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Five contestants will vie for the title of Ms. Mesquite, with the pageant taking place April 19. SEE STORY PAGE 4

Ms. Mesquite 2024 Bronzie Daphne represented Nevada in the 2024 Ms. Senior America Pageant in Atlantic City.



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NEWS AND NOTES

EDWARDS TWINS RETURN TO MESQUITE FOR TWO SHOWS

The Edwards Twins, who perform a high-energy Las Vegas-style review with impersonation and multiple costume changes, will return to Mesquite for two shows on April 17 at the Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St.

The shows are scheduled at 2 and 7 p.m. Anthony and Eddie Edwards will perform songs dressed as Cher, Neil Diamond, Barbra Streisand, and Andrea Bocelli. They have recently added Olivia Newton John and Tom Jones to their act.

The Edwards Twins have been performing in Mesquite for a number of years, although this may be their last trip as Eddie is recovering from a heart attack that has curtailed their normal 300 shows to 50.

The Edwards Twins are performing in Sun City Summerlin on April 19, but Anthony told SCS Life, a

monthly publication in Sun City Summerlin, that its possible the Florida-based duo may not return.

"We do not know if we will be coming back to Vegas or not at this point" after their April performance, Anthony said.

Anthony thanks fans for their support and reports, "Eddie is doing much better and nothing keeps him down. Not even a heart attack."

He promises the twins "will never leave the stage, but just slow down a little."

Ticket costs for the Mesquite show are \$45 for reserved seats and \$35 for general admission. Tickets are available at www.mctnv.com or at the box office Tuesdays and Thursdays between noon and 3 p.m.

MESQUITE TOES PRESENTING PATRIOTIC DANCE SHOW

The Mesquite Toes Dance Troupe will present a "Salute to America"

spring spectacular on Friday, April 4, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, April 5, at 2 p.m. at the Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St.

Admission is \$20 for general admission and \$15 for veterans. Tickets are available at www.mctnv.com or at the box office Tuesdays and Thursdays between noon and 3 p.m.

Tickets are also available at the box office one hour before the shows.

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The Republican Women's Club is hosting the free Mesquite Spring Festival on Saturday, April 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Recreation Center, 100 E. Old Mill Road.

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The Ms. Senior Mesquite board and contestants from 2024.

(Submitted photo)

Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant ready for an 'elegant' event

By Breven Honda

4 p.m.

Beauty pageants are not only for youth wanting to dream big like Cinderella.

In Mesquite, there is a beauty pageant for seniors to continue to have those visions like Cinderella or any another princesses, such as Belle, Jasmine or Rapunzel.

"It's wonderful to have something that highlights our beautiful senior women," said Becky Boyd, who is the administrator for the Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant. "The senior women of today are so different than our moms or grandmas, who were stay at home moms, mostly. Now, we have women who, even in their 60s and older, own businesses. They're out playing tennis. We do pickleball.

"We're not just retired people sitting around waiting to die."

On April 19, the Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant will take place at Virgin Valley High School beginning at

"We have five fabulous ladies who have such great talent," Boyd said. "Everybody's going to be in awe. It's going to be an event not to miss.

"The exciting thing about our pageant is last year was the first one that we have had since 2019, so it's so nice to have the pageant back."

The beauty behind the pageants is that every participant has a story, some even as impactful as their involvement in the community.

Boyd said last year's top two pageant participants have made their commitments and efforts into the Mesquite area.

"Our communities are so blessed by having these women that are out there doing things because they have self-worth and they have confidence," she said. "Bronzie Daphne, who was the queen last year, is playing her piano and singing at events

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The Mesquite Showgirls always come out to usher and greet at the Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant. (Submitted photo)

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and at the care centers. Karen Alvear, who was the first runner up, is now helping with the veterans. She's learned Sign and does signing at a lot of events.

"So, the pageant is not just for ladies to strut around in evening gowns. It helps them come out of their shells and become a bigger and better part of our community."

Boyd added that last year's pageant was meaningful, not only because it was the first one in five years, but the impact that people like Daphne and Alvear have had.

"That's what's been so touching for me to be involved with this, is to watch these ladies come in and they're very timid and shy," she said. "Well, I don't have any talent,' and we work with them and find their talent, and they're like butterflies."

On Wednesdays leading up until the pageants, there are weekly workshops at the Virgin Valley Arts Center to build up the potential pageant contestants and those who may be interested.

In addition to winning last year's

pageant, Daphne also went on to earn Ms. Nevada honors as a result of Mesquite holding the only pageant in Nevada. Daphne then went to the Ms. Senior America Pageant in Atlantic City, N.J.

That path for the winner will continue in this year's pageant this month.

The planning has been under way for months as Boyd and her committee cannot wait for the event to commence.

"We're going to have such great talent," she said. "We have people entertaining you while the ladies have to change their outfits, and it's amazing to me. People don't realize how much work something like that takes, especially behind the scenes. We have this fabulous gentleman, who helps the ladies who say, 'I don't have a talent.' He finds amazing talent just by talking to them and then grooms them."

It is expected to be a fun and "elegant" event as a new pageant winner will be announced later this month.

"These ladies are so elegant, not only because they're beautiful, but they have wisdom and talent and knowledge and poise, and they have so much to give to us," she said.

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Senior Games Spring season starting strong

By Breven Honda

The 2025 Spring Season for the Mesquite Senior Games has officially begun.

Over the first few weeks, there was plenty of action, competition and fun among the different sports and activities.

“Overall, as a whole, they went really well. I have no complaints,” Mesquite Senior Games President Sandy Tudor said on March 22. “I’m pleased with the attendance that we’ve had at most of the events. I’m pleased with the results and the participation that we have. It has been really good.”

Table tennis kicked off the season at the Mesquite Recreation Center. In the Open Division, Steven Nelson took the gold medal. Louis Krupnick followed that up with silver and Dan

Brown placed third.

In the women’s division, Renae Willer took first place honors. Julianna de Batz and Jan Brown rounded out the podium with second and third place medals.

Then, the golf skills event and the golf tournament took place. The Golf skills event, which took place on March 11 between the Mesquite Sports Event complex and the Sun City Pioneer Center, was filled with competition.

Over the last few years, the planning for the golf skills event has changed so the weather is not as big of an impact for the long drive and the closest to the pin events.

“We got through with the event before it really started to get too windy, so that helped a lot,” Tudor said. “I think,

two years ago, we used to do putting in the morning and long drive in the afternoon. Well, that’s when it gets really windy.”

“So, I think it was two years ago, maybe even three, that we switched it and did the long drive in the morning. So, we got all of the long drive in, we got closest to the pin in before it got very windy.”

One of the highlights of the day came during the closest to the pin. In the 85+ age group, Curtis Dassonville had one of the best shots of the entire day by getting his shot to five inches to claim the gold medal.

During the tournament the next day at Coyote Willows, another standout performance ensued. Ben and Jill Stanley recorded a two-person scramble score of 58 to take the gold medal

in their respective age groups. That beat the second-best score by seven strokes.

“The golfers just really have a good time when they play,” Tudor said. “I know some of the courses here in town are more challenging than Coyote Willows. Coyote Willows is only a nine-hole course, so they play it twice. But that works really well, because as they make the turn and go back and do it the second time so they can grab lunch on their way by.”

A couple days after golf was bowling with doubles on March 15 and singles the next day at the Virgin River Lanes.

Both days were finished by 2 p.m. as both sessions were nearly sold out.

“Everybody had a good time. We

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Board, volunteers provide support MSG April schedule

By: Breven Honda

As the calendar flips from March to April, the scheduled mid-way point of the Spring season arrives.

Overall, Mesquite President Sandy Tudor says everything has been going well, including the leadership with the Board of Directors.

“They’ve been great,” Tudor said of her fellow board members. “Everybody’s been mostly at every event

and helping with setup and tear down and everything that needs to be done. With the (box) truck, there’s not as much as it used to be, but there’s still stuff that has to happen every event.

“It’s difficult having so many games in such a short period of time. We lose snowbirds come the end of April, and much before that, it’s not warm enough to be doing a lot of

these, so we’ve got kind of a narrow window to get a lot of stuff done.”

Even from a volunteer standpoint, Beth Caplinger has been getting a steady stream of help for each event.

“Volunteers are awesome,” Tudor said. “(Board Member) Jim Armstrong was talking to some people and said, ‘You got to come by’. They came by the bowling alley, signed up as volunteers, stayed and worked

and came back the next day.

“Then we picked up two more volunteers, just from somebody who knew somebody and said, ‘Hey, you ought to get involved.’ And they have been. So, we’re picking up volunteers again, which is good, because we can never have too many.”

The first event to begin the month

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of April is shotgun sports and target pistol, which is being led by Armstrong.

Tudor said the only challenge for the shooting events is the location, not taking place in Mesquite, nor the state of Nevada.

“I think we’re in pretty good shape,” she said. “We’ve got some pretty good raffle prizes. A lot of them are shooting-related raffle prizes. Jim Armstrong has done a great job in getting those lined up.

“We really wish, though, that we had a local venue. It’s kind of tough when the Mesquite Senior Games have to go to Hurricane (in Utah) to play an event.”

After the shotgun and target pistol events, the women’s softball tournament gets underway. The tournaments for the 50-, 55- and 60-year-old age brackets get underway April 5-6 followed by the 65, 70

and 75-year-old brackets on April 8-9.

Tudor, who is the event director for softball, said they are 32 softball teams ready to compete, as of March 22.

“Actually, it’s a little more than we had before,” Tudor said about the number of teams on March 22. “Although, I could use one more in the 50s and one more in the 55s I think to make it just an easier bracket for me. But if I don’t get them, I’ll figure it out.

“I hear from the ball players all the time. In fact, a lot of them are down in Bullhead City right now playing in a tournament and wondering if they can come up here right afterwards. I said, ‘Sure, but I got nothing for you to do for 10 days. But come on up.’”

During the softball event, the second fitness hike takes place on

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had some good high scores,” Tudor said.

In the 60-64 age group in mixed doubles, Bobbie Robbins and Robert Robbins recorded the highest scratch series of the day at 1137 while also posting a 426 for the highest scratch game.

In the women's doubles session, the highest scratch series belonged to Evelyn Hooley and Veronica Tshako in the 70-74 age range, bowling a 921. Lois Hand and Jane Smith from the 50-54 age range combined to record the best scratch game score at 360.

During the men's single session, Ron Vandevanter, from the 65-69 age group, recorded the highest scratch series, bowling a 630. Alan Jacobson, from the 70-74 age group, bowled the highest scratch game at 247.

Although event director Toni Gans was not present, due to having surgery, Tudor said both days of the event went smoothly because of the volunteers and those who pitched in while she was absent.

“Everything was done as if she was there,” Tudor said.

The history tour and the fitness hike took place simultaneously on March 22.

Tudor, who was at the history tour, said the attendance was a little bit down due to a lack of walk-ups, despite it being a great time, led by tour guide, Mary Phalan.

“We were kind of light on the amount of people on the history tour,



although it was a great event,” she said. “In past years, for some reason, we've had maybe 10-12 walk ups. We didn't get those this time.

“But we had a nice time. The ladies are so knowledgeable about the history and all of the other stuff that is going on. It was interesting.

The fitness hike was led by Clint Bostwick. He led those in attendance, explaining about the different plant and animal wildlife in the area, in addition to the terrain. It turned out to be about a four-mile hike as it is the first two hikes with the next one coming on April 5.

To end the month, the Mesquite Senior Games held pickleball, basketball and track and field.

Throughout the opening part of the schedule, there have been some minor

improvements that have been made, especially from a logistical standpoint.

The box truck, which was acquired last summer, has been out at most of the events.

“It's been awesome and everyone's been commenting on it,” Tudor said. “It's so nice that we don't have to go to storage and

get all the stuff out and put it all away that night. We just take the truck to the event.

“Somebody says, ‘Oh, we (forgot) this. Well, you know what? It's right in the back of the truck. Let me go get that for you.’ So, it works very well.”

In addition, the Mesquite Senior Games purchased a set of battery-powered walkie-talkies to improve communication.

During the golf skills event, the set of rechargeable walkie talkies went out during the long drive event.

Thus, the purchase was made, especially ahead of track and field so someone can easily relay the results from the field to the press box at Virgin Valley High School as well as keep constant communication easily for anything.

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April 5, led by Clint Bostwick.

The season continues with cornhole, bocce and tennis. All three events have registration deadlines about one week before the start of the event.

This year's cornhole event is taking place at a new venue, now in the VIP Parking lot behind the Eureka Casino.

There are about 25 participants in cornhole. For bocce, it is close to a full event in both the two-person and four-person events from April 14-17 at Sun City. Four-person bocce is slated for April 14-15 and two-person is scheduled for April 16-17.

The competition in bocce is expected to be fun, especially because the competitors know each other.

“It's kind of funny. These people all play against each other in league, so then they just come play with us,” Tudor said.

One week after bocce, the Spring season wraps up with tennis from April 21-25. That event is being led by Duane Catania and those with any registration questions can ask board member Marge Mongolo.

“As we're getting closer to the to the late events, we still need some cornhole participants. We still need tennis participants,” Tudor said. “Our goal generally is to close registration one week before the event, and that gives us time to do brackets and all the other stuff that needs to be done.”



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FINANCIAL FOCUS

Preparing for the April tax deadline and 2025 changes

By Ron Bird

As the April 15, 2025, federal tax filing deadline approaches, U.S. taxpayers are gearing up to submit their 2024 returns. This annual ritual is a critical financial milestone, and staying informed about new tax regulations can help individuals and businesses maximize deductions, avoid penalties, and plan effectively. The IRS has introduced several updates for the 2024 tax year (filed in 2025), reflecting inflation adjustments and policy shifts. Here's what you need to know to tackle this deadline with confidence.



This means you don't need to file unless gross income exceeds these amounts—e.g., \$16,550 for a single filer over 65.

Tax Bracket Adjustments: The 2024 tax brackets shift upward by about 5.4%, per Revenue Procedure 2024-40. For example, the 22% bracket for married couples now applies to incomes from \$100,650 to \$225,750 (up from \$95,375–\$214,150). This reduces “bracket creep” from inflation-driven wage gains.

Medicare Part D Cap: A major 2025 change under the Inflation Reduction Act caps out-of-pocket drug costs at \$2,000 annually for Medicare Part D enrollees, down from \$3,500+. While not a 2024 filing issue, it affects 2025 planning for retirees deducting medical expenses (still 7.5% of AGI).

1099-K Threshold: The IRS delayed the \$600 Form 1099-K reporting threshold for online sellers to 2025, keeping it at \$20,000 and 200 transactions for 2024. This spares casual sellers extra paperwork this year.

THE APRIL 15 DEADLINE: KEYBASICS

For most taxpayers, April 15, 2025, is the last day to file a federal income tax return or request an extension without incurring a late-filing penalty (5% per month, up to 25%). If you owe taxes, payment is due by this date to avoid a separate late-payment penalty (0.5% monthly, plus interest). An extension pushes filing to October 15, 2025, but doesn't delay payment obligations. Missing the deadline can also forfeit refunds—over \$1 billion in unclaimed 2021 refunds lapsed in 2024, per IRS estimates.

2025 TAX REGULATION CHANGES

The IRS adjusts tax provisions annually for inflation, and 2024 brings notable updates:

Standard Deduction Increase: For 2024, the standard deduction rises to \$14,600 for single filers (up from \$13,850 in 2023) and \$29,200 for married filing jointly (up from \$27,700). Those 65 or older get an extra \$1,950 (single) or \$1,550 per spouse (joint), pushing thresholds higher.

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The 2025 deadline is business as usual, but these updates offer opportunities. Higher deductions and brackets may lower your tax bill, while the Medicare cap signals future savings. File on time, pay what's due, and plan ahead—your wallet will thank you.

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American Sign Language: 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. (advanced), 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. (beginner) Mesquite Library Learning Center, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Learning Center Building. Learn and practice sign language. Info: 702-346-5224.

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Ages 0-3 Toddler Storytime: 10-10:30 a.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. Babies and toddlers enjoy songs, nursery rhymes, stories and fingerplays with their favorite adult. This program introduces kids and parents to language-enrichment activities and emerging literacy skills. 702-346-5224.

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Ages 3-5 Preschool Story-

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Watercolor Beginners: 1-3 p.m., Mesquite Fine Arts Gallery classroom, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd. Char Lange watercolor class, limited to 20 participants. Cost is \$10 per classroom, pay at the class. Call 702-346-1338.

Kids' Artsy Craft Club: 4:30 p.m., A new art technique is taught every week, Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St., 702-346-5224.

Homework Help Available 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Mesquite Rotary: 5:30 p.m. Meets every Wednesday at the Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st. N. St. For more information, call 725-253-0288 or email RotaryClubofMesquiteNV@gmail.com

THURSDAYS

Al-Anon Family Groups: 10:30-3:30 a.m., 150 N. Yucca St., Suite 35A. Al-Anon Family Group is back with weekly meetings.

Toastmasters: noon - 1 p.m., First Baptist Church, 830 E. Hafen Lane. Toastmasters meet each Thursday at noon. Contact Mike Young at mkyoung@ix.netcom.com for details.

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. 702-346-5224.

Teen Crafternoon: 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Teen programs 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. 702-346-5224.

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My past does not define me

By Chris Wall

One of the crucial mistakes we can make is allowing our past to define us. This can happen in two ways: by dwelling on past mistakes or by clinging to past achievements.

Over the years, being a husband has taught me many lessons, but one that stands out above the rest is this: the past should not dictate my present or my future.

When it comes to my mistakes and foolish decisions, I am more than willing to apologize for them, let them go, and hope my wife does too! And when it comes to my achievements, as much as I may want to hold onto them, I cannot. Even if I planned the perfect anniversary last year, my wife still expects something fresh and thoughtful this year. In other words, I cannot rest in past glories for too long.

This same principle applies to our walk with the Lord. Too often, we allow ourselves to be defined by our best or worst moments, but the truth is that we must live in the present. The Apostle Paul captures this well in Philippians 3:13-14, where he writes, "Forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

I am not defined by the lies I tell my-

self, nor by the accusations of Satan. Instead, I am defined by what God says about me. Scripture declares that I am chosen (Ephesians 1:4), loved (Romans 8:38-39), justified (Romans 5:1), and being sanctified (Hebrews 10:14). However, these promises are only true for the person who is in Christ. To be in Christ means placing one's faith in Him—believing that His life, death, burial, and resurrection are the only sufficient payment for sin and the only means by which we can be made right with God (Romans 10:9-10). For those who have believed, these truths define them, not their past.

I understand what it is like to walk around with shame and regret over past sins—to feel as if you've committed the sin that has finally broken the camel's back, so to speak. But the truth is that God is in the business of restoration. Psalm 147:3 assures us, "He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." Your past does not define you—your present in Christ does, if indeed you are united to Him.

For anyone unsure of their standing with Christ, I encourage you to place your faith in Him as Lord and Savior. If you have questions or want to know more, find yourself in church this Sunday. Romans 10:17 reminds us, "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ."


Do not live in the pain of the past. Look forward with hope, knowing that God is working in your life right now.

Chris Wall is the Pastor of Mesquite Baptist Church (750 W. Pioneer Blvd., Mesquite, NV, 89027)



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FRIDAYS

Family Storytime: 10 a.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. A wide variety of books, songs and participatory activities will be shared for young children and their parents. 702-346-5224.

Fused Glass Drop In Group:

1-4 p.m., Mesquite Fine Arts Gallery glass studio classroom, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd. Open to class students and experienced fused glass crafters. Group size limited to 10 participants. Walk-ins only. \$10.

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. 702-346-5224.

Celebrate Recovery Group:

Dinner 5 p.m., Group 6 p.m., 830 Hafen Lane (First Baptist Church). Celebrate Recovery can help you find peace in your life. It's a safe place with no judgement. Call Dave at 847-997-6868 or visit www.crmesquite.com

SUNDAYS

Al-Anon Family Group: 3 p.m., Mesquite Veterinary Clinic, 371 Riverside Drive, Suite A. Al-Anon Family Group is back with weekly meetings.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Battle of the Books Club: 4:15 - 5:15 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Young adults book club. Info: 702-346-5224.

Mesquite Toes Salute to America: 7-9:30 a.m., Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St.,

Salute to America presented by the Mesquite Toes Dance Troop - A 2025 Spring Spectacular. General admission \$20, veterans \$15. Tickets available at MCT box office and online at mctnv.com.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Featured movie "Wicked." Call 702-346-5224.

Mesquite Toes Salute to America: 1-3:30 a.m., Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St., Salute to America presented by the Mesquite Toes Dance Troop - A 2025 Spring Spectacular. General admission \$20, veterans \$15. Tickets available at MCT box office and online at mctnv.com.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Featured movie is "Wicked." Call 702-346-5224.

Concert: 3 p.m. Mesquite Library,

160 W. 1st N St. George Cristos. Call 702-346-5224.

Tony Bennett Tribute: 6 p.m., CasaBlanca Showroom, 950 E. Mesquite Blvd. Tom Stevens returns with a new show. \$40 and \$50. 21 and older.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

Customer Appreciation Day: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. The Library District celebrates 60 years of service with games, giveaways, prizes and more. Info: 702-346-5224.

Warrior Women of Mesquite: 5:30-6:30 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Group discussion for those affected by cancer. Info: 702-346-5224.

City Council meeting: 5 p.m., City Hall, 10 E. Mesquite Blvd. Regular meetings of the Mesquite City Council.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

Book Bingo: 1-2 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Play bingo, win books! Info: 702-346-5224.

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

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 702-346-5224.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Duel in the Desert: 8 a.m., Mesquite Regional Sports and Entertainment Complex, 1635 World Champion Way. The World Long Drive is back in town. For tickets, visit <https://www.worldlongdrive.com/event-details-registration/duel-in-the-desert>

Canyonlands Healthcare: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Canyonlands Healthcare Community Healthcare Workers offers resources, information and support. Info: 702-346-5224.

Anyone Can Paint: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Class hosted by Barbara Thomas. Info: 702-346-5224.

Cowboy Poetry: 5-6 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. B.T. Borgland, Kathy Smith and Russ Westwood. Info: 702-346-5224.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

Duel in the Desert: 8 a.m., Mesquite Regional Sports and Entertainment Complex, 1635 World Champion Way. The World Long Drive is back in town. For tickets, visit <https://www.worldlongdrive.com/event-details-registration/duel-in-the-desert>

Family Craft: 11 a.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St. Join for an artful craft or project that incorporates dexterity, imagination and fun. Info: 702-346-5224.

Rock'in With Rod: 7 p.m., Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St. Come out for the Rod Stewart Tribute Show. Reserved seating

\$35, general admission \$25. Tickets on sale at mctnv.com or at the box office.

Led Zepagain: 8 p.m., Casa Blanca Showroom, 950 E. Mesquite Blvd. A tribute to Led Zeppelin. \$40 and \$50. 21 and older.

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

Duel in the Desert: 8 a.m., Mesquite Regional Sports and Entertainment Complex, 1635 World Champion Way. The World Long Drive is back in town. For tickets, visit <https://www.worldlongdrive.com/event-details-registration/duel-in-the-desert>

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Featured movie is "Reagan." Call 702-346-5224.

Concert: 3 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. DJ Van Dyke. Call 702-346-5224.

MONDAY, APRIL 14

Vitalant Blood Drive: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St. Schedule an appointment at www.bloodhero.com and enter code MESQUITELIBLV.COM or call 877-258-4825.

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 15

City Technical Review meeting: 2:30 p.m., City Hall, 10 E. Mesquite Blvd. Regular meetings of the Mesquite City Council.

AARP Driver's Safety Class: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Mesquite Senior Center, 102 Old Mill Road. \$20 members, \$25 non-members. Call 702-346-5290.

Mesquite Nevada Patriots: 2:15 p.m., Veteran's Center 840 Hafén Lane. Program TBD. Doors open at 2 p.m. Email MesquitePatriots@yahoo.com.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

The Edwards Twins: 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St. The ultimate Vegas Variety Show. Reserved seats \$45, general admission \$30. Purchase online at mctnv.com or at the box office.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

Easter Egg Hunt for Children:

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Mesquite Spring Festival: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Mesquite Recreation Center, 100 E. Old Mill Road. Vendors, crafts, food and entertainment. Sponsored by Mesquite Women's Club.

Virgin Valley History: 11 a.m. - noon., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. In partnership with the Virgin Valley Heritage Museum, explore different historical aspects of the local area. 702-346-5224.

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Featured movie "Reagan." Call 702-346-5224.

Ms. Senior Mesquite Pageant: 4 p.m., Virgin Valley High School Theater, 820 Valley View Drive. Who will be the next to wear the crown? Tickets are \$25. Purchase from any contestant or contact Becky Boyd, 801-699-9947.

Yellow Brick Road: 8 p.m., Casablanca Showroom, 950 E. Mesquite Blvd. If you love classic rock, YBR is a must-see act. Free admission.. 21 and older.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

Easter: Library closed

MONDAY, APRIL 21

Virgin Valley Artists General Meeting: 11 a.m. - noon, Mesquite Fine Arts Center classroom, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd. The public is invited to attend.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

City Council meeting: 5 p.m., City Hall, 10 E. Mesquite Blvd. Regular meetings of the Mesquite City Council.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24

DIY Craft: 10:15-11:15 a.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St. A different craft each month. Sign up required. 702-346-5224.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25

Canyonlands Healthcare: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Canyonlands Healthcare Community Healthcare Workers offers resources, information and support. Info: 702-346-5224.

Y.A. for A Book Club: 4:30-5:30 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St., A new club especially for those who enjoy young adult books. 702-346-5224

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

Children's Movie: 3 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. All kid's movies are rated G or PG. Call 702-346-5224.

Southern Nevada Symphony Orchestra: 6 p.m., Virgin Valley High School Theater, 820 Valley View Drive. Symphony under the di-

rection of Susan Thiriot. Admission \$25 online at snsymphony.com or at the door.

Jack LeDuc Presents a George Strait Tribute: 8 p.m, Virgin River Casino Event Center, 100 E. Pioneer Blvd. Experience the magic of country music. \$35-\$40. 21 and older.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27

Science is Everywhere: 1 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Come out to get an appreciation of science. Call 702-346-5224.

Concert: 3 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Mike and Mike. Call 702-346-5224.

MONDAY, APRIL 28

Book Bingo: 2:30-4 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Play bingo, win books! Info: 702-346-5224.

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

Book Swap Club: 1-2:30 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Info: 702-346-5224.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

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 702-346-5224.

FRIDAY, MAY 2

Battle of the Books Club: 4:15 -

5:15 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St. Young adults book club. Info: 702-346-5224.

SATURDAY, MAY 3

Health and Wellness Books Club: 11 a.m. - noon, Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St. Join for a lively discussion of the monthly selection. Info: 702-346-5224.

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Featured movie TBD. Call 702-346-5224.

SUNDAY, MAY 4

Movie Matinee: 1 p.m. Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N St. Featured movie TBD. Call 702-346-5224.

TUESDAY, MAY 6

Mesquite Book Club: 10-11 a.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st N. St. Join for a discussion of the monthly reading selection. Info: 702-346-5224.

Brown Bag Lecture: noon - 1 p.m., Mesquite Fine Arts Gallery, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd. Guest speaker is Darlene Montague from the College of Southern Nevada Mesquite campus. Free event. No registration required.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

Blood Drive: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Mesquite Library, 160 W. 1st St. Schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org and enter code MESQUITELIBLV.COM or call 800-733-2767.



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14. _____ diet, a.k.a. caveman diet
15. Kind of jerk
16. *Southern and Southwestern U.S. region: Sun _____
17. Financial backer
18. *Switzerland's skiing destination (2 words)
20. Ivan the Terrible, e.g.
21. Clint Eastwood's "Play _____ for Me"
22. One in a pod
23. Wear out
26. Masculine
30. *Princess' turf
31. Makes a sum (2 words)
34. "He's Just Not That _____ You"
35. Dionysus' pipe-playing companion
37. Choose
38. Provide food
39. Answer from a tunnel
40. Virtual you
42. _____ Scare
43. Prickly plant
45. *Second "National Lampoon's Vacation" destination
47. Biblical Adam's partner
48. Cause and effect cycle?
50. Goals
52. *Jamaica and Cayman Islands location
56. Bert's sidekick
57. Poet Pound
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60. Billiards relative
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63. Boar's mate
64. Reason to cram

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6. _____ G. of "SpongeBob SquarePants"
7. Aardvark's repast
8. *Serengeti National Park location
9. Aquatic plant
10. Pressure inducer
11. *Costa del _____, Spain
13. Humiliated
14. Eucharistic plate
19. Fretted instrument
22. OB-GYN test
23. Balance sheet item
24. *Coastal destination
25. Policeman's club in India
26. Cockapoo or Puggle, e.g.
27. Foreword
28. Make tea
29. Vast multitude
32. Peace symbol
33. *Rest and relaxation destination
36. *El Capitan and Half Dome location
38. Pigeon food?
40. Brewery order
41. Acrobatic move
44. Living room centerpiece?
46. Velveteen creature
48. Type of membranophone
49. Cupid's ammo
50. Gas station brand
51. Aware of a secret (2 words)
52. Porcinos
53. "At _____, soldier"
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