

# SUN CITIES/WEST VALLEY

## NOW

National Organization for Women  
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<http://aznow-scvw.org>  
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**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 Nov 1, 2017**, at 1:00 PM at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 17540 N Ave of the Arts (off Bell) in Surprise. The speaker will be AZ Minority Senate Leader, Katie Hobbs, who will discuss "Legislation and Women in Arizona." Ms Hobbs is active in the AZ Coalition against Domestic Violence and is running for AZ Secretary of State. The public is welcome.

### Calendar of Upcoming Events

Nov 8 Wed 1:00 PM

Next NOW Board Mtg  
Host: Carolyn Modeen

Nov 4 Sat 8:30 AM

We the People Summit Renaissance  
Phoenix Convention Center  
Tickets thru We the People website (might be \$35)

Jan 9,10,11 & 16,17,18, 2018 @noon

Theater production about women  
Herberger Lunch Time Theater  
222 E Monroe, Phx  
See info below

### We the People Summit Renaissance

At the Phoenix Convention Center, this is follow-up to the June 24 Summit. 30 classes, such as Civic Dialogue 202. Restoring and Defending Voters Rights, Women's Reproductive. Tickets through We the People website. Tickets cheaper before October 15. **CModeen**

### Secrets of Famous and Infamous Women From the Dawn of Time

At the Herberger Lunch Time Theater  
222 E. Monroe, Phoenix, AZ 85004  
The Kax Stage entrance is on Van Buren between 2nd and 3rd Streets.

Noon Jan. 9-11 and Jan. 16-18, 2018  
Tickets: \$7.

Follow along on the journey many women throughout history were forced to take to better their lives. Their road to riches, power, glory and infamy was often filled with tales of treachery, debauchery, adultery and even murder. We will pass through hundreds of years ... beginning with Eve in the Garden.

Created by Dolores D'Amore Goldsmith.  
Producer: D'Amore Productions, a company dedicated to telling women's true stories with an emphasis on "women who triumph."

Lunch Time Theater performance begins at 12:10 p.m. and lasts about 45 minutes. Doors open at 11:40 a.m. There are three ways to buy tickets:  
--Box office: 602-252-8497.  
--At the Kax Stage door just before the show  
--Online. [HerbergerTheater.org](http://HerbergerTheater.org). Click on the "Community" tab and select Lunch Time Theater.

### About our Speaker

Senator Katie Hobbs, minority senate leader, is running for Secretary of State. She will speak on legislation and women's issues. Prior to serving in the legislature, Ms Hobbs, a social worker, worked with the Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence ACADV. Bring your questions to this meeting with her. **CModeen**

### TED Talks

Each month, Anita Erwin will feature the TED talk of the month, a focus on women. Jodie Lawrosky, Webmistress, has placed a link to these the TED talks on the home page of our web site. **CModeen**

### Central Arizona Shelter

We are supporting Doreen Royer as she volunteers for a homeless shelter, the Central Arizona Shelter, CASS. November and December are dedicated to bringing to our meetings needed men's clothes, sanitary napkins and

tampons for women, & reading glasses. Not needed: baby items; toothbrushes and paste because a volunteer dentist brings them as rounds are made. **CModeen**

### **Asia Foundation Finds**

More than 8000 women in India are killed every year over dowry disputes. In Asia, honor killings, lynching of women branded as witches, archaic practices of banishing menstruating girls and women to sheds in remote parts of Nepal, resulting in some dying from attacks by wild animals or from snake bites—add up to more women being killed than in war, said Patrick Barron of the U.S. based non-profit The Asia Foundation after a two year study. **Reuters CModeen**

### **NOW Board Mtg Oct 11, 2017**

**Treasury:** \$1025.00

**Program:** November: Senator Katie Hobbs, running for Secretary of State. Betty to send out publicity.

December: Possibly a lawyer to speak about the need for ERA. Possibly Mother's mortality in childbirth. Carolyn to see if the National Women's Law Center can refer us to a lawyer in this area to tell about the increased need for ERA, given the current roll back of women's issues.

**WHM:** Luci will see if the docent from the Phoenix Art Museum can speak on art of women through accomplished women through the ages. Carolyn to check on the AZ woman in Oracle to speak on women for Women's History Month. Anita says we can give up to \$200 to a speaker. Dates to have Women's History Month: March 10 or March 28.

Discussion about Tolleson declaring an adoption of the UN Convention CEWAW. Since no one in our chapter lives in Tolleson, it would lack credibility for our chapter to encourage this.

Sending postcards to legislators re the clause in NAFTA that allows corporations to sue governments for harm to their finances remains to be done. Next meeting?

We are collecting pill bottles to be sent to Africa for use in their dispensing of pills. We will bring our empty pill bottles to a designated meeting and a member of NOW will separate by sizes and send off.

The next two meetings we are to bring men's clothing, women's hygiene supplies, & reading glasses for the CASS shelter where Doreen volunteers. Application forms to apply to Planned Parenthood to volunteer to accompany women to get past the picket lines for the abortion clinics can be picked up at our front desk.

TED talks (suggested for the month by Anita Erwin) can be accessed on our Web site. **CModeen**

### **NOW Member Mtg Oct 4, 2017**

It was decided to bring items for the homeless shelter where Doreen Royer volunteers, bringing items in November and December. Most needed are men's clothes; women's hygiene items such as pads, tampons, wipes, & reading glasses. Interest from the group in learning more about Tolleson as a possible town that would adopt the Convention for the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women CEDAW (from the UN). We will ask State NOW more about it so that we might be able to work on this. For three Monday evenings, Bonnie Saunders is using the book by Rev. Barber of the Moral Mondays in North Carolina. She spoke about ordering the book from Amazon for \$9.00 and coming to her seminar. From the 19th Amendment celebration this past August 26 comes the emphasis on working for the Equal Rights amendment. State NOW has a movie, Equal Means Equal. Further discussions about actions we all have taken over the summer took place. **CModeen**

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

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