



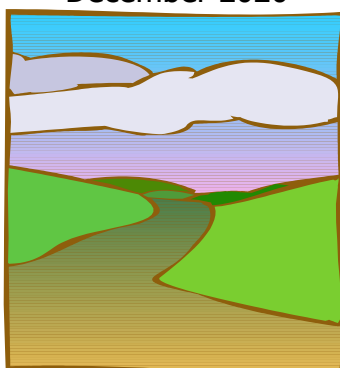
Laurie Moses, Governor

Soroptimist International of the Americas
 Golden West Region

Debra Murphy, District 1 Director

The **VALLEY VIEWPOINT**

December 2020



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

No, President Milissa is not "missing in action." She is doing well, recuperating from a recent surgical procedure. In order to help in her recuperation, we decided to cut her some slack and not send her the requisite "newsletter nag" for a December President's Message. She did let us know: *"Surgery went well. Very sore, but healing well. Please thank everyone for the flowers! They really brightened my day. And, thank you all for the good wishes!"*

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In the meantime—here is a "Secretary Says" Message

December brings us to the half-way point of the 2020-21 Club year. So far, this part of the year has certainly been a time that none of us could have predicted. And, it seems like we're still a long way from returning to "normal." Like most organizations, SI M/IV has had a rather "laid-back" 2020. We've been unable to host events and "fun-raisers" or have in-person meetings. Still, Members come together to participate in Zoom meetings and continue to support ongoing, favorite community projects; i.e.--Holiday Gifts Project in partnership with OMSD Collaboratives, Montclair Holiday Food Baskets, monthly Meals on Wheels Goody Bags. We continue to collect business clothing for Chaffey College Dress for Success and dresses & accessories for Chaffey JUHS District's "Cinderella Dream." We also plan to allocate funds for this year's Live Your Dream Awards. A big Thank You to one of newer members, Juliet, who stepped up to chair LYD this year. And, to last year's chair Amy, who assisted her. Great job Ladies!

Our Annual Holiday Meeting will be held via Zoom. Thank you, Natividad and Rosa for chairing this event. They have some fun things planned. Once again, we've had to "punt" but we will make the best of it and have a good time sharing "the sincerity of friendship."

Members have been loyal in participating in monthly Business Meetings via Zoom. Each month, meeting reminder, agenda, minutes, supporting information are sent by email. Meeting attendance is as constant as it was for in-person meetings. And, Members have been very generous with donations for community projects, "Fines & Brags," and other "just because" donations. Thank You Everyone! Each and every donation is very much appreciated and will support our continued community service.

And, now we prepare to "ring in" the Holiday Season, it seems like it will be a quiet ring. However, You, your Family and Friends observe and celebrate, we wish Everyone a very blessed Holiday Season. Be Safe – Stay Healthy.



Secretary Virginia
for
President Milissa

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MEETINGS...

- > **(1st) Wed., Dec. 2 – 12:00 N: Business Meeting**
Will be conducted via Zoom
- > **(3rd) Wed., Dec. 16 – 11:30 AM: Holiday Meeting**
Will be conducted via Zoom

- > **(4th) Tues., Dec. 22 - 12:30 PM: Board Meeting**
Canceled

..... & EVENTS

- > **Dec. 7: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**
- > **Thur., Dec. 10: Hanukkah** begins at sundown
- > **Dec. 12: Poinsettia Day.** Each year people across the U.S. celebrate one of the most recognizable plants of the holidays on National Poinsettia Day. The House of Representatives in 2002 created Poinsettia Day to honor the father of the poinsettia industry, Paul Ecke. The Dec. 12 date marks the death of Joel Roberts Poinsett, the man responsible for bringing the plant to the U.S.
- > **Dec. 21-31-Jan. 1: Ontario Montclair SD Winter Break**
- > **Dec. 21-31-Jan. 1: Chaffey JUHS District Winter Break**
- > **Fri., Dec. 25: Christmas**
- > **Tues., Dec. 31: New Year's Eve**
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GOLDEN WEST REGION NEWS BLAST

November 2020

Challenging All Golden West Region Clubs!

As we approach the end of 2020, I would like to issue a "Governor's Challenge" to all the clubs of the Golden West Region to develop, illustrate and share with us their own "Club Road Map" for the 2020/2022 biennium. Some suggested items for your "Club Road Map" are:

- Increase the number of women and girls your club serves - providing additional "Live Your Dream" awards and holding "virtual" or "in-person" "Dream it, Be It" programs by: (action)
- Grow and retain members, creating an enjoyable and civil member experience by: (action)
- Gain greater recognition promoting your club's impact thru the "Dreams" programs by: (action)
- Increase funds raised to support the "Dreams" programs by: (action)
- Recommit your support and contributions to SIA's "BIG Goal" to invest in the dreams of half a million women and girls by: (action)

Deadline for submission is December 15, 2020. Clubs can email their "Club Road Map" to Governor Laurie. Prizes and awards will be given to best and most creative submissions. Engage your club and have fun with this!

Barring a few technical difficulties, our virtual Fall Meetings in October were a bit hit! It was so good to see so many familiar faces and share with all of you the changes and events coming our way in order to navigate these challenging times. We are so fortunate as a region to have such talented board members, pillars and committee members to guide us. Thank you to all who presented at these meetings. Our ever-efficient GWR Secretary Pat Box has uploaded all of the presentations and script to our GWR website.

Our District Micro Donation competition was a huge success and we raised a total of \$1975.00 for our Region LYDA Winners. The winning district will get a special prize at our 2021 Spring Conference, AND will be announced shortly on our Region Facebook page. Be sure to check out [GWR FB PAGE](#) to see if your district won.

Ahhh November--it is a time of reflection, giving thanks and showing our gratitude to the wonderful people in our lives...something we as Soroptimists strive to do every day. I am so very grateful and blessed to be surrounded by so many passionate, talented and dedicated women...in our region board of directors, our committee members and pillars, our clubs and members, and the women who came before us leaving behind a legacy of inspiration, joy, dignity and appreciation of self-worth. I owe so much to all of you and am thankful every single day that you are in my life and the lives of the women and girls that we serve.

Laurie Moses

GWR Governor 2020-22

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Soroptimist International (SI) Convention 100th Anniversary Celebration

Oct. 1-3, 2021 - Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, CA

Given the global nature of the Soroptimist 100th Anniversary Celebration Event, our member demographics, the reality of physical distancing, the state of the travel and hospitality industries and the uncertain duration of these conditions, SIA has decided not to move forward with an in-person celebration at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, CA in October 2021. Even without this event, we will still have many opportunities to celebrate our bright past and our brilliant future! Stay tuned for more information.

Oct. 9 email from Soroptimist Headquarters

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SECRETARY SAYS

Nov. 4 Business Meeting--via Zoom. Present--15 Members--Secretary Virginia, Treas. Cindy, Director Linda; Judy, Denise, Amy, Roberta, Andrea, Amber, Helen, Kathy, Juliet, Rosa, Marcie, Natividad. President's "Ice Breaker." Fines & Brags. Call to Order--12:20 PM. Pledge to Flag--led by Cindy. Inspiration--None. Correspondence--noted Foothill Family Shelter & City of Ontario newsletters email forwarded to Members; GWR News Blast emailed directly to Members. Minutes--Oct. 7 Business Mtg. accepted as presented. Treasurer--Financial Report for period ending Oct. 31; Budget Committee--no update; Use of Zelle app. Committee Reports--Meals on Wheels goody bags--Oct. (Natividad), Nov. (Joey); Public Awareness--Nov. Newsletter; Membership; Sunshine; Social Media. Unfinished Business--20-21 Fund Raisers; Live Your Dream Award; Holiday Gifts Project/partnership with OMSD Family & Collaborative SVC; Montclair Holiday Food Baskets Program. New Business--Dec. 16 Holiday Luncheon; Golden West Region--Oct. 16-17 District 1 Fall Mtg. Re-cap; Officers Checklist Nov.; Soroptimist International of the Americas--club vote on proposed By-Law revisions. Announcements--Nov. B'days & Anniv.; Nov. 24 Bd. Mtg. via Zoom; Dec. 2 Business Mtg. via Zoom, Dec. 16 Holiday Mtg. via Zoom. Adjourn--1:04 PM, with Rosa reciting Soroptimist Pledge.

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TREASURER'S STORY

In order to make it easier for Members to send donations, payments, etc. to our club, Treasurer Cindy has set up use of the Zelle App. Cindy prepared an information sheet on Zelle which was emailed to Members in early Nov. (attached to the same email as Nov. 4 Minutes). She downloaded the Zelle App and linked her phone number & email info (listed in the Member Roster booklet) to the club's debit card. Several Members have already completed transactions. Transaction notification is sent to Cindy's phone/email. Please be sure to read the info sheet. Questions?--contact Cindy. And, of course, she will still accept "old fashioned" checks and cash!

Thank You Cindy for setting this up.

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SUNSHINE CORNER

December comes from the Latin word *decem*, meaning "ten" because this was the tenth month of the early Roman calendar. The term Yuletide comes from a Norse tradition of cutting and burning a tree to bring in the Winter Solstice

- Birthstone: Turquoise
- Flower: Holly and Narcissus
- Zodiac signs: Sagittarius (11/22-12/21) & Capricorn (12/22-1/19)

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Happy Birthday

Dec. 6 - *Kathy McElvany*
Dec. 7 - *Kris Brake*
Dec. 10 - *Amber Hartsell*

Happy Anniversary

Dec. 4 - Joey ♥ Dean
Dec. 20 - Diane ♥ Ron

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All greeting cards and notes are being sent as needed/requested. Any special requests?--Let me know.

Natividad Vasquez-Silva, Chair

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GOODY BAGS

Meals on Wheels goody bags for November were coordinated by Joey Collisson.

Joey assembled 16 Goody Bags for our Meals on Wheels friends. Bags were delivered to the Sr. Center on Nov. 12. "With all of us practicing proper hygiene (washing our hands more than ever before) and other COVID-19 safety precautions during this time, I incorporated a beautifully decorated bottle of hand soap to meet that need in this month's gift. The bags also included two packages of hot cocoa mix and some gourmet almond/cranberry cookies."

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Format for delivery of monthly goody bags:

>Contact - Ester Vargas-Pipersky - (please get her contact info from Virginia)

>Call (or text) Ester to get specific # of goody bags needed

>bags can be dropped off at the Montclair Sr. Center on any **Thurs.** of the month - to be delivered along with meals, next day--Friday

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Monthly goody bag assignments for 2020-2021:

July - *Kathy*
August - *Cindy*
September - *Sue*
October - *Natividad*
November - *Joey*
December - *Linda & Juliet*
January - *Judy*
February - *Amber*
March - *Kris & Denise*
April - *Diane*
May - *Roberta*
June - *Leslie*

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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.

Virginia Riley, Chair

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SOROPTIMIST LIVE YOUR DREAM:

Education and Training Awards for Women

Soroptimist *Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women* assist women who provide the primary source of financial support for their families by giving them the resources they need to improve their education, skills and employment prospects. Live Your Dream (LYD) Award recipients may use the cash award to offset *any* costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education, such as books, childcare, tuition and transportation. This unique program is helping women find their voice and purpose while offering the resources they need to succeed.

As of the Nov. 15 application deadline, LYD Chair Juliet reported that SI M/IV had received 17 applications, representing students from American Career College, Chaffey College, Mt. San Antonio College, Cal State University San Bernardino, in various fields of study--nursing, vocation/skills training, medical coding, nutrition, education/teaching, psychology.

All applications received by Nov. 15 will be reviewed to make sure they are complete and contain all the required information and references. Applications will then be reviewed and scored by a panel of 3 non-Soroptimist judges. The top scoring application will be forwarded on to Golden West Region for further judging. LYD awards will be presented at the 2021 Prism Award Luncheon (tentatively scheduled for April 2021).

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HOLIDAY GIFTS PROJECT

In partnership with OMSD Family & Collaborative Services, SI M/IV allocated \$500 service funds to be used by staff to purchase items as needed for OMSD children and families. Our donation will most likely be used to purchase Target gift cards, which have been the best way to assist families and their needs. Members also had the opportunity to make voluntary donations of cash (to add to the amount of the club donation); other gift cards; or gift items for girls, ages toddler to 13.

Members also donated approximately \$380 additional cash and gift cards. Our donation will be delivered to Mindy Chavez, Family Case Manager. Donations will be split between Ontario and Montclair Family & Collaborative Services.

Thank You Members for your always generous donations, which as in past years, will make the holidays more cheerful for lots of OMSD children.

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MONTCLAIR HOLIDAY FOOD BASKET PROGRAM

SI M/IV is again supporting the Montclair Holiday Food Basket Program. The Club approved \$100 service fund allocation to sponsor a family of 4. The club's allocation has been matched by an individual donation. In order to meet the City's donation deadline this month, SI M/IV's donation will be left undesignated, so City Staff can use it as needed to purchase grocery items for the family food baskets or gifts for the family or children in the family.

As a club, we have supported this community program for over 10 years. Food baskets are made available to families that live in Montclair and meet specific income guidelines. City of Montclair, Montclair Chamber, local business and organizations work together through this program to make the holidays more cheerful for local families.

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SI M/IV's HOLIDAY "VIRTUAL" MEETING

Wed., Dec. 16 – 11:30 AM - via Zoom

Thank You to Natividad and Rosa who volunteered to organize this year's Holiday Meeting. They have some fun ideas, which will be on the Dec. 2 Business Meeting agenda for information & discussion.

Tentative plans--invite Members to join in, dressed in "holiday cheer;" join in with your own holiday lunch and/or holiday goodies. Other ideas being discussed include: a holiday memory game; name that carol; share a special holiday decoration or tradition; optional "secret pal" gift exchange.

All Members will receive an invitation via email. Meeting information, with a link to Zoom will also be sent to Members. Please note that we are planning for an 11:30 start time.

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FEBRUARY 2021 YARD SALE "FUN" RAISER

SI Montclair/Inland Valley is making plans to host a 1-day Yard Sale "Fun" Raiser, during the February 5-6-7, 2021, City of Ontario's Yard Sale Weekend.

- 1 day only - Sat., Feb. 6 - 7:00 AM to approximately 2:00 PM
- Location - Ovitt Residence, Euclid Ave., Ontario

We will need volunteers—Members, "Soropty-Misters" & Friends--for Friday--to assist with sorting, pre-organizing, and pre-set-up. A lot of donated items will be in boxes which will need to be opened and sorted. Then on Saturday to work shifts throughout the day. Put the date on your 2021 calendar--we'll need "all hands on deck"!

More information will be shared at the Dec. 2 Business Meeting. In the meantime, start putting aside those knickknacks, books, house wares, toys, etc. "Gently used" clothing items need to be clean and "ready to wear"—no tears, missing buttons, broken zippers. Save paper/plastic bags too.

Donated items are being stored at the Ovitts. If you have items to be stored, please contact Sue (by text) to make arrangements for drop off.

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CINDERELLA DREAM

SI M/IV continues, in partnership with Chaffey Joint Union High School District's (CJUHS) "Cinderella Dream Program", to collect new or gently used evening gowns/dresses, shoes, evening bags, accessories, etc. The "Cinderella Dream" Program provides formal wear and accessories, free of charge to girls who could not otherwise afford prom dresses.

Note--at this time, updated program details are still "wait and see." "Wait and See" if students return to school sites in January; if Prom events can held; and/or if the annual Cinderella Dream distribution event can proceed as scheduled.

Items will still be collected and SI M/IV will continue to accept items from Members & "Soropty-Friends" at any time. Please contact any Club Member if you have donations. We can pick up from you or have you drop off to a Club Member. We will deliver items to the District.

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CHAFFEY COLLEGE CLOTHES CLOSET

SI M/IV will also continue in partnership with Chaffey College with our ongoing project of collecting women's & men's clothing for the Chaffey College "Dress for Success" Clothes Closet. We are glad to accept items from Members & "Soropty-Friends" at any time. We will deliver items to the College.

Women's & Men's items should be "business attire" appropriate. In addition to women's items, there is a need for men's clothing, (jackets, shirts, ties, etc.) so help is GREATLY appreciated. Men's business casual clothing items are especially needed; i.e.--casual slacks, khakis, polo shirts, short-sleeve shirts, sweaters.

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NOTABLE NOTES

✓ "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to our life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished."

✓ City of Montclair Council Member Carolyn Raft is retiring from pollical office, after serving on Montclair's City Council for nearly 3 decades (28 years). Montclair's population was 29,000 in 1992, when Carolyn was first elected. Population is now 40,000. In retirement, Carolyn plans to continue volunteer work with senior citizens, keep active in city politics, and enjoy reading good mystery novels. "Soropty-Friend" Carolyn has always supported club activities and events. Always in attendance at our Annual Casino Night fund raiser, where she spun that "wheel of fortune" and went home with nice door prizes. SI M/IV Best Wishes in retirement Carolyn!

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✓ The Graber Olive House, a cornerstone of Ontario history, was named the 8th historical district of the 129-year-old city, a designation that points to the property's agricultural heritage in a unique way. Graber Olive House has been selling olives, gift boxes and olive oil for 126 years.

Inland Valley Daily Bulletin – Oct. 25, 2020

✓ **"Soarin' Over Earth"**...one of the Astronauts aboard the history-making Space X capsule that arrived at the International Space Station on Nov. 16 is Victor Glover, a native of Pomona. And.... a 1994 graduate of Ontario High School!

✓ Due to COVID-19 still being present within the Community, the City of Ontario has redesigned the in-person **8th Annual Ontario 5K Reindeer Run**. The Ontario Recreation & Community Services Department is excited to offer the **Rudolph's Merry Mask Virtual 5K Reindeer Run/Walk**. All proceeds from this virtual race will be donated to the Ontario-Montclair Promise Scholars, an award-winning program designed to assist Ontario-Montclair youth by helping prepare them in their journey towards a college education, and the Youth Empowerment Scholarship (Y.E.S), which gives Ontario children from low income families the opportunity to participate in recreation programs and classes. Unfortunately, there will not be a virtual Rudolph's DASH event.

- Date: December 12, 2020
- Register - Online at OntarioCA.gov/Registration or at Armstrong Community Center, 1265 S. Palmetto Ave., Ont. Mon.-Thur., 8:00 AM--5:30 PM / Fri., 8:00 AM--4:30 PM
- Cost = \$20 (no refunds). Includes medal & special designed face mask

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Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children – Victim #1

About 3 years ago a high school girl in San Diego, who was an honor student with two loving parents, a young brother, and a wonderful homelife with family and friends *walked out willingly from her family home right into the clutches of her trafficker's accomplice*, who she had never met before.

She was 14 years old and thought that she'd met a cute 17 yr.-old boy on the Internet. However, her Mr. Wonderful was *not* who she thought she was talking to--he was actually a middle age trafficker who had great plans for this young girl. Having played this game many times before he knew all the right things to say and how to say them, using teen terms: listened and consoled or agreed with her and even would empathize with some of her everyday home and school stresses. Eventually he asked her out to the movies and she told him she was not allowed to date, but he convinced her it was only a local move, and it wouldn't really be a date--they were just friends.

One night she was asked to babysit her little brother as her parents went out for dinner. This was the night - she shared her secret with her best friend and asked her to babysit for her. She felt so mature to be going on a date with a 17 yr.-old, good looking guy who actually told her how cute and mature she was. When a boy came to the door to pick her up it was not the boy, she had been talking to online.....she was a bit frightened until he told her that her date was held up and asked him to pick her up for him and take her to his house so they could take his car to the theater. Still dubious until this boy seemed to know everything about her, her parents, her brother, her school and some sweet facts she had communicated with him online. So, she was excited and happy as she kissed her little brother goodbye and *said goodbye forever to the wonderful life she was living!*

She was taken to the home of her *real trafficker*, a middle age man who immediately chained her to a bed in a room with no windows. She was kept there, alone, barely fed, and terrified for days. Then the light went out of her eyes.....she was *gang raped* (this tortuous act is called a

'train' and is met to not only cause pain but to humiliate and breakdown all resolve to struggle when the child is prostituted)! After being gang raped day after day, kicked, starved, and demeaned, -all the life, hope, and fight went out of her – *exactly what it was met to do!*

Her trafficker had pre-sold her to the gang that had raped her (actually the gang operated only a few towns away from where she lived --so close to her beloved home and family who had launched a full out search for her!! Her family, friends, and the community all worked with law enforcement and when she was found several months later, she had been sold by the San Diego gang to a gang in the Orange County area. (Trafficking is one of the highest paying endeavors for gangs, now even surpassing drugs). Cocaine is sold only once then needs to be replaced, creating more danger of being caught. With prostitution, you just put the child out there and give them a quota each night (being sexually assaulted over and over, night after night until they can come home with the cash which is ALL given to the pimp.... they are never allowed to keep any of the money--ever!). When the child has latterly worked themselves to death and their face is well known on the *Track* (area in town where the *child victim* meets the procurer of sex, i.e. the *John*) the gang will sell her to another gang in another area and recoups their own purchase price. How good is that on the balance sheet!

Our 14 yr.-old didn't try to get help from anyone, not even a *law enforcement officer*. She didn't pick-up a phone when it was possible to call home. She was told that the gang knew exactly where she lived (they did), exactly where both of her parents worked (they did) exactly when they went to work and got home (they did) exactly where her little brother went to school (they did).....and they would 'slit their throats' if she tried to contact anyone or escape.

CSEC victims are often controlled by: a--Pimps themselves or a designed person (sometimes another trafficked girl called a *top bitch* who earns special privileges, extra food or a night off keeps tabs on the others) watch to make sure the girls don't spend any time away from them or the John. The punishment can be severe, even ending in death. b--Victims are told their parents and friends are repulsed by her actions and a video of their rapes had been put on her school website for all to see, her parents are hiding in shame and disgust over the actions of their 'dirty' daughter and her friends wanted to forget throw-up at the sight of her. The CSEC victim now has NO HOPE and would love to just sink into the ground and disappear from life. Remember, these are child brains who pretty much have been emotionally bludgeoned to death – Yes, some very much just want to die as young as 8-9 years old (average trafficked age is 15 but we have had children as young as 5 years old rescued from CSEC)!

This time the story of our 14 yr.-old girl from San Diego ends well (or as well as it could). With coordinated efforts between local law enforcement, the FBI, and NCMEC (National Center for Missing & Exploited Children) she was found within 4 months. Her family was ecstatic, and with the help of many good **Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children trained Psychologists** working with her and her family month after month, she gradually began to leave her darkness for longer and longer periods of time each day. Eventually she and her family relocated to an undisclosed location so she could feel safe (remember the gangs knew where she lived and ease into school again without others knowing what had happened to her or pre-judge her. Will we ever know what happened to her? We hope not, because that would mean she goes on to have a good life (she is about 18 today – old enough to vote and help set laws to protect CSEC children, and hopefully she just leaves behind a case history that can be learned from to help the next child who is a Commercially Sexually Exploited Child! We have a LONG Way to Go!

Submitted by **Kathy McElvany**

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DATES TO NOTE**

***all dates/events listed subject to cancellation,
postponement and/or rescheduling*

2021

- > **Canceled** - Jan. 1: **132nd Rose Parade**
- > **Mon., Jan. 18: Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- > **Fri., Feb. 12: Chinese New Year**
- > **Sun., Feb. 14: Valentine's Day**
- > **Mon., Feb. 15: President's Day**
- > **Wed., Feb. 17: Ash Wednesday**
- > **Sun., March 14: Daylight Saving Time Begins**
- > **Wed., March 17: St. Patrick's Day**
- > **Sat., March 27: Passover** begins at sundown
- > **Sun., March 28: Palm Sunday**
- > **April 2: Good Friday**
- > **April 2: Promise Scholars Golf Tournament**
- > **Sun., April 4: Easter**
- > **Sun., May 9: Mother's Day**
- > **May 20-22: Golden West Region Spring Conference.** Twin Arrows Casino & Resort, Flagstaff, AZ. Hosted by: SI Winslow, Mountain Morning, Arizona Peaks
- > **Mon., May 31: Memorial Day**
- > **Sun., June 20: Father's Day**
- > **Sun., July 4: Independence Day**
- > **Wed., Aug. 11: Scheu Family YMCA 20th Annual Incredible Edibles**
- > **Sat., Oct. 2: City of Ontario Festival of the Arts**

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2022

- > **Date TBA: Soroptimist International of the Americas (SIA) 47th Biennial Convention TBA**

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2023

- > **July 27-29, 2023: Soroptimist International (SI) 22nd Quadrennial Convention.** Dublin, Ireland

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June, 2021

- >- (1st) Wed., June 2 – 12:00 N – Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., June 16 – 12:00 N – Program Meeting
- >- (5th) Wed., June 30 – "5th Wed." Social – time/location TBD

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Board Meetings--scheduled for the 4th Tuesday each month, 12:30 PM, location TBD. Board Mtgs 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 to individuals/agencies on the Club's mail 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.

January 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 **January** Newsletter is Wed., Dec. 16.
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SI M/IV 2020-21 MEETING SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise noted, **Meeting** location is at **OPARC Montclair Facility** (Briggs Room), 9029 Vernon Ave., Montclair. (west of Benson, just North of Moreno, SE corner Olive & Vernon)

January, 2021

- >- (1st) Wed., Jan. 6 – 12:00 N – Business Meeting

February, 2021

- >- (1st) Wed., Feb. 3 – 12:00 N – Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., Feb. 17 – 12:00 N – Program Meeting

March, 2021

- >- (1st) Wed., Mar. 3 – 12:00 N – Business Meeting
- >- (5th) Wed., Mar. 31 – "5th Wed." Social – time/location TBD

April, 2021

- >- (1st) Wed., April 7 – 12:00 N – Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., April 21 – 11:30-1:30 – Annual Prism Award Luncheon – location TBD

May, 2021

- >- (1st) Wed., May 5 – 12:00 N – Business Meeting
- >- (3rd) Wed., May 19 – 12:00 N – Program Meeting

