



GENERAL MEETING January 22 2014

President Dan Kruger called the meeting to order at 7:05.

Judge Cheryl B. Moss led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge Carolyn Ellsworth swore in the new Board.

Edith Byrd presented the Treasurer's report with a balance of \$ 3342.19.

Dan Kruger introduced the guest speaker, Judge Carolyn Ellsworth, who talked about the establishment of a new Appellate Court which will be on the ballot I November. This Court will be assisting the Supreme Court which is currently overloaded with cases. Nevada is not small any more, and the case load has grown exponentially while the Courts have remained the same. Today, it can take up to a year to get a case through the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court handles all that is appealed from District Court, as well as Bar Exam, discipline and censure. In 2012, 2500 cases were filed, 1900 as still pending. The Supreme Court Justices in Nevada have the highest caseload of any State Supreme Court in the country. With a new Appellate Court, the less serious cases could go from the Supreme Court to the Appellate Court while the Supreme Court would have time enough to handle the most important and complicated cases. With a new Appellate Court, cases would move quicker through the system. The operational cost of this proposed Court would be ca. 1.5 million dollars a year.

Candidates running for Office

Several candidates gave a one minute presentation of themselves and why they should be elected:

Carolyn Ellsworth running for re-election in District Court Dep. 5
Vincent Ochoa running for reelection as Family Court Judge, Dep. S
William Horne running for Judge in District Court Dep. 5
Cheryl B. Moss running for re-election as Family Court Judge Dep. L
Sanje Sadera running for State Assembly District 34
Chris Hyepock running for Governor
Nakia Woodson running for State Assembly District 3
Nicholas Perrino running for District Court Judge, Dep. 20
Jane Fabiano running for Family Court, Dep.
Joe Tinio running for State Assembly District 9
Bobby G. running for Sheriff in Clark County

Gayle Nathan running for Family Court Judge Dep. T
Christine Guerri-Nyhus running for District Court Judge Dep. 8
Gary Fisher running for State Assembly District 34
Gary LeDuff running for State Senate
John Johnson running for State Assembly District 5
Steve Wolfson running for re-election as Clark County District Attorney
Linda Marquis running for Family Court Judge Dep B
Romeo Perez running for Family Court Judge Dep. J
Rebecca Burton running for Family Court Judge Dep. C
Marcia Kimble Simms running for Family Court Judge Dep. C
Jim Crocket running for District Court Judge Dep. 24
Jonathan Friedrich running for State Assembly District 10
Raja running for State Assembly District 34

Chris Miller, President of the Clark County Democratic Party, gave information about the County Caucuses.

The County Convention will take place at the Tropicana Hotel May 3rd.

The State Convention will be held June 21st.

April 1st the Club-members will pack lunches ay Three Square Foodbank.

The pot of gold was won by Gary LeDuff.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.25

Lisa Kershaw

Recording Secretary 2013