

Soroptimist Golden West Region
2017 DISTRICT 4 FALL MEETING



**“CATCH the
Soroptimist
SPIRIT”**

**October 27th – 28th
2017**

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Presented by Paula Adkins, District 4 Director



ONE Mission – “Catch the Soroptimist Spirit”

Presented by: Paula Adkins, GWR District 4 Director 2016/2018

Fall Meeting Chair: Leigh Wales

Hosted by: Soroptimist Int'l of Phoenix, Inc.

Greetings District 4 Soroptimists and Friends,

The theme for the 2017 District 4 Fall Meeting is “One Mission – Catch the Soroptimist Spirit”. The “One Mission” reflects Governor Penny’s guidance that our Clubs focus effort around the SIA mission of improving the lives of women and girls through access to education. The “Catching the Soroptimist Spirit” is a play on words to have a little fun celebrating the Halloween season while learning and growing as Soroptimists. We hope our agenda will allow you to have fun, meet other Soroptimists, and learn great ideas and secrets of success from one another.

Friday afternoon you can settle into your room at the Hilton Garden Inn. Regardless of whether you get a room, or are local and joining us by car, plan to relax during the social hour before dinner, enjoy fellowship and friendship with a great meal, participate in a fun game, and then finish the evening on the patio around the pool.

Saturday brings a keynote speaker, a little exercise after lunch to renew our energy, an abundance of information on membership, programs, public relations, and fundraising, plus the chance to hear about the successful activities going on within the talented Clubs of the District. Add to that a few chances to get to know one another (the best part of being a Soroptimist) and we hope you will leave inspired, refreshed, and with a wealth of resources to pursue a great year for your Club. You won’t want to miss this great event.

Paula Adkins, District 4 Director paulaa.gwr@gmail.com

Happy Haunting!!

On behalf of Soroptimist International of Phoenix, welcome to Phoenix - the capital of Arizona. We're looking forward to an inspiring, fun-filled District 4 Fall Meeting.

Since our Fall Meeting is so near to Halloween, be prepared for some *ghoulish activities* -- identifying ghosts and goblins, avoiding zombies and other "spirited" activities. Of course, most importantly be ready to share ideas, reconnect with old friends, make new friends and learn more about our fabulous Soroptimist organization.

As you know, Phoenix offers a variety of activities, including sporting events, shopping, museums, hiking and restaurants. We are especially fortunate to be meeting here in late October when the weather is good for outdoor activities. If you are able to spend an extra day or two in Phoenix and would like some suggestions about what to do or where to go, please feel free to ask any of our club members. If you haven't previously visited them, local highlights include The Musical Instrument Museum (MIM) and the Phoenix Botanical Garden. The Heard and Phoenix Art Museums are easily accessible from the hotel on the light rail.

Sincerely,

Frankie James

SI Phoenix President 2017 – 2018

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Leigh Wales,

2017 Fall Meeting Chair

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ONE Mission

"Catch the Soroptimist Spirit"

2017 District 4 Fall Meeting
October 27th and 28th in Phoenix, Arizona

Please join us for a frighteningly ghoulish time!

Location:

Hilton Garden Inn
4000 N Central Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85012

The Inn is conveniently located with ready access to museums and the art and theatre districts via the nearby light rail. Guest rooms include: Internet, refrigerator and microwave. Parking is complimentary. In addition there is a large outdoor heated pool and whirlpool. Full breakfast buffet is available for \$10.95. Shuttle service is provided within a five-mile radius. Check-in is at 3:00 pm.

Book your room by **October 13** to get the Fall Meeting rate of \$99 (single or double occupancy). Total nightly cost including taxes and fees is \$111.15. Phone number is **602-279-9811**. Note: if you share a room, its only \$56 (rounded) per person – an inexpensive get-a-way for one or even two nights.

All meetings will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn.

Fees:

Registration	\$15 per member
Friday Dinner	\$25 Pasta Primavera with salad and dessert.
Saturday Lunch	\$21 Cobb Salad Buffet enabling everyone to create their "own version"
Exhibit Table	\$15 NOTE: If you'd like an exhibit table, please let us know quickly as only five will be available.

See Agenda for detailed Schedule.



ONE Mission “Catch the Soroptimist Spirit”

CHECKLISTS

Fall Meeting Checklist:

- ☐ Make sure everyone is aware of Fall Meeting and it's details. The more the merrier, and it can be a great way for new or prospective members to feel connected to the wonderful work we do.
- ☐ Make sure everyone makes their room reservations before the **October 13 deadline!** Encourage room sharing to reduce costs.
- ☐ Complete one registration form (two if needed) for all club members and mail with your check payable to “GWR Dist 4 Fall Meeting” and mail to: **Margie Burke, 12229 N 65th St, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254**
- ☐ Plan to join us in the lobby at 5:00pm after check-in and getting settled in your room.
- ☐ Please remind everyone to wear their Soroptimist pins and name badges.
- ☐ Please discuss hosting the next Fall Meeting for District 4 in 2018. Plan a short presentation to tell everyone why it would be fun to join you in your area!

Club Exhibit/Sales Table:

- ☐ If your club is having an Exhibit Table, include the \$15 fee with your registration. (Only 5 available)
- ☐ Set-up will be Saturday between 7:00 and 7:30 AM.
- ☐ Exhibit area will be open only during Saturday breaks and registration.
- ☐ For Clubs doing raffles, draw names after final break for pick-up at end of meeting.
- ☐ No open food or alcohol can be sold on hotel premises.

SPECIAL NOTE:

Raffle/event tickets may **ONLY** be sold at tables in exhibit area during specified times. A member of your club **MUST** be present whenever exhibit area is open and each club must provide it's own cash box and change. No items are to be sold by anyone for personal profit; items are restricted to Soroptimist fundraising **ONLY**.



2017 District 4 FALL MEETING

Agenda

(program subject to change)

Friday, October 27

3:00 pm

Hotel Check-in available

5:00 pm

Registration open – Social Hour in lobby

6:00 pm

Dinner and Welcome Statements

7:30 pm

Zombie Tag

8:00 pm

Adjourn to pool, room or home!

Saturday, October 28

7:00 am

Exhibit Area Set-up

7:30 am

New Member Breakfast

7:30 am

Registration and Exhibit Tables Open

8:30 am

Call to Order – Welcome

Flag Salute

Dignitary Introductions

1st Time Attendees

8:45 am

The Spirit of Pursuing our ONE Mission – GWR Governor Penny Babb

9:00 am

The Spirit of Understanding the Women we Serve

Keynote address – Mesha Davis, CEO, Arizona Foundation for Women

The Status of Women in Arizona and New Mexico

10:00 am

Break and Exhibit Tables Open

10:15 am

The Spirit of Understanding the Work We Do

Clubs Celebrating the Spirit of Success

Program Planning – Karen Saelens

Fundraising Planning – Vanessa Liesen

11:00 am

Catch the Spirit of the Region – GWR Governor-Elect Lori Reed

Catch the Spirit of Volunteering – Alice Wells, Nominating Committee

Identifying the Ghosts and Goblins in our Midst!

Noon

Lunch Served

12:30 pm

Exhibit Tables Close, Raffle Winners Drawn

Clubs Celebrating the Spirit of Success

Ghostly Gathering – 7th Inning Stretch – Lisa Farrar

1:30 pm

Catch the Spirit of Extending our Reach

Membership Planning – Kimberly La Prade

Public Relations Planning – Linda Poindexter

2:00 pm

Break

2:15 pm

Catch the Spirit of Clubs Celebrating Success

Club Grants

Bid for 2018 District 4 Fall Meeting

Raffle Winners Revealed, Announcements, Wrap-up

3:30 pm

Soroptimist Pledge, Adjourn

Individual Activities: Pool, Phoenix Attractions, Home!



FALL MEETING CLUB REGISTRATION FORM

Soroptimist International of the Americas
Golden West Region ~ DISTRICT 4

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: October 13, 2017

SI of _____

Club
Contact: _____

Daytime
Phone: _____

Email: _____

<i>Please print clearly</i> NAME	Registration \$15.00	Member (x)	Guest (x)	1st Time Attendee (X)	Friday Dinner \$25.00	Saturday Lunch \$21.00	SPECIAL Requests		TOTAL

FILLABLE FORM ATTACHED SEPARATELY

Don't forget...
to book your rooms at

Hilton Garden Inn
602-279-9811

Prior to October 13th
to receive the guaranteed
Soroptimist rates.

Exhibit Room Table(s) \$15.00 each

Late Fee [if received after October 13th] add \$25.00

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED

Make checks payable to **"GWR - Dist 4 Fall Meeting"**

Mail completed form and check to:

Margie Burke
12229 N 65th St
Scottsdale, Arizona 85254

Email: margieb.gwr@gmail.com

No Changes or Cancellations will be accepted, or Refunds issued after October 16, 2017.