

## **Linda Lagoy, Recreation Coordinator – City of Las Vegas**

Linda Lagoy is a Recreation Coordinator at the Dula Gymnasium for the City of Las Vegas. She was just moved to Dula Gym and will be overseeing program for the new Community Center once the Senior Center renovations are completed in the beginning of 2020. This will combine the Gym with the Senior Center facilities.

Linda has been with the city of Las Vegas for 10 years in Parks & Recreation. She has worked at the Las Vegas Senior Center, Derfelt Senior Center, Veterans Memorial Community Center, Stupak Community Center and the Minker Sports Complex before moving to Dula Gym.

Linda was caught in the 2010 Reduction in Force while with the city. She had three years of interesting experience in recreation and volunteerism during these years. She worked for Catholic Charities as the Volunteer Coordinator in the Senior Corps Program, helping to start the CATCH Healthy Habits program; she worked for the City of Henderson in Therapeutic Recreation and Inclusion Services and she worked for Child Focus, an agency of St. Jude's Ranch for Children that brings together siblings separated in the Foster Care system through recreation programs and camp. She was brought back to the city in 2013.

Linda grew up in Los Angeles California. She has a BS degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies, Therapeutic Option and some Masters credits from California State University Northridge. She did her internship a bazillion years ago at the Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific in Honolulu, Hawaii (not a bad place to spend the summer).

Linda has been a registered Girl Scout for over 50 years. (She was at camp for two summers when she was little as her mother was the nurse at camp). This helped establish her love of the outdoors, animals, playing the guitar and singing songs whether it is at a campfire, on a mountainside or at church and a love for the organization. Linda was even a professional Girl Scout for over 16 years, having worked in two different Girl Scout Councils. She was a waterfront director, directed a horse camp, oversaw outdoor program including Day Camps, oversaw the famous cookie program, managed seven council properties, and oversaw program in 13 counties.

Linda loves to volunteer. She has been a Red Cross Lifeguard and First Aid/CPR Instructor and WSI. She went to Louisiana as a Disaster Services Volunteer after Hurricanes Katrina & Rita. She has volunteered with individuals with special needs, the homeless, seniors, at church and various special events. She is currently a volunteer at the Lion Habitat Ranch in Henderson where she feeds 500 pound African lions, leads tours and teaches people about the Ranch and the lions. Come to the Ranch for a Camp Field Trip. She is usually there on Mondays.

