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## SI Chico E-Blast -October Business Meeting

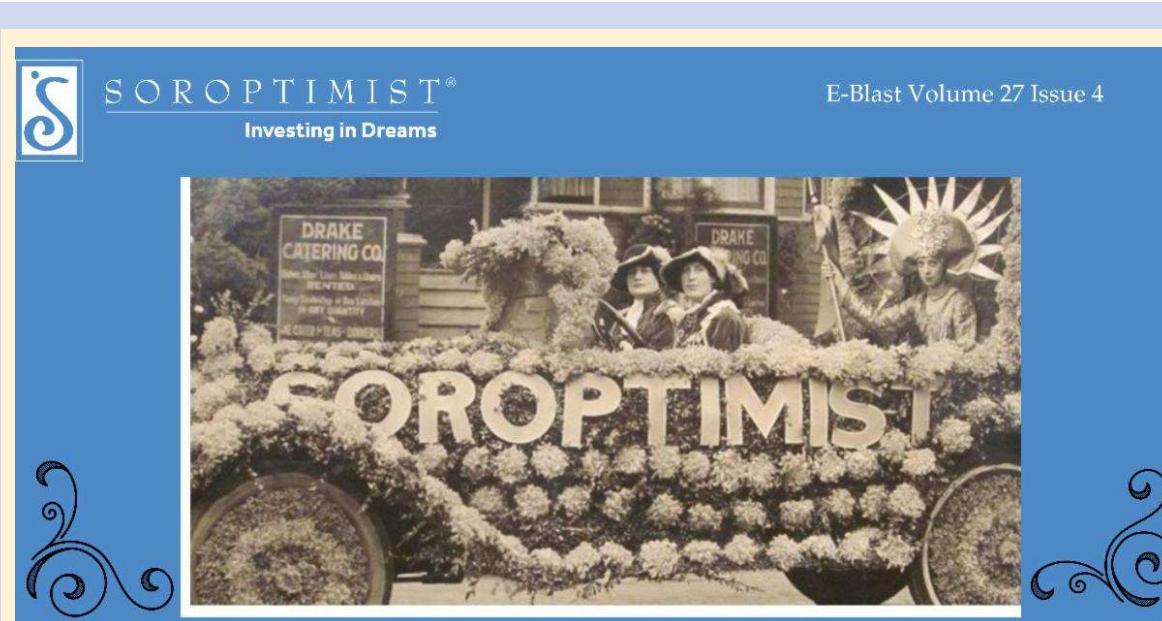
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On October 3<sup>rd</sup>, **Soroptimist International** celebrates Founders Day, the day in 1921 when a group of committed female pioneers in Oakland, CA, gathered to form an organization committed to improving the lives of women and girls. Then-President Violet Richardson inspired the group with this hope: "Let us continue the work together and with others, toward the development of a better womanhood, a better manhood, and a better citizenship." Happy 103rd Birthday to US!

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## Upcoming Meetings

Wednesdays at Noon

10/2/24 **Business Meeting**

[October Business Meeting Agenda](#)

[September Business Meeting Minutes](#)

\*Financials in Members Only Website area

10/9/24 **Bring a Friend to Lunch Program**

10/16/24 **Cyber Security Program**

Last week of the month: committee meetings

**Canyon Oaks Country Club** (unless otherwise noted)

[999 Yosemite Drive, Chico, CA](#)



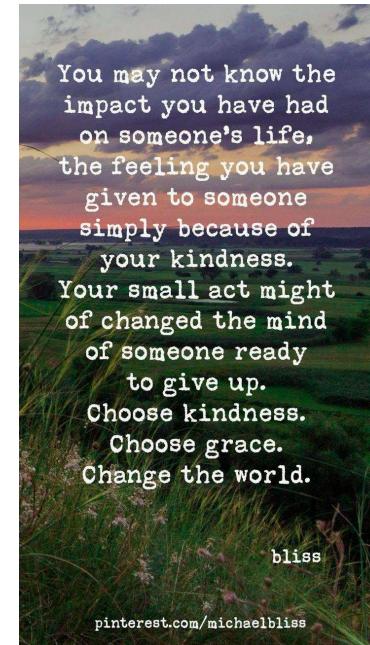
## *Message from President Theresa Draper*

Happy Fall Y'all! We are focused on building our membership and community presence this Fall. The Board in conjunction with Fundraising and Membership have secured some terrific opportunities for us to introduce Soroptimist of Chico and also talk about our Golf Tournament. I hope many of you will step up and sign up to help by committing to a couple of volunteer hours at the following events:

10/9 - Hodges Family Nursery Fall Festival - 9681 Midway, Durham

11/2, 11/16, 12/7 and 12/21  
Chico Certified Farms Market -  
Downtown Chico

We will have a Sign-Up Genius with the exact hours, going out this week with the event details and time slots. With so many dates, there's opportunity for everyone to participate. Please help us spread the word about the great works our Club has done and continues to do for our community! Thank you!



[Click Here to View and Subscribe to our SI Chico Club Calendar](#)

#### \*Retreat Announcement\*

The Events Committee is sorry to have to announce that we will not be having our retreat as planned this year. It was a difficult decision but there were not enough registrations to fund the event. If you have already paid and would like a refund, the process will be announced at club.

Another option is to make your payment a donation to the club.  
Contact [Nancy Hanson](#) or [Sue Ligon](#) with questions.



## Bring a Friend to Lunch Program!

On Wednesday, **October 9**, our program will be focused on inviting and orienting potential new members to see what we are all about. We will hear about our President's Project and club mission, service and more.

Download the graphic to the left to email an invite to friends and neighbors and post on social media. Please text 530-518-4934 or email [Kathy](#) to rsvp in advance for your guests. Thank-you!!

## 2024 Sierra Nevada District 1 Meeting!

"You GROW Girl" Hosted by SI Bidwell Rancho in Chico October 26, 9:30-2:00, Hotel Diamond, \$45 including lunch

Friday Night Social Event: October 25, 5:00  
Meet at the Chico Museum for a special tour followed by no host dinner with fellow Soroptimist at Madison Bear Garden  
[Click here for information and registration](#)



Please print out and complete the survey below. You can bring the completed survey and give it to President Elect Jami or mail it if you want to keep it anonymous:  
SI Chico



Click on the link below to read our newly revised and improved SI Chico Handbook. The Admin Committee has been hard at work making these changes for some time and hooray...it's complete! There is a ton of



We are looking for a member who is interested in continuing to track our club's activities for the sake of posterity. If you like this idea, the Comm Comm group would love to chat with you more about what this would entail. It's an easy job,

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[SI Chico Member Survey](#)

great info to learn and history  
about our club too.

[SI Chico Handbook](#)

done from home and so important  
to our club now and in the future.  
A great way to make a contribution  
to SI Chico.  
Contact [Bonnie](#) or [Laura](#)



## Club Roster Updates!

We are working on a new version of our club roster. It looks terrific and will be very user friendly. Many of us have not updated our photos in some time. If you have a photo or headshot you would like us to use, please send it to [Gail Nottingham](#) (click her name for direct link to email!). We will also be offering to take new photos at club.

### Raffle Basket Ideas

Each committee should create a raffle basket for the Golf Tournament. Here are some ideas: Pet basket, Spa Package, Foodie Fest, Gift Card Fun, Charcuterie Essentials, Night Out, Cocktail Mixing Set, Men's or Women's Golf, Family Night Out, BBQ, Gardening, Camping, Beach Day, Farmers Market, Beer Lover or come up with your own!

Baskets should include unique items and be put together in an appealing and fun way to be most sought after. Thanks!!

Golf Tournament  
Gift Basket Ideas!



### Live Your Dream Portal Open til 11/15

The Live Your Dream signature program is a unique education award for women who provide the primary financial support for their families. These awards give them support to improve their education and employment prospects. We are looking for applicants! If you know of anyone or can help get the word out, contact our coordinator, [Shari Hopper](#)



## It's Bling Time-Winter Wonderland Fundraiser

Please join Soroptimist of the American River for their fundraiser on November 6 at the Gold Country Fairgrounds. [Billie Araiza](#) is interested in getting a group together to attend so reach out to her if you would like to attend or want more information.

You can also check out their website:

[Soroptimist of the American River](#)



## Welcome Jill Fountain!

We are so pleased to welcome Jill Fountain to our membership.

Gayle Aylward is her sponsor and Jill will serve on the Fundraising Committee this year. Introduce yourself and read her bio below:

[Jill Fountain Bio](#)



## E-Blast News!

Where in **Chico** is this photo of E-Blast Editor Bonnie?? It's a monthly guessing game! Email me if you have a guess and if you're right, I'll put your name in a drawing to win a terrific prize.

The winner from last month is: [Sara Beacham](#) with a correct guess of Ramble West Brewery!

E-blasts will be published the first **three** weeks of each month and come to your inbox on Tuesdays. Email submissions to: [Bonnie](#) by 5 pm the Sunday prior.

Did you know we now have a phone number for SI Chico? It's 530-433-9532!



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