The Mesquite Club, Inc.

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The Mesquiter

"Membership: Friendship and Service, Now More Than Ever"

When we think of November, we think of fall and the many activities we are used to enjoying. As usual at this time of year, Mesquite Club has a lot going on, even while taking special precautions. Before we leave October, both our Evening and Day groups are holding Evening's Bingo on October 20, and daytime's Tailgate Party on Friday, October, 30. Thanks to both these committees for all your hard work!



We have three meetings in November and look forward this month to hearing speakers from our local community. Our first meeting on November 6, features Las Vegas Natural History Museum Executive Director, Marilyn Gillespie who will tell us about King Tut and the wonderful exhibit the museum hosts. On November 13, Dr. Daliah Wachs, Family Medicine Practitioner and Radio Host, will educate us about women's health. On November 20, we have Geoff Schumacher, an author who will give us a look into the life of the reclusive Howard Hughes, who had such a profound impact on Nevada and on Las Vegas, and he will offer us an opportunity to buy his recent book on Hughes.

On Saturday, November 21, we will try something a little different when the Community Service Committee holds "Sip, Sip Away," a blind wine tasting, at 3 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Blind means the wine comes to you at your table and you get to judge it without knowing ahead of time what you are tasting. There will also be a silent auction and a chance to take some wine home. Plan to bring along your family and friends, and make your reservations soon. Proceeds will support this year's charity, Freedom house.

Also in November, our Ladies of the Evening have found a creative way to support their annual scholarship program. With the cancellation of the Holiday Craft Auction this year, these hard-working ladies did not want the scholarship recipients to suffer, so they got down to work to plan an event that requires *nothing*. Their "The Best Gala That Won't Happen," event allows you to "attend," by just making a donation and then putting your feet up at home and maybe drinking a glass of wine in their honor. Please plan to let only your donation attend this event while you stay safe at home, and we hope that we will see you at the Holiday Craft Auction next year.

I hope you will all have an opportunity to see your families for Thanksgiving, even if only virtually. I wish you all a very happy and healthy November!

Cathi Poer, President



SAVE THESE DATE!

Ways & Means Tailgate Fundraiser Friday, October 30, 2020 11 a.m. \$30

<u>Evening Business Meeting</u> Tuesday, November 3, 2020 - 6 p.m.

Afternoon Tea Friday, November 6, 2020 - 1 p.m.

Business Meeting Friday, November 13, 2020 - 1 p. m.

<u>Evening No-Show Fundraising Event</u> Tuesday, November 17, 2020

Regular Meeting
Friday, November 20, 2020 - 1 p.m.

Community Service Wine Tasting Saturday, November 21, 2020-3 p.m. \$30

Ways & Means Holiday Tea Bake Sale and Boutique Friday, December 4, 2020 - 1 p.m.

Evening Holiday Party details
Las Vegas National Golf Course
Tuesday, December 8, 2020 - 6 p.m. \$35

Mesquite Club Christmas Luncheon Friday, December 11, 2020 - 11 a.m. \$35

<u>Evening Business Meeting</u> Tuesday, January 5, 2020 - 6 p.m

Afternoon Tea Friday, January 8, 2020 - 1 p.m.

Regular Meeting Friday, January 15, 2020 - 1 p.m.

Evening Social Event
Tuesday, January 19, 2020 - 6 p.m.

Regular Meeting
Friday, January 22, 2020 - 1 p.m.

Must be 21+ to attend

tickets are limited!



The Mesquite Club invites you to

Sip, Sip, Away!

A socially distanced blind wine tasting event



Saturday, November 21st 3pm The Mesquite Clubhouse 702 E St Louis





Join us as we kick off the holiday season with a "blind" wine tasting and silent auction. All proceeds go to benefit Freedom House.

Social distancing protocol will be observed, and masks are required to attend.

Tickets are \$35 and include:

- Blind tasting of four wines
- Personal charcuterie board
- Selection of deserts
- Silent auction

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sip-sipaway-tickets-123768052577 Questions? Email: Evelyn@elevatedsocials.com

You may also end your check for \$35 to: Mesquite Club, Inc. C/o Sue Churchill P.O. Box 95662 Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-5662

RSVP Deadline: November 17, 2020

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

THE MESQUITE CLUB SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE IS "DREAMING OF A WHITE CHRISTMAS"

YOU are invited to Join us at the mesquite clubhouse 702 East St. Louis Las Vegas, Nevada 89104 FRiday, December 11, 2020 at 11 a.m.



- CHICKEN PICATTA
- SHRIMP ALFREDO ROTINI

CATERED BY: ROMA RESTAURANT AND DELI



Space is limited, reservations are required.

Send your \$35 CHeck to and meal choice to

Mesquite Club, Inc. C/O Sue Churchill P.O. BOX 95662 Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-5662

RSVP Deadline to Guarantee your Meal Choice: December 1, 2020

WE WILL COMPLY WITH COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS.

PLEASE WEAR A MASK, HAND SANITIZER WILL BE AVAILABLE



EVENING CHAIR LETTER; EVENING EVENTS



Hello Ladies of Evening Mesquite Club,

We are off to a good start with another well attended meeting on October 6. Our speaker for the evening was Denise Beaumont, a Day member,

who spoke about what to expect when being admitted to a hospital and/or skilled nursing facility. She made two important points. The first being to have a pre-organized folder, on hand, ready to go, with all your personal information including your doctors, list of medications, insurance, and preferred hospitals, in case of an emergency. The second point was to have an advocate, who can speak for you, especially if you are not able. This person could be your spouse, friend, or relative.

Toni Babbish reported that the Public Education Foundation was informed of our donation of two \$1,500. Scholarships, totaling \$3,000. Flyers for the "Best Gala that Won't Happen," were mailed out two weeks ago, and as of our October 6 meeting, Jane Reid reported that we have already received \$1,300 plus, so it looks like we are well on our way to meeting our goal for this "Non-event" Scholarship fundraiser – good work ladies!

The Covid Crazy Halloween Bingo was a Spooktacular success, with great food, fun games, and wonderful raffles and prizes – Great job Bonnie Utton and ladies of the Ways and Means Committee! Our Holiday Party has changed once more. It will now be at the Las Vegas National Golf Club on Desert Inn Road. After more research, Irene and Cheryl found the Golf Club to have a better parking situation and a bigger room, than the Brio at Towne Square. The Party will be December 8, at 6 p.m., with a \$35 charge which includes a full dinner buffet, served by staff, with two main entrées. Irene and Cheryl will have more information at the next meeting, and they are encouraging you to invite your significant other and friends!

Toby gave us a little history lesson about the Mesquite Club, and did you know that the first meeting was held on February 10, 1911. She also interviewed me about my history with the Club and with Las Vegas. I have been in Vegas since 1971, was a Special Ed. Teacher for 30 years, joined Jr. Mesquite in 1985, and joined Evening Mesquite in 2002.

As I said, we are off to a good start for this crazy year, so let's continue to persevere and stay safe.

Dolores Martinez, Evening Chair



SAVE THE DATE

Evening Christmas Party
Tuesday, December 8, 2020
6 p.m.
Las Vegas
National Golf Club



Evening Mesquite Irish Sweepstakes Tuesday, March 16, 2021 6 p.m.

Do you have the Luck of the Irish?

Support Evenings Scholarship fund.

Send your check to:

Mesquite Club Evening Scholarship
C/o Sue Churchill
P.O. Box 95662
Las Vegas, Nevada 89193-5662

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



Ways and Means exciting, ongoing fundraiser!

For more information, contact
Elsa Torgerson @ etorgerson@cox.net.

- ⇒The boards for the pool consist of 100 squares and each square will be sold for \$5.
- \Rightarrow Pay off will be 50/50/50 \$50 for each quarter and at end of game.
- ⇒Boards will be open for sale at each meeting or to support the fundraiser, send your money to Sue Churchill.
- ⇒Buy a square and you may be a winner. You don't even have to watch the game. If you win, a check will be sent to you.

Raiders home games schedule:

- ◆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

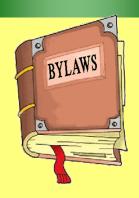
SAVE THE DATES!

March 5, 6 and 7, 2021



Tell your friends and neighbors!
We are collecting treasures for our annual Rummage Sale!
NO winter clothing, NO books NO electronics.

Thank you in advance for your help to make this annual event a success! Contact Rummage Sale Co-Chairs Connie Macauley, @ (702) 378-1325 or Frankie Segel @ (973) 462-6270 to arrange drop off your donations.



Bylaws and standing Rules Changes

The bylaws committee is accepting suggestions for amendments to the bylaws and standing rules. The deadline is the end of December. After the committee review and printing in the Mesquiter, amendments will be voted on at the closed meeting in March.

If you need a copy of the 2018 Bylaws, there are copies in the office. You should state the page number and the article number of the rule that you wish to change. You must put it in writing and sign it. You must state the reason you wish to change it. The bylaws committee can put it into the proper wording.

Submit your changes to Betty Miller before the end of December. Thank you for your help with this matter.

Betty Miller, Bylaws Committee Chair Email: beteldon@msn.com Phone: (702) 254-5875

RECIPIES TO TRY FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Pistachio-Cardamom Bundt by MARTHA STEWART

SERVES: 10-14

ACTIVE TIME: 30 minutes TOTAL TIME: 1 hour 45 minutes

Ingredients Cake:

- 2 sticks (1 cup) unsalted butter, at room temperature, plus more for pan
- ◆ 2¼ cups unbleached all-purpose flour, plus more for pan
- 1 cup shelled unsalted pistachios (preferably Sicilian)
- ♦ 1 tsp kosher salt
- ♦ 1 tsp baking powder
- ♦ ½ tsp baking soda
- ½ tsp ground cardamom
- ♦ 1½ cups granulated sugar
- ♦ 4 large eggs, at room temperature
- ♦ 1 cup buttermilk, at room temperature

Glaze:

- ♦ 2 cups confectioners' sugar, sifted
- ♦ 2–3 Tbsp milk
- ♦ ¼ tsp rose water
- ¼ cup shelled unsalted pistachios (preferably Sicilian), finely chopped
- 3 Tbsp dried organic rose petals

Directions Cake: Arrange rack in middle of oven. Preheat oven to 350°F. Using a pastry brush, butter a 12-cup Bundt pan; dust with flour, tapping out any excess. In a food processor, pulse 1 cup pistachios until finely ground. In a medium bowl, whisk ground pistachios, flour, salt, baking powder, baking soda and cardamom.

With an electric mixer, beat butter and granulated sugar on medium-high until light and fluffy, about 3 minutes, scraping down sides of bowl as needed. Add eggs, 1 at a time, beating well after each addition. Reduce speed to low; add flour mixture in 2 batches, alternating with buttermilk. Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake 45–50 minutes or until cake springs back to touch and a cake tester inserted comes out clean. Transfer pan to a wire rack set over a baking sheet or a piece of parchment paper; cool 30 minutes. Turn out cake onto rack; cool completely.

Glaze: In a medium bowl, whisk confectioners' sugar, milk and rose water until smooth. (For opaquer glaze, use less milk; for thinner glaze, use a bit more.) Transfer glaze to a measuring cup; pour over top of cake in a circular motion. Sprinkle with finely chopped pistachios and rose petals. Let it set for 30 minutes.

Italian Wedding Soup By BARBARA BOLLING

Last year, several of our members asked for my Italian Wedding Soup recipe,

following the Soup Sale at our December Tea. I rarely use recipes when making soup, so I had to rack my brain to remember exactly how I made it. Also, at that time, I made three gallons of it, but I recently made a batch for my family and pretty much used the following ingredients:

Italian Wedding Soup

Meatballs

- ♦ 1-pound ground turkey or chicken
- ♦ 1 egg beaten
- ½ cup Breadcrumbs (homemade is best)
- ¼ cup finely grated Parmesan
- ▶ 1/3 cup chopped Parsley
- Salt and pepper to taste

Soup

- ♦ 1 cup carrots diced
- 1 mild onion diced
- ♦ ¾ cup celery diced
- ♦ 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- ♦ 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 8 cups of chicken broth (I used my homemade broth, but canned is okay)
- ♦ ¾ cup of Acini De Pepe Pasta
- 8 oz. fresh spinach
- Garnish with fresh parsley and freshly grated Parmesan

Instructions

Gently combine the meatball ingredients. Roll into 1- inch balls. Bake for 15 minutes at 400 degrees or brown in a skillet with a splash of olive oil. Set aside meatballs. Heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil in a large skillet. Brown carrots, onion, and celery until soft. Add the broth, Italian seasoning, and salt/pepper. Bring to boil, then add meatballs. Simmer for at least 20 minutes until the meatballs are cooked thoroughly. Add pasta and simmer for another 20 minutes or so, then add spinach. After a few minutes it should be ready to eat. Do not forget to garnish with the parsley and grated parmesan.



Cathi Poer 11/05 Linda Shapona 11/18 Lois Evora 11/20 Luana DeVol 11/30

Message from the Nevada Women's History Project

Thank you for Our full-page advertisement in the Mesquiter this September. The Southern Nevada Women's History Project's book entitled. "Unforgettable Nevada Women," sales are booming! Many Mesquite Club members are included within the pages. Members who, in some way, led to the publication of this book are: Ilene Baker, Joan Dimmitt, Mary Gafford, Rita Isom, Vera Knox, Joan LeMere, Mary Longley, Pat McNutt, and Mary Shaw. Thanks again for your support of this project. ----Mary Gafford

Annual Christmas Card

The Ways and Means Committee will be doing the annual Christmas Card.



If you wish to participate, send a check for \$10 to Sue Churchill and you will be included in the Annual Mesquite Club Christmas card that is published in the December Mesquiter.

No later than November 15, 2020 to be included.

This is a great way to support the Club and NOT have to send Christmas Cards. Thank you for your support!

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WE CARE

Our long time member, Edith
Farran's husband, William passed
away. We send her and her family our prayers and
thoughts. Our hearts are with her.

You can send cards to her at Edith Farran 3154 Cereus Avenue Las Vegas, Nevada 89146.

Celebration of Life Fund Contributions

Let's celebrate LIFE events!

Your donation here helps with major improvements to the Clubhouse.

Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt made a donation to celebrate that she is going to be a grandmother. Its' a girl! Camden Leeann Williams!

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. We are planning exciting events for you and the community and would love your donations.

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

To visit the Tipsy Totes Website, hold control key and click the ad.





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\$_____ I wish to donate another amount.

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SEND CHECK TO: Joan Doubrava – GFWC Treasurer

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EMAIL: gfwcnevada@gmail.com.

New 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Tall Back	2	3 ELECTION DAY! Board Meeting 10 a.m. Evening Meeting 6 p.m.	4 Art Class 10 a.m.	5	6 Afternoon Tea 1 p.m.	7
8	9	10	Veterans Day! Art Class 10 a.m.	12	Business Meeting 1 p.m.	14
15	16	Evening Meeting Scholarship Fundraiser 6 p.m.	Art Class 10 a.m.	19	20 Regular Meeting 1 p.m.	21 Sip, Sip Away! Fundraiser 3 p.m.
22	23	24	25	Happy THANK SCIVING	27	28
29	30	 November 2020 is Observed as National Diabetes Month Lung Cancer Awareness Month National Adoption Month National Native American Heritage 				

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Notes from your editor.

"Gratitude"

In these crazy times, it is good to reflect on our gratitude. I am asking you to submit to me a short description of the things that make you grateful. You can be anonymous if you choose. These will be included in the December *Mesquiter*. I think that this will be a good way to end this crazy year. This will be my,

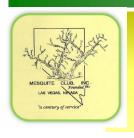


"Something to think about," column. I want to hear from you ladies. I will also accept possible questions for future issues. Use your voice.

"I am grateful for every day that I wake up and my feet touch the floor. I have been given another day to do the best that I can do. I have food on the table, a roof over my head, clothes on my back, and people who love me. I am so blessed! How are you blessed??"

Have a wonderful November. Take care. Stay safe,

Cherie



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