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NEWSLETTER

MAY 2009

Hello Creative Women,

Here it is May and we are adjourning again for the summer months. The last two years have really flown by. There are so many to thank for the success of this year. Thank you to the Board of Directors, the event chairmen, committee chairmen and every member who volunteered for and attended events.

This month we will be handing out \$97,000 in grants at our Celebration of Caring luncheon. I consider this quite an accomplishment in light of our troubled economy and we can be proud of our work together.

As everyone is going separate ways for the summer, I would like you to know the Nominating Committee has presented us with a very promising new Board of Directors ready to take over the challenges of next year.

#### CALENDAR DATES

**MAY 19**  
BOARD MEETING

**MAY 20**  
LUNCHEON  
GRAYHAWK GOLF  
CLUB

**OCTOBER 28**  
HOLIDAZE  
BOUTIQUE  
TROON COUNTRY  
CLUB

#### 2009/2010 CWPP Board

President – *Joanie Burchmore*  
Vice President of Administration and Fundraising – *Jane Poucel*  
Vice President of Charities – *Toy Martin*  
Treasurer – *Diane Andreasen*  
Secretary – *Linda Ehrlich*  
Board Member (2 yr.) – *Sandy Foss*  
Board Member (2yr.) – *Nancy Maloney*  
Board Member (1yr.) – *Patti Acridge*  
Board Member (1yr.) – *Pamela Carlston-Swanson*  
Lifetime Board Members – *Polly Reed*  
*Betty Lee*  
Past President – *Jackie Cromett*

May you all have a wonderful summer and come back energized to begin anew to make a difference in the lives of Valley women and children. CWPP is a truly wonderful organization and I am honored to have served as your President for the past two years. Thank you for the opportunity to work and grow with you. Never forget..... *Together, we can make a difference!*

*Sincerely, Jackie Cromett*

## **MESSAGE FROM OUR INCOMING PRESIDENT**

Dear Friends,

I'm honored that you entrust me as your President next year, and hope you'll continue your membership in Creative Women as we approach another year with economic concerns. I'm excited to serve both you, and the agencies who appeal to us for assistance in this time of critical need.

The bleak economy is less threatening when I look at the rich talent of our Creative Women. We have a strong board with fresh energy, creative ideas, and an undaunted approach to fundraising. We have a devoted membership who hold fast to the belief that "Together We Can Make a Difference". I'm energized by everyone's enthusiasm and encouraged by your unselfish desire to improve the future of less-fortunate women and children.

Let's Do This!

I've been making phone calls this month to fill non-board positions, and met with success, but there are still positions to be filled, I remind myself that 20% of the people do 80% of the work, but I'm hopeful that Creative Women is an exception to the rule. I invite all of you to serve in some way. There will be sign-up sheets at the May luncheon on which to express your interest.

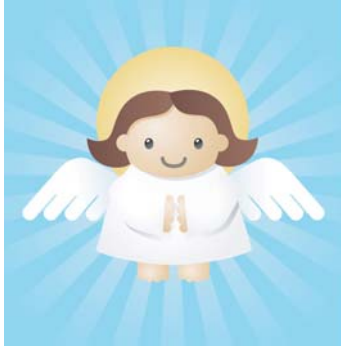
I wish you a relaxing summer on a lake, in the mountains, on a shore, or lazing in Arizona's warmth.

*Joanie Burchmore*

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## **MEMBER RENEWAL**

*If you have not already done so, please renew your membership before summer begins. Viki Brown will have renewal applications available at the May luncheon. If you cannot attend the luncheon, please contact Viki via phone or email and she will be happy to mail the form to you.*



## **SUMMER ANGEL PROGRAM**

Please Open Your Hearts!

During the summer, from May to October, there aren't any events to raise money for our charities. Their needs are always increasing.

We are asking you to give \$2.00 a day during this time which is a total of \$300.

With this generous gift, you will be listed in all our programs throughout the year as being a "SUMMER ANGEL."

As an extra bonus, the first thirty members to give \$300 will be included in a drawing to win a \$400 Black Oscar Handbag. Twelve people have already submitted their donation for a chance to win.

Please Join!

We thank you for all your support. For additional information, contact *Sandy Foss*.

Please send your contribution to CWPP at: 8711 E. Pinnacle Peak Road, PMB 244,  
Scottsdale, AZ. 85255  
Attn.: Summer Angels



# **HOLIDAZE BOUTIQUE**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2009**

**TROON COUNTRY CLUB**

Due to the success of our mini-craft boutique hosted in March, CWPP is expanding to a *Holidaze* Boutique during peak shopping season with more exhibitors and longer hours.

The event is being held on Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at Troon Country Club from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. There will be a Bagel Bar in the morning and a Dessert Bar in the afternoon, both with coffee. Also, a cash bar for spirits and soft drinks will be open all day. A \$10.00 cover charge will defray the cost of the food.

We need volunteers to staff both the door and cashiering. Shifts run from 10:00 to 1:00, 1:00 to 4:00, and 4:00 to 6:00.

Do you know an exhibitor who would like to participate?

Please call Chair *Marsha Gershberg* to volunteer or with a potential exhibitor's name.

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## **NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**

### **MELANIE PELCHAT**

Thank you Patti Acridge for sponsoring Melanie Pelchat. Many of you have met Melanie during our monthly luncheons. Melanie is originally from Chicago. She married her best friend, Ray, more than 40 years ago. Together they raised their two children, Christy and Brian. They lived in Wethersfield, Connecticut before relocating to Scottsdale 17 years ago. They have 4 grandchildren, Jake 10, Landon 5, Sydnee 4, and Kylee 9 weeks. Melanie is a very active grandma and feels blessed to have her family close by.

Melanie is currently working for Jacqueline Nerguizian Fine Jewelry. She loves the challenge of working with a start-up company and is having fun while she works. Seeing a client thrilled with a new piece of jewelry makes Melanie especially happy.

When Melanie is not working she enjoys beading, reading and hiking, especially in Sedona. She is looking forward to this new season and CWPP is lucky to have her.

*Linda Ehrlich*

## **2009 GRANT RECIPIENTS**

I am pleased to inform you of the 2008/2009 Grant Recipients. Also, my sincere thanks to *Polly Ringdahl*, Vice President of Charities and to the Grant Committee, under the leadership of Co-chairs *Anne Cannella* and *Marilyn Glasberg*, for their diligence in choosing this year's Grant Recipients.

Grant Committee members include *Anne Cannella* and *Marilyn Glasberg* – Co-chairs, *Johanna Covert*, *Harriet Ingolia*, *Susan Markowitz*, *Ann Martin*, *Toy Martin* and *Aileen Osofsky*

### **MAJOR GRANTS:**

<b>Homeward Bound</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
<b>Foundation for Blind Children</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>
<b>Jewish Family and Children's Services</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

### **SMALL GRANTS:**

CASS	\$3,500
Defenders of Children	\$2,500
Desert Voices, Oral Learning Center	\$3,500
Family School	\$3,500
Greater Phoenix Youth at Risk	\$3,000
Happily Ever After League (HEAL)	\$3,000
HomeBase	\$3,000
Horses Help	\$3,500
UMOM New Day Center	<u>\$3,500</u>
 Grand Total	 \$97,000

*Jackie Cromett*

April 21, 2009

Ms. Jackie Cromett, President  
Ms. Marilyn Glasberg, Chair, Grants Committee  
Creative Women of Pinnacle Peak  
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*“Our greatest natural resource is the minds of our children.”*  
--Walt Disney

Dear Jackie and Marilyn:

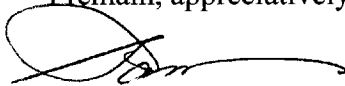
Enclosed please find our signed copies of the Grant Agreement. We are thrilled with your notification that we have received \$40,000.00 for Project SOAR! (Starting Out All Right!). What a glorious gift!

I also want to thank you and the membership for the fabulous gift of 50 bulletin boards. They will go a very long way in assisting us with preserving the integrity of the walls in the apartments. This was a most creative and special gift. You ladies are amazing!

The first bulletin board will go into the apartment of Jeanne and her daughter. Jeanne has had a long and rocky journey – one that has included abuse as a child, drug addiction, prostitution, incarceration, and recovery. The bulletin board will hold her newly received Respiratory Therapist license. This employment training and opportunity was lost by Jeanne when she was involved in her poor choices. Now, many years and even more roads walked later, she has received reinstatement of her license. Now, Jeanne’s life, and the life of her daughter, will move forward with amazing opportunities. Jeanne dreams of owning her own vehicle, purchasing a home and sending her daughter to college. Thank you for giving her a special place to display her accomplishment. It will be a constant reminder of the good that comes of staying sober, focusing on the task at hand and believing that all things are possible.

Again, my thanks to each and every member – you are very special to all of us.

I remain, appreciatively,



Pamela A. Martin, Ph.D.  
President/Executive Director

Enc: Signed Grant Agreement