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**LOCAL GROUP PARTICIPATES IN WORLDWIDE SOROPTIMIST
SATURDAY OF SERVICE**

SI Washoe County to assist Casa de Vida

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RENO – Soroptimist International of Washoe County members are giving of their time on March 7th as part of a worldwide effort. *Soroptimist Saturday of Service* is a special event that serves to show the world the power of Soroptimist to improve the lives of women and girls, in local communities and throughout the world. This annual event is held each year on the Saturday before International Women’s Day. Observed around the world, International Women’s Day serves as a rallying point for coordinated efforts to reflect on the progress made in improving women’s rights, to call for change, and to celebrate acts of courage and determination.

The women volunteers from SI Washoe County will be assisting Casa De Vida with restocking and organizing their “Baby’s Closet.” Casa de Vida is a private, nonprofit corporation that provides a home and support services for pregnant young women. Their “Baby’s Closet” provides free infant clothing, diapers, formula, and baby equipment for their clients and those in need throughout the community. “With today’s harsh economy, we know that volunteering to help others is more important than ever”, says Risa Lopez, club president. “We’re excited to be participating in this important event along with Soroptimist members in more than 120 countries,” Lopez adds.

Soroptimist International of Washoe County is a volunteer organization for business and professional women dedicated to improving the lives of women and girls, in local communities and throughout the world. Founded in 2005, the Washoe County club is part of Soroptimist International of the Americas where almost 100,000 Soroptimists in about 120 countries and territories contribute time and financial support to community-based projects that benefit women. They are currently accepting new applications for membership. For more information about joining or to learn how our club improves the lives of women and girls, visit our website www.siwashoe.org or contact us at siwashoeconomy@hotmail.com.

SUMMARY

What: Soroptimist Saturday of Service

When and Where: March 7, Casa De Vida, 1290 Mill Street, 10am – 2pm

Who: Contact Sonya Sistare, 775-815-6202 or siwashoeconomy@hotmail.com

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Editor’s Note: Founded in 1921, Soroptimist is an international volunteer organization for business and professional women who work to improve the lives of women and girls, in local communities and throughout the world. Soroptimist comprises approximately 100,000 members in more than 120 countries and territories worldwide who contribute time and financial support to community-based projects that benefit women and girls. The Women’s Opportunity Awards program, which provides cash grants for head-of-household women seeking to improve their economic situation through additional education and training, is Soroptimist’s major project. Soroptimist International of the Americas is a 501(c) (3) organization. For more information, visit www.soroptimist.org.