# NEWSLETTER FOR Dec 2014 Volume 33 Number 8 SUN CITIES/WEST VALLEY NOW

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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** Dec **3**, 2014, at **1:00 PM** at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 17540 N Ave of the Arts (off Bell) in Surprise. The Honorable Lela Alston will be our guest speaker. She will discuss the outcome of the recent elections & the impact on women. The public is welcome. Also attendees are requested to bring donations of household & hygiene products which will be given to the UMOM Domestic Violence Shelter.

#### **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

Dec 10 Wed 1:00 PM Next NOW Board Mtg Host: Marilyn Schulze 15318 W. Skyline Way, SC Grand

<u>April 10, 2015 Fri 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM</u> Sheraton Hotel in Phoenix Planned Parenthood Luncheon

#### **December Speaker**

Lela Alston began serving in the Arizona State Senate in 1977 and continued to serve for 18 years until 1995. In November of 2008, she was elected to the Phoenix Union High School District Governing Board, continuing her service to the community after teaching for 34 years. Ms Alston was again elected & has served in the Arizona House of Representatives since 2011. **Kathleen Abernathy, Program** 

#### #6 – SC NOW History - Newsletter

Anna Rudnes volunteered to produce the first Chapter newsletter in late 1980. Anna did a monthly cut-and-

paste newsletter (except only one in the summer) for several years. Vivian Wood started assisting Anna in the early 1990s. Eventually Vivian took over and continued the cut-and-paste operation for a short time. Vivian turned the Newsletter over to Betty Roberts, who was a more competent computer nerd. She produced the Newsletter for several years. Angela Sergio became Newsletter Editor in December, 2002, and produced the Newsletter all of 2003. She became ill with cancer and Teresa Smith volunteered to do the Newsletter

temporarily. Unfortunately, Angela's cancer claimed her life.

Teresa Smith took over as Newsletter Editor in 2004 and is still doing it in 2014. Since 2007, the Newsletter, which includes the monthly minutes of the Board and of the general meeting, is included in the current Scrapbook. The History of the NOW Chapter (written by Vivian Wood) was published, in segments, in the Newsletter starting in January, 2014. Unfortunately, there is no known file of all past Newsletters. Vivian Wood Herstorian

#### Items Needed for DV Shelter

Tie a string around your finger: remember to bring to the Dec meeting items needed for the UMOM Domestic Violence Shelter: bedding, soaps, toothbrushes, etc. <u>CModeen</u>

#### ALERT

Someone impersonating a policeman stopped a woman driving near Thunderbird and 99th Ave, with a light flashing on his car. If this should happen to you, call 623-773-8311, a non-emergency police number and inquire about the authenticity of this person. Courtesy:

Daily News Sun Tuesday edition.Program Coordinators: Kathleen Abernathy &The Affordable Care Act provides for regular well-<br/>woman visits at no-cost. Further information offered by<br/>the National Women's Law Center and the Mary<br/>Horrigan Connors Center for Women's Health.Program Coordinators: Kathleen Abernathy &<br/>Betsy Gilchrist<br/>Publicity Coordinator: Jodie Lawrosky<br/>Scholarship: Anita Erwin<br/>Social Activities Coordinator:<br/>Treasurer: Anita Erwin<br/>Web Page: Jodie LawroskyNOW Board Mtg Nov 12, 2014Web Page: Jodie Lawrosky

## To contact the board, send an email to info@aznow-scwv.org

Ormsbee (hostess), Anita Erwin, Jodie Lawrosky, Kathleen Abernathy, Carolyn Modeen (chair), Betty Roberts (recorder). **Dec Board Meeting** location: Marilyn Schulze, 15318 W. Skyline Way, SC Grand. January Board: Connie Hupperts **Treasurer's** report: We have a balance of \$1586.73 **Women's History Month**: Barbara Arnold, storyteller. There will be other storytellers, too. Roberts should reserve every Sat in March at UU church.

Members present: Connie Hupperts, Marilyn Schulze, Lee

**State NOW**: we have been asked to sponsor. Possible speaker: Kyrsten Sinema.

**Question**: Should we have WHM and State Conference on same day, or two days??

**Survey of members**: Where should next year's scholarship \$\$\$ go? Results of survey: Scholarship only—6; Domestic violence shelter only—5; other—3. The Board agreed to have a survey again next year, it was so close—almost a tie. **Decided** to give the Phoenix Metro \$50.00 for the movie *Justice Is a Black Woman*, hosting Constance Baker Motley. **Betty Roberts, Recorder** 

### NOW Member Mtg Nov 5, 2014

The time was spent discussing yesterday's local & national midterm elections. Various opinions were offered in trying to understand the results. **TSmith** 

### NOW SC/WV Board

Chapter Coordinator: Carolyn Modeen 972-6273 Action Coordinator: Marilyn Schulze, Helen Perkin, Ann Timmer Cultural Diversity Coordinator: Joan Carlson Herstorian: Vivian Wood Legislative Coordinator: Connie Hupperts Liaison to State NOW: Connie Hupperts Membership Coordinator: Lee Ormsbee Newsletter Coordinator: Teresa Smith Networking: