

September 2024

The Mesquite Club, Inc.

Serving the Las Vegas Community since 1911

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Mesquite Club Ladies,

As we begin a new year of working together to improve our community, please remember we are also a part of our community. I have just returned from the Mesquite Clubhouse where I was amazed at the progress the beautification committee has made over the summer. It is my belief that each member of the committee gave honest input to create our new environment. As it happens, there was no absolute agreement on every detail of the project, but that is the beauty of the result. I don't want to spoil your first visit to our Clubhouse on the Opening Luncheon, Friday, September 20, 2024, at

11 a.m. If you want a sneak peek, please RSVP to Evening's Welcome Back Potluck on September 17, 2024. All I will say is that the give and take among committee members enriched the end result. Congratulations!!!

I am so thrilled to be your president. The trust and responsibility you have placed with me are constantly on my mind and in my heart. It is the honor of a lifetime. Please help me to serve you all with our projects, goals, and friendships. This month will feature a lunch meeting, Poker games, the GFWC Day of Service, a board meeting, a business tea and the reunion of friends. It is also a time to make new friends and to invite others so they may also find the happiness that service to our community brings. Feel free to contact me with questions and concerns, especially new members.

At our last board meeting, we confirmed that all members are welcome to attend and observe our work in progress. We generally meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month to review projects and concerns of the Club. Our next meeting is September 10, 2024, at 10 a.m. for an hour or so. If you cannot attend, but you have something for the board to consider, please contact someone on the board so it can be placed on the agenda. I hope your summer was exciting and that you have stories to share with everyone. I can't wait to see you all again.

With Kindness in My Heart,
Dianne

SAVE THESE DATES!

September 5-8, 2024
Western States Region Conference
Tuklia, Washington

Tuesday, September 10, - 10 a.m.
Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 17, 2024 - 6 p.m.
Evening Welcome Back Potluck

Friday, September 20, 2024 - 11 a.m.
Opening Luncheon - \$30

Friday, September 27, 2024 - 1 p.m.
Business Meeting

Saturday, September 28, 2024
GFWC National Day of Service

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 - 6 p.m.
Evening Bunco - \$15

Tuesday, October 8, 2024 - 10 a.m.
Board Meeting

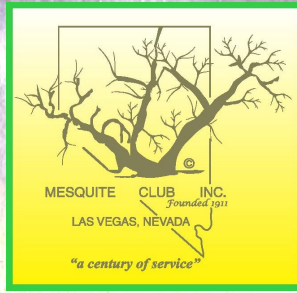
Friday, October 11, 2024 - 1 p.m.
Business Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 - 6 p.m.
Evening Meeting with Speaker

Saturday, October 19, 2024
Open Air Market 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Friday, October 25, 2024 11 a.m.
Community Service Luncheon
Black & White Masquerade - \$30





"WHERE IN THE WORLD HAVE YOU BEEN?"

Mesquite Club Opening Luncheon

Get a look at your newly remodeled Clubhouse!

***Share travel stories with friends.
Raffles and Drawings.***

***Friday, September 20, 2024
11 a.m. Social — 12 noon Luncheon
\$30***

***To R.S.V.P.
Mail your check to:
Nancy Zangl
Mesquite Club Financial Secretary
481 Edgefield Ridge Place
Henderson, Nevada 89012***

We hope to see you there!

**Background courtesy of:
Barbara Bolling**

Ashley Strong



FOUNDATION

Ladies of the Mesquite Club:

I'm so excited to introduce the nonprofit organization that we are fundraising for this year. The Ashley Strong Foundation is a nonprofit group providing comfort, love, and sparkle to children in hospice care or living in long-term care facilities.

You may copy and paste the link into your Amazon search to find the list.

Amazon Wishlist for Ashly Strong Foundation is:

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/quest-view/RT2R1MCZE6PZ>

If you don't want items shipped to your home, I am willing to have things shipped to my house. My address is listed below. Some of the items they are looking for:

- ♦ *Volunteers for Oct 19, 2024, to help with their annual fundraiser.*
- ♦ *Twin sheets, colors, character, funky designs - anything but just white*
- ♦ *Short sleeve pajamas ranging from 2T - 18yrs*

For the opening luncheon, the Ashley Strong foundation will be giving bucket hats to anyone who brings a set of twin sheets. Help spread the sparkle!

Let me know if you have any questions, Melody Wells, Community Service Chair
[*Kensingtonmel@gmail.com*](mailto:Kensingtonmel@gmail.com)

*1404 Maria Elena Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89104
(469) 831-8709*

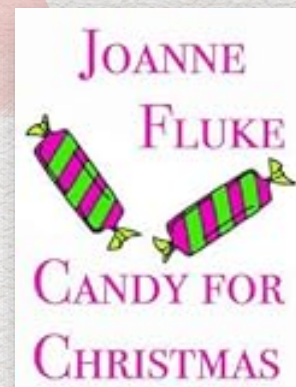
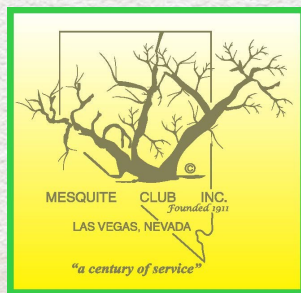


**Mesquite Club
Community Service
Black and White Masquerade**

Friday, October 25, 2024 - 11 a.m.

**We are looking for raffle and silent
auction items.**

We appreciate your help with this!



Ways & Means presents "Novel Affair" Friday, November 8th, 11 a.m.

Mesquite Clubhouse
702 East St. Louis Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada 89104
\$30



Hanna Swensen, a baker and self professed sleuth spends her spare time solving mysteries in this series of books by Joanne Fluke.

Each book contains multiple recipes, and the luncheon will be based on testing some of these tempting recipes. Finally, a luncheon where criticism is Encouraged is a novel idea in itself!

Jump start your Christmas gift giving from the selection of Silent-auction items and gift-card tree!

Make your reservations by sending your check to:
Mesquite Club Financial Secretary
Nancy Zangl
481 Edgefield Ridge Place
Henderson, Nevada 89012

EVENING LETTER; Evening Events!



Greetings Fabulous Mesquite Club Ladies,

We have almost made it through another hot summer in Las Vegas. I hope you are all as excited as I am to being together at our upcoming meetings and events. During this hot summer, Jane Reid and Connie Jaeger, our Evening Ways and Means Chairs,

along with our Ways and Means Committee, planned and executed yet another profitable event. The Annual Pool Party was held at Jane's beautiful home and along with enjoying fun, fundraising opportunities, good food, and great friendships, \$808 was raised. Thank you to Jane, Connie, the committee, and all who attended.

Put September 17 on your calendars as that is the date for our Welcome Back Potluck. Our Membership Chair, Linda Shapona, and the Membership Committee is planning that Club year kick-off event. Our Evening Ways and Means gals are planning the October 1 Fall Bunco. See the ad for the information. Please invite friends, neighbors, and family. No need to RSVP or send in money ahead of time, just come and enjoy. Both the Welcome Back Potluck and Fall Bunco are great events to invite prospective members. Looking forward to seeing you all very soon to continue our "Art of Volunteerism."

Check out this anonymous quote, *"Next time you think of beautiful things, don't forget to count yourself!"* Here's to the start of another wonderful year of community service and camaraderie.

Connie Freeman
Evening Mesquite Chair

Evening Mesquite's Welcome Back Potluck Presents: A Taste of the WORLD



Tuesday, September 17, 2024 @ 6 p.m.
Mesquite Club, 702 E. St. Louis Ave.

The evening will consist of an **International Potluck Buffet Dinner**, including dessert, and beverages!

There will be EXPO tables with each of our committee's information and sign-up sheets outlining the upcoming club year's events.

Please take this opportunity to invite your friends who may be potential members to attend. Many times, those who have attended the Holiday Craft Auction, Bunco and other events will be interested in attending this Welcome Back Potluck. It is an ideal way for them to find out what Evening's hard work, fun and dedication to community service will accomplish.

Members, please keep an eye out for a sign-up sheet email asking you for any international dishes or USA dishes you may want to bring!

Please RSVP to Linda Shapona by text, phone or email. 734-981-6207 & lashapona@gmail.com. Brought to you by the Membership Committee Kate Ksobiech, Pam Ivey and Barbara Grogan!

It's time for Bunco again!

Evening Mesquite Club Fall Bunco

Buffet dinner, basket raffles, and monetary prizes for Bunco wins!

Where: Mesquite Clubhouse, 702 E. St.
Louis Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104

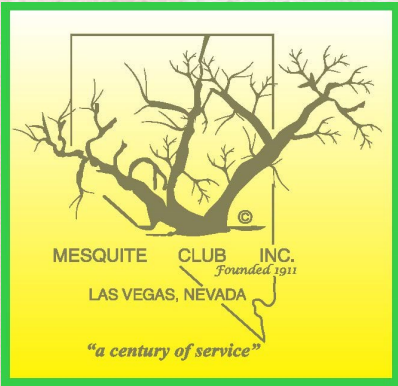
When: Tuesday, October 1, 2024

Time: 6 p.m.

Admission: \$15



Help Us to End Hunger in the United States



GFWC Clubs across the country are planning to:

Volunteer at a local food bank

Organize a food drive

Raise awareness about hunger issues in the United States

Advocate to end food insecurity in America



SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

The Mesquite Club is doing its part in our community. Pamela Ivey and Pat Garcia, Evening Community Service Chairs have organized our participation in the GFWC Day of Service. The information regarding the supply drive is listed below. Join our GFWC sisters across the country to address food insecurity.

Please donate Non-Perishable Food to benefit the "Hands of Hope" Community Food Pantry.

Canned Protein: Spam, Ham, Tuna, Beans, Chicken

Dry Goods: Ramen, Hot & Cold Cereal, Pancake Mix, Dry Pasta, Mac & Cheese, Boxed Potatoes

Other Items: Canned Soup, Chicken and Veggie Broth, Gravy, Canned Fruits & Veggies, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Granola Bars

Drop off dates: September 11, 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. and September 17, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Feel free to invite family, friends, and neighbors to participate.

Thank you for your support of this project.

For more information contact:

Pamela Ivey: pri46@aol.com, or Pat Garcia: bird48@cox.net

What's Happening at the Mesquite Club!

Christmas in July continues!



There is still time to contribute to the “Christmas in July” campaign. Contributions go directly to Mesquite Club’s building operating fund.

Your gift to the Club, will make a direct impact on operating expenses the building requires each month. Monthly costs for electricity, water, gas, insurance, and caretaker continue year round.

Thank you in advance for your support of this project! YOU could be a winner!

Please send your contributions to :
Mesquite Club Financial Secretary
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Drawing for \$100 prize for will be in September.



Starting this month, our newsletter will include a page listing in-kind donations useful to our ongoing charitable endeavors. Our club president Dianne Steel has asked Elizabeth Foyt to coordinate. The list will be evolving as needs or requests may change. Please contact elizabethfoyt@gmail.com for more information.

Each project should have a designated Collection box or designated area.

Ongoing donations currently requested:

“Got SNEAKERS?” requests any used tennis shoes (all sizes) for a fundraising effort coordinated by Connie Freeman.

ASHLEY STRONG FOUNDATION, the chosen charity for daytime, is collecting new twin bed sheets, art drawing sets, short sleeved pajamas, games and more for bedridden young patients in long term nursing care.

Melody Wells the is coordinator.

GIFT CARDS in any amount are needed for the upcoming Evening Holiday Craft Auction presented by evening members. The gift cards are a special treat for their auction baskets.

Contact Bonnie Utton or Connie Freeman for details. **EYEGLASSES**, readers, sunglasses, lenses, frames, and eyeglass cases continue to be collected on behalf of the Lions Club. These glasses are used to provide eye care to the needy in our community. This is a multi-year effort managed by Elizabeth Foyt.

PLEASE NOTE: At this time, we are not collecting items on behalf of **DRESS FOR SUCCESS** or **DORIS FRENCH** Elementary School.

Volunteers Needed!!

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A Night on the Nile

benefitting

Las Vegas **Natural
History
Museum**

Step into the enchanting world of ancient Egypt at, "A Night on the Nile," where the Las Vegas Natural History Museum transforms into a majestic oasis of wonder and philanthropy. Amidst the allure of silent and live auctions, and thrilling raffles, laughter resonates as attendees partake in games and activities, all in the name of supporting the museum's mission.

September 27 2:00 PM- 7:00 PM

September 28 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Ages: 16+

Sign Up volunteer@lvnhm.org

900 Las Vegas Blvd N, Las Vegas



What's Happening with GFWC!

The new administration of 2024-2026 GFWC was installed at the recent Chicago convention. Here are a few photos from the convention.

Suellen Brazil is the new International President. She is leading us with many projects that support women. During the convention, GFWC signed a sponsorship agreement with the Alzheimer's Association. President Brazil has visited the hill and GFWC is supporting the upcoming Women's Suffrage National Monument to be erected in Washington D.C.

This is a snapshot of the progress that GFWC is making to improve the lives of women throughout the world. The Nevada Fall board meeting is scheduled for October. Information will go out soon, and I encourage you to mark your calendars and bring a friend.

I will share with you all of the information that I have received. Several of us will be traveling to Tukwila, Washington to the Western States Region meeting. There will be a wealth of knowledge to share. I hope that you are as excited for the upcoming programs and projects that are on the horizon for us. We can integrate our projects into those of GFWC and make a difference beyond our borders. There will be more later. Yours in Federation Friendship,

Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt,
GFWC Nevada State President 2024-2026



GFWC 2024-2026 Executive Board

International GFWC President



GFWC Ladies at the Convention!





Announcing Fourth Annual! ALL CLUB MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN!



Members are the lifeblood of our club! They help fulfill our purpose, provide invaluable volunteers, and supply much of our operating budget from their membership dues! Sponsors of this Day & Evening membership drive can win!

First Place: \$100 Second Place: \$50 Third Place: \$25

We are setting a clear goal of 15 total new members for this club year. Our first new member this club year is: Alisha Baty, sponsored by Melody Wells!

STAY TUNED!

Carol L. Titus
09/05
Rosella Young
09/05
Mary Brandin
09/06
Lynda Easter
09/09
Joan Dimmitt
09/12
Ruthie Hinman
09/12
Jenny Durant
09/17
Sunnie Rae Grigsby
09/24
Judy Stebbins
09/27
Linda Baxter
09/29
Brenda Kostick
09/29

Dear Members,

We are all very grateful for the years that our dishwasher and cleaner Nancy Blea has dedicated to us. She recently lost her sister to a heart attack. Feel free to send her condolences to let her know her friends at the Mesquite Club care.



Here is her information:

Nancy Blea

4753 East Montara Circle - Las Vegas , Nevada 89121

email: dessertsarefun@gmail.com



Strong Women

stand together when things are **rough**, hold each other up when they need *support*, and **laugh** together when there's no reason to.

SEPTEMBER

2024

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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Labor Day

2

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5



International Day of Charity

6



Read A Book Day

7



INTERNATIONAL BACON DAY

8



Grandparents Day

9

10

Board Meeting
10 a.m.

11



PATRIOT DAY

12



U.N. DAY FOR SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION

13

14

15

16



INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE OZONE LAYER

17

Evening
Welcome Back
Pot Luck
6 p.m.

18



AIDS and Aging Awareness Day

19



INTERNATIONAL TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY

20

Opening
Luncheon
11 a.m.
\$30

21

22



Fall begins

23



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SIGN LANGUAGES

24

25



NATIONAL DAUGHTER'S DAY

26



National Pancake Day

27

Business
Meeting
1 p.m.

28

GFWC National
Day of Service

29



Gold Star Mothers Day

30



INTERNATIONAL PODCAST DAY

September 2024 is Observed as:

National Preparedness Month
Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month
National School Success Month

She woke up and thought to herself,
"If I'm going to rise, I might as well shine."

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This newsletter is published 10 times annually for members and friends of the Mesquite Club, Inc.

**The deadline is August 20th
For the September issue.
NO EXTENSIONS!**

**DON'T MISS THE BOAT!
LATE SUBMISSIONS ARE NOT GUARANTEED
TO BE INCLUDED.**

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Thoughts from your editor.

"Live the life you've always dreamed of.
Be fearless in the face of adversity.
Never stop learning, use your imagination.
Whenever possible recognize the
Beauty that surrounds YOU.
Remember where you came from,
But never lose sight of where you are going." —Unknown

"I would love to be remembered as person who used her life to
inspire others in any way, shape or form." —Viola Davis

The recent events in my life have helped me to realize that I will live my life to the best of my ability. I will treat people as I wish to be treated. Yes, there will be some people that will pass through your life, but the important ones will be there to support me as I support them.

Thank you to all that have expressed your support in my sorrow and my joy. I am blessed to have you in my life, and I appreciate you more than words can express,

Cherie



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