



Soroptimist

INTERNATIONAL OF FLORENCE



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Our name, Soroptimist, was coined from the Latin “soror” and “optima” meaning ‘best for women’. Soroptimists are professional business women, or women who hold or have held positions of leadership in the business or volunteer organization each represents. As a member of this international service organization, there are opportunities for professional growth and leadership development, education, unity and purpose through working with other like-minded individuals to achieve common goals and achievement through direct involvement with service projects.

The Soroptimist mission is to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. It is our vision that "Women and girls have the resources and opportunities to reach their full potential and live their dreams." To promote the mission and vision Soroptimist International of Florence holds fundraising events that enable us to provide financial assistance through awards and scholarships to women and girls in the local area.

Our local club coordinates the annual Community Christmas

Basket and Toy distribution. We donate funds, time and items to a variety of local programs such as Caring Pregnancy Center, Siuslaw Girls Volleyball Club, Siuslaw Bowling Team, Siuslaw Outreach Services, Florence Senior Meals, Relay for Life and the Coalition Against Human Trafficking.

We focus on common goals; strive for human rights for all people and advance the status of women and girls; develop interest in community, national and international affairs; maintain high ethical standards in business and professional life; develop the highest concept of patriotism. Soroptimist International of Florence has been active in this community since 1972. Interested in joining our organization? Join us for lunch. Please contact club president, Nancy Bosket at 541-902-7250 or nancy.bosket@opbc.com for place and time.

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REUSABLE DISHWARE PROGRAM

Save Money & Help The Planet With Durable Dishware Program

According to the Clean Air council, “Every year Americans throw away enough paper products, plastic cups, forks and spoons to circle the equator

300 times.” In 2008, Paper products, (cardboard, newsprint and office paper) made up 31% of municipal waste in our landfill. Why not save money and the environment by using durables this spring with reusable dishware and place settings from Florence Master Recycler’s Durable Dishware Rental Program.

The Florence Master Recyclers have put together kits of 150 place settings of plates, bowls, glasses, cutlery and even cloth napkins for free rental to the general public. If your event is outdoors, there’s even a mobile washing station for your needs. We can accommodate a group as small as a dozen and up to 150, with some holiday themed settings complete with platters and serving spoons. So, why not do the right thing by going green this spring and save a ton of money in the process.

To learn more about the Durable Dishware Program and to reserve a free rental call 541-590-0506. Florence Master Recyclers are a non-profit volunteer organization supported by Lane County Waste Management.

