

MESQUITE RANCH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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HELLO,

We have the interesting task of proposing the Mesquite Ranch Neighborhood Association activities/events for the next year. My proposal is that we should set up events for the whole year, so that planning and information dissemination can take place in a timely manor.

The following is the outcome of a meeting (5/5/08) and the suggestions that the attending members felt would be fun and interesting to members in the community. Please feel free to give feedback. These recommendations are taken from the list of activities which was compiled from the questionnaire that was distributed at the Luau last fall. This does not necessarily mean this is what we should do, and the committee is be open to any good IDEAS.

1. Sept 13th, 2008 BBQ , "COWBOY/COWGIRL" NIGHT ~~
BAR B-Q-

TIME: 6 pm to 8:30 pm ???

LOCATION: EAST

POOL,

-BAR B-Q- IF our famous chefs such as Randy, Keith, Ray and many others will get their smokers and grills fired up, we will have such delectables as:

- PULLED PORK, ROAST BEEF BRISQUET, BBQ CHICKEN, AND BBQ RIBS,

- HOME MADE ICE CREAM- Karina has one freezer, - Who else can volunteer?
- The Association will provide drinks, plates, napkins, table ware, etc. as in the past.
- You, the membership will need to EACH BRING A DISH to supply salads, baked beans, relish trays, other?, and deserts to complement the Ice Cream.
- ACTIVITIES:
- FOR THE KIDS- We will again have teen counselors to provide recreation such as three leg, sack, wheel barrow and potato races, jump rope, hula hoop and other contests, & others.
- FOR ADULTS &/OR KIDS- MESQUITE RANCHES' OWN "AMERICAN IDOL" Who is our most *talented*? Get out your skits, dance shoes, comedy routines or music and lets' have fun!!!! Follow the Western theme if you like, but ALL talent will be enjoyed!

2. Ti Chi and/or Yoga- a special interest in Ti Chi has been expressed. Karina is looking into finding an instructor. If you know someone AND/OR you are interested, please E-mail above address. Want to set up classes.

3. Halloween Costume Party- whole family- pos. HAUNTED HOUSE.
DATE: 10/25/08 @ 6pm - 8 pm.
LOCATION: ? EAST POOL, OR @ the new SCHOOL
COSTUMES with PRIZES (for Adults) for the funniest, prettiest, scariest, & most Unusual couple. **Children-** by age group (1st, 2nd, 3rd)- 0-3yrs, 4-7yrs, 8-12yrs and teens.
Games: bob for apples, marshmallows on a string, pass the apple, bring your own pumpkin carving contest, pin-the-tail on the donkey and others. Treasure Hunt for the children-

Refreshments: Donuts, apples, tea, coffee, apple cider, water- bring donations of candy for the kids.

4. Christmas Party for children with a Pinnate and Santa Claus

DATE: 12/07/2008 ?? **TIME:** 2pm 4pm **LOCATION:** ? EAST POOL, OR @ the new SCHOOL

PINNATES - For ea. Age group- 0-3yrs, 4-7yrs, 8-12yrs, and teens

SANTA CLAUS (any volunteers?) - Each child to bring a gift for a child (of the same sex) cost of \$5.00 to \$10.00. These will be placed in the "girl" or "boy" bag to be distributed by Santa Claus.

GAMES: BINGO, and others as planned

REFRESHMENTS: Hot Dogs & Chips, Milk & Cookies

5. - A Night Under the Stars- telescopes & experts Followed by EGGEE's Night...

Cool EGGEE refreshments @ the E. Pool.

DATE: 3/22/09 **TIME:** 4pm to 6-6:30pm

6. Volley ball teams/tournaments, with sign up for teams-

Lets get some competition here. East side of the Wash vs West Side. These could be held on Sat or Sun starting with one team for each side and build up as people show an interest.

7. Women's SELF DEFENCE Course- 4 classes of 2 hrs each, cost \$120?

(Possibly a better rate), If interested, E-mail above address.

I'm in Phx till Friday, so I will be unable to attend tonight's meeting. Couple of ideas I wanted to share are as follows...

MOVIE NIGHTS -

I have a LCD projector, speakers and DVD player that we can show a Family Friendly Shows under the stars in the pool area. (Encourage attendees to bring chairs/blankets). We could include popcorn and punch. Provide this "for free" or charge a nominal fee for the "movie and snack".

Additional Themes to be added to future "Movie Nights" or Done on their Own could be....

ICE CREAM SOCIAL - (4th of July)

We could also do this at the pool.... Tables would be set up - Offer Vanilla/Chocolate ice cream with all the toppings, choc syrup, sprinkles, oreo cookies, nuts, whip cream and cherries. This too, could be for free or charge enough to cover the cost of the supplies. (Ice cream, fixings, bowls, spoons, napkins - dry ice).

HOT DOG / Chips and Punch... (CHRISTMAS PARTY)

same as above. QUICK and EASY. Charge enough to cover the costs.

EGGEE's Night...(BIRDS OR NIGHT UNDER THE STARS)

Another inexpensive and easy offering... Charge enough to cover the costs... Lg Party Pak = \$15 includes 1-2 flavors, spoons, scoops, 50 "extra-small" cups.

ROOTBEER FLOAT...

Same as above... Supplies needed, vanilla ice cream, rootbeer, cups, straws/spoons & napkins.

Warm regards,

Cindy Copley

These are the other ideas that were on the list, but not incorporated at this time:

- 1. Repeat of Hawaiian Luau**
- 2. Dessert Concert in the Desert with local talent- (basically combined with 4th of July).**
- 3. Garden Walk to view special gardens**

For the Children:

1. **Children's Cay, Earth Day celebration & parade**
2. **Easter Egg Hunt with blow up bouncer**
3. **Swim lessons for infants & young children**