

# THE MESQUITER

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Issue 5

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December 2014

## SAVE THE DATE

- **DEC 5, 1pm**  
Holiday Tea
- **DEC 12, 11 am Social Noon Luncheon**  
Holiday Luncheon (See ad page 2)
- **JAN 9, 11 am Social Noon Luncheon**  
Board Potluck Fundraiser (See ad page 2)
- **JAN 16, 1 pm**  
Business Meeting
- **JAN 23, 1 pm**  
Afternoon Tea "A Picture is Worth 1,000 Words" (See ad page 2)

## EVENING

- **DEC 2, Evening 6pm**  
Holiday Party Location (See ad page 5)
- **JAN 6, 6pm**  
Regular Meeting (See ad page 5)
- **JAN 20, 6pm**  
Social Outing (TBD)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### *"Volunteering to Promote Culture in Our Community"*



Hello Ladies of Mesquite.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL! Yes, the Holidays are here and I know you are busy with shopping, cooking, preparing, hosting and enjoying spending time with family and friends. I also know that you take time to support all the projects and events that our Club offers – the Teas, Meetings,

Luncheons, Craft Auctions, raffles, etc. Thank you for always 'stepping up' with your participation.

Congratulations to Sue Churchill and her craft group, and a Big Thank You to everyone who generously purchased their handmade creations. The sales totaled over \$2,000!

The Evening Holiday Craft Auction was Friday, November 14. It was an evening packed with an outstanding selection of raffle prizes, Hand-made items and a FABULOUS dinner! The holiday spirit filled the room with enthusiastic supporters, making this years event another \$uccess!

Our Holiday Luncheon will be held on Friday, December 12, at the Las Vegas Country Club. The theme is 'Dreaming of a White Christmas.' There will be raffles, entertainment and fun! There is still time to reserve a seat – R.S.V.P to Nancy Zangl.

January 9, 2015, will be here sooner than we think – so mark your calendar now for our Board Fundraiser Luncheon.

As one year comes to a close and we start a new one, it gives us an opportunity to reflect and review. Where we have been and where we are going. I believe with our members' dedication and support, we will continue our Club's tradition of providing service and culture to our community.

May the peace and joy of this Christmas season be yours throughout the year.

Hugs,

Ilene



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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

### Holiday Tea and Bake Sale!

### New Sound Choir Concert



**Friday December 5, 2014 - 1 pm**



**Kick off the Holiday Season with a  
Holiday Concert and Bake Sale!**

**Bring a friend to celebrate the Holiday!**

**Our Honorees are:**

**Barbara Bolling and Alice Eubank**

### Mesquite Club

### Annual Holiday Luncheon

**\$35**



**Friday December 12, 2014**

**11 am Social; Noon Luncheon**

**Celebrate the Holidays at**

**The Historic Las Vegas Country Club**

**3000 Joe W Brown Drive**

**Las Vegas, NV 89109**

**Bring a friend to celebrate the Holiday!**

**Raffle—Entertainment— Holiday Fun!**

**To R.S.V.P. send your \$35 check to:**

**Mesquite Club, Attention Nancy Zangl**

**P.O. Box 95662, Las Vegas, NV 89193**

### Board Potluck and Fundraiser



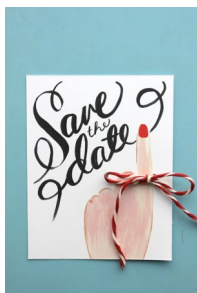
**Fun and Games  
and much more!**

**Friday, January 9, 2015**

**11 am Social**

**Noon Luncheon**

**Bring a friend!**



**A Picture  
is Worth  
1,000  
Words**

**Friday January 23, 2015**

**1 pm**

**Speaker: David Van-Santan,**

**Director and Founder of**

**The Las Vegas Historical Society**

## DFES CHRISTMAS; PLEASE TAKE NOTE!



I am the face of homelessness.

**Dear Members,**

**It's time to consider opening up our hearts once again to the under-privileged children of**

**the Doris French Elementary School. While the school is not the focus of our Community Service aims this year, the fact remains that there are still children attending the school who are suffering the adverse effects of poverty and homelessness.**

**Every year Doris French teachers do all they can to make sure the needy of these children have a small gift of clothing and an inexpensive toy to open on Christmas morning. They accomplish this, for the most part, by taking money from their own pockets. For the last three years, Mesquite Club members have contributed generously towards supporting their efforts.**

**This year some of our warm hearted members have decided they would like to continue to maintain a personal relationship with the children of Doris French by donating books, games and essential clothing items for the school's Holiday Tree. Please join them by donating what you can to the list below.**

- \* **Clothing Items:** Underwear, pajamas and jackets for boys and girls. Sizes needed 4-6, 8-10, 12-14. Socks, child sizes small/medium/large
- \* **Board Games:** Trouble, Monopoly, Scrabble, Boggle, Uno, Candy Land, Yahtzee, Chutes and Ladders, and any educational games.
- \* **Books:** Non-religious. 5-11 years.
- \* **Note:** Please place your donations in the little red wagon provided, **no later than December 15** so they can be brought to the school in time for the holidays.

*Friends of the Doris French Students.*

**PS.** As we look forward to the warmth of family gatherings and the joy of watching our own little family members unwrapping their gifts on Christmas morning, let us not forget those little children for whom, even one small gift can mean so much.

**The Board of Directors recently confirmed two new chairs:**

- ♦ Beautification Chair - Linda Baxter - she is going to coordinate our landscaping needs with our gardeners and help improve our garden!
- ♦ Community Outreach Chair.... Melissa Clary - will be the liaison between the Mesquite Club and the Community Neighborhood Associations!

**Welcome ladies, we greatly appreciate your choice to serve.**

The Mesquite Club has a number of Committees for you to join and participate in the mission of the Club. Here is a list of Committees for Day:

By-Laws—Phyllis Noblitt; 702-364-9298

Community Service—Joan Lapan; 702-247-4851

Fine Arts—Mary Shaw; 702-363-9920

Garden Tea—Joan Powell; 702-433-2422

Hospitality—Judy Bolander; 702-656-2017

Membership—Cherie Williams; 310-710-9792

If you wish to join a committee, please feel free to contact the chairs listed above. Our Club succeeds with YOUR help. Joining a committee is the best way to get to know other members and make your Mesquite Experience the best ever.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

The April 3 Tea has been cancelled. It conflicts with Good Friday. Joan Doubrava has volunteered to host the Honorees who would have been honored April 3 on January 23. This will be a formal tea. The Honorees are Judy Stebbins and Paula Mendenhall. I will be contacting the committee members about fulfilling their tea committee commitments.

Judy Bolander

### **PLEASE NOTE IN YOUR YEAR BOOK!**

When calling Betty Miller please use: 702-254-5875

When calling Lynda Schultz please use: 702-324-5380

### **BYLAWS COMMITTEE**

If you have a change in the Bylaws, or wish to propose a new one, please send the written change to:

Phyllis Noblitt

5015 Ridge Ave. Space #277 — Las Vegas, NV 89103

## MESQUITE LADIES IN THE NEVADA DAY PARADE



### NEVADA DAY PARADE CELEBRATION!

On Nevada Day, Friday, Oct. 31, 2014, at 10 am, the Las Vegas Nevada Day Parade was held downtown along 4<sup>th</sup> Street. The parade lasted approximately two hours and featured 150 entries and six categories: float, equestrian, marching band, motorized vehicle, walking group and other. The parade was produced by the City of Las Vegas and is made possible through a \$100,000 grant from the City of Las Vegas Centennial Commission through its Las Vegas Centennial History Grant Program.

The ladies of Mesquite assembled to ride in Vintage cars, dressed in all white in honor of our founding Sisters. I so proud to have so many ladies riding in the parade. I was very moved and happy to see so many Nevadans expressing their pride!

I want to thank everyone that helped to keep the name of the Mesquite Club visible in the parade and to the Community. It was a once in a lifetime experience and a great example of what it means to be "Nevada Proud," as well as what it means to be a proud member of the Historic Mesquite Ladies Club.

My sincere thanks to all,

Blanche Bozarth



Mark Hall Patton spoke at our business meeting. His presentation was entertaining as well as educational. He enlightened us about the history of Las Vegas and explained that our Sesquicentennial is really is a few years. Interesting history!

Thank you Mark

## MESQUITE MERCHANDISE; HOME MEANS NEVADA



### MESQUITE LOGO

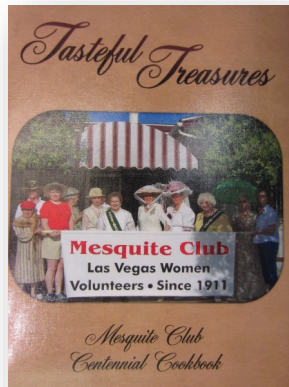
#### TOTE BAGS & DENIM SHIRTS

We are taking orders for Monogrammed Tote Bags for \$25 & Denim Shirts for \$20.

They will be available for the next couple of months. This is your opportunity to proudly identify you as a "Mesquite" Club member. Get your order in right away.

#### GIVE A MESQUITE CLUB COOKBOOK FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Mesquite Club Cookbooks were published several years ago. We have a limited number available; these cookbooks are a bargain at \$10. It's a great opportunity to purchase a very nice Holiday gift for a friend or acquaintance. Call Lois Evora to order yours at: 702 -897-8551.



### OFFICIAL SONG OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

#### Home Means Nevada

Written & Music by Bertha Raffetto

Way out in the land of the setting sun,  
Where the wind blows wild and free,  
There's a lovely spot, just the only one  
That means home sweet home to me.

If you follow the old Kit Carson trail,  
Until desert meets the hills,  
Oh you certainly will agree with me,  
It's the place of a thousand thrills.

Home means Nevada Home means the hills,  
Home means the sage and the pine.  
Out by the Truckee, silvery rills,  
Out where the sun always shines,

Here is the land which I love the best,  
Fairer than all I can see.  
Deep in the heart of the golden west  
Home means Nevada to me.

Whenever the sun at the close of day,  
Colors all the western sky,  
Oh my heart returns to the desert grey  
And the mountains tow'ring high.

Where the moon beams play in shadowed glen,  
With the spotted fawn and doe,  
All the live long night until morning light,  
Is the loveliest place I know.

Home means Nevada Home means the hills,  
Home means the sage and the pines.  
Out by the Truckee's silvery rills,  
Out where the sun always shines,

There is the land that I love the best,  
Fairer than all I can see.  
Right in the heart of the golden west  
Home means Nevada to me.

## EVENING CHAIR LETTER; UPCOMING EVENING EVENTS



Hello Mesquite Ladies,

What a busy November the Evening Members have had! November 4 found our members working together on the decorations, bidder paddles and raffle baskets for the Holiday Craft Auction. November 11 found us setting up the clubhouse for our special charity fundraiser. Many members spent countless hours working in committees to prepare for the event. Then on Friday, November 14, it was Show Time! What a wonderful event it was!

Congratulations, Evening Mesquite Members, for an extra special Holiday Craft Auction. A huge THANK YOU to Irene Armijo and Bonnie Crawford for being outstanding Co-Chairs. Your hard work and dedication to this organization, our charities, and our members has truly been remarkable. The decorations were incredible, the food outstanding, the live auction display items beautifully, and the raffle baskets abundant. The bartenders worked hard as our auctioneers performed their magic. Congratulations to all the winning bids, the raffle baskets winners and the Grand Prize winners. Congratulations to all our members for a truly superb event.

Our Social Chairs have planned a fun night on December 2 for our Holiday Party and it will be the time we celebrate our achievements and our friendships. Please RSVP to Karen Ziegler. I truly hope all our members can attend. Let's kick off the new year with attending our January 6 meeting with special guest speaker, Mark Hall-Patton, Curator of the Clark County Museum. He is *"The Beard of Knowledge as seen on Pawn Stars"*. What a special treat to start 2015!

Wishing you and your families a Very Merry Christmas. Safe Travels to all.

Connie Macauley

Evening Chairman

Join the Holiday fun at the  
Evening Mesquite Holiday Party

**Bonefish Grill**  
8701 W Charleston Blvd



**Tuesday**  
**December 2, 2014**  
**6 pm**  
**\$33 with cash bar**

Contact Karen Ziegler—702-218-3739  
for reservations, menu selection and  
payment no later than  
Saturday November 28th

*We will be holding a true  
"White Elephant"  
gift exchange!*

*Not something bought  
something fun you already have!*



Evening Mesquite Meeting

Tuesday, January 6, 2015

6pm

Mark Hall Patton

"The Beard of Knowledge"

As seen on Pawn Stars



It will prove to be a very  
entertaining and educational evening!

## HOLIDAY CRAFT AUCTION PHOTOS!



## WELCOME NEW MEMBER; IMPORTANT REMINDERS; OPPORTUNITY VILLAGE



### NEW MEMBER

#### EVENING MEMBER

Deepa Aggarwal

1655 East Sahara Ave #2032

Las Vegas, NV 89104

Home Phone: 702-426-0772

Cell Phone: 571-215-9834

Email: dippsaggarwal@gmail.com

Birthday: October 22

#### IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- \* **STATISTICS;** Remember to keep track of your hours and any money that you spend. Keeping track of our statistics is very important to keep our non-profit status.
- \* **MEMBERSHIP;** Please remember to bring a friend to our meetings or events. The Holiday Party is a great opportunity to share the Mesquite experience with your friends.
- \* **COMMITTEES;** I urge you to join a committee. That is the best way to enhance your experience, make friends and get to know more about the organizations that we support.

**AN INVITATION TO THE LADIES OF MESQUITE, FROM OPPORTUNITY VILLAGE**

I would like to extend an invitation to members of The Mesquite Club to tour Opportunity Village's newest campus located at 6050 S. Buffalo Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89113. Our CLIENTS are usually at our Buffalo campus from around 8am to 2pm. We can set up one tour if there is a time that works with everyone interested or we can do multiple tours. If you are interested in a tour of the new Opportunity Village Campus, please contact

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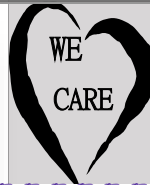
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*Our thoughts and prayers go out to our members and their loved ones in difficult times. We also congratulate member's very special occasions.*

- ♦ Geraldine Jennings died on November 6, her Memorial Service will be held on: Monday, December 1 at 10am at the Veterans Cemetery in Boulder City. Cards can be sent to the family at: 2515 E. Viking Road, Las Vegas 89121
- ♦ One of our Evening Members, Janis Jackson is down with pneumonia. She was recently hospitalized. She also has heart problems and has had quite a struggle this year. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers. Cards would be appreciated too.
- ♦ Joanne Vaughn passed away on November 4. Please continue to be in prayer for Charlie Vaughn and his family. Cards can be sent to 1400 Premier Ct. Las Vegas, NV 89117.
- ♦ I would like to thank all my friends in Mesquite Club for your thoughts, prayers, and cards as I recovered from my surgery. Thank you, Love Phyllis Hendrickson



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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!

Connie Macauley 12/02  
Sandra Holliday 12/04  
Ginger Norton 12/05  
Mary Chandler 12/09  
Doris Wartman 12/12  
Mary Grogan 12/13  
Kay McCauslin 12/27

*happy  
BirthDay  
may your wish  
come true*

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# BOARD BRIEFS, CLUB FINANCIALS, NEW CLUB PURPOSE

## BOARD BRIEFS



**The November meeting of the Mesquite Club Executive Board was called to order by President Ilene Baker at 10:03 am.**

- ◆ **Treasurer**—Lynda Schultz Alarm Upgrades – Alarmco \$3528.00, Motorhome & Security \$801.95, and Tamperproof Screws \$1000.00 – Total \$5329.95 of which \$3435.10 from the Peggy Casey Fund and \$1894.85 from the Memorial Fund
- ◆ **Ways and Means**—Lois Evora—November 21 is the Wine Tasting Event, Private Luncheons are being organized, Denim Shirts and Tote Bags are being sold, December 5 Bake Sale, Derby Day, Cookbooks and 50/50 Raffles are planned.
- ◆ **Evening Representative**—Connie Macauley—November 14 is the Holiday Craft Auction, This event and the Mesquite Club was advertised on KLA V radio. Thank you to the Day Ladies for all of your support.
- ◆ **Memorial Fund**—Betty Miller – Account Balance as of September 30 \$5246.01 – less \$1894.85 expensed leaving a balance of \$3351.16 as of October 31, 2014.
- ◆ **Building Committee** –Cathi Poer –We have received one bid on the rod iron fence bid with 2 additional bids to follow. Once the bids are received we will need to determine how we are going to fund this project at this point the cost would be an estimated \$12-14,000.

There are some landscaping issues soil samples have been taken. The Mesquite tree has split and attempts are being made to save it if not we will need to replace it. An arborist advice is being sought.

- ◆ **Unfinished Business** – Johanna Kennedy – discussed the change of our purpose in the year book. The new statement of purpose is felt to be updated and much more attractive to potential new members.

The proposed purpose would read: “The specific purpose of this corporation shall be the bringing together of women of all ages and backgrounds for philanthropic, educational and cultural purposes for the benefit of its members and the general public in Las Vegas and the surrounding communities” -

A motion was made by Johanna and seconded by Sandy Holiday to recommend this change to the membership. Motion Carried This will be presented to the membership for approval at our next business meeting.

- ◆ April 3 is a scheduled tea meeting this is Good Friday. We have not met on Good Friday previously. Johanna made a motion with a second by Lynda Schultz to cancel this meeting. Motion Carried.
- ◆ President Baker made a motion to confirm the appointment of Linda Baxter as Beautification Chair seconded by Nancy Zangl Motion Carried. Cathy Poer made a motion with a second by Connie McCauley to appoint Melissa Clary as Community Outreach Chair Motion Carried. President Baker will meet with each person and a statement of duties will be created.
- ◆ The meeting was adjourned.

## \$ MESQUITE CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT \$

Balance ending Sept 30, 2014	
B/A Savings Sept 30, 2014	\$ 55,234.50
Interest for Oct	3.75
Withdrawal/transfer to checking	<u>3,435.10</u>
Total Savings Oct 31, 2014	\$51,803.15
General Savings	51.30
Maintenance Reserve	15,000.00
Peggy Casey Fund	0.0
Restricted CD	<u>36,751.85</u>
Total Savings 10/31/2014	\$51,803.15
B/ A Checking 09/30/14	\$45,060.98
Deposits for Oct	11,986.22
Peggy Casey transfer in	3,435.10
Sub total	60,482.30
Less Oct expenses	<u>- 9,666.11</u>
Balance Checking 10/31/2014	\$50,816.19
B/A Savings	51,803.15
B/ A Checking	<u>50,816.19</u>
Total in Bank Accounts 10/31/14	\$102,619.34
Checking	\$50,816.19
Less Designated Funds	<u>-14,267.14</u>
General Operating Funds 10/31/14	\$36,549.05
Designated Funds	
Choir	1,104.94
Community Service, Day	1,803.64
Community Service, Eve.	1,180.00
Crafts	4,537.85
Doris French Elementary School	0.00
Landscaping	1,850.00
Memorial Fund	3,351.16
We Care	<u>439.55</u>
Total Designated Funds	\$14,267.14

Respectfully Submitted,






Lynda Schultz, Treasurer

## The Purpose of the Mesquite Club!

The specific purpose of this corporation shall be the bringing together of women of all ages and backgrounds for philanthropic, educational and cultural purposes for the benefit of its members and the general public in Las Vegas and the surrounding communities.

*Revised November 2014*

# December 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 	2 Board Meeting 10am  6pm Evening Holiday Party ( See ad page 5)	3	4	5 Holiday Tea and New Sound Choir Concert 1pm	6
7	8	9  Hanukkah begins  	10  <b>Watercolor</b> 10 am Poker 12 noon	11	12 Holiday Luncheon 11 am Social/ Noon Luncheon	13
14	15	16	17  <b>Watercolor</b> 10 am Poker 12 noon	18	19	20
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28	29	30	31 			

# NOVEMBER BUSINESS MEETING



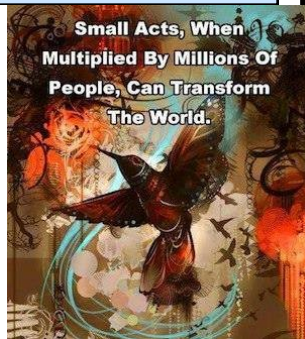
## NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

Welcome to the Holidays! I am looking forward to the holidays. I am sure that everyone is busy either traveling or welcoming guests. We are all blessed.

As I was looking through my Facebook wall, I came across this graphic. It made me think about the purpose of The Mesquite Club. We touch so many lives and I am proud to be a member.

As blessed as we are, let's also remember those that are not as lucky as we are. I always cook too much food and then put plates together to share with those that are not as fortunate as we are.

I wish you all a blessed and safe holiday. Please embrace those around you and take a moment to remember those that are angels watching over us. Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza or what ever greeting that defines your holiday!



## PLEASE NOTE!

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

## Vol. 5 Issue December 2014

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*Cherie Lee Williams*