

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. Invitations, emails through the sister mailbox is 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: This five-person committee is in charge of organizing, soliciting candidates and running the election for the upcoming executive board members. Election Year Only

2018 - 2020 Executive Board Members

Executive Chairperson - Jacque Jackson

Vice Chairperson - Angela Lawary

Treasurer - Roxanna Brinker

Financial Secretary - Cynthia Williams

Recording Secretary - Tracy Robinson

Corresponding Secretary - Debra Taylor

Membership Chair - Jackie Fisher

Parliamentarian - Wylene Bridgeman

Historian - RoseMarie Thomas

General Meetings
are held quarterly in
January, April, June and October

Location:
~~Currently off~~ Zoom

**Date/Time: Second Sunday
3:00 - 5:00p**

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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 April of 2014, the SOV membership grew to over two hundred and twenty 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.

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

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

Designing Sistahs (Arts & Crafts): These sisters like arts and crafts! They make jewelry; they put a new spin on hats, make wreaths and much more.

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

***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?

Health & Wellness: The purpose of the group is to improve the health of SOV sisters in this special interest group. They do this through participating in activities, exercising, sharing recipes, and encouraging one another to achieve their personal health goals. The group explores ways for all of us to live healthier, happier lives and shares health-related information with the membership.

***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 and travel to different venues around the valley.

***Luncheon:** Our annual luncheon is held during the first quarter of each year for two reasons. First, it is an opportunity for the membership to socialize, network, and enjoying 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.

Movie Goers: The movie group is open to all who are interested in going to the movies and sharing their views with others. Some of those attending movies have lunch together afterwards.

***New Year's Eve Gala:** This is a celebration (held every other year) reflecting on the year and bringing in the New Year. It's a night of fun, dancing, food, entertainment, and a good night sleep at the hotel venue.

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 Night Out: The objective of this group is to get sisters out of the house to fellowship, enjoy a night out on the town and 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.

***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.

The 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.

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. The Facebook feature of the website is for SOV members only and is password protected.