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**SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS, INC. GOLDEN WEST REGION**

## **39TH ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE**

**JUNE 1-3, 2017**

**POINTE HILTON SQUAW PEAK RESORT - PHOENIX, AZ**

**GOVERNOR PENNY BABB, 2016-2018**

**HOSTED BY: SI KACHINAS, SI LAKE HAVASU CITY, SI ZANE GREY COUNTRY**

# CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

| Date                                   | From           | To             | Description  | Meeting Location |
|--|----------------|----------------|--|------------------|
| <b>THURSDAY</b><br><b>June 1, 2017</b> | <b>4:30 PM</b> | <b>6:00 PM</b> | <b>REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID</b>          | Zuni             |
|  | 4:30 PM        | 6:00 PM        | Conference Merchandise Pick-up                         | Zuni             |
|  | 4:30 PM        | 6:00 PM        | Silent Auction Donation Drop-off                       | Gila             |
|  | 6:30 PM        | 8:30 PM        | “You’re the Bomb” Paddle Auction DINNER                | Anasazi Ballroom |
| <b>FRIDAY</b><br><b>June 2, 2017</b>   | 7:00 AM        | 7:30 AM        | EXHIBIT ROOM SET-UP                                    | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 7:30 AM        | 8:55 AM        | EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN                                      | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 7:00 AM        | 8:55 AM        | REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID                 | Gila             |
|  | 7:00 AM        | 8:55 AM        | Conference Merchandise Pick-up                         | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 7:00 AM        | 8:55 AM        | Pick-a-Prize Fund Development Donation Drop-off        | Zuni             |
|  | 8:00 AM        | 8:30 AM        | Delegate Briefing                                      | Anasazi Ballroom |
|  | 9:00 AM        | 10:55 AM       | OPENING SESSION  | Anasazi Ballroom |
|  | 11:00 AM       | 12:10 PM       | FRIDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS                               |                  |
|  |                |                | Is Your Club Living the Dream (Programs)?              | Palo Verde       |
|  |                |                | “Mini Me” Dream It Be It Session                       | Yucca            |
|  |                |                | Member Mission Possible!!                              | Saguaro Chollo   |
|  | 12:10 PM       | 12:25 PM       | EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN                                      | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 12:10 PM       | 12:25 PM       | REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID                 | Gila             |
|  | 12:00 PM       | 12:25 PM       | Conference Merchandise Pick-up                         | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 12:30 PM       | 1:50 PM        | FRIDAY LUNCH   | Anasazi Ballroom |
|  | 2:15 PM        | 3:25 PM        | FRIDAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS                             |                  |
|  |                |                | Capture the Elusive Millennial                         | Saguaro Chollo   |
|  |                |                | Using Technology to Seize Your Goals                   | Palo Verde       |
|  |                |                | SI (Secret Intelligence) to Running a STRONG Club      | Yucca            |
|  | 3:25 PM        | 3:45 PM        | EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN                                      | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 3:45 PM        | 5:00 PM        | First Business Session                                 | Anasazi Ballroom |
|  | 5:00 PM        | 5:45 PM        | DELEGATE VOTING  | Mohave           |
|  | 5:00 PM        | 5:45 PM        | REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID                 | Gila             |
|  | 6:00 PM        | 9:00 PM        | LIVE YOUR DREAM BANQUET<br>AND Pick-a-Prize FUNDRAISER | Anasazi Ballroom |
| <b>SATURDAY</b><br><b>June 3, 2017</b> | 7:30 AM        | 8:55 AM        | EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN                                      | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 7:30 AM        | 8:55 AM        | REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID                 | Gila             |
|  | 7:30 AM        | 8:55 AM        | Conference Merchandise Pick-up                         | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 9:00 AM        | 10:15 AM       | Second Business Session                                | Anasazi Ballroom |
|  | 10:15 AM       | 10:40 AM       | EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN                                      | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 10:15 AM       | 10:45 AM       | Run Off voting (if needed)                             | Mohave           |
|  | 10:45 AM       | 12:00 PM       | SATURDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS                             |                  |
|  |                |                | SI (Secret Intelligence) to Running a STRONG Club      | Yucca            |
|  |                |                | What Happens When You DON’T Accept The Mission         | Saguaro/Chollo   |
|  |                |                | Is Your Club Living the Dream (Programs)?              | Palo Verde       |
|  | 12:00 PM       | 12:25 PM       | EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN                                      | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 12:30 PM       | 1:45 PM        | Saturday Lunch   | Anasazi Ballroom |
|  | 1:45 PM        | 2:15 PM        | EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN [Last Time]                          | Adobe/Arroyo     |
|  | 2:30 PM        | 4:00 PM        | Closing Session & Club Awards                          | Anasazi Ballroom |
|  | 4:00 PM        | 4:15 PM        | RAFFLE WINNERS   |                  |
|  | 5:00 PM        | 6:00 PM        | GWR Board & SC Recap Meeting                           |                  |
|  | 6:00 PM        |                | SATURDAY - DINNER & POOL PARTY                         | Hole in the Wall |



**Dear Governor Penny and members of Golden West Region.**

On behalf of your Soroptimist International of the Americas Board of Directors, I am pleased to send warm wishes to you for a successful region conference.

Soroptimist has played an important role of helping women and girls live better and more productive lives through our Dream programs. Our Live Your Dream programs lift up women just at the time in their lives when they are on the path to achieving their dreams.

As a Soroptimist, I can't help but wonder what would happen to these women if we weren't there to support them. Think about all the Live Your Dream Award recipients you have met in your clubs and region over the years. Where might they be if you hadn't helped them fulfill their dreams by providing a live Your Dream award?

Our new Dream it, Be It is the perfect complement of our tried and true Live Your Dream Awards. Dream It, Be It is an interventional program that reaches out to underserved girls to help them move on to a healthy path.

Clubs have told us through the Big Goal survey that they want more members, greater recognition, and more outside financial resources to fund our programs.

The best thing you can do to help SIA and your own club gain more recognition is by doing what we tell the world we do. That means making our Dream Programs the center of our club's efforts...which will bring greater recognition and increase funding for these signature programs. By actively growing our Dream Programs we are making a tangible difference in addressing the obstacles that can derail a woman or girl's life. Our Dream Programs are the path forward for both women and girls.

You should be very proud of all your achievements and your contributions to the success of our Soroptimist organization – by supporting our Live Your Dream programs, you are truly making a measurable difference both locally and globally.

Conference is a time to learn, make and renew friendships and to have fun. Enjoy and celebrate your accomplishments.

You and your members have made a lot of dreams come true. Together, we can and will continue to make more dreams come true.

Yours in Soroptimist Service,

Rosemary Reid, 2016-2017 SIA President



**Dear Governor Penny and the members of Golden West Region:**

As you gather to celebrate, know we have had a year of accelerated Dream Programs growth and a slowing of our membership losses.

One the core responsibilities of leadership is to understand when we need to change. We never change for the sake of change. We change when we think change will make us better. Stronger. More Successful.

Our Federation board of directors has been shaping our future – a future where:

- We meet the needs of MORE women and girls through our Dream Programs
- We are well known for the impact we have on women and girls
- We attract financial support for our programs
- We engage more people in our mission through our clubs and LiveYourDream.org.

Clubs tell us they are excited and supportive about having a Big Goal to reach even more women and girls in our next century. As we prepare, we must continue to change.

To change, clubs tell us they should:

- Stop being tied to long-standing activities and projects that do not directly support SIA's goal of increased collective impact.
- Stop spreading our resources across several projects
- Stop being resistant to changing our organization's focus.

“The secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new.”?

Let us continue as the organization that innovates, changes and makes progress to shape our future for increased collective impact.

Elizabeth M. Lucas, CAE, Executive Director & CEO

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# GREETINGS FROM THE GOVERNOR

Hello wonderful Spring Conference attendees!



Welcome to our 2017 “Mission IS Possible” Spring Conference! It’s an exciting time for our Soroptimist organization as we fine-tune our focus toward the most important element of improving lives – access to education. We’ve increased our involvement with the Live Your Dream Award recipients as we are providing more funds and more intentional ongoing support. We have personal involvement with teens as we help them identify their dreams and values, and provide guidance through achievable goals. The opportunity to actually interact with these women and girls and see their confidence build is truly inspiring. We all have contributed to our successes and should be proud of our response to our modified focus. We are blessed to be members of this amazing international organization.

I hope that you were able to participate in the first annual “Soroptimist Summit: Building Access to Education.” We’ll be offering a similar Summit in California next year, and we hope that our region clubs will continue to offer a Summit in your own communities in the future. Our goal of getting our Soroptimist name into the community, attracting potential new members, and possibly creating new clubs was certainly met. The Summit is an easy and important way to expose our community involvement, positively impact others, and gain recognition of who we are.

Over the next two days, you’ll celebrate and recognize clubs who have ideas and programs for you to take back to your own club or who merely inspire you to take action. You’ll meet individuals who have stepped forward for leadership positions and/or overcome obstacles to achieve their dreams. You’ll hear four amazing keynote speakers who will inspire, educate, encourage and challenge you. You’ll have access to nine workshops that will give you the tools to succeed. You’ll have the opportunity to support our organization through fun fundraisers to finance our Dream Programs. And, you’ll meet amazing women who will become lifelong friends and who are also called to improve the lives of women and girls.

Thank you for coming this weekend. Thank you for your work, your inspiration, and your friendship. Thank you for sharing your time, talents, and treasures with each of us. We could not accomplish what we do collectively without your support and leadership. You are truly our greatest asset.

As you enjoy this weekend, stay engaged, stay committed, stay proactive, and “stay thirsty” for success my friends.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Penny Babb".

Best wishes,  
Penny Babb  
Governor, Golden West Region





## DEAR SOROPTIMISTS OF THE GOLDEN WEST REGION,

When we started working on this year's conference and the theme developed into "Mission IS Possible", my first thoughts went to the added focus towards improving women and girls' lives through access to education. Each of our Golden West Region clubs have embraced this improved call to action through our Live Your Dream Awards, Dream It, Be It programs and our outreach in our communities to provide educational opportunities to women that may otherwise not have access.

This weekend, we celebrate our collective achievements throughout the past year. It is always inspirational to hear the many stories of the achievements while sitting together during breaks, at lunches or during workshops. Take full

advantage of all the opportunities to engage with your friends in Soroptimist both new and old.

It has been a joy to work with our Golden West Region Governor Penny Babb and the 2016-2018 board in development of this year's conference. You will see many updates to the program throughout the weekend; we all hope that you enjoy the changes!

A special thank you to our hostess clubs: SI Kachinas, SI Lake Havasu, and SI Zane Grey as this weekend wouldn't be the same without your assistance throughout the weekend. And where would the region be without the dedication of the Spring Conference committee members-Carol Roddy handling registrations; Debra Murphy handling the finances and our newest member Maryanne Smith heading up the facilities. Thank you all for making this year's conference so special with all your talents

Our Mission IS Truly Possible!

*Debra L. Dematteis-Miller*

2017 Golden West Region Spring Conference Committee Chair  
Soroptimist International of Corona

### *Soroptimist Pledge*

I pledge allegiance to Soroptimist and to the ideals for which it stands:

The Sincerity of Friendship

The Joy of Achievement

The Dignity of Service

The Integrity of Profession

The Love of Country

I will put forth my greatest effort to promote, uphold and defend these ideals,  
for a larger fellowship in home, in society, in business, for country and for God.

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## WELCOME

Welcome to the 39th Annual Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc. Golden West Region Spring Conference! I am excited for this year's conference theme, Mission is Possible. Together, all things are possible. Governor Penny, along with our GWR Board, and our Spring Conference Committee members have an exciting agenda in store for us, and I know we appreciate all the time and commitment it takes to bring us together. Hosted by SI Kachinas, SI Lake Havasu City and SI Zane Grey Country, the Spring Conference is an important time to reflect on our accomplishments, learn from each other and serve our mission to improve the lives of women and girls through access to education.

As a group of professional women doing amazing volunteer work, every single member contributes something special that only she can give. We are all here to empower women and lift each other up – and have fun at the same time! On behalf of our host clubs, thank you for your commitment to improving the lives of women and girls and may your weekend be filled with fun, food and fellowship. Recently, a long standing member told me that Spring Conference was the place where she truly realized the depth of importance and lasting effect Soroptimists have on our world. I wish the same for every attendee here this year. Please know SI Kachinas are here to help you with any questions or guidance.

Mission IS Possible  
Together,

*Kimberly LaPrade*  
President, SI Kachinas



SI of Zane Grey Country is pleased to welcome you to the 2017 Soroptimist International of the America's Golden West Region Spring Conference. SI of Zane Grey Country is excited and honored to be co-hosting with SI Kachinas and SI Lake Havasu City. Spring conference is a time to renew old friendships and enjoy new ones while learning how Mission IS Possible.

SI of Zane Grey Country hopes your club will be participating in the "Purse-onality" fundraiser on Friday night. We are looking forward to seeing your club's "Purse-onality", while raising funds for the region "Live Your Dream Award" program. Funds raised will go to the 2018, "Live Your Dream Award" winners.

Our club members are here to make your conference experience a great one. Please do not hesitate to ask any of us if you are lost, confused, or just want to make a new friend.

Once again, welcome!

*Candace Conte*  
President 2016-2017, SI Zane Grey Country



Mission IS possible! I've seen it and I know it will continue with our passionate group of Soroptimists here in Lake Havasu City, and throughout the world. I am very honoured and pleased to be a member of such an amazing group that has made a difference in the lives of women and girls. Hosting with SI Kachinas and SI Zane Grey Country we will make our Mission Possible for you this year at the 39th Spring Conference.

*Carlene Howard*  
President, SI Lake Havasu City



# SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS

## BOARD MEMBER

*Dona Gaddis Wolf* has been a member of Soroptimist International of Pittsburg, California since 1983, serving on various committees and served as President. She was elected as Founder Region Governor for the 2012-2014 biennium after six years on the region board. She became a Soroptimist International of the Americas Federation Director for the 2015-2017 biennium and served on various developmental committees that include the Club Road Map to Success and the Healthy Region Task Force. She is with us at the 2017 Golden West Region Spring Conference as our SIA Official Visitor. She is a proud Laurel Society Member at the level of Diplomat.

She attended San Diego State University studying the Art and Design and received a Bachelor of Arts with Emphasis in Graphic Design. She has been a graphic designer and sales representative, and a manager of a senior center.

Dona served as a St. Peter Martyr School Board Member & President, Retreat Chaperone, Current parishioner, Church of the Good Shepherd, and is a Current member of the University of Oregon Parent and Family Association (PFA)

As Governor, she received the 2013 Soroptimist International of the Americas Outstanding Region (Governor) and 2014 Soroptimist International of the Americas Outstanding Region, Honorable Mention (Governor).

She believes in our vision, mission, core values, big goal and strategic outcomes which provide us with a path of purpose. Sharing the message of our Strategic Plan with our members and providing them with the tools to achieve our goals will lead to success. It is imperative that we demonstrate to our members, sponsors and society the return on their investment in our global organization. We must provide them with the tangible results of our efforts to ensure that our members and supporters know the importance of making Soroptimist their charity of choice.



## CONFERENCE PHOTOGRAPHER

*Joanne West* lives in an underground dome home in Gold Canyon, Arizona. It's an ideal location for a nature photographer. Ever-changing light dances off the nearby Superstition Mountains and the dark desert skies are perfect for capturing moonrises, star trails and lightning images.



Her photographs of nature particularly wildflowers, birds, animals and landscape are most popular giclee printed onto canvas. She custom sizes the images to fit perfectly into homes with unique niches or very large walls.

In addition to a 30 yr. love affair capturing Arizona's beauty, a dash of international travel adds diversity to her photo collection. After a career as corporate photographer for General Motors Desert Proving Grounds she now owns & operates a freelance art photography business. In addition to dramatic landscapes and endearing wildlife she also captures heartfelt images of people, pets and events. Her photographs are published, exhibited and collected in the US, Canada & UK.

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## KEYNOTES SPEAKERS

*Antoinette Farmer-Thompson*, DHEd, joined GCU in 2008 and currently oversees university assessment, support/tutoring, career services, dual academic reporting, academic affairs project management and other ancillary areas. Prior to her current roles, Dr. Farmer - Thompson served as Dean of Associates Studies and Assistant Dean for the College of Health Sciences. Dr. Farmer has helped transform organizations and people through process improvement, human capital planning and large project leadership for more than 22 years. She earned a Doctor of Health Education (DHEd) from A.T. Still University, Master of Business Administration from GCU, Master of Arts in Adult Education from the University of Phoenix and a Bachelor of Science in Justice Studies from Arizona State University. More important than anything to her is family – her wonderful husband, Dr. Ronald Thompson, owner of two dental practices (Mesa and Scottsdale) and their three sons – Kale, Colbe, and Brennan.



*Mary Barnett*, also known as “MobileMary” in her industry, is the owner of a certified woman-owned small business called Another Brilliant Idea, Inc. (ABI). ABI has been a boutique marketing firm since 1988, with expertise in various marketing channels that have created brilliant results for her clientele. Since in 2007, her focus has been offering clients brilliant Mobile Solutions, which has helped Schools, Retail Stores, Restaurants, Churches, City Governments and even the Military; Capture and Engage their audience on the one device they hold so precious, they would even give up chocolate for it! :)

Mobile Mary teaches organizations how to:

- Engage and Grow their Membership
- Attract more Financial Support
- Increase Program Participation
- Gain more Recognition for the Organization’s Mission
- Increase their Collective impact

All using Free and practically free Mobile, Social and Digital tools, to get the job done! Strap your seatbelt on, this presentation will be FAST and FUN... as your Mission IS Possible and

“there’s an App for that!” “MobileMary” is also launching a new training program that will extend the value of her presentation! She wants to provide an easy way to personally TEACH you all you need to know, so you can bring more value back to your organization throughout the year! She will be offering weekly training sessions, using Facebook LIVE, which can be accessed from anywhere, on any device, and can be accessed LIVE or by replay anytime! She will touch on this during her talk, so stay tuned!



*Christine Gannon*, is the President and CEO of Brightworks Consulting, where she provides consulting services in the public and private sector to include the Federal Government.

With over twenty years of corporate consulting, leadership, program management and team facilitation experience, Christine Gannon is well known in industry and government as a Subject Matter Expert and a certified Master Black Belt/Change Agent.

Prior to launching Brightworks Consulting in 2009, Ms. Gannon was the Global Leader for Transformation and Change at IBM, as well as Vice President of Business Process Improvement and Lean Six Sigma. She served as a leader, advisor and consultant for IBM’s internal and external business transformation efforts leading a global team within IBM’s Outsourcing and Operations Strategy Service, specifically serving Fortune 100 organizations.

Before joining IBM, Ms. Gannon served as a Global Program and Communications Executive at American Express, delivering key technology initiatives in the Asia Pacific, Australia and the UK. Most recently, she served the US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Veterans Economic Communities Initiative (VECI) as a National Public Engagement Strategic Advisor. The goal of VECI was to increase education and employment opportunities for Veterans by bringing together local and national employers to coordinate services for Veterans, service members and military families. Ms. Gannon developed the program’s mission and objectives collaborating with internal and external stakeholders including Congress, agency partners, government and non-government organizations, non-profits, service members and Veterans. She developed influential strategies in Arizona and at the national level to connect Veterans and transitioning service members with competitive employment and education opportunities.

Drawing from the experience and success of VECI, she co-created a national collaborative called VeteransNCommand™. The collaborative coalesces a national network of Executive Consultants committed to promoting the economic mobility of Veterans and their families.





## 2016 -2018 GOLDEN WEST REGION BOARD

- Governor – Penny Babb, SI Happy Valley of the Sun
- Governor-Elect – Lori Reed, SI Phoenix, Inc.
- Secretary – Mandy Mann, SI Flagstaff, Inc.
- Treasurer – Margie Burke, SI Phoenix, Inc.
- District 1 Director – Rene Myers, SI Baldy View
- District 2 Director – Kimberly Cook, SI Desert Cities of the Coachella Valley
- District 3 Director – Laurie Scott Moses, SI Parker
- District 4 Director – Vacant

## 2016-2018 GOLDEN WEST REGION COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND COORDINATORS

- AV Coordinator – Petey Keavy, SI Parker
- Dream It Be It Coordinator – Betsy Kreger – SI Palm Desert
- Credentials & Elections Coordinator – Carol Duncan, SI Chino Hills/Inland Empire
- Finance Coordinator – DOÑA Gloria Hill, SI Palm Springs
- Fundraising Pillar – Vanessa Liesen, SI Lake Havasu City
- Laws & Resolutions Coordinator- Mary Grier, SI Phoenix
- Leadership Training Coordinator – Debbie Case, SI Happy Valley of the Sun
- Live Your Dream Award Coordinator – Carolyn Lutz, SI Saguaro Foothills
- Membership Pillar – Paula Adkins, SI Phoenix
- Nominating Committee Coordinator 2015-2017 – DOÑA Judy Harris, SI Lake Havasu City
- Parliamentarian – DOÑA Karen Haughey, SI Chino Valley
- Program Pillar – Karen Saelens, SI Phoenix
- Public Awareness Pillar – Linda Poindexter, SI Yucca Valley
- Soroptimist Celebrating Success Coordinator – DOÑA Linda Nixon, SI San Jacinto-Hemet Valley
- Soroptimist International Liaison- Liz Glowka, SI Palm Desert
- Soroptimist Summit Committee – Tara Jackson, SI Phoenix
- Spring Conference Chair – Debbie Dematteis-Miller, SI Corona
- Website Coordinator – Pat Box, SI Moreno Valley
- Venture Coordinator- DOÑA Lynn Wurth, SI Phoenix

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# **GOLDEN WEST REGION CLUBS BY DISTRICT**

## **43 TOTAL CLUBS**

### **DISTRICT 1 (10 CLUBS)**

**District Director**

**Rene Myers**

Baldy View  
Barstow Area  
Chino Hills/Inland Empire  
Chino Valley, Inc., the  
Corona  
Montclair/Inland Valley  
Rim of the World  
Riverside  
San Bernardino  
Victor Valley, Inc.

### **DISTRICT 2 (10 CLUBS)**

**District Director**

**Kimberly Cook**

Beaumont-Banning  
Big Bear Valley, Inc.  
Desert Cities of the Coachella Valley  
Idyllwild  
Moreno Valley  
Palm Desert  
Palm Springs  
San Jacinto-Hemet Valley  
Twentynine Palms  
Yucca Valley

### **DISTRICT 3 (14 CLUBS)**

**District Director**

**Laurie Scott Moses**

Arizona Peaks  
Blythe  
Bullhead City/Laughlin  
Flagstaff, Inc.  
Gallup  
Kingman  
Lake Havasu City  
Mountain Morning  
Parker  
Prescott, Inc.  
Prescott Valley, Inc.  
Wickenburg, Inc.  
Winslow  
Zane Grey Country

### **DISTRICT 4 (9 CLUBS)**

**District Director**

**Vacant**

Desert Tucson  
East Valley  
Gold Canyon  
Happy Valley of the Sun, Inc.  
Kachinas, Inc., the  
Las Cruces  
Phoenix, Inc.  
Saguaro Foothills, Inc.  
San Tans, Inc., the

## DELEGATES INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING FROM THE FLOOR - 2017

1. Delegates vote on the indexes by using the voting cards which are given out at registration.
2. Delegates who wish to speak will go to the floor microphone and wait to be recognized by the chair. Once the delegate has been recognized, the delegate will state their name, their club, and then proceed with their question or debate.
3. To make it easier for the chair to present a balanced debate, the following signs will be used:
  - The **ROUND GREEN** sign will be raised if the delegate will speak in favor of a motion.
  - The **RED STOP SIGN** will be raised if the delegate will speak to oppose the motion.
  - The **TRIANGULAR YELLOW** sign is a warning sign that can be raised for a question or point of order.
  - The **BLUE SQUARE** sign is for non-delegates who wish to speak.
  - The **WHITE RECTANGLE** sign is for privileged motions; to amend, refer, limit debate, lay on the table, take from the table, postpone indefinitely, reconsider, or call the question.
4. If a delegate wishes to amend any index, the delegate must obtain the proper form from the GWR Secretary seated near the podium. Two copies of the amendment motion will be necessary.





## STANDING RULES FOR MEMBERS AND DELEGATES

- The Official Program shall be the Order of Business upon adoption of the Conference Body. The Order of Business may be modified at the discretion of the governor.
- For admission to the assembly hall and to facilitate identification and seating in assigned areas, members **shall be required to wear the badge issued** by the registration committee upon registration.
- Immediately following the opening of the first business session, the credentials committee shall report the number of clubs in the region, the number of clubs registered, the number of region officers and district directors registered, the number of past governors in the region registered, the number of delegates registered, and the number of Soroptimists and guests registered and in attendance. The credentials committee shall make supplementary reports after the opening exercises at the beginning of each day that business continues and at such other times as requested by the presiding officer.
- If a registered delegate must permanently leave the Conference for any reason, the credentials committee may certify the transfer of a registered alternate in the same club to the status of a registered delegate who shall serve in that capacity for the remainder of the Conference. At the time of transfer, the credentials committee shall substitute a delegate badge for the alternate's badge. Such certification will occur as needed except during voting.
- No delegate may speak in debate more than twice or longer than two minutes on the same question on the same day, without the permission of the Conference body granted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, without debate. An official timekeeper shall monitor time.
- A non-delegate may speak only once to a question, for two minutes on the same day, providing there is no delegate who wishes to speak. An official timekeeper shall monitor time.
- Debate shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes on any one question.
- Only the voting members of a spring conference may make motions, with the exception that a region coordinator or committee member acting as coordinator, may move the adoption of any items covered by that committee's report.
- To obtain the floor, speakers must rise, go to the floor microphone, address the Chair, and after being recognized, state clearly their name and club.
- Conference participants wishing to make a motion or amendment shall use the Golden West Region Motion Form and present it in writing, in duplicate, to the governor (one for the governor to read and the other for the secretary.)
- All reports and other materials shall be typed and immediately upon presentation to the Conference body, shall be submitted to the secretary for the permanent record.
- Individual announcements from conference members shall be in writing, signed and submitted to the secretary.

# PAST GOVERNORS OF GOLDEN WEST REGION

## Title – DOÑA

(DOÑA: Devoted Often Needed Advisor or the original: Don't Offer Needless Advice )

|           |                                    |                             |                           |
|-----------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1978-1980 | <b>Lucille Toller</b> (Deceased)   | SI Parker                   |                           |
| 1980-1982 | <b>LeOra Lindteigen</b> (Deceased) | SI Mesa, Inc.               |                           |
| 1982-1984 | <b>Petty Zimmerman</b> (Deceased)  | SI San Bernardino           |                           |
| 1984-1986 | <b>Lynn R Wurth</b>                | SI Phoenix, Inc.            | lwurth@cox.net            |
| 1986-1988 | <b>Marie Seybold</b>               | SI Rim of the World         | marieseybold@yahoo.com    |
| 1988-1990 | <b>Sandra Dannenfeldt</b>          | SI Flagstaff                | sgs08@optusnet.com.au     |
| 1990-1992 | <b>Fran Ballard-Miller</b>         | SI San Jacinto/Hemet Valley | fran_ballard@hotmail.com  |
| 1992-1994 | <b>Alice Wells</b>                 | SI the Kachinas, Inc.       | awells15@cox.net          |
| 1994-1996 | <b>Donna Walker</b>                | SI Desert Tucson            | donnawalkeroo@comcast.net |
| 1996-1998 | <b>Margaret Henderson</b>          | SI Palm Desert              | lenmargh@aol.com          |
| 1998-2000 | <b>Donna James</b>                 | SI Montclair/Inland Valley  | djames@dslexxtreme.com    |
| 2000-2002 | <b>Gladys Weems</b>                | SI San Bernardino           | gladweems@roadrunner.com  |
| 2002-2004 | <b>Victoria Nuth</b>               | SI Wickenburg, Inc.         | victorianuth@gmail.com    |
| 2004-2006 | <b>Vicki Piña</b> (Deceased)       | SI Phoenix, Inc.            |                           |
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| 2012-2014 | <b>Linda Nixon</b>                 | SI San Jacinto-Hemet Valley | lnixon@msn.com            |
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## PAST GOVERNORS OTHER REGIONS

Members of the Golden West Region – Pacific Region

## Title –REGAL

(Relinquish Every Gol'darned Authority Left)

|           |                                    |               |
|-----------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1968-1970 | <b>Dottie Kissinger</b> (Deceased) | SI Mesa, Inc. |
| 1970-1972 | <b>Brigitte Page</b> (Deceased)    | SI Banning    |
| 1972-1974 | <b>Joy Horn</b> (Deceased)         | SI Tri Valley |
| 1974-1976 | <b>Marilyn Hofstetter</b>          | SI Eureka     |
| 1976-1978 | <b>Maxine Parsons</b> (Deceased)   | SI Sun City   |

## PAST SIA PRESIDENTS

## Title – DIVA

(DIVA: Dedicated, Inspirational, Visionary, Angel or the newly created: Did I Volunteer Again?)

|           |                                    |                       |                           |
|-----------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
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## Title – DAME

(DAME: Dedicated Advisor & Mentor Extraordinaire or the newly created: Don't Ask Me Ever!)

|           |                                    |                       |                  |
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MISSION IS POSSIBLE



**GOLDEN WEST REGION**  
**39TH ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE**  
 June 1 - 3, 2017 – Phoenix, Arizona

**CREDENTIALS  
REPORT**

**FIRST REPORT**

**SECOND REPORT**

DATE

DATE

TIME

TIME

**CLUBS IN REGION (43)**

**CLUBS REGISTERED**

**REGION OFFICERS REGISTERED**

**DISTRICT DIRECTORS REGISTERED**

**PAST GOVERNORS REGISTERED**

**DELEGATES REGISTERED**

DISTRICT 1 (10 CLUBS)

DISTRICT 2 (10 CLUBS)

DISTRICT 3 (14 CLUBS)

DISTRICT 4 (9 CLUBS)

**TOTAL VOTING STRENGTH**

**NON-DELEGATES REGISTERED**

DISTRICT 1 (10 CLUBS)

DISTRICT 2 (10 CLUBS)

DISTRICT 3 (14 CLUBS)

DISTRICT 4 (9 CLUBS)

**TOTAL NON-DELEGATES**

**GUESTS**

SOROPTIMIST-OTHER REGIONS

VENTURE

NON-SOROPTIMIST

INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS

FEDERATION OFFICERS

**TOTAL REGISTRATION**

**MISSION IS POSSIBLE**

**2017**



# AGENDA

## THURSDAY - JUNE 1, 2017

|   |                |                |                   |
|---|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <b>REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID</b> | <b>4:30 PM</b> | <b>6:00 PM</b> | Zuni              |
| Conference Merchandise Pick-up                | 4:30 PM        | 6:00 PM        | Zuni              |
| Pick-a-Prize Donation Drop-off                | 4:30 PM        | 6:00 PM        | Gila              |
| DOÑA Reunion (Invitation Only)                | 5:00 PM        | 6:00 PM        | Rico's Restaurant |

### DINNER & COCKTAIL

|   |                |                  |
|---|----------------|------------------|
| <b>6:00 PM</b>                                  | <b>8:30 PM</b> | Anasazi Ballroom |
| Annamarie Megrdichian, SI Chino Valley, Soloist |                |                  |

"You're the Bomb" Paddle Auction

|  |         |         |                  |
|--|---------|---------|------------------|
| Club Presidents Appreciation (Invitation Only) | 8:30 PM | 9:30 PM | Governor's Suite |
|--|---------|---------|------------------|

## FRIDAY - JUNE 2, 2017

|  |         |         |              |
|--|---------|---------|--------------|
| EXHIBIT ROOM SET-UP                    | 7:00 AM | 7:30 AM | Adobe/Arroyo |
| EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN                      | 7:30 AM | 8:55 AM | Adobe/Arroyo |
| REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID | 7:00 AM | 8:55 AM | Gila         |
| Conference Merchandise Pick-up         | 7:00 AM | 8:55 AM | Adobe/Arroyo |
| Pick-a-Prize Donation Drop-off         | 7:00 AM | 8:55 AM | Zuni         |

### DELEGATE BRIEFING

|                |                |                  |
|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>8:00 AM</b> | <b>8:45 AM</b> | Anasazi Ballroom |
|----------------|----------------|------------------|

### OPENING SESSION

|  |  |                 |                  |
|--|--|-----------------|------------------|
| Call to Order                                | <b>9:00 AM</b>   | <b>10:55 AM</b> | Anasazi Ballroom |
| Presentation of DOÑAs & GWR Board            | Debbie Dematteis-Miller, Spring Conference Coordinator |                 |                  |
| Presentation of Flags & Pledge of Allegiance | SI Corona  |                 |                  |
| National Anthem                              | Debbie Dematteis-Miller, Spring Conference Coordinator |                 |                  |
| Welcome & Introductions                      | Presidents of the Hostess Clubs                        |                 |                  |
| Reading of the Call                          | Golden West Region - Soroptimist Singers               |                 |                  |
| First Time Attendees Recognition             | Governor Penny Babb, SI Happy Valley of the Sun        |                 |                  |
| Team Building Exercise                       | Mandy Mann, GWR Secretary, SI Flagstaff                |                 |                  |
|  | Rene Myers, District 1 Director, SI Baldy View         |                 |                  |
|  | Laurie Moses, District 3 Director, SI Parker           |                 |                  |

Introduction of Speaker  
Keynote - Your Purpose & Value of Membership  
GWR Fundraising Event Announcements  
Announcements

Governor Penny Babb  
Antoinette Farmer-Thompson  
Vanessa Liesen, GWR Fundraising Pillar  
Debbie Dematteis-Miller  
Spring Conference Coordinator

MISSION IS POSSIBLE



## AGENDA

### FRIDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS

11:00 AM 12:10 PM

#### Is Your Club Living the Dream (Programs)?

Palo Verde

Melissa Watson, SI Kachinas

#### "Mini Me" Dream It Be It Session

Yucca

Karen Saelens, Programs Pillar, SI Phoenix

Betsy Kreger, Dream It Be It Coordinator, SI Palm Desert

#### Membership Mission Possible!!

Saquaro / Chollo

Paula Adkins, Membership Pillar, SI Phoenix

#### EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN

12:10 AM 12:25 AM

Adobe/Arroyo

#### REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID

12:10 PM 12:25 PM

Gila

#### Conference Merchandise Pick-up

12:00 PM 12:25 PM

Adobe/Arroyo

### FRIDAY LUNCH

12:30 PM 1:50 PM

Anasazi Ballroom

Welcome & Introductions - Experienced Members Governor Penny Babb

Introduction of Speaker

Governor Penny Babb

Keynote - Essential Leadership Skills

Christina Gannon - CEO & founder of  
Brightworks Consulting

Panel:

Susan Brooks, CEO Cookies from Home

Lynda Bishop, CEO National Association of  
Women's Business Owners

Susan Ciardullo, Regional Director

Connie Kadansky, CEO Exceptional Sales

Kelly Mills, US Congressional Staffer

Announcements

Debbie Dematteis Miller,  
Spring Conference Coordinator

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

2:15 PM 3:25 PM

#### How to Capture the Elusive Millennial

Saquaro / Chollo

Mandy Mann, Secretary, SI Flagstaff

Margie Burke, SI Phoenix

#### Using Technology to Seize Your Goals

Palo Verde

Mary Barnett, CEO: Another Brilliant Idea, Inc.

# AGENDA

## SI (Secret Intelligence) to Running a STRONG Club

Yucca

Laurie Moses, District 3 Director, SI Parker  
Rene Myers, District 1 Director, SI Baldy View

### EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN

3:25 PM 3:45 PM

Adobe/Arroyo

### FIRST BUSINESS SESSION

3:45 PM 5:00 PM

Anasazi Ballroom

Presiding Officer  
Soroptimist Stories - Mission IS Possible  
First Credentials Report

Governor Penny Babb  
GWR Board  
Carol Duncan, Credentials & Elections Coordinator  
SI Chino Hills/Inland Empire

Adoption of Official Program & Standing Rules  
Introduction of Timekeeper and Tellers  
Nominating Committee Report

Mandy Mann, Secretary  
Governor Penny Babb  
DOÑA Judy Rogers, Nominating Coordinator  
SI Lake Havasu City

Nominations for Nom Committee From the Floor  
Nominating Committee Candidate Introductions

Governor Penny Babb  
DOÑA Judy Rogers, Nominating Coordinator

Nominations for District 4 Director From the Floor  
District 4 Director Candidate Introductions

Governor Penny Babb  
DOÑA Judy Rogers, Nominating Coordinator

Treasurer's Report  
Finance Committee Report

Margie Burke, Treasurer  
DOÑA Gloria Hill, Finance Committee Coordinator  
SI Palm Springs

Adoption of 2017-2018 Budget  
Announcements

DOÑA Gloria Hill, Finance Committee Coordinator  
Debbie Dematteis-Miller  
Spring Conference Coordinator

Business Session Adjourned  
GWR Fundraising Event Announcements

Governor Penny Babb  
Vanessa Liesen, GWR Fundraising Pillar

### DELEGATE VOTING

5:00 PM 5:45 PM

Mohave

### REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID

5:00 PM 5:45 PM

Gila

### LIVE YOUR DREAM BANQUET AND FUNDRAISER

6:00 PM 9:00 PM

Anasazi Ballroom

Welcome & Announcements  
Love Our Region presentation

Governor Penny Babb  
DOÑA Victoria Nuth, SI Wickenburg  
Petey Keavy, SI Parker

MISSION IS POSSIBLE





## AGENDA

Live Your Dream Award Dinner Celebration

Karen Saelens, Program Pillar

Carolyn Lutz, Live Your Dream Award Coordinator

SI Saguaro Foothills

Vanessa Liesen, Fundraising Pillar

Closing of Pick-A-Prize Raffle

Announcement Pick a Prize Winner

## SATURDAY - JUNE 3, 2017

EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN

7:30 AM 8:55 AM

Adobe/Arroyo

REGISTRATION / HOSPITALITY / FIRST AID

7:30 AM 8:55 AM

Gila

Conference Merchandise Pick-up

7:30 AM 8:55 AM

Adobe/Arroyo

## SECOND BUSINESS SESSION

9:00 AM 10:15 AM

Anasazi Ballroom

Presiding Officer

Governor Penny Babb

Presidents Processional

Governor Penny Babb

Introduction of Speaker

Governor Penny Babb

Keynote - Federation Visitor Presentation -  
"What if..."

Dona Gaddis Wolf, SIA Official Visitor

Second Credentials Report

Carol Duncan, Credentials &amp; Elections Coordinator

Ballot Results

Carol Duncan, Credentials &amp; Elections Coordinator

GWR Fundraising Report

Vanessa Liesen, GWR Fundraising Pillar

Announcements

Debbie Dematteis-Miller

Business Session Adjourned

Spring Conference Coordinator

Governor Penny Babb

EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN

10:15 AM 10:40 AM

Adobe/Arroyo

Run Off voting (if needed)

10:15 AM 10:45 AM

Mohave

SATURDAY MORNING WORKSHOPS

10:45 AM 12:00 PM

## SI (Secret Intelligence) to Running a STRONG Club

Yucca

Laurie Moses, District 3 Director

Rene Myers, District 1 Director

## What Happens When You DON'T Accept The Mission

Saguaro/Chollo

Vanessa Liesen, Fundraising Pillar

Margie Burke, Treasurer

## Is Your Club Living the Dream (Programs)?

Palo Verde

Melissa Watson, SI Kachinas, Inc.

# AGENDA

## EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN

12:30 PM 1:45 PM

Adobe/Arroyo

## SATURDAY LUNCH

12:30 PM 1:45 PM

Anasazi Ballroom

Welcome - Introductions  
Introduction of Speaker  
Keynote - Success through Technology  
Team Building Exercise  
Dream Makers Recognition and Jars  
Laurel Society Recognition & Inductions  
Announcements

Governor Penny Babb  
Governor Penny Babb  
Mary Barnett, CEO: Another Brilliant Idea, Inc.  
Mandy Mann, GWR Secretary  
Vanessa Liesen, GWR Fundraising Pillar  
Vanessa Liesen, GWR Fundraising Pillar  
Debbie Dematteis-Miller,  
Spring Conference Coordinator

## EXHIBIT ROOM OPEN [Last Time]

1:45 PM 2:15 PM

Adobe/Arroyo

## CLOSING SESSION & CLUB AWARDS

2:30 PM 4:00 PM

Anasazi Ballroom

Presiding Officer  
Celebration of Life  
Club Awards  
PFR Incentive Award Drawing  
Soroptimist Celebrating Success Awards  
Recognition of Spring Conference Committee  
Call to 2018 Spring Conference  
Announcements

Governor Penny Babb  
Laurie Moses, District 3 Director  
Lori Reed, Governor-elect, SI Phoenix  
Lori Reed, Governor-elect  
DOÑA Linda Nixon, SCS Coordinator  
Governor Penny Babb  
Laurie Moses, District 3 Director  
Debbie Dematteis-Miller  
Spring Conference Coordinator  
Governor Penny Babb  
Governor Penny Babb

Pledge  
Business Session Adjourned

## RAFFLE WINNERS POSTED / ITEM PICK-UP

4:00 PM 4:15 PM

GWR Board & SC Recap Meeting

5:00 PM 6:00 PM

## SATURDAY - DINNER & POOL PARTY

6:00 PM

Hole in the Wall Restaurant

MISSION IS POSSIBLE



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### 2017 DISTRICT FALL MEETINGS

District 1  
October 6-7  
Host Club: SI Chino Hills/Inland Empire

District 2  
October 20-21  
Host Club: SI San Jacinto-Hemet Valley  
& SI Palm Springs

District 3  
October 13-14  
Host Club: SI Lake Havasu City

District 4  
October 27-28  
Host Club: SI of Phoenix, Inc.

### 2018 SPRING CONFERENCE

June 7-9, 2018  
Pala Resort and Casino  
Pala, California  
Hosted by: SI Moreno Valley, SI San Jacinto  
Hemet & SI Chino Hills/Inland Empire

2017 LEADERSHIP TRAINING RETREAT  
Ontario Airport Hotel  
Ontario, CA  
August 3-5, 2017

2018 SIA CONVENTION  
45th Biennial Convention  
Yokohama, Japan  
July 30-August 2, 2018

2019 SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL  
21st Quadrennial Convention  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
July 18-20, 2019

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[www.DreamsAndDecisions.com](http://www.DreamsAndDecisions.com)



**Wednesday, May 10, 2017**  
Our Soroptimist scholarships are provided to each of the CNUSD high schools, encouraging young women planning to attend a community or vocational school with grades in the 2.0 to 3.0 GPA range with a \$1500 scholarship for their first year of college. These are offered to 10 high schools or programs in the CNUSD area. Additionally, we have funded an endowment for an annual scholarship at Riverside Community College, Norco Campus, our local community college.

*SI Corona, Celebrating 70 Years*



*SI Corona, Scholarship Awards 2017*

**SAVE THE DATE**



**Chocolate, Wine & Jazz Festival**  
Saturday, October 21, 2017 - 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Corona Civic Center (South Lawn)  
815 West 6th Street • Corona, CA 92882  
[www.sicorona.org](http://www.sicorona.org)  
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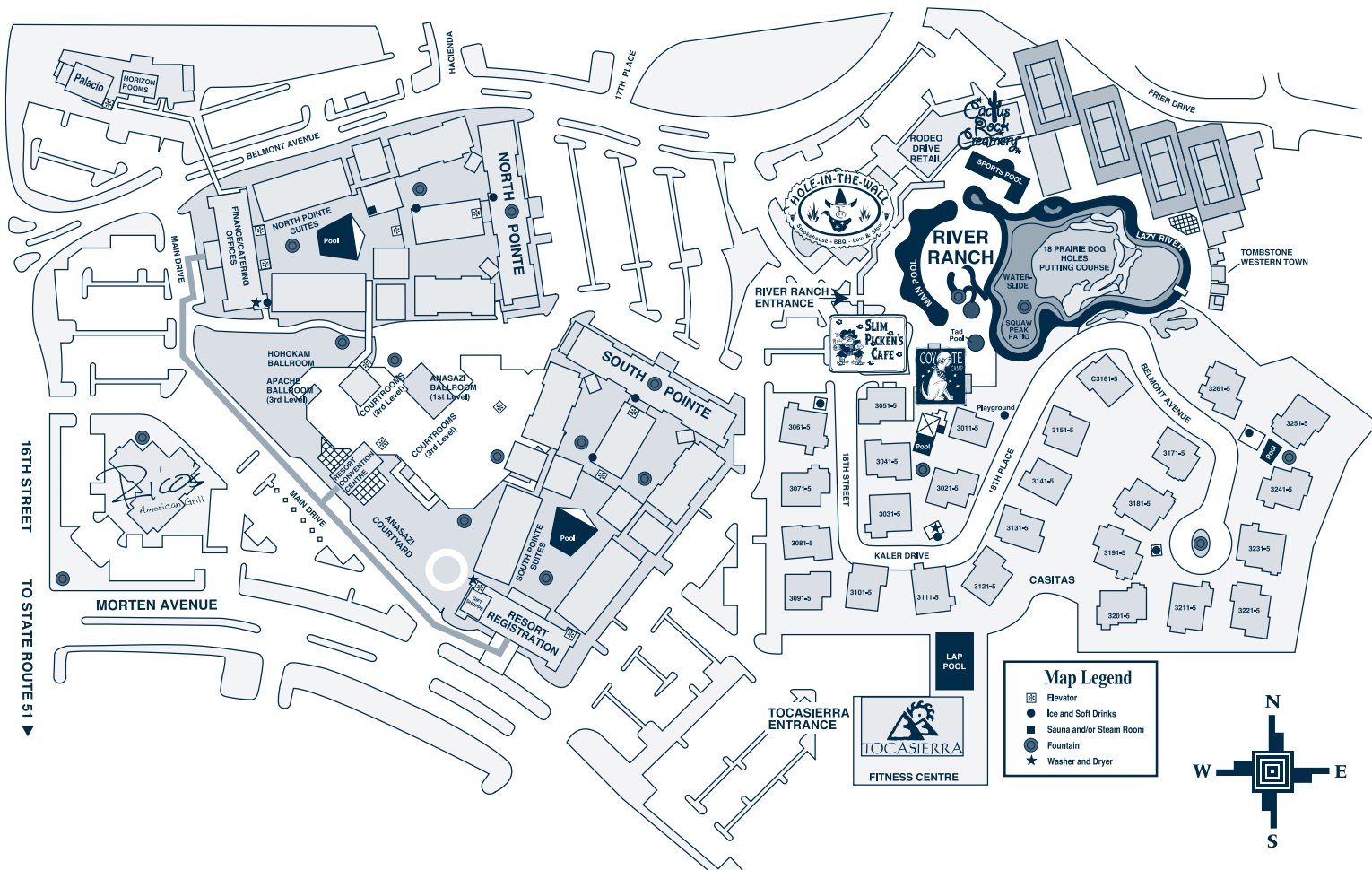


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# RESORT MAP



## Restaurants and Resort Outlets...

