

Golden West Region News Blast

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Golden West Region Website New and Improved



The Golden West Region has made the transition to ClubExpress website! We are thrilled with the results and the new features this software provides. We think you will be too. The website address is the same www.goldenwestregion.org. When you get there you will notice a few changes. There are some great new features on the Home Page: An "Event Calendar" which lists both region and club events; "News You Can Use" provides important reminders as well as easy access to the GWR News Blasts and e-newsletters/blogs from SIA and SI; and there is even a live "Facebook Feed". At the bottom of home page (and every page) there is now a site map which identifies all accessible website pages and provides links.

Be sure to explore the Member Resources and Meetings/Conferences for further new information. Enjoy!

Soroptimist Club Grants



Has your club ever applied for and received a Club Grant? Applications are available on the SIA website for the current year. The money is to assist clubs in starting up or continuing projects in their communities that improve the lives of women and/or girls. The project must meet the following requirements:

- Include significant hands-on activities by Soroptimist Club members.
- Benefit women or girls by improving their social/economic status and quality of life
- Address a demonstrated need in the community
- Strengthen Soroptimist presence in the community and increase opportunities for public awareness
- Have measurable outcomes

The application can be found on the SIA website at the link below. The **deadline is March 12, 2015**.

<http://www.soroptimist.org/members/program/programdocs/soroptimistclubgrants/scgapplication-writeable.pdf>



It's Coming Soon - Call to Spring Conference

The Call to Spring Conference will be sent to all clubs the first week of March. This year it will be held in Riverside, CA at the newly remodeled Riverside Convention Center on June 4 – 6, 2015. So many things to see and do. Clubs, start setting money aside to send your delegates.

Celebrating Success Finalists



The Region has 12 celebrating success finalists, three clubs in each pillar area. Each club has been notified of their finalist status and asked to provide a display at Spring Conference about their project and how they did it. The first place project in each category will be announced at the 2015 GWR Spring Conference and be submitted to SIA for further judging. Use the link to go to the GWR website to find out which clubs are finalists.

<http://bit.ly/1EDyoqu>

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