

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE TRI CITIES

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✧ President's Message ✧

Ladies-We need more members. I hate to be so blunt, but that is the simple truth of the matter. I challenge each of US to recruit one new member by our December meeting. That will put us in great shape to have the person power we need as we work to improve the lives of women and girls in our community.

What better time to introduce a friend, colleague, relative or anyone else to Soroptimist. Bring a guest to our White Turkey Auction on November 15, 2010. That is always a fun event. Remember to bring your selves and your "junk" which will become someone else's "treasure". Our December meeting (December 20) is another great meeting for a guest to attend. We will be assembling our pretty bags and can really show how we serve the community.

Let's do this thing. Together, yes we can!



SOROPTIMIST
Best for Women

Share the News!
Soroptimist International of the Tri-Cities
is looking for new members!

GET INTO THE THANKSGIVING SPIRIT

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE 22ND ANNUAL TRI-CITY THANKSGIVING!

The Tri-Cities League of Volunteers (LOV) are getting ready to help those in our community who may be spending Thanksgiving Day alone and those who do not have the resources, either money or shelter, to enjoy the traditional Thanksgiving meal and fellowship. They are seeking volunteers to prepare and assist with various tasks beginning November 22nd thru the day after Thanksgiving, Friday, November 26th.

Assistance is needed for the following:

- Cook a turkey or a ham.
- Prepare dressing, mashed potatoes and yams.
- Bake some pies, donate various meal supplies.
- Deliver homebound meals, pick up donations.
- Set tables, decorate, serve dinner and clean up.
- Supervise games and crafts for the kids!

The League of Volunteers is in need of donations! You can help make this a great holiday for others by donating the following:

Turkeys ~ Hams ~ Baked Pies ~ Brown Sugar ~ Milk ~ Instant Mashed Potatoes ~ Stove Top Stuffing Mix ~ Canned String Beans ~ Canned Corn ~ Cranberry Sauce ~ Chicken Broth ~ Yams ~ Black Olives ~ Pickles ~ Mayonnaise Packets ~ Baby Food ~ Oval Aluminum Roasting Pans ~ Foil ~ Sugar ~ Styrofoam Cups ~ Paper Dessert Plates ~ Chinette Partitioned Dinner Napkins ~ Mini Marshmallows ~ Grocery Bags ~ Large Garbage Can Liners ~ Tablecloths ~ Sterno ~ Take Home Trays ~ Condiments ~ Sliced Pie Containers ~ Dish Towels

For information call 510-793-5683. Donations may be dropped off at the LOV Community Service Center - Ruschin School, 36120 Ruschin Drive, Newark 94560.

**Monetary Donations also greatly appreciated.
Please make checks payable to LOV (League of Volunteers)**

Soroptimist Pledge

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, uphold and defend these ideals
for a larger fellowship, in home, in society, in business for country and for God.

PROJECT SOFT LANDING

Project Soft Landing is an ongoing program of Soroptimist International of the Tri-Cities and was created to enhance the marketability of economically challenged women striving to achieve economic self-sufficiency for themselves and their families. Project Soft Landing provides the following:

Educational Opportunities: Scholarships and grants are available to women who may need assistance with child care, books, tuition or other expenses when pursuing a job training program or higher education.

Dressing and Image Consultation: Each woman receives an individual appointment and can receive up to a week's worth of clothing, including a suit and accessories for her job search.

Resume Review and Interview Assistance: Participants have the opportunity to meet one-on-one to receive feedback on their resumes and gain insight into the interviewing process from business owners and professional women.

Beauty Basics: Participants may also be eligible to receive a hair cut, make up lesson and a beauty basics gift bag filled with sample beauty products and instruction booklet so that they can recreate their new, professional look at home before their job interview.

Who is eligible for a Soft Landing?

Have you recently completed a job training program or college? Are you leaving the foster care system? Reentering the workforce? Changing jobs or careers? Going back to school? Experienced a life changing event? Are you the primary source of financial support for your family?

Then you are invited to apply for a Soft Landing by filling out an application available on our website www.sitricities.org or by being referred directly by one of several community organizations throughout the Tri-City area.

Pretty Bags!



It's time to start gathering items for our Annual Pretty Bags!

As one of our service projects during the holidays we put together bags with full size toiletry items that are given to domestic violence victims at SAVE as well as victims of human trafficking. The bags include such necessities as shampoo, conditioner, soap, a brush, tooth brush, tooth paste, dental floss, razors and nail files. This holiday season encourage your office or family to adopt a pretty bag.

The Service Committee has decided that we will provide 100 bags this holiday season. We will need to gather 100 of each of the following items: Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Floss, Brushes, Lotion, Razors, Soap, Net Loofahs, Nail Files and Deodorant. If you are interested in providing these items or finding a donor to provide items, please contact Debbie at 510-494-0829.

We will be putting these bags together on December 20th at Kathleen Sages home. More information to follow!

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Happy Birthday to our member born in November! We hope that this New Year will be your best ever and are so happy you are a part of Soroptimist International of the Tri-Cities.

Vickey Kean – November 4th
Ellen Muller – November 10th



The Annual White Turkey is coming! Make sure you go thru your closets and come up with new or like new items to donate to this fun activity! Items may be books, jewelry, scarves, cooking items, Christmas items, etc! We will start the bidding at our November General Meeting. What a fun time to invite a friend to our meetings.

We will be holding a CANNED FOOD DRIVE at our November 15th General Meeting. Please bring a canned food item or two... we will be sending these items to the League of Volunteers for the holiday program. Due to the economy their pantry is 100% empty as of the end of October! They served 5,295 meals last holiday season!



Meeting Information

Time: 5:30 pm Cocktails

6:00 pm Meeting

Date: 3rd Monday of every month

Place: Papillon Restaurant - 37296 Mission Blvd,
Fremont, CA 94536

Contact Betty Hudson for reservations by the
previous Thursday at (510) 449-6071

Calendars of Events

November 10th – Fremont & Milpitas Chamber of Commerce Mixer - Lima Family Milpitas-Fremont Mortuary
48800 Warm Springs Blvd, Fremont at 5:00 pm.

November 15th – **SITC** General Meeting at 5:30 pm—**WHITE TURKEY AUCTION**

November 17th – Fremont Chamber of Commerce Mixer – Electro Imaging Systems, 39488 Stevenson Place Ste.
100, Fremont, CA 94539 for information call 510-795-2244

November 18th – Newark Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting – Aerodance, 5258 NewPark Mall Road,
Newark, CA from 5 pm to 7 pm.

December 8th -- Fremont Chamber of Commerce, **“Toys for Tots Drive”** Please bring a new and unwrapped toy
for this annual holiday drive – 39488 Stevenson Place, Fremont.