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NEWS-BLAST**

Soroptimist Golden West Region – 2020/2022 Board of Directors



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Putting our house back in order!

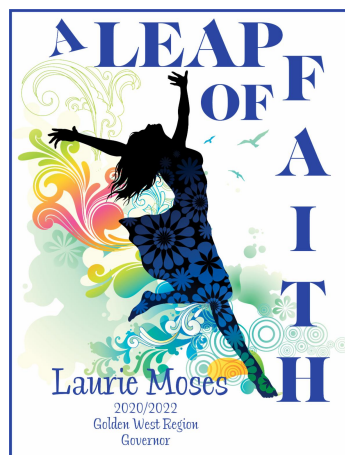
Spring Conference 2021 was a glorious ending to a long and challenging but productive year. It gave a whole new meaning to the phrases "learn as you go", "fake it til you make it" and "herding cats". It was also an amazing opportunity to look for new and exciting ways to do things going forward. Some more meaningful and cost effective, some...not so much.

So many members put so much time and energy into bringing you this conference and the member survey reflects just how gracious and grateful that you all were. I would personally like to thank all the workshop hosts and presenters and our Program and "Live Your Dream" Committees for making our conference such a huge success. And I especially want to thank our Spring Conference committee who went above and beyond. We can't wait to see what they have in store for us at our **All Districts Fall Meeting and 100-Year Celebration!**

I would also like to thank all the members who helped to fund of our "Live Your Dream" Awards by supporting the "Sweet Dreams" Auction on Rally-up, and our "Dream Maker" pins and jars. Through your generosity we were able to raise \$12,000 for next year's LYDA Recipients.

In case you missed anything or would like to review a specific event, the presentations are already available on the GWR website. Recordings of each session are still currently being uploaded (It takes a while to upload and edit).

We will continue these Enews-blasts throughout the summer to keep you abreast of what is going on and help you get ready for the new club year. I hope everyone enjoys some much needed rest and relaxation this summer and can't wait to see you at our virtual Leadership Training in August AND our 1st "in-person" event at our ALL Districts Fall Meeting in Arizona this October.



Take care and stay safe,

Governor Laurie

SIA Wants to Hear From You!

As we celebrate our 100th anniversary and bright past, we are also preparing for our brilliant future. And no doubt we will DREAM BIG for what our future holds! Here's your opportunity to share your own personal message. Your video may be used on social media and in other promotional materials as we celebrate our 100th anniversary!

Submit a 60-second video in your own language sharing your thoughts on one of the following:

- **What does it mean to you for Soroptimist to reach its next Big Goal of investing in the dreams of half a million women and girls?**
- **As we look to the next 100 years, what are your dreams for the next generation of Soroptimists?**
- **What is your dream for the future of your Soroptimist club?**

Share a story of a *Live Your Dream Awards* winner or *Dream It, Be It* participant that has impacted you personally.

For Your Video Message

Be sure to start your answer by restating the question in your response so we know what question you're answering! If using a cell phone, hold phone horizontally to shoot video. Save video file as an MP4. Submit video here: <https://bit.ly/Dream-Big-Video-Submission>.

So, what's next?

- **"Live Your Dream" Club Portal opens August 1st!**
- **Leadership Training - "Virtual" - August 6 & 7th**- Are you ready to go on Safari?**It's gonna be WILD!** Watch for your CALL to Register all past, present and future leaders.
- **SIAs "Virtual 100-Year Anniversary Celebration" - September 25th & 26th**- Be sure to register NOW for those discounted rates. Scroll down for links and more information.
- **Soroptimist Celebrating Success** - submissions are due no later than **September 30th**, but please submit those NOW while the details of your programs, fundraisers, social media campaigns and membership campaigns are still fresh in your memory.
- **Soroptimist International's "100-Year Celebration" - October 1-3, 2021** - a 3-day virtual extravaganza. Register before June 14th to receive the "Early Bird" discount of only \$40 to register. Scroll down for links and more information.
- And the one we've all been waiting for - **The 2021 ALL Districts FALL MEETING and 100-Year Celebration "Bright Past, Brilliant Future" - October 8 & 9** Fort McDowell, Arizona. We are doing things a little differently this year by combining all the Fall meetings into one so that we may celebrate our 100 years of Soroptimist Service together. Friday night will be the "Pennies from Heaven" Gala and Fundraiser, Saturday morning we will break out into our districts for information and awards to be given out by District Directors, AND Saturday Night we will have a wonderful "Roaring 20's" Party to celebrate 100 years of awesome!

October 8th & 9th, 2021 ~ Watch for CALL July 14th



Hosted by : Sorooptimist Golden West Region

All Districts Fall Meeting
At "We-Ko-Pa Resort" in Fort McDowell, AZ.
Friday Night - "Pennies from Heaven" Fundraiser
Saturday Morning - District Breakouts
Saturday Night - "Roaring 20's" Party

Mark Your Calendars!

COMING UP NEXT! Wednesday, JUNE 9TH at 6:30 PM (CA & AZ time) for our
"Come As You Are" Region ZOOM meeting. All members are welcome.

We will be DRAWING our **Laurel Society Board** to win a Laurel Society Pin!

ALSO - we'll have some other fun games and prizes. Hope you can attend!

"Come As You Are" meetings take place on the **2nd Wednesday of each month**, so grab your
"favorite" beverage and join us! **Links** to meetings will be listed on the region website:

www.goldenwestregion.org

SOROPTIMISTS CELEBRATING 100 YEARS!

SI Riverside had the brilliant idea to create a written history of all their
accomplishments to celebrate Sorooptimist 100 years. Please click on the
document below to read their entire history.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF RIVERSIDE

SERVICE PROJECTS, AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS, HIGHLIGHTS AND MILESTONES SINCE 1948

ANNUAL PROJECTS, AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FUNDRAISERS

ANNUAL SERVICE PROJECTS

Live Your Dream: Dream It, Be It Conference
Arlington Temporary Assistance Backpacks
"Mentoring for Young Women" International
Exchange Program
Habitat for Humanity Washer & Dryer Donation for
a Single Mother Moving into a Habitat Home
Transitional Living Program

ANNUAL AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Live Your Dream Education & Training
Awards for Women
Gold Key Award
Student Volunteer Award
Dream It, Be It Scholarship
Raincross Service Award

ANNUAL FUNDRAISERS

Valentine Dessert Auction & Battle of the Bakers
California Pizza Kitchen and Nothing Bundt
Cakes Fundraiser
Virtual Fundraiser during Covid Pandemic
Scrip Gift Cards Fundraising Program
Personal Projects by Club Members



BRIGHT PAST
BRILLIANT FUTURE

HIGHLIGHTS AND MILESTONES SINCE 1948

1948: SI Riverside is chartered in the Music Room at the Mission Inn on April 10, 1948.

1955: Club members deliver Civil Defense information packets to Riverside homes.

1955: \$100 scholarship given to a nursing student to help defer education costs.

1955: Materials cabinet donated to the Braille Auxiliary Institute.

1956: Club members plant a tree at the California School for the Deaf.

1956: Hosts a member from the Soroptimist Club in Edinburgh, Scotland.

1959: Playground equipment donated to Mathews Cottage.

1960: \$200 scholarship given to a woman attending college to defer her education costs.

1972: Establishes the Riverside Area Rape Crisis Center with SI Riverside members serving on the board of directors.

1972: First Gold Key Award given to a woman with 20 years volunteer service to local community.

1972: First Live Your Dream Education & Training Award (Called the Training Awards Program in 1972) given to a woman head of household who provides the primary source of financial support for her family so she can have the opportunity to achieve her career goals.

1973: SI Riverside, Altrusa and Zonta clubs collectively hold a drawing for a new car to raise funds to build a therapy pool.

A Special Invitation from SIA

Join us **September 25 and 26, 2021**...For our SIA virtual 100th anniversary celebration!!! ([Click HERE for your special Invitation](#))

The party will include the following highlights:

- Opening SIA's historic time capsule
- Exhibit of our early years
- Interactive game show with prizes
- Launch of new SIA video
- Engaging speakers

Stay tuned for more details! And check out our Celebration in a Box for more ways to celebrate our [#Soroptimist100](#)



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REGISTER NOW!
Soroptimist International
100 year Celebration!

Here is a stellar opportunity to register to attend our International Birthday Celebration this coming October for only **\$40 for early registration** through June 14th. It's an opportunity **NOT TO BE MISSED**. Click on the link and read through the information at the top of the page regarding the program, schedule, FAQs, etc.

<https://100.soroptimistinternational.org/si100>



2021 "Dream Maker" PINS
are still available while supplies last!

Golden West Region's Annual Fundraising Campaign! Every penny of your \$100 donation goes directly to cash awards for our region "Live Your Dream" Award finalists. PLUS, one of these beautiful pins will be mailed to you!

Go to the **"Storefront"** and get yours now!

A Few of our Dream Maker Donors were left off the roll call at our Spring Conference and we wanted to correct that.

Thank you Dream Makers!

2021 Dream Makers

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| Paula Adkins | LaDonna Jempson | Theresa Teel | Judy Rodgers |
| Penny Babb | Petey Keavy | Ardith Turner | Beverly Stephens |
| Pat Box | Laurie Moses | Leigh Wales | Geri Rasmussen |
| Margie Burke | Carole Mandino | Susan Haynes | Vanessa Liesen |
| Candace Conte | Mandy Mann | Linda Miller | Kathy Molzen |
| Debbie Miller | Darlene Miller | Pat Polson | Koena Tapscott |
| Samantha Dewing | Laura Pauli | Suellen Stewart | Nancy Bellomy |
| Sandy Ferguson | Laura Pontel | Dianne Haydon- | Trish Haslam |
| Patricia Gallaty-Fisler | Sheri Reece | Ekstrom | Candy Adragna |
| Liz Glowka | Linda Robertson | Veronica Mascarello | |
| Tara Jackson | Henrietta Speedie | Stephanie Dopp | |

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