The Mesquiter

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"SERVE WILLINGLY, ACHIEVE PROUDLY"

Your President's Theme for 1996-1997

Our Mesquite Club's own Extravaganza was presented by Beverly Cochran and Onnie Magar's Community Service Committee. What a lovely day it was! From the Crepes to our own "Can Can Girls" we were provided with a day to remember. The support our membership gave the French Follies will result in our being able to make an appreciable contribution to the community. Congratulations and thank you for a fine production. Recommendations for the use of these monies will be forth coming from the Donations Committee. Donna Pearson was the lucky winner of the New Orleans get away. Maureen Schnitzer's name was drawn as the recipient of the beautiful needle point purse which was made and donated by Linda Schanz. How very generous and kind of this new Mesquite Club member, to share her beautiful talent in this way. Your president and her guests await a gourmet dinner. I feel truly fortunate to have been so lucky as to win the Gourmet Dinner for six.

We were enlightened on Nevada History, as well as entertained by Mr. Frank Wright, Curator of the State Museum and Historical Society, who was introduced by Joanne Nelson, Mesquite Club Historian and Museum Representative. What interesting stories Mr. Wright revealed and shared with us. If you haven't visited the Museum in Lorenzi Park recently, plan to do so.

Carole Lovinger, Education Chairman, introduced Dr. Joan McGee and Wendy Standefer, from the Performing Arts Center at the Community College of Southern Nevada. Again we were enlightened and made aware of what a myriad of cultural events and services are available to us from our ever growing Community College.

The lovely Queen of Hearts Luncheon and Fashion Show, which was given by the Evening Mesquite Ways and Means Committee, under the chairmanship of Kay McCauslin, was well attended and again increased our Ways and Means monies. We all enjoyed and approved the fashions from the Kaspar Suit Showing, narrated so nicely by Sandy Stovall, and modeled by members of Evening Mesquite.

Again, I ask you to mark your calendars. Our Ways and Means Committee, with a renewal of the Mighty Mesquiters, is presenting what promises to be an ACADEMY NOTABLE performance. It is truly exciting to have our own Thespians performing again.

Flo Mylnarczyk is planning a most interesting updating of our Rose Garden. What a record of Serving and Achieving this Ladies Liaison with the Rose Garden represents. We know Denia Mette will challenge us with her Health Solutions. Don't miss these upcoming programs! I am sure I do not have to remind you to look for the invitation to the Junior's Reciprocity Tea. We always look forward to that very special day.

Our first Fund Raiser for our two year Community Improvement Project, under the chairmanship of Nonie Gildner, is scheduled for a Saturday, on March 15. Please reserve that date now. This event will feature our beloved Elizabeth Castle's hats, and will be a day to remember.

Mary Ellen Gallagher, Nominating Committee Chairman, and her committee are meeting and will be reporting at the March Closed Business meeting. To quote Mary Ellen, "It is your club and your responsibility to keep it a great organization and a viable force in our community." To be cognizant of the true purpose and importance of the Mesquite Club, WE NEED TO SERVE.

Lovingly

Beverly

WE CARE

FEBRUARY 1997

PAST PRESIDENTS BIRTHDAYS:

Feb. 10 Mary Lowman
25 Golda Tobler
27 Joan Barker

FEBRUARY AND MARCH BIRTHDAYS

February	March
19 Fran Miller	3 Barbara Paetzel
22 Hazel Hedges	3 Jane Smith
23 Nini Brenske	4 Colleen Schroeder
24 Lilly Partridge	7 Bertie Ewing
26 Suzanne Sadek	7 Cheryl Hilton
28 Rebecca Andersen	9 Rita Isom
	10 Mary Meyer
	11 Cherie Casady
	14 Gene Roberts

GET WELL NOTES:

Mary Jo Robb
Kathy Fehr
Velma Haselton
Mary Ann Hantout
Jane Hubbard
Lillian and Vic Isaacson
Chester Kleinecke (husband of Anna Donnelly)
Joyce and Robert Murdy
Nadine and Duane Ricks
Betty Onstot
Vera Sutton
Vic Isaacson (husband of Lillian)
Phyllis Hendrickson

SYMPATHY NOTES:

Robert S. Hubbard (death of his wife, Jane)
Marjorie Brown (death of her sister, Ruth Nauman)
Barbara Paetzel (death of her mother)

Alice J. Pearson
We Care Committee Chairman
Telephone 735-8625

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

301 Members
+6 Honorary
307 Total

ADDRESS / TELEPHONE CHANGES:

None

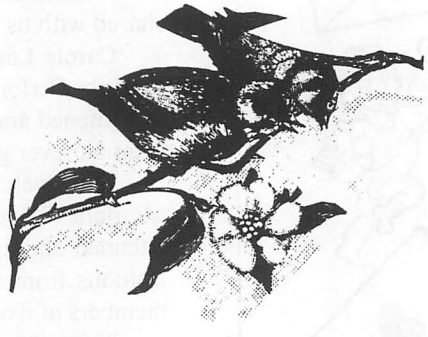
NEW MEMBERS

None

DEATHS

Ruth Nauman 12-30-96
Jane Hubbard 1-11-97

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan M. LeMere
Financial Secretary



In Loving Memory of Ruth Nauman & Jane Hubbard

Oh dry those tears, God has them in "His Arms",
The only one we would want to trust them to.
They were loaned to us. We have given
these precious gems back to God. Now they are
numbered among the angels.

From the book"The Greatest of These is Love"

VISITORS TO MESQUITE CLUB IN JANUARY

Jan. 17:
Carol Burke
Ann Bull
Florence Hurlburt
Wanda Nunan
Mel Garroway
Gloria Simon
Dotty Stula

Jan. 24
Katy Samuel
Lonnie Gray Head
Dr. Beth Briden McBride
Kay Briden
Constance Devereaux

Jan. 31
Diane O'Connor
Joan B. McGee
Wendy Standefer

THOUGHTS

Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.

Mother Teresa

There is no pleasure in having nothing to do; the fun is in having lots to do and not doing it.

Mary Little

FINE ARTS DAY MARCH 21, 1997

Important Notice To All Entrants of Fine Arts Day:

All poetry, short stories and short plays must be delivered to Joy Prendergast so she receives them by March 10th.

All entries for judging in Art, Photography and Crafts must be delivered to the Clubhouse on Thursday, March 20th between 10-12 a.m. Check previous Mesquiter for all rules.

MEMORIAL FUND

MONTH OF JANUARY, 1996

The following contributions are acknowledged with grateful thanks:

MEMORY OF:	DONOR:
Ruby Lewis (Betty Miller's Mother)	Kaye Gray
Jay Papworth	Nora Wieland
	Ruth Norton
	Dolores & Frank Kology
	Lois Mahood
	Zel & Mary Lowman
	Joan Beitz
Doug Ockerman	Nadine Ricks
Jane Hubbard	Lois Mahood
	We Care (In lieu of library book)
	Jo Waters
Ruth Nauman	Lois Mahood
	Virginia Longley
	Jo Waters
	Bonnie Gragson
O. N. Ellman	Maggie Ellman
Gladys Hemphill (Mary Lowman's mother)	Betty & Ken Miller
Elizabeth Castle	Mary Barnett

HONOR OF:

Fran White	Elizabeth Kinney
Chase & Ashleigh Beamer(Jane Beamer's twin grandchildren)	Jo Waters

Please send all contributions directly to me so that I can record them accurately. Then the money will be given to the Financial Secretary and Treasurer for deposit. Thank you so much for your support.

June Eckenroth, Chairman
Memorial Fund Committee

It's #1 on the Hat Parade!

Elizabeth Castle Luncheon and Hat Show

Saturday, March 15 at the Clubhouse

Social: 11:00 am Luncheon: 12:00 Noon
Hat Fashion Show: 1:00 pm

There'll be delicious, home-cooked food, music, entertainment, gorgeous models and Elizabeth Castle's fabulous hats (all for sale)! Join us - and bring your friends - for this special event!

Cost: $14.00

All reservations are pre-paid; send your check (made out to Mesquite Club) to Joan LeMere, 4576 El Escorial Court, Las Vegas, NV 89121

For table reservations or special seating, call Phyllis Noblitt: 364-9298

Proceeds to benefit the Mesquite Club 1996-98 CIP Project: Southern Nevada Division of Child and Family Services

SELF PROTECTION WORKSHOP
conducted by Bill Turner of DefenseNOW

Thursday, March 13, 1997
beginning at 12:30 pm
(will last approximately two hours)
at the Mesquite Club
(sponsored by the Education Committee of Assistance League of Las Vegas)

a reservation is necessary to attend
registration fee - $10 per person
deadline: February 28, 1997
attire: comfortable, casual clothing & shoes
call Judith Harriman 878-2837

Bill Turner's program will be focused on adult conflict management, empowerment and confrontation/relaxation skills. The program is a positive, proactive and proven way to protect yourself for the future. This is not a Martial Arts Class. It's a fun-filled experience of caring for one's self.

SMILE

What a better world this would be.
If I smiled at you and you smiled at me.
If I spoke to you and you spoke to me.
With gladdened hearts we would both agree.
I like you and you like me.
What a better world this would be.
If I smiled at you and you smiled at me.

Joyce Murdy

The Mighty Mesquite Playhouse

under the direction
of the
Ways and Means Committee
Presents

THE FINAL DRESS REHEARSAL
featuring
The Hollyrock Actress Guild Performers
on
February 21, 1997
at the
Mesquite "Hollyrock" Club

Social Hour 11:00 am Luncheon 11:45 am

Fashions by Mr. Cooper's Fashion Stop will be modeled
by
The Hollyrock Stars

For pre-paid reservations, send checks for $15.00
(made out to Mesquite Club)
to
Joan LeMere, 4576 El Escorial Ct., Las Vegas, NV 89121
FOR TABLE RESERVATIONS Please call:
Jean Slaughter 436-7899

The Junior Mesquite Club Provisional Class
Requests the Honor of Your Presence
At

The Annual Reciprocity Tea

"Tea at Sea"

Friday, March 7 at 1:00 pm.

Mesquite Club House

"April Showers
Bring May Flowers"

Evening Mesquite
Community Services
invites you to
Brunch, Entertainment, and
Cards

Saturday, April 12th
10:30 AM Social Hour
11:00 AM Brunch

For a prepaid reservation,
please send check for $15.00
to:
Joan LeMere
4576 Escorial Court
L.V. NV 89121
Reservation must be received by
April 8th.

For bridge reservations, please call::
Kay McCauslin 451-3288
Naomi Liles-Shirley 876-1805

To arrange special seating,
please call::
Helen Holland 870-4339
Cynthia Blaya 735-6302

Join us as we swing into
Spring!

PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE BY LAWS AND STANDING RULES

The By Laws Committee having met and discussed those By Law and Standing Rule Changes submitted to them, submit the following changes to the membership:

• STANDING RULES FINANCIAL--Page 48 # 15

All monies revert to the General Fund except Community Services, Maintenance Reserve and funds designated for ongoing projects such as CIP, Sunshine and We Care.

Delete "Sunshine" as it is no longer in existence and in its place "the Choir". It is necessary to accrue funds for the choir to cover the expense of our Director and music.

The Committee recommends this change.

• STANDING RULES FINANCIAL Suggested New Rule

All Ways and Means, Special Events and Community Service events shall be pre-paid by members to the Financial Secretary.

RATIONALE: Pre-paid lunches eliminate crowds at the door, and a loss of revenue to the committee due to no-shows.

The Committee does not recommend this change at this time. Each of the above mentioned committees are free to choose which method of payment they wish to use.

• STANDING RULES GENERAL - Page 46 #4

The We Care Chairman shall send a card to any member who is ill. She shall send a sympathy card to any member upon the loss of anyone in her immediate family. In the event of the death of a member, the We Care Chairman shall send a sympathy card to the family and shall place a memorial book in the Clark County or University Libraries, or place a rose bush in Lorenzi Park Rose Garden in the member's name.

Change the preceding paragraph to:

The We Care Chairman shall send a get well, thinking of you, or congratulatory note or card to a member. A sympathy note or card shall be sent to the family. The family is given the choice of a memorial book placed in a Clark County, or University Library or a gift to the Mesquite Club's Memorial Fund in the member's name.

The Committee recommends the changes in the above paragraph.

• STANDING RULES FINANCIAL Page 48 #16

All expenses for Community Services, and Ways and Means projects shall be taken from the proceeds.

Add "Special Events" after Community Services. So it would Read: All expenses for Community Services, Special Events and Ways and Means projects shall be taken from the proceeds.

RATIONALE; All committees would be self-sustaining.

The Committee recommends this change.

• STANDING RULES FINANCIAL - Suggested New Rule

MEMORIAL FUND

The Memorial Fund shall be for the purpose of Capitol Improvements, or any other project that would properly dignify, honor or memorialize the honoree.

There have been many interpretations of the term "Capitol Improvement". To clarify this for us I asked our legal council for a proper definition of this term, which is as follows:

> Capitol Improvements constitute any improvement, addition or purchase which is to last more than one year and for which depreciation is taken over the anticipated life of the Capitol Improvement. For example: Building improvements, purchases of equipment, carpeting, furniture or kitchen equipment. WOULD NOT INCLUDE: Items of repair and maintenance, re-painting or the repair of a damaged roof.

The Committee recommends the inclusion of this proposed Standing Rule.

• STANDING RULE FINANCIAL Page 48 #20

Delete "immediate Past" in second line. The paragraph would then read: The Budget Committee shall consist of the following: Treasurer, Building Chairman, President Elect and President.

RATIONALE: ARTICLE X, Section 2, Paragraph (a) now requires that elections take place in April, rather than May as they were prior to the change in 1996. The current president still holds the office until the end of May. The Budget Committee could not meet in April prior to the end of her term so that the Budget could be presented to the Board at the first Board Meeting in May.

The Committee recommends this change.

• STANDING RULES FINANCIAL --Suggested New Rule

At the closing luncheon a gift should be presented to the out-going President. This gift should be purchased by the President Elect, at a cost not to exceed $250.00 and should come from Club Funds.

RATIONALE: The gift should be from the entire Club and not just from the Elected Board Members and Appointed Chairman.

The Committee recommends this addition.

• STANDING RULES GENERAL - Page 46 #1

Delete #1 which reads: The First Vice President, when planning programs for the year, shall designate one closed business meeting at which there will be no program and to which no guests will be invited. This meeting shall be in late March or April.

In its place: Mesquite Club By-Laws and Standing Rules will be reviewed every three (3) years by an appointed By-Law Chairman, the Mesquite Club President, the Parliamentarian and a committee of three, appointed b. the chairman of the committee or the President of Mesquite Club. Every third (3) year there would be a Closed Business Meeting in March, at which there will be no program and to which no guests will be invited.

RATIONALE: Yearly review of Bu-Laws is unnecessary. Amendments to or additions to Standing Rules or By-Laws can be made anytime during the year.

The Committee recommends the adoption of this rule.

• STANDING RULES GENERAL Suggested New Rule

Prospective members may be introduced from the floor at any meeting held in the clubhouse.

The Committee recommends the adoption of this rule.

• BY - LAWS ARTICLE V MEETINGS - Section 1 - (d)

Now reads: The Opening and Closing luncheons shall be for members only, with the exception of out-of-town guests.

Add to above sentence. Prospective members for whom there has been a first reading may attend the opening luncheon and be introduced from the floor.

RATIONALE: for both of the above: It has become difficult to bring members into the club when there are so many occasions when they cannot come or be introduced.

The Committee recommends the adoption of these additions.

• An Alumnae Roll should be established to provide recognition to those who cannot participate actively in the club because of physical disabilities such as: being bed-ridden, chronically ill, living in a nursing home, living out-of-town with relatives, or otherwise unable to attend meetings and engage in club activities because of physical reasons.

Upon the written request of such a member, (or her family), she would automatically be placed on the Alumnae roll. She would not pay dues, but receive the Mesquiter and other club courtesies--yearbook, etc. Names of these members to be listed in the yearbook under the classification Alumnae Roll.

RATIONALE: It is most distressing when members are dropped because they can no longer participate. For some it is a hardship to pay dues when they cannot come to the club.

The Committee recommends the adoption of this addition under Standing Rules.

EVENING MESQUITE REQUEST THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS TO THE BY-LAWS AND THE STANDING RULES

• BY-LAWS ELIGIBILITY - Page 32 (b)
Line 3, insert the parenthesis following the words Mesquite Club (daytime or evening)

(d) Line 3, following the word membership insert again (daytime or evening)

RATIONALE: This would clarify that those named do not have to wait for a provisional class, but may come straight in.

Same page, (c), Delete the second sentence which reads "Friends of Mesquite members may be invited to join." and substitute the following sentence: Each prospective member of this class shall be sponsored by an active member of Mesquite.

RATIONALE: This would tighten up a little to keep from allowing anyone to walk in and join a class--such as an applicant bringing a friend unknown to any member.

Page 33, (g), second line, following the word elect insert "by written ballot and majority vote."

The Committee recommends the adoption of all of the above.

• STANDING RULE EVENING MESQUITE Page 50 #28
add "and Evening Mesquite Representative."
RATIONALE: this would make her a voting member of the Evening Mesquite Board.
The Committee recommends the adoption of this addition

Submitted by the By-Laws Committee

Chairman: Joan Barker
Regina Larsen, Flo Mlynarczyk
Joanne Vaughn

MESQUITE PLAYING CARDS

The Mesquite Playing cards are still available at $15.00 per set. Please contact Rose Irwin if you wish to purchase these beautiful cards as a VALENTINE GIFT, Birthday, or as a gift for someone special in your life. For each set of cards that you have purchased or will be purchasing, your name will be placed in an OPPORTUNITY DRAWING which will be held on April 11, 1997. A luncheon for four at Rose Irwins home will be the winning prize.

BOARD BRIEFS

- **The Board approved the hiring of Lorraine Pierce as dishwasher to fill the vacancy resulting from Betty Childers' resignation.**
- **Transcriptions have begun on the Oral Histories of Audrey Wickman and Alice Boyer.**
- **Scotty Marolt underwent surgery as a result of an accidental fall in Milwaukee. You may send cards to:**
  Edward Marolt
  West Alice Memorial Hospital
  Milwaukee, WI

- **In Jim's absence, John Bailey will be handling custodial duties.**

THOUGHTS

It isn't so astonishing, the number of things that I can remember, as the number of things that I can remember that aren't so.
Mark Twain

Success is the progressive realization of a worthy ideal.
Earl Nightingale

Fall seven times, stand up eight.
Japanese proverb

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February
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Sun	*Mon*	*Tue*	*Wed*	*Thu*	*Fri*	*Sat*
						Eve Mesq Card Party
2	3	Bd Meeting / Eve Mesq	5	6	Silver Tea	8
9	10	11	12	Junior Mesquite	Valentines Day Business Meeting	15
16	17	Eve Mesquite	19	20	Ways & Means Fund Raiser	22
23	24	25	26	Junior Mesquite	Program Speaker	

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