

Soroptimist International of Laramie

November 2009

President's Message

Ladies,

It's hard to believe it's already Thanksgiving and the holidays are fast approaching. We had a good business meeting and made some decisions for the holidays and our next meeting.

We will be going Christmas caroling to the senior homes, care centers and hospital on Thursday December 17. We will park in the Iverson Memorial Hospital parking lot and then car pool to the locations. It was agreed that we would go somewhere after we carol for a Christmas toddy and some holiday camaraderie. We are checking around for a good place to go and I'll report at our December business meeting. It was agreed not to exchange gifts with each other but to give to someone in need. Susan Simpson is checking on a possibility and I spoke with the Epson Center and they have someone in the Care Center as a possibility.

Judith Olson, chairperson for the Community Service committee has obtained a Christmas family for the club to shop for; a mother and four children. At our business meeting the membership approved up to \$500 to shop for the family and give them a happy holiday.

I'd like all of you to think about the casino night materials we have in our storage unit. Sandra Eike has offered to allow us to store Soroptimist things downstairs in her office. This is an extremely generous offer and it would allow us to get out from under the rental fee of the storage unit. That of course brings up the question of should we keep or sell the casino night items. We've talked about this many times and have had several successful comedy night fund raisers since casino nights. I think it's time to make a decision. I will take a paper vote at the December business meeting so please plan on attending the meeting or send me your vote. It's important that everyone have a say in our decision.

Have a wonderful holiday with family and friends and we'll see you in December.

Your President,

Denise

Upcoming Events & Activities

AWARD INFO AND DEADLINES

December 1st is the deadline for applications for the Violet Richardson, Women's Opportunity and Ruby Awards. Emailable application forms and information are available at www.SoroptimistofLaramie.org. Click on "Download Forms". Please help spread the word about these wonderful opportunities!

Contact Margie McDonald at mmcdonald@west-inc.com, 755-1518 or 760-2388 with questions.

FOOD DRIVE

Please bring a canned good or other non-perishable food item to each meeting. We will donate to Interfaith Good Samaritan and the Soup Kitchen. This will be an ongoing project for the year. Marie Sheaffer has volunteered to deliver our donations. Thanks, Marie!

CAROLING

We will be going caroling December 17. We will meet at the IMH parking lot as close to 5:00 p.m. as possible and car pool to the other locations. For those that would like to participate, but can't make it until a little later, please call Denise's cell, 760-4485, that evening for information on where to catch up with the group.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PROGRAM MEETING

NO NOVEMBER PROGRAM MEETING

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

BOARD MEETING

DECEMBER 3, NOON

ALTITUDE

BUSINESS MEETING

DECEMBER 10, NOON

ALTITUDE

CAROLING

DECEMBER 17, 5:00 P.M.

MEET AT IVINSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

LARAMIE LAUGHS FOR A CAUSE

FEBRUARY 13, 2010

HILTON GARDEN INN AND CONVENTION CENTER

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO :

NOV 15 – DIANNE VAN PELT

NOV 28 – SUSAN SIMPSON

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

DECEMBER 15

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

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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.