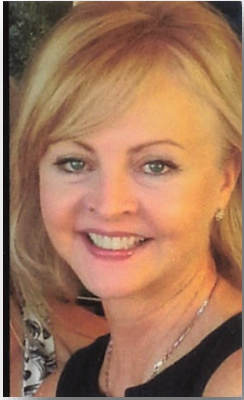


# The Mesquiter



Greetings Ladies of the Mesquite Club,

We are off to a great start!! Every event we have thrown has been successful! Plus we have the most generous members ever, so our coffers are rising. It's completely possible that we will be able to fix our hilly floor this year as well. Yahoo!

We have a working door again and good lighting for the parking lot. We have a grant for a defibrillator. Thank you Cherie Williams Dewitt and her right hand man

John King for following through on these repairs.

We have a new year ahead of us and a lot of fun and ambitious events to fulfill. We have a Silver Tea, a Superbowl Bunco, a Wine Tasting, Derby Day and Fine Arts. Oh my goodness, how could I forget the Rummage Sale! Wow! So we must stay strong.

Wishing all of you the best New Year!!!

In this crazy world, we need to appreciate every delicious moment with friends and family. I am writing this as I wait for seat assignment for our trip to Singapore. So please forgive the brevity and I look forward to seeing you all in 2024.

Frankie Chase Segel, President



## SAVE THESE DATES!

Afternoon Tea

Friday, January 5, 2024—1 p.m.

Evening Business Meeting

Tuesday, January 9, 2024—6 p.m.

Business Meeting

Friday, January 12, 2024—1 p.m.

Afternoon Meeting

Friday, January 19, 2024—1 p.m.

Evening HCA Charity Check Presentation

Tuesday, January 23, 2024—6 p.m.

Silver Tea

Friday, February 2, 2024—1 p.m.

Super Bowl Bunco

Tuesday, February 6, 2024  
6 p.m.—\$15

Ways & Means Luncheon

“Chinese New Year”  
Friday, February 11, 2024  
11 a.m.—\$35

Afternoon Tea

Friday, February 16, 2024—1 p.m.

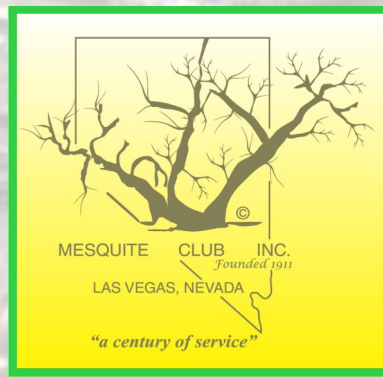
Evening Business Meeting  
Rummage Sale Set-up

Tuesday, February 20, 2024—6 p.m.

RUMMAGE SALE

Friday & Saturday, March 1 & 2 2024





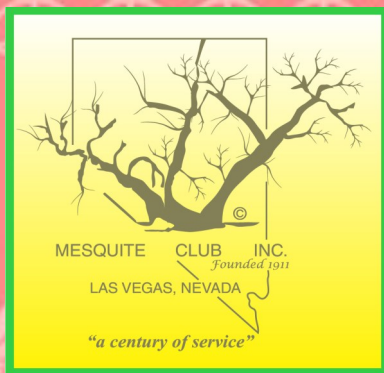
# Mesquite Club Anniversary Silver Tea Member Service Awards Past Presidents Recognition

You are invited to join us as we celebrate  
113 years of service to the Las Vegas community, and as  
we honor members that have been a major part of our  
years of service.

Entertainment by the Nevada School of the Arts

Friday, February 2, 2024  
1 p.m.

R.S.V.P. by Monday, January 29, 2024  
TO: Sue Churchill @ (702) 731-9856  
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## **SAVE THE DATE!**

**Celebrate the Year of the Dragon  
With the ladies of  
The Mesquite Club**

**Friday, February 9, 2024  
11 a.m. Social—12 noon Luncheon  
\$35**

**To R.S.V.P. Send your check to:  
Mesquite Club Financial Secretary  
Nancy Zangl  
481 Edgefield Ridge Place  
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**The Mesquite Club is a 501(c)(3) charitable non-profit organization,  
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**Mesquite Club of Las Vegas  
Spring Rummage Sale!  
Friday March 1, and Saturday March 2, 2024  
9 a.m.— 4 p.m.**



Clothing, household items, lots of treasures,  
jewelry, small appliances, craft items, linens  
Cash only! - Lots of great deals!

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This annual fundraiser supports our charitable endeavors and the upkeep of our  
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The Mesquite Club has been supporting the Las Vegas community in many ways  
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# EVENING LETTER; Evening Bunco

Cheryl & Connie



Hello, Ladies  
HAPPY NEW  
YEAR !!!!

Can you believe it is 2024 already? What happened to 2023? Well, for the Evening Mesquite Club 2023 was a very successful year, especially the month of December.

Our annual Holiday Craft Auction on December 1st was a huge success with lots of fun, lots of friends and lots of funds. Bonnie Utton, Holiday Craft Auction Chair, announced that Evening Mesquite earned a whopping \$15,700 in net proceeds. This is fabulous news and we thank Bonnie again for all her hard work and great leadership.

The Evening Mesquite members enjoyed a delightful Holiday party organized by Irene Armijo and Karen Ziegler. There was standing room only because we had such a great turn out. We enjoyed a spirited gift exchange with many 'steals' and lots of laughs.

On December 16, members gathered to participate in the Community Service project, "It's a Wrap," by wrapping gifts for the Las Vegas Valley homeless youth.

Please be sure to mark your calendars for our January 9 meeting as the speaker topic is Human Trafficking. Also mark your calendars for our January 23 meeting when we will be presenting our check to the Community Counseling Center.

Our Super Bowl Bunco party is on February 6, so invite your friends and family. See the ad below!

Wishing all the Evening Mesquite Club membership a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Thanks for all everyone did to make 2023 such a wonderful year with good works and good fellowship.

See you in 2024 !!

Nancy Hill, 702-672-7447



Nevada Partnership for

Homeless youth



EVENING WAYS AND MEANS

# SUPER BOWL BUNCO

MESQUITE CLUBHOUSE (702 E. ST. LOUIS) ON FEBRUARY 6, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

\$15 ADMISSION

BUFFET DINNER—BASKET RAFFLES—PRIZES—SUPER BOWL POOLS

## Baby it's Cold, Outside!

We are still collecting new hats, scarves, and gloves for Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth. January and February can be quite cold and many of these youth need these items. We are going to drop them off no later than January 15, 2024. Please bring your donations to the January meeting.

When you are doing your holiday Shopping, you can pick up one, two, or all three of these items. They can be for teenage male or female youths. The collection box will be on the table near the stage .

Thank you for your support of this project!



## My Fruitcake Poem

Holiday fruitcakes, a peculiar thing,  
When it comes to the feelings they can bring,  
Nothing about them is uplifting,  
Except maybe that they caused Christmas regifting,  
Once received, ideas come into play,  
Who knows of the best idea to give them away?  
My father had a solution, so crafty my pop,  
He used one in his office- it made a great doorstep.  
Fruitcakes can actually be readily able,  
By using one to balance a wobbly kitchen table.  
They are also used in climate control, you know,  
Stacking them as sandbags when fighting El Nino!  
Not unpatriotic, these sweet treats with aplomb,  
Maybe the Air Force should drop them as bombs.  
Train engineers swear, not ones to tell lies,  
That fruitcakes are being used as railroad ties.  
Even the Post Office, gets to play in,  
Their temporary employees can never win,  
Their assignment? the Return to Sender Fruitcake Bin.  
News from the Theologians,...  
those gifts from the Magi?  
There was a fourth Wise Man and his name was Eli.  
He too followed the Star, the trip he did take,  
but he was quickly turned away...  
because he brought fruitcake.  
Friends are like fruitcake, some nutty, some neat,  
Some soaked in brandy, some bittersweet.  
I write this piece, so a rule you can make,  
Forget about sending a Christmas fruitcake!

**Joan Dimmitt, Mesquite Club member  
Christmas 2023**

## Rummage Sale Committee Meeting

Attention those who have signed up to be on the 2024 Rummage Sale Committee and those who have not, and would like to be on that committee, we will be meeting on Tuesday, January 9. We will meet after the Board Meeting at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Hopefully, all of you are boxing up your donations to sell to our neighborhood, our friends, and each other! This is always a special money maker for the club, and members in both daytime and evening look forward to working together.

**Let us make this the biggest and best.  
We hope to see you there.**

**Connie Freeman and Chris White,  
2024 Rummage Sale Chairs**



## Celebration of Life Fund!

Celebrating LIFE events!  
Your donation to this fund  
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improvements to the  
Clubhouse.

Share news with your Club sisters and help to support the upkeep of our Historic Clubhouse, feel free to make a donation to this fund!

**Celebrate the life of those no longer with us.  
Celebrate the arrival of a new member of the family.  
Just Celebrate the fact that you woke up this morning.  
We all have so much to celebrate!  
Thanking you in advance for your support!**

## In Honor of Joan Powell:

Sandra Ackerman and her Bunco group;  
Mickey Pajor; Frankie Segal; Barbara Allen Lewton  
Linda Miller; Connie Freeman

# What's the Board up to?

**Call to order:** President Frankie Segel called the meeting on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 to order at 10 a.m..

**Minutes:** The minutes of the November 3, 2023 Board Meeting were approved as written.

**President's Report:** Frankie Chase-Segel reported that the Evening Holiday Craft Auction was amazing and is anxious to hear the results from our Evening Representative, Dolores Martinez. President Chase-Segel also congratulated John King for the wonderful job he did breaking down and cleaning the Clubhouse, after the event, and setting up for the US Veterans UMC Children's Fundraiser the next day. It was also reported that we received a thank you from our speaker Iris Hattersley along with a check for a percentage of the books she sold at the meeting. President Chase-Segel reported that Joan Doubrava was not feeling well and therefore will not be able to set up the jewelry boutique at the Soup and Bake Sale as she has done in the past and asked for suggestions to replace the monies we would normally raise from the boutique. It was suggested that we display some of the Lucy Foley art pieces and perhaps members could bring in Christmas items that are in good/new condition to sell along with the items for sales from the Crafts Club.

**First Vice President:** Sandra Ackerman reported that there are 40 reservations for the Holiday Luncheon on December 15<sup>th</sup> and requested that an email be sent to the Membership reminding them of the event and to get their reservations in to Nancy Zangl by December 8<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Ackerman also reminded all Board members to look at the schedule for Board Meeting refreshments posted on the bulletin board.

**Financial Secretary:** Chairman Nancy Zangl distributed the October 2023 Financial report which shows a total income of \$14,502 which included \$10,345 from Celebration of life and \$2,274 from reservations, raffle ticket sales and donations for the Evening Holiday Craft Auction.

**Building Chair:** Chairman Cherie Williams-DeWitt reported that repairs had been made to the front doors with no cost to the Club, as opposed to the \$10,000+ estimate given previously by the vendor. The issue with the outside lights was also fixed; it turned out to be a breaker issue.

**Community Services:** Chairman Chris White reported a friend of Sylvia Phillips had donated 150 hand knitted scarves to Project 150 which Chairman White will deliver this week.

**Evening Representative:** Dolores Martinez reported that the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Craft Auction Sold Out and was a wonderful event. All monies raised will be going to the Community Counseling Center and Scholarship Program. The final amount of money raised will be announced at the Evening Holiday Party being held next Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at Carrabba's Italian Grill. Upcoming events include the Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth "It's a Wrap" project collecting new hats, scarves, and gloves to be distributed in January and the Ways and Means Super Bowl Bunco being held on Tuesday, February 6, 2024.

**Ways & Means Committee Report:** Chairman Linda Zesiger reminded everyone that the annual Soup & Bake Sale on Saturday, December 9, 2023. The Crafts Group had requested 2 tables be set up for their items. Brenda Dupont said she had a friend who made crystal jewelry and had offered to donate some to the Club; she will contact her to see if she can get some pieces to sell at the Soup and Bake sale. It was decided that the pricing of the soups and desserts will be done by the Committee on the morning of December 9<sup>th</sup> to be sure pricing is consistent.

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 a.m.**



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <b>NEW YEAR'S EVE</b>	1  <i>New Year's Day</i>	2	3 	4  <b>NATIONAL TRIVIA DAY</b>	5 Afternoon Meeting 1 p.m.	6  <b>Epiphany</b>
7  <i>Golden Globe Awards</i>	8	9 Board Meeting 10 a.m.  Business Meeting 6 p.m.	10 	11  <b>Human Trafficking Awareness</b>	12 Business Meeting 1 p.m.	13
14  <b>CRITICS' CHOICE AWARDS</b>	15  <b>Martin Luther King</b>	16  <b>Religious Freedom Day</b>	17  <b>ART</b>	18  <b>WINNIE THE POOH DAY</b>	19 Afternoon Meeting 1 p.m.	20
21  <b>NATIONAL HUG DAY</b>	22	23 Evening Charity Check Presentation 6 p.m.	24 	25	26  <b>NATIONAL SPOUSES DAY</b>	27 
28  <b>DATA PRIVACY DAY</b>	29  <b>KANSAS DAY</b>	30  <b>NATIONAL CROISSANT DAY</b>	31 	1	2 Silver Tea 1 p.m.	3  <b>NATIONAL WOMEN PHYSICIANS DAY</b>

Difficult women  
conquer  
difficult things.

January 2024 is Observed as:  
National Mentoring Month  
National Glaucoma Awareness  
Cervical Health Awareness Month  
National Blood Donor Month  
Birth Defects Prevention Month



"I must do something"  
always solves more  
problems than  
"Something must be  
done."  
Author: Unknown

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**Welcome to 2024!**

Moving into the new year, I wish you and your family health and happiness. I do not make New Year resolutions, but I do try to treat others with kindness and I hope that some of my postings inspire you in some sort of way.



I am proud to be GFWC Nevada State President, and I hope to be able to give you all more information about how our GFWC membership supports you and the Mesquite Club. GFWC gives us many resources, as well as a Global connection to other Club Women.

I hope that after you learn more about GFWC and it's impact, that you will be inspired to step up at the state level. GFWC offers many opportunities for education as well as support to impact our community. Have a wonderful and safe New Year, and I look forward to seeing YOU in 2024.

*Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt, GFWC Nevada State President*



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