



Soroptimist International of Glendale

Celebrates our

20th Annual Bras for a Cause & 80th Birthday

"Making Dreams Come True"

Master of Ceremonies Ardy Kassakhian

Honoring

Adventist Health Glendale

Glendale Management Association

Saturday, April 1, 2023



**Soroptimist International of Glendale
20th Bras for a Cause & 80th Birthday**



Welcome

Margo Bottcher, Fundraising Chair

Greetings

Kathy Lefkovits, President SIG

Master of Ceremonies

Ardy Kassakhian

Program Speaker

Jasmine Pizarro, Live Your Dream Awardee

Support Awards to

**Adventist Health Glendale &
Glendale Management Association**

Margo Bottcher

Decorated Bras Awards

Ayuko Siegel & Kathy Duarte

Live Auction

Raffle

Thank You for joining us tonight and helping

"Make Dreams Come True"

Greeting from President Kathy Lefkovits

Welcome to the 20 year anniversary of Bras for a Cause! I never thought for a moment that this crazy idea to decorate bras would still be around after all these years! When the idea was first introduced I heard that this could not be done in Glendale. I guess we put that argument to rest. This is only possible because of the dedication and commitment of our members as well as the decorators. Some of the decorators have submitted their creations year after year and others are new to the event. I am always struck by the creativity of these artists. Just when I think nothing can top the year before I am surprised by fabulous new creations.



Our mission is to provide women and girls with access to the education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment! We accomplish this mission by raising funds through this fun exhibit. I hope that each of you enjoy your evening and I want to thank you very much for your continued support of Soroptimist International of Glendale.

Warm regards,

Kathy

Greeting from Fundraising Chair Margo Bottcher



Thank you for joining us as we celebrate 80 years of service in the city of Glendale and our *20th Annual Bras for a Cause*. Who would have known that 20 years ago, when President Kathy Lefkovits presented the outlandish fundraising idea of **"Bras for a Cause,"** it would become such a huge success. Over the years it has gained notoriety throughout the U.S., Canada, and England. This event continues to raise funds for Soroptimist programs and brings Breast Cancer Awareness to our communities.

This year's theme is *Making Dreams Come True*. Proceeds from this evening will support our **"Dream"** Programs along with Grants that we award to non-profit organizations in our community.

Live Your Dream is a cash grant program. It provides single mothers with an educational opportunity to achieve a lower division degree that can provide a better future for them and their families.

Dream It Be It is a one-day mentoring program for girls ages 12-16. This program provides hands on Mentoring for young girls with professional businesswomen from differing backgrounds. The girls learn about career opportunities and how to start planning for their future. The money raised tonight will also provide grants to non-profit organizations, in our community, for programs that benefit women and girls.

Tonight we are honoring Adventist Health Glendale and Glendale Management Association with our Support Award for their continued support of Bras for a Cause since its inception.

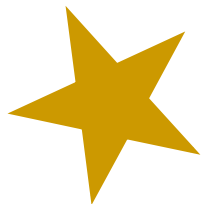


2023 Support Award Honorees

Adventist Health Glendale



**Glendale Management
Association**





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Live Auction Items



Stephen Ropfogel

Value: \$750, Opening bid \$375



Vartan & Heather Ghermezian

Value: \$2000, Opening Bid \$1000



SIG Community

Value: \$3295.50

Opening bid \$1650.50



Alasdair & Carol Ann Burton

Value: \$750, Opening bid \$375



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Magic Castle Package

A private club for Magicians and their guests. The package includes a V.I.P. Pass for up to 4 people, gift card (can be used towards dinner) and Uber to and from the venue. There is a dress code and guests must be over 21. The Pass is good for any night or Saturday or Sunday Brunch (children are allowed at brunch).

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Hollywood Bowl Thursday, July 13 at 8 p.m.

Spend an enchanted evening at the Hollywood Bowl in a 6-person box to hear *An Ellington Celebration*. Two parking passes are also included.

Hollywood Bowl Thursday, August 31 at 8 p.m.

Another chance to be at the amazing Hollywood Bowl to listen to the *Four Seasons* while sitting in a 6-person box. Includes two parking passes.

Decorated Bras

Thank You to our Bra Judges

Lola Abrahamian, Governor Camino Real Region, Soroptimist

*Lisa Brooks, President Glendale Kiwanis &
Executive Director Glendale College Foundation*

Timothy Ernst, Glendale Fire Chief

Ann Ransford, President Board of Trustees, Glendale Community College

Bra #1



Name: *You Have My Support*
Creator: Robin Rose
Sponsor: Robin Rose

Bra #2



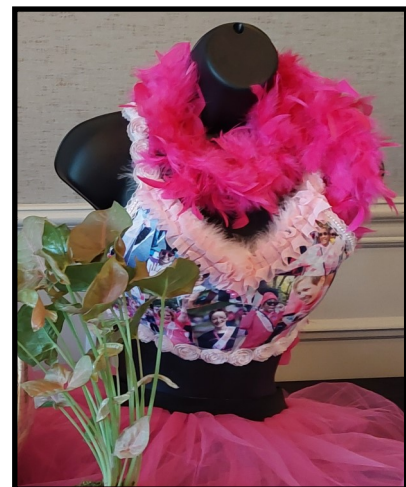
Name: *Baby, It's Cold Outside*
Creator: Susan Hunt
Sponsor: Sandy Schultz

Bra #3



Name: *Xanadu*
Creator: Caitlyn Brown
Sponsor: Moonlight Rollerway

Bra #4



Name: *My Dream Came True!*
Creator: Lisa Erickson
Sponsor: Jean Kagan

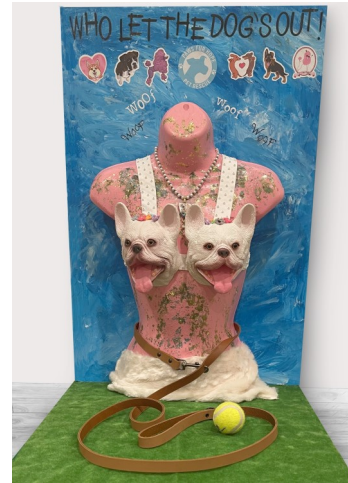
Decorated Bras

Bra #5



Name: *Bee-lieve in Your Dreams*
Creator: Veronica Haynoski
Sponsor: Debi Rettemier
In honor of: Papa Don Lapinsky &
Sammi Kayne, two of the
strongest survivors I know

Bra #6



Name: *Who Let the Dogs Out?*
Creator: Lori Hartwell
Sponsor: PawsFurHope.org
Pet Rescue

Bra #7



Name: *Dreams of the Heart*
Creator: Nancy Scott
Sponsor: Carol Ann Burton

Bra #8



Name: *Dream Goddess*
Creator: Adventist Cancer Care
Center Clients and Survivors
Sponsor: Adventist Health Glendale

Decorated Bras

Bra #9



Name: *Illusive Unicorn*
Creator: Michelle Wakeland
Sponsor: Carol Ann Burton

Bra #10



Name: *To Boldly Go Where No
Woman Has Gone Before*
Creator: Michelle Wakeland
Sponsor: Carol Ann Burton

Bra #11



Name: *Cherry Bomb*
Creator: Sarah Hill
Sponsor: Mary Lotz

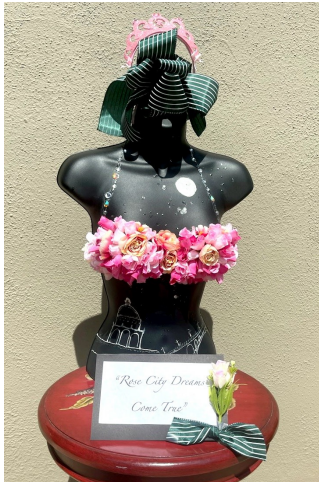
Bra #12



Name: *"Making Dreams Come True"
Climbing Mt. Everest*
Creator: Jennifer Bentson-Gebel
Sponsor: Jane Karageorge &
Stela Fejtek

Decorated Bras

Bra#13



Name: *Rose City Dreams Come True*
Creator: Karen Bagnard & Lucinda Haagenson
Sponsor: Pasadena Village
In Honor of: All who battle cancer

Bra #14



Name: *Dreams Rise Like Butterflies*
Creator: Judith Verduzco,
Debra Duran, Pamela Ropfogel,
Erika Lopez, & Jenyfer Tucker
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Mental
Health & Wellness

Bra #15



Name: *Never Give Up*
Creator: Kathy Lefkovits
Sponsor: Kathy Lefkovits

Bra #16



Name: *"Dreams Do Come True-
When You Reach for the Stars"*
Creator: Pia Williams for
Ashe Arts & STEM
Sponsor: Debie Hess-Wakeland

Decorated Bras

Bra #17



Name: *Create Your Own Rainbow and Happiness Follows*
Creator: Chevy Chase Estates Garden Club
Sue Birman, Carroll Ropp, Kathy Lefkovits
Sponsor: Chevy Chase Estates Garden Club

Bra #18



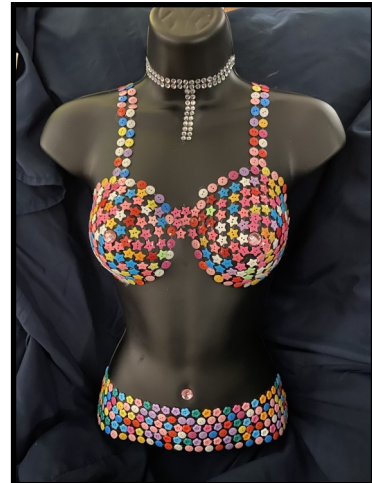
Name: *It's Time to Bloom Again*
Creator: Bloom Again Foundation
Sponsor: Rita Boccuzzi

Bra #19



Name: *Sweet Dreams are made of ZZZZs*
Creator: Zonta Club of Burbank Area Members
Sponsor: Rita Boccuzzi

Bra #20



Name: *Button Me Up*
Creator: Glendale Sunrise Rotary
Sponsor: Sandy Schultz

Decorated Bras

Bra #21



Name: *Smokin' Hot*
Creator: Glendale Sunrise Rotary
Sponsor: Rita Boccuzzi

Bra #22



Name: *Education Makes Dreams A Reality*
Creator: Glendale Education Foundation
Sponsor: Susan Hunt

Bra #23



Name: *"Delighting in Dreamland"*
Creator: Portia Lewis
Sponsor: Rita Boccuzzi

*Thank you to all who created these bras,
your talents are simply amazing.*

*To those who sponsored the bras, thank you for giving the creators
the opportunity for their creations to be seen at our event.*

Diamond Sponsor



*Congratulations to the honorees
Adventist Health Glendale
and
Glendale Management Association,
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for their commitment to our community
and to helping women and girls worldwide.*

Margaret V. Kaufman



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wishes to celebrate

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for their 80 years of commitment

to community service

and for breast cancer awareness

in the Glendale area



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**Congratulations on your
80th Birthday,
and thank you for
20 fabulous years of
“Bras for a Cause”
and for your
ongoing commitment to
helping women and girls
in our community and
around the world
to live their dreams**

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**Glendale Management Association
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and
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*Bob and Margo Bottcher***

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*Dear Friends,
It is a pleasure to join
you in celebrating the
20th annual Bras for a
Cause and your 80th
Birthday.*

*Soroptimist International of
Glendale, is an outstanding group
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for uplifting women and girls
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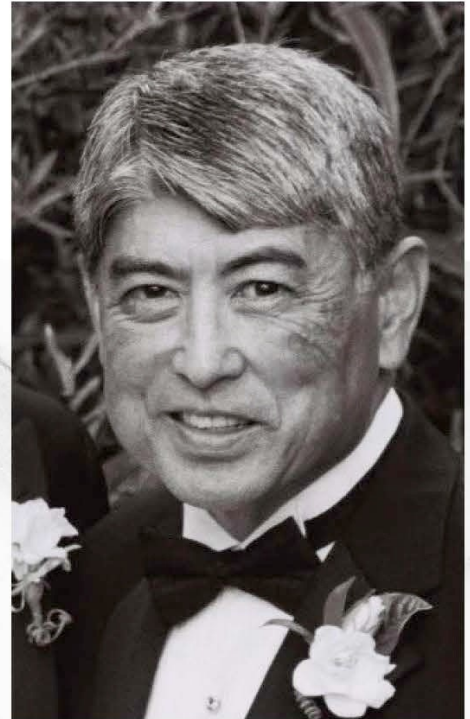
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What a wonderful and hardworking group of women.

Congratulations to Soroptimist International of Glendale on our 80th Birthday

I know you'll keep up the good work.

Joan Allan

You are invited to view "Rees's Pieces" Art Exhibit, One Family-Five Flavors, at CTN Studio Burbank, April/1 to May 22, www.greenvelope.com/event/reess-pieces-opening-reception



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80th