

Club Update



Soroptimist International of Rio Vista

May 16, 2017



Next Meeting – Thursday, May 18th

The May 18th meeting is our last meeting of the year. The club goes “dark” over the summer. Our Soroptimist scholarship winners Susanne Johnson, Jake Hagan, Jacob Fortes, Daryn Katsuki and Karina Mandujano Rojas will speak about their future plans.

Meeting Summary

Our May 11 meeting began with a presentation by Warren Oglove and John Bento, of the Lions Club, about their “legacy project” for the 100th anniversary of Lions International, a granite-faced “Welcome” monument. Lion’s is asking the service clubs (whose logos will be on the sign) for contributions. Joan and Kevin Jackson wrote to thank us for the Val Jackson scholarship, and regretted that they were unable to attend the Academic Awards ceremony due to health reasons. Teri informed us that the man responsible for the death of Live Your Dream recipient Cierra Padilla’s sister was convicted of second-degree murder.

Our meeting topic was the Founder Region Conference. Our representatives came back impressed and energized. Nancy Griffin reported on sessions encouraging healing from past experiences, causing negative a self-image. When we look in a mirror, we need to remind ourselves of our positive attributes! Teri nominated Susan Whitesell for a “Shine your Brightest” award, and she was recognized as a “Shining Star” for her work publicizing club activities. Rio Vista also received a Celebrating Success award for our new member recruitment efforts. Susan reported on “Shine Your Brightest” luncheon. She highlighted the social media presentation and urged us all to be more active in “liking” club posts and passing them on to friends. Deborah discussed the Live Your Dream awards presentation and how motivational the awards recipients were. Teri discussed changes to regional by-law changes and the memorial ceremony where we honored Joy Augusto, Elaine Hamilton, Mary Heath and Val Jackson. All encouraged members to participate in future conferences.

Food Pantry Donation

Teri presented a \$750 donation to Rio Vista Food Pantry Secretary Naomi Walker, and President Lorelyn Hechtman. As Teri put it, “The Food Pantry worked their butts off [at the event] while we sat on our butts!” Naomi spoke about Food Pantry operations and how our donations benefit the program.

Installation – June 11, 11:30 AM

Stacia encouraged all to attend our Sunday, June 11 installation brunch for President Teri Malkin and next year’s board at Lupe Finch’s at 11:30 AM. The theme is “Dream Big.” Contact Stacia if you’d like to help.



Committee Chairs – Reports Due June 1st!

Committee chairs, don’t forget to complete your year-end reports and turn in your binders by June 1st.

Sad News

Member JoAnn Banford passed away Sunday, May 14th.