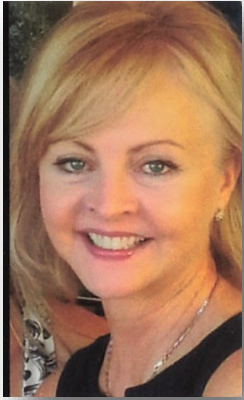


# The Mesquiter

## We Can Do It And Have Fun



Greetings ladies of The Mesquite Club,

What a whirlwind month March was! We had the best Rummage Sale ever, orchestrated by Connie Freeman and Chris White. Congratulations girls! And kudos to everyone for all your hard work in pulling this event off each year!

Fun was had at the Oscar Night event for Variety Children. Our attendance netted us an antique car and driver for the Helldorado Parade. We had a fabulous private tour of the Smith Center. Thank you Sue Churchill for getting the Club involved with the PBS Kids Writing Contest and putting two teams of judges together. Yahoo!

What can I say about the Ways and Means Luau Event? Hooray!! Mahalo to Linda Zesiger and her team, and to Cherie Williams Dewitt for arranging for the Polynesian Dancers.

Well, while we were all having a great time, no one noticed that our flags had been spirited away! I love our flags! But no worries, the Club rallied again to get them replaced. Thanks to Cheryl Musser's donation of a State flag and Linda Baxter's donation of the American flag, they'll be up and flying again soon.

Still ahead we have a Spectacular Tea Fundraiser, the Fine Arts luncheon, and the Helldorado Parade participation! Can we fit anything else in before the end of the year?! Whew!

We have a great slate of Officers and Chairs, both Day and Evening, for next year! I can't wait to see what these creative minds put together for our enjoyment! I am so happy at how this year is turning out. I am sure you all have read enough from me, and I have to board my flight to Miami now. As we must keep our families happy also. So, Ciao for now!

*Frankie Chase Segel, President*



## SAVE THESE DATES!

**Community Service Tea—\$50**  
Saturday, April 1 2023 1p.m.

**Evening HCA Charity Presentations**  
Tuesday, April 4, 2023 6 p.m.

**Business Meeting/Elections**  
**Community Service Charity Presentations**  
Friday, April 14, 2023 1 p.m.

**Evening Business Meeting Scholarship Awards and Election of Chairs**  
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 6 p.m.

**Fine Arts Day**  
Friday, April 21, 1 p.m.

**GFWC Nevada State Convention**  
**Elko, Nevada**  
Saturday, April 29, 2023

**Evening Calendar Meeting 2023-2024**  
Tuesday, May 2, 2023

**"Music in Memoriam"**  
Friday, May 5, 2023 1 p.m.

**Open-Air Market**  
Saturday, May 6, 2023 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Business Meeting**  
Friday, May 12, 2023 1 p.m.

**Evening Installation of Chairs & New Members**  
Tuesday, May 16, 2023 6 p.m.

**Closing Luncheon—\$30**  
Friday, May 19, 2023 11 a.m.

**Calendar Meeting 2023-2024**  
Tuesday, May 30, 2023

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**702 East St. Louis Avenue—Las Vegas, Nevada 89104**

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**Celebrate Fine Arts Day  
With the Ladies of  
The Mesquite Club  
At  
Mesquite Clubhouse**

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

**Friday, April 21, 2023  
1 p.m.**

**You are invited to engage with our eclectic group of artists.**

**Enjoy and learn about:**

**Spinning  
Gourds  
Knitting  
Painting**

**Poetry  
Photography  
Woodturning  
Collage**

**Cooking  
Jewelry  
Ikebana  
Folk Art**

**Enjoy light refreshments**

# FINE ARTS DAY!

## Happy Spring Mesquite Club Ladies,

The Fine Arts Committee invites you and your guests to come to the Fine Arts Day Event April 21, 2023, to experience the art of our Mesquite Club and Evening Mesquite artists and the guests artists exhibiting their work. There will be much interaction where explanations of technique, viewing of creations, and personal stories of inspiration for arts are exchanged.

We don't always know just what triggers our appreciation for the arts—some personal response to our interaction with the world around us so guests are welcome to view and visit with the many artists at 1 p.m. at our Mesquite Clubhouse. The following gives you the final introduction of our member and guest artists:

Our dear **Antonia Babbish** from Evening Mesquite Club mentioned in her biography that in the early days of her childhood she and her father would build train-track-settings depicting fun, interesting places to visit, and she got to make the plans for the trips. This endeavor lit a spirit for travel in her that has lasted her adult life. With this travel has come the appreciation of the art of many peoples in many countries.

**Carol Seibel** is a guest artist. Carol has loved jewelry for all of her life—she has a picture of herself at age two wearing her favorite bracelet which was just the beginning of her love affair with jewelry. Her experiences buying, selling and creating jewelry have crossed many levels from early bead work done with her best friend in California to sales in specialty shops in Pasadena, CA to working with an entity as large as The World Market Center. She has taught bead jewelry making at Michaels, has worked with fashion and fine jewelry, and has done special designs and production for private clientele garnered from much national work in the jewelry field. She often uses semi-precious stones in her designs. Her ongoing love of jewelry creation work is spurred by her love of color, texture, and “that next great bead.” She loves her design and creation endeavors because as she says, “We all have some art in us.”

Most of us know **Bonnie Utton**, that lady with the magic cooking skills. She is a caterer par excellence. She has been a member of Evening Mesquite Club, since 2003 and has given of her culinary talents creating tasty and beautiful items for many luncheons and charitable or fun-loving events for our Mesquite Club, in addition to her own business interests. She will be an exhibitor sharing her expertise with the guests who wish to know why Bonnie's skills make food presentation LOOK so easy but are truly a study in the art of food.

**Sigrid Insull-Luckin** is a new member of the Mesquite Club Evening, having joined our Club a year ago. She has had a wide and varied experience with jewelry design, sales, and promotions. Her experience will be shared with us by way of her stories to tell and by showing the techniques and examples of her work.

See you at the Fine Arts Day Event – April 21, 2023.

**Brenda Kostick (Daytime) and Tobyllyn Power (Evening) co-chairs.**

# EVENING LETTER; EVENTS

After many hours of preparation, the yearly Rummage Sale was held on March 3 and March 4. The members first prep work began on January 24 as a "Sip and Price Jewelry" meeting at Connie Freeman's home. After a delicious dinner and a short meeting, over 20 members sorted and priced jewelry for the upcoming Rummage Sale. Many oo's and ah's were heard throughout the evening. Members were happy to have the first look at dozens of pieces of jewelry, with the option of buying any of these treasures. February 21 began the process of unpacking stacks of boxes in the Clubhouse and sorting items to designated areas and pricing. This year, several beautiful sets of China were donated to the sale. On Friday, March 3, the Sale began at 9 a.m. to enthusiastic buyers who had maneuvered through the road construction and fought blustery winds to find the best deals. The 2023 Rummage Sale was a huge success thanks to the hard work of the Mesquite Club, both Day and Evening! A special thank you to Chris White and Connie Freeman for their leadership in making the Rummage Sale a grand success.

On March 12, a few Evening and Day members enjoyed an evening at the "Oscar's" via the Variety Club's fundraiser in the Brandan Theater at the Palms Casino. The Academy Awards ceremony was

viewed in a private setting. Gift cards to the concession stand were included in the tickets, as well as a small gold Oscar for each attendee. A generous 50/50 raffle was won by a lucky person from out-of-state.



On March 21 we had our Community Service Project. We assembled housewarming baskets for the U.S. Vets, and hygiene kits for the Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth, with items donated by our members.

April looks to be a busy month, with presentations on April 4, by local charities hoping to be our benefit recipient for the 2023 Holiday Craft Auction. On April 18, we will be awarding our Scholarships to three deserving young ladies, and we will have our Election of our Evening Mesquite Club 2023-2024 Slate of Chairs.

### Did you know?

1942 – The Mesquite Club ladies held the first ever flower show in Nevada. There were 350 entries and 700 people in attendance.

*Arlene and Nancy*

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Tuesday, April 4, 2023 6 p.m.

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Evening  
Events!  
Join us!

Evening Business Meeting Scholarship  
Awards and Election of Chairs  
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 6 p.m.  
Evening Calendar Meeting 2023-2024  
Tuesday, May 2, 2023

## Evening Mesquite Elected Positions/Chairs; What's the Board up to?

### Evening Mesquite Elected Positions/Chairs *Proposed 2023 - 2024 Slate*

**Evening Mesquite Chair:** Connie Freeman, Co-chair Cheryl Musser  
**Devotions/We Care:** Judy Stebbins  
**Program Chair:** Barbara Grogan  
**Hospitality Chair:** Denise Beaumont, Co-chair Sigrid Insull-Lucking  
**Membership Chair:** Linda Shapona  
**Membership Committee:** Arlene McCroy, Irene Armijo  
**Recording Secretary:** **Open**  
**Financial Secretary:** Bonnie Crawford

**Community Services:** Chair: Pamela Ivey  
**Ways and Means Chair:** Jane Reid, Co-chair Dolores Martinez  
**Scholarship Chair:** Sunnie Rae Grigsby  
**Nominating Chair:** Connie Freeman  
**Historian:** **Open**  
**Evening Mesquite Representative:** Dolores Martinez  
**Social Events Chair:** Irene Armijo, Co-chair Karen Ziegler  
**Holiday Craft Auction Chair:** Bonnie Utton  
**Public Relations Chair:** **Open**

**Thank you to these members for stepping up!**

### MESQUITE CLUB EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING - March 8, 2023

**President's Report:** President Segel extended congratulations on the success of recent events held at the Club which produced income for the treasury and fun for participants. In addition she reported that Peggy Bruhns will be unable to carry out the duties of First Vice President for an undetermined time due to injuries sustained in a recent accident.

**Second Vice President:** Colleen Bailey reported that new member Linda Easter joining means we have reached our goal of 15 new members for the Club year.

**Financial Secretary:** Nancy Zangl distributed the February financial report, a revised report of income from the Ways and Means lunch on January 20<sup>th</sup> and a report on the Valentine's Day lunch on February 14<sup>th</sup>. Profit for the January lunch is \$3,774.98 and for the February lunch is \$1,150.00.

**Community Service:** Chair Chris White announced that the plans for the Elegant Spring Tea to be held on Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup> are progressing. A donation of \$50.00 will reserve a seat for you at the tea and tables of eight may be reserved. There will be entertainment, and a raffle of choice items at this event, and you can assist the committee by donating gift cards of any amount for the raffle.

**Evening Group Representative:** Cheryl Musser reported that the Ways and Means Bunco party netted a profit of \$1,350.00. Also, the annual Holliday Craft Auction date has been moved to December from the usual November time. Cheryl read the list of proposed officer nominations for the Evening Group's 2023-2024 Club year and the election will be held at their April 18, 2023 meeting.

**Nominating Chair:** Nominating Committee member Sylvia Phillips read the list of proposed Daytime officer nominations for 2023-2024 Club year as printed in the March newsletter. The election will be held at the Club Business Meeting on April 14, 2023. Board action was needed to accept nominees for three positions who will continue in the positions they are currently filling if elected. Barbara Bolling moved " that Sandra Holliday, Director, Cathi Poer, Director, and Sylvia Phillips, Corresponding Secretary be approved to serve an additional term on the Executive Board for the 2023-2024 Club year," Motion seconded and adopted.

**Directors:** Cathi Poer serves as Bylaws Committee Chair and she brought our attention to the proposed amendments to the Bylaws and Standing Rules that will be considered at the Business Meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup>. They are printed in the March newsletter. In order to accommodate the combining of the ballots of Daytime and Evening Groups the results from Daytime voting will not be announced the day they vote. Evening Group will consider the changes and cast ballots at their meeting on March 21, and their tellers will count and announce the results of the combined ballots that day.

**New Business:** Rummage sale: Co-chair Chris White announced the impressive financial results of this year's sale, thought to be the best ever. Pre-sale total \$2,788.00, Friday \$6,658.00 and Saturday \$2,812.00. Gross total \$12,258.00. Expenses to date have been \$340.00 with more deductions to be made after additional expense amount is known. Net before final expenses is posted = \$11,918.00.

**PBS Writing Contest:** Sue Churchill and a committee of three will serve as judges of a KIDS Writing Contest sponsored by our local PBS station which will provide publicity for the Club.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

# *Fiesta - then - Siesta*

**MESQUITE CLUB CLOSING LUNCHEON**

**FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2023**

**11 A.M. SOCIAL 12 P.M. LUNCHEON**

**"FIRST FIESTA.....  
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# GFWC NEVADA CONVENTION



**GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS NEVADA  
27<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION  
Elko, Nevada**

**GFWC Nevada Lamoille Women's Club invites you to:  
"Cowgirl Spring: New Beginnings and Fresh Starts!"**

**DATE:** Saturday, April 29, 2023

**FROM:** Cherie Lee Williams-DeWitt, President

**TO:** GFWC Nevada Board of Directors and all Members of the GFWC Nevada Federation of Women's Clubs, and Guests.

**SUBJECT:** Official Call to the GFWC Nevada State Convention

This is your official call to the GFWC Nevada State Convention. Please make every effort to attend. We value your input and support.

**DATE:** Saturday, April 29, 2022 - 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

**PLACE:** Hampton Inn Hotel, Elko  
674 Cimarron Way  
Elko, Nevada 89801

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 12, 2023**

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$25**  
**Includes lunch**

**Digital Meeting Registration: \$5**

Complete call is attached.



# Mesquite Club Membership Dues Renewal

## ❖ Mesquite Club Membership Dues Renewal ❖

Mesquite Club membership dues of \$100 are due no later than June 1, 2023. Mail your dues to the address listed below. Enter your information in the form below to ensure that your information is correct when the yearbook is Published.

Send check for dues to:

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Ctrl Click the link. There is a 5% service charge for online payments.

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# APRIL

# 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>April 2023 is Observed as:</b>            National Poetry            National Autism Awareness            National Donate Life</p> <p>Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention            Stress Awareness            Financial Literacy</p>						<p>1            Afternoon Tea            1 p.m.</p>
<p>2    <b>Palm Sunday</b></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4            Board Meeting 10 a.m.            Evening HCA Presentations 6 p.m.</p>	<p>5            10 a.m.    <b>ART Classes</b>            12 p.m.  </p>	<p>6    <b>Holy Thursday</b></p>	<p>7    <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b></p>	<p>8</p>
<p>9    <b>Easter</b></p>	<p>10    <b>National Siblings Day</b></p>	<p>11    <b>NATIONAL PET DAY</b></p>	<p>12            10 a.m.    <b>ART Classes</b>            12 p.m.  </p>	<p>13    <b>BURMESE NEW YEAR</b></p>	<p>14            Business Meeting 1 p.m.</p>	<p>15  </p>
<p>16    <b>Orthodox Easter</b></p>	<p>17    <b>NATIONAL HAIKU POETRY DAY</b></p>	<p>18            Business Meeting 6 p.m.</p>	<p>19            10 a.m.    <b>ART Classes</b>            12 p.m.  </p>	<p>20    <b>NATIONAL HIGH FIVE DAY</b></p>	<p>21            Fine Arts Day 1 p.m.</p>	<p>22    <b>Earth Day</b></p>
<p>23    <b>World Book Day</b></p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25    <b>DNA day</b></p>	<p>26            10 a.m.    <b>ART Classes</b>            12 p.m.  </p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28    <b>Arbor Day</b></p>	<p>29            GFWC Nevada Convention            Elko, Nevada</p>
<p>30    <b>International Jazz Day</b></p>	<p>1    <b>May Day</b></p>	<p>2            Evening Calendar Meeting 6 p.m.</p>	<p>3            10 a.m.    <b>ART Classes</b>            12 p.m.  </p>	<p>4    <b>National Day of Prayer</b></p>	<p>5            Memorial 1 p.m.</p>	<p>6            Open-Air Market 9 to 4            Parking Lot</p>

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**The deadline is April 15, 2023  
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April is National Donate Life Month. My GFWC Nevada President's Project is to create an *Organ Donation Education Program*. You may have registered when you renewed your drivers license. If you join the **National Network**, you will not have to renew any more.



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Thank you for your support.

*Cherie*



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