NEVADA WOMEN'S HISTORY PROJECT

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Our Mission

To provide visibility and support for the gathering and dissemination of history about the roles and contributions of all Nevada women.

Patricia A. Tripple, Ed.D. 7-25-1924 to 4-28-2018



Pat Tripple in the Assembly with one of her lobbyists.

Dr. Patricia Ann Tripple was born in Seattle, Washington, to George and Bertha Vaas Tripple.

She came to the University of Nevada in 1955 as Associate Professor in the School of Home Economics and assisted in the design of a new Sarah Hamilton Fleischmann School of Home Economics building. Pat's career with UNR spanned over forty years. She was also active in home economics education at the national level and authored numerous professional articles and journals. She became the first Dean of the School of Home Economics in 1973 and was awarded Professor of Home Economics Emerita in 1995 by the Board of Regents.

In 1995 Pat was elected to the Nevada State Assembly from Washoe County and was most proud of her participation in passing legislation that helped institute long-distance learning (telecommunication) between classroom instruction and students in rural areas.

Through the years Pat has been a great supporter of the Nevada Women's History Project. She was interviewed by the NWHP in 2007 and 2008, which led to the NWHP publishing her Retrospective in 2012. She provided support to ensure a statue of Sarah Winnemucca would be placed in the National Statuary Hall Collection. She anonymously underwrote the oral history and book on former Lt. Governor Sue Wagner. Pat was one of our most loyal event attendees.

It is with sadness that we mark her passing.

Sally Zanjani, Ph.D. 11-21-1937 to 2-23-2018



Wilhelmine Sallie Springmeyer was born to George and Sallie Ruperti Springmeyer in San Francisco. She married Esmail Zanjani in 1963 in New York City. Sally received her degrees at New York University. Sally has three children: Don Springmeyer, Mariah Evans and George Zanjani. She was affiliated with the University of Nevada, Reno, Department of Political Science from 1975 to 2009.

Author of 10 books and 71 articles and interviewed in several documentary films, Sally Zanjani was a leading Nevada historian. She was inducted into the Nevada Writers Hall of Fame in 2000. Among her other awards are the Rodman Paul Award for outstanding contributions to mining history, the Evans Biography Award and the Westerners International Co-Founders Award. In 1997 the Nevada Women's History Project selected her to be included in their Roll of Honor for her outstanding work documenting Nevada women in history. In 2013 she received the NWHP Women of Achievement honor at the Nevada Women's Fund event.

Sally made a huge contribution to Nevada with her book on Sarah Winnemucca, 2004, which contributed to placing a statue of Winnemucca in the National Statuary Hall Collection in 2005.

Her co-authorship with Carrie Townley Porter produced Helen J. Stewart: First Lady of Las Vegas in 2011.

Thank you, Sally, for your contributions to Nevada.

Membership and Donations - March to May 2018

New Members

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Ferole Lee Corbet – book on Nevada Pioneers – The Harden & Hatherell Families Victoria Ford – book on Those Desert Hills and Other Poems by Mildred Breedlove

Memorials: NWHP regrets the passing of our members from January to June 2018.

Patricia Tripple Sally Zanjani

Donations in memory of: Sally Zanjani

Ron & Mona Reno - \$1,000

Donations in memory of: Patricia Tripple

Patti Bernard - \$100 Ron & Mona Reno - \$250

Thank you All!

You are Critical to the Success of the Nevada Women's History Project!

WCSD Teachers Receive Stipends for Curriculum

At the March 12 NWHP Board meeting the Washoe County School teachers who prepared Inquiry Design lessons on Nevada suffrage were presented with our thanks and a \$275 stipend each.

Sue Davis presented elementary teacher Janelle Mousel and middle school teacher Marcia Motter with these awards.

These lessons will be posted to the NWHP website in the upcoming curriculum page.

Thank you, ladies, for your good work.



Janelle Mousel, Sue Davis, Marcia Motter

NWHP 2018 Calendar of Events

June 3, 2018 Salute to Women in Athletics, "Take Me Out to the Ball Game." A recap of this 'different kind' of event will appear in the September newsletter.

June 23, 2018 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Book Signing Event

Author members Patty Cafferata, Joyce Cox, Mary Lee Fulkerson and Mona Reno will be signing books at the Nevada State Museum in Carson City. There are additional women authors signing their books who are not NWHP members. This is a free event and the public is invited to attend. This is a NV State Museum event.

July 21, 2018 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Celebrating El Salvador

Luncheon and program. Our ethnic luncheon recognizes our many Central American Nevadans.

Venue: El Salvador Restaurant, 517 Forest St., Reno, NV 89509.

Members \$40—non-members \$45.00

The public is invited.

July 28, 2018 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Jean Ford Wildflower Hike

Crystal Peak Park, 551 Crystal Park Road, Verdi, NV. Moderate hike which will be led by a park ranger. Bring your sack lunch. No charge. The public is invited.

August 18, 2018 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Celebrating Nevada Women: Marybel Batjer

Secretary of the California Government Operations Agency.

Carson City native, Marybel has held senior leadership posts in the George H.W. Bush and Ronald Reagan presidential administrations, as well as those of Governors Jerry Brown, Kenny Guinn, and Arnold Schwarzenegger. She also

served as vice president of public policy and corporate social responsivity for Caesars Entertainment, Inc.

Venue: Toiyabe Golf Club, 19 Lightning W. Ranch Road, Washoe Valley, NV.

Members \$40.00—non-members \$45.00.

The public is invited. There will be a short annual meeting.

Sept. 15, 2018 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

"Sara Bard Field and Her Nevada Suffrage Connections."

This play was authored by NWHP founder, Jean Ford. First performed in 1997, the play relates to the important events right here in Nevada in the struggle for national suffrage.

Venue: To be determined

Members \$40.00—non-members \$45.00.

The public is invited.

October 7, 2015 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Sally Zanjani Memorial Luncheon Keynote Speaker: Benjamin Victor

The only artist to have 3 statues in the National Statuary Hall Collection in Washington, DC. Nevada's Sarah Winnemucca statue was his first in 2005. Benjamin will speak to his friendship and association with acclaimed Reno western author, Sally Zanjani.

Venue: Hidden Valley Golf Club, 3575 E. Hidden Valley Dr., Reno.

Members \$40.00—non-members \$45.00.

The public is invited.

Dec. 9, 2018 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Celebrating Italia

Luncheon and program. Our speaker will be Reno's legendary Italian cook, Inez Cassale.

Venue: Cassale's Halfway Club, 2501 E. 4th St., Reno. NV

Members \$40.00—non-members \$45.00.

The public is invited.

Gwendolyn Clancy NWHP 2018 Woman of Achievement



Longtime filmmaker Gwendolyn Clancy explores the stories of people and their passions. Her award-winning work includes "Virtual Harmony" (produced for KNPB), "Sarah Winnemucca: A Capital Figure," "Cowhand's Song" and "Eye of the Prospector." She has teamed up with many organizations to carry forward their visions, including Carmel of Reno, Nevada Arts Council and the Nevada Women's History Project. Gwen is adjunct faculty at UNR and teaches communications at TMCC. Her mission is using media to highlight the things that matter most.

This year the NWHP also honored Betty Glass, NWHP 2000 Woman of Achievement, as a guest at our table. Betty has recently completed the draft of the second edition of the *Women in Nevada History Annotated Bibliography*. This will be an e-book when completed. We also congratulate Betty on her recent retirement from UNR Special Collections.



NWHP Presented Two Talks

By Marcia Bernard Cuccaro

The Nevada State Museum's Frances Humphrey Lecture Series and the Historical Society of Dayton Valley played host to the Nevada Women's History Project (aka Patti Bernard and Mona Reno) when Chair Patti Bernard presented each organization with a talk on the history, mission and future plans of our organization and Past Chair Mona Reno took participants on a visual walk through the NWHP website (www.nevadawomen.org) via a PowerPoint slideshow presentation.

One of the new features of the website is called "Nevada Women – Gold in the Silver State" and showcases oral interviews from a diverse group of women throughout Nevada. A 4-minute introduction of each woman is shown and then if the viewer wants to see the full interview, a link to the interview is provided. This is an ongoing project and currently NWHP has approximately 25 oral interviews on the website.

Questions from the audiences were asked and answered. Both audiences appeared to have gained an insight into the NWHP and new contacts were made. The PowerPoint presentation is available to any member who might be asked or would want to make such a presentation to any organization willing to learn more about the Nevada Women's History Project.

NWHP Grants Report

By Patti Bernard

When NWHP first received our 2014 **John Ben Snow Memorial Trust** grant, we joyfully videotaped 15 individual women and 2 organizational founding histories. We were finally able to employ the modern technology that was fast becoming common in historical research. But where and how to display them on our main website? Our media center was created for that format and we classified those first 15 women under the title of each specific grant. We then received a **Robert Z Hawkins Foundation** grant which provided for 14 more women's oral histories. Now we needed a new format to show all the women's names under one "umbrella" heading. We have now received three more grants to conduct additional video interviews. A solution was desperately needed.

Enter a most welcome grant in December of 2017 from the **Estelle J. Kelsey Foundation** that is providing upgrades, as well as adding new features to our two websites, <u>www.nevadawomen.org</u> and <u>www.suffrage100nv.org</u>. This grant will also be providing funding for some commercially branded NWHP items, to be sold on our web store page.

The first part of the oral history upgrade is near completion. By July 2018, twenty-nine 60-min. interviews



and their accompanying 3-4-min. interview highlight videos will be displayed under the group heading, "Nevada Women: Gold in the Silver State" http://www.nevadawomen.org/research-center/gold-in-the-silver-state/. The underwriter of each woman is identified. As interview transcripts are finalized, they will be added. Thanks to the additional grants from the Roxie & Azad Joseph Foundation Trust, the Phil and Jennifer Satre Family Charitable Fund through the Community Foundation of Northern Nevada and the Ericson Family Fund at the Nevada Women's Fund, NWHP has funding for seven more oral interviews. Two of those interviews have been scheduled for the month of June and the remaining interviews will be done by September.

Our ambitions have exceeded the reality of an all-volunteer organization with members having specific talents, working within different budget categories. Although coordinating and conducting interviews is time consuming, that has proven to be the easier part of the process. Coordinating all the personnel involved in video editing, audio copying, transcribing, and internet uploading, has proven to be more time-consuming than we thought. But the end result is fabulous!

One of the most important aspects of these interviews is the breadth of viewership possible. The short "highlight" videos will appeal to school children and curious site visitors, while the full length interviews and transcripts will attract more serious scholars. Our interviews appear not only on the NWHP website but will soon be placed on the UNR Special Collections website.

NWHP recently received a \$10,000 grant from the **Terry Lee Wells Foundation**. A major goal of this gift is to memorialize the person and accomplishments of

Adin, Lucille - Sparks, Washoe



A native of South Carolina, Lucille and her husband came to Nevada in 1962. A stay-at-home mom with her small children, Lucille, nevertheless, found she was always volunteering at her children's schools. Volunteering was still a part of Lucille's life even as she worked full-time for Washoe County School District when her children were older. After her retirement she became even more active in the Reno/Sparks African American Community and has served on countless boards and committees. Lucille is the recipient of many accolades and awards.





Lucille Adin was interviewed on September 11, 2017, by the Nevada Women's History Project through a grant from the Robert Z. Hawkins Foundation.

Terry Lee Wells through a range of platforms celebrating Nevada women. Her foundation, established in 1999 has been a tremendous and crucial supporter of the Terry Lee Wells Discovery Museum, as well as supporting other nonprofits and public agencies in northern Nevada that help to improve the quality of life for the underprivileged, women and children. Her foundation has given out \$11,671,095 in grants, and the Nevada Women's History Project is honored to be entrusted with this funding. In addition to researching and writing a comprehensive biography to add to our website, NWHP is exploring other avenues to honor this most generous woman who passed away in 2002.

As we NWHP volunteers have engaged in uncovering and telling the countless stories of Nevada's women these many years, we feel truly humble that NWHP has been entrusted with funding from our donors that has enabled us to continue to record and showcase the results of our labor. A huge thank you to you all! Founder Jean Ford had a vision and a hope of what the Nevada Women's History Project might become. If she could only see us now!

Featured Historic Nevada Woman: Carolyn Jean Adams Talcott Carlon

At a glance:

Born: January 19, 1925, Reno, Nevada **Died:** October 9, 2014, Reno, Nevada **Maiden Name:** Carolyn Jean Adams

Race/Nationality/ethnic background: Caucasian

Married: Donald Talcott, Kenneth Carlon
Children: Lisa Carlon Rogers and Dale Carlon
Primary city and county of residence and

work: Reno, Washoe County, Nevada
Major Fields of Work: Law Enforcement

Carolyn Jean Adams, a Reno, Nevada native, was born January 19, 1925 at Saint Mary's Hospital in Reno, Nevada. Her parents were Wayne and Beatrice Brewster Adams, both formerly of the state of New York. Father Wayne was employed as a chemist by the University of Nevada and her mother, Beatrice, was a full time homemaker. A brother, Wayne, was born in 1932. The Adams lived in what was then considered a rural area in Reno, NV, but today is a very busy part of town.

In her 2013 NWHP oral history she recalled, "I grew up, as I say, on Plumas Street, and I was given a horse by my family. We would ride all day long. We'd ride all through the hills and come back. I had a wonderful childhood."

Carolyn attended Reno schools and graduated from Reno High School in 1942. She was a senior in high school when World War II broke out. She then attended the University of Nevada for two years but her formal education was terminated when she met and then married Don Talcott, also a student at the University of Nevada. Don was drafted to play football for the Philadelphia **Eagles** Philadelphia. in Pennsylvania in 1947 and for the Ottawa Rough Riders in 1949. During the football offseason, Carolyn and Don lived in Reno and it was there Don was killed on April 21, 1955. He was struck by a falling boom at the Wells Cargo trucking vard in an off season work accident. He was 33 years old. Carolyn Adams Talcott was now a widow at age 30.

After his death she took a trip to Hawaii with a friend, spending six months there prior to returning to Reno. While in Hawaii she worked part-time in a men's clothing store and upon her return to Reno, she found employment at the University of Nevada in the research library. She



Courtesy Lisa Rogers Collection

met and married Gene Carlon and from that union, two children, Lisa and Dale, were born. During that time Carolyn was a stay-at-home mom and only returned to the workforce when her marriage ended. She found employment at the Washoe County Clerk's office which was located at the Reno City Jail on Second and High Streets. She worked there for about three to five years. In her oral history she recounted, "One day, the lieutenant of the jail came down and he says, "Hey, Carolyn, would you like a job?" and I said "what?" And he said "We need a matron up in the jail".

That was the beginning of Carolyn's journey into the world of public safety. Carolyn went through the Police Academy and ultimately was assigned the position of jailer in the women's section of the jail. Her duties were to "frisk" the women inmates when they were arrested and sent to jail. Carolyn recalls she spent about 6 months in the jail before she was eligible for street assignment.

Police work in the 1950s and 1960s was predominately male dominated work and not all policemen were happy with the thought of working with a woman. Carolyn said, "I was not well accepted. I mean, they didn't think I could do the job, didn't like it. And the more they – they didn't harass me, but they weren't very kind – not kind, but they were not helpful. Pretty soon, they got over that, and now they're my best friends".

In her oral interview when asked whether she felt the lack of help might have been due to her "rooky" status or discrimination, Carolyn immediately replied, "discrimination". There was, however, no discrimination in pay. She was paid on a par with the male police officers. Once she had passed her probationary period, she was assigned to do background checks with Officer Dick Kirkland, who later became Chief of Police. The majority of background checks performed were reviews for the gaming industry where they investigated "underground thieveries" and "skimming".

Carolyn later worked vice where she arrested and transported prostitutes and was a member of the sexual assault team. In that capacity she was on duty one night in 1976 when one of the "walking police officers' reported a car down in the warehouse district that he didn't think should have been there". Carolyn and her partner went down, broke into the warehouse, and found a young woman who had been kidnapped from South Lake Tahoe. She had been held overnight and sexually assaulted. Phillip Garrido was arrested and ultimately convicted of kidnapping and rape on March 9, 1977. He was sentenced to a 50 year federal sentence at Leavenworth Penitentiary, Kansas. On June 10, 1991, Phillip Garrido, now free, kidnapped another young girl from South Tahoe. California and held her hostage for 18 years before she was found and freed.

Carolyn Carlon also worked on the case of a young woman who was slain in the early 1960s and dismembered, as well as the case of a Reno prostitute, who was killed about the same time as the college student. Carolyn commented on the fact that murder of the prostitute received little attention in the press in comparison to the murder of the "bright, young university student."

During her years with the sexual assault unit, she was actually assigned to the police department juvenile office where she could be easily available for rape cases. At the juvenile office she and the other officers assigned there would do the initial investigation of abuse and neglect cases, after which the cases would be transferred to social services. She was credited with developing the first Reno Police "rape test kits" which contain devices used to collect evidence such as hair and fibers from a victim. then given to an independent laboratory to be tested. The results of such analysis could be used as evidence in a court of law. This was not one of Carolyn's favorite assignments as, "It wasn't as challenging. And you're dealing with parents who are mad at you anyhow". She remembered she worked in the sexual assault unit for five or six years.

During her time on the force when asked about her own child care during the years she worked as a policewoman, Carolyn said one of the bailiffs' wives would come to the house to baby-sit for her. The woman lived nearby and could come anytime a need arose, which made it much easier for Carolyn to work as a policewoman whose hours could widely fluctuate when she was working cases.

Carolyn retired from the Police Department in 1984 and then found work as a secretary at the Brookfield Private School. She worked there 13 years and quit only when she had to undergo a hip replacement. After her recovery, she became a foster grandparent at the Smithridge Elementary School, a job she loved. When asked what she was most proud of in her life, Carolyn stated, "I think being a police officer, because it was more helpful to the community...".

Carolyn Jean Carlon's 2014 obituary noted that "Mrs. Carlon was described as being an "icon of the police department." She was loved by so many and touched many lives. Certainly this statement reflects a life dominated by community service by a woman who was thrust into the working world at a time when it was uncommon for women to have careers, and especially careers in the world of criminal justice.

Researched and written by Marcia Bernard Cuccaro. Posted to Web Site May 2016.

Sources of Information:

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carlon&pid=172767109&fhid=15274

www.rgj.com Ask the RGJ: Who was Reno's first female cop? 12/12/2014

http://www.rgj.com/story/news/2014/10/13/first-sworn-female-reno-cop-dies/17208511/

From our Research Desk

By Mona Reno

While working at the Washoe County Library with the Jean Ford Research Committee we found this article from the *Reno Gazette-Journal*, December 17, 1987, about Dagmar G. Yoakam.

"Woman bequeaths county 70 acres worth \$2 million"

A 70-acre parcel of south Truckee Meadows land valued at \$2 million is being donated to Washoe County under the condition it be maintained for outdoor recreation or a library.

Dagmar G. Yoakam, a life-long county resident and daughter of Henry Anderson, bequeathed the land in the name of her father, a leading ranching, banking and mining figure in Reno at the turn of the century.

"She is concerned with the explosive growth in Reno and that so much was being gobbled up for high density living," said Vanette O'Neil, friend and companion to Mrs. Yoakam, who died Nov. 19, 1987 at the age of 86.

"She wanted to ensure future generations that there would be some open space left for them and her neighbors."

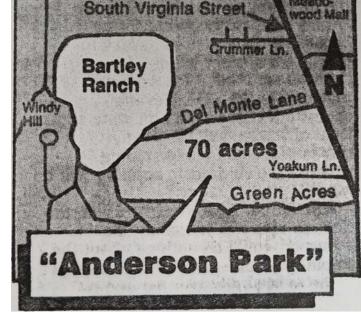
The parcel is located west of South Virginia

Street, north of Green Acres Drive and south of Del Monte Lane. It is contiguous with the Bartley
Ranch to the north and west, a 46-acre plot the county is currently negotiating to purchase. . .

Gene Sullivan, director of the county Parks and Recreation Department, said this is one of the finest donations ever received. "This is definitely a regional park site and we couldn't be more pleased, for this is an added enhancement to the park system," Sullivan said.

The donation from Mrs. Yoakam carries with it a stipulation that the site shall be named "Anderson Park."

The Washoe County website shows that her request has been honored as Anderson Park is still a 70-acre public park.



Dagmar Yoakam's obituary, Reno Gazette-Journal, November 21, 1987, page 21.

A funeral for Reno native Dagmar Yoakam, 86, is scheduled for 10 a.m. today at Ross, Burke & Knobel Mortuary, Reno.

Mrs. Yoakam died Thursday at her residence. She was born July 4, 1901 to Henry and Bartina Jensen Anderson, and was a lifelong Reno resident.

Mrs. Yoakam was a rancher. Her parents came to Reno from Denmark in the 1880s. Her family was in sheep ranching and mining, and was involved in the original land grant to start the University of Nevada-Reno.

Her husband, Emil, died in 1971. Surviving are three nephews. Burial will be at Masonic Memorial Gardens.

Mildred Breedlove Biography

By Patti Bernard

Victoria Ford recently completed a wonderful biography of Nevada Poet Laureate Mildred Breedlove, which can be found on our biography page. http://www.nevadawomen.org/research-center/biographies-alphabetical/mildred-matthews-breedlove/

Victoria also donated a book of Mildred's poetry entitled *Those Desert Hills and Other Poems*. Both this volume of her poetry and the bound volume entitled *Nevada* are well worth reading for her interesting outlook on the state. In addition to libraries, used editions can be found on the internet.

Here is a bit of information to accompany the following poem. I encourage all to go to our website and read the full biography.

Mildred came to Nevada in 1949. She studied poetry and in 1957 Governor Charles Russell named her as Nevada's Poet Laureate with a commission to write a poem about Nevada. The poem became a series of vignette poems about various aspects of Nevada. It was nationally acclaimed, but Mildred felt the poem didn't receive the full recognition in Nevada as she felt it should. She became so bitter that she moved from the state.

What Hills Are These?

What hills are these that leave a heart enchained?
Though neither grass, nor underbrush nor trees
Spread roots above the zinc and manganese
Nor hide the scars where lead and gold were veined,
One might not guess how long my heart was trained
Divided time with jays and chickadees
And summer left the grasses golden-skeined.

What magic do these barren hills possess
That they deliver me to sun and sand?
No season comes to mountains made of stone And yet their ever-changing rainbow dress
Wields power that I do not understand . . .
And I no longer call my heart . . . my own.

Taken from *Those Desert Hills And Other Poems* by Mildred Breedlove The Vogue House, Los Angeles, 1959

Jean Ford Research Center Committee Report

By Christianne Hamel

In 2016 JFRC started the project of collecting women's names to create the Interviews-Alpha List. Thus far the project includes reviewing paper and online resources at these institutions:

Churchill County Museum Association Nevada Historical Society, Reno Nevada Legislature, Nevada Legislators, 1861-Current

Nevada State Library, Archives and Public Records

Northeastern Nevada Historical Society Our Story, Inc. Out West Magazine, August 1914 Sparks Heritage Museum UNLV Special Collections UNR Oral History Project Archive Women in Nevada History

Nevada Women's History Project

Women of Diversity Productions, Inc
We are currently working on the vertical files
at the Washoe County Library, Downtown
Library.

Our next goal is to visit Nevada counties, outside of Washoe and Carson City, and collect women's names in their vertical files in those counties' local libraries and historical centers.

As of this moment, we have recorded 8,075 names posted on our website at: http://www.nevadawomen.org/research-center/interviews-alpha-list/

This alpha list is available to anyone who is researching Nevada Women.

Thank you to all of our JFRCC members who donated their time to this ongoing project.

Do You Know Nevada Women?

- 1. First woman to run for the Nevada State Legislature in 1916.
- 2. The Miss Nevada that starred in Gilligan's Island and appeared in episodes of Bonanza.
- 3. Reno woman LPGA player who is a member of the World Golf Hall of Fame
- Nevada novelist married to songwriter Irving Berlin
- 5. First woman to be elected to a statewide office in Nevada.

 Answers on page 10

Tierra D. Jones Clark County Dept. X



Term of Office 2017 - present

Tierra D. Jones is currently a District Court Judge in Department 10 of the Eighth Judicial District Court.

On April 27, 2017, Governor Sandoval appointed Tierra to the

District Court Bench. Tierra became the <u>first African American woman to serve on the District Court in the State of Nevada</u>. Her case assignments consist of both criminal and civil cases. Judge Jones took the bench on May 22, 2017 and began hearing cases. She was set for jury trial on her first day, but a settlement was negotiated in the case.

Judge Jones grew up in the small town of Hawthorne Nevada. She attended the William S. Boyd School of Law and obtained her Juris Doctorate in 2006.

Judge Jones has dedicated her legal career to public service. Immediately after law school, she worked as a law clerk for the Honorable Stewart L. Bell in the Eighth Judicial District Court. After passing the State Bar, she worked for the Office of the Clark County Public

Defender. She then began her prosecuting career at the Nye County District Attorney's Office and later moved on to the Clark County District Attorney's Office. During her time as defense attorney and a prosecutor, Judge Jones appeared in court almost every day. She completed more than 35 jury trials, including several high profile cases, and she argued before the Nevada Supreme Court.

Judge Jones has also volunteered several hours of community service within the Las Vegas community. Mentoring young law students has been a priority for her, and she has been able to accomplish this goal through the National Bar Association, and being a volunteer judge and coach for mock trial and moot court. She has also reached out to other sectors of the Las Vegas community through the Junior League of Las Vegas and Leadership Las Vegas. Junior League of Las Vegas assists children in the providing everything community bγ scholarship, mentoring, a career fair, education grants, and even a fashion show. Through Leadership Las Vegas she has helped to promote leaders from all different professional areas of the community.

Answers:

- Jean Dwyer, Independent, Washoe County for the Assembly
- 2. Dawn Wells (Mary Ann Summers, 1965)
- 3. Patty Sheehan, 1993
- 4. Ellin Mackay
- 5. Patty Cafferata, 1983, State Treasurer

NWHP - Membership Report May 14, 2018

NWHP currently has 104 members and 5 organizations in good standing. NWHP has three Life Members (Best Friends Forever).

Don't forget to renew your membership for 2018. Membership is for January thru December of each year.

Thank you,

Christianne Hamel, Membership

NWHP - Financial Report May 14, 2018

The Year-to-Date to May 14, 2018 financial report shows a bank and PayPal balance of \$58,972.77, \$640.08 in fixed assets, \$0.00 liability and a net YTD income of \$8,177.94. The total equity plus liability of the NWHP is \$59,612.85

Jon Hamel, Treasurer

Be sure your browser is set at www.nevadawomen.org for the new NWHP website.

NEVADA WOMEN'S HISTORY PROJECT Membership Form

(Membership is for January thru December of each year)

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Nevada Women's History Project. You are vital to maintaining our educational website of women's biographies and interviews, having special events and to offset the operational costs of the NWHP.

Please notice that we have added a lifetime membership category, Best Friend Forever. Membership comes with an event discount and a newsletter. All levels of membership may be tax deductible since NWHP is an educational non-profit.

Membership Levels

	Individual	\$30.00				
	Family of Two	\$55.00				
	Friend	\$100.00				
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	Best Friend	\$500.00				
	Best Friend Forever	\$1,000.00				
	Organization	\$50.00				
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Nevada Women's History Project
770 Smithridge Drive, Suite 300, Reno, NV 89502

Thank you for your Membership



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