

RMWC Newsletter - President's Message - May 2024



A million “thankful hugs” to the wonderful women who make up the Rancho Mirage Woman’s Club. It has been my honor to serve as President this past year and am very much looking forward to another terrific year next year.

Our April luncheon was highlighted by the presentation of \$50,000 to our worthy Philanthropic Charity Recipients. And we were entertained by the Ballet Folklorico of the Green Room Theater – so much fun! **We have now exceeded \$950,000 in donations!!** Thank you to **Fay McClung (Philanthropic Chair)** and her Committee. Lots of great photos attached – thank you to **Ilona Bergman & Candy Glickman** for clicking away!

I am proud to share that our **“Havana Nights” Gala Program Cover won a Bronze Medal** at the “2024 American Advertising Awards - Desert Cities Competition”! Thank you **Kyle Radke** of “Kyle & Co” for submitting it and for all of your support of our Club!

A group of us toured the FIND Food Bank (photos attached) and had a fun lunch! Thanks to **Faye van Boxel** for setting it all up!

As our year comes to a close I must take a moment to thank our **extraordinary Board of Directors and Chairpersons** who work tirelessly throughout the year to make our Club the best it can be! More “thankful hugs” to all of you!

Please join us at our **May 23rd Luncheon at Chaparral CC** as we install our new Board of Directors – and don’t forget the Hat Contest...wear your favorite (or most outrageous) hat!!

We hope to see you over the summer at our **“Thirsty Thursday Happy Hour” get-togethers** – see attached for dates/times.

And we look forward to seeing all of your smiling faces when we all come together again in September as we continue to work together to raise funds for the Youth in our Valley!

Gratefully,
Terry Snodgrass
President

“As we light the way for others, we light our own way”

LUNCHEON

Thursday, May 23, 2024

Chaparral Country Club

100 Chaparral Drive (entrance off Portola)

Palm Desert, CA 92260

11:00am Social

12:00pm Luncheon & Meeting

\$49.00 charge, check or cash –

pref'd pymt is via PayPal on our website

(please let Brenda Johnson know via text/email if you have paid via PayPal)

www.ranchomiragewomansclub.org

MENU

Roasted Sliced Beef Tenderloin

Mashed Potatoes/Seasonal Vegetables

Alternate Meal

Grilled Vegetables w/ Pasta Marinara & Tofu Grilled Cauliflower steak

Dessert

Mixed Berries with Crème Fraiche and Vanilla Ice Cream

RSVP TO Brenda Johnson (emails/texts only – no phone calls, please)

Brenda18oak@yahoo.com or **(310) 713-5827**

let Brenda know if you need the Alternate Meal

RSVP DEADLINE IS MONDAY 5/20 AT NOON

A Reservation Made is a Reservation Paid

Carol Carpenter - 1st VP

THIRSTY THURSDAY HAPPY HOURS (4pm-6pm)

June 20th- O'Caine's Pub (Rancho Mirage)

July 18th – Las Casuelas Nuevas (Rancho Mirage)

August 15th – location TBD

An Alert will go out prior to event date w/ rsvp info

MEMBER NEWS



Sadly, we share the news of the passing of a long-time RMWC member Sue Lapham. Sue passed away on April 18, 2024 due to cardiac issues. She joined RMWC in 1998 and was President of the Club for the year 2008-2009 in addition to being a Board Member for many years. She was a true advocate for the Club and will be missed. As we become aware of any services to be held, we will share that information with our members.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Please see the Rancho Mirage Chamber of Commerce website www.rancho Miragechamber.org for May events –

Note the Chamber's Summer Luncheon Speaker Series begins this month on May 15th @ Mission Hills Country Club

SUNSHINE

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

MAY BIRTHDAYS!!

***Joyce McLean – 5/4
Maureen Sullivan – 5/4
Melanie Villeneuve – 5/5
Sherry Ouderkirk – 5/8
Denise Highiet – 5/12
Mickey Elliott – 5/13
Margo Ritter – 5/19***

2024 Charity Recipients



Childrens Discovery Museum (CDMC)

Cindy Burreson (CEO)

A community resource for children and families to experience the joy of learning about themselves and the world around them through hands-on explorations of exhibits and programs. They embrace diversity, equity, and inclusion as essential to their mission. They value and support the uniqueness of every member of our community. The museum plans to reopen on or around Memorial Day 2024.

Rancho Mirage Elementary School

Shane Hagar (Principal)

RMWC has been giving to this school in Rancho Mirage for many years. Budgets have been cut from the school district. Every year their needs have been greater for after-school classes. This year specifically, they need extra money to purchase "head phones" for each child to aid in their studies.

The Green Room Theatre Company

David Catanzarite (Founding Artistic Director)

This theatre company creates new works, reinvented classics, musical theatre productions, touring productions, and site-specific performances for the Coachella Valley. It directs its education Programs toward young people and underserved communities.

Shelter From the Storm (SFTS)

Angelina Coe (Executive Director & CEO)

SFTS is the Coachella Valley's only comprehensive domestic victim assistance service and shelter provider. They provide services for mothers and their children who are victims of domestic abuse. They used to be totally funded by donors and had several houses for many needy mothers and children. However, due to the passing of their main donors, they are currently down to one house...but still have as many mothers and children needing their services.

"FUN PHOTOS"





























