



Golden West Region

MAY 2022 NEWS BLAST

Spring Conference deadline is **HERE - May 12!**
Are you ready to **Dream, Sparkle & Shine?**



Deadline for registration and room res: **May 12th, 2022**

- Total Meal costs **\$198**
- Rooms will be **\$89** Thu & Sun, **\$159** Fri & Sat.
- **ALL Voting** will be in person Friday afternoon and possibly Saturday morning if there is runoff.
- Get ready to be inspired at one of our incredible **Workshops and Speakers** from some of the most vibrant and knowledgeable women in Soroptimist Organization including the amazing Immediate SI Past President Sharon Fisher!

Click [HERE](#) to register!

"All that Glitters is not Gold" Friday Fundraiser:

- **"Jewelry Dig"**. \$10 a ticket or 3 for \$20 lets you dig for precious finds
- **"Pick-a Prize"** Purchase \$20 tickets (\$25 at the event) for 20 chances to win that perfect basket.

"Live Your Dream Awards" Celebration & Dinner on Friday night to honor our 2022 region finalists.

Bright Lights, Big Dreams Installation Dinner

Saturday night to honor the 2022~2024 Region Board Officers & Directors

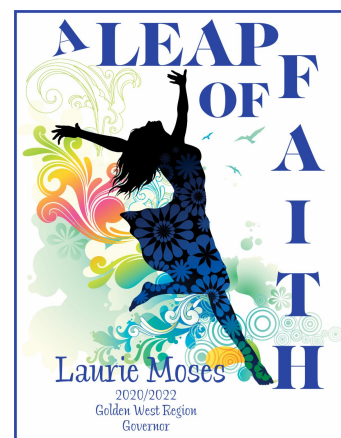
Dress is Hollywood Glam!

The **THEME** for our President's Processional is
"Dream~Sparkle~Shine"

Greetings from your Governor,

Happy Mother's Day to all the incredibly talented and beautiful women of the Golden West Region. Whether you are Mother to your own children, your neighborhood kids, your fur babies, or your pet python (oh gosh, I hope not) you deserve all the accolades and appreciation this world has to give. I hope you had a glorious day with your friends and family and I hope to be able to share my thanks with you in person very soon.

Spring Conference is upon us and we are so excited to be able



to have our 1st in-person GWR Spring Conference in 2 years. I am so looking forward to making brand new memories with all of you at our **44th Annual Region Spring Conference at Soboba Resort in San Jacinto, California June 9th through 12th**. We have an amazing conference planned for you and hope that you will bring as many club members as you can so that you and your members can **Dream BIG, Sparkle MORE and Shine BRIGHT!**

BUT, you have to register & make your room reservations by **MIDNIGHT Thursday Night** in order to participate in this wonderful annual event. The resort itself has taken great measures to make a clean and safe environment for us and their employees at our conference. You can read about the covid mitigation set forth by our region and the Soboba Resort protocols and guidelines that are in place in your **"CALL"** to conference, pages 5 and 6.

This month's **"Come as you are"** region Zoom meeting is scheduled for Wednesday **May 11th at 6:00pm (CA & AZ) and 7:00pm (NM)** where you can login in with your questions and try **"to stump the board"** on all things Soroptimist. If none of us are truly able to answer your question...you will win a prize. There are also a lot of "year end" chores and deadlines to meet at this time so you may learn a few things as well. So bring us those questions and let's have some fun.

Now, dust off those suitcases and meet us in the San Jacinto Foothills...if for no other reason than to rub elbows with some of the most inspiring women of our time: **official SIA visitor Ginger Cole**, SI Los Angeles, **the illustrious Dame Sharon Fischer** immediate past President of Soroptimist International as keynote speaker, newly appointed **SIA CEO, Michelle Burnett**, and those life long friendships that you will make and cherish for the rest of your life.

Wishing you all safe travels as you venture out into the world, and here's hoping that road will lead you to us in Soboba.

Yours in Service,

Governor Laurie

Don't Forget! ~ Mark your Calendars!

- We still need Tellers to help with voting from District 1 and District 4 at conference. It is easy and fun, but you cannot be a delegate for your club.
- We still need someone to assist our AV coordinator at Spring Conf.
- Governor-Elect Margie trying to fill committee assignments for the next biennium. If interested please contact her Margieb.gwr@gmail.com

May 12th Deadline - SC Registration

May 19th - SIA Civility Training
registration open now.

May 31st Deadlines -

- Club Giving - 10% voluntary donation
- Founder's Pennies
- Diamond Campaign - Phase 4

June 1st Deadline - Dream It, Be It
reporting due.

July 22-23 - 47th SIA Biennial Convention
registration still open

August 1st - LYDA Portal Opens

August 12-13 - Region Leadership
Training - Virtual

When registering for Conference, please check out our
GWR Storefront to purchase the NEW
2022 Spring Conference ladies 3/4 sleeve shirt w/conference logo
and our newly designed **2022 DREAM MAKER Pin**



Sorry, we don't yet have a mock up of the shirts with the logo on them. COMING SOON



Here is the shirt . They are available for purchase from the GWR Website and will be picked up at conference.



Announcing the newly designed Region "Dream Maker" pin, also available after March 15th and will be picked up at conference.

\$100

Proceeds benefit region
"Dream Awards"

Club Events & Fundraisers around the Region

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

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Soroptimist International of Palm Desert presents
our annual Springtime Brandini Toffee Fundraiser



Support Soroptimist programs providing scholarship and
empowerment opportunities for women and young girls
in the Coachella Valley.



Tin Almond Toffee

1/2 lb.
\$18



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Toppers

\$12



Toffee Popcorn

\$ 8

\$15



Bag Almond Toffee

1/4lb.

\$9



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Mirage, California. Read their story at www.brandinitoffee.com.
Crafting gourmet Almond Toffee with simple, high-quality ingredients.*



Important Announcements!

1. Mandatory Convention Fees were due to SIA on 3/15/22
2. Entries to random Drawing for 1st time attendees had to be re-drawn for District 1 and the new winner is Jennie O'Haver from SI Big Bear Valley. Congratulations Jennie!
3. Don't forget to prepare your entry for "Time Capsule" to be turned in at Spring Conference. Questions? Contact Governor-Elect Margie Burke @ Margieb.gwr@gmail.com



Has your club planned any support projects for
the Soroptimist clubs or women and children in
the Ukraine? Let us know what you have in the
works and to share with other clubs in our
region. Lauriem.gwr@gmail.com

Check out the Soroptimist International of Europe
website to see how you can help:
<https://www.soroptimisteurope.org>

SI Phoenix was able to send SI Europe Federation \$4531.65

to the SIE Ukrainian War Relief Fund by contributing \$2500 from Club Funds and challenging members to add personal donations to make an even bigger impact.S

SI Riverside raised \$2,000 from member donations

and was able to send \$1000 each to their European Friendship Links. Both clubs are helping with the Ukraine refugee crisis by sending food, hygiene products, baby food, power banks, flashlights & batteries to Ukraine. SI Erlangen is also looking after refugees on site and buying shoes, clothes, hygiene products and bicycles to help them adjust to new surroundings.

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