

Founder Region Conference

Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa, Honolulu, Hawai'i

Dream, BIG

For Women and Girls

April 29 - May 1, 2022

Host Clubs:

Soroptimist International of Central Oahu

Soroptimist International of Honolulu

Soroptimist International of Maui

Soroptimist International of Waikiki Foundation, Inc.

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Welcome to 2022 Conference

Kris Chorbi, 2020-2022 Governor

Dear members and friends, a warm “Welcome!” “Hallo”, “Hola”, “Aloha!”, “Hafa Adai!” & “Alii!”

On behalf of your 2020-2022 Founder Region Leadership team and Host Clubs, I welcome you to the 46th Annual Founder Region Conference. After two years of virtual conferences and countless Zoom meetings, I am beyond thrilled to welcome you in-person to the beautiful state of Hawaii to celebrate our accomplishments! We have faced many obstacles over the past few years, but Soroptimists are resilient and we will continue to deliver life-changing programs that make a difference in so many lives.

The theme of this year’s conference is **“Dream BIG for Women and Girls!”** which is at the core of our mission. The pandemic has affected women and girls disproportionately so we must continue to uplift those who need it most. I look forward to celebrating our award winners, on both Friday night and Sunday morning, who are striving to make a difference in the world and live their best life.

I am pleased to welcome our newest club, Soroptimist International of North Oahu, into our international organization. Join me in sharing with our new members the Sincerity of Friendship, the Joy of Achievement, and the Dignity of Service. I believe our region will continue to grow, thrive, and strive to dream big for women and girls in the next century and beyond. We should put forth our greatest effort to Promote, Uphold and Defend the Soroptimist ideals so all women and girls can reach their full potential and live their dreams.

I look forward to sharing this weekend with members from around the far-reaching boundaries of Founder Region and celebrate the end of a biennium like no other. Thank you for attending, thank you for your commitment to Soroptimist, and thank you for your never ending support during the 2020-2022 biennium.

In Soroptimist Friendship,
Governor Kris

*Dream **BIG** for the future!*



Vicki Ham, 2020-2022 Governor-elect

Aloha Founder Region Members and Guests! Welcome back! And a warm welcome to the 2022 Founder Region Conference in Honolulu. It has been a long wait to gather in-person, but our 2022 Conference will be fabulous! I am anxious to see friends again and be able to give the hugs we Soroptimists love to give. Although it has been wonderful to at least see members via Zoom, being able to sit next to one another and talk is something we have been missing during this pandemic. Through these past two years, I am so proud of how clubs have continued to meet on-line and occasionally in-person and to fundraise and give awards at an amazing rate; we are all incredible Soroptimists!

I have said before, let us not forget the women and girls we are here to help. Imagine their lives of economic hardships, compounded by the uncertainty in their children’s classrooms, while continuing their own studies, often online. Domestic violence, isolation and low self-confidence continue to be a major part of some of these women’s lives. Our Live Your Dream awardees are given a boost to aid in overcoming many of these obstacles. Our Violet Richardson awardees are making a difference in their communities and looking toward a bright future. We must continue our mission to support the women and girls who need us the most. With our help, these women and girls can be the dream.

Your Founder Region Board and the 2022 Conference Committee have spent countless hours to make this weekend a special event for all. Please take the time to say “Thank You” to these members and let them know how much you appreciate their time and commitment. Enjoy the fellowship, enjoy the sun and sand, and most of all, enjoy our 2022 Conference with enthusiasm Soroptimists are known to have. **“Dream BIG for Women and Girls!”**

Warmest Mahalo,
Governor-elect Vicki



“Behind every successful woman is a tribe of other successful women who have her back.” ~ Unknown

Forty-sixth Annual Conference

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Conference Coordinator

Lyn Lurbe
SI/Central Oahu



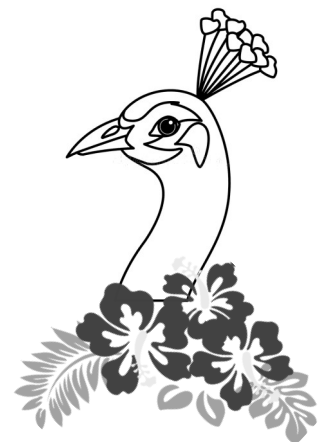
Conference Committee

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Floor Committee Chair	Lisa Broulik, SI/Honolulu
Trade Fair Chair	Judy Lee, SI/Waikiki Foundation, Inc.
Nominating Committee/Elections	Amelia Benko, SI/The Tri-Valley
Audio/Visual Chair	Kris Wiley, SI/Novato
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Governor-elect's Steward	Cindy Rasmussen, SI/Waikiki Foundation, Inc.
Fellowship President's Steward	Susan Lau, SI/Central Oahu
SIA Official Visitor's Steward	Susan Lau, SI/Central Oahu

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*Dream **BIG** for the future!*



"And one day she discovered that she was fierce, and strong, and full of fire, and that not even she could hold herself back because her passion burned brighter than her fears." ~Mark Anthony

Fellowship Board



President Cheryl Poncini

Treasurer Teresa Karlson

District I Fellowship Director Billie Knight

District II Fellowship Director Dana Holve

District III Fellowship Director Fawn Williams

District IV Fellowship Director Crystal Arbuthnot

District V Fellowship Director Denise Ridge



Education Inspires BIG Dreams!

"Each time a woman stands up for herself, she stands up for all women." ~Maya Angelou

Federation Leadership

Kazuko Morita, SIA President

Kazuko Morita is serving a one-year term as president of Soroptimist International of the Americas. As president, Morita oversees strategic planning and program development for the organization. She will also lead Soroptimist's efforts to increase its collective impact in helping women and girls around the world to reach their full potential. A member since 1985, Morita has held several leadership positions at all levels of the organization, including district director, club president, vice president, and secretary. Morita, a nationally licensed pharmacist, graduated from Kyoto Pharmaceutical University in Kyoto, Japan, with a bachelor's degree in pharmacy.



Michelle Burnett, SIA CEO and Executive Director

Michelle has served as Soroptimist Chief Operating & Financial Officer since October 2019. In that role, she provided direction, management, and the vision necessary to ensure Soroptimist had the appropriate resources and systems in place to effectively support the organization's growing impact while ensuring its financial strength and operating efficiency. Since November 2021, Burnett assumed the role of Executive Director/CEO. Burnett holds a Bachelor of Arts in Accounting from Temple University. She also earned a Master of Business Administration from Eastern University and postgraduate certificates in human resource management and nonprofit executive leadership from Cornell University and Bryn Mawr University. Currently, Michelle is pursuing a doctoral degree in Strategic Leadership at Liberty University.



Stephanie Smith, SIA President-elect, Official Visitor

As president-elect, Smith will work with President Kazuko Morita, in overseeing Soroptimist's strategic planning and program development for the organization. She will also help lead Soroptimist's efforts to increase its collective impact in helping women and girls to reach their full potential. Smith is a member of Soroptimist International of Oak Harbor, one of 1,200 Soroptimist clubs throughout the world. A member since 1994, Smith has held several leadership positions, including region governor, district director, and club president, vice president and treasurer. She will become SIA's president on September 1, 2022. Smith, semi-retired as Vice President/Senior Learning and Development Consultant at Wells Fargo Bank, and owner of SL Smith Coaching and Consulting, received an associate of arts degree from Centralia College.



Bobbi Enderlin, SIA Secretary/Treasurer

As secretary/treasurer, Enderlin participates in strategic planning and program development for the organization to increase its collective impact in helping women and girls around the world to achieve their full potential. Enderlin has held several leadership positions, including Founder Region Fellowship President, Governor, Secretary and District Director. Enderlin is a property manager. She attended St Mary's College in Moraga, Calif., where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in management. In addition to her Soroptimist involvement, she is a member of the Benicia Yacht Club and AAUW. She just recently stepped down from her position as President of Safequest Solano, which is a 24 hour crisis center for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and sex trafficking.



Official Visitor & Greetings

Stephanie Smith, SIA President-elect, Official Visitor



Stephanie has been a Soroptimist for over 28 years and is a member of SI of Oak Harbor, WA in the Northwestern Region. She has served her club in a variety of roles including club president, treasurer, and chair of all major committees. At the region level she has served as governor, district director, chair of bylaws and finance committees, and created the region's professional development team. At the federation level she has helped design and facilitate Governor's Round Table training and is currently our SIA President-elect and will become our SIA President on September 1, 2022. Professionally, Stephanie is retired from Wells Fargo and is the owner of SL Smith Coaching and Consulting, LLC, a coaching and consulting group that

focuses on leadership and team coaching, diversity, equity and inclusion, engagement, change management and personal development. Personally, Stephanie has lived on Whidbey Island for the past 37 years and is married with two adult sons who keep the fun and laughter in the family! She is the grandparent to an energetic and loving blue heeler named Nyssa.

Stephanie's Official Greeting

Dear Governor Kris and fabulous members of Founder Region,

Soroptimists from all over our federation are making dreams come true for the women and girls we support and in today's environment we are needed more than ever! Your conference theme of "Dream BIG for Women & Girls" is a powerful and inspirational statement. When we dream BIG we are providing a strong foundation for women a girls to build on. A foundation that includes believing in their abilities to succeed; honoring the journey they have been on; supporting their educational goals; welcoming them to our Soroptimist family; and much more. We are dream makers!

The conference agenda also provides opportunities for all of us to dream big for women an girls. Time to connect with each other while learning more about poverty and women's health; the projects clubs are involved in; celebrating the Live Your Dream Award and Fellowship Award winners; and just being together. Thank you for including me in your wonderful weekend and for being the fabulous Soroptimists that you are.

"If there is ever a time to dare, to make a difference, to embark on something worth doing, it is now. Not for any grand cause, necessarily, but for something that tugs at your heart, something that is your aspiration, something that is your dream. You owe it to yourself to make your days here count. Have fun...Dig deep...Stretch...Dream Big!"

author anonymous.

In Soroptimist Service, Stephanie Smith, SIA President-elect

Michelle Burnett, SIA CEO and Executive Director



It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to your 2022 region conference! Whether your region can meet in person or virtually, I know you have much to celebrate. Every day I continue to be in awe of your accomplishments. And I know without a doubt that together we are ready to invest in our Big Goal of investing in the dreams of half a million women and girls through access to education by 2031. A half a million women and girls. Yes, it is an audacious goal. And it is a brave goal. But I have never been more confident in our ability to aim high and dream big as we enter our second century! By focusing our work on women's empowerment through education, we can drive the impact needed to grow as a successful, life-changing, and well-

recognized organization. It is only when we fully embrace a united mission at the local level that we can globally lift half a million women and girls out of poverty through access to education. Girls just like me. That is the power of dreaming BIG! It is an honor and privilege to work with a world-class and essential organization with dedicated members like you. I wish you all a wonderful region conference.

Michelle J. Burnett, Executive Director

*"I raise up my voice-not so that I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard...
We cannot all succeed when half of us are held back." ~Malala Yousafzai*

Appointed Leadership

Lyn Lurbe - 2022 Conference Coordinator



Lyn joined Soroptimist in 2007 after seeing an article about a club that serves women and girls. Curious to know what it was all about and how to pronounce the name; she contacted the club and that's how her life began as a devoted Soroptimist. Fifteen years later, she continues to serve at the club, region, and Federation level. She is not only the Conference Coordinator for this Hawai'i conference, but she also serves as one of five members in SIA's Fundraising Council and is working on chartering a new club this year. Sharing in the "Aloha" spirit wherever she goes, she delights in the many friendships, experiences, and knowledge that she has gained through her years in Soroptimist.

Barbara Lanier - Parliamentarian



A retired attorney, Barbara Lanier was inducted into Soroptimist International of El Cerrito in 1995. In 1997, she agreed to serve as club vice president provided she never had to serve as president! That lasted until the fall of 1997 when the club president had to step down and Barbara took on the first of four years serving as club president. On the region level, she served first as District I Women's Opportunity Award Representative, then as District I Fellowship Director from 2002-2006 and as Founder Region District I Director from 2006-2008. Barbara was honored by Governor Amelia to be selected as Fellowship President 2008-2010. Loving her involvement with the incredible women who consistently make up the Founder Region Board, she prepared herself to become a Parliamentarian, joined the National Association of Parliamentarians and has been honored to serve as Parliamentarian for Governors Dona, Bobbi, Pam, Sylvia and Kris.

Cheryl Poncini, Fellowship President



Cheryl, a member of SI/Oakland-The Founder Club, served as club president twice, vice president, secretary, delegate and chair of various committees. She served as the 2014-2016 Biennium Founder Region Laws & Resolutions chair and has been on the Fellowship Board since 2016, serving two biennia as the District I Fellowship Director. She was appointed to the position of Fellowship President for the 2020-2022 biennium. Cheryl has worked as a deputy district attorney in the Alameda County D.A.'s office for the last forty-four years. She is active in the Alameda County Bar Association and served 4 years on the Board of Directors for the charitable non-profit of the bar association. In addition, at the end of 2020, she completed nine years serving on the Bar Association's Board of Directors, the last four years of which as Vice President, President-elect, President and Immediate Past President, respectively. Earlier this year, Cheryl was named as the Bar Association's recipient of its "2021 Distinguished Service Award by a Government Attorney".

Community Dignitaries

Dawn Amano-Ige



Dawn Amano-Ige became the first lady of Hawai'i when her husband, Governor David Ige, was sworn in as the 8th governor of the State of Hawai'i in December 2014. In her role as first lady, Mrs. Ige draws on her experiences as an educator and business woman. She supports education, particularly in the areas of literacy, global education, and international student exchanges. She was honored in 2016 by the Public School of Hawaii Foundation. In 2019, Mrs. Ige launched the 'Ohana Readers program to promote early literacy among young children. And recently as Hawai'i faced the challenge of COVID-19, Mrs. Ige launched her Facebook page to connect with families and provide them with educational and recreational activities. Her page features "Story Time with First Lady" where she reads aloud a book and follows up with a related activity as well as "Q&A Hawai'i" where she interviews community leaders on subjects important to the public. Mrs. Ige also promotes healthy living through the Department of Health's Choose Healthy Now program. Nationally, she serves as chair of the Spouses' Leadership Committee for the National Governors Association.

Suzanne (Suzy) Puanani Vares-Lum



Suzy took office as President of the East-West Center in January 2022. She is the first woman, Native Hawaiian, and Hawai'i resident to be chosen for this role. Vares-Lum brings executive leadership and planning experience spanning the past several decades, culminating in five years serving with and advising the most senior officials at US Indo-Pacific Command, where she cultivated and maintained key relationships with nations throughout the Indo-Pacific region. As a retired Major General with 34 years of service, Vares-Lum has held key roles addressing priority national security challenges in the region. After retirement, she formed Vares-Lum Indo-Pacific Consulting, LLC to provide consulting and advising on regional issues. She is a seasoned keynote speaker and advocate on Indo-Pacific issues; leadership and mentorship; and Women, Peace, and Security. She led collaborative initiatives in the Pacific, including Hawai'i, Guam, and the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands. Vares-Lum received the Ellis Island Medal of Honor in 2017. Additionally, the State of Hawai'i House of Representatives, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and Hawai'i Congressional Delegation presented her with certificates of recognition for outstanding service to the State of Hawai'i in 2021.

Dr. Kalani Brady



Dr. Kalani Brady received the Youth Citizenship Award at the Club, District, Region, and Federation level in 1973, and has been involved in Soroptimist since that time. He and his wife Jun are members of SI/Waikiki Foundation, Inc. He was the first male member and the first male President of that club. He recently retired from the medical field and Jun serves on the Club's Awards Committee. Dr. Brady will be opening the conference with a special Hawaiian "Oli Aloha" greeting and closing the conference with Hawaii's State song, "Hawai'i Aloha".

Legislative Advocacy Presenters

Nikki-Ann Yee, Co-founder, Ma'i Movement

Nikki-Ann Yee never pulls her punches and is a passionate protector of the health of Hawai'i's families. With over 17 years of experience in systems, customer service training and mentoring throughout the US, Asia Pacific and the Middle East, Nikki has led highly complex and impactful initiatives at Fortune 100 companies and tiny non-profits. Nikki is a graduate of Iolani School and the University of Southern California. If you can keep up with her, you'll find her deep in systems reorganization, boxing, or running marathons with her two dogs, two children and husband.



Ma'i Movement Mission: Our mission is to provide and distribute free menstrual products to menstruators in need and advocate for systemic change in the government, schools and community to end period poverty in Hawai'i.

Core Values: We believe that all individuals of menstruation age in Hawai'i have the right to access menstrual products and education without financial burden, shame or stigma.

Deborah Quigley, Honolulu Team Leader, DaysForGirls

Deborah is a child protection and human trafficking awareness activist, and DaysForGirls.org's Honolulu team leader. As an airline employee, she was an active member of Airline Ambassadors International since 1999. AAI is known globally for its members using their airline flight privileges to hand deliver aid to children's homes and underserved communities, and for escorting children needing vital medical care not available in their home countries.

In 2013, "retired Deborah" began volunteering with CauseVision.org who creates, produces, and distributes manga-style "Prevent Human Trafficking" comic books to vulnerable youth, their families and communities.

Finally, 2015 led her to DaysForGirls: helping girls stay in school by promoting menstrual equity and dignity through access to sustainable menstrual health options and education. Ultimately we envision the end of Period Poverty, Period Stigma, Period Shame, and Period Silence. All of Deborah's grassroots NGO work seeks to reach THATgirl at the end of the mile: helping her stay in school, avoid child marriage, or become a victim of human trafficking.



Jaq Cambra-Cho, Teen Advocate

Jaq Cambra-Cho (she/her) is a high school senior at Punahou School in Honolulu, Hawai'i. Her advocacy interests include women's rights, period poverty, civic engagement, and reproductive education. At school, Jaq serves as the Co-Founder and President of the Amnesty International Club, the Head Multi-Media Editor of Ka Punahou, and a member of the menstrual equity initiative group. Jaq was invited to be an intern for Representative Amy Perruso for the 2022 Hawai'i State Legislature session. Throughout the session, she researched and promoted Senate and House bills, including SB 2821, relating to menstrual equity.



"A girl should be like a butterfly. Pretty to see, hard to catch." ~ Unknown

Legislative Advocacy Presenters

Leigh Ellwood-Brown, SI Director of Advocacy 2022-2023

Leigh's inspiring career is established within the Diamond, Gems and Custom Designed Jewelry Industry, as a Gemologist and Fellow of the Gemological Association of Australia, (GAA). With further specialist studies and practical laboratory developments of Diamonds taken through the Gemological Institute of America (GIA), Leigh has served on the National Board of the GAA, advocating and campaigning for international responsible sourcing of gems and diamonds, nationally and internationally. This is now happening around the world.



An active Soroptimist for 40 years, Leigh has a strong sense of gender equity and social justice and has been a member and decision maker in various positions on the SI Board, gaining a broad understanding and knowledge of SI's international advocacy work and the UN System. As President of Soroptimist International of the South West Pacific (SISWP), Leigh worked with Asian and Pacific Island governments, Embassies and Consulates, supporting the development of projects and advocacy across borders for local Soroptimist Clubs.

As a Soroptimist in the position of National Representative for Australia, Leigh co-founded a group of national women's non-governmental organizations, diverse in nationality, religion, and culture, to advocate and promote women's issues to the Australian Government. This group remains in operation today and Leigh is still an executive member, continuing to successfully advocate a national women's agenda over a period of 20 years. Holding various positions within her club, region and nation, Leigh is a strong believer in advocacy being THE instrument to increase the momentum for change moving forward, with SI being the Global Voice for Women around the globe.

Legislative Advocacy Chair

Linda Witong, Chair - SI/Marin County

Linda Witong served as a deputy district attorney in Marin County, California from 1979 to 2011. As a prosecutor, she endorsed and upheld laws to protect women and children who were victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Trafficking, Elder Abuse, Child Abuse, Molestation, Fraud and Homicide. She was also a strong advocate for offender accountability and justice for the community as well as a advocate for victim's rights legislation, victim's services and counseling and rehabilitation for offenders who are responsive to such an option. Upon retiring in 2012, Linda then became the CATCH (Criminal Apprehension Team for Cold Case Homicides) team creator and coordinator. She presently investigates unresolved homicide cases for local police agencies and consults on active investigations. She has served as an NGO delegate to the United Nations for Soroptimist International.



Thank you to the Legislative Advocacy Committee for their commitment in delivering amazing & thought provoking presentations during this biennium.

Rachel Farac - SI/Novato
Phyllis Gordon - SI/The Delta
Angie Haramoto - SI/Maui
Laura Middlemiss - SI/Humboldt Bay
Madalienne Peters - SI/Novato
Sandra Simms - SI/Waikiki Foundation, Inc.



Soroptimist International of North Oahu

Our newest club charters on April 28, 2022.

Meetings take place at the Central Oahu Event Center
on the first Thursday at 6:30pm.

Many thanks to Lyn Lurbe for her efforts to charter this club.



CHARTER MEMBERS

Lori Shimabukuro - President
Kimi Sarroca-Shimabukuro - Vice-President
Lyn Lurbe - Secretary
Cross Crabbe - Treasurer
Dagmar Bramer
Leonora Gamboa
Melanie Nistal
Kaena Nistal
Lauren Okinishi
Cherlyn Reyes
Donnette Sakamoto
Mae Shounk

Welcome to Founder Region!

"Nothing can dim the light that shines from within." ~Maya Angelou

Conference Agenda

Thursday, April 28, 2022

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Region Board Meeting	Honolulu Room
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Fellowship Board Meeting	Milo 6 Room
12:00 PM - 1:15 PM	Region/Fellowship Lunch	Queensbreak Grill
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Healthy Region Discussion	Honolulu Room
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Early Registration Open	Kona Moku Ballroom Lanai
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Charter Party & Installation for SI/North Oahu	Milo 4/5 Room
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Meet & Greet Candidates	Milo 4/5 Lanai

Friday, April 29, 2022

6:30 AM - 8:00 AM	Trade Fair Set Up	Kona Moku Ballroom
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Trade Fair Open	Kona Moku Ballroom
8:00 AM - 5:30 PM	Registration Open	Kona Moku Ballroom Lanai
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Legislative Advocacy Program	Kona Moku Ballroom
	"Poverty and Women's Health"	
	* Welcome & Introductions	Governor Kris Chorbj, SI/Eureka
	* Legislative Advocacy Committee	Chair Linda Witong, SI/Novato
	Nikki-Ann Yee, Co-Founder Ma'i Movement	Angie Haramoto, SI/Maui
	Deborah Quigley, Hawai'i Rep. for DaysForGirls	Sandra Simms, SI/Waikiki Foundation, Inc.
	Jaq Cambra-Cho, Teen Advocate	
	Barbara Lanier, Conference Service Project	SI/El Cerrito
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Break	Trade Fair Open
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM	Legislative Advocacy Luncheon	Kona Moku Ballroom
	* Introductions	Governor Kris
	* Inspiration - Lisa Broulik	President, SI/Honolulu
	* Welcome - Barbara Yamashita	President, SI/Waikiki Foundation, Inc.
	* Leigh Ellwood-Brown, SI Director of Advocacy	Chair Linda
	* Dream Programs Impact on Women's Health	Stephanie Smith, SIA President -elect
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	"Share the Dreams Your Club is Making Come True"	Stephanie Smith, SIA President-elect
	* Announcements	Conference Coordinator Lyn Lurbe
2:30 PM - 2:45 PM	Delegates Briefing	Kona Moku Ballroom
	Parliamentarian Barbara Lanier	
2:45 PM - 3:00 PM	Timekeepers/Microphone Monitors Briefing	Kona Moku Ballroom
	Parliamentarian Barbara	
	Recess	

Conference Agenda

Friday, April 29, 2022 (continued)

5:30 PM - 6:15 PM	Founder Region Fellows Reception (Invitation Only)	Waikiki Ballroom
6:15 PM - 7:00 PM	No Host Cocktail Party - All Member Social	Kona Moku Ballroom Lanai
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Fellowship Awards Gala & Dinner	Kona Moku Ballroom
	* Call to Order	Governor Kris Chorbi
	* "Oli Aloha" Opening	Dr. Kalani Brady
	* Presentation of Colors & Pledge of Allegiance	Farrington High School Junior ROTC
	* Community Welcome	First Lady Dawn Amano-Ige
	* Official Response	Governor-elect Vicki Ham
	* Presentation of Platform Party	Governor Kris
	Fellowship Awards	Fellowship President Cheryl Poncini
	* Inspiration - Fawn Williams	Fellowship Director, District III
	* Welcome - Dana Holve	Fellowship Director, District II
	* Recognition of Past Fellowship Presidents	President Cheryl
	* Presentation of Fellowship Recipients	Fellowship Board
	* Special Guests	See Fellowship Program
	* Closing Remarks	President Cheryl
	* Announcements/Recess	Conference Coordinator Lyn

Saturday, April 30, 2022

7:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Registration Open (Closed during business sessions)	Kona Moku Ballroom Lanai
7:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Trade Fair Open	Kona Moku Ballroom
8:00 AM - 9:15 AM	Fellowship Business Meeting (Delegates bring voting cards)	Kona Moku Ballroom
	* Call to Order	President Cheryl
	* Adoption of Credentials Report	Credentials Chair Stacey Moniz
	* Minutes of Previous Business Meeting	Secretary Dana Holve
	* Treasurer's Report	Treasurer Teresa Karlson
	* Fellowship Proposed Bylaws Amendments	President Cheryl
	* Director's Reports	Fellowship Directors
	* Announcement of Fellows	Fellowship Directors
	* President's Report	President Cheryl
	* Announcements	Conference Coordinator Lyn

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"Women are like teabags. We don't know our true strength until we are in hot water." ~Eleanor Roosevelt

Conference Agenda

Saturday, April 30, 2022 (continued)

9:15 AM - 9:30 AM **BREAK**

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM **Region Business Meeting**

Kona Moku Ballroom

(Delegates bring voting cards)

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| * Call to Order | Governor Kris Chorbi |
| * Presentation of Platform Party | Governor Kris |
| * Adoption of Credentials Report | Chair Stacey |
| * Adoption of Standing Rules | Secretary Joy Swank |
| * Adoption of Official Conference Program | Secretary Joy |
| * First Time Attendee Recognition | Governor Kris |
| * Introduction of Pages and Stewards | Governor Kris |
| * Greetings and Correspondence | Secretary Joy |
| * SIA President Kazuko Morita Welcome | Video |
| * Invitation to Host Conference 2025 | Secretary Joy |
| * 2024 Conference Host Club Replacement | Secretary Joy |
| * Nominations | Past Governor Amelia Benko |
| ~ Nominating Committee Report | |
| ~ Nominations from the Floor | |
| ~ Presentation of Candidates | |
| ~ Voice Vote for Unopposed Candidates | |
| * Official Visitor Report - <i>"Dream Big - The Power of Women to Change the World"</i> | |
| * Founder Region Proposed Bylaws Amendments | Governor Kris |
| * Treasurer's Report | Treasurer Tess Albin-Smith |
| * Credentials Report | Chair Stacey |
| * Appointment of Tellers (if necessary) | Governor Kris |
| * Announcements | Conference Coordinator Lyn |

12:00 PM - 12:30 PM **Election Voting for Region/Fellowship Offices**

Recess - Polls Will Be Open From 12:00 pm to 12:30 pm (if necessary)

12:30 PM - 1:45 PM ***"Dream BIG" Luncheon***

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| * Introductions | Governor Kris |
| * Director & Club President Processional | District Directors |
| * "Dream BIG for the Future" Recognition | Governor Kris |
| * Lunch | |

"We need to reshape our own perception of how we view ourselves. We have to step up as women and take the lead."
~Beyoncé

Conference Agenda

Saturday, April 30, 2022 (continued)

- * Inspiration - Jackie Arnold
- * Welcome - Lenore Colarusso
- * Director Reports and Club Drawing
- * Induction of New Members
- * "Stepping up to Leadership"

District II Director
District I Director
District Directors
Governor Kris
SIA President-elect Stephanie Smith

1:45 PM - 2:00 PM **BREAK**

2:00 PM - 3:30 PM **Region Business Meeting (continues)**

Kona Moku Ballroom

- * Election Results
- * Dream Big Presentation
- * Laurel Society Honors & Recognition
- * Membership Presentation
- * New Member Sponsor Drawing
- * Julia "Bess" Combs Membership Increase Award
- * SI President's Appeal
- * Soroptimists Celebrating Success Awards
- * Public Awareness Presentation
- * "Brand Warrior" Awards
- * 2022 SIA Virtual Convention
- * Business Meeting Recess
- * Announcements

Governor Kris
Lyn Lurbe, SIA Fundraising Council
Chair Elise Balgley & Fund. Council Lyn Lurbe
Governor-elect Vicki Ham
Treasurer Tess
Treasurer Tess
Chair Debbie Scaife
Chair Jackie DeVries
Chair Jackie
Video
Governor Kris
Conference Coordinator Lyn

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM **All Member Social**

Kona Moku Ballroom Lanai

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM **Dinner - Honoring our Past Governors**

Kona Moku Ballroom

- * Inspiration - Stacey Moniz
- * Welcome - Elise Carmody
- * Recognition of Past Governors
- * **Dinner**
- * Installation of 2022-2024 Region Board
- * Installation of 2022-2024 Fellowship Board
- * Incoming Governor's Address
- * Outgoing Governor's Remarks
- * Founder Region Board Presentation
- * **Saturday Night Disco Dance Party**

President, SI/Maui
President, SI/Central Oahu
Governor Kris
Past Governor Amelia Benko
Past Governor Amelia
Governor-elect Vicki
Governor Kris
Founder Region Board
Join in the fun and do the Hustle!

Conference Agenda

Sunday, May 1, 2022

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration Open	Kona Moku Ballroom Lanai
7:00 AM - 7:30 AM	Deliver Dream Raffle Envelopes	Kona Moku Ballroom
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet	Kona Moku Ballroom
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Memorial Service	Kona Moku Ballroom
	* Call to Order	Governor Kris Chorbi
	* Celebration of Service Memorial	Assisted by SI/North Oahu
	* Inspiration - Colleen Ganaye	District III Director
	* Welcome - Vicki Baldwin	District IV Director
	* Presentation of Platform Party	Governor Kris
	* Fundraising Committee Report	Chair Elise Balgley
	Dream Program Awards Presentation	Governor-elect Vicki Ham
	* Barbara Stevenson "S" Club Award	
	* Violet Richardson Awards	
	* 2021 Region Live Your Dream Awardee	Lindsay McCovey
	* Live Your Dream Awards	Chair Debbie Coles
	* Suzanne Puanani Vares-Lum	President, East-West Center
	* Dream It, Be It Report	Chair Bev Gomer
	* 2023 Soroptimist International Convention	Governor Kris
	* Attendance Report	Registration Chair, Cathy Nakahara
	* Attendance Incentive Drawing	Registration Chair Cathy
	* "Dream Programs" Fundraiser	Chair Elise
	* Closing Remarks	Governor Kris
	* "Hawai'i Aloha" Song (Lyrics in Program)	Dr. Kalani Brady
	* Soroptimist Pledge	All Soroptimists
	* CONFERENCE ADJOURNED	

POST CONFERENCE EVENTS

12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Post Conference Region Board Meeting	Honolulu Room
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM	2022-2024 Board Meeting	Honolulu Room
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Post Conference Fellowship Board Meeting	Milo 6 Room
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	2022-2024 Fellowship Board Meeting	Milo 6 Room
4:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Hawaiian Luau Group Event	Hotel Back Entrance

2022 Fellowship Recipients

HANNAH EL-SILIMY

University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Political Science/Indigenous Politics



ANU KUNCHERIA

University of California at Berkeley
Civil Engineering



CRYSTAL KWOK

University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Theatre (Film)



MORSALINE MOJID

University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Sociology



SOCIOLOGY

KIRAN STALLONE

University of California at Berkeley
Sociology



SOCIOLOGY

GABRIELLE STEDMAN

University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Biological Oceanography



Oceanography

Fellowship Special Guests

ERICKA BUFANDA

2021 Fellowship Award Recipient
University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Astronomy

PRISCILA LEAL

2018 Fellowship Award Recipient
University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Adjunct Professor

KRISTEN CONNORS

Grants, Fellowships & Professional Development
Coordinator

University of Hawai'i at Manoa



Education Inspires BIG Dreams!

"There's something so special about a woman who dominates in a man's world. It takes a certain grace, strength, intelligence, fearlessness, and the nerve to never take "no" for an answer." ~ Rihanna

Violet Richardson Award Recipients

DISTRICT I

Prajawala Maharjan
SI/The East Bay



DISTRICT II

Tatiana Torres
SI/The Delta



DISTRICT III

Noela De Frenza
SI/Novato



DISTRICT IV

Eliana Horowitz
SI/Humboldt Bay



DISTRICT V

Tyra-Li Perry
SI/Maui



The award is named after **Violet Richardson**, the president of the first Soroptimist club in Alameda County in 1921. Richardson believed in personal responsibility and the motto, **“It’s what you do that counts.”** She lived her life accordingly, as an active member in her community who was committed to creating opportunities for girls and young women. Soroptimist established this award to honor the memory of this unique woman and her dedication to volunteer action.

“Courage, sacrifice, determination, commitment, toughness, heart, talent, guts. That’s what little girls are made of; the heck with sugar and spice.” ~ Bethany Hamilton

2021 Region Live Your Dream Awardee

Lindsay McCovey, Sponsored by SI/Humboldt Bay



Lindsay was the District IV Live Your Dream winner in 2021. At the Founder Region Conference in May, Lindsay was chosen as the Region Live Your Dream winner and her application was forwarded to SIA for federation judging. In July, SIA President Penny Babb called Governor Kris and gave her the good news that Lindsay was chosen as one of three federation winners and would receive an additional \$10,000 from SIA. Governor Kris and the members of SI/Humboldt Bay honored Lindsay at a luncheon in August and presented her with her check and certificate.

As a member of the Hoopa Valley Tribe and descendant of the Yurok and Chimariko Tribes, Lindsay resides on the rural Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation. It is there that she founded Native American Pathways (NAP), a non-profit dedicated to providing social and wellness support through relationship building, youth mentorship, and community outreach services to Indigenous communities.

Her true dream is to receive her degree in psychology to better assist her community members in achieving wellness.

"I'm a member of the Hoopa Valley Tribe and descendant of the Yurok and Chimariko Tribes. I'm a strong independent woman, single mom rooted in my culture and passionate about helping my community. Currently, on my reservation, there is no Psychologist. With the help of the Live Your Dream Awards, I can continue my education so I can make a difference in my community by providing mental health and other services needed within my community and throughout Indian Country."

Women and girls in every corner of our world continue to face injustices simply because of their gender, including lower wages, poverty, and domestic violence. We strongly believe that through education, women become economically empowered and in a position to change the world around them. Lindsay has overcome enormous life challenges and dreamt of achieving education to create a better life for herself, her family, and her community.

The members of Founder Region are so proud of Lindsay and her accomplishments, and wish her much success in her future endeavors. Way to go Lindsay and keep up the great work!

Congratulations Lindsay!

Live Your Dream Award Recipients

DISTRICT I

Joan
SI/Oakland-The Founder Club
Ursuline College
Nursing



DISTRICT II

Amada Madrigal
SI/Vacaville
Solano Community College
Human Services



DISTRICT III

Emma Byrnes
SI/Santa Rosa
Santa Rosa Jr. College
Radiology Tech



DISTRICT IV

Hannah Fowler
SI/Eel River Valley
College of the Redwoods
Biology



DISTRICT V

Dania Herrera
SI/Waikiki Foundation, Inc.
Kapiolani Community College
Respiratory Therapy



live
YOUR
dream
education & training awards for women®

Each district winner will receive \$3,000 from SIA and \$2,000 from Founder Region. The Region winner will receive an additional \$2,000 from SIA and a \$500 Amazon Gift card from Founder Region. The Region winner will be announced during the Dream Award's Program on Sunday at Conference. Her name will then be forwarded to SIA for federation level judging.



One Live Your Dream winner says:
*"It's been a long road and it feels like every step of
the way was worth it to get here - with a job,
a home, and healthy children"*

"Be that strong girl that everyone knew would make it through the worst, be that fearless girl, the one who would dare to do anything, be that independent girl who didn't need a man; be that girl who never backed down."

~ Taylor Swift

Founder Region Election

2022-2024 NOMINEES

GOVERNOR-ELECT

Elise Balgley

SI/Fremont



GOVERNOR-ELECT

Joy Swank

SI/Vacaville



SECRETARY

Kristal Koga

SI/The Marianas



TREASURER

Tess Albin-Smith

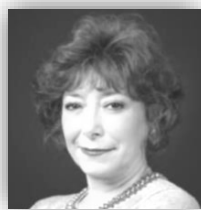
SI/Noyo Sunrise



DISTRICT I

Lenore Colarusso

SI/24-680 (Walnut Creek)



DISTRICT II

Jackie DeVries

SI/Vacaville



DISTRICT III

Colleen Ganaye

SI/Sonoma Valley



DISTRICT IV

Elaine Reed

SI/Eureka



DISTRICT V

Teri Lynn Sato

SI/Honolulu



SOROPTIMIST®

Investing in Dreams

Nominations can still be made from the floor for all
Founder Region and Fellowship offices.

Voting will take place during the lunch break on Saturday. Take
your delegate credentials to cast your vote in the Milo 4/5 Room on
the 2nd floor, down the stairs from the Kona Moku Ballroom.



*"The world needs strong women—women who will lift and build others, who will love and be loved, women
who live bravely, both tender and fierce, women of indomitable will." ~Amy Tenney*

Founder Region Fellowship Election

2022-2024 NOMINEES

PRESIDENT

Kris Chorbi

SI/Eureka



TREASURER

Danelle Tegarden

SI/Eureka



DISTRICT I

Billie Knight

SI/The East Bay



DISTRICT I

Lisa Schibler

SI/24-680 (Walnut Creek)



DISTRICT II

Dana Holve

SI/Vacaville Twilight



DISTRICT III

Laurie Gallian

SI/Sonoma Valley



DISTRICT IV

Laura Middlemiss

SI/Humboldt Bay



DISTRICT V

Angie Bugarin

SI/Central Oahu



Thank you to the 2021-2023 Nominating Committee for all their efforts to recruit quality nominees for the Founder Region and Fellowship Boards.

Chair:

Amelia Benko

District I:

Bonnie Mertz

District II:

Jan Schults

District III:

Barbara Young

District IV:

Dyann O'Brien

District V:

Angie Haramoto

"No matter what you look like or think you look like, you're special, and loved, and perfect just the way you are." 22

~Ariel Winter

Election Results

2022-2024 Biennium



FOUNDER REGION BOARD

Governor-elect

Secretary

Treasurer

District I Director

District II Director

District III Director

District IV Director

District V Director



FELLOWSHIP BOARD

President

Treasurer

Fellowship Director, District I

Fellowship Director, District II

Fellowship Director, District III

Fellowship Director, District IV

Fellowship Director, District V

The newly elected Founder Region officers/directors are to attend a mandatory post conference board meeting on Sunday at 12:30pm in the Honolulu Conference Room (next to registration).

The newly elected Founder Region Fellowship officers/directors are to attend a mandatory post conference board meeting on Sunday at 1:00pm in the Milo VI Room.

"Celebration of Service" Memorial

Betty Rexroth
SI/Antioch
32 Year Member



Debbie Gee
SI/Benicia
19 Year Member



Deb Machado
SI/Benicia
4 Year Member



Gail Temple
SI/Benicia
5 Year Member



Dr. Michelle Hernandez
SI/The Delta
7 Month Member



Sally Tanner
SI/Eel River Valley
40 Year Member



Wilhemina "Willy" Fogg
SI/Eel River Valley
6 Year Member



Catherine "Kate" Burns
SI/Eureka
57 Year Member



Joanne Fraser
SI/Fort Bragg
18 Year Member



Leslie Lollich
SI/Humboldt Bay
33 Year Member



Donna Wright
SI/Humboldt Bay
10 Year Member



Wanda Lamb
SI/Napa
50 Year Member



Carole Bennett
SI/Novato
14 Year Member



Lorene Harter
SI/St. Helena
41 Year Member



Seana McGowan
SI/St. Helena
33 Year Member



Margaret Friedrich
SI/St. Helena Sunrise
38 Year Member



Corinne Mavridis
SI/The Tri-Valley
48 Year Member



Gloria Bragg
SI/San Ramon Valley
28 Year Member



"Nothing can dim the light that shines from within." - Maya Angelou

Annual Redwood Memorial Grove Service

Sunday, June 12, 2022

You are invited to join the Founder Region Board,
SI/ Eureka, SI/Crescent City and SI/Arcata for Brunch at
Elk Prairie Picnic Area, Prairie Creek State Park 11:00 a.m.
Followed by the
Memorial Service at the Campfire Center 12:00 noon.



Following the service, you are encouraged to drive to the Soroptimist Grove and view the Redwood tree dedicated to Violet Richardson Ward and the Granite Marker. Prairie Creek State Park is north of Orick, California on the Newton B Drury Scenic Highway. For assistance with directions or questions contact Debbie Thompson at 707-954-2973 or by email debbiet@treesofmystery.net.

For lodging in the Klamath area:

Ravenwood Motel 707-482-5911

Redwood Hotel (Holiday Inn Express) & Casino 707-482-1777

Requa Inn Bed & Breakfast 707-482-1425

Motel Trees across from the Trees of Mystery. Book online at www.moteltrees.com. Call 707-482-3152 and mention "Soroptimist" to receive your Special Rate of 50% off.



Founder Region Annual Awards

Julia “Bess” Combs Membership Increase Award



This award is given to the club having the largest net growth in membership during the year from April 1st through March 31st. This net growth is not to include that of a newly chartered Soroptimist club sponsored by a club or region. Net growth is understood to mean increase above and beyond current regular membership minus those who resign or membership terminated for other reasons. This award is presented annually at conference. The winner is determined by the records of the Founder Region Treasurer. The original award was donated by Past Governor, Southwestern Region, Julia “Bess” Combs.

Barbara Stevenson “S” Club Award



This award is used for the sole purpose of honoring outstanding high school senior members of “S” clubs in Founder Region. Applications for this award are submitted by “S” club members with the selection of the winners to be made by the “S” club committee. The region board determines the dollar amount and number of awards given. All contributions to this fund received by the region treasurer shall be added to the principal. The chair of the region “S” Club committee announces the winners at region conference.

Founder Region Fellowship—Fellowship/Grants In Aid



Founder Region Fellowship is a non-profit, incorporated entity within Founder Region Soroptimist International of the Americas. The board consists of an elected President, Treasurer & directors, one from each district in the region. Fellowships and grants in aid, (totaling not less than \$20,000) are awarded each year to graduate women in the last phase of their studies at a university offering a doctoral degree, within the boundaries of Founder Region. This program is the Founder Region Identifying Project and is administered through Founder Region Fellowship.



"When there are no ceilings, the sky's the limit. So let's keep going—let's keep going until every one of the 161 million women and girls across America has the opportunity she deserves to have." ~ Hillary Clinton

Soroptimist Dream Programs

Live Your Dream: Education & Training Awards for Women

The Live Your Dream Award is the identifying program of Soroptimist International of the Americas. This award is given to a woman who is the head of household and is returning to school to improve the economic status of her family. Applications begin at the club level with local awards. Club award recipient applications are forwarded on to the district level for judging. Those applications are then forwarded to the region chair for judging. The winning applicant from each district will be awarded \$2,000 from Founder Region at conference. The overall Founder Region winner receives an additional \$5,000 funded by Soroptimist International of the Americas. The remaining district winners are presented with \$3,000 each, also funded by Soroptimist International of the Americas. The Region winner's application is forwarded to Soroptimist International of the Americas for judging at the Federation level, thereby becoming eligible for one of three additional \$10,000 awards. On all levels, judges are to be non-Soroptimists.



Dream It, Be It: Career Support for Girls

Dream It, Be It: Career Support for Girls gives girls the tools they need to achieve their education and career goals, empowering them to break cycles of poverty, violence, and abuse. Dream It, Be It targets girls in secondary school who face obstacles to their future success. It provides girls with access to professional role models, career education and the resources to live their dreams. Soroptimist clubs will work in partnership with girls in small groups or a conference setting to provide them with the information and resources they want and need to be successful. The topics covered include career opportunities, setting and achieving goals, overcoming obstacles to success and how to move forward after setbacks or failures.



Violet Richardson Award

The Violet Richardson Award recognizes young women who make the community and world a better place through volunteer efforts. The award is named for Violet Richardson Ward, the first president of the first Soroptimist club in 1921. Her motto was, "It's what you do that counts." The program begins at the club level, with club recipients becoming eligible for district awards. This year Founder Region is presenting a \$500 award to each district winner.

"It is what you do that counts" - Violet Richardson Ward



"Happiness and confidence are the prettiest things you can wear." ~Taylor Swift

Soroptimists Celebrating Success Awards

2021-2022 Soroptimists Celebrating Success Award Entries

FUNDRAISING PILLAR	
SI/Arcata	"Grab-n-Go Box Meal"
SI/Benicia	"You've Been Flocked"
SI/Calistoga	"Fundraising"
SI/Eel River Valley	"50's Drive Thru Diner"
SI/Honolulu	"L.O.V.E (Live Our Values Everyday) Annual Fundraiser"
SI/Humboldt Bay	"Dream Maker Drawing"
SI/Sonoma Valley	"2020/2021 SISV Fundraising During COVID"
SI/Vacaville	"The Missing Lobster Dinner"
MEMBERSHIP PILLAR	
SI/Arcata	"New Tagline Adds to Member Inclusiveness"
SI/Eel River Valley	"Soroptimist Buddies"
SI/Eureka	"Membership Retention Ongoing"
SI/Humboldt Bay	"The Year of the Pandemic"
SI/Sonoma Valley	"Membership COVID Year-Sincerity of Friendship"
PROGRAM PILLAR	
SI/Arcata	"No-Sew Blankets for Hospice"
SI/Calistoga	"Palasides Pals"
SI/Eureka	"Programs Awards"
SI/Vacaville	"Zooming Our Way to More LYD Applicants"
PUBLIC AWARENESS PILLAR	
SI/Arcata	"Proclamations for International Women's Day"
SI/Benicia	"2020 Winter Fundraising Campaign"
SI/Eureka	"Public Awareness"
SI/Humboldt Bay	"You've Been Heeled"
SI/Vacaville	"Soroptimists Mean Business"
SI/Willits	"Third Tuesday Speaker Meeting"

Thank you to all the clubs that submitted Soroptimists Celebrating Success Award entries this year. These annual best practice awards recognize successful club projects that improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment and promote Soroptimist as an organization with that mission. Categories encompass the four pillars supporting the SIA Strategic Plan: Program, Membership, Fundraising and Public Awareness.

Applications for this award can be submitted any time during the year. Judging takes place after the **July 1st deadline**. Clubs are encouraged to submit their Soroptimists Celebrating Success applications as they complete a project/fundraiser/event rather than waiting until the deadline. Please visit the Founder Region website to read summaries of each entry. Winners in each Pillar will be announced on Saturday during conference.

Fellowship Credentials Reports

Credentials Report #1

Clubs in Founder Region _____
 Clubs Eligible to Vote _____
 Clubs Not in Good Standing _____
 Clubs Registered _____
 Total Voting Clubs _____
 Delegates Registered:
 Fellowship Officers _____
 Fellowship Directors _____
 Region Board Delegates _____
 Club Delegates _____
 Total Delegates _____
 Quorum for Opening Session _____

Credentials Report #2

Clubs in Founder Region _____
 Clubs Eligible to Vote _____
 Clubs Not in Good Standing _____
 Clubs Registered _____
 Total Voting Clubs _____
 Delegates Registered:
 Fellowship Officers _____
 Fellowship Directors _____
 Region Board Delegates _____
 Club Delegates _____
 Total Delegates _____
 Quorum for Opening Session _____

Founder Region Credentials Reports

Credentials Report #1

Clubs in Founder Region _____
 Clubs Eligible to Vote _____
 Clubs Not in Good Standing _____
 Clubs Registered _____
 Total Voting Clubs _____
 Delegates Registered:
 Region Officers _____
 District Directors _____
 Club Delegates _____
 Total Delegates _____
 Quorum for Opening Session _____

Credentials Report #2

Clubs in Founder Region _____
 Clubs Eligible to Vote _____
 Clubs Not in Good Standing _____
 Clubs Registered _____
 Total Voting Clubs _____
 Delegates Registered:
 Region Officers _____
 District Directors _____
 Club Delegates _____
 Total Delegates _____
 Quorum for Opening Session _____

Credentials Report #3

Clubs in Founder Region _____
 Clubs Eligible to Vote _____
 Clubs Not in Good Standing _____
 Clubs Registered _____
 Total Voting Clubs _____
 Delegates Registered:
 Region Officers _____
 District Directors _____
 Club Delegates _____
 Total Delegates _____
 Quorum for Opening Session _____

Credentials Report #4

Clubs in Founder Region _____
 Clubs Eligible to Vote _____
 Clubs Not in Good Standing _____
 Clubs Registered _____
 Total Voting Clubs _____
 Delegates Registered:
 Region Officers _____
 District Directors _____
 Club Delegates _____
 Total Delegates _____
 Quorum for Opening Session _____

Founder Region Leadership Training

TWO OPPORTUNITIES

In-person: Saturday, June 11, 2022

Red Lion Hotel, Eureka 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
(same weekend as Redwood Memorial Grove)



OR

Virtually: Saturday, June 18, 2022

On Zoom 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Something for Everyone:
Club Officers, Members, Current & Future Leaders**

For ALL Soroptimist Clubs:

- ⇒ Breakout Sessions: President, Vice President/President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer, General Membership
- ⇒ Leadership Handbook 101
- ⇒ Top Recruitment Tips for 2022
- ⇒ Engaging with Corporate Sponsors
- ⇒ Big Goal Club Fundraising
- ⇒ Successful Club Strategies in the 4 Pillars
- ⇒ And more...



*Dream **BIG** for the future!*



If you have a suggestion for this training, please email Governor Kris at kchorbi5@yahoo.com.

*"It took me quite a long time to develop a voice, and now that I have it, I am not going to be silent."
~Madeleine Albright*

Founder Region Past Governors

"Think like a queen. A queen is not afraid to fail. Failure is another stepping stone to greatness." ~Oprah Winfrey

Sylvia Crafton, 2018-2020, *"Empowering Change"*

Pam Parker, 2016-2018, *"Soroptimists Are Shining Stars"*

Bobbi Enderlin, 2014-2016, *"Share the JOY of Soroptimist"*

Dona Gaddis Wolf, 2012-2014, *"Share the Light of Soroptimist Service"*

Linda Sue Hansen*, 2010-2012, *"Just Imagine..."*

Amelia Benko, 2008-2010, *"Making a Difference Matters"*

Sue Finch, 2006-2008, *"Creating Magic Through Soroptimist"*

Cathy Mitchell, 2004-2006, *"Together We Can"*

Mary Ann Redden, 2002-2004, *"Achieve Growth By Sharing"*

Carol Rose, 2000-2002, *"Soroptimists Soar Into The New Century"*

Linda McDoniels, 1998-2000, *"Making a Difference Together"*

Nancy Walker, 1996-1998, *"Inward Journey-Outward Paths"*

Patti Cross*, 1994-1996, *"Reach for Soroptimist Rainbows"*

Dorothy L. Avilla*, 1992-1994, *"Leading the Way"*

Lorraine Komor*, 1990-1992, *"Celebration of Soroptimist"*

Susan Joyce, 1988-1990, *"We are One in Service Spirit"*

Carol Steele, 1986-1988, *"Dreams of Soroptimism"*

Del Nickerson, 1984-1986, *"Images of Soroptimism"*

Patricia D. Daniels, 1982-1984, *"Gifts of Soroptimism"*

Marjorie T. Conley*, 1980-1982, *"Windows"*

Catherine M. Burns*, 1978-1980, *"Let Us Grow"*

Violet B. Unland*, 1976-1978, *"Beat of the Drum Calls Us to Service"*

Margaret "Maggie" Knott*, 1974-1976, *"Onward and Upward"*

Southwestern Region, SIA

Julia "Bess" Combs*, 1972-1974, *"Let It Begin With Me"*

Southwestern Region, SIA

Mary Gianotti*, 1966-1968, *"Moving in the Direction of Change"*

Southwestern Region, SIA

*Deceased

*"A strong woman is one who feels deeply and loves fiercely. Her tears flow as abundantly as her laughter.
A strong woman is both soft and powerful, she is both practical and spiritual.
A strong woman in her essence is a gift to the world." ~Ritu Ghatourey*

Our Rich History

The first Soroptimist Club in the world was chartered the evening of October 3, 1921, in the West room of the Hotel Oakland. The name of the first club was the Soroptimist Club of Alameda County, with Violet Richardson serving as its charter president. In 1928, with the chartering of the Berkeley club, the Alameda County Club was renamed the Soroptimist Club of Oakland, also known as "the Mother Club", and now renamed Soroptimist International of Oakland - The Founder Club. Since the very beginning Founder Region has had a rich legacy of leadership. Past Governors listed in our Conference Program have gone on to serve in elected Federation and International offices.



Mary Gianotti
Federation Vice President
1972-1974



Marjorie T. Conley
Foundation (Fundraising Council)
Director, 1982-1984;
Federation Treasurer, 1984-1988;
Foundation (Fundraising Council)
Treasurer, 1988-1992



Del Nickerson*
Foundation (Fundraising Council)
Director, 1990-1992; Foundation
(Fundraising Council) President,
1992-1994; Federation Director,
1994-1996; Federation President,
1996-1997



Linda McDoniels
Fund Development Council
(Fundraising Council) Member,
2004-2006; Fund Development
Council (Fundraising Council)
Chair, 2006-2007 & 2007-2008



Cathy Mitchell
Federation Director
2007-2009



Catherine M. Burns
Federation Vice President
1980-1982



Patricia D. Daniels*
Federation Vice President, 1984-1986;
Federation President-elect, 1986-1988;
Federation President, 1988-1990;
Federation Past President, 1990-1992;
International President-elect, Fall-1993
International President, 1995-1997;
International Past President, 1997-1998



Nancy Walker
Federation Director, 1999-2000;
Federation Secretary/Treasurer, 2000-2001;
Federation President-elect, 2001-2002;
Federation President, 2002-2003



Carol Rose
Federation Director
2003-2005



Dona Gaddis Wolf
Federation Director
2015-2017
Fundraising Council Member
2018-2019



Bobbi Enderlin
Federation Secretary/Treasurer
2022-2023

*In 1996, as Soroptimist celebrated its 75th Anniversary, Founder Region was proudly represented with Patsy Daniels serving as the Soroptimist International President and Del Nickerson serving as the Soroptimist International of the Americas President. We encourage you to learn more about the history of Founder Region by going to the region website to read the valuable information that was compiled from various sources by Past Governor Susan Joyce.
www.si-founderregion.org/history.

"Women belong in all places where decisions are being made... It shouldn't be that women are the exception." 32

~Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Conference Standing Rules

1. Registration

All members must be registered before being admitted to Conference meetings.

2. Credentials

- (a) The Credentials Committee shall provide identification badges for voting delegates, Soroptimist members, and guests at the time of registration.
- (b) Identification badges shall be worn at all times and are not transferable.
- (c) Should a delegate be absent or unable to serve, the alternate shall assume the duties of the delegate AFTER qualifying at the registration and credentials desks. These duties shall be retained throughout the Conference.

3. Seating

- (a) There shall be a designated seating area for delegates.
- (b) Attendees shall be seated five minutes before each session convenes.
- (c) The doors shall be closed when each session convenes; those awaiting admittance during session shall be admitted at the discretion of the pages.

4. Communications

All communications for those seated at the platform and members of the assembly shall be delivered by an official page.

5. Motions

Main motions and amendments shall be written on the official form provided, signed and sent to the chair by an official page.

6. Debate

Debate shall be limited to two minutes for each speaker, five minutes per question and ten minutes for each article, except when permitted otherwise by the voting assembly by a two-thirds vote. No member may speak more than twice to the same question, except by consent of the voting assembly.

7. Decorum

- (a) All meetings will be called to order on time.
- (b) The Chair at all times shall be addressed as Governor Kris.
- (c) A delegate or other member shall rise, address the Chair and having been recognized, shall state her/his name and the name of her/his club distinctly, making use of the microphone provided.
- (d) No delegate or officer shall leave the meeting room unless excused by the Chair.
- (e) The Chair shall recognize each member desiring the floor in proper order.
- (f) Both delegates and non-delegates shall be allowed the privilege of the floor. Precedence shall be accorded delegates.
- (g) Region committee chairs shall be accorded precedence of the floor at the discretion of the Chair, with the consent of the delegates, if they are speaking to an issue affecting their committee, or to an issue proposed by their committee and which was sent with the Call to Conference.
- (h) Members should be respectful of those around them and turn off any equipment that would distract from the meeting: cell phones on vibrate, computers on silent during conference sessions.

8. Publicity

No discussion or action shall be released for publicity without the approval of the Region Governor.

9. Recording Devices

Recording devices (i.e. tape recorders, video cameras) shall not be used during the Conference without the written consent of the Region Governor.

Corrections to Standing Rules



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Attendance Report

International Officers _____	Club Delegates _____
Federation Officers _____	Other Soroptimists _____
Region Officers _____	Guests _____
District Directors _____	
Fellowship Officers _____	Total in Attendance _____
Fellowship Directors _____	

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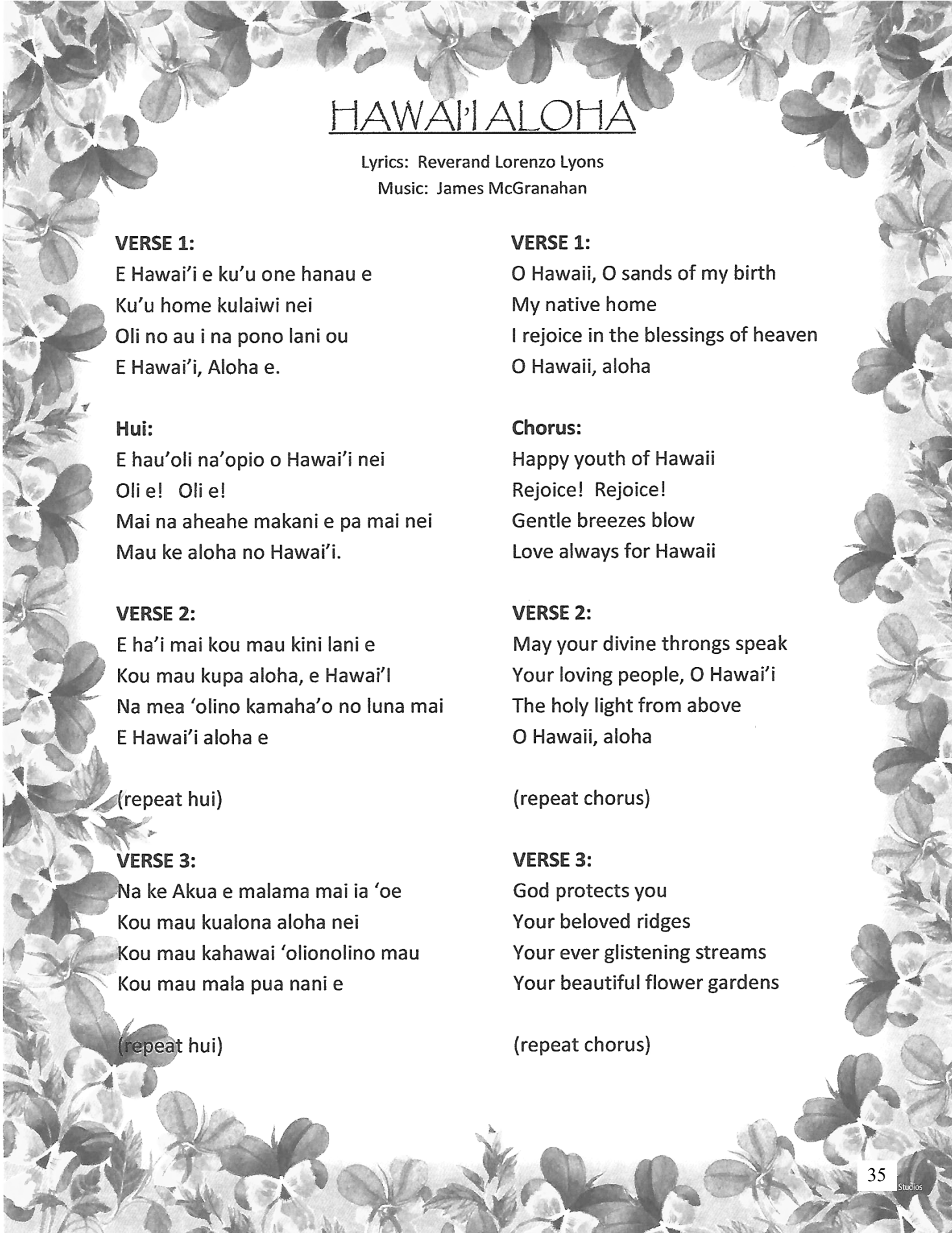
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~Atticus



HAWAII ALOHA

Lyrics: Reverend Lorenzo Lyons

Music: James McGranahan

VERSE 1:

E Hawai'i e ku'u one hanau e
Ku'u home kulaiwi nei
Oli no au i na pono lani ou
E Hawai'i, Aloha e.

Hui:

E hau'oli na'opio o Hawai'i nei
Oli e! Oli e!
Mai na aheahe makani e pa mai nei
Mau ke aloha no Hawai'i.

VERSE 2:

E ha'i mai kou mau kini lani e
Kou mau kupa aloha, e Hawai'i
Na mea 'olino kamaha'o no luna mai
E Hawai'i aloha e

(repeat hui)

VERSE 3:

Na ke Akua e malama mai ia 'oe
Kou mau kualona aloha nei
Kou mau kahawai 'olionolino mau
Kou mau mala pua nani e

(repeat hui)

VERSE 1:

O Hawaii, O sands of my birth
My native home
I rejoice in the blessings of heaven
O Hawaii, aloha

Chorus:

Happy youth of Hawaii
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Gentle breezes blow
Love always for Hawaii

VERSE 2:

May your divine throngs speak
Your loving people, O Hawai'i
The holy light from above
O Hawaii, aloha

(repeat chorus)

VERSE 3:

God protects you
Your beloved ridges
Your ever glistening streams
Your beautiful flower gardens

(repeat chorus)

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"Hallo", "Hola", "Aloha!", "Hafa Adai!" & "Alii!"