

The Mesquiter



Issue X March 1996

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

EBRUARY did not escape the tradition of being a busy month, clubwise and socially!

Secret Witness Representative, SALLY McKINNEY, brought us current on progress for this worthy project, which was "born" with Mesquite Club donation of \$500.00 in 1979. MARGARET BLACK, EVE MOSS, and committee, served a delicious tea to appreciative members.

1996 Silver Tea was a joyful occasion and I ask you to read the separate article.

On Saturday the 10th, HELEN HOLLAND and NAOMI LILES-SHIRLEY, Ways & Means for our evening group, organized another exemplary function. Delicious luncheon was enjoyed amid valentine decorations, followed by a breathtaking musical recital of MEADOW SCHOOL BELLS. New respect for these instruments was reflected in all faces. Director JANET TY, graciously shared her talent, and explained the musical art. Standing ovation was given the students at finale of the classical concert (featuring Wedding Day at Troldhogen, Dance of the Sugar Plums, and Waltz of the Flowers).

ANNA KLEINECKE excelled, again, in hostessing our Senior Valentine Dance refreshments. Separate acknowledgment is in this issue.

Members greeted Legal Advisor, BILL BARKER, with vocal birthday greetings, accompanied by JOAN MAULE, when he was enticed to the February 16th business meeting. "TRANQUIL CONVEYANCE" a beautiful watercolor was unveiled and presented by our renowned artist, FLO MLYNARCZYK. Expressions of appreciation to Bill for many hours of donated time and legal knowledge could not be adequate - but we tried! Lucky 50-50 ticket was held by JOANNE VAUGHN, who donated her \$36.00 winning to the club. The interesting program introduced by JUNE ECKENROTH was given by gentlemen from studio of MARTINEZ & MURPHEY and combined art and design of garments. Donations Chairman, JO WA-

TERS, proudly presented checks of \$2,800 each to LAS VEGAS RESCUE MISSION (Women and Children Shelter) which was accepted by BEVERLY KISSER and EPICENTER ON THE PARKWAY (Huntridge Teen Clinic) accepted by BONNIE POLLEY. Again, appreciation was expressed to the Giftwrap Chairmen, NOANIE GILDNER and RUTH RICE. After a plea from BILL BARKER, I believe the Choir nuts sold out (pun intended).

MAD HATTERS' LUNCHEON planned and presented by our Community Services Committee under fantastic leadership of MAUREEN SCHNITZER and CAROL FAVRO, brought pleasant memories and hilarity to all as well as their homecooked luncheon. After all, where else would we see NAOMI PAPWORTH sporting beer cans on her head? By popular demand MAD HATTERS may become an annual affair. Gracious models displayed an exquisite collection of hats. Award for the "antique" category was won by BEVERLY BLACKFORD with a one hundred year bonnet; "unique" award was earned by ANNA KLEINECKE and this had to be a difficult decision as our clubhouse was uniquely filled with imagination and fantasy!

Take time to become acquainted with new members, DIANNE B. ROGOTS and BOBBIE JEAN DENNY, whom this President enthusiastically welcomes!

Premier Shopping Day committee of RONNI NEW-LANDER, JEAN SLAUGHTER and MAGGIE ELL-MAN sold out, netting \$500.00 for our general fund - thank you!

Please pray for those we know are ill or heavy-laden. May your GOD go with you!

Lois

MAY THE LUCK O' THE IRISH BE WITH YOU ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY.....AND EVERY DAY!

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT February 6, 1996

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP: **301 Members**

6 Honorary

307 Total

DEATHS:

Mary Hibbs - February 23, 1996

THIRTY-FIVE YEAR MEMBERS:

CORRECTION: Sherma Converse was incorrectly listed as a Twenty Five Year Member. She is a Thirty Five Year Member.

Billie Kenney, Financial Secretary

REMINISCING:

Our MARY HIBBS, a loyal 33 year member, passed into the greater life on February 20th.

Although bedridden MARY vehemently rejected the thought of resigning, appreciated calls and digested every word of her Mesquiters to keep in touch. MARY and CLARENCE HIBBS were prominent early residents of Clark County. MARY became an avid leader against cruelty to animals and remained a beautiful lady even with debilitating illness.

Lois

WE CARE COMMITTEE REPORT:

March and April

PAST PRESIDENTS BIRTHDAYS:

Irene Dunne March 29 **BIRTHDAYS: March** Gale Colton 23

20 Svlvia Mills **Pat Fenton** 27 **Dorothy Craighead** 26 **Marilyn Hart** Jean Slaughter 28 27 **Betty Relyea 30** Cherie Leatham 28

Margaret Chairsell 31 **Kave Gray** 31

BIRTHDAYS: April

Lucille Lee **Cookie Best** 2 2 **Maxine Brown Ruth Martin** 2 Freda Frink Norma Wadsworth 8 6

Agnes Phillips Florence Ellis 8 10

Beverly Sawinsky Mary Jo Robb

THINKING OF YOU CARDS:

Charlotte Barnes Alice Pearson Charley Davis **Dorothy Preston Jane Hubbard** Mary Heenan

GET WELL CARD: Nini Brenske

SYMPATHY CARDS: Karen and Charles Zumpft (on the death of his mother.)

Michael - (grandson of Mary Hibbs.)

Marilyn Essex, Chairman

MEMORIAL FUND February 1996

We wish to acknowledge the following contributions: In Memory of Harriet Schneiderwind: Donor:

> Lois Freeman **Bette Butler**

M/M Robert Waters Joan Doubrava Lois Mahood Peggy Casey **Bernice Fischer**

Phyllis Ockerman

In Memory of Geneva Stines:

Lois Freeman Alice Eubank Lois Mahood Peggy Casey

Lois Freeman

In Memory of Maggi Coleman:

Peggy Simon

Vera Sutton In Memory of Carol Reed: **Peggy Casey**

Lois Freeman Peggy Simon

In Honor of M/M Martin Essex: Ruth Vogliotti

(Golden Wedding Anniversary) Dr. & Mrs. Max

Doubrava M/M Charlie Vaughn

In Memory of our Loved Ones: Joan Doubrava

Barbara Hunter

In Memory of Elizabeth Castle: Beverly Blackford

We thank you for your continued support of the Memorial Fund. What a great way to honor or memorialize a loved one. Again, take time to look at the permanent MEMO-RIAL BOOK when it is displayed in the entry hall -- it is only because of the members of Mesquite Club that this is possible.

June Eckenrolh, Chairman Mesquite Club Memorial Fund

MESQUITE DONATION

On Friday, February 16, Dr. Joan Owen Smits and Bonnie Polley, Co-Presidents of the Epicenter accepted the Mesquite Club's generous donation from the proceeds of the Club's Christmas Gift Wrap Project.

The Epicenter is most grateful to be selected as one of two recipient organizations and collaborated with the Mesquite Club and Junior Mesquite in the Christmas project.

-from the February 1996 Epicenter News.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS: I will be collecting \$75. for annual dues for the 1996-97 year at each meeting from this time through May. They are due June 1, and those who are in arrears after June 30th will be assessed a late fee of \$50. according to Mesquite Club bylaws. If more convenient, dues may be mailed in.

Billie Kenney, Financial Secretary

BOARD BRIEFS

- The President requested that future procedures provide for the physically challenged members and guests, i.e. that those persons be seated near aisles and exits. She also requested that seats nearer the entrance be left available to persons needing assistance; often many seats are left vacant in the west portion of the clubhouse.
- Members may purchase the fold-over note card (with tree and brief history) and envelope in multiples of ten (10) for \$4.00, being actual cost. Request same of Financial Secretary in advance, please and pay by check.
- Motion approved to put renovation on a priority basis
 - (1) Interior to include painting, ceiling, lights.
 - (2) Storage room.
 - (3) Foyer.
- Motion approved to offer tablecloths, not being used, to members at \$3.00 each, and donate any not sold to the Salvation Army.
- LINDA BAXTER, Chairman of the Garden Tea, announced that the tea would be held at 2600 Pinto Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada at the residence of Janice Tanno, on May 3rd, 1996. Further detail will be furnished in the April Mesquiter.
- Mesquite Club will take an organization membership with Nevada Women's History Project and will be represented by Ethel Trione. Information will be posted on the bulletin board.
- The resignation of Ethel Whitney was accepted with regret.
- The Board acknowledges that deteriorated condition of the exterior wooden trim does need immediate sanding and painting (before heat) and that the BUILDING CHAIRMAN will proceed to have this regular maintenance performed, as it is not a decorating item.

VISITORS AT FEBRUARY MEETINGS

February 2	Ann Adele Allf - Agnes Capps
	Thalia Dondero
February 9	Jeanne Block - Laraine Callom
	Linda Shanz - Audrey Swenson
	Anna (last name ??)
February 16	Agnes Capps - Beverly Kissir
	Joan Owen - Bonnie Polly - Linda Shanz
	Jo Ellen Welte - Anna (last name ??)
February 23	Nancy Blackford - Bonnie Bissell
	Jeanne Block - Beverly Brown
	Laraine Callom - Bobbi J. Denny
	Connie Macauley (Jr. Mesquite)
	Dale Meyer - Lucille Rud

Note: Some spelling of names are not clearly written in

Sophia Hesbon, 2n d Vice President

guest book.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1 The Board will appreciate it very much if members will pay their 1996-97 club dues of \$75.00 as early as possible. Mail same to Financial Secretary, Billie Kenney.
- 2 Congratulations to Recording Secretary Pro-Tem, AR-LENE PARKINSON on arrival of grandson who will carry on the family name!
- 3 The membership, and particularly Board members, are encouraged to seek our new members and become acquainted.
- A generous gift of \$500.00 was presented to the club by the Juniors at their reciprocity tea, and the President was recipient of a beautiful bouquet.
- 5 Since bathroom remodeling cannot be planned at this time, the Juniors will go ahead with their offer for needed redecoration, present them to the club in April, and complete their project before club year end.
- 6 Be certain to bring your yearbook as well as proposed by-law and standing rule amendments to the closed business meeting on March 8th. Be prepared to vote.
- 7 REMINDER: No guests or non-members can attend the closing business meeting!
- To date, DOROTHY CRAIGHEAD has not been contacted by the driver who damaged her 1992 blue Buick LeSabre (left front fender) on Saturday 2/10/96 at club luncheon. If anyone has information in this regard PLEASE CALL DOROTHY.
- 9 A good friend of Mesquite Club, VASILLI SULICH of NEVADA DANCE THEATER has made a plea for support from our membership and is offering group rates. BARBARA HUNTER, Fine Arts Chairman, will have detail. VASILLI has often helped the club with programs when we asked - now is the time to repay in kind.
- 10 Our EMERGENCY INFORMATION PROGRAM is slowly underway. PLEASE RE-READ THE HOME LIFE COLUMN ON PAGE 4 OF THE FEBRUARY MESQUITER, then participate in this important function for the well-being of our membership.
- 11 A 1995 CANDLELIGHTER appreciation plaque was received by the President this week.
- 12 The recurring problem of members arriving to meetings or functions too early, then demanding services (coffee, food, etc.) of the busy committee will be addressed in April.

Beautiful faces are they that wear The light of a pleasant spirit there:
Beautiful hands are they that do
Deeds that are noble, good and true:
Beautiful feet are they that go
Swiftly to lighten another's woe.
—from McGuffy's Second Reader

SILVER TEA 85th ANNIVERSARY OF MESQUITE CLUB Friday, February 9th, 1996

The welcome by JOYCE MURDY, and the scroll presented to each Past President bears repeating: "Welcome to the 85th Anniversary of Mesquite Club in honor of our Past Presidents and our 25, 35 and 50 year members. Our special President of the Day, and 60 year member, is our AUDREY WICKMAN who was President in 1947-48. All our Presidents have been leaders and ladies of distinction. Each gave of herself, for the betterment of our club and community. Many years ago, our club chose the name 'Mesquite' and held the mesquite tree as our club symbol. It was chosen because of its strength, beauty, and outstanding ability to survive and grow like no other tree. It is able to adapt to any extremes. Today, we are honoring our Past Presidents by adorning the Mesquite tree with a symbol of each president."

This welcome was followed by a clever and appropriate program enacted by JOYCE with assistance from FLO MLYNARCZYK and VIRGINIA LONGLEY. The tree was adorned by meaningful tokens for each Past President present. The outstanding Tea Committee, led by Chairman FRAN WHITE, graciously served an overflow attendance of appreciative members, using our finest silver (recently scoured and polished by SOPHIA HESBON, NANCY LONG and MAGGI ELLMAN.

Financial Secretary BILLIE KENNEY, unveiled a "memory board" which she prepared, depicting the reign of our 60 year member, AUDREY WICKMAN who was also awarded a new name tag. BILLIE and this President were proud to then bestow other new name tags to 35 year members: BARBARA BUTLER, SHERMA CONVERSE, PEGGY CROCKETT, PAT GIANOULAKIS, HELEN HOLLAND and BETH STEWART; and to 25 year members: SHIRLEY GRONVOLD and FRAN WHITE.

In keeping with the importance of history and heritage, this President was privileged to also remember and acknowledge the following long-time members: 53 years ANNA FAYLE, 51 years PEGGY SIMON, 49 years CLEO HARMON, 48 years LAURA BELLE KELCH and MYRA DA COSTA; 47 years NELLIE BUNCH, VIR-GINIA CULLEY and RUTH MARTIN; 46 years LUCILE BRUNER and LOUISE FOUNTAIN; 45 years MARGE ROBINSON; 44 years MARY DOLE and MARY SUT-TON; 42 years RUTH HAZARD and MARY LOWMAN; 41 years ALICE BOYER, LUCY DEANER and RUTH NAYLOR; 40 years ALVA SHELTON; 39 years MAL MORLEDGE, NAOMI PAPWORTH and IRMA GRAY; 38 years LUCINA LAGRANGE and RUBY MADSEN; 37 years PERRY ADAIR, DOROTHY PRESTON and LU-CILLE STANLEY: 36 years MARIAN CARLSON, LUCY FOLEY, BONNIE GRAGSON and ALICE J. PEARSON.

Deep appreciation is expressed to the Program and Tea chairmen for a memorable Silver Tea!

Lois

THANKS! THANKS! THANKS!

To the generous ladies for the beautiful cakes, sheet cakes and donations for the Valentines Dance at the Senior Citizens' Center on 2/12/96.

Following are their names:

Evelyn Phelps Joan Maule Anna Kleinecke
Bernice Fischer Alice Eubank Shirley Gronvold
Lois Mahood Ruth Vogliotti Mary Heenan
Mary Rymer Patricia Duncombe Beverly Sawinsky
Margaret Ellman Ruth Bostic Frances White
Wynne Keller Peggy Casey
Irene Dunne

The following ladies served at the Senior Center:

Anna D. Kleinecke, Chairman

Lois Mahood Shirley Gronvold Patricia Duncombe

Evelyn Phelps Mary Rymer

CENTURIAL GREETING

Our BARBARA GOODWIN'S mother-in-law will be ONE HUNDRED YEARS YOUNG on March 31, 1996! We ask members to send greetings to:

NEVA L. GOODWIN, Bldg. 2, Apt. 109 6370 W. Flamingo Las Vegas, NV 89103

Born a twin in Missouri, 1896, she taught 1st thru 8th grades, transported by a white horse, snow/rain/sunshine. After accepting a position with FRED HARVEY CO. she found challenge in Oklahoma, New Mexico, Grand Canyon (we remember ELTOVAR fondly), and Barstow where she met RAY GOODWIN of the California Highway Department. Work travels took them to new road projects, living in tents. They requested a Death Valley transfer, with children TED and KAY, knowing it would become a national monument. Far from supplies and services, many hardships were endured, and NEVA lovingly became a champion for the Native Americans who were living in desperate poverty. Federal assistance was finally won.

Nineteen hundred and thirty six found RAY the proud first resident SUPERINTENDENT OF DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL MONUMENT.

Three years went into organizing the successful 1949 celebration of the FORTY-NINERS!

Retirement brought NEVA and RAY to our valley in 1952. NEVA is one of twenty-eight widows receiving a Spanish American War pension. WHAT A LADY!

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(P.S. to BARBARA: Goodwin memoirs would provide an exciting program.)

PREVIEWING UPCOMING PROGRAMS "SHAMROCK SERENADE" Friday, March 15 Ways and Means Fund Raiser

"ACUPUNCTURE and PAIN Friday, March 22 CONTROL"

> Dr. Y. Wing Choi will enlighten us on the indica tion and use of this treatment.

"MONTMARTRE HOLIDAY" Friday, March 29 Join us for a very special Fine Arts Day.

Friday, April 5

EASTER HOLIDAY

Beverly Sawinsky, Program Chairman

FINE ARTS DAY

- Important notice for entrants of Fine Arts Day.
- All entries for judging in Art, Photography and Crafts must be delivered to the clubhouse between 9-11 AM Wednesday, March 27, 1996. Be sure your name is on all items but out of sight for the judging.
- Each artist is allowed only FIVE framed entries. Each artist may also have a bin for small matted paintings plus cards.
- Photographers may submit up to FIVE entries. Check previous Mesquiter for all rules.
- The painting for the National GFWC art contest must be LANDSCAPE category only and be no larger than 11 x 14 including mat.
- Non GFWC art may be in any media and be: Landscape, Floral, Still-life, Animals, Portrait.
- Craft artists may exhibit up to five crafts for each artist. Please call Barbara Hunter, 564-1289 if you plan to enter crafts so adequate display space is available.
- All poetry and short stories must be mailed to Mary Shaw so she receives it by March 15, 1996

Barbara Hunler, Fine Arts Chairman

TO: GFWC Nevada Executive Members,

Board of Directors and all members in the

Nevada Federation of Women's Clubs.

FROM: Rose Irwin, GFWC Nevada State President SUBJECT: GFWC Nevada 34th Biennial Convention

DATE: April 20-21, 1996

TIME:

April 20 8:00 AM Registration and Continental Break-

9:00 AM Convention begins

12:00 Noon Lunch with Guest Speaker Fave

Dissinger

6:30 PM Social Hour

7:30 PM Dinner with Guest Speaker Mikey Bilbray, wife of former Congressman Jim Bil-

.bray

April 21 9:00 AM The Memorial Breakfast and the In-

stallation of New Officers for the 1996-1998

Administration.

WHERE: Mesquite Club and Sam's Town, Las Vegas,

For further information please call your Club President or Joan Doubrava (656-1911). **GFWC Nevada Convention Credentials**

Chairman.

GFWC-Nevada is getting ready for our state convention in April where the officers and appointed chairmen for the next two years will be installed. If anyone is interested in serving on the state board of directors, there are still a number of positions which need to be filled. If you have an interest in a particular department or committee, or if you think you might like to be involved but aren't sure what you would like to do, please contact state Nominating Committee Chair Ruth Vogliotti, GFWC-Nevada President Rose Irwin, or President-Elect Cathi Smith (phone 877-0147). GFWC-Nevada needs your talents and brain power! Cathi Smith

> SHAMROCK SERENADE For a fun filled evening join us March 15, 1996 at 6:00 PM You will be glad you did!!!! Bring your friends and dance to the Music of Bob Maccarillo, enjoy fine food. and be informed by our Special Program.

17.50 per person and well worth it! For table reservations Call Joan LeMere 456-9242

GARDEN TEA

Janice Tanno has graciously invited all Mesquite Club Ladies to her lovely home Friday, May 3rd, 1996 for our Annual Garden Party!

Please mark your calendars for this wonderful afternoon shared with friends.

Instructions, with a map, will be furnished in the April Mesquiter.

Anyone up for a game of croquet? How about a bit of Mozart?

Hope to see you there! Linda Baxter

"VICTORIAN HIGH TEA"

MESQUITE CLUB

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 1996

\$15.00 PER PERSON

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AND EDUCATION COMMITTEES
TO BENEFIT NEVADA SCHOOL
OF THE ARTS SCHOLARSHIP
FUND.



Please join the Evening Mesquite for a Spring Brunch and Bridge Party.

Saturday, April 13, 1996 10:00 a.m. at the Clubhouse

The Las Vegas Act Arts Jazz Combo

Brunch wil

\$10.00 p

For reservations, call <

Hope to



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
					1 1:00 PM Jr. Mesquite Reci- procity Tea	2		
3	4	5 6:30 PM Lifelong Learning Evening Mesquite	6	7	8 1:00 PM Closed Business Meeting (50-50 Day)	9		
10	11	12	13	14	15 6:30 PM Shamrock Serenade	16		
17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 6:30 PM Women in Politics Evening Mesquite	20	21	22 1:00 PM Acupuncture & PC (50-50 Day)	23		
24	25	26	27	28	29 1:00 PM Montmartre Holiday	30		
31								