

# NEW FRONTIERS NEWS

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## NEW FRONTIERS' ANNUAL SPRING PICNIC

### When:

Thursday, April 14, 2016

11:30 AM check-in

### Where:

Desert Breeze Park  
660 N. Desert Breeze Boulevard, Chandler  
Mesquite Pavilion

### Why Attend?

JOIN US FOR LUNCH AT NOON, BINGO, GAMES,  
PLUS A BOOK & PUZZLE EXCHANGE\*

MEMBERS - \$11.00 \*\* Non-Members \$14.00

### Deadline for reservations is April 7th

Registration is by check made out to **Mesa Community College (MCC)**. On the check "memo" line write NFLL picnic. Mail your check to Lois Schaffer, (see directory for address.)

**Directions to Desert Breeze** from MCC Dobson: Route 101 (Price Freeway) south; exit on Chandler Blvd. and drive west; turn north on Desert Breeze Blvd. The park is on the east side of the road. We have reserved a large pavilion with restrooms nearby.

You will be asked to sign **Risk Form #1** (outdoor activities).

\*For the Annual Book and Puzzle Exchange, each book or puzzle you bring will entitle you to take a book or puzzle. Any books or puzzles not chosen after the exchange will be donated.

We invite everyone to take this opportunity to socialize with your fellow NFLL members, have some fun and make this a fabulous day.

## MUSINGS with Marlin Fried



The other day, someone asked me if we were starting to **"wind down"**. It took me a moment to realize that no, we are not winding down yet. There are still a number of classes to be presented and many that are still open. So, if you have a free afternoon, take a look. You might find something that you'd like to attend. **Registration is always open.** All that we ask is that if you register when there's less than a week before the class, you email or call the facilitator so they're not surprised. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the presenters, facilitators and everyone else who has made this year of classes so successful. It takes a great deal of work and we are fortunate to have willing people.

The Social Committee has been as active as always, providing the great tours and Friday lunches. We have **our annual Spring Picnic April 14**; so check your calendars.

**Proposals for our summer session are due by April 1.** Those of us who stay and swelter through the summer could use a little diversion from time to time. Perhaps you'd be willing to lead a discussion group. Perhaps you'd be willing to organize a day's (or longer) outing to a cooler place. There are bluegrass festivals in several Arizona cities. Flagstaff has a great "Festival of Science" every year. If you'd enjoy something like this, likely there'd be others who would also. For something a little quieter, New Frontiers has a rather extensive library of DVD and audio lectures. You can review them at <http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu/pdfs/DVD-Inventory.pdf>. You may review them for your own enjoyment or with the consideration of leading a discussion group later on.

Please consider the opportunities to volunteer for NFLL, MCC and the community. Mesa is asking for **volunteers for "Cyclomesa Bicycle Festival", April 1-3, and MCC's Center for Community & Civic Engagement always has opportunities for volunteering.** And please don't forget New Frontiers. We can always use more help. Think of it as your way of "giving back".

# CALENDAR

Please check the New Frontiers calendar at: <http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu/Mem-Calendar.html>

Yesterday + Today + Tomorrow

## OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

**When:** Friday, March 11, 11:30am – 1:00pm

**Where:** VinciTorio's Restaurant 1835 E Elliott, Tempe  
(Just East of McClintock – by Pollack Theaters)

Neighborhood Italian eatery & wine bar turning out handmade pastas in a comfy, stonewalled space. Buffet, includes choices of 3 entrées, salad, drink, & tax for \$ 11.50 each.

Reservations: Lorrie Washburn (480) 855-4763 or Email: [washb\\_lo@yahoo.com](mailto:washb_lo@yahoo.com)

<http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu/pdfs/Social.pdf>

## GATEWAY TOUR – JANUARY 12



**GATEWAY TOUR – JANUARY 12**

**HEARD MUSEUM TOUR – FEBRUARY 18**





# OPEN HOUSE – JANUARY 29



SO MANY CLASSES!





## NEW MEMBER COFFEE – FEBRUARY 10



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## NF SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Spring Membership Meeting was held at the MCC Red Mountain Campus on **Friday, March 4**. President Marlin Fried welcomed members.

Marlin introduced **Provost Patrick Burkhart** who outlined the coming changes with the **reallocation of the 1st and 2nd floors** of the Downtown Center. He said that **Patricia Esparza and Neva Hansen will move** to the RM Campus the week of Spring Break, March 14. Classes and committee meetings will be rescheduled at RM and Southern & Dobson. Storage will be available for the Membership Committee on the 4th floor of the DTC, and additional storage in the Library at Southern & Dobson.

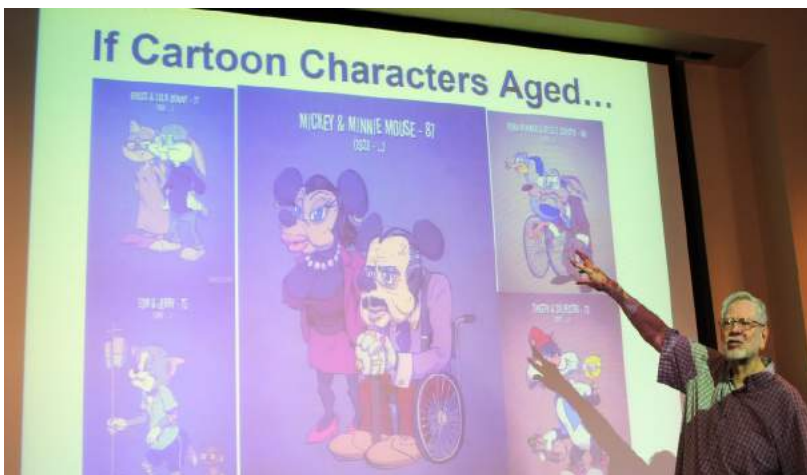
**Scholarship Chair Diana Pearce** introduced three of the five **NF Scholarship students for 2015-16**. New Frontiers increased the group's support of MCC students by offering **five \$1000 scholarships** for the year. The recipients are:



GEORGINA, DORNA, RYAN, DIANA

- **Georgina Deviasso**, Early Childhood Education, will graduate in 2017, volunteers and tutors;
- **Dorna Singer**, Education/Early Learning and Development, will graduate in 2017, volunteers at MCC with children’s activities;
- **Ryan Gudin**, Law, will graduate in May 2016, volunteers on campus and want to help people gain human rights and dignity;
- **Brooke Hillard**, will graduate in May 2016, Psychology, wants to help students and adolescents deal with stress and anxiety;
- **Taylor Wilson**, will graduate in May 2017, works for Arizona Disabled Sports, wants to continue to help individuals with disabilities.

Following Committee reports, **Alleen and Don Nilsen, ASU Professors Emeritus and NF Presenters**, provided chuckles with a presentation entitled **“Using Humor to Make Growing Old Fun!”**



DON NILSEN



MILLICENT SALM

NF Charter member and presenter **Millicent Salm**, shared that a fellow NF Charter member **Sheila LeSueur**, has published her latest book ***Open Every Door: Mary Mottley - Mme. Marie de Tocqueville***. Congratulations to Sheila!

# GOOD WORDS FROM THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Co-Chairs – Margo Heaps and Sharon Greer

Summer is coming as the temperatures attest. **We have an April 1 deadline for proposals.**

Thanks to those who expressed interest in helping out with summer classes. If you are willing, we are looking for trainees for the Curriculum Committee. We promise not to work anyone too hard as you learn the ropes.

We have a summer coordinator for our classes. **Roland Tanner** has graciously accepted to help Curriculum with the summer classes. He will be traveling during much of the preparation time between now and mid April. So please continue to send your summer class proposals to [nflmargo@juno.com](mailto:nflmargo@juno.com)

We are looking for classes to run between the following dates: **June 1 and August 4.** We have a firm understanding with the **Mesa Active Adult Center for summer classrooms.** Note that if you try for the college campus as a location, they are only open Monday through Thursday in the summer.

Please consider presenting a summer class. Last summer we had 12 offerings. We had some continuing classes and some single meet classes also. The number was small, but it seemed to work very well.

**Sharon will be stepping down** in August this year. We hope to find someone to train in the co-chair position or perhaps two people so that when Margo transitions out the move will be smooth.

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## “FRANKLY DEAR, I DO GIVE A DATUM”

by Karen Wartick & Orville Donald Brown, NF Lifelong Learners

**On February 25,** a group of twenty-three NFLL members learned that **Mesa is home to one of the greenest, cleanest electronic recycling businesses in the country.** Located at 730 E. Southern, ER2, Responsible Electronic Recyclers, consists of a recycling facility and a sales showroom where rebuilt and refurbished electronics are sold at amazingly low prices.

The business model is to attempt to recycle everything. Some of the unusable parts (like old/outdated/damaged motherboards) are melted down to get the various metals out of them. The base of the motherboard even provides part of the fuel for this melting. Some of the unusable parts are recycled as scrap metal (some of the copper for instance.

**A tour of the spotless facility** revealed multiple stations where workers disassembled electronic devices of all kinds. Reusable parts were neatly filed in boxes and bins. Unusable parts were stripped for recycling, wiped clean of data, and even shredded when requested. To their delight, individual members of the NFLL group were invited to operate the shredder.

Participants in the tour left the facility with a new understanding of, and a healthy respect for the recycling process. **Thank you to Chris Ko, co-owner of ER2** for sharing this valuable resource with our members.



Be Responsible.  
partners | team | environment | community





KIM GILLESPIE, MARY LINDBERG & MARY ADAMICK

## CHANGES IN THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

### Co-Chairs – Mary Adamick and Mary Lindberg

After serving on this committee for a number of years along with a dedicated team, **Mary Lindberg and I are stepping down from the Membership Committee leadership and handing the reigns over to Kim Gillespie and Dora Reyes.** Our new Co-Chairs will coordinate the Open House and New Members coffee events each semester.

We want to thank our team members, our MCC liaisons and our Curriculum team partners for their time and effort that made our events run smoothly. We appreciate their continued support for New Frontiers and for our two **new Co-Chairs, Kim and Dora.** Please contact Kim or Dora if you are willing to help continue the good work of the Membership Committee.

Mary Lindberg and I have enjoyed working with so many wonderful, friendly people who keep New Frontiers vital for our members.

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## MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE ART GALLERY

<https://www.mesacc.edu/arts/venues/art-gallery>

The **MCC Art Gallery** is a transformative space embracing the dynamic and multidisciplinary nature of today's visual culture. Highlighting student, faculty and guest artist's works, the gallery provides students, educators and community members **a vibrant space for interaction, reflection, experimentation and dialogue.**



The Art Gallery which opened in February, is the culmination of a longstanding vision of the Arts faculty for a permanent facility to showcase student, faculty and guest artist works and function as a **student-learning lab for art management, curating and gallery design. Thoughtful and intensive** planning with direction from faculty and staff made certain that this 21-Century facility includes the infrastructure and technology that best highlight a wide range of works in art, ceramics, photography and electronic media. Traditional as well as multimedia creations can be shared to their full potentials including space on the west side of the gallery that has a shade overhang area to accommodate outdoor artwork. Additional information at <https://www.mesacc.edu/arts/venues/art-gallery>

Check out all of MCC Arts in Music, Dance, Theatre and Art at <https://www.mesacc.edu/arts/>

## NEW FRONTIERS FOR LIFELONG LEARNING

New Frontiers is an organization dedicated to adults wishing to continue their discovery of knowledge and advance their learning. Founded in 1995, New Frontiers for Lifelong Learning was created through the sponsorship of Mesa Community College.

The community college is located in Mesa, Arizona and serves the communities of the East Valley of metropolitan Phoenix. We are a peer-led, self-governed organization with interests in volunteer opportunities, travel, hiking, and healthy lifestyles.

Discovering new, lifelong friendships is an added bonus.



Yesterday + Today + Tomorrow

President – Marlin Fried  
Vice President – Richard Riley  
Secretary – Sharen Kellogg  
Treasurer – Fred Searing  
Members at Large – Helen Jones & Con Downey  
Membership – Mary Adamick & Mary Lindberg  
Curriculum – Margo Heaps & Sharon Greer  
Social – Lois Schaffer & Peggy Schulz  
Volunteer – Bruce Reid  
Communications – Barbara Thelander & Peggy Randolph

*Remember, New Frontiers is peer led and NF volunteers, people like you and me, make this organization work!*

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