



BIRTHDAY CELEBRANT. Joanna De Guzman, Monet Salon Las Vegas front desk officer celebrated her birthday last April 15, 2009 with hubby Rex and friends & family at Blue Martini, Town Square Las Vegas.



HOUSE BLESSING. Filipino entrepreneur Tess Fabian (second from left) hosted a get together in her home in Las Vegas last March. Ms. Fabian is owner of Personal Caregivers of Nevada. Guests in the house-blessing included Bobby Villar (left), Dr. Shaw (right) and Anton's Salon of Beauty owner, Anton (second from right).

9th Annual Las Vegas Spring Home Show Extravaganza

THE 9th Annual Las Vegas Spring Home Show Extravaganza will be held on May 29-31 at the Las Vegas Convention Center. Show hours are from 12nn-7pm on May 29, 10am-7pm on May 30 and 10am-6pm on May 31.

General admission is \$6 per day for adults and seniors; and \$5 per day for children under 18 and under, FREE for children accompanied by paid adult. Military servicemen are admitted FREE with ID. ■

Nevada Cancer Institute Wellness Seminars at Derfelt Senior Center

Learn latest prevention, screening & treatment developments

THE city of Las Vegas invites residents age 50 and better to the Derfelt Senior Center for free wellness seminars conducted by the Nevada Cancer Institute on Thursdays, May 7 and June 4, at 9 a.m. The center is located at 3343 W. Washington Ave., inside Lorenzi Park. Advance reservations are requested, as space is limited. Call (702) 229-6601 for reservations and directions.

During the seminars, Nevada Cancer Institute staff will provide valuable information about the latest developments in screenings, treatment and research. Presentations are aimed at reducing the risk of chronic diseases and promoting cancer awareness, early detection, screenings and care. The May seminar will focus on risk reduction and early detection. The June meeting will be a tobacco cessation workshop.

A facility of the city of Las Vegas, the Derfelt Senior Center offers a variety of local excursions, luncheons, crafts, health support and social groups, dancing, card playing, special events, fitness and education classes throughout the year to adults age 50 and older. An Active Adult publication of activities may be downloaded online at www.lasvegasparksandrec.com, picked up at the center, or requested by telephone at (702) 229-6601. Registration for many of these activities is required in advance. The center is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding holidays. ■

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11th Annual Tee It Up Classic Golf Tournament May 17-18

THE 11th annual Tee It Up Classic golf tournament will attract golfers from across the country to the Las Vegas Golf Club on May 17 and 18. Las Vegas has long been a stop for the Professional Golf Association, Ladies Professional Golf Association and the PGA Seniors Tour, and on any given day is host to numerous local and regional tournaments. What makes this tournament different is that each year more than one-third of the field is comprised of individuals with physical disabilities.

Open to both residents and visitors age 16 and older, the tournament will be played at the Las Vegas Golf Club, 4300 W. Washington Ave., beginning at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, and at 7 a.m. on Monday, May 18. The \$100 registration fee per player includes two rounds of golf, buffet and awards luncheon, and the opportunity to win door prizes and raffle drawings. Advance registration for the tournament is required, although registrations will be accepted until the tournament is full. Interested players can contact Joe Schifflert at (702) 497-3673 or by e-mail at jschifflert@lasvegasnevada.gov for information and reservations. Registration is available online at www.teeitupclassic.com.

The competitive format is played over 36 holes. The tournament utilizes a two-person best-ball format on the first day, and a two-person scramble on the second day. Each team is comprised of two players. The city of Las Vegas first hosted the event in 1998, and through the generosity of a Unit-

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field is divided into two flights. The second day, players compete in their respective flights for first, second and third place. Golf's index system makes it a perfect medium for competitive play among individuals of varying abilities.

ed States Golf Association grant purchased 10 single-rider golf carts that are available for the tournament, the city's adaptive golf program, and for vacationers who may be looking to play a round or two. This year, the Tee It Up Classic is sponsored by the city of Las Vegas, Las Vegas Disabled Sports and Paralympic Sports of Las Vegas. Proceeds from the event will be used to fund sports programs for people with physical disabilities.

The Tee It Up Classic was awarded the 2002 Nevada Recreation and Park Society's Program Excellence Award for Inclusive Program, and to date has drawn participants from five countries and 32 different states. The tournament is held each year at the Las Vegas Golf Club. ■

Reid statement on Financial Literacy Month

WASHINGTON DC — April is Financial Literacy Month, and during an economic crisis caused by complicated financial problems, education is one of the best tools everyday Nevadans have to protect themselves and their financial futures. Consumer Credit Counseling Service in Nevada is a resource that educates on financial literacy. Nevada Senator Harry Reid made the following statement in recognition of its efforts to promote financial literacy: "I applaud Consumer Credit Counseling Service in Nevada for the work it does to encourage better consumer practices. These counselors provide a vital service to people who need information and good counsel in a time of uncertainty. Their efforts to help people in financial difficulty get back on their feet serve as a lifeline to many. I also commend their efforts to educate consumers on budgeting, planning, and sound financial decision making. The work that Consumer Credit Counseling of Nevada does to help Nevadans avoid foreclosure and make responsible choices in housing makes a difference when so many people are at risk of losing the homes they live in. This organization is helping Nevadans help themselves be better consumers every day." ■

PUNCH-OUT AT THE PLAZA DOWNTOWN

Las Vegas' new premier Fight Series beginning May 8

LAS VEGAS – The Plaza Hotel & Casino has joined forces with Rattlesnake Events and Guilty Boxing to host a new monthly fight series dubbed *Punch-Out at the Plaza*. The *Punch-Out at the Plaza* series is scheduled to begin Friday, May 8, 2009 at 7 p.m. inside the Plaza Ballroom. Boasting the most competitive fights in Las Vegas, showcasing local fighters and national prospects alike, the first *Punch-Out at the Plaza* will feature World-Ranked, Jr. Middleweight Ishe "Sugar Shay" Smith (20-3, 9 KOs) vs Brian "The Lion" Mihtar (10-1, 9 KOs), the Undeclared, World-Ranked Lightweight Sharif "The Lion" Bogere (6-0, 3 KOs) vs the Undeclared Marcos Herrera (6-0, 1 KOs) along with four more bout cards.

Punch-Out at the Plaza ticket prices are just \$20, \$35, \$55 for Ringside and \$99 for VIP seating. To purchase tickets and more information, see the Plaza Players Club, or call (702) 386-2575 or visit www.plazahotelcasino.com.

"The team here at the Plaza is committed to the Plaza Boxing Series because the fans love them, and these fight cards have brought some real excitement at very reasonable prices," said Tony Bender, vice president of marketing for the Plaza Hotel & Casino. "Friends can still get together, see a great fight, have a couple of drinks and not break the bank. We are all about entertainment here at the Plaza, and we look forward to a long working relationship with Rattlesnake Events and Guilty Boxing and building a boxing franchise at the Plaza."

The Plaza ballroom boasts a great view from all seats and offers a much more intimate atmosphere than what you typically see at a similar event held on the Las Vegas Strip.

The Plaza offers an array of innovative table games and slot machines; a new restaurant called Lombardi's Italian Kitchen; the DOME, Las Vegas' only ultra sports lounge; the largest race and sports book downtown; the hottest show in town – the Rat Pack is Back; free live entertainment right on the casino floor in the Aqua Lounge; the Lucky 7's Buffet; and a host of other amenities including a roof top swimming pool and tennis courts. Guests may call (702)386-2110 or (800)634-6575 or visit www.plazahotelcasino.com for more information and/or hotel reservations. ■

Asian American Group of Las Vegas honors Senator Harry Reid

LAS VEGAS –The Asian American Group of Las Vegas honored Senator Harry Reid for his work as the Senate Majority Leader and making Nevada's priorities national priorities. The Asian American Group works to foster the development of Asian Americans in Nevada, bringing diverse groups of Asian Americans together to benefit the community as a whole. ■



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