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SFC Bulletin – Jean Violette

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I send greetings to all member Soroptimist clubs and their Soroptimist members. Your new Soroptimist Foundation Board has been working hard, since even before we took office on July 1, 2007. If you have not looked at our web site recently please do. We have updated the Grants applications for both the SFC Grants for Women and the SFC Grants for Clubs. The winners' profiles for our 2007 SFC Grants for Women are there, as is our latest Newsletter, Cornerstone. Important and exciting information about our AGM may also be found there.

SFC Club Grants – Five \$1000.00 Grants

SFC is proud to announce the following SFC Club Grant recipients for 2007-2008.

S.I. Abbotsford-Mission received a grant for their full day conference "**Living with Loss throughout a Woman's Lifespan**".

S.I. Banff National Park received a grant for their full day conference "**Live Your Dream**" for girls and their mothers in Banff.

S.I. Kamloops received a grant for their full day forum "**Women Entering / Re-entering the Workforce Forum**".

S.I. Langley received a grant for their full day conference "**Tuning Into Our Teens**". This club was the initiator of what became SFC's second signature project, SFC Grants for Clubs.

"**Share Your Story and Live Your Dream**", a full day program, received a grant. The presentation of this program is being partnered with **S.I. White Rock** and **S.I. Surrey -Delta**. The focus is to promote and build positive adult-youth interaction and healthier, safer communities, among other worthwhile endeavors.

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Note:

S.I. Tri Cities had their previous \$1000.00 grant for a function, that had to be cancelled, returned to them for their new program. This program of **Monthly Educational and Social Clinics For Homeless Women** is being held to establish trust and relationships, after which health and wellness and life skills become possible and can be addressed, when the participants are ready.

Exciting news

These applications will be added to a new URL attached to our web site for our members. Go to <http://www.soroptimistfoundation.ca/library.html> hold down control and then click to enter. There are already two previous items there and more to come.

Urgent News

Dear Soroptimists

We have a wonderful meeting, and social and celebration planned for our AGM in Winnipeg the weekend of the 26th of October to the 28th.

We have a great venue at the Clarion Hotel, important business to be discussed about our Investment Policy and other Foundation business, a social and fellowship night on Friday, with two inspiring women as speakers from our Grants for Women winners for this year, at our awards banquet and a celebration on Saturday night to recognize being a million dollar Foundation now.

What we do not have yet are enough participants. To date we have 17 women coming, we need to have 25 to have our meal prices and our rooms work out. Our proxies are tight too, if anything like a plane that does not fly happens.

Please come if you can. Think of the great Soroptimist fix you get from conference and imagine that in a smaller more intimate setting with an opportunity to meet Soroptimists from the other region in our country. Learn more about your Foundation and what it can do for your club and what you can achieve by working with and through the Foundation to help Canadian women. You can plan on having a really good time and learning a lot too. Maybe plan your next challenge in our organization by offering yourself as a candidate for one of our two Board positions that are available this coming year.

My fantasy is to have 30 women there but 25 will do. Your Foundation needs you.

Kind Regards

Jean Violette

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