

Building our success as Federated Sisters Through Strength, Diversity and Joy!



February District Calendar

Feb.3, 2024 SGVD Fashion Show Fundraiser - Required preregistration and payment. Feb. 9, 2024 Business Board Meeting Covina, Club 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM Spring Council – Club Reservations and Club Checks due to Reservation Chairperson Rosette Clippinger- \$25.00 per attending member.

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

<u>Presidents and 1st Vice Presidents receive an email copy and are asked to</u> <u>share with their members.</u> 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.



Executive Board Messages

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

Happy Valentines Federated Sisters,

Open your hearts to be filled with lots of Joy, Love and Kindness, spread the happiness and love as if it were confetti! I have come to realize, that I have lots of Sweethearts and I love them all. Enjoy your Valentines.

This was certainly a very busy January for many of us. At the District we managed to complete and upload a total of 18 Club Reports all going to the District Chairmen and then moving forward to be judged. Thereafter, out District 1st Vice President would have a scheduled appointment to upload all of the reports to State, CFWC-California Federation of Women's Clubs for judging. I have noticed that since 2021 the District Club Entry Reports have been in a declining state of submission. I would like to invite each of you as Club Presidents to inquire with your membership why aren't you submitting information on all 14-catorgies to be judged? Please pass this information on to the Dean of the District Terry Perkins, once it's been obtained. I do know that the good volunteer work is being done at each club for programs / projects.

Congratulations, to each of the Clubs that took the time to submit a Club Award Entries Reports.

At Birthday Council we had some a wonderful Craft Showing. I would like to congratulation all our members that submitted crafts to be judge for this contest. Your work was outstanding!

We celebrated the Districts 68th Birthday at this Council meeting hosted by the Past District Presidents, and honored our Club Presidents. We had a wonderful turn out for this celebration held on January 12th at the Covina Woman's Club.

The Club Credential/Delegate packets were made available for pick up at this meeting. If a Club President wasn't in attendance the Credential Team were given instructions to send out the packets by postal mail service. Reminder that the Credential Cards are due back at: Spring Council-March 8, 2024. This will give (All Delegates) an opportunity to vote at the March meeting for the Newly Elected Officers, and at Convention for District Bylaws.

This is the second year that we have published the San Gabriel Valley District Convention "CALL" paperless; it was delivered via email on January 13, 2024. Please note since the "CALL" was published we were notified of the following corrections: (A) Page 18 – Saturday Program has the incorrect date of: April 26th it should read Saturday-April 27, 2024.

(B) The Slate of Officers: Please remove Terry Perkins name from the slate. She has submitted a withdrawal notice for running for the Recording Secretary position. Thank you – Joy & Transparency Abbey Howell





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

Thank all of you for all the hard work and tremendous energy you put into all you for your Clubs, the district and the federation in your communities. I want to thank all of the clubs who turned in their reports on time. I want to thank our District Chairpersons for getting judges, writing the District Report and turning in their District reports on time. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!!!!!!





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

Federated Sisters and Bothers

I am sad to announce that only 14 clubs turned in reports I was hoping for 25 reports. I wish you all the best and good luck to all the clubs that turn in reports.

Our last chance to increase our membership count will be in March /April at the San Gabriel Valley District 68th Annual Convention 2024. This will end our administration so let's go full force to bring in more members.

One of the most important things for membership is Retention. Engaging members is essential to retaining them. Members who feel connected to the club are more likely to renew their membership. Clubs should have a variety of activities and events that cater to different interests and ages.

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** and the most important word of this is **Retention** because we want to keep our members. Always remember to treat every member with **Dignity** and **Respect**.



3rd Vice President Message Gina Morales...emwc.ginamorales@gmail.com...626-371-4055

Hello SGVD!

The Call has been sent out, if you did not receive it please email me and I will email out to you ASAP.

My excitement for convention has exceeded all other years. So many changes have taken place and I'm ready to celebrate another year of all our volunteer work. ARE YOU ATTENDING? When you join your city woman's club you instantly become a part of the bigger picture, district, area, and state.

I have seen our attendance drop across the board. I realize that coming out of a pandemic is just as hard as going through it. This is not the first time this exact scenario has had an effect on GFWC. We will strive to do as we always have and come back better, bigger & stronger. However, this cannot be done without each and every one of you. Gather your members, make room reservations, dress to impress for Spirit award and let's make this a record-breaking year!



Parlimentarian Patsy Wilson...pwilson11@verizon.net...909-393-6434 Amended SGVD STANDING RULES

A. GENERAL POLICIES

 The San Gabriel Valley District (SGVD) does not endorse partisan political measures or persons. A measure may be considered if both sides, pros and cons, are presented.
 It is contrary to the policy of the District/SGVD for any member to use or sign her name "San Gabriel Valley District" in any personal business or political communication literature.

3. Fund-raising activities may not be conducted by Clubs during District/SGVD meetings, except by the host Club. Clubs may promote fund-raising events during announcement time, prior to, during recess, and after District/SGVD Board meetings.

4. No funds shall be solicited, nor indebtedness incurred, by any group or member of the District/SGVD without the approval of the Executive Board.

5. Resolutions adopted by the Executive Board, District/SGVD Councils and the District/SGVD Convention shall be recorded in a separate book by the Chairperson of Resolutions and shall remain the policy of the District/SGVD until amended or rescinded.

6. All publicity of the District/SGVD Federation must have the approval of the President.

7. District/SGVD stationery shall be used only for Federation work and not for personal matters. No Chairperson shall have special stationery printed. All stationery remaining at the end of an administration shall be returned to the corresponding Secretary.

8. When debating a motion on the floor each member may speak twice and each opportunity to speak shall be for no more than two minutes. Speakers shall be rotated between those speaking in support of a motion and those speaking against the motion. A member may speak for their second time only after all members have been given their opportunity to speak for their first time.

9. The San Gabriel Valley District/SGVD will establish and maintain an official street mailing address by obtaining a mail box at a local mailing service company such as UPS. Allocations of funds to pay for the mail box shall be at a reasonable rate which is researched and approved annually by the Executive Committee.

10. For discussions on items on the Agenda that are not a part of a motion, the Chair may elect to use the speaking time limits and procedures adopted for motions in Standing Rules General Polices number eight (8).

11. Each Club is an entity within itself that is governed by the Club Bylaws and Standing Rules and overseen by the Club Officers. In Compliance with the guidance from the California Federation of Women's Clubs the San Gabriel Valley District of Women's Clubs does not direct Clubs on how to deal with Club business. The District may give advice when asked by Officers of a Club. Should a member of a Club requesting the advice of the San Gabriel Valley District/SGVD contact the California Federation of Women's Clubs/CWFC and the CFWC expresses an issue with the support being provided, all assistance by SGVD will be terminated until the CFWC provides written approval for the SGVD to continue in an advise/support roll. A summary of what has transpired with the Club in question will be provided to the CFWC President along with a statement regarding the termination of assistance and the direction to Club officers to contact the CFWC for any further assistance.

12. All Clubs and Affiliates within the San Gabriel Valley District of Women's Clubs /SGVD are considered to be separate legal entities from the SGVD and are required to file for and maintain their own raffle permits, liability insurance, and any and all fiduciary obligations, forms, filings as may be necessary for maintaining their 501c3 status and protecting the Club from unnecessary liability. Since Affiliates are not dues paying members of the SGVD and are dues paying members of the CFWC, all fiduciary issues regarding Affiliates' 501c3 status will be referred to the CFWC for support and guidance. Should the SGVD become aware of a failure of an Affiliate to meet their fiduciary responsibilities, the CFWC President will be informed and asked to provide any necessary assistance.

13.Only members in good standing in a San Gabriel Valley District (SGVD) Club and in the San Gabriel Valley District may be a delegate; vote on any SGVD motion; speak to any SGVD motion; participate in any SGVD fund raising activity as a member and/or to be considered as representing the SGVD publically, privately, formally or informally when providing guidance/opinion/advise to any SGVD Club or to the SGVD. This shall apply to members of Affiliate Groups as well as other clubs. A member in good standing of the SGVD includes having paid the full amount of SGVD annual dues.

14. In order to be recognized by the San Gabriel Valley District (SGVD) as a SGVD Club President or SGVD Club 1st Vice President, the SGVD Club affected must submit a letter of verification signed by all the members of the current elected officers of the SGVD Club. This letter is a requirement for voting as members of the SGVD Executive Board as the President or 1st Vice President of an SGVD Club.

15. Any member who has been removed or resigned from an elected or appointed position for failing to perform duties acceptably or for exhibiting conduct in a manner detrimental to the organization may not be nominated or appointed to a position on the SGVD Executive Committee or as an SGVD Committee Chair.

B. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. In an election year, the May Executive Committee meeting shall be a joint meeting of outgoing and in-coming officers.

2. The President at their discretion may include other members and/or outside experts/consultants as may be deemed necessary at Executive Committee Meetings. The additional participants do not have vote. All those in attendance at the Executive Committee Meetings shall conform to standards of confidentiality as appropriate.

C. FINANCIAL POLICIES

1. All checks pertaining to District/SGVD activities, whether for dues, emblems, etc., shall be made payable to "San Gabriel Valley District CFWC" or "SGVD-CFWC" earmarked for the purpose for which it is intended.

The District/SGVD treasurer shall be authorized to pay for all unclaimed meal reservations.
 It shall be the duty of the Reservation Chairperson to seek reimbursement from the Club or individual making the reservation.

4. The charge for all District/SGVD Council luncheons shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25). Two (2) reservations per Club will be held for each District/SGVD council until the reservation deadline. Reservations must be made with full payment by the reservation deadline or they will

be automatically cancelled. Members must make reservations through their Club. Clubs should produce one check payable to SGVD-CFWC.

5. CFWC Officers/Chairpersons within the District/SGVD who is/are a current member of a Club shall be the guests at District/SGVD Convention for the meal(s) at the time they are honored, the money to be paid from the Convention fund (does not include registration fee).
6. A registration fee of Twenty dollars (\$20) shall be paid per member attending any part of the District/SGVD Convention; proceeds of this fund shall be used for convention expenses. After the deadline, the registration fee will be thirty dollars (\$30). Registration fee waived for guests.
7. Convention monies in excess of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) shall revert to the General Fund.

8. The installing officer shall have her dinner paid with monies to come from the convention account.

9. Courtesy funds shall be allowed for the President in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50) per month; for the First Vice President, seventy-five dollars (\$75) per year; for all other officers, fifty dollars (\$50) per year; and for the KEY Editor and Communications and Public Relations Chairman, twenty-five dollars (\$25) per year.

10. The District/SGVD will pay for the expenses, the amount determined by the budget, for the President to attend GFWC Convention and Western Regional Conference. Should adequate funds not be available to cover the necessary expenses a prorated amount may be paid. The Executive Committee may make this modification with a 2/3 vote of those present at the meeting where the decision is made. When attending CFWC Area Conference, the President's registration fee will be paid by the District/SGVD. SGVD Convention expenses shall be provided through the District/SGVD Convention Fund. The District/SGVD will pay for the expenses (registration, transportation by the most economical means, scheduled meals and one-half of the total lodging for the President to attend GFWC/CFWC Conventions and CFWC Board Meetings.

11. The District/SGVD will pay expenses (registration, transportation by the most economical means, scheduled meals associated with projects and program/ meetings, and one-half of lodging) for the First Vice President to attend GFWC/CFWC State Board meetings and Conventions. SGVD Convention expenses shall be provided through the District/SGVD Convention fund. Area registration fee will be paid for the First Vice President. Should adequate funds not be available to cover the necessary expenses a prorated amount may be paid. The Executive Committee may make this modification for the first vice president once funds have been allocated for the expenses of the President with a 2/3 vote of those present at the meeting where the decision is made.

12. The District/SGVD will pay expenses (registration, transportation by the most economical means, scheduled meals associated with District/SGVD Membership meetings, and one-half of lodging) for days required that District/SGVD Second Vice President needs to attend. Should adequate funds not be available to cover the necessary expenses a prorated amount may be paid once funds have been allocated for the expenses of the President and first Vice President. The Executive Committee may make this modification for the 2nd vice president with a 2/3 vote of those present at the meeting where the decision is made.

13. The District/SGVD shall pay for one copy of the CFWC Procedure Book for the Parliamentarian.

14. At the annual District/SGVD Convention, selection of the Convention site for the following year will be made by a majority vote of the Delegates present and voting, and a vote shall not be

held later than September. A written financial statement for the Convention shall be presented to the Executive Committee in June.

15. All members and guests participating in District/SGVD Convention must make meal reservations through the District/SGVD Third Vice President.

16. Members officially representing the SGVD at CFWC or GFWC functions shall be reimbursed as out lined in the Standing Rules. If, for any reason other than sudden illness or family emergency, a member fails to attend any registered portion, that member may be held responsible for their expenses.

17. Member annual dues for the San Gabriel Valley District shall be \$4. The total amount of dues to be paid by each member shall include the amount established by California Federation of Woman's Clubs or the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Any approved and authorized changes in the amount of dues required for membership in the California Federation of Woman's Clubs or the General Federation of Women's Clubs shall be added to the dues required for Club participation in the San Gabriel Valley District of Woman's Clubs.

18. The San Gabriel Valley District (SGVE) will support the SGVD Clubs in their efforts to generate Academic Scholarship funds. And, the SGVD will now only conduct the SGVD Music Scholarship Competition. The SGVD Music Chair will ensure the Fundraising Committee execute plans to do what is necessary to generate funds to cover the cost of the SGVD music scholarship competition.

D. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The President at their discretion may include other members and/or outside experts/consultants as may be deemed necessary at Executive Committee Meetings. The additional participants do not have a vote. All those in attendance at the Executive Committee Meetings shall conform to standards of confidentiality as appropriate.

E. EXECUTIVE BOARD

1. The regular meeting of the Executive Board shall be held the Second Friday of June, and September through May, unless the Board or Executive Committee orders otherwise

2. Courtesy seats shall be granted to Club Officers and Chairpersons at District/SGVD Board meetings, but they shall have no vote except when representing the President or First Vice President.

3. To honor the Past District/SGVD Presidents at the Birthday Council a donation will be made in their names to the Helen Tunkis Memorial Fund, the amount to be determined by the Executive Committee.

4. An Officer or Chairperson shall be reimbursed for approved expenses when representing the District/SGVD. See Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 4.

All Officers and Chairpersons not presenting bills by May 31st shall forfeit payment of same.

F. COURTESY MEALS

1. Members of the San Gabriel Valley District/SGVD, when participating in programs of Councils, Conferences and other District/SGVD affairs, shall receive courtesy meal tickets only when invited as special guests by the Executive Committee or the Executive Board.

2. Past CFWC Presidents from the District/SGVD, Past District/SGVD Presidents,

GFWC/CFWC Officers or Chairpersons and other District/SGVD Presidents in Area, when invited to specific District/SGVD functions, shall have their meals paid for by the District/SGVD.

3. Past CFWC Presidents from the District/SGVD and Past District/SGVD Presidents are to be the guests at the Birthday Council and the District/SGVD Convention function at the time they are honored.

G. AWARDS

1. District/SGVD awards shall be limited to three awards in each program and department and in each size category. Additional awards may be given upon approval of the First Vice President. CFWC award Certificates shall become the property of the Chairperson winning the award, with a copy provided for the SGVD President's memory book.

2. Club size categories for District/SGVD as well as CFWC awards shall be determined by CFWC.

3. Any bona fide member of a District/SGVD may enter into competition for District/SGVD awards.

4. All District/SGVD Chairpersons who have reports to be judged must submit to the First Vice President no later than November 1 the names of three judges who are not members of Clubs in our District/SGVD. Signed Judges Placement Sheets must be turned in with reports to the District/SGVD First Vice President at the Birthday Council.

Contest forms must be presented for approval by the Executive Committee by the June meeting. All scholarship recipients must submit all paperwork required in the contest rules to the District/SGVD Financial Secretary by November 30 of the year in which the scholarship is awarded.

Monies collected at the annual Birthday Council shall be donated at the discretion of the current District/SGVD President.

8. The LEADS Chairperson shall submit to the First Vice President no later than November 1 the names of three judges who are not members of a club in our District/SGVD.

H. DISTRICT/SGVD BULLETIN – THE KEY

1. All material for the District/SGVD Bulletin (The KEY) shall be in the hands of the Editor not later than the twentieth (20th) of the preceding month. Annual subscription to The KEY shall be fifteen dollars (\$15) for members wishing to receive a copy via U.S. mail. Club presidents and 1st Vice presidents, and SGVD Committee Chairpersons will receive a copy via email. Members may download The KEY from the District/SGVD website. Subscription year is June 1 through May 31. Club Presidents are to submit names and addresses of members subscribing to The KEY by mail to the Editor at the May Board meeting with a Club check for subscriptions. Additional subscriptions may be submitted throughout the year.

GFWC/CFWC President, GFWC/CFWC First Vice President, GFWC/CFWC Second Vice President, GFWC/CFWC Area B Vice President, GFWC/SGVD President, GFWC/SGVD Past Presidents and GFWC/SGVD Past CFWC Presidents from SGVD shall receive The KEY gratis. All Clubs and Affiliate Groups shall receive one complimentary copy of The KEY sent by the most economical means. Ads may be placed in The KEY at a cost of ten dollars (\$10) per issue or one hundred dollars (\$100) per year, payable at the time the ad is placed.

2. GFWC/CFWC President, GFWC/CFWC First Vice President, GFWC/CFWC Second Vice President, GFWC/CFWC Area B Vice President, GFWC/SGVD President, GFWC/SGVD Past Presidents and GFWC/SGVD Past CFWC Presidents from SGVD shall receive The Key gratis. All Clubs and Affiliate Groups shall receive one complimentary copy of The Key sent by the most economical means.

I. DISTRICT YEARBOOK

1. The current Executive Committee, the most recent District past president and the Club Presidents or their alternate may receive one Yearbook gratis. These members will be asked their preference of a printed or electronic copy of the Yearbook. All others shall pay the actual cost of the printing or the actual cost of the flash drive. PDF email copies of the Yearbook will be provided at no cost.

J. PRIVACY AND SECURITY

 Neither the Procedure/Yearbook nor any part of it shall be sold or used for commercial or other purposes except upon approval of the SGVD Executive Committee or the SGVD President.
 Any SGVD member sending an email to all members or a group of members shall be requested to use the BCC option.

K. District/SGVD Social Media/Website

1. The official Facebook and Website for the San Gabriel Valley District/SGVD of the California Federation of Women's Clubs shall be established and maintained by a member(s) appointed by the President and ratified by the Executive Committee as the Facebook Administrator and Webmaster. All costs related to these sites shall be covered by the SGVD. Access codes/administrative rights shall be limited to the President and the member(s) appointed to maintain the sites.

2. The Facebook Administrator and Webmaster shall be considered Administrative Chairpersons and report directly to the President.

3. When new Facebook Administrator and/or Webmaster is appointed, a joint meeting of the former and new appointees shall be held at which time the former members assigned to those tasks shall provide a procedures book to the new appointees and also provide all access codes/administrative rights to the newly appointed members. This meeting shall be chaired by the SGVD President and shall take place within one week of the change in appointments.

4. **Upon receipt of the previous access codes/administrative rights the newly appointed** Facebook Administrator and/or Webmaster shall change the codes within 3 business days. Should a former Facebook Administrator and/or Webmaster refuse/prevent the changing of access codes/administrative rights without the authorization of the President maintain any control over the SGVD Facebook or Website they shall be subject to the disciplinary procedures under Article VII Section 6 of the Bylaws of the SGVD and shall be held personally responsibility for any costs related to changing of access codes/administrative rights.

5. Upon the appointment of a new Facebook Administrator and/or Webmaster members previously responsible for these duties will discontinue posting material without authorization of the current President. Violation of this provision shall be subject to the disciplinary procedures under article VII Section 6 of the Bylaws of the SGVD and shall be held personally responsibility for any costs related to changing of access codes/administrative rights.

6. The San Gabriel Valley District/SGVD does not sanction members other than those appointed by President and ratified by the Executive Committee to post information on the official District/SGVD Facebook page and/or website or to use any reference/statement that a private page is connected to the San Gabriel Valley District/SGVD Should an unauthorized site exist and/or be established, the Facebook Administrator and Webmaster will post appropriate information on the official site as to lack of District/SGVD authorization of the unofficial site and the potential inaccuracy of those postings. The team shall work to eliminate the use of any title and/or logo on the unofficial site to include contacting Facebook or the Website hosting site to take any necessary action. 7. Any member concerned about a positing on the official San Gabriel Valley District/SGVD Facebook or Website shall report to the President and members who are assigned by the President to manage the site(s). Resolution shall be the responsibility of the Facebook Administrator and/or Webmaster and the Social Media Approval Committee as may be appropriate in consultation with the President's approval to resolve.

8. Any member concerned about the existence and/or posting of SGVD information on any unofficial site, shall report that posting to the Facebook Administrator and/or Webmaster as may be appropriate. Resolution shall be the responsibility of the Facebook Administrator and Webmaster in consultation with the President and shall include a formal written notification to stop unauthorized postings.

9. The Facebook Administrator and Webmaster shall follow all copyright laws, Facebook terms of service and community standards, CFWC and GFWC guidelines related to posted materials. 10. No new social media accounts on any platform involving the SGVD shall be established without the approval of the Executive Committee. Approval shall require a written request and vote of the majority of the members of the Executive Committee.

11. The membership forms and event sign-in sheets shall include a place for participants to provide permission for the use of photographs for posting on the SGVD Facebook and/or Website.

12. Material placed on this public format will not include personal information including addresses or phone numbers, pictures of checks or money. Club Members' privacy and dignity will be adhered to and any objection to postings by Club Members will be addressed in a timely manner.

13. The Facebook Administrator and Webmaster shall verify that all those included in posted photos have given permission for their use on Social Media.

14. There shall be zero cost to the members uploading and posting related information pertaining to Clubs within the District/SGVD on social media.

15. The District/SGVD website advertisement cost shall be free if a \$10.00 add is placed in the monthly Key Newsletter.

16. All information to be posted on Facebook or the District/SGVD Website shall be submitted to a Social Media Approval Committee for prior authorization. The Committee shall be composed of three members selected by the President. Should there be/become a conflict of interest between member(s) of the Social Media Approval Committee and the author of a proposal, the President shall make the final decision.

17. The purpose of the SGVD Facebook is to allow official District/SGVD approved information to be posted for all members to read and to allow the District/SGVD Clubs to promote their activities to other Clubs throughout the District/SGVD.

18. The President and her appointed Communications team to include the Social Media Approval Committee are the only members who may have access to Facebook administrative rights and Webpage. They are the only members who can post items.

19. Clubs may submit items to be posted and posted information shall be about their up-coming activities that are open to others to attend/participate in. Club posts must include the Club name and the CFWC/GFWC official logos.

20. Information related to activities not open to others should be posted on each Club's separate Facebook page or Website.

21. Should there be a breach in the Standing Rules related to Social Media the President may shut down the page, website account etc. as may be necessary until the problems are resolved.

L. AMENDMENTS

1. The SGVD Standing Rules may be amended at any regular meeting of the Executive Board by a two-thirds vote.

2. A SGVD Standing Rule/Bylaw may be suspended for the duration of a single meeting of the Executive Committee or Executive Board by a majority vote of those present.

3. All amendments to the SGVD Standing Rules made under the suspension of rules shall become effective at the close of the business session at which they are adopted, except for those containing a proviso date.

4.All amendments to the SGVD Bylaws made under the suspension of rules shall become effective at the close of the business session at which they are adopted, except for those containing a proviso date.

Amended December 8, 2023



2024-2026 Slate of Candidates for District Office

President	Gina Morales
1 st Vice President-Dean	Denise Jackman
2 nd Vice President-Membership	Terri Cardenas
3 rd Vice President-Convention	Abbey Howell
Recording Secretary	Isabel Cervantes
	Nancy Krueger
Treasurer	Shari Kovach
Financial Secretary	Yvette Romo
Financial Secretary	Yvette Romo

YEARBOOK CORRECTIONS

Mavis Hansen mavishansen12@twc.com Whittier - Whittier Woman's Club 2nd Tuesday, 7:00pm Should be 2nd Wed, 6:30pm PIH Blg. 15728 East Whittier Bld. Whittier NEW LOCATION: East Whittier United Methodist Church 10005 Cole Rd, Whittier President: Tina LaCarra 6403 Bequetta Ave. Pico Rivera, Ca.90660 562-943-15079 Januards @ aol.com Facebook: whittier womensclub

SGVD Committee Chairmen Messages

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

The information (directions and forms) are in the SGVD yearbook -pages 51-56. It's not too early to urge 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.

It's not too early to urge members to submits works or to go to your community schools and request student artwork.

Art Contest is March 8, 2024. Artwork is turned in March 7,2024

Crafts Contest Christine Smith...gramachrisy@yahoo.com...626-337-6356 Terri Cardenas...terricardenas@gmail.com...562-879-6719

We want to thank all who participated in the Craft Contest at the Birthday Council. Congratulations to all 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners . Ok Ladies you all have a year to start on your entries for next year.

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

The information (directions and forms) are in the SGVD yearbook p.78. It's not too early to urge members to submits works or to go to your community schools and request student and photos.

Art Contest is March 8, 2024. Artwork is turned in March 7,2024

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



Education Libraries

"Education: The Master Key for the Past, Present, and Future" Whose Business is Education? Yours, Mine, and Everyone's!

All of us, one and all, are encouraged to regularly visit our local school boards in **our** elementary, high school, and community colleges at least once a year. This can be done in person and/or in many cases online via "you.tube." At the meeting, you can ask questions, learn how local students compare with others throughout our state, the nation, and even around the world. You will also learn what is being taught; what's not being taught, and just maybe what you believe should be taught, but is missing. **We are the elected School Board Members' bosses. They make decisions for us and should hear from us.**

At School Board meetings, You can share your ideas; your opinions during the scheduled time for "Public Comments"—usually for up to three minutes maximum. You can express your views in person, or even via US Mail or e-mail. Just do a google/safari search for the address of the School Board, the Calendar for Meetings, along with the name of the Superintendent, to whom you wish to send your input. Just address your communication to "The Members of the School Board."

You do not even have children in school now? No, but you still pay hefty property taxes to support public schools. The value of our homes is largely based on how well our local schools perform. All of us are "stakeholders," with much to gain; much to lose.

To be well-informed about the state of education in California, in other states, and even in other countries, there is a wonderful free source—a web-site: **Ed100.org**, posted and hosted by the California PTA (capta.org.) You may even join your local PTA or PTSA and volunteer as a tutor/mentor; and you do not even have to have children in school.

"Public Libraries"—A Community's Treasure Chest



The highly respected journalist and commentator Walter Cronkite once opined: "Whatever the cost of our libraries, the price is cheap compared to that of an ignorant nation." Our Los Angeles County Public Library and our local City Libraries provide a treasure chest of services "for free"—subsidized by us taxpayers. You can acquire a library card for free.

Here are some of the offerings at many libraries: In-Person Program, "Curb Service"—you order a book and they will bring it to your car., a high school GED for free, Holiday Recipes from Around the World, Laptop & Hotspot Loans, Sources for Covid-19 Resources, Online Learning, A "Kids Page," Audio & e-books; dvd's and downloadable movies via Kanopy. And now, even "free tools for carpentry and gardening" are available at many libraries.

https://lacountylibrary.org/https:/lacountylibrary.org/

Professor Esthela Torres de Siegrist, MA/ABD

SGVD Chairwoman for Education and Libraries

Environment...

Floretta Shepphard...sheppard1949@msn.com...562-857-7818

Hi Ladies, I'm writing this article while it's storming outside with much needed rain. It is a wonderful day to curl-up with a good book or movie.

I just finished reading an article written and published from Auburn University, Ala. I want to share the article with you.

It is entitled "Recycled Christmas trees make positive environmental impacts" Extracts from the article follows.

During the holiday season, approximately 25 to 30 million real Christmas trees are used in homes across the U.S.

One of the most popular ways to reuse a Christmas tree is to find a natural use for them . Arguably, the most common application is to use trees for fish habitat. Rusty Wright, an Alabama Cooperative Extension System fisheries specialist, said fish are naturally attracted to a tree habitat for many reasons.

"Small fish use the trees as a form of protection from larger predators," Wright said. "Larger fish use it as a place to wait for their prey to pass by. They also use it as protection from predators such as large, fish-eating birds."

Additionally, Christmas trees serve as a surface for algae that supports many insects and other aquatic animals that fish use as food. There is also a recreational benefit to placing them in fishing ponds.

Recycling trees is made easy through utilization of drop-off locations. "Check with your local municipalities, as some have tree collection points," said Jeremy Pickens, an assistant Extension professor of commercial horticulture. "These trees are often turned into mulch and sometimes the mulch is free."

President's Scrapbook Laura Schano...Lks423@att..net ... 626-807-3291

Greetings to all!

During our SGVD Convention in April, Our President is presented with a scrapbook that includes photos and memorabilia that has been collected each year during her term. We also include pages that have been created by each Club in the San Gabriel Valley District. These pages are due and collected at the Spring Council Meeting in March

*Scrap book pages will be distributed at the January 12, 2024 Birthday Council *Each club is asked to decorate their pages, front and back, with pictures of their club activities including pictures of the SGVD President in attendance at their club events.

* Please only use the correctly sized pages and plastic sleeves distributed to your club

*Clubs not in attendance at the Birthday Council may make arrangements with Chairperson for pick up.

* Pages are due by Spring Council March 8, 2024

* Questions? Call or email Chairperson Laura Schano

---(626) 807-3291

Lks423@att.net

Birthdays Care & Concern Mavis Hansen...<u>newmavis07@outlook.com...626-441-6231</u>



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS Aquarius FEBRUARY 1 – 19 THE WATER BEARER

An Aquarius symbolizes advanced thought with clear truth and eternal wisdom. Somewhat fanciful but wise attitude. Should not be restricted, but given opportunity to exercise imaginative powers. Very accepting and likes things to go easily. They wish for happiness and understanding in all they do and do not like conflict. They have high ideals and share with ease.

Colors are: electric blue, silver gray and florescent tones.

Gemstones are: amazonite that opens inspirational faculties, aquamarine which combats depression, hematite that helps ground influences and amber to calm restlessness.

Notables are: Mikhail Baryshnikov, Humphrey Bogart, Lord Byron, Lewis Carroll, Placido Domingo, W.A. Mozart, Anna Pavlova, Oprah Winfrey and Virginia Wolf.

PISCES February 20 – 29 THE FISH

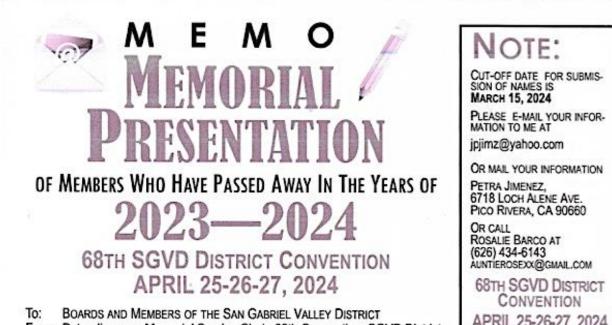
A Pisces enjoys friendships and close partnerships and yet may become loners. They share material possessions easily. Extremely sensitive, they bear sorrow and suffering well and yet are vulnerable to depression. Very generous and caring of the difficulties of others. Their respect and extreme compassion for others is often taken advantage of. Blessed with an excellent memory and they are true believers.

Colors are: mauve, purple and aquamarine.

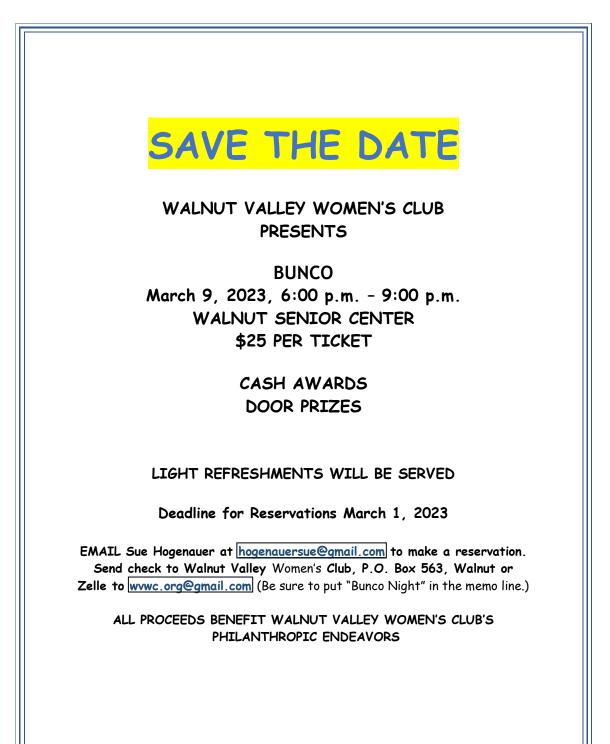
Gemstones are: white opal that enhances awareness, jade to allay fear, pearl which offers soothing consolation and amethyst to protect against addictive.

The February Flower is the Primrose A symbol of modesty, distinction and virtue. influences. Notables are: Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Sandro Botticelli, Glenn Close, Jackie Joyner-Kersee, Michelango, Liza Minnelli, August Renoir and Elizabeth Taylor.

Important Dates in February are: Chinese New Year, Groundhog Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Valentine's Day, Presidents' Day and Washington's Birthday.



PLEASE SUBMIT THE NAM	IES OF YOUR CLUB MEMBERS WHO PASSED AWAY IN THE YEARS
	ON IN THE MEMORIAL. CUT-OFF DATE IS MARCH 15, 2024.
CLUB:	Contact:
Name of Deceased:	
	Years of Membership
Biography of Her Contribution to your	Club
(Volunteer, Chairperson, Club Board N	lember, Crafts, Cherished Memories, etc.)
CLUB:	Contact:
	Years of Membership
Biography of Her Contribution to your	Gub
Volunteer, Chairperson, Club Board N	lember, Crafts, Cherished Memories, etc.)
	Contact:
Name of Deceased:	
Date of Death	Years of Membership
Biography of Her Contribution to your	Club
Nut and the second second	lember, Crafts, Cherished Memories, etc.)



WALNUT VALLEY WOMEN'S CLUB

PRESENTS A

PRIVATE LOS ANGELES HARBOR CRUISE AND DINING FOR FOUR

DONATION: \$45



Only 100 Opportunities Available

DETAILS

Enter for an opportunity to win a private LA Harbor Cruise with dining for 4 onboard a 31foot powerboat. All net proceeds to benefit WVWC's philanthropic projects. Actual dates and particulars to be mutually agreed upon between winner and sponsors. Once 100 tickets have been sold, a drawing will be held for the winning ticket. All participants will be notified of winner.

INCLUDES

.

- Private chef
- Licensed boat captain
- Tailored meals for cruise
 - Up to 4 guests
- LA Harbor cruise
- Hostess

\$1,500 value

OUR SPONSORS

- Cooking It Personally
- Compass Rose Cruising
- Campbell Marine Services

HOW TO SUPPORT

- \$45 Donation (501(c)3 service club)
- Pay via Zelle <u>wvwc.org@gmail.com</u>
- Check Make checks payable to Walnut Valley Women's Club
- Cash donation accepted

FOR MORE DETAILS:

Tel. Ph. No. – 626-391-1955 (Karen) Email – <u>voterew@gmail.com</u> or <u>wvwc.org@gmail.com</u> Address – PO Box 563, Walnut, CA 91788



Events





BALDWIN PARK WOMAN'S CLUB

All events are held at the Clubhouse located at 3817 Baldwin Park Blvd.

RSVP's are required so we can plan for food and set up. You may also call the clubhouse direct, please leave a message.

626-337-4192 baldwinparkwc@gmail.com

If you would just *like to donate* to support local families and kids, mail in your donation in any amount to:

> BPWC, P.O. Box 263 Baldwin Park, CA 91706

DVAC BABY SHOWER GAME DAY

Sat, March 29, 2024 11 am to 2 pm \$15



Join the fun as we FUNraise for our local shelter. All monies raised and items

collected will go to benefit families in crisis or need. We are asking all in attendance to <u>donate a new toy or clothing item</u>. These will be donated to a shelter or help center, so we can help others. Suggested sizes are 12 mos to 4T. Toys may include books.

RSVP: Cruz Baca at 626-806-9583 or at cruzsembello@hotmail.com <u>by Mar 25th</u>.

FOR THE KIDS Spaghetti Dinner



Sat, Feb 24, 2024 5 to 7 pm \$15/Adult dinner, \$6/Kids bowl

<u>Dinner</u> includes spaghetti, garlic bread, salad and dessert. <u>Bowl</u> includes spaghetti and dessert. We are raising money to purchase books for our schools as our Children's Advocacy project. You may **Dine In** or **Take Out.** Beverages w/ dine in. **RSVP:** Maureen Foster at 951-674-8407 or maureenfosterdavis@gmail.com <u>by Feb 20th</u>.

CONSERVATION GAME DAY & PLANT SALE



It's almost Earth Day and to celebrate, we are hosting a game day with lunch and a bonus Plant Sale. Proceeds will benefit our conservation projects. Plants are cultivated by our club gardener and include succulent and drought tolerant plants.

RSVP: Laura Santos at 626-261-9358 or laurasantos3454@gmail.com <u>by Apr 15th</u>.

Return to Terry Perkins 735 Windwood Drive Walnut, Ca. 91789

То: