

SUN CITIES/WEST VALLEY NOW

National Organization for Women
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<http://aznow-scwv.org>
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 Mar 7, 2018**, at 1:00 PM at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 17540 N Ave of the Arts (off Bell) in Surprise. The program is a panel discussion on domestic violence, sexual violence/abuse and elder abuse, with Doreen Nicholas and Tasha Menaker of AZ Coalition to End Domestic Violence and Betty Delano of the AZ Attorney's Office. The public is welcome.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Mar 14 Wed 1:00 PM

Next NOW Board Mtg
Host: Carolyn Modeen

Mar 10, 2018 Sat @2:00 PM

NOW Women's History Month Presentation
Women Changing the World – Art & Culture
Sherry Koopot of Phx Art Museum
UU Church, Surprise
Tickets \$15 623-847-4745 or at the door

Mar 17, 2018 Sat 10 AM to 3:30 PM

AZ NOW State Conference
"Our Time is NOW"
In Tucson AZ
Register by Mar 1 for \$30
aznow.org

Mar 27, 2018 12 to 1:30 PM

Stand with Planned Parenthood Luncheon
AZ Biltmore Resort Phx

July 6 – 8, 2018 Fri – Sun

San Jose CA
Some scholarships – see aznow.org

March is Women's History Month

To honor women's history, this year a docent from the Phoenix Art Museum is showing, through sculpture and

through paintings, women throughout history who have Changed the World!

When? Saturday March 10

Time? 2:00PM

Where? UU church on Bell and Avenue of the Arts

\$15.00 Proceeds to the committee for ERA for AZ Ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment is our big push this year and next year.

Reservations at 623- 972- 6273. Refreshments are being served. This is in addition to our regularly scheduled monthly meeting. Hope to see you there.

CModeen

"Women Who Changed the World"

is the topic of the March 10 celebration of Women's History Month sponsored by the Sun Cities/West Valley NOW Chapter. It is open to the public.

Sherry Koopot, a docent at the Phoenix Art Museum, will present a slide show of paintings, photos and sculptures depicting women who made an impact over a span of millennia.

She will tell of Cleopatra, Queen Elizabeth I, Red Cross founder Clara Barton, Rosa Parks, Jane Austen, Susan B. Anthony, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Marie Curie, Frida Kahlo, Eleanor Roosevelt, Anne Frank, Ida B. Wells, Sandra Day O'Connor, and many others.

"Women may not have set out to change the world, but as they went through life, they made decisions and movements that did, indeed, change their world and sometimes ours, too", Koopot said. Their paths to influence may have been accidental, forced upon them, willful, dramatic, calm--or a mixture of those. Koopot became a museum docent in 1986. She has been chair of the speakers' bureau, touring chair, co-chair of the National Docent Symposium, training chair and president in the years 2001-02.

She was chosen Docent of the Year in 1994-95. In 2013 she was nominated for the Governor's Award for an Individual in Arts Education.

Koopot worked as a nurse in her native Chicago and in California. In 1973, she and her husband moved to Arizona, where she became active in many volunteer activities. Luci Scot

Monthly Email and Link

Here is the link to our website (<http://aznow-scwv.org/>) & our monthly newsletter which will provide you with information regarding our Monthly Mtg which takes place the first Wednesday of each month, beginning at 1 PM. Please see the newsletter for details.

Afghanistan is home to 2.5 million widows, with an average age of 35. They struggle to support themselves and are unaware of their rights, suffering under cultural customs. CModeen

Send Emails to Legislature

As an AZ citizen, please email to remove the luxury tax from feminine hygiene products, baby and adult diapers and formula. Also, schedule a hearing for Senate ERA bill, SCR1011 Email: hcarter@azleg.gov
Carolyn Modeen

NOW Board Mtg Feb 14, 2018

Women's History Month

Discussion\final plans for March 10 event. Publicity needs to be repeated; Marilyn and Kathy working on decorations; Kathy will make the coffee with Ken Saunders' guidance for using church's big coffee pot; Anita working with NOW member, checking people in at the door; Ken S. also is the sound man and Tom is the Video man. Cookies: Anita will get a large batch of cookies as fillers through COSTCO to go with the cookies from other lands and Betty will get Mexican cookies. Voted on: paying Tom to set up the video every time needed when we meet.

Golden Apple: awarding it to Lela Alston because of her many years of working on women's issues in the legislature. Kathy will see which month fits in best to receive the award (due to her busy schedule).

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NOW Member Mtg Feb 7, 2018

Our speaker, Cynthia Zwick of Arizona Children, gave us the insight as to what laws and what business practices have created the working poor. She left handouts about what we can do.

Women's History month with speaker Sherry Koopot of the Phoenix Art Museum is in a month, so we are to bring cookies that come from around the world--Kathy Abernathy has a tin of Danish butter cookies. I am going to make a batch of German pepper sp? (spice cookies). Fortune cookies, anyone? Bring a friend. \$15.00 goes to treasurer, Anita Erwin.

The AZ NOW ERA committee needs all of us to contact our senators and representatives to hear the ERA bills, SHR 109 (Senate) and HHR4 (House) this week or next week. By being a continuing presence at the legislature, we are helping sustain the equality of women versus sexual harassment.

In our Let's Talk, it was suggested that we protest to congress about the military parade that our president is preparing for May. Better to put the millions of dollars it will cost to helping the lowly GIs (Pfc) with higher salaries. CModeen

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