



## The C-Side Report

Monthly Newsletter for Soroptimist International of Oceanside/Carlsbad

March 2011

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### Thought for the Month

A woman is like a tea bag: You never know how strong she is until she gets into hot water.

*Eleanor Roosevelt*

### Did You Know?

**SIA.** The **Violet Richardson Award** program was launched in 2000 as a way to recognize girls for volunteer service to their communities. The program honors young women between the ages of 14 and 17 whose volunteer efforts include: helping other disadvantaged girls; fighting drugs, crime and violence; cleaning up the environment; and working to end discrimination and poverty. The program is named after **Violet Richardson Ward**, the first president of the first Soroptimist club. Richardson Ward was committed to creating opportunities for girls and young women through her affiliations with Soroptimist, the Girl Scout Council and the American Association of University Women. Her passion for volunteer service, particularly as it affected women and girls, has been an inspiration to Soroptimists throughout the years. Participating Soroptimist clubs implement the program at the local level, where awards vary. Club-level recipients then become eligible for a \$1,000 cash award, with a matching \$1,000 cash award for the charitable organization of the recipient's choosing. The Soroptimist organization grants one finalist \$2,500 award to the recipient's volunteer organization.

**SIOC.** Our club's **Violet Richardson Award** will be presented on March 25. Details follow on page two!

### Personal Project Datebook

4/6, 4/20



Soroptimist Stop and Shop at Ellen Stotmeister's house, 225 Borrego Court, Oceanside 92057, as Ellen and Marijane Relth open the doors on a personal project that will showcase Private Quarters/Jockey Person 2 Person clothing. 5-8 p.m. \$5 admission. Hors d'oeuvres and wine!

5/20



Five-star river camping with Chris and Adele. Luxury camp accommodations, wine, laughter, Jacuzzi, fun. \$40. Contact Chris or Adele to sign up.

### All the Club News

**Club calendar:** For all our dates, events, happenings, go to our [web-site](#) calendar! Thank you Diane Scholfield for being our webmistress, lo these many years.

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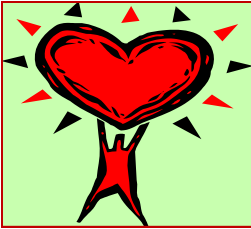


**Spring Madness!  
SALAD LUNCHEON  
MARCH 10**

**Bring your salads to the  
Oceanside Beach Community Center  
that morning.**

## All The Club News (continued)

**Violet Richardson Award.** Our club received 7 applications this year for the Violet Richardson Award, which rewards young women in community service. Kelsey Brower was the stand-out this year. She is a senior at Vista High School and her service project was with the San Diego Friendship Circle, a nonprofit that addresses the challenges facing families of children with special needs in a novel and innovative way. Kelsey developed a series of ballet classes that she taught to a group of very special young special needs women. We'll hear more about Kelsey and her project at the 3/25 meeting, where we will present her with a \$1,000 scholarship and \$500 for the charity of her choice.



**Leadership Reception.** If you RSVP'ed for our leadership reception, just remember not to bring anything (unless you're a board/membership committee member and have been asked to bring a bottle of wine) but your heart for service!

**Elections.** We'll have a slate of officers this month, and by 4/1 we'll know who our new servant-leaders are going to be. Service begins in July at the beginning of the new Soroptimist year. Formal installation takes place in August. If you

want to volunteer to be on the Board, contact Lori Somers, Kathie Chan or Michelle Davis, who comprise this year's nominating committee. Officer duties are described in the club by-laws, which can be found on the SIOC website.

**Board Meeting.** This month's board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 9, 8 a.m. at CoCo's on Melrose in Vista. All members are invited to attend the board meetings, which take place on the second Wednesday of each month.

**Mentors needed!** If you'd like to serve the club in the capacity of mentor, please contact Viki. We could use at least six or seven more. Our M & M program is an important key to retaining new members. Mentors orient new members and help them feel part of the club.

**Upcoming Programs:** 3/18, Business Meeting (INDUCT NEW MEMBERS!); 3/25, Violet Richardson Award; 4/1, Business meeting AND CLUB ELECTIONS.



She brings her heart for service to her laptop — this is Chari at last month's board meeting

## Member News

**Great news from Marilu:** I am pleased to announce that my daughter Melissa finished her chemo in December and will be taking tamoxipine for the next five years. She is coming home with her husband the second week of March to celebrate her 30<sup>th</sup> birthday and first wedding anniversary with friends and family who have been supportive through this ordeal.

**Soroptimist Sisters Gone Wild.** Hawaii, here they come! Make room for Dottie Pecheck, Anne Speraw and Colleen O'Harra as they fly off to Kauai, where Anne says they will relax and get some sun, play Mexican train, sightsee and drink wine. The trip was an auction item won at "Applause for a Cause."



See the attachment at the end of this newsletter to find opportunities for service outside of Soroptimists.

**At left,** from left, Karen Hoffman, Tam Hackman, Linda Birnie and Sally Hickock attend the North Coast Church women's tea to support Tam's work in that fellowship.

## Outside Opportunities



THANK YOU  
CAROLYN WOLF  
AND COMMITTEE

for all your hard work  
on salad luncheon  
this year!

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**W**inter be gone, spring is springing anew. As the days get longer, I hear the birds singing and see the flowers and plants blooming around me. I LOVE this time of year, it is a time of cleansing, fresh starts, new beginnings, brighter days and amazing sunsets. I am not much of a creative writer, and sometimes I have a difficult time thinking of an appropriate President's Message. This is one of those months. I can only say THANK YOU to each of you for the cleansing, fresh starts, new beginnings, brighter days and amazing Soroptimists that you all are! Your service to our club and our community is AMAZING.

*President Adele McIntosh*  
*Set Sail For Success*

**Adele's Tech Tip of the Month:** Don't forget to upload your SIOC photos to our new photo sharing website [www.Flickr.com/SIOceansideCarlsbad](http://www.Flickr.com/SIOceansideCarlsbad). This way we can ALL share in the memories!



**Our meetings take place at El Camino Country Club, 3202 Vista Way, Oceanside 92056, every Friday at noon *except the second Friday of each month, and the fifth Friday whenever there is one.***

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### SIOC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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### Soroptimist Mission

To improve the lives of women and girls,  
in local communities and throughout the world

*Looking forward to seeing you at . . .  
our  
31st annual  
Salad Luncheon!*

**Non-SIOC Announcements:**  
**\*announcement in blue are NEW!**

| SIOC Member          | Announcements/Details:   |
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| <b>Adele</b>         | 3/11 <b>SI Vista</b> Award Gala 6:00pm Shadowridge CC \$35<br><br><a href="http://www.soroptimistvista.org">www.soroptimistvista.org</a>   |
| <b>Anne S</b>        | 3/19– 11:30-1:30 <b>Vista Comm Clinic</b> Outback fundraiser \$20  |
| <b>Edith</b>         | 3/20 <b>North County African American Women's Association</b> Scholarship Fundraiser at Chili's Restaurant, O'side 15% of total check will be donated to NCAAWA. Present flyer or mention organization's name to waitress.   |
| <b>Caryn</b>         | 3/24 – <b>Business Women's Mega Mixer</b> . Save the date, SIOC will have table top. Opportunity to promote SIOC and network with 400+ SD women about your business too! <a href="http://businesswomensmegamixer.com">http://businesswomensmegamixer.com</a>   |
| <b>Tonia Johnson</b> | 3/26 & 3/27- <b>Fight Against Hunger Food Packing Event</b> . Join Friends and Family Connection to package meals that will feed the hungry in Haiti, Tanzania and here in San Diego County. Located at the Church at Rancho Bernardo. Register: <a href="http://i-volunteeronline.com/ffccsd.asp">http://i-volunteeronline.com/ffccsd.asp</a> . |
| <b>Kathie Chan</b>   | <b>5/1- Third annual North County Walk Away from Violence, Mira Costa College, 8 a.m., our club to form a walking team soon!</b>   |
| <b>Kathie Chan</b>   | <b>4/14- SI Vista Salad Luncheon, tickets available! \$10.</b>   |