

CREATIVE WOMEN OF PINNACLE PEAK

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September 2008
Newsletter

CALENDAR DATES

September 17

Luncheon
Pinnacle Peak
Country Club

October 4

HOPEKIDS
(volunteers
needed)

October 15

Luncheon
Scottsdale
Marriott
at
McDowell
Mountains
16770 N.
Perimeter Rd.

November 19

Luncheon
Desert Highlands

December 5

"Dancing Under
the
Stars"- Black Tie
Ball

WELCOME BACK LADIES:

Three months can really fly by, can't they? I hope everyone has had some time to relax and enjoy their CWPP-free time. Many times this summer I have thought back to our May luncheon. It always brings a smile to my face when I think about the charities represented there that day. All of us should feel a wonderful sense of accomplishment, knowing we have made such a difference in so many lives. I would like to thank all of you for the hard work you put forth to make last year so successful.

As we turn our thoughts back to CWPP, I am most enthusiastic to start working to attain our goal of aiding worthy charities in 2008/2009. I believe we have a membership, new members and old, that will be sincerely excited to work together for great camaraderie as well as profitable fundraising. Please share my optimism that this organization can be strong as ever, despite our weak economy.

Several of your fellow Members have been working on some exciting ideas. We hope to make the luncheons more meaningful as well as more fun. Lots of brainstorming has gone on about some different events and ways to perk up the good old standbys. "Thank you" to those of you who responded to our June survey. Your input helped in making decisions for the coming year. A summary of the survey can be found later in this newsletter.

We are very fortunate to have Mr. Rob Cottrell of HopeKids (one of our major charities) speak at the September luncheon. He will tell us of an event he has coming up October 4th for which he needs volunteers. You won't want to miss his inspiring story of this worthy organization and I am sure many of you will want to volunteer to help at this event.

Much time and effort has been put into "Dancing Under the Stars" by Nancy Mavrides, Diana Wilkinson, Roxana McClellan, and Marilyn Glasberg. These ladies have been very busy this summer on what I am sure is going to be the "can't miss" black tie event of the season! Certainly, you must already have your calendars marked on December 5th for this outstanding event.

I know many of you are not in town yet, but I look forward to seeing you all this month or next as we embark on a very promising year in the history of this wonderful organization.

We must BELIEVE that together we can make a big difference in the lives of children in need.

Fondly,
Jackie Cromett



"DANCING UNDER THE STARS"

Friday, December 5, 2008

The success of the ball depends on CWPP members. Invite your friends and neighbors and plan now to attend this elegant black-tie evening of dining and dancing.

Troon Country Club

\$175.00 per person

Nancy Mavrides, Diana Wilkinson and Roxana McClellan

Don't forget the Silent Auction!

Solicited gifts, hand-crafted creations, certificates, services, theatre/sporting tickets, and whimsical items are all welcome.

Do you have a Time-Share you're willing to donate?

Are you still at your summer home? We'd love to feature items from various cities and states.

Questions: Joanie Burchmore, Sandy Foss and Jane Poucel

**For information on volunteering for the October 4th
HOPEKIDS Event**

Call Polly Ringdahl 480-585-7495

*******PLEASE NOTE*******

The October Luncheon is being held at
Scottsdale Marriott at McDowell Mountains
16770 N. Perimeter Road

A map will be available on the registration table
and the September luncheon.

Be courteous and make your reservation by noon on Friday
before each luncheon. 480-502-1773

**Remember, if you make a reservation or are on the permanent
list and do not attend, you will be charged \$30.**

NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

SHARLAN SINGER

By Linda Ehrlich

Thank you Sonny Shlachter for sponsoring Sharlan Singer.

Sharlan is a very perky blonde with a dazzling smile and a really big heart. She and her husband Hank are originally from Chicago. Between the two of them they have nine children and fourteen grandchildren.

Shalan loves to cook, party and entertain and does each one well and with ease. She has worked her entire adult life and wants to "give back". She is looking forward to joining others at CWPP with our work towards building a better community by helping and giving.

We are very lucky to have this most generous woman working with us. When she is doing something for others, you can find her playing Maj Jong with her many friends.

2008 CWPP SURVEY RESULTS

1. Should CWPP be identified with only one charity - should we Fund one charity permanently as a Major?

Yes: 7
No: 14

2. If we continue to fund more than one non-profit, how many majors should we fund?

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| 1 major: | 2 | 2-3 majors: | 4 |
| 2 majors: | 10 | 1-3 majors: | 1 |
| 1-2 majors: | 1 | 3 majors: | 1 |

3. Should these organizations roll off?

Yes: 9
No: 8
One should roll off: 3

4. Outside of CWPP, do you volunteer and or fund a charity? If so, does that influence your preferences for funding through CWPP?

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| Yes: 13 | Yes: 1 |
| No: 7 | No: 10 |

5. Should we combine the two grant committees with one chair and use the same process and criteria for selection for both major and small?

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| Combine | Yes: 19 |
| | No: 1 |

6. Should we eliminate one of the grant levels? If so, which one?

Yes: 4
No: 12

7. What is your favorite CWPP fundraising event?

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| Fashion Show: 10 | Home Tour: 4 |
| Rhinestone Cowboy: 3 | Pinnacle Ball: 4 |
| Trash to Treasures: 1 | |

8. What is your least favorite event?
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| Pinnacle Ball: 3 |
| Home Tour: 7 |
| Fashion Show: 3 |

A copy of the complete summary(with comments) will be available on the registration desk at the September luncheon.