

# **NEW FRONTIERS NEWS**

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#### NEW FRONTIERS VOLUNTEERS, THANK YOU!

Did you know that **130 NF members** (about 30%) choose to "step up" and make this vibrant lifelong learning organization work! Total hours for this year are not yet in, but let's look at last year's volunteer hours:

Over 5700 volunteer hours were spent developing and teaching **150 lifelong learning** classes;

Helping with MCC student registration, Empty Bowls and two MCC Student Open House events, NF members volunteered **500** hours to the College;

Providing members with fun times for interaction through social events totaled over 770 volunteer hours;

1,703 volunteer hours were spent in outreach activities such as the twice a year NF Open House events so that people could learn about NF;

Keeping NF members **informed both in print and on-line** totaled over 300 volunteer hours;

And to keep the organization running smoothly we have the **elected officers** that you chose, and who have not chosen to share the numerous volunteer hours it takes to do their jobs;

Volunteering in NF is fun and allows you to meet new people and use your experience and skills. Please check the website for Council and committee meeting times and attend. Then check our Member Directory for the names and phone numbers of Committee Chairs, call and see what you can do...

AGAIN, WE SAY THANK YOU









New Frontiers' members attending the Volunteer Appreciation Brunch.

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#### **WELL DONE VOLUNTEERS!**

Adamick, Mary \* Allard, Pete Bailey, Lynda Barry, Charles Batchlor, Diane \* Becker, Bob Bloxam, Ann Brown, Barbara Brown, Don Brown, Suzanne Bruno, Jean Bryant, Dovie Carney, Skip Chester, Marie Clarke, Lynda Cline, Carolyn \* DeBlake, Pat \* Dias, Rea Dickerson, Amalia Dodds, Helen \* Downey, Con \* Dugandzic, Chris Dukelow, Bob Dukelow, Rose \* Edmonds, Jack \* Epp, Gary \* Epp, Shirley \* Follett, Carolyn Freedman, Jill Freeman, Kerry Fried, Marlin \* Ganansia, Marie France \* Gentry, Gwendolyn \*

Gibbs, Katherine Gillespie, Kim \* Graham, Gail Gray, Bobbie Greer, Sharon \* Griffin, Denise Haggerty, Marianne \* Hale, Monica Harmon, Gayle Harper, Dana \* Heaps, Margo Henderson, Judith Heppe, Bobbi Heppe, Steve Hiday, Louise Higgins, Linda Hipple, Linda \* Hougland, Arlene Hougland, Theodore Houston, Lucille \* Jacques, Catherine Johnson, Phylis Johnson, Steve Jones, Helen \* Judge, Jacque \* Kellogg, Sharen \* Kimball, Kathy Kleemann, Gary \* Kleemann, Vina Kotzen, Kaya Krecek, Kathy Kreiling, Charley Lamarche, Suzanne

Lane, BeAnne Lehr, Susan \* Lepianka, Sharon Lindberg, Mary Mack, Mary Main, Isabelle \* Masyga, Mary Maughan, Randy \* McBride, Peggy Medicott, Arlys \* Merrill, Larry Mikkila, June Millhollon Sheila \* Millhollon, Archie \* Morrow, Larry Nilson, Alleen Nilson, Don O'Brien, Patty \* Overdorff, Janice Owen, Mary Kay \* Pearce, Diana Ramis, David \* Randolph, Peggy \* Redwine, Ann Reid, Bruce \* Reiling, Marilyn \* Reyes, Dora \* Rickey, Frank Riley, Richard \* Riley, Sissy\* Ruch, Cathy Rydlund, Marilynn Salm, Millicent

Scarpone, Dan Schaefer, Diane Schaffer, Lois \* Scharf, Linda Schinder, Pat Schmid, Maureen Schubert, Ann Schulz, Peggy \* Searing, Fred Severin, Jane \* Shea, Elaine \* Shovers, Barbara Spishock, Mary Ann Stanton, Carol \* Steadman, Suzanne Strauss, Peggy \* Talmage, Paul Tanner, Roland \* Tassainer, Kay \* Taylor, Lana Thelander, Barbara \* Thompson, Mary Towner, Beth Van Horn, Virgina Wakefield, Judy Wartick, Karen Washburn, Lorraine Waybright, Paula Whitley, Sandy \* Wooton, Marcie York, Betty Zisner, Allan

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates more than one volunteer position.



Charter Members, Frank Rickey and Millicent Salm.

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## **COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR**

• MCC EVENTS May

Check <a href="https://www.mesacc.edu/arts/">https://www.mesacc.edu/arts/</a>

• CREATIVE AGING DISCOVERY SESSIONS

FREE Mesa Arts Center

engagement@mesaartscenter.com Call 480 644-6540

Mon-Thurs,

May 16 – 19

• SPARK AFTER DARK Sat, May 21

FREE Mesa Arts Center
Food, Art, Music, & Atmosphere
<a href="https://www.mesaartscenter.com/index.php/events/spark-after-dark">https://www.mesaartscenter.com/index.php/events/spark-after-dark</a>

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Use Offer Code: PREMIUM, then follow steps in How to Buy Tickets.
Purchases are made through Ticketmaster. Not all seats are available at discount prices.



#### **MUSINGS** with Marlin Fried

Our spring term is over. We haven't totaled the figures yet, but we should have had one of **our largest terms ever for the number of classes and for attendance.** There were many interesting classes and I hope you enjoyed some of them. Thanks go to Sharon, Margo, all the facilitators and presenters, and everyone else on the Curriculum Committee who made this term so successful. Thanks, also to Peggy, Lois, and everyone on the Social Committee for the great tours, lunches, and our spring picnic – always a good time. And to **Mary Adamick and Mary Lindberg** who have done such a great job with the Membership Committee, our sincere thank you as they move on to new challenges. And a special thank you to **Bruce Reid,** outgoing chair of the NF Volunteer Committee. Bruce has connected NF members with the MCC Center for Community & Civic Engagement for exciting new volunteer opportunities.

You'll find another article in this newsletter introducing our **Special Interest Groups** program. This will be an opportunity for any member to connect with others about any subject that may be of interest to them. It should be kind of a "low risk" way to expand our program. If no one else is interested, all that's been lost is an email blast. However, with 450 members, the chances are good that you'll find others with similar interests, and who knows where it will lead. Thanks, again to Roland for facilitating this program also.

There are a few changes coming in our **enrollment in MCC (i.e. paying your NF dues).** All Maricopa Community College District students – including us – must provide a copy of an approved photo ID. Check out the article in this Newsletter for additional information.

MCC has **reallocated the first and second floors of the Downtown Center.** That space is no longer available for NF meetings and classes. New Frontiers will now have classes at the Southern & Dobson Campus and the Red Mountain Campus as well as the Mesa Active Adult Center in Downtown Mesa.

**Patricia Esparza and Neva Hansen** of MCC will continue to provide support for NF members at the Red Mountain Campus. Rosa Pardo will be supporting us at the Southern & Dobson Campus.

By the time you read this, we will have had our **Volunteer Appreciation Brunch**, to thank – in a small way – all of those who have helped New Frontiers thrive and grow. It is only through the efforts of these volunteers that we exist. Thank you all.



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#### **NF MEMBERS ARE MCC STUDENTS!**

**Did you know that as a member of New Frontiers you are an MCC student?** I love telling people that I'm an MCC student and they look at me quizzically and I know they are thinking *at your age?* But I'm proud to continue learning with New Frontiers and I know you are too.

Because of our status as MCC students, we along with 20,000 other MCC students need to complete a **new Student Identity Verfication** process. MCC would like a picture ID on file that documents who you are and who I am.

A valid photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport, will be accepted along with your existing MEID or eight-digit student ID that allows you to enroll and pay your dues in the Student Information System (SIS). For a complete list of acceptable documents, please go to <a href="https://my.maricopa.edu">https://my.maricopa.edu</a>

There are three ways to accomplish the Verification:

- Present your photo ID to an MCC Staff person
  - > **Red Mountain Campus,** stop by and see Pat Esparza or Neva Hansen in the Administration Office; or Admissions/Registration office in the Mesquite Bldg.; or at
  - > **Southern & Dobson** the Enrollment Center, Bldg. 39;
- Use your cell phone and take a color picture of your photo ID.

Please go to <a href="https://my.maricopa.edu/id">https://my.maricopa.edu/id</a> for instructions;

• Make a color copy of your photo ID and mail it to

Mesa Community College ATTN: Admissions, 1833 West Southern Ave, Mesa, AZ 58202 Clearing could take 5-7 business days, longer during August.

It is also important that continuing members **check their personal information** in <a href="https://my.maricopa.edu">https://my.maricopa.edu</a> to ensure that it is up to date.

Continuing and new members will not be able to register for NF classes until they have verified their IDs and paid their dues by registering in **SENIORS 100-10200, Section 24288.** 

## **CURRICULUM NEWS with Margo Heap**

**Good news** for those of us who make our home here during the summer. Roland Tanner has accepted the responsibility for our summer classes this year. It looks like we will have just under 20 classes going on during our hot months. Classes will be held at the MAAC, MCC S&D and RM and other places around the valley. The **summer classes will run from May 31 to August 4.** To take these classes you don't have to do anything beyond contacting the facilitators, phone numbers are in the directory. We try to keep it easy during the summer. A brief list of Summer classes is included in this Newsletter and the full schedule is on line at <a href="http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu/Classes.html">http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu/Classes.html</a>

We are taking class proposals for next fall and **deadline is July 1.** If we can get those proposals not in a rush in June, that would be wonderful. **Our fall semester will run from September 22 to December 9.** The campus closures are for Veterans Day, Friday - November 11, and Thanksgiving - Thursday and Friday, November 24, 25. And of course, Election Day, Tuesday - November 8, will just be crazy if our last time at the polls is an example of voter turnout. These dates are some to avoid when you work up your proposals.

We want to **thank all of you who have shared your time and talents** with us. We appreciated the effort it takes to prepare and send proposals to us, and either teach or facilitate a class or both. You are a great resource for us in curriculum. Keep up the good work.







CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	DATE(S)	Sessi	FACILITATOR
A History of Hitler's Empire	Las Palmas Adult Resort	Tues	5/31-7/5	6	Con Downey
Understanding Complexity	Orchard Active Adult Center	Wed	6/1-7/6	6	Con Downey
The Neuroscience of Everyday Life	MAAC	Thurs	6/2-7/7	6	Con Downey
Collision: China Meets the West	Apache Wells	Fri	6/3-7/8	6	Con Downey
A 20 <sup>th</sup> Century Social Intellectual Survey	Leisure World	Mon	6/6-7/11	5	Con Downey
Games/Games/&More Games	Church of the Resurrection	Tues	6/6-7/26	8	Berverly Small
Humor & Language Play	MCC-DOBSON	Wed	6/7	4	Don & Alleen Nilsen
Healthy Brain	MCC-DOBSON	Wed	6/8	1	Jean Bruno
Understanding Medical Marijuana	MAAC	Thurs	6/8	1	Beanne Lane
Bookshelf for Summer	MAAC	Wed	6/8, 7/13, 8/10	3	Carolyn Follett
Tower/London Official Guide	MAAC	Tues	6/14	1	Margo Heaps
How Your Financial Advisor Gets Paid	MCC-RED MTN	Wed	6/15	1	Lucille Houston
DaVinci's Code, Is It Real?	MAAC	Thurs	6/16	1	Margo Heaps
Improve Your Posture	MAAC	T & Th	7/5-7/28	8	Suzanne Lamarche
Sudoku Kakuro KenKen	MCC-DOBSON	Thurs	7/7	1	Marlin Fried
Mythbusters/Estate Planning	MCC-RED MTN	Wed	7/13	1	Lucille Houston
Caravan to Sharlott Hall Museum Prescott, AZ	MCC-DOBSON	Tues	7/26	1	Marlin Fried

NOTE: Please check your NF Directory and call the facilitator to register for the class(s)

#### LOCATIONS:

Las Palmas Active Adult Resort, 215 North Power Road, Mesa Church of the Resurrection, 3201 South Evergreen Rd, Tempe Leisure World, 908 South Power Road, Mesa Mesa Active Adult Center (MAAC), 247 North Macdonald,

#### LOCATIONS:

MCC Southern & Dobson, 1833 West Southern Avenue, Mesa MCC Red Mountain, 7110 East McKellips Road, Mesa Apache Wells, 5830 East McKellips Road, Mesa Orchard Active Adult Center, 108 North Greenfield Road, Mesa

### **NEW FRONTIERS FALL DATES TO REMEMBER**

Please mark your calendars now, but check the NF Calendar at the bottom of the page <a href="http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu">http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu</a> for additional information.

Tues, May 31

December 25 through January 1

• NF SUMMER CLASSES BEGIN

• MID-YEAR RECESS – CAMPUSES CLOSED

Please check the on-line schedule at <a href="http://newfrontiers.mesacc.eg">http://newfrontiers.mesacc.eg</a> and click on Classes	<u>du</u>
OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH     Check <a href="http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu/SocialEvents.html">http://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu/SocialEvents.html</a>	2nd Friday of the month
• ENROLL AND PAY 2016-17 MEMBERSHIP DUES Please see the new enrollment process in this Newsletter	Begins Fri, Jul 1
• MCC CLOSED FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY	Mon, Jul 4
MCC CREDIT CLASSES BEGIN     Campuses are busy and parking is a "hunt"	Sat, Aug 20
• MCC CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY	Mon, Sept 5
• NF OPEN HOUSE	Fri, Sept 9
• NF CLASS REGISTRATION OPENS  Please check the on-line schedule at <a href="http://newfrontiers.mesacc.ee">http://newfrontiers.mesacc.ee</a> and click on Classes	Tues, Sept 20
• NF CLASSES BEGIN	Thur, Sep 22
• NF NEW MEMBER COFFEE	Wed, Oct 5
• ALL MEMBERS MEETING	Fri, Nov 4
• MCC CLOSED FOR VETERANS DAY	Fri, Nov 11
• MCC CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING BREAK	Thur-Sun, Nov. 24-27
HOLIDAY PARTY	Thur, December 8
• NF CLASSES END	Fri, December 9
• MCC FALL SEMESTER ENDS	Thur, December 10

#### **FUN TIMES FOR MEMBERS**





Taking advantage of the beautiful April weather, NF members enjoyed the **Annual Picnic at the Desert Breeze Park** in Chandler on April 14. Good food, fun games, and visiting with friends.







Members looking for competitive golf and pool came together at **Mesa Golfland/Sunsplash** on April 21 compare skill levels in the sport. And, to visit over pizza and soft drinks.

## **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGS) by Roland Tanner**

We are pleased to announce an exciting new NF program that will provide NF members with the opportunities to **meet other members with the same interests. Members can form a Special Interest Group (SIG)** on any topic. All you need is an interest you'd like to get together with folks on. That may be anything that is legal.

**Contact the SIG facilitator** (me) so we know you're beginning a group. I will help in any way that I am able. Then, **choose a time and place to meet** (either MCC or an independent venue; could even be a coffeehouse, public park, fast food place, etc.). This is just to get started.

Next, the facilitator (me) will **broadcast an email** that you (the initiator) have written as an invitation to the NFLL membership, announcing the topic, time and place. The meeting will be open to all members, but you may want to set a limit, depending on the meeting place size. NFLL may also post on the website and in the newsletter.

At that first meeting **establish your plan** for future meetings, your discussion format, etc. **Coordinate with the facilitator (me)** to be sure NFLL is aware of your plans and there is no MCC/NFLL Policy violation. For example, risk forms might be necessary. Facilitator (me) will advise on this.

**From there on, you're on your own.** Good luck and enjoy expanding horizons. Notify the facilitator (me) if you disband. Your facilitator (me) may be contacted by email at rol2135531@maricopa.edu.

PS: Any topic means any topic. All that counts is that you can find another with an interest in your topic that can be shoes, and ships and sealing wax, uses for WD-40, investments, gardening in Mesa, landscaping in Mesa, zucchini recipes, the Cardinals, pickle ball, bowling, tennis, volleyball or whatever.

#### **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.



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President - Marlin Fried Vice President - Richard Rilev Secretary –Sharen Kellogg Treasurer – Fred Searing Members at Large – Helen Jones & Con Downey Membership – Mary Adamick & Mary Lindberg, Outgoing Co-chairs Kim Gillespie & Nora Reyes, Incoming Co-chairs Curriculum – Margo Heaps & Sharon Greer Social - Lois Schaffer & Peggy Schulz Volunteer – Bruce Reid, Outgoing Chair Gwyndolynn Gentry, Incoming Chair 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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