

# Soroptimist of RioVista

September 2016

*Our Collective Dream for the future is to "Invest in the dreams of one million women and girls through access to education by 2030".  
Let's all come together to achieve this goal.*

## Meet Your 2016-2017 Board

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*Honor the past*

*Look to the future*

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The future is defined as a period of time after the present, or the events that will occur in that time. It happens as a result of what we do today. The future isn't written. It can be changed. We all know that. Anyone can make their future whatever they want it to be. The past is our lesson, the present our gift and the future our motivation.

Let us make a promise to look at the sunny side of everything and make our optimism come true. Think only of the best, to work only for the best and expect only the best. Forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater of the future. Let us all work together to promote the mission of Soroptimist of improving the lives of women and girls in our community and our world through social and economic empowerment.

*Teri Malkin  
President 2016-20*

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## September Meetings

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- 9/8 12:00 pm Business Meeting
- 9/15 12:00 pm Conference Update and Committee Meeting
- 9/22 12:00 pm The Importance of Social Media  
Speakers: Robie Williams and Susan Whitesell
- 9/29 6:00 pm Membership Social at Lupe Finch's

**Wear a white top for the Club Picture**

Mark  
Your  
Calendar

No club meeting  
10/13 and 10/20

**Pumpkin Patch Bake Sale at the  
Western Railway Museum**

10/15-10-16  
10/22-10/23



**2nd Annual 5K  
Turkey Trot  
11/24**

**August and September Birthdays**

Sue Conklin 8/1	Vicky Dolk 8/11
Val Jackson 8/12	Julie Hartford 8/19
Sue Esperson 8/26	Hope Cohn 9/9
Sue Walker 9/9	



**Anniversaries**

Lee Ann Frable 8/5	Barbara Rodriguez 8/18
Pat Dyer 8/27	Vera Sunada 9/4
Jen Gaston 9/22	Sue Esperson 9/23
Sue Conklin 9/28	



In the  
Spotlight



Sue Walker joined Soroptimist in September 2016. She then proceeded to break her arm, but that didn't stop her from attending meetings and events. Here is her story.

I was raised by my Mother in Oakland, California in a small one bedroom apartment. I graduated from Oakland Technical High School. Then went on to Laney College in Oakland where I received an AA degree in general education. After college I worked for Pacific Telephone for 13 years in the marketing and engineering. I left the telephone company to pursue a career in Mechanical Drafting taking night courses in drafting and engineering. I worked at Lawrence Livermore Lab, as a mechanical designer for 15 years. Later I worked for BAE in Santa Clara in the mechanical engineering department designing

various aspects of a military tank. Along the way of my career I got married and had 2 lovely children, a boy and a girl that are now grown. We lived in San Ramon and then later in Livermore.

My hobbies include oil painting and traveling to such places as Europe, French Polynesia and the Greek Islands. My husband, Gerald and I spent 5 months touring the United States and 3 months touring Canada in our motorhome. Later, we cruised the inland passage of Alaska for 6 months in our own 32 foot boat/cruiser. Such an amazing adventure, one I shall never forget. On another trip to Alaska I caught a 52 inch halibut, which weighed over 50 pounds!



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**We meet weekly on Thursdays  
The Point Restaurant  
120 Marina Drive, Rio Vista, CA**