

New Member Spotlight

We are excited to have three new members that have joined our club this quarter! **Roxanne Aaron** was inducted in September. She was a previous president and 15 year member of the Connecticut River Valley Soroptimist Club. She moved to Raleigh about a year ago to be closer to her daughter (and because of the warmer weather!) and brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to our local club. Roxanne embraces everything that Soroptimists do in serving women and girls and has already gotten involved here in Raleigh by contributing to the PR and the development committees and is working on a new fundraiser for the club.

Cynthia Holloway was also inducted in September. Cynthia is originally from Indianapolis where she was a Soroptimist but has been living in Raleigh for 17 years. She is retired from her sales and marketing career in the packaging industry, she's had a deep interest in women's issues all her life and has been involved in a number of efforts, mostly political. One of her favorite places is A Place for Women to Gather and her current favorite hobby is kayaking. She has jumped right into working



on and contributing to several committees and says she is looking forward to getting to know and working with the enthusiastic members of the Raleigh club.

Stephanie Clifton-Pace was inducted at our November meeting. Stephanie is a pharmacist at MedPro Rx and mother to 12 year old daughter, Gabrielle. She is a veteran of the Navy and has her Doctorate of Pharmacy. She is excited to be a part of a group that supports women and girls and says that it is important for her to give back



and set an example for her daughter. Stephanie looks forward to contributing to our club and you may see her daughter with her at some of our meetings so please introduce yourselves.

Fundraising Update

We are now wrapping up our poinsettia sales fundraiser and as a club have sold over \$7,000 worth of plants! Our top rookie poinsettia saleswoman is Cynthia Holloway with an amazing 127 plants. Carolyn Skowron and Pam Sinclair were tied for top place as veteran poinsettia saleswomen until recently when Sarita Harkness came over the top with 150 plants to take the lead. There's still a little time left. Who will be crowned this year's Poinsettia Queen? You will have to come to our Christmas Angels brunch on December 12th to find out!



We have also started our second fundraiser of the season, Auto Bell Car Wash coupon sales. Car wash coupons are \$16 each and are good at any Auto Bell location. Our club keeps half of the sales so this is a great fundraiser for us. They make great stocking stuffers and gifts for mail carriers, babysitters, co-workers or anyone with a car! Contact Joyce Rothchild and she will mail or drop off any coupons that you may need. Who doesn't love a clean car?!

Christmas Angels



At our November meeting we kicked off our Christmas Angels service project. This year our project will be benefitting Haven House Services here in Raleigh. Haven House Services works with at-risk youth and their families. They reach nearly 3,000 kids a year through 12 programs that focuses on issues such as kids having difficulty in the home, school and/or the community, and kids in crisis and/or homeless. Shirley Hall and Valerie McCaffrey have been coordinating the gift wishes of 10 girls and their 14 children at Haven House. During our November meeting, Shirley presented the club with angel tags listing the gift wishes for members to choose. Terri Craig has graciously opened up her home again for us to have our

annual Christmas Angels brunch on December 12th. Please bring your gifts already wrapped and tagged to the brunch and we will compile them to be given to Haven House. More details on the brunch will be coming soon.



Upcoming Events

- 12/12—Christmas Angels brunch at Terri Craig's house
- 1/12—Club Meeting 6:30 Dress For Success
- 4/21—Triangle Women of Distinction Awards event

Celebrations!

November Anniversaries

- 11/21—SIR Club Anniversary 28 years!
- Linda Drummond—28 years
- Shirley Hall—28 years
- Gaye Mays—6 years

Birthdays

- 11/23—Amy Nuttall
- 11/9—Roxanne Aaron
- 12/5—Carolyn Skowron
- 12/8—Judy Little
- 12/18—Cynthia Holloway