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About Soroptimist

Soroptimist International of Saratoga County (SISC) is part of an international organization with 95,000 members in 125 countries and territories. Soroptimist is a volunteer service organization for business and professional women who work to improve the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world. In addition, Soroptimist uses its international voice and official status with the United Nations to advocate on behalf of women's issues.

Soroptimist efforts around the world include

- Relief for women and girls who have been affected by natural disasters and acts of war
- Direct aid to women in war-torn countries of Afghanistan, Bosnia, and Rwanda
- Research that examines the impact of Hurricane Katrina on women

Local SISC efforts include

- Sponsorship and facilitation of Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Services "Project Hope and Power," to provide courses that help victims of domestic violence achieve financial independence
- Grants to many local nonprofit organizations
- Scholarships to women and students who are bettering themselves through college education and community service

Soroptimist Mission

To improve the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world.

The name Soroptimist is derived from the Latin phrases *soror*, meaning "sister/women" and *optima*, meaning "the best." Soroptimist is interpreted as *The Best for Women*.

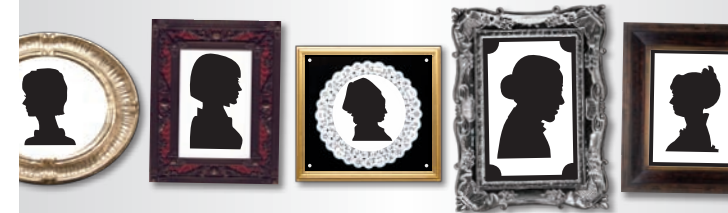


For more information on the Cabin Fever Luncheon, please call **518-581-1201 x4184** or e-mail cabinfeverinfo@gmail.com.

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Enterprising Women



Cabin Fever Luncheon February 6, 2010 at noon



Featuring
Virginia G. Drachman, PhD

Author of
*Enterprising Women:
250 Years of American Business*



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Best for Women

Escape the winter blues and join Soroptimist International of Saratoga County at the Annual Cabin Fever Luncheon

February 6, 2010 at noon

Gideon Putnam Resort & Spa
Saratoga Spa State Park
Saratoga Springs, NY

**Featuring Guest Speaker
Virginia G. Drachman, PhD**

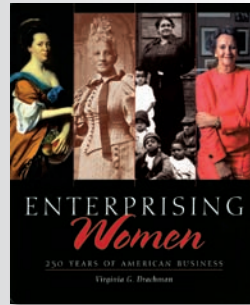
This year's theme, "Enterprising Women," focuses on the lives of women entrepreneurs in America from the birth of the nation to the end of the 20th Century.

Our speaker, Virginia G. Drachman, is the author of the book, *Enterprising Women: 250 Years of American Business*, which was published in conjunction with the museum exhibition of the same title.

Luncheon highlights

- Opportunity to meet and talk with successful, local businesswomen
- Silent auction and raffle with fabulous items you will want to take home
- Opportunity to purchase the book, *Enterprising Women: 250 years of American Business* and have it signed in person by Virginia G. Drachman

Women of the Past Provide Inspiration for the Future



**Enterprising Women:
250 Years of
American Business**

Virginia G. Drachman, PhD is the Arthur and Lenore Stern Professor of American History at Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts. Her specific expertise is

Women's History, Medical History, and History of the Professions. She has written several books on these topics and has received recognition from the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study and the Rockefeller Foundation Humanities Fellowship.

During the luncheon, Professor Drachman will inform and entertain us with stories from her research about women who have overcome adversities, created new products and businesses, and made a historical impact by opening the door for future generations of women.

Be inspired by distinctive female leaders

- Katherine Goddard (1738-1816) publisher of the first signed copy of the Declaration of Independence
- Myra Bradwell (1831-1894) who petitioned the Supreme Court in her bid to become a lawyer and who founded the *Chicago Legal News*, which became the most important legal publication west of the Alleghenies
- Madam CJ Walker (1867-1919) who was born to slave parents and yet created and marketed hair products for African-American women and became the wealthiest African American of her time
- Ruth Handler (1916-2002) the creator of Barbie, the first doll with breasts, and later, as a result of her own mastectomy, created and marketed the first well-fitting breast prostheses



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Enclosed is \$_____ for _____ person(s) attending (\$60 per ticket).

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Soroptimist International of Saratoga County
Soroptimist of Saratoga County
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NOTE: No tickets will be issued. Please check reservations at the door.

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