



Dear Members,

This is the time of year when we should all be looking forward to our first luncheon, which has always been a fun start to our busy time of year. However, with all of the changes that are going on right now, this Fall we are trying something new. I hope you all registered for the Zoom 80's Happy Hour event. I have been overwhelmed by how many of you have participated in Zoom Group Activity events in the last few months. If you have not tried it before, please do. It is not complicated to join an event. We are so fortunate to be able to stay connected and we have some exciting and interesting events planned throughout the fall, including Paige Lewis, who will speak about interior design in October.

This has been a long hot summer and our Board and our members have put their quiet time to good use. I am thrilled to announce that our ambitious By-Law changes were approved by our membership. Please see the article in the Echo with the details.

Our Service Project Board has awarded the Small Grants (Spring) and is now working with our partners on our Large Grants (Fall). These grants are how we distribute the funds we raise for charity. If you wish to sponsor a worthy cause, please see the website (www.mvwomensclub.org) for more details.

While the Service Project Board is deciding how best to spend the money with the Large Grants, the Fund-Raising Team of Lin Felix and Nancy Palmquist are looking for members to help raise it. Unfortunately, we won't be able to have an Auction this year but we are still planning some fun events to raise money for our Service Project. We have some great ideas to implement, please help out with your time if you can.

We are always looking for volunteers and this fall we are putting out a special call to members who have some technology skills or background. We'd love to have some help with optimizing our technology to deliver new events to our members. If you are able to help, please contact me anytime!

Best wishes.

Kristin Carkeek
MVWC President, 2020-2021

September 2020

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September is International Women's Friendship Month and encourages women to remember the important roles friends play in their lives. During September, take some time and celebrate the other women in your life!

Baking for FUNdraising

Join us for our first Zoom Bake Sale auction on October 15, at 6:30 p.m. to benefit the MVWC Service Project. Hosted by "Classy Cooks", you will have the chance to bid on tasty items, which will then be delivered to you!

As if you need ANY enticements – items include Blueberry Muffin cake from Dee Larson, the Yummiest Ever Brownies from Audrey Sangerman, Rum Cake and a Harvey Wallbanger Cake from Rita Hicks, Carrot Cake from Connie Pastoor, Coffee Cake from Kathy Anders, Lin Felix's

famous mile high pies, Limoncello Cake by Karen Zanzucchi, Laura Simonsgaard's Banana Split Pizza, Fran Steele's Artisan Breads, Margy Simchak's favorite Fudge and Betsy Ingram's Cookie of the Month Club. These are just a few of the many delectable treats and surprises we have in store for you.

RSVP before 10/8/20 to Audrey Sangerman (a.sangerman@cox.net), and instructions will be provided to you.



BYLAWS UPDATE

Thanks so much to all who voted in our recent Bylaws amendment process. The Bylaws were approved! Votes tallied were 43 for and 4 against. We are excited to now move forward and apply for IRS 501 (c) 7 social club status.

All comments or questions included with ballots will be addressed in upcoming ECHOs.

Question: Why can only our friends and neighbors join through sponsorship, what about other women who live just outside our boundaries?

Answer: A member can sponsor anyone.

Our members have always been our best advocates and we rely on their judgement to decide who will make a strong addition to our club. It can be a neighbor, family member, friend or acquaintance. Board members frequently field questions from the website or email, and may sponsor those women who reach out to MVWC and don't currently have a member to sponsor them.

Once a sponsored member joins the club, their membership is equal to that of any other member.

Thank you MVWC!

Dear Moon Valley Women's Club.

Thank you for supporting our art program. We really appreciate receiving support from our neighbors and friends in North Phoenix. We provide free art programs and art kits for people affected by suicide and due to the Pandemic, we moved our art program online in May. We have had extraordinary results online program, the reaching more people across the state and having a greater impact. Thank you so much for your generous support.

We have great, exciting news of an upcoming exhibition. The exhibition will be at the Eye Lounge gallery by appointment. We weren't sure if an exhibit would be possible due to COVID, but our partners are helping to make it possible. The exhibit will also be virtual. https://www.yourartyourstory.org/yaysevents/unspoken

Thank you, Kristel Nielsen, Director Your Art Your Story

UNSPOKEN: SURVIVOR STORIES
ART BY ARTISTS AFFECTED BY SUICIDE



September 18 - October 11, 2020

Exhibition Partners Arizona Art Alliance - Arizona Artist Guild - Your Art Story eye lounge - 419 E. Roosevelt Street - Phoenix, AZ 85004





Important Dates:

Newsletter deadline - 9/30

Next Board Meeting – 9/21/20

Next luncheon - TBD

The Future of MVWC Fundraising

Hello Ladies!

As mentioned in the July Echo, due to ongoing COVID related measures, the MVWC Annual Fundraising Auction will not be held in February 2021. Even so, we are confident our members will inspire us with creative ideas for fundraising opportunities.

Several events are in the planning stages, including an online bake sale, scheduled for 10/15/20, and a wine and chocolate sale in December. We look forward to, and welcome your suggestions.

Please contact Lin Felix, 602-770-9810, or Nancy Palmquist, 815-263-9391.

ARE YOU CREATIVE?

After four years, Angela is stepping down from the Newsletter Editor role! It's been a fun opportunity, but it's time for another person to put their mark on the Echo! If you are interested in taking over this assignment, or know someone who is, please let Angela or Kristin know.

Virtual Events Update

Thanks to all who voted on the recent questionnaire! The top three items of interest were Paige Lewis - Interior Design, Cooking Demonstrations and Virtual Museum Tours.

Paige Lewis, Allied ASID, an award-winning designer and Moon Valley resident, will be our October speaker (October 8 @ 11:30 a.m.). Paige will guide us through the remodel process, including what to consider before starting your project, share some before and after pictures and finish up with a Q&A session.

RSVP before October 1st to Audrey Sangerman (<u>a.sangerman@cox.net</u>), including any remodeling related questions you have.

As we explore and schedule future activities, please reach out to Barb Nicholls (nichollsbar@cox.net) if you have an interest/passion and are willing to assist with research or have suggestions for hosting either of the two next topics Virtual Cooking Demonstrations or Virtual Museum Tours.

Large Grant Sponsorships

The deadline to submit Member Sponsor Forms extended to 9/15/20.

If you are an active MVWC member and would like to sponsor an organization to receive a large grant, please note the following:

Recipient must be a project within a larger organization that is an IRS-designated nonprofit or publicly-owned entity.

- Political or religious organizations are not eligible
- Individuals are not eligible
- Grants are generally awarded in the \$2000 to \$5000 value
- Awards can be for durable goods and/or in actual monetary funds.

For more information contact Michael Heglaw at michaelkheg@gmail.com

To sponsor an organization:

- MVWC member must submit, a Member Sponsor Form to the Service Project Board by September 15th. This form is available to be downloaded from the MVWC Web site
- After an eligibility review, the Service Project will send the organization's contact person the grant application.
- The sponsoring MVWC member must describe the organization's project and the organization must apply for the grant as described on the sponsorship form.
- The sponsoring MVWC member and the project contact person cannot be the same person.
- Awards are announced by October 31st



In Memoriam

A sympathy card was sent to Barb Sayle on the passing of her daughter.

Sympathy cards were sent to the families of

- Carol Laufenberg
- Virginia Riggle
- Martha Travers

To honor our members, and ensure we are sharing timely information, we have begun sending email messages to the membership and created an "In Memorium" page on the website.



Club Business

Newsletter Deadline: Articles for inclusion in a future *Echo* should be sent to Angela Baumann (branna.baumann@gmail.com), with MVWC newsletter in the email subject line.

Board Meetings: Upcoming board meetings will be conducted via Zoom. Contact President, Kristin Carkeek, if you have a matter for board consideration or discussion. The next Board Meeting is scheduled on 9/21/20.

Membership Directory Updates: Member's contact information is updated on a regular basis. Remember to check the online directory for new phone numbers and addresses or information on new members!



Marcia Balestrino	2-Jul	Karen Richy	1-Aug
Sara Carey	6-Jul	Norma Mesa	1-Aug
Kathy Stebbins	6-Jul	Shelly Barnes	3-Aug
Debra Exner	8-Jul	Nora Hart	4-Aug
Norma Head	10-Jul	Kathy Bedore	5-Aug
Lou Ann Clark	12-Jul	Joan Cunningham	5-Aug
Larcy Adickes	13-Jul	Rosemary Horgeshimer	5-Aug
Anne Clark	13-Jul	Carol Janoff	6-Aug
Blanche Lukes	13-Jul	Peg Guichard-Watters	10-Aug
Clede Gorrell	15-Jul	Pat Clegg	11-Aug
Rosalind Berkley	17-Jul	Rose Johns	11-Aug
Bette Dowd	18-Jul	Debby Kurtz-Weidinger	11-Aug
Margy Simchak	23-Jul	Pam Spitler	11-Aug
Carol Terry	23-Jul	Ruth Thomas	15-Aug
Peggy Robbins	25-Jul	Jackie Isbell	16-Aug
Jill Runyon	26-Jul	Dee Larson	18-Aug
Carol Dixon	27-Jul	Dixie Baranko	20-Aug
Elaine Blake	28-Jul	Kathy Huffman	20-Aug
Bette Dowd	18-Jul	Arline LaPlante	20-Aug
Margy Simchak	23-Jul	Lin Felix	22-Aug
Carol Terry	23-Jul	Helen Gabel	27-Aug
		Charlene Tatz	27-Aug
		Nancy Sippe	28-Aug
		Peggy Haller	30-Aug



MVWC has purchased Zoom access through the end of the calendar year.

We encourage all members and especially Activity Group Coordinators to make use of Zoom to keep your groups engaged.

The Board has been using Zoom with great success. It is easy to use.

If you wish to have access, please contact Kristin Carkeek @ <u>jcarkeek1@cox.net</u> for login and password information.

Our Zoom account accommodates one meeting at a time with up to 100 participants.

Melody Kopp	1-Sep
Mary Kankaras	2-Sep
Jo Lucarz	4-Sep
Kristi Henigar	7-Sep
Denny Loback	8-Sep
Armida Herrera	10-Sep
Vicki Voyce	10-Sep
Betty Dils	11-Sep
Jodi Jerich	12-Sep
Sally Lawrence	12-Sep
Melody Kopp	1-Sep
Rita Hicks	13-Sep
Pamela Jackson	13-Sep
Kathy Anders	14-Sep
Debbie Erbstoesser	14-Sep
Joyce Lee	14-Sep
Connie Pastoor	14-Sep
Jodi Kogan	15-Sep
Lora Simonsgaard	15-Sep
Judy Trasente	15-Sep
Micki Eckels	17-Sep
Faith Weese	19-Sep
Michele Marion	24-Sep
Kathy Salomone	25-Sep
Marj Knutson	26-Sep
Diane Murray	30-Sep
Kathleen Carlson	30-Sep

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