



2026 PLW Schedule of Events
August 2-4, 2026
Scottsdale, AZ

Sunday, August 2		
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Board of Direction Meeting	<i>Invitation Only</i>
12:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Registration Open	Pick up your badge & tote
12:30 – 4:00 p.m.	New Leaders Lunch SAME101 for New Post Leaders*	<i>RSVP Required</i>
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Opening General Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President’s Year Ahead • New XD & Staff Intro • Supporting Govt Engagement • SAME National Staff & Post Roles • What you need to know for PLW 	
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.	Icebreaker Reception & SAME Bingo	<i>Wear your “hometown” pride!</i>
7:30 p.m. onward	Dinner / Evening on own	
Monday, August 3		
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration Open	Pick up your badge & tote
8:00 – 8:45 a.m.	Breakfast	
9:00 – 9:30 a.m.	General Session: What is IGE?	
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.	IGE Tabletop Exercise	
10:30 – 11:00	Group Photo & Break	
11:00 - Noon	General Session: Resources for Posts	
Noon – 1:15	Lunch	<i>Seating by Region</i>
1:30 – 2:15 p.m.	General Session: What’s our Universe – Recruiting & Retaining Members	
2:15 – 3:00	re:Members Overview & Post Experiences	
3:00 – 3:30	Break	
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Posts Sharing Best Practices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruiting Volunteers & Succession Planning • Member Engagement • Member Outreach • Documenting Post Operations 	
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.	Networking Reception	
6:30 p.m. onward	Dinner / Evening on own	

**SAME101 is open to first time Post Leader attendees or if you have been a member for less than five years.*

Tuesday, August 4		
8:00 – 8:30 a.m.	<i>Breakfast</i>	
8:30 –9:30	Breakout Concurrent Sessions Admin, Finance, Operations	Posts will be grouped by size
9:45 – 10:45 a.m.	Breakout Concurrent Sessions Post Social Media Toolkit & Best Practices	Posts will be grouped by size
10:45 – 11:30 a.m.	<i>Break / Hotel Check out</i>	
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Open Forum: How can we help you?	
12:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch	<i>RSVP Required</i>

Attendees are expected to stay through the closing session on Tuesday. Tuesday lunch is optional and RSVP is required

Schedule is subject to change however the program start and end times are set.