

*Valley of the Sun HCSC Alumni Club  
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Minutes from Valley of the Sun HCSC Alumni Club or LMG, December 2, 2013  
Shalimar Country Club, Tempe, Arizona

30 Club members and guests were welcomed by President Tom Putman. Tom led the Pledge of Allegiance and George Scott offered the invocation.

Sunshine report was given by Vyda, advising that John Henderson was recuperating from a total knee replacement.

**Veronica Yates**, a 20 year JCPenney employee, part of the new “Warrior Team” and the Assistant Manager at Arrowhead Store, in Glendale was our guest speaker. Veronica was very excited to “bring us up to date” on the “renewed” JCPenney. She announced that Friends and Family sales effort will be on December 8, 2013.

**Carol Whitworth**, CEO of Sunshine Acres, Mesa, AZ once again shared news of this fantastic organization. In 1960 she joined her parents in providing love, homes, and education for children of all ages. She announced that Blandford Homes is building them a new home and expect to be ready by late March. Carol read a story written by a recent graduate of the Red Mountain High School, who was third in his class, and now attending the University of Chicago. The young man had arrived at Sunshine Acres when he was 9 years of age and the overall message was “No one can hold you back”!!!

**George Scott**, former President of the Valley of the Sun Club presented three of our members with their 50 Year Pin. Those were Jim Bickerstaff, Ron Knies and new member, Steve Carter.

**Tom Mason**, Century Club member attended the National Convention, with his son. Tom shared some “tidbits” of the wonderful experience and many accolades that he received during the convention. Tom had some interesting inventory questions for Veronica?

The 50/50 winner was Mary Knies, and gift cards were received by Steve Carter, Nancy Nelson, Roger Rhodes and Tom Mason. Mary Williams joined us again this year and shared Christmas music.

V. Bridwell made the motion to donate \$100 to Sunshine Acres, second by J. Nelson, and motion carried. Other contributions were graciously accepted and will be transmitted to Sunshine Acres.

Our March 3, 2014 meeting will be held at the same location, same time.

J. Rotsch made the motion to adjourn, second by John Elliott. All approved.

**Attendees:** Ken Askelson, Jim & Marjorie Bickerstaff, Vyda Bridwell, Steve & Dianne Carter, Robert Chapman, John & Judie Elliott, Ron & Mary Knies, Lew & Shirley Langer, Tom Mason & Guest Shirley Johnson, Harold McCann, Jay & Nancy Nelson, Charley Powers & Guest Marion Beiber, Tom & Nancy Putman, Roger & Sue Rhodes, Jim Rotsch, George & Cathy Scott, Guests: Veronica Yates, Carol Whitworth and Mary Williams.

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

***Pictures of Event Follow.....***



**Jim Rotsch, Treasurer**  
*Preparing tickets ready for our 50/50 drawing*



**Cathy Scott, Tom Mason**  
and his guest, **Shirley Johnson**



**Steve Carter and his wife, Dianne Carter**  
*New Members this year*



Event Room



**Carol Whitworth**

CEO of Sunshine Acres, Mesa , AZ. This is a residential living and care, for homeless or abandoned children thru high school and/or college until they can support themselves.



**Mary Williams**

Pianist that accompanied our  
“carol singing” skills!



50 Year Pin Recipients from Valley of the Sun Club  
**Steve Carter, George Scott – Presenter,  
Ron Knies and Jim Bickerstaff**



**Tom Mason – 98 Century Club Member,  
Veronica Yates – Ass't. Store Manager  
Arrowhead Center , Glendale , AZ  
Tom Putman– President  
Valley of the Sun Club**