## SI MID ATLANTIC ONLINE

## 2019 SPRING CONFERENCE PROJECT

Continuing to Provide <u>Illustrated Dictionary of Everyday Things</u> for 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade children of Wimauma, Florida

"THANK YOU for your AWESOME response at last year's Spring Conference. Even with a late start and little information, you purchased most of the Dictionaries needed for this grossly underserved Student Body that normally has only a 22% passing rate on 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading Exams. If you could have seen, as I did, the 'WOW' looks on their little faces, the excitement of both teachers and school administrators, and all their thank you notes and reports of already improving reading scores – you would know how important it is that we do it again this year."

June Wallace, SIMAO

## **THE PLAN**

## "Education is the key ... " SIA website

Total number of dictionaries needed for the 2019-2020 school year is 450 – Total number of members in our Region's 20 clubs is 449!

<u>Step 1:</u> Members and their friends purchase one or more dictionaries at a cost of \$7 per book or purchase a set of 10 books for only \$65.00. (This year we have included the price of a Teacher's Guide for every 20 books purchased.)

- Donate online at <a href="https://childrensliteracypublications.com/soroptimist-project.html">https://childrensliteracypublications.com/soroptimist-project.html</a>
- Donate at Conference by check payable to SI MAO with "Dictionary Project" in the Memo area and give
  it to Pat Witt or June Wallace.

<u>Step 2:</u> The Dictionaries will have a stamp or bookplate on the inside cover with SIA Logo and: "This Dictionary was purchased for you by a member of Soroptimist International, in the hope that you will do well in school, so that one day, you will be able to do the same for another child who needs our best wishes."

<u>Step 3:</u> The author of the book and/or June Wallace, member of SI/Mid-Atlantic Online and facilitator of "Wimauma Matters" Collaborative, will present the dictionaries directly to the students at a ceremony at the Wimauma Elementary schools.







"I am so looking forward to seeing your dream come true by having our 2nd graders receiving this helpful resource on a yearly basis ... thanks to the awesome donors." Wimauma Elementary Asst. Principal