



Soroptimist of Corona

Spring 2018

Events at a Glance

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Spring Birthdays

1-Mar	Paola M. Ringer
31-Mar	Donna Ronca
13-Apr	Judith A Horan
25-Apr	Sylvia Fleming
6-May	Dana Daniels
11-May	Karen Spiegel
14-May	Olivia Guevara
16-May	Kristin N. Barbarossa
21-May	Linda Holmes



President's Message

by Denise Middleton

Here it is, April already! It's busy season for our club: the time of year where we get to feel that we are truly doing something for the women and girls in the community. I'm so proud of how the members of our club join together and do good. Back in June my challenge to everyone was to fully commit themselves to the club – being fully engaged in what we do. If the spirit that I saw the last few months keeps strong through the Spring there will be no stopping us!

What have we been up to? After bringing the community together for our annual Chocolate Wine and Jazz festival we turned up the heat with our Live Your Dream award. We were able to say YES to three women in need, and to recognize all of them at a special lunch awards presentation. Our strength was felt so strongly by all three women and has led to them feeling more control in their own lives. Such a positive outcome.

Our Social Director and committee planned two amazing parties for all of us. I was just looking through the pictures of our Holiday Party and was again impressed with the talent and creativity that went into the themed tables. So very beautiful and festive. And what better way to share the Christmas Joy than to brighten the season for a young girl in need. What a fantastic idea it was to write notes of encouragement to the Orange Grove girls and surprise them with a small gift. I will always remember that day.

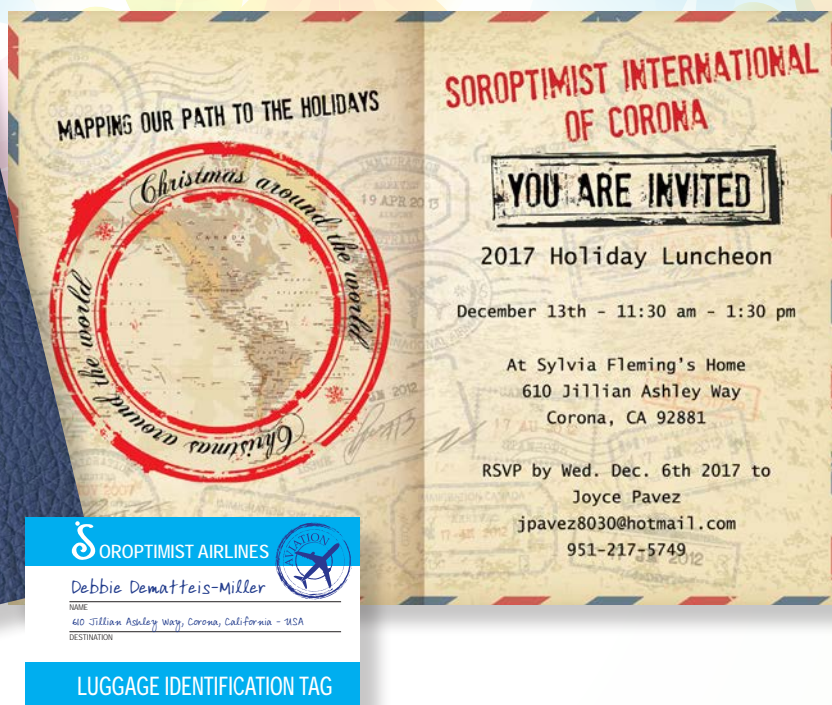
The committee came right back and planned another beautiful party for all of us. Our Birthday Party fell on Valentine's Day: how perfect it was to celebrate that day of love with each other. Once again, we wrote notes of encouragement, but this time for each other. We are strong, confident women, but it sure is nice to get a compliment. We all left with a special rose presented by each other. As I write this, I'm looking at my rose still hanging tough almost a month later. I think that's a sign of the strength of the members in this club.

Last week was another epic Dreams and Decisions. Truly one of the best that I have been to. Our message is always the same: make good decisions so that you can reach your goals. This year, I think the girls really got it and took that message to heart. And surely a sign that they had a great day – there was not a rush to get out. The parents had to wait patiently while their daughters continued on with the last activity. Made me so happy to see that!

And one final heart warming moment for me. Having so many people attend the budget meeting. I can't thank you all enough for being there. It demonstrates the commitment that we all feel for making a difference in the lives of the women and girls in our community. It shows we care; that it is us, all of us, putting forth our greatest efforts.

Our path has been pretty remarkable so far – stay with it, because the reward of what's to come is priceless.

Mapping Our Path To The Holidays!



STOP Trafficking / START Acting

Billboard Digital Display on 91 Fwy



Panelist



Webiste for Registration

STOP Trafficking START Acting

STOP Trafficking START Acting
A Human Trafficking Awareness and Action Event

January 18th, 2018 - 6:30 pm

Mt. Rubidoux SOA Church
5320 Victoria Avenue
Riverside, CA 92506

Questions? Contact Michelle at msoc@idigital.com

Reserve your seat

RESOURCES:

- Operation SafeHouse
- Million Kids
- Riverside County Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force
- Run2Rescue
- Women's Life Skills Training
- Searchlight
- Riverside Area Rape Crisis Center
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Inland Empire
- Grace Church
- Mt. Rubidoux Seventh Day Adventist Church
- Soroptimist International of Corona
- Soroptimist International of Riverside
- Soroptimist International of San Bernardino
- Riverside Life Services

[Download PDF Flyer](#)

Join the IndyStar and the USA TODAY Network for the series, "Explored: Inside the Dark World of Child Trafficking." About 10,000 children a year suffer the horrors of commercial sexual exploitation in the United States. Each victim on average is forced to have sex more than five times a day.

FOR MORE ON THIS STORY, GO TO:
[Who buys a child for sex? Otherwise, ordinary men.](#)

~ Agenda ~

- 6:30 Doors open
- 7:00 - 7:15 Welcome from Sponsors
Pastor Joe Hobbs - The Grove Community Church
Denise Middleton - President, Soroptimist International of Corona
Janet Payton - President, Soroptimist International of Riverside
Cathie Weber - Soroptimist International of San Bernardino
Pastor Michael B. Kelly, II - Mt. Rubidoux Seventh Day Adventist Church
Fonda McGensy - Operation SafeHouse
- 7:15 - 7:25 Welcome from Riverside County District Attorney Mike Hestrin
- 7:25 - 7:45 Documentary - "Child for Sale" by Fiona Bock
- 7:45 - 8:10 Riverside County Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force Norma Vazquez
- 8:10 - 8:20 Social Media/Internet Exploitation
Opal Singleton, President and CEO Million Kids Training and Outreach Coordinator RCAHT
- 8:20 - 8:45 Panel Member and Q&A
- 8:45 - 9:00 Visit panel tables/raffle

Panel Members:

- Pastor Michael B. Kelly, II - Mt. Rubidoux Seventh Day Adventist Church
Norma Vazquez - Riverside County Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force and Operation SafeHouse
Opal Singleton - Million Kids
Shannon Forsythe - Run2Rescue
Kristi Perez - Inspire Life Skills
Debbie Martis - Rebirth Homes
Cammie Sohm - Family Justice Center
Vanessa Sher - Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Inland Empire
Lisa Aguila - Olive Crest
Kimberly Ingold - Remember Nhu
Chelsea Ingalls - Riverside Life Services



What You Can Do?

- Getting Awareness and Education
- Attend Protect and Prevent Meetings
- Call National Human Trafficking Hotline 1.888.373.7888
- Call Riverside County Anti Human Trafficking Task Force 1.855.758.3733
- Call Operation SafeHouse
- (951) 351-4418 Riverside
- (760) 702-5349 Desert
- **DONATE**

71st Birthday Celebration - Love Grows Here

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Join us for our **71st**
Birthday Celebration

Wednesday, February 14, 2018
11:30 am - 1:00 pm
TAPS Fish House
Lakeside Room
\$25 (non monthly paying members)
Cocktail Attire

RSVP

Joyce Pavez
951-217-5749 or
jpavez8030@hotmail.com
by Wednesday,
February 7

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Dreams & Decisions - Be a Girl Boss

Be a GIRL BOSS

Dreams & Decisions

Take control of yourself,
your body, your education,
and your path!

For 7th and 8th grade girls

Saturday, March 3, 2018 - 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
At Circle City Center • 365 N. Main St., Corona
Deadline February 28, 2018

Turn in form to your school counselor, fax to 951-737-6551 or Email Chair@DreamsandDecisions.com

Reality is a product of your dreams, decisions and actions. - Venus Williams

Guest speakers will present three sessions:

1. Overcoming struggles and being emotionally strong.
2. Taking care of and protecting your body.
3. Being safe in the social media world.

After each session, the topic will be discussed in small groups in an age-appropriate manner.

**Music
Raffles
Snacks & Lunch
Fun Activities**

COME TO DREAMS & DECISIONS, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE SO MUCH FUN!

This workshop is FREE!

- Check in begins at 8:30 a.m.
- Pick up time 2:00 p.m.
- For more information contact Program Chair:
- Olivia Guevara 909-455-4393
- Email: Chair@DreamsandDecisions.com
- www.DreamsandDecisions.com
- Parents: Please pick up your daughter(s) promptly by 2:00 p.m.

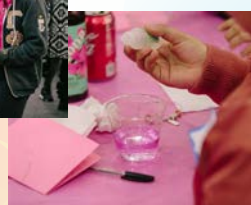
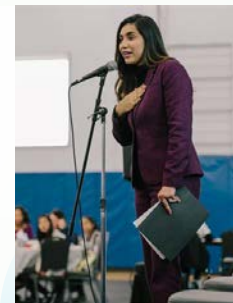
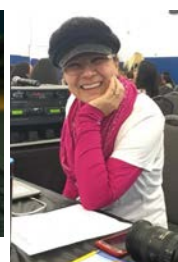
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A Business Women's Service Organization
www.sicorona.org - www.dreamsanddecisions.com

☐ **YES!** I want to come to the Soroptimist Dreams & Decisions Workshop.

Student Information	Parent or Guardian Information
Name _____	Name(s) _____
School _____	Email _____
Grade _____	Phone # _____
Student Email _____	All Emergency Phone # _____
I do not want my daughter to participate in the following topics:	

PHOTO CREDIT: I hereby authorize Soroptimist International of Corona to publish photo and/or video images from the Dreams & Decisions Workshop held on March 3, 2018, including the minor child or children named in this event permission slip. Publishing may include print, video or video promotional materials.

Signature (Required) X _____ Date _____
(parent or guardian)



Live Your Dreams Award

SI Corona Meeting Agenda Live Your Dream Award Presentation January 31, 2018

- Welcome
- Induction
- Ashley Grether – The Climb
- Empowerment Stories
- Live Your Dream Program History
- 2017 Live Your Dream winner Maria Holly
- 2018 Live Your Dream Finalists
- Presentation of Awards
- Announcements
- Calendar
- Inspiration

Grace

For the bread upon the board,
Make us truly thankful Lord,



Key Member - Business Highlight



Grace Clark

Grace Clark
Accounting, LLC
CA Licence #103960

Possessing over 30 years of accounting experience, Grace S. Clark, CPA provides business accounting assistance, as well as personal, business, and non-profit tax services. She is a Certified QuickBooks Proadvisor since 2008 providing QuickBooks assistance and training.

After working under prestigious firms, she decided to open her own firm, and has never looked back. She enjoys helping her clients and often shares tax tips with friends and family so they can get the most out of their refund.

More than qualified for the job, Grace Clark is ready and willing to help YOU with all of your business and personal accounting needs.

Founded in 2017, Grace Clark Accounting is an ideal asset. Located in Corona, CA, it is the perfect addition to Riverside county.

Afterglow - With STOP Trafficking Resources



CROCK POT MAC N CHEESE - by Jenny Perkins

4 Cups elbow macaroni noodles-- boil in water for just 4 minutes (so it is NOT cooked all the way) drain water then pour noodles in crock pot

- 1 stick butter
- 5 C Shredded Sharp Cheddar Cheese
- 1 C Sour Cream
- 2 Can Cheddar Cheese Soup
- 2 C Milk
- 1 tsp Dry Mustard
- 1 tsp Salt and Pepper (ea)

Mix all ingredients and cook on low for 3 hours, stirring occasionally.

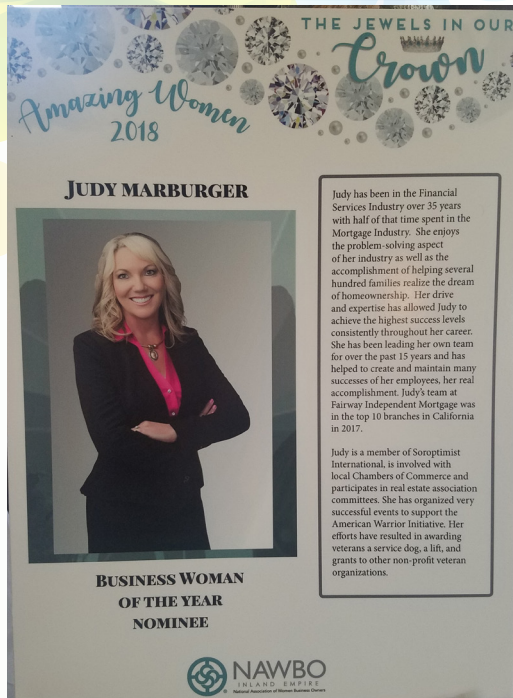
You can include add-in's if you wish:

- Diced Ortega Chiles
- Diced Jalapenos
- Bacon
- Ham

Orange Grove Visit



NAWBO - Amazing Women Awards

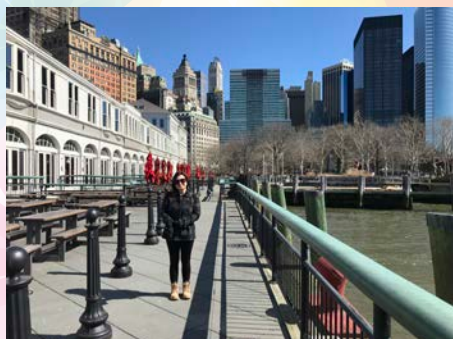


Afterglow - Budget Review



Soroptimists at The United Nations





Welcome New Members

*Sarah Ragusa
Lisa Simon
Meshele Tareq
Tami Schilling*



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2017-2018 Board Members

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Corona Club is part of
Sorooptimist International
of the Americas, a global
organization that works to
improve the lives of women
and girls through programs
leading to social and economic
empowerment.