



SOROPTIMIST

Soroptimist of Rio Vista

March 2018

*"Only I can change my life,
No one can do it for me."*

-Carol Burnett



That Woman is a Success...

Who loves life
and lives it to the fullest;
who has discovered and shared
the strengths and talents
that are uniquely her own;
who puts her best into each task
and leaves each situation
better than she found it;
who seeks and finds
that which is beautiful
in all people... and all things;
whose heart is full of love
and warm with compassion;
who has found joy in living
and peace within herself.

-Barbara J. Burrow

Teri Malkin

President 2017-2018

Dream Big



Dream it Be It Career Support Conference February 3rd was a huge success. We had 47 engaged girls participate. Topics for the day included career opportunities, setting and achieving goals, overcoming obstacles to success and how to move forward after setbacks or failures. Four lucky girls won a Chromebook. Thank you to Mingo Greco and our members who worked to make this happen.



2018-2019 Proposed Slate of Offices

President(1 year): **Debra Roden**
First Vice- President(1 year): **Greta Jenkins**
Second Vice- President(1 year): **Kay Kelley**
Club Liaison (Director)(1 year) – **Hope Cohn**
Delegate (1 year) – **Cindy Kneibel**
Delegate (2 year) – **Mingo Greco**

The slate of officers, director and delegates shall be read at the March business meeting. The election shall be held at the business meeting in April.

Voted on in 2017

Secretary (1 year remaining): Sue Walker
Treasurer (1 year remaining): Pat Dyer
Asst Treasurer (1 year remaining) Laurie O

Thanks to the Nominating Committee



While the first observance of a Women's Day was held on February 28, 1909 in New York. March 8 was suggested by the 1910 International Woman's Conference to become an "International Woman's Day." It was adopted in 1975 by the UN..

The theme for International Women's Day, 8 March 2018, is **"Time is Now: Rural and urban activists transforming women's lives"**.

This year, International Women's Day comes on the heels of unprecedented global movement for women's rights, equality and justice. Sexual harassment, violence and discrimination against women has captured headlines and public discourse, propelled by a rising determination for change.

People around the world are mobilizing for a future that is more equal. This has taken the form of global marches and campaigns, including #MeToo in the United States of America and its counterparts in other countries, protesting against sexual harassment and violence.

"On International Women's Day, let us all pledge to do everything we can to overcome entrenched prejudice, support engagement and activism, and promote gender equality and women's

March Meetings

3/1 12:00 pm Business Meeting

3/8 12:00 pm Committee Meetings

3/15 12:00 pm Don Beno & Kathy Wright, RDUSD

3/29 5:30 pm 5th Thursday Roundtable Foster's Bighorn

Mark
Your
Calendar

3/3 LUNAFEST® films by
women, about women, for women

3/29 5th Thursday Roundtable
Foster's Bighorn 5:30 pm

**5/4-5/6 Founder Region
Conference, Marriott San Ramon**

March Birthdays

Eleanor Rush 3/19

Laurie Oleksiewicz 3/25

March Anniversaries

Stacia Olson 3/17

MaryEllen Lamothe 3/26

March Club Anniversaries

Emilia Seiferling

Sarah Donnelly

Teri Malkin

Susan Whitesell

Wanda Apel

In the
Spotlight



**Gayle
Crowley**

I was born in Salzburg Austria, the oldest of three children. My parents moved frequently because of my father being an Army officer. Eventually we moved to Fresno, California where I lived until I married.

My husband and I, went to work for Pacific Bell in San Jose, until we moved to Eureka, in Humboldt County. We had two sons, Cassidy and Clayton, and continued to work for Pacific Bell. I became very active in my Union because I was denied a transfer to another position due to pregnancy. I was elected as the Vice President of The Communications Workers of America, and President of The Humboldt-Del Norte Central Labor Council. I was also active in our Legislative Action Committee, lobbying Congress on issues affecting working families, traveling to both Sacramento and Washington D.C.

Pacific Bell eliminated the job I had in Eureka, so I went back to college, getting my A.S. Degree in General Business. I left Eureka, moved to Santa Rosa and rehired with SBC. I transferred to San Francisco until 2002, where I lost my job again, but this time I retired.

I always loved my Union work, so I ran and was elected as the Vice President of CWA in San Francisco, and eventually the President. I was the Women's Chair for The National Women's Committee for several years and retired from all positions in December of 2011.

I moved to Trilogy from Santa Rosa, California in September of 2016, which has turned out to be a great decision for me.



**We meet on
1st, 2nd and 3rd Thursdays
The Point Restaurant
120 Marina Drive**

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