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SFC Bulletin – Jean Violette

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We send New Year Greetings to all Soroptimist clubs and their members, from your Board of Directors. Have a look at our web site again after mid January. We are providing updated Donation Information about our club and individual member recognition programs. We will also have a new Board of Directors page complete with pictures just waiting to be added to the web site as soon as possible and it displays pictures of this SFC Board. Our new Investment Policy Statement is being placed on the web site too on the home page.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW SFC INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Anne Groulx has been a Soroptimist since 1980. She has belonged to the SI of London Club, SI of North Toronto & North York Club and is currently a member of SI of Cambridge Club. She has served as Treasure at the club and the Regional level and on the Finance Committee at the Regional level. She also served as a Judge for SFC Grants for Women Graduate Students from 2004-2006.

In her professional life, she is an Ontario Chartered Accountant. She has an M.B.A., from the Ivey School of Business, University of Western Ontario and also a B.A. in Economics from the University of Western Ontario.

Anne is currently the VP Finance & Information Services at St. Joseph's Health Centre Guelph. Her work experience includes positions in the Financial field of five hospitals where she has been Controller, Treasurer, Director of Finance, Chief Financial Officer to name some of her work experience.

Her volunteer work lists nine positions in various organizations and committees and not surprisingly she is frequently a volunteer Treasurer or auditor.

We are very pleased to have Anne serve on our first SFC Investment Committee that reports to our Board of Directors on the performance of our new Investment Policy.

Heather Hudson has been a member of SI of Calgary Club since 1993. She has worked on the Board and served as President of the Club. Currently she is Chair of the Western Canada Region Conference 2008 committee.

Heather has an M.B. in Finance from Dalhousie University in Halifax and also a B.A. in English Literature from the University of Alberta in Edmonton.

Heather has been in the investment field since 1992. Throughout the course of this career she has attained the following designations:

Registered Representative (E.A Harvie Memorial Award recipient 1993)
Certified Investment Manager
Fellow of the Canadian Securities Institute
Chartered Professional Strategic Wealth
Associate Portfolio Manger

At my first AGM, as a Director in 2004, I remember Heather being the Calgary club delegate and expressing great concern, about the performance of our bond investments. Our bonds were not serving us well at that time. It is a great pleasure to welcome her as a part of our first SFC Investment Committee that reports to the Board of Directors on the performance of our new Investment Policy.

Heather also tells us that she lives in Calgary with her husband Paul, 2 dogs, and a cat.

Dianne Hutchison, who is our Treasurer, is the other member of the Investment Committee. She brings the experience of being a part of our recent Investment Strategy Committee, and being our Treasurer for the Foundation for the last three and a half years and being very aware of our day to day financial needs as a Foundation. I have asked Dianne to chair this Committee until the end of her term of office, on June 30th of this year. We will be revising our Bylaws and procedures to include this new committee and we will be making decisions about the timing and length of this committee participation with help from our first committee.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED FOR TWO NEW COMMITTEES

We need an SFC information Package for Training and Promotion and an updated SFC History.

Urgent Presidents and Soroptimists if you have some members to suggest for our two new committees please contact the SFC Chair a.s.a.p. with their names and some

contact information so we can get these committees working for the Foundation. Volunteers can contact direct too of course. Jean Violette jeanviolette@shaw.ca. We need your help with these necessary committees that will be beneficial to our Foundation.

Important Dates

Next year our AGM is – 25th October 2008 (fourth Saturday).

Nominations and Elections have begun for our next two Directors positions on the SFC Board. These positions commence July 1st of this year.

LIBRARY OF USEFUL INFORMATION

I am still working with Dina on the Library of Useful Information, which is for members only for our web site. It will include SFC Club Applications and Reports and SFC Bulletins and I am still working toward it being available this January.

Thank you for your help and support for your Foundation.

Kind Regards

Jean Violette

SFC Chair 2007-2008