

Luncheon

Thursday, December 12

11:30 a.m. Social Hour
12:00 Lunch served
\$28.00 per person

RSVP by December 5

Checks payable to MVWC

Mail to:
428 E Thunderbird Rd
Box #539
Phoenix AZ 85022



MOON VALLEY
COUNTRY CLUB

Meal Choices:

- A. Rosemary Roasted Chicken
- B. BBQ Flat Iron Steak
- C. Grain Bowl (V/GF)

includes salad & dessert

*Includes Fashion Show
featuring items from*



Monthly Source of News & Information for MVWC Members

President's Message – November 2019

Our October luncheon at Aunt Chilada's was enjoyed by all who attended, and our members gave the location, food, service, program and the weather great reviews. As we look forward to November's luncheon at Tommy's Place, please note that our speakers have changed and will now be Lieutenant Knueppel and Sergeant Rachel Warren.

Buckle-up for the next few months with the Moon Valley Women's Club as we kick off our busy volunteering season. We have many varied and interesting volunteer opportunities available, many of which can be tailored to your skills and schedule, so please take a look inside the newsletter to see how you can help us with the important work that we do for our community.

The MVWC Service Project, the 501(c)(3) philanthropic arm of our organization, has announced the Large Grants that have been awarded, details of which can be found in this newsletter. New this year, we are supplying ten (10) families with Thanksgiving dinners as well as committing to assist forty (40) families - a record number! – through our annual Christmas Project. This is an **all-hands-on-deck** for the Service Project, and these grants are funded, in large measure, through our Auction proceeds and the generosity of our members.

Most of Social Activity Groups are back in full swing so be sure to read the articles about the happenings within the Club. Please keep the articles, new bulletins, travel notes, and milestones coming. The Echo and the MVWC website reflect all of us, and the fun and important things we do as members and as an organization.

We have an exciting December Holiday Luncheon in the works. We are returning to the Moon Valley Country Club on December 12th for lunch and a fashion show. The Holiday Luncheon invariably puts our members in a festive mood so please join in the fun.

Happy Thanksgiving to all our Members. I am very grateful to be involved in this organization with all of you.

Kristin Carkeek
2019-2020 MVWC President
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There IS such
a thing as a

Free Lunch!



New Member Debbie Kovesdy won October's free lunch raffle and graciously donated it back!



Inaugural 50/50 draw at November luncheon – tickets are \$3 each or 2 for \$5. Winner splits the amount 50/50 with the club. Remember, the more tickets sold, the bigger the prize!

The MVWC Service Project

Thanks to a successful Spring Auction and several generous individual donations, the MVWC Service Project Board has recently **awarded three large grants, totaling \$17,200, to Sunnyslope Elementary School, Moon Mountain Elementary School and the DeColores Shelter**. Because of the additional funds, we were able to increase the number of organizations we support, and are now funding additional new projects.

This holiday season we are expanding our sponsorship to serve **forty (40) underprivileged elementary school families** from two economic deprived schools in the Washington Elementary School District. These families are chosen by school social workers, and ALL family members receive clothing or gifts. There are many opportunities to become involved: shopping for needed items, packing gifts, and making the final delivery to the schools. It is a large project, requiring many volunteers to complete, and is A LOT OF FUN! If you haven't witnessed it, Sandi Kogan's living room turns into Santa's workshop in November and it's truly a sight to see! Please consider volunteering or supporting this project and contact Sandi to find out where your help can have the most impact.

This month, we will undertake a new elementary school related project, providing **ten (10) families with a Thanksgiving dinner** they may not otherwise have an opportunity to enjoy. Based on the families' dietary requests, groceries for their favorite traditional meal will be purchased and delivered to the school. Pat Clegg is coordinating this project, please contact her if you can assist.

A long-standing recipient of our support, the **DeColores Domestic Violence Shelter** welcomes women escaping abuse, and their children, providing a safe place to recover and later, assistance to help their return back into the community. Our members' donations, which Nancy Palmquist manages and stores in her home garage, include household items such as kitchenware and linens and allows the women an opportunity to make a fresh start as they transition out of the shelter. When the shelter contacts Nancy with a request, she "shops" in her garage and, if necessary, purchases additional or missing items, and delivers everything to the shelter. MVWC also made a cash donation to DeColores in support of an "underwear closet" for those clients unable to bring clothing when escaping their difficult situations.

Thanks to everyone who has been involved or contributed to our philanthropic activities and ongoing efforts in support of our community.

Michael Heglaw
Chair, MVWC Service

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Auction Committee –

contact Rosalie Welty, Lin Felix
or Nancy Palmquist
**urgent need for
soliciting donations**

Models for

December Luncheon –

contact Barb Nicholls
or Nancy Gray

Service Project

Christmas Project –

contact Sandi Kogan

Thanksgiving Dinner –

contact Pat Clegg



Ann Givens 6-Nov
 Barbara Jeter 6-Nov
 Pat Coghill 9-Nov
 Carol McDermott 10-Nov
 Robin Adrihan 11-Nov
 Lila Van Cuyk 11-Nov
 Vaughne Hollar 12-Nov
 Lane Crofford 16-Nov
 Heather Ellison 18-Nov
 Betsy Froderman 19-Nov
 Bette Ladd 21-Nov
 Victoria Kenton 22-Nov
 Joyce Bruhn 24-Nov
 Karen Pelatt 24-Nov
 Rene Munster 25-Nov
 Mary Harris 27-Nov
 Mardelle Steward 29-Nov

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Celebrating Nearly
 50 years of
 Community Spirit and
 Neighborhood Friendships

Desert Mission Food Bank Food Drive:



Our club is proud to be a long-time partner of Desert Mission, providing non-perishable food donations to needy families in our community, and this year's food drive will begin on December 5th.

Non-perishable food donations can be brought to the December Luncheon, or starting December 5th, left at Lin Felix's

home (218 W. Braeburn Drive), in her front courtyard – no need to ring the bell. The top five requested food items are: canned vegetables/fruit, canned soups/stews, pasta/rice, peanut butter and canned tuna/meat.

For more information, contact **Karin Schardt**, Food Drive Coordinator, at 2scharkar@gmail.com or 602-402-0506. Thank you for your support!

According to Desert Mission, statistics show:

- ▶ **1 in 4 children and 1 in 5 adults in Arizona CURRENTLY live in poverty.**
- ▶ **1 in 6 Arizonans are food insecure AND DON'T KNOW WHERE THEIR NEXT MEAL WILL COME FROM.**
- ▶ **Nearly 2 million Arizonans are considered working poor**, living at or below 100 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) (\$22,350 or less for a family of four).
- ▶ **43 percent of clients are forced to choose between food or shelter.**

Donations needed for the MVWC Annual Auction

If you know individuals or businesses who would be willing to contribute items, please contact Rosalie Welty, Nancy Palmquist or Lin Felix.

A few ideas:

- Movie / Theatre Tickets
- Sports / Sporting Event Tickets
- Museum passes
- Restaurant gift certificates
- Beauty / spa treatments gift certificates
- Fun experiences
- Jewelry
- Boutique clothing
- Vacation / weekend getaways



Remember *The MVWC Service Project* is a **501(c)(3) organization!**

Do you have questions, ideas or want to help with the event? Contact Rosalie, Nancy or Lin to join the committee – it takes an army to make this happen and we need you!



Have you traveled or done somewhere other members might find interesting?

Share your stories with MVWC members by submitting a write up and photos of your adventures.

Let your experience be someone else's inspiration!



Get Well Cards sent to:
Blanche Lukes & Mary Henigar

Sympathy cards sent to:
Rosalie Welty, Marcia Haarer & Susan Crotty

Congratulations to
Ian & Annie Jones
(MVWC Web Designer)

The Noble Grapes Wine Group kicked off the year in style. We had lovely weather to be outside in Lora and Steve's amazing yard. Designed for entertainment and fun, it was the perfect location to meet our new members and catch-up with old friends. October's theme was GSM (Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvedre) The 'GSM' red blend is made from Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre and it's a classic from the Côtes du Rhône region. When you taste Côtes du Rhône you're tasting all three grapes together. Grenache adds candied fruit, raspberry, cinnamon spice and Ruby Red grapefruit flavors. Syrah is famous as the grape of the northern Rhône region and adds the darker fruit flavors of blueberry, plum and even black olive to the Côtes du Rhône blend. Mourvèdre itself is a deeply rich dark wine, similar to Syrah, but with a more persistent finish.

Next month there will be something for everyone when Cherie and Scott host us for Sonoma Reds and, adding a new feature, a whiskey tasting.



Our favorites:

- 1 - H to H Chateaufneuf Du Pape
- 2 - Saint Cosme
- 3 - Flux
- 4 - Pillsbury Wild Child

Hiking Friends Wanted!

Every third Thursday morning the MVWC hikers meet at 9 a.m. at a different location to hike and talk followed by breakfast. In October we met at North Mountain Visitor Center for an easy two-mile hike and rewarded ourselves with breakfast at Scramble afterwards.

We'd love to have you join us next month. All you need is a pair of comfortable covered shoes, sun protection and water. We wait five minutes at our advertised meeting place before starting the hike. Contact Cherie Malkoff (cheriemalkoff@gmail.com) to be added to the Evite list. Upcoming dates may change due to the holiday season.



Photo caption:

Tracy White, Barb Nicols, Jane Wotton, Cherie Malkoff & Pepper, Jan Bree, Kathleen Carlson, Yolanda Haggerty, Mary Lynott & Pam Gill

Do You Sashay?



Calling all fashionistas!

Bring your catwalk skills and show us how you sashay at the December luncheon fashion show! December 12 at Moon Valley Country Club, our holiday luncheon will include a fashion show with items from Kiss Me Kate Boutique.

We need 5 to 9 women interested in modeling clothing and other accessories. Kiss Me Kate Boutique offers items in sizes 2 -18, and will assist in selecting one holiday and one casual outfit for each volunteer to model.

All models should visit Kiss Me Kate, 5039 N 44th St, Phoenix (in the Camelback Village Center) before December 5th to select clothing and accessories. Items will be delivered to MVCC and assistance with clothing changes will be provided during the event. The best part? All participating models will be eligible to receive a discount on items at the store.

To volunteer, contact:

Barb Nicholls at 602-882-8153
nichollsbar@cox.net or

Nancy Gray at 651-402-1428
nmgrayphoenix@gmail.com .

General Information:

Reminders about Luncheons:

- Reservations must be made in advance, including for Guests
- To cancel a paid reservation, or to place your name on the wait list, contact Treasurer, Audrey Sangerman at a.sangerman@cox.net / 602-881-2905.
- Luncheon payments will not be refunded if cancelled after the deadline date, unless someone on the wait list can be substituted.
- If you have any luncheon payment questions, please contact Audrey.

Monthly Luncheon Raffle: Raffle tickets (**\$1 each or 6 for \$5.00**) are available at monthly luncheons for a chance to win a refund of that month's luncheon price.

Newsletter Deadline: Articles for inclusion in the December *Echo* should be sent to Angela Baumann at branna.baumann@gmail.com no later than Monday, November 25, with **MVWC newsletter** in the email subject line. If you have any questions, please email Angela.



Board Meetings: All members are invited to attend monthly Board meetings. The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 25, at 6:30 pm at Gwen Gardner's home (240 W. Fellars Drive). Please RSVP if you plan to attend. Contact President, Kristin Carkeek, if you have items for the agenda.

WEBSITE REMINDER:

Our website helps you keep up with club happenings and locate club related information in real time, on the go! It is the first place to look when you need information about MVWC, and is updated regularly by webmaster, Michele Workman. The Echo Newsletter is always available at the beginning of the month.

If you need to find a member's phone number or address, the Directory is located under the Member Pages tab, and includes members' photos.

Each member has her own unique log in name and password. If you have misplaced or forgotten yours, please contact Michele (workman5@cox.net).



In October, the Museum Group visited the little known, but very interesting, **Phoenix Police Museum** (<https://phxpdmuseum.org/>), located downtown. Officer Bob gave an interesting tour, providing insight and extra information which really added to a terrific experience. Afterwards, the group enjoyed lunch at Alexi's Grille.

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