

*Valley of the Sun HCSC Alumni Club  
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Minutes from Valley of the Sun HCSC Alumni Club, December 4, 2017 are as follows: The meeting and luncheon was conducted at the Shalimar Golf Club, Tempe, Arizona. President **Tom Putman** presided over the luncheon and meeting, leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance, Gary Leathers offered prayers for our food and fellowship, as well extending a warm welcome to all.

Prior to the luncheon, President Tom welcomed all, with a brief comment as to the Carrot Cake that will be shared after the luncheon, in memory of our “**Elder Statesman, Mr. Tom Mason**” who passed away mid-October. This was his favorite dessert. A brief Sunshine Report from Secretary Vyda Bridwell to keep Shirley and Lew Langer in our thoughts and prayers, as they are absent for the first time in many, many years. Shirley broke her femur in a fall and is doing rehab and hopefully soon will be transitioning from a wheel chair to walker.

**Jim Rotsch**, Treasurer gave the financial report with membership of 43. Our account is in good standing.

After buffet lunch, we enjoyed our guest speakers; **Patty Armstrong**, Appliance Supervisor and **Vickie Starr**, Salon Manager. These staff members are at the Superstition Mall, Mesa. Patty gave some hi-lights of the Home Store being relocated to the Main Store of JCP, i.e. square footage of the Home Store Department definitely downsized to less square footage in the Main Store, yet customer enthusiastically pleased with the change. Vickie announced the changes; Salon by In-Style, remuneration changes for the various levels of artists/operators, the BEVO – “book on line appointment app”, and shared some nice surprises if we answered correctly questions about her presentation!!!

We had the pleasure of **WR Howell**, Former CEO of JCP in our presence and he shared his thoughts and thanks to all in attendance who helped to make JCP GREAT! He sported his OU red vest, excited that Oklahoma would be playing in the “granddaddy of all college games” – the Rose Bowl on New Year’s Day!!!

Likewise, our “new senior HCSC Valley Member” – **Joe Shelton** graced the podium once again after many years of giving his rousing Treasurer’s reports. Joe began his tale of working for JCP while attending college, headed for medical school, but being solicited to join Montgomery Ward for a high salary. Worked there for a few years, then changed his vocation of study, and joined JCP, retiring in 1988. He is a Century Club member and over the course of aging, has now sold his residence and resides in Friendship Village in Tempe.

Tom Putman did present information on the National HCSC Foundation, calling our attention to the information that was in the recent PARTNERS Publication. Thus, Vyda Bridwell made the motion that the Valley of the Sun HCSC LMG generate a donation of \$200 to the Foundation. This motion received two seconds; Charles Powers and Ronald Knies. All approved.

**Mary Williams**, once again shared her musical talents during our luncheon, with holiday music. We are so grateful for this talented lady who has been doing this for us every Christmas season since Ron Knies was President.

**Attendees:** Ken & Muffy Askelson, Vyda Bridwell, Bob Chapman, John Elliott, Doris Gronseth, WR & Judy Howell, John & Carol Henderson, Ed & LaRue Howard, Ron & Mary Knies, Gary Leathers, Harold & Marilyn McCann, Geroge & Maureen McNevin, Sam & Laurie Page, Charles Powers & Guest Sharon Haumschilv, Tom & Nancy Putman, Roger Rhoades, Jim Rotsch, Joe Shelton, and Guests: Mary Williams, Patty Armstrong and Vickie Starr.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Vyda J. Bridwell*  
Vyda J. Bridwell, Secretary

Event Photos Follow....



**Vicki Starr, Salon Manager**  
**Tom Putman, President of LMG – Valley of the Sun**  
**HCSC**  
**Patty Armstrong, Appliance Supervisor**



**John Henderson, Former National HCSC President,**  
**and Century Club Member, Joe Shelton – Former**  
**Treasurer of the Valley of the Sun HCSC LMG.**



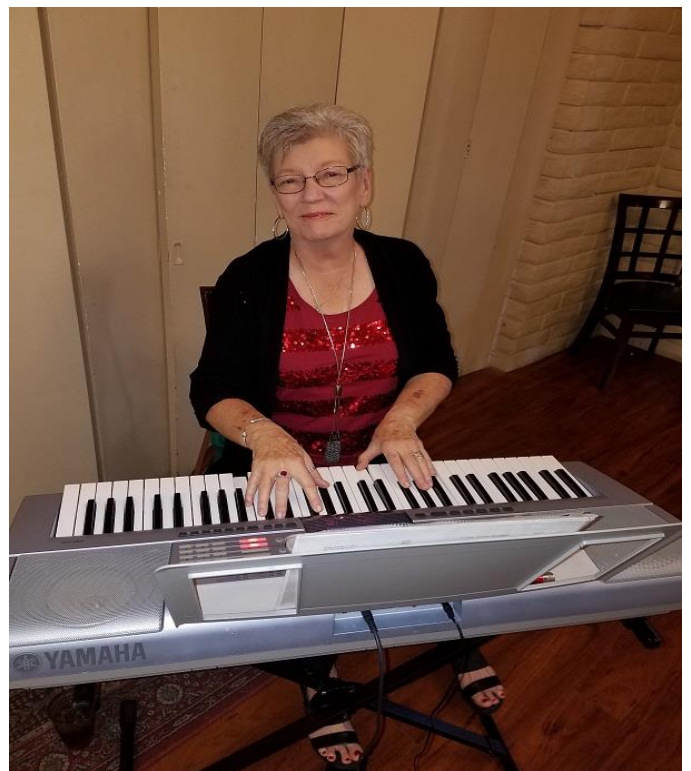
**Left: Roger Rhoades,  
Right: Robert (Bob) Chapman**



**Vickie Starr, Salon Manager – Superstition Springs  
Mall, Mesa , AZ  
Patty Armstrong, Appliance Supervisor, Superstition  
Springs Mall, Mesa , AZ  
Mrs. Judy Howell, and WR Howell**



**Vyda Bridwell, Secretary  
Nancy Putman,**



**Mary Williams, a great friend, who always comes to  
our December luncheon/meeting and shares her  
musical talents with us during the holiday season.**



**Ken & Muffy Askelson. He is a past president of this LMG**



**We had cake and ate it too!!!  
A tribute to Tom Mason**