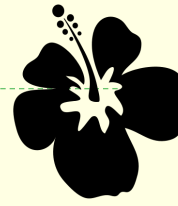




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## MAUI'S *wit* NEWS women in touch



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**DREAM IT, BE IT** Club member **Andrea Birmingham** worked diligently alongside other Soroptimists to continue the club's annual "Dream It, Be It" campaign. The campaign consists of career workshops to support young girls in growing up to become strong, successful, happy adults. The club offered a special screening of the documentary "Miss Representation" with panel discussion afterward at **Iao Theater** to kickoff the campaign. The first official campaign workshop, designed for 7th and 8th grade girls, was held on February 25th at **Imua Family Services**. The second official campaign workshop, designed for 9th and 10th grade girls, was held on March 11th at **Imua Family Services**. Workshop activities included: expressive art (mask painting), mentorship and inspirational speakers, self-defense training, discussions on putting dreams into action, and more. To conclude the campaign, a celebration lunch was held for all participants and their families in April. The club would like to say a special thank you to **Andrea Birmingham** for all her hard work on this campaign and to all club members who assisted.



**WARM WHALECOME** Maui Soroptimists partnered with **Pacific Whale Foundation (PWF)** on March 4th for a private whale watch fundraiser to raise funds for Soroptimist programs and services. Guests of the private charter enjoyed fair winds, calm seas, delicious food and drink, lots of whale activity, and a

beautiful sunset to end the night. Mahalo to all club members who helped sell tickets, prepare food, and coordinate the event.

**AWARDS BANQUET** The club gave out thousands of dollars in award monies to deserving recipients at their 9th annual awards banquet held at the **Maui Country Club** on June 24th. Congratulations to Live Your Dream Award winners, and outstanding women who have gone back to school to pursue their dreams: **Coty Luke** who received \$2,000 and **Knykoleta** who received \$1,000. Also,

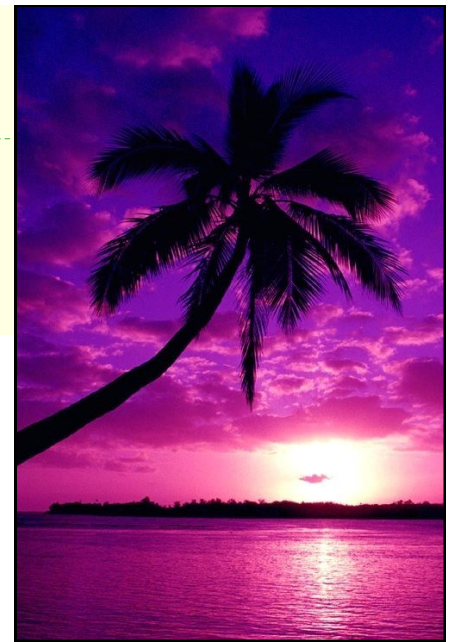


Live Your Dream Award winners Coty Luke (left) & Knykoleta (right)

congratulations to Youth Citizenship Award winners, and outstanding graduating high school seniors, **Nicole Yuzon** who received \$1,000; **Nevan Watanabe** who received \$500; and **Jaccie Hisashima** (not featured) who also received \$500. At the same banquet, Soroptimist club member **Angie Haramoto** was presented with a \$1,000 Laurel Society honor and **Andrea Birmingham** was presented with a Shining Star Award. Congratulations to both **Angie** and **Andrea** on being honored for their contributions to the club.



Club members Angie Haramoto (left) & Andrea Birmingham (right)



### COMING UP...

**Wednesday, September 6th** business meeting (11:30 a.m.) & program meeting (12) at Tante's. Contact: Elaine

**Saturday, September 16th** rummage sale fundraiser (8 a.m. to 12 p.m.) at Tenrikyo Maui Church. Contact: Kristl

**See's candy fundraiser sales in October (orders due November)**  
Contact: Elaine or Angie

**Wednesday, October 4th** business meeting (11:30 a.m.) & program meeting (12) at Tante's. Contact: Elaine

**Wednesday, November 1st** business meeting (11:30 a.m.) & program meeting (12) at Tante's. Contact: Elaine

**Live Your Dream Award applications due by November 15th.** Contact: Traci

**New club officers for 2017-2018:**  
President Elaine Randall, Vice-President Kristl Ito-Lau, Secretary Amber Ngo, Treasurer Cathy Shimizu & Directors Wendy MacDonald & Traci Giordano



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