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New Soroptimist Officers Put Hearts into Mission

With a theme of “Putting Our Hearts into Empowering Women and Girls,” Soroptimist International of Vacaville inducted Co-Presidents Mary Dickey and Clara Oakes at an installation dinner June 25 at Anderson Family Catering in Vacaville.

This term as president will be the second for Dickey who served in 2020-2021, and the third for Oakes, who was president in 2002-2003 and then a decade later, in 2012-2013.

District II Director and Founder Region Governor-elect Jackie DeVries conducted the installation with colorful slides and plenty of humor. She also thanked former Founder Region Governor (2015-2017) Dona Gaddis Wolf for attending and supporting the Vacaville club through the years.

Outgoing SI Vacaville President Dawn Shepherd presented her successors with their president pins, and they in turn awarded her with a special past president pin.

Also inducted during the ceremony were President-elect Diane Barney; Recording Secretary Dawn Shepherd; Corresponding Secretary Cyndy Giaquinto; Treasurer LuAnn Hefner; Assistant Treasurer Diane Irby; One-year Director Connie Eizikowitz; Two-year Director Robin Miller; One-year Delegate Sharon Marcacci; Two-year Delegate Dawn Shepherd; Alternate Two-year Delegate Lenora Fuller and Alternate One-year Delegate Linda Johnson.

The new co-presidents will officially begin their terms in August when the Vacaville charter – founded in 1960 – resumes weekly meetings at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites every Tuesday afternoon. The club welcomes new members and invites all interested parties to learn more by visiting www.VacavilleSoroptimist.org.

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