



GFWC
THE MONDAY CLUB, INC.
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GFWC The Monday Club, Inc., of Prescott, Arizona, is the oldest Women's Club in Arizona. It was organized August 19, 1895, as the Prescott Women's Club and grew out of a nucleus of women who had formed the Prescott History Study Club in 1891 and the Prescott Chautaugua Circle in 1892. Mrs. F. A. Tritle, the wife of the Territorial Governor of Arizona, was instrumental in the formation of this club and is listed in the club yearbook as President from 1896 to 1900, as well as from 1901 to 1903.

There was and is no age limit and no racial or religious requirement for membership. In 1895 The Monday Club (or Prescott Women's Club as it was called then) had a membership of 79, and while the number has varied depending on the 'times', The Monday Club, Inc., currently has about 35 members.

The object of the club is to be of service to its members and the community by maintaining an organized center adequate for the cultural and educational advantages of its members.

Regular meetings are held on the third Monday of each month, September through June, at the Monday Club building on Stetson Road, or as otherwise scheduled by the President or the Program Chairman of the day.

Meeting time is 1:00 p.m. or as otherwise scheduled for luncheons and/or programs.



Dues are payable yearly. Active members pay \$35 per year and Associate members, \$45.

We welcome new members.

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Program and Project Highlights:

While early interests of the members were literary and historical, they soon became involved with educational projects, conservation, public affairs, home life, the arts, and the library. Early members were responsible for securing matching funds to build the Carnegie Library in 1903, located on the southwest corner of Marina and Gurley in Prescott. This was the first public library in the territory. Recently, The Monday Club, Inc., donated a sizeable sum to the new Prescott Library and has a room in the library bearing the club's name.

At present, the programs of The Monday Club, Inc., are related to the departments of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) of which the club has been a member since 1901. In addition to the above programs, the club has added: International Affairs, Domestic Violence, Community Improvement Contest, Empowering Women One By One, Jennie Awards, Leadership, Membership, Public Policy and Advocacy, Public Relations, Exploring our Heritage, and Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO).

Today, the Monday Club, Inc., has a variety of activities. In addition to general meetings held each month, there are various interest groups and committee meetings. One such group is The Sunshine Stitchers who meet twice a month to make children's clothes and quilts for various agencies in the community and for the local hospital and then we have our Crafty Ladies. Other special projects include: the Angel Tree, Head Start, and the Pioneer's Home Tea.

The Monday Club, Inc., initiated the Prescott Community Art Trust, now named Prescott Area Art Trust (PAAT). The PAAT was the mechanism for the restoration and lighting of the "Rough Rider Monument" at the Courthouse Square. The purpose of the Trust is to select and place monumental pieces in and around the Tri-city area.

The Monday Club, Inc., is more than a social organization. The members are volunteers with awareness of the community's needs. Scholarship are presented to local high school graduates to offset college expenses, as well as to adult women who are returning to school to continue their education. Through fundraising activities, the members of The Monday Club make a difference in the community.

The Club members participate in FUN activities, such as the local parade. Join us. Many special events and programs are being planned for this coming year.

