

THE MESQUITER

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Issue 6

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February 2014

SAVE THE DATE

❖ FEB 7-1 pm

SILVER TEA; Mesquite Club Anniversary & Service Awards
(See ad page 2)

❖ FEB 14-1 pm

BUSINESS MEETING;

Presentation by Kordella Jolivet & Ruthie Stull, Pianist
(See ad page 2)

❖ FEB 21-Social: 11 am -

Lunch: Noon WAYS &

MEANS FUNDRAISER (See ad page 2)

❖ MAR 7-1pm Fine Arts

Day and Photography Contest Theme: Art as History

❖ MAR 14-1pm

CLOSED Business Meeting

❖ MAR 28-4pm

Party 'Nawlins Style; Let The Good Times Roll—Cocktails and Music – Spouses and Guests Invited - \$25 Single- \$45 Couple

EVENING PROGRAMS

❖ FEB 4-6 pm

Best Friends can be Volunteers too; Presentation by 4 E Kennels (See page 4)

❖ FEB 18-6 pm

Tantalize your Taste Buds; Food demonstration with Chef Robert (See page 4)

❖ SAT, MAR 1-6 pm

Ways & Means Fundraiser 50's Party

❖ TUES, MAR 4-6 pm

TBA

❖ TUES, MAR 18-6pm

Rummage Sale Working Meeting

DAY & EVENING EVENT

❖ MAR 15-20:

Rummage Sale Set-up

❖ MAR 21-23:

Rummage Sale

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Continuing To Make A Difference"



From the desk of President Barbara.....

What a beautiful sunny day and we're in the middle of Winter! Las Vegas has so much going for it and on the plus side is our Fall and Winter weather. Some of you probably have friends that are "snowbirds." They are always welcome at our functions. We added two new members in January, one day member and one evening member. Welcome these new ones and keep 'em coming!

I hope you have been noticing the recent upgrades to our building. We no longer have a front door that scrapes the concrete when opened. New front door and back door concrete pads have been put in place. There's also a doorbell at the front door on the left side for those having meetings that want the safety of keeping the door locked. We have a new clock on the wall since our previous one finally gave out, and also suffering from old, age our kitchen ovens were replaced. The beautiful chair rail around the room is the gift of long time member Jeanne Greenawalt. It really is the "icing on the cake." We have a beautiful building and you have always been in support of whatever expenditures are necessary to keep it in tiptop shape.

We had a great turnout for the January 10 "FunRaiser." By the sound of all the conversations and laughter going on around the room I think everyone was excited to get back together after not seeing each other for several weeks over the holidays. The mystery of C.S.I. was an innovative theme by our Community Service committee, as we continue in our support of the Doris French Elementary School. We have several delightful events on the horizon. On February 7, we have our annual Silver Tea and longevity awards luncheon. This is always a beautiful and impressive event. On the 21 we will be feted to a champagne luncheon/Saks 5th Avenue fashion show at Spanish Trails Country Club. Hurry and get in your check or credit card for this major event because the word is already out in the community – this is not to be missed. If you want to put together a table make those arrangements quickly. I hear a mink wrap is one of the items in the Silent Auction.....

Mesquite Club is an exciting place to be and to be involved with. 2014 is off to a swift start. I'm already anticipating the annual Rummage Sale, where bargains are to be found, and then we move right into the first ever Mardi Gras dance and New Orleans style party. We have so much in store for you, bring your friends and mark your calendars.

Dear Ones, let's have a lot of fun while we continue to focus on our charities and continue to make a difference in our community.

As always, Barbara

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of WOMEN'S CLUBS**
www.GFWC.org



GFWC LEADS training will be held at Mesquite Club on Feb 8, 2014.

This is open to all who would like to develop their leadership skills - no cost, refreshments provided.

RSVP to Barbara at 489-4194, for details.



SILVER TEA

*Mesquite Club's Anniversary
and Service Awards*

Friday February 7, 2014 - 1pm

*Come join us as we Celebrate our Anniversary and honor
Past Presidents and some of our longest members.*

Bring a friend to enjoy the Mesquite Sisterhood Experience!

Complimentary Champagne will be served.



BIG....small... ANYTHING at all.... yes.... it's
that time of year; our
ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE is FAST
approaching..... March 21 - 23

At the beginning of the year I find myself 'organizing and cleaning'
- perhaps a closet or two, or a 'bit of clutter' that has accumulated;
or just a pile that somehow appeared in my garage!

Your 'unwanted' items can turn into someone else's treasure and
the Club will benefit! Drop your items off anytime you are at the
Clubhouse!

**We appreciate your support in continuing to make this a
\$ucce\$\$ful Event for our Club!**

Ilene Baker & Pat Garcia

BOXES...BOXES... BOXES....

Tony is looking for boxes in order to store
Rummage Sale items - you can drop off boxes
anytime you are at the Clubhouse.
Thank you!!



WELCOME, NEW DAYTIME MEMBERS:

Patricia Martinelli-Price

5319 Regal Avenue - Las Vegas, NV 89146

Holidayofnations@gmail.com - Birthday: 06/13

Wesley Hale

1285 Sonatina - Henderson, NV 89052

CELL: 808-4121 - Awesleyhale@gmail.com

Birthday: 07/26

*Ladies of Mesquite Club
invite you and a guest
to a*

*Fashion Show Luncheon
Tea Room Modeling by
Saks Fifth Avenue*

Friday, February 21, 2014

11:00 a.m. Social - 12:00 p.m. Lunch

(First glass of wine hosted with lunch)

Silent Auction

Spanish Trail Country Club

5050 Spanish Trail Lane

Las Vegas, Nevada

\$50 per person

Valet parking available

Additional Information:

702.256.4035 or PMHB@gmail.com

The GFWC tagline for
this administration is

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"Living the Volunteer Spirit".

GFWC's annual report for the
2012-2013 year reflects that commitment to service that club mem-
bers have shown in their communities across the country.

Total projects: 90,945; Volunteer hours: 4,439,653; Dollars Donated:
\$12,800,309; In-Kind Donations: \$13,649,881.

BUSINESS MEETING

February 14, 1 pm

Presentation by Kordella Jolivet &

Ruthie Stull,

Pianist

Bring a friend!



FIRST LADIES FIRST, WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DFS



FIRST LADIES FIRST & MESQUITE CLUB PARTICIPATION

by Mary Gafford

MESQUITE CLUB has done itself proud for being included as a contributor to what is being called historical inaugural event for Nevada's Sesquicentennial event FIRST LADIES FIRST. On Saturday, January 11, 2014 a number of The MESQUITE CLUB members volunteered at Augustus Ballroom at Caesars Palace, location of the FIRST LADIES FIRST event. MESQUITE CLUB building served as meeting place for three of the planning committee's meetings. Recognition was included in the official FIRST LADIES FIRST Program.

At this historic event the five former First Ladies of Nevada were honored. At 2:30 pm doors to the Augustus Ballroom were opened. When the 700 plus attendees entered, they were offered light refreshments as they viewed video on tow screens. There was also a display of the gowns of First Ladies over the years from the state's inception up to the present time and portraits of all the First Ladies with notation of those who were native Nevadans.



Emcee Paula Francis introduced the five former First Ladies. Various questions about life in the Mansion in Carson City, Nevada during years when their respective husbands served as Governor brought about spontaneous, often humorous

responses.

The event concluded with thanks and flowers for Dr. Marlene Adrian, President of Women of Diversity, Inc. and visionary of the event, Channel 8's Paula Francis, and, of course, each of the five First Ladies. Singing of the state's song HOME MEANS NEVADA followed. Then the attendees were each presented with a parting gift which came from the attending former FIRST LADIES.

MESQUITE CLUB members recognized for serving on the planning committee for FLF include President Barbara Lacy and members Mary Gafford, Mary Martinez, Corinne Mewirter, Joan Powell, Cathi Poer, Cherie Williams and Patricia Martinelli-Price .

This leads into a reminder that on Sunday, APRIL 6, 2014 the MESQUITE CLUB is to be setting of another FREE official Sesquicentennial event.....a CULTURAL EVENT. From 2 to 5pm club member and acclaimed water color artist Mary Shaw is displaying paintings by her students and herself. Nevada writers are bringing their books for sale. Also, MESQUITE CLUB member and SNWHP president Nancy Zangl is assisting with light refreshments. PLEASE SAVE THIS DATE: April 6, 2014.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DORIS FRENCH SCHOOL



- March 3 - March 7....**NEVADA READING WEEK**...please schedule times you will be available to come to the school to read with the students. Folks are needed to read all week at any time. You may bring the book you wish to share with the Children or use books supplied at the school when you arrive for this activity. For more info call Lois.
- **FINE ARTS MUSIC** performance by the Doris French students on April 3. There will be two performances on that date, the first is at 9:15 am, and an evening performance at 6 pm to which club members are invited.
- **TEA FOR MESQUITE MEMBERS** to be held on Thursday, May 22, at 11am at the school. A lovely TEA was hosted last May by the staff, students and parents which many of our members attended. This was a wonderful event enjoyed by those who attended. All members are invited, so please plan to come. RSVPs are essential. Reservations for the tea must be made by MAY 15.
- To RSVP for any of these events contact Lois Evora @ 897-8551 or email @ ljeane@cox.net

Our Community Service Project

Doris French School

3235 E Hacienda Ave
Las Vegas, NV 89120
Phone: (702) 799-7730

Principal:
Tammy Villarreal-Crabb,
Performance Zone: 8

The Ladies of Mesquite that helped to make First Ladies First Possible!



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EVENING: CHAIR LETTER



Dear **Evening Angels**,

I hope the NEW YEAR 2014 is being good to you. We look forward to spending quality time together at the Mesquite Club. We'll have lots to do – projects, community service, special meetings with interesting speakers, tasty food and beverages, fundraisers and most of all enjoying each other's friendship!

In January for our first meeting, Tuesday January 7, we had a special program. Stephen Nassar, author of "My Brother's Voice" told us his Holocaust survivor's story with a slide presentation. I'm sorry more of you couldn't make it. It was very moving and at times gruesome seeing what was done to his family and others. It illustrated his spirit to survive and eventually be able to share his experiences. This was an educational and emotional meeting.

On January 21, 2014, explored the new Container Park downtown for dining and shopping. Our Social Chairs, Marilyn Freeman and Joyce Carr planned this fun evening for us. (www.downtowncontainerpark.com) It was a Blast!

This month we have two special meetings planned. On February 4th 4 E Kennels will do a presentation – "Our BEST FRIENDS CAN BE VOLUNTEERS TOO" - including some of their service dogs. If you have a photo or two of your best pet friend, please bring it to share with us.

On February 18, the program will be "TANTALIZE YOUR TASTE BUDS" with a food demonstration by Chef Robert. I'm sure Arlene McCroy and her hostesses will be up to the challenge to prepare a wonderful dinner also.

REMINDERS: The Scholarship Committee is still selling See's candy. Arlene McCroy will be at the Day and Evening Meetings to take orders and accept payments for your special Valentine Sweethearts. Candy will be delivered to the clubhouse the first week of February. (February 4, for Eve, February 7, for Day)

The Annual RUMMAGE sale is coming in March. Please check your closets, cupboards and garages for some "treasures" or anything you can live without. It will help if you bring your donations boxed for easier storage. Be sure to reserve time to help with this big project March 16 – 23, 2014.

Please save the date also for our next Ways and Means fundraiser – SATURDAY night March 1, 2014 – which will be a Fabulous Fifty's Party. Maybe we should start practicing the twist, dusting off our saddle shoes and getting the poodle skirt out of mothballs! Lots of fun, entertainment and good food are planned

It's time for the Nominating Committee to find out what you would be interested in doing with the club next year. Please be open to suggestions and willing to share your talents to make our Group successful !

Community Service collections continue for Ginger's Beauty bags, box tops for education, used glasses and cell phones and Doris French Elementary School.

Be sure to check the Mesquite Club calendar for interesting daytime meetings, fundraisers, luncheons, teas and speakers. Remember to watch your email for updates from me during the month and if you're on line also visit the Mesquite Club website: www.mesquiteclub.com

Thanks to all of our Evening friends (Angels in disguise) for your hard work and dedication to the Community, Mesquite Club and each other!

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

Judy Stebbins, Chair of Evening Mesquite

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EVENING EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY

February 4, 6 pm

Best Friends can be Volunteers too; Presentation by 4 E Kennels

February 18, 6 pm

Tantalize your Taste Buds; Food demonstration with Chef Robert

Bring a friend

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Evening has new member. Welcome:

**Mary Chandler**

2001 E Tropicana Ave. #1114

Las Vegas, NV 89119

702 382-0669

HonoluluMary06@Yahoo.com

Birthday: 12/09  
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is as awesome
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Grace Smith 02/09
Helga Caggiano 02/13
Lilly Partridge 02/24
Betty Rumford 02/25

Joan Lapan 02/10

Mary Ortiz 02/13

Angie Wollnick 02/24



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Our thoughts and prayers go out to our Sisters and their loved ones in difficult times.

We also congratulate member's very special occasions.

Good News:

- * Congratulations to Sally Achords who welcomed her first grandchild - Michael kept her very busy as his mother had a few complications; this is her son Rob's first child.
- * Congratulations to Linda Shapona who has new granddaughter, Aubrey. Son, Mark and family are doing fine.
- ♥ Congratulations to Cherie Williams who received an engagement ring from her fiancé Clyde DeWitt, after 14 years of being together. The wedding is planned for 2017, that is when Cherie turns 65 and insurance is not an issue. The things that we do for love.

* Our President, Barbara Lacy was honored in Las Vegas Magazine as one of Vegas' 100 Women of Influence

Get Well Soon:

- 😊 Saroj Dhodapkar is recovering from a knee operation.
- 😊 Carol Hale had hip surgery.
- 😊 Nancy Ward is having knee surgery February 18.
- 😊 Maryann Hantout is in ill health.

Please pray for those that are no longer with us:

- ◆ Clair Haycock the spouse of Colleen Haycock Mesquite Club President 1982-83; passed away on December 9.
- ◆ Member Pat Griffy passed away December 26.

✦ TONY YILMAZ ✦

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MESQUITE CLUB MEMBERS 20% OFF

Evening's Fabulous 50's Party

Mesquite Clubhouse

March 1 - 6 pm

Rock around the Clock

Donation: \$15 per person / \$25 couple

FUN...GAMES...ENTERTAINMENT...FOOD



BOARD BRIEFS, CLUB FINANCIALS, MEMORIAL FUND

BOARD BRIEFS

The meeting of the Mesquite Club Executive Board was called to order by 1st Vice President Cathi Poer at 10:20am.



- Cathi Poer - Only 11 members were present a quorum of 12 is required. It was agreed that the meeting would proceed with only recommendations being made. No voting
- The replacement of a Nominating Committee Chair was tabled for future action when a quorum is present. President Lacy sent a message stating that the Nominating Committee would meet and choose a new Chair from among the committee members. The newsletter will publish the nominating form with the clubs PO Box as the return address.
- The Building Committee met and discussed a raise for the dishwasher with a recommended raise of \$50 per luncheon. The current rate is \$100. This item will be voted on at the next board meeting.
- **MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Henri Hale; No new members were reported. We lost one member with the passing of Pat Griffey. Current memberships totals are: Day – 108, Honorary- 3, Sustaining – 8, Evening – 48 – Total 167
- **CORRESPONDANCE REPORT:** June Eckenroth; No correspondence was received. June has been temporarily filling in for the Memorial Fund Chairman. June returned the files and requested that a Memorial Fund Chairman be designated
- **WAYS AND MEANS REPORT:** Jeanne Greenawalt: Fashion Show and luncheon on February 21st at the Spanish Trail Clubhouse. Saks 5th Avenue will present the fashions. Silent Auction items are requested. Community Members will be invited.
- **COMMUNITY REPORT:** Co-Chair – Ruthie Hinman; January 24th is the Community Service luncheon; please make reservations with Nancy.
- **EVENING REP REPORT:** Connie Macauley—\$10,288.54 was donated to Paralympics at the Evening Holiday Party. These monies are from the Holiday Craft Auction. Cupboards to the right of the stage will be organized and utilized for this year's Holiday Craft Auction in November.
- **BUILDING REPORT:** Cathi Poer; New concrete pads and chair rails have been completed. Stage cabinets and kitchen lock repairs will be completed. The vacuum needs to be repaired or replaced. Tony will handle. Dishwasher repair completed. Both ovens are having lighting and heating problems. Repair estimate is \$400 after discussion it was decided to investigate replacement – Corinne checked and found that it would cost approx. \$1700-2600 there are funds available in the Memorial Fund to cover the replacement. Tony can remove the old and install the new possibly before both lunches in January.
- **DIRECTORS REPORTED:** then the meeting was adjourned.

\$ MESQUITE CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT \$

Funds transferred into new savings acct:

from Checking Account	58,003.25
from CD	36,755.68
Balance	94,758.93
Balance in Checking acct.	20,633.13
Total in both accounts	115,392.06
Less Designated funds	41,050.68
General operating funds	74,341.38

Designated funds

Choir	1,1104.94
Comm. Ser. Day	100.00
Comm. Ser. Eve	566.34
Crafts	4,270.31
Doris French	807.00
Landscaping	1,850.00
Maintenance Reserve	15,000.00
Membership Drive	-81.56
Memorial	7,172.00
We Care	261.65
Peggy Casey Fund	10,000.00
Total	41,050.68

\$ MEMORIAL FUND REPORT \$

Memorial Donations:

Nancy Zangl - \$50

Carolyn Schmalz - \$50

Lois Evora - \$50

In Memory of: Don Black and Clair Haycock

Silent Auction Items Needed for

Ways and Means Fund Raiser

Ladies, quality items are needed for the Silent Auction at our February 21 luncheon. Please bring to Mesquite Club House. Cathi Poer, will be doing her wonderful magic with the Silent Auction, and has requested all items no later than, February 15.

For more information or to arrange pick-up contact:
Jeanne Greenawalt, Ways and Means Chair



CREDIT OR DEBIT CARDS

The Mesquite Club is accepting credit cards. You may now pay for meetings and purchases with your credit or debit card.



Time for Nominations. Please see the Nominations form that is attached with the Newsletter.

Please feel free to Nominate yourself.

The Mesquite Club needs your help to keep us going.

February 2014

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23	24	25	26 Watercolor 10 am Poker 12 noon	27	28	1 <u>Evening</u> Ways & Means Fundraiser 50'S Party (See page 5)

Check out our NEW Website: www.mesquiteclub.com

Our webmaster, Linda Shapona, requests that members visit our website as often as possible.

If each computer literate member visits our site twice a month, it will increase our visibility and we will be moved up in the search engine's listing. High visibility web presence is a crucial part of our membership recruitment and retention efforts.

Contact Linda at lsapona@gmail.com with any questions.





Board Potluck
FUN-Raiser

CSI Mystery
Luncheon

Evening Fun
Author Stephen
Nasser
A Night at the
Container Park



NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

February is the month dedicated to Love. I hope that all of you have some special person that loves you.

Remember to make your reservations for our Ways & Means Fashion Show Luncheon at Spanish Trails. This is a great opportunity to bring a friend for an afternoon of fashions, friends and just a good old time.

Saturday February 8, is GFWC Leads Training at no charge. This is an opportunity to learn to develop leadership skills as well as sharing with a friend.

Get out those poodle skirts and practice the jitterbug for Evenings Fabulous 50's Party!

We have a lot going on and this is an exciting time in our community. Let's get involved and invite friends and family to join our cause as well. With all of our effort, we will keep the Mesquite Club the most effective woman's club in Las Vegas. Have a great month,

Cherie, Mesquiter Editor!

PLEASE NOTE!
THE NEXT DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 15
FOR THE MARCH ISSUE
DON'T WAIT 'TIL IT'S TOO LATE!

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