

## ***RMWC Newsletter - President's Message - April 2025***



***WOW!!*** What a fantastic turnout for our March Luncheon!! We had a lovely lunch at The Springs Country Club (thank you to **Becky Kite** for sponsoring us), and we enjoyed a most interesting and informative presentation by Lauren Bruggemans – Director, Visit Greater Palm Springs. Thank you to **1<sup>st</sup> VP Faye van Boxel** for setting it all up! & to **Deena Dietrich** for the adorable Easter-themed centerpieces! And to **Marcia Stein** for her Inspiration!

We voted in our new Board of Directors for the 2025-2026 season which takes effect June 1, 2025 (listed in Newsletter). Congratulations to all the Board Members!  
Thank you **Fay McClung – Nominating Committee Chair!**

And we were excited to welcome a number of new members (photo attached) – thank you to **Gail Miller - VP-Membership** and to our our new members' sponsors.

Join us at our **[Philanthropy Awards Luncheon on April 24<sup>th</sup> at Mission Hills Country Club](#)** – you'll have to attend to see if our "March to \$1,000,000" goal in donations will be achieved!! Our Award Recipients are listed in this Newsletter with their respective websites. Please note to **[RSVP to Faye van Boxel](#)** (not Brenda Johnson) – contact info included.

And we will continue to collect Member Dues at this month's luncheon (\$60) – you can pay via PayPal on our website **[www.ranchomiragewomansclub.org](http://www.ranchomiragewomansclub.org)** anytime, or at the luncheon. To quote Gail, "the earlier you pay, the happier we are"!!!

Please do join us on the 24<sup>th</sup> – this is the reason we do what we do – to give to those organizations in the Valley that support our mission of "Education & Advancement of the Youth in Our Community" – it is always a fun and rewarding luncheon!

Thanks to **Ilona Bergman (Historian)** and **Nancy Cumen** for all the great photos! Enjoy!!

As always, my thanks to all of you – we truly could not do it without **YOU!!**

**Gratefully,**  
**Terry Snodgrass**  
**President**

*"A life of giving is a life well-lived"*

## **APRIL PHILANTHROPY AWARDS LUNCHEON**

**Thursday, April 24, 2025**  
**Mission Hills Country Club**  
**34600 Mission Hills Drive**  
**Rancho Mirage, CA 92270**

11:00am - Social  
12:00pm - Luncheon & Meeting  
\$49.00 charge, check or cash –  
preferred pymt is via PayPal on our website  
[www.ranchomiragewomansclub.org](http://www.ranchomiragewomansclub.org)

### ***MENU***

*Tuscan Mixed Greens w/ Grilled Chicken, Dried Cranberries, Pt Reyes Bleu Cheese,  
Candied Pecans, Granny Smith Apples, Balsamic Honey Vinaigrette*

### ***Alternate Meal***

*Same as above with no chicken*

### ***Dessert***

*Flourless Dark Chocolate Cake ala mode w/ Vanilla Bean Ice Cream*

### **RSVP TO:**

**FAYE VAN BOXTEL** (emails/texts only – no phone calls, please)

[fayevb@yahoo.com](mailto:fayevb@yahoo.com) or (415) 595-7764

*Please let Faye know if you need the Alternate Meal*

**RSVP DEADLINE IS Monday, April 21st at noon**

***A Reservation Made is a Reservation Paid***

**any cancellations after the RSVP deadline will be charged**

# ***Congratulations to our 2025 Philanthropy Awards Recipients***

***Ezekiel's Gift of Love  
(Down Syndrome Foundation in the Coachella Valley)  
[www.ezekielsgiftoflove.com](http://www.ezekielsgiftoflove.com)***

***Grandparents Love  
[www.gpl-grandparentslove.org](http://www.gpl-grandparentslove.org)***

***Read With Me Volunteer Programs  
[www.readwithmevolunteer.org](http://www.readwithmevolunteer.org)***

***Rancho Mirage Elementary School  
[www.psusd.us/rmes](http://www.psusd.us/rmes)***

***Safe Schools Desert Cities  
[www.safeschoolsdc.org](http://www.safeschoolsdc.org)***

***These organizations support the Rancho Mirage Woman's Club mission of the  
Education & Advancement of the Youth in Our Community***

***Please visit their websites for more information on  
how they are helping the youth in our community***

***Congratulations to our  
2025-2026 RMWC Board of Directors***

***Officers:***

***President – Shelley Salinas  
1<sup>st</sup> VP (Lunches/Speakers) – Faye van Bortel  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP (Gala Chair/Fundraising) – Shannon Shea  
3<sup>rd</sup> VP (Membership) – Gail Miller  
Treasurer – Carole Moser  
Recording Secretary – Dora Armstrong  
Corresponding Secretary – Tina Byrne***

***Directors:***

***Carol Carpenter  
Brenda Johnson  
Fay McClung  
Betty Saidel  
Terry Snodgrass***

***CHAMBER OF COMMERCE***

*Please see the Rancho Mirage Chamber of Commerce website  
[www.rancho Miragechamber.org](http://www.rancho Miragechamber.org) for current events*

***SUNSHINE***

*If you are aware of anyone that needs some sunshine, please let  
Brenda Kaplan know – [58bernice27@gmail.com](mailto:58bernice27@gmail.com)*

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OUR APRIL BIRTHDAY GALS!!***

***Continue scrolling for photos!***

*Thank you to our Speaker*

*Lauren Bruggemans*

*Director - Sustainability & Community Engagement*

*Visit Greater Palm Springs*





*Welcome to our New Members and  
Thank You to their Sponsors!*

*(Left to right) --*

*Gail Miller (VP-Membership); Rosalin Schiller (sponsor); Myrna Israel; Shannon Shea (sponsor); Nancy Ingrisani; Sherry Schroeder; Rita Wood (sponsor); Melissa McCaughey (sponsor); Vanessa Evans; Terry Snodgrass (President)*



***Rancho Mirage Woman's Club supporting the kick-off party for the  
Galleri Classic Golf Tournament at Mission Hills Country Club***





***FUN PHOTOS FROM OUR MARCH LUNCHEON!!***

***Starting w/ our Historian/Photographer Ilona Bergman  
who we never get to see in photos!!***

















































































































*Centerpieces from our own talented Deena Dietrich!!*

*Happy Easter & Happy Spring!!*

