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Greetings Ladies of the Mesquite Club!

It's that time of year again, and love is in the air! There are so many kinds of love: romantic love, friendship love, family love, pet love, and the love of giving. Well, I think we see it every time we gather at our Clubhouse. We've had an outpouring of affection for the Clubhouse this year in the form of donations. So, we have reestablished the Beautification Committee to refresh our second home. Yes, we will have our new floor in '24! Let's see what this group of most talented

women come up with!

I'm sorry ladies that the "Galentines Luncheon" has yet to be scheduled, but Las Vegas has been jumping this year also, and our venue the Las Vegas Country Club was booked with the International LIV golf tournament. We, as a Club, are somewhat booked for the month of February. Not to worry, I'm thinking, "It's Amore," more details will follow. This celebration has been a private lunch enjoyed by so many of us.

The first half of our Club year has been super successful in fulfilling our fundraising goals. Evening's Holiday Craft Auction rendered them the funds to achieve their goals: three scholarships to deserving young ladies and a \$10,000+ check to the Community Counseling Center. Congratulations!

But we are revving up for the second act! This Club is super ambitious with events like Silver Tea, Super Bowl Bunco, Chinese New Year, the Rummage Sale, and Wine Tastings and Teas for Project 150. Whew! All of these activities have proven to be not only successful but also a lot of fun!

Ladies, we now know who our neighbor at 700 E. St. Louis is! January 18th was the grand opening of the Benevolence Temple. What a wonderful omen for the New Year! The monks have actually been to our Rummage Sale in the last couple years to peruse. So, wave when you see them out and about. I do!

Here's to a fabulous February! We're doing great!

Frankie Chase Segel. President of Mesquite Club 2023-2024

SAVE THESE DATES!

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 9, 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

Luncheon with Speaker

Friday, March 8, 2024—1 p.m.

Evening Social Outing

Tuesday, March 12, 2024—6 p.m.

Closed Business Meeting

Friday, March 15, 2024—1 p.m.

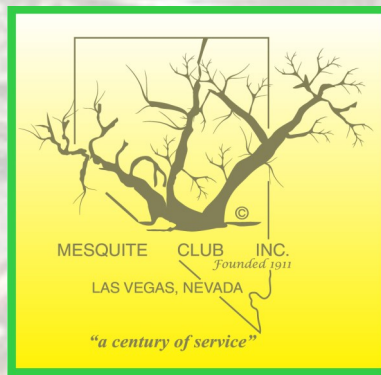
Wine Tasting

Friday, March 22, 2024—1 p.m.

Evening Business Meeting

Tuesday, March 26, 2024—6 p.m.





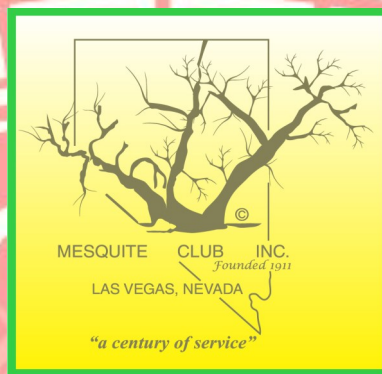
Mesquite Club Anniversary Silver Tea Member Service Awards Past Presidents Recognition

You are invited to join us as we celebrate
113 years of service to the Las Vegas community, and as
we honor members who 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
Email: laf2day2@gmail.com



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
Henderson, Nevada 89012

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and member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

EVENING LETTER; SUPER BOWL BUNCO; NPHY DRIVE

Cheryl & Connie



Hello, Ladies -

HAPPY NEW YEAR
to everyone!!!

The new year offers us a time to both reflect and anticipate. In reflecting, we can be proud of the terrific work Evening Mesquite's Club members have done for our many chosen charities, our community at large, and each

other. We have just finished our drive to gather scarves, hats and gloves to donate to homeless youth in participation with Nevada Partnership For Homeless Youth. Our donations of warm clothing came just in time as it appears winter has arrived in Las Vegas. Many thanks to Pamela Ivey and Pat Garcia for organizing this drive to put warm clothing into the hands of homeless young people who are living on the streets of our city.

In anticipating, we can look forward to more of the same with our chairs, co-chairs, and general membership stepping up as we always do. Here we are in the middle of our 2023-2024 Club year. Yes, that's right! We are half-way through our current Club year, and Evening Mesquite will have many more events and fundraisers planned that will be both rewarding and enjoyable.

We are all looking forward to our upcoming Super Bowl Bunco Party on February 6 at 6 p.m. Our Bunco Parties are getting more and more popular. It's a fun evening so don't miss out!

Also, our Annual Rummage Sale is coming up so please start getting your items ready. We're counting on all our members to sign up and to bring your donations to the Clubhouse. The Early Bird Sale will be on Thursday, February 29. This is a leap year so invite all your friends and neighbors for this special opening. The Rummage Sale will be open to the general public on Friday, March 1 and Saturday, March 2. The hours for all three days will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Enjoy Valentine's Day !!

Nancy Hill
702-672-7447



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

We completed the drive of scarves, hats and gloves for the Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth. Those items are so appreciated by the homeless teens. Thank you to our Community Services Chairs, Pam Ivey, and Pat

**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!

**MESQUITE CLUBHOUSE:
702 EAST ST. LOUIS AVENUE, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89104**

This annual fundraiser supports our charitable endeavors and the upkeep of our historical Clubhouse.

The Mesquite Club has been supporting the Las Vegas community in many ways since 1911. We greatly appreciate your support!

FOR MORE INFO: CHRIS WHITE 814-329-7706 CONNIE FREEMAN 702-378-1325

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March 8 Speaker

Alaska History Fun Comes to the Mesquite Club!

Did you know:

The last shot of the American Civil War happened in Alaska?

Tombstone legend Wyatt Earp built a bar in Nome?

An Alaskan aviator wrote the U.S. Air Force song?

Join award-winning Alaska author/historian
Laurel Downing Bill as she shares these and many more
entertaining stories from Alaska's colorful past.



Where:
702 E St. Louis
Las Vegas, NV

When:
Friday, March 8
1 p.m.

Refreshments

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Downing Bill's critically acclaimed five-book series, *Aunt Phil's Trunk*, won the 2016 Literary Classics International Gold Medal for Best Nonfiction Series worldwide.

Although written for an adult audience, children enjoyed her short stories and hundreds of historical photographs so much that teachers asked her to create a school curriculum for the series. It took the Silver Medal in Education in 2018.

For several years she appeared weekly on Southwest Alaska's CBS Channel 11 in a segment called "Story Time with Aunt Phil" that was a hit with young and old alike. Those shows now are available to view on YouTube.

Project 105 Prom Closet; GFWC NDS; Rummage Sale Help

LAS VEGAS PROM CLOSET

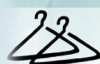


EVERY STUDENT DESERVES TO ATTEND PROM!

NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS

WE ARE EXCITED TO HOST THE LAS VEGAS PROM CLOSET EVENT ONCE AGAIN AND WE WELCOME THE REQUESTED DONATIONS.

DEADLINE FOR DONATIONS: 2/19/2024



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702-721-7150

Project 105 currently is planning their Las Vegas Prom Closet collecting Prom clothes as listed on wish list due date by 2/19/24!! There will be a container and somewhere to hang donations. Any questions please email or call Chris White. Thanks for your support!!

Our HUGE Annual Rummage Set-up and Sale Is approaching quickly.

Set-up begins Monday February 19 and will run every day except for Sunday through Wednesday the 28 from 9 to 3 p.m. **EARLY BIRD SALE** will be Thursday, February 29, (LEAP YEAR DAY) 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Invite your friends and family as we open a day early just for them!

We are open to the public from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Friday, March 1 and Saturday March 2.

We need members to come and help sort and price our items. Please see the signup sheets displayed on the bulletin board or contact Connie Freeman or Chris White to let them know when you can volunteer. This is our largest fundraiser with both daytime and evening members volunteering together.

Thank you in advance for your support.



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INAUGURAL GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS (GFWC) NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE HELPS RELIEVE FOOD INSECURITY & HUNGER ACROSS THE 50 STATES

Washington, DC, January 24, 2024 – The inaugural General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) National Day of Service (NDS) proved impactful in raising food resources for communities across the country. The 2023 campaign spotlighted the food insecurity and hunger crisis. The results received from the "NDS Impact Report" submitted by approximately 700 of the 980 GFWC Regions, State Federations, Districts, and clubs indicate GFWC clubwomen collected 145,506 pounds of nonperishable food, recorded more than 20,000 volunteer hours, collected \$138,415 in monetary donations, and contributed to the preparation of 121,386 meals.

"The GFWC National Day of Service's purpose is to spotlight a community problem and mobilize our volunteers across the 50 states and the District of Columbia to aid relief efforts," said Debra Strahanoski, GFWC International President. "This year's campaign focused on food insecurity and hunger. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 34 million people in the United States suffer from food insecurity, 100 percent of U.S. counties are impacted, and 9 million children do not know when they'll eat next. I am proud of GFWC club members for their dedication to helping others in need. We exist to make a positive contribution to our local communities."

The GFWC NDS is an annual public awareness campaign for members to create Community Service Projects in their communities to help others. Please mark your calendar for the 2024 GFWC NDS on Saturday, September 28. This year's campaign will once again spotlight food insecurity and hunger. For more information, contact Melanie Gisler, Membership Director, at MGisler@GFWC.org.

The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) is a unifying force, bringing together local women's clubs, with members dedicated to strengthening their communities and enhancing the lives of 60,000 members in affiliated clubs in every state and 21 countries. GFWC members are community leaders who work locally to create global change by supporting the arts, preserving natural resources, advancing education, promoting healthy lifestyles, encouraging civic involvement, and working toward world peace and understanding.

What's the Board up to?

Call to order: President Frankie Segel called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. with the secretary present.

President's Report: Frankie Chase-Segel welcomed the Board for the New Year with a new mantra, "More in '24." President Segel noted that, even though we are only halfway through the Club year, our fundraising efforts have been a success. The evening Holiday Craft Auction raised enough funds to fulfill their goal for the year. She reported that thanks to some very generous donors, we have filled our coffers and have enough money to repair and renovate the Clubhouse floor. We are revving up for the last half of our year and have several events coming us, such as Silver Tea, Chinese New Year, Rummage Sale, and Wine Tasting.

Second Vice President: Mickey Pajor discussed the upcoming Board Meeting/New Member Orientation on February 6, 2024. She advised that she, in addition to calling each of the 11 new members, they will be mailing out formal invitations to the meeting. Ms. Pajor then passed a signup sheet for refreshments for the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Corinne Mewhirter distributed the Profit & Loss Statement for 2023 and reported that the Club did great in 2023. She announced that rather than leaving all the recent donations in the Checking Account, she will be transferring half to the Savings Account.

Financial Secretary: Nancy Zangl distributed the December 2023 Financial report which shows a total income of \$59,947.56 which included the donations made to Ways & Means which now has a balance of \$37,500.

Corresponding Secretary: Sylvia Phillips reported that she had sent thank you notes to all the donors she had addresses for but needed the proper address for Betty Weider.

Building Chair: Chair Cherie Williams-DeWitt reported the Movie company parking lot rental was in progress and should wind up later next week. At which time we will receive the agreed upon \$1,000 rental fee. In addition to the repair and replacement of the Clubhouse floor, Chairman Williams-DeWitt suggested that we replace the outside awning and refresh the interior paint. She further suggested the formation of an Architectural Design Committee to recommend changes and spearhead the project. It was also suggested that the Committee include some of the new members so that they get more involved in the Club. It was noted that any changes to the exterior of the building must be approved by the Las Vegas Historical Society. The Board agreed that such a committee should be formed.

Community Services: Chair Chris White reported that Project 150 was looking for a 1,400 sq. ft. space to house the "Prom Closet." Since prom season is approaching, this space would house all items such as suits, dresses, jewelry, purses, etc. She will send an email to the Club letting them know what type of "Prom Items" were needed. Chair White then asked for volunteers to help with the upcoming Annual Rummage Sale. The Committee has decided to begin setup early, February 19, which would include Savers delivering clothing racks early. This will allow time to sort clothing by size and create better, more attractive, displays. Sign-up sheets for volunteers will be distributed shortly.

Evening Representative: Dolores Martinez reported that the 38 Annual Holiday Craft Auction raised \$15,500 which will go to the Community Counseling Center and our scholarship program. She further reported that they gathered donations of hats, scarves, and gloves for the NPHY, and Pamela Ivey will be delivering them this week. Evening would like to thank the Day members for their support and donations to the supply drive including toiletries, pet Supplies, and sneakers. Ways & Means Super Bowl Bunco will be held on Tuesday, February 6, at 6 p.m.

Representatives from Evening will be at the Business Meeting this Friday, January 12, to sell tickets for the Super Bowl raffle. Dolores reported that Connie Freeman has requested she remind everyone to complete and submit to her, your Statistical Reports for 2023.

Nominating Committee: Brenda Dupont reported that she will be talking to new members to get a feel for their skills and interest in a position on a specific Committee in the upcoming year. Brenda asked that we all do the same so we can determine if anyone is the right fit for a position.

GFWC/Newsletter/social media: Cherie Williams-Dewitt reported that she had recently returned from the GFWC Board Orientation in Washington, D.C. where it was announced that the mantra for the upcoming year was: "Engage, Empower, Educate." The GFWC Board Meeting that was previously cancelled, has been rescheduled as a luncheon to be held on Sunday, February 18. Hopefully, the change in format and day of the week will encourage a larger participation. The President's Project for the upcoming year will still be organ donations.

New Business

President Chase-Segel announced that Barbara Bolling will assume the position of Ways & Means Chair replacing Sandy Holliday who sadly passed away in December.

President Chase-Segel suggested that we offer a discount on Clubhouse rentals for members. This might encourage use of the facility. She suggested that the fee be \$200 plus cost of Custodian and dishwasher. It was decided to bring this up with the Building Committee for their input.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROPOSED NOMINATIONS
MESQUITE CLUB 2024-2025

The Mesquite Club Nominating Committee for the 2024-2025 club year requests assistance from the membership in preparing a proposed slate of officers and chairmen for the coming year. We do not wish to overlook any member of long standing, nor any new member who may be especially qualified for a specific position. If there is a position you personally feel qualified for, you may show your interest by nominating yourself. We ask that you carefully consider this request.

Please print and complete this form and return it to **Mesquite Club, Inc, P.O. Box 95662, Las Vegas, NV 89193. Attention Nominations Chair; Brenda Dupont** - or put it in the Nominations Chair Mailbox in the office at the Clubhouse. No signature is required on this form and your suggestion will be considered at our next meeting. Your help in this matter is appreciated.

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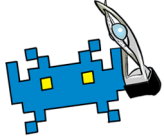


Celebrate the life of those no longer with us.
Celebrate the arrival of a new member of the family.
Just Celebrate the fact that you woke up this morning.
We all have so much to celebrate!
Thanking you in advance for your support!

In Honor of Sandra Holiday

Sue Churchill; Connie Freeman; Nancy Zangl;
Corinne Mewhirter; Ginger Riley

FEBRUARY

2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
February 2024 is Observed as: Black History Month American Heart Month				1	2 Silver Tea 1 p.m.	3  NATIONAL WOMEN PHYSICIANS DAY
4  World Cancer Day	5  National Weatherperson's Day	6 Board Meeting 10 a.m. Super Bowl Bunco 6 p.m.	7 	8	9 Chinese New Year 11 a.m.	10  CHINESE NEW YEAR
11  SUPER BOWL	12  LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY	13  Mardi Gras	14 	15  DICE AWARDS	16 Business Meeting 1 p.m.	17
18  NATIONAL DRINK WINE DAY	19 Rummage Sale Setup	20 Evening Business Meeting Rummage Sale Setup 6 p.m.	21 Rummage Sale Setup	22 Rummage Sale Setup	23 Rummage Sale Setup	24
25  PGA Awards	26 Rummage Sale Setup	27 Rummage Sale Setup	28 Rummage Sale Setup	29 Early Bird Sale	1 Rummage Sale 1 to 4 p.m.	2 Rummage Sale 1 to 4 p.m.

**Each time a woman stands up
for herself, without knowing it possibly,
without claiming it, she stands up for
all women.—Maya Angelou**

Vol. 7 Issue: February

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

**The deadline is February 15
For the March issue**

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TO BE INCLUDED***

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Notes from your editor.

February is celebrated as Black History month. To observe that, GFWC Nevada is hosting a Paint and Sip fundraiser. This fundraiser will also support Organ Donation Education. It will be Saturday, February 24, 2024, at the Olive Garden on Maryland Parkway and Flamingo.



This will be a great opportunity to learn more about organ donation as well as having a fun time painting. The cost will be \$40. More details on how to sign up are forthcoming. I hope that you will find the time to join us for this fun and enlightening event.

You are also invited by the GFWC Nevada Board to Luncheon at the Las Vegas Country Club. Sunday, February 18, from 12 to 3 p.m. The registration will be \$20, and we will have a Brown Bag Auction. This should be a fun time with your GFWC Nevada Sisters!

Have a wonderful February, and I hope to see you at a GFWC events soon.

Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt
GFWC Nevada State President



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