

# Club Update



**Soroptimist International of Rio Vista**

**February 14, 2017**



## **Next Meeting – Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

Our next meeting is Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Welcome Ann Starkie**

We welcomed the fourth of this month's new members, Ann Starkie, to the club. Her sponsor is Dorothy Fest. Look for this photo in Wednesdays Beacon.



### **Meeting Summary**

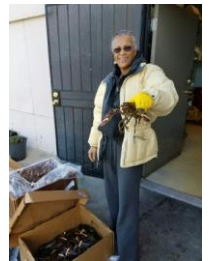
We introduced ourselves by naming our “passion,” and a fascinating collection of passions were revealed! Our guest was Fawn Williams of the Clear Lake Soroptimist Club, Director of the Founder Region Fellowship. The Fellowship program is a special project of our Founder Region, providing funding for women in their last year of a doctoral program at a university in our region. In 2016, scholarships totaling \$80,000 were awarded, the goal this year is \$100,000. Soroptimist of Rio Vista contributes several ways. At the regional level we donate a gift basket to be raffled off at conference, and buy those raffle tickets (several of us have won baskets). Last year, member Lupe Finch won a Fellowship at conference. In club, we buy squares on our Fellowship Board, which funds a \$1,000 Fellowship contribution every year. This year's winner was drawn at the meeting; Carolyn Abzell.



Also, we will be voting on the Bylaws and Procedures 2/16. The Nominating Committee would like the completed before they present the slate of officers 3/2.

### **February 10 Lobster Pick Up**

Our ladies were bundled up (and looking an awful lot like street people) at the back of Highway 12 Diner handing out lobsters to buyers Friday night. Thanks ladies!



### **Fun at the Princess Ball**

Thanks to everyone who helped at the Princess Ball Saturday. And special thanks to Hope, who did so much of the work to make it happen. We hosted 65 princess and 52 escorts. Pizza, carrot and celery sticks and cupcakes were served plus lots of fun swag. Check out the photos on our Facebook page!

### **LUNAFEST – Saturday, February 25**

We continue to sell tickets to LUNAFEST, our exciting film festival showcasing nine short films by talented women filmmakers. We will honor our Ruby, Violet Richardson and Live Your Dream award recipients. Tickets are \$25.00. We're also raffling seven amazing purses. Tickets are one for \$5.00, 3 for \$10.00 or ten for \$20.00. Winners will be drawn at Lunafest.

Look for an ad and article in this week's Beacon.



### **Sheepdog Trial Tees Now Available**

Be one of the first in town to wear a 2017 McCormack Ranch Sheepdog Trial tee. Tees are \$15.00. See MaryEllen.