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Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc

SIERRA PACIFIC REGION

42nd Annual Region Conference

“Dreams Do Come True”

May 4-6th, 2018

SpringHill Suites by Marriott Paso Robles Atascadero

900 El Camino Real

Atascadero, CA



Governor Tana Elizondo
2016-2018

Hosted by Soroptimist International of San Francisco

Soroptimist is a global volunteer organization working to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment.

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Dear Soroptimists and Guests,

Dreams do come true; I am living proof of that! The Sierra Pacific Region Board and Host club, SI San Francisco, await the arrival of your club to celebrate the 42nd Annual Region Conference on May 4th - 6th. Our location this year will be at the SpringHill by Marriott Paso Robles Atascadero located in Atascadero, CA.

Please review all the materials needed for registration, which will include an Excel spread sheet that will be coming in a separate email. We are trying something new this year and ask that you complete the Excel worksheet online, save it then return it in the Excel worksheet format to Treasurer Charlie. It will allow us to streamline information needed for meal count, name badges, and credential registration. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Please review the call at your next club meeting. I wouldn't want anyone to miss out on the information that is provided. Last year we asked clubs to bring a variety of items that were in turn donated to Amanda's House in Hanford. This year the chosen recipient will be Days for Girls. Today, Days for Girls has reached over 640,000 women and girls in 100+ countries with kits, each of which will last a girl or woman 2 - 3 years. This translates into over 115 million days of education and opportunity that would otherwise be lost without sustainable hygiene solutions. This is no longer just a need internationally; the need exists domestically as well.

A few workshops of interest will be offered starting with Leadership Development on Friday afternoon. On Saturday we will host our Live Your Dream Luncheon. I know most of us look forward to this part of the program. It is why we are Soroptimists. This year we are fortunate to have past Soroptimist International of the Americas (SIA) Live Your Dream recipient, Shirlee Draper. Some of you may have been in Vancouver in 2014 when she was awarded \$10,000. Her story is remarkable as she continues her journey to help countless women.

I look forward to coming together in celebration of all your club achievements and to enjoy one another's friendship.

In Service,

Governor Tana

OFFICIAL CALL TO SIERRA PACIFIC REGION CONFERENCE

2018

Where: SpringHill by Marriott Paso Robles Atascadero
900 El Camino Real
Atascadero, CA
Telephone: 805.462.3500 (f) 805.462.3800

Host Club: Soroptimist International of San Francisco

Hotel Reservation: **Deadline: April 2, 2018**

Individual members are to call in reservations directly to the SpringHill Suites by Marriott. Please state that you are reserving a room in connection with the “Soroptimist International of the Americas Sierra Pacific Region Conference.”

PLEASE ONLY RESERVE ROOMS YOU ARE SURE YOU WILL ACTUALLY USE.

Reservation Link:

[Book your group rate for Soroptimist International](#)

Single and double occupancy \$199.00 per night, plus tax.

(Including Breakfast)

Hotel Parking: There is a self-parking lot.

Conference Registration: List names of all conference delegates, members and/or guests on the Club Registration Form. **This will be sent in a separate email from SPR Treasurer Charlie.**

Meal Package: The total meal package is \$172.00. **(Breakfast is included for Hotel guests)** The meal orders are included on the Registration Form (in a separate email). Soroptimists and guests are welcome to attend individual meal functions. The costs are:

Friday box lunch \$22.00

Friday dinner \$55.00

Saturday lunch \$35.00

Saturday dinner \$60.00

Sunday Morning Breakfast is included for Hotel Guests. If you plan to have breakfast on Sunday, but are not staying at the Hotel, please let Treasurer Charlie know and she will get a cost for you.

OFFICIAL CALL

Registration:

Friday, May 4, 2018 11:00 a.m. to 11:45a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 5, 2018 8:00 a.m. to 8:50 a.m.
(Registration/Credentials will be closed during business session)
Saturday, May 5, 2018 11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. **Final registration**

Delegates to Conference are:

 President and two delegates.

If the club President is unable to attend, the President Elect or Vice President shall be her alternate. Any alternate elected by the club or appointed by the club Board of Directors to fill a vacancy in the club's representation shall present a statement signed by the Club Secretary stating that this person was so selected.

Complete the enclosed Delegates **CREDENTIALS** form, Page 24 and mail to Treasurer Charlie before April 2, 2018.

You will receive your credentials card at the credentials desk when you register for conference. Your credentials card entitles you to vote.

Delegates must be seated in reserved section prior to the start of the business meeting.

Conference Packets containing the official program and other materials will be available at the Registration Desk located in the Event Space Foyer after Leadership. **Please print and bring a copy of this call with you as the bios of the candidates and copy of the budgets are in this call only.**

Club Sales: Please complete the Club Sales Form and return it to Treasurer Charlie before **April 2nd, 2018**. *Spaces are limited this year* and are available on a first reserved basis. Spaces this year are not in a separate room, but in the Event Center Foyer, so all items will need to be removed daily.
Please observe the posted times for sales as follows:

Sales Hours: Subject to change:
Friday – 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday – 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Deceased Members: For members who have passed since last year or have not been previously honored, *please email form along with a high quality jpg picture* before April 2nd to Region Secretary Laura Cross at Spsecretary@soroptimist.net

Suggested Attire:

Friday evening: Western Wear or Soroptimist Logo Attire
Saturday day: Business Attire
Saturday evening: Evening Attire
Sunday morning: Business/Casual Attire

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018

Conference will begin at noon on Friday with Leadership Development.

Registration and lunch 11:00 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Event Space Foyer

Pre-register using the Conference Registration form to order the box lunch. There is no cost to attend, but a box lunch may be ordered for \$22. (You must register and get your lunch ticket to pick up your box lunch, so plan to be there and register before 11:45)

12:15 p.m. **Session One:**

Presented by: Federation Board Member and official guest Julieta Armendariz de Lopez and Past SIA President Raquel Arreola Ruiz.

Julieta and Raquel will share their Soroptimist experiences from club level opportunities to Federation, and how you too can be an ambassador of Soroptimist.

1:15 p.m. **Session Two:**

Presented by: SIA Director of Development Susan A. Fink.

The Why and How to Support Soroptimist's Dream Programs. As more and more women continue to stand in solidarity and shine a spotlight on sexual harassment, assault and wage and pay disparity in the workplace, what continues to be the number one threat to these issues? EDUCATION. SIA's Dream Programs are the united front of our members and provide a corrective antidote to what is being exposed in the world today – the answer lies in all of us becoming focused and getting behind the protection that an education can provide a woman or girl. "Education yields some of the highest returns of all investments – yielding both private and social benefits that accrue to individuals, families, and society." (Source: The Global Fund for Women, The World Bank, The Clinton Global Initiative).

2:15 p.m. **Session Three:**

Presented by: Past SIA Live Your Dream Recipient Shirlee Draper.

"Working as One" and the importance of education in fostering women in leadership. "Mission creep" is your club giving going to a variety of causes instead of being Soroptimist Mission focused? Also, some discussion on effectiveness of collaboration instead of reinventing the wheel to preserve your mission and purpose.

TENTATIVE CONFERENCE AGENDA

Thursday, May 3, 2018

2:00 p.m. Sierra Pacific Region Board and guests arrive
3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sierra Pacific Region Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. Welcome Dinner – TBD

Friday, May 4, 2018

8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Sierra Pacific Region Board Meeting
(Location TBD) Soroptimist members are welcome as silent observers with prior notification to Governor.
11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Registration
12:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. Leadership Development

Unless otherwise mentioned, all events are in Event Center A B C and the Event Center Foyer

3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Conference **Registration/Credentials** Desks Open in Event Center Foyer
4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Welcome Reception and wine tasting – Patio (weather permitting)
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. No Host Social Hour - Hotel Bar and Event Center Foyer

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Opening – Governor Tana Elizondo
Host Club – Soroptimist International of San Francisco
Dinner and Program
District Directors’ Report
“Unlock the Mystery”
Announcements
Recess

Saturday, May 5, 2018

6:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Walk about with Governor Tana
Breakfast: On your own (**Included for Hotel Guests**)
8:00 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. **Registration** in Event Center Foyer
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. **Sierra Pacific Region Annual Business Session**
Call to Order
Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance
Conference Appointments
Credentials Report
Official Greetings
Parliamentary Review
Adoption of Conference Standing Rules
Adoption of the 2018 Conference Program

Conference Appointments
Proposed Sierra Pacific Region Amendments to the Bylaws and Procedures
Treasurer’s Report
Proposed 2018-2019 Sierra Pacific Region Operating Budget
Proposed 2018-2019 Sierra Pacific Region Service Budget
Nominating Committee Report
Nominations from the Floor
Recognition of First-Time Attendees
Election, if necessary

TENTATIVE CONFERENCE AGENDA cont'd

Saturday May, 5, 2018

11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Final Registration

11:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

“Live Your Dream” Luncheon

Welcome

Speaker Shirlee Draper, SIA Live Your Dream Recipient 2014

Soroptimist International of the Americas “Live Your Dream” Award Recipients Fellowship Award

Mary Ellen George Award

Announcements

Recess

2:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Workshops

2:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Workshop #1 - Membership Workshop: Our Membership within SIA

The learning objectives for the session are that participants will:

- Understand the region’s current membership statistics in relation to SIA’s overall membership numbers.
- Identify obstacles our clubs face in increasing membership by reviewing feedback from across the federation.
- Collaborate to develop strategies each club may leverage to overcome those obstacles and strengthen membership locally.
- Understand how those strategies fit in to SIA’s organizational direction.
- Be inspired to take action to increase membership as SIA approaches our 2nd century.

Presented by: Amory Rae Marple

2:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Workshop #2 - Convergence: Human Trafficking and Our Soroptimist Dream Programs

Soroptimists have been advocates against human trafficking for more than 20 years. In this interactive workshop, we'll work together to discover how the Live Your Dream Awards and Dream It, Be It can be used to combat modern day slavery.

Presented by: Cathy Standiford

2:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Workshop #3 - Be A Savvy and Smart Club Treasurer

Incoming Club Treasurers and Presidents will want to attend this workshop. You will review the Region Treasurer’s Handbook with the deadline dates that will keep you compliant with the Department of Justice, Attorney General and/or the IRS.

Presented by: Sierra Pacific Treasurer Charlie

TENTATIVE CONFERENCE AGENDA cont'd

Workshops cont'd

3:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Workshop #4 --Membership Workshop: How to be a New Member

The goals for new members participating are to:

- Understand where they fit in our bigger picture
- Learn how to engage in conversation that is unfamiliar regarding programs and fundraising events
- Identify new ideas from an outsider's perspective
- Understand leadership roles
- Develop 1/3/5 plan for their membership

Presented by: Amory Rae Marple

3:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Workshop #5 - (Repeat of Workshop #2) Convergence: Human Trafficking and Our Soroptimist Dream Programs

- Soroptimists have been advocates against human trafficking for more than 20 years. In this interactive workshop, we'll work together to discover how the Live Your Dream Awards and Dream It, Be It can be used to combat modern day slavery.

Presented by: Cathy Standiford

3:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Workshop #6 - Days for Girls

Something as simple as feminine hygiene provides women and girls with certain freedoms we often take for granted. Imagine a world that restricts your ability to work, attend school and provide for their families. Days for Girls creates a world with dignity, health and opportunities for all.

Presented by: Jan Northington

Saturday, May 5, 2018

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Free time

5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Laurel Society Member Event – Hotel Patio (weather permitting)

6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

No Host Social – Event Center Foyer and Hotel Bar

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Welcome

Dinner

Installation of 2018-2020 Sierra Pacific Region Board

Entertainment

Announcements

Recess

TENTATIVE CONFERENCE AGENDA cont'd

Sunday, May 6, 2018

6:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Walk about with Governor Tana

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Region Awards Brunch

Welcome

Celebration of Soroptimist Service

Sierra Pacific Region Awards, Recognition and Reports

Soroptimists Celebrating Success Awards

Shaping the Future Region Contest

Fundraising

Membership

Program

Public Awareness

Attendance Report

Invitation to the 2019 Conference

Club Drawings

Soroptimist Pledge

Adjournment

CHECKLIST FOR CLUB PRESIDENTS

THIS PACKET CONTAINS FORMS THAT
MUST BE REVIEWED AND SUBMITTED BY YOUR CLUB.

CHECK ALL FORMS FOR DETAILS, DEADLINES AND MAILING ADDRESS

- Remind club members to make hotel reservations.
- Complete the Conference Registration (separate email) and email to Treasurer Charlie. Next, mail a Copy of the New Registration and Meal form along with any forms for Dietary Restrictions and one club check payable to Sierra Pacific Region to Treasurer Charlie.
- Complete and return Club Sales form.
- Submit official form for Celebration of Soroptimist Service.
- Encourage members to attend.
- Bring your club's retractable banners (if your club has one). We will have a place for them to be displayed, but each club will be responsible for setting up their banner and taking it down at the end of conference.

DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS **April 2, 2018**

DEADLINE FOR MEAL RESERVATIONS & FORMS **April 2, 2018**

~ No Penalty for early registration ~

REMINDER: ALL forms are due on or BEFORE April 2, 2018

NO REFUNDS AFTER: April 2, 2018

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Sierra Pacific Region

**All forms and checks are mailed to: Treasurer Charlie Rodgers
1918 Berkeley Ave
Hughson, CA 95326
sptreasurer@soroptimist.net**

RESPONSIBILITIES OF CLUB DELEGATES

Designated club delegates should have a working knowledge of Soroptimist laws, Region Bylaws, the objectives and ideals of the organization, and experience as a member of a club board or committee. An understanding of parliamentary procedure and a spirit of goodwill and understanding will help the delegate, the club, and the conference body.

The Club President, who serves as a delegate and the leader of the club delegation, should:

- Allocate time at a business meeting to discuss proposed indices/resolutions, budgets and solicit club opinion or direction.
- Arrange with the other delegates for assigning sections of the report on Conference to be given to non-attending club members.
- As soon as possible after Conference, schedule time at a club meeting for delegates to present their reports.

Prior to Conference Delegates should:

- Study the Invitation (Call) that indicates the tentative agenda listing business to be transacted, forms, workshops, and social events.
- Verify with Club President or Treasurer that Registration Forms and payment have been submitted for all attending members in a timely manner.
- Check in at the Delegates Registration to receive conference materials and delegate credentials.
- Determine which delegate will attend which workshop, etc.
- Bring Invitation (Call) to Conference, Region Bylaws & Soroptimist pin.

During Conference Delegates should:

- Register promptly. Wear your name badge so others can identify you and your club.
- Be on time. Time schedules at Conference are important. Don't leave early. Guests invited to address the Conference body deserve consideration.
- Attend all sessions and take notes for precise reporting back to club.
- Vote with the club viewpoint in mind.

After Conference Delegates should:

- Prepare a report to their club that may include action taken during the business meeting and the reason for each action.
- Discussion of awards - who won them and why?
- How can your club participate next year?
- Present their personal evaluation of the Conference and encourage increased club attendance at future meetings and conferences.

Sierra Pacific Region Proposed Amendment #1

Proposed Amendment to Sierra Pacific Region Bylaws Article IX Finance, Section 9.2a. “Region Dues \$11.00” to strike the present language and replace with the proposed language which would be “Region Dues \$25.00”

Proposed by: Sierra Pacific Region Board

Present Language: 9.2a Region Dues - \$11.00 per member

Proposed Language: 9.2a Region Dues - \$25.00 per member

Rationale: The Regions’ last dues increase was approximately 20 years ago when the region consisted of 56 clubs with 2043 members. The numbers have declined over the years, along with the federation-level declines in membership, to the current level of 33 clubs and 922 members as of September 2017.

Considering the big changes in the make-up of our membership over these 20 years, and the changes in our economy, it is prudent and necessary for our leadership to look at the financial future of our Region.

Up until this point in time the Region balanced the budget by transferring funds from our savings account, also known as our “equity account” to our operating account. We have exhausted those funds despite the Region’s efforts to reduce the operating budget expenses every year. We cannot use our Service funds to balance our operating budget.

Advantages: As our Region works hard to increase membership by making Soroptimist relevant to our younger generations of women we need to ensure that we will still be in existence and operating in a healthy manner to support our clubs and club members who work hard to help women and girls who do not have the advantages and opportunities that we enjoy. The modest increase of \$14.00 a year is the same as 3 orders of Starbucks brand cup of coffee. An additional \$14.00 a year will keep our Region financially healthy as we continue to change and grow and help more women and girls overcome the obstacles in their lives.

Disadvantages: This may be a financial burden on our retired members and young women just starting out in their careers.

Sierra Pacific Region Proposed Amendment #2

Proposed Amendment to Sierra Pacific Region Procedures F. Financial Policies #12 Funds Control: (j): to add and include the “Beyond the Cash Award” be budgeted from the Region Service Fund.

Proposed by: Sierra Pacific Region, Finance Committee

Present Language: The Service Fund is a restricted fund (Conference 1989) to be used only to fund part of the service budget which is approved by conference action – Dream it Be It: Career Support for Girls, Live Your Dream Education and Training Awards for Women and in part the Sierra Pacific Region Fellowship Awards. (Conference 2014).

Proposed Language: The Service Fund is a restricted fund (Conference 1989) to be used only to fund part of the service budget which is approved by conference action – Dream it Be It: Career Support for Girls, Live Your Dream Education and Training Awards for Women, in part the Sierra Pacific Region Fellowship Awards, (Conference 2014), and the Beyond the Cash Award, not to exceed \$2,000.00, for the Live Your Dream Region level recipients.

Reason Given: We encourage our clubs to do more than just the cash grant award for their Live Your Dream recipients and the Region needs to do this for the Region level recipients as well. The Region has been giving computers, printers and thumb drives to our Region level recipients from income received for the annual Conference. Money from our Region service account needs to be used for a Region Beyond the Cash Award so that we can count on these funds and have a greater impact on the women we serve; it should not come from conference fees.

Advantages: By making this a budget item in our Service Budget we will insure the ability to give Region level Beyond the Cash Awards every year guaranteeing a greater impact on the lives of women. This proposal will also reduce the Conference budget because it will be funded by our Service Fund.

Disadvantages: None

Sierra Pacific Region Budget

2018-2019

General Fund Revenue	
Membership Dues 900 Members @ \$25	\$ 22,500
Interest Income	50
Total Operating Income	22,550
Amount to Balance Budget to/from Operating Fund (1)	(2,250)
Total Income	\$ 20,300
General Fund Expenses	
Officers & District Directors	
Governor	\$ 2,000
Governor-Elect	1,200
Secretary	400
Treasurer	400
District I Director	750
District II Director	600
District III Director	1,000
Parliamentarian	350
Subtotal	\$ 6,700
Region Expenses	
Tax Return & Review (split between years)	\$ 2,575
Bond/Insurance	950
Federation Biennial Convention	2,000
Federation Governors Roundtable (split between years)	1,625
Region Board Meetings	1,500
Member Retention (originally part of Region Operating)	1,000
Region Operating	1,500
Subtotal	\$ 11,150
Committee Expenses	
SIA Pillar Committees (Program, Public Awareness, Fundraising, Membership)	\$ 2,000
Region Program Committees (Meg/S Clubs, Fellowship, Other)	250
Subtotal	\$ 2,250
Technical Committees	
Web Site	\$ 150
Region Tech Committees (Laws & Resolutions, Nominating & Finance)	50
Subtotal	\$ 200
Total Expenses	\$ 20,300

(1) Amount to Balance Income and Expense. A negative number will add to Operating Fund Equity

Sierra Pacific Region Service Budget

2018-2019

Service Revenue	
Fellowship Fee 900 Members @ \$5	\$ 4,500
Region Service Fund	3,500
Total Income	\$ 8,000
Service Expenses	
Estimate from Fellowship Income	\$ 4,500
From Service Fund for Fellowship	2,000
Beyond A Cash Award (from Service Fund)	1,500
Total Expense	\$ 8,000

REPORT OF THE SIERRA PACIFIC NOMINATING COMMITTEE



January 30, 2018

RE: Sierra Pacific Region Nomination Committee Report

To: Sierra Pacific Region Board

I am happy to report that there is a full slate of candidates for the region board 2018-2020 biennium to be voted on at the Region conference in May. The candidates' resumes and photos have been sent to Governor Tana and Governor-Elect Gail.

The Candidates are:

Governor-Elect: Pamela Taylor, SI Merced

Region Secretary: Nancy Lilly, SI Oakdale

Region Treasurer: Charlie Rodgers, SI Modesto

District I Director: Cheryl Addleman, SI San Francisco

District II Director: Beth Stochl, SI Ceres

District III Director: Janie Hokanson, SI Clovis

The candidates have met all the requirements and are members in good standing.

I would like to thank the committee members, Ecco Stotts and Sue Harris for all their hard work. I would also thank Governor Tana and Governor- Elect Gail for their help and guidance.

Respectfully submitted by
Loretta Fornaciari,
Region Nomination Committee Chair

The report of the nominating committee will be read during the Saturday morning business session. After the report is read, nominations will then be open, and nominations may be made from the floor. Candidates nominated from the floor must have given their consent to serve, if elected, and the nominator (a delegate) must have on hand the candidate's resume using the same format as those in the Call to Conference for distribution to the voting delegates.

NOMINEE RESUME SIERRA PACIFIC REGION



Position Nominated for: District I Director

Name: Cheryl J. Addleman

Club: Soroptimist International of San Francisco

Soroptimist Experience:

Club Offices Held: President (twice), Vice-President, Secretary and Director (twice)

Club Committee Chairs: Fundraising, Membership, Dream it Be It, Public Awareness

Region Experience: Region Conference – Host club Committee member

Federation Experience: _____

Education: Chicago State University 1973-1975 (2 years) Business Administration

Technical Skills/Qualifications: Microsoft Office; excel, powerpoint, publisher and word.

Contributions You Will Make if Elected: _____

If elected, I will work with Clubs in District I to continue to promote Soroptimist’s mission and to ensure that each club has the resources and tools needed to engage new members and new ideas that will support Soroptimist’s vision and strategic plan for years to come.

I will also work to encourage diversity within Soroptimist Clubs and the communities that they serve.

NOMINEE RESUME SIERRA PACIFIC REGION



Position Nominated for: District II Director

Name: Beth Stochl

Club: Soroptimist International of Ceres

Soroptimist Experience:

Club Offices Held: President, President Elect, Director

Club Committee Chairs: Membership, Soroptimist Empowering Teens (S.E.T.), Audit, and

Soroptimist of the Year. Wrote two successful SIA grant proposals for Dream It, Be It and S.E.T.

Region Experience: None

Federation Experience: None

Education: Bachelor of Science, Social Welfare, U.C. Berkeley; Master Urban Planning,
San Jose State University; Various Real Estate Classes (UCLA Extension)

Technical Skills/Qualifications: I worked as a Community Development and Housing
Manager/Administrator for Glendale, Long Beach and Los Angeles; then as a consultant. My
work required strategic planning and program design with significant community participation, as
well as supervision and budgeting.

Contributions You Will Make if Elected: I am committed to Soroptimist International of the
Americas' Vision, Mission and Core Values. I will do my best to be a liaison between the local
clubs in District II and the Sierra Pacific Regional Board as we further SIA's influence and
improve the lives of women and girls in our region

NOMINEE RESUME SIERRA PACIFIC REGION



NOMINEE RESUME SIERRA PACIFIC REGION

Position Nominated for: District III Director

Name: Janie Hokanson

Club: Soroptimist International of Clovis

Soroptimist Experience:

Club Offices Held: President , Treasurer

Club Committee Chairs: Membership, Live Your Dream Awards, Chair for our Denim & Diamonds
Fund Raiser

Region Experience: None

Federation Experience: Attended Orlando Conference

Education: Graduated FR 4 Yr College with Bachelor of Art- Majored in History & Religion

Technical Skills/Qualifications: Adept at Microsoft Office, Good Organizer

Contributions You Will Make if Elected: Help the District III Clubs with whatever needs that they have , plan District III Meeting, help the District, Region and Federation whenever I can

NOMINEE RESUME SIERRA PACIFIC REGION



Position Nominated for: Treasurer

Name: Charlie Floyd Rodgers

Club: Soroptimist International of Modesto

Soroptimist Experience:

Club Offices Held: President (2001-02, 2012-13), President-Elect (2000-01), Treasurer (1998 2000, 2013-2016), Delegate

Club Committee Chairs: Program Chair, Pancake Breakfast Chair, Service Committee Chair, Finance & Audit Chair, Celebration of Life Chair, Soroptimist Orientation Chair

Region Experience: Treasurer (2016-2018), Finance Committee Member (2 Bienniums), Sierra Pacific Region Foundation Treasurer

Federation Experience: SIA Convention Delegate (2012), SIA Convention Attendee (2010)

Education: B.S. Agricultural Economics/Economics minor

Technical Skills/Qualifications: As CFO of a mid-size Credit Union, I'm versed in all aspects of financial accounting & reporting. I'm very comfortable with presenting Financial Reports to both large and small groups. I'm very familiar with non-profit rules and accounting requirements. I'm very familiar with the software programs necessary for the Treasurer Position.

Contributions You Will Make if Elected: I will continue to maintain the financial records of the region in a compliance with 501 (c) 3 rules, as well as following GAAP. I will provide transparent reporting of the financial health of the region.

NOMINEE RESUME SIERRA PACIFIC REGION



Position Nominated for: Secretary

Name: Nancy Lilly

Club: Soroptimist International of Oakdale

Soroptimist Experience:

Club Offices Held: Director, Secretary, Vice President, President-Elect, President, Advisor

Club Committee Chairs: Membership, Education, Dream It Be It, Distinguished Young Women

Region Experience: District II Director, Laws and Resolutions Committee, Membership Committee

Federation Experience: None

Education: Bakersfield Junior College legal secretary program, Certified Municipal Clerk, professional development courses.

Technical Skills/Qualifications: Proficient in shorthand, computers, minute taking, social media.

Contributions You Will Make if Elected: I will use my knowledge and experience to keep accurate records of Region board and business meetings and perform other duties as required and requested. I will be a team player and represent our Region to the best of my ability.

NOMINEE RESUME SIERRA PACIFIC REGION



Position Nominated for: Governor Elect

Name: Pam Taylor

Address: 4214 Berryesa Ave. Merced, Ca. 95348

Club: Soroptimist International of Merced

Soroptimist Experience:

Club Offices Held: President (two terms), Vice President, and Treasurer (three terms).

Club Committee Chairs: Finance and Service Review/Audit, Human Rights/Status of Women, Annual Fundraiser, Ways and Means, Attendance, Program, Orientation and Leadership, Social, Attendance, Laws & Resolutions, Ways & Means.

Region Experience: District IV Director, 2010– 2012, Treasurer, 2012-2014

Federation Experience: None

Education: Graduate of University of Phoenix with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting

Technical Skills/Qualifications: With my many years as a Soroptimist member along with the many offices I have held in my own club I feel I have a very good understanding of our Mission and Vision along with the challenges we have. Also, with my past duties on the Sierra Pacific Region Board I have learned how unique each club is in our region along with how powerful we all are when we come together to further our mission.

Contributions You Will Make if Elected: If elected I would be a resource to help spread the word of Soroptimist contributions in our service areas. I would be a sponge to learn all that I can from the Governor and the many who have gone before me to be prepared for the term of Governorship. I would be a voice for all of our clubs at the Federation and International level along with sharing the many great ideas that are cultivated at the many meetings that are required for me to attend. I feel we have a great opportunity with our current social issues to make strides with helping our region to maybe add new clubs or at the very least gain new members. I would love to share my journey with all Women and Girls and am so very proud to be a Soroptimist International member.

DELEGATES' CREDENTIALS FORM

Each club in good standing is entitled to three (3) votes. Delegates MUST register with the Credentials Committee upon arrival at Conference. Their credentials card will be issued at that time. Please print or type the information.

List the three delegates who will be representing your club at the 2018 Conference.

Club: _____ District: _____

President: _____

(If this is not the President, but a 3rd delegate, then please indicate by checking here)

Delegate: _____

Delegate: _____

I hereby certify that the above-named delegates are members in good standing of this club.

Signature of President or Secretary

Date

One copy to be mailed no later than April 2, 2018 to:

Treasurer Charlie Rodgers
1918 Berkeley Ave
Hughson, CA 95326
sptreasurer@soroptimist.net

Retain one copy for club files.

Proper completion of this form will simplify and facilitate the credentials verification process at conference.

CONFERENCE MENU

Friday May 4, 2018

Box Lunch Classic Deli Sandwich
Loaded Potato Salad
Seasonal Fruit
Chocolate Chip Cookie
Water or Soft Drink

Vegetarian Option Chef Salad

Dinner Fiesta Buffet
Black Bean & Roasted Corn Salad with Cilantro Lime Vinaigrette,
Chicken Enchiladas
Create Your Own Fajitas
Warm Flour and Corn Tortillas
Sliced Grilled Beef & Chicken
Grilled Onions & Peppers, Spanish Rice
Black Beans, Grated Cheese
Sour Cream, Salsa, Guacamole,
Corn Tortilla Chips
Dessert

Saturday May 5, 2018

Lunch Santa Maria Style Tri Tip
Sliced, Seasoned Tri Tip, Pico De Gallo
Ranch Beans, Corn on the Cob

Vegetarian Option
Portobello Mushroom Ravioli

Dinner Chicken Cordon Bleu
Mashed Potatoes,
Sautéed Green Beans
Dessert

Vegetarian Option
Spinach and Harvest Vegetable
Penne, Fresh Spinach, Goat
Cheese, Grilled Vegetables,
Fresh Basil, with House Marinara

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS FORM

If you have dietary restrictions or allergies that cannot be met by the Vegetarian choices at each meal, please complete this form and submit with your [REGISTRATION AND MEAL FORM](#) **by April 2, 2018**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Club: _____

Dietary Restrictions: _____

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CLUB SALES INFORMATION

Clubs are permitted to have promotional items and sales benefiting Club fundraising efforts at the 2018 Region Conference. **We have limited space this year**, so all spaces are on a first reserved basis. **All spaces are going to be in the Event Center Foyer (not a separate room that can be locked)**, so you need to be prepared to move all of your items when you are not at your space. You must have a raffle permit for raffle ticket sales*.

All ticket sales must be completed by Saturday at 5:00 p.m. Tickets for drawings are considered sales and must be sold only in the sales area. NO selling by going table to table during business meetings and meal functions.

To expedite the various drawings at the conclusion of Sunday's Brunch, please have tickets and items easily accessible for distribution.

It is recommended that ticket purchasers write their names on the back of the tickets due to time constraints, or bring a supply of small preprinted labels.

Permission to participate will be granted **ONLY** to those clubs who return form to Treasurer Charlie Rodgers by the deadline of **April 2, 2018**.

Sales will be permitted only during the following times:

Friday, May 4 th	3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 5 th	2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

NO sales on Sunday.

Each club is entitled to one table for club sales items at no charge on a first reserved basis.

Commercial sales booths are available on a first reserved basis for \$50.00 per space.

Commercial sales booths shall not occupy more than 30% of the total booth space area.

Return CLUB SALES TABLE REQUEST FORM by April 2, 2018 to:

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Hughson, CA 95326
sptreasurer@soroptimist.net

*For more information about Raffle Permits for Non Profits
Visit the Attorney General of California website: <http://ag.ca.gov/charities/raffles.htm>

For forms and reports: <http://ag.ca.gov/charities/forms.php#raffles>

CLUB SALES TABLE REQUEST FORM

FROM: Soroptimist International of _____

Our Club/Individual/Commercial Vendor would like to reserve a table in the Sales Room and sell the following items:

Name of Club Representative: _____

or

Name of Individual Representative: _____

Address of Representative:

Daytime phone: _____

Daytime fax: _____

Email: _____

State Raffle Permit #: _____

(Required if you are selling raffle tickets)

Items sold with Soroptimist Trademark have been approved by Soroptimist International of the Americas

\$50.00 Commercial Vendor Fee enclosed.

\$50.00 Fee enclosed for Soroptimist Member selling items for non-club benefit.

-\$0- fee for Soroptimist Club Fundraising

Return by April 2, 2018 to: Treasurer Charlie Rodgers

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Hughson, CA 95326

sptreasurer@soroptimist.net



Celebration of Soroptimist Service Form

Each year the "Celebration of Life" honors the lives of Soroptimists in the Sierra Pacific Region. We will honor those who have passed between May 2017 and April 1, 2018.

The name and date of death of deceased members with their picture will be announced and printed in a program. Please send a **picture (high quality jpg file)** of each member along with a brief description of how the member contributed to your club or region to Secretary Laura Cross at: spsecretary@soroptimist.net

PLEASE USE A **SEPARATE FORM** FOR EACH DECEASED MEMBER

Please type or *print* the name and information *clearly*. If you have a copy of the obituary please submit it.

Name: _____ Date of Death: _____

Member of S.I. _____ Joined: _____

Brief description of how this member contributed to your club/region (**please limit to 100 words**).

Submitted by Soroptimist International of _____

By _____

Please email this form, an obituary if you have one and a **high quality jpg photograph** of each deceased member to Laura Cross **before April 2, 2018** for inclusion in this year's presentation.

Laura Cross
Sierra Pacific Region Secretary
spsecretary@soroptimist.net

Escape the Wild West



Sierra Pacific Region's

CHALLENGE ESCAPE ROOMS

Unlock the Mystery

Friday, May 4th

Dress in your best western wear

Laurel Society Reception



Laurel Society Members

Are invited to a Special Wine Tasting Event
SATURDAY EVENING APRIL 5TH
5 to 6 o'clock
On the Patio

THERE IS STILL TIME to become a member of the Laurel Society.

Fundraising Chair, Barbara Giambastini will be happy to take your check or credit card for \$1,000 and you will become an “instant” member. Membership upgrades are also available.

All Laurel Society funds raised go into Soroptimist Programs.

Let's make things happen for all the women and girls throughout the world.

Make SOROPTIMIST your charity of choice.

Days for Girls

www.Daysforgirls.org

Mission & Vision:

Days for Girls is creating a world with dignity, health, and opportunity for all, through sustainable menstrual care solutions and health education.

With your help, we can reach Every Girl. Everywhere. Period.

It started with a question: “What are girls doing for feminine hygiene?”

The reply: “Nothing. They wait in their rooms.”

Girls were sitting on cardboard for several days each month, often going without food unless someone would bring it to them.

After trial and error, the solution: a washable, long lasting pad.

What would eventually become clear in the years following Days for Girls’ beginning was just how much of a difference hygiene solutions would make in assisting women and girls to break the cycle of poverty and live lives of dignity.

Today, Days for Girls has reached over 640,000 women and girls in 100+ countries with Kits, each of which will last a girl or woman 2 - 3 years. This translates into over 115 million days of education and opportunity that would otherwise be lost without sustainable hygiene solutions.

What you can donate:

Panties: Girls BRIEFS (no low rise) Sizes 10 – 16 Color preferred, but white can be dyed	Wash cloths: Not heavy (take too long to dry) Any darker color (not white)	Soap: Hotel soap is fine
ZIP LOC Bags: No generics please Freezer weight Gallon size	Flannel: 100% cotton, good quality Darker colors (think: hiding stains)	Fabrics: Good quality, 100% cotton
Suit cases: Large, light weight They are used to transport, but do not return.	Thread: Any color, good quality	Monetary donations are always welcome.