March 2025



The Mesquite Club, Inc.

Serving the Las Vegas Community since 1911

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Kind Ladies,

I am experiencing days that fly by so fast lately that my head is spinning. There is so much happening at our Club. New members keep coming in. Our teas, and fundraisers are hitting record attendance. Let's all keep up the good works. The rummage sale activities are in full bloom, which may account for many spinning heads these days. I just know they will be a smash hit.

The word is getting out again. There is every reason our Club will flourish in the coming months and years! I am grateful to all the committees and the work we all do to keep our Club building and the service to our

community thriving. As Past President Frankie says, "We will Thrive in 2025!!!"

Be sure to let anyone on the Board of Directors or any Chairperson know of ideas you may have to inject extra joy into our group. Bunco fundraisers are so wonderful for fellowship and social gatherings for the Evening Club. I was thinking maybe a Bingo theme for daytimes. I am positive many of our ladies have a memory of a favorite social activity, which we could include in our teas and various meetings.

Did you know that volunteering can combat depression, can give life to creativity, and can help to give perspective to volunteers? So, congratulations for joining the Mesquite Club, Inc. May you find joy, happiness, and purpose while donating your time, money, and efforts to our charitable missions. Remember to engage in the activities that interest you and play a part in the life of our community.

As a Club, we have so much to be thankful for, but mostly for the friendships we develop and the good works we do. Cherie, our *Mesquiter* editor, has her hands full. I have not been as timely (or respectful of her time) as I need to be. She works over this newsletter and keeps adding nice touches so everyone will find something that interests them. Be sure to read every word and page. Pass it to friends who might want to know more about us. In the meantime, I will strive in 2025 to do better.

In Kindness,

Dianne

SAVE THESE DATES!

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 - 6 p.m. Evening Social; Out of the Clubhouse

Friday, March 14, 2025 - 1 p.m. Business Meeting Closed; Members only

Friday, March 21, 2025 - 1 p.m. Meeting with Speaker

Tuesday, March 25, 2025 - 6 p.m. Evening Community Service Project

Friday, April 4, 2025 - 11 a.m. Community Service Luncheon "It's a Mystery"

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 - 6 p.m. Evening HCA 2025 Charity Presentations

Friday, April 11, 2025 - 1 p.m. Business Meeting/Election of Officers

Saturday, April 19, 2025 - 12 p.m. Fine Arts Day

Tuesday, April 22, 2025 - 6 p.m. Evening Business Meeting/Election of Chairs/Scholarship Award

Friday, May 2, 2025 - 1 p.m. 2025 Community Services Charity Presentations

Saturday, May 3, 2025 - 9 a.m. GFWC Nevada Annual Convention

Sunday, May 4, 2025 Preservation Foundation Tour





MYSTERY at the MESQUITE CLUB

Come dressed in your Vintage Mob Attire



FRIDAY, APRIL 4TH AT 11:00 AM \$30

FUNDER RAISER FOR

THE ASHLEY STRONG FOUNDATION

Make your reservations by sending your check to:
Mesquite Club Financial Secretary
Nancy Zangl
481 Edgefield Ridge Place
Henderson, Nevada 89012

R.S.V.P. by Friday, March 21, 2025











The Mesquite Club, is the oldest Women's Community Service Club in the Las Vegas area.

We are searching for local female artist of all mediums to showcase their works and talents.



Our annual Celebration of the Arts

The Spectrum of Fine Arts includes:

Painting; Sculpture; Music; Poetry, and Performing Arts (including theatre and dance); Photography.

The Mesquite Club, Las Vegas—Clubhouse

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

FINE ARTS DAY

Saturday, April 19, 2025

Schedule 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Spots are limited, there is no charge to showcase. You must complete the google form to be considered.

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(Copy and paste into your browser)

Application deadline is April 11, 2025

If you sell your wares, we encourage a donation to The Mesquite Club Arts and Culture Program!

For more information contact:

Cherie Lee Williams DeWitt @: mesquiteclublasvegas1911@gmail.com

Cell: (310) 710-9792

This is a community participation event.

We will partner with a local Food Truck for refreshments.

The Mesquite Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. EIN: 88-6003112





Announcing Fourth 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

- 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.
- Brief membership pitch and campaign update presented at each meeting/event.

New Member	Sponsor					
1 Alisha Baty	Melody Wells					
2. Penny Silva	Pamela Ivy					
3. Catherine D'Amico	Elizabeth Foyt					
4. Marta Polling Schmitt Elizabeth Foyt						
5. Shelley Herr						
6. Deborah Fisher Koch	Laurie Ellridge					
7. Monterey Brookman Elizabeth Foyt						
8. Pat Sutherland Helen Bowen/Barbara Wiggins						
9. Frances Richards Helen Bowen/Barbara Wiggins						
10. Rosann Ealey	Connie Freeman					
11. Gerry Faucett	Alice Curtis					
12. Berry Wieder	Frankie Segal					

EVENING LETTER; Christmas in July thanks!



Hello Mesquite Club Members,

On behalf of the entire Evening membership, I congratulate and welcome our newest members, Frances Richards, Patricia Sutherland, and Roseann

Ealey. Each of these new members attended the outstanding Silver Tea and joined the Club. May their journey of volunteerism be fun and fulfilling.

On January 21, our speaker was Dawn Streicher-Mills. We were told about the many local programs hosted by Dignity Health. These programs, offered at no cost to the community, focus on fitness, health, and wellness. The many programs include, managing diabetes, nutritional guidance, yoga, chair exercises, and many more. Saturdays at the many locations around town are geared towards programs for local children. These programs include how to eat healthy and the importance of daily exercise.

The Super Bowl Bunco Party was, again, a great event. The Clubhouse was decorated in a football theme, and attendees were decked out with their favorite team's attire. Jane Reid, Connie Jaeger, and the entire Evening Ways and Means Committee, plus all the members who worked as a team to assist, get a big HIGH FIVE for their efforts. Thank you to all the members who invited and brought guests. The room was filled with great food, smiling faces, and a spirited game of Bunco. Almost \$878 was raised.

Celebrating our hard work on the Rummage Sale, we look forward to a fun "Out of the Building" social on March 11. Be sure and contact Bonnie Utton to let her know which position you would be interested in for the 2025-2026 Club year. It is very important that we all volunteer to fill a slot to plan and execute a fun and rewarding calendar for the Club.

May the luck of the Irish be with you.

Connie

CHRISTMAS IN JULY!

Our sincere thanks to all donors who made possible the dazzling \$12,500 total for Christmas in July 2024. With generous member contributions, gifts from friends, and the support of our neighborhood's elected officials, we are able to make a significant impact on behalf of our chosen charity, Ashley Strong.

Special thanks to Las Vegas Councilwoman Olivia and Nevada Assemblyman Howard Watts for their generosity. Together we can accomplish much. We look forward to continuing the magic of Christmas in July 2025.

Elizabeth Foyt & Sharon Segerblom

We welcome new members!



Pat Sutherland was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She left for warmer climes and has lived in several cities across the U.S. as well as London, England where her son Simon was born.

In December she and her husband Joe Carr celebrated their third wedding anniversary (after 35 years together!). Pat moved to Las Vegas in 2007 and fulfilled a long-delayed goal of earning a degree in communications. This enabled Pat to acquire her dream job as a mediator with the Clark County court system from which she recently retired.

Pat is an avid reader and enjoys going to movies, concerts, restaurants, and the theater. She is looking forward to meeting members of the Mesquite Club and hopes to become an active participant in club activities.

Welcome Pat!

Dr. Frances Richards is the President and CEO of Arlean Richards Media Company, a global communications firm specializing in podcasting, family legacy audio recording, and asset documentation. With 10+ years in broadcast media and 15+ in higher education, Dr. Richards brings unique expertise to her leadership.

She excelled as a producer, host, and content creator, founding the popular podcast Black Entrepreneur Experience, attracting over 89,000 global listeners. In higher education, Dr. Richards champions student success and creates inclusive environments. Dr. Richards holds a BA, MBA, and Ph.D., and has pursued continuing education through eCornell School of Business, NxLeveL Training, and Goldman Sachs One Million Black Women.

Based in Las Vegas, NV, Dr. Richards is passionate about preserving stories, ensuring everyone can leave a legacy. Her innovative leadership at Arlean Richards Media Company is redefining personal history documentation in today's media landscape.

Welcome Frances!



Reverand Dr. Marta Poling Schmitt is a retired Lutheran (ELCA) pastor. She serves on the board of directors for United Way of Southern Nevada and Planned Parenthood Votes Nevada. She is married, mother to two grown daughters, and grandma to four wonderful grandchildren. Marta enjoys traveling, cooking, the arts, civic engagement, and scrapbooking.

Welcome Marta!



RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROPOSED NOMINATIONS MESQUITE CLUB 2025-2026

The Mesquite Club Nominating Committee for the 2025-2026 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.

You may print then complete this form and return it to Shannon Noschese, Nominations Chair; 2378 Rainswept Avenue, Henderson, Nevada 89052, or you can email it to; sthaxton@hotmail.com. This form is fillable to enable you to complete and email directly. You may also 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.

OFFICERS

	ELECTIVE CHAIRMEN
President	
President Elect	Community Service
First Vice President (Hospitality)	Ways and Means
Second Vice President (Membership)	Building Chair
Recording Secretary	Nominations
Treasurer	Evening Representative
Financial Secretary	Director
Corresponding Secretary	Director



Sylvia Phillips
03/10
Frances Richards
03/13
Dianne Steel
03/15
Florence Zucker
03/20
Donna Machniak



Come to be inspired and connect with your Club sisters. Guests are always welcome. Invite a friend to share your Club experience with you!



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You can pay for your dues or donations with your credit card.

There is a processing fee of 5% for your transaction.







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SAVE THE DATE!

GFWC Nevada State Convention Saturday, May 3, 2025 Marie Callender's 8175 West Sahara—Las Vegas, Nevada

Join us at the annual GFWC Nevada Convention. You will learn what is happening at GFWC International Headquarters, network with your Club sisters and hear a dynamic speaker, Michelle Renee Weihman, BSN, RN.

Michelle is passionate about empowering individuals to take charge of their lives, and as a life coach, she's here to make that happen.

Working closely with those who are ready to embrace change and overcome challenges, Michelle specializes in guiding women through the obstacles that have held them back.

Whether it's setting new career paths, improving relationships, or personal growth, Michelle's targeted coaching helps you identify your goals and craft a tailored plan to achieve them. With her support, you will not only face life's hurdles with confidence but flourish beyond them, manifesting the fulfilling life you've always envisioned.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
March 2025 is Observed as: Women's History Month National Nutrition Month						
2 Read Across America Day	World Wildlife Day	4 Mardi Gras	ASH WEDNESDAY	NATIONAL OREO DAY	7 00000 MATIONAL CEREAL DAY	8 Juternational Women's Day
9 Daylight Savings Time Begins	NATIONAL NAPPING DAY	Board Meeting 10 a.m. Evening Social 6 p.m.	12	World Kidney Day	14 Business Meeting (Closed) 1 p.m.	World Consumer Rights Day
16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Saint Joseph	Start of Spring	Meeting with Speaker 1 p.m.	World Water Day
National Puppy Day	RIGHT TO TRUTH DAY	25 Evening Meeting 6 p.m.	MANATE APPRECIATION DAY	World Theatre Day	28	VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY
30 National Doctors' Day	31 Cesar Chavez Day		Throw around Con	Kindness Like Letti		

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

The deadline is March 20th
For the April issue.
NO EXTENSIONS!

DON'T MISS THE BOAT!

LATE SUBMISSIONS ARE NOT GURANTEED

TO BE INCLUDED.

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Notes from your editor.

Welcome to Women's History month. For 2025, the National Women's History Alliance (NWHA) proudly presents the theme "Moving Forward Together! Women Educating & Inspiring Generations."

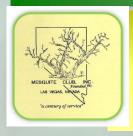


This theme celebrates the collective strength and influence of women who have dedicated their lives to education, mentorship, and leadership. Through their efforts, they have served as an inspiration for all generations — both past and present.

As members of the Mesquite Club and GFWC Nevada, we are examples of strength, and leadership for other ladies in our Community. Congratulations on the impact that you make on other women and girls. Let's keep up the good work.

I am proud of how we support our community and I know that we will continue to and mentor other women to support us in this work. Yours in Federation Friendship,

Cherie Williams-DeWitt, GFWC Nevada State President



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