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# Weekly Update

*in case you missed something*

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## 2018 AND SELMA :)

As we began our first business meeting of the year, one of our elderly Soroptimist sisters walked into the meeting to greet us a Happy New Year. Selma Niedhart, now in her 90's, was an involved member for nearly 50 years. As one of our members told her over a glass of wine..."I want to grow up to be just like you!" It was a treat to see Selma. Highlights from our Committee Reports follow...

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## EDUCATION AND PROGRESS:

We are working closely with administration at RVHS to streamline the process for scholarship applications. And -- we have four applicants for the Violet Richardson Award, given to a high school girl engaged in volunteer action within their community. March 8th is a Health Fair at RVHS. In preparation, Gail Crawley met with RVPD Chief Daley to ask about sex trafficking in Rio Vista. As reported, the conversation turned around and her best diplomatic approach did not result in any helpful information.

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## DREAM IT BE IT - FEB. 8th CONFERENCE

This program from SIA targets girls in secondary school who face obstacles to their future success. It provides girls with access to professional role models, career education and the resources to live their dreams. As reported by Mingo Grecko, we are planning a program to help 9th and 10th grade girls think about career goals, especially in the STEM fields. Volunteers are needed...a sign-up sheet for helpers was passed around. Five Chrome Books will be raffled for girls who attend. Walmart donated 2 and our club is donating 3 more.

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## MEMBERSHIP CAN BE FUN!

Sign up next week to be a greeter at our meetings! Don't be shy... this is a great way to meet people... or have members meet you. See Lupe Finch to get on the list.

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## CHECK OUR WEBSITE

Deb Puppig and Robie Williams keep us well connected on the internet. Check out our website: [www.siriovista.org](http://www.siriovista.org) updated with

- 2018 CALENDAR
- LUNAFEST information
- Students of the Month from RVHS
- Dream It Be It conference

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## LUNAFEST - MARCH 3rd

This is a premier event for our Soroptimist Club, a traveling film festival celebrating, showcasing and championing women in film. [www.lunafest.org](http://www.lunafest.org) Tickets are \$35. for attendees (it's a fundraiser!) and \$25. for us hardworking Soroptimist women. Adding to the fun and excitement is a fabulous purse raffle. Think of joining with 2-3 others to buy and donate a hot name-brand purse.

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## LOTS MORE GOING ON...

Jan. 27th Booster Club Dinner and Raffle (RVHS)

Feb. 10th Princess Ball (we help Lion's Club with food,decor)

April 26th Trilogy Women's Golf Tournament

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