

# **Letter: Soroptimist give kids A Fighting Chance**

**To the community,**

During the month of May, Soroptimist International of South Lake Tahoe brought their program, A Fighting Chance, to our South Lake Tahoe elementary schools.

This program was developed shortly after the kidnapping of Jaycee Lee Dugard. It trains children in our elementary schools to avoid being abducted.

The program starts in the third grade with lessons about how to be safe, and progresses through fourth, fifth, and eventually sixth grade, where techniques are provided to avoid abduction and get away from possible abductors.

Over the years, SISLT has brought this program to 22,000 kids, and in our latest set of trainings, SISLT trained 700 children at Bijou Elementary, Sierra House Elementary and Tahoe Valley Elementary.

Many thanks to the teachers at these schools for allowing us to teach these kids.

**Colleen Manzer, SISLT**