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February 2015

#### SAVE THE DATE

FEB 5: Silver Tea, 1 pm FEB 12: Business Meeting, 1 pm

**FEB 19:** Red, White and Blue Presidents Day celebration, 1 pm

MAR 4: Fine Arts Day, 1 pm MAR 11: Closed Business

Meeting, 1 pm

MAR 14-20: Rummage Sale setup and sale

#### **EVENING**

FEB 2: Regular Meeting, 6 nm

FEB 16: Social Outing, 6 pm MAR 1: Business Meeting Nominations & Presentations to Auction Recipients, 6 pm MAR 15: Rummage Sale Setup, 6 pm

## MESQUITE CLUB ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE HOURS

MAR 18-20: Rummage Sale

Friday & Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm Sunday: 10 am to 2 pm



www.gfwc.org

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With care and compassion, we extend a helping hand.



"With care and compassion we Extend a Helping Hand"

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the Heart." Helen Keller

What a wonderful way to think of February. Yes, Mesquite members have a lot of "Heart" as we think of our Community Service, whether small or large your contribution is so welcomed. As a member of Mesquite Club you are a part of a terrific organization that is over 100 years old and has been working to improve the lives of those in our community from the



youngest to the oldest. We have chosen over the years to extend a helping hand to those in need. I am so proud of what you do. I am so proud of serving as your President this year and I thank you for involvement, YOUR support, your ideas, your guidance and your direction.

You are the greatest!

Happy Valentine's Day to all of you!

### MADEMOSEILLE YOUR TABLE IS WAITING.....

Now is the time to schedule your private luncheon.

THIS IS A SPRINGTIME TREAT THAT OUR LADIES LOOK FOR-WARD TO.



Call Linda Baxter @ 702-496-7096 or email her with your date, lindab@pmalasvegas.com.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE MESQUITE CLUB!

## Happy Anniversary

### Mesquite Club Silver Tea

Celebrating the Club Anniversary and Service Awards



Friday, February 5, 2016 \* 1 pm

At this special event we honor our Past Presidents and our long time members.

Join us and bring a friend!

#### **RUMMAGE SALE IS COMING!**

March 14 begins our week of fun and chaos. This is such a fun event.



Craziness for one week out of the year that reaps so many benefits for our Club. Signups are now available. The clipboard is making its way around.

Please take the time to get your name down to help during set up, or during the weekend sale, or providing food for our workers. We really need men on the morning of March 14 and 15.

## RED, WHITE AND BLUE PRESIDENT'S MONTH CELEBRATION

by Mary Gafford



You and your guests are invited to celebrate, **RED**, **WHITE AND BLUE: PRESIDENTS MONTH**, regular meeting of the Mesquite Club on Friday, February 19, 2016, 1pm.

Take free selfies with George Washington. Listen to music guaranteed to stir your Patriotism! With a song in your heart, partake of food guaranteed to whet the appetite of any President!

Performing first is Sound of Freedom Quartet, affiliated with Nevada Opera Theatre Association. Another patriotic treat is to be from Las Vegas Opera: pianist *Spencer Baker*, Master of Music degree recipient, Liberace Scholar program recipient and current Church organist who directs the annul Messiah Concert there.

Your presence at RED, WHITE AND BLUE event is requested.

UNCLE SAM wants to see YOU then at the

Mesquite Clubhouse
702 East St Louis Street
Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

For more information and to make your reservations, contact Mary Gafford @ (702) 648-9415 or email: mmgg165@cs.com.





#### **EVENING: CHAIR LETTER; EVENING EVENTS**

Dear Evening Members,

What a great start to 2016 at our January 5 meeting! The reading from Public Fit was electric! A big thank you to Melissa Clary, Program Chair, for arranging it.

Mark your calendars for February 2, Joan Powell, President of GFWC

Nevada, will help us understand the Mesquite Club and GFWC connection.



As I was reading over the Brag sheets created by our chairmen, I am amazed at all we accomplished so far this year. Starting in July, we partnered with GFWC Nevada to host a Bunco night. We raised over \$800 for our scholarship program. The Holiday Craft Auction brought another \$5000 to our scholarship fund, over \$6700 for our designated charity and \$150 for Ways and Means. The brag sheet documented 1442 hours donated. Since September, we have volunteered over 400 hours to City Impact Center's afterschool program. We provided carloads full of school supplies, a carload of candy for Trunk or Treat, and cookies and lap blankets for 11 seniors. Ways and Means raised money through Fantasy Football night. Again, the greatest group of women in Las Vegas rock!!!!!

Of course, we couldn't have accomplished any of these things without the members who step up to take leadership positions in Evening Mesquite Club. As you know it is time to declare which leadership positions you will take for 2016-2017 club year. The forms which explains all the positions have been distributed. Please continue the 25+ years of tradition of Evening Mesquite by stepping up and taking a leadership position.

Just a reminder, we will be selling raffle tickets until February 2, for a chance to win a two night stay at AVI resort in Laughlin. Tickets are \$1 each. Proceeds go to Ways and Means.

See you at all upcoming meetings,

Annette Dorman

Chair of Evening Mesquite Club

Home: 702-685-0952; Cell: 909-438-7676,

Email: adorman4@msn.com



#### GFWC Nevada and the Mesquite Club

Tuesday February 2, 2016 6pm Joan Powell, President of GFWC Nevada

Joan will help you to understand the relationship of the Mesquite

Club with GFWC, an international

women's organization.

She will also explain the benefits of being affiliated with GFWC!









Our evening ladies hard at work!

Bring a friend!

#### NEW MEMBER PROFILE; WE CARE; RUMMAGE SALE NOTICE



#### WELCOME NEW MEMBER

You may have met Kay McClure using her creative skills with the Mesquite Club Craft Group. She enjoys sewing, cooking and crafting. Kay has lived in Las Vegas for 52 years. She has three daughters--two of which live in Las Vegas. She and

husband, Art, together have nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Kay worked for Armour & Co. in Chicago, then taught for the school district for five years. She then went back to school to become an electrical technician and worked for EG&G and contractors for 25 years.

She has volunteered mentoring and tutoring mentally challenged adults and is tutoring a Spanish speaking child.

Kay and Art have a condo in Utah and enjoy skiing, hiking and traveling. Kay keeps fit with a Pilates class 3X a week. She is active in her church and is well known for her green bean casserole for Amazing Grace, which serves the homeless.

We welcome Kay to Mesquite Club.



Our thoughts and prayers go out to our members and their loved ones in difficult times. We also congratulate member's very special occasions.

Marilyn Essex passed away in January. If you wish to honor her memory and devotion to the Mesquite Club, make a donation in her name to the Memorial fund.

Judy Bolander's mother is in failing health, please send out you best wishes and healing thoughts.

To anyone that is having health issues, not mentioned. Our hearts are with you.

If you are celebrating an anniversary, let us know so that we can celebrate along with you!

Have a wonderful month! Marilyn Essex passed away in January. If



#### CLEAN OUT THOSE CLOSETS, STORAGE UNITS AND GARAGES

Rummage Sale time again.

Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Every dollar makes a difference.

Rummage Sale supports our Clubhouse budget.

Please begin bringing your donations to the backdoor in boxes or plastic bins with lids.

We'll take it all – spread the word amongst your friends.

Jewelry items go directly to Joan Doubrava and Cathi Poer. Please bring jewelry items as soon as possible, so that they can be cleaned and repaired as needed.

One man's trash is another's treasure!

Remember to check with friends and family!



Fun times at the Board Fun-d raiser!



#### PROPOSED CHANGES TO MESQUITE CLUB BYLAWS 2016—PAGE 1

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 3: CLASSIFICATION

Proposed Change: Add new sections "B" and "C".

- B. An Honorary Member retains all the rights, privileges and obligations of an active member but is not required to pay annual dues. Only members who were designated "Honorary" prior to 2011 shall hold this classification.
- C. A Sustaining Member is a member who has held membership in Mesquite Club for at least 35 years, has reached the age of 70 years, and requested a Sustaining Member classification prior to 2011. A Sustaining member retains all the rights, privileges and obligations of an active member but is required to pay only one-half the current annual dues.

Rationale: To clarify the status of current Honorary and Sustaining members. Honorary and Sustaining membership classifications were a part of our bylaws prior to 2011, and even though these classifications were removed, there are still members in the club who hold these privileges. This change does not allow for adding additional members to these classifications.

Submitted by: the Bylaws Committee

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Section 4: DUTIES, A. President, 7.

Proposed Change: Delete the word "one" in the third line and insert the word "two".

If adopted would read:

7. At the expiration of her term she shall automatically become a director of the Mesquite Club for a two year term.

Rationale: It is essential that the expertise and experience of the immediate past president be available to the Executive Board for a two year period in order to guide the members of the Board who might be unfamiliar with the procedures, customs and historical purposes for actions that are being debated.

Note: If the above proposed change to ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS, Section 4: DUTIES, A. <u>President</u>,7. is passed the following section will also be changed to conform with the above change.

ARTICLE VIII. DIRECTORS

Section 1: DEFINITION

Proposed change: Delete the second sentence "At least one director...." and insert a new sentence: "At least two directors shall be immediate Past Presidents; the other two shall be elected." If adopted would read:

The board of directors shall consist of four directors unless changed by amendment to these bylaws.

At least two directors shall be immediate Past Presidents; the other two shall be elected.

Submitted by: Phyllis Hendrickson, June Eckenroth and Billie Kenney

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Section 4: DUTIES, F. Treasurer, 6.

Proposed change: Delete.

Rationale: It is no longer procedure for the Treasurer to receive rental checks. All funds go to the Financial

Secretary to be deposited.

Submitted by: Lynda Schultz, Treasurer

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Section 4: DUTIES, G. Financial Secretary, 2.

Proposed change: In the first sentence delete the words ",except rental checks,"

If adopted would read:

2. She shall receive all monies due to the Mesquite Club. She shall promptly transfer them to the Treasurer

Rationale: Current procedure is for all funds to go to the Financial Secretary to be deposited.

Submitted by: Lynda Schultz, Treasurer

ARTICLE XVI DISSOLUTION

Proposed Change: Delete. Insert new ARTICLE XVI DISSOLUTION

If adopted would read:

A. In the event a vote is taken by the membership to divide or dissolve the club and/or the club's assets, both property and/or financial; it will require a three-fourths vote of those holding membership in

#### PROPOSED CHANGES—PAGE 2; MEMBER HIGHLIGHT; GFWC Nevada Convention

good standing to pass a division or dissolution motion. Changes to the provisions of ARTICLE XVI DISSOLUTION will require a three-fourths vote of those holding membership in good standing.

B. On the winding up and dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for the debts, obligations, and liabilities of the corporation, the remaining assets of this corporation shall be distributed to G.F.W.C. Nevada, Inc. as the primary beneficiary or to the contingent beneficiary: The General Federation of Women's Clubs., if G.F.W.C. Nevada no longer exists. If such distribution is not possible, then distribution shall be to another charitable organization within Clark County, Nevada which has established its tax-exempt status under Internal Revenue Code section 501c(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law. No assets may be distributed to individual members.

Rationale: If a group of members should propose changes to the club that result in the club dividing or dissolving, it should require a preponderance of the membership to agree to such changes. If the club assets are required to be transferred to G.F.W.C. Nevada, then there can be no dispute between factions of the membership regarding the future ownership of the assets. Assets could then be returned to those members proposing to continue the club in its historic and traditional form. This change in dissolution planning is being recommended by GFWC to protect the assets of clubs.

Submitted by: the Bylaws Committee

#### **GFWC Nevada State Convention**



- ❖ Friday, April 15, 2016 Meet and Greet at the home of Joan Powell.
- ❖ Saturday, April 16, 2016 8 am till 5 pm

Convention at the Mesquite Clubhouse.

- ❖ GFWC guest, Suellen Brazil, GFWC International Treasurer, and the installation of 2016 2018 officers.
- ❖ Saturday, April 16, 2016, 6 pm Dinner at Fellini's restaurant.



Barbara Bolling, has been a very active Mesquite Member since joining in 2011. She was introduced to our club by Mary Shaw (1980) upon joining her Wednesday Watercolor Class.

Already, she has served as Special Events Chairman and currently is



First Vice President in charge of vital kitchen operations and scheduling, she fulfills the silent job of editing the first draft of "The Mesquiter." She has sung in our choir for four years.

Raised in Long Beach and Northern California, she was always interested in art. Following that desire she attended California College of Art in the Bay Area.

Barbara moved to Las Vegas 55 years ago. She worked at the Nevada Test Site, as well as for the State of Nevada. Later, she spent 20 years as Executive Director. There she organized doctor's continuing education classes, established scholarships programs and put on fundraising events all for the mission to promote excellence health care for Nevadans. While working she and her husband Steve (married 40 happy years) raised three children.

Mesquite Club offers Barbara many avenues to pursue her dreams: music, choir, painting, watercolor classes and she loves baking and cooking for teas and luncheons. She is proud to be part of an organization that has played such a remarkable role in the development of cultural and philanthropic efforts in our community. A lovely and busy lady.

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Me too.

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The Mystery will be solved then!



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#### ADVERTISER PROFILE; DFEH SCHOOL SUPPLIES



Gregory Fehr,

P.E.\*, BS Engr., MBA, \*AL, OK

Gregory was recruited to Las Vegas in 1989 to work as an engineer for 3 years or so. His specialties are Metallurgical, Mechanical,

Corrosion, and Industrial
Engineering. In August, 1990, he married Kathleen Ingenthron, a long time Mesquite
member. He decided to stay. In 2004, Gregory hung out
his shingle and began a private practice under the
banner of ATMG of Nevada.

While he has from time to time been involved with new construction e.g. buildings and pipes and water tanks for the SNWA and LVVWD, his main emphasis deals with existing structures and facilities. Based on his experience and his 16-year record of teaching approximately 104 sessions of the national seminar on Structural Condition Assessment of Existing Structures for the American Society of Civil Engineers, he specializes in evaluating the soundness of structures such as roller coasters, other amusement rides, monorails, trams, bridges, cooling towers, and water tanks. One of his largest clients is Cirque du Soleil were he provides periodic evaluation of the stage and acrobatic equipment for several of the shows to insure safety. In addition to designing cathodic protection systems using sacrificial anodes or impressed current to mitigate internal and external corrosion on metals, Greg and his staff provide a testing service to verify continued corrosion protection of pipes, water tanks, and underground fuel tanks as required by the Clark County Health District. The Disney Land "CARS" Ride systems were fabricated here in Las Vegas. Gregory's team provided visual weld inspection and nondestructive testing of metal components and welds including radiography and ultrasonic testing - similar to medical evaluations. A natural extension of these capabilities is Failure Analysis. Most of Gregory's failure analysis projects concern metal structures and parts, but failures of plastics and paint systems have found their way to ATMG.

Besides working with many of the major properties in town, Gregory's work also has extended to Sendai, Japan, Okinawa, Mexico City, Panama, Toronto, and the Republic of California. As a graduate of Oklahoma University, he has suffered many years of watching OU *almost* win the NCAA football championship. His wife, Kathy, acknowledges that Greg is semi-retired, but notes that the "semi" does not seem to be very big.



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## School Supplies for Doris French Elementary School.

Our members are continuing to collect School Supplies and Books for the students at the school. Please deposit any of those items in the Black Basket which has been placed on the Stage at the clubhouse. Any and all School Supplies and Books are very much appreciated by the children and staff at Doris French E.S.



#### BOARD BRIEFS, CLUB FINANCIALS, READING WEEK, HAPPY BIRTHDAY

#### **BOARD BRIEFS**

#### **\$ MESQUITE CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT \$**



The meeting of the Mesquite Club Executive Board was called to order by President Johanna Kennedy at 10:02 am.

#### Second Vice President: Elsa Torgerson

- Magnet backs for the name badges cost

\$1.00 for replacement. One new membership was received last month.

Financial Secretary: Nancy Zangl - December Income \$7607.50

Community Service: Joan Lapan - Veterans Basket was delivered on New Year's Day. Next Wednesday is the Bridge Luncheon at Phyllis Hendrickson's. Four have paid to attend. Joan will make phone calls to those unpaid.

Building Chair: Cathi Poer - Thank you to all of those that donated to the Fence fund at year end.

Nominations Chair: Phyllis Hendrickson - January 12 is the first nominations meeting.

Membership Director: Betty Miller - Leadership Workshop is coming up on February 27th. Proceeds benefit NV GFWC.

Community Service Director: Sandy Holliday - April will be a luncheon "April in Paris." Please start saving items for Dress for Success and Rummage Sale.

Bylaws: Joan Doubrava - Bylaws will meet on Friday after the luncheon. Please submit to Joan Doubrava in writing.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:37 am

#### NV Reading Week at Doris French Elementary School.

Members of the Mesquite Club are invited and encouraged to take part in NV Reading Week from February 29, until March 4, at the school. Celeste Kern, an Early Childhood Teacher at Doris French E. S. is eager to welcome our members to select a morning or afternoon during that week to read with the kids. In advance, Celeste thanks us for our attention to this request. Reading week is an ongoing event at the school every year. Mesquite Club members have taken part for the past three years. Please call Lois Evora at (702) 897-8551 to schedule your morning or afternoon time preference for any day during the FEBRUARY 29 - MARCH 4, week to schedule your participation. This is one of the most fun things our members describe doing during the year, and the children love us to come to the school for Reading Week.

Submitted by, Treasurer: Lynda Schultz

November 31, 2015

Savings Balance \$51840.89 Checking Balance \$51539.61

Designated Funds of \$19496.13

Choir \$692.84

Community Service Day \$1519.64 Community Service Evening \$12808.43

Crafts \$1763.51

Landscaping \$825.00

Memorial Fund \$1381.16

We Care \$505.55

November Net Income \$7465.28.

#### **\$ MEMORIAL FUND REPORT \$**

According to the Standing Rules of the Mesquite Club, the Memorial Fund is used for the purpose of major improvement or repair and maintenance of Mesquite Club property.

The Memorial Fund welcomes donations for birthdays, anniversaries, congratulations, family members as well as sympathy. Make checks payable to Mesquite Club Memorial Fund and mail to:

Mesquite Club

P.O. Box 95662 - Las Vegas, NV 89193-5662

**Current Donations:** 

Marilyn Essex: June Eckenroth, Joan Powell, Johanna

Kennedy, Ruthie Hinman

Yvonne Kelly's Son, David: June Eckenroth

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!

Joan Doubrava 02/04 Phyllis Noblitt 02/07 Joan Lapan 02/10 Helga Caggiano 02/13 Lilly Partridge 02/24 Robin Dobbs 02/27



#### GFWC LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP, GFWC RAFFLE



## GFWC Nevada

# Leadership Workshop Saturday, February 27, 2016 Mesquite Clubhouse

702 E St Louis Avenue - Las Vegas, NV 89104

 $10~\mathrm{am}$  till  $12~\mathrm{noon}$  - Cost: \$15

Space is limited, please RSVP:

Cathi Poer: 702-873-0147 or

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- What does your body language say about you?
- This will be the best two hours that you can spend.
- Bring a friend. Everyone is welcome.
- Come join us!

#### <u>GFWC</u>

#### RAFFLE!

In 1983 when GFWC was preparing to celebrated its' 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday, the Goebel



Company of Germany was commissioned to create a series of four figurines depicting the women of the past 100 years.

The first figurine depicting 1890-1914 was offered for sale during the administration of Juanita Martin Bryant, 1982-1984. At the end of her term the mold was broken. The second figurine represents circa 1915-1939 and was offered during the administration of Jeri J. Winger, 1984-1986. Again the mold was broken. The third figurine represents circa 1940-1964 and was offered during the administration of Phyllis Vreeland Roberts, 1986-1988. Again the mold was broken. The fourth and final figurine depicting 1965-1990 was offered during the administration of Alice Clark Donahue, 1988-1990. The final mold was broken so that no more could be produced.

Today two sets reside in National Headquarters, one in the office of the president and the other in the 1728 third floor hallway cabinet. Through the generosity of one of our members we are offering a full set of the beautiful figurines as a raffle prize. The raffle will be closed at our April 16, 2016 GFWC Nevada State Convention. Tickets are \$10 each. It is not necessary to be present to win. Included with the figurines are two pages of the 125th Anniversary Postage Stamps issued by GFWC and the commemorative pin made available at the 125th Convention in Memphis, Tennessee. This is a value of approximately \$745.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Board Meeting 10 am Evening: Regular meeting 6 pm	3 Watercolor 10 am	4	5 Silver Tea 1 pm	6
7	8	9	10 Watercolor 10 am	11	12 Business Meeting 1 pm	13
14  January Day	PRESIDENTS * D A Y *	16 Evening: Social Outing 6 pm	17 Watercolor 10 am	18	"Red, White and Blue" Celebration 1 pm	20
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#### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

February is the month of love! It is also heart health month. So, the cause for this month is to take care of your heart health and show the people in your live how much you love them.



Sometimes with the busy day, we forget to let those special to us, how much we care. Family and friends are the special gifts in our lives, so take a moment to let them know how much that you appreciate them. It will also make your heart feel better. So, you see, it is a win, win situation.



I want to take this opportunity to let all of my Mesquite Club sisters know how much I love and appreciate you all.

WOW! I feel better. Now it is YOUR turn!

Spread love, it will make your day!

Happy Valentine Day! Will you be my Valentine?

#### PLEASE NOTE!

# THE NEXT DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 15 FOR THE MARCH ISSUE DON'T WAIT 'TIL IT'S TOO LATE!

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