

Women's History and Culture Center

April 2024 Newsletter



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Notes from the Editors

Mesquite added two new annual events last month: The Search for the Gold Dinner and Auction fundraiser for Mohave County Search and Rescue and the March Against ALL Cancers fundraiser for the Cancer HELP Society. Both events were well attended and planning is already underway for next year. Congratulations to everyone involved in these worthwhile fundraisers.

The Women's History and Culture Center has two not-to-be-missed events going on all of April. The first is a lobby exhibit at the Mesquite Library featuring inspirational women and the books written about them. Please stop by to learn more about these notable women and while there, enjoy a quick meal at the library's Table of Contents Cafe.

The second is the 4th Annual "Decorate Saxon the Suffrage Cat" contest, which started in March. Budding artists of all ages and anyone interested in learning more about the history of women's suffrage can stop by the Women's History and Culture Center to pick up a Saxon cutout and enter the contest. Pick up times are Tue, Wed and Thu from 11 AM to 3 PM. The contest will run through April and May with awards given out the first week of June. (See flyer on page 10.)

We look forward to seeing you at the center or any of the events featured in this newsletter.

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WHCC Event/Class Details for April 2024

WHCC, 225 N. Willow St., Mesquite, NV Room 23

APR 1 (MON) at 2 PM: *Wondering Words Book Club* /

APR 4 & 18 (THUR) 2 PM: *Consciousness Circle Book Club* / Terrie McArthur

APR 5, 19 & 26 (FRI) 9 to 11:30 AM: *Artists Unite* / A group of diverse artists that meet to do their art! Led By Tammy Weese / Open group. Stop by and see if it's a fit for you!!

APR 5, 12, 19 & 26 (FRI) 12:30 to 4 PM: *Hand Knee & Foot* / Gwen Dudrow / Closed group

APR 6, 13, 20 & 27 (SAT) 1:30 to 2:30 PM: *Caregiver Recharge* / Kirsten Erickson

APR 8 (MON) at 4 PM: *WHCC Volunteer Updates* / Reenie McFarland

APR 10 (WED) at 2 PM: *Desert Dames Book Club* / Kaye Hermie / Closed group

APR 10 (WED) at 6 PM: *Search & Rescue Board Meeting* / Larry McFarland

APR 11 (THUR) at 12:30 PM: *P E O Canasta* / Bev Valencia

APR 11 & 25 (THUR) at 5:30 PM: *Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant (MSMP) Meeting* / Becky Boyd

APR 12 (FRI) at 2 PM: *Desert Dames Bunco* / Rosealee Lee / Closed group

APR 13 (SAT) at 10 AM: *VV Chapter NS DAR Meeting* / Vicki Clift 801-699-0678

APR 13 (SAT) at Noon: *Veterans Day Party Planning* / Lee Rosen

APR 14 (SUN) at 11 AM: *Love, Family Gathering* / Dana Long. To learn more about Love, Family, find them on Facebook or visit lovefamilynv.com for contact information.

APR 14 (SUN) at 4 PM: *Mesquite Outdoor Group* / Ron & Debbie Carpenter / Closed group

APR 16 (TUE) 4 to 5 PM: *WHCC Board Meeting* / Jean Watkins

APR 16 (TUE) 4 to 6 PM: *Warrior Women* Room 23 / Dawn Pecarro

APR 17 (WED) at 12 PM: *Wip-Its Cross Stitch Club* / Connie Fullmer 509-554-8012

APR 18 (THU) 6:30 to 8:30 PM: *NV Norwex Consultant Training* / Kathy Bakken

APR 28 (SUN) 11 AM to 1 PM: *Love, Family Board Meeting* / Dana Long

Most classes and groups are on-going each month.

You can find updates to our newsletter and late breaking announcements
at whccmesquitenv.org.

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APRIL 2024 Calendar

Women's History and Culture Center

Visit our Website: whccmesquitenv.org
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SUN By Appointment	MON By Appointment	TUE Open Hours 11-3	WED Open Hours 11-3	THU Open Hours 11-3	FRI By Appointment	SAT By Appointment
	1 2 PM Wondering Words Book Club	2	3	4 2 PM Consciousness Circle Book Club	5 9 – 11:30 AM Artists Unite 12:30 – 4PM Hand/Knee/Foot	6 1:30 PM Caregiver Recharge
7	8 4 PM WHCC Volunteer Updates	9	10 2 PM Desert Dames Book Club 6 PM Search & Rescue Board Meeting	11 12:30 PM PEO Canasta 5 PM Ms Sr. Mesquite Pageant	12 10 AM Desert Dames Bunco 12:30 – 4PM Hand/Knee/Foot	13 10 AM VV Chapter NS DAR Meeting Noon Veterans Day Party Planning 1:30 PM Caregiver Recharge
14 11 AM-1 PM Love, Family Gathering 4 PM Outdoor Group	15	16 4 PM Warrior Women 4 PM WHCC Board Meeting	17 12 PM Wip-Its Cross- Stitch Club	18 2 PM Consciousness Circle Book Club 6:30 – 8:30 PM NV Norwex Consultant Training	19 9 – 11:30 AM Artists Unite 12:30 – 4PM Hand/Knee/Foot	20 1:30 PM Caregiver Recharge
21	22	23	24	25 5 PM Ms Sr Mesquite Pageant	26 9 – 11:30 AM Artists Unite 12:30 – 4PM Hand/Knee/Foot	27 1:30 PM Caregiver Recharge
28 11 AM - 1 PM Love, Family	29	30				

***Items in red depict events in the WHCC Annex (Room 18)**

**The WHCC Board meets at 4 PM on the third Tuesday of the month
 WHCC Greeters and Volunteers meet at 4 PM on the second Monday of the month**

Books at Our Center About Notable Women Born in April

Maya Angelou (April 4, 1928 - 2014)

Internationally recognized memoirist, poet and civil rights activist, whose plays, movies and television shows span over 50 years.

- *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* (Maya Angelou's first autobiography)

All seven of Angelou's autobiographies are available in our library.

Mary Pickford (April 8, 1892 - 1953)

The most successful silent film actress, starring in 74 films. Pickford was one of the five investors who started The United Artists production company.

- *Mary Pickford: Queen of the Movies*

Florence Price (April 9, 1887 - 1953)

Composer of over 300 musical works, symphonies, concertos, songs and chamber music. The first African-American woman to have her composition played by a major orchestra.

- *The Heart of a Woman: Life and Music of Florence Price*

Anne Sullivan Macy (April 14, 1866 - 1936)

A teacher who at age 5 was partially blind without reading or writing skills and became famous for working with Helen Keller who was blind, deaf and mute.

- *Helen's Eyes: A Photobiography of Annie Sullivan, Helen Keller's Teacher*

Carol Burnett (April 26, 1933 -)

Popular actress, comedian, singer, with a 50-year career on Broadway and television, including being one of the first women to host a comedy-variety show.

- *One More Time: A Memoir of Carol Burnett*

Coretta Scott King (April 27, 1933 -2006)

Author, activist and civil rights leader, who worked side by side with Martin Luther King, Jr. and successfully lobbied to have his birthday recognized as a federal holiday.

- *My Life, My Love, My Legacy*



Happy
Reading!

April Highlights in United States Women's History

- **April 2, 1931:** 17-year-old Jackie Mitchell, the second woman to play baseball in the all-male minor leagues, pitched an exhibition game against the N.Y. Yankees and struck out Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig. In retaliation, the baseball commissioner banned women from playing baseball. The ban stayed in effect until 1992.
- **April 5, 1911:** 100,000 to 500,000 people marched in New York City at the funeral of seven victims of the Triangle Shirtwaist Company fire in late March. 146 of the 500 women and children who worked in those dangerous, overcrowded sweatshop conditions died. This was the start of modern building, fire and safety codes in the U.S.
- **April 7, 1805:** Sacagawea joined the Lewis and Clark Expedition as an interpreter.
- **April 7, 1987:** The National Museum of Women in the Arts, the first museum devoted to women artists, opened in Washington, D.C.
- **April 9, 1939:** The African American contralto, Marian Anderson, performed at an Easter Sunday concert for more than 75,000 at Lincoln Memorial, at the invitation of Eleanor Roosevelt after the Daughters of the American Revolution cancelled her appearance at Washington's Constitution Hall because she was black. Eleanor increased public awareness of the existence of racial discrimination.
- **April 13, 1933:** Ruth Bryan Owens was the first woman to represent the U.S. as a foreign minister when she was appointed envoy to Denmark.
- **April 16, 1912:** Harriet Quimby was the first woman to make a solo flight across the English Channel.
- **April 19, 1977:** Fifteen women in the House of Representatives formed the Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues.
- **April 22, 1970:** Earth Day was established to honor Rachel Carson, author of *Silent Spring*. She documented the adverse effects of indiscriminate use of pesticides, greatly influencing the environmental movement and changing America.
- **April 26, 1777:** The 16-year-old American Revolution heroine, Sybil Ludington, rode 40 miles on horseback at night in a driving rainstorm to warn American militia the British were coming. Unlike Paul Revere, she evaded capture by the British on her ride.
- **April 28, 1993:** The first "Take Our Daughters to Work" Day was sponsored by the Ms. Foundation. In 2003, it became "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work" Day.

Upcoming Community Events

APRIL 2024

Apr	All Month	"Decorate Saxon the Suffrage Cat" Contest Pick up a cat to decorate or drop one off	Women's Center 225 N Willow #23
Apr	All Month	Mesquite Senior Games Spring Season – Golf, Shotgun and Target Pistol, Softball, Bike Race, Bocce Ball, Cornhole	mesquiteseniorgames.org 702-345-3347
Apr	All Month	Artists Association Grand Bazaar Open Mon-Sat from 10AM-4PM	Mesquite Fine Arts Gallery 15 W Mesquite
Apr	TBA	Zephyr Performers Spring Concert at the 3245 N. Moapa church across from Logandale Park	Moapa Valley Performing Arts Council 702-513-3894
Apr 2	Tue Noon	Brown Bag Series - Rachel Washington "Fun with Costuming"	Fine Arts Center Classroom 15 W Mesquite
Apr 6	Sat 7 PM	Rock'in with Rod: The Rod Stewart Tribute Show	Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca
Apr 6	Sat	Southern Nevada Symphony Gala	Fine Arts Gallery, 15 W Mesquite
Apr 10-14	Wed-Sun	Clark County Fair & Rodeo , Logandale	888-876-FAIR
Apr 12-13	Fri-Sat 1 PM	Mesquite-Toes Dance Troupe Spring Spectacular "Shine"	Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca
Apr 12-14	Fri-Sun	Annual Golf Weekend in Mesquite	Golfandgrow.com
Apr 18	Thu Noon	Nevada Historical Markers on the National Votes for Women Trail	Fine Arts Center Classroom 15 W Mesquite
Apr 19	Fri 6 PM	Pioneer Dutch Oven Dinner Fundraiser to help historical buildings in Mesquite	121 Elwin Whipple Way (behind LDS Church)
Apr 20	Sat 2 PM	Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant – 2024 Award Ceremony	Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca
Apr 27	Sat 7 PM	Southern Nevada Symphony Orchestra Pop Concert	High School Auditorium 820 Valley View Dr

MAY 2024

May	All Month	"Decorate Saxon the Suffrage Cat" Contest Pick up a cat to decorate or drop one off	Women's Center 225 N Willow #23
May 1-4		Mesquite Days Annual Celebration	
May 4		Kentucky Derby - 150th Anniversary	
May 7	Tue Noon	Steve Garrison Means and Steve Radosevich - Conceptual Art	Fine Arts Center Classroom 15 W Mesquite
May 16	Thu 4-6 PM	Fine Arts Center Reception and Award Ceremony Theme: Blessings of Nature	Fine Arts Center Gallery 15 W Mesquite
May 31	Fri 10A-2P	Living Well Senior Expo	Mesquite Rec Center

JUNE 2024

Jun	All Month	Pride Month Events – 3 rd Annual Bar Crawl • Family Pride Night • Adult Prom • All Ages Drag Show	Various locations dana@lovefamilynv.com
Jun 4	Tue Noon	Doug Herbert - Stories from the National Endowment of the Arts	Fine Arts Center Classroom 15 W Mesquite
Jun 6	Thu 8AM	What's Happening Mesquite at the Elks Lodge	Mesquite Chamber 702-346-2902
Jun 6	Thu 4-6 PM	"Decorate Saxon the Suffrage Cat" – Award Ceremony	Fine Arts Center Classroom 15 W Mesquite

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Jun 20	Thu 4-6 PM	Fine Arts Center Reception and Award Ceremony Theme: What Makes Me Happy	Fine Arts Center Gallery 15 W Mesquite
Jun 21	Fri TBA	Adult Prom - 2024 Theme is "The '70s"	Envy Nightclub & Lounge
Jun 29	Sat TBA	All Ages Drag Show	Community Theater, 150 N Yucca

JULY 2024

Jul 4	Thu	Rockets Over Red Mesa	Eureka Casino
Jul	TBA	Colonial Properties Christmas in July Party	Highland Manor
Jul 18	Thu 4-6 PM	Fine Arts Center Reception and Award Ceremony Theme: Light and Shadow	Fine Arts Center Gallery 15 W Mesquite

AUGUST 2024

Aug	TBA	Saxon the Suffrage Cat Award Ceremony	Fine Arts Gallery, 15 W Mesquite
Aug 2-3	Fri-Sat	Chamber 19th Annual Golf Tournament Fri Reception at 3 PM • Sat Shotgun at 7 AM	702-346-2902
Aug 15	Thu 4-6 PM	Fine Arts Center Reception and Award Ceremony. Theme: Desert Moods	Fine Arts Center Gallery 15 W Mesquite

SEPTEMBER 2024

Sep 5	Thu 8AM	What's Happening Mesquite at the Elks Lodge	Mesquite Chamber 702-346-2902
Sep 19	Thu 4-6 PM	Fine Arts Center Reception and Award Ceremony Theme: Invitational	Fine Arts Center Gallery 15 W Mesquite
Sep 21	Sat	Rotary Mudd Volleyball Tournament	mesquiterotarynv@gmail.com .

OCTOBER 2024

Oct	All Month	Mesquite Senior Games Fall Season Registration closes Oct 1	mesquiteseniorgames.org 702-345-3347
Oct 5-6	Sat-Sun	Boulder City Art in the Park	www.visitbouldercity.com.events
Oct 17	Thu 4-6 PM	Fine Arts Center Reception and Award Ceremony Theme: Beneath the Surface	Fine Arts Center Gallery 15 W Mesquite
Oct	TBA	Shreeek Reeka: Eureka Casino Parking Area	
Oct 31	Thu 5 PM	18th Annual Trunk or Treat: Casablanca Parking Garage	MPD at 702-346-5262

NOVEMBER 2024

Nov	All Month	Artists Association Christmas Boutique Open Mon-Sat from 10AM-4PM	Mesquite Fine Arts Gallery 15 W Mesquite
Nov 2	Sat	Veterans Memorial Service at the 7:45 AM	Veterans Memorial Park
Nov 2	Sat	Veterans Day Parade starting at 10 AM	Mesquite Veterans Center
Nov 2-3	Sat-Sun	Pomegranate Art Festival	Moapa Art Valley Art Guild
Nov 3-10	Sun-Sun	1,000 Flags Over Mesquite	Exchange Club
Nov 27	Wed 11AM-3PM	Community Thanksgiving Dinner Options: In-door dining, take out or drive through	Mesquite Senior Center
Nov 30	Sat	Small Business Saturday - Various Locations	Mesquite Chamber 702-346-2902

DECEMBER 2024

Dec	All Month	Artists Association Christmas Boutique Open Mon-Sat from 10AM-4PM	Mesquite Fine Arts Gallery 15 W Mesquite
Dec 5	Thu 8AM	What's Happening Mesquite at the Elks Lodge	Mesquite Chamber 702-346-2902
Dec 7	Sat 5-7:30PM	Friends of Gold Butte 8th Annual Celebration & Auction 5-7:30 PM. On-line bidding starts Nov 22.	Fgb.betterworld.org
Dec	TBA	Jingle Bell Dash – 5K and Fun Run 9 AM	Rec Center West field
Dec	TBA	Mesquite Toes “Christmas Show” – Fri & Sat at 1 PM	Mesquite Community Theatre
Dec 19	Thu 4-6 PM	Fine Arts Center Reception and Award Ceremony	Fine Arts Gallery, 15 W Mesquite

Monthly Meetings & Ongoing Community Events

MONDAY

2 nd Mon	6PM	Ham Radio Club	Airport Fire Station #2
3 rd Mon	11AM	Artists Association Monthly Meeting	Fine Arts Center Classroom

TUESDAY

Every Tue	12-1PM	Rotary Club Weekly Meeting 702-346-7025 • ronbird1@mesquiteweb.com	Mesquite Library, 121 W 1 st N
1 st Tue	Noon	Brown Bag Cultural Series Steve Dudrow	Fine Arts Classroom, 15 W Mesquite
1 st & 3 rd Tue	2:30PM	City Council Technical Review	Council Chambers, 2 nd Floor, City Hall
1 st Tue	5:30PM	Arts Council	Fine Arts Classroom, 15 W Mesquite
2 nd Tue	10AM	Conservative Club	Veterans Center, 840 Hafen
2 nd Tue	5:30PM	MFA Photographic Society	Fine Arts Classroom, 15 W Mesquite
2 nd & 4 th Tue	Noon	Exchange Club	Veterans Center, 840 Hafen
2 nd & 4 th Tue	5PM	City Council	Council Chambers, 2 nd Floor, City Hall
3 rd Tue	PM	Amateur Radio Club 801-643-4952	Airport Fire Station
3 rd Tue	6:30PM	VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) Meeting	Veterans Center, 840 Hafen

WEDNESDAY

Every Wed	9AM-3PM	Ika Greens: Sales of local food & produce items	570 W Pioneer #101
2 nd Wed	11:30 AM	Chamber of Commerce Luncheon	Various Locations
2 nd Wed	5 PM	Republican Women	Veterans Center, 840 Hafen

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THURSDAY

Every Thu	8-9AM	Sunrise Rotary Weekly Meeting	Scotty's, 1024 Normandy Lane
Every Thu	9AM-3PM	Ika Greens: Sales of local food & produce items	570 W Pioneer #101
1 st Thu	10AM	Mesquite Public Arts Commission	Council Chambers, 2 nd Floor, City Hall
1 st Thu	6PM	Elks Lodge #2811	545 Riverside Rd, 702-345-2811
1 st & 3 rd Thu	11:30AM	Lions Club	Veterans Center, 840 Hafen
1 st & 3 rd Thu	5PM	Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant	Women's Center, 225 N Willow, #23
2 nd Thu	2PM	Mesquite Caregivers Support Group	Mesquite Library Learning Center
2 nd Thu	6PM	Desert Fox Flyers Radio Control Club Desertfoxflyers.com	Beaver Dam Fire Station #1 630 N Hwy 91, Beaver Dam
2 nd Thu	9 AM – 1PM	Rotary Mesquite Reads Book Sale	College of So. NV, 140 N Yucca
2 nd Thu	Noon-5PM	Blood Drive www.redcrossblood.org	Rec Center
4 th Thu	12-1PM	Toastmasters Mike Young mkyoung@ix.netcom.com	First Baptist Church 830 E Hafen

FRIDAY

Every Fri	9AM-3PM	Ika Greens: Sales of local food & produce items	570 W Pioneer #101
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SATURDAY

Every Sat	9AM	Desert Fox Flyers Radio Control Club	
Every Sat	9AM-3PM	Ika Greens: Sales of local food & produce items	570 W Pioneer #101
1 st Sat	9-11AM	We Care For Animals Pet Adoptions	150 N Yucca, #1
3 rd Sat	5PM	RAISE Mesquite	Women's Center, 225 N Willow, #23

SUNDAY

Every Sun	3-4PM	Al-Anon Family Group Weekly Meeting	Veterinary Clinic, 371 Riverside #A
2 nd Sun	11AM	Love, Family Gathering	Women's Center, 225 N Willow, #23



Art Contest

Open to All Ages

Entry Deadline: Wed, May 29, 2024

Decorate Saxon the Suffrage Cat!!!

Prizes and Placement Ribbons for Best in Show, Sponsor's Choice & People's Choice

Contest Dates and Locations

Where: Pick up or drop off your Saxon at WHCC, 225 N. Willow #23

When: Tues thru Thu between 11 AM and 3 PM from Tue March 5th to Tue May 28th

Contest Deadline: Last Day to Submit Completed Saxon Entries – Wed May 29

Where can you see the Entries and Vote for the People's Choice Award?

March thru May: at Mesquite Tile, 521 W. Mesquite

Fri June 1 thru Thu June 5: at the Mesquite Fine Arts Center, 15 W. Mesquite

Award Ceremony: Thursday June 6 from 4 to 6 PM at the Mesquite Fine Arts Center

Saxon the Suffrage Cat History

Saxon the Suffrage Cat was adopted as a kitten by Nell Richardson and Alice Burke. He traveled with them on a 10,000-mile cross-country trip in 1916 to promote the Women's Right to Vote. He became a symbol of the women's suffrage movement. Saxon was named after the Saxon motorcar they drove on this historic trip, which took the ladies over dirt, or at best, graded roads paved with gravel, from April 6 to September 30, 1916. Richardson and Burke's unusual journey caught the attention of people across the country who followed Saxon's growth as they traveled from town to town.

The Cat



The 10,000 Mile Journey

