

"The KEY"

San Gabriel Valley District
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Clubs

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



District Calendar

December 2023

- •Dec.64, 2023 -SGVD Executive Committee Holoiday Breakfast Meeting,930am. Double Tree Hotel Restaurant "VITA", 3101 W. Temple Avenue, Pomona, CA 91768
- •Dec. 8, 2023-Club Holiday Boutique & Board Meeting Covina128 San Jose, Covina- 9:30 am 1:30pm. All clubs are invited to participate in this fundraising club event. Items sold at this event will benefit the clubs only. No outside vendor booths allowed. Club booth Reservations required. Club Reservations and Club Checks due to Reservation Chairperson at Dec. Meeting. Rosette Clippinger. Cost is \$25.00 per attending member.
- •December 9, 2023 -SGVD Holiday Dinner Dance Charity Event 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM \$55.00 Held at the Pio Pico Woman's Club 9214 Mines Ave, Pico Rivera, CA

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

Dear Sister's in Federation,

I would like to wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas, Happy Holiday Season and a wonderful time spent with family and friends. May this season bring to you joy extended beyond your dreams along with good health.

The Holiday Season has arrived. <u>It's time to prepare a year end check-off list!</u>

- 1. District Chairmen submitting Judges for approval
- 2. Club Deans last call to submit project reports: deadline
- 3. Club Membership cut-off date to submit (6) copies, check to District
- 4. Arrange for a fundraising table at the District Holiday Club Boutique
- 5. Reminder Birthday Council reservations are due at the December 8th --Meeting cost \$25.00
- 6. I am sure something else will come up......

A big thank you to the District Past Presidents, who help to support and make the Wise Owl's Fall Council this year an afternoon filled with memories. We had a wonderful time filled with learning of Leadership, Wisdom and Financial accountabilities. Hat's off to CFWC-Director of Finance, Marsha La Rosso, who was our featured guest speaker that contributed to the success of our program at Fall Council.

Thank you Abbey Howell-President





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

Don't forget •January 6-13, 2024 - All Clubs are to email Club Reports on the Club Award Entry Form to District 1st Vice president: Terry Perkins perkinstlee@gmail.com

Now for some fun and cheer, enjoy reading this poem by Joanna Fuchs.

It says what I'd like to share with you.
Take a heap of child-like wonder
That opens up our eyes
To the unexpected gifts in life
Each day a sweet surprise.
Mix In fond appreciation
For the people whom we know;
Like festive Christmas candles,
Each one has a special glow.
Add some giggles and some laughter,
A dash of Christmas food,
(Amazing how a piece of pie
Improves our attitude!)
Stir it all with human kindness;
Wrap It up in love and peace,

Decorate with optimism, and Our joy will never cease. If we use this healthy recipe, We know we will remember To be In the Christmas spirit, Even when it's not December.











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

IMPORTANT NOTUCE: The last day to turn in new members is Dec.8. 2023. The form with check must be turned in that day. Any new members after that are to be kept until March 2024. Aform was sent via email to all club presidents, treasurers and membership officers.

I have great news SGVD is now 1,162 members strong. You are all amazing. Continue with your recruitment efforts. We have recruited a total of 124 new members! This is fantastic! I am very proud of all of you!!!

The Campaign for September and October first timer attendance at a SGVD Board Business Meeting is over and the club with the highest attending first timers was Pio Pico Woman's Club. They brought three first timers, seven new members and had 14 members present at the October meeting.

There will be a Membership Workshop on December 5, 2023 at Pio Pico Woman's Club from 10am to 12noon. This 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. Last date to register is November 17, 2023.

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.

Have a great Christmas and enjoy your family.

Parliamentarian Message Claudia Maidenberg ... 909-816-4652... c.maidenberg@verizon.net



There are Many Ways to Lead an Organization

Have you ever noticed that people have very different personalities? Your personality influences your leadership style. Just as I have said that there is no one right way to do anything, all leadership styles have their good points and bad points. It may just be that there is no one right leadership style.

Entrepreneurial or Innovator

This leader embraces competition and the quest for success. In our type of organization this leadership style would judge success on the amount of dollars donated, the number of hours volunteered and the amount of recognition the organization received. They are eternally opportunistic and value the end goal rather than relationships.

Missionary

For this type of leader success is about making a difference, building something original and having an impact. They aim to turn the organization into a cause that can be single minded.

Problem Solver

They rise through the ranks to lead organizations they've built, confront difficulties and identify new opportunities. These are generally top-down managers who are seen as doing whatever it takes to get the job done.

Solution Finder

This leader is about taking one step at a time and building a quality team that work together to get to the goal. They are humble and don't make headlines while still being ambitious. Volunteers are most engaged when they feel like their volunteer efforts are contributing to over all good they signed on to support when they joined the organization. I encourage you to think

about your style and reflect on how it supports helping our volunteer members feel they are making a meaningful contribution.

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 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.

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

The information (directions and forms) are in the SGVD yearbook -pages 74-77. It's time to urge members to submits crafts. Items are due on Jan.11.2024. \The Crafts Contest is at Birthday Council, Jan.12. 2024. If you have any questions please email or call Chris or Terri

Creative Writing Contests

Pamela Robinson...pamrob323@gmail.com...909-210-2679

The information (directions and forms) are in the yearbook -pages 57-62.

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

The information (directions and forms) are in the SGVD yearbook -78. It's not too early to urge members to submits works or to go to your community schools and request student art and photos. All entries must be sent by February 20, 2023. Email them or mail them to her. Information I on page 78.

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

Now is the time to check with the high school music teachers in your club area. The information and forms are in the SGVD 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.) This the deadline for turning in the contestant forms.

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

I am hoping that as you all read this article, that you have all enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving day with your family and love ones, and I am reminded of the old saying "How time flies when you are having fun" because ever since our District's meetings began in September we have enjoyed so many terrific and beautiful events and in keeping with our tradition of terrific events, this is our time to shine again.

I have spoken with our CHP liaison, officer Joseph Davila, and he says that both he and his fellow officer's will definitely be at our SGVD District's meeting on Friday, December the 8th and will be arriving at 11:30 a.m., and he also mentioned how impressed he was by the generous amount of toys and gift cards they collected, while I humbly said thank you on our behalf, I said that it was because "WE" each and every one of you that contribute every year that make this Annual Chip's for Kid's Toy drive such a success.

It's with a grateful heart, that I say Thank You to each one of you, because it's through your loving and generous donations that will be making a big difference to these children, so that they will have a Happy and Merry Christmas.

Until next year, have a Merry Christmas and safe New Year.

Women's History & Resource Center Patsy Wilson...pwilson11@verizon.net...909-393-6434

Special Message from a Member Regarding Veterans

Hello. May I introduce myself, my name is Cheryl Burki and I am a member of CFWC Federated Covina Woman's Club.

I joined the club in Sept, 2021, I had previously been a volunteer at Inter-Community Hospital and the Covid hit and that ended that. After so much time had passed and I wasn't doing anything but staying at home due to Covid and things had gotten better with the Covid restrictions I decided I needed to do something. Returning to the hospital was not an option at that time.

I have lived on the same street as the Covina Club House one block away for 29 years. I always saw the building but never really inquired as to what they do, but I did know a few members so I gave them a call to check things out. I had no idea they did so many things. When I heard they worked with the Veterans my everything lit up. At that time they were looking for a military family to help at Christmas. I had not joined yet but offered to help them locate a family as I had a few contacts, so I did and we found one. The next thing I knew I received a telephone call asking if I would like to join and if I was interested in serving as The Chairman of Veterans Affairs as the member holding that position could no longer do so. Of course, I gladly did and have not regretted a minute.

I have always had a love and respect for the military so this was just icing on the cake. It took me a while to learn the ins and outs and what my responsibilities were, but I had and still have a wonderful mentor by the name of Gwen Esch who is always there. Thank you, Gwen.

When I joined the Covina Woman's Club I had no idea the fulfilment I would get serving our veterans and representing our club and the greatest bonus was the friendship I would establish with my sister members. Who would ever know you could find so many lovely people in one place.

I enjoy going to all the different kinds of meetings not only to meet new people but learn different things.

Our club has done so many things for the veterans, such as: Welcome Home Boxes, Military Family Xmas, twice a year donations to USO & Loma Linda VA Hospital, hygiene bags for the homeless, female veterans baby shower, Gold Star Families, Table of Valor and forthcoming Blue Star Mothers. The support the club members give to help me do what I love to do is unbelievable. Two of my favorite events the club did was the Military Family Christmas, 5 children and what a Christmas they had due to our club members and donations. The look on their faces when we arrived at their home was priceless, a look I won't forget. The Gold Star Family lunch was an honor to put on.

I was blessed to be able to start my 3rd term September 2023, and the more I learn and realize what the veterans' needs are the more I want to do.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as a member of the Covina Woman's Club to do what I love to do. I am proud when I get to say "I am a member of the Covina Woman's Club".

Cordially,

Cheryl Burki

Covina Woman's Club/Chairman of Veterans Affairs

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



Sagittarius: December 1-21 9th sign of the Zodiac: The Archer

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

Gems are the Turquoise, protecting against catastrophe. Amethyst which promotes mildness and understanding and 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, Bruce Lee and Joe DiMaggio. Capricorn

December 22-31 10th sign of the Zodiak: The Goat

A Capricorn symbolizes the serious outlook of maturity, a refusal to waste energy, a careful approach to all things and a responsible attitude. Ambition and a strive to succeed. Gems are the diamond, which raises self-confidence and ambition. Falcon's Eye for visionary power and White Sapphire which combines discipline with friendliness. Colors are all shades of Brown and Orange.

Capricorn notables are Ava Gardner, Cissie Spacek, Marlene Dietrich, Denzel Washington, Mary Tyler Moore, Rudyard Kipling, Elizabeth Arden and Anthony Hopkins. December flowers are Holly, Narcissus and Poinsettia.

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAY!

ADS





OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY IN THE YEARS OF

68TH SGVD DISTRICT CONVENTION APRIL 25-26-27, 2024

BOARDS AND MEMBERS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY DISTRICT From: Petra Jimenez, Memorial Service Chair, 68th Convention, SGVD District

CUT-OFF DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF NAMES IS
MARCH 15, 2024

PLEASE E-MAIL YOUR INFORMATION TO ME AT

jpjimz@yahoo.com

OR MAIL YOUR INFORMATION PETRA JIMENEZ, 6718 LOCH ALENE AVE. PICO RIVERA, CA 90660

OR CALL ROSALIE BARCO AT (626) 434-6143 AUNTIEROSEXX@GMAIL.COM

68TH SGVD DISTRICT CONVENTION

APRIL 25-26-27, 2024

CLUB:	Contact:
Name of Deceased:	
Date of Death	Years of Membership
Biography of Her Contribution to your C	ub
(Volunteer, Chairperson, Club Board Me	mber, Crafts, Cherished Memories, etc.)
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San Gabriel Valley District

Happy 68th Birthday Council



You're cordially invited to join us at District as we enjoy and celebrate the District 68th Birthday Party. We will honor and celebrate membership of our Past District Presidents, Club Presidents. All Club Presidents are encouraged to join the birthday march and present the District President with a \$25.00-Birthday Card, along with a Club Gift Basket. Each President will be given the opportunity to share their success and theme, colors and symbols.

Place: Covina Woman's Club 128 S. San Jose Ave – Covina, CA. 91723

Date: Friday – January 12, 2023

Time: 9:30am to 1:30pm – A box lunch will be served Cost \$25.00 per attending guest. Meal reservations due

Date: December 8, 2023 – Deadline: December 22, 2023



San Gabriel Valley District

Birthday Council & General Business Board Meeting Registration Form - January 12, 2024

Club Name:		
Mail this form with club	members - Make Club Check payable to: SGVD check to the Reservation Chairperson: amond Bar, CA 91765	
	- Italian Sub Sandwich Chips, Dessert, Drink s due by: December 8, 2023	
<u>Deadline</u>	e: December 22, 2023	
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10. _____Cost _____

Total payment amount: ______\$ _____1



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023 9:30 AM—1:00 PM

COVINA WOMAN'S CLUB, COVINA CA

No Outside Vendors, Club Members Only Two tables maximum

Clubs are responsible for bringing their own tablecloths, extension cords or any other equipment needed.

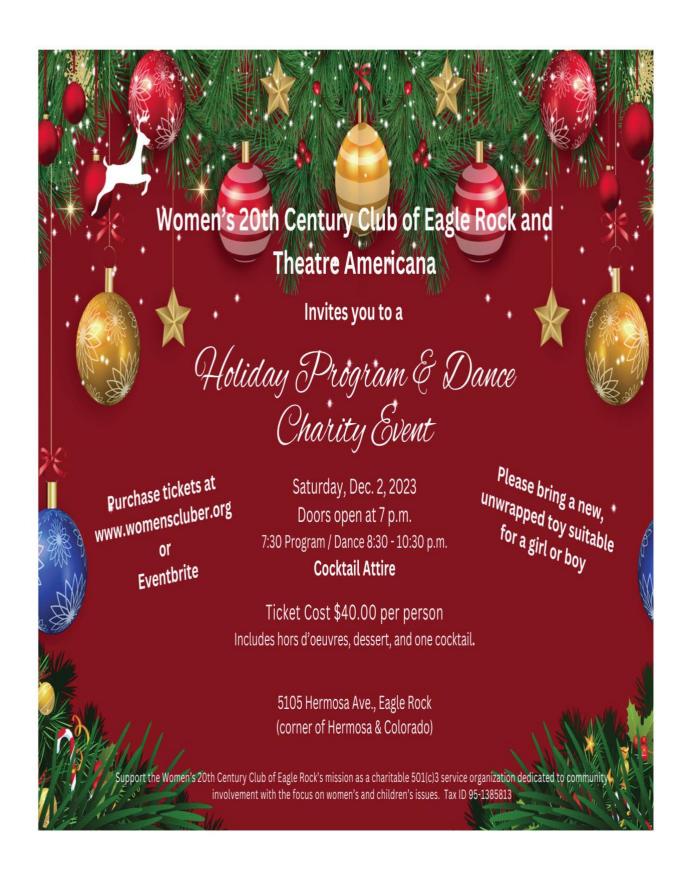
DEADLINE TO APPLY IS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023. NO EXCEPTIONS!

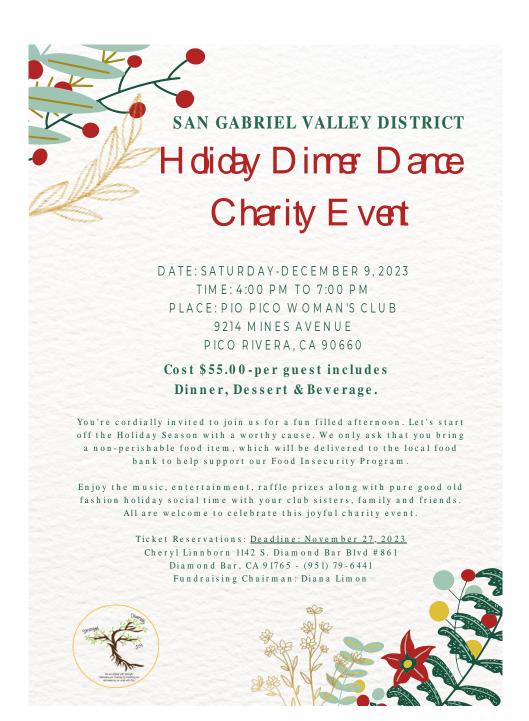
Entry forms will be located on Information Table at Fall Council General Meeting (11/10/23)

QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT:

Beverly Pearson, Sergeant-At-Arms (626) 338-7816 Email: Beverlypearsonucla@gmail.com



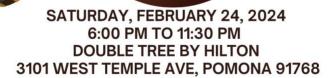






A Night Sundraising Gala





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: