

## ***President's Message July, 2024***

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In 2023 the City of Las Vegas, New Mexico was asked to host the 38<sup>th</sup> edition of the IRF World Senior Racquetball Championships. It accepted graciously; and, it went off last August with much success. With a new administration about to come on board at NMHU, Las Vegas is not a candidate for WSRC 2024. The 39<sup>th</sup> edition this year will be a cooperative effort with the National Masters Racquetball Association. The venue is The Glass Court in Lombard, Illinois (Chicago Area) July 25-28. Register on R2sports.com.

The Meadow City Pro-Am Racquetball & Pickleball event is coming to Las Vegas, NM November 6-10. The Abe Montoya Recreation Center will be the main venue. Wilson Complex on the campus of NMHU will provide up to two additional courts, if the draw dictates. New Mexico Racquetball has a long-standing relationship with the City of Las Vegas, dating back to 1989. The Meadow City Tournament remains an annual event; and, we are raising the bar by making it a *Pro-Am*. Las Vegas and San Miguel County have unfortunately been on the receiving end of recent bad breaks—Covid, Wildfires, and Floods. It deserves a *Turnaround*, and we have confidence the racquetball community will rise to the occasion. We intend to pump some energy into the citizens' hearts and funds into the economy. Our budget this year will have jumped from \$1,500 to \$15,000. Help us achieve our goal—register on R2sports.com and provide a contribution. Be one of the *100 for 100*—one hundred individuals donating \$100. At this writing, twenty individuals have participated.

### **PASSING**

***Dr. Robert Castillo of Albuquerque, NM***

***Scott Long of Portales, NM***

### **UPCOMING**

***July 25-28***

***IRF World Senior Racquetball; Glass Court, Lombard (Chicago), IL***

***August 23-31***

***IRF World Championships; YMCA, San Antonio, TX***

***September 13-15***

***Mark Bussen Torneo de Raquetbol; Clovis Community College SAC, NM***

***Quote of the Month 'Like life, Happiness is a ride'. Enjoy the journey.' Anon***