



S.I. Corona 2016-2017

Soroptimist of Corona

Spring 2017

CALENDAR

April, 2017:

High School Scholarship
Interviews

April 26, 2017:

Intermediate Awards
Presentation

May 10, 2017:

High School Scholarship
Awards Luncheon

June 9, 2017:

Installation

Spring Birthdays

3-Jan	Laura L Janik
20-Jan	Judy Marburger
26-Jan	Paula A Montanez
27-Jan	Debbie L Dematteis-Miller
30-Jan	Debra Murphy
2-Feb	Marcy Decato
4-Feb	Jacqueline M Ortiz- Figueroa
8-Feb	Rondi L Verdugo
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 Michelle Volonte

Wow does time fly! We are speeding towards the finish line of our 2016-17 year. In three short months, I will be passing the baton to my amazing friend Denise. And what a busy three months it will be. We have already started interviewing for our scholarship program, my personal favorite project. I love meeting the girls and hearing their stories and their goals. That personal connection makes the act of giving so meaningful. And you can see how meaningful it is for them to be recognized, when you hear our recipients speak at the luncheon in May. It is a privilege to share their journey, even in a small way.



We also have our Intermediate Awards luncheon in April. For the first time, we will be holding a luncheon specifically for our intermediate recipients! In years past, we presented our high school scholarships and intermediate awards at one luncheon, but the school district has grown too large for us to properly recognize all of our honorees at one time.

Our Scholarship Luncheon follows in May, always a wonderful, inspiring event. Then we have our Allocations lunch at the end of May. This is another fulfilling day, where we present allocations to many local deserving organizations. Our Chocolate, Wine, and Jazz fundraiser was such a phenomenal success this year, that we are able to increase our allocations to more organizations than usual. You won't want to miss this day.

Then we have Spring Conference in Phoenix, quickly followed by Installation! Hold on to your hats friends, we're in for a whirlwind three months!

STOP Human Trafficking

"In any moment of decision, the best thing you can do is the right thing. The worst thing you can do is nothing." - Theodore Roosevelt

Join us to learn more about this devastating issue and how **YOU** can help.

Thursday, January 19th
6:30 - 9:00 pm
(coffee & cookies will be served)

Place:
THE GROVE COMMUNITY CHURCH
19900 Grove Community Dr., Room C100
Riverside, CA 92508

\$10 donation at the door

Please RSVP:
outreach@thegrove.cc
or 951/571-9090 ext. 2171

Participants:

- Riverside County Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force
- Reach2Rescue
- Inspire Life Skills
- Million Kids
- Operation Safehouse
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Inland Empire
- Riverside Area Rape Crisis
- Rebirth Homes

Sponsors:

Every day, in small towns and big cities in countries throughout the world, women and girls are being trafficked into a horrible life of sexual slavery. Almost one million people—the majority of them women and girls—are trafficked across international borders each year. Often tricked into traveling for work, these women face unendurable pain and humiliation. They are stripped of their human rights. They are bought and sold like objects. They are trapped in a life of degradation and abuse.



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SI CORONA & SI RIVERSIDE
The name, Soroptimist, means the organization strives to do the best, working to help others. S.I. Riverside are part of over 90,000 members worldwide globally.

If you are a woman, please contact us with you about becoming a member.

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THE GROVE

90 Years of

It all started

great faith

They did not

but they were

reaching out

opportunities

To learn more about

~ Agenda ~

- 6:30 pm - Doors open
- 7:00 - 7:15 - Welcome
 - Pastor Joe Hobbs - The Grove Community Church
 - Michelle Volonte - President, Soroptimist International of Corona
 - Janet Payton - President, Soroptimist International of Riverside
 - Vicki Hightower - Riverside County Chief Deputy District Attorney
- 7:15 - Documentary - Teenage Sex 4 \$ale: Human Trafficking in San Bernardino County
- 8:00 - 8:40 - Panel members and Q&A
- 8:40 - 9:00 - Visit panel tables in Room C-200 / Raffle

Panel Members:

- Investigator Ian Anderson
- Deputy District Attorney Kacey Sutton - Riverside County Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force
- Opal Singleton - Million Kids
- Shannon Forsythe - Run2Rescue
- Kristi Camplin - Inspire Life Skills
- Debbie Martis - Rebirth Homes
- Kristen Dolan - Operation Safehouse
- Patty Cardenas - Family Justice Center
- Monique Osorio - Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Inland Empire
- CJ Baca - Riverside Area Rape Crisis
- Jim and Donna Santo - The Knot
- Kristi MacEwen - Path of Life Ministries
- Lisa Aguilar - Olive Crest
- Tina Marie Cochran - Teen Leadership Foundation
- Jenni Price - Remember Nhu
- Fester - BACA (Bikers Against Child Abuse)



SOROPTIMIST
Dreams & Decisions
 For 7th and 8th grade girls
Saturday, March 4, 2017 - 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Celebrating 70 Years





Key Member - Business Highlight



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Creative Solutions Marketing & Printing is a combination of skills and experience from co-owners Marcy Decato and Gigi Mindreau-Banks. Marcy started the business in 2003 offering website development and outstanding graphic design. Gigi has been in the printing industry for over 25 years excelling in customer service and providing his customers with quality printing services. Now they joined forces to offer a one-stop-shop for any marketing and printing needs.

Services include but not limited to: Printing Marketing Materials and Office Solutions, Apparel & Promotional Items, Website Development, Graphic Design, Data Base Management, Marketing Planning & Consultation, Social Media, Email Campaigns.

From our Quote Queen

Judy Horan

THIS SAYS IT ALL:

Time passes
Life happens.
Distance separates.
Children grow up.
Jobs come and go.
Love waxes and wanes.
Men don't do what they're supposed to do.
Hearts break.
Parents die.
Colleagues forget favors.
Careers end.

BUT...

Sisters are there, no matter how much time and how many miles are between you. A girlfriend is

never farther away than needing her can reach.

When you have to walk that lonesome valley and you have to walk it by yourself, the women in your life will be on the valley's rim, cheering you on, praying for you, pulling for you, intervening on your behalf, and waiting with open arms at the valley's end.

Sometimes, they will even break the rules and walk beside you... Or come in and carry you out. Girlfriends, daughters. granddaughters, daughters-in-law, sisters, sisters-in-law, Mothers, Grandmothers, aunties, nieces, cousings, and extended family, all bless our life!

The world wouldn't be the same without women, and neither would I. When we began this adventure called womanhood, we had no idea of the incredible joys or sorrows that lay ahead. Nor did we know how much we would need each other.



Special Visit This March



SI Corona was pleased to have three young women from the Girls Excel Class at Orange Grove High speak at our meeting. They gave the Club an overview of the class and how much they have gained from the mentorship program, led by Judy Horan, They also talked of their impending trip to Washington, DC to present a workshop on what they are gaining from their class. Their teacher, Jessica Fuller, is a former recipient of an SI Corona award for her work with students. The students were thrilled to meet the members and are so thankful for the support from the Club, both monetarily and emotionally. They will report back next Fall.

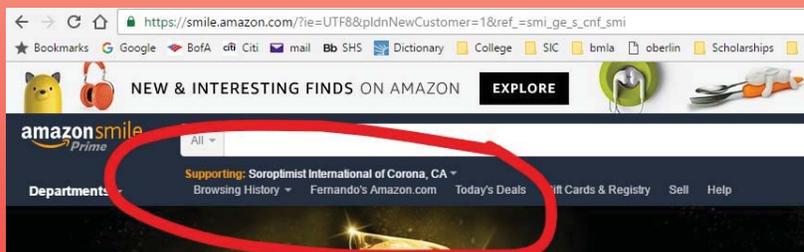


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of the Americas, a global
organization that works to
improve the lives of women
and girls through programs
leading to social and economic
empowerment.