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The Mesquite Cafe Blues Band were able to meet the Grinch at the event.

(Mesquite Athletics and Leisure Services facebook photo).



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The Mesquite Farmer's Market debuted on Dec. 21 at the Mesquite Welcome Center. The Farmer's Market will happen every first and third Fridays of each month.

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NEWS AND NOTES

HERITAGE DAYS SCHEDULED BY VIRGIN VALLEY HERITAGE MUSEUM

A Heritage Day event celebrating the founding of Bunkerville in 1877 is scheduled at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 7, at the Bunkerville Monument.

The guest speaker at the event is Vinnie Leavitt, author of Mesquite Flats History of the Virgin Valley.

The event is open to the public and refreshments will be provided.

HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS PICKED

Congratulations to the winners of the Mesquite Athletics and Leisure Services Department's 2022 Holiday Decorating Contest.

The department thanked the volunteer judges from the Afternoon Rotary and Mesquite Senior Games for their time as well for everyone who participated!

First place went to Ellen Soren-

son, 987 and 987 Mesquite Springs Drive; Second place was Bill and Sherri Sylvestre, 1095 Falcon Nest Court; Third place was Terrie Planck, 315 Habib Way; fourth place was Rick and Kathy Humphrey, 609 E. Old Mill Road; fifth place (honorable mention) went to Jeffery Bird, 901 Ironwood Drive; and sixth place (honorable mention) went to Cindy Lucchesi, 509 Beacon Ridge Way.

YOUTH DODGEBALL SLATED FOR THURSDAY NIGHTS

Need some fun activities for your kids ages 7-13? Come out for Youth Dodgeball Nights beginning on Thursday, Jan. 19.

Registration to guarantee a spot is Thursday, Jan. 5. Full season cost is \$35 or nightly drop in rate is \$6. The full season cost includes a shirt and five weeks of Dodgeball on Thursdays.

Times are as follows: Ages 7-8 are

at 5:15 p.m.; ages 9-10 are at 6 p.m.; and ages 11-13 begin at 6:45 p.m.

Participants will be divided up into different teams each week.

CSN HOSTING FREE CHILD CARE PROVIDER TRAINING

College of Southern Nevada Mesquite has scheduled a free in-person child care provider training class on Jan. 28 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The class will take place at the CSN Mesquite campus at 140 N. Yucca St., Room B.

The event is a collaborative between the College of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas Urban League — Early Childhood Connection and the Southern Chapter of Nevada AIEYC for an in-person, Nevada Registry approved child care training classes for all child care providers.

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The training includes Observation and Assessment Tools for Developmentally Appropriate Practice (two hours) and Reducing Sedentary Behavior (two hours).

The event is free and includes lunch. For more information, visit the website www.MesquiteChild-CareTraining.eventbrite.com. Space is limited.

FREE ESL/HSE CLASSES OFFERED TO MESQUITE STUDENTS

A placement test for free English as a Second Language and High School Equivalencies are scheduled on Jan. 11 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Community College of Southern Nevada Mesquite Center, 140 N. Yucca Ave.

Once placed, the free classes will be held online.

English as a Second Language

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'HALLELUJAH GIRLS' PERFORMANCES SCHEDULED

The Virgin Valley Theater Group is performing "Hallelujah Girls," a Jones Hope Wooten comedy, two weekends in January and another at the beginning of February.

Show times are Jan. 20, 21, 27, 28 and Feb. 3 and 4 at 7 p.m.; and Jan. 27 and 29 at 2 p.m.

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FROM THE MAYOR

Breaking up the CCSD requires a lot more than failed petition offered

By Al Litman

Well, we are into a new year that should prove to be very exciting for

Mesquite. A lot of what will take place will, of course, depend on the economy and, hopefully, we won't see a recession in 2023 as many of the so called experts have predicted.



I had planned on writing a series of articles on the proposed break-up of the Clark County School District and the ramifications it would have on Mesquite.

However, the break-up has been placed on the back burner for at least another year, as the proposed initiative failed to get the needed signatures to come before the legislature. It can't come back for another year at the earliest, and that's a good thing, but if you read it carefully, it was poorly written, at least in my opinion.

I found it interesting that it was endorsed by the six Chambers of Commerce in Clark County. As far as I know, chambers know very little about public education and their organizational structure. Just saying.

The same is true of most school boards that are usually just elected citizens with little or no background in education other than attending school themselves at one time in the past. All you have to do is listen to most school

board meetings. Just saying.

The Las Vegas Review-Journal ran an article several weeks ago by a commentator advocating the break up of CCSD.

My opinion on the article was just that, opinion, without any knowledge of the facts. The author thinks that money is not the answer.

So, how do you justify that Nevada was the only state in the nation to receive a grade of F in every area of school funding?

We rank 47th in the country for per pupil funding, which places us at one-half of the national average.

Yes, CCSD is a mess, but breaking up the district needs a lot more thought in how to do it.

I spent 18 years in public education starting in a one school district in Northern Minnesota, then going to one of the largest districts, Los Angeles Unified, to Simi Unified in California.

They all operated well, and were properly funded and organized. By the way, the initiative, if you read it, was for incorporated cities only and made no mention of how Bunkerville, or the Moapa area would be organized.

I assume it would be part of Mesquite. If you think funding an organization is a problem now? Need I say more.

I think I've said enough about this subject, but before you jump on the bandwagon as the saying goes, take the time to analyze the whole picture of how a school district is organized, funded, and managed. It's far more complicated than you might realize.

Al Litman is mayor of the City of Mesquite



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The first of many Farmer's Markets debuted at the Mesquite Welcome Center on Dec. 22. A large group of Mesquite residents and those from other areas came out to check out all the products offered that were either locally grown, locally owned or locally crafted. The event included lots of fresh produce, food trucks and handmade products. Some of those booths included stuffed alpacas that used actual alpaca fur from C&J Alpaca Ranch in Bunkerville (top left photo), the Mesquite Animal Shelter (above photo) and Buffalo Mountain Trading (left photo). More Farmer's Markets are planned twice a month on the first and third Friday of each month.



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Birks is VVAA January Artist of the Month

Linda Birks is the Virgin Valley Arts Association January Artist of the Month.

Birks was born and raised in Midland, Michigan, and moved to Grand Junction, Colorado, where she met her husband, Rod. Upon retirement, Linda and Rod sought a warmer winter climate and the beauty of the desert. Their

search brought them to Beaver Dam, Arizona. They lived as snowbirds dividing their time between Colorado and Arizona until moving permanently in 2019.

Having the time since retiring, Linda has been able to take a few glass classes in person and online and has added

wire working and jewelry to her skill set, which, again, is entirely self-taught. At home, it's always about trying new techniques and learning by trial and error.

Linda's art may be found in several private collections locally and throughout the U.S.



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Prep for the 2023 Mesquite Senior Games has begun

By: Breven Honda

The planning for the 2023 Mesquite Senior Games is in full effect.

With 16 events spanning across seven weeks, coordination is in the works for seniors to get out and most importantly, enjoy themselves.

“One of the biggest things we have to do, is we have to make sure the seniors who participate in the events have fun,” said Shaun Edwards, who was recently named the new Sports Director. “Because that’s what this is really all about. It’s getting seniors out, getting them active and making sure they have a good time doing the events that we set up for them.”

As the new sports director, it is Edwards’ job to ensure he coordinates those in charge of each event.

“Whoever is in charge of each event, I have to make sure they have the necessary equipment and materials,” Edwards said. “I have to make sure they know what they’re doing and have oversight to make sure each event goes off as planned.”

Currently, Edwards is looking for a Track and Field Coordinator.

Having the coordinators are vital to the success of each event being run smoothly.

The Mesquite Senior Games spring season kick off on March 3, with the Target Pistol event as well as the Shotgun Sports event that continues to the following day.

The final event, Bocce, is from April 17-20.

Some of the other events on the schedule include bowling, cornhole, golf, softball and pickleball.

With the rise of pickleball over the last couple of years, Edwards said it has become a qualified sport and the impact has even been felt by Mesquite locals.

“It’s to the point now where the pickleball sport is being professionalized all the way down to the amateur level,” Edwards said. “If you go to the Mesquite Rec Center any day of the week and walk across the street to the pickleball courts, you’ll see people out there in all different skill levels.”

All 16 events are open to those 50 years and older as registration is slated to begin in January.



2023 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 3	Target Pistol	March 24	Basketball Skills
March 3-4	Shotgun Sports	March 25	Track & Field
March 11	Bowling	March 27	Golf Events
March 13-15	Pickleball	March 30	Poker
March 17	History Tour	March 31	Cornhole
March 18	Table Tennis	April 1-2	Women's Softball (50-60)
March 18	Fitness Hike	April 4-5	Women's Softball (65+)
March 20-21	Bridge	April 17-20	Bocce

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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THURSDAY, JAN. 5

Sunrise Rotary: 7:30 a.m. Meets every Thursday at CSN, Room 1. For more information, contact Deb Parsley at 702-420-4494.

Family Storytime for ages 0-5 years: 10-11 a.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Join for stories, songs, rhymes and activities. For children ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

Cricut Club: 10:30 a.m. - noon. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Join in to learn how to use a Cricut and create a fun project. Info: 702-507-4080.

Coloring for Adults: 2:30-3:30 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Join for a relaxing session of coloring intricate and meditative designs of various artists. Info: 702-507-4080.

Teen Crafternoon: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Teen program operate under the principles of HOMAGO: Hanging Out, Messing Around, Geeking Out. Refers to spaces and learning activities that allow for flexible, hands-on experimentation, collaboration and tinkering in areas of professional interest. All supplies provided. Call 702-507-4080.

STEAM Activities for Kids: 4-5 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Participate each week in fun, hands-on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art or Math activity. Info: 702-507-4080.

FRIDAY, JAN. 6

Bereavement Group: 3:30-4:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. St. This is a group headed by Mesa View/Virgin Valley Hospice. For more information, call 702-346-5224.

SATURDAY, JAN. 7

Heritage Day: 9-10 a.m., Virgin Valley Heritage Museum. Event celebrating the founding of Bunkerville in 1877.

Family Craft: 11 a.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Come and make a craft with your family. Info 702-507-4080.

Movie Matinee: 11 a.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Come check out "Three Thousand Years of Longing."

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Conservative Club: 2 p.m., Veteran's Center, 840 E. Hafen Lane. Join like-minded conservative patriots that support the U.S. Constitution and traditional American way of life. Doors open at 2 p.m. Call 702-613-4660 or email jes@jesorganics.com

Beginning Apple iPhone: 3-4 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st St. N. This class is for anyone that is new to Apple iPhones or just needs a refresher. Info: 702-507-4080.

SUNDAY, JAN. 8

Movie Matinee: 11 a.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Come check out "Three Thousand Years of Longing." Info 702-507-4080.

MONDAY, JAN. 9

Blood Drive: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Vitalant is hosting a blood drive to help people in need. Visit www.donors.vitalant.org and search for times under the zip code 89027.

Preschool Ukulele Storytime: 10-11 a.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Join for stories, songs and activities that build early literacy. For children ages 3-5 and their caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

Coloring for Adults: 1-2 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Join for a relaxing session of coloring intricate and meditative designs of various artists. Info: 702-507-4080.

Virgin Valley Amateur Radio Club: 6 p.m. Fire Station No. 3. The club meets on the second Monday of each month. For more information, please go to our website at: www.vvarc.net

Brown Bag Culture Series: noon - 1 p.m., Mesquite Fine Arts Center, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd. Classroom NV. Pam Jacobson will talk about glass artistry. Event program is full. For details, call 702-346-1338.

TUESDAY, JAN. 10

Toddler Storytime: 10-11 a.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Join for stories, songs and activities that build early literacy. For children ages 3-5 and their

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By Pastor Christopher Wall

John 3:16-19
Certainly the most famous verse in all of the Bible would be John 3:16. We see it on bumper stickers, at sporting events and a host of other places, but how many of us have truly taken time to examine that verse in light of our own lives? Furthermore, how many of us have examined that verse in its broader context and looked at the verses surrounding it?



In this passage, we have a man named Nicodemus, a Pharisee (one who knows the Old Testament law with great depth), asking Jesus about who He is and His teachings. Nicodemus, along with a host of other Jewish listeners, could not believe that Jesus was claiming to be the Son of God. Literally to be equal with God.

Jesus went on to explain that Nicodemus had to be born-again. This is not a physical birth, but rather a spiritual one in which a person sees their need for Christ and places their faith in Him.

This is when Jesus makes the declaration that God expressed

His love to the world in that He (God) sent Jesus to die on the cross so that all who place their faith in Him may have eternal life. This is the great and glorious news! That just as Romans 8:1 states "There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

However, the other side of the equation is what we often do not hear. That is that those who do not place their faith in Christ stand condemned already. Why are they condemned? The reason is quite simple: because they have disobeyed their Creator. They have violated His law and blasphemed His ways. They do not love Him.

The answer to reconciliation with God is found in perfection. The problem is that all of us on our best day are far from perfect. As a matter of fact, we are much more sinful than we know. That is why Jesus came to be the perfection that we never could. He lived and died and was raised again all in perfection because He is perfect.

Place your faith in Him so that you may know that you are reconciled to God today!

Chris Wall is Pastor of Mesquite Baptist Church, 742 W. Pioneer Blvd., Suite A. Sunday worship is at 10:30. We can also be found on Facebook and our website: mesquitebaptistchurch.com



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Android Phone: 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Come learn the ins and outs of your Android phone. Info: 702-507-4080.

City Council meeting: 5 p.m., City Hall, 10 E. Mesquite Blvd. Regular meetings the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11

Preschool Storytime: 10-11 a.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Join for stories, songs and activities that build early literacy. For children ages 3-5 and their caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

Lunch and Learn, Financial Fraud: Noon - 1 p.m. Mesquite Senior Center, 102 W. Old Mill Road. This presentation is on Financial Fraud. Complimentary lunch and dessert will be provided. Limited spacing.

ESL/HSE Classes Placement Test: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. CSN Mesquite Center, 140 N. Yucca St. Placement test for English as a Second Language classes that provide intermediate to advanced English literacy schools to non-native English speaking participants. Call 702-651-4487.

Kids Artsy Craft: 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Unleash your inner artist at Kids' Artsy Craft Club. Ages 5-12. Call 702-507-4080.

Virgin Valley History Series: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st St. In partnership with the Virgin Valley Heritage Museum, this monthly program explores different historical aspects of the area. Call 702-507-4080.

Republican Women's Club (for men & women): Doors open at 5 p.m., Meeting 5:30 - 7 p.m., Mesquite Veteran's Center, 840 Hafen Lane. Meetings the second Wednesday of each month. For information, call Sue at 858-254-1214 or email: swtinsd@gmail.com.

THURSDAY, JAN. 12

Sunrise Rotary: 7:30 a.m. Meets every Thursday at CSN. Room 1. For more information, contact Deb Parsley at 702-420-4494.

Mesquite Mystery Book Club: 11 a.m. - noon. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Pick up this month's selection from the customer service desk and read it prior to the meeting. Then join in the discussion. Call 702-507-4080.

Coloring for Adults: 2:30-3:30 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Join for a relaxing session of coloring intricate and meditative designs of various artists. Info: 702-507-4080.

Teen Crafternoon: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Teen program operate under the principles of HOMAGO: Hanging Out, Messing Around, Geeking Out. Refers to spaces and learning activities that allow for flexible, hands-on experimentation, collaboration and tinkering in areas of professional interest. All supplies provided. Call 702-507-4080.

STEAM Activities for Kids: 4-5

p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Participate each week in fun, hands-on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art or Math activity. Info: 702-507-4080.

FRIDAY, JAN. 13

Mesquite Motor Mania: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., CasaBlanca Resort, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd. This annual car extravaganza and competition is expected do draw more than 900 vehicles and thousands of spectators. Info, call 702-643-0000.

Family Storytime for ages 0-5 years: 10-11 a.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Join for stories, songs, rhymes and activities. For children ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

Card Making: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Take a class in card making at the library. Info: 702-507-4080.

Bereavement Group: 3:30-4:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. This is a group headed by Mesa View/Virgin Valley Hospice. For more information, call 702-346-5224.

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Movie Matinee: 1 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Come see "The Munsters." Info: 702-507-4080.

MONDAY, JAN. 16

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: library is closed

Virgin Valley Artists Association General Meeting: 4-6 p.m., Mesquite Fine Arts Gallery, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd.

Conservative Club: 3 p.m., Sun City Pioneer Center, 1350 Flat Top Mesa Drive. Join like-minded conservative patriots that support the U.S. Constitution and traditional American way of life. Doors open at 2 p.m. Call 702-613-4660 or email jes@jesorganics.com

TUESDAY, JAN. 17

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Rotary Club: Noon, Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Email questions to lindakgault@gmail.com or https://www.facebook.com/MesquiteNVRotary/.

Acoustic Duo Concert: 3 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Jan Dyer & Mac McPherson perform. Info: 702-507-4080.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18

Preschool Storytime: 10-11 a.m.

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Lunch & Learn/Seasonal Affective Disorder: noon - 1 p.m. Mesquite Senior Center, 102 W. Old Mill Road. This presentation is on Seasonal Affective Disorder. What it is and is the same as "winter blues." Complimentary lunch and desserts will be provided. Limited spacing.

International Cinema (Film Discussion Group): 2-3 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Join to discuss (in English) a different film each month. Pick up a copy of the month's selection at the Customer Service Desk. Call 702-507-4080.

3D Pen Coloring: 3-4 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Come learn about coloring with 3D Pens. Info: 702-507-4080.

Teen Paint Your Pride Crafternoon: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Teen program operate under the principles of HOMAGO: Hanging Out, Messing Around, Geeking Out. Refers to spaces and learning activities that allow for flexible, hands-on experimentation, collaboration and tinkering

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Open House Reception: 4 - 6

p.m. Mesquite Fine Arts Center, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd. The exhibit for January is called "From the Attic." Artist of the Month is Linda Birks. Info, call 702-346-1338.

CEAB meeting: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., City Council chambers. Meeting of the Mesquite Community Education Advisory Board.

FRIDAY, JAN. 20

Family Storytime for ages 0-5 years: 10-11 a.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Join for stories, songs, rhymes and activities. For children ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

Bereavement Group: 3:30-4:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St. This is a group headed by Mesa View/Virgin Valley Hospice. For more information, call 702-346-5224.

The Hallelujah Girls: 7 p.m. Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St. Tickets are \$20, available at the Mesquite Fine Arts Center, online at mctnv.com and at the box office one hour prior to the show. For details, visit vvtgnv.com or mctnv.com

SATURDAY, JAN. 21

Movie Matinee for adults: 1-4:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St.

Join in for the movie "Jerry and Marge Go Large" at the library. Info: 702-507-4080.

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MONDAY, JAN. 23

Preschool Ukulele Storytime: 10-11 a.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Join for stories, songs and activities that build early literacy. For children ages 3-5 and their caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

Blood drive: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. > See CALENDAR, Page 17

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Celtic Harps Concert: 3 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. A concert featuring Lisa Lynne and Aryeh Frankfurter. Info: 702-507-4080.

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Hot Air Balloon Festival: 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., CasaBlanca Outdoor Parking lot and grounds area. Bright colored balloons will take to the skies. Info, call 702-643-0000.

DIY Adult Craft: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. It's an amazing feeling to make something unique and creative, so going for a fun experience. There is a different craft each month and all supplies are included. Attendance is limited, so call or register at the customer service desk. Info: 702-507-4080.

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Childcare Provider Training: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., CSN Mesquite Center, 140

N. Yucca St. No-cost, in-person training offered. Lunch included. Space is limited. Visit <https://bit.ly/MesChildcareTrainingJan>. For info, call 702-346-2485.

Children's Sensory Movie: 3 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st St. N. Lowered blinds, reduced sound and tables set up by special request to accommodate children needing a less stimulating environment. Info: 702-507-4080.

Beginning Apple iPhone: 3-4 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st St. N. This class is for anyone that is new to Apple iPhones or just needs a refresher. Info: 702-507-4080.

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