

# THE MESQUITER

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Issue 4

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December 2013

## SAVE THE DATE

**DEC 6 -1 pm**

**HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

New Sound Choir Concert

**PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE!**

**DEC 12 - Social: 11 am**

**Luncheon: 12 Noon**

**HOLIDAY LUNCHEON**

Cili's Restaurant

5160 Las Vegas Blvd

**JAN 10 - Social: 11 am**

**Luncheon: 12 Noon**

**BOARD POT LUCK FUND-  
RAISER**

**JAN 17 - 1 pm BUSINESS**

**MEETING** Cleveland Clinic

Lou Ruvo Center for Brain  
Health

**JAN 24 - 1pm COMMUNITY  
SERVICE LUNCHEON**

Social: 11 am Luncheon:  
NOON

## EVENING PROGRAMS

**TUES, DEC 10-6 pm**

**HOLIDAY PARTY -**

Olive Garden

Presentation HCA Proceeds

**JAN 7-6 pm**

**"NEVER AGAIN";**

A Holocaust Survivor's Story

**JAN 21-6 pm Social Outing-**

TBA

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### *"Continuing To Make A Difference"*



*From the desk of President Barbara.....*

As I reflect on 2013 I am amazed at all that has taken place. Remember the "Heart of Learning Gala?" That committee was biting their fingernails up to the last couple weeks wondering if all their hard work was going to pay off. They hosted a huge success. We were able to give and give and give to the Doris French Elementary School and they in turn have given much to us. An Angel Tree for their current needs is now available. Johanna Kennedy did a fine representation of Georgia O'Keefe for Fine Arts Day and this year Beth More will be sharing "Art as Media." The annual Rummage Sale was another huge success, much in part due to some wonderful large donations and this year will be another one to look forward to. It is fun to work with a jolly fun crew of women in a joint venture. We had such a racing good time at our "Derby Day" that it will be back again by popular demand in May.

We've continued to provide programs to educate ourselves. Remember Chief Platter and Detective Slaughter sharing with us their fight against abuse to women and children. Their fight has continued to grow across the nation and is an inspiration to all. Paula Francis of Channel 8 shared her personal story in the fight against breast cancer and the Walk for Melanoma in the name of former member Barb Carque was established. We had the educational humor of Mark Hall Patton and just recently Dr. Michael Green.

We hosted the State GFWC Convention right after closing the books on our 2012-2013 year. We were notified at the Fall GFWC Board Meeting that all our hard work paid off in winning State awards and recognition. This was also the first time we had a State meeting *via* Skype technology. I attended the GFWC Western Region State Conference in Portland and came back even more enthused about our wonderful organization and all that we stand for and all that we can accomplish. Mesquite Club is healthy and doing well. We have new members and we have former members who are interested in being a part of what's happening. Encourage them to come back. As we close out this year be sure not to miss the sounds of Christmas at our Holiday Concert on Friday, December 6 and make your reservation, (*which can be by credit card now*) for our Holiday Luncheon at Cili Restaurant at Bali Hai Country Club on Thursday, Dec 12. Those are always special events to bring guests and dress up in your holiday finery.

This year as you bake all those holiday goodies, watch "It's a Wonderful Life," shop and wrap, and sip a cup of hot chocolate in front of the fireplace, may your heart be overflowing with the "reason for the season" as you celebrate this year,

*Merry Christmas Barbara*





## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MESQUITE CLUB!

### MESQUITE CLUB ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

\$35

Thursday December 12, 2013  
Social: 11 am - Luncheon: NOON  
Cili's Restaurant  
5160 Las Vegas Blvd

PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE!

R.S.V.P. by sending your check to:  
Nancy Zangle  
C/O THE MESQUITE CLUB  
P.O. BOX 95662  
LAS VEGAS, NV 89193-5662



### BOARD POTLUCK FUNDRAISER

**"BACKSTAGE REVIEW"**

**January 10, 2014**

**THE MERRY MINSTRELS**

**Social: 11am Luncheon: Noon**

### SAVE THE DATE!

Ways and Means Fundraiser



Fashion Show with Tea Room Modeling  
by Sax Fifth Avenue  
February 21, 2014

\$50

Spanish Trail Country Club  
5050 Spanish Trail Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89113

Valet Parking is available

11 am Social/ Noon Luncheon

First glass of wine is included with your lunch

Silent Auction -

Late Fall and Early Spring Fashions

Bring a friend to share the experience

### CSI Mesquite

*(Community Service Involvement)*



**Date & Time of Crime:** January 24, 2014

**11 am:** Social Investigation & Background Checks

**Noon:** Analysis & Forensic Lunch

**Crime Scene:** 702 East St. Louis Avenue

**Victim:** Doris French Elementary School

**Motive:** Fundraising for Projects

**Penalty/Bail:** \$25 *(includes Lunch)*

**Jurisdiction and Investigating Agency:**

Community Service Committee

R.S.V.P. by sending your bail to:

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## EVENING: CHAIR LETTER



Dear Evening Angels,

And what a special group of Angels you are! Your participation in the month of November made me so proud. As we get ready for the Holidays, please give Thanks for our Evening Mesquite family and for all the ways we are able to help the community and each other.

On November 5, our meeting was to Honor the Military. Doug Bradford and Marianne Wojciechowicz from the USO at McCarran Airport told us of their activities in the Wounded Warrior Program and of serving the military as they travel through our airport. We filled several boxes with donations from their wish list, which we were able to give to them that night. Our hostesses had a special All American picnic dinner for us. Thanks to Diane Lopez for her devotion from Helen Steiner Rice and to Connie Macauley for leading us in the Star Spangled Banner after we said our Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Members brought in family photos and memorabilia of their military heroes. It was so inspiring to hear everyone's stories and feel their love and pride. We also enjoyed the patriotic red, white and blue decorations and Flags everywhere. Thank you notes were written to our troops to be used with the USO goodie bags and some to be sent to relatives and their friends stationed far from home.

I must commend our hardworking members who donated their time and talents to put on our 29th Annual Holiday Craft Auction Friday night, November 15. Thank you to Co-chairs Connie Macauley, Angie Wollnick, Stephani Zimmerman and Judy Stebbins. Committee Chairs are to be commended also: Bonnie Utton and Dolores Martinez for the delicious Appetizers, Buffet Dinner and Desserts! Holiday Magic Snowmen Decorations, Karen Ziegler! Fabulous Raffle Prizes from local Businesses, Connie Macauley! Raffle Ticket Sales Management, Pam Ivey! Amazing Handmade Auction Items from our talented members, coordinated by Irene Armijo and Ginger Norton! Invitations, Printing and Programs expertly done by Stephani Zimmerman! Widespread Publicity by Linda Shapona! And keeping us all in line, our Volunteer Coordinator Pat Garcia! Kudos to all of the committee members who attended meetings since last June and worked tirelessly to make "HOLIDAY MAGIC" happen! Although we don't have final totals yet, we will be able to give money to our Evening Mesquite Scholarship Program and to the Paralympics Sports Club of Las Vegas—two worthwhile community service recipients. We also appreciate the support of the daytime Mesquite members and friends, families and co-workers. Remember, if they had a good time and wish to contribute to the community, please invite them to JOIN the Mesquite Club!

After a few weeks off, we'll be reuniting for a wonderful holiday party on Tuesday, December 10, at the Olive Garden on Decatur between Charleston and Oakey. The cost is only \$25 and checks should be made out to Joyce Carr or Marilyn Freeman. Please call them if you haven't made your reservation yet. There will be an optional gift exchange of a new \$20 item. We hope you will plan to be there to share the spirit of the Holiday Season with your Evening Mesquite Friends (*Angels in Disguise*)!

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE WHENEVER, WHEREVER  
AND HOWEVER YOU CAN!**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

*Judy Stebbins, Chair of Evening Mesquite*

259-6459 - cell 575-7322 - email: judystebbins@earthlink.net

### Evening's Holiday Party

*Tuesday, December 10*

*6 pm*

*Olive Garden*

*1361 S Decatur Blvd*

*Optional Gift Exchange*

*(\$20 value for a new item)*

**RSVP with \$25 check made out to:**

*Marilyn Freeman,*

*6628 Edna Ave, Las Vegas, 89146*

*or Joyce Carr,*

*4124 Birchmont St. Las Vegas, 89130*



## Voting Results Bylaws/Rules Revisions

### Voting Results Bylaws/Rules Revisions October 2013 Combined Afternoon and Evening Group

Amendment	For	Against	
Article III Membership Eligibility	52	2	<i>Passed - Anyone may join by paying dues.</i>
Article III Membership Term. & Renewal	40	12	<i>Passed - Resignation may be either orally or in writing.</i>
Article III Membership Term. & Renewal	44	11	<i>Passed - Membership reinstatement may be by payment of dues</i>
Article III Membership Term. & Renewal	45	5	<i>Passed - Resigned members - Yearbook may be received for payment of \$25 per year</i>
Article VI Officers Eligibility	41	11	<i>Passed - Board Members may also serve as Appointive Chairs</i>
Article VI Officers Duties	53	1	<i>Passed - 2nd Vice President will guide plans for any new member function</i>
Article VI Officer Duties	36	14	<i>Passed - The Building Chair will supervise club rentals</i>
Article X Elections and Nominations	17	38	<i>Defeated - No change to procedure for electing nominating committee members</i>
Rule #7 General Hostess Obligation	46	0	<i>Passed - Eliminate use of term Kitchen Fund and Committee Fund</i>
Rule #25 New Members	52	1	<i>Passed - New members may entertain at a New Member function if one is held</i>
Rule #29 Evening Mesquite cording Secretary	51	2	<i>Passed - Financial Chair changed to Financial Secretary and Secretary changed to Re-</i>
Rule #38 Evening Mesquite & officer elections	50	2	<i>Passed - States when Evening Group will vote when pre-notified of bylaws/rules changes</i>
New Rule Rummage Sale	7	45	<i>Defeated - Ways &amp; Means Committee not responsible for annual Rummage Sale</i>

### Evening Meeting

**Tuesday, January 7**

**6 pm**

**Stephen Nassar, Author**

***My Brother's Voice***

**"NEVER AGAIN"**

A Holocaust

Survivor's Story



### **PLEASE TAKE NOTE!**

**Program book correction:** Please Delete Paula Mendenhall's name from the tea committee on February 7, 2014. Her name was listed in error.

**Tony is looking for BOXES...** in order to store Rummage Sale items - drop boxes off anytime you are at the Clubhouse. Just put them in the same place as donations at the back door.

**PLEASE NOTE:** You are invited to the **American Association of University Women's HOLIDAY LUNCHEON:** Main Street Station Casino in the separate room by parking garage.

Holiday fare buffet for \$20 ea. Speaker is TV weatherman Kevin Janisen. Date: Saturday, December 14. Lots of fun and happenings! Call Mary Gafford at 648-9415 for reservations.

Tony and David Lacy delivering Toilet paper to Shade Tree!



### Evening Mesquite Holiday Craft Auction Grand Prize Raffle Winners

1st - \$500 - Stephanie Funk

2nd - 32' Flat Screen TV - Carol Hale

3rd - Handmade Quilt - Karen Petty

Winner of the Ralph Jones Snowman themed  
decorated tree in our regular raffle was  
Joan Powell!



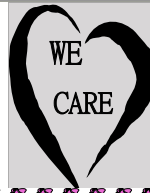


## BIRTHDAYS

Connie Macauley 12/02  
Sandra Holliday 12/04  
Doris Wartman 12/12  
Kay McCauslin 12/27

Beverly Lorens 12/03  
Ginger Norton 12/05  
Mary Grogan 12/13

**We wish you a Happy Birthday!**



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

Former member, *Persia Golden* had a heart attack. For cards: Her address is 8360 Plum Creek Ct., Las Vegas, NV 89113

*Marilyn Essex* returned home just before Thanksgiving - Cards and phone calls are welcome.

*Tai Gregory* was at our Tea November 1 and doing well in her knee recovery, not ready for foot races but getting there.

*Joan Berry* has just recently had surgery so cards are due to her.

*Kathy Fehr* who has also just undergone surgery.

Our best wishes to you all.



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with your credit or debit card.



## CALL FOR A DONATION

We are asking for a donation of a  
50 to 60 inch Flat Screen Television.

This will be used for Skype events in the  
Clubhouse. If you are or know someone that is able to help us with  
this, or need more information please contact:

Barbara @ 489-4194

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# BOARD BRIEFS, CLUB FINANCIALS, MEMORIAL FUND

## BOARD BRIEFS

The board of directors meeting of the Mesquite Club was called to order by President Barbara Lacy on November 5, 2013 at 10:13 am.



- Minutes from the October 1, 2013 meeting were approved as written.
- June Eckenroth read a letter of resignation from Patti Russell who is moving to New Jersey. Phyllis Hendrickson motioned to accept the resignation with regret and in good standing. June has sent letters to GFWC in Washington and in NV. Thank you notes were sent to six guests.
- Connie Macauley reported that Board members and the Evening Chair attended a worthwhile Membership Meeting given by GFWC NV Membership Chair. November 5th meeting will honor Military Veterans. Donations from club members for "Goodie Bags" will be given to the USO Director and to the Program Manager at this meeting. Work continues on the "Holiday Auction" which will be held November 15.
- Corrine Mewhirter attended the GFWC NV Membership Meeting which included ideas on how to retain members. Corrine suggested the Mesquite Club implement a mentoring program. President Lacy asked Corrine to write a report on this suggestion and present the report to the membership in January.
- Sue Churchill explained that the credit card processing through BOA has been cancelled. A new company called The Square will handle credit card processing at a significantly lower rate.
- A new Memorial Chair is needed to replace Pat Griffy, who has moved into an assisted living facility. June Eckenroth agreed to send thank you notes for three gifts in memorial to Golda Tobler.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.

## \$ MESQUITE CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT \$

Mesquite Club	
Balance ending, September 30, 2013	
B/A CD, 9/30/2013	36,744.34
Interest paid for September, 2013	<u>3.67</u>
Total CD September 30, 2013	<b>36,748.01</b>
B/A Checking 9/01/2013	59,160.06
Deposits for September	<u>6,295.50</u>
Total	65,455.56
Less September Expenses	<u>6,834.21</u>
Balance checking acct. 9/30/2013	<b>58,621.35</b>
B/A CD	36,748.01
B/A checking	<u>66,837.20</u>
Total in Bank Accounts, 9/30/2013	<b>103,585.21</b>
Bank Account Totals	103,585.21
Less Designated Funds	<u>39,482.52</u>
General Operating Fund 9/30/2013	<b>64,102.69</b>

DESIGNATED FUNDS	
Choir	1,909.94
Community Services Day	.00
Community Services Evening	-116.93
Crafts	2,395.26
Doris French Elementary School	767.00
Landscaping	2,450.00
Maintenance Reserve	15,000.00
Membership Drive	-106.40
Memorial Fund	6,922.00
We Care	261.65
Peggy Casey Fund for Clubhouse	<u>10,000.00</u>
Total Designated Funds, 9/30/2013	<b>39,482.52</b>

Respectfully submitted  
Sue Churchill, Treasurer

## \$ MEMORIAL FUND REPORT \$

Memorial fund balance is: \$ 6,922.00

This includes donations in memory of:

Golda Tobler from:

Phyllis Ockerman

Rita Isom

Carolyn Schmalz

**PLEASE NOTE: The position of Memorial Chair is now open and waiting for someone to make it their own. Contact President Barb**

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# December 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Board Meeting 10 am	4	5	6 1 pm HOLIDAY PROGRAM New Sound Choir Concert	7
8	9	10 Evening HOLIDAY PARTY Olive Garden 6 pm	11 Watercolor 10 am Poker 12 noon	12 Holiday Luncheon Cili 's Restaurant Bali Hai Golf Club <i>See page 2</i>	13	14
15	16	17	18 Watercolor 10 am Poker 12 noon	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 	26	27	28
29	30	31 				



Photos showing some of the fun at our meetings in November.

Just another reason to bring a friend to come and share the fun.



#### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

Wishing you all a happy and safe holiday.

Thank you to all of you that have expressed your support. I am so pleased that you are enjoying the Mesquiter.

I am looking forward to an exciting and fun 2014 with my Mesquite sisters. Let us all agree to share the experience with new friends. Please bring a friend to one of our meetings.

Take care and have a Happy Thanksgiving and Hanukkah!



**PLEASE NOTE!**

**THE NEXT DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15  
FOR THE FEBRUARY ISSUE  
DON'T WAIT 'TIL IT'S TOO LATE!**

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