

Mayor's Community Update

MESQUITE – “Year-Round Playground”

Mesquite currently boasts of six beautiful golf courses: Wolf Creek, Palms, Canyons at Oasis, Palmer at Oasis, CasaBlanca and Falcon Ridge. However, in November,



Mayor Susan Holecheck

Mesquite will add a new course to its elite golf community - **Conestoga**. This championship golf course was designed by Gary Panks and is located on the Pulte/Del Webb Sun City

property. The Conestoga course will not only lend an additional amenity to the residents of Sun City in November, but will also be open to the public in February. The permanent clubhouse will open in 2011. (www.ConestogaGolf.com)

Other exciting news this summer is the inaugural event of the Long Drivers of America “Dual in the Desert” followed by the Region 9 “Last Chance Qualifier.” This event is a precursor to the RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship hosted from Oct. 25-30, at the Mesquite Sports & Event Complex and broadcast on ESPN. (www.LongDrivers.com)

Speaking of prestigious first time events, the **Mesquite Marathon** (including a half marathon and 10k) will cross through Utah, Arizona and Nevada on Saturday, Nov. 21. The rolling downhill course will take runners along Old Highway 91 (now a frontage road to I-15), beginning just west of St. George, Utah, runs alongside the valley's Virgin River through Littlefield and culminating in Mesquite. Winners in male and female divisions receive \$1,500 and all finishers will be presented with a medallion. (www.MammothMarathons.org/m/m.html)

And if golfing and running are not for you, just come and soak in the sun, enjoy a day at the spa or visit any of neighboring attractions such as Valley of Fire, Zion National Park, Hoover Dam or Lake Mead. (www.VisitMesquite.com)

There is something for everyone in Mesquite – come play with us!!

Best Wishes,

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Mesquite Means Business

“Managing in a Down Economy”

By Katherine Cole, Mesquite Chamber of Commerce Director.
Free Seminar to assist local business owners
Wednesday, Aug. 19 at 4:30 p.m.
at City Hall, Second Floor Training Room

Desert Duel & Region 9 Qualifier



Desert Duel Long Drive competition will take place on Aug. 27 in two “members only” divisions in open and seniors (45+). LDA's 2009 Desert Duel will also serve as a prelude to the Region 9 last-chance qualifier on Aug. 28 and the regional finals Aug. 29-30.

Desert Falls International Sports Resort



Nestled in the foothills of Flat Top Mesa to the west and dramatic Gold Butte mountain peaks on the south and east; Josh

Olmstead of the Desert Falls International Sports Resort, stands on the highest point of the project and explains his vision for what will become one of the most spectacular settings for hosting amateur sporting events.

The resort will be one of the largest sports resort facilities of its kind in the U.S. with 20 softball fields, 24 soccer fields, 10 tennis courts, an archery range, sand volleyball courts, indoor facilities for basketball and volleyball with hotel, retail and mixed-use facilities.

Desert Falls is scheduled to make a 5% down payment to the City on the property by Aug. 26. The sports resort will own the land once the total purchase price of the land is paid (\$6,320,050), half of the cost of improving Hardy Way (\$1.5 million) and \$3,335,000 is placed in escrow to cover the cost of constructing a redundant fiber optic line into Mesquite.



Mesquite has long been known for its pristine ball fields and as a great host for softball and baseball tournaments, but when Desert Falls facilities are built, the capacity will increase dramatically and there will be tournaments for many other sports along with clinics and camps. Desert Falls will not only bring more visitors to town, but with tournament games being played three to four days, the average length of stay for out-of-town visitors will triple or quadruple. This will have a dramatic impact on the economy of Mesquite, with hotel, retail, restaurant and service industries all being positively impacted.



Desert Falls hopes Mesquite will become base camp for visitors to take an extra day golfing on our world class courses or extending longer with day trips to Zion, Bryce and Grand Canyon National Parks as well as Valley of Fire, Lake Powell and local outdoor adventures.

With the 15th busiest airport in the world just 90 miles south at McCarran (LAS) and Interstate 15 linking the sports-rich Southern California market within a day's drive; Mesquite accelerates its status as a convenient sports and outdoor recreation destination.

Mesquite Sports and Event Complex



Although five full-size soccer and multi-use fields have been in use since last October, the SEC was officially opened in May upon the completion of two restroom facilities, a concession stand, children's playground, small splash pad and three pavilions.

The recreation and parks department is offering golfers a night driving range at the SEC west field for a nominal fee. The range, using LDA equipment, is open from 6:30 - 9 p.m., on Tuesdays and Thursdays through Aug. 20.

Mesquite's Fall 2009 Major Events

Golf-Softball-BBQ-Off-Road Race-Downtown Festival-Marathon-Archery-Business

AUGUST

19 *Mesquite Means Business*-Managing in a Down Economy
 22-23 AFA Nevada Men's Slow-Pitch Softball
 27 Desert Duel: Long Drivers of America
 28-30 Region 9 Qualifier: Long Drivers of America at SEC

SEPTEMBER

4-6 Smokin' in Mesquite BBQ Championship
 25-27 Native American World Series
 Best in the Desert (off-road racing)
 26 So Long Summer Downtown Festival
 at City Hall & Yucca St.)



OCTOBER

2-4 Mesquite Senior Games for Softball
 9-11 Mesquite Senior Games for Softball
 16-18 Independent Softball Association (ISA) Girls Fast-pitch
 25-30 RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship **ESPN**
 30-Nov. 1 Rocky Mountain School of Baseball (Youth)

NOVEMBER

6-7 High School Soccer Zone Championship
 13-14 High School Soccer State Championship
 USSSA Men's Slow-pitch Softball
 13-15 Teacher Games (softball, gaming events)
 20-21 Mesquite Marathon (marathon, half and 10k)
 21-22 ISA Fall World Series Slow-pitch Softball

To Place Items on Community Calendar: www.MesquiteNV.gov click on Date (bottom right corner)

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