

"The KEY"

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Building our success as Federated Sister's Through Strength, Diversity and Joy!



District Calendar

November 2023

Nov.6, 2023 SGVD Executive Committee Meeting, 10 A.M. Double Tree Hotel Restaurant "VITA", 3101 W. Temple Avenue, Pomona, CA 91768

Nov.10, 2023 Fall Council & Business Board Covina Club9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
District Report Committees -- Judges Information due to 1st VP
District Chairperson Bonnie Duenas, collecting LEADS Candidate Applications.
Fall Council Program & Luncheon – Current Past District Presidents
Deadline to purchase tickets to the SGVD Holiday Dinner Dance Charity \$55.00
Submit Club Checks to: Cheryl Linnborn-1753 Coolcrest Ave, Upland, Ca 91784

Special Note: For US Mail Subscriptions Sept. 2023 – Jun. 2024, list of names, addresses and checks made out TO SAN GABRIEL VALLEY DISTRICT CALIF FERERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS need to be mailed to KEY Editor. Thank you in advance!!!

Terry Perkins 735 Windwood Drive Walnut, Ca. 91789

Presidents receive an email copy and are asked to share with their members.

The District calendar, events and ideas for activities are in every copy of the KEY. Club events are noted in the KEY through the ads. The KEY helps all members stay in touch with San Gabriel Valley District.

YEARBOOK CORRECTIONS

Duarte Woman's Club page 17 Judy Schulz should read Jody Schulz Bonnie Duenas page 10 626 827 4273- is good 626 913-3353 no longer good



Executive Board Messages

President's Message
Abbey Howell...(909) 348-3779...abbshowell@yahoo.com

Hello Sisters in Federation,

Enjoy the happiest of the beginning of the Fall Autumn Season, with your Family and Friends. It is absolutely my favorite time of the year. Being a retired Baker, a great deal of fond memories return with the viewing of all the holiday spices, seasoning and baking ingredients placed front and center of the grocery stores. The smell of cinnamon, nutmeg and allspice simply changes your mood to happiness!

We suddenly become cheerful givers, and the planning process begins. As a volunteer the gift of giving will be shared universally with the Food Insecurities Projects that took place in September. We will not stop our contributions of donations to feed the less fortunate. San Gabriel Valley District will host the First Annual Holiday Dinner and Dance. We only asked that attendee bring with them a non-perishable food item that will be donated to a local Food Bank in Pico Rivera. We all must do are part to make sure no mouth goes un-feed as we approach this Holiday Season. I am very proud of all the Clubs within the San Gabriel Valley District that have shown the willingness to do better, learn more and take a step forward into leadership. Thank you!

Fall Council 2023 will continue with the Wise Owl's, and a new offering of an early-bird workshop will take place the morning of the Council at 8:00 AM. This is when you will hear the "coos" of the sound of the Owls. Everyone is invited to attend this workshop on Leadership, LEADS and Knowing When to Step-Up. If you are a District Chairmen, Club Officer and an interested Member in moving forward to a Leadership position join us and learn.

Happy Thanksgiving – May the Blessing of your Table be Bountiful





1st Vice President Message Terry Perkins...H-(909) 895-7710...perkinstlee@gmail.com

The occasion of thanksgiving is all about appreciating the wonderful people we have in our lives. For this reason, here's my message conveying my gratitude for all the help and support that each you have given me. So, let us give thanks for all the blessings we have in our lives, our friendship and the amazing work we do together.



Report Committee chairman: Names and qualification forms due to me by Fall council.

Report Writing Workshop for Clubs will be held on November 17th at Montebello Women's Club – 201 S. Park Ave, Montebello, CA. 9:00 am- 12 noon. You will receive the latest information, plus some handy tips to make the process easier. This is the time to start writing your reports. Updates about what is required and forms will be presented at the meeting.

This year's procedure of submitting reports will be covered.



2nd Vice President Message Guadalupe Diaz...lupe6diaz@gmail.com.562-706-5586

Hello members:

I have great news to share with you. SGVD is now 1,142 members strong. This is amazing. Continue with your recruitment efforts.

San Gabriel Valley District Membership Campaign
In September I invited every Club to bring members who've never been to a SGVD meeting to the October meeting. The Club that brought in most members will receive \$100.00 to be used for membership activities. The winner will be announced at the Fall Council November 10, 2023.

I will be hosting a Membership Workshop on December 05, 2023 at Pio Pico Woman's Club. The workshop will be from 10 am to 12 noon. The workshop is open to everyone who wants to learn about the duties of a membership Chair. Please RSVP to Lupe Diaz at 562-706-5586.

Say to yourself: Membership is "me." With every new member that you bring in makes the me bigger. It is everyone's responsibility to help bring in new members. We need to keep in mind that the three most important words are: Recruitment, Retention, and Recognition. The most important word is Retention, because we want to keep our members. So, remember to treat every member with dignity and respect.

CFWC is giving Pins to members who recruit five new members. Just fill out a form and send it to the 2nd Vice President Wendy Curran. GFWC is giving \$50.00 reimbursement on membership drives when you submit your request for reimbursement you must turn in pictures and a report of the event and what you did.

The forms are located on CFWC Website: https://www.cfwc.org/forms/.



Gina Morales...emwc.ginamorales@gmail.com...562-40504461

Welcome November,

Days are shorter, sunsets happen earlier and holiday planning is upon us.

Convention thoughts for you and your club.

Have you decided if you're attending?

Have you made plans with your club on room sharing?

Will you compete for the coveted "Spirit Award"?

I have my fingers crossed that you answered "YES" to each question and that this convention will be record breaking in attendance.

Stay in the know by reading The Key and attending district meetings.

Do not miss the opportunity for your voice to be heard.



This is a voting year, which means we will celebrate and bid farewell to the 2022-2024 executive committee and move on to celebrating, welcoming the new 2024-2026 executive committee.

Parliamentarian Message <u>Claudia Maidenberg ... 909-816-4652... c.maidenberg@verizon.net</u>



New or Experienced – Unlocking Success

In our volunteer organization our Bylaws establish a process that implies it is beneficial to change who is in charge every one to two years. Some Clubs allows officers to serve in the same elected position for up to four consecutive years. Beyond what is in the Bylaws by design or by the fluctuations of life some Clubs have had a small cohort of members who rotate through the leadership positions at times for decades. Currently, many long time, experienced leaders are exiting Clubs, official leadership and sadly life. No matter the circumstance, there are four things that help a leader succeed. These suggestions are stages to any transition process.

Learn as much as you can about what has come before. Previous leaders are not the enemy. They can offer a great deal of insight. They also are not the only source of what in the past has worked and what has caused trouble. Learn from members. Members also have ideas about what they liked and did not like in past administrations. You need a full sense of the past in order to move into the future.

Assess the talent, skills, and abilities of members. Do they have the necessary skills do to their job in the 21st Century? If not, can they learn? When the mature leader is well entrenched, ask yourself who in your organization can work with that person to learn from them, teach them and to hopefully in time become an acceptable and respected replacement. If you cannot make an instant change, arrange for that mentorship.

Communicate your perspective about the organization and where you want to lead. This can be through newsletters, meetings both in person and on Zoom and my favorite, private lunches. Plan out what you are going to say so that the communication is consistent.

Take action. After you have gathered information, assessed the talent and communicated your plans now is the time to take fair and decisive action. Fair is the key word when taking action. Remember, this is not a job. Everyone is only here because they want to be. Terminating the contribution of an experienced well-respected member will cause you to lose the trust and respect of other members. On the other hand, making a change that eliminates past problems, disruptions and personality conflicts will gain you the trust and respect of members.



New District General Information - Updates

SGVD Financial Team: Getting back to basics. All payments made to San Gabriel Valley District will require a check written from the Club. We will no longer accept any personal checks for "KEY" mailings and or Publications of Club Advertisement. Checks are to be made out to: SAN GABRIEL VALLEY DISTRICT CALIF FERERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Mail all club checks for the "KEY" and Advertising should be sent to: Terry Perkins, Editor.

The District Newsletter is the "KEY." It is published monthly September -June, with committee articles and club business announcements which keep our membership informed about what is happening within the San Gabriel Valley District.

Non-members of the San Gabriel Valley District will not be allowed to publish articles and or receive this newsletter. (Bylaw adopted June 2023). However, viewing is allowed on the SGVD website: sgvd.org. (Please refer to your yearbook for the subscription order form).



SGVD Committee Chairmen Messages

Art Contest
Terry Perkins...perkinstlee@gmail.com...909-895-7710

The information (directions and forms) are in the yearbook -pages 51-56. It's not too early to surge members to submits works or to go to your community schools and request student art and photos. If you have any questions please email or call me.

Photography Contest Sue Hogenauer...hogenauersue@gmail.com...909-379-8613

The information (directions and forms) are in the yearbook -pages 57-62. It's not too early to surge members to submits works or to go to your community schools and request student art and photos.

Music Scholarship Competition... Terry Perkins...perkinstlee@gmail.com...909-895-7710

The information and forms are in the yearbook, pages 74 -77. Emphasize the rules to students entering. They must provide proof of registration in a music program to receive the scholarship. Be sure to check forms to make sure that (all) information is provided before giving to Music Chairman at Birthday Council (January 12, 2024.).

CHIPS for Kids Joanne Snyder...jsnyder659@gmail.com ...321-227-1994

The Holidays are almost here and it's during this wonderful time of the year that we are forward to holding our loved ones near and those we hold dear, and it's during this time year that the world seem to be filled with more love and kindness that flows from everyone's heart.

It is with this thought in mind that I am asking that we keep the many who have suffered a devastating loss throughout this year in our prayers, especially the children.

Let's continue to do our best to help make a difference in a child's Christmas and turn their heartbreak into one of Joy and Happiness this year. Many of you recalled last year that officer Rodrigo Jimenez has been relocated to Rancho Cucamonga, and he introduced us to his replacement officer Joseph Davila, and it will be officer Davila who along with a few of his fellow officers that will be coming to collect all of the toys and gift cards for this year's "Chip's for Kids" toy drive, save the date Friday, December the 8th at our December District Meeting and bring an age appropriate unwrapped gift or a \$10.00 dollar gift card to either, In and Out, Subway, Mc Donald's, Target or Walmart, and there will be a Holiday bag in front of our Treasurer's desk where you may deposit the gift card's.

It's with a grateful heart that I say thank you for your support and wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving, continue to be safe and know that you are all loved and appreciated.



Education & Libraries... Esthela Torres de Siegrist... hetds@yahoo.com..626-622-1794







Let's **all** get ready for November, the 11th month of the year. The word November means "nine" in Latin because in the Roman calendar there were only ten months and November was the "ninth month. November's birth stones are the topaz and the citrine, while its birth flower is the chrysanthemum. November's birth trees are the walnut, the chestnut, and ash. The signs of the Zodiac are Scorpio until November 21 and Sagittarius from November 22. U.S. Presidents born in November: James K. Polk, Zachary Taylor, Franklin Pierce, James A. Garfield, Warren G. Harding, and Joe Biden.

According to the latest data, many of our school children are as much as two years behind their counterparts in some other states or countries. Here are some free, online educational resources you may wish to share: khan academy for language arts and math; "Cuentos de Hadas" to learn Spanish and even a scholarship for \$1,000 for grades four to eleven: the Ben Carson Scholars. Just google them.

On November 11, we will again celebrate Veterans' Day to honor all those who have served or are serving our country. If you encounter a Veteran, you might say, "Thank you for putting your life on hold to serve our country." You may even wish to visit a cemetery and participate in a ceremony to honor Veterans.

On November 23, we will celebrate Thanksgiving. Why? to show our appreciation for all the wonderful things our country has to offer: such as unlimited opportunities, freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom of assembly, the right to choose our leaders, and so much more.

Everyone is encouraged to visit their local public library and/or do so online to https://lacounty.org. You will find an incredible range of free services and offerings there, such as e-books, audio books, videos, online learning, and even "tool loans." There is even a "locator' for you to find your nearest library.

See you at the library.

Leadership & LEADS Bonnie Duenas...rblmb@msn.com...626-827-4273

San Gabriel Valley District is currently looking for a candidate for the CFWC Leads for 2024. SGVD candidate will be required to attend the CFWC State Board Meeting in February 2024.

If you would love to be a candidate please sign up using the forms on CFWC.org--Go to Forms Tab--Scroll to Miscellaneous forms

Leads General information instructions 2024

Leads 2024 CFWC Application (Fillable)/Leads CFWC 2024 app (Word)

Leads 2024 GFWC Application(fillable)

Bring all completed forms and required paperwork to the SGVD Fall Council No. 10, 2023 Put in an envelope addressed to Bonnie Duenas

If for any reason you or someone from cannot attend the Fall Council please let me know. Call me at 626 827-4273 to make other arrangements for me to receive your club candidate.

Birthdays Care & Concern Mavis Hansen...newmavis07@outlook.com...626-441-6231



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS SCORPIO

November 1-21 8th sign of the Zodiac: Scorpion

A Scorpio personality is gracious and diplomatic with the ability to control and direct those around them. They may be a dominant force in home and/or workplace. Serious, but with a great sense of humor.

Gems are:the Ruby, giving inner faith and courage, the Carnelian to keep ones' feet on the ground and the Black Pearl which grants calm and solace.

Colors are: Black, Blood Red and Charcoal Gray. Scorpio

Notables are: Pablo Picaso, Hilary Rodham Clinton, Whoopi Goldberg, Theodore Roosevelt, Vermeer, Edith Head, Edmund Halley and Hedy Lamarr.

SAGITTARIUS November 22-30 9th sign of the Zodiac: Goat

A Sagittarius personality is optimistic, honest and with a positive outlook on life. Sagittarius are particularly interested in animals and nature. Eternal students, constantly seeking to know more about the world.

Gems are the turquoise, protecting against catastrophe, the Amethyst which promotes mildness and understanding and the Citrine which acts as an agent between lower and higher selves. Colors are: Denim Blue, Beige and Bronze.

Sagittarius notables are: Tina Turner, Andrew Carnegie, Charles Schultz, Louisa Mae Alcott, Adam Clayton Powell Jr., Mark Twain & Bette Midler.

The November flower is the beautiful mum, which comes in white and many beautiful colors.

HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY!

Affiliate Information

SGVD Parliamentary Affiliate Group is having their Annual Holiday Auction Tuesday, November 21. Baldwin Park Woman's Club 3817 Baldwin Park Boulevard, Baldwin Park

All are invited to attend. Coffee and holiday cookies will be served.

Whether you are a member of the Group or not, all are invited to join in the fun directly following our brief business meeting. Everyone is welcome to bring their offerings of softly used items including but not limited to; holiday decorations, jewelry, wearing apparel, kitchen items, etc.

As we are not having a potluck, possibly attendees would like to organize meeting up at a local restaurant directly following the adjournment.

Wishing everyone a cheerful November and a Happy Thanksgiving.

Marianne Jennings, President







Hosted by:

La Puente Valley Woman's Club 200 N. First Street La Puente, Ca. 91744 for the Clubhouse Restoration

Departure
Time 8:am

Return Arrival Time: 6:pm

\$30.00 Donation per person Deadline 11-5 -23 Saturday November 11, 2023 Join us on a Turnaround to



Zelle

lpvwc@yahoo.com please note the event on zelle NO Refund

> Lots of Fun, Games, Prizes, and a Goodie Bag

Meet up spot at 8:am Community Center: 501 N. Glendora Ave. La Puente, CA 91744

Seats are limited so no holding seats without payment

Any Questions please call Cathy (626) 533-0550 Sandy 626-622-2370







CA Sight Sundraising Gala







SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024 6:00 PM TO 11:30 PM DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON 3101 WEST TEMPLE AVE, POMONA 91768

GAMING, RAFFLE DRAWING, DOOR PRIZES, SILENT & LIVE AUCTION & ENTERTAINMENT



\$100 PER PERSON: DINNER ~ FREE GLASS OF CHAMPAGNE \$1,000 GAMING CHIPS

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Note Casino Night Tickets in Zelle payment. Can also be purchased through a club member or mailed to PO

Box 4035 Diamond Bar. 91765

Proceeds benefit our club's charities and scholarships. The Diamond Bar Woman's Club is a non-profit organizations. Return to Terry Perkins 735 Windwood Drive Walnut, Ca. 91789

To: