



Golden West Region

MAY 2023 NEWS BLAST

Governor's letter:

Happy May Golden West Region!

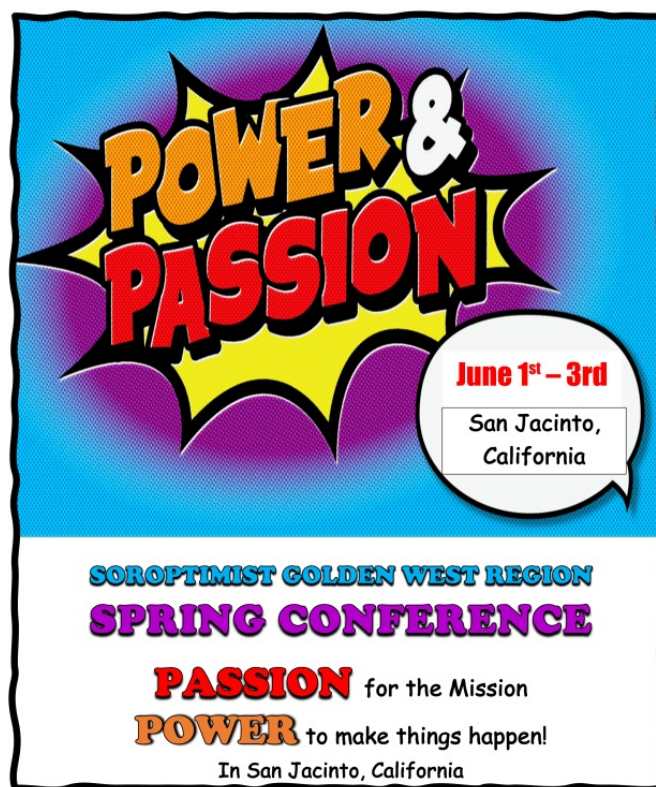
May is a month to celebrate the flowers and the women in our lives. We can celebrate our Mothers and Mother figures but also our Grandmothers, Sisters, Daughters, and Girlfriends that love us unconditionally. They are/were there for us to share our hopes and dreams. Just as we are there for the women and girls we support during their journey through our Dream Programs. I am amazed at the stories I hear about the impact we make in a woman's life. We also need to take time to share thanks to the women that have impacted our lives.

I am looking forward to spending the first weekend in June with you as we celebrate our 45th Annual Spring Conference. The Spring Conference Committee has been working hard to ensure that you all have a fun and engaging time. The program will include presentations, workshops, panel discussions, key note speeches, and of course celebrations and fellowship. There will be plenty of opportunities to rekindle friendships and make new ones as we welcome all of you and Soroptimist members and guests from other regions. I am also pleased to let you know that **we have been able to extend the registration for Conference deadline to May 10th with NO late fees to be charged. The hotel has also extended the same courtesy as long as there is availability.** You are not gonna want to miss this amazing event! Once again we will have special guests from all over our federation coming to help us celebrate.

Please be sure to mark your calendars for the **2023 GWR Leadership Training, August 18 - 19, 2023**. This training is so crucial to incoming officers and anyone considering leadership positions and I know our calendars fill up fast during the summer.

This is a busy time of year for all of us as we wrap up the club year, celebrate our successes, get ready for summer activities and look to our future. Please make sure you take time for you! I want to thank you all for impacting my life. You are all amazing!

Yours in service,





Region Leadership Training

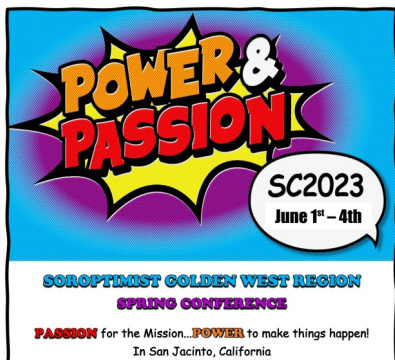
August 18th - 19th

In Phoenix, Arizona, this training is a must for all incoming club officers and anyone thinking of becoming a club leader in the near future.

At the Hilton Garden Inn Midtown Phoenix

**Please mark
your calendars!**

Pertinent Facts for Spring Conference 2023



[LINK TO
CALL](#)

- **CALL TO CONFERENCE is on our website.**
- Total Meal costs will be \$292 Reg Meal & \$206 for Vegetarian.
- Room costs will be \$109 Thu & Sun, \$186 Fri & Sat for 2 people.
- **Deadline for registration and room reservations: May 10th, 2023**
- **ALL BALLOTING** will be done at conference in person Fri afternoon and possibly Sat morning.
- **MARK your calendars!**
- **Be sure to stop by our Storefront on the Region Website.** Lots of great items have been added to help us fund our "Live your Dream" cash awards as well as conference costs.
- **Live Your Dream Fundraiser:** We are asking clubs to donate a "Dreamy" Gift Basket or Prize to be auctioned off in a "Pick-a-Prize Drawing."

[Link to Fundraising
Information](#)

Spring Conference Tentative Agenda!

Thursday, June 1, 2023

- 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM REGISTRATION
- 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Delegate Credentials & Sign-in
- 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Auction Baskets & Gift Card Drop-off
- 6:30 PM - Governor's Leadership Appreciation Reception **Dress: Resort Casual**

Friday, June 2, 2023

- 7:00 AM - 8:55 AM REGISTRATION
- 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Delegate Credentials & Sign-in
- 7:00 AM - 8:55 AM Auction Baskets & Gift Card Drop-off
- 7:00 AM - 7:30 AM Exhibit Room Set-up
- 7:30 AM - 8:55 AM Exhibit Room Open
- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM Delegates Briefing
- 9:00 AM - 10:10 AM 1st Business Session **Dress: Business Casual**
- 10:20 AM - 11:20 AM Friday Morning Workshops
- 11:25 AM - 11:45 AM Exhibit Room Open
- 11:25 AM - 11:45 AM REGISTRATION
- 11:50 AM - 1:15 PM Luncheon
- 1:20 PM - 2:20 PM Friday Afternoon Workshops
- 2:30 PM - 2:50 PM Delegate Voting
- 2:30 PM - 2:50 PM Exhibit Room Open
- 2:55 PM - 3:40 PM Second Business Session
- 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM REGISTRATION
- 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM "Region Slumber Party" **Dress: "Pajamas"**
- 6:15 PM - 9:00 PM "Dinner and a Movie"

Saturday, June 3, 2023

- 7:30 AM - 8:55 AM REGISTRATION
 - 7:30 AM - 8:55 AM Exhibit Room Open
 - 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM Delegate Re-voting (if needed)
 - 9:00 AM - 10:50 AM Third Business Session **Dress: Club Identifying**
 - 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM Saturday Morning Workshop
 - 11:50 AM - 1:35 PM Luncheon
 - 1:35 PM - 1:55 PM Exhibit Room Open (LAST TIME)
 - 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM Closing Session & Panel Discussion
 - 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Live Your Dream Awards Celebration. **Dress: Semi-Formal**
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#GWR2023SC

Please help us gather an awesome collection of 2023 Spring Conference photo memories for a future website photo album by:



Adding #GWR2023SC in the content of your social media photo posts



Choosing your post's viewing option as **Public audience**



GWR Spring Conference 2023

PASSION for the mission, and **POWER** to make things happen

Dream BIG Region Clubs!



*Attention all you talented
Soroptimist Crafters!*

*Golden West Region is asking each club to design
★ and create their own
“**Dream BIG**” pillow to support the current SIA
Dream Big Campaign
to expand and deliver more sustainable programs.*

Please make or purchase a big pillow and decorate it with the theme of “Dream Big”.

The PRESIDENT of each club will then carry it during President’s Processional on Saturday morning at our 2023 Spring Conference at Soboba.

Have fun with it! Be creative!

They will be displayed at the conference on Saturday with a friendly contest for the most creative Dream BIG pillows.

We will then hold a silent auction of the pillows and proceeds will benefit the SIA Dream BIG Campaign.

Check back with the **GWR Storefront** at the end of _____ to purchase the Newly designed “**Dream Maker Bracelet**”.

AVAILABLE NOW!
On the GWR Storefront

"Dream" Gift
Card Tree Raffle
Tickets

"Secret Dream"
Jewelry Vault
Raffle Tickets

Pick-a-Prize
"Dream Basket"
Tickets



AVAILABLE NOW
on our region Storefront
"Power & Passion" insulated
tumbler for all your hydrating
needs. \$20



Announcing the newly designed
Region "Dream Maker" Charm
Bracelet & CHARM.

AVAILABLE NOW on our region
Storefront and delivered
at conference or mailed.
\$100

**Proceeds benefit region
"Dream Awards"**

Club Events & Fundraisers around the Region

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FILMS BY AND ABOUT WOMEN

JOIN US IN PERSON
SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023
1:00 PM DOORS OPEN / 1:30 PROGRAM AND SCREENING

PALO VERDE COLLEGE
1 COLLEGE DRIVE, BLYTHE, CA 92225
TICKETS: \$15 can be purchased from Members or Online
TO LEARN MORE AND PURCHASE TICKETS: lunafest.org/screenings

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Soroptimist International of Desert Tucson is having their
first Online Auction

SI Desert Tucson has partnered with SI San Tans to
bring you a great selection of items.

May 19-29 2023

<https://givingdreamswings.betterworld.org/> is open for viewing
now and we are adding new items daily so check back often!

Send us your event flyers in a pdf format
5MB or less...and we will publish it
in our region news blast!

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Leadership Educational

Opportunities

TWO LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

LEADERSHIP FELLOWS PROGRAM



The Fellows Program* is a certificate program that gives members an opportunity to further and enrich their leadership skills in an engaging and interactive way.

During the Soroptimist Leadership Fellows Program, you learn how to cultivate high performing teams, use engagement to elevate buy-in, and focus on the big picture.

*Piloted in English only

June 24, 2023,
1 - 4 p.m. EDT (virtual)

December 9, 2023,
1 - 4 p.m. EST (virtual)

July 29, 2024,
9 a.m. - 5 p.m. PDT
(in person in Bellevue,
Washington)



VIRTUAL LEADERSHIP ROUND TABLE

Grab a seat!

Take this opportunity to learn and become a better overall leader or attend to feed your interest in becoming a future leader!



Virtual

Fully interpreted!



JUNE 22 & 23, 2023

6 - 9 p.m. EDT



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More information: [soroptimist.org/events](https://www.soroptimist.org/events)



Leadership Challenge

Let's work together to grow stronger leaders so we can make a stronger impact!

Join us in a friendly competition by encouraging members in your region to attend the Leadership Round Table!



What is the Leadership Challenge?

Regions in Canada, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, and the United States:

Register 37 members in each region for the Leadership Round Table.

Brazil, America del Sur, Mexico/Centroamerica, and Philippines Regions:

Register five members in each region for the Leadership Round Table.

Grab a seat!



Enhance the value of our work and join our challenge to build your region's leadership today!

REGISTER: <https://www.soroptimist.org/events/leadership-development/leadership-round-table.html>

CONTACT US: 215-893-9000

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Each region that attains the region registration goal will be entered into a drawing to receive \$1,000.00 USD!

SIA Leadership Round Table

June 22-23, 2023

The Leadership Round Table is an evolution of the Governors Round Table and will be open to all SIA members so they can access critical leadership development content. By attending the Leadership Round Table, you will develop your skills and be part of the ever-changing and growing Soroptimist organization.

Take this opportunity to learn and become a better overall leader or attend to feed your interest in becoming a future Soroptimist leader. Workshops and materials are being carefully developed based on your feedback and recommendations we've collected in surveys over the past several years.

(Please note that the Leadership Round Table will be held annually—virtually in odd years and face-to-face following the biennial convention in even years)

June 22-23, 2023
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM EDT
Fully Interpreted - Virtual

Registration Rates

Early Registration \$50 USD ends April 17, 2023
Regular Registration \$100 USD 4/18/23 to 6/17/23
Just In Time Registration \$150 USD
June 18, 2023 to June 23, 2023 (Noon EDT)

Are you up for a challenge?

Join us in a friendly competition by encouraging members in your region to attend the Leadership Round Table! Each region that attains the region registration goal will be entered into a drawing to receive \$1,000.00 USD! Learn more and register:

<https://www.soroptimist.org/.../leadership-round-table.html>

Attention SI Convention Soroptimists!

GWR SI CONVENTION ATTENDEES



Are ye headed to Dublin this summer for the International Convention? Do you think ye might get thirsty and in need of Golden West Region Fellowship?

Governor-elect Liz is inviting ye for a pint and a "bit-o' fun for our Region Soroptimists.
Please RSVP by 7/21/23

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