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Issue 5

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December 2018

SAVE THE DATE

TUESDAY, DEC 4, 2018

Evening Holiday Party 5 p.m.
Carrabba's Italian Grill, 8771
West Charleston Blvd, 89117
\$30

FRIDAY, DEC 7, 2018

Holiday Tea and Bake Sale
1 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC 14, 2018

Holiday Luncheon 11 a.m.
Las Vegas National Golf
Course;
1911 E Desert Inn Rd, 89109
\$35

FRIDAY, JAN 4, 2019

Afternoon Tea 1 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN 8, 2019

Program Business meeting
6 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN 11, 2019

Business meeting 1 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN 18, 2019

Regular meeting 1 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN 8, 2019

Program Business meeting
6 p.m.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Let us forget, not to be kind."



Did everyone remember to set their scales back ten pounds, following the Thanksgiving weekend? ☺ Anyway, I hope everyone had blessed and happy holiday. Now, the real fun begins. December is a month just loaded with Club activities, beginning with the evening group's Holiday Party at Carrabba's Italian Grill, taking place on December 4.

On December 7, we have our Holiday Tea, which includes the Ways & Means Bake Sale. Please plan to help out at this event by either bringing goodies to sell or else buying goodies to give as gifts, or both. Then comes our biggest bash of the year, our Holiday Luncheon, taking place on December 14. Sandra Ackerman tells me to watch out, because *"The Moose is on the Loose."* All of these activities, which are planned and executed by the efforts of our incredible chairmen and their committees, continue to amaze me. What a fabulous group of creative and hardworking women we have in our Club.

Meanwhile, has everyone been shopping and decorating? I have purchased exactly one gift. My house has a few autumn leaves and a few dried-up pumpkins and gourds and has yet to be festooned with garlands or a Christmas tree. It appears I'm going to have to get with the program. Yikes, so much to do...so little time. I'm seriously thinking about sending out a plea to Martha Stewart to lend a hand.

Again, I thank for your support as I fumble my way through this Presidency.

**Merry Christmas...Happy
Holidays,**

God Bless all of you!

Barbara Bolling



MESQUITE CLUB LADIES WISH YOU A HAPPY HOLIDAY!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

MAY YOU BE SURROUNDED BY ALL THE THINGS THAT BRING CHRISTMAS CHEER,
FROM THESE LADIES OF THE MESQUITE CLUB!

ELSA TORGERSO

GATHI POER

BETTY MILLER

LILLY PARTRIDGE

PHYLLIS NOBLITT

TOBY POWER

LOIS EVORA

JAN WHITE

HOLLY NIETO

MARY GAFFORD

SANDRA HOLLIDAY

KAY MCCLURE

SANDRA ACKERMAN

JOAN LAPAN

JANE REID

PATRICIA GARCIA

BETH MORE

JUDY BOLANDER

SYLVIA PHILLIPS

ANNETTE DORMAN

NANCY ZANGL

TAI GREGORY

HELLEN HOLLAND

SALLY ACHORD

BARBARA BOLLING

JENNY MUELLER

LAURIE HARTIG

JOHANNA KENNEDY

LYNDA SCHULTZ

JOAN DOUBRAVA

CHERIE WILLIAMS-DEWITT

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MESQUITE CLUB?



Ways & Means
Holiday Tea & Bake Sale!
Friday, December 7, 2018

Tasty goodies for the holidays!
Come and shop our Jewelry Boutique!
Friday, December 7, 2018
1 p.m.

Sign-up with
Sylvia Phillips, to donate
your favorite goodies to
support this fundraiser!

Happy Holidays from the
Ways & Means Committee!



Our Rummage Sale will be held
the **March 1 to 3, 2019**.

Bring your donations to the
Clubhouse.

**Please no books, heavy winter clothing, torn, broken,
or undesirable items.**

If you can store your items until closer to the sale date, that would
be great, if not, please bring your items boxed so that we can store
them easily.

We have limited space & boxes at the Clubhouse for your
convenience. Please contact me if you would like to be on the
Rummage Sale Committee or if you have questions, comments,
or need boxes.

Connie Macauley, Rummage Sale Chair



MESQUITE CLUB ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON



Friday, December 14, 2018
11 a.m. Social - Noon Luncheon
Las Vegas National Golf Course
1911 E Desert Inn Road - Las Vegas, Nevada 89109
\$35

Santa will be available for photos and entertainment
will be provided by, It's Vegas Vintage Voices starring:
Ben Litvinoff & Raphael Erardi

Reserve your spot, NOW!

Deadline, December 7, 2018
Please let us know of any food allergies.

Send your check to: Mesquite Club
Attention: Nancy Zangl
P.O. Box 95662 - Las Vegas, Nevada 89193



EVENING: CHAIR LETTER; HOLIDAY CRAFT AUCTION PHOTOS



Greetings Evening Mesquite Club friends and supporters!

I hope you all found time and energy to enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday and give thanks and gratitude for friends and family. I know many of us are finding the holidays to be very difficult after suffering tremendous loss and recent grief. Know that your fellow Club members are behind you and here to assist where we can. Please don't hesitate to reach out to a grieving Club member or for assistance or a warm smile, call a Mesquite Club woman to lean on. It's our relationships that truly matter in life and will get us through the most challenging times.

We were able to celebrate the holiday season with a successful 34th Annual Holiday Craft Auction on Friday, November 16 at the clubhouse, where we celebrated vintage holidays with family memories. We raised more than \$15,000 at the Holiday Craft Auction! We will contribute to a grant recipient, Foster Kinship, at a future meeting. We will also contribute to our Nevada Public Education Foundation young women's scholarship account and plan to award three scholarships to recipients this spring. Stay tuned for exact numbers at a future meeting. Tremendous thanks to our HCA Co-chairs Pat Garcia and Jane Reid for all your efforts leading another successful HCA fundraiser for our Club. And special thanks to our Foster Kinship partners and Club members for help and camaraderie implementing the successful event!

This month we are taking a well-deserved break and will only meet for our holiday party at 5 p.m. on December 4 at Carrabba's Italian Grill located at 8771 W. Charleston Blvd. The cost is \$30, and a check should be sent to Bonnie Crawford. If you wish to participate in the gift exchange, be sure to bring a wrapped gift valued at \$20. I regret to miss our fun tradition, but I am kicking off my campaign that same evening! I will be thinking of you all.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year! We'll see you back at the Clubhouse for our January 8 meeting. Thank you for your support and especially for your service.

All my best,

Melissa

2018 Holiday Craft Auction

Fun Times!



2019 EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Be our Valentine!

Frankie Segel & Cherie Williams

Invite you to a Valentine Private Luncheon

February 14, 2019, 11:30 a.m.

\$50

Reserve your spot, Space is limited!

send your check to:

Mesquite Club

Attention: Nancy Zangl

P.O. Box 95662 - Las Vegas, Nevada 89193

Ways & Means

Fundraiser

"Going, Going Gone"

Live Auction!

Friday, March 15, 2019

11 a.m. \$25

Community Service Luncheon

"Bee the Change"

Friday, April 12, 2019

11 a.m.

\$25



Reserve your spot,
send your check to:

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89193



MESQUITE CLUB



SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 2019

3 P.M. - \$15

MESQUITE CLUB CLUBHOUSE!

702 EAST ST LOUIS AVE-LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89104

**IF YOU MISSED LAST YEAR'S, YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS
THIS YEAR'S SHOW!**

**PHYLISS BELL, A PROFESSIONAL CABARET
ENTERTAINER; THE HOT FLASH DANCERS; MAURA HAR-
ROWER; AUDREY SMITH - MS. SENIOR NV OF 2014; LARRY
WALKER, PIANIST; AND MANY MORE!**

Reserve your spot, Space is limited!

send your check to:

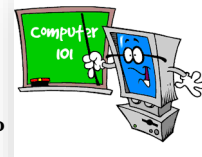
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Computer Classes

In an effort to help our members become efficient in a digital world, we are considering offering basic tools computer classes. We need to know what subjects that are of interest, as well as how many participants we would have. Below is a list of possible classes.



Computer Instruction Subjects include:

- Personal Computing Basics
- Microsoft Word; Excel; PowerPoint; Outlook email
- Facebook and Social Media Basics
- Basics of Navigating the Internet
- Adobe Acrobat basics
- Photos on your computer or phone and what to do

Express your interest as soon as possible to:

Cherie Williams-DeWitt (702) 405-9422

Email: cherieleewilliams@earthlink.net

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ILENE BAKER; BIRTHDAYS; HOTEL-SIZE PRODUCTS NEEDED

In loving Memory of Ilene Kay Baker

After a brave battle with cancer, Ilene Kay Baker, age 73, died peacefully at home in Las Vegas, Nevada on Sunday, November 18th with her husband Don and daughter Rebecca by her side. She was a wonderful wife, mother, sister, aunt, and grandmother.



Her life began in New York City on October 14, 1945. She was deeply loved by her parents, Toby (Katz) and Seymour Schlossberg, and her maternal grandmother, Anna Katz. Ilene attended P.S.154 elementary school and Parsons Jr. High in New York. The family moved to Southern California in 1960, and Ilene continued her education at U.S. Grant High School, graduating in 1962. Ilene continued to excel in school and earned her Associates of Arts Degree at Santa Monica City College where she received The Woman of the Year Award in recognition of scholastic achievement.

She married Don Baker in 1965, and they celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary on October 9th. Ilene also became a loving mother to her daughter Rebecca in 1973.

She had the entrepreneurship spirit in her early years. She and her husband, Don, owned Challenger Party Sales (Wholesale Tupperware Distributorship) for 20 years in New Jersey. They returned to Southern California, and she started working with Weekenders (Women's Clothing) as a Director of Sales for five years. Her territory included Alaska, Hawaii, Oregon, Washington, and Northern California. After Weekenders, Ilene had another successful career with Jewels by Park Lane. Ilene loved a challenge and was a great motivator. She loved holding parties and sharing the opportunities for women to earn income.

Don and Ilene retired to Las Vegas in 2002. They enjoyed traveling and cruises to places like Alaska, the Mediterranean, and the Caribbean but loved to visit their daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren, Sara and Cole, in Rhode Island during the holidays.

Ilene was an active member of Grace Presbyterian Church in Las Vegas and enjoyed attending the Sunday services and the women's Bible studies.

She was also an active member of the Las Vegas Mesquite Club, the oldest social and charitable women's club in Nevada established in 1911. She served as President and held several offices. She was nominated and elected to serve as Second Vice President for the General Federation of Women's Clubs Nevada (GFWC) in 2015. *(Continued)*

BirthDay greetings

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sandra Holliday 12/04

Virginia Norton 12/05

Connie Macauley 12/20

Don and Ilene shared a wonderful loving relationship for 53 years. He was always so proud of her. She will be missed by many friends and family. She is survived by her husband, Don, daughter, Rebecca (Jeff) Collemer, grandchildren, Sara and Cole, sister, Janis (Bob) Rink, two nieces, Anna Luehrs and Carol Adkisson, two grand nephews and one grandniece, and stepson Donny Baker.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 10 a.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church, 1515 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas.

Hotel-Size Products Needed!

During your travels, or if you know anyone who works for a hotel, we need hotel size products for hygiene bags.

- * **Lotion**
- * **Shampoo**
- * **Conditioner**
- * **Body Wash**
- * **Soap**
- * **Shower caps**
- * **Vanity Kits**

The items would be greatly appreciated. Bonnie Crawford and Kathleen Bryan are our Community Service Chairs for Evening projects. Please bring to the Clubhouse.

Thank you for your help with this project!

Celebration of Life Wall Tile Project

The Memorial or Celebration tiles will be the wall just outside of the door to the Clubhouse. **The cost is \$100 for a tile.** We are currently selling tiles and on our way to a goal of \$2,500. Currently we are at \$1,875.

Get with your girlfriends and buy a tile honoring a member of the Mesquite Club. You can buy one for yourself as well.

We will put the member's name and the year she came into the Club on the tile. This is a great way for us to raise money for our Club without a lot of work! It also leaves a legacy honoring members of the Club.

For more information,
contact,
Johanna Kennedy, Chairman.
(702) 737-9499
jkennedyart@aol.com



(This photo indicates the idea and does not reflect the exact sample.)

Terri Lynn Nuts and Candy



An ongoing fundraiser

Order online for direct mail to your home!

Encourage your friends and family to support this fundraiser as well!

They can order online for direct mail to their home!

Check it out on our website:

<https://the-mesquite-club.terrilynncares.com/>



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING MEETING DATES!

- ◆ Friday, January 4, 2019 1 p.m. Afternoon Tea
- ◆ Tuesday, January 8, 2019 6 p.m. Evening Program/business meeting
- ◆ Friday, January 11, 2019 1 p.m. Business meeting
- ◆ Friday, January 18, 2019 1 p.m. Regular meeting
- ◆ Tuesday, January 22, 2019 6 p.m. Evening Program/business meeting
- ◆ Friday, February 1, 2019 1 p.m. Silver Tea
- ◆ Tuesday, February 5, 2019 6 p.m. Evening Ways & Means Bunco
- ◆ Friday, February 8, 2019 1 p.m. Business Meeting
- ◆ Friday, February 15, 2019 1 p.m. Regular Meeting
- ◆ Tuesday, February 19, 2019 6 p.m. Evening Program/business meeting



Private Luncheons are a wonderful fundraiser.

What if I am interested in hosting a private luncheon?

Sign up to hostess a Private Luncheon and help to support the Clubhouse. What do you need to do? You choose a date, location, and how many ladies that you plan to host.

Contact: Frankie Segel, @ her email:

Frankietake2@gmail.com, or her cell: (973) 462-6270.

You can host solo or ask a friend to host with you. You can cater or cook your own food. It is all up to you. It is \$50 per person. Ladies will sign up. You provide invitations with the details of the luncheon. Then, you just get together and have a great time. This fundraiser benefits the Ways & Means Committee. It is just that simple! **So, Lets do Lunch!**

BOARD BRIEFS; CLUB FINANCIALS; WE CARE

BOARD BRIEFS



CALL TO ORDER: President Bolling called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. She lead the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Collect.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: Annette Dorman is sending out Honoree letters to

Betty White and Toby Power for the December 7th tea and Ways and Means Bake Sale.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Corinne Mewhiter has contacted the new members for the date of the first Orientation meeting, Hollis Nieto and Cheryl Musser.

TREASURER: Lynda Schultz presented the October treasurer's report which was approved and filed. Additionally the 2018-2019 Budget was presented with minor adjustments from last year. The bank is giving us a checking account free now verses \$200 per year. Adding \$100 month fee for monthly kitchen cleaning to dishwasher. Lynda believes we should consider a raise in rental fees for general rentals, poker and arts. That issue will be tabled for now said the President.

She stated our bank is now requiring a motion be passed by the Board to have change of any checking account signatures to be approved and be shown in our minutes. Lynda Schultz made the following motion which was seconded by Nancy Zangl "I move that we remove Cherie Williams and Hollis Nieto as signers on our bank checking account. We need to add President Barbara Bolling and Recording Secretary Joan Lapan as new signers. Existing officers Lynda Schultz and Nancy Zangl will remain as signers." A vote was taken and approved by the Board.

WAYS AND MEANS: Elsa Torgeson reported there were 40 in attendance at our October 5th event and we made about \$2,250. All food for the luncheon was donated. We are looking for Private Luncheon hostesses, Frankie Segal is chair (973-462-6270). Bake sale is December 7th and the Jewelry Boutique, Joan Doubrava.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Sue Churchill thanked everyone for their generous donations (\$820) for the Veteran's Village pantry. We collected \$195 for them with the 50/50 raffle at the Symphony Park 5k run on November 3rd. Also she donated Christmas decorations of hers for the new compound at their new 21st street facility for women and family's Veteran Village #2 at 50 N. 21st.

EVENING MESQUITE: Jane Reid On October 16th Bonnie Utton and Ruth Larson created a carnival style Halloween Bunco dinner party. \$415 was raised. The Holiday Craft Auction, on November 16th, starts at 5:30 p.m. The singers will be back and Doug, Cathi Poer's husband, will be auctioneer.

OLD BUSINESS: Celebration of Life Wall, Johanna Kennedy stated we are getting closer to our \$2,500 goal, currently we are at \$1,875. Joan Doubrava paid for the center tiles which will identify our name and logo. Founder tiles were purchased by Betty Miller, Joan Lapan and Johanna Kennedy. Barbara Lacy purchased a tile as well as Laurie Hartig 3 tiles in memory of family and tiles bought by Barbara Bolling, Elsa Torgerson

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

\$ MESQUITE CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT \$

Report for Oct, 2018 given at Nov 6, 2018 Board Meeting
 Balance ending Sept 30, 2018 \$51,914.34
 Interest for Oct 2.20
 Total Savings Oct 31, 2018 \$51,916.54
 Interest earned/Savings 164.49
 Maintenance Reserve 15,000.00
 General savings 36,751.85
Total savings 10/31/2018 \$51,916.54

B/A Checking 09/30/2018 \$29,214.40
 Deposits for Oct + 5,252.72
 Sub total 34,467.12
 Oct expenses, cleared - 5,217.99
Balance Checking 10/31/2018 \$ 29,249.13

B/A Savings 51,916.54
 B/A Checking 29,249.13
Total in Bank Accounts 10/31/18 \$ 81,165.67

Checking \$ 29,249.13
 Less Designated Funds - 18,143.14
General Operating Funds 10/31/18 \$11,105.99

Designated Funds
 Choir 692.84
 Community Service, Day 290.50
 Community Service, Eve. 1,648.69
 Celeb. Of Life Wall Tiles 1,225.00
 Crafts 3,545.81
 Landscaping 825.00
 Celebration of Life Fund 9,409.75
 We Care 505.55
Total Designated Funds \$18,143.14

Respectfully submitted, Lynda Schultz, Treasurer

WE CARE!

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




- ♦ *Cards were sent to Lois Evora, Janice Lennartz and Ilene Baker.*
- ♦ *Ilene Baker passed away on November 18, 2018. See the obituary on page six.*
- ♦ *Joan Powell has been dealing with problems with her back. She was in the hospital over the holidays. Hoping that she will be home soon. Cards are welcome. If you call, she will answer if she is able.*

Please keep our members who are dealing with the loss of family members or health problems. We are hoping for a happy and healthy holiday to all.





2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
December 2018 is Observed as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Universal Human Rights Month ♦ Safe Toys and Gifts Month 						1
2	3 10 a.m. Crafts	4 Board meeting 10 a.m. Evening Christmas Party 5 p.m.	5 10 a.m. Art Class 12 Noon Poker	6	7 Holiday Tea 1 p.m.	8
9	10 10 a.m. Crafts	11	12 10 a.m. Art Class 12 Noon Poker	13	14 Holiday Luncheon 11 a.m.	15
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Wow, 2018 is coming to an end.

It has been a busy year, but as we look to the New Year, I wish you health, happiness, and great times with your family and friends.

We have a lot happening in 2019, so take a deep breath, relax, and invite a friend to join us in our craziness. The more hands that we have working together, the easier it is to get projects done. Yes, I am still nagging to help bring new members in, but what can I say? That is what I do.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza, and a very Happy New Year! I have covered all of the holidays this month!

I hope to see you all at events this month as well as into the New Year. I am going to have a glass of wine and relax. Wine cures everything, and even if it does not, it just tastes good!



Cherie



PLEASE NOTE!

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

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