

## Empowered Women Empower Women:

### SILB's Experience at the 2024 Camino Real Region Spring Conference

SILB recently had the privilege of attending the 2024 Camino Real Region Spring Conference in Woodland Hills, held from April 19 to 24, 2024. The theme of this year's conference was "Empowered Women Empower Women."

One of the highlights of the conference was the elections held during the business meeting, where board members for the 2024-2026 term were selected and installed at a memorable dinner ceremony on Saturday night.

We heard from keynote speaker Katarzyna Piszczako-Palasz, President of Soroptimist International Poland. She shared inspiring stories of her club's efforts in supporting women and children displaced by the war in Ukraine. Beyond providing basic necessities like food and supplies, her club offered language classes and crucial psychological support.

Another enlightening presentation was delivered by Sharon Fisher, an esteemed figure in the Soroptimist community who served as both a past SI and SIA President. She recounted her experiences from a recent trip to Kenya in the fall of 2023, where she was involved in the chartering of SI Tawi E Club, comprised of professional women aged 20 to 30. Additionally, she shared her involvement in the Lugari Youth Leadership Camp, where 200 young girls were empowered through mentorship and education.

SILB is proud to be part of such a dedicated and passionate community, and we look forward to the opportunities ahead as we continue our journey of empowerment and advocacy.



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