## Spring into Summer bazaar scheduled May 8 at Virgin River

The annual Spring into Summer bazaar is scheduled Saturday, May 8 in the River Room of the Virgin River Casino Hotel, and Michelle and Michael Brooks of Ready Golf in Mesquite will undoubtedly be one of the first vendors to set up for the show.

Ready Golf is an off- course retail golf store situated at 550 W. Pioneer Blvd., No. 156. Opened in July of 2008, the store had been in the planning stages for quite some time.

"My husband and I used to live in Las Vegas," explained Mrs. Brooks. "We were planning to move to Mesquite anyway and one day, Mike made the trip only to discover he had forgotten his golf balls."

Told there were no golf stores in Mesquite, Mr. Brooks immediately called his wife telling her the couple should open a store in the city about 80 miles north of Las Vegas.

"We actually have a 5,000 square foot store, so it's pretty good sized," said Mrs. Brooks. "Most golf stores all look the same with little apparel and little choice for ladies. We carry a lot of ladies equipment and apparel along with left-handed clubs.

"We are a little different than other golf stores."

The Brooks' have been in almost every one of the bazaars orchestrated by Black Gaming Event Coordinator Carrie Gomez, who has been putting together special events for the past three years. This particular event is expected to do especially well considering that there is no admission charge.

"Participating in these events brings us the most business," Mrs. Brooks said. "The bazaars have brought me more business than any other marketing that we have done."

Ready Golf is getting ready to begin on-line sales. In addition, the company takes trade-ins while also selling used equipment along with traditional merchandise.

"We opened in July of 2008 just as the economy crashed, but we're doing very well now," Mrs. Brooks said.

Ready Golf was named the Mesquite Area Chamber of Commerce Business of the Month for January.

"Our sales for this year have been much better than last year," Mrs. Brooks said. "We anticipate that business is going to get even better in the future, too. We are so thankful to the Mesquite residents for embracing us. Everyone has been there for us during the entire process.

"We love living here. The people are so friendly and they try to help one another."

Further information regarding Ready Golf can be found at <u>www.readygolf.biz</u> or by calling 702-345-4653.

Among the other vendors scheduled for the bazzar are Fresh and Bright; Miguel's Homemade Salsa; Scentsy; Jewelry by Paparazzi; among others. The bazaar is scheduled from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Additionally, We Care for Animals will be holding raffles throughout the day for various prizes with the grand prize a two-night stay in a Virgin River suite along with a

gourmet dinner for two. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 with all of the proceeds going to We Care for Animals.

Additional information regarding the bazaar can be found by calling Gomez at 702-346-7091 or by emailing her at <u>cduclos@casablancaresort.com</u>.

CAPTION: Michael and Michelle Brooks of Ready Golf in Mesquite will be among the vendors featured in the Spring Into Summer Bazaar Saturday, May 8 in the River Room of the Virgin River.

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