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## NEWS FROM GOVERNOR DENISE



Thank you for those who attended the 91<sup>st</sup> annual Spring Conference in Hollywood Beach, Florida. We had a blast!! We had wonderful friendship dinners at Mama Mia's and Taverna Opa and I was proud of all of you who took the challenge and danced on the tables. On Friday, we started the afternoon with a very informative Human Trafficking session followed by a dual "Hop Tips" Technology and an Easy Way to Fundraise session. We finished the afternoon with a guest speaker, Beth Azor, who taught us How to Fundraise Like a Super Star. She was Fantastic!

On Saturday, Dana Martin our official visitor and SIA board member, presented "What If" and the members just loved it! We had special leadership minutes throughout the day from our previous Alicia Zachman Emerging Leaders and we also heard from each of the four Pillar Chairs on Membership, Programs, Fundraising, and Public Awareness. Our Governor-elect, Caroline Williams, presented "Leadership Southern Region Style." It was a very interactive and engaging program. We ended the afternoon hearing from the Ruby Lee Minar board and our Program Chairs for Celebrating Success, Dream It Be It and Live Your Dream. SI Davie hosted the first timer's reception in the Penthouse of the hotel. We had 18 first timers this year!! Woo Hoo!! We had a great dinner Saturday night followed by the Talent/No Talent Lip Sync Battle. Wow what fun! It is great to be able to laugh at yourself...and that is definitely what I did. I had the awesome opportunity to dance and sing with my board and with my club SI Homestead. Even after the contest, we continued to lip sync and had a great time. On Sunday we celebrated the lives of Diana Hawkes-Williams and Lorinda "Rindy" Craig. We finished the morning with the Conference awards. Caroline Williams won the Laurel Society Quilt raffle, SI Music City Nashville won the Mileage Award and the Attendance Award. SI Stuart won the Website award, SI Pinellas County won the Facebook Award, SI Tampa won the Scrapbook Award. The Program Ad winner was SI Davie and the runner up was SI Tuscaloosa. The individual Ad winner was Orange Theory.

During our lunch on Saturday, we honored our two Southern Region Live Your Dream Award winners. Our first place winner is Aislinn R Brookshire from SI Huntsville and our Second Place winner is Denisse Medina Alamo from SI San Juan. Our First Place winner received \$5000 and our second place winner received \$3000. Thank you for all of the clubs who gave a LYD Award this last year! The region was reported as being 100% for the Live Your Dream award which allowed us to compete at the region level. **Without all of you participating, we would have lost the \$8,000 from federation for these two wonderful young ladies.** Fantastic News!! Our first place LYD Region Award winner Aislinn Brookshire went on to compete at Federation and won an additional \$10,000 from SIA. Yeah!!

We have more great news in the region this month as well. SI Davie won a Soroptimist Club Grant for Women and Girls to be used to support the Stolen Girls...Stolen Dreams Human Trafficking Backpack project. Congratulations to SI Davie!!!

*In Soroptimist Spirit,  
Denise Held  
Southern Region Governor*

## NEWS FROM GOVERNOR-ELECT CAROLINE



### Looking at the Past and Future in Southern Region

Our Soroptimist year, 2016-2017, has been phenomenal. We have renewed a region-wide spirit of camaraderie and team work, significantly increased our membership, achieved 100% participation in the Live Your Dream program which resulted in a \$10,000 Federation level award, and successfully completed outstanding District Meetings and a truly inspiring Spring Conference.

2017-2018 will be just as rewarding! This year's District Meetings, sponsored by SI Tuscaloosa, October 6 & 7, and SI Pompano, October 13 & 14, promise to be creative and informative. SI Tuscaloosa will also be hosting our Southern Region Spring Conference, March 23 – 25, 2018 at the new Embassy Suites Hotel close to the Black Warrior River.

I hope each of you will mark these special dates on your calendar right now. Plan to visit Tuscaloosa and Pompano Beach and see what these fabulous cities have to offer. Stay tuned to learn how you can join in the fun and friendships we are creating in Southern Region!

Have a safe and wonderful summer.

Caroline Williams  
SIA Southern Region Governor-elect

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## Ruby Lee Minar Soroptimist Memorial Fund, Inc.

Thank you to everyone at the Southern Region Conference for helping us to achieve a successful Twentieth Annual Meeting of the RLM Fund on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017! And a very special thanks to District III Director Karen Karpinski for stepping in for me to present the proceedings.

A lot of ground was covered in that meeting. The RLM Fund documents were updated to better reflect the current status and operations of the organization. In addition, the RLM By-laws were changed to reflect the recommendations of a special advisory committee to permit a Soroptimist or a relative of a Soroptimist to make an application for this interest free graduate student loan so long as they are not connected to members of either the Southern Region or RLM Fund Boards. This presents a wonderful opportunity to our members who may be in need of a hand up.

We also filled two RLM Fund Board positions that opened this year – welcome Aurora Daniels and Jennifer Stylbo! We are just starting the new term, and we are already reviewing a new application for a loan, so these ladies have been put to work. We'd like to see more work come in, so don't forget to let your communities know that these loans are available.

Cathy Iho and Claudia Weston, thank you so much for the service you provided during your terms on the Board. Cathy and Karen, thank you both for agreeing to stay on as advisers. We are looking forward to a productive year!

Nancy Z. Kitchens, President

### Upcoming Dates of Interest:

- July 1—Soroptimists Celebrating Success due to Region Chair
- July 1—Dues payments due to Federation and Region
- July 1—Live Your Dream Online Applications Open
- August 1—Late fee assessed if dues have not been paid
- October 6-7 - District III Meeting in Tuscaloosa
- October 13-14—District I & II Meeting in Pompano Beach
- March 23-25, 2018—Region Conference in Tuscaloosa



## District Director Reports

### District I—Kathy Blanton

The District I clubs have been very busy this year! I encourage all members to "Like" each club's Facebook pages to see what everyone's been up to. It's a great way for clubs to share events, fundraisers, and club activities. It may give you ideas for your club, too!

SI Boca Raton/Deerfield beach was honored for their community service at the "Heart of Woman" Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse luncheon this year. Congratulations on your impact in the community! And congratulations on yet another successful Women of Distinction Luncheon!

This is a huge year for SI Coral Gables. From now on, they are Soroptimist International of Coral Gables/Miami! Congratulations on all your hard work in making this a reality!

Congratulations SI Davie for receiving the Celebrating Success Fundraising Pillar award for their Annual "Golfing for Good" event. And thanks for the great job hosting the "First Timers" event at conference this year!

It's the 70<sup>th</sup> year for SI Fort Lauderdale! The club recently wished Past President and Past Governor Connie Desko much health and happiness as she leaves for her new life in Tennessee. Here she comes District III!

Martinis, Massages & Manicures, and a new membership meet and greet have kept SI Homestead very busy. This hardworking club also won "Non-Profit of the Year"! Congratulations!

Pompano Beach's "Soroptimist Safari" Spring Fundraiser was a success as usual! The club also recently supported the people of Haiti with a successful shoe drive. Stay tuned, as SI Pompano will be hosting the 2017 District I & II meeting October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>!

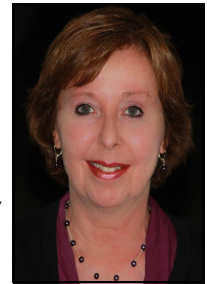
SI San Juan's Live Your Dream award recipient, Dennise Medina Alamo, received the Southern Region 2<sup>nd</sup> place award! Congratulations! Check out their very-active Facebook page, too. Great way to attract new members! SI of the Palm Beaches' "Black & White" Live Your Dream Luncheon and Fashion Show was a big success! Raising funds for their projects included bowling night for the women of Burckle Place – a fun and heartwarming annual event.

Congratulations to all the clubs on a very successful year. Hope to see you all at the District I & II meeting this fall!

### District II—Michelle Strawser

The end of our calendar year has arrived and as we embark on a new year I want to say how extremely proud I am to be affiliated with the clubs in District II. Having had the chance to visit each club in the District this past year it truly is amazing to see our collective impact. The interest and participation in the Dream It, Be It Program was a hot topic for District II. The main discussion at each club visit was this signature program. There is deep interest and desire to conduct Dream It, Be It Sessions & Seminars from all clubs.

As we plan our 2017\*2018 calendar year I would like to challenge the five clubs in District II to have 100% participation in the DIBI Program this year. We have many clubs in our Southern Region who have worked through the curriculum and will be a great resource to any club ready to undertake this program in 2017\*2018. We have also created a fluid step by step template for a One-Day Seminar for any club considering hosting a DIBI event this year. (continued on next page)



## District Director Reports

### District II—Michelle Strawser (cont.)

Congratulations to all of the clubs in the Southern Region for participating in the Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women. [#Programs](#)

The Stuart club surpassed any expectation on the efficiency and effectiveness of a one hour business meeting. They also wowed me with their earnings of \$28,000.00+ at their Annual Women of Distinction luncheon. [#Fundraising](#)

Congratulations to all of the clubs in District II for growing by 11 net members this year with our top club being SI Stuart at a net plus 5!!! [#Membership](#)

Congratulations to SI Tampa and SI Greater Daytona Beach/SI Pinellas on successfully completing a One-Day Dream It, Be It Seminar! [#Programs](#)

Congratulations to SI Stuart on winning the Southern Region Website Award! [#PublicAwareness](#)

Congratulations to SI Pinellas on winning the Southern Region's 1<sup>st</sup> ever Facebook Award! [#PublicAwareness](#)

Congratulations to SI Tampa on winning the Governor's Service Award this year! [#Programs](#)

I would like to thank Governor Denise and the Southern Region board for their ongoing support and consistent communication over the first year of our biennium. It has been simply amazing working with all of you and I am looking forward to our next year together! [#Team](#)

### District III—Karen Karpinski

AS we've come to the end of another great year in Southern Region, I can truthfully say what a pleasure it has been to serve as Director for District III, and I look forward to another equally fun year in 2017-18. I hope all members of the district have sufficient time to relax and enjoy your past successes as you begin planning for your new club year.

Our District III Meeting is scheduled for October 6-7<sup>th</sup> in beautiful Tuscaloosa. Plans are already well established, and I know everyone will enjoy the lovely and new Hotel Indigo, the city's first water front hotel overlooking the Black Warrior River. Mark your calendars and plan to have a wonderful time learning, networking and socializing with Soroptimist friends.

Many of the clubs have been changing officers. You have extraordinary mentors in your past Boards and I encourage you to seek their advice while also spreading your wings and finding your own identity. You have the Southern Region Board members you can contact for advice as well as your district director. We have great faith that as you do your planning, you will include our Dream Programs as you continue the other amazing projects that have meant so much to you. The Presidents of District III are: SI Atlanta – Gigi Poole, SI Huntsville, SI Montgomery – Pam Cook, SI Music City Nashville – Aurora Daniels, and SI Tuscaloosa - Kacie Obradovich. Congratulations to each of you. Exceptional fundraisers and programs will be forth coming knowing what amazing strengths you bring to Soroptimist.

Have a great summer!





## Fundraising—Skye Kent

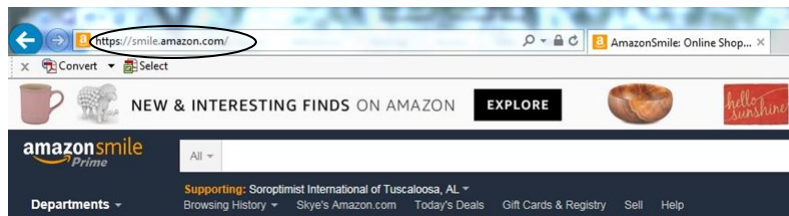
One of the breakout sessions at the SISR Conference in Hollywood Beach, FL was on Simple Fundraising ideas. More specifically, we discussed **AmazonSmile**. In case you missed it, here is a summary from that session:


### What is Amazon Smile?

Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. The **Amazon Smile** Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by individual customers.

### So how do I use Amazon Smile?

Go to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com); choose your charity – Soroptimist of your-local-chapter; then use your existing Amazon or Amazon Prime sign-in and shop till you drop! Just make sure you start shopping at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) every time you shop for the donation to be applied.



To use it on your cell phone, you CANNOT use the Amazon app; you have to go through your browser. Just type in [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and then click the  found at the bottom of your screen, and add it to your home screen.

### How will my small purchases make a difference?

Get all of your club members to select your club as their Amazon Smile charity. Email your friends and ask them to select your club as their Amazon Smile charity. Send a text to your friends asking them to select your club as their Amazon Smile charity. Ask your company to select your club as their Amazon Smile charity. Add the request to your newsletters, asking your subscribers to select your club as their Amazon Smile charity. Add a tagline to your email signature asking your friends to select your club as their Amazon Smile charity. Add a button to your club website asking your audience to select your club as their Amazon Smile charity. Add a photo to your Facebook page asking your friends to select your club as their Amazon Smile charity.

### But really, does this ever really add up to anything?

YES! Absolutely yes! I started using Amazon Smile sometime last fall (my original charity was not Soroptimist based), and since then I have made 17 eligible purchases totaling a donation of \$4.52 to the charity I selected. There is no cap on what the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate, and as of February 2017 they have donated \$46,126,473.56!

### So, how do I set our club up to be an Amazon Smile charity?

You don't... Soroptimist International of the Americas has already done this for us!!! So now, you can start shopping at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) with your club selected as YOUR Amazon Smile charity! So easy!



## *Public Awareness—Susan Coyle*

### *Spreading the Word About Soroptimist*

It was such a pleasure seeing everyone at the Southern Region Conference this past April. The weekend meetings provided interesting topics, information exchange and a lot of fun. Over the last several years, public awareness has become much more complicated but technology has given us more opportunities to reach new audiences. That's a good thing!

One of the topics covered at the Region Conference was: "Hot Tips: Your Club's Social Media". We broke out into groups and discussed "tips" regarding Facebook. Did you know the "best time" to post is between 12 p.m. and 3 p.m Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday ..and on Saturday and Sunday between 12 p.m. and 1 p.m.? Of course this study can change at anytime, but it's something to think about. Whom ever is in charge of posting your club's content can choose a date and time that the post shows up on Facebook. Would you like to reach more people than friends and members? Boosting your page for \$10.00 will help you reach and additional 4,600 people! For more information Facebook has a "tools & resource" area: <https://developers.facebook.com/> - check it out and spread the word about your club, share posts from SIA's FB page and increase the recognition of all things Soroptimist.

SIA's goal is to be recognized for its efforts to improve the lives of women and girls. As we prepare for our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the federation board is working to revitalize our brand image, which is an important step in building our global recognition. Be brand warriors. Implement Soroptimist's visual identity, which includes our mission, the "S" logo, "best for women" tagline and blue color. Your club should use these visual identifiers in all publicity materials. The recognition goal is just one part of SIA's strategic plan it is also important that we be who we say we are and do what we say we do.



Have a great summer, post on social media and be SIA brand warriors!

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## *Southern Region Human Trafficking Committee* *Pat McCay and Heidi Schaeffer*

Thank you to the many Southern Region clubs who participated in and/or sponsored a human trafficking event during the previous club year. Your efforts in raising awareness about human trafficking is extremely important for the safety of our communities and our children. Your efforts are definitely making a difference!

Another club year will begin on July 1, just a few weeks away. To the many clubs who held events this club year, when you are planning your club's calendar and events for 2017-2018, please consider sponsoring a human trafficking event again. If you have never held a human trafficking event and simply do not know where to start, please contact Heidi Schaeffer ([momdoctor6@gmail.com](mailto:momdoctor6@gmail.com)) or me ([pmccay@TTS-LLC.com](mailto:pmccay@TTS-LLC.com)) for ideas, suggestions, etc. We will be glad to help in any way we can.

If we can save only one person from the trauma and horror of human trafficking, all of our efforts will have been worth it!

## *Soroptimist Celebrating Success Awards—Angie Krumenacker* **Start Bragging!**

During our Southern Region Conference at the beautiful Hollywood Marriott Hotel, I presented to everyone that it's time to start "Bragging" about all the wonderful work your clubs have done regarding Soroptimist International of America's four pillars.

This year's winners were SI Tampa for their "Teen Achievers" project in the Program pillar and SI Davie for their "Golfing Fore Good" project in the Fundraising pillar. Both SI Tampa and Davie received a \$100.00 certificate good towards next year's Southern Region Conference registration. SI Music City Nashville was recognized for their Human Trafficking project in the Program category. SI Pompano Beach also was recognized for their Stepping Stones and the Dresses for Appalachian Ministries projects in the Program category.

Every club has something to brag about. Whether it is about an increase in *membership*, the wonderful *programs* your club was involved with, how you raised money in exciting *fundraising* events or how you let everyone know the good work your club does through your *public awareness* channels. Southern Region is no different!

Soroptimists Celebrating Success awards recognize outstanding club projects that help improve the lives of women and girls through programs within your community.

We welcome all clubs to participate in this year's Soroptimist Celebrating Success Awards. In the past year, Southern Region has received several entries and winners will be announced during the Southern Region Conference.

Good Luck!



## *Dream It, Be It—Marsha McGrath* **Southern Region 2016-2017 Club Year**

Five Southern Region clubs participated in the Dream It, Be It: Career Support for Girls program this year. Soroptimist International of Boca Raton/Deerfield Beaches, Davie, Daytona, and Tampa provided five programs, two by Tampa. Pinellas County supported Dayton financially. Two mentoring programs and three one day conferences served 87 girls in these Southern Region Communities. Our regional numbers are in line with other regional statistics for the United States. Check the website, Soroptimist.org, in late July or early August for the final figures.

Plans are in the early stages to share the successes and challenges of these two types of Dream It, Be It programs at district meeting and the regional conference. Paperwork is much more streamlined and safety concerns for the girls and club members are no longer an issue. In other words, start working with young girls in your community and lay the foundation for your Dream It, Be It program. I am here to help or talk to these four successful club presidents. Let's double those statistics in 2018-2019!

Marsha McGrath  
727-386-2134

## Club News

### SI Homestead



Soroptimist of Homestead held their 2<sup>nd</sup> “Meet and Greet!” on May 10<sup>th</sup> at a member’s home. We had over 25 guests in attendance to learn about Soroptimist and what we do! We are installing 3 of those members in July with more interesting in joining! It was great meeting awesome ladies in our community and spreading awareness of the Soroptimist mission!



On March 31, we held our annual Martinis, Massages and Manicures Night! We honored one of our scholarship winners, Pia Clarke, who has completed her Undergraduate Degree with the help of Soroptimist of Homestead and is now on to her Masters! With Firefighters as bartenders, raffle baskets and dancing, the night was a complete success and a lot of fun!



Our bartenders!



### SI Pompano Beach

We have had a very active spring in the year 2017. First of all we held our annual Rummage Sale in January which netted \$3,400. Then on March 25<sup>th</sup> we held our annual Spring Fundraiser “Safari” that netted \$33,400. We had a big turnout, selling 300 tickets. In April, we manned two booths for three days at the City of Pompano Beach’s annual Seafood Festival. We are waiting to obtain our share of the proceeds from the festival.

Next we held our funds disbursement meeting awarding one young lady, Sudana L Lefevre with the “Live Your Dream” award and two “Violet Richardson” awards to Sara N Palumbo and Hannah Szto-re. We also awarded Woodhouse, Inc. (who enriches the lives of individuals with intellectual and development disabilities.) And last but not least, we awarded the Flite Center with a check to be utilized to assist the young ladies that are transiting from their foster homes at the age of 18. All funds earned were disbursed.

We are very proud of what we have accomplished and are excited to see what the future brings.

*Fonnie K Gill*  
Publicity Chairperson



Bim Krutek, our President, Randall Bishop, recipient, and Teri Kovacs, Treasurer and Photographer.



## SI St. Lucie

SI of St. Lucie Shades of Blue Madhatters

Soroptimist and Guests showing Beautiful Women with Beautiful Madhatters Hats

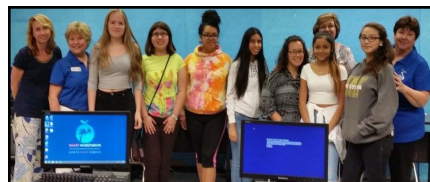


## SI Davie

### “A Look Back”

Davie Soroptimist have been busy after our Human Trafficking Reception in January. But with 47 enthusiastic ladies, a lot of great work in our community was accomplished. Let’s take a look back.

Our “Dream It Be It” program chair, immediately gathered her committee of dedicated women to work with Western High School students, ranging from freshman through seniors. These girls are part of the Firewall Ministries after school program. Our program lasted 6 weeks and addressed everything from “conflict resolution”, “financial tips”, “job interview tips” and we were even able to include some topics from last year’s curriculum. Our members brought snacks to each session. At the conclusion of the program, each girl was presented with a bracelet which said, “she believed, she could, so she did.” The girls loved the program and of course their bracelets and they enthusiastically requested our return for a third year.



Our club was asked by our Southern Region Governor if we would host the “First Timer’s Reception” at their conference. Well, we jumped at the chance! Members started to gather ideas and the planning began. Our theme was “Be Like a Pineapple”. There was a wine and cheese reception overlooking beautiful Hollywood Beach where goodie bags were given to all “first timers” with special hats given to our Southern Region Board. Lots of friendships were formed, laughs and cheers with wine toasts for all! After the conference, pictures and “thank you” cards were sent to all first timers. “Be Like a Pineapple” - Stand Tall, wear a Crown and Be Sweet on the Inside”. Sure sounds like Soroptimists!



Now we go on to our annual “Golfing Fore Good” Charity Tournament. Our Golf chair is busy sending out our letters, brochures and encouraging our members to get foursomes, ads and sponsors. We anticipate another fun and successful Davie Soroptimist year.

## SI Pinellas County and SI Tampa

SI Tampa and SI Pinellas County continued their annual tradition of having a joint installation of officers. This was Tampa's turn to host and as you can see, there was a great turnout. Hosted by SI Tampa Director Fran DeLuca, the food and friendships were excellent. SI Tampa President Rosetta used an excellent analogy of a jigsaw puzzle and how each piece has to fit together to make the total picture. Many thanks to SI Tampa from SI Pinellas County!!



## SI San Juan



Soroptimist International of San Juan is involved in an ongoing project on Human Trafficking named **“Si Sospechas, Denuncia” la Trata Humana**, which means if you suspect of Human Trafficking denounce it. The project was started in the month of March. It consisted of three and half hours workshop for religious educators of 19 Catholic parishes of San Juan, Puerto Rico. The objectives of the workshop were the following: a. Educate different communities of the San Juan- Santurce and Carolina Archdioceses about Human Trafficking. b. Teach these communities how to denounce Human Trafficking. c. Teach these communities how to protect themselves from Human Trafficking.

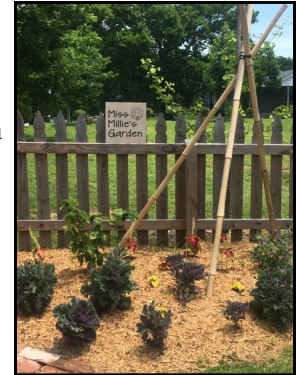
The program consisted of a welcome, prayer or reflection. A one hour lecture was given by Soroptimist members to the participants, followed by a film on how is Human Trafficking accomplished at the island of Puerto Rico. The film was prepared by the Commission of Civil Services. Group Discussion on Real Cases on Human Trafficking were conducted, followed by a brief presentation of the cases by the different groups. After the workshop the religious educators were committed to educate their communities about this crime. A written evaluation was administered obtaining very good results. With this positive feedback from all the participants members of Soroptimist International of San Juan felt motivated to continue accomplishing this task. Human Trafficking is a crime that could affect our daughters, friends or even ourselves, nobody is exempt from this horrible crime.

## SI Music City Nashville

A day of service was held in May as members gathered at King's Daughter Child Development Center in Nashville to plant "Miss Millie's Garden." The gardens surround the home which provides child care for children from financially challenged families. They are named in honor of dedicated gardener and Southern Region Past Governor Millie Grammer, who has long been a supporter and board member of the center. SI Music City Nashville members designed the gardens and bought plants, trees, flowers, and the tools needed to plant and maintain the beauty. With the help of a few husbands/helpers, members planted about 200 items and built shelves and racks in the storage shed to house the equipment.



Club members and helpers with their tools of the trade.



Some of the finished garden.

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## SI Huntsville

This last quarter has been very busy! We started by hosting our awards luncheon in April. It was a beautiful event held at the Huntsville Country Club. We honored our three award recipients which included Claire Walker as our Violet Richardson Award Winner, Constance Tiller as our Ruby Award Winner, and Aislinn (Roxie) Brookshire as our Live Your Dreams Award recipient. We are so excited for Roxie because not only did she move on to win the Southern Region Award, but she has won one of the Federation awards as well! We will be hosting a reception in her honor.

The next month we attended the Region Conference which is always full of fun and time to catch up. I have never seen so many ladies dancing on the tables! We also completed a couple of service projects. We hosted a baby shower for a young lady staying at Koru Silver House. She is a former human trafficking victim who is getting help through Tennessee Valley Services. Our club provided a stroller car seat combo and members provided additional items including clothes, diapers, and necessities. Ladies in the club also provided a Space Camp scholarship for a young lady involved in another great organization She's All That, who we are working to partner with in our Dream It, Be It program.



## "Making the Dream Work" Southern Region 91st Conference



### Leadership: *Southern Region Style*

#### Conclusions:

- Leadership style should change with the situation
- Leaders need to be flexible and ready and willing to change styles when needed
- Leadership style plays a huge factor in an organization's success



## "Making the Dream Work" Southern Region 91st Conference



Soroptimists in the News!



From SI St. Lucie—good publicity for their human trafficking symposium!

SI Boca Raton/Deerfield Beach got some well-deserved publicity for their aid to the community.



## Southern Region Honors our Award Winners

### SI Pompano Beach



L to R, Susan Motley, our Award Coordinator, Hannah Sztore, recipient, and Hannah's family.



Center, Susan Motley and Sarah Palumbo, recipient, and her parents on each end.



L to R, first three from the Flite Center, Sudana K Lefevre, recipient, her son and Susan Motley.



### SI Davie

Our club's "Annual Awards" Dinner was held in March on National Women's Day. So appropriate as the club honored our 3 "Live Your Dream" (LYD) recipients, our very own Violet Richardson's Award (VRA) (which after this year, will be known as "Soroptimist International of Davie Leadership Award") and our Ruby winner. Each of the LYD recipients received \$2,500 towards their continuing education, the VRA recipient received \$500 along with \$250 to the charity she supported and this year's Ruby winner received \$1,000. Our Ruby recipient was also honored as the Southern Region winner. She was recognized during this year's Southern Region Conference. Congratulations to all, we are so proud of them.



## Southern Region Honors our Award Winners

### SI St. Lucie



President Ruth Davis, Live your Dream Chair Estelle Brown and Co Chair Dr. Frances Harris, Live your Dream Award winner Davonna S. Stanford.

### SI Music City Nashville



President Priscilla Tatarsky and Live Your Dream Award winner Karen Potter.



### SI Huntsville



Award winner Aislynn Brookshire.

### SI Homestead



Award winner Pia Clarke.