



**JANUARY**



**“The KEY”**

**San Gabriel Valley District  
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Diamond Bar, Ca 91765  
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**Building our success as Federated Sisters  
Through  
Strength, Diversity and Joy!**



**January District Calendar**

- Jan.11, 2024** SGVD Craft Contest Set-up                      Covina Club    9:30 Am-12:30PM
  - Jan.12, 2024** Birthday Council & Business Board    Covina Club    9:30 AM -1:30 PM
- Birthday Council Program & Luncheon All Club Presidents Present, Qualified Running Candidates for Office must be presented by January 1<sup>st</sup> to SGVD Parliamentarian Patsy Wilson; Craft Contest Awards; Club Reports Due; Creative Writing Contest Entry Forms due. The submission of Club Newsletter Contest due and the Music Completion (4) Entry Forms due. Club Kindness Angels entries are due. Please provide copies to District Chairperson all entry forms. Fashion Show ticket sales money due \$60.00, submit Club Checks to Chairman Diana Limon.
- Jan.13, 2024** Club Reports Absolute Deadline via email to 1<sup>st</sup> VP/District Dean Terry Perkins
  - Jan 13, 2024** Parliamentary Affiliate Group Meeting, Baldwin Park Woman's Club, 3817 Baldwin Park Blvd., Baldwin Park, 10 a.m. (opt. to go to lunch at a restaurant in the area following meeting)

**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 and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice 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**

Diamond Bar Women's Club  
President  
Diana Limon  
1947 Chota Road,  
La Habra Heights, Ca 90631  
626-383-7405  
[Dhlimon09@outlook.com](mailto:Dhlimon09@outlook.com)

Charter Oak Women's Club  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Frances Fortugno  
755 E. Essex St  
Glendora, Ca 91740  
626-826-3020  
[the542gnos@aol.com](mailto:the542gnos@aol.com),

Walnut Valley Women's Club President/SGVD Citizen of the Year (p.71 in SGVD Yearbook)  
[Sharona.altman@icloud.com](mailto:Sharona.altman@icloud.com)



### **Executive Board Messages**

#### **President's Message**

**Abbey Howell...(909) 348-3779...abbshowell@yahoo.com**

Dear Sisters in Federation,

I would like to wish each of you a very Happy New Year's!

It is my wish that we all remain Healthy and Joyful throughout this 2024 Season. We all have so much to be thankful for each day, as we approach the volunteer business at hand. The first San Gabriel Valley District Holiday & Dinner Dance was fabulous! We donated \$200.00 to the Presidents Charity of Choice for food insecurity with many non-perishable items. Thank you, Pio Pico Woman's Club for hosting.

Our Clubs have just completed an entire year of recording all the good work accomplished in 2023. Thank you for submitting your club reports to the District Dean. The placement of all Club Reports will be judged according to membership size. Just know that we are all winners in placement and effort of submission.

Our 68<sup>th</sup> San Gabriel Valley District Birthday Celebration will take place on January 12, 2024 at the Covina Woman's Club we will enjoy lunch and birthday cake. A brief Business Board Meeting will be held. We will honor the Past District Presidents, along with Club Presidents. Please submit all Birthday Council reservations to our Treasurer, Yvette Romo prior to the deadline. We will also be collecting checks for this year's Fashion Show "Pearls & Heels"

I am very excited about the new strategies and changes for this year's SGVD-Convention. We will be offering a (1)-day in Session Workshop, only Friday morning of convention. I can see a great leadership potential for all our members to enjoy and have some fun at these workshops. I will be continuing my Club visits throughout the year. If you have not scheduled me for a visit, please consider taking time to do so. I have (3)-remaining clubs to visit. Just send me an email and/or give me a call.

Fashion Show tickets were mailed out to all Club Presidents, if you're planning to attend let your Clubs know as soon as possible so that the reservations and ticket payments can be submitted prior to the deadline. "Pearls & Heels" held on February 3, 2024 at Quiet Cannon, Montebello, CA. Club tickets \$60.00 per reservation make payable to: San Gabriel Valley District and mailed to the attention of Chairman Diana Limon at: San Gabriel Valley District 1142 S. Diamond Bar Blvd. #861 Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

Thank you for your support of the San Gabriel Valley District.  
JOY & TRANSPARENCY



**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Message**  
Terry Perkins...H-(909) 895-7710...perkinstlee@gmail.com

***Don't forget Jan.16 2024 is the ABSOLUTE deadline for all clubs to email their Club Reports on the Club Award Entry Form to District 1<sup>st</sup> Vice president: Terry Perkins perkinstlee@gmail.com***

As we start a new year it is time to review what has worked and what hasn't worked for us in the past year. I thought I'd offer some new year words of encouragement.

- First be glad that you did see the new year. Set some new goals. Don't make the mistake of planning what you know you will never be able to achieve because you'll be disappointed if you don't reach your goal.
- Adopt new lifestyles make and stick to your new principles. This will ensure your success. I wish to assure you that there is nothing impossible. Make plans that you can stick to.
- Avoid postponing if you are to achieve your goals. Just tell yourself that it's either now or never. After all you are a human like any other person. And there is no spell or a secret formula they use to make their fortune.

I hope these New Year words of encouragement will be of great help as you move through this new year working to achieve your goals.  
Thank all of you for all the hard work and tremendous energy you put into all you for your club, the district and the federation in your communities.



**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Message**  
**Guadalupe Diaz...lupe6diaz@gmail.com.562-706-5586**

**Happy New Year 2024!!!! Cheers to everyone!**  
**Let's embrace this New Year and rejoice with our friends and families.**

I have great news! SGVD is now 1,205 members strong! You are all amazing as you continue with your recruitment efforts. During this administration we have recruited a total of 166 new members. This is fantastic! I am very proud of all of you. We still time to recruit more new members until March when we turn in the Data Blanks which will close our administration.

The membership Workshop was a total success! We had representation from the California Federation of Women's Club in attendance. CFWC 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Sonia Matthies and CFWC 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Wendy Curren attended the workshop. There were 12 SGVD Clubs with a total of 25 members present. Everyone had the opportunity to speak and explain what they do in their clubs.

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**.



## New District General Information - Updates

### Congratulations to Our New SGVD Officers

#### **Parliamentarian**

Patsy Wilson  
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909-816-4652  
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#### **Corresponding Secretary**

Nancy Krueger  
P.O. Box 2652  
Santa Fe Springs, Ca 90670  
562-846-5832  
[sgvdhealthwellness@gmail.com](mailto:sgvdhealthwellness@gmail.com)

#### **New Diamond Bar Women's Club President**

Diane Limon...[dhlimon09@outlook.com](mailto:dhlimon09@outlook.com)...626-383-7405  
1947 Chota Road. La Habra Heights, Ca. 90631

### *We Remember*



*Barbara Rush*

*Monterey Park Women's Club*

It is with sadness that the Monterey Park Woman's Club reports the passing of Bernice Barbara Rush. Barbara as we knew her joined the club and almost immediately became our club secretary and an active member of the club. She went on to serving a total of eight years as our president where she represented us so well in the San Gabriel Valley District along with other Woman's Club Presidents from more than 25 clubs. Barbara for many years became well known as SGVD's Registrar where all members signed in for meetings. Barbara's friendly smile, twinkling eyes and sometimes a hug made members feel welcome. In both her home club and at SGVD Barbara made many longtime friends as well as in the community of Monterey Park. Barbara was instrumental in our club's support of the city with their events which is something that has continued and something our club is proud about, thanks to her initial efforts.

At the club level Barbara was honored over the years as a Club Woman of the Year and twice as the Club's Kindness Angel. Because her birthday is in April and SGVD's annual convention is in April she was honored a couple of times when the two events were on the same date. Most recently Barbara was honored by the club at their Fashion Show last year, not only as a past president but also in recognition of her 99<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Barbara is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, grandchildren and great grandchildren and many friends. Barbara was very proud of her family and often shared information about special times and the love she had for them. Her bright and cheerful attitude, her hugs and so much more will be missed but she also left us with wonderful memories of an enriched friendship that she shared with us.



## ***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 submit works or to go to your community schools and request student art and photos. If you have any questions please email or call me.

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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...terriscardenas@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 submit 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***

Dear Members,

Please consider participating in our "Creative Writing" Contest by writing any essay, story, poem, or haiku.

Submit them by email to: Pamela Robinson – [pamrob323@gmail.com](mailto:pamrob323@gmail.com) by January 12, 2024 or bring them to the January 12th meeting, and hand them in to Pamela.

Describe an experience, life altering event, important person, place, or thing to share with our members. We hope that by doing so, we get to know each other better and leave a legacy for future members.

Other examples:

Describe a childhood memory!



Who was your favorite person and why do you admire them?  
What was one of your happiest moments/experiences in your lifetime so far?  
What was the best surprise you ever had?  
Describe your most touching or hilarious experience with a pet or animal, bird, or fish.  
What is your love story?  
What accomplishments are you most proud of?  
How has your life changed recently and why?  
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 submit 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

***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***

EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

Good morning Lady's, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate each and every one of you for all of your outstanding donations in the form of either a toy or a gift card, this toy drive was terrific, we were featured in the front page of the local Covina Valley newspaper the Examiner, Congratulations and thank you, because we were able to make a sure that a child had a Merry Christmas, looking forward to another wonderful year.

San Gabriel Valley District 's Christmas Donations to the LA Sheriff's CHIPS for Kids. SGVD donated \$895 in gift cards plus all the toys you see in the photo.



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



Happy 2024 to one and all!

Let us all welcome the New Year: Time to embrace hope, resilience, and positive change— Each day is a new day. Let’s never forget to thank our Creator for good health, access to nutritious foods, for our warm, comfortable living spaces, and for our network of family, neighbors, and our caring friends and acquaintances. Optimism is the watchword, and a positive attitude generates happiness and contentment. Simply by greeting a stranger you can make that person’s day a delight and filled with joy.

All of us have so much to be thankful for. It’s a matter of careful reflection. Let’s all take some time to assess our blessings.

By reading every day, we continue to learn and keep our minds young, active, vibrant and alert. Read on and on and on!!!!

How fortunate we are to have free public libraries that offer so many resources: magazines, books, music, videos, “free tools,” online tutoring and much more. Here’s the link for our Los Angeles County Library System: <https://lacountylibrary.org/>



Just obtain your free library card and regularly visit your local library in person or online. Our libraries continue to add more services. Some loan free computers and hot spots. Some libraries offer drive up services to pick up and return materials.

In closing, I extend to you my admiration of you for all you do for your communities. It is giving of our time and energies that we help keep our communities wonderful places in which to live and thrive.

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



***CAPRICORN: January 1-20 10th sign of the zodiac, The Goat***

A Capricorn symbolizes the serious outlook of maturity. A refusal to waste energy and a careful approach to all things with a responsible attitude and a desire to work and succeed. A Capricorn has plenty of physical strength, is realistic and materialistic, practical, reserved, persistent, serious, ambitious and patient. A wonderful person to work with.

Capricorn Gems are: The Diamond, that raises self-confidence and ambition. Falcons Eye for visionary power and White Sapphire which combines discipline with friendliness.

Capricorn Colors are: all shades of brown and orange.

Capricorn Notables are: Elizabeth Arden, David Bowie, Marlene Dietrich, Ava Gardner, Anthony Hopkins, Cissie Spacek, Rudyard Kipling, Mary Tyler Moore and Denzel Washington.

***AQUARIUS: January 21-31 11th zodiac sign, the Water Bearer***

An Aquarius symbolizes advanced thought, is flexible and understanding, communicative, sociable, unique, open minded and logical, yet sometimes stubborn! An Aquarius longs for independence and freedom, respects and accepts all other points of view and shows a universal wisdom inherent in thoughts and actions. A wonderful person to work with.

Aquarius Gems are: Amazonite, which opens up inspirational faculties. Aquamarine that releases emotions and combats depression and Amber which will calm restlessness.

Aquarius Colors are: electric blue, silver gray and fluorescents.

Aquarius Notables are: Muhammed Ali, Mikhail Baryshnikov, Humphrey Bogart, Lord Byron, Lewis Carroll, Placido Domingo, Anna Pavlova, W.A. Mozart, Betty White and Oprah Winfrey. January flowers are snowdrops and carnations \

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## Happy 68<sup>th</sup> Birthday Council

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You're cordially invited to join us at District as we enjoy and celebrate the District 68<sup>th</sup> 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

28 S. San Jose Ave Covina, CA. 91723

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Date: Friday January 12, 2023

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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

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1:00 PM - 5:00 pm

# Valentine's Day

## CASINO

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## CABARET

COVINA WOMAN'S CLUB

128 S. SAN JOSE

COVINA, CA



## Stay Tuned!

## More Details Coming Soon!



Diamond Bar Woman's Club Presents  
Scholarships, Education & Community Volunteers

# CASINO

## Night Fundraising 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**



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:***