



La Mesa Woman's Club
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GAVEL TALK - JUNE 2019

Pat Kelly, Editor

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		BIRTHDAY CORNER
JUNE	JULY	 Elaine Ayres 9 th Nora Maxwell 18 th
Fri 7 th Executive Board 9:30 am 1st Friday Bridge 11:30 am Mon 10 th Hospitality Tea 11:30am Mon 17th Day & Evening Lunch and Bingo 11:30 am Mon 24th Bridge Lunch 11 30 am	Fri 5 th Executive Board 9:30 am 1st Friday Bridge 11:30am Mon 10 th Hospitality Tea 11:30am Mon 22nd Bridge lunch 11:30 am	

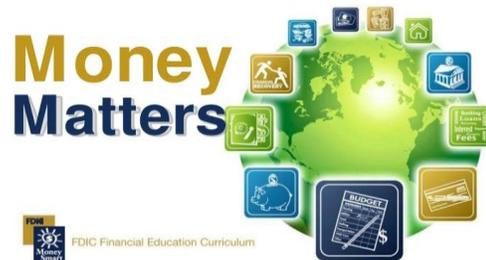
Presidents' Message

We hope this month finds you and your family in good health. Each of us has spent much time lately involved with our own loved ones--Kathy in Washington, assisting her granddaughter; Betsy in Oregon helping with her elderly father and step-mother. We both appreciate the loving support from club members as we deal with others' difficult times and health issues.



Our recent clubhouse estate sale, although well-publicized, was not particularly well-attended. Many thanks to Pat, Lou, Elaine, Judy, and Darcy for their dedicated service. We did sell a few items and made a bit of money, but if you visit the Thrift Korral in La Mesa, you'll recognize familiar green melmac dishes and lots (!) of vintage glassware. However, mission accomplished! Our kitchen cupboards are bare, and --good news--we are in negotiations for the sale of our clubhouse to Penske. Our realtor, Joe Yetter, continues to successfully navigate the complicated waters regarding our selling to Penske for \$2.1 million. We will continue to have use of our clubhouse during the proceedings, which may take the rest of the year.

Betsy Quinn and Kathy Tinsley



Your co-presidents will be meeting with a recommended attorney, Darryl Solberg, next week. Acting pro-bono, he will discuss establishing an entity to provide oversight for future funds and protect our non-profit status. In addition, our accountant, George Dall, will advise us on handling any deposits we receive, and we're also meeting with financial planners to gain information regarding investment of future funds. Sound complicated? It is! But remember you have a capable executive board that is dedicated to serving its members and providing sound stewardship regarding monetary issues. If you have any questions or comments, please let us know. We value your friendship and trust.

As always, we welcome your comments and concerns. We look forward to seeing you at the June meeting.

Warmly, Betsy and Kathy

1st VICE PRESIDENT- DEAN

Sandi Phoenix

Hi everyone, Happy June ☺ I am traveling a bit with family during the end of May and first part of June, so no new projects for us this month. It's kind of nice to take a break, but just a short break. We are still collecting magazines for Sharp-Grossmont Hospital Auxiliary, books for our club library and Friends of La Mesa Library, travel size shampoo, conditioner, body lotion, soap, combs, flip-flops, feminine products, casual clothes and toothbrushes and tooth paste for the homeless.



SOLES 4 SOULS project results:

Our shoe collection for SOLES4SOULS is over for now. First, I want to thank all of you for donating your new and gently worn shoes to our SOLES4SOULS project, and for encouraging your friends and guests attending our fundraiser to bring their shoes for our project. We collected and donated **108** pairs of men's and women's shoes. I want to also thank Elaine, Betsy, Darcy, Margie and Dalal for helping tie the shoes together in pairs, count them and box them into the 6 large cartons. On Tuesday, May 30, Ted and I delivered the 6 full boxes to the DSW store in the Santee Trolley Center. The store manager, Tyler, advised us that the shoes would be trucked to the "S4S" collection center in Riverside, CA that afternoon. Congratulate yourselves ladies, you are helping many people throughout the world with your donations! We will hang a Gold Star on this service project.

I recently read an article that appeared in the Winter 2019 edition of the La Mesa Historical Society Newsletter. I would like to share excerpts from this article with you. As the Friends of the La Mesa Library prepared to celebrate its 50th Anniversary, Bonnie Baranoff, a board member of the Friends of the La Mesa Library wrote, **"Over 100 years ago, the visionary leaders of the LA MESA WOMAN'S CLUB established La Mesa's first formal library, a community owned and supported collection housed right inside their Club House on the southwest corner 3rd and Lemon. When their club ran out of space in 1915, the popular library moved to La Mesa's City Hall..."** **"In April 1964, the Friends of California Libraries was established, later incorporated in October 1966.**

Encouraged by fellow library enthusiasts in El Cajon, an organizational meeting for forming a local Friends group was called to order on February 4, 1969. It comes as no surprise that the LA MESA WOMAN'S CLUB was the Friends' original sponsor; they organized the first meeting..."

To add to this article, information obtained from the LMWC' minutes and preserved by our member Jodi Van Tieghem, indicate that members of LMWC often read books, then shared a report or acted small vignettes of the story to all members in the club. This was part of the club's programs and an important method of keeping members involved, educated and informed. Books were donated to a "Club Library" for other members to "check-out" and read. Other books were collected to help the LMWC Library book collection grow and were made available to community members to "check-out". Also, members volunteered to read books to local La Mesa children and local Native American children who lived near the clubhouse. I find it interesting that we still support so many of the early La Mesa W.C. community service projects. We still read and donate books to our current Club Library. We still support the Friends of the La Mesa Library with book donations and maintain active, annual membership. We also collect books for the young students attending Bancroft Community School. I guess "history does repeat itself."

If you have a favorite program that our members might enjoy supporting, please let me know. It would be fun to do something new and different or add a new twist to an existing program.

See you at our June Luncheon meeting, Monday, June 17.

2nd VICE PRESIDENTS

Carol Dreesen and Lou Turner



MEMBERSHIP

We would like to encourage all members to attend our Monday, June 17th luncheon and final meeting before we take a short ‘summer break’. Betsy Quinn is arranging for a buffet lunch and Darcy Barghols is taking reservations. More information about this meeting can be found here in Gavel Talk. Please take this opportunity to invite a friend who might be interested in joining the LMWC. It’s important that each of us helps to ‘grow’ our membership so we may continue to have a successful organization. If you cannot attend on June 17th, we’d like to wish you a Happy Summer and then look forward to seeing you in September!

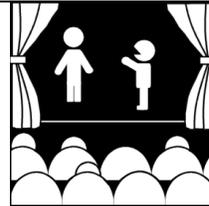
3rd VICE-PRESIDENT

Margie Hartman



2019 Scholarships

Seven scholarships were awarded to 6 different schools. El Cajon Valley—2, Monte Vista 1, Helix—1, West Hills—1, Valhalla—1 and Grossmont—1. Presenters were Marsha, Pat, Betsy, Darcy, Elaine and Kathy. Thanks to all.



OFF BROADWAY THEATER

Please support this fundraiser for the club by attending and inviting friends and family. The musical “Roadshow” is Sunday, September 8th at 3:00 pm. Remember to mention La Mesa Woman’s Club when you call to purchase tickets. Call (619) 988-5483.

4th VICE- PRESIDENT

Darcy Barghols



Girl Scout Troop 6731, Gabby, Jenna and Sophia are very grateful for the hygiene items The La Mesa Woman’s Club donated to help them in their efforts to support El Cajon Crisis House.



Well dear members, our programs have come to an end for spring; but I do have a great fall lineup. Please, please mark your calendars for **June 17th, 11:30** at the clubhouse, cost us \$15.00 for lunch. It shall be a time for lunch, fun games and the Bingo Girls. Yes, bridge will also be available. Your board has planned a delightful kick off to summer. Please RSVP to me (Darcy) or the club house before June 10th so that Betsy can let the Italian caterer know just how many will be attending. Please bring your check or cash the morning of the 17th. Please see the flyer at the end of the Gavel Talk.

FEDERATION NEWS:

Sandi Phoenix

Saturday, **June 15**, Parking Lot Sale at the Sweetwater clubhouse parking lot. \$10 for reservations to sell plus 20% of profits go to club.
Saturday, **June 22**, fashion show at Chula Vista WC, fashions by Chico’s. Time and cost TBD

HOSTESS CHAIRMAN – Evening

Angie Lombardo/Roz Kennedy

Monday, June 17th is a catered Italian lunch and Bingo. The cost is \$15 per person to be paid at the event. The bridge games will follow for the regular bridge players. I want to thank Nora Maxwell and Margie Howard for providing the refreshments at the May 8th meeting.

JUNE Bridge Dates:

Friday, 7th	1st Friday Bridge	11:30 am
Monday, 10th	Hospitality Tea	11:30 am
Monday, 24th	Bridge lunch	11:30 am



Hospitality Tea: This month *Dorothy Dixon's* table will provide the refreshments. If you are interested in substituting or playing bridge, please call Esther at (619) 583-5010.



**MEMBER TO MEMBER
AWARD**

Darcy awarded Judy Burgess the Member to Member plate at the May 8th evening meeting. Judy is certainly very deserving of this recognition of all she has done to support the club. She served as the Rental Manager for a little over a year; she has been our publicity person, assisted with our fundraisers, and all of our service projects. Congratulations, Judy.

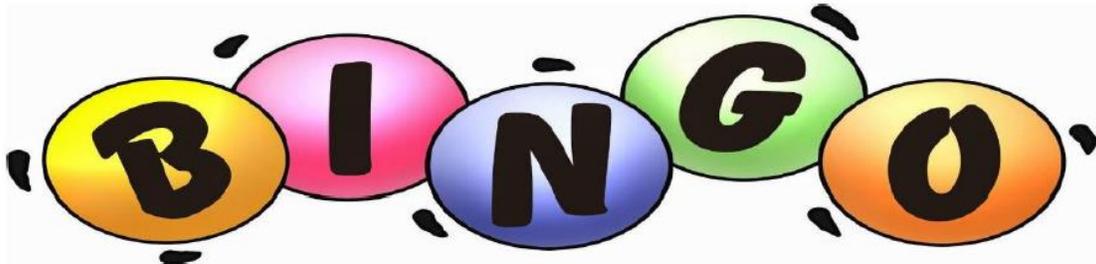


Please keep Margie Howard-Hartman in your thoughts and prayers while she recovers from back surgery. Best wishes for a full and speedy recovery, Margie.

La Mesa Woman's Club

Is having a Party, and you're Invited!!!

The "County Hills Girls" are Back!



Date: June 17th at the Clubhouse @ 11:30

Lunch: Italian Cuisine / Cost: \$15.00

We will have a short meeting

Games, prizes and fun..... Just for You!

RSVP: Club House 619-466-4352

Or Darcy: 619-579-5202 by **June 12TH**



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