

Women's History and Culture Center

February 2025 Newsletter



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Notes from the Editors

February starts a two-month cycle that looks back at history and honors contributions we have all benefitted from, with February being Black History Month, and March being Women's History Month.

All through February and March the Mesquite Library is showcasing a lobby exhibit that highlights eighteen women Prime Ministers, Monarchs and Presidents from countries all over the world and books about them. Our volunteers had a difficult job picking out just eighteen of the one hundred seventy plus women who have achieved that honor.

We are excited to tell you about a successful new WHCC initiative for the community. Four of our volunteers are taking picture books from our library into J. Bowler Elementary School, and reading them to Kindergarten, First and Second graders. These are true stories about women, past and present, who did remarkable things.

If this is something you would be interested in getting involved in, please contact Reenie McFarland at maureenmcfarland@live.com or come to our next Volunteer Meeting on Monday, February 10 at 4 PM.

We look forward to seeing you at the Women's Center during walk-in hours Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 11 AM and 3 PM, or by appointment. Our welcome mat is always out!!

Jean Watkins Kathy Bakken Susan Schubert Melissa Eligul

Editorial Staff

To make changes or additions to the information shown for your group on pages 6 through 9, please contact Melissa Eligul at whcc.eventcalendar@gmail.com. To add or change an event on the Room 23 or Room 18 schedule, or to reserve the WHCC plaza for an outdoor event, please contact Susan Schubert at whcc.susan.schubert@gmail.com.

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WHCC Event/Class Details for February 2025

225 N. Willow St., Mesquite, NV, Room 18 & Room 23

FEB 3 (MON) at 2 PM: *Wondering Words Book Club* / Kris Dorsey

FEB 6 & 20 (THU) 3 PM: *Consciousness Circle* / Terrie McArthur

FEB 7, 14, 21 & 28 (FRI) 12:30 to 4 PM: *SAMBA Group* / Lennie Chapman / Closed group

FEB 9 (SUN) at 11 AM: *Love, Family Gathering* / Dana Long

FEB 9 (SUN) at 4 PM: *Mesquite Outdoor Group* / Gary Halverson / Closed group

FEB 10 (MON) at 4 PM: *WHCC Volunteer Updates* / Reenie McFarland

FEB 10 & 17 (MON) at 1 PM: *BUNCO Babes* / Peggy Remely / Closed group

FEB 12 (WED) at 2 PM: *Desert Dames Book Club* / Sue Miller (Room 18)

FEB 12 (WED) at 6 PM: *Search & Rescue Board Meeting* / Larry McFarland

FEB 13 (THU) at 12:30 PM: *P E O Canasta* / Bev Valencia (Room 18) / Closed group

FEB 14 (FRI) at 10 AM: *Desert Dames Bunco* / Rosealee Lee

FEB 18 (TUE) 4 PM: *WHCC Board Meeting* / Jean Watkins (Room 18)

FEB 19 (WED) at 12 PM: *Wip-Its Cross Stitch Club* / Connie Fullmer (Room 18)

FEB 23 (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
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FEBRUARY 2025 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 By Appointment | FRI By Appointment | SAT By Appointment |
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| | 2 PM Wandering Word Book Club | | | 3 PM Conscious Circle Book Club | 12:30 – 4PM SAMBA Group (Closed) | |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 11 AM – 1 PM Love, Family Gathering 4 PM Mesquite Outdoor Group (Closed) | 1 PM – Bunco Babes (Closed) 4 PM WHCC Volunteer Updates | | 2 PM Desert Dames Book Club 6 PM Search & Rescue Board Meeting | 12:30 PM PEO Canasta (Closed) | 10 AM Desert Dames Bunco 12:30 – 4PM SAMBA Group (Closed) | |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| | 1 PM – Bunco Babes (Closed) | 4 PM WHCC Board Meeting | 12 PM Wip-Its Cross-Stitch Club | 3 PM Conscious Circle Book Club | 12:30 – 4PM SAMBA Group (Closed) | |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | |
| 11 AM - 1 PM Love, Family Board Meeting | | | | | 12:30 – 4PM SAMBA Group (Closed) | |

Meetings highlighted in red are held in Room 18. All other meetings are in Room 23.

WHCC Greeters and Volunteers meet at 4 PM on the second Monday of the month.

WHCC Board of Directors meet at 4 PM on Tuesday, 8 days after the Volunteer meeting.

Books at Our Center about Notable Women Born in February

Elizabeth Blackwell (February 3, 1821 - 1910)

The first fully accredited female doctor in the U.S. (1849). A pioneer who promoted education for women in medicine, co-founded the first medical school for women and provided for the first-time medical care for women by women.

- *Who Says Women Can't Be Doctors?*
- *Women in White Coats: How the First Women Doctors Changed the World of Medicine*

Susan B. Anthony (February 15, 1820 - 1906)

National Suffrage Strategist, Lecturer, Activist; the Inspirational Leader of the Nineteenth Century Women's Right Movement

- *Susan B. Anthony: The Making of America*
- *Heart on Fire: Susan B. Anthony Votes for President*

Amy Tan (February 19, 1952 -)

Author of *The Joy Luck Club* (printed in 35 languages), *The Kitchen God's Wife*, *The Hundred Secret Senses*, *The Bonesetter's Daughter* and two children's books.

- *Where the Past Begins: A Writer's Memoir*
- *The Opposite of Fate: Memories of a Writing Life*

Barbara Jordan (February 21, 1936 -1996)

Lawyer, Congresswoman, Scholar and Renowned Orator who fought for civil and human rights. She defended the Constitution during President Richard Nixon's impeachment hearings.

- *What Do You Do With a Voice Like That?*
Barbara Jordan: American Hero

Zitkala Sa (February 22, 1876 -1938)

Sioux Indian writer and composer who founded the National Council of American Indians. Her activism led to citizenship rights, educational opportunities, improved health care and cultural recognition of indigenous people.

- *My Life: Impressions of an Indian Childhood*
- *Red Bird Sings: Native American Author, Musician and Activist*



Happy Reading!

February Highlights in Women's History

- **February 1, 1978:** The first postage stamp to honor a black woman, Harriet Tubman, was issued in Washington, D.C.
- **February 3, 2009:** Harry Potter author Joanne Rowling was made a knight of the Légion d'Honneur, France's highest civilian award.
- **February 4, 1987:** The first "National Women in Sports Day" was celebrated by Presidential Proclamation.
- **February 8, 1998:** The first female hockey game in Olympic history took place. Finland defeated Sweden 6-0.
- **February 10, 1870:** The YWCA (Young Women's Christian Association) was formally founded in New York City.
- **February 11, 1963:** The French Chef, starring Julia Child, debuted on WGBH in Boston, MA.
- **February 11, 1989:** Reverend Barbara Harris became the first woman bishop in the American Episcopal Church and in the Anglican Communion worldwide.
- **February 12, 1869:** The Utah Territorial Legislature passed a bill allowing women to vote.
- **February 14, 1920:** The League of Women Voters formed in Chicago, IL.
- **February 15, 1921:** The Suffrage Monument, depicting Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Lucretia Mott, sculpted by Adelaide Johnson, was dedicated at the U.S. Capitol.
- **February 15, 1953:** Tenley Albright became the first American woman to win the World Figure Skating championship.
- **February 17, 1870:** Esther Hobart Morris in Wyoming became the first American woman Justice of the Peace.
- **February 24, 1912:** Henrietta Szold founded Hadassah, the largest Jewish organization in American history, focusing on healthcare and education in Israel and the United States.
- **February 24, 1967:** Jocelyn Bell Burnell made the first discovery of a pulsar, a rapidly rotating neutron star.
- **February 27, 1922:** The U.S. Supreme Court upheld the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, guaranteeing women the right to vote.
- **February 28, 1953:** Cambridge University scientists James Watson and Frances Crick announced they had found the double-helix structure of DNA, the molecule containing human genes. They had seen Rosalind Franklin's crucial photograph of DNA and her unpublished data at the Cambridge University lab and claimed the discovery as their own, writing Franklin out of her discovery. They received the Nobel Prize while Franklin did not, symptomatic of the discrimination women scientists faced at the time.
- **February 29, 1940:** Hattie McDaniel became the first African American to win an Academy Award for her role as Mammy in *Gone With The Wind*.

Upcoming Community Events

FEBRUARY 2025

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| Feb | TBA | Kids for Sports Charity Golf Tournament Shotgun Start | Wolf Creek Golf Club Shanna 702-345-6707 |
| Feb 7 Fri | 5 PM | Palette & Pour Party Theme: Love Boat | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| Feb 10 Mon | 9:30 AM Check in | Kids for Sports Golf Tournament For Info: 702-345-6707 | Wolf Creek Golf Club 403 Paradise Parkway |
| Feb 11 Tue | All Day 5 PM | International Day of Women and Girls in Science Announcement - 2025 Ms. Senior Mesquite Contestants | City Council Chambers 10 W Mesquite |
| Feb 13 Thu | 3 PM | Valentines - In the Key of Love Producer: Cary Koski | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Feb 14 Fri | AM | Mesa View Heart Walk Concludes at the Mesa View Hospital | Rec Center Basketball Gym 100 W Old Mill Rd |
| | 5 PM | Palette & Pour Party Theme: You Warm My Heart | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| | 6 PM | Denim and Diamonds Dinner Dance benefitting the Mesquite Showgirls | CasaBlanca Ballroom 950 W Mesquite |
| Feb 15 Sat | 5 PM | Palette & Pour Party Theme: Baby Owl | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| | 7 PM | Southern Nevada Symphony Orchestra Concert: Director Susan Thiriot | Virgin Valley High School Theater 820 Valley View |
| Feb 20 Thu | 4-6 PM | Fine Arts Center Award Ceremony Theme for the Month: Touch of Red | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| Starting Feb 20 | 7 PM | Anne of Green Gables Director: Jacqui Thomassen | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Feb 21 Fri | 5 PM | Palette & Pour Party Theme: Mixed Media Sun | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| Feb 21 & 22 Fri & Sat | Fri 7 PM Sat 1 & 7 PM | 18th Annual Western Roundup Cowboy Poets | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Feb 24 Mon | Noon - 1 PM | Suffrage in Nevada: Past to Present Presentation by WHCC Staff | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| Feb 25 Tue | 5 PM | Proclamation by the Mayor: "March is Women's History Month in Mesquite" | City Council Chambers 10 W Mesquite |
| Feb 25 Tue | 5 PM | Wyoming Rendez-vous (location is behind the strip shopping center) | Desert Event Center Riverside & Hafen Lane |
| Feb 28 Fri | 5 PM | Palette & Pour Party Theme: Mardi Gras Mask | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |

MARCH 2025

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| March | All Month | Decorate Saxon the Suffrage Cat Contest Sign up period runs to May Mesquite Senior Games Spring Season | Women's History and Culture Center 225 N Willow #23 Mesquiteseniorgames.org 702-345-3347 |
| Mar TBA | Sat | Mesquite Showgirls Bingo Bash Fundraiser Reservations: call 801-699-9947 or 702-420-4494 | Elks Lodge 545 Riverside |

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| Mar 3 & 5 Mon & Wed | 9 AM | Beginning Line Dance New class starts | Mesquite Rec Center Dance Room |
| Mar 6 Thu | 8 AM | What's Happening Mesquite Reservations: call 702-346-2902 | Elks Lodge 545 Riverside |
| Mar 8 Sat | | Garage Sale / Swap Meet Benefit for Mesquite Showgirls | WHCC Plaza & Parking Lot 225 N. Willow |
| Mar 15 Sat | 9 AM | Warrior Women of Mesquite Walk Against Cancer | Rec Center Outdoor field 100 W Old Mill |
| | 4:30 PM | Search for Gold Dinner Benefit for Search and Rescue Group | Rec Center Outdoor field 100 W Old Mill |
| | 7 PM | Dealt A Straight Producer: Ronnie Austin | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Mar 20 Thu | 4-6 PM | Fine Arts Center Award Ceremony Theme for the Month: Naturally Beautiful | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |

APRIL 2025

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| April | All Month | Decorate Saxon the Suffrage Cat Contest Sign up period runs to May | Women's History and Culture Center 225 N Willow #23 |
| | | Mesquite Senior Games Spring Season Poker, Bowling, Pickleball, Basketball, Tennis, Track & Field | Mesquiteseniorgames.org 702-345-3347 |
| | | Artists Association Grand Bazaar | Fine Arts Gallery, 15 W Mesquite |
| Apr TBA | 2 PM | Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant | Community Theatre, 150 N Yucca |
| Apr 4 & 5 Fri & Sat | 2 PM | "Salute to America" Mesquite Toes Spring Spectacular | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Apr 12 Sat | 7 PM | Rockin' Rod Stewart Producer: Martin Andrews | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Apr 17 Thu | 4-6 PM | Fine Arts Center Reception Theme for the Month: Grand Bazaar | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| | 2 PM & 7 PM | The Edwards Twins Las Vegas Top Impersonators | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Apr 19 Sat | TBA | Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant | Virgin Valley High School Theater 820 Valley View |

MAY 2025

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| Starting May 2 | | Steel Magnolias Director: Dr. Kenna Higgins | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| May 15 Thu | 4-6 PM | Fine Arts Center Award Ceremony Theme for the Month: Places To Remember | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| May 17 Sat | 7 PM | Variety Show & Band Producer: Denis Fehan | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| May 27 | TBA | Summer Youth Theatre Director: Wendy Killinger | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |

JUNE 2025

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| June 5 Thu | 8 AM | What's Happening Mesquite Reservations: call 702-346-2902 | Elks Lodge 545 Riverside |
| Jun 19 Thu | 4-6 PM | Fine Arts Center Award Ceremony Theme for the Month: Life Is Music | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |

JULY 2025

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| Jul 17 Thu | 4-6 PM | Fine Arts Center Award Ceremony Theme for the Month: Chasing the Sun | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
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AUGUST 2025

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| Aug 21 Thu | 4-6 PM | Fine Arts Center Award Ceremony Theme for the Month: The American West | Fine Arts Gallery Classroom 15 W Mesquite |
| Aug 26 Tue | 5 PM | Proclamation making August 26 "Women's Equality Day in Mesquite" | City Council Chambers 2 nd Floor, 10 E Mesquite |
| Aug 27 Wed | TBA | Women's History Museum Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting | Women's History Museum 225 N Willow #18 |

SEPTEMBER 2025

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| Sep 4 Thu | 8 AM | What's Happening Mesquite Reservations: call 702-346-2902 | Elks Lodge 545 Riverside |
| Starting Sep 12 | 7 PM | Bye Bye Birdie Director: Christy Lindberg | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |

OCTOBER 2025

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| Starting Oct 10 | 7 PM | Now I Get It! Director: Loren Marsden | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
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NOVEMBER 2025

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| Nov 8 Sat | 7 PM | Off the Rails Producer: Al Vysinka | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Starting Nov 28 | 7 PM | Lights On! Community Variety Show Director: Mitzi Bender | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |

DECEMBER 2025

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| Dec 4 Thu | 8 AM | What's Happening Mesquite Reservations: call 702-346-2902 | Elks Lodge 545 Riverside |
| Dec 4 & 5 Thu & Fri | 2 PM | Holiday Spectacular Mesquite Toes Winter Benefit | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |
| Dec 20 Sat | 2 PM & 7 PM | The Edwards Twins Las Vegas Top Impersonators | Mesquite Community Theatre 150 N Yucca |

Monthly Meetings & Ongoing Community Events

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

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| 1 st Tue | Noon | Brown Bag Cultural Series | 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 Hafén |
| 2 nd Tue | 5:30PM | Cancer Peer-Led Discussion | Mesquite Library Community Room |
| 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 Hafén |
| 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 Meeting (Veterans of Foreign Wars) | Veterans Center, 840 Hafén |

WEDNESDAY

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| Every Wed | 5:30PM | Rotary Weekly Meeting | Usually at the Mesquite Library |
| 1 st Wed | 4 PM | Desert Dames Hump Day – Open event | Call 209-993-6907 for details |
| 2 nd Wed | 11:30 AM | Chamber of Commerce Luncheon | Various Locations |
| 2 nd Wed | 5 PM | Republican Women | Veterans Center, 840 Hafén |

THURSDAY

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| 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 Hafén |
| 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 | Beaver Dam Fire Station #1 |
| 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 | First Baptist Church, 830 E Hafén |

FRIDAY

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| 3 rd Fri | 10:30 AM | Desert Doodlers (Open to Beginners) | Fine Arts Classroom, 15 W Mesquite |
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SATURDAY

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| Every Sat | 9AM | Desert Fox Flyers Radio Control Club | |
| 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

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

Other 2025 Events Around Nevada

Please contact travelnevada.com for details.

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| 01/17 to 01/18 | Fire and Ice Festival | Ely - Broadbent Park |
| 01/27 to 02/01 | National Cowboy Poetry Gathering | Elko - Western Folklife Center |
| 02/01 | Chinese New Year Parade | Las Vegas - Fremont Street |
| 02/01 | New Year Cultural Performances | Las Vegas - Downtown Container Park |
| 02/06 to 02/09 | Eagles and Architecture | Carson City - Various locations |
| 02/12 to 02/17 | Dam Short Film Festival | Boulder City - Elaine K Smith Center |
| 02/21 to 02/23 | Dark Sky Festival | Death Valley - Various locations |
| 02/26 to 03/02 | Ranch Hand Rodeo Weekend | Winnemucca - Winnemucca Events Center |
| 03/15 | Rocky Mountain Oyster Fry | Virginia City - Eagle River Center |
| 03/09 | Beerfest | Boulder City - Wilbur Square Park |
| 05/02 to 05/04 | Western Heritage Days | Genoa - Various locations |
| 05/04 to 05/04 | Spring Jamboree | Boulder City - Bicentennial Park |
| 05/10 to 05/11 | Extraterrestrial Full Moon Races | Rachel - Little A'Le'Inn |
| 05/16 to 05/18 | Electric Daisy Carnival | Las Vegas - Motor Speedway |
| 05/23 to 05/24 | Best Dam Barbecue Challenge | Boulder City - Bicentennial Park |
| 05/23 to 05/25 | Run-a-Mucca Motorcycle and Music Festival | Winnemucca - Winners Inn Casino |
| 06/14 to 06/16 | Father's Day Powwow | Carson City - Stewart Indian School Museum |
| 06/16 to 06/28 | Reno Rodeo | Reno/Sparks - Livestock Events Center |
| 07/01 to 07/31 | Reno is Artown | Reno - Riverwalk |
| 07/05 to 07/06 | National Basque Festival | Elko - Basque Clubhouse |
| 07/05 to 08/24 | Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival | North Lake Tahoe - Sand Harbor State Park |
| 07/13 | Sierra Nevada Lavender and Honey Festival | Reno - Idlewild Park |
| 08/01 to 08/10 | Hot August Nights | Reno/Sparks - Virginia Street |
| 09/05 to 09/07 | Great Reno Balloon Race | Reno - Rancho San Rafael Park |
| 09/06 to 09/08 | International Camel and Ostrich Races | Virginia City - Arena and Fairgrounds |
| 09/18 to 09/20 | Great Astronomy Festival | Baker - Great Basin National Park |
| 09/28 to 09/29 | Candy Dance Arts and Crafts Faire | Genoa - Downtown Main Street |
| 10/03 to 10/04 | Rise Lantern Festival | Las Vegas - Jean Dry Lake Bed |
| 10/05 to 10/06 | World Championship Outhouse Races | Virginia City - 86 South C Street |
| 10/05 to 10/06 | Art in the Park | Boulder City - Downtown Parks |
| 10/24 to 10/26 | Beatty Days Festival | Beatty - Cottonwood Park |
| 11/21 to 11/23 | Pahrump Social Powwow | Pahrump - Petrack Park |
| 11/14 to 12/27 | Christmas Train Rides | Statewide - Various locations |
| 12/01 to 12/31 | Christmas at Coffinwood | Pahrump - 2875 Sunset Street |
| 12/01 to 12/31 | Christmas on the Comstock | Virginia City - 86 South C Street |

WOMEN IN MALE DOMINATED FIELDS – POLITICAL LEADERS SERIES

#5: WOMEN APPOINTED HEAD OF STATE IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

February 1, **2009: Johanna Sigurdardottir**

28th Prime Minister of Iceland, serving from 2009 to 2013, the first female prime minister and the world's first openly LGBT head of government. She started as a flight attendant, served in many trade-union executive positions, eventually entering politics and retiring as then-Iceland's longest serving member of Parliament. Asked what the most important gender issue today is, she answered, "To fight the pay gap between men and women."

February 4, **1981: Gro Harlem Brundtland**

22nd Prime Minister of Norway, serving the first of three terms as Prime Minister (1981, 1986 to 1989 and 1990 to 1996). Brundtland is an internationally recognized environmentalist known for advocacy of sustainability, public health and human rights. She was Director-General of the World Health Organization from 1998 to 2003 and U.N. Special Envoy on Climate Change from 2007 to 2010.

February 9, **1997: Rosalia Arteaga**

39th President of Ecuador, serving for only three days in February 1997. When President Bucaram was declared unfit to govern, Arteaga, as Vice President claimed the presidency and was sworn in by Congress, only to be replaced several days later when Congress with the support of the army, appointed Fabian Ernesto Alarcon Rivera President of Ecuador.

February 15, **1982: Agatha Barbara**

3rd President of Malta, serving from 1982 to 1987, Malta's first female president. She founded the Women's Political Movement in Malta and was a defender of social reforms including compulsory full-time education for all children, special schools for the disabled, science classes for girls as well as boys, equal pay for women and men, paid maternity leave, a 40-hour work week and retirement and unemployment benefits. She also set up a number of national museums.

February 19, **2015: Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic**

4th President of Croatia, serving from 2015 to 2020, Croatia's youngest president and first female president. Prior to that, in her role as Croatia's Foreign Minister in 2005, Kolinda was responsible for guiding Croatia into the European Union and NATO. She also served as Croatian Ambassador to the U.S. and NATO Assistant Secretary-General for Public Diplomacy, the first woman Assistant Secretary General in the history of NATO and the highest-ranking woman in NATO.

February 25, **2013: Park Geun-hye**

11th President of South Korea, serving from 2013 to 2017. Park was the first woman to be elected president of South Korea, and also the first woman to be popularly elected as a head of state in East Asia. She is also the first South Korean president to be born after the founding of South Korea. In 2016 Park was impeached on charges related to influence peddling and removed from office in 2017. The South Korean courts sentenced her to over 20 years in prison in 2018 for corruption and abuse of power, but she was pardoned in 2021 on compassionate grounds and released from prison.

February 25, **1986: Corazon Aquino**

4th President of Philippines, serving from 1986 to 1992. She was the most prominent figure of the 1986 People Power Revolution, which ended the two-decade rule of President Ferdinand Marcos and led to the establishment of the current democratic Fifth Philippine Republic. Prior to her election as president, Aquino had not held any elected office. She was the first female president of the Philippines.