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NEWS AND NOTES

IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE MESQUITE DAYS

The annual Mesquite Days celebration runs May 3-7 at the Mesquite Recreation Center, 100 W. Old Mill Road.

Family Fun Night kicks off the event on May 3 with games, a bounce house, mechanical bull, cornhole, water games, dunk tank, sports games, carnival games, a raffle and prizes, along with a live band at the 50 W. Old Mill Road ballfields.

On May 4, there will be a Star Wars Day at the Mesquite Recreation Center with free admission to those dressed in Star Wars apparel. A historical walking tour will take place at 9 a.m. and the Founders Forum will take place at 5:30 p.m.

The carnival will take place May 5 and 6, with live music and vendor booths from noon to midnight.

On May 6 is the annual Mayor's

Pancake Breakfast at Family Heritage Park from 7 to 9 a.m., leading into annual Mesquite Days Parade starting at 10 a.m.

MESQUITE PD'S GOODSSELL AWARDED BEST OF BADGE

School Resource Officer Justin Goodsell of the Mesquite Police Department was awarded Best of the Badge for February 2023.

Goodsell investigated several large incidents at both the middle and elementary schools throughout the month and assisted patrol whenever needed, all while maintaining his regular duties of patrolling HMS with his K9 partner Marley.

Goodsell also felt that all students, teachers, and parents could use a little extra motivation this last semester of school. He coordinated with the school to bring in Ryan Stream, a motivational speaker to talk to students as well as parents, which was

a huge success and the positive message resonated with everyone that attended one of the sessions.

SPRING FESTIVAL SLATED FOR APRIL 22

The Mesquite Republican Women are sponsoring the Mesquite Spring Festival that will be held on Saturday, April 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event will be held outdoors at the Mesquite Recreation Center West Field.

Admission is free. Proceeds from the event to the sponsors are pledged to Mesquite Safenest and the Mesquite Community Education Foundation.

Vendor booths have been reserved for local artists, crafters and a wide variety of items and services. Some of the great food trucks serving Mesquite will be on hand.

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At the Mesquite City Council meeting on Tuesday, March 14, Mike Clifford and Duane Johnson with the SNICC (Southern Nevada International Code Council) was pleased to offer assistance to non-profit organizations and other entities that provide beneficial services to our community, including free swimming lessons for children 4 and under).

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After the opening ceremony at 10 a.m., there will be continuous entertainment on the stage all day. Mesquite's Senator in the Nevada Legislature, Jeff Stone, expects to be here around noon.

The band Runaway Fire will play through out the day. Several of the Recreation Center programs will be giving demonstrations.

A bake sale will be held with wrapped goods to take home. A raffle with exciting prizes will be offered.

For further information or to reserve a booth, please contact Me-

lissa at melissah@rconnects.com or 702-884-3753.

FARMER'S MARKET SLATED FOR APRIL 7 AND 21

The Community Farmer's Market dates for the month are April 7 and 21.

The Farmer's Market runs both days from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Mesquite Visitor's Center, 460 N. Sandhill Blvd., next to Taco Bell.

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FROM THE MAYOR

What's there for kids to do? Well, actually a lot

By Al Litman

Recently there have been some comments on social media sites that say we have nothing for our youth to do in Mesquite, and that, of course, had led to drinking and drug abuse by our young ones. Nothing could be further from the truth.



On Feb. 10, the director of our Athletic and Leisure Services met with more than 700 of our youth to go over all the activities that are either here or being planned for the year.

This will be repeated again for our young people in March, to make sure everyone is informed of all we have to offer. When I say we, I don't mean the Mayor and City Council. We do not plan youth activities as there are many organizations, the schools, and others that conduct these activities.

It's not what city government does. I myself was very surprised at the number and quality of all that is being offered to the children and teens of Mesquite. We never had so many activities when I was growing up. I read another comment that the mom's of Mesquite should go to city hall and voice their complaints that our youth have nothing to do here.

Of course you can come to city hall and voice your concerns, but the city council has nothing to do with youth activities. It's not what city government does. Another comment was, "Everything is being taken from the kids."

I assure you, nothing is being taken from the kids, or anyone else. That's not what city government

does. Another comment was why can't we have a skate park. It's on the way and approved. It's an expensive project, and we are waiting on the money and the hiring of a contractor.

How about batting cages? We have them next to the recreation center.

So what do we have for the children and teens in Mesquite? I'll mention only a few, as space is limited. Youth Flag Football, Little League Baseball and Softball, T-Ball, Youth Dodge Ball League, Junior Golf, Virgin Valley Artists Association Pottery and Painting classes, Virgin Valley Theater summer plays and programs, Youth Pickle Ball, Family Nights at the Mesquite Recreation Center, Summer Youth Day Camp, Steam Center classes, Family Craft for Children 3-11, and dozens more programs and activities.

I'll stop with that, but assure you there are so many wonderful activities that no child could be bored!

On another note, I've been told we do not have a pediatrician here. That is correct, but why tell me? You need to address all medical questions to Mesa View Hospital administration. The city does not employ doctors, it's not what we do.

Finally, I read on social media that our parks have all the drug-gies hanging out, especially in the bathrooms. If you see this, call the police. Our police are very proactive and will stop this, but we can't put police in all our parks.

By the way, the city posted the legal request for construction bids for six additional pickle ball courts and permanent bathrooms for the complex. We should see construction start by the end of summer, if not sooner.

Al Litman is mayor of the city of Mesquite.

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Bank ecstatic to open new branch downtown

By Breven Honda

The month of April is a time to fully immerse with spring as the calendar turns from winter with anticipation.

Trees have the opportunity to grow by branching out and so do banks as the Nevada Bank & Trust is set open its new branch in Mesquite this month.



“It’s excitement,” said Spencer Hafen, Nevada Bank & Trust CEO. “People are excited for the new building. They are excited for the location. For many years, my little bank went unnoticed in town.

“So, this is bringing us to the forefront and people see us. They are just excited to come in and work with us. It’s brought a new buzz to the town and that we are being recognized and noticed as a viable bank, a strong bank and ready to further our investments in the city.”

The branch is set to open on April 17 with a grand opening ceremony on April 21 in front its new location at 191 W. Mesquite Blvd.

Not only is this a special time for the bank, but also for Hafen, who grew up in Mesquite.

Hafen, who turns 51 this month, said having his bank standalone as the only small community bank in town is vital to the success of Nevada Bank & Trust and Mesquite.

“For the city of Mesquite, it’s a great opportunity for the people here but also in partnership with the city,” Hafen said. “I believe that by building where we are at, it will help spur additional development in the redevelopment district in the city.”

This process has come with months of planning and patience as Nevada Bank & Trust has been



in Mesquite for about 15 years.

Including Mesquite, Nevada Bank & Trust has four branch locations, along with Ely, Elko and Caliente.

Location was a prime factor in the decision both from a town standpoint and a state aspect.

Hafen, who has been the CEO for eight years, said being able to reside on the town’s main road has potential benefits in the future.

“It will help the city grow on the boulevard, which for many years has been an area that has almost been forgotten in the city, where a lot of the development has gone north of the interstate and other parts of the town,” Hafen said. “We looked at areas in those higher growth areas to build a

new branch, but we settled in this downtown area because we think it’s good for the city. It’ll be a good partnership.”

With the Elko branch along I-80, this new Mesquite branch comes along I-15, the other major interstate in Nevada and on the edge of neighboring states, Utah and Arizona.

“Along I-15, it’s a growth area, it’s a retirement area,” Hafen said. “The city of Mesquite has great potential and always has for future growth. And it does contribute being here to having a branch here.”

Nothing was perfect during the development process for the new branch.

Hafen said the construction for the branch, which started last

summer, is similar to someone currently building a house.

“Well, I think most people building a building at this time or building a home, any project related to construction, the biggest challenge has been supply chain,” Hafen said. “I think that’s been the greatest challenge, but we’ve worked through it.

The positive vibes of the new branch also come as the bank is preparing for its 45th year of service in June.

Hafen said the milestone exemplifies what the bank stands for and its motto: “Community. It’s who we are. It’s what we do.”

“It shows that as a community

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bank in the state in the Nevada, we are here to support and to assist the community,” Hafen said. “45 years is a good milestone and we’ve been serving communities throughout eastern Nevada, helping them grow, helping small businesses, helping consumers buy homes and cars and things that they need.”

The trend of celebrations will continue as Nevada Bank & Trust is set to have a new emblem to give a fresh, new look while standing out as a small community bank in Mesquite.

“We are moving from a logo and branding that we’ve had for many years to a more bolder logo, in my opinion, and kind of set the bank apart for recognition as well,”

Hafen said.

Being part of the community, not only in Mesquite but in the surrounding areas, has been the focus for the bank.

As the Nevada Bank & Trust prepares for its grand opening in Mesquite and its 45-year anniversary in June, Hafen is hoping for him, his bank and the employees to continue its values for years to come.

“We are a community bank, meaning we serve the community and we offer everything a bigger bank can offer and we make that choice to do so to help the communities in which we service, whether it is here in Mesquite, or in Caliente, or Ely or Elko,” Hafen said. “That’s our goal and that will continue to be our goal in the future.”



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Senior Games participants enjoying themselves

By Breven Honda

The Mesquite Senior Games spring season is almost complete as the bulk of the events took place in March.

Sandy Tudor said people have liked the different events despite Mother Nature getting in the way during the final day of pickleball action.

“They’ve gone great, other than the weather we had (on March 15),” said Tudor, the Mesquite Senior Games interim president. “Our pickleball tournament was scheduled for men on Monday, mixed doubles on Tuesday and women on Wednesday. But we knew quite a while ago that Wednesday was going to be a bad weather day.

“So, we actually sent notification to everyone and postponed Wednesday until Thursday, knowing that we would lose some players. Actually, we only lost four, which I thought was pretty good.”

In total, 13 of the 15 events have already taken place with the softball events slated to begin April 1-2 for ages 50-64 and April 4-5 for those older than 65. The bocce event on April 17-20 concludes the spring schedule.

Tudor, who coordinates the softball events, said one of the challenges of scheduling the tournament has been due to an inconsistent holiday.

“For the last three years, we have



had to make substantial adjustment to our softball schedule because of Easter,” Tudor said. “Our softball event has always been the first two weekends in April. Well, the last three years, Easter has been in the middle of that. These are women between 50 and 75 years old who have children and grandchildren and they don’t want to miss Easter with them.”

In total, there are 33 softball teams competing with 16 squads in the younger age group and 17 in the older age group. In addition, there are seven, 70-and-over teams and four teams in the 75-and-older age bracket.

One of the similarities between the softball event and the bocce event is that both are qualifier events for the Nevada State Games, giving the opportunity for teams to compete for

something beyond the Mesquite Senior Games.

Tudor said she can’t wait for bocce in the middle of April.

“We are very excited about our bocce tournament. The two that we’ve had so far have gone really well,” Tudor said.

During the month of March, the Mesquite Senior Games kicked things off with the Shotgun Sports and Target Pistol events the first weekend. Between the two events, there were a little more than 70 participants taking part in the trap, sporting clay and skeet events in the shotgun sports and center fire and rim fire events in target pistol.

The following weekend, the bowling event took place as the doubles event sold out and the singles event was nearly full.

This year’s bowling event is the

first time the Mesquite Senior Games returned to its pre-COVID-19 schedule with doubles in the morning and singles in the afternoon.

As much as people enjoyed both the bowling event as well the shotgun sports and target pistol events, challenges have emerged when it comes to planning for 2024 in its own ways.

“We had three people drop out of the singles part way through the games because they were tired, and they were some of our older competitors,” Tudor said of the bowling event. “We need to relook at that in the future because six games for some of these people to bowl in a day is a lot.

“We did find out that Ducks Unlimited has a big shotgun shoot the first weekend in March and it’s a three-day event. We’re going to look at possibly changing the dates of ours for next year, so we do not compete with them. Three or four of the guys said ‘Wow, you could’ve had another 50 shooters.’”

One of the things Tudor and her board members wanted to ensure for this year’s games is if there was enough help throughout the events.

Beth Caplinger, who is on the Mesquite Senior Games Board as the volunteer coordinator, has dotted every ‘i’ and crossed every ‘t’ when it

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April 17-20 Bocce



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Karlynn Jones - Card Artist of the Month

Karlynn Jones has enjoyed art in one form or another all her life. She designed and created gift baskets and packages for corporate accounts in Utah, California and Nevada for more than 25 years. She has transitioned from gift baskets to watercolor painting and now spends her time creating her artwork.

Her adventure in watercolor started when a friend talked her into taking a class with the recreation department in California. While she enjoyed the medium, it was very frustrating. However, determination won out after many courses and seminars. What was frustrating before is now pure joy. “Just watching

the magic happen when the watercolor explodes on the paper brings excitement and adventure” to her paintings. Jones focuses on the color and texture that she can achieve with watercolor. She loves painting desert landscapes, sunsets, and flowers.

She has been a Virgin Valley Artists Association member for 18 years. During this time, she has served as chairman of the reception committee, gift shop committee, gallery reset committee, exhibition and competition committee. She is a past VVAA Board of Directors member serving as an over-site chair for four years.

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comes to the help for each event.

“The thing is, it looks like we need a lot of volunteers sometimes until you look at it,” Tudor said. “Bowling is a perfect example. We need two people there to check everybody in. But, once they check them in, there is nothing else for them to do. So, those same two people became the lane angels, or the score runners or whatever. So, (Beth) has had everything covered that we need to cover

so far this year.”

The volunteer success has led to the joy from the participants during each of the events, especially those competing for the first time since the pandemic.

“They are so happy to be able to participate in the games again,” Tudor said. “That was a hard, difficult time for a lot of people because people are basically social animals and to not have the socialization was really difficult. People are just happy to be out and about again.



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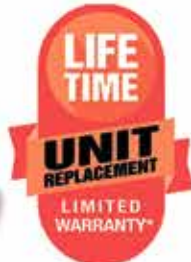
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YOUTH SPORTS



Above photo, the Virgin Valley Little League skills day took place last month. The league offered a huge thank you to all the coaches and the Virgin Valley High School student athletes for running an excellent event. Below photo, the youth flag football season is under way. (Photos courtesy Mesquite Leisure and Athletic Services).



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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THURSDAY, APRIL 6

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

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.

Sign Language Group - noon - 1:30 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Learn and practice sign language for personal growth and/or the ability to interact with the deaf community. Info: 702-507-4080.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 7

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

Farmer's Market: 2-6 p.m., Mesquite Welcome Center, 460 Sandhill Blvd. Locally grown, locally owned and locally crafted. Interested in being a vendor? Text Cally Wade at 702-423-



A night of Cowboy Poetry is scheduled at the Mesquite Library on April 11 from 5 to 6 p.m. It's free and open to the public..

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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, APRIL 8

Easter Egg Hunt: 9-10 a.m., Marilyn Redd Park, 251 Marilyn Parkway. The Virgin Valley Lions Club and Las Vegas Summerlin Lions are having an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages newborn to 10. Starts at 10 a.m. SHARP.

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 9

Library closed.

MONDAY, APRIL 10

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

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 caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

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

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

Sign Language Group - 5:30 - 6:45 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Learn and practice sign language for personal growth and/or the ability to interact with the deaf community. Info: 702-507-4080.

Cowboy Poetry: 5 - 6 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Celebrate National Cowboy Poetry Month with the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District and The Mesquite Arts Council. Cowboy poets Jim Parsons,

Kathy Smith, Derek Hafen and Russ Westwood will tell stories about cowboy life and culture. Free. Info: 702-507-4080.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

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.

Chamber luncheon: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., CasaBlanca Resort, poolside, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd. Featured speaker is Bill McConnell, chief operations officer for the Las Vegas Super Bowl Host Committee. Chamber members \$35, non-members \$45. RSVP 702-346-2902.


Book Bingo: 1:30-2:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Play bingo, win books! Info: 702-507-4080.

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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.

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. Assemblyman Toby Yurek will join the meeting by Zoom. Special guests are USMC veteran Steve Sanson, President of Veterans In Politics International, a non-partisan organization that is a watchdog for veteran's rights; and Stephanie Phillips, a Blue Star Mom, business owner and a 2024 U.S. Senate candidate. For information, call at 702-346-3804 or

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Delight yourself also in the Lord ...

By Pastor Chris Wall

“Delight yourself also in the Lord,
And He shall give you the desires of your heart.”

We all certainly have things that we delight in. For some it is a particular prized possession, others a specific hobby, and, by God's grace, hopefully we all may say our family. Certainly there is nothing wrong with enjoying the things we own or a specific hobby or, most assuredly, our relationships with those that we love most.

However, there is a problem—a severe one—when we allow anything to take the place of preeminence that should be the Lord's in our hearts. So there is no problem with




us wanting to delight in something, as a matter of fact that is the way that God created us, but the purpose is so that we may delight in Him.

Delight, joy, peace—these are things that people all over the world are seeking. I am sure that you yourself are seeking these things... I know that I am! However, it is my contention, and more importantly the Bibles, that these things are not found outside of a relationship with God. Furthermore, there is no way to have a relationship with the Lord outside of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ (John 14:6).

This means that it is totally impossible to delight in the Lord without having a personal, intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. This relationship is only realized when one places their personal faith in the finished work of Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection, seeing that He is

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Bible Study	Tuesdays	1:00 p.m.
Ash Wednesday	Feb. 22nd	11:00 a.m.
	<i>Followed by a luncheon</i>	
Good Friday	April 7th	3:00 p.m.
Easter Service	April 9th	9:30 a.m.

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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.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

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.

Sign Language Group - noon - 1:30 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Learn and practice sign language for personal growth and/or the ability to interact with the deaf community. 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.

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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.

Teen GSA: 4:45 - 5:45 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Join LGBTQ-IA+ teens and allies who are having fun, being supportive, learning about local resources and striving to make our community stronger. Grades 6-12, ages 12-17. Info: 702-507-4080.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

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.

Blood Drive: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Schedule your appointment at www.bloodhero.com and enter code MES-QUITELIBLV or call 877-258-4825.

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.

Pioneer Dutch Oven Dinner: 6-8 p.m., Heritage Park, 121 Elwin Whipple Way. Come help raise money for the preservation of historical buildings. Adults \$20, children \$10 or family \$60. Sponsored by the Virgin Valley Historical Society.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Paint-Ink: 2 - 3 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Ink is an ancient writing and drawing medium dating back to 2500 BC. Show your creativity and learn how to make beautiful artwork using metal ink nibs. All materials provided. Free and open to the public. Call 702-507-4080.

Apple iPhone: 3-4 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Come learn the ins and outs of your Phone. Info: 702-507-4080.

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Come see the movie "The Plane." Call 702-507-4080.

Concert in the Plaza: 3 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Come listen to the band "Silver & Wood Flute." Call 702-507-4080.

MONDAY, APRIL 17

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.

Conservative Club Meetings: Doors open at 2:45 p.m., Sun City Pioneer Center. Join like-minded conservative patriots that support the U.S. Constitution and the traditional American way of life. Please contact Janis to be added to the email list or with any questions or additional information. Phone: 702-613-4660; Email: janis.truthseeker@gmail.com.

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

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 caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

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.

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

9 and Dine: 2 p.m., Coyote Willows Golf Course. Four-person teams, scramble format. \$65 per person includes golf or cornhole and White-Boys Taco dinner. Sponsored by Mesquite Chamber of Commerce. Call 702-346-2902 to register.

Jan & Mac Duo: 3 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Free concert at the library. Info: 702-507-4080.

Sign Language Group - 5:30 - 6:45 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Learn and practice sign language for personal growth and/or the ability to interact with the deaf com-

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the only Savior of men.

Finally, we note the end of the verse, which informs us that we get the desires of our heart, but this goes in connection with delighting in the Lord. These are not mutually exclusive things, rather they are connected to one another. If one is delighting in the Lord, it follows that his desires will be in harmony

with the Lord's; therefore, God grants the desires of the heart.

It is my sincere desire that we all would seek God in everything that we do and that our desires would be in perfect accord with His own, and I pray that we all would learn to delight ourselves in the Him!

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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Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board: 4 - 8 p.m., Mesquite City Hall, 10 E. Mesquite Blvd. Learn ore about the environmental cleanup at the Nevada National Security site.

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.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

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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.

Farmer's Market: 2 - 6 p.m., Mesquite Welcome Center, 460 Sandhill Blvd. Locally grown, locally owned and locally crafted. Interested in being a vendor? Text Cally Wade at 702-423-2940.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 22

Mesquite Spring Festival: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Recreation Center, 100 E. Old Mill Road. Music, crafts, food, entertainment by Runaway Five. Admission is free. Proceeds from the event to benefit Mesquite SafeNest and the Mesquite Community Education Foundation. Sponsored by Mesquite Republican Women.

Food Truck Saturday: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Mesquite Welcome Center, 460

Sandhill Blvd. Come out and bring your appetite to experience all that food trucks have to offer.

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Come see the movie "A Man Called Otto." Call 702-507-4080.

Cricut Club: 3-4 p.m. 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.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Come see the movie "A Man Called Otto." Call 702-507-4080.

Concert on the Plaza: 3 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St. Come out to listen to the "Silver & Wood Flute." Call 702-507-4080.

MONDAY, APRIL 24

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 intrinsic. > See CALENDAR, Page 21

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Spring Sing Love is in the Air: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Mesquite Fine Arts Center, 150 N. Yucca St. The Half Notes Women's Chorus and Mesquite Men's Chorus will perform. Tickets are \$12. Online at MCTNV.com or in person at the box office an hour before showtime.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

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.

Library Customer Appreciation Day: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Come join for crafts, refreshments, music, activities and giveaways. Free and open to the public. Call 702-507-4080.

Crafts for Adults: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Come by for several crafts, activities, refreshments and giveaways. Call 702-507-4080.

International Cinema (Film Discussion Group): 2-3 p.m. Mes-

quite 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.

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Virtual Author Series: 5-6 p.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Come listen to a conversation with New York Times bestselling

author William Kent Kruegerl as he discusses his new book in the Cork O'Connor series, "Fox Creek." Call 702-507-4080.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

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.

Blood Drive: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Mesquite Recreation Center, 100 W. Old Mill Road. The Red Cross will be collecting blood to help people in need. Schedule at www.redcrossblood.org and search for zip code 89027 or call 800-733-2767.

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.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

Children's Movie: 3 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Join for a movie rated G or PG for children ages 0-17. Info: 702-507-4080.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

Science is Everywhere Day: 1 - 3 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Drop in for hands-on learning for children of all ages. Enjoy experimenting with science, technology, engineering, art and math games. Info: 702-507-4080.

MONDAY, MAY 1

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.

Vitalant Blood Drive: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Appointment required. Schedule at www.bloodhero.com and enter code MESQUITELIBLV or call 877-258-4825.

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.

TUESDAY, MAY 2

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 caregivers. Call 702-507-4080.

Book Club: 10 - 11 a.m., Mesquite Library, 121 W. 1st N St. Join in a fun and exciting discussion of the monthly reading selection. Ask for current selection at the customer service desk and read it prior to the meeting. Call 702-507-4080.

Brown Bag Culture Series: noon - 1 p.m., Mesquite Fine Arts Center, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd. Classroom NV. Speaker to be announced. For details, call 702-346-1338.

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

Arts Council Meeting: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., Mesquite Fine Arts Council Office, 150 N. Yucca St. Room 23. Monthly board meeting of the Mesquite Arts Council. The public is welcome to attend.

Sign Language Group - 5:30 - 6:45 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Learn and practice sign language for personal growth and/or the ability to interact with the deaf community. Info: 702-507-4080.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

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.

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.

Mesquite Days: 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., Mesquite Recreation Center, 100 W. Old Mill Road. Family Fun Night. Bring the whole family for a fun night filled with games, prizes, live bands and food trucks.

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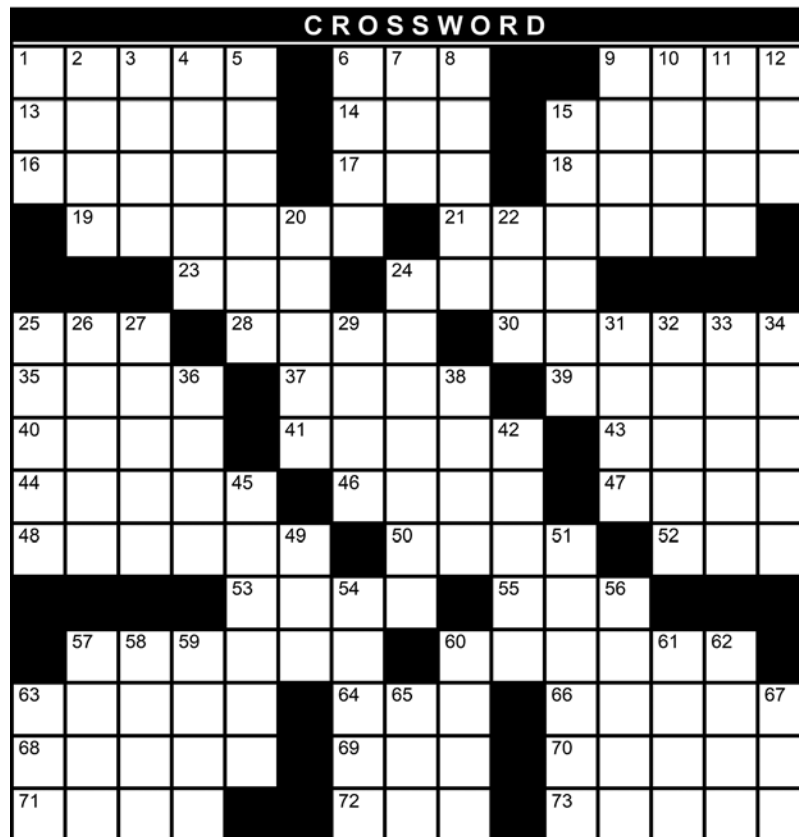
THEME: COLORS

ACROSS

1. Partner of pains
6. "Raiders of the Lost ____"
9. Opposite of flows
13. Flesh of fish
14. Grazing area
15. Soft palate hanger
16. Boatload
17. Wood-shaping tool
18. Old episode
19. *Alice of "Color Purple" fame
21. *Fruit and color
23. Long reef dweller
24. Sound of pain
25. Math class total
28. Excessively abundant
30. *"Royal" color
35. Arrival times, acr.
37. *Color quality
39. Shininess
40. White House "sub"
41. Spritelike
43. Cupid's counterpart
44. Serengeti grazer
46. *Feeling blue
47. Hokkaido native
48. *Color wheel inventor
50. Walk with a hitch
52. "Malcolm X" (1992) movie director
53. Stare open-mouthed
55. Napoleon of "Animal Farm," e.g.
57. *Between blue and violet
60. * ____ phobia, intense fear of colors
63. Opposite of cathode
64. North American country
66. Run ____ of the law
68. Geography class book
69. Local area network
70. It's firma
71. Has divine power
72. Banned insecticide, acr.
73. German surrealist Max

DOWN

1. "General Hospital" network
2. Crop of a bird
3. Zeus' sister and wife
4. Two under par on a golf hole
5. Meat-cooking contraption
6. Winglike
7. *Predominant color of Mars
8. Type of membranophone
9. Like never-losing Steven
10. Town
11. *Primary color
12. ____ Juan, Puerto Rico
15. 7th planet from the sun
20. Chosen few
22. Nicki Minaj's genre
24. Not womenfolk
25. *Number of colors in a rainbow
26. Of service
27. Colorful parrot
29. *The LumiÈre brothers' colorful creation
31. "Cheers" actress Perlman
32. Jeopardy
33. Sergio of Spaghetti Westerns fame
34. Follow as a consequence
36. Email folder
38. Cone-shaped quarters
42. Naiad or maenad
45. Motherless calves
49. Old horse
51. Long John Silver, e.g.
54. Modified "will"
56. Bottom-ranking employee
57. Opposite of "out of"
58. Hall of Fame Steelers' coach
59. June 6, 1944
60. "____ Buy Me Love"
61. Between dawn and noon
62. Yours and mine
63. Expression of pleasure
65. Melancholy
67. Latissimus dorsi, for short
55. Tree fluid
58. Dropped drug, acr.





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