

“A great attitude becomes a great day, which becomes a great month, which becomes a great year, which becomes a great life.”



President's Corner

We can take a big sigh. Our last fund-raiser is over and we can now relax until next fall. It has been a busy year but a very successful year for us. The result is being able to help various individuals and organizations that promote young girls and women. In May, we will be giving out our scholarships. This is why we work hard to raise the funds that allows us to help in our community. Thank you all for your time and efforts particularly Constance Boulware and the Fundraising Committee.

Teri Malkin, President 2016-2017

Proposed Offices for 2017-2018

President – Teri Malkin
 1st VP – Deborah Roden
 2nd VP – Greta Jenkins
 Secretary – Sue Walker
 Treasurer – Pat Dyer
 Asst. Treas – Laurie Olekwieczwz
 Club Liaison – Sue Esperson
 1 yr. Delegate – Lupe Finh
 2 yr. Delegate – Nancy Griffin

Voting at the 4/6 Business Meeting

Installation is at 11:30 am
 Sunday, June 11th
 Brunch at Lupe Finch's.

Mary Heath was one of our club's founding members. She passed away 2/17/17.



Sheep Run & Dog Trial
 March 30th, 31st, April 1st & 2nd
 It was a great time for all that attended



Sheep Run

Foster's



First Shift – it was a cold and blustery day

T-shirts 148 sold

Ticket numbers

Friday - 71

Saturday - 399

Sunday - 196

Total - 666

SIA Update

In February, we voted on the President-elect vacancy for 2016-2017.

Congratulations

Dawn Marie Lemonds, SI Tustin, CA.

She will assume the office of SIA President on September 1, 2017, and will serve in that position through August 31, 2018.

We will next be voting on the President-elect for 2017-2018.

The 2 candidates are:

Donna Gaddis-Wolf, SI Pittsburg, CA

Elizabeth Di Geronimo, Caracas, Venezuela



Soroptimist of Rio Vista presents the Summer Basketball Program a check for \$500.



The Founder Region Conference is May 5 to May 7 at the Marriott in San Ramon. It is a chance to meet other Soroptimist and learn more about the amazing women that are a part of this great organizations

"Soroptimists Are Shining Stars"

April Meetings

4/6 12:00 pm Business Meeting & Voting for 2017-2018 Offices

4/13 12:00 pm 2017-2018 Budget Review

4/20 12:00 pm Cierra Padilla, 2016-2017 LYD Recipient, Her Story

4/27 **NO MEETING**

Mark
Your
Calendar

5/5-5/7
Founder Region Conference,
Marriott San Ramon

6/8 Winner's Lunch

6/11
Installation of Officers
11:30am Brunch at Lupe Finch's

April

Birthdays

Jennifer Gaston 4/22

Sandra McCosker 4/25

Anniversary

Sandra McCosker 4/21

Club Anniversaries

Nancy Griffin



**Cindy
Kneibel**

I am Cindy Kneibel, one of the February inductees into SIRV. I have been pleased to meet so many dedicated and experienced members, but it is equally encouraging to see many new faces in this organization!

My husband John and I relocated to Rio Vista in October 2013 from Michigan. John is employed by the Dow Chemical Company as a Site Engineering Director in the Pittsburg facility. He is also an avid bass fisherman, which is how we came to choose Rio Vista as our new home.

I was born and lived much of my life in Michigan, where most of my immediate family still reside. I graduated from Ontonagon Area High School which is located on the shore of Lake Superior. Having witnessed a real winter this past year here in California, which exhibited the true power of the Sierra Nevada, the 250 -300" snowfall typical of an Ontonagon winter is not so bad!

In 1980, I graduated from Ferris State College with an A.A.S. degree in Chemical Technology, and was subsequently employed by the Dow Chemical Company in Midland, MI. I worked primarily in the research area of the corporation, which entailed chemical synthesis, product analysis, mechanical testing and quality control of the resulting compounds and materials. I met my husband John shortly after he joined the company in the Engineering Research lab. We were married in 1988. Our first child, John Ethan (Ethan) was born in 1992, followed by Samuel (Sam) in 1994. After Sam's birth, I resigned from Dow after 14 years, preferring to raise my boys.

As my sons entered grade school, I worked several years as a substitute para-professional, at the elementary level within the Midland Public school system. Then in 2007 I began working part-time for the Farm Service Agency of Midland County, as a field agent. Throughout all these years my hobbies have included gardening, sewing and needlework, and reading. Last summer I worked on the RioVision planter project.

John began working at the Dow Pittsburg facility in late 2011, traveling between Michigan and California regularly. When Sam graduated high school in 2013, John and I moved here permanently. Sam continues to reside near Lansing, MI, is a member of the Michigan Army National Guard, and is employed full-time as a helicopter mechanic. Ethan has spent the past four years in New York and will be graduating this May from West Point Military Academy. I am incredibly proud of my sons and the men they have become. Their life choices have led me to believe I need to give back to my community however I can. I am looking forward to many opportunities to share that ongoing community commitment with Soroptimist of Rio Vista.



We meet at 12:00 pm
1st, 2nd and 3rd Thursdays
The Point Restaurant
120 Marina Drive