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Investing in Dreams

 **Golden West Region**

**May 2024**  
**NEWS BLAST**

### **Governor's Message:**

Happy May Golden West Region,

As a young girl, I remember picking dandelions and dropping them off at neighbors houses on their door step to celebrate May Day. I think we also rang their doorbell and ran. Those were the days when running was "fun".

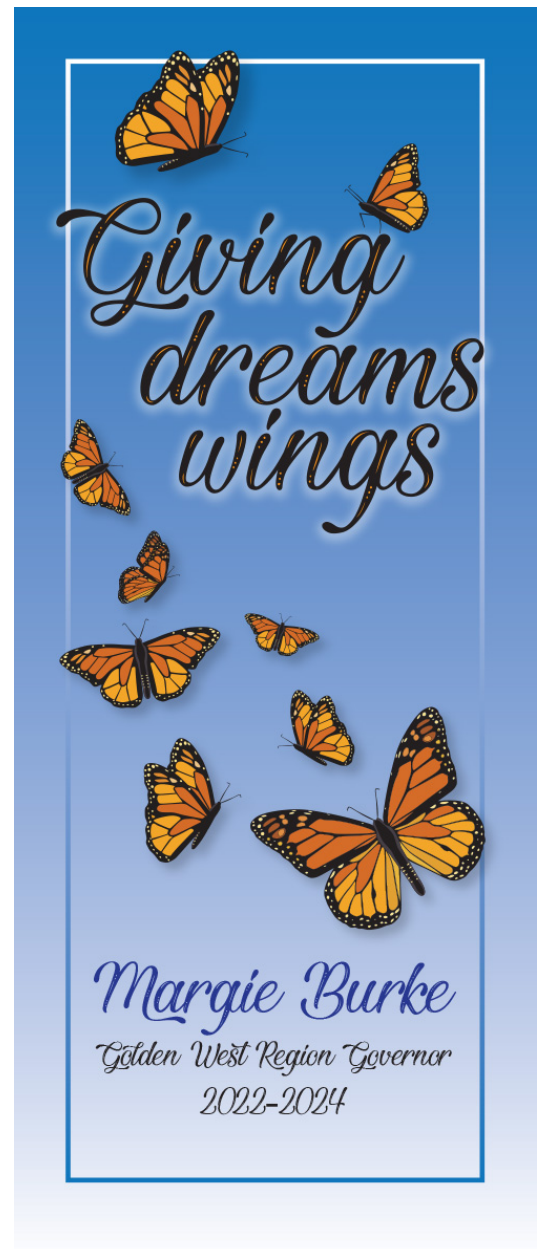
With the coming of May, our focus turns to putting the final touches on the 2024 Spring Conference. I am excited to see how all of the planning over the year comes to life. I appreciate all of the effort that goes into the event and would love to see you all there. As you can imagine, there are a number of moving parts and the best thing you can do for yourself would be to consider attending.

It is in attending the region conference and the SIA federation convention that you truly get to see what it is like to be surrounded by an enthusiastic group of like-minded women. Women who are making a difference in the lives of women and girls. We also like to have fun!

It is hard to believe that we are also coming to the end of the biennium and another club year. Thank you for all you do for the women and girls we serve. Hearing from past recipients at our award celebrations this year reminds us about the impact we continue to make in their lives and the cascade impact they make within their families and communities. It really is not always about the scholarship funds but the fact that someone believed in them and cared.

I can't wait to see you all either in Tucson, Arizona or Bellevue, Washington!

**Governor Margie**



**REGISTER FOR SPRING CONFERENCE NOW!!**

**Spring Conference Registration Deadline**

**is May 6th!**

Be sure to register for Spring Conference as soon as possible as the deadline is coming up in just a few days!

You will want to make sure all of your club members are registered, your club has submitted their election credentials form, you have submitted your fundraiser registration form, sent over any kudos or program ads, and submitted a celebration of life form for any members your club may have lost this past year.

Don't forget to submit your request for the lip sync contest, you wouldn't want to miss out on the fun!!

All pre-orders from the storefront also need to be placed by the May 6th deadline!

Find all the details you need here: [Spring Conference Information](#)



**Hotel Deadline Extension  
Online Reservation System NOW OPEN!**



## Reservation Instructions

### Soroptimist GWR Spring Conference 2024

Wednesday, May 29, 2024 – Sunday, June 2, 2024

#### Group Information:

Rate: \$109 plus 12.1% Occupancy fee in a Traditional Room  
Type at the Del Sol Tower

- Rate is based on single/double occupancy
- An additional \$10 per person fee will be added for each additional adult occupying the room.
- Must call Reservations to reserve prior/post event date.

Cancellation Policy: 48 hours prior to arrival date to avoid penalties

Cutoff Date: Group rate will be available until the cutoff date  
of Thursday - May 16th, 2024.

#### Online Reservation Instructions

- Step 1: <https://www.casinodelsol.com>  
Step 2: Click on Meetings & Groups.  
Step 3: Click on Group Hotel Reservations  
Step 4: Enter Reservation Dates and Select Guests  
Step 5: Enter Group Code 6823  
Step 6: Select Tower  
Step 7: Click Next

To make Hotel & RV  
reservations over the  
phone:

Please call our 24-hour Reservations Department at  
1-855-SOL-STAY (765-7829)

Make sure you mention you will be attending the

### Soroptimist GWR Spring Conference 2024



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Oh, Come on...

You know you  
want to!



**Golden West Region's 1<sup>st</sup> ever... Saturday Night**  
**Club Lip-Sync Contest!**  
 Sign-up Sheet

Deadline is **May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024** – But the sooner you sign-up, the sooner you can get your Music.

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Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions: Select 1st and 2nd choice of song and send via email below.**

- ☐ Margaritaville
- ☐ It's Five o'clock Somewhere
- ☐ Cheeseburger in Paradise
- ☐ Too Drunk to karaoke
- ☐ Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes
- ☐ Fins
- ☐ Pencil Thin Mustache
- ☐ Southern Cross
- ☐ Hey Good Lookin'
- ☐ Like my Dog
- ☐ Brown-Eyed Girl
- ☐ Son of a Son of a Sailor
- ☐ Grapefruit – Juicy Fruit
- ☐ Who gets to Live like this
- ☐ Boat Drinks
- ☐ Volcano
- ☐ Nobody works on Friday
- ☐ Mozambique
- ☐ License to Chill
- ☐ We are the People our Parents warned us About
- ☐ Down at the La De Dah
- ☐ Peanut Butter Conspiracy
- ☐ The weather is here; Wish you were Beautiful
- ☐ Migration
- ☐ Boat Drinks
- ☐ What if the Hokey Pokey is really what it's all about?
- ☐ Mariana

Send this form to: [Lauriem.gwr@gmail.com](mailto:Lauriem.gwr@gmail.com) Lyrics and Link to music will be emailed to you.

What you lack in talent  
 you will more than make  
 up for in charm.

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

**[LIP-SYNC LINK](#)**

## SIA honored by Congressional Museum

Annually, the Congressional Club Museum and Foundation hosts one of Washington's most exciting events, the First Lady's Luncheon. It serves as a gathering of spouses of current and former members of Congress, Administration officials, and other friends of The Congressional Club Museum and Foundation to honor the First Lady and to promote community service.

This year, Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc., was chosen by the Congressional Club Museum and Foundation as the honored charity.

Our very own Golden West Region Governor Margie Burke and Governor-elect Liz Glowka were in attendance!

Check out the full story here:  
[SIA Honored at First Lady's Luncheon](#)



# Important Dates to Remember!



**May 6th:** Deadline to Register for Spring Conference

**May 16th:** Deadline to Reserve Rooms at Casino Del Sol in Tucson. Instructions above.

**May 17th:** Regular registration deadline for SIA Convention [soroptimist.org/siaconv2024](https://soroptimist.org/siaconv2024)

**May 30th - June 1st:** 2024 GWR SC in Tucson, AZ Click here for the Call and Registration: [Spring Conference Information](#)

**June 11th - 12th:** SIA Virtual Leadership Round Table

**June 30th:** SIA Club Giving gifts due

**July 1st:** GWR and SIA annual club dues are due!

**July 12th:** Late registration deadline for SIA Convention [soroptimist.org/siaconv2024](https://soroptimist.org/siaconv2024)

**July 24th - 27th:** 2024 SIA Convention - Bellevue, WA [soroptimist.org/siaconv2024](https://soroptimist.org/siaconv2024)

## Region Storefront Items



### 2024 and 2023 Dream Maker Charm Bracelets are Available!

The 2024 Dream Maker Charm Bracelet is a great way to support our region's "Dream" programs. Every penny of your \$100 donation goes to awards for the 2025 region LYD Award finalists.

**Pre-purchase yours by 5/6 for pick up at the 2024 Spring Conference.**



### 2024 Dream Maker Charm

The 2024 Dream Maker Attachable Charm (for those who already have a 2023 Dream Maker Bracelet) is a great way to support our region's "Dream" programs. Every penny of your \$100 donation goes to awards for the 2025 region LYD Award finalists.

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## Spring Conference Raffle Tickets & More!

Buy your Spring Conference raffle tickets ahead of time! You can preorder and SAVE \$5 on each sheet of 20 for the **PICK-YOUR-PRIZE and WREATH raffle!**  
**Pre-purchase yours by 5/6 for pick up at the 2024 Spring Conference.**

You can also pay for your Spring Conference program ads and kudos!!  
**Pre-purchase yours by 5/6 to get your ad in the program.**

## WE APOLOGIZE!

Unfortunately due to sourcing and rising cost of apparel, we are unable to provide conference shirts this year for our attendees. We are very sorry but will try to get these difficulties ironed out for future conferences.

We thank you for your understanding...  
The 2024 Conference Committee



[STOREFRONT LINK](#)

**And don't forget the SIA Convention  
in Bellevue, WA ~ July 24th thru 27th**





# KEYNOTE PRESENTER

## SANDRA GARCIA

### Encountering Your Inclusive Leadership Potential

- Founder of Encounter Your Potential, where she develops and executes strategies that use marketing to achieve business goals and drive revenue.
- Built strategy for Google, Toyota, L'Oreal, Pepsi, JP Morgan Chase, Unilever, and more.
- Served as the NY Chapter President of the National Association of Multi-ethnicity In Communications (N.A.M.I.C) for two years.
- Awarded by Latino Leaders Magazine, a Top 25 Future Latino Leader (ages 25-35) in 2012.

**REGISTER NOW!**



**IT'S TIME!**

(If you haven't already)

**[soroptimist.org/siaconv2024](https://soroptimist.org/siaconv2024)**

Once you have signed up, please contact Governor Margie with your contact info so that you can be sure to receive notices for region pictures and meet-ups!

[Margieb.gwr@gmail.com](mailto:Margieb.gwr@gmail.com)

**Club Events & Fundraisers around the Region**



SOROPTIMIST  
*of Yucca Valley*



# Dinner & Live Auction

Proceeds help support Soroptimist of Yucca Valley

**SATURDAY, MAY 4TH 6-9PM**

LIVE & SILENT AUCTION *by Dan Laterno*

LIVE MUSIC *by The Hot Rod Devilles*

DINNER *by Las Palmas Mexican Cuisine*

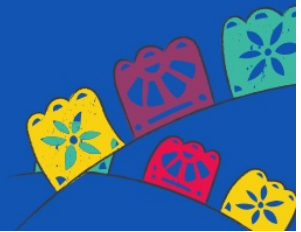
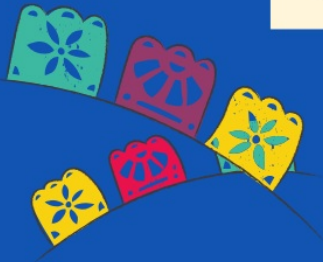
*\$50 Single / \$80 Couple*

**Yucca Valley Community Center 57090 29 Palms Hwy, YV**

Scan for tickets!



Tickets also available from SI Yucca Valley members





# A Wine Tasting Event

Sponsored By:

**Soroptimist International of the East Valley**

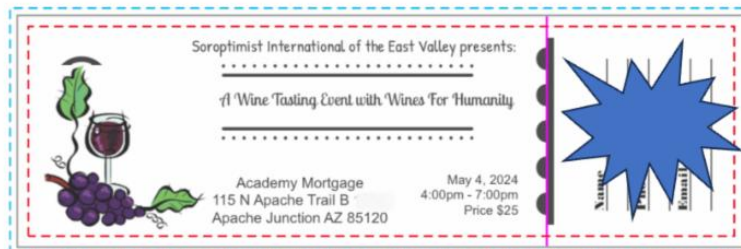


**With Wines for Humanity**

**\*\*Join us for an afternoon of wine tasting, silent auctions, and fun!**

**All while helping to raise funds for our scholarship programs!**

**\*\*Call Rhonda at 602-316-7971 for tickets!**



Held at:

Academy Mortgage  
115 N Apache Trail B  
Apache Junction AZ 85120  
**May 4<sup>th</sup> 4pm - 7pm**

**#LiveYourDream #DreamItBeIt #Soroptimists #WomenHelpingWomen**

**CALLING ALL COWPOKES!  
SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF RIVERSIDE  
INVITES YOU TO OUR**

# **RHINESTONES, COWGIRLS AND AUCTION FUNDRAISER**



**May 17, 2024**

**11:30 AM to 3:30 PM**

**Riverside Elks Club**

**6166 Brockton Avenue, Riverside, CA 92506**

**\$65/person**

**Saddle up in your Jeans and Western Duds  
(or come as you are)**

**For some Boot Stomping Fun!**

**Rib Sticking BBQ from Spirit of Texas Barbeque \* Live Auction**

**Opportunity Drawings \* "Balloons, Bags & Bling" Mystery Gifts**

**Attendee Photo Ops in front of the Pink Soroptimist Barn**

**Coffee with a Cowboy \* Country Music \* Line Dancing Lessons**

**Wine, Hard Liquor and Beer Drawing \* And Much, Much More!**

## **PURCHASE TICKETS BY MAY 7, 2024**

**Fill out the REGISTRATION FORM and MAIL to:**

**Soroptimist International of Riverside, P. O. Box 1631, Riverside CA 92502**

**OR**

**PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE - [www.soroptimistriverside.org](http://www.soroptimistriverside.org)**

**Soroptimist International of Riverside is a 501(c)(3) organization**

**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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