

NEW FRONTIERS NEWS

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NEW FRONTIERS OPEN HOUSE

WHEN:

Friday, January 25, 2019 – 1PM-3PM

WHERE:

Mesa Community College
Red Mountain Campus
7710 E McKellips Rd, Mesa
Community Room
Mesquite Bldg #5 – 2ND Floor

WHY ATTEND?

- Renew your membership (please bring your photo ID).
- Check out new and interesting Spring 2019 classes and meet the instructors.
- Discover volunteer opportunities at MCC and in the community.
- Invite a friend to join you and introduce them to New Frontiers.
- Meet old friends over coffee and cookies.

For additional information, please email neva.hansen@mesacc.edu



RM Campus



Fall General Membership Meeting - Bob & Rose Dukelow.

GREETINGS FROM DAN TAYLOR, PRESIDENT

This year the **Fall General Membership meeting on November 9th** featured Duane Oaks, Director of the Center for Civic and Community Engagement. NF members have worked with Duane's office in the past to volunteer for **Empty Bowls** and a program that offers students mentoring.

Duane introduced **Allison Ewers**, and she talked about the **Intel International Science and Engineering Fair** in Phoenix, AZ, May 12-17, 2019. Check it out at <https://student.societyforscience.org/volunteer2019> Members may call the Center for Community & Civic Engagement at 480 461-7393 for more information and to volunteer.

In addition, at that meeting the following **officers and at large members were re-elected to the New Frontiers Council.**

Dan Taylor, President
Roland Tanner, Vice President
Diane Grogan, Secretary
Greg Masters, Treasurer
At-large members: Mary Boehlen, Dan Scarpone,
Sandy Whitley and Anne Stehr.

New Frontiers currently has over 370 members and we want you all to be our ambassador's. Please help us spread the word about our outstanding classes and activities that we offer throughout the year. Invite interested persons to attend the Spring **Open House on January 25th at Red Mountain Community College**. We would love to have a big crowd and add new members to our organization.

The success of New Frontiers is truly due to our dedicated corps of over 100 volunteers that plan programs, teach classes, facilitate classes, etc. If you are interested in volunteering in any capacity just contact the office at newfrontiers@mesacc.edu.

"Learning is weightless, a treasure you can always carry easily"
Proverbs from Around the World

FALL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



Roland Tanner



Allison Ewers



NEW FRONTIERS CALENDAR

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

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JANUARY

Friday, January 11, 11:30AM – Out to Lunch Bunch

Olive Garden, 1261 West Southern Avenue, Mesa
(Please call Mary Kay Owen for more information.)

Wednesday, January 16 – Tour St. Vincent DePaul Main Campus in Phoenix

(Please call Sissy Riley for more information.)

Friday, January 25, 1PM-3PM – New Frontiers Open House

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Tuesday, January 29 – NF Class Registration Opens

FEBRUARY



Monday, February 4 – NF Classes Begin

Friday, February 22 – New Member Coffee

Mesa Community College Red Mountain Campus, 7110 E McKellips Rd, Mesa



MARCH

Monday, March 11 thru Saturday, March 16 – Spring Break

(MCC Campuses Closed.)

Friday, March 22 – All Member Meeting

Mesa Community College Red Mountain Campus, 7110 E McKellips Rd, Mesa

Additional information about the events will be sent via email or will be available online at newfrontiers.mesacc.edu



Larry & Ruth Brooks



Mary Adamick



Janice Overdorff

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

New Frontiers' members enjoyed a **luncheon at the Mesa Country Club celebrating the 2018 Christmas Holiday**. Donations to the MCC Market for Students filled the tables and floor because of our member's generosity. **NF Member, Janice Overdorff**, again donated three of her handmade quilts for a raffle. Over \$500 was collected for the United Food Bank. **Members, Joan Hancock and Judy Henderson** made beautiful Christmas wreaths that were given away in the member drawing. Pianist, Rags Allen, provided the entertainment. Our **thanks to the Social Committee:** Peggy Schulz, Lois Schaffer, Mary Kay Owen, Helen Dodds, Sissy Riley, Peggy Strauss, Judy Wakefield, Roland Tanner Marie Ganansia, Linda Ems and Joan Hancock for a wonderful afternoon.

NEW FRONTIERS HOLIDAY PARTY



Don & Mary Lindberg



Gary & Vina Kleemann



Rags Allen & Peggy Schulz



Joan Hancock & Judy Henderson

MEMBER PROFILES

Dovie Bryant joined New Frontiers in 2014 and almost immediately volunteered to design the NF Class Schedule. She was a **Systems Analyst** when she retired and became active with the Dobson Ranch Retirees in charge of membership. She loves adventure trips and she travels often with her significant other, William Bowen. They have been on more than **25 expedition trips primarily with the National Geographic Society**. Dovie's future plans include traveling to the Marquesas and the Dalmatian Coast. Dovie has traveled across the United States and she is working on traveling the world. She is an avid reader and is currently discovering **how DNA can be used to trace migration of man**.



Rea Diaz retired in 2009 from a career **IT programmer** using Fortran on the Boeing 747. She has been a **EDI consultant**, trainer for the State of Kansas and **IT manager** for Robertson factories. **She joined New Frontiers in 2010** when a friend told her about us. She currently volunteers for Salt River Brass Band, About Care, an organization helping seniors maintain independent living, and of course New Frontiers. **She is a gatekeeper, grid master and she helps with NF member registration**. Rea loves to read, is a political junkie and loves her cat. She has a stepson and nieces and nephews all over the US and New Zealand. What you may not guess about Rea is that she was a foster mom, and she has her single engine pilot license.



Jane Severin shot a hole in one at Greenfield Lakes in Gilbert in her second year of golfing!! But Jane knew she needed other activities **so she joined New Frontiers in 2008**. She calls herself a **"reluctant volunteer"**, but she knew the rewards of getting involved and she says New Frontiers was a group she wanted to support. Jane has been a **gatekeeper with the Curriculum Committee**, a recorder for the Membership Committee, and she has facilitated the planning and communication for **the NF Trailblazers hiking group**. Jane spent her career over the years in positions as varied as accounting, the County Assessor's Office and in the education field working with the teachers of Learning-Disabled students at high school and middle school levels. The special people in her life are her four children, seven grandchildren, lifelong friends and her now life-partner.



A BIT OF A CHUCKLE

To err is human, but to really foul things up you need a computer.

TRAILBLAZERS IN THE SUPERSTITIONS



Marie Ganansia, Anne Koch, Sue Hite, Lois Halverson, and Ann Rago.

AN EXCITING SPRING SEMESTER

The **Spring 2019 semester** will include new and interesting lectures and classes, volunteer opportunities with the College and lunches and tours planned by the Social Committee.

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LECTURES, CLASSES and FUN

Over 80 lectures and classes will be available at the Dobson and Red Mountain Campuses as well as other offsite locations. Classes will **begin in early February and end in April**. Favorites will return such as the ASU Emeritus and MCC Professor's presentations. History, Travelogues, Art and Music classes return. New will be several offerings in the Technology category including the opportunity to meet with MCC students to learn more about using our mobile device, tablet or personal computer. Health and Wellness, Spirituality and Finance classes will return. **Four active hiking groups** will continue in the Spring as well as members who love the theater will join together and **attend MCC's Theater productions**. Join us at the **Open House, January 29**, to hear more and meet presenters and facilitators.

The Out to Lunch Bunch chooses a local restaurant where members can come together and on the second Fridays of the month. Periodic **tours are scheduled** and members can find those on the NF website at <https://newfrontiers.mesacc.edu/SocialEvents.html>.

A LITTLE HISTORY...

Ten years ago in 1980, Pat DeBlake, Vice President and **Mary Lindberg**, Secretary joined the New Frontiers Council. **Skip Carney** was President and **Ray Spatti** was Treasurer. **Anne Stehr** and **Dee Newman** were Members-at-Large. **Committee Chairs were: Peggy Randolph**, Membership; **Archie Millhollon**, Curriculum; and **Bob O'Brien**, Communications; and **Lynnea Diehl**, Social/Volunteer. NF Members volunteered for **Empty Bowls** and the **Mesa Constitutional Celebration**. In addition to the Holiday party, members got together at the **Park of the Canals in Mesa for a brown bag lunch** and had a **New Year's Day Lunch Buffet at the Shalimar Country Club in Tempe**.

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.



Jeanie Shurwin the new Administrative Assistant in the Partnership Office at Red Mountain.

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President – Dan Taylor
Vice President – Roland Tanner
Secretary – Diane Grogan
Treasurer – Greg Master
Members at Large – Mary Boehlen, Dan Scarpone, Anne Stehr, and Sandy Whitley
Past President – Marlin Fried
Curriculum – Ruth Brooks & Nancy Olson
Social – Peggy Schulz
Membership – Barbara Dixon & Barbara Thelander
Communications – Peggy Randolph & Arlys Medicott
Volunteer – Skip Carney

Assistant Provost – Dr. Nora Reyes, MCC – Red Mountain
Administrative Specialist – Neva Hansen, MCC – Red Mountain
Administrative Assistant – Jeanie Shurwin, MCC – Red Mountain

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

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