

# SUN CITIES/WEST VALLEY NOW

National Organization for Women  
10015 W Royal Oak Rd #256, Sun City AZ 85351

[www.now.org](http://www.now.org)

## Membership Mtg

NOW meets at **12:00 noon** on **Wed Oct 6, 2010**, at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 17540 N Avenue of the Arts (off Bell) behind the Art Museum, in Surprise. At this Oct mtg the NOW Board provides a salad lunch for all members. The Program will be a showing of "Pray The Devil Back To Hell" about the Liberian women who helped end a bloody civil war, & the subsequent election of Africa's first female head of state. Everyone welcome.

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sept 29 Wed 1:00 PM

Special NOW Brd Mtg

Jacklin Lindfors

22623 N Robertson Dr, SCW

Nov 7 Sunday, 2:00 PM Matinee

Actors' Theater

In the Next Room (The Vibrator Play)

Tickets: \$33.75 to Jacklin Lindfors @ Oct mtg

Nov 8 Monday 1:30 PM

Compassion & Choices Mtg

SCW Foundation Cntr, Coyote Quail Rm

14465 RHJohnson, SCW

Contact: Irene Weitzman

A NOW Excursion to the Actors' Theatre  
***In The Next Room*** (aka ***The Vibrator Play***)  
Nominated for a Tony Award and a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize, this play by Sarah Ruhl is a comedy about marriage, intimacy and electricity. Set in older times when physicians and midwives prescribed use of genital and prostate massage as standard treatment for "hysteria," the play is not intended to be just a sex-farce. It illuminates the lives of six lonely people seeking relief from their local doctor. The cure they all *really* need - is intimacy. A tender elegant new comedy.

Sunday: 11/7/10 2:00 Matinee

Senior Tickets: \$33.75 Total

To sign up email [jacklin1@cox.net](mailto:jacklin1@cox.net) Pay at October Meeting or before the meeting send (Sun City/West Valley NOW) check to Jacklin Lindfors 22623 N Robertson Dr. SCW 85375

## Woman's History Month

Mark your calendar for Saturday March 12, 2010 at 1:30PM. Ginny-Lee Richardson, Mary Knudson, Connie Clarkson, Carolyn Modeen and Joan Carlson have three exciting women to present, but we have not come up with a theme title yet. As we research these women's lives, we have been amazed at the accomplishments of these three women Drs, from Civil War days, through our current millennium.  
**Carolyn Modeen**

## NOW Contributions to KJZZ (for DV)

Each Fall, our Sun Cities\West Valley NOW, contribute to National Public Radio (make checks payable to KJZZ) by bundling our donations together. Bring your contribution in a sealed envelop to the Oct NOW mtg. Carolyn Modeen will mail them to our local NPR radio station (KJZZ) for their Fall fund raising campaign. This will pay for spot announcements advertizing the hot line run by AZ Coalition for Domestic Violence (ACADV) for victims of DV.  
**Carolyn Modeen**

## End of Life Care

August 2010 was the signing of New York's Palliative Care Information Act. Every terminally ill New Yorker under doctor's care will now be offered full information about hospice, palliative care and other appropriate end-of-life options without judgment. Compassion & Choices conceived and nurtured this bill.

The Northwest Valley Chapter of Compassion & Choices AZ will meet Monday, Nov 8 at the SCW Foundation Center, Coyote- Quail Room, 14465 RH Johnson Blvd, SCW. Program at 1: 30. Speaker, Patricia E. Martin, licensed acupuncturist, will talk about, "The Road to Wellness through Acupuncture."

The DVD, "The Suicide Tourist", will show a man who travels to Switzerland to help him die peacefully. Refreshments. Contact Irene 623-214-6552 or ireneweitz@aol.com

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### Book Club

*Enlightened Sexism* by Susan J Douglas has been selected as the next book. We will review it in the Fall, prior to the Nov mtg.

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### Thanks From Eve's Place

Dear Friends of the Sun Cities /West Valley NOW Chapter,

Thank you for your recent donation of \$500. We are deeply appreciative of your support and of the confidence you have shown us as Friends of Eve's Place.

Sincerely,  
Velda King, President

### NOW Board Mtg Sept 8, 2010

The **meeting** was held at Carolyn Modeen's home. In attendance were Jodie Lawrosky co-coordinator, Ann Timmer, Carolyn Modeen, Betty Roberts, Lee Ormsbee, Mary Knudson, Connie Hupperts, Ruth Herman, and Patricia Fowler.

Discussion of **speakers** for the October meeting, as of yet have not been chosen. Mary has contacted Felecia Rotellini's campaign manager, but has not heard from him. She is the candidate for the Democratic Attorney General. Jackie Lindfors could speak, as she attended the NOW Natl Convention in July. There is also a speaker from Eve's place that may be available.

There will be a welcome back **luncheon** given by the board for the members on October 6 at noon, along with the program.

Jodie may establish a **web site** for the Sun Cities Now, so others may be able to contact us more easily. Plans will be made to have a few meetings on **Saturday**, instead of Wednesday, so working women and college students would be able to attend. Ann Timmer will find out what dates are possible for the meetings at the U.U. church.

Ann Timmer gave the **Treasure's report**. The final balance is \$992.09. A contribution of \$500.00 was given to Eve's Place.

Betty Roberts told those who wanted **publicity** in the newspapers must give her the information by the 15th of each month.

The **Women's History month** will be March 12 at the U.U. church.

A meeting was held afterwards to discuss the Women's History month. There will be 3 well known women doctors who were trail blazers down through the ages, women that have contributed to better health knowledge for all: 1) Dr. Mary Walker, a physician during the civil war; 2) Dr. Michelle Bachelet, a pediatrician, epidermist, and a past President of Chili; 3) Dr Patricia Bath, a black woman who invented laser eye surgery. Submitted by Patricia Fowler

### NOW Membership Mtg June 2, 2010

End of the year meeting with hors d'oeuvres at Marilyn Schulze's house, Sun City Grand.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$2425.39. Emma Patterson paper account, \$25.

### Events to Come:

+ Leona Gilman is working on an outing to "Vibrations" and to a lunch group at the capitol in July when Heidi Osselaer who wrote *Winning their place: AZ women in politics, 1883-1950*, will speak + October 12 is an action event to go to New Life women's shelter. We meet at 7:30 am at old Trader Joe's, corner 99<sup>th</sup> Ave and Thunderbird.

+ Marge Mead will notify us of the New Life luncheon.

+ NOW mugs have arrived.

+The NOW book club is reading Douglas: *Enlightened Sexism*.

+Sat 5 June, 6-8pm is a fund raiser for Lela Austin. The **Saturday meeting** will be **6 November**, and we will make calls to people on our NOW membership list. We may invite someone to give an analysis of the election.

**WHM ideas:** Famous women quiz interaction from audience; lip sync Ronnie Gilbert and Joan Baez; Sister Margaret McBride, hospital administrator at St Joseph's Hospital who authorized an abortion to save a mother's life, and subsequently was demoted to the basement ; "Women of Courage"; dynamite women people guess who they are; (combine with lip sync music?); add non-American women; people from different countries; go back only to 1900 technology and women; reprieve one of our earlier productions; roll playing is good famous people in different fields; play about Mary Walker; Sandra Day O'Connor; Very Reverend Sally Jose, Vicar general of the Liberal Catholic Church, Diocese AZ and Pastor of St Michaels and all Angles Cathedral in Casa Grande; Ruth McGregor AZ Supreme Court Justice.

**2011 WHM Committee:** Ginny Lee Richardson; Mary Knudson, Carolyn Modeen; Connie Hupperts, Marilyn Schulze; Joan Carlson. **BRoberts, Rec**

### **NOW Board Mtg May 12, 2010**

**Present:** Modeen, Hupperts, Schulze, Timmer, Hentel, Ormsbee, Herman, Mead, Gilman, Lawrosky, Roberts.

**Mead** chaired the meeting held at Timmer's apt.

**Minute's correction:** Diane Post's fund is 501(c)3

**Treasurer's report:** Ending balance is \$3161.51.

There was consensus to move \$75 from the general fund to Emma Patterson Fund, to make even \$2,000.

**Membership:** Lawrosky will work on a new flyer.

Herman reported 2 new members for this month.

**Legislative:** Discussion ensued.

**Social:** We are working on going to the "Vibrations" next fall.

**Action:** New Life is giving tours. We will make reservations for 9 to attend the 12 October event, meeting at 7:30am at old TJs, 99 Ave and Tbird.

**Fund Raiser** for New Life Center is 19 Nov, 2010, 12p to 1p, Renaissance Hotel.

**Lindfors** has ordered 5 NOW mugs.

**National NOW Conference:** Lindfors plans to go and should look into credentials.

**NOW Book Club:** Susan Douglas: *Enlightened Sexism* is the book to read for Nov.

**Our Board** is concerned about proposed reorganization for National NOW, as proposed in 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment. We will send Lindfors an email to this effect.

**Saturday meeting:** We will hold this meeting on 6 or 13 November. Timmer will check with UU church and make reservation **Betty Roberts, Secretary**

### **NOW Membership Mtg May 5, 2010**

23 people present, Jackie Lindfors presided.

**Speakers:** Diane Post and Gabriel Goodrick, MD.

Dr. Goodrick has performed medical and surgical abortions since 1996. One out of 4 pregnancies end in abortion and 57% of abortions are by married women. Diane Post has started a 501C fund, Goddess Womyn Network, which provides money for women needing abortions who cannot pay for them.

**New Officers** were elected: (see list at end of newsletter).

**Treasurer's Report:** Wells Fargo bank account statement of March 27, 2010--\$3262.13.

**Modeen** reported on our **scholarships:** \$1,000 to

Dysart HS student, Alejandro Delgado, and Erica Diaz (who was at the ST Conference) \$500.

**Saturday Meeting:** Most are willing to come for a Sat member meeting in the fall.

**Awards** for 'wise women' were passed out.

**June meeting** to discuss next year's WHM presentation will be held at 3pm, **2 June** at Marilyn Schulze's home. Everyone will bring an hors d'oeuvre and OB (as in BYOB).

**Memorial service** for Helen Perkins' husband, Bill, Saturday (15 May) at 10 am, UU church.

Next Board meeting will be 12 May at Ann Timmer's apartment. **Betty Roberts, Secretary**

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### **NOW SC/WV Board**

**Co-Coordinator:** Jacklin Lindfors 975-9092, jacklin1@cox.net; Jodie Lawrosky 238-5256, jtlawrosky@gmail.com

**Action Chair:** Betty Roberts

**Cultural Diversity:** Lillian Hentel

**Historian:** Vivian Wood

**Legislative Chair:** Connie Hupperts

**Membership:** Ruth Herman & Carolyn Modeen

**Newsletter:** Teresa Smith

**Networking:** Lee Ormsbee & Helen Perkins

**Program:** Mary Knudson

**Publicity:** Joan Carlson & Betty Roberts

**Recording Sec:** Betsy Gilchrist

**Social Activities Chair:** Leona Gilman

**Treasurer:** yet to be filled