



# Newsletter April 2024

Monthly source for news and information for MVWC members

## President's Message

Happy April!

The turnout at our Annual General Meeting/April Luncheon & Fundraiser was AMAZING with 95 in attendance. The Classy Cooks raffle and the silent auction/bake sale were a fun way to raise funds for the MVWC Service Project. Congratulations to all of the winners, and thank you to everyone who contributed gift basket items and baked goods! And of course, this would not have been possible without the Fundraising Committee volunteers who worked so hard to put this event together. Thank you all for making such a successful event!

We were fortunate to have Phoenix Police Department's Desert Mountain Precinct Commander Matt Siekmann and Assistant Chief Charmane Osborn in attendance. Chief Osborn's presentation was informative and interesting, and it was highly beneficial to hear the latest news from our precinct.

The Annual General Meeting is also when our election is ratified, and I'm so excited to congratulate the newly elected Executive Board! Thank you all for volunteering your services to keep this amazing Club going. And thank you again to our Nominating Committee for their efforts in putting together this impressive slate of officers.

Don't worry if you missed out on the April Event, because the fun will continue next month at our End of Year Celebration & Fundraiser on May 9th. We're holding this final event of the year in the evening so that those who can't attend daytime luncheons will have an opportunity to attend! I hope that you'll join us to celebrate the end of another fantastic year.

Please remember to pay your 2024-2025 dues of \$35 if you haven't already done so! We are working hard to get as many renewals processed as possible before June in order to give our Treasurer and Records Chair a break over the Summer. As an incentive, everyone who pays their dues by May 1st will be entered into a raffle for a free Luncheon in the Fall!

Warm Regards,  
Pam Gill



**Board Meetings are held at  
6 PM on the first  
Wednesday of the month.**

*Interested in attending?*

*Contact us at*

[moonvalley-womensclub@gmail.com](mailto:moonvalley-womensclub@gmail.com)



**Moon Valley Women's Club  
Mission Statement**

*The purpose of MVWC shall be to  
promote closer  
community spirit and  
develop neighborhood bonds  
through social and service  
activities.*



**HOW TO PAY  
for MVWC**  
Charity Events,  
Donations or  
Service Project

### **PAY BY ZELLE**

On your online bank site search for Zelle. Set it to pay to: [MVWCserviceproject@gmail.com](mailto:MVWCserviceproject@gmail.com)  
Remember to describe what your payment is for in the Memo box. (Event name or project)

### **PAY BY MAIL**

Write your check to: **MVWC Service Project**  
and mail to:  
**MVWC Service Project**  
13236 N 7th St.  
Suite 4-307  
Phoenix, AZ. 85022

**Deadline for Newsletter  
Submission is the 6th of each  
month.**

Send submissions to:  
Kathy Scott  
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*Moon Valley  
Women's Club*

**END OF YEAR**


**CELEBRATION!**

**\$34/members**

**\$40/guests**

**Thursday**  
**5.9.24**

**Starts at**  
**5:30 PM**

 **BOBBY Q**  
**8501 N. 27TH AVE.**  
**PHOENIX, AZ 85051**

**ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE  
RECEIVED BY MAY 2ND!**

**Please make sure you are sending your Zelle payment to the  
CORRECT ACCOUNT!**



## HOW TO PAY for MVWC Dues, Lunches Special Events

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The 2023-2024 Recognition Awards presentation has been moved to the May 9th End of Year Celebration at Bobby Q.

Upcoming YUMraisers  
April 27th- Pei Wei

**PEI WEI**  
ASIAN KITCHEN

We proudly support  
**Moon Valley Women's Club**

Present this flyer when you order and  
**WE'LL DONATE 25% OF SALES**  
to the organization during our fundraiser event!

4/27/2024 from 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM  
267 E Bell Rd., Suite 1 | Phoenix, AZ | 602-707-2800  
peiwei.com Pre-tax. Excluding beer and...

May 4th– Chipotle See website for flyer!

## Congratulations to our 2024-2025 Executive Board

President	Koni Gould
Vice President	Annette McClure
Secretary	Carol Wilson
Treasurer	Lorraine Strang-Grogan



The dues for MVWC will increase to \$35 for the 2024-2025 year.

Pay your dues by May 1st and be entered into a drawing at the May event to win a free luncheon in the Fall!  
(You do not have to be present to win!)

Please complete the new Membership form:

<https://forms.gle/VXxv7xWS3MfMcKjs7>

To pay your dues via Zelle, send your payment to:

[MVWCpayment@gmail.com](mailto:MVWCpayment@gmail.com)

Be sure to include your name and "Dues" in the memo line.

To pay dues by mail, send a check payable to MVWC to:  
Moon Valley Women's Club  
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Phoenix, AZ 85022



## In Memoriam



We are sad to say goodbye to our longtime MVWC member, **Eve Stahl**, who passed away on March 24, 2024. Eve was a member of MVWC since 1998 but did not rejoin in 2023 because of health reasons. Eve had a compassionate heart and found fulfillment in helping others.

Eve was a very active member of our club, belonging to many groups and serving on several committees. She also edited the newsletter for a period of time.

A celebration of life to honor Eve will be held at All Saints Lutheran Church, located at 15649 N 7th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85022 on April 20, 2024 at 11:00 AM.



## May Day Donation Drive

In order to help fund the large grants this fall, we are doing one last fundraising push for the **MVWC Service Project**.

Everyone who donates \$40 or more by May 9th will be entered into a drawing to win a beautiful floral arrangement. The winner will be drawn at the May 9th year-end celebration at Bobby Q and the arrangements can go home that same evening.

This colorful, fragrant spring bouquet signifies the beauty of your generosity in helping MVWC Service Project plant the seeds to make a lasting and meaningful investment in our community.

To make a donation simply Zelle to [mvwcserviceproject@gmail.com](mailto:mvwcserviceproject@gmail.com) or via check to MVWC Service Project, 13236 N 7th Street, Suite 4-307, Phoenix 85022.

Cash and Check donations will also be accepted at the May 9th event.

*Thank you to everyone that has supported our fundraising efforts this year!*

Our [See's Candy Spring Fundraising link](#) is active NOW through May 31, 2024 and a portion of each sale is donated to the MVWC Service Project to fund our grants program. Help us turn candy into cash.

These seasonal favorites make great thank you gifts, care packages, or just surprise treats. Also, check out the selection of warm weather friendly items at our fundraising shopfront!

[Click here for our See's YumRaiser](#)



The 2024 **Shoebox Project** is now complete – thank you to Diana, Jackie, Suzy, Carol, Mary Ann, Debbie, Verlene and Wendy for donating your time and talent to the project. You made the sorting and boxing fast and fun!

Thanks also to all club members who donated enough for **51 shoeboxes** and three very large boxes of items for the De Colores shop.

Mary Henigar and Mary Harris  
aka The Marys



*De Colores opened its doors in 1985 out of community-identified*



*need for a domestic violence shelter that would provide an environment that was culturally and linguistically appropriate for monolingual Spanish speaking survivors and their children. The shelter, located in South Central Phoenix, provides an average of 500-600 clients a safe and secure environment where they can recover from the devastating effects of abuse as they acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to become self-sufficient and break the cycle of violence.*

**Are you disappointed that the activity group you were interested in is closed?**

**We currently have long wait lists for our evening Bunco groups and evening Book Clubs.**

**Are YOU interested in starting another Activity Group?**

**Anyone can start a new group, even a new member!**



**For information on starting a new group, please contact our Records Chair, Audrey Sangerman.**

**See the *Activity Group Leader Handbook* under *Member Pages* on the MVWC website**



**If you are interested in starting a new Bunco group or an evening Book Club, or a brand new group such as quilting, knitting, golf, or a card game such as Euchre, we can help you get started.**

## GenTech Happy Hour Fundraiser was a Huge Success!

A BIG thank you to [GenTech](#) for underwriting our Happy Hour on March 21st and raising an amazing \$1,220 for the MVWC Service Project.

Over 50 members and guests spent an informative evening familiarizing themselves with Technology. Thanks to Debbie K and her Tech team, our members learned more about how technology can assist us in our daily lives and, more importantly, how to have fun while doing it.

GenTech is always happy to offer tech support for MVWC members and many of our members scheduled appointments to help with their specific questions. Some members and guests even learned how to program robots, explored 3D printing, and played games. It was a super fun social hour!

Also, several members went home with some cool bling from our wonderful raffle!

- ◆ [La Paloma](#) donated six lovely flower arrangements.
- ◆ Dr. Carla Diana donated a one-hour massage at [InTouch Wellness](#) along with a gift basket of goodies.
- ◆ [GenTech](#) gave four \$ 50 gift cards for tech sessions, repairs or KidsTech camps.

As a Community Service, GenTech is especially happy to help our members connect to Zelle to pay club donations or dues or navigate the MVWC website. Please reach out to Debbie and her team anytime by visiting their website at [GenTechSupport.com](#)





## Moonlight Mixers Event: April 30th 5:30-7:30 at Timo

Join us for an enjoyable evening on the tree covered patio at **Timo Wine Bar**. Patio weather is perfect this time of year! **Live music, group trivia and delicious appetizers** will make for a fun time. Timo is located at 8801 N Central Ave, Phoenix 85020.



The cost is \$17 for **Wood Fired Pizza, Bruschetta and Caprese Skewers, lemonade or iced tea**. (Tax, Gratuity and a donation to the MVWC Service Project are included in the cost!) Available for purchase, a non alcoholic specialty cocktail and drinks from the bar.



RSVP to Kathy Moffitt at: [KathyMoffitt2021@gmail.com](mailto:KathyMoffitt2021@gmail.com). Once your RSVP is received, payment information will be sent. RSVP and payment are due by April 25th.

Any questions contact Becky Colbert at 602-380-8050. Looking forward to seeing you there!

## Activity Group Reports

### Hike before March Luncheon

Submitted by Koni Gould



March's luncheon was well attended with 70 members and guests who enjoyed a delicious lunch from Chop Shop! A few gals went on a hike before and took advantage of the cooler weather and scenery. Thank you to our board for all the hard work that went into organizing this beautiful event.

### Restaurant Review

Submitted by Kathy Moffitt

The MVWC restaurant review crew had a wonderful time yesterday at Timo's Wine Bar, relishing every bite and laugh... despite skipping the wine (just this once). Our gatherings are always more vibrant with our fearless leader, Maripat Kudray, and we are eager to have her back next month!

— with Jamie Kunkle and 5 others.



## Activity Group Reports-continued

### Chapter Sisters Book Club

Submitted by Linda Jensen

Last month we read “Thank You for Listening” by Whelan. We would probably call it a women’s novel. We hesitate to call it a romance novel. It has some of the characteristics but it’s much more than a relationship novel. The main character was on her way to a career on stage, but an accident made her a woman who creates audio books someone else wrote.



### Museum & Special Events Group

Submitted by Rosalie Welty

The Museum & Special Events group in March were treated to a docent guided tour of the Barbie exhibit @ the Phoenix Art Museum. The exhibit examines the 60-year history of Barbie, style trends, careers, & identities that Barbie has embodied through the decades. The fashions which accompanied the exhibit were fabulous.

Following the exhibit, we enjoyed a yummy lunch @ the Taco Guild.



### Easy Hiking Group

Submitted by Barb Nicholls

Paula Cullison lead us on a hike leaving from her house towards Shaw Butte. March is a great time to hike with the desert green. It was a beautiful day. Afterwards, she had the crew over for lunch.





## More Activity Group Reports

### Noble Grapes

Submitted by Pam Gill

The Noble Grapes gathered for our penultimate tasting of the season, and our theme was the wines of Lodi. In a classic case of "great minds think alike", several of us brought the same wine - which does not usually happen! Nonetheless, we persisted and managed to destroy (drink) the evidence.

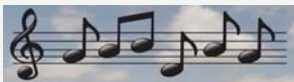


A good time was had by all on a beautiful March evening.

### Matinee Friends

Submitted by Carol Janoff

On Sunday afternoon, **March 24**, four Matinee Friends attended "**Storyville**" at the Black Theatre Troupe in downtown Phoenix. We were transported to New Orleans, the birthplace of jazz and its legendary "Red Light" district--Storyville. The musical is set at the Bird Box Cabaret, where the city's finest dancers and singers perform (and the lovely ladies seem to also engage in the world's oldest profession). On this night the king of jazz - "Hot Licks Sam" and his band have one last party before the city government and the Navy shut them down. The story was fine, but was less satisfying than many other shows have been. We did feel the second act was more compelling. The dancers and singers were very talented, and the stunning 20's costumes deserved the Best In Show award. We also thought the leading actress was too mature for her role, But in all we did enjoy the afternoon.



Four Matinee Friends attended the "**Sondheim Tribute Revue**" at Theater Works in Peoria on Sunday afternoon, **April 7**. The revue highlighted the great Stephen Sondheim, "who is widely acknowledged as the most important composer and lyricist in modern Broadway history." The show was full of live music, singing, and some dancing, accompanied by an excellent string quartet and a grand piano. The cast of eleven were wonderful singers with beautiful harmonies and great stage presence. Our only disappointment was that we knew/recognized so few of the songs.

## Last of Activity Group Reports

### MVWC Garden Group

Submitted by Jackie Gentner

The MVWC Garden Group attended the Orchid Show and Plant Sale held at Berridge Nursery on March 23rd. This event was put on by the Desert Valley Orchid Society. It was a wonderful event and we all enjoyed it very much. This also gave us great ideas for future outings. Additionally, the Desert Valley Orchid Society meets most months on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 3541 N 56th Street, Room 12, Phoenix, AZ 85019, beginning at 6:00 pm, for those who wish to pursue further interest in growing and maintaining orchids.



### The Moderate Hiking Group

Submitted by Koni Gould

The moderate hiking group enjoyed a fabulous hike in Cave Creek and then had lunch at Local John-ny's. Such a gorgeous day and scenery!





### April Birthdays

Vicky Babb  
Jan Bree  
Debbie Campbell  
Kristin Carkeek  
Janelle Caskie  
Elaine Evers  
June Fontenot  
Chrissy Hempelman  
Mary Henigar  
Sandi Kogan  
Jamie Kunkle  
Prudence Lee  
Sheryl Lovell  
Janice Parker  
Suzie Phelan  
Debbie Ratz  
Carolyn Rodi  
Judy Schwiebert  
Kathy Scott  
Brittany Stamey  
Jackie Stout  
Jennifer St. Pierre  
Lorraine Strang-Grogan  
Kathy Zeblisky



Terry May and  
Jamie Kunkle  
tap dance!



19 is Elaine Fleischmann's lucky number!

**19**

She was born on the 19th, her wedding anniversary is on the 19th, and she moved into the house (where she's lived for 37 years) on the 19th!



Linda Jensen took a train, with her brother, from Albany New York to Maricopa, AZ (as close as they could get to Phoenix!)

**MVWC now has 274 Members**  
including 53 new members  
and 5 Return +1 Members



Do you have a fun fact to share about a member? Please send it to  
Kathy Scott at [kaffscott59@gmail.com](mailto:kaffscott59@gmail.com)



## April's luncheon at Aunt Chilada's

The luncheon at Aunt Chilada's was a huge success! Black Mountain Precinct Commander Matt Siekmann and Phoenix Police Dept. Assistant Chief Charmane Osborn answered many questions from our members.

A silent auction was held on baked goods and goodie baskets that raised a good amount of money for the club. (Final totals will be given in the next edition of the newsletter.)



A few generous members donated their prizes to the police officers in appreciation of their service to our Community.

There will be another fundraising raffle event held at the end of the year celebration at Bobby Q on May 9th.



**Members are asked to remember to use cash, check or Zelle to pay for their prizes!**



Have you forgotten your password? Contact Audrey at [moonvalleywomensclub@gmail.com](mailto:moonvalleywomensclub@gmail.com)

Link to member directory <https://mvwomensclub.org/directory-2022/>

If you have an updated photo, email it to us at [moonvalleywomensclub@gmail.com](mailto:moonvalleywomensclub@gmail.com)

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<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Morgan Bartlett</b>
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<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Wendy Caporaso</b>
<b>2023-2024 MVWC Executive Board</b>	

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## Sunshine Report

**Prudence Lee** is our Sunshine Chair. If you know of a member who has experienced a loss, has an illness, had surgery, or another issue where they could use some support, please let her know.



**Get Well Cards were sent to Santhe Louisiana and Nancy Palmquist.**

**Sympathy cards were sent to Barbara Meek** (loss of her husband) and **Robin Overbey** (daughter of Eve Stahl).

**Welcome E-cards were sent to new members.**

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