

SUN CITIES/WEST VALLEY

NOW

National Organization for Women
10015 W Royal Oak Rd #321, Sun City, AZ 85351

<http://aznow-scvv.org>
<http://www.now.org>

NOW's Purpose is to take action through intersectional grassroots activism to promote feminist ideals, lead societal change, eliminate discrimination, and achieve and protect the equal rights of all women and girls in all aspects of social, political, and economic life.

Membership Mtg

NOW will meet on **Wed May 3, 2017, at 1:00 PM** at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 17540 N Ave of the Arts (off Bell) in Surprise. The speaker will be Azra Hussain, president & founder of the Islamic Speakers Bureau of Arizona. She will share ideas on what we can do to improve relations with the Muslim community. She will discuss the beliefs, practices & gender roles in the AZ Muslim community. The public is welcome.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

May 10 Wed 1:00 PM

Next NOW Board Mtg
Host: Carolyn Modeen

May 12 & 13 Fri & Sat

AZ State NOW Conference

See the 3-page Flyer attached to this Newsletter

June 30 to July 2, 2017 (Fri, Sat, Sun)

National NOW Conference
Florida Hotel Conference Center
Orlando, Florida

Planned Parenthood Luncheon

On April 13, eleven of us attended the Planned Parenthood luncheon at the Biltmore Hotel in Phoenix. It was the largest crowd ever at 1500. We heard from several dignitaries, including keynote speaker, Cecile Richards, CEO of Planned Parenthood. **CModeen**

April 15 Tax Day at the Capitol

Betty Roberts, houseguest Doris Hill, Connie Hupperts, and Carolyn Modeen were pleased to see the number of people gathered at the Capitol to protest Donald Trump's lack of disclosure of his tax return. The signs people carried were innovative, the speakers were worthy of soap box speaking--altogether a fine turnout. **CModeen**

NOW Board Mtg April 12, 2017

Treasure's Report: AErwin \$1645.48

Program Report: MSchulze May speaker: Hussain, Azra, Muslim Women as Feminists. Will also ask her for suggestions for our action for the month.

Membership Report: KAbernathy has been unable to be active as membership the past two months and because only one more meeting until summer, will start anew next Fall. Has contacted state NOW to get a membership list through them.

Scholarship from WHM: Anita and Connie interviewed four poised, intelligent young seniors at Dysart High School this morning and decided to award our \$1000 scholarship to Maya Mae Terry. She is interested in Sports, in being an independent young woman and plans to pursue a career in medicine.

Coming Actions: Tax Day @ the capitol; Earth Day (Climate Change) the 22nd; Science on the 29th at the Cesar Chavez Park in Phoenix.

State NOW Conference (See the attached Flyer), National NOW in Orlando FL;

Nominating Committee for May meeting: we decided we, the board, would be the nominating of the whole. Marilyn Schulze agreed to be program person for the next year. No one present said they would not keep their current positions. **CModeen**

NOW Member Mtg Mar 1, 2017

Program: Letha Martin of Eves Place (Domestic Violence) spoke. Eves Place went from being a shelter for women in the NV valley to becoming a mobile advocacy program. They travel over much of AZ. Letha goes to the Navajo Reservation once a month to meet with the residents of that area that have become advocates.

The residential advocates are equipped to guide the person in need to resources that would help with the situation, and are themselves available to give transportation where needed. Letha trains the advocates, wherever they are located. They receive funds from DES and VOCA.

Announcements

Various action announcements for this month were made following the presentation. Included was an April 17 forum on Genocide; Doreen Royer handed out flyers.

CModeen, scribe

NOW SC/WV Board

Chapter Coordinator: Carolyn Modeen 972-6273

Action Coordinator: Open

AZ State NOW Rep: Connie Hupperts

Cultural Diversity Coordinator: Joan Carlson

Herstorian: Vivian Wood

Legislative Coordinator: Diane Post, AZ State NOW

Liaison to State NOW: Luci Scott

Membership Coordinator: Kathleen Abernathy

Newsletter Coordinator: Teresa Smith

Networking: Connie Hupperts

Program Coordinators: Marilyn Schulze, Helen Perkins, Ann Timmer

Publicity Coordinator: Betty Roberts

Scholarship: Anita Erwin

Secretary: Open

Social Activities Coordinator: Open

Treasurer: Anita Erwin

Web Page: Jodie Lawrosky

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



ARIZONA NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN

2017 STATE CONVENTION & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Saturday, May 13, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

UFCW Hall
2401 N Central Ave
Phoenix, AZ 85004

Resilience, Persistence, & Grit

GUEST SPEAKERS:

- **Deborah Maher** – DFM Consulting – Making Positive Change Stick; Building Learning Organizations and Learning Leaders. A combination of mini-lecture and highly engaging activities that provide participants with a new way of creating and being in the world.
- **Sandra Solis** – Community activist; Program Manager & Researcher – Puente Movement; Community Learning Outreach Director – Maricopa Community Colleges; Policy & Procedure Coordinator – Casa de Refugio.

Luncheon Honoring Women Chiefs moderated by Jodie Lawrosky:

- Sylvia Moir, Tempe Police Chief
- Tina Slankas, Deputy Director, Cyber Homeland Security
- Kara Kalkbrenner, City of Phoenix Fire Chief

CONVENTION AGENDA INCLUDES:

Election of AZ NOW BOARD officers (see below)
Presentation by Dianne Post
Stand Against Racism – Group discussion
Social Media Action

AZ NOW State Board Elections

At the AZ NOW State Convention in May we will be electing state coordinators (board members) for the next two-year term (2017-2019). As of this announcement, we have commitments from several current coordinators to run again for the new term.

We are seeking candidates for the following positions:

- STATE COORDINATOR FOR RECORDS AND MEETINGS
- STATE COORDINATOR FOR POLITICAL ACTION (PAC CHAIR)
- STATE COORDINATOR FOR PUBLICITY
- STATE COORDINATOR FOR TECHNOLOGY AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA
- STATE COORDINATOR FOR CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT

Also to be elected:

AT-LARGE DELEGATE TO THE STATE BOARD

AT-LARGE DELEGATE TO NATIONAL CONFERENCE

For the complete list of coordinators and position descriptions, contact Karen Van Hooft, kvhnow2@cox.net .

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2017 AZ NOW STATE CONVENTION REGISTRATION (Coffee, Light Breakfast and Lunch INCLUDED*)

Saturday, May 13, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**UFCW Hall
2401 N Central Ave
Phoenix, AZ 85004**

Name (Please Print) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

NOW Member? YES NO Chapter Affiliation, if any _____

Your Early Registration will include a chance raffle to AZ Coalition to End Sexual & Domestic Violence's Gala, May 13th evening event (a \$200 value) www.acesdv.org . Register by May 1, 2017 and your name will be placed in the drawing for two Gala tickets. Winner must be available to attend the event to accept tickets. You will be notified by phone or email, by May 6th, if you win the Gala tickets.

Early Registration (5/1/17) NOW Member (includes Gala drawing) - \$30	\$ _____
Registration Fee NOW member at door - \$ 35	\$ _____
NOW Member Registration Sliding Scale - \$12 to \$29	\$ _____
Non-member Registration Fee - \$35	\$ _____
Student Registration - \$12	\$ _____

Total Enclosed (check or money order only - no credit card processing available) \$ _____

I would like to volunteer to help at the conference. _____

I need a ride to the conference. _____

I need childcare _____

*** Special request for lunch (vegan, vegetarian, gluten free, etc):**

Mail registration no later than May 1, 2017 to: 2017 NOW Convention Registration, c/o Ginny-Lee Richardson, 10725 West Mission Lane, Sun City, AZ 85351. After May 1, register by email at grrichardsonNOW@gmail.com. You may pay at the convention. For more information call: 623-937-4300.