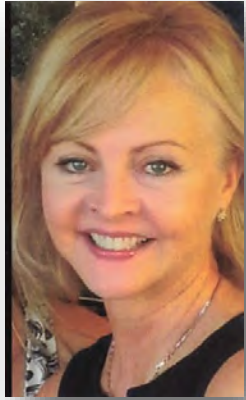




The Mesquiter



“We Can Do It and Have Fun”

What can I say? Have you all survived these hot August nights? I really didn't realize how much I would miss you all during the summer break, but I do now! I cannot wait to see all your smiling faces at the September 16th, opening luncheon.

It was so much fun attending the Mesquite Club Pool Party at Jane Reid's home on August 13. Dolores Martinez, evening ways and means chair, and her committee really know how to put on a “*splashy*” affair. The food was amazing, and fun was had by all with the grab-bag auction.

Not to be left out of the festivities, the Board of Directors' sponsored annual “*Salad & Desert Luncheon,*” was equally fun. We had new and old members talking about their summer adventures and Activities, and of course, the food was fabulous. We really have the best cooks in this Club. We should be sharing and selling our Mesquite Cookbook. The pictures collected and shared of summer doings was very eclectic. As usual, Joan Doubrava and Cathi Poer put on a gorgeous jewelry boutique.

The Clean and Purge Project, spearheaded by Cherie Williams-DeWitt and Peggy Bruhns has resulted in an amazingly organized Clubhouse thanks to the assistance from Linda Zesiger, Barbara Bolling, Sue Churchill, Arlene McCroy, and Cheryl Musser. Also, it could not have happened without the assistance of our new Custodian, Scott Missen. I can't wait for you to see it.

On August 26th, Connie Freeman, Delores Martinez, Chris White, Cherie Williams-DeWitt, Cathi Poer, and myself ventured to Anchorage, Alaska for the Western States Region Convention. Very exciting!

We have a very ambitious year ahead of us, and I look forward to our exciting events. As the song goes “**Welcome Back.**”

Frankie Chase-Segel, President

SAVE THESE DATES!

- Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 6, 2022
- Opening Luncheon
Friday, September 16, 2022
- Evening Welcome Back Night
Tuesday, September 20, 2022
- Business Meeting with Speaker
Friday, September 23, 2022
- Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 4, 2022
- Evening Ways & Means
Tuesday, October 4, 2022
- Regular Meeting
Hands On Project
Friday, October 7, 2022
- Shredding Day
Saturday, October 8, 2022
- Business Meeting
Hands On Project
Friday, October 14, 2022
- The Big BOO!
Friday, October 21, 2022
- GFWC Nevada Board Meeting
Saturday, October 29, 2022
- Ongoing Lucy Foley
Watercolor Art Sale

Mesquite Club Opening Luncheon



Mesquite Club Opening Luncheon

Friday, September 16, 2022

11 a.m. Social; 12 noon Luncheon

\$30

The Mesquite Clubhouse
702 East Saint Louis Avenue
Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MESQUITE CLUB!



Business Meeting Speaker

Friday, September 23, 2022
1 p.m.

*Vogue M. Robinson – poet,
author, mentor, and teaching
artist – has an appreciation for
human beings who put truth
and heart into words.*

She served as poet laureate of Clark County, Nevada (2017-2019) and is the first Black woman to receive the Silver Pen award from the Nevada Writers' Hall of Fame. She serves as a teaching artist within classrooms, community centers, nonprofits, retirement communities, and of course, inside your computer.

A published author, she will have copies of her book available for sale, "Vogue 3:16." Bring a friend to come and enjoy this exciting speaker.

Ongoing Sale of Lucy Foley Art



We will have an ongoing sale of our Lucy Foley Art. The sale of these pieces will support our Ways and Means Building upkeep. We will take cash, checks, and credit cards. The pieces will rotate, so, make sure you check it out every time that you are at the Clubhouse.



Hands on Projects

We are going to be doing more hands-on projects this Club year. We want to engage members to bring their ideas and resources for these projects.

If there is a project that is near and dear to your heart, contact president Frankie and let her know. We cannot guarantee that we can do all suggested, but we will do our best.

We will continue to "*Live the Volunteer Spirit,*" supporting our local community.

We look forward to your input!



Valentine Private Luncheon

Will you be our Valentine???

Frankie and Cherie!

Details to come!



EVENING LETTER; EVENING EVENTS!

Welcome to September!

Summer is official vacation time, but the ladies of Evening Mesquite Club have not been vacationing from planning the Holiday Craft Auction (HCA), *A Merry "Beary" Holiday*, scheduled for November 18, 2022, at the Mesquite Clubhouse!

The team of Jane Reid, Bonnie Crawford, Dolores Martinez, and Kate Ksobiech have chosen a beautiful design for the invitations, table identifiers, raffle baskets and all signage associated with the HCA. The invitations have been printed, each with an accompanying form for requesting specific seating, will be distributed at Evening and Day meetings in September. The Holiday Craft Auction will be **RESERVATIONS ONLY** and will cost \$30 per person. Tables of eight, nine, or ten people will be sold. For individual reservations, members and guests may request with whom they want to be seated on the reservation form. All seats will be assigned. Reservations are due by November 4, but Mesquite Club members are encouraged to get their reservations in as soon as possible.

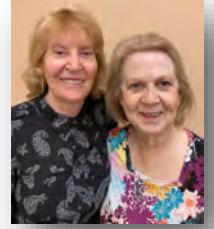
On Saturday, August 13, 18 members and one guest had a delightful afternoon at the lovely home of Jane Reid. A variety of appetizers, wine, and beverages were served as guests arrived followed by a lunch of Sloppy Joes and delicious salads.

Attendees brought beautifully-wrapped items that were bid on in a blind auction conducted by Dolores Martinez. The auction resulted in a whopping sum of \$868 for Evening's Ways and Means!

Most of the attendees changed into swimming suits and jumped into the refreshing and beautiful salt-water pool in Jane's backyard. Following pool activities including a version of volleyball and a contest to unthaw a frozen t-shirt, each person received a gift bag as a reward for participation.

Included in the gift bags were beautiful patchwork pot holders and purse size tissue holders handmade by Ruth Larson.

A spread of desserts including cakes, sherbet, and Dolores's sister's delicious cookies was served when everyone gathered together in the house, again, before leaving after a memorable and special day.



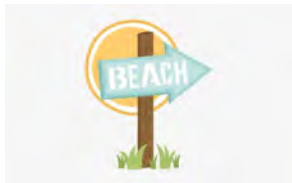
GOOD NEWS DEPARTMENT

Kate Ksobiech is a grandmother for the first time! Rosemary "Roro" Coffin was born in Denver June 7. Kate, to be known as "*Yaya Kate*," recently met the Beautiful, dark haired, little lady.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1911, the population of Las Vegas was 800. Las Vegas had few trees and needed shade. To raise money for trees, Mesquite Club members sold tags for \$1 that said, "To plant a tree is to bless the earth." The women raised enough money to plant 2,000 trees. With the help of children, the Mesquite Club ladies hauled buckets of water through two summers to keep the trees alive. From then on, the fire department watered the trees.

Welcome back!
Arlene and Nancy



Evening Welcome Back Night!

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

6 p.m.



Remember to bring a friend!

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



Evening Mesquite Club Presents:



Merry "Beary" Holiday 37th Annual Holiday Craft Live Auction

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, November 18, 2022

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Mesquite Clubhouse

702 East St. Louis Avenue - Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

Drinks - Buffet Dinner - Raffles

Reservations Only - Limited Seating

Deadline for R.S.V.P.: November 4, 2022

\$30 Donation per person

Proceeds to benefit:
Foster Kinship
Evening Mesquite Scholarship Fund

How Did I Spend My Summer, You Ask?

Peggy Bruhns, 1st Vice President

Well, it all began when Cherie decided we do a *“Clean and Purge”* at the Clubhouse. Sounds simple, right? **WRONG!**

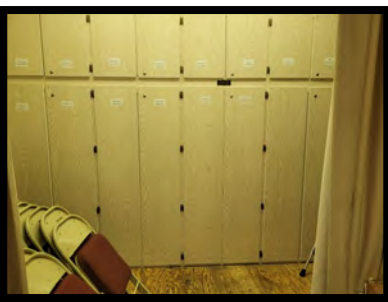
Cherie started by cleaning out the shed with the help of Scott, our new custodian, and Sue Churchill. I have never seen such a clean and organized space. Who knew we had so much room. Put the hangers for the Rummage Sale on the rolling racks to free up space and avoid having to untangle the hangers in March? What a concept. They also created a space to hang the chair covers, after they are cleaned and pressed (thank you Bonnie), so there is no need to do it when setting up for a function. They will be protected with garment bags so don't worry about dust.



Next, our Ever-Ready Bunny Cherie decided to purge and clean back stage. You won't believe the treasures we found. A DVD from a 1988 Fashion Show the ladies put on, what a hoot! It will be set up at the TV if you want to see it. So many memories were in the file boxes discovered. Some of which will go to UNLV and most of which will be stored in our newly organized shed. We also discovered a black banquet table cover that's been missing for some time.

Speaking of table covers, I took on the challenge of inventorying and organizing the linens. We invested in some new plastic bins, which were sorely need, and redistributed some stuff so the bins were not overflowing or too heavy for us ladies to handle. All the seldom-used items are located on the top shelves and the remainder are clearly marked with the contents. I'm happy to say that all pieces are present and accounted for.

While I was in the pantry Linda Zesiger with assistance from Cheryl Musser and Arlene McCroy, tackled the cleaning and organizing the drawers and cabinets in the kitchen. After leaving the linen area we moved to the cabinet in the pantry. After organizing everything, all I have to say is you will never have to buy clear plastic spoons again! In fact, we will not need to buy any utensils for a long time. Don't get me started on cocktail napkins; there are literally 100's under the bar and more in the cabinet in the pantry and a plethora of colors and patterns.



As with back stage, we found some sweet treasures (**5,000 Sweet & Lows! YIKES!**) and some not so sweet such as a jar of preserves that expired in 1998! We kept enough sweet and low to last for some time and donated the rest to a Senior Center.

OK, that's enough of that. I just hope you are all as pleased with the new, clean, and organized Clubhouse. It may take some adjustment but everything is well labeled. If you see something that doesn't seem right, please let me know.

Let's work together and keep everything clean and organized so we won't have to put in 40+ hours again next year.

Enjoy the photos of our hard work. We will be reaching out during the year to continue the process!

BUILDING REPORT!

What's up with 702 East St. Louis Avenue?

We have a new Caretaker. His name is Scott Missen. He is still learning how we operate. When you need him to do a setup for you, please use the setup sheet that is attached to this newsletter. Please indicate how you want the room setup and what you need in the kitchen. Water, coffee, tea... I have created and attached a Scott "To-Do list." This procedure will eliminate any confusion, and he will be able to follow your instructions. He cannot read your mind. I would suggest that you give him a copy and keep a copy for yourself. His card is located on page eight. He is also a Notary. His email address is: **robertsmissen@aol.com**.



The electrical problem that we had earlier this year has been resolved. Our building has some age, and many of the wires are underground and cloth insulated. There is a possibility that we will have future problems. If you see a problem, let me know as soon as possible.



One of our AC units on the roof came to the end of its life and we had to have that replaced. If you feel that there may be a problem, let me know. I cannot be at the Clubhouse every day, so you members are my eyes and ears.

We will be having Nancy, our dishwasher, do a deep cleaning of the Clubhouse monthly. Let me know if you see anything that needs to be addressed. This is our home, and we need to take care of it. We need to show how proud that we are of our historical Clubhouse.

Remember, that you can rent the Clubhouse out for events. As the sponsoring member, you are responsible to be sure that no one ruins our home.

We have a First Aid kit in the pantry. The cabinet is labeled. We are going to look into acquiring a Defibrillator. Defibrillators are devices that send an electric pulse or shock to the heart to restore a normal heartbeat. Since we have guests of all ages, it is recommended that we have one available. If there is a member who has a relationship in the medical industry to acquire one and educate us on the use, please contact me.

We have been working very hard to clean out the Clubhouse of clutter and items that we no longer need. **Saturday, October 8, 2022, we will be hosting a Shredding Day! Get those papers together and expired medications to dispose of that day.**

We continue to take care of our community, help us to continue to take care of our Clubhouse. We will continue to clean cabinets, reorganize and yes, purge things that we no longer need. Please feel free to step up to help with this. Contact Peggy or me. There is a lot here in this report, but we want you to take ownership of keeping the Clubhouse at it's best. Thank you for your help with this. I look forward to cleaning with you soon.

Thank you for your support and Federation Friendship,

Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt, Building Chair



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Mesquite Club Executive Board Highlights - Tuesday, August 2, 2022

Club members have been participating in outreach activities and housekeeping chores at the Clubhouse. Frankie also shared that Connie Freeman has been in contact with the city regarding the possibility of having the utility box in the front of the Clubhouse decoratively painted at no cost to the Club.

Corinne Mewhirter is our new treasurer, her daughter, Erin, who is an accountant, will be helping to keep our books in good order. Erin is a professional accountant, and the Board appreciates her willingness to devote her knowledge and time to the Club.

Our new caretaker is Scott Missen. He has been working on a probationary basis at \$25 per hour. The Building Committee recommends keeping this arrangement until year end and then decide whether to offer a yearly contract.

We have had repairs that were required for the building. There was an electrical problem, and an AC problem. They have been resolved.

Clean and Purge has been the project of the summer. It will continue throughout the year.

We have fun and exciting events coming up this year. Stay tuned to the *Mesquiter* for details.

President Segel presented information on potential signage for events to be placed in front of the Clubhouse. She will investigate the types and styles available and cost as well as approvals that would be required from outside entities.

Feel free to submit your tips and recipes to Cherie for the *Mesquiter*.

SAVE THE DATE; HELP A SISTER OUT!



Friday, November 4, 2022

1 p.m.

Mesquite Club and GFWC Nevada
Joint event!

Cleopatra herself will come from the pages of history to visit with you. Her story is more amazing and incredible than a fiction author could imagine! She will share her astounding story, audacious spirit, and astonishing guile in this educational, entertaining, and engaging presentation. She may be quite surprising revealing the real Cleopatra, strikingly different from the Hollywood impression of her.



Help a Sister out!

As we move into our new Club year, we would like to tap into the skills of our members. We need help with the following tasks. Please contact me if you can help a sister out.

Grants: There are many grants available for nonprofit organizations. If you have the knowledge to help us target and apply for grants, please let me know. I know that Nevada Humanities and the Nevada Arts Council have grants that can be applied for online.

Newsletter: I have been doing the newsletter for over 10 years, I would love to have an assistant editor who can help me with the *Mesquiter*. This entails a knowledge of Microsoft publisher. I will be there to help, but in the event that I cannot get the newsletter done in a timely manner, help would be greatly appreciated.

Facebook: If you are social media savvy, please let me know. All that this entails is to post information that is given to you about Club events as well as photos of Club activities.

Instagram: As with Facebook, if you are social media savvy, please let me know. All that this entails is to post information that is given to you about Club events as well as photos of Club activities.

Website: We use a GoDaddy website account. I try to update the website monthly. It is very user friendly. Any help would be appreciated. You would be supplied with the content. All that you would have to do is to insert it and update the website with my help.

I hope to tap into the creativity of our members for these tasks. If you need more information, please contact me @ cherieleewilliams@earthlink.net, and we can discuss. Any offers of help will be greatly appreciated.

Cherie

JOIN US AT THE MUSEUM FOR "DINO-WEEN"



Come and enjoy fun activities for the kiddos including Witches Brew, Lava Lamp Demo, Puking Pumpkins, Sensory Discovery, Bat Craft, Spooky Storytime, Dry Ice Crystal Ball Demo, Venus Fly Trap and my favorite Glow N Dark Slime.

Special donation requests for this event:

Food Coloring; Glitter; Glow Sticks; Active Dry Yeast; 40 Volume Developer; Black Trash Bags; Black Paper Plates; Black Paper; Glow Googly Eyes; Spooky Books for Story Time; Bubble Solution; Dry Ice Pellets; Gloves; Green Paper; Red Paper

If you bring the kiddos in costume admission is **free**.

Announcing Second 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

1. We are setting a clear goal of 15 total new members for this club year.
2. Marketing consists of distributing our membership application in print and virtually, which lists our member benefits. In addition, we will have website visibility and newsletter ads. We'll have a Guest Information Form on each table for follow-up. Always pass on your excitement verbally to potential members on why YOU joined Mesquite Club, Day or Evening. Follow up phone calls are crucial.
3. Members bring guests to our events.
4. Incentivizing sponsors with a monetary reward.
5. Brief membership pitch and campaign update presented at each meeting/event.

New Member	Sponsor
1. Denise Cantor	Shannon Natchez & Virginia Gordy
2. Ginger Riley	Sue Churchill
3. Laurie Elledge	Peggy Bruhn
4. Vinetta De La Cruz	Colleen Bailey
5. Kris Ayer	Dee Dee White
6. Barbara Wiggins	Frankie Segal & Cherie Lee Williams
7. Helen Bowen	Frankie Segal & Cherie Lee Williams
8. Carolyn Carolina	Frankie Segal & Cherie Lee Williams

Do you have any 4 ply acrylic yarn that you don't need?



Diane Holst, makes afghans for Veteran's Hospital using any color of yarn. If so, please bring to the Clubhouse. Joan Doubrava agreed to collect the yarn, and I can arrange to pick the yarn up at her home. For more information, contact Diane.

Thank you;
Diane Holst; 702-823-4868

We Care

Our member, Jean McClain, passed away at the age of 93. There are no services planned. You can always honor her memory with a donation to the "Celebration of Life fund." The monies in this fund, help us with repairs and updates to our Historic Clubhouse. Send your check to: Mesquite Club Financial Secretary P.O. Box 95662, Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-5662. Please indicate that it is for Jean McClain and the "Celebration of Life fund."





2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
September 2022 is Observed as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ National Preparedness Month ◆ Childhood Cancer Awareness Month ◆ National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month ◆ National School Success Month 				1	2 COLLEGE COLORS DAY	3
4	5 Labor Day	6 Board Meeting 10 a.m.	7	8 International Literacy Day	9	10 World Suicide Prevention Day
11 Grandparents Day	12 EMMY AWARDS	13	14	15	16 Opening Luncheon 11 a.m.	17 Constitution Day
18 AIDS and Aging Awareness Day	19 INTERNATIONAL TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY	20 Evening Welcome Back Meeting 6 p.m.	21	22 Fall begins	23 Business Meeting with a Speaker 1 p.m.	24
25 Gold Star Mothers Day	26 National Pancake Day	27 National Voter Registration Day	28	29 NATIONAL COFFEE DAY	30 INTERNATIONAL PODCAST DAY	

Kind words can be short and easy to speak,
but their echoes can be truly endless.



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Notes from your editor.

August has been a very busy month. I have started my next administration as GFWC Nevada State President for 2022-2024. I am proud to serve and represent the wonderful ladies of Nevada.

I am also looking for ladies who will agree to learn and eventually step-up to join the GFWC journey. I am hoping to have educational seminars that will give you insight and inspire you to join this journey. All that I ask is for you to keep an open mind to be inspired and excited. You can do that. **Say YES!**

I can be persuasive, but I will not ask you to do anything that you don't want to do or that I wouldn't do. Remember, wherever I am it's a Party!

*Yours in Federation friendship,
Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt*



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