News from SIGBI HQ

SIGBI’s Centenary Video
Have you seen our Centenary video yet? It’s receiving good reviews.
Celebrating our 100 years it features an actress reading a poem with a backdrop of our activities, and ends with a fabulous montage of our members.
Do watch it and, more importantly, share it—send it to all your family, friends and contacts. Spread the word.

- Centenary Video on YouTube

Tips for Tree Planting
Several members have been asking questions about the Centenary tree planting project, particularly in regard to the cost of planting trees, so we’ve produced some answers in a letter, below. We hope that you find them useful.

Do look at the tree planting pages of the Centenary website, particularly at the stories of other Clubs’ tree planting. There is a wealth of information—https://sigbi.org/soroptimistcentenary2021/a-brilliant/planting-trees-for-a-brilliant-future/.
And do keep telling people about our tree planting map. It brings the project to life when you see in how many locations trees are being planted.

- Letter re Tips for Tree Planting

Donation to St Vincent & the Grenadines
SIGBI’s charity, the Emergency Relief Fund, has made a payment of £1,000 to St Vincent and the Grenadines, in the wake of the devastating volcano eruption.
Following discussions with the Club President, monies were sent in this instance to the Club itself, as there are no other agencies at this time on the ground. There was an urgent need for this donation.
If members wish to make a personal donation, they can do so through the Emergency Relief Fund, by sending any monies for St Vincent to Joanne Voller at Head Office. Your attached message must specify ERF St Vincent.

Letter to Her Majesty The Queen
President Johanna, on behalf of SIGBI, has sent a letter of condolence to Her Majesty The Queen on the death of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.
The letter was printed on official letterhead before posting.

- Letter to Her Majesty The Queen

Photo of the Month—March 2021
Congratulations to Pune Metro East Soroptimists, our March 2021 Photo of the Month winners.
This picture represents the leader in each one of us. Every member of the club is included in this picture
Leadership is at the heart of every woman at Soroptimist International Pune Metro East.

Weblinks
- Earth Day—22nd April 2021
Events

SIGBI Day of Action—17 July 2021—Climate Change

What are you doing for the SIGBI Day of Action on Saturday 17 July 2021?
The theme is Climate Change, which is a perfect fit for the Centenary tree-planting project.
Why not schedule your tree planting for that date?
Remember that COP 26 (UN Climate Change Conference) is due to take place 1-12 November 2021 in Glasgow. Everybody has the responsibility to make a difference and reduce their carbon footprint. See below for some tips that can be done by individuals:

- Reducing your carbon footprint

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Centenary Envelopes

The Commemorative envelope is a unique piece of history. Captured by a specially designed stamp and cancellation, it celebrates a moment in time. These envelopes and stamps are a perfect way to mark the centenary of our Soroptimist Organisation, at a price affordable for everyone. Keep as a momento or give as a present to promote our worldwide project work for women and girls. The envelopes and stamps have been developed with our images and logos and celebrate 100 years since the founding of the very first Soroptimist club in Oakland, California in 1921. These are limited editions of 500 per design, which will become collector’s items. Similar Commemorative envelopes have increased considerably in value over time.
Priced at £12.50 plus P&P.

Envelope 1 – ‘The World’

This confirms the presence of Soroptimists worldwide now and depicts ‘The Road to Equality’ campaign for gender equality.
The reverse details a historical timeline of the continuing development of the organisation.

Envelope 2 – ‘The Hotel’

This commemorates the first Soroptimist members and their meeting place in California.
The reverse records some of the worldwide projects completed in recent years.

There are inserts in both envelopes explaining the history of the Soroptimists and their involvement in worldwide events such as World War II and alliances with the United Nations and UNICEF.

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