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### **JANUARY IS MOB MONTH AT THE LIBRARY DISTRICT**

Las Vegas, NV—The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District is hosting a series of events related to the Mob with ex-mobsters, law enforcement, authors, historians and the witnesses who survived the Mob's expansive rise to power in the 20<sup>th</sup> century at the Clark County Library, 1401 E. Flamingo Road. Events include:

#### **Tuesday, January 7 • Son and Daughter of the Mob**

Hear the stories of two different generations of family heritage in Mob culture, their acceptance of the lifestyle, and decision to part with their Mob pasts as Tony Napoli and Bella Capo discuss their books, *My Father, My Don* and *La Bella Mafia*. Also featured will be co-authors Dennis Griffin and Morgan St. James.

#### **Tuesday, January 14 • Family Secrets: A Mob Sit-Down**

Join Frank Calabrese Jr. (*Operation Family Secrets*), Andrew DiDonato (*Surviving The Mob*) and Kenji Gallo (*Breakshot*) as they sit down with Frank's co-author Kent Zimmerman to look at the inner workings of the Mob, from daily street soldiering to carrying out death orders from the Don.

#### **Saturday, January 18 @ 1 p.m. • Me, The Mob And The Music - One Helluva Ride With Tommy James and the Shondells**

You may know Tommy James as the lead singer and musician of the rock and roll group Tommy James and the Shondells but what you may not know is that the record company that produced his many hit songs was a front for the Mob. In a live broadcast from Tommy's residence in New York, he will share his stories of the Mob and the music industry during the 1960s and 1970s.

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**Sunday, January 19 @ 1 p.m. • The Mob Around the World in Film**

Join us as members from the Las Vegas Film Critics Society discuss notable and favorite international Mob movies and how these films differ in content, direction and message from domestic releases. After the discussion, stay for a screening of the film they agree is one you should not miss.

**Tuesday, January 21 • Lucky Luciano: The Father of Modern Day Organized Crime in America**

Author and UNLV professor William Donati will explore the life and times of notorious Mob kingpin Charles "Lucky" Luciano, the man most often referred to as the "father" of modern day organized crime in the United States.

**Tuesday, January 28 • More Mob Wives!**

We're saving the best for last with more Mob wives than ever before! Join us for a riveting, no-holds-barred discussion with Wendy Mazaros (widow of Tom Hanley); their daughter Amy Hanley (engaged to Lucky Luciano's grandson); Lisa Caserta (Henry Hill's widow); Denyce S. Franzese (wife of John Franzese Jr.); Nora Schweihs from the reality show Mob Wives Chicago; and Georgia Durante who sped her way from a Mob driver to a Hollywood stunt driver.

All events are free and open to the public. Due to mature subject matter, parental discretion is advised. Seating is first-come, first-served. Books and merchandise may be available for purchase and signing after the presentations.

For more information, please call 702.507.3458.

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