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SI Bellflower's Newsletter

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President's Message

So in last month's newsletter I said that it was summer time and Bellflower Soroptimists were winding down for the summer. Boy, was I ever wrong!

While we aren't having our normal club meetings, members are busy working on creating what will sure to be the most fabulous fashion show we have held. Invitations are done and mailed. RSVP's are already coming in (could it be the new "Early Bird" drawing we are having??) We (by we, I mean for the most part, Nancy) are asking corporations for donations and have already received some pretty great donations. And as for vendors, unless we get additional space from the hotel, our vendor space is almost filled up already!

We've had a really fun installation of officers at the end of June that was followed by an even funner brunch, hosted by Gina, AKA as the hostess with the mostess. Great decorations, great food and a great bunch of women!

We are also getting ready for our fun August fund raiser – making cards, with a renowned artist giving us a quick lesson, guidance and all supplies. We are looking forward to letting our creativity loose.

We will be taking a newsletter break for the month of August so, look for your next newsletter in September.

Have a fun, safe summer. Enjoy those vacations I'm hearing about!

President Sue



Soroptimist is a global women's organization whose members volunteer to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.

Join the Bellflower Soroptimist club and help make a difference to so many!

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IN THE NEWS ... Bellflower Soroptimists

Bellflower Soroptimists enjoyed a fun brunch



Beautiful table settings at the brunch



Fun party favors. Bingo was an option, but we were so busy talking we never got around to playing any games!



Club members who were at brunch. Look at the amazing bread! Fun and it was delicious!



Upcoming Soroptimist Events and Meeting Dates

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| August 12 | Card Making Fund Raiser |
| September 4 | NO club meeting – Labor Day |
| September 11 | Club Business Meeting |

IN THE NEWS...

Bellflower Soroptimist Fashion Show is coming to town!

Invitations have been mailed...RSVP's are coming in. Spread the word.

Let's make this one the "best one yet"



*Soroptimist International
of Bellflower
presents*

A Fabulous Fashion Fling

*November 4, 2017
@ the Long Beach Marriott*

**Get your tickets before they sell out!
Ticket price \$65.00**

***Entertainment, Boutiques and Vendors;
Silent Auction, Raffle Baskets,
Luncheon and Fashion Show***

*Doors open @ 10:30 a.m.
Luncheon and Fashion Show begin @ 12:30 p.m.*

*For more information or to get your tickets,
contact Sue @ SoroptimistSue@helds.us or (562)413-0263*

IN THE NEWS ...

...Member's Corner and Fun Facts

Soroptimist Member's Summer Birthdays



- July 17 Robin Ordoqui
- July 30 Veronica Yates
- August 5 Mary Ann Wotring
- August 8 Deana Porter
- August 13 Cindy Van Meeveren
- August 29 Brenda Robles

July Fun Facts

July received its name in order to honor the Roman dictator Julius Caesar (100 B.C.–44 B.C.).

July's birth flowers are the larkspur and water lily. The larkspur, especially white forms, generally indicates lightheartedness; pink, fickleness; purple, first love. The water lily symbolizes purity of heart.

The July birthstone is the ruby, which is believed to protect its wearer from evil.

Only two people actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4: John Hancock and Charles Thomson, secretary of Congress. Most of the others signed on August 2.

Not everyone was on board with celebrating on July 4, the day Congress approved the Declaration. John Adams wanted to celebrate on July 2, the day Congress voted for independence.

July 4 wasn't deemed a federal holiday until 1870, nearly 100 years after the nation was founded.

Americans consume around 155 million hot dogs on the Fourth of July each year. They also spend \$92 million on chips, \$167.5 million on watermelon, and \$341.4 million on beer.

Club Meeting Times & Locations

No formal meetings in July or August

Business Meetings

1st Monday of each month
12 Noon

Program Meetings

2nd Monday of each month
12 Noon

Location:

First Missionary Baptist Church
9246 Rosser St.
Bellflower, CA

Monthly evening & Saturday dinner meetings according to members' schedules

Interested in finding out more about us and how you can be a part of making a difference in the lives of women and girls?

Be our guest at a meeting or one of our social events.

Call or e mail Susan @ 562-862-8669 or Soroptimistsue@helds.us

For more information about the Bellflower Soroptimist Club, be sure to check out our website:

<http://www.soroptimistbellflower.org/>

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