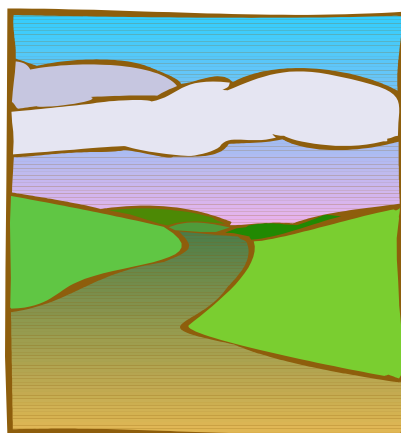




The **VALLEY VIEWPOINT**

August 2018



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The VALLEY VIEWPOINT

August 2018

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Oh, no--did I doze off during the month of July? It seems like it went by so fast, I missed it. I do recall some extremely hot July days. I like hot weather--just not that hot. Hopefully, we'll have more traditional So Cal summer weather this month.

Unfortunately, we've not been able to schedule a Planning Meeting yet, but the Board is discussing and planning for upcoming projects, events, and programs. We will forward information to all Members either by e-mail and/or put the items on Business Meeting agendas for information/discussion/action. Remember this is a "We--Not Me" club. We are always receptive to every Member's input, suggestions, ideas on all things club-related. Any ideas?...please pass them on to the Board !

We have several Prospective Member names on our list. Membership co-chairs Pat and Judy are doing follow-up. Remember that Guests and Prospective Members are always welcome to attend meetings, programs, and events.

Our 2018-19 Club Committees list was an information/discussion item on the July 11 Business Meeting agenda. If you were not at the meeting, a copy of the agenda and all supporting information was mailed to you. Please be sure to review the Committees List and put your name down for some of the Committee slots. Don't be shy!!

We were also unable to send anyone to represent SI M/IV at the July 13-14 GWR Leadership Training Retreat in Phoenix. But, I'm sure we will get lots of good follow-up information from Governor Lori and her Board. All info will be shared at an upcoming meeting and in the Newsletter. Please be sure to read Governor Lori's very nice note in the Golden West Region column on page 2. As Club President, I look forward to being part of her GWR Leadership Team.

And, here we are.....2018 Fall "Fun-Raiser" is just a few weeks away! The Planning Committee is working hard making final plans. Members are also working on soliciting donations of door prizes, grand prizes, sponsorships and inviting friends, family, and co-workers to attend the event and join in on a very fun evening. In partnership with the Montclair Senior Citizens Program and with support of our many community partners and "Soropti-Friends" we are looking forward to another successful Casino Night. Event proceeds will benefit Live Your Dream and Violet Richardson Award scholarships, Montclair Senior Citizens Program, and other local community services/programs.

Have a "cool" August. Hope to see all Members and their Guests at Sept. 15 Casino Night.



Promote Character through Service"

President Virginia

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MEETINGS.....

>-(1st) Wed., Aug. 1 - 12:00 N: **Business Meeting** OPARC, 9029 Vernon Ave., Montclair
(west of Benson - just north of Moreno - on SE corner Olive & Vernon)

>-(4th) Tues., Aug. 28 - 12:30 PM: **Board Mtg.** Page One Cafe

>-(5th) Wed., Aug. 29 - time TBD: "5th Wed." **Club Activity.**
Location TBD

..... & EVENTS

> Aug. 3-4-5: Ontario **Yard Sale Week-end**

> Aug. 3-4-5: Montclair **Yard Sale Week-end**

> Tues., Aug. 7: **National Night Out**

> Tues., Aug. 7 - 5:00 PM: Ontario **National Night Out Party**
at the Park begins / 6:00 PM: Neighborhood Parties Begin

> Tues., Aug. 7: **Montclair National Night Out**--presented by Montclair Police Dept. and will feature public safety exhibits and the opportunity to meet local emergency personnel, as well as a (7:45 PM) screening of "Zootopia." Alma Hofman Park, 5201 Benito St., Montclair

> Wed., Aug. 8: First Day of School 2018-19 for Ontario-Montclair SD Students

> Wed., Aug. 8: First Day of School 2018-19 for Chaffey Jt. Union HS District Students

> Wed., Aug. 8 - 6:00 PM: Scheu Family YMCA **Incredible Edibles** Tasting Event

> Sun., Aug. 26: **CHOC** (Children's Hospital of Orange County) **Walk in the Park.** Disneyland Resort, Anaheim

> Aug. 31-Sept. 23: Los Angeles **County Fair**
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GOLDEN WEST REGION

"Education is the Key"

June 29, 2018

Dear President Virginia,

Welcome to the Golden West Region Leadership team! I wanted to personally thank you for accepting (again) the President's role for SI Montclair/Inland Valley for 2018-2019. Just like last year, I am sure you will enjoy every minute of it! If there is anything I can do to ensure your success, please feel free to reach out to me. You can also reach out to your District Director Deb Murphy. I am enclosing both of our business cards for your reference. Keep them handy and let us help you with any issues that arise, or to celebrate your successes!

We all have the same mission, but have many ways to achieve it. I am all about sharing ideas and encourage you to do so....What is working? What needs improvement? What barriers have SIA or GWR put up there that is stopping your club (and its members) from achieving the mission? Let me know your thoughts! GWR is a powerful region within SIA and we've already affected organizational change. Just this month, we related to SIA that our clubs told us they wanted the DIBI (Dream It--Be It) program expanded to include middle school girls--We asked SIA to change their criteria and they did, federation wide! See the latest GWR News Blast for more details. This is just one example of what we can do together to strengthen our impact on women and girls in our local communities.

Enjoy your year and remember you have a TON of resources available to ensure your success--starting with me! Take care and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Lori Reed

Governor 2018-2020

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SECRETARY SAYS

July 11 Business Mtg.--12 Members present--President Virginia, Pat, Kris, Judy, Denise, Amy, Cindy, Amber, Linda, Leslie, Zoe, Diane; Guest--Annie Wu. President's "Ice Breaker." Fines & Brags. Call to Order--12:20 PM. Pledge to Flag--led by Amy. Inspiration--Pat. Correspondence--circulated folder; noted community event flyers & agency thank you notes. Minutes--for June 6 accepted as presented. Treasurer--accepted report for period ending June 30. Committee Reports--Meals on Wheels goody bags--July (Virginia), Aug. (Cindy), Sept. (Pat); Public Awareness--July Newsletter; Membership--prospective members; Sunshine; 2018 Prism Award Luncheon final financial report. Unfinished Business--Installation/Planning Meeting cancellation; Sept. 15 Casino Night planning update. New Business--2018-19 Club Roster Booklet draft; 2018-19 Club B'day/Anniv. list draft; 2018-19 Committees List volunteer sign-up; Golden West Region Spring Conference re-cap; July 13-14 Leadership Team Retreat; Note from Governor Lori; Oct. 5-6 District 1 Fall Meeting. Announcements--July b'days & anniversaries; 7/24 Board Meeting; Aug. 1 Business Mtg. Adjourn--1:00 PM.

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SUNSHINE CORNER

August is shared by the astrological signs of Leo the Lion and Virgo the Virgin. The traditional birthstones of August are the Peridot and the Sardonyx. The gladiolus and the poppy are the month's traditional flowers.

August Facts

"Fairest of the months
Ripe summers queen
The hay-day of the year
With robes that gleam with summer sheen,
Sweet August doth appear."

R. Combe Miller

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Happy Birthday

- ❖ Aug. 8 - Jim Coats
- ❖ Aug. 15 - Dale Briggs
- ❖ Aug. 16 - Milissa Checchi
- ❖ Aug. 29 - Diane Wells

Happy Anniversary

- ❖ Aug. 7 - Virginia & Rich Riley (1981)
- ❖ Aug. 23 - Sue & Gary Ovitt (1969)

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Please remember to notify me if a Club member, or someone you know, may need a special card to cheer them up, if they are suffering from an illness, or experiencing grief from the loss of a loved one, or just thinking of you. Receiving a card or making a phone call may just offer a much needed ray of sunshine.

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"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed, people can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead

Pat Bascom, Sunshine Chair

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GOODY BAGS

Meals on Wheels goody bags for July were coordinated by Virginia Riley.

While only 8 goody bags were needed, 12 were assembled (extras for drivers) for delivery with Meals on Wheels the week of July 16. The Dodgers blue bags each contained a Dodgers logo paper plate, napkin, large plastic cup & blue fork. Treats included Cracker Jack, peanuts, individual serving apple pie, red vines (licorice), packets of lemonade.

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Format for delivery of monthly goody bags:

- >- Contact - Lynn Sloan - (her cell phone # is listed in your Member Roster Booklet, or get it from Virginia)
- >- Call (or text) Lynn to get specific # of goody bags needed
- >- goody bags can be dropped off at the Montclair Senior Center on any **Thursday** of the month - to be delivered along with meals, next day--Friday

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Monthly goody bag assignments for 2018-2019:

July – Virginia
August – Cindy
September – Pat
October –
November – Leslie
December –
January –
February – Amy / Milissa
March – Kris / Denise
April – Amber
May –
June –



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Reminder--if you find that you need assistance with assembling goody bags and/or getting them to the Senior Center, please contact Virginia or another club member. We are always glad to lend a helping hand.

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A Note From.....

Ester Vargas-Pipersky, Senior Citizens Supervisor, Montclair Human Services. "Virginia: Please let the members know how much I appreciate what they do for our homebound seniors. The goody bags are adorable, and I can tell they really put their love in the bags. The seniors of Montclair are blessed to have people in their community that care."

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SAVE THE DATE....

FALL "FUN-RAISER" CASINO NIGHT

Saturday, September 15, 2018 - 5:00 to 9:30 PM

City of Montclair Senior Center

Featuring Angela's Casino Entertainment

Latin Spice Catering

Guest Master of Ceremonies - Bill Ruh



Blackjack ♠ 3-Card Poker ♦ Craps ♣ Wheel of Fortune ♥ Bingo



\$65 per person / \$480 per table of 8

each ticket will include

\$100 casino cash.....dinner buffet.....\$5 in beverage tickets

Additional beverage tickets \$1 each.....

Wheel of Fortune \$5 per spin.....

Necklace card game \$5 per card



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SI M/IV's Annual Fall "Fun-Raiser" Casino Night is just a few weeks away! The Planning Committee continues to work on all of the details to finalize plans for the event. Club Members are invited to be part of the Planning Committee--attend meetings or send us your input, ideas, suggestions. Planning details/info will be reported at Business meetings and in the monthly newsletter.

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In the meantime:

>-Our **Flyer** was updated, printed, inserted in the July Newsletter and mailed to names on our club mail list. If you have names for the mailing list, please get those names/mailling addresses to us. Invite family, friends, co-workers

>-**Tickets**. Each Member received 8 tickets which they are encouraged to sell or purchase. (Consider partnering with another Member to host a Table.)

>-In partnership with the **Montclair Senior Citizens Program**, we will host a Table of 8 for Program participants to attend the event and join in on the fun

>-**color scheme** & decorations will be "casino colors"--black/red/white. Members are encouraged (not mandatory) to wear black, red, white or any combination of those colors

>- We will have two lists circulated at Business Meetings for Members to volunteer to **donate beverages** for the Soft Bar (water, soda, beer, wine) and/or to **volunteer for Day of Event** tasks (registration table, cashier table, wheel spins, etc.). Make sure you see the lists.

>-please continue collecting **Door Prizes** for our Wheel of Fortune spins. Items must be of at least \$5 value up to ????. Our goal...**200** great items! At press time--we had about 80 items on the list. Ask your friends, family, co-workers to donate items. We'll take anything & everything! We can always put smaller/like items together. Gift cards are good--just be sure they are not expired. Put together small theme baskets. Hand crafted items are great !!!

>- Virginia is collecting Door Prize items. Please contact her, or any committee member, to arrange for pick up or drop off. The absolute deadline to get all Door Prize items to Virginia or a committee member is Fri., **August 17.**

>- if you have any colorful **gift bags**.... we can use those too

>-**Grand Prizes:** need about **10** "large ticket" items--value of approx. \$100+ for our Grand prizes. Last year Grand Prize items included--His & Hers Apple Watches (donor Mark Christopher Auto), Amazon Echo, Amazon Tap Alexa, Amazon Echo Bluetooth (donor Briggs Law Corp), Elway's Reserve Wine (donor John Elway Crown Toyota), several themed baskets & \$100 gift cards. Solicit local businesses for donations.

>-We will also be formatting a Printed Program and a Slide Show for the event. Contact--Sue or Leslie if you can help with the program and Denise to help with the slide show.

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CHAFFEY COLLEGE CLOTHES CLOSET

Reminder--for 2018-19, we will continue our ongoing club project of collecting clothing (women's & men's) to be donated to the Chaffey College Clothes Closet--Dress for Success Program.

Be sure to let your friends, family, co-workers know about our project. We will be glad to accept items at any time. Sue & Virginia are available to deliver items to the College as needed.

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Thank You to Member Cindy, who made our first donation this year!!

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NOTABLE NOTES

✓ "Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there." John Wooden

✓ **SI M/IV Welcomed** Annie Wu as a guest at our July 11 Business Meeting. Annie was invited by Member Amy. Annie is a Management Analyst for City of Ontario. "Soropti-Friend" Annie, was involved in reviewing and scoring agency applications for service funds last year and has also attended other club events.

✓ **Our Best wishes & congratulations** to Member Roberta Eisel, who recently announced her retirement from Citrus College, where she was an English Professor.

✓ Travel time for SI M/IV Members:

- Linda - Palm Desert (for a conference). In the fall - a trip to Spain
- Amber & Larry - "little trailer trips" - Mammoth, June Lake. A cruise to Hawaii for the holidays
- Judy & Dale - "stalking our kids" in Sacramento, San Francisco, San Diego
- Denise - visiting a friend in Las Vegas
- Leslie & Mark - on the go with their Air Stream
- Pat & Godfrey - Washington, DC for granddaughter's graduation and looking forward to an Alaskan cruise
- Amy - planning a trip to Israel in the fall
- Zoe - Ensenada cruise with grandson as his graduation gift
- Virginia & Rich - besides "trips" to Disneyland, several days relaxing in Santa Barbara
- Sue & Gary - along with a travel group of about 20 - 3 weeks on African safari
- Guest Annie - New York. Future plan--Taiwan to visit relatives
- Marcie - Santa Barbara for Bastille Day celebration. Poodle Kellie featured on Bastille Day poster advertising the poodle parade
- Cindy - and Family - New York
- Arlette - and Family - Seattle, San Francisco

✓ For the third year, Sue & Gary and Virginia & Rich will participate in the **CHOC** (Children's Hospital of Orange County) **Walk in the Park** on Aug. 26 at the Disneyland Resort. They will be a part of "Justin's Helpers" Team. Justin, who was born with lissencephaly, a rare brain disorder, was named as the **Official CHOC Ambassador** of CHOC Walk 2018! Proud Parents are Dad Colby Helper, a CJUHS Administrator and Mom Trisha, who works at St. Lucy's.

Last year, "Justin's Helpers" raised almost \$52,000 with nearly 400 walkers from Chaffey, Rancho, and St. Lucy's high school communities. The goal is to beat last year's numbers !!

The Walk takes participants approximately 3 miles through Disneyland, Disney California Adventure Park, and the Downtown Disney district early in the morning before the magic of the resort opens to guests. This is the 28th year of the Walk.

✓ City of Ontario Recreation & Community Services Department presents **SUMMER SERIES** at Ontario Town Square. Free entertainment for the entire family!

Concerts - Wednesdays, 5:00-9:00 PM. Show starts at 7:00 PM

- Aug. 1 - Mariachi Los Reyes
- Aug. 8 - Kenny Metcalf as Elton (Elton John Tribute)

Movies - Fridays, 7:00-10:00 PM. Movie starts at dusk

- Aug. 3 - Leap
- Aug. 10 - Beauty and the Beast

✓ Pop culture humorist, Charles Phoenix will bring his **Retro Slide Show** to Citrus College Haugh Performing Arts Center on Sat., Oct. 20, 7:00 PM. Mr. Phoenix is a native of Ontario and attended Chaffey HS. He provided the entertainment at our 2010 Fall "Fun-Raiser" Dinner/Silent Auction event.

✓ **Best Wishes** to City of Montclair **Mayor Paul Eaton**, as he announced his retirement due to health reasons. First appointed in 1995, he served as Mayor for 23 years. SI M/IV thanks Mayor Paul for his tireless service to the community and for always being a "Soropti-Friend" and supporter of our Club.

✓ And....we extend **Congratulations** to **Virginia "Ginger" Eaton** who was appointed by the City Council to fulfill the rest of her husband's term. Ginger, also a "Soropti-Friend" was one of our early Prism Award recipients.

✓ **Grandma** Milissa Checchi welcomed grandson Abel Steven, born on July 8 to daughter Emily.

✓ **CLUB PHOTOS:** SI M/IV Members, as you snap photos at club meetings, events, activities...and of your month's Meals on Wheels goody bags, please remember to send those photos to Milissa (for Facebook posting). It would also be helpful if you would print copies of all photos for Milissa, who will be doing the Club Scrapbook again this year. We will also be putting together poster board of photos to be displayed at club events. So....PLEASE--take photos....print photos....share photos !

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DATES TO NOTE

- > Mon., Sept. 3: **Labor Day**
- > Sept. 6: **Upland Day** at LA County Fair
- > Sun., Sept. 9: **Rosh Hashanah** begins at sundown
- > Tues., Sept. 11: **Patriot Day**
- > Thur., Sept. 13 - 7:30 AM: Montclair Chamber **General Membership B'fast**. OPARC. Reservations required--909-985-5104
- > Sept. 15: Ontario **Festival of the Arts**. ontarioarts.org/festival
- > Tue., Sept. 18: **Yom Kippur** begins at sundown
- > Sept. 21-23: **Route 66 Cruisin' Reunion Car Show**. Downtown Ontario historic block of Euclid Avenue
- > Mon., Sept. 22: **Fall** begins
- > Oct. 5-6: GWR **District 1 Fall Meeting**. Hosted by SI Riverside - in Riverside, CA
- > Sun., Oct. 7--Disneyana Show & Sale, sponsored by the Disneyana Fan Club (DFC). DoubleTree by Hilton, 2085 S. Harbor Blvd., Anaheim. Entry Hours--DFC Members 9:00 AM/General Public 10:30 AM

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- > Oct. 12-13: GWR **District 3 Fall Meeting**. Hosted by SI Kingman - in Kingman, AZ
- > Oct. 17: Chaffey College **Report to the Community**
- > Oct. 19-20: GWR **District 4 Fall Meeting**. Hosted by SI Desert Tucson - in Tucson, AZ
- > Oct. 26-27: GWR **District 2 Fall Meeting**. Hosted by SI Desert Cities of the Coachella Valley - in Indio, CA
- > Nov. 2-3-4: Ontario **Yard Sale Week-end**
- > Sat., Nov. 3: OPARC **Turkey Bowl**. Chaparral Lanes, 400 W. Bonita, San Dimas
- > Sun., Nov. 4: **Daylight Saving Time ends**
- > Sun., Dec. 2: **Hanukkah** begins at sundown
- > Sat., Dec. 8: Ontario **5K Reindeer Run**
- > Fri., Dec. 21: **Winter** begins
- > Dec. 24-Jan. 4: OMSD **Winter Break**
- > Dec. 24-Jan. 4: Chaffey Jt. Union HS District **Winter Break**

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- > Sun., Feb. 3 - Kick-off time TBD: **Super Bowl LIII**. Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta
- > Sun., Feb. 24: Academy Awards
- > Aug. 23-25: **D23 Expo**--the Ultimate Disney Fan Event. Anaheim Convention Center
- > Sept.: SI **Quadrennial Convention**, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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- Oct. 1-3: SIA Convention, San Francisco, CA. Fairmont Hotel. 100th Anniversary of Soroptimist.

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SI MONTCLAIR/INLAND VALLEY

2018-19 MEETING SCHEDULE *

Meeting location (unless otherwise noted):

OPARC--(Briggs Room) - 9029 Vernon Ave., Montclair
(west of Benson - just North of Moreno - on SE corner Olive & Vernon)

September, 2018

- >- (1st) Wed., Sept. 5 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., Sept. 19 - 12:00 N - Program Meeting - **postpone**
- to Oct. 17

October, 2018

- >- (1st) Wed., Oct. 3 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., Oct. 17 - 12:00 N - Program Meeting
- >- (5th) Wed., Oct. 31 - time/location TBD - Social Activity - **cancel**
- due to Halloween

November, 2018

- >- (1st) Wed., Nov. 7 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting

December, 2019

- >- (1st) Wed., Dec. 5 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting & Holiday Luncheon/Gift Exchange
- >- (3rd) Wed., Dec. 19 - 12:00 N - Holiday luncheon/gift exchange -
(reschedule to Dec. 5)

January, 2019

- >- (1st) Wed., Jan. 2 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting - **postpone**
- to Jan. 9 due to holidays
- >- (2nd) Wed., Jan. 9 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting
- >- (5th) Wed., Jan. 30 - time/location TBD - Social Activity

February, 2019

- >- (1st) Wed., Feb. 6 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., Feb. 20 - 12:00 N - Program Mtg. - **postpone**
- to March 20

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March, 2019

- >- (1st) Wed., Mar. 6 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., Mar. 20 - 12:00 N - Program Meeting

April, 2019

- >- (1st) Wed., April 3 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., April 17 - 12:00 N - Program Mtg. or Prism Award Luncheon

May, 2019

- >- (1st) Wed., May 1 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting
- >- (5th) Wed., May 29 - time/location TBD - Social Activity

June, 2019

- >- (1st) Wed., June 5 - 12:00 N - Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., June 19 - 12:00 N - Program Mtg. or Installation

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Board Meetings--scheduled for the 4th Tuesday each month, 12:30 PM, Page One Cafe, Ontario Library. Board Meetings are open to all Club Members.

* meeting schedule subject to change
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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

The "Valley Viewpoint" is published once a month and distributed to members prior to the 1st Wednesday Business Meeting. It is also mailed at that time to those people/agencies on the Club's mailing list. Club members, community representatives, and neighboring Soroptimist Clubs are welcome to submit articles, items of interest, or information on upcoming events regarding their organization. Items will be edited and used as space permits.

September Newsletter items can be submitted at any time -

- > by mail to: Virginia Riley
619 East "I" Street, Ontario, CA 91764

- > by e-mail to: rvriley81@roadrunner.com

Deadline for the **September** Newsletter is **Friday, Aug. 17.**

For more information, call Virginia, 909-983-5938.

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