

**CREATIVE WOMEN OF PINNACLE PEAK
NEWSLETTER
MARCH 2008**

Hello Creative Women,

It is hard to imagine that two-thirds of our CWPP year is over. Everyone who worked on the Star Spangled Spring Fashion Show (I just had to say that one more time!) should be very proud because everything came together for a fabulous day. I would like to extend a special thank you to Joanie Burchmore for her outstanding leadership and creativity in presenting us with such a wonderful event. Also, I would like to thank every single person who worked on the fashion show, be it out front or behind the scenes.

I am happy to report you that the Fashion Show netted \$55,054.00. Of that amount, the Tablescape Raffle, Chaired by Toy Martin, brought in \$13,236.00 and the Silent Auction, Chaired by Sandy Foss, brought in \$12,497.00. Donations and ticket sales made up the remainder of the profit.

Of course, as we come off the 'high' of the Fashion Show, we need to look forward to the Troon North Sunset Home Tour. Debbie Sinagoga and Polly Ringdahl have been hard at work selecting spectacular homes and ordering up a twilight cocktail buffet to be the crowning touch to an unforgettable afternoon and evening.

As always, with spring on the way, we must start thinking toward next year. I would like to acknowledge Viki Brown for all her work on Membership Renewals and New Member Applications. It would be greatly appreciated if everyone would take the time now to return their renewal forms (which were mailed last week) and checks. The longer you wait, the easier it is to forget, making the efforts of the Membership Committee much more tedious. Work on the 2008/2009 directories starts over the summer and no one will want to be left out. Also, if you are considering the sponsorship of a new member, you still have time to bring them a luncheon or two and even get them involved with the upcoming Home Tour. Deadline for renewal and new member applications is April 15th. Should you need additional information, please contact Viki Brown at lifeisgreatnpc@msn.com or 480-275-6249.

I hope to see all your smiling faces at the March 19th luncheon.

Jackie Cromett

MARCH 19, 2008 LUNCHEON

The March 19th luncheon will be held at

**Troon North Golf Club
10320 E. Dynamite Blvd.**

**North on Pima to Dynamite Blvd.
East on Dynamite Blvd. for 1.5 miles
to entrance to Troon North Golf Club on the left**

Our March Speaker is from one of our charities, Horses Help

Gregg Goodman

Gregg Goodman grew up in Alamo, California. He attended the University of Mississippi on a baseball scholarship, graduating in 1981. After pursuing a master's degree in medical microbiology, Gregg went to work for Morrison's Inc., which became Ruby Tuesdays Restaurants. Through his tenure there he served as General Manager, Director of Operations, Director of Human Resources and the first Director of Franchise Relations.

After moving to Arizona with his wife Jann, and three children, Gregg left his 20-year tenure with Ruby Tuesdays to pursue a life long dream with his wife Jann by establishing The Therapy Zone and Boulder Mountain Therapy Centers in Mesa.

Gregg came to Horses Help as the Executive Director in 2005 at the request of the retiring founder and the Board of Directors. Gregg has focused his attention at Horses Help on board development, program expansion, and sustainability. He currently serves as the state representative for North American Riding for the Handicapped Association, and recently served on the Governors Council for Developmental Disabilities.

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TROON NORTH SUNSET HOME TOUR 2008
by Debbie Sinagoga

Home Tour 2008 is shaping up and in gear for the upcoming Wednesday, April 9, Sunset Cocktail Tour! We have six fantastic homes on display in the Troon North area. Of the six homes, one was on the cover of *Phoenix Home and Garden* with a feature article in the October 2001 issue. Two of the homes are personal homes to exceptional interior designers. One home is owned by the daughter of a professional golfer and is a “Jackson Hole meets Scottsdale” interior design style not to be missed!

All of the homes have been professionally decorated by some of the top interior designers in North Scottsdale and all have fabulous mountain, golf course and city light views! Architectural designs from Territorial to Old World to Western-High style.

Following the home tour, you are invited to a fabulous pasta bar and cocktail reception at the world-renowned Troon North Golf Club, home to two of the best golf courses in the world – The Pinnacle Course and the Monument Course! You will be treated to the to the culinary expertise of their regional executive chef, Gerard Brunett, taking in the incredible down-valley views while relaxing on the patio of Troon North’s clubhouse!

We hope you join us for this rare opportunity to view some of North Scottsdale’s finest homes!

NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

By Viki Brown

WELCOME BELA FIDEL

Creative Women has another talented artist in our midst. Bela Fidel has been painting for over 30 years. Besides her passion for art is her work on behalf of all animals, big and small. In fact, Bela created a whole series dedicated to endangered and exploited species.

Bela was born and raised in Sao Paulo Brazil. She left Brazil at the young age of 21 to live and study in Israel for 8 years. Bela move to the United States several years later where she met her husband Stan, a talented poet, writer and lyricist (he wrote the lyrics to the theme song for Disney's *The Fox and the Hound*). She has been an active new member in Creative Women and has generously donated her artwork for our silent auctions.

**SUSAN BYRD
ONE WOMAN PHOTO EXHIBITION
CWPP CHARITY BENEFIT**

Pintura Fine Art Gallery is proud to announce the upcoming one-woman show for Scottsdale Photographic Fine Artist, Susan Byrd, April 11 – 12 from 10:00AM until 9:00PM. Artist's reception will be Saturday, April 12th from 6:00PM until 9:00PM, with wine and hors d'oeuvres.

"World in View" will showcase Susan's dramatic fine art images of interesting scenery, people and places from around the world, the American West and Southwest.

Proceeds (10% from Susan and 10% from Pintura Fine Art Gallery for a total of 20%) from the show are to benefit CWPP's valley charities.

Exhibition is open to public. Please visit www.pinturafineart.com to RSVP for reception and sign up for a FREE Giclee. The gallery is located next to Pinnacle Peak Patio – Jomax and Alma School Rd. – 480-538-8288.

KEEPING THE FOCUS

While we have fun and make wonderful friendships within this organization, our purpose is providing funds to help others who are less fortunate. Our Grant committees, both Major and Small, have been very busy visiting and interviewing potential grant recipients for 2008. With limited funds to go around, they have a difficult job, as there are so many worthy agencies to help.

We have completed two wonderful events and have one opportunity left this year to give the committees the funds they need to make dreams come true for many women and children. Harsh economic times are much worse for those at risk. Please embrace this remaining fundraiser as we look forward to May when the fruits of our labor will be presented to very deserving charities. It will be with proud hearts that we present funds to the agencies that our grant committees will have chosen.

I thank each and every one of you for your support,

Jackie Cromett

Fashion Show Appreciation

Thank you to the *Star Spangled Spring* Fashion Show Chairmen and their committees for their time, energy, vision and support. Everyone worked diligently and I am deeply appreciative!

Also, please patronize the generous businesses that advertised in our program or contributed items to the Silent Auction and TableScape Raffle, and thank them when you're in their place of business.

Joanie Burchmore
2008 Fashion Show Chair