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July 15, 1975

*Jane - This is the letter that went to everyone. There are about forty names. I'll give you a call and I'll give you a response regarding refreshments as well as an "agenda" of some part.*

Mrs. Jane M. Tolmach

Oxnard, CA 93030

Dear Jane:

Over a year ago an organization called the California Elected Women's Association for Education and Research (CEWAER) was created providing a forum for elected women throughout the State. Many women holding various elected offices from school boards, city councils, city clerks, assemblywomen, judges and special districts met to establish better communication, share mutual problems and their solutions, establish a resource talent bank and heighten the credibility and political impact of women.

At the first meeting of CEWAER, I was introduced to the concept of having an "intern" (who is a student of political science at Moorpark College) assist me for college credit. I am now gratified to see that several other cities (at the instigation of their councilwomen) are also taking advantage of this opportunity.

During the last annual meeting in May, guest speakers included Judge Joan Dempsey Klein, Assemblywoman Leona Eglund and Carlotta Mellon from Governor Brown's staff. Workshops were held in such subjects as collective bargaining and citizen participation in the community. Those of us who attended from Ventura County (Delores Day, Jane Tolmach, Eleanor Crouch, Shirley Najemnik, Ginger Gherardi) found that not only was the conference stimulating and profitable, but that an ongoing communication with the elected women of our own county would be of further benefit to address local concerns and to share ideas.

I would like to invite you to attend the first meeting of the elected women in Ventura County on Saturday, August 9, 1975 at the home of Councilwoman Jane Tolmach, 656 Douglas Avenue, Oxnard, at 10:00 A.M. Please phone Lee Lumbert (my intern), 527-9795 to confirm your attendance.

I look forward to seeing you at Jane's house.

Sincerely,

*Ginger*  
Ginger Gherardi  
Councilwoman

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