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President's message

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February is known as the month of love. For the members of Soroptimist International of Bellflower that is so true because we *love* what we do. We are busy planning our next *FUN*d raiser that will be held on March 4. It's our Quartermania! Back by popular demand. It's at a new location, bigger and better plus more vendors as well as great raffle baskets and silent auction items. Our chair Gina, has been hard at work coordinating this and Nancy has been working with and getting all the vendors who will be there. Many thanks to these 2 women for spearheading this!

March 25 is another fund raiser – Las Vegas Night. Held at Simms Park in Bellflower with the Bellflower Noon Lions. Ink that date! Black Jack; Craps; Separate Bingo room; 50-50 and more!

Quartermania is back! This event really does put the *FUN* in Fund Raiser – It's on March 4!

Invites mailed and RSVP's are coming in...there is still time to get yours in. Bring your friends. Great vendors and silent auction items as well as an amazing Grand Prize! See you there!





On February 13 we had a great speaker at our club; Anna Conti, BA, MA, iMFT; the new Executive Director of Su Casa~Ending Domestic Violence. Anna had served as the Su Casa's Emergency Shelter Manager for the past 4 years before assuming this new position effective 2/1/17. Anna shared with us that Su Casa is more than a shelter. Su Casa offers 24 hr. hotline services; a walk-in resource center; a 22 bed emergency shelter as well as a Transitional shelter that allows families to live there up to 6-9 months rent free while receiving counseling, life skills, parenting classes, case management, household establishment, and preparation for independent community living.

At this meeting we were able to present our "No Sew" blankets that members of Bellflower Soroptimists as well as family and friends have made. These blankets will be given to the victims and will be theirs to keep forever. Lots of blankets to choose from & more to come!

