

SUN CITIES/WEST VALLEY NOW

National Organization for Women
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NOW's Purpose is to take action to bring women into full participation in the mainstream of American society now, exercising all privileges and responsibilities thereof in truly equal partnership with men. This purpose includes, but is not limited to, equal rights and responsibilities in all aspects of citizenship, public service, employment, education and family life, and it includes freedom from discrimination because of age, marital status, sexual preference, parenthood, race, religion or ethnicity.

Membership Mtg

NOW will meet on **Wed May 2, 2012, at 1:00 PM** at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 17540 N Ave of the Arts (off Bell) behind the Art Museum, in Surprise. The program, Financial Planning for Women, will be presented by Mike Bird, Financial Advisor, & Terry Mead, lawyer with Mead & Associates. The meeting is free & open to the public.

Next Board Mtg May 9 @ 1:30 PM

Betsy Gilchrist will host. All members are welcome. Directions: Starting at Bell Rd using the 101 or driving straight east to 59th Avenue (or use Union Hills or Thunderbird). Take 59th Ave exit, turn left, travel through Thunderbird Park, over the big hill, down to Pinnacle Peak Rd intersection (stop light). Veer right to 45th Ave. Betsy's house is on the north east corner of 45th Ave and Pinnacle Peak Rd at 23403 N 45th Ave, 581-5009. **BGilchrist**

Calendar of Upcoming Events

April 28 Sat 10 AM – 2 PM

Unite Against the War on Women
AZ State Capitol (w/PhxScottsdale NOW)
Contact Betty Roberts

May 12 Sat 9 AM

US Senate Candidate Dr Richard Carmona
SCW Foundation Bldg in SCW
14465 RHJohnson (corner RHJ & Stardust)

June 6 Wed 12:00 PM

Member mtg, discuss WHM Mar 2013
Potluck @ Mary Knudson's
10717 W Topaz, SC

June 29 – July 1, 2012

Natl NOW Conference
Hilton Baltimore
Linthicum Heights MD

Dr Richard Carmona Speaks

The Northwest Valley Democrats are sponsoring Dr. Richard Carmona, candidate for U S Senate, who will speak Sat, May 12 @ 9:00AM in the SCW Foundation Bldg, 14465 RH Johnson Blvd (corner of RH Johnson and Stardust). The public is welcome.

Dr. Carmona was the 17th Surgeon General of the United States from 2002 to 2006. He is the son of immigrant parents, has a law-enforcement background, is a decorated Vietnam Veteran and business man. A life-long Independent, Dr. Carmona has chosen to run on the Democratic ticket.

As Justin Ford, president of Veterans Alliance for Security and Democracy (VETPAC), said in his endorsement of Dr. Carmona, "He has consistently put his state and his country ahead of partisan politics, and I have every confidence he will do so as a member of the United States Senate. Arizona has the opportunity to elect one-of-a-kind this November."

Joan Spittler,
President, Northwest Valley Democrats

NOW Board Mtg Apr 11, 2012

Attending: Jodie Lawrosky, Mary Knudson, Connie Hupperts, Marge Mead, Marilyn Schulze, Ann Timmer, Betsy Gilchrist, Lee Ormsbee, Anita Erwin, Mary K. Smiley.

Treasurer, Anita Erwin, reported the bank balance is \$3654.16. A decision was made to divide proceeds from the WHM event: for the Scholarship-\$1000, New Life Center-\$500, Eve's Place-\$250; holding in reserve \$600 to contribute \$75 for speakers with similar issues. A scholarship decision was made to continue to reimburse Nancy Carillo for books, supplies and tuition. Depending on where the next recipient goes to college, it may be done differently. With an additional contribution to AANA (Abortion Access Network of AZ) the total was \$290.

May 2 Program: " Financial Planning for Women." Speakers: Mike Bird, Financial Planner, and Terry Mead, Lawyer.

May election of new slate:

Chapter Coordinator, Mary K Smiley; **Co-Coordinator**; **Connie Hupperts**;

Action, Betty Roberts;

Cultural Diversity, Phyllis Stone & Lillian Hentel;

Treasurer, Anita Erwin;

Newsletter Editor; Teresa Smith;

Legislative, Marilyn Schulze;

Membership, Ruth Herman;

Secretary, Carolyn Modeen,

Publicity, Claudia Sherrill;

Social, Mary Knudson.

Program Ann Timmer & Lee Ormsbee,

Herstorian Vivian Wood.

May Board Meeting: at Betsy Gilchrist's.

June 6 Mtg: Women's History Potluck luncheon 12 noon at Mary Knudson's, 10717 W. Topaz, Sun City,

Sept.12 NOW Board meeting at Ann Timmer's apt 256 at 2 o'clock.

Oct 3 Bryan Howard, President & CEO of Planned Parenthood, NOW's Golden Apple Award recipient and speaker. Ann Timmer (Scribe for Carolyn Modeen)

NOW Member Mtg Apr 4, 2012

Chair Jodie Lawrosky introduced our guests: Ramona Schenk, Sharon Pitts, Cindie Evans, Beverly Friend, Barbara Jensen and Dr Gayle Scout.

Program: Timmer reports May is Financial Planning for Women; June is Plan for WHM 2013; October is Byron Howard, Golden Apple

Action: Roberts: April 28 @ Capitol--national protest on the War Against Women. Meet at 9:30 at the \$ Store on 99th and Thunderbird. The protest is from 10 to 2:00. Bring your chair, water, sun hat. Flush Rush campaign is on to flush Limbaugh out of the air ways. Join it.

Legislative: When Connie was at the state capitol protesting the bill that any employer could eliminate insurance coverage of birth control pills if he objected to them, she learned the East Valley NOW is having a fund raiser by putting on The Vagina Monologues. It is also April 28 but at 7:30PM at the Fillmore Commons. The writer of the monologue is the featured speaker at the National NOW Convention June 30.

Women's History Month: Expenses: \$283. Receipts \$2321.70. The UU church waived the \$300 fee because our goals are compatible to theirs. We voted to give them \$50 accompanied with a note of thanks. Scholarship: Mercedes Patroff, is going to GCC to study nursing. We will choose shelter(s) for our other money at the next mtg.

Treasurer: March Balance: \$3,638.26. Sec. note: \$492.80 not earmarked?

Timmer read an **invitation** received from Glendale Community College to a tea. Hopefully, Anita Erwin and last year's scholarship award, Nancy Carrillo will attend.

Board meeting next Wed. at Lee Ormsbee's at 2:00PM.

Speakers today for Abortion Access Network of AZ (AANA) Serena Freewomyn and Carrie Klaege were introduced by Sharon Pitts. Only MDs can now counsel and do abortions. This network provides referrals and modest stipends to those who contact them for help. 24 hr waiting period before the

procedure, so help is needed for lodging; rural areas have no Drs; only Phoenix and Tucson. The emergency pill is over the counter and is on Tuscon's website.

Hiring: Cindie Evans passed out a paper with qualifications for a part-time employee needed for anyone that might be interested.

Carolyn Modeen scribe

NOW SC/WV Board

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