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Soroptimist International of Olympia

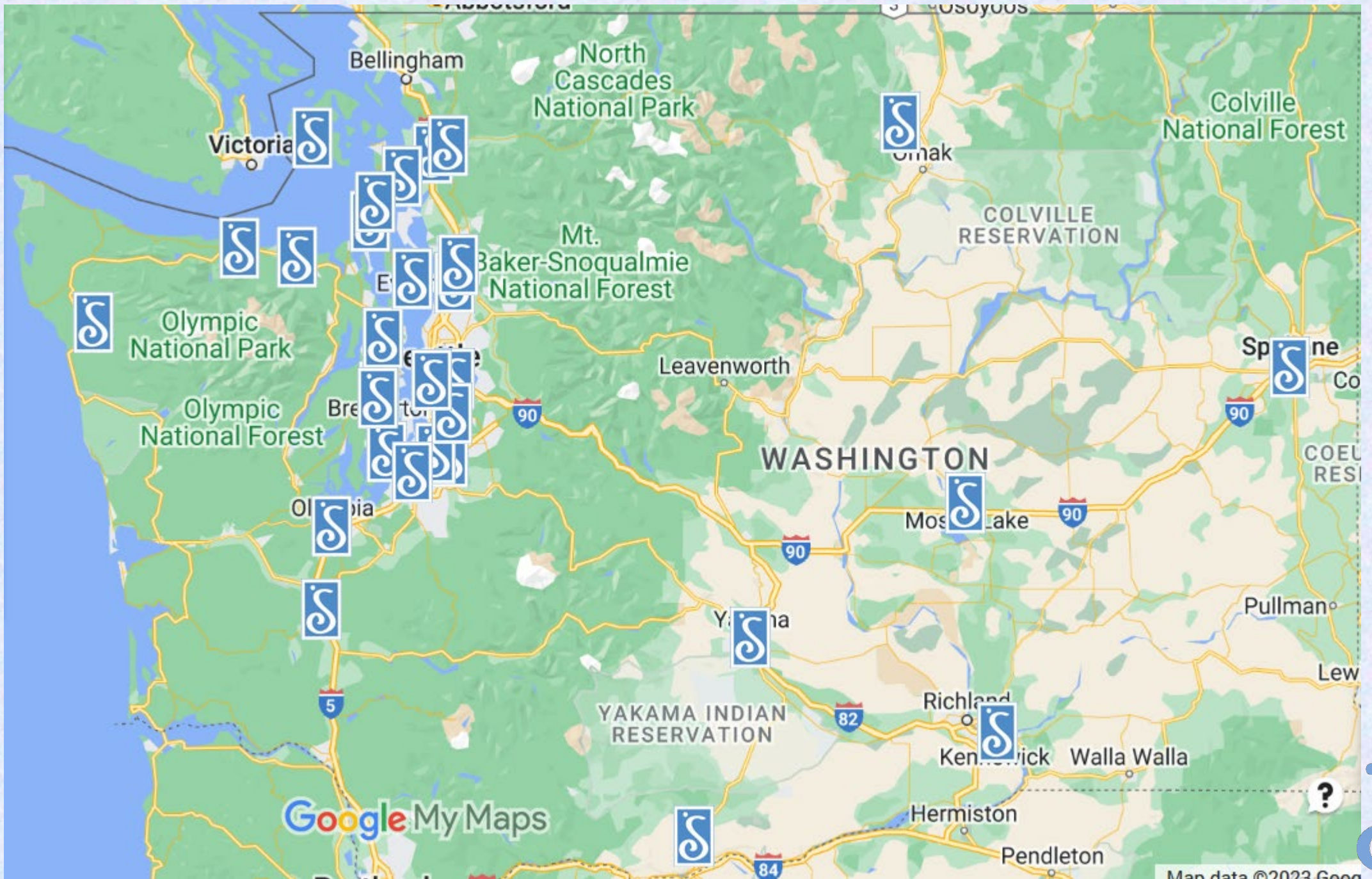
Our Mission

To improve the lives of
women and girls,
through programs
leading to social and
economic
empowerment.

Our Vision

Women and girls
have the resources
and opportunities to
reach their full
potential and live
their dreams.





Soroptimist Northwestern Region

<https://www.soroptimistnwr.org/clubs/>

District 1 – Alaska, Western Washington except for the southwestern edge bordering Oregon

District 2 – Southwest Washington and all of Oregon except the northeastern corner

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Washington Clubs

Anacortes
Auburn
Bellevue Metropolitan
Burlington
Centralia / Chehalis
Coupeville
Everett
Federal Way
Friday Harbor
Gig Harbor
Greater Bremerton Area
Greater North Kitsap
La Conner

Marysville
Oak Harbor
Olympia
Olympic Rain Forest
Port Angeles (2)
Port Orchard
Renton
Seattle Metropolitan
Seattle South
Sedro-Woolley
Sequim
South Whidbey
Tacoma

Clark County (Vancouver)
Goldendale
Lower Yakima Valley
Moses Lake
Okanogan Valley
Pasco-Kennewick
Spokane
Three Rivers

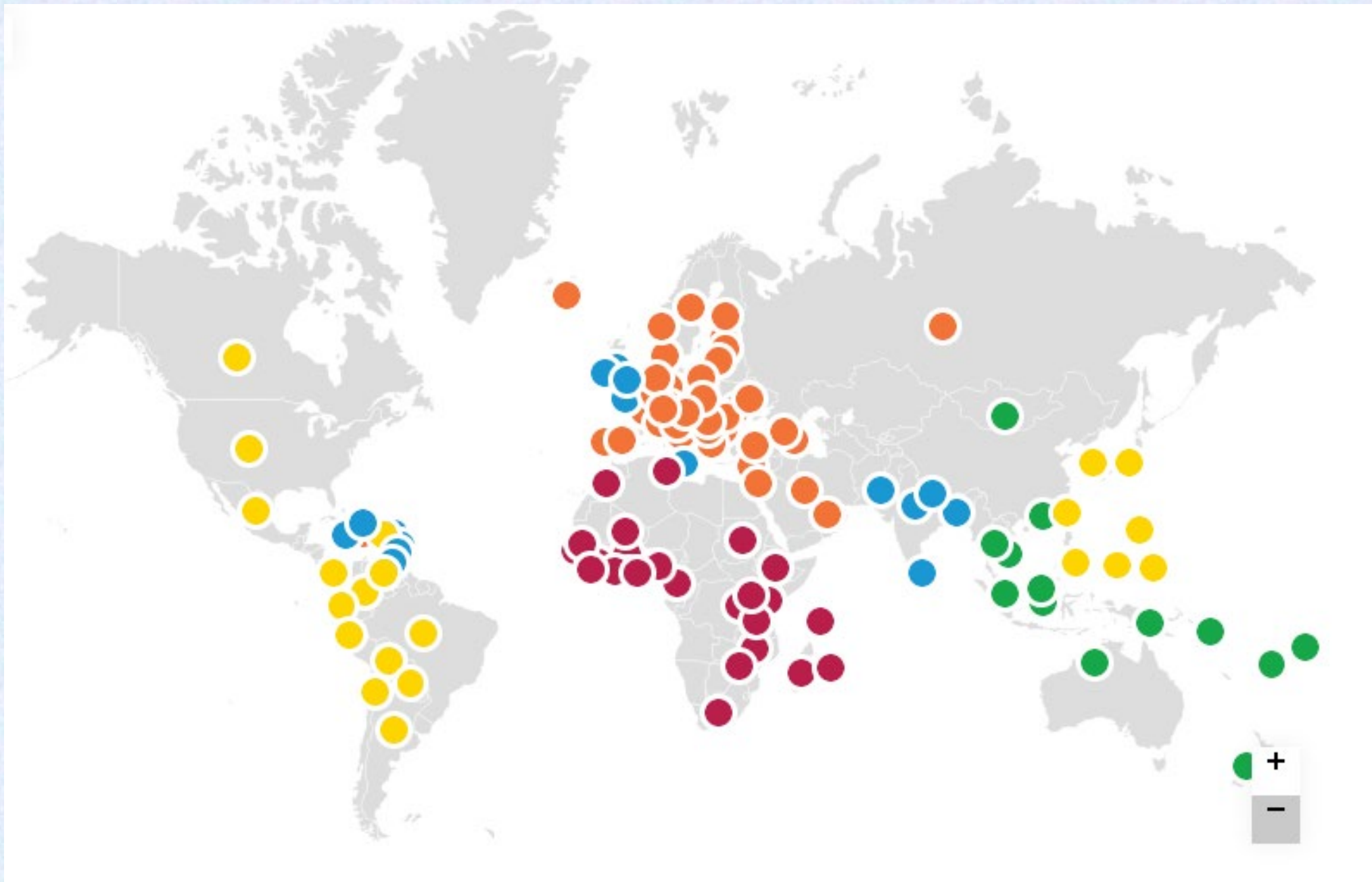
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Soroptimist Organizational Structure

	Local	Area	District	Region	Federation	International
	SI Olympia (SIO)	South Sound	District 1	Northwestern Region (NWR)	SI of the Americas (SIA)	Soroptimist International (SI)
Members	22			2,298 (2022)	25,000+	66,000+
Clubs	—	7	28	79	1,000+	3,000+
Divisions	—	—	3 Areas in District 1	4 Districts in NWR	31 Regions in SIA	5 Federations in SI
Countries	—	—	—	—	21	120
Meeting frequency	Board 1/mo Members 2/mo	Annual meeting	Annual meeting	Annual conference	Biennial convention (every 2 years)	Quadrennial convention (every 4 years)
Meeting Schedule	1 st , 2 nd and 4 th Tues	Sat AM in March	Fri-Sun in Oct	Thurs-Sun in April	Wed-Sun in July	June or July
Notes		Auburn, Renton, Kent, Federal Way, Tacoma, Olympia, Centralia/Chehalis	Western WA, Alaska	Washington, Oregon, Montana, Alaska, Northern Idaho (WOMAN)	North and South America, Guam, Japan, Korea, Taiwan	SI of the Americas SI of Great Britain and Ireland SI of Europe SI of the Southeast Asia Pacific SI African Federation





Past Notable Olympia Soroptimist Members!

- **Pearl Wanamaker** – Washington State Representative, Senator and Superintendent of Public Instruction
- **Helen Shank** – Superintendent of Maple Lane School for Girls and first female on Board of Pardons and Parolees
- **Paula Hammond** – Washington State Secretary of Transportation
- **Jocelyn Dohm** – Owner and Printer, The Sherwood Press Studios
- **Maxine Daly** – 1971 Labor Department Regional Director
- **Esther Seering** – Executive Secretary to Gov. Dan Evans
- **Alta Grim** – 1970 Acting State Librarian
- **Maryan Reynolds** – Headed Washington State Library 1951-1967
- **Joyce Cheeka** – 1965 Washington State Mother of the Year
- **Alice Watts** – Daily Olympian staff reporter and feature writer
- **Kathleen Houston** – Executive Director Girl Scouts Pacific Peaks Council



Celebrating Over 80 Years of Giving!

Soroptimists To Head Gift Collection Drive

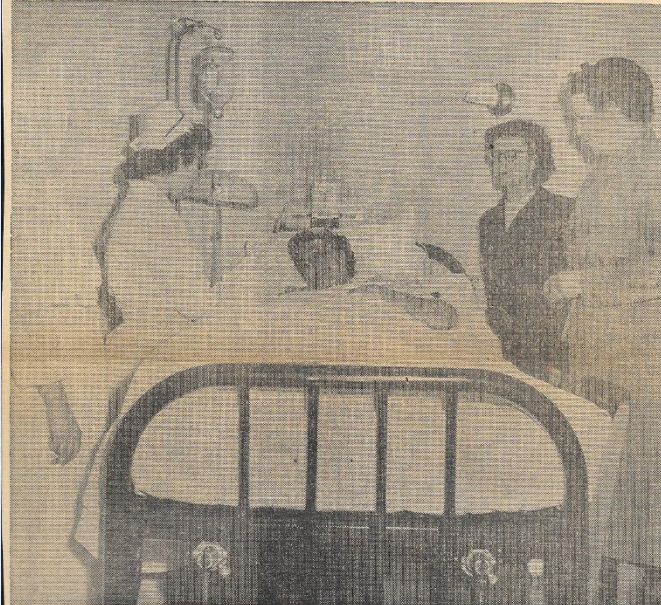
Give to One More, was the plea made Tuesday by Mrs. Lois Beil Sandall, in the luncheon meeting of Soroptimist Club, where, as a guest of the club, she described the efforts of Service Men's Clubs to see that not one man in uniform shall be forgotten this Christmas.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Sandall, who is first vice-president of American Federation of Soroptimist Clubs, the Olympia club is taking the initiative in the service clubs' drive to gather gifts for all service men in the Puget Sound area. Mrs. Sandall is contact person.



Olympian, Sunday, May 10, 1953

Soroptimists Award Scholarship

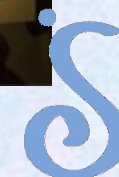


Each year the Olympia Soroptimist Club gives scholarships to girls in their second or third year of study at St. Peter Hospital School of Nursing, to assist them in completing their courses. Recipient of the Soroptimist award this year is Eileen Wecker, daughter of Mrs. Mary Wecker of Raymond. Miss Wecker completes her nurses training in September. Among her responsibilities as a student is keeping a close watch over the process of intravenous feeding, as demonstrated in the above Sunday Olympian photograph, taken several days ago in St. Peter Hospital. The patient is Mrs. Virgil T. Worth. Sister Carmelina, superintendent of student nurses, stands at the left. Pictured at the right are two members of the Olympia Soroptimist Club. They are Mrs. Lloyd Griffin, who was elected president last week, and the outgoing president of the group, Mrs. J. Newton Grim. Soroptimist chairman of the service objective committee is Miss Maryann Reynolds. This picture ties in with the observance, starting today, of National Hospital Week. The Sisters of the Olympia hospital have designated this Tuesday as Hospital Day. They invite all residents of Olympia and Thurston County to call at St. Peter's between the hours of two and five o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Tours of all sections of the hospital are planned during this open house. Hospital personnel will show visitors to the various departments, and to the School of Nursing and the nurses' annex.



GIFT TO CHAPTER — A demonstration on the use of Resusci-Anne, a life-like model used in teaching heart massage and mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, highlighted the weekly meeting of Olympia Soroptimist Club. Examining the model in the above Sunday Olympian photo are (from left) Paul LeRoy, Red Cross volunteer instructor-trainer in charge of Resusci-Anne courses; Katherine Allard, service objectives chairman for the Soroptimists; Dr. Rodney Brown, another volunteer who has been giving instructions in the model's use; and Thelma Steffler, Soroptimist president. The Soroptimists purchased the model for Thurston County Chapter, American Red Cross, as a service project. So far, LeRoy, a national Red Cross staff member, has trained 17 instructors to teach classes in mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.





Soroptimist of Olympia

Live Your Dream Award recipient



Nnenna David-Uka
Associates
Computer Science



Soroptimist of Olympia

Live Your Dream Award recipient



Lola Hudspeth
Associates
ESL Spanish



Soroptimist of Olympia

Live Your Dream Award – and Continuation Award recipient



Sarah Courtney
Associates – Administrative
Assistant



Live Your Dream

- In the past 15 years, 16 local women have received education awards while attending college.
- 11 women have gone on to receive a continuation education award.
- Soroptimist International invests more than \$1.7 million in education grants to over 1,300 women every year.

A word cloud graphic for LiveYourDream.org. The words are arranged in a cluster, with 'LiveYourDream.org' at the top in purple. Other words include 'Inspire' in large orange letters, 'Online' in large orange letters, 'Powered' in blue, 'Network' in blue, 'NOW' in blue, 'ACT' in blue, 'Community' in blue, 'Self-motivated' in blue, 'Aspire' in blue, 'individual' in green, 'Volunteer' in blue, 'women' in blue, 'girls' in blue, 'Soroptimist' in blue, and 'Help' in blue.

LiveYourDream.org

Powered Network NOW ACT Community

Inspire Online

Self-motivated Aspire

individual

Volunteer women girls

Soroptimist Help



Steps in Opportunity Tech Award

2022



Hannah Gaus

Funds to support
technology needs
to local Thurston
County students.

2023



Alejandra Placencia





Hope Africa University



Larissa



Sibongile

**20 Scholarships to women attending
medical school in Rwanda, Africa**



S.T.E.A.M. Training for Middle School Students



Comfort Packs for Local Foster Children



Another Batch of Comfort Packs Assembled!



200+ hygiene backpacks given to Thurston County Foster Youth



Soroptimist Business Meetings



Soroptimist Program Meetings



South Sound Exceptional Woman Awards Banquet

Saturday, May 4, 2024

**Indian Summer Golf and Country
Club**

**Applications accepted until Feb
3, 2024**

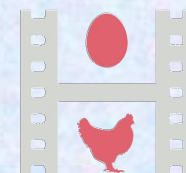




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La Conner

Marysville

Oak Harbor

Olympia

Olympic Rain Forest

Port Angeles (2)

Port Orchard

Renton

Seattle Metropolitan

Seattle South

Sedro-Woolley

Sequim

South Whidbey

Tacoma

Clark County (Vancouver)

Goldendale

Lower Yakima Valley

Moses Lake

Okanogan Valley

Pasco-Kennewick

Spokane

Three Rivers

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Thank you!

