

# The Mesquite Club, Inc.

*Serving the Las Vegas Community since 1911*

September 2020

Issue 2



## The Mesquiter

### **“Membership: Friendship and Service, Now More Than Ever”**

Welcome to September! It may not seem like fall, but our Club Year is beginning in spite of both the heat and the pandemic. Mesquite Club leaders and committee members are all moving forward with plans for meetings and events, even though adjustments have to be made to observe safety and health guidelines. Life goes on and so does Mesquite Club!



When you read this newsletter, you may still have time to make your reservation and bring a friend to the Board Fundraiser on August 28, “You Are the Sunshine of My Life.” This will be a casual salad and dessert luncheon, and it is a great opportunity to share the joy of your membership with someone else who might enjoy being a member. The Ways and Means Committee will be kicking off the new Raiders football season at this event, and you will want to get in on what they have planned!

On October 2, our Special Events Committee will present a western-themed Opening Luncheon titled “Y’all Come Back Now, Ya Hear?” Get your reservation in now as seating will be limited. September 15, our Evening ladies will have their Welcome Back and Installation meeting to begin the year. It has been a long stretch since everyone was together, and it will be great to see friends again.

Our regular meeting schedule will begin this month, even though we are not sure exactly what meetings will look like. At the Business Meeting, September 11, we will have our first installment of Leadership Moments when we talk about our bylaws. On September 18, College of Southern Nevada Professor of History and Women’s Studies, Deanna Beachley, Ph.D. will tell us about the Women’s Suffrage Movement in Nevada 100 years ago. The Women’s Suffrage Amendment is turning 100 and what a great time to celebrate the right to vote for women!

We also celebrate member Paula Mendenhall receiving her 50 Year Membership Pin and Recognition from GFWC. Congratulations Paula!

On a sad note, we celebrate the life of long-time Mesquite Member and Las Vegas philanthropist Jeanne Greenawalt. She will be fondly remembered.

**I hope to see many of you this month.  
Take care, stay safe, and stay in touch.**

*Save  
the  
Date*

#### **Board Fundraiser**

Friday, August 28, 2020 - 11 a.m.

#### **Executive Board Meeting**

Tuesday, September 1, 2020 - 10 a.m.

#### **Business Meeting**

Friday, September 11, 2020 - 1 p.m.

#### **Evening Welcome/Installation**

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 - 6 p.m.

#### **Regular Meeting**

Friday, September 18, 2020 - 1 p.m.

#### **WSR Virtual Conference**

**Cheyenne, Wyoming**

September 25 to 27, 2020

#### **Opening Luncheon**

Friday, October 2, 2020

11 a.m. Social - Noon Luncheon

#### **Evening Meeting**

Tuesday, October 6, 2020 - 6 p.m.

#### **Business Meeting**

Friday, October 9, 2020 - 1 p.m.

#### **Evening Ways & Means Bingo**

Tuesday, October 20, 2020 - 6 p.m.

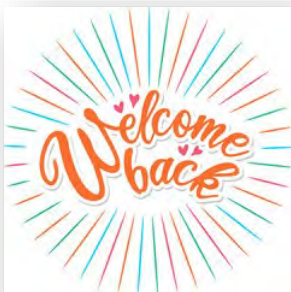
#### **GFWC Nevada Fall Board Meeting**

Saturday, October 24, 2020 TBD

#### **Ways & Means Tailgate Fundraiser**

Friday, October 30, 2020

11 a.m. Social - Noon Luncheon





# OPENING LUNCHEON

**Y'all Come Back Now, Ya Hear!!**

**Dig out your denims, calicoes, gingham,  
bandannas, boots and western hats!**

**Meet us at the Mesquite Clubhouse Corral, Friday,  
October 2, 2020, at 11 a.m., for the luncheon to kick  
off the new Club year of fun and friendship.**

Social distanced seating will be limited to 40,  
so make your reservation by sending a check  
for \$30 to The Mesquite Club, PO Box 95662,  
Las Vegas, NV 89193-5662 by August 28.





## EVENING CHAIR LETTER; EVENING EVENTS



### Greetings Evening Mesquite Ladies

Are you ready? Well here we are, five months since the world changed, and we all have been trying to find our new normal, along with trying to stay safe and healthy! Part of the

new normal, is for us to think positively and go forward with our Club meetings and events. While we also promote **"Membership, Friendship, and Services,"** and realizing, *"Que sera, sera - What will be, will be!"*

September 15, will be our Welcome Back and Installation with a prepared, \$5 box dinner. Please RSVP to me by Friday, September 11, so I can give Bonnie Utton a count for the Box Dinners - thanks!

As our President, Cathi Poer, indicated in the Summer Mesquiter, that plans may change, due to the pandemic, I have a couple of changes to announce. First, we will decide our Scholarship event on September 15, instead of October 6, in order to have more time to plan the Event for November 17. I am hoping for a good turnout on September 15!

The other change, is that we are postponing the *Irish Sweepstakes to March 16, 2021*, hoping that by then we will have a better attendance for such a fun event! We will have a Bingo Ways and Means on October 20, instead of the Sweepstakes and more information will be available at the Welcome Back! I hope to see you on September 15!

### Evening Mesquite Club's



#### The Membership Committee

*Invites you to help kick off Club Year 2020-21!*

*First, we will enjoy a light box dinner prepared by Bonnie Utton. Secondly, we will also install this year's chairs and hold the Installation of our New Members from 2019-20!*

*Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2020*

*Time: 6 pm*

*A box dinner will be catered by Bonnie Utton which will consist of a sandwich, fruit and a salad. Dinner donation will be \$5.00.*

*Remember! Bring Prospective New Members!!*

Wishing you Health, Peace, and Love,  
Dolores Martinez, Evening Chair

## EVENING MESQUITE IRISH SWEEPSTAKES

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021

6 P.M.

DO YOU HAVE THE LUCK OF THE IRISH?





## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Joan Dimmitt 09/01  
 Joan Powell 09/05  
 Mary Brandin 09/06  
 Lynda Schultz 09/08  
 Peggy Crockett 09/12  
 Ruthie Hinman 09/12  
 Laurie Hartig 09/14  
 Jenny Muller 09/17  
 Sunnie Grigsby 09/24  
 Juanita Mendoza 09/25  
 Stacy Bolsazy 09/27  
 Judy Stebbins 09/27  
 Linda Baxter 09/29  
 Brenda Kostick 09/29

## Devotion

Do you have a favorite passage or poem that you would like to share? If you have never been asked and wanted to give a devotion, now is the time to do so. The devotion time at the Mesquite Club is a time to share your thoughts and uplift our members.

Please let me know when you would like to come forth and enlighten us.

Call Sylvia Phillips at 702-329-2009. I would love to hear from you.

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## Celebration of Life Fund Contributions

**Lois Evora in honor of Lily Partridge**

**Betty Miller in Celebration of Blanche Bozarth's 95th birthday!**

## Got unwanted Jewelry?

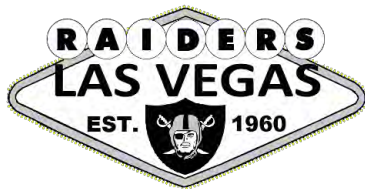
**If you have old or unwanted jewelry, think about donating it for an upcoming fundraiser for this Club year.**

**Contact our resident jewelry expert and maven, Joan Doubrava. As we ease back into Club activities, we are planning exciting events for you and the community.**

**Contact Joan at (702) 656-1911 or email: smiley191122@gmail.com. She will work her magic for the next fundraiser. We appreciate your support.**

*Let's Get ready to Tailgate!*

**Mesquite Club Ways & Means Committee  
invite you to join their football Pool!**



**Join us for a Tailgate Luncheon  
Ways and Means Fundraiser**

**Friday, October 30, 2020  
11 a.m. \$30**

Raiders home games schedule:

- ♦ Monday, September 21, 2020 · 5:15 PM PDT - New Orleans Saints
- ♦ Sunday, October 04, 2020 · 1:25 PM PDT - Buffalo Bills
- ♦ Sunday, October 25, 2020 · 5:20 PM PDT - Tampa Bay Buccaneers
- ♦ Sunday, November 15, 2020 · 1:05 PM PST - Denver Broncos
- ♦ Sunday, November 22, 2020 · 5:20 PM PST - Kansas City Chiefs
- ♦ Sunday, December 13, 2020 · 1:05 PM PST - Indianapolis Colts
- ♦ Thursday, December 17, 2020 · 5:20 PM PST - Los Angeles Chargers
- ♦ GAME WILL BE PLAYED December 26 OR 27 - Miami Dolphins

⇒ There will be boards for the pool that will consist of 100 squares and each square will be sold for \$5.

⇒ Pay off will be 50/50/50/50 - \$50 for each quarter and at end of game.

⇒ Boards will be open for sale at the at each meeting. Get your square soon.

For more information, contact Elsa Torgerson @ [etorgerson@cox.net](mailto:etorgerson@cox.net).

**Join us for this exciting, ongoing fundraiser!**

**Join us Friday, September 18, 2020 at 1 p.m.**

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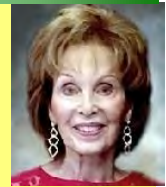


DeAnna Beachley teaches U.S. History and Women's Studies at the College of Southern Nevada.

She is currently working on a study of what happened to the National Woman's Party women who picketed the White House for the vote in 1917.



**In Memory  
of  
Jeanne G  
Greenawalt**



Jeanne passed away August 10, 2020, at the age of 83, was not born in Las Vegas, but most people in the community would never guess. She was a fierce champion, a long-time resident of Las Vegas and well-known community activist. According to former Nevada U.S. Senator Richard Bryan, "*Jeanne Greenawalt was a civic leader known for her efforts to benefit the lives of neglected children, seniors and animals. Active in community service clubs, she was a founding member of the Junior Mesquite Club and Lifetime Achievement Award honoree with the Junior League of Las Vegas. Jeanne also successfully lobbied the Nevada Legislature for funding to build cottages for Child Haven.*"

Born in Newport, North Carolina, in 1936, Jeanne was a triplet and one of nine children. At 16, Jeanne and her two sisters Joan and June - moved to Reno, Nevada, to live with their beloved sister, Dorothy Smith. A graduate of Reno High School, Jeanne attended the University of Nevada, Reno where she was a Theta. While there, she met her future husband, the late Forest "Frosty" Cahlan. After marrying into the Cahlan family, she relocated to Las Vegas in the mid-1950s and adopted the Las Vegas community. She spent the next 65 years determined to better the community.





## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH GFWC NEVADA?

Hello Ladies of the Mesquite Club,

I hope that everyone is having a good summer. Yes, it is a summer like no other, but we are resilient and adapt to whatever we are dealt.

I have spent the past weeks working on the business of the state federation. I am hoping that the next few years will be enlightening, educational, and entertaining. The Western States Region Conference will be virtual. I have seen examples of what will be available to attendees. It will be a blast. The dates are September 24 thru September 27, 2020. There will be speakers, Education, and, I understand, a few surprises. The best part about this, is that you can join from the comfort of your sofa, bed, or your easy chair. I even attended a meeting in my nightie. (Don't tell anyone.) ☺ I will have more details later.



If you have never attended a GFWC Convention, please consider it for next year. If all goes well, it will be in Toronto, Canada. This is your opportunity to dust off your passport and explore beautiful Toronto. I have never been there, but I hear that it is beautiful. At every convention, we send a LEADS candidate. If you are interested in being the Nevada representative, please let me know. LEADS is a great opportunity to improve your leadership skills and meet women from all over the country and even some international ladies. I hope to receive numerous LEADS request for review.

In the coming months, I will provide you with more details of the goings on of GFWC. We will be having our Nevada Board meeting in October, and I hope that to see you there. Depending on the state of affairs, we will meet at the Mesquite Clubhouse, and any of you that cannot attend in person will be able to check in with Zoom. What a world that we live in.

I thank you all for your commitment to *"Living the Volunteer Spirit."*



**Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt**  
**GFWC Nevada State President, 2020-2022**  
**"We are UNITED: YOU are not alone!"**

### GFWC WEBINAR SERIES

Education is an important factor of your membership in GFWC. These webinars are free to all members. Go to [GFWC.org](https://www.gfwc.org), log into the Member portal, then signup for the webinar's of your choice. I am sure that you will find them educational and entertaining.

If you need any assistance registering, feel free to contact me.

**Tuesday, September 1, 2020**

Building Your Leadership Toolkit

**Wednesday, September 2, 2020**

Gathering Facts & Working For Change - Legislation/Public Policy Activity in an Election Year

**Thursday, September 3, 2020**

Communications 101: From Club to Crisis and Everything in Between

**Monday, September 7, 2020**

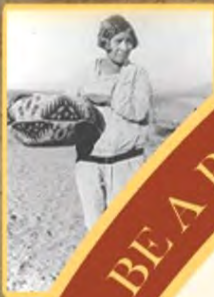
Juniors' Special Program: Advocates for Children

**Tuesday September 8, 2020**

Hats Off to Membership

**Wednesday September 9, 2020**

GFWC Signature Program: Domestic and Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention



## BE A PART OF THE HISTORY OF THE FORT



Be part of the rich history of the Old Las Vegas Mormon Fort State Historic Park with a brick that will be placed on the grounds of the Old Fort. These grounds have felt the presence of the Native American Paiutes, the Old Spanish Trail Travelers, the Mormon Pioneers and the family and visitors at the O.D. Gass Ranch and Archibald & Helen Stewart Ranch. This site is one of the most historic places in Southern Nevada. Your brick will create a lasting tribute and be a part of history at the Old Fort.



- Honor the memory of a loved one
- Commemorate your family history and their settlement in the Las Vegas Valley
- Give as a birthday gift, anniversary gift, baby announcement or retirement gift
- Buy a brick to mark your time here as a tourist in Las Vegas, Nevada
- Recognize your company or organization

## Select from 2 Brick Sizes

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**\$75.00 Brick: One 4"x8" brick**  
with up to three lines of print (16 characters per line, including punctuation marks, ALL CAPS)

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Your contribution to this 501c3 is tax deductible.

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- Please use one form for each brick purchase.

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# SEPTEMBER

# 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Board Meeting 10 a.m.	2	3	4	5
6	7 	8	9	10	11 Business Meeting 1 p.m.	12
13	14	15 Evening Welcome Back and Installation 6 p.m.	16	17	18 Regular Meeting 1 p.m.	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	<u>September 2020 is Observed as</u>  <b>National Preparedness Month</b> <b>Childhood Cancer Awareness Month</b> <b>National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month</b> <b>National School Success Month</b>		

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**The deadline is September 15  
For the October issue**

***DON'T MISS THE BOAT!  
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TO BE INCLUDED***

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**Notes from your editor.**

Welcome to a new Club year, one like we have never seen before. I hope that you are all staying safe and staying in touch. There are exciting events and activities planned for the year, although, at times, they may look a little bit different from what we are accustomed to. The work of the Club still moves forward as we continue to support our local community.



Many of you know that my husband, Clyde has contracted Covid-19. In spite of that fact, I have tested twice with negative results. Let us hope that the curve continues to slow down, but if it doesn't, we will fine alternate ways to do the work of the Club.

I am excited about the future and I hope that you are as well. Enjoy the newsletter, and I welcome you to offer any submissions that you would like to share with your Club sisters.

Stay safe, stay well and stay connected. *Cherie*



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