

# THE MESQUITE

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Issue 8

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March 2017

## SAVE THE DATE

**MAR 3**, 1 pm Fine Arts Day  
**MAR 10**, 1 pm Closed Business Meeting  
**MAR 13 thru 19**, Rummage Sale set-up  
**APR 7**, 1 pm Afternoon Tea  
**APR 21**, Regular meeting 1 pm Japanese Tea Service  
**APR 28**, 1 pm Business Meeting Elections

## EVENING

**MAR 7**, 6 pm Business Meeting  
**MAR 14**, 6 pm Rummage Sale Set-up  
**APR 4**, 6 pm Business meeting, Election of chairs, Vote for 2017 HCA recipient, assemble hygiene bags  
**APR 18**, 6 pm Social activity

## Annual Rummage Sale FURNITURE PRE-SALE

**Saturday, March 11**  
**9 am until 3 pm**

## RUMMAGE SALE

**Friday & Saturday**  
**9 am to 4 pm**  
**Sunday 10 am to 2 pm**  
**March 17, 18, 19, 2017**



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Working smarter, not harder, to support our local community.*



Welcome to Spring!

The month of February is the shortest month of the year, but this year is just flew by. We had some wonderful events. And the hits keep coming. March 3, is our Fine Arts Day. See page two for more details on that day.

March, what happens every March? RUMMAGE SALE! This year we have been blessed with donations of wonderful furniture. Because of this blessing we are having a Furniture Sale on Saturday, March 11, from 9 am till 3 pm. We will be posting photos of some of the furniture on Facebook. Tell your friends and family. We also need YOU to step up and help for the Furniture Sale and the Rummage Sale. We need workers to prepare, to work the sale, and to bring food for the workers. Take a moment now and email Johanna @ jkennedyart@aol.com. Do that NOW!

I want to thank everyone who attended and contributed to the Ways and Means Luncheon. It was wonderful. I cannot express to you how much I appreciate your hard work and support. Joan Doubrava and Phyliss Noblitt, stepped up and hosted a table each. We had ladies from the military as well as volunteers from the USO. We were able to expose a new audience to what we do, and we may have a new member or two for the next Club year.

It is kind of crazy to say that the year is winding down, but it is. We must remember that even though we take a break from the meetings in the off season, THE WORK CONTINUES! I am assembling packages that will be available for members to contact local business and merchants to either support or keep up the support. My goal as president is to create a perpetual funding process, so that we are always fundraising for who ever our project is. I will ask that every member step up to help with this project. I will go into more detail at the business meeting. If I can get everyone to do at least two hours of fundraising, we will not only meet our goal; we will exceed it and set new records.

It is that time of year for nominations. Please consider stepping up to help the Club thrive. If we have a person for every position, we would not have members who are doing multiple jobs. Also, consider being a mentor to a new member. This is the best way for them to get to know what and how we do things. It also helps them own their membership.

Yes, I go on and on. That is why you asked me to be your president. All that I ask is that you do ONE thing to help support me as well as the Club. Wherever I go, I am handing out my Club business card and telling whoever will listen about our work. I had the pleasure of meeting our sheriff, Joe Lombardo, who did not know anything about The Mesquite Club. He has offered to come to speak to us. I told him that we are willing to support his police force. I am so proud of the work that we do. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Keep the good work up!

Thank you, Cherie Lee Williams



## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MESQUITE CLUB?

### Fine Arts Day—Friday, March 3, 2017—1 pm



The Mesquite Club is committed to honoring the arts every year at our Fine Arts Day.

This year we will learn about, Mary Stevenson Cassatt, an American painter and printmaker. She was born in Pennsylvania, but lived much of her adult life in France, where

she first befriended Edgar Degas and later exhibited among the Impressionists.

Our speaker is, Mary Ellen Howey, who was a performer in the regional theatre in Washington, DC. She was nominated for the Helen Hayes Award to recognize excellence in professional theater in the Washington, D.C. area.



Enjoy learning about Mary Cassatt. Bring a friend!

### The Japanese Tea Ceremony

Friday, April, 21, 2017

The Japanese tea ceremony is called Chanoyu, Sado or simply Ocha in Japanese. It is a choreographic ritual of preparing and serving Japanese green tea, called Matcha, together with traditional Japanese sweets to balance with the bitter taste of the tea. Preparing tea in this ceremony means pouring all one's attention into the pre-defined movements. The whole process is not about drinking tea, but is about aesthetics, preparing a bowl of tea from one's heart. The host of the ceremony always considers the guests with every movement and gesture. Even the placement of the tea utensils is considered from the guests view point (angle), especially the main guests called the Shokyaku.



Save the date!  
This will be a very interesting meeting! A great opportunity to share with a friend!

### MESQUITE CLUB ANNUAL GARDEN TEA

Friday, May 5, 2017—1 pm

\$25

"An Alice in Wonderland Tea Party"



This event is in partnership with the  
Community Service Committee

SAVE THE DATE!

### Mesquite Club Closing Luncheon

And Installation of Officers

Friday, May 19, 2017

Social: 11 am—Luncheon Noon

# Strawberry Festival

Mark your calendar!

Join us as we celebrate the club  
year!

## EVENING CHAIR LETTER; RUMMAGE SALE



Dear Members of the Evening Chapter of the Mesquite Club,

February was a busy month for us. We wrote letters to Service Members that will be distributed through the USO at McCarren Airport as part of our community service. We had a fantastic Mardi Gras Bingo Fundraiser for Evening Ways and Means. Lastly, Pat Garcia, Connie Macauley, Bonnie Utton, and Stephani Zimmerman, and I met at Molly's Fort Apache on February 22, to review the 26 applications from nonprofit agencies. We decided which four will present to the membership on March 7.

On March 7, the Evening members will hear from Make-A-Wish Southern Nevada, Miracle League of Las Vegas, Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth, and Street Teens. The agencies have been asked to join us for dinner at 6 pm with their ten-minute presentations beginning around 6:40 p.m. A question-and-answer period will follow each presentation. The membership will vote on the recipient of part of the net proceeds of the 2017 Holiday Craft Auction on April 4.

Pam Ivey recruited readers for the scholarship applications, and they were sent by e-mail from the Clark County Public Education Foundation in late February. The ratings of the readers will determine the three scholarship recipients who will be honored at our May 2 meeting this year. The financial need of these high school graduates is tremendous, and the Mesquite Club Scholarship is very important to them.

Of course, we're all looking forward to the Furniture Pre Sale on March 11, and the Rummage Sale on March 17, 18, and 19. Our March 14 meeting will be devoted to sorting through all of the donations. While Johanna Kennedy is coordinating the sale, evening decided to have one person represent Evening each day of the week in preparation for the sale and during the sale. Pat Garcia (Monday), Linda Shapona (Wednesday), Irene Armijo (Thursday), Jane Reid (Friday), Sunnie Rae Grigsby (Saturday), and Melissa Clary (Sunday) have volunteered to be Johanna's assistants.

Pat Garcia and Dolores Martinez continue their Saturday Socials, and they have chosen fantastic restaurants around the Las Vegas Valley. The March 11 Social is at Bravo Cucina Italiana Restaurant in the Galleria Mall in Henderson at 11:30 a.m. Anyone interested in attending needs to RSVP to Dolores or Pat. Since the Furniture Sale is on the same day. Members can go to it prior to the luncheon or go after to help at the furniture sale.

Lastly, and probably most importantly, Connie Macauley, nominating chair, is soliciting self-nominations for the chair positions for 2017-18. If you have not contacted her yet, please do so now since it takes all of us to continue our dedication to the Mesquite Club and to the local community.

In Federation friendship,

Jane Reid  
2016-17 Chair of the Evening  
Chapter of the Mesquite Club  
Home: 702-463-7942; Mobile: 330-518-5406  
E-mail: j.reid5@cox.net

### Mesquite Club Annual Rummage Sale



### FURNITURE PRE-SALE

**Saturday, March 11, 2017 9 am till 3 pm**

**We need members to sign up for shifts during the pre sale and the rummage sale. Please step up for this event.**

**Contact: Johanna @ (702) 737-9499 for day or Jane @ (702) 463-7942 for evening.**

**Thank you in advance for your support with this event.**

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# BOARD BRIEFS; CLUB FINANCIALS; MEMORIAL FUND; OTHER INFORMATION

## BOARD BRIEFS



The Executive Board meeting was called to order at 10 am.

Presidents Report - Cherie Williams  
President Williams has had a busy month attending meetings, a shredding event held in the parking lot, and spreading the good works of The Mesquite Club wherever she goes.

January Board Meeting Minutes - Sally Achord  
Minutes approved as emailed

Second VP - Elsa Torgerson - We now have 132 members

Financial Secretary - Nancy Zangl - January Income \$4278.50

Elected Chairs—Ways & Means - No chairperson - February 17th luncheon at Sienna Golf Course.

Nominating - Cathi Poer - A meeting will be set up for the committee soon.

Evening Mesquite Representative - Jane Reid - Robin Dobbs has resigned as she is moving to Florida. Please complete the Brag sheets and return to Connie Macauley, Bingo Fundraiser is February 21. February 11 is the Saturday Social at Bonefish.

Building Chair - The Building is filling up with rummage. All is well with the building.

Rummage Sale - Johanna Kennedy - is requesting all sign up to work the Rummage Sale. Sign-up sheets are being passed at all meetings. Needed items are bags, toilet paper tubes and hangers. We are in need of a thrift store to pickup the left over items after the Rummage Sale.

Community Service - Jan White - Garden Tea Committee is taking the lead on the Garden Tea. Planning is going well.

New Business - A motion was made at the request of the Choir that the remaining choir funds of \$692 be designated for piano maintenance and or tuning. Motion was approved

The copier in the office was donated to us. It is suggested that we place this in the Rummage Sale. Value will be determined at a later date. Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.

Respectfully Submitted, Sally Achord



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## \$ MESQUITE CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT \$

Treasurer - Lynda Schultz - Report will be filed for audit

Savings \$51871.25,

Checking \$32366.97

less designated funds of \$14089.62

Choir 692.84

Community Service Day 2336.64

Community Service Evening 797.42

Crafts 3477.76

Landscaping 825.00

Memorial Fund 5454.41

We Care 505.55



## MEMORIAL FUND REPORT

Memorial Funds are 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.  
Memorial Fund balance: \$5454.41.

Thank you for the following donations:

Cathi Poer for Miriam McQuaig



The GFWC Website is a wealth of information, check it out: <http://www.gfwc.org/>

The GFWC Club Manual is a living document that is constantly changing. Check it out for current issues: <http://www.gfwc.org/membership/club-manual/>

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## MEMBER INFORMATION; PRIVATE LUNCHEONS; GFWC CONVENTION



### Schedule your Private Luncheon

The **Ways and Means Committee**, is offering Private Luncheons this year. This is always a popular event, It is a great way to spend quality time with other members. **Yes**, you can bring a friend.



Check your calendar and call Nancy Zangl to get your luncheon on the schedule. These sell out quickly.

***They are fun to plan, and they are fun to attend!***

Contact Nancy Zangl at  
(702) 564-3216

**Schedule yours today!**

**Cherie Lee Williams with Jenny Mueller**

**At the home of Cherie Williams**

**Wednesday, April 26, 2017**

**12 pm - We can accommodate 12**



### NEW MEMBER

**JENNY MULLER**

Please welcome Jenny Muller to Mesquite Club. She originally came to Las Vegas in 1979 from Memphis, Tennessee and finished high

school here.

She has been in the restaurant business for over 30 years. She went to culinary school in 1994 in Portland and spent an internship in San Francisco.

From 1996-2004 Jenny worked in Las Vegas for Andre's French Restaurant downtown and helped open Andre's Monte Carlo Restaurant. Then from 2009-2015 she worked for J.B.'s Place & Deli and its catering business.

Jenny likes to travel, cook (of course) and spend time with family. Family includes Mesquite Club members: her mother, Sandra Ackerman, and aunt, Joan Powell.

We are happy to welcome Jenny to Mesquite Club.

### NEW MEMBER

Lisa Howell

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[DrLisaLynn@aol.com](mailto:DrLisaLynn@aol.com)

Birthday: 6/28



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# MARCH 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Art Class 10 am Poker 12 noon	2	3 Fine Arts Day 1 pm	4
5	6 Craft Group 10 am	7 Board Meeting 10 am  <u>Evening</u> Business Meeting 6 pm	8 Art Class 10 am Poker 12 noon	9	10 Noon New Member <u>Orientation</u> Closed Business Meeting 1 pm	11 <b>Rummage Sale Furniture Sale 9 am- 3 pm</b>
12 	13	14	15	16	17  <b>Rummage Sale 9 am- 4 pm</b>	18 <b>Rummage Sale 9 am- 4 pm</b>
<div>Rummage Sale Set-up All membership needed to help!</div>						
19 <b>Rummage Sale 10 am- 2 pm</b>	20 Craft Group 10 am	21	22 Art Class 10 am Poker 12 noon	23	24	25
26	27 Craft Group 10 am	28	29 Art Class 10 am Poker 12 noon	30	31	



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**PLEASE NOTE!**

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

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