

Our organization, groups and committees

***Hospitality:** This committee is one of the oldest committees in SOV. The Sisters are there in times of grief, to give support when needed in times of sickness and to be of support whenever the time arises. The repast that this group prepares at the time of grief is probably one that is most remembered.

***Membership:** This is a small group of devoted caring women that volunteer their time, talent and resources to provide a welcome gathering for new members and to offer support to other committee members throughout the year at various events and general meetings. We also keep the roster of members so each member can be contacted through mail, email and phone calls to invite members to all the social events offered and all meetings held.

***Newsletter, Roster, Greeting Cards and Brochure:** The *newsletter* keeps us abreast of past, present and future sister events as well as what's going on in Phoenix, if possible. Articles about our members and businesses of our membership are included.

The *roster* is our directory of membership. It is sent out to all members quarterly. Invitation emails are derived from the roster. Those sisters that do not have emails will receive their rosters via mail.

The *greeting cards* are designed for use by the Hospitality and Sunshine Committees.

The *brochure* gives information about Sisters of the Valley that the membership can pass on to sisters interested in joining SOV or those just needing information about us.

Nomination of Officers: The nominating committee is in charge of organizing, soliciting candidates and running the election for the upcoming executive board members. Election Year Only

Executive Board

Executive Chairperson

Vice Chairperson

Treasurer

Financial Secretary

Recording Secretary

Corresponding Secretary

Membership Chair

Parliamentarian

Historian

General Meetings

are held quarterly in

January, April, June and October

Date/Time: Second Sunday

3:00 - 5:00pm

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Sisters of the Valley



The Sisters of The Valley Club (SOV) was organized by five Black women in March 1992. Their first official meeting consisted of sixty like-minded women located in and around Phoenix. Its intent was to bring Black women together to network, enjoy each other's company and to provide a venue for women who were moving into the Valley to learn where to find beauticians, physicians, dentists, hair care products, churches and many of the necessities unique to women of color.

SOV's general makeup includes a diverse array of talented Black women, professionally, socially, and economically. We embrace Black women from all faiths and persuasions. In 2022, the SOV membership grew to over two hundred and eighty women. Our hope is to provide a safe place for our Sisters to gather, have fun, and learn some of life's important lessons, all undergirded by radical hospitality.

Circle of Sisters Book Club: We meet every two months and take a summer break returning to read again in September.

We bring our books to life by sharing similar personal experiences and by laughing and enjoying each other's company.

Desert Diners: This lunchtime group gets together once a month to enjoy fellowship at different restaurants around the valley.

Drama Queens (Drama Group): These talented sisters perform at SOV events and other functions around the city.

***Facebook:** This feature of the website is for SOV members only and is password protected.

***Family Cookout:** This event is a time when the sisters, family and friends get together and have lots of fun at our annual cookout at the park. The day is loaded with good food, games, entertainment, music, dancing and fun, fun, fun and did I say food?

***Kwanzaa Celebration:** This is a *Members-Only* celebration held in the month of December. We come together to promote the concept that our lives, thoughts and family practices should encourage harmonious relations.

Ladies Who Take Tea: These Ladies enjoy Afternoon and High Teas at different venues around the valley.

***Luncheon:** Our annual luncheon is generally held during the first quarter of each year for two reasons. First, it is an opportunity for the membership to socialize, network, and enjoy each other's company. Secondly, it is a forum for women who are not members to experience what SOV is all about; witness what we do, how we enjoy one another, and

what it is like to be among Black women in the Valley whose main agenda is simply to enjoy our family of sisterhood. Because of the second reason, the luncheon becomes a marketing tool for us to grow our membership.

Married Couples: If you are married, come join us for some fun, exciting activities and events for Married Couple.

Moonlighters Diners: This dining group gets together once a month for dinner at restaurants across the valley. They have a great time learning about new restaurants, trying new types of foods and, of course, enjoying great friendship.

Page Turners: formerly known as the Book Readers: This group enjoys the intellectual stimulation received from reading and discussing books of all types. They have chosen to select books written primarily by people of color, predominantly African American.

Secret Sisters: The sisters in this interest group give their "assigned" sisters nice gifts, especially on their birthdays, anniversaries or just because.

Sensational Single Sisters: This group plans events and activities to enrich the lives of single ladies and just plain have fun!

Sisters of Faith Bible Study Group: The mission of the bible study group is to develop a more intimate relationship with God, delve into (carefully read) Scriptures, discuss the relevance of Scripture to our everyday lives, grow in our Christian walk and to deepen friendships.

***Special Event:** This event, is generally held every other year in October or November has different themes: music, dancing, entertainment, prizes, raffles, fun, food and everyone gets to dress up.

***Summer Fling:** This event can be whatever the committee would like it to be, from parties, bowling, boat rides, casinos games, etc.

***Sunshine Committee:** This support group notifies the SOV membership of sickness and sends out birthday and congratulatory cards to the membership.

Theater Group: The objective of the group is for the sisters to attend as a group and get discount rates for shows. This is a good way for sisters new and old to the valley or sisters that don't like to travel alone to get out and see plays, shows, ballets, etc. Shows are selected from the yearly season schedule of all the local theaters.

Travelin' Sisters: The purpose of this group is to plan travel that includes international destinations, as well as domestic weekend and week trips for the entire SOV membership.

***Website: www.sistersofthevalleyclub.com** This public forum is used to provide general information about our social club. Some of our group activities are also depicted.