

SINERGY

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Soroptimist International of Norwalk



SIN IS NUMBER ONE!

SIN received word from Jean Barth, Soroptimist International President, that it was chosen as the first place finalist for the Soroptimist International Best Practice Award for 2005-2006 in the Health category.

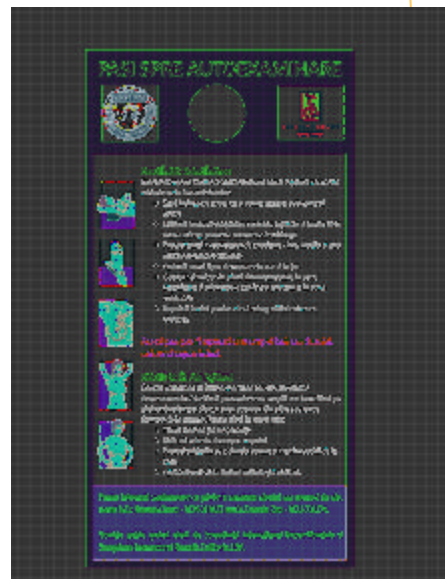
SIN was recognized for its "Breast Cancer Cards for Brasov" project. Pictured at the right is the breast self exam card that SIN created, produced and shipped to its Friendship Link, SI Brasov for distribution in that Romanian town.

The award was announced at the Soroptimist International Board meeting in Windsor, England. The awards are chosen by the Federation

Program Directors/Liaisons as the best examples of projects with an international dimension focused on women and girls.

One project is selected from each of the Soroptimist Federations in each of the following categories: Human Rights and the Status of Women, Education, Economic and Social Development, Health, Environment, and International Goodwill and Understanding.

The Breast Cancer for Brasov project also received a second place recognition from Soroptimist of the Americas Federation at it's July 2006 Conference in Philadelphia.



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President's Message

It's been two months since I was inducted as your President for 2006-07 and we have already started the year with a bang! SIN held it's installation July 14-15 at the Rutherford Beach House in Newport Beach. We set our

goals high for the year ahead and we were able to accomplish much. We also had the installation of Officers (See Retreat on page 4).

On July 19-23, Amanda, Dona and I attended

the Soroptimist International of the Americas 39th Biennial Convention in Philadelphia. We were awarded 2nd place for our Breast Self Exam Cards for Brasov in the Global Community category. It was an excit-

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SIN Calendar Notes

Birthdays	
9/2	Jo
9/4	Gail
9/25	Cheri
9/27	Debboe
10/9	Kelly
10/16	Tina
10/19	Henrietta
10/25	Catherine
10/27	Hazel

Meetings in October:	
10/5	SIN Board Meeting
10/7	District I Fall Meeting in Fullerton*
10/10	Soroptimist Village Board Meeting
10/12	SIN Business Meeting
10/19	SIN Program Meeting
10/24	Soroptimist Village Annual Meeting
10/26	SIN Project Meeting (MADFW w/Amanda)

*Agenda topics will be membership, WOA, Violet Richardson, Making a Difference for Women, updates on the Spring Conference 2007, Convention in PA, and more.

Special Dates	
10/3	Soroptimist Founder's Day
10/17	World Day to Eradicate Poverty
10/24	United Nations Day
10/31	UNICEF Day
10/31	Halloween



UNICEF Day

In 1950, school children in Philadelphia started an important tradition that has inspired millions of children to make a difference by collecting money for the children of the world when they went trick-or-treating on Halloween, October 31. The school children raised \$17 in 1950, but since then children have raised nearly \$200 million dollars for UNICEF's work to provide emergency relief, medicine, clean water, better nutrition and better education for kids in 160 countries.

UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund was created by the UN General Assembly in 1946 to provide humanitarian and development assistance to children and mothers in developing nations. UNICEF's focuses include: immunization, child protection, education of girls, HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment and early childhood care. These are the same focuses of the Millennium Development Goals -- specific goals that all of the leaders of the world agreed to work towards.

In addition to providing an opportunity to raise funds for UNICEF's work, the day is also a chance for kids, their parents and teachers to learn about the challenges facing children around the world - from poverty and diseases to armed conflicts. It's also a time to learn about the rights of all children as declared in the Convention on the Rights of the Child, and to remind our governments about their pledge to meet the Millennium Development Goals.

SI Celebrates 53 Years of Service

SI Norwalk is planning a birthday celebration on Tuesday, November 14th at the Sproul Reception Center in Norwalk. The party, which will be held from noon to 1:30 will feature lunch and other surprises. Please plan to attend to help SIN commemorate its 53 years of providing service.

The cost will be approximately \$15 for lunch. Please mark your calendars

and plan to attend this celebration. Gail will be coordinating the event with more details to follow. Please give Gail a call if you'd like to help with the planning or have any ideas.

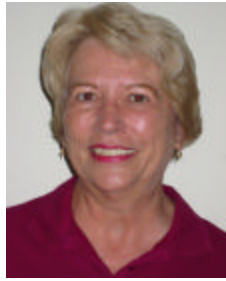


Second Hand Rose Does It Again!

Saturday, September 16 found the SINner's busy at its 4th annual Repeat Boutique. Organizing and directing the event was SIN's Rosemary Shannon aided by her husband, Leo.

The semi-final accounting shows that the club made a little over \$700 at the event. Thanks to all who participated!

A special thanks to Del Lindgren for allowing the use of his property (again)!



Rosemary Shannon



Marilee making a purchase!



President Jeana thanking Del Lindgren



Cynthia advertising

President's Message (continued)

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ing convention; we met Soroptimist from Japan, South America and the Philippines.

My theme for this year is "One Club, touching One Community, touching One World." I have big shoes to fill and will need help from all of you to make this year successful.

Donations have already been received for our upcoming Christmas Gala (thank you Marilee & Cynthia). We've made plans for the remodel of the Soroptimist Village kitchen and conducted a very successful repeat boutique.

I look forward to accomplishing much more in the year ahead.

Jeana

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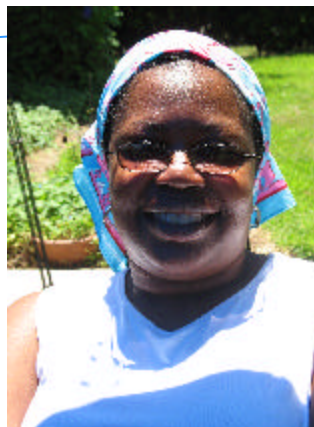
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of Norwalk serving its
local and global
community since 1953.

SI Norwalk is committed to serving its local and global community through projects that include workshops for teens regarding domestic violence issues; support of Soroptimist Village, a residential community for low-income senior citizens; Women Opportunity Awards, a cash award to women who serve as the primary wage earners for their families to assist with further education and/or skills training; the Violet Richardson Award recognizing girls for their volunteer services to their communities; and its internationally recognized 'Breast Cancer Cards for Brasov' project.

*SI Norwalk is part of the larger **Soroptimist International** organization, a world-wide federation of women providing community service.*

Clockwise from top: Henrietta, Jo, Amanda, Cheri, Jeana and Marilee.



SIN Retreat / Installation of Officers

Due to fires in the Lake Arrowhead Area, President Jeana moved the July 14-15 club retreat to Newport Beach. Despite the hasty move, the retreat went off without a hitch..

SIN conducts its installation of officers at its annual retreats as well as scheduling the calendar for the upcoming year, planning service projects, and reviewing the proposed budget

The installing officer, Amanda Secola, created a fun and meaningful installation program for President Jeana and her incoming Board. Jeana's theme is "One Club touching One Community touching One World."

Board members installed were:
Jeana Hanley, President; Henrietta Willis -

Kendall, Vice President/Programs & Publicity; LaToya Nolen, Vice President/Membership; Cheri Kelley, Treasurer; Terri Casarez, Secretary; Claudia Benitez, Director/Service; Jo Rodriguez, Director/Soroptimist Village; and Dona Bishop, Director/Ways and Means. Irene Kho will continue serving as President Jeana's Hospitality Chair.



President Jean with mom, Dona