

THE MESQUITER

Mesquite Club, Inc. Serving the Las Vegas Valley since 1911

Issue 2

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September 2018

SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, SEPT 7, 2018

Opening Luncheon
"Back to Basics." \$25
11 a.m. Social-12 p.m. Luncheon

SATURDAY, SEPT 8, 2018

"Stop the Bleed" free class-10 a.m.

SEPTEMBER 13-16, 2018

WESTERN STATES REGION
Tuscany Hotel and Casino

TUESDAY, SEPT 18, 2018

Evening Welcome Back Pot Luck
6 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCT 2, 2018

Evening Program/Business
Meeting 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCT 5, 2018

Ways & Means Fundraiser \$25
11 a.m. Social-12 p.m. Luncheon

FRIDAY, OCT 12, 2018

Business Meeting
Fire Safety 1 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCT 16, 2018

Evening-Ways & Means
6 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCT 19, 2018

Regular Meeting
Craft Demo 1 p.m.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Let us forget, not to be kind."



First of all, may I say, Cherie Williams-DeWitt knocked it out of the ballpark, in regard to the Executive Board Fund Raising Luncheon, held in the Clubhouse. That lady knows how to throw a party. She decorated the Clubhouse, Hawaiian style, without anyone's help, and greeted attendees in a beautifully fitted, island-style, floral patterned dress. It was the bomb, along with matching accessories. Anyway, if you missed out, the salads and desserts, prepared by the board, were magnificent. It was a very relaxing afternoon with wine and sodas, also provided by Cherie. The afternoon was pleasantly laid-back; it was strictly for pleasure, no business. We were fortunate in hosting several guests.

Cherie, doing her "thing," talked at least one of them into becoming a Mesquite Club member. Yea! It was a lovely reprise from this unrelenting summer heat and just a grand afternoon. Many thanks go to Cherie for her efforts in recruiting new members, and we thank her for assuming the Chairmanship duties of this Board Fundraiser. *(See photos on page 9.)*

Even though it is still a work in progress, if you've not had the opportunity to see our new kitchen makeover, then you are missing out. The Building Committee discovered that not only did most of the burners on the stove-top not work, but the stove and wiring had become a fire hazard, as well as the fans. Consequently, the stove and fans have been replaced, along with a new sink and new countertops. Roger Mewhirter (aka Santa Claus) has kindly stepped up to do most of the work. Our main expense is the replacement of the stove, sink, and materials for the countertops. The Executive Board, which met in early August, approved this expenditure, with probably less than \$2,000 being used from the Celebration of Life Fund. The Craft Group, generously "stepped-up" and will cover additional costs. Hopefully, by the opening luncheon, the work will be finished and our Special Events Committee will have a beautiful, update and safe kitchen to prepare the luncheon....which by the way, is to be held September 7, 2018. *(See photos and report on page 7.)*

As I've mentioned before, we hope you're enjoying a relaxing summer, but things are going to become very busy. Please mark your calendars for the September 7, 2018, Opening Luncheon. (It's me nagging again.) You will find details in this Edition of the *Mesquiter*. Also, please consider attending the "Stop the Bleed" presentation the following day, September 8, 2018, at 10 a.m. It is free, so please contact **me** for your reservation. You might be able to save a life, or your own with this training. The biggie is coming up... the GFWC WSR Conference, beginning September 13-16, which is also detailed in this newsletter. Please support this GFWC endeavor. Cathi Poer, Joan Doubrava, and others have been working tirelessly, throughout the year, to make this a huge success.

I look forward to seeing you at these September events. Please feel to contact me with any concerns and/or advice.

Your faithful President,
Barbara Bolling



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MESQUITE CLUB!



Join us at the
Mesquite Club
Opening Luncheon

Friday, September 7, 2018

RSVP by Friday, August 31, 2018

11 a.m. Social-12 p.m. Luncheon

\$25

Help us start an exciting year!

Reserve your spot, send a check to:

Mesquite Club Attention: Nancy Zangl

P.O. Box 95662, Las Vegas, Nevada 89193

For more information, contact:

Sandra Ackerman, chair: (702) 489-9028

Email: syackerman@gmail.com



*Ways & Means Luncheon
Silent Auction
"Fashions of Yesterday"*

Friday, October 5, 2018

11 a.m. Social - 12 p.m. Luncheon

RSVP by:

Friday, September 28, 2018

\$25

Reserve your spot, send a check to:

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There will be handbags from Doris Wartman featured in the Silent Auction!

Wear a fashion from your favorite decade!

Bring a friend for a free glass of bubbly!

For more information, contact:

Elsa Torgerson, Chair: (702) 837-2416

Email: etorgerson@cox.net



Let's make our afternoon Tea on
November 2, 2018, 1 p.m., a BYOB day.

VETERANS VILLAGE WOMEN'S HOUSING

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For more information email
arnaldetalk@gmail.com

Arnold Stalk, director, of Veteran's Village will be the guest speaker at our regular meeting this day. Let's send him home with a box of full sized bottles of the following: shampoo, body wash, mouthwash, deodorant, dish detergent, soft scrub, all surface cleaners, etc.

Their pantry is always in need of these items, and it is one way we can be of help.

"Save the Date"

Friday, November 30, 2018

11 a.m. Social 12 p.m. Luncheon

\$25

Join Community Services for an **"Ugly Christmas Sweater Day"** fundraiser & luncheon.

We encourage everyone to create & wear a "decorative" sweater, and join us for a day filled with fun.

Please bring packages of toilet paper and see if we can build an igloo, the bigger the better.

Lunch, games & prizes, live entertainment and items for sale.

This will be a perfect time to get your shopping started and have a good time while doing so.

Reserve your spot,
send a check to:

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89193



EVENING: CHAIR LETTER; EVENING EVENTS

Greetings Evening Mesquite Club friends and supporters!

As the summer winds down and kids head back to school, it's a time for renewal and rejoicing as we begin a new year of service and charitable endeavors as Mesquite Club members.

Before we get into what we have in store for September, let's revisit our fun and productive August events, including the August 7th joint Ways and Means fundraiser to benefit Evening Mesquite Club and the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Nevada at the Clubhouse. Guests enjoyed the flip flop theme at our summer bunco gathering. Several members brought new guests to the Club, and they helped us raise approximately \$1,000 through this fundraiser. Kudos to members who were in town and able to assist with the fundraiser.



Pool party at Jane's house!

Several members also gathered for a light-hearted social and pool party at Jane Reid's home on Saturday, August 18. Dancing, Pictionary, and tasty treats were on the itinerary for what is fast becoming an annual summer tradition. Thank you, Jane, for your hospitality and welcoming members into your home for this social.



Welcome to the Ways & Means Fundraiser!



Judy wins!

The Holiday Craft Auction preparation meetings at the Clubhouse have been ongoing and yielded several early accomplishments. We met on August 21 to address invitations and to planning our largest fundraiser of the year. We meet again at 6 p.m., on Tuesday, September 25, at the Clubhouse, so please plan to attend. Special recognition is extended to our selected grant recipient, Foster Kinship, who has sent an individual to assist at each HCA meeting so far!

Finally, hot off the heels of hosting the GFWC Western States Regional Conference, we continue the momentum with Evening chapter's first meeting of the new membership year on Tuesday, September 18, at the

Clubhouse. The meeting calls

for a potluck style gathering and is sure to be an enjoyable time reconnecting with members after the long, hot summer. *"To be the change we wish to see in the world,"* you should consider bringing a new friend to join us and rally excitement for prospective members looking to get more involved in our community.

I look forward to seeing you all at an upcoming meeting. Thank you for your support and especially for your service.

All my best,

Melissa



We FALL back to work!

**EVENING
Welcome Back
Pot-Luck**

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 - 6 p.m.

It has been a hot summer. It is time to come back together and get back to work.

**Bring your favorite dish to our
Welcome Back Pot-Luck!**

**Bring your favorite friend or neighbor to our
Welcome Back Pot-Luck!**

**For more information and to RSVP, contact
Judy Stebbins @ judytebbins@earthlink.net
Home: (702) 259-6459 Cell: (702) 575-7322**

SAVE THE DATE FOR UPCOMING EVENTS; MEMORIAL TILE PROJECT; YEARBOOKS



Evening Members of the
Mesquite Club present:

Families Make the Holidays

34th Annual Holiday Craft Live Auction

Friday November 16, 2018
Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Mesquite Clubhouse
702 E. St. Louis Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89104

Drinks--Buffet Dinner--Raffles
\$20 donation per person to attend

Proceeds to Benefit:
Foster Kinship
Evening Mesquite Scholarship Fund

"Families Make the Holidays"

The Holiday Craft Auction Committee has been meeting diligently to plan the 34th Annual Holiday Craft Auction, to be held on Friday, November 16, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the Mesquite Clubhouse. The proceeds from the event will benefit Foster Kinship and the Evening Scholarship Program.

Right now, members are soliciting area business for donations to our live auction as well as for the basket raffles. We have decided on three grand-prizes for our \$2 raffle tickets, however, we are still seeking live-auction items and basket-raffle items and would appreciate help from all Mesquite Club members.

For more information, or to make donations, contact:
Pat Garcia: (702) 734-5978, email: bird48@cox.net
Or, Jane Reid: (702) 463-7942, email: j.reid5@cox.net.

Thank you in advance for your support!
2018 co-chairs, Holiday Craft Auction

Celebration of Life Wall Tile Project

We are offering Memorial or Celebration tiles on the wall just outside of the door to the Clubhouse. The cost is \$100 for a tile. We have sold the middle tile that honors our founders.

Let me offer you a special deal, Mrs. C.P. Squires was president twice. Anyone who wants to buy her a Founder's tile can have two for the price of one! Great deal. Get with your girlfriends and buy a tile honoring a member of the Mesquite Club. You can buy one for yourself as well.

We will put the member's name and the year she came into the Club on the tile. This is a great way for us to raise money for our club without a lot of work!

Come and check out what you would like to do.

For more information, contact,
Johanna Kennedy, Chairman.

jkennedyart@aol.com



(This photo indicates the idea and does not reflect the exact sample.)



Pick up your Club Yearbook at the Clubhouse!

The 2018-2019 Club Yearbook will be available at the opening luncheon, and thereafter.

Please come and get your Yearbook so that you will be informed about the activities for the Club year.

You may have a friend pick yours up if you cannot come to the Clubhouse. You must sign for it. If you wish more than one copy, you can purchase it for \$5.

Thank you for your help with this, and see you soon!

MESQUITE CLUBHOUSE UPDATE

Cathi Poer, Building Chairman

This summer has been a busy one for our Clubhouse while our members were away. The cracks that had appeared in our front block wall have been expertly repaired and painted, once again preserving the integrity of the structure. Through a contact our own John King had, Steve Cartwright of Gold Country Carpet Cleaning has cleaned our carpet, some of our chairs and plans to do our kitchen and bathrooms as well, at a very low cost. Thank you to Steve, and to John for bringing him to us!



Old kitchen fan. YUCK! A fire hazard!

The big news is that it was noted that our kitchen hood fans and cooktops were in poor condition, (*see photos,*) only partially working, and posing a fire hazard. Corinne Mewhirter and her husband, Roger volunteered to work on a project of replacing them, and our Craft Group, volunteered to help pay for the project.

Because time was of the essence due to the fire-hazard issue and to try to get the work done before our busy club year started, our Building Committee met and agreed that since the labor for the project was free, the kitchen could have a little improvement to the countertops and sink as well. With input from our Executive Board, a decision was made to replace the very old cooktops with one new 5-burner cooktop (*see photo below.*) This change required replacing the countertop, and a deep one-basin sink was purchased to ease rinsing large items like our coffee and tea urns (*see photo below.*) It was also decided to replace the rest of the perimeter countertops and add a microwave shelf and new microwave oven. The Executive Board has voted to take an amount from the Celebration of Life fund, along with the \$1,500 donated by the Craft Group, to complete the project. The maximum authorized to be spent is \$3,500, but it appears the project may cost less than that. The new large countertop, hood fans, cooktop and sink have been installed. The rest of the project is in process and when completed will not only give our kitchen an updated look, but will make it a safer



Charred counter under the old cooktop.

and easier place to work.

Many, many thanks go to the Mewhirters for their long hours of effort and to our Craft Group for making this project possible. Not only will this be better for our Club, but better for our renters that use the kitchen. If you would like to donate to this project, send your check to the P. O. Box marked for the Celebration of Life Fund - Kitchen Project. Thank you!



New extra-large kitchen sink.



New five-burner cooktop.



New exhaust fan.

BOARD BRIEFS; CLUB FINANCIALS; WE CARE; VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

BOARD BRIEFS



The August meeting of the Mesquite Club Executive Board was called to order at 10:07 a.m. President Barbara Bolling led the Pledge of Allegiance and Collect.

Corresponding Secretary: Sylvia Phillips noted Resignations were received from Kay McCauslin, Mary Chandler, Gaylynne Schaffer, and Paula Mendenhall. Resignations were accepted with regrets.

Evening Mesquite Representative: Jane Reid reported their main focus has been the November 16th Holiday Craft auction. Business solicitation letters have been mailed with a good response. Disneyworld tickets obtained with the assistance of Foster Kinship. Please let them know of someone who should receive an invitation.

Update on Wall: Johanna Kennedy reported the "Celebration of Life" has been paid for by Lori Hartig and her uncle, one for her mother, grandmother and aunt. Joan Doubrava purchased four center pieces which will read "Mesquite Club est 1911 with our logo. Four founders tile bricks are available at \$125 per to honor our founders. Tile info includes name and year person joined our club.

New Business: Kitchen Remodel Funding. A July 26 email motion was made by Lynda Schultz and seconded by Corrine Meriwhiter for a Board vote to take \$2,000 from the Celebration of Life fund which would be used for the balance of cost of repairs and replacement of the stove, fans, flooring, counter tops and purchase of a new microwave. A Ratification motion was made by Cathi Poer and seconded by Johanna Kennedy for final approval. Motion was passed unanimously.

Board approval of appointed chairs for 2018-2019 was obtained. List was filed. Next Board meeting is scheduled for September 4th. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan Lapan, Recording Secretary's

\$ MESQUITE CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT \$

Balance ending June 30, 2018	\$ 51,90
Interest for July	\$ 2.20
Total Savings July 31, 2018	\$ 51,910.01
Interest earned/Savings	\$ 158.16
Maintenance Reserve	\$ 15,000.000
General savings	\$ 36,751.85
Total savings 07/31/2018	\$ 51,910.01
B/A Checking 06/30/2018	\$ 34,421.55
Deposits for May	+ \$ 1,690.02
Sub total	\$ 36,111.57
July expenses, cleared	- \$ 2,512.95
Balance Checking 05/31/2018	\$ 33,598.62
B/A Savings	\$ 51,910.01
B/ A Checking	\$ 33,598.62
Total in Bank Accounts 07/31/18	\$ 85,508.63
Checking	\$ 33,598.62
Less Designated Funds	\$ - 17,178.65
General Operating Funds 05/31/2018	\$ 16,419.97
Designated Funds	
Choir	\$ 692.84
Community Service, Day	\$ 50.00
Community Service, Eve.	\$ 934.67
Crafts	\$ 4,860.84
Landscaping	\$ 825.00
Celebration of Life Fund	\$ 9,309.75
We Care	\$ 505.55
Total Designated Funds	\$ 17,178.65

Respectfully submitted, Lynda Schultz, Treasurer

WE CARE!

Our thoughts and prayers go out to our members and their loved ones in difficult times. We also congratulate members' very special occasions.

Mesquite Club Volunteers Needed

The 2018 GFWC Western Region Conference at the Tuscany Hotel will be here soon! As Conference host, GFWC Nevada needs volunteers for the Fundraising Room, Registration, Decorating, Meals and other areas. The attendees will start arriving on Wednesday, September 12, and will stay till Sunday afternoon September 16. Can you help us welcome these members from ten other western states, and from GFWC? Our hotel room block has sold beyond our original reservation, so we know we will have a good attendance.

This conference is a great opportunity to learn interesting and valuable information from GFWC, meet new (and old) friends, and have fun. If you can donate some of your time to help, please contact Cathi Poer – (702) 873-0147, Jane Reid – (702) 463-7942 or Joan Doubrava – (702) 656-1911. Any time you can give will be appreciated! Thank you.

Dear Members of the Mesquite Club,

I can't begin to tell you how much your messages of sympathy meant to me in the grief and sorrow of the passing of my husband, Bob. It helps tremendously to know I have such devoted friends to comfort me.

Sincerely, Paula Mendenhall

Our Mesquite sister, Diane Holtz, has suffered a stroke. She is recovering at a convalescent hospital. Although she is not yet up to visitors, a card would be very much appreciated. We wish her a speedy and full recovery. Please keep her in your prayers.



GOOD TIMES AT THE MESQUITE CLUB!



Fun at the Board Fundraiser!



Thank you to these ladies for your hard work!



Closing Luncheon Pride! \$13,260 to TEP!



Congratulations to our new leader, Barbara!



Two Presidents at the Garden Tea!



WOW!



Joan Powell, passing the gavel!

These photos are just a sample of the lovely work of our member Mary Donald. Please go to the website to see many more. Thank you Mary for your support!



**Thank you also to all members for everything that you do.
That is what we do as Clubwomen! We raise each other up in positive ways!**



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Barbara Cameron 09/04	Debra Fagan 09/04
Kordella Jolivet 09/04	Joan Powell 09/05
Mary Brandin 09/06	Lynda Schultz 09/08
Peggy Crockett 09/12	Joan Dimmitt 09/12
Ruthie Hinman 09/12	Laurie Hartig 09/14
Jenny Muller 09/17	Sunnie Grigsby 09/24
Juanita Mendoza 09/25	Judy Stebbins 09/27
Linda Baxter 09/29	Brenda Kostick 09/29



Doris French Mission Statement

Our mission at Doris French Elementary School is to lay the foundation for

on-going academic growth and achievement, while promoting social responsibility within the community.

Thank you, thank you, thank you for the donations you made to Doris French Elementary. I took them Monday morning, August 20, 2018. My trunk was full plus I had a carton in the backseat!

All the items were appreciated! I made some peanut butter/oatmeal cookies for the teachers.

Again thank you for your donations. This is just one of the ongoing projects we do during the year!

Johanna Kennedy



Private Luncheons are a wonderful fundraiser.

What if I am interested in hosting a private luncheon?

You chose a date, location, and how many ladies that you plan to host. You contact; Frankie Segel, the chair @ her email: Frankietake2@gmail.com, or her cell: (973) 462-6270. You can host solo or ask a friend to host with you. You can cater or cook your own food. It is all up to you. It is \$50 per person. Ladies will sign up. You provide invitations with the details of the luncheon. Then you just get together and have a great time. This fundraiser benefits the Ways & Means Committee. It is just that simple! So, Lets do Lunch!




Rummage Sale Update

A HUGE thank you to all the donors, workers, and our exceptional Rummage Sale Committee for making our 2018 Summer Rummage Sale so successful. Over \$3,500 was raised for our Club Operating expenses. Please note that our next Rummage Sale will be held the March 1 to 3, 2019. We are currently accepting donations at the Clubhouse. **Please no books, heavy winter clothing, torn, broken, or undesirable items.** If you can store your items until closer to the sale date, that would be great, if not, please bring your items boxed so that we can store them easily. We have limited space & boxes at the Clubhouse for your convenience. Please contact me if you would like to be on the Rummage Sale Committee, if you have questions, comments, or need boxes.

Connie Macauley, Rummage Sale Chairman



2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>September 2018 is observed as:</u> Childhood Cancer Awareness Month National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month National School Success Month						1
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Welcome to the new Club Year!

I hope that you enjoy the newsletter. There is a lot of information for you. I am working on the website as well. In the next few weeks, go to the website and check out new photos, the calendar and be sure to tell your friends, family and even strangers on the street to go to our website. ☺

It is important to keep activity on the website. It will help to drive people searching to our website. I hope to keep the information current. If in the future you notice that I have missed something, please feel free to let me know.

If you have information for the newsletter and or website, please email it to me. Make it concise with as much information as possible. I cannot read your minds and need your help to keep the information flowing.

The newsletter will be on the website, and the current membership application is there as well. This tool will be vital to keep us current and on the minds of our neighbors and the community.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year, and I look forward to seeing you all at an event soon,

Take care, Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt, Editor

PLEASE NOTE!

THE NEXT DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 15
FOR THE OCTOBER ISSUE
DON'T WAIT 'TIL IT'S TOO LATE!

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