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## SOROPTIMIST VISION

Women and girls have the resources and opportunities to reach their full potential and live their dreams.

## SOROPTIMIST MISSION

Soroptimist transforms the lives and status of women and girls through education, empowerment and enabling opportunities.

## SOROPTIMIST CORE VALUES

Soroptimist International of the Americas is committed to:

- **GENDER EQUALITY:** Women and girls live free from discrimination
- **EMPOWERMENT:** Women and girls are free to act in their own best interest.
- **EDUCATION:** Women and girls deserve to lead full and productive lives through access to education.
- **DIVERSITY & FELLOWSHIP:** Women from varied backgrounds and perspectives work together to improve the lives of women and girls.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



*Vicki Hightower  
2018-19 SIR President*

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

*Margaret Mead,  
Cultural Anthropologist*

As we head into the end of summer and into the beginning of a new school year, it seems fitting that we focus on Soroptimist's "One Mission" of providing access to education for women and girls. There are so many wonderful causes out there that we can support but we are more effective and have a

greater impact if we focus on one essential area.

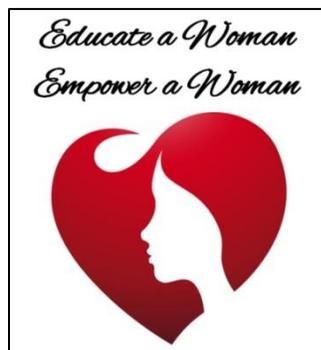
Why is the focus on education? Because women and girls who are educated are less vulnerable to sex traffickers, they are more likely to leave a domestic violence situation and not return, they are more likely able to access healthcare, are less likely to live in poverty and are able to raise stronger, healthier families.

As stated in the theme adopted by the current Golden West Region Governor Lori Reed, Education is the Key.

The "One Mission" focus will be central to the Golden West Region District 1 Fall Meeting hosted by Soroptimist International of Riverside on October 5th and 6th. The theme for the meeting will be "Soroptimists are the Key."

Participants at the Fall Meeting will have the opportunity to present programs focusing on access to education while SI Riverside will be presenting on our unique Erlangen exchange program.

The Fall Meeting is an opportunity for us to connect with our Soroptimist colleagues from neighboring clubs and to hear about the wonderful work they are doing to fulfill our mission. I expect we will learn and be inspired by our colleagues while we share the wonderful accomplishments of Soroptimist International of Riverside. I hope to see you all at the Fall Meeting!



## SEPTEMBER 2018



- 4 **BOARD MEETING**  
12:00 PM, First United Methodist Church, 4845 Brockton Ave, Riverside
- 5 **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CHARITY**
- 8 **INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY**
- 11 **BUSINESS MEETING**  
12:00 PM, First United Methodist Church, 4845 Brockton Ave, Riverside
- 21 **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE**
- 25 **PROGRAM MEETING**  
12:00 PM, First United Methodist Church, 4845 Brockton Ave, Riverside

## OCTOBER 2018



- 2 **BOARD MEETING**  
12:00 PM, First United Methodist Church, 4845 Brockton Ave, Riverside
- 5-6 **DISTRICT 1 FALL MEETING**  
Hosted by SI Riverside Calvary Presbyterian Church Riverside
- 9 **BUSINESS MEETING**  
12:00 PM, First United Methodist Church, 4845 Brockton Ave, Riverside
- 11 **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL CHILD**
- 15 **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF RURAL WOMEN**

17 **INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY**

23 **PROGRAM MEETING**  
12:00 PM, First United Methodist Church, 4845 Brockton Ave, Riverside

24 **UNITED NATIONS DAY**

## DATES TO REMEMBER



February 7, 2019  
**VALENTINE DESSERT AUCTION**  
Victoria Country Club  
Riverside

March 16, 2019  
**LIVE YOUR DREAM - DREAM IT BE IT CONFERENCE**  
Riverside Community College

June 6-8, 2019  
**GOLDEN WEST REGION SPRING CONFERENCE**  
Pala Casino Spa Resort  
Pala, California

July 18-21, 2019  
**SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2020  
**SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS BIENNIAL CONVENTION**  
Bellevue, Washington

2021  
**SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - 100TH ANNIVERSARY**  
San Francisco, California



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Soroptimist International of Riverside, a club in District 1 of the Golden West Region of Soroptimist International of the Americas, meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 4845 Brockton Avenue, Riverside, from noon until approximately 1:15 PM. Please arrive a little early so that we may begin promptly at noon. The 2nd Tuesday is a Business Meeting and the 4th Tuesday is a Program Meeting. Lunches are approximately \$16/each and can be paid on a yearly, quarterly or per meeting basis. For questions, please contact the SI Riverside Assistant Treasurer.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2018  
INTERNATIONAL DAY  
OF PEACE



Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on September 21st. The United Nations General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and peoples.

The United Nations Member States adopted the 17 Sustainable Development Goals in 2015 because they understood that it would not be possible to build a peaceful world if steps were not taken to achieve

economic and social development for all people everywhere and ensure that their rights were protected.

The Sustainable Goals cover a broad range of issues, including poverty, hunger, health, education, climate change, gender equality, water, sanitation, energy and environment and social justice.

Sustainable Development Goal 16 "Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions" calls for promoting peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, providing access to justice for all and building effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.

A peaceful society is one where there is justice and equality for everyone. Peace will enable a sustainable environment to take shape and a sustainable environment will help promote peace.

The theme for the International Day of Peace in 2018 is "The Right to Peace - The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70." The theme celebrates the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights is a milestone document in the history of human rights. Drafted by representatives with different legal and cultural backgrounds from all regions of the world, the Declaration was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on December 10, 1948, as a common standard of achievement for all peoples and all nations. The Universal Declaration – the most translated document in the world, available in more than 500 languages - is as relevant today as it was on the day that it was adopted.

*"It is time all nations and all people live up to the words of the Universal Declaration of Human*

*Rights, which recognizes the inherent dignity and equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human race. This year marks the 70th anniversary of that landmark document." -- Secretary General António Guterres*

The Universal Declaration states in Article 3: "Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person." These elements build the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world.

Yet, the Universal Declaration does not include a separate article on "Right to Peace." In the lead up to the International Day of Peace on September 21st, we call upon all to take action.

You can support SDG 16 "Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions" by seeking peaceful resolution of conflict when disagreements arise around you. You can be part of the solution by taking small steps. You can prevent an injustice at school or in your community by adopting a non-violent approach to problem solving and reporting potential crimes, including online bullying.

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SI PRESIDENT'S  
APPEAL 2017-19



**Education, Food  
Security and Health in  
Long Tanyit, Sarawak**

Sarawak and Sabah are situated on the island of Borneo, the third largest island in the world north of the Equator. Sarawak is known for its rugged, dense rainforest and Sabah is famed for its 4,095-meter tall Mount Kinabalu.



The indigenous people living in Malaysian Borneo face threats from climate change, deforestation, mining and continuous logging which is polluting the air and valuable sources of drinking water and threatening the rich biodiversity of the area.



Women and girls living in the rural village of Long Tanyit in the Belaga District of Sarawak are particularly vulnerable. An eight hour drive inland along logging tracks from the coastal town of Bintulu, the village has no clean water, no electricity, no sanitation and no medical clinic.

Furthermore, there is a culture of male dominance. Soroptimist International Damansara (SID) is active in Sarawak through its work with the Penan community and in Sabah, with the Orang Asal Community. The club has provided "Work Readiness" programs to young people in Long Tanyit and a group of 35 from the village have successfully graduated with a Malaysian Skills Certificate in welding and are now inspired to create a sustainable future for themselves and their community.

Recognizing the opportunity to support growth whilst empowering women and girls, SID responded to the call and with the support of SIROM (comprising of Soroptimist clubs within the region of Malaysia), proposed a project with the people of Long Tanyit, for funding from the Women, Water & Leadership President's Appeal.



SI is delighted to announce that the progressive project is now confirmed and will be spearheaded by the SIROM President and supported by a committee made up of representatives from six Malaysian SI clubs, including Damansara, Bangsar, Petaling Jaya, Shah Alam, Kuching and Kota Kinabalu.

Phase One will begin in Long Tanyit, Sarawak, and when successful, the model will be replicated in Sabah. Representatives will be given specific roles, such as monitoring and data collection, finance, logistics and publicity and they will work closely with the community and the Village Headman and in partnership with organizations including Master Weld Academy. The Penan villagers of Long Tanyit will be the owners of this transformative project and their vested interest will help to ensure its sustainability.



Implementing Sustainable Development Goals 4, 5 and 6, women will be empowered to earn their own incomes and taught how to fully utilize the current land to feed themselves and their families.

Of urgent need is a clean and safe drinking water system, which will be developed through rainwater harvesting and the existing dam will undergo strengthening with new pipes installed so the water can be fed directly to the village and used for drinking, sanitation and to grow vegetables in the gardens. To ensure a steady supply of water to cover drought in the dry season, collection and storage tanks will be set up.

Education is of key importance and the women and girls of the villages will be trained to become organic farmers. They will learn how to use the rainwater harvesting system and be responsible for maintaining the water and organic farming irrigation systems and subsequently, by playing a role in the management of the project, will attain positions of leadership within their community.



Furthermore, the young women welders within the group will be upskilled to become welding inspectors, again supporting the move into leadership for the women and girls of Long Tanyit.

SI President Mariet Verhoef-Cohen says: *"This project is very exciting and a wonderful partnership between Soroptimists and local people. Diarrhea is still one of the leading causes of death in under-fives due directly to unsafe water and through the provision of clean water, the*

*project will undoubtedly improve the health of the community. The educational program is based on the needs of the local people and the opportunities that may be available to them. Organic farming brings food security and economic empowerment and by upskilling women and girls, we are responding to the shortage of skilled labor in Sarawak and helping to advance women and girls capacity for economic development and empowerment. We wish all involved the very best of success."*

From the Soroptimist International webpage:  
www.soroptiistinternational.org

**AUGUST 28, 2018  
INDUCTION OF  
NEW MEMBER**



*Membership Chair Lynn Scecina, New Member Amy McKenzie and Vice-President Edith Gingerich*

Amy McKenzie was inducted into SI Riverside at our program meeting on August 28th. Amy is an Information Specialist at the Riverside County District Attorney's Office.

We look forward to getting to know Amy better and utilizing her many talents in our club's service projects and programs.



**OCTOBER 5-6, 2018  
GOLDEN WEST REGION  
DISTRICT 1 FALL MEETING**

**GOLDEN WEST REGION  
DISTRICT 1  
FALL MEETING  
HOSTED BY SI  
RIVERSIDE**

**FRIDAY,  
OCTOBER 5, 2018**

**CULTURAL EVENT:**



Tour of the Historic Mission Inn, 3649 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside CA 92501.

Two tours are available (maximum of 15 people per tour) at 4:30 PM and 4:45 PM.

The Mission Inn Foundation offers a 75-minute walking tour led by trained docents on the art, architecture and history of the Mission Inn. This is your opportunity to see parts of the National Historic Landmark that are inaccessible to the general public.

Cost: \$11.00/each

**DINNER SOCIAL:**



6:00-8:00 PM - Avila Terrace (Tamale Factory upstairs banquet room), 3663 Main Street,

Riverside CA 92501 (across from the walking mall at the Mission Inn).

Enjoy delicious fajitas, enchiladas and more while socializing with your fellow Soroptimists. Spouses and significant others are welcome to attend.  
Cost: \$40.00/each - No Host Wine and Beer Bar

**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 6, 2018**

**FALL MEETING:**



Calvary Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, 4495 Magnolia Avenue, Riverside CA 92501.

8:00 AM - Check in and exhibit set up. Continental Breakfast sponsored by SI Riverside

9:00 AM-4:00 PM - Fall Meeting

Lunch Cost: \$13.00/each

Club Sales Tables will be available for \$15.00/each. Please bring your own tablecloth.

**INSPIRE LIFE SKILLS  
TRAINING**



**THE PROBLEM**

Foster youth who are aging out of the foster care system have higher rates of being undereducated, underemployed and becoming homeless. It is startling that 65% of former foster youth end up homeless and that less than 6% attend college. These teenagers often find themselves instantly on their own with no housing or support from family or community. Without mentoring and motivation, most former foster youth find themselves homeless, pregnant, on drugs or in jail.

These are the sad statistics, but we must remember that every person is important and while Inspire cannot help everyone we can help create dramatic life changes upon the ones we do serve.

## WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH AGED-OUT FOSTER YOUTH

- On any given day more than 500,000 youth are in some form of foster care across the United States.
- 100,000 foster youth live in California
- Nationally, each year an estimated 20,000 of these youth emancipate or "age out" of the foster care system and are discharged into the world, whether or not they are prepared to transition to adulthood.
- 65% of them do so without a place to live and many don't have the skills necessary to live on their own.
- Youth in foster care are 44% less likely to graduate from high school and after emancipation 40% to 50% never complete high school.
- Girls in foster care are 6 times more likely to give birth before the age of 21 than the general population.
- Over 40% of foster youth are moved 3 or more times and 11% are moved 5 times

or more. It takes approximately 4-6 months for a child to recover academically after changing schools.

- 27% of the homeless population spent time in foster care.
- Over 70% of all state penitentiary inmates have spent time in the foster care system.
- Parents with a history of foster care are almost twice as likely as parents with no such history to see their own children placed in foster care or become homeless.
- Without housing, youth are less likely to complete their education, find employment and gain access to health care, all of which jeopardize their ability to make a successful transition to adulthood.

## THE SOLUTION

Inspire believes education is the key to breaking the cycle of abuse and poverty in families.

Currently, less than 6% of former foster youth attend college and only 2% obtain degrees. They are in need of educational and employment guidance as well as life skills training and affordable housing. By providing these services, Inspire seeks to assist these youth in overcoming their past and gain the skills and support needed to choose a positive and rewarding future.

Inspire youth attend college or vocational school full time and work part time while provided with safe and stable housing in a community setting. They are charged a nominal rent per month to help teach self-sufficiency. They receive personal mentoring, professional counseling, life skills training, employment and educational support. One of the keys to Inspire's success is the volunteer one on one mentoring program. The youth are modeled healthy lifestyles and choices and are

given encouragement and accountability to reach their goals.

Education, employment and wrap around services are preventative measures against unplanned pregnancy, incarceration, drug and alcohol addiction and gang prevention. Inspire teaches and models for our youth that they are able to choose a better, more productive life for themselves and break the cycles of abuse and poverty in their families.

Inspire has served over 50 former foster youth since 2005. Of those 50, 93% attended college and 82% gained employment while in the program. Many youth have completed degrees or vocational programs with the assistance of Inspire.

For two years, Soroptimist International of Riverside has supported the Inspire house located on Luther Street in Riverside, by providing the young women in residence with hot meals, treats, gifts, groceries and supplies and anything else that comes to mind.

If you would like to contribute directly to the Luther house, they need everyday items such as cleaning supplies, paper goods (paper towels, toilet paper), personal hygiene items and fresh fruits and vegetables. The residents are very busy with school and work, so please call the Resident Assistant Breana at (303) 501-0312 and she will coordinate with you to make sure someone is home to accept your donation.

Vicki Hightower  
Inspire Project Chair



**SI RIVERSIDE'S HISTORY**



Soroptimist International of Riverside did two projects as part of our Saturday of Service on February 8, 2003.

At the Riverside Rape Crisis Center members put together emergency kits forming an assembly line to pack 50 cellophane bags with soaps and shampoos. Members also put together 100 folders of informational materials. These items, together with sweat suits, will be given to victims of sexual assault when they arrive at the hospital.

The club also held a blood drive at the Riverside Blood Bank. 28 people donated blood in the name of Soroptimist International of Riverside. According to the Blood Bank, this means that our 28 pints of blood will benefit 84 critically ill patients.

We accomplished our Saturday of Service goal of raising media awareness and spreading the word about Soroptimist. The

name Soroptimist International of Riverside was in the local newspaper, on the radio and we handed out 40 goodie bags of Soroptimist promotional materials.

**SOLT Soroptimist Orientation and Leadership Training**



**Leadership Tip: Motivation Matters**

Being able to positively motivate club members is an essential skill to have in your leadership bag. Why is that? Motivation is the energizing factor that keeps club members enthusiastic about working together to accomplish our mission. Additionally, it inspires members to work together, increases engagement and promotes a harmonious and happy club atmosphere.

If motivating members isn't a priority, we can take a cue from the business world as to what happens: work slows, productivity and efficiency decreases and ends up costing the business money. For Soroptimist, that translates to a decrease in our impact and the loss of members. Without motivation, fewer women and girls who face obstacles such as poverty, violence and teen pregnancy have the resources and opportunities to reach their full potential and live their dreams.

Fortunately, members constantly reiterate their commitment to improving the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. We are seeing this though the increases in the number of women receiving Live Your Dream Awards, the number of clubs giving awards and the volunteer hours devoted to Dream It Be It along with the benchmarks set with the launch of the program.

But, we can do so much more to increase our collective impact. Just imagine how many more women and girls we can reach by motivating and inspiring our team of strong and dedicated members! Consider the following tips to hone your motivational abilities to do just that:

**REPEAT, REPEAT, REPEAT:**

Don't underestimate repeating that Soroptimist is empowering women and girls through our Dream Programs. New members come into clubs throughout the year and need to hear this as part of their on-boarding. Seasoned members benefit too by the reminder of where our focus makes the most impact.

**SHOW SOME LOVE:**

Offer a sign of sincere appreciation for members and this doesn't mean a tangible gift. Remember, our members are each offering their time, talent and treasure to make a difference. A thank you, public recognition and/or a handwritten note is often much more valuable than a shiny trinket.

**INNOVATE AND CHALLENGE:**

Encourage brainstorming to make a tried and true fundraiser better or to how to get a Dream It Be It program off the ground. Then give members the support they need to make it happen. By taking ownership, they will sharpen or gain new skills and

be empowered by the responsibility.

### **KNOW YOUR TEAM:**

While we are united by our mission and love of Soroptimist, we are also individuals with different motivators. Get to know club members by having one on one conversations. Incorporate team building exercises into club meetings or simple one question ice breakers before the meeting officially starts. You can tap into each person's strengths and motivators which could be the chance to learn a new skill, the opportunity to expand their network, providing more Live Your Dream Awards than the club has ever done before or even being the member who spearheads the club's first Dream It Be It program.

### **TUG AT THEIR HEART STRINGS:**

It's important to make members feel something. That means tapping into their passions. Showcase the stories of our Live Your Dream Award recipients. They are the perfect examples of women who face challenges and obstacles and somehow are finding the motivation themselves to make a change to improve not only their own life but those of their families.

### **CELEBRATE:**

Do Soroptimists need to be reminded to celebrate? Probably not but it's worth noting to have fun and enjoy every small win that your club achieves. Each milestone helps to build motivation to keep going and aim higher.

### **BE THE MODEL:**

Finally, as the leader, all eyes are on you so it's critical that you lead by example. Communicate what you know, keep promises, be respectful, have a positive attitude and always show kindness. These combined factors

are powerful and will encourage success.

It's true that moving club members to action can be a challenge. But without creating a motivating atmosphere that is open, trusting and fun, membership can drop and ultimately the women and girls who need our help the most suffer.

Take the time to encourage members to exceed their expectations. Our clubs are the way we accomplish great things like providing thousands of women and girls with the tools they need to overcome tremendous obstacles. Under your strong, motivating leadership, our combined energy can accomplish so much more!

Article taken from the  
SIA webpage:  
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### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**



*Lynn Scecina - 21st*  
*Glenda Richards - 28th*  
*Vicki Hightower - 30th*

### **SEPTEMBER CLUB MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES**



**No Anniversaries**

### **MEMBER MOMENTS ON FACEBOOK**



*Louise Borda posted:  
"With Dad."*



*Pam Bradford posted:  
"Grandson Braden's first day of kindergarten. He told me he couldn't take his toys to school anymore because kindergarten was for big kids."*



Jana Cook posted: "Wonderful afternoon on the west coast of Ireland, ending with a fabulous dinner with Jordyn and Brian FitzGibbon. Debbie Ferraro, wish you were here to see how happy and well the kids are doing. We like them so much we aren't leaving, at least until morning."



Susan Exon posted: "Great time with Beethoven and fireworks at the Redlands Bowl."



Debbie Ferraro was tagged in a post by Chelsea Lea Storm-Larsen: "Happy Birthday to our beautiful mom. I don't know

what we did to deserve you but we are truly the luckiest."



Jeanne Hatcher posted: "Having dinner at Duane's at the Mission Inn to celebrate my hubby's birthday."



Vicki Hightower posted: "Boarding our ship for Alaska."



Charlene Hildebrandt was tagged in a post by Krystal

Simioli: "Fun times at Knott's Berry Farm!"



Caroline Leach posted: "My little Sweet Pea granddaughter taking after grandma getting ready for the theater."



Amy McKenzie updated her profile picture.



Annamarie Megrđichian shared a post by Misty La Force: "I don't often say enough how great I think Annamarie Megrđichian is. You are the most selfless, loyal, hardworking and loving people I know. I'm blessed to have learned so much from working with you and being your friend during the past 20+ years. You are the BEST business partner

and one of my best friends.  
Thanks for being you."



Kathy Michalak was tagged in a post by JoAnn Sifuentes in Fort Mill, South Carolina: "Today we celebrated Carmella's 1st birthday. God bless you our sweet mamacita. Love you, Papa D and Grandma!"



Michelle Paradise posted: "On our way to the horse races now at Pacific Beach, San Diego."



Kathleen Parra posted: "San Pedro Ports of Call. Ordered the small platter of shrimp and fish! We came to see where the millions of \$\$\$\$ are going to upgrade areas. Well it's in infancy but should be beautiful when done, a lot like Long Beach near the aquarium. But...lots more fish to eat. Yes, we are people eating tasty mm mm mm good animals. Land or Sea. Peace!"



Janet Payton posted: "Happy 7th Birthday to my grandson. You made the best host at your party today."



Judy Pekarek shared a post.



Linda Robertson posted: Lunch on the patio at ProAbition with

high school pal Andrea Allison and her boyfriend Brian, stopping here on their road trip from Portland, Always a good time with them."



Lynn Scecina posted: "Doesn't get much better than this. Mike went for a good motorcycle ride while I took my rollerblades for a spin. We saw the movie Crazy Rich Asians, which was really sweet, then had dinner with our friends the Kroh's. What a perfect beach day."



Carol Allain Speer was tagged in a photo by Kristina Vensko Shively at the Little Herb House."



*Debi Sullivan posted: "A lovely evening with my sister-in-law Wanda at the Pageant of the Masters."*



*Lisa Williams posted: "Sharing our birthdays."*



*Susan Wolf shared a post: "Thank you for allowing me to assist in selling your beautiful home."*

## OTHER MEMBER MOMENTS



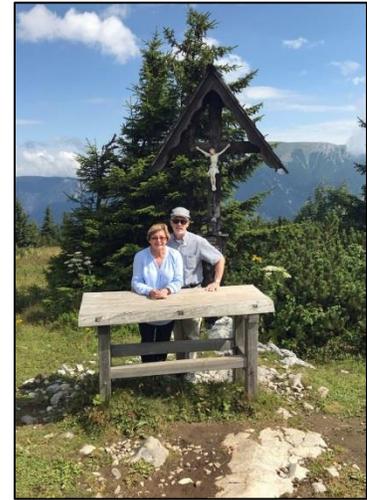
*Annamarie Megrđichian's beloved father, John, died peacefully in his sleep on August 29th. Members of SI Riverside send our healing prayers and comforting hugs to Annamarie at this most difficult time.*



*Ellen Clizbe was at an educational conference in Chicago.*



*Karin Roberts and her husband David escaped the heat wave in Vienna by hiking in the Alps. Karin also sent two photos from their trip to Bangkok.*



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Soroptimist and to  
The ideals for which  
it stands:  
The Sincerity of Friendship,  
The Joy of Achievement,  
The Dignity of Service,  
The Integrity of Profession,  
The Love of Country.  
I will put forth my greatest  
effort to promote, uphold,  
and defend these ideals, for a  
larger fellowship  
in home, in society,  
in business, for country  
and for God.

**RIVERSIDELINES**



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**REMARKABLE WOMEN  
BORN IN SEPTEMBER**



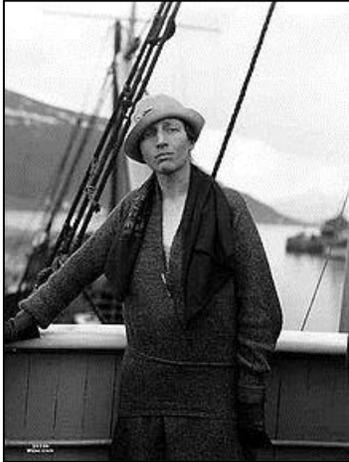
*September 1, 1849  
Elizabeth Harrison  
Educator*



*September 2, 1820  
Lucretia Peabody Hale  
Author and Journalist*



*September 3, 1914  
Dixy Lee Ray  
Marine Biologist and  
Environmentalist*



*September 16, 1887  
Louise Boyd  
Arctic Explorer*



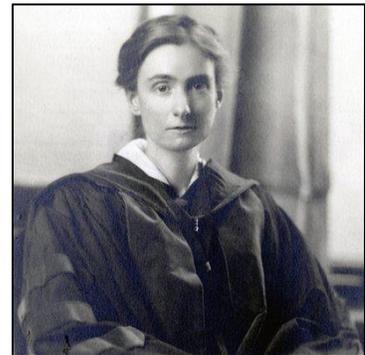
*September 24, 1916  
Ruth Amonette  
First Female Vice President  
of IBM*



*September 7, 1860  
Anna Moses (Grandma Moses)  
American Folk Artist*



*September 19, 1883  
Mabel Vernon  
Pacifist and Suffragist*



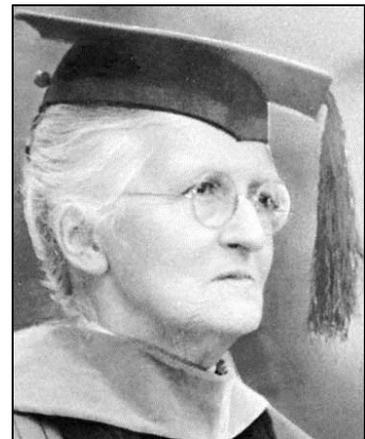
*September 26, 1876  
Edith Abbott  
Economist and Social Worker*



*September 11, 1847  
Mary Watson Whitney  
Astronomer*



*September 22, 1904  
Ellen Church  
First Female Flight Attendant*



*September 29, 1848  
Caroline Yale  
Educator of the Deaf*