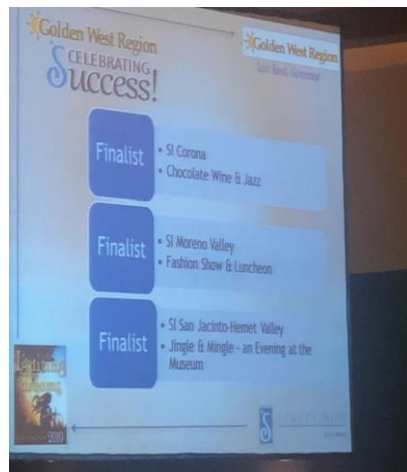
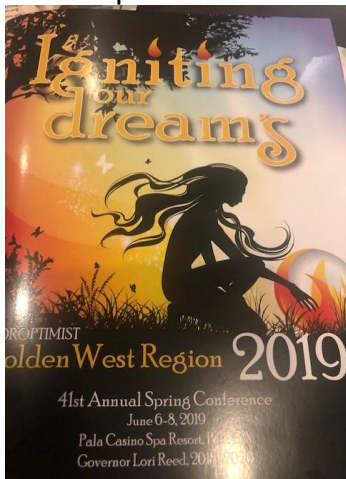


# SoroptiValley News

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## SIMV SPRING CONFERENCE

The Soroptimist Spring Conference was a huge success. It was a great time to share what the Golden West Region has been involved in for the past year. It was a time to recognize our programs, honor our members, conduct the business of our Region, share best practices, and enjoy fellowship with each other. It was definitely a time to rededicate ourselves to the Soroptimist mission, to broaden our knowledge, gain a better understanding and direction of our organization, win awards plus have lots of fun!



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## Induction of New Members

**SIMV is such an incredible organization that each of us should want to share its opportunities with others. Surely there's no better evidence of this than the amazing induction of new members on June 23, 2019. We welcomed three new members at our Installation Ceremony: Denise McCrea, Kathy Knox, and Marianne Jones.**



*"Population growth is straining the Earth's resources to the breaking point, and educating girls is the single most important factor in stabilizing that."*

## Installation of 2019 SIMV Officers

We were honored to have District Director Two of SI Palm Desert, Becky Goebel, install our new officers (SIMV Sheroes) on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Our President, head Shero, Sandy Ferguson, gave an inspiring and motivating speech. She reminded us of the many accomplishments of the past year and the work ahead. Together we continue to accomplish much.



**SIMV is so grateful for its many officers and President Sandy. Second Vice President Pat Box presented Sandy with a gift of love and appreciation from SIMV**



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In July we celebrate essential democratic anniversaries — the birth of the United States on July 4, 1776 and the birth of the Women's Rights Movement on July 19-20, 1848.

### **Anniversary of the First Women's Rights Conference (July 19 and 20)**

On July 19-20, 1848, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott spearheaded the first women's rights convention in American History. Over 300 women and men came to Seneca Falls, New York to protest the mistreatment of women in social, economic, political, and religious life. This marked the first public meeting calling for women's right to vote.

## July Women's History Events

- **July 2, 1979** – The Susan B. Anthony dollar is released
- **July 2, 1937** – Amelia Earhart's plane is lost in the Pacific Ocean near Howland Island
- **July 2, 1964** – President Lyndon Johnson signs the Civil Rights Act; Title VII prohibits sex discrimination in employment
- **July 4, 1876** – Suffragists crash the Centennial Celebration in Independence Hall to present the Vice President with the "Declaration of the Rights of Women" written by Matilda Joselyn Gage
- **July 6, 1957** – Althea Gibson is the first African American woman player to win a Wimbledon title in women's tennis singles
- **July 7, 1981** – President Reagan nominates Sandra Day O'Connor as the first woman Supreme Court Justice?
- **July 12, 1984** – Representative Geraldine Ferraro (D-New York) is chosen as the first female to run for Vice President of the United States on the Democratic Party ticket with Walter Mondale (D-Minnesota)
- **July 14, 1917** – 16 women from the National Women's Party were arrested while picketing the White House demanding universal women's suffrage; they were charged with obstructing traffic
- **July 19-20, 1848** – The Seneca Falls Convention, the country's first women's rights convention, is held in Seneca Falls, New York **Women's Rights Movement**
- **July 20, 1942** – The first class of Women's Auxiliary Army Corps (WAAC) begins at Fort Des Moines, IA
- **July 29, 1974.** "Philadelphia Eleven" deacons (Merrill Bittner, Alla Bozarth-Campbell, Alison Cheek, Emily Hewitt, Carter Heyward, Suzanne Hiatt, Marie Moorefield, Jeannette Piccard, Betty Schiess, Katrina Swanson, and Nancy Wittig) ordained as the first women Episcopal priests

## Upcoming Events:



**SIMV will participate In Moreno Valley's 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade on Thursday. In the spirit of Super Heroes we are excited to spread the many accomplishments of our organization.**



## August 2-3 GWR Leadership Training Retreat

## August 10 SIMV Planning Retreat

On August 20<sup>th</sup>, #Beautiful will start at three (3) Moreno Valley Schools sponsored by SIMV. We are excited to bring this academic curriculum to over 50 at risk girls this school year.

The first Monday in September, Labor Day, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. Enjoy your celebration but remember, SIMV will once again start its monthly meetings. Our first Board meeting will be on Wednesday following Labor Day at Brandon's Diner at 7:00a.m.



Starting September "Dream It Be It" will again spread hope to young ladies at Bayside Community Day School.



October will bring Quartermania so save your quarters and invite your family, friends and neighbors. Access SIMV website for Save the Date details, sponsorship letters and more information.



Wow! SIMV, you are busy...

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