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**Sheraton Grand**

**Phoenix Hotel**

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54th IWC

P.O. Box 42112

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February 15-18, 2018

*The Language of the Heart*



*Will Be Spoken Here*

**WELCOME**

The women of Arizona are thrilled to host the 54th International Women’s Conference. We welcome you to Phoenix and encourage you to take advantage of all the activities the conference and the Valley of the Sun have to offer.

**IWC MISSION STATEMENT**

The International Women’s Conference is the bridge to a better understanding of the Alcoholics Anonymous philosophy and way of life because of our special needs in sobriety as women. We as women members of Alcoholics Anonymous are survivors. We have found a way to obtain meaning, depth and responsibility in our lives. This came about out of desire, decision, determination and spiritual guidance. An elevated sense of belonging that is brought about by the special services and a special need provided by our Women’s Conference is our goal.

**SELF –SUPPORTING**

This conference is self-supporting through the money paid for by registration fees, banquet tickets, and donations. No AA funds are used to pay for this event. Conferences and conventions are special events and require money, as well as months of planning and preparation. Expenses include contracted costs for the use of meeting rooms, convention center facilities, preparation of food and beverages, printing for registration forms, flyers, program schedules, postage, supplies and many other costs. The registration fee and banquet fees are kept as low as possible to meet our financial goal of breaking even. Our contractual commitments to the hotel require a guaranteed number of hotel rooms and banquet sales. To achieve this, we must meet our banquet and room-night commitments.

**PLEASE NOTE**

The 54th International Women’s Conference is not responsible for loss of personal items or any personal injury.

**LODGING**

SHERATON GRAND PHOENIX HOTEL

340 N. 3rd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Standard Room $199 + taxes (up to 4 per room)

Room block rate cutoff is 1/5/18 ***or when full***

Check-in 3:00 pm Checkout: 12:00 noon

Rate available 3 days pre and post conference ***based on availability.*** There is free high speed Internet, 50% reduced self-parking fee of $10/day and no resort fees.

Registrants can get the group rate and book on-line at:

<https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/internationalwomenconference> *or* call 866-837-4213 and ask for the 54th International Women’s Conference room block.

**AIRPORT**

Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport (PHX) is served by most major airlines. For discount air travel arrangements, contact [www.delta.com/meeting](http://www.delta.com/meeting) Event Code NMPKP.

**GROUND TRANSPORTATION**

The Sheraton Grand Phoenix Hotel is located 6 miles from Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport. Travel time to the hotel via car is approximately 15 minutes.

At the airport, the **PHX Sky Train** runs every 5 minutes and transports travelers between the airport terminals and the 44th Street and Washington **Phoenix Metro Light Rail** station. From there take the light rail to the 3rd Street and Washington or Central and Van Buren stop. Both are 2-3 blocks from the Sheraton Grand Phoenix Hotel. Trains arrive every 12-20 minutes depending on day and time. The Metro Light Rail costs $ 2.

Taxi, Uber, car rental and limousines are also available. Taxis average $ 22, Uber $ 8 and Super Shuttle is $13.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

 IWC is a CLOSED AA women’s conference for

 registrants only

 Pre-Registration closes December 31, 2017 *or when full*

 No refunds after December 31, 2017

 **CASH ONLY** **accepted on site – US dollars only**

REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO 3550

Banquets are limited to 1584 each

Large screening rooms are provided for those not

 attending banquets

 *No Pets - Only service dogs are allowed at conference*

 Badges must be worn at all times

 Childcare is NOT provided

**TOURS AND EXCURSIONS**

 **TOUR 1**

 **Old Town Scottsdale Tour & Shopping**

 Thursday 4:30-9:00 pm $ 30 *Maximum 250*

 **TOUR 2**

 **Heard Museum & Botanical Gardens**

 Guided Tour with Lunch Included $ 95

 **2A** Friday 8:45 am-2:30 pm *Maximum 110*

 **2B** Saturday 8:45 am-2:30 pm *Maximum 110*

 **TOUR 3**

 **Horseback or Wagon Ride in the Desert**

 Cowgirl Breakfast included $ 75

 **3A** Friday 7:30 am-Noon

**3B**Saturday 7:30 am-Noon

 *Maximum 50/wagon & 50/horseback each day*

 **TOUR 4**

 **Guided Desert Hike in South Mountain Park**

 Choose easy or moderate hike, water & fruit provided

 Saturday 8:30–11:00 am $ 25 *Maximum: 100*

 Tour & Excursions are subject to minimum

 number of participants and participants will be

 required to sign a liability waiver

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

 **Registration Chair: Debra O 602-751-8631**

 **IWCDebraO@gmail.com**

Registration Co-Chair: Connie Q 480-225-1273

 Phoenix IWC Chair: Sandy D 360-731-9788

 Phoenix IWC Co-Chair: Susan R 602-427-7916

**Mail the Registration Form to:**

54th IWC P.O. Box 42122, Tucson, AZ 85733

*or*

**Register on-line:** www.internationalwomensconference.org

**PLEASE NOTE:**

 Make checks payable to 54th IWC

 3% fee charged on credit card payments

 Your cancelled check is your receipt

 Insufficient funds charge is $ 35

**REGISTRATION FORM**

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

Name on Badge: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Sobriety Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE OF SERVICE? (Circle)

 Panel Workshop Alkathon Greeter Hospitality

DO YOU HAVE A SPECIAL NEED? (Circle)

ASL Wheelchair Spanish Interpreter\* Other\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*\* Spanish Interpreters must be reserved by 12/15/17*

Contact Mary S. 602-460-2488 for special needs

**PRE-REGISTRATION** $ 40 \_\_\_\_\_

**LATE REGISTRATION (after 12/31/17)** $ 45 \_\_\_\_\_

MEALS(Includes Vegan & Gluten Free options)

Friday Taste of the Southwest Buffet $ 60 \_\_\_\_\_

 *Includes Entertainment & Speaker*

Saturday *Dinner, Entertainment & Speaker* $ 75 \_\_\_\_\_

 *Circle one:* Plated Brisket or Vegan Wellington

Sunday Breakfast Buffet *& Speaker* $ 40 \_\_\_\_\_ ***Package Price for All 3 Meals* $ 160 \_\_\_\_\_**

SOUVENIRS – Circle size and Indicate Option

Short Sleeve Tee: S M L XL $16 \_\_\_\_\_

 2X 3X $ 20\_\_\_\_\_

Long Sleeved Tee: S M L XL $ 22 \_\_\_\_\_

2X 3X $ 26\_\_\_\_\_\_

Coffee Mug $ 12 \_\_\_\_\_

Tote Bag $ 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Cookbook: Recipes from the Hearts of AZ Women $ 15 \_\_\_\_\_

TOURS

TOUR 1: Old Town Scottsdale/Shopping $ 30 \_\_\_\_\_

TOUR 2A: Heard Museum/Botanical Garden $ 95 \_\_\_\_\_

TOUR 2B: Heard Museum/ Botanical Garden $ 95 \_\_\_\_\_

TOUR 3A: \_\_\_\_\_Horseback \_\_\_\_ Wagon $ 75 \_\_\_\_

TOUR 3B: \_\_\_\_\_Horseback \_\_\_\_ Wagon $ 75 \_\_\_\_

TOUR 4: Desert Hike $ 25 \_\_\_\_\_

Contribution for a Scholarship $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 **TOTAL ENCLOSED Payable to 54th IWC $ \_­­­\_\_\_\_**