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Artemisia	Sagebrush (Artemisia tridentata) is the Nevada State Flower.	As the state flower, the sagebrush can withstand the elements and harbor safety for the life that lives amongst its shade, branches, roots, and leaves.	Sagebrush (Artemisia tridentata) is the Nevada State Flower.	Sagebrush (Artemisia tridentata) is the Nevada State Flower.	Sagebrush (Artemisia tridentata) is the Nevada State Flower.	Sagebrush (Artemisia tridentata) is the Nevada State Flower.
bruce allan thiede	the most truant student in washoe county district history.from1978-1984 beat every system the district tried to get him to attend classes including pay him to go class he still cut school and found employment instead.continuosly was past to next grade to get rid of him .all teachers and administration including juvenile dentention couldnt control this social outcast.	as an adult he has been a swim instructor ,bowling coach both for youths ,little league coach and umpire.as an elder disabled citizen enjoys high school athletics and performing arts	na	na	na	na
David Allen Elementary school	Street name next to school	N/a	N/a	N/a	Street name	N/a

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David S; BF Egypt	I'm an educator	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Debbie Smith	Debbie Smith played a vital role in education while serving the public. She would personally ask teachers what is needed and push things through to help us all out. She truly believed in education and supported Nevada's students.	Debbie helped push a bill through that made class sizes smaller to ensure all students received a Decent education.	She served as senator	N/a	Debbie was a citizen of Sparks.	N/a
Debbie Smith	Debbie Smith was a champion for the school district and the children in our community . Debbie worked very hard as first an Assembly woman and then later as a Senator to make things better and pass laws that directly helped our schools!!	Debbie served all districts in her service as a legislator	Debbie was always involved , Girl Scouts , PTA, and then as a legislator where she would make a huge impact for all children	Served all of her life for children in some capacity	Lived in Sparks and had several meetings with the school board , teachers and anyone that was that was working for our children and community	Always supported the mission and worked to make it better
Debbie Smith	Debbie was not a teacher but every teacher, parent, and student has benefited from her focus on supporting	The results of her service are summarized in Nevada Women's History Project. While in the	In addition to the above accomplishments, Debbie contributed in other ways. Her 8 years on the Council	All the above accomplishments will have lasting significance to the state and to Washoe County. The programs she initiated, like the 211 line, and the ones	In addition to her focus on education and social programs, Debbie also supported a healthy outdoors	Debbie always pushed for higher appropriations for education. While appropriations for education

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	<p>student success. To me she is an example of how rural county residents, gaining experience as Debbie did by serving on the Lander County School Board in 1978-80, embraced state service in education when she moved to Sparks in 1981. Her devotion to good education led her into PTA where she became President.</p>	<p>Nevada Legislature, Debbie sponsored a bill in 2005 for a 2-1-1 telephone line, a one-stop resource for residents needing services. By dialing this number citizens can learn about a variety of resources including medical care, child care, tutoring and energy assistance. Another bill she sponsored was the School Works bill 'WC-1' that gave Washoe County School District more access to bond funding to rehabilitate older schools, thus freeing up construction funding for other projects. This idea was expected to be used by other school districts as well. She also... [continued at end]]</p>	<p>to Establish Academic Standards testifies to her perseverance, caring and ability to work with people. She served on the Board of Girl Scouts, Washoe Education Alliance, and on the advisory Board of the Nevada Cancer Foundation. While the positions of assemblyman and Senator in the Legislature are paid, where she served from 2000-2016, the income is minimal and is cut off after 60 days. Thereafter serving is at personal expense. Her legislative work, particularly when one considers the committees between sessions, was largely voluntary.</p>	<p>she supported have become so much apart of our lives, that we consider her accomplishments now a normal part of our lives.</p>	<p>through support of state parks, clean air and water, and wildlife. She was strongly supported by sportsmen and conservationists for efforts. And she supported libraries and museums. I think of Debbie when I reflect that with the Lazy 5 Library, regional trail, and parks connected at some point to schools, a school representing her values and connected to the outdoors which she cared about is appropriate recognition for her contributions.</p>	<p>fluctuate, her ongoing advocacy for education, mental health programs. Her legacy is enshrined in her legislative programs by raising the baseline of programs</p>
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Senator Debbie Smith	'We knew her dedication.' Buckley said. 'We knew that she was the biggest supporter of parental involvement in schools that Nevada had ever seen.' Barbara Buckley, former speaker of the state Assembly, recalled when Smith first came to the Legislature 16 years ago as a freshman and was 'a little timid in Carson City at first.' Washoe County School District Superintendent Traci Davis - 'Sen. Debbie Smith was an extraordinary champion for children,' said Superintendent Traci Davis. 'She waged courageous, sometimes lonely, battles to improve education in our state. She was instrumental in	'You think of a champion of education in the state, and it's Debbie Smith,' said Democratic Sen. Ruben Kihuen, adding that Smith is one of the Governor Brian Sandoval issued the following statement: 'Senator Debbie Smith was an extraordinary public servant whose record of accomplishments and presence in the Nevada Legislature will remain unmatched in the years ahead. Today we remember her legacy as a true Nevadan with a fierce devotion to her constituents and state, particularly to public education and the children of Nevada. I will	Amerigroup Foundation Presents 'Champion for Children'; Award to Nevada Sen. Debbie Smith 'We are proud to recognize Sen. Smith as a 'Champion for Children,' said Eric Lloyd, Amerigroup Nevada chief executive officer. 'She has dedicated much of her career to ensuring the youth of Nevada have access to quality education and health care, and we sincerely thank her for her tireless efforts focused on improving the lives of children in the state.' Sen. Smith has always been a stellar community volunteer and currently serves on the boards of the GSSN, Washoe County Education Alliance, Northern Nevada Children's Cancer Foundation	State Senator Debbie Smith Honored for Helping Family Caregivers;At the 2015 National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) Legislative Summit in Seattle, Washington, AARP presented Senator Debbie Smith with its Capitol Caregiver Award, recognizing her outstanding work to support family caregivers in Nevada. Smith, who also currently serves as NCSL president, joins an elite bipartisan group of state legislators and governors recognized for advancing policies to help unpaid family caregivers who are making it possible for older Americans to live independently at home " where they want to be. An initial champion for the CARE Act, Smith was a leading voice supporting its passage through the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature (2015). The new law, passed by unanimous vote and signed by Governor Brian Sandoval in May, takes effect on January 1, 2016. 'From the beginning, bringing the CARE Act forward in Nevada was very personal to Senator Smith, who was in that family	NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES - Nevada Senator Debbie Smith was a champion of education, a believer in the good of government, an extraordinary public servant, a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, a cherished colleague and friend. She has been called a 'giant of the Nevada Legislature,' Governor Brian Sandoval ordered flags to fly at half-staff until her memorial service, which has not been set. He said her 'record of accomplishments and presence in the Nevada Legislature will remain unmatched in the years ahead. ' I will personally miss	Assembly Democratic Leader Irene Bustamante Adams issued the following statement: 'We are deeply saddened by the passing of Senator Debbie Smith this morning. Senator Smith was a cherished colleague and friend and she will be remembered fondly for her incredible spirit and for her tireless work to improve the lives of all Nevadans. Her legacy in the Senate and the Assembly of improving our schools, protecting children and making our state government more effective will be felt by people in her district and across Nevada for years to come. We join with people
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	improving education policy and safety measures in schools. She introduced and helped pass legislation to put epi-pens in every school, a measure which saved the lives of two of our students who suffered life-threatening allergic reactions within the first month after the devices were placed in our schools, and many more lives since. For years, she fought for increased classroom funding, capital funding to relieve overcrowding and repair older schools, and established family engagement as a priority for school districts across Nevada. In Carson City during the last session, she helped	personally miss her greatly and Nevada will miss her leadership.'	and the Nevada After School Alliance. She has been recognized for her legislative accomplishments by several organizations including the Public Education Foundation, the Nevada Association of Schools Boards, the Clark County School District (Crystal Apple) and Disability Advocates."I am honored and grateful for this recognition by the Amerigroup Foundation," said Sen. Smith. "The generous donation will help to provide tremendous opportunities to girls and young women in our region. I appreciate Amerigroup's commitment to the children in our state."The "Champion for Children" award is a part of a national program by the Amerigroup	caregiver situation when her mother was hospitalized in Arizona.' said Barry Gold, director of government affairs for AARP Nevada. 'Outstanding communication and training from the hospital made all the difference in the world for her " and she was passionate about ensuring Nevada's caregivers and their loved ones receive that same special level of support.....'AARP thanks Senator Smith for championing the CARE Act this year, galvanizing bi-partisan support and in the process inspiring more than 50 organizations across the state to step up on behalf of family caregivers,' said Hilarie Grey, interim state director of AARP Nevada. 'Her leadership, integral to passing the bill, will go a long way to help make the lives of family caregivers a little bit easier.'	her greatly and Nevada will miss her leadership.'	across Nevada in offering our deepest condolences to her family and friends and in celebrating the enormous impact of her life.'Governor Brian Sandoval issued the following statement: - 'Senator Debbie Smith was an extraordinary public servant whose record of accomplishments and presence in the Nevada Legislature will remain unmatched in the years ahead. Today we remember her legacy as a true Nevadan with a fierce devotion to her constituents and state, particularly to public education and the children of Nevada. I will personally miss her
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	<p>pass legislation to combat bullying and abuse. She fought the good fight, both in the public forum and in her final, personal battle against cancer. I will miss her leadership, her commitment, and her devotion to education. This is a profound and painful loss for all of us in the Washoe County School District, and for the children of Nevada.'</p> <p>....Chair of the Board of Washoe County Commissioners, Kitty Jung: 'Debbie Smith was a champion for Washoe County and I was heartbroken to hear of her passing,' Jung (Dist. 3) said. 'Her dedication and collaboration in the State Assembly and State Senate to supporting children,</p>		<p>Foundation to recognize outstanding public advocacy efforts by government and community leaders to improve the health and well-being of children across the country.About the Amerigroup Foundation - The Amerigroup Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Amerigroup, a wholly owned subsidiary of WellPoint, Inc., and the largest company focused solely on meeting the health care needs of financially vulnerable Americans. The Foundation works to create healthy communities by fostering access to health care, encouraging safe and healthy children and families, and promoting healthy neighborhoods.About Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada - Girl</p>			<p>greatly and Nevada will miss her leadership.'</p>

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	<p>seniors and adults was exemplary. We were lucky to have someone of her caliber care so deeply about the people of Northern Nevada. On behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, we send our thoughts to her family during this very difficult time.&quot;</p> <p>....Mayor Geno Martini - 'Today is a sad day for the City of Sparks and the State of Nevada. Senator Smith was an effective and principled leader and a champion of education, as well as a number of important human causes throughout our state. She was also a champion for her City, and I was always grateful for her... [Debbie Smith Continued 2, at end]</p>		<p>Scouts of the Sierra Nevada is the preeminent organization for and leading authority on girls, serving more than 4,500 girls with assistance from 2,000 volunteers in 23 counties in northern Nevada and northeastern California. For more than 70 years, Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada Council has been building girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. For more information on how to join, volunteer or donate to the Girl Scouts, please call 800.222.5406 or visit www.gssn.org.</p>			
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Desert Valley Elementary School	Nice geographic place name, fits in with the non-person name of the new school next door.	It's the valley of a desert.	Valleys give us a place to live in the desert.	It's been a desert valley going back a long geologic time.	It's in the desert, and a valley.	It gives us a place to live.
Desert Winds Elementary	No person please	No person please	No person please	No person please	Desert winds in area use windmills It's on windmill pkwy	No person please
Elizabeth M. Morris	When Jessie Beck Elementary School opened its doors on September 1, 1958, Betty Morris, " (Elizabeth M. Morris), joined the staff as a kindergarten teacher. She had previously taught for 5 years in Berkeley, CA at the prestigious Kensington School. Betty spent the next 31 years teaching at Jessie Beck and then Katherine Dunn Elementary school for a total of 41 years in Washoe County School District. During this	There was a time in Reno when every place we went with Betty, we would meet a former student. Many, many prominent people in our community, including long-time Nevada Congressman, Walter Baring, were in her class. She taught discipline and self reliance to 5 year olds and did it with joy. Very musically talented, Betty never raised her voice, she simply played chords on the piano that indicated specific	Betty was the first woman trustee appointed to the Airport Authority of Washoe County and still holds the record for longest service. She served during a period of active growth at the airport and was instrumental in opening future trustee seats to women. Betty served on the Reno Ward III Neighborhood Advisory board, SE Reno for 8 years. During this time she was also a board member of the Smithridge Townhomes Association, the first condominium	The goals of The Nevada Women's Fund are to strengthen the community, women, and families through education scholarships. The Nevada Women's Fund honored Betty as a Woman of Achievement at their annual Salute to Women . Betty was a generous member of this philanthropic organization. As a life long member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Betty served tirelessly as a pianist and organist, teacher in the Primary children's organization and as a teacher in the Relief Society. Hundreds of lives were touched by her service and kindness and willingness to always act as a teacher and mentor. She helped prepare and serve meals for many	Betty raised her four children in Reno and all graduated from Washoe County Schools. Two of them became educators in Washoe County.	The American Association of University Women is an organization that has been empowering women through education and training since 1881. Betty's membership, association and monetary support of this group helped open the doors for many women to receive the education and training to become teachers. Betty was the founding PTA President in the 1950's when she moved to Reno. She then served as

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Elizabeth M. Morris	Betty was a Washoe County School District ICON! She taught so many students with so much love and care for so long that her impact on our district and its students and the children,	Please see info in item 7 below.	Please see info in item 7 below.	Please see info in item 7 below.	Please see info in item 7 below.	When Jessie Beck Elementary School opened its doors on September 1,1958, Betty Morris, (Elizabeth M. Morris), joined the staff as a kindergarten teacher. She had previously taught

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Evelyn Mount	Her total devotion to feeding the needy of this area is remarkable.	A role model for all children.	Everyone knows the major public service and humanitarian contributions made by Evelyn Mount.	If all humanity would learn from Evelyn Mount we would be a better world.	Unknown	Her contribution to this community is beyond monetary. She supports the minds of children by feeding them.
First Responders Elementary School	First Responders start within the schools brick and mortar. Principals, Teachers, Counselors and Nurses set extraordinary examples everyday within the school, with parents, community and other schools.	A child's first experience with the 'First Responders' is at our elementary schools. A community of First Responders is created and nurtured at our elementary schools. Naming a School where the	First Responders begin with the natural feeling that one wants to serve, to serve first. A philosophy created at the elementary school level. Characteristics of the service leaders we value in our elementary schools.	The fundamentals of elementary school teachings were abruptly changed 17 years ago. Explaining to a child about terrorism, high jacked airplanes, fell to the elementary schools, to the educators of young children, trained as First Responders. Parents themselves were not equipped to explain. Where else could a child be, than with their peers. Elementary	Significance needs to start with the Elementary School being included as 'First Responders'. Our schools are being targeted and elementary staff are now in the line of fire. Washoe County Schools can set the example by including and	Commitment to our students. This contribution is stated in all Mission Statement connected with the Washoe County School Districts. Let the new Elementary School reflect the meaning of these

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		foundation of boundless contributions educators (First Responders) inspire.		Schools are explaining 911 to children that were not alive at the time.	honoring these First Responders.	Mission Statements.
Frank Zaehringer	Marine Sergeant Frank Zaehringer III was a Reno native who gave his life defending our Nation. This Marines love of sports and country lives on with his children and family who still reside in Reno and attend Washoe County schools.	X	X	X	X	X
John Flynn	X	Nevada Guard Chief Warrant Officer John Flynn always wanted to fly. Flynn did that with the National Guard. He enlisted in 1988 and completed Warrant Officer School in 1992. A 1988 graduate of Reno High, Flynn attended Truckee Meadows	X	X	X	X

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		Community College and UNR. He was very active in flying missions for the state of Nevada. Flynn died doing what he loved. 'In his mind, and in mine too, he was fighting evil and believed in good,' Flynn's father, also named John, told the Reno Gazette-Journal. 'I loved my husband and I'm very proud of him,' Christine Flynn told the RGJ. 'His children (daughter Hannah, son Benjamin) will know the kind of man he was.' Flynn was with the Nevada Guard's 113th Aviation Regiment				
Kiley Ranch Elementary School	It's the name of the area the school will be built in.	.
Kiley Ranch ES	Geographical names make more	Geographical names make more	Geographical names make more sense so	Geographical names make more sense so people outside	Geographical names make more	Geographical names make more

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Michael Landsberry	Sparks Middle school teacher and US Military Veteran	Gave his life protecting the children and staff at Sparks Middle school on Oct 21, 2013	His sacrifice says all you need to know about Mr Landsberry	This event has impacted many lives here in Washoe County and Northern Nevada. We must not forget the bravery of Mr Landsberry and all the other persons affected by this tragic event.	Mr Landsberry was a integral part of the Washoe County Educational system.	I leave you the opening from his Obituary : On 21 October 2013, we lost a good man. No matter the label, husband and father, son and brother, teacher and friend, coach and mentor, Sci-fi nut or golf geek.
Michael Landsberry	Michael Landsberry was an incredible and loved teacher. He gave the ultimate sacrifice for all the students of Sparks MS. He died protecting others from being shot. There is not a more significant	Michael Landsberry's impact is ever lasting. He save childrens' lives. Because of Michael Landsberry's actions, Many families did not have to suffer	In a moment of extreme need, Michael Landsberry did not hesitate to truly put the needs and lives of others before himself. There is nothing more humanitarian than that.	The lives of hundreds of people were changed and saved, and history will not soon forget the man who saved many children and teachers.	Michael Landsberry saved lives in a school shooting in Sparks, NV. The new school is in Spanish Springs which is in Sparks, NV.	Michael Landsberry contributed his life to support the education of students through the district's mission.

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	contribution than this.	terrible loss, pain, and lifelong anguish. Michael Landsberry is a true hero, a local hero, and should be recognized as a hero.				
Michael Landsberry	Mr Landsberry not only served this community but also this country. He made the ultimate sacrifice, literally giving his life to students of Sparks Middle School. The tragedy at SMS could have been so much worse if it wasn't for Mr Landsberry. We should be honored as a community to name a school after him. I am surprised more has not been done to honor him, he deserves our utmost appreciation and gratitude.	Mr Landsberry not only served this community but also this country. He made the ultimate sacrifice, literally giving his life to students of Sparks Middle School. The tragedy at SMS could have been so much worse if it wasn't for Mr Landsberry. We should be honored as a community to name a school after him. I am surprised more has not been done to honor him, he deserves our utmost appreciation and gratitude.	Mr Landsberry not only served this community but also this country. He made the ultimate sacrifice, literally giving his life to students of Sparks Middle School. The tragedy at SMS could have been so much worse if it wasn't for Mr Landsberry. We should be honored as a community to name a school after him. I am surprised more has not been done to honor him, he deserves our utmost appreciation and gratitude.	Mr Landsberry not only served this community but also this country. He made the ultimate sacrifice, literally giving his life to students of Sparks Middle School. The tragedy at SMS could have been so much worse if it wasn't for Mr Landsberry. We should be honored as a community to name a school after him. I am surprised more has not been done to honor him, he deserves our utmost appreciation and gratitude.	Mr. Landsberry was a Sparks Middle School teacher and this new school is in Sparks. I read they didn't want to name the South Reno school after him because he didn't work there. So here is your opportunity to name a Sparks school after a Sparks hero!	Mr Landsberry saves students' lives, his contribution and sacrifice should be valued more than any monetary contribution.

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Michael Landsberry	Died protecting students at Sparks middle school	Many students lives may have been lost if not for Landsberry's attempt to intervene.	School teacher at Sparks middle	Impact to community	That happened here	Lives saved, students taught
Michael Landsberry	Michael Landsberry, a military Veteran and Sparks Middle School math teacher, is truly a hero. He died in the line of duty and needs to be honored and remembered for all that he has done for education, our community, Nevada and our nation. Heroes, like Michael Landsberry, inspire young people to be the best they can be. Michael Landsberry did just that throughout his life. He made a difference and that difference needs to be honored and cherished.	See above. Michael Landsberry is a hero and WCSD would be honoring him forever.	Giving your life, doing what you love is the greatest contribution anyone can give.	Michael Landsberry would be remembered for all of his numerous contributions to education, our community, Nevada and our country through the honor of naming a school after him. Heroes go down in history and what better way to keep history alive than by naming an institution of learning in our community after a local hero.	Michael Landsberry is the face of Washoe County School District and Nevada.	There is no greater contribution than giving your life in the line of duty.
Michael Landsberry	I really don't even feel like this needs an explanation. He	HE SAVED KIDS LIVES	I don't feel like I need to explain any of this, we need something to	He saved the lives of a lot of kids and sacrificed his own life.	Sparks MS	Literally he was an amazing teacher and through his

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	was an amazing citizen, an amazing educator, and the savior of many children.		memorialize Mr. Lamdsberrys sacrifice and heroism and naming the school after him would be the perfect way			heroic actions, children were able to continue their education instead of DYING.
Michael Lansberry	Teacher, soldier role model	Loved by hundreds of children as their teacher who chose to educate and mentor them toward success in school and afterward as adults	Served his nation in the National Guard and chose to be a teacher to lead students to excel in their education and contribute to their community and country beyond the education setting	Will never be forgotten by this community after being murdered at Sparks Middle School and preventing further injury and loss of life	Goes without saying this man is a hero	This man sacrificed many things in his personal life to serve his country in the National Guard, and he showed tremendous courage in confronting a student with a gun at his school and put himself in harms way in effort to protect students and staff from the gunman - ultimately dying because of that unselfish act of courage. I can think of NO better name for this new elementary school
Micheal Landsbury	Protecting students giving the ultimate sacrifice during school shooting at	He was an exemplary model of what all of our teacher who are entrusted with our	He saved the lives of countless youth everyday he went to work.	Prevented the shooting at Sparks Middle School from escalating. I would feel much safer if we had more Mr. Landsburys in our system and	Teacher at Sparks Middle School	Ultimate sacrifice...his life for the lives of his students.

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	Sparks Middle School.	most special resource, the future generation, should conduct themselves like. A true hometown hero.		there is no better way to honor his legacy and keep his protective spirit alive.		
Nancy Reagan's Just Say Maybe Elementary	TH-C? It Ain't So Bad Elementary	Mota Elementary, Spanish Springs	The Boehner/McConnell 401K Elementary	Refer Gladness Elementary	Really Long Lunches With Food Elementary	S.T.M.L. Elementary S.T.M.L. Elementary
Patricia Titus	Lois Allen hired Patricia in 1969 after just completing 3 years teaching in Germany And Belgium for NATO.She spent the next 35 years at Sun Valley Elementary becoming popular with both parents and students.In 1997 she was teacher of the year.After retiring in 2004 she substituted and tutored the next 10 years. Many hundreds of dollars out of her own	A teacher of this caliber seldom stays 35 years in a challenged school.	N/A	She helped so many under priviledged students succeed who otherwise might not progress.	A school in the outskirts don't normally attract this type of dedication.	Spent hundreds of her own money yearly.

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	pocket was spent on individual and progressive lessons that many teachers are just discovering.					
Pyramid Elementary School	Natural beauty	0	0	The natural Beauty that was here before the suburban Sprawl	its close to the Pyramid shaped hills on the way to Pyramid lake.....Its reflective of the natural surroundings.	Historical land significance
Pyramid Lake Elementary	Spanish Springs is the closest city to the Indian preservation and has such a beautiful Lake, Pyramid Lake, that should be made known to our children.	It will simply open our children's minds to get out there and explore!	Pyramid Lake	Even the Discovery Museum here in Reno shows how the snow melts off the mountains flows through the Truckee river and into Pyramid Lake. It will always be a part of who we are.	"	Perhaps the Tribal community will throw some support if this school takes on their lake name.
Rising Creek Elementary School	I believe that the name Rising Creek creates a tone of what Nevada represents. The environment is not only an important factor in education, but it also reflects the general atmosphere of Reno's unique nature.	The name Rising Creek is inspired by the Truckee River and it's feeding bodies of water. These are such a significant part of Reno culture and our community would not be the same without the nature that decorates the area. I feel that the	N/A	After being in a drought, Reno has had an abundance of water and the truckee river helps contribute to the beauty of our city with its high waters. Rising creek will be an emblem of the beauty our ciities nature offers.	The Reno Tahoe area is known for its outstanding natural beauty. Rising Creek accurately represents what makes our region unlike any other.	This name will help encourage a positive attitude in students and will allow them to evoke a sense of community and a love of the city that we are privedged to live in

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		community within the school will develop an attitude towards the importance of our environment and hopefully the students will contribute to the well being of Reno's culture and services.				
Ruth McAlley	Taught school in washoe county for over 30 years at orvis Ring and Rita Cannon	She was an exemplary teacher and very dedicated to her job	She worked with the Paiute and washoe Indian tribes	She and her husband also opened the first store in sun valley - the sun valley trading post	She was an early Nevada pioneer and settled in sun valley Nevada in 1943	She was devoted to her job and also worked tirelessly with tribal relations
Session S. (Buck) Wheeler	S.S. Wheeler started his Teaching career in 1936 in Fernley, Nevada. During 1936, he starting teaching in Washoe County first at Billingshurst Junior High, then Northside Junior High and eventually Reno High School. In total he taught in the Washoe County School District from 1936 to 1966. For over twenty-five years at Reno High	During the period from 1947-1950 Sessions received a leave of absence from teaching to become the Executive Director of the newly created Nevada Fish and Game Commission (now known as the Nevada Department of Wildlife). In 1950 he resigned that position to return to his love of	Upon the creation of the "Max C. Fleischmann Foundation in 1951, Sessions was asked to become a Trustee of the Foundation and he served in that position through 1980 when the Foundation was finished. During the life of the Foundation, thousands of Nevada students received scholarships for higher education as well s awarding	In addition to Sessions love of teaching, he had a passion for Nevada's history and writing. Sessions wrote and had published numerous books on Nevada including "Paiute", "The Desert Lake", The Nevada Desert", The Blackrock Desert", "Gentleman in the Outdoors", and "Tahoe Heritage".	N/A	Session's contribution to the educational system can also be summarized with the awards he received. 1962, "Outstanding Biology Teacher Award" from the National Association of Biology Teachers 1963, The University of Nevada's "The Distinguished

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Sky Ranch elementary	None	Nkne	None	Nkne	This is the name of the middle school that shares this space. Naturally naming the elementary school the same makes sense.	None.
Tony Armstrong	None - Mayor of Sparks died while in office.	Mayor of Sparks	Sparks Mayor, did everything he could to make Sparks a nicer place to live.	Grew up in Sparks and went to Sparks High School. He was a "Sparks Rail Roder"	Mayor of Sparks	Supported School, education for betterment of Sparks.
Virgil Oren	Libby Booth principal killed in the school office.	Wonderful principal and educator for Washoe County.	Outstanding principal at Libby Booth ES.	Lost his life as a result of his profession, as a principal of an elementary school.	Principal in Washoe County.	Gave his life.
William Parker	Nothing	Nothing	Please see number 7	2nd Battalion 26th Marines	Nothing	Marine that was killed in Vietnam in 1968

[Debbie Smith continued 1]: sponsored a bill for full-day kindergarten in 2010. In 2011, Debbie sponsored three important pieces of legislation. One was for men and women to buy raffle tickets for a big game hunting tag, called the Dream Tag. The money raised goes to habitat restoration. A second bill required accountability and performance-based budgeting. The third bill required accountability and transparency for the use of 'Star Bonds,' a funding mechanism for public/private projects. It also gives taxpayers more information on how the money is used. In the 2013 legislative session Debbie supported Brianna's Law requiring a DNA sample whenever a person is booked for a felony arrest, to help track down those suspected of sexual assault crimes. Another law that she helped pass required all schools to keep EpiPens in stock to counteract potentially lethal allergic reactions. Debbie became the first Nevada legislator to serve as an officer on the largest organization for state legislators. She served as President of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), a nonpartisan

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organization serving 7,383 lawmakers. She was a graduate of Toll Fellow Council of State Governments, Flemming Fellows, Emerging Political Leaders and Western Legislative Academy programs

[Debbie Smith Continued 2]: strong partnership and advocacy on behalf of the citizens of Sparks. She fought for our citizens every day. She was so brave and strong as she battled her illness publicly. Senator Smith is a great Nevadan who will be missed but will never be forgotten.' 'On behalf of the Sparks City Council and the citizens of Sparks, I offer my deepest condolences to Senator Smith's husband Greg and their family. Our thoughts and prayers will remain with Debbie and her family for many days to come.'Senator Harry Reid: - 'Debbie Smith was the epitome of an ideal neighbor, friend and public servant. A believer in the good of government, Debbie's advocacy for adequately funding our education system will be felt in Nevada for a long time. Northern Nevadans, no matter what party, had a fighter in the Legislature. Despite her difficult year, her positive outlook on life was admirable to all. She was my friend and I will miss her.' Mayor Hillary Schieve - 'I was incredibly saddened today to learn of the passing of Debbie Smith. A Nevada resident for most of her life, Debbie was one of our state's strongest advocates for public education. Her work in the Nevada Assembly and Nevada Senate was marked not only by her dedication to bettering education policy, but also by her support of wildlife and conservation issues. I, along with my fellow Reno City Council Members, extend our sympathy to Debbie's family and friends during this difficult time. She will be missed.' Rep. Dina Titus - 'Senator Debbie Smith was a dear friend, a valued colleague, and a genuinely good person. She always put Nevada's children first and never sought any credit or personal attention. Her last fight was her toughest, but the angels will now be fortunate to have her on their team.'â€. Congressman Mark Amodei - 'I am deeply saddened to learn of the passing of my dear friend, Senator Debbie Smith. Debbie was a respected colleague and I will always value our time serving together in the Nevada Assembly and Senate. As a dedicated public servant with a huge heart for children and families, Debbie fought tirelessly to ensure every child in Nevada received a great education. Nevada will undoubtedly benefit from her courageous leadership and unwavering devotion to her constituents and state. Her work has touched the lives of many and she will be sorely missed. I send my deepest condolences to her husband, Greg and their three children.'

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Spanish Springs-Area Elementary School

School Name Nominee

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First Name Elizabeth M. (Betty Morris)

Last Name Morris

Geographical or Geological Name _____

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See attached

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Synda S. Merino

Teacher-Librarian

Reno High School 1979-2006

Vaughn M.S. 1974-1979

Orvis Ring Elem. School 1973-74



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First Name: Marcelle ("Marce") **Note:** pronounced "Marcie"

Last Name: Herz

1. Role in Education

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An avid skier and champion alpine ski racer, her passion for recreation and athletics for kids compelled her to regularly drive her "Woody" station wagon filled with Fenway preschool students to Sky Tavern so she could teach them to ski. This directly led to her cofounding the Jr. Ski Program. **To this day, the Jr. Ski Program remains the oldest and largest nonprofit ski facility/program in the United States.** Each weekend the program operates, more than 2400 children learn to ski and snowboard.

2. Impact

Please explain the significant impact by the nominee/significant importance of this region or area name or land donor, on children and education in Washoe County: World-class athlete, educator and teacher, journalist, entrepreneur, original designer, and civic leader, Marce's talents, contributions and impact to our community were and remain unparalleled.

Marce taught in public schools in this region for more than 10 years, worked as a Washoe County Teacher (Mt. Rose Elementary); set a Track and Field World Record (440 yd. dash) and a US Record (800 m. run), was a champion alpine ski racer, a journalist, columnist and editor for the Reno Evening Gazette; and initiated and cofounded the Jr. Ski Program. No person before or since can match her legacy of service to the children of Washoe County. **Since 1948, the Jr. Ski Program has taught more than 100,000 Washoe County kids to ski and snowboard. (2018 is the 70th anniversary of this program.)**

It is no secret that alpine skiing is an expensive sport. However, the Jr. Ski Program makes it possible for practically any family in this community to afford to teach their children skiing and/or snowboarding. Marce was also instrumental in founding the day care program at Sky Tavern, the first of its kind at a ski resort in this area. Her vision was far ahead of its time. Marce's demonstrated tenacity and entrepreneurial drive led her to found the Fenway School, and then cofound the Jr. Ski Program, a legacy that resonates even today, some 70 years later.

In the mid-to-late 1950s, Marce again demonstrated her entrepreneurial spirit. She began decorating her home at 1201 Arlington Ave. with her own Christmas decoration designs. This led to outside commissions from civic groups. Soon she was winning prizes in both California and Nevada for her designs and parade floats. These commissions grew into her business, Marce Herz Designs.

The petition website in support of Marce (<https://www.thepetitionsite.com/586/810/320/>) established by NYSEF and the Sky Tavern Jr. Ski Program contains multiple comments from signers who assert that Marce remains a great example for all children, but particularly for girls and young women in today's world. Perhaps Marce's extraordinary innate courage combined with her generous spirit reverberate. The night before she died from cancer in 1964, Marce told her then teenage son, Howdy Herz: **"Never be afraid of dying. Only be afraid of not living."** That guidance to her young son, Howdy, knowing that she would soon pass, epitomizes this courage and generous spirit.

Unfortunately, Marce's talents, courage, ethic, ideals, contributions, and impact are little-known to the populace of Washoe County, in part, because Marce accomplished her goals with modesty and grace, without drawing attention to herself. We hope the Committee is inspired by the following link to a 90 sec video about Marce Herz:

<https://vimeo.com/254768047>. Notwithstanding Marce's extraordinary achievements which continue to benefit our community, perhaps her greatest contributions involve her timeless yet powerful ideals:

1. That ALL children should get the opportunity to learn how to ski (and now board) which remains reflected in the Jr. Ski Program, and
2. That sports are good for everyone, but especially for children.

3. Public Service

Please explain how the nominee was a service leader with involvement in organizations, public service, and/or other humanitarian activities: Marce was a civic leader, natural teacher and a journalist who served our community. In 1945 she was named Winter Sports Editor of the Reno Evening Gazette and in 1948 she was named Ski Editor. In the late 1940s and early 1950s, she authored a periodic newspaper column titled the "Slalom Column." She trained and coached Dodie Post-Gann, an Olympic skier (1948 and 1952) who also competed in the FIS World Championships. In 1952 Marce received a special recognition Award from the National Recreation Association for her contribution to recreation in the Reno/Sparks Area by founding the Jr. Ski Program. Marce was named one of the Welcoming Committee Members for the 1960 Winter Olympics in Squaw Valley, California. In 1963 she was named Nevada Sportswoman of the Year for her contributions.

4. Historical Significance

Please explain the nominee's notable historic significance towards the advancement of humanity and/or education by this person or area: As a teen, Marce set the world record in the 440-yard dash and the US record in the 800-meter run. A renowned skier, she accumulated 16 championship titles in amateur alpine ski racing. She won the 1949 and 1950 Nevada State Championship(s) in the combined event (slalom and downhill).

The Committee should appreciate the courage required to compete in this downhill in 1949 in 1950. The downhill was held on the Silver Dollar Derby course. It started at the top of Slide Mountain, 9700 feet and traveled to what is now the Winters Creek Lodge, then continued down to nearly the valley floor. It was a harrowing 2 mile downhill with speeds in excess of 65 miles an hour. The equipment was inferior. A quote from Marce about competing in downhill describes the mindset and courage required to excel on the Silver Dollar Derby course: **"You've got to be cruel to run downhill."**

Marce was an extraordinary athlete but, more importantly, she fervently believed that sports and athletics were good for everyone, particularly children. This ideal, ethic and message are extremely important today, in light of the high obesity levels in US society, particularly with US children. Her vision, ethic and legacy continue to benefit the children of our county.

5. Geographic significance

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6. Contributions

Significant contribution, (land, monetary, etc.) which supports the education of students through the District's Mission: As stated above, more than 100,000 Washoe County kids learned to ski or snowboard because of Marce Herz's vision in establishing the Jr. Ski Program. We ask that the Committee take particular note that Marce accomplished great things and made the lasting contributions described above in a time that was largely male dominated. This is a historical testament to her quiet leadership, entrepreneurial spirit, courage, tenacity, political talents, skills as an educator, and unwavering belief in her ideals. Marce's ideals loudly ring out today, some 70 years later. Further, she accomplished all of this within a shortened life. She died in 1964 at age 52.

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HIGH SCHOOL GIRL SETS WORLD'S RECORD FOR 440 YARD RUN

MAX RACHAC'S PITCHING AND HITTING DEFEATS THE ANGELS

Marcelle Barkley, Young Sophomore, Is Clock At Record Time In Race

Time Bettera Listed Record By One-Fifth Of A Second; Girl Shows Speed Of Deer In Gruelling Event On Track

MARCELLE BARKLEY, a 15-year-old girl sophomore at the Sacramento High School, was a 440 yard runner at the high school level in a world record time of 1:10.4, which is a world's record for women at that time. This was the first time a girl has ever run 440 yards in less than a minute and a half.

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TWILIGHT LEAGUE'S

MARCELLE BARKLEY



PLACER SET LEADERS HAVE HARD GAMES TO-MORROW

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SEALS HALT OAKLAND WITH BOEHLER ON THE SLAB

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Pitcher Rachac Holds Champs To Seven Hits; Drives In Own Game

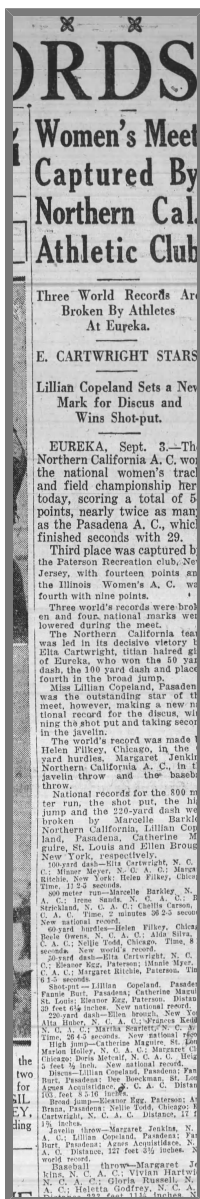
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Max Rachac, pitcher of the Angels, held the champions to seven hits in a game which was won by the Angels. Rachac pitched a strong game, allowing only seven hits and striking out two batters.

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Hollywood Beats Out Tribe In Eleven Frames

Marcelle Barkley US record 800 m 1927



Marce US Record 800m

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Women's 800 m

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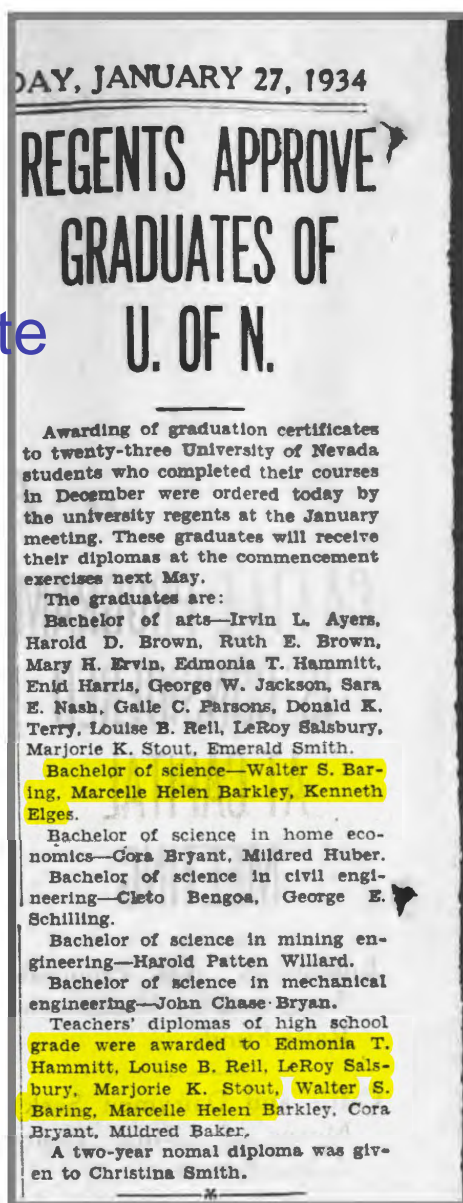
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Marcelle Barkley 1934 UNR graduate



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TEACHING STAFF IS SELECTED AT FALLON

FALLON, Nev., Aug. 23—(Special)
—Grade and high schools in Churchill county will open this year on September 3 with two changes on the staff of teachers.

Arthur Lucas, formerly principal at Gerlach and last year instructor in the Fernley high school, replaces Walter Johnson on the Churchill high school staff. Johnson is taking charge of the grade and high schools at Eureka as superintendent.

Miss Marjorie Record resigned from the Consolidated "B" staff, having been married and is to be replaced by Miss Louvena McLean of Fallon.

Following are teachers who will serve in the rural schools of the county:

Stillwater — Mrs. Doris Reed of Reno, upper grades; Miss Marcelle Barkley, teacher last year in the St. Clair school, lower grades.

Harmon—P. A. Liebhart, principal again this year, and Miss Marion Brody of Reno.

Lone Tree—Mrs. Lily Stark, re-elected.

Island—Miss Ethelyn Coverston, re-elected.

Beach—Miss Echo Morgan, re-elected.

St. Clair—Miss Margaret Robinson of Fallon.

Hazen—Miss Agnes Morris and Miss Frances Care, both re-elected.

Northam—Miss Marie Poteous of Hazen will fill vacancy made by resignation of Miss Louvena McLean. Miss Elvira Bedaustegui of Battle Mountain to be on staff again this year.

Dixie Valley—Mrs. Margaret Morgan, re-elected.

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Marcelle Barkley-teacher of the year
St. Clair Elementary, Fallon, Nevada-1935

Mount Rose School Active in Sports

By Ruth Berman

Low Sixth, Mount Rose School Under the able supervision of Marcelle Barkley, students of the upper grades of Mt. Rose school now play baseball, basketball and volleyball.

A schedule allows each grade to have the use of a certain court once a week. The girls of a grade are divided into two teams, as are the boys. Recesses are much enjoyed now, thanks to Miss Barkley.

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Marcelle Barkley starts upper elementary grade school sports program at Mount Rose Elementary, March, 1937.

Marcelle Barkley
teacher at Mount Rose
Elementary, May 1937
(probable start 1936)

Officials Chosen For Kiwanis Club Athletic Meet

Officials for the Kiwanis Play Day for Reno grammar school boys Saturday were announced last night. Miss Marcelle Barkley, of the Mount Rose school, will be in charge as general chairman.

The nine events will be judged by athletic directors from the Reno elementary and junior high schools, while the remainder of the Play Day personnel is made up of school teachers.

Judges will be J. R. Warren, Vernon Scott, Bruce Moore, George Gadda, V. C. Swope, Ainsley Mabson, Sessions Wheeler, John Aprusa, Bud Beasley, Randall Ross.

Official scorers are Frances Humphrey, Idel Anderson, Rose Sala, True Gifford.

The school chairmen for the Play Day include Eileen Haffey, Orvis Ring, Kathryn Martin, Southside; Isabelle Moe, Mary S. Doten; Edith Peddicord, McKinley Park; and Marcelle Barkley, Mount Rose.

Twenty boys will be selected from each of the five elementary schools and the parochial school, and will be classified according to weight, height and age. The boys from each school will be divided into two squads.

Play Day officials said last night that events have been chosen with the idea of eliminating competition which might result in injury. These events can also be practiced daily on the school grounds during the recess periods.

Five regular events and four special contests have been selected for Saturday's meet, which starts at 1:30 p.m. on the Reno high school athletic field. Competition will be held in standing broad jump, standing high jump, base running, baseball throw, basketball throw; and sack race, leap frog race, football drop kick, football forward pass.

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Irvin E. Ayer presiding.

The discussion group of the Mount Rose PTA will meet at 1:45 p.m. in the school library room. Mrs. E. R. Harker, presiding. At three p.m., a get-acquainted tea will take place in the library room with the mothers of the pupils in Miss Marcelle Barkley's room as guests.

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Marcelle Barkley Teacher at Mount Rose Elementary, 1940

December 15, 1945
 Marcelle Barkley
 named Winter Sports
 Editor
 Reno Evening Gazette

Ski Publicity Group Named

Douglas County Plans Program

Plans for the Nevada-California state ski championships on Mt. Rose next March were one step closer to completion today following the appointment of a publicity committee last night.

The Reno Ski club named Marcelle Barkley, the Gazette's winter sports editor; Jack Early of the chamber of commerce; Charles Matson, well-known Reno skier, and Bill Berry, Nevada State Journal winter sports editor, to the group.

Appointment of further committees and formulation of specific plans probably will be forthcoming from each meeting of the ski club's executive committee. The group will convene each Wednesday night between now and the tournament.

DOUGLAS EVENTS

In Douglas county, meanwhile, plans are also going forward for the Snowshoe Thomson Memorial cross-country race and the Nevada-California jumping championships, both scheduled for Feb. 23 and 24.

Plenty of snow is assured on the cross-country course, according to committeemen, but the depth at Genoa, site of the jumping events, is still only about three inches. Should it be necessary, however, snow will be hauled to the jump from other areas.

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Marcelle
Barkley and
Howard
Herz married
01-01-1946

Miss Marcelle Barkley Is Bride Of Walter Herz

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Herz on Clay street was the scene New Year's Day at two o'clock of a simple but impressive marriage ceremony at which Miss Marcelle Barkley became the bride of Walter Herz. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Garth Sibbald of Episcopal church in the presence of relatives and a few close friends of the bridal couple.

The living room of the Herz home was decorated with rust and wine colored chrysanthemums and the same flowers were artistically arranged on the fireplace mantel before which the bridal party stood for the ceremony. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Frederick Herz and Mr. Harvey Gross,

brother in law of the bride gave her in marriage. Mrs. Gross was the matron of honor.

For her wedding the attractive brunette bride wore a smart dress-maker suit of gray wool with matching accessories and orchid corsage. Mrs. Gross was also in gray accented with orchids.

Refreshments including the beautifully decorated wedding cake were served in the dining room from a table covered with a lace cloth and centered with white carnations and narcissi and tall white tapers in silver holders. The wedding cake was cut in the traditional manner by the bride and bridegroom.

Mrs. Herz is one of Reno's most charming young women and is a skier and outdoor enthusiast. She is a graduate of the University of Nevada where she was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority. For several years she was employed as teacher in the Reno schools and is now director of the Fenway Private school on Arlington avenue. Her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. James Barkley, were well known in Nevada.

Mr. Herz is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Herz, prominent residents of Reno for many years. He is a brother of Frederick Herz and Miss Hilda Herz. Mr. Herz is a graduate of the University of Nevada and is an engineer for the Sierra Pacific Power company.

Mr. and Mrs. Herz are spending their honeymoon in Monterey, Calif. and will return here Sunday to reside.

Hospital Patients Are Entertained at New Year's Party

Members of the Reno Women's Civic club sponsored a New Year's party Monday afternoon at the Nevada State Hospital in the recreation room.

The program arranged by Mrs. R. H. Towner consisted of tap dances by Misses Beatrice Stanley and Winnie Spurgeon accompanied on the piano by Miss Margie McQuerry, a group of songs by Mrs. Joyce Snyder Williams with Mrs. F. Armbruster as accompanist, a puppet show by Mrs. Carl Gottschalk and Mrs. William O. Bay Jr. and a group of songs by Miss Dana Orth accompanied by Mrs. Joyce Williams at the piano. Mrs. J. Benjamin Parker, president of

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MODEL OF RESTRAINT

Probably because Monday is our day off, something of a model of restraint in sports writing slipped into these columns day before yesterday. In this instance we wouldn't have allowed it had we been around, and can't resist mentioning it.

You probably know that Marcelle Herz is the Gazette ski editor. She writes the Slalom Column, and in fact all our ski stuff, though often without a byline, a fact which seems to confuse some people.

Anyway, the same Marcelle Herz is an excellent skier, and over the weekend won the women's combined title in the Nevada state ski championships, one of the two big titles involved in the affair. The fact was dutifully noted at some length in all other papers covering the event. And

ert Leonetti, Harry Burrington and Amos Harris.

Centers — George Strohmeyer, Caleb Warrington and Edsel Gustafson.

the Gazette? Well, everyone else got all the publicity due them, but Mrs. Herz was dispatched in just one sentence, despite her accomplishment. Marcelle, of course, wrote the story herself.

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MARCE HERZ, THE DESIGNER (ARTIST)

By Florence Burge

An idea conceived from a leaky water flume during freezing weather at Idlewild Park and carried out with such items as costume jewelry and clothes spray corks designed for coke bottles has led to what is believed to be the first Christmas water trees ever to be designed and displayed.

It took a Reno woman to do it. And she now has visions of making Reno a Christmas show place.

Mrs. Walter Herz dreamed up the water tree idea six years ago. Here idea was enhanced when she watched the waters of a fountain at Victoria, B.C. playing under colored lights.

The result has finally been achieved this year with the display of two water trees, one with icicles that drip, the other, a fountain. Both may be found at Harolds Club along with four others she designed.

The secret of Mrs. Herz's success in making her dreams come true encompasses many things.

There is dogged determination and ingenuity. There is the ability to find help to put her ideas into working operation.

MOVING OF FOUNTAIN

There is refusal to take herself too seriously. And along with the latter there is an ability to convince others she is "not yet ready for the better by yet."

"I don't think you can even do it," one engineer in the East told Mrs. Herz as she was quizzing him about fountains — and trees.

Another engineer conceded his firm could probably make a water tree for \$25,000 and still another offered to research the idea for \$200 to \$300.

"Talking to these people, discouraging as it was, actually helped because each one gave me additional ideas about what

ported plastics and glass from Italy, Poland, Germany and Austria.

Mrs. Herz' work in Christmas decor is one of those things that "just grew."

Born Marcella Barsky, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James H. Barsky, she attended schools in California and Nevada before being graduated from the University of Nevada.

HELPS IN DISPLAY WORK

Although she majored in education at the university, Mrs. Herz spent much of her spare time during campus years helping D. K. Barnard as he stored the displays in Reno's wide down.

Her subsequent teaching career was influenced by novel ideas for her students' art development.

After her marriage to Walter Herz on New Years Day in 1946, she turned her talents to home and table decorations before going outdoors some 10 years ago for Christmas home decor.

It wasn't long before she was pressed into service to provide holiday decor for civic functions and benefits. She was asked to design and make floats for parades in both Nevada and California. Many were prize winners.

A business under the name of Marce Herz was soon born out of the commission work.

OTHER DISPLAYS

This year, besides the water trees and the additional fair displays at Harolds Club, she has several displays at the Wagon Wheel at Lake Tahoe.

Mrs. Herz is perhaps proudest of a display there which she herself did not design. It is the "Space Tree" at the Top of the World designed and executed jointly by Vi Van Dyle and the Herz 15-year-old son, Howard.

Howdy, as he is referred to by family and friends, is also responsible with his father for the decoration of the Herz Christmas tree at home.

"We're strictly traditional with our own decorations. And Howdy and Walter are so fed up with my preoccupation in "way out" holiday decorations that they are very happy to take care of our own house."

"But I do fix a big Christmas dinner. I love to do that."

Another Renoite publicize her play.

Mrs. Herz and one which she maintains is her "first love." is asking. Along with her decorating she has never neglected the sport and its promotion.

She is extremely proud of the citation she received several years ago from the board of directors of the National Recreation Association.

The citation commends her for an "outstanding contribution" to the national recreation program in America. It was given when she initiated the Junior Ski Program in Reno some 14 years ago.

The program, now recognized as one of the largest and most successful in the nation, was started under Mrs. Herz' leadership when she was chairman of the Junior Ski Committee of the Reno Ski Club.

During the first year of operation the recreation department assisted in the program, taking it over during the second year when civic and service clubs also backed its operation.

RENO — CHRISTMAS SHOW PLACE

And this woman with ideas is not stopping yet although she says she is through with commission work. Her latest brain child which has already aroused interest, and is in the initial stages of organization, is to make Reno world renowned as a Christmas city.

"The possibilities are limitless. I think Pondering Park could be every bit as beautiful as Rockefeller Center. And the river could be a most unique 'Santa Claus Lane'."

Mrs. Herz has received a good deal of encouragement for her idea although she knows it will take time and the efforts of many people to "get it off the ground."

"Just think, if we could coordinate the 'Reno Decorating Contest,' the decorating programs of the Reno Recreation Center, the garden clubs and the housewives into one grand civic project, we'd almost have it made."

Those groups to which she has already spoken agree with her. And with Mrs. Herz' facility in making dreams come true, Reno may one day draw hundreds of thousands of winter visitors to a unique Christmas display.

Marce's leadership initiates the Jr. Ski Program

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Late Marce Herz Named Sportswoman of Year

Sierra Nevada Sportswriters and Broadcasters have named the late Marce Herz of Reno, sportswoman of the year. Mrs. Herz died Jan. 9 of leukemia.

The award has been made six times and Mrs. Herz is the first woman so honored.

Mrs. Herz, in her youth, an outstanding track and later, a ski star, became one of the West's best known recreation leaders. She pioneered Reno's successful junior ski program.

Mrs. Herz was an athlete, teacher, original designer and civic leader.

Mrs. Herz' husband, Walter, said this morning, "It's a wonderful tribute, and my son, Howdy, and I deeply appreciate it."

"It is a wonderful tribute to Marce. One of the highlights of her life was participation in, and promotion of, sports activities. I want to thank all sportswriters who made the selection."

Her designation as sportswoman of the year brought comments from persons in the aforementioned fields:

Earl Wooster, educator: "Marce was a fine teacher.

She did a good job for us in the schools. After she left teaching, she started a private school—to supplement public schools—not to compete with them. I also worked with Marce in the Reno Recreation Department. I was very enthusiastic about Marce."

Jerry Wetzel, sportsman and businessman: "I knew Marce 25 years. When she died, skiing lost a great friend. She had a great spirit, even during her illness. This spirit amazed her family and friends, and it was typical of Marce."

Rocco Spina, recreation leader: "Marce was a tremendous asset to recreation in general, and skiing in particular. Several years ago, she decided something should be done about kid skiing. First, it was two or three kids in her car. Then the program went to two and three cars, and finally to a bus. (The

Reno Junir Ski program blossomed under Mrs. Herz' guidance and is now recognized as the strongest program of its kind in the West.) I can't say too much about Marce Herz."

Previous winners of the sportsman of the year citation are Jack Tighe, the first winner; Dr. G. A. Broten, Charles Mapes, Newton Crumley Sr. and William Harrah.

Mr. Crumley died in a plane crash in 1962 and Mr. Tighe was killed in a car accident last year.

Handball Play Begins This Week at YMCA

Handball players are preparing for the 1964 four wall championships to be held at the Reno YMCA two weekends starting this Thursday.

The doubles events will take place Jan. 23, 24 and 25 and the singles events are scheduled for Feb. 5, 7 and 8.

The tournament will be under the direction of director George

Silver Sox Trustees Meet Tonight

Marce Sportswoman of Year (1st Female)

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Marce Herz Obit 01-11-64 (1) Jr. Ski Program, (2) 1952 Rec. Assn. Award, (3) Design Business, (4) 16 titles.

Mrs. Walter Herz Claimed by Death

Mrs. Walter (Marce) Herz, 52, died Thursday night at a Reno hospital after a long illness. She was 52 years old.

Mrs. Herz originated the Reno Junior Ski program 12 years ago and watched it grow into one of the West's most successful sports programs for youngsters.

It was from taking a group of six pre-school Fenway School youngsters out on the ski slopes that the idea was born to start a ski program for youth.

From these six youngsters the idea has grown to an annual program in which more than 1400 young people participate annually under the banner of the Reno Recreation Department Ski Program.

She listed this program among the foremost of her accomplishments.

In 1952 Mrs. Herz received recognition for her accomplishments, receiving an award from the National Recreational Association 'as the individual who had made the most outstanding contribution to recreation in the Reno area.

An avid athlete from early youth Mrs. Herz held the U.S. championship for 800 meter track during her high school days.

Her early skiing was with the California Ski Association and later the Far Western Ski Association. She won some 16 awards from the two groups for competitive skiing.

She was Nevada state ski champion in the slalom and downhill combined in 1949-1950.

Also an enthusiastic golfer Mrs. Herz was a member of Reno Women's Golf Club and Hidden Valley Country Club Golf Women.

Mrs. Herz initiated the junior ski program while chairman of the junior ski committee of the Reno Ski Club.

During the first year of operation the Reno Recreation department assisted in the program and took it over the second year when civic and service clubs also backed its operation.

Born Marcelle Helen Barkley in Madras Ore on Dec 7 1911 she attended schools in California and Nevada and was graduated from the University of Nevada with a degree in education.

She taught in the Washoe County school system and in California and later opened her own nursery school Fenway School for pre-school children in Reno.

Mrs. Herz taught for several years in Yerington Lake Tahoe and at the Mount Rose School in Reno.

On New Year's Day in 1946 she married Walter J. Herz and executive with the Sierra Pacific Power Co.

After her marriage she turned her talents to home and outdoor decorations.

The Christmas decorations at her home, 1201 Arlington Ave.

homeowners and civic groups were soon winning prizes in both Nevada and California for her unusual decorations and parade floats. Her commissions grew into a design business under the name Marce Herz.

She had made great progress towards establishing Reno as a true Christmas City, and had envisioned the Truckee River in the downtown area as a "Santa Claus Lane."

Civic and service organization leaders had endorsed the plan and it was gaining momentum at the time of her death.

Mrs. Herz is survived by her husband Walter, a son, Honorary of the Reno Recreation Department, five brothers: Westall (Lou) Barkley of Carson City, Gordon Barkley Sr. of Fallon, Fern Barkley of Tahoe Valley, James G. Barkley of San Francisco and Fielding Barkley of Sacramento, and three sisters: Mrs. Ruth Eaton of San Francisco, Mrs. Harvey Gross of Lake Tahoe, and Mrs. Leonard MacEachron of Fallon.

She was a long time member of the board of directors of the Reno Ski Club, a member of the Far West Ski Association and the Hidden Valley Ski Club. During the Olympic Games at Squaw Valley she was a member of the welcoming committee for contestants.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 10 a.m. at the Home Chapel of the Ross-Burke Co. with Rev. Wayne Williamson of the Trinity Episcopal Church officiating. Burial will be in the Masonic Section of the Mountain View Cemetery.

John Lukey

John Lukey, 78, retired plumbing contractor who established one of Reno's first clothing stores, succumbed Friday to a lengthy illness at a local rest home.

He came to Reno in 1914 from Canton, Ill. where he was born Jan. 16, 1885. He started the Society Cleaners that year and later the Lewis and Lukey Clothing store. In 1919 he established the Nevada Plumbing and Heating Company which is still operating and has been managed by his son, Jack H. Lukey, since his retirement several years ago.

Mr. Lukey was a life member of the Knights of Pythias, the Lodge and the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan.

Surviving in addition to his son is his widow, Mrs. Edna Lou Lukey and grandson, Billy Lukey. There are also two nephews, Herchel and Russell Lukey both of Sacramento.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the Ross - Burke Funeral Home. Rev. Vernon Kottel of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd will officiate. Burial will be in the Masonic section of the Mountain View Cemetery.

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Further comments on Marce Herz

I grew up in Reno with a single mom and two sisters.

Needless to say we didn't have money for skiing

A Reno High friend had a spare pair boots and skis and asked if I wanted to try it.

Hooked, but only if I walked up the hills.

But.. along came Marce. She let me ride with a few other kids with little resources

The Ramsey's, owners of Sky Tavern, let me work half day, ski half day, no pay

I became an instructor on the junior ski program, a chaperon on the first bus

From this I went on to become a Class A racer, a URN ski team member,

A Cal and Nev jumping champion, racing until 75 years old, teaching my kids

and now our great grandkids a sport...usable for life

How many sports can you name where your greatgrandkids can beat you in a race?

Don S. Thompson aka Snoshu