



Welcome Back!



I look forward to seeing all of you at our first meeting on Saturday. It is my privilege to be working with all of you.

Perhaps some of you will be bringing a guest. That would be so nice. Our meetings are open to the public. Most of all I want to thank my Co-President Carm Piquette for her wonderful guidance and skills. She is an asset to this organization. She has a wealth of experience that she brings to the table every time. She has become my friend as well as my colleague. To think a year ago I barely knew

her. See what fringe benefits being a member of the League can bring to you. We have an excellent board as well. They have been working hard all summer so that we can get off to a good start. So please think of how you can help us make this year fruitful. Let's continue to put the League of Women Voters of Mesquite on the map. And as the League motto says "Lets Make Democracy Work."

Co-president, Ginny Loomis



A Visit With The Queen For Tea



At the invitation of Don & France Rust from the LWVPV, members of the Mesquite League attended the Pahrump Leagues Annual "Queens Tea" on June 18th. In attendance was newly elected state President Rosemary Gary and her husband Jim along with Mesquite Co-presidents Ginny Loomis & Carm Piquette. The event gives recognition to women in the Pahrump Valley for their volunteering and good works in the community. Eighteen women received Woman of Distinction Awards. Mark your calendars for their next years event and bring your hat's cause this was a hoot of an experience.

League Jewelry

At the September 10th General Meeting we will be showcasing a couple of Sunflower Designed jewelry pieces that you might want to add to your existing League paraphernalia. DC Designs created a couple of mockup items this summer for both Ginny and I and we would like to hear your thoughts. Could this be a possible fundraiser item?

The cost is around \$30-\$40 and items can be custom designed per your own style and budget. Please continue to contact our Ande Anderson-Lewis for purchase of all our League Hats, Tote Bags, Name Tags and Shirts. Remember to wear your League colors at our next meeting.

Carm Piquette

Plan To Get Involved

We are asking all members to support the League by joining a committee. We recommend that committees who do not have a chair at this time choose their own or rotate the position. Yes we are aware that our members are active in numerous organizations but as the expression goes many hands make light work. We need people on committees who can share their ideas, implement them or provide support and assistance. Our committees are an integral part of who we are as a League. They help to publicize our organization and further contribute to our community. Filling our open positions will not only be rewarding but should be fun as well.



Important Dates

IMPORTANT LWVM DATES

Newsletter Deadline: 5 pm. Sept. 2nd.
Board Meeting: Sept. 1st.
General Meeting: Sept 10th.

Newsletter Deadline: 5 pm. Oct. 30th.
Board Meeting: Sept. 29th.
General Meeting: Oct. 8th

Newsletter Deadline: 5 pm. Nov. 4th.
Board Meeting: Nov. 3rd.
General meeting: Nov. 12th. (Membership Drive Time)

Newsletter Deadline: 5 pm. Dec. 2nd.
Board Meeting: Dec. 1st.
General Meeting: Dec. 10th. (Holiday Luncheon Time)

Newsletter Deadline: 5 pm. Jan. 6, 2012
Board Meeting: Jan. 5th.
General Meeting: Jan. 14th.

Newsletter Deadline: 5 pm. Feb. 3rd, 2012
Board Meeting: Feb. 2nd.
General Meeting: Feb. 11th.

Newsletter Deadline: 5 pm. March 2nd, 2012
Board Meeting: March 1st.
General Meeting: March 10th.

General Meetings: Held 2nd Sat. of month, Sept thru May at the Veterans Center, 830 Hafen Lane, 10 am. till Noon. Open to the Public.

Board Meetings: Held at Noon, TWO Thursday's **before** the 2nd Saturday of the Month's General Meeting at the Chamber of Commerce located at 12 W. Mesquite Blvd, Suite #107. All Members Invited.

Note: If doors are locked during that time please knock loudly on door.

Newsletter: Articles and pictures to be sent to Cindi Delaney at cindi@deleanestudio.com
Email Subject Line example: For LWVM Newsletter for October.

So Cindi is able to take notice it's for the Newsletter.

Missed deadline material might go into the following month's Newsletter.

Voter Service's Report

Our dear sweet registrars are spread all over the earth and have missed our very comfortable heat. Hopefully they will all be here for the first meeting. The New Year brings many interesting opportunities for the 12 registrars, working with the Salvation Army and seniors who come to the Army for food supplies. We see most seniors in town at the Senior Center on Thursdays, but some could be new to town and want to be registered. And of course 2012 is an election year and again may want to get registered. Then we have the High School work with the voting machines and registering new voters turning 18. So, we are looking forward to a fun new year and I will let you know all the news each month. It's a great honor to be a registrar, and you don't know what fun you're missing should you want to play.

Jeannette Kendrick.
Co-chairman Registration Committee

WEB SITE AND FACEBOOK

Throughout this Summer, our Web Site www.lwvm.org has been updated quite frequently. Our Advocate/Lobbyist Sam King has been sending updated information quite often and as soon as I receive it, it goes into our Web Page.

Our Facebook page is then updated with a quick reminder that there is new information on our Web page. The LWVM Facebook page can be reached by going to www.facebook.com and when you reach the home page, type in league of women voters of mesquite, in the search window.

Throughout this year, we plan to keep both the facebook page and our web page up to date with current information, so be sure to check it out often! If you have any questions feel free to call me – Mina Stone – 702-346-7590

League Treasurer's Report

Register Report - All Dates
6/1/2011 through 8/31/2011

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Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Category	Tag	Clr	Amount
BALANCE 5/31/2011								0.00
6/1/2011	Checking at ...		Opening Bal...	[Checking at ...			R	3,188.31
6/22/2011	Checking at ...		EUREKA CA... Fundracing/...	Donations			R	225.83
7/18/2011	Checking at ...		Gloria George	Donation - E...			R	50.00
8/25/2011	Checking at ...		Cindie Delan... Inl.paper, fly...	Office Expen... Expen...				-170.05
8/25/2011	Checking at ...		League Of ... National's ...	Annual Dues	expen...			-930.00
8/25/2011	Checking at ...		Sandra Metc... Nevada's D...	Annual Dues	ex pen...			-335.50
6/1/2011 - 8/31/2011								2,028.59
BALANCE 8/31/2011								2,028.59
TOTAL INFLOWS								3,464.14
TOTAL OUTFLOWS								-1,435.55
NET TOTAL								2,028.59





LWVM General Meeting Agenda

Saturday, September 10, 2011

10:00 to 12:00 am

Location: Mesquite Veterans Center, 830 Hafen Lane, Mesquite NV. 89027

NOTE: All items may be action items unless noted with an ()*

Allocated Time	Agenda Item
5 minutes	I. Call to order / Sign-In Sheets. II. Welcome any guests or new members.
5 minutes	III. Approval of minutes.
20 minutes	IV. Speaker: Mesquite Mayor Mark Wier. Topic: Mesquite Economy
10 minutes	V. Speaker: Fred Toval, American Lung Association. Topic: "Smoke Free Mesquite"
VII. Committee Reports	
5 minutes	1. Treasurer: Reports.
5 minutes	2. Housekeeping: All committees must report monthly to either one of the Co-presidents. If no report is submitted, the committee chair will not be on the agenda
5 minutes	3. Committee List.
VIII. Unfinished Business	
5 minutes	1. Pledge of Allegiance. 2. 3. 4. 5.
NEW BUSINESS	
10 minutes	1. * Endorsement Discussion: "Smoke Free Mesquite" 2. General Store invitation 3. Membership Drive. 4. Festival of Trees. 5. Veterans Parade. 6. DC Design Jewelry. 7. Agenda item request.
	Oct. Speaker: Nancy Hall Topic: Gold Butte

Environment Committee

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON ENVIRONMENT ISSUES?

Environmental issues are far and wide – local, city, county, state and federal laws guide our health and well being. What are your interests: Clean air, water conservation, local recycling needs? Let's get together and get busy!

Federal Legislation recently introduced affecting Clark County and Mesquite:

- Mesquite Lands Conveyance Act of 2011 – S 1473 and HR 2745
Senator Heller introduced the bill to amend Public Law 99-548 to provide for the implementation of the multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River, Nevada, and to extend the authority to purchase certain parcels of public land.
Concerns: This amendment is essential to implement the Virgin River Habitat Conservation Plan. It also extends identified public lands to be developed surrounding Mesquite for 12 more years. Mesquite's past lands development legislation has not provided a lands conservation component.
- Nellis Dunes National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area Act of 2011 – S 1475
Senator Heller introduced the bill to convey certain land to Clark County, Nevada, to designate the Nellis Dunes National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area, and for other purposes.
Concern: Over 300,000 OHV enthusiasts use the Dunes every year. Friends of Gold Butte will present an explanation on the importance of this legislation at their next meeting in the Mesquite Community Theatre at 6:30 p.m. on Wed., Sept. 21st. Mike Popp, from the Clark County Planning and Development Division has been working on this legislation for the past three years and will share with us his expertise on Nellis Dunes and the impact of this bill on Southern Nevada.

The power of ideas and collaboration came together with the opening of the Gold Butte Visitors Center in the Mesquite Chamber of Commerce lobby August 30th. Thank you to all the League of Women Voters that came out to support our ribbon cutting. The idea is to have our visitors stay and enjoy Mesquite's backyard, experience Mesquite's quality of life, and support Mesquite's local businesses.

“Stay an extra day or a lifetime”

Sept. 14th Chris Mehl, Policy Director at Headwater Economics, will be presenting at the Chamber luncheon. He will share the results of a recent study on the economic impacts to communities near nationally designated lands. (Call 346-2902 to attend.) In the evening at the Mesquite Community Theatre (doors open 6:30pm) local businesses will join Chris in a discussion of the results of his studies and the competitive advantage for gateway communities.

For more information on Friends of Gold Butte sponsored presentations, hikes and upcoming events go to www.friendsofgoldbutte.org

Committee interests give me a call at 702-277-3337 or email birdladynv@yahoo.com

Nancy Hall