyone for bringing PJs, t-shirts, shorts and sleep pants for the children at the Laramie Youth Crisis Center. Over 30 sets of PJs were collected in April and May for the project. Leah and Carmen delivered the PJs to the Crisis Center after the last business meeting.

Pictured below are members Debbie and Carmen looking through some of the items.



SOROPTIMIST AFTER HOURS

One of the ideas our members brought back from Spring Conference in Cody was "Soroptimist After Hours". The idea is to provide an opportunity for our members to get together socially, have fun and get to know each other better. Our first SAH will be June 8 at 5:30 p.m. at Margie McDonald's home with pizza, cake and beverages being served. We will also use this occasion to celebrate Jonnie Jenkins election as Governor Elect for the Rocky Mountain Region and her new family members, nephew, Collin and niece, Hailei. Carmen has sent out an email detailing items that would be helpful for Jonnie and the children. Margie has sent an email with directions to her home.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

INSTALLATION DINNER

MAY 26 – COCKTAILS 5:30, DINNER 6:30

LARAMIE COUNTRY CLUB

SOROPTIMIST AFTER HOURS

JUNE 8 – 5:30 P.M.

MARGIE McDONALD'S HOME

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO :

MAY 5 – MARY LEE EGNACZAK

MAY 24 – MAUREEN LUTTERMAN

MAY 26 – DENISE MARQUISS

MAY 28 – JEANIE NIEMOLLER

MAY 31 – DEBBIE KUHN

JUN 21 – NATALIA WEAKLY

JUN 27 – LINDA GAULT

JUN 28 – KAY LYNN HAMMER

AUG 6 – DEBBIE CHEESBROUGH

SEP 2 – KELLY COLLINI

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

AUGUST 27

Email news items to LLebeda@gmail.com or call Linda at 745-6881.



FOOD DRIVE

Thanks to Marie Sheaffer for coordinating our food drive throughout this year. And thanks to all of you who have contributed food to help our community.

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I pledge allegiance to Soroptimist and to the ideals for which it stands; the Sincerity of Friendship, the Joy of Achievement, the Dignity of Service, the Integrity of Profession, the Love of Country. I will put forth my greatest effort to promote, defend and uphold these ideals for a larger fellowship, in home, in society, in business, for country and for God.

Soroptimist International Mission

Soroptimists inspire action and create opportunities to transform the lives of women and girls through a global network of members and international partnerships.