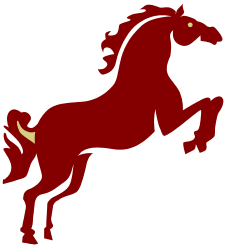


STALLION SPRINGS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2011



SSPOA MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Stallion Springs Property Owners Association is to provide a conduit for information and support and to utilize volunteers and fundraisers to serve the community in the most beneficial manner.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Thank you for the great turnout at the January POA General Meeting. We appreciate your support and your response is very gratifying. All who attended enjoyed the group "Comedy under Construction".

This was a hilarious group of actors.

Save these dates:

A Bake Sale February 12, 2011 10 am in front of the Community Center.

The proceeds from this sale will go to the purchase of playground equipment for Man O' War park.

February 25, 2011 a special General Meeting, 6:30 pm meeting, 7 pm three guest speakers. Tyler Napier and Irene Gunshinan will speak

on the water situation in Stallion Springs. Mary Beth Garrison will speak on any important issues of significance.

March 26, 2011 "a night to remember" We are selling tickets for a dinner/dance outing at the Lodge. Singles and couples are welcome. The cost for this great night out is just \$27.00 per person, with great gifts and surprises.

Very interesting Dates:

This year we will experience four unusual dates... 1/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/1/11 and 11/11/11. Now take the last 2 digits of the year you were born, plus the age you will be this year and add them together. It will equal 111. Pretty interesting!

Stay Tuned In

Lewis Brown

**SSPOA Meeting
Friday Feb 25th
6:30 pm Meeting
Dessert & Coffee
SS Community Center**

**7:00 pm
"Stallion Springs
Water Information"
Speakers:
Tyler Napier
Irene Gunshinan
Mary Beth Garrison**

**Neighborhood Watch
Meeting
Saturday, Feb 12th 9:00
SSCSD Meeting Room**

**Man O' War
Park Fundraiser
Drive-Thru
Bake Sale
Saturday, Feb 12th
10:00 pm
SS Community Center**

We will start accepting
donated bake goods at
9:00 am
Please remember to note
ingredients

STALLION SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The community of Stallion Spring is invited to attend the ninth Neighborhood Watch meeting, scheduled Saturday, February 12, 9:00 AM, at the CSD Board Room. This month's meeting will focus upon (1) additional Neighborhood Watch signs, (2) means in which to purchase supplemental signs, and (3) encouraging residents to work with their neighbors to protect their neighborhoods.

During the last meeting in February, Sergeant Mike Grant related numerous incidents that occurred within the community of Tehachapi. As well, the following topics were presented: (1) fund capital for additional signs, and (2) allow the Stallion Spring Property Owner's Association to accept donations on behalf of Stallions Springs Neighborhood Watch. Anyone who is interested in making a contribution should contact the Stallion Springs Property Owner's Association. Feel free to contact either Lewis Brown, President (822-5023), or Faye Belknap, Secretary (823-5460).

My gratitude to those residents who support Stallion Springs Neighborhood Watch. We encourage the community to take part in our monthly meetings. We welcome your suggestions and ideas of ways to secure the safety of our community.

Chuck Di Leo

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	COMMENTS
February 12	Neighborhood Watch	SSCSD Meeting Room	9:00 am	Neighborhood Watch Meeting
February 12	Drive-Thru Bake Sale	SS Community Center	10:00 am	Fundraiser for Man O' War Park Play Ground Equipment
February 15	SSCSD Board of Directors Meeting	SSCSD Meeting Room	7:00 pm	SSCSD Board Meeting
February 25	SSPOA General Meeting	SS Community Center	6:30 pm	Stallion Springs Water Speakers: Tyler Napier, Irene Gunshinan, and Mary Beth Garrison

A MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL MANAGER

"It takes a Village"

It takes a village. We've heard this adage, time and time again, but Stallion Springs brings new meaning to the message. In Stallion, a spirit of cooperation exists that is unequalled in the Greater Tehachapi area. There is an ever-present willingness *to help* and a desire *to improve* the quality of life for those living in our part of the mountain.

It is a mission to be proud of – a heritage to preserve.

The foundation of our "Village" lies in the strength and fortitude of our volunteers. Hundreds of Stallion Springs' residents bring time, energy and money to the table:

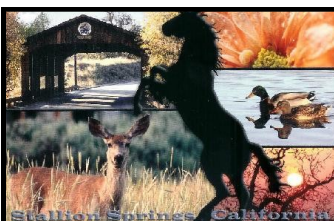
- Volunteers keep mailbox areas clean and become certified, as CERT members, to help in times of community emergency.
- Volunteers stock and maintain thousands of library books and support safe communities.
- Volunteers maintain trails, pick-up roadside trash and provide funding for neighborhood improvements.
- Volunteers welcome new residents, coach sporting activities, read library books to children and create quilts for recuperating neighbors.
- Volunteers put together playground equipment, organize community events and sell merchandise to support more neighborhood enhancements.

Volunteers work on committees and govern our District.

Volunteers make a difference.

In fact, volunteers make all the difference! Be proud of how much we accomplish due to the efforts of volunteers. It is visibly evident and absolutely contagious. In our case, volunteers are the grease and the glue to make things happen and make things stick.

I applaud the village (of Stallion). I admire the energy. I am proud to work among you. It really does take a village to sustain the inviting characteristics of Stallion Springs.



STALLION SPRINGS POST CARDS

Don't forget to pick up a few Stallion Springs Post Cards at the general store. 100% of the proceeds go to the play equipment and improvements of Man O' War Park.

Stallion Springs Property Owner's Association
General Meeting
January 2011

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: PRES. LEWIS BROWN, REC.SEC. LORI RODGERS, CORR. SEC. FAYE BELKNAP, MEMBERS AT LARGE: TONIE S., CASSIE LATIMER, TERRI NELSON. **ABSENT:** TREASURER, RICK MARKS.

REPORTS:

TREASURER: **M/S/C TO ACCEPT DECEMBER 31, 2010 FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

REC. SECRETARY: **M/S/C TO ACCEPT OCT. 2010 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES AS READ.**

RECEIVED \$13.00 IN NEW MEMBERSHIP (Darrel Beck)

LIBRARY: (Lucy) Thank you for all the community support. Library currently has plenty of books.

C.E.R.T. (Tonie/Sandy) Class to be held in Stallion Springs on March 14, 2011, Contact Sandy Young for more details.

COMEDY UNDER CONSTRUCTION (TEHACHAPI COMMUNITY THEATER PERFORMANCE.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8 PM.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: February 25th

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
LORI RODGERS, 2010-2011 RECORDING SECRETARY

MAN O' WAR PARK FUNDRAISER



SATURDAY FEBRUARY 12th
 Following Neighborhood Watch at 9:00am
 CSD Meeting Room
BAKE SALE

ALL PROCEEDS benefit the Man O' War Park for play equipment. Come and buy some goodies for a very good cause. Valentines is the following Monday. Bring home some delicious baked goods. Treat yourself and your family too.

Feel free to donate your family desert, we only ask for the ingredients NEVER your recipe. Call Cassie at 822-6882, I will make arrangements to have it picked up. WE thank you so very much for all your support. Hope to see you Saturday 9:00 CSD 2-12

Come and join us, have some coffee, and a bite to eat. Take home some special treats. Send your friend a beautiful post card, Stallion Springs General Store, that reflects just a part of our beautiful Stallion Springs! 100% of proceeds go to Man O' War Park Fundraiser.

Respectfully Submitted
Cassie Latimer

SOUVENIR SWEATSHIRT



Get yours now! What a great way to say "I am proud of my community". These sweatshirts come in five colors: Pink, Yellow, Hunter Green, Navy and Red. The adult sizes sell for \$23.00 and we recently introduced child size sweatshirts for \$17.00. They are available at the General Store and Stallion Springs resort. We also have some in our stock, so if you cannot find a size and color to suit you, please contact Terri Nelson @ 822-4553. I will be happy to check our inventory.



4-H PROGRAM

For over 100 years, 4-H clubs have promoted youth development in communities connecting Public Education and Agriculture by using the Co-Operative Extension System run by the United States Dept. of Agriculture.

Today, 4-H youth clubs have tackled national issues related to global food security, climate change, and sustainable energy. Companies related to agriculture, manufacturing, technology, and education seek out 4-H youth and 4-H alumni as future successful employees.

Grants are available to 4-H programs in local communities for critical issues in their lives, their families, and their communities.

Stallion Springs would benefit from these opportunities and allow for our community to grow along with our local children. We could assist our neighbors and ourselves by beginning a 4-H program in Stallion. Please send all your thoughts, ideas and issues to Lori Rodgers at <mailto:Rodgerslori@msn.com> or call 661-549-2703.

TEHACHAPI'S

C.ommunity

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R.esponse

T.eam

Spring 2011 CERT Class in Stallion Springs !

The Fires in the mountains of Kern County during 2010 are a reminder that we live in a potentially dangerous area. It is critical that we are prepared to survive catastrophic disasters such as fires, earthquakes, floods and more.

The FEMA sponsored nation-wide programs of Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) were established to help answer the need for immediate emergency help in disaster affected neighborhoods before professional help can arrive. Our local CERT program has been a recognized part of the Tehachapi Valley since 2002. CERT gives basic training to citizen volunteers to help themselves and their families first, and then come to help others after a disaster if professional first responder aid is delayed. The 20 hour training course over eight weeks covers personal and family disaster preparedness, fire safety, light search and rescue, and emergency medical triage, among other items. This is truly a "neighbors helping neighbors" program.

A new CERT Basic Training Class is scheduled to begin on Monday, March 14, 2011 at 6:30 PM in the Stallion Springs CSD Board Room. The class will continue Monday evenings through May 2. Please contact Joan Clark at 310-619-0585 or Sandy Young at 661-822-8900 to sign up for this CERT training.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH FUNDRAISER

The Stallion Springs Property Owners Association is requesting donations for the Neighborhood Watch program. They are in need of more Neighborhood Watch Signs for the SS community. You can leave your checks at the CSD office (remember to note on your check "neighborhood watch").

Thank you for your response to the needs of our community.

The Neighborhood Watch meets the 2nd Saturday of each month at 9:00 am in the SSCSD meeting room. This is a community program and the entire community is invited.

STALLION SPRINGS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

WELCOME COMMITTEE

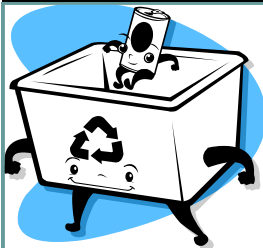
Susan and I spent a delightful crisp, SS afternoon visiting the homes of 4 new residents.

The Dolen, Holtschneider and Lasell families were not at home. We did leave Welcome bags on their porches or door knobs, we hope that they find the contents helpful and that they enjoy living in our great community. To the above families, we are sorry we missed you, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. You will find our phone numbers in your welcome bag.

We had a delightful visit with Nancy Harding. She was busily painting their home, as they just moved in the first part of January. He greeted us from the back yard - again, busy with their new home. They have two daughters living in Tehachapi and two daughters in Sacramento. They lived in Pennsylvania for a short time after retiring. Nancy worked for the Department of Justice and Social Service Agencies while they lived in Sacramento. Her Hobby (capital letter intentional) is Genealogy. She researched both their family trees back 2-3 generations, and is not planning to stop there. They are another wonderful addition to Stallion Springs. We welcome them, and look forward to having them share in our community.

This is the second afternoon that I had the opportunity to visit new residents and I enjoyed it very much. Thank you Susan for your great tutelage. Thank you also to those who have so graciously volunteered to serve as substitutes when needed.

Kay and Susan



TOW FOR DOUGH COMING SOON TO ALL STALLION SPRINGS RESIDENTS

Our new General Manager, Mary Beth Garrison, is in the process of getting a **RECYCLING PROGRAM** going for us!! HOW GREAT IS THAT!! Aluminum, plastic (yep, the pesky plastic water bottles!) and glass will go into the trailer & WE will enjoy the benefit of monies collected from the recycle center, not to mention the lessening of trash in our landfills.

Within the next few weeks, you will see a new trailer at the refuse station. Start saving those recyclables now & be ready for the first load! These funds will go into various funds to be used each month in whatever fund needs boosting. Some of the things that these funds could be used for would be supplies for the pool, equipment for the parks, etc. Ms. Garrison is planning for these funds to eventually be used for mistletoe removal, and will be listening for suggestions for future use of the TOW FOR DOUGH funds. So if you see something that needs upgrading or that you would love to see in Stallion Springs, let her know!

WOW! For those of you who attended the January 21, 2011 POA meeting & program "Comedy Under Construction"... HOW FUN WAS THAT!?!?! Your POABOD truly hopes you laughed as much as we did! These fun people gave us a show well worth the price of admission (FREE!). The group was very appreciative of the donations they received & said the donations would certainly go to a good cause at the Tehachapi Community Theatre! Thank you to everyone who attended! Let your neighbors know we are looking forward to MORE fun events... such as **A NIGHT TO REMEMBER Dance** coming March 26, 2011.



A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

SSPOA FUNDRAISER

THS SR. SCHOLARSHIP

SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2011

The Lodge at Woodward

DJ – Dusty

Cocktail Attire



ADULTS ONLY

SINGLES WELCOME

DANCE UNTIL 11 PM



\$27.00

Each

Kathleen 822-1946

Faye 823-5460

6:00 PM

Appetizers

& No Host Bar

7:00 PM Dinner

**Chicken, Rolls,
Salad, three
sides, and
dessert**

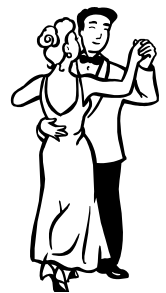
**Coffee, Tea &
Soda**



FUNDRAISER

STALLION SPRINGS

SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP





STALLION SPRINGS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION GOALS & FUNDRAISERS 2011

GOALS: Complete new POA office, have fax machine and copier available for members, new playground equipment for Man O' War Park, two \$500.00 scholarships for, Stallion Springs, THS seniors (one male & one female), help the Neighborhood Watch raise funds for more signs, and double the POA membership.

Fundraisers: Feb 12th Bake Sale (Man O' War Park), Post Cards on sale at the General Store (Man O' War Park), Feb 25th Meeting and membership drive, memberships paid now will not expire until June 2012 (building membership), March 12th Bake Sale (THS scholarships) we will be piggy-backing with THE CHILLY DIP, March 26th Dinner/Dance at Woodward Lodge (THS Scholarships), April TBA Round-up (THS scholarships), donations being accepted at the CSD for (Neighborhood Watch) remember to note neighborhood watch on your check. Thank You

“BULLYING”

By Sergeant Mike Grant, SSPD

Bullying is defined as an act of repeated aggressive behavior in order to intentionally physically or mentally hurt another person. So essentially, it is a system of abuse that progresses over a period of time. In law enforcement, we deal with a variety of bullies throughout our shifts. By the very nature of our jobs, we choose to place ourselves between the bully and their victim. This ranges from aggressive husbands or wives, to the belligerent neighbor, to the antagonistic child.

Perhaps the most controversial acts of bullying take place in the lives of kids. Thanks to the wonders of technology, bullying has morphed from local school grounds to “Cyber-bullying”. This consists of texting or sending the victim numerous abusive emails, posting hateful comments or photos on Face book, MySpace and on personal blogs.

While serving as a School Recourse Police Officer, I witnessed firsthand the demoralizing effects that cyber threats, sexual remarks and racism had on many a teenager. Groups of kids would gang up on a specific child and make them the subject of constant ridicule in forums. Sometimes they would post altered photographs of the victim, depicting them in a less than flattering light.

Thankfully, laws have been enacted to protect victims from threats, ongoing annoying phone calls, abusive texting and other electronic communication. The California Education Code, which deals with the laws governing students, has incorporated specific definitions and punishments up to and including expulsion for bullying.

Something I've found that students often forget is that kids are considered on school grounds as soon as they leave their homes in the morning. Additionally, school property extends to bus stops and school busses as well. If a child is at one of these locations, is bullying another or sending annoying electronic communications, he or she is falls under the authority of the school they are attending, as well as local law enforcement.

Of the many talks that parents should have with their children, the topic of bullying should definitely be covered due to its dangerous and demeaning potentials. Victims of bullying in whatever form it has taken should notify an adult immediately. Time is the bully's friend. The more time they have, the more they can establish a pattern of progressively abusive conduct. The cycle must be broken as soon as it begins or it will spiral out of control.

We encourage parents to monitor all electronic information that their children are engaging in and to lead by example. Our children see what we do, how we communicate and how we treat others. I can't tell you the type of language I hear from parents in front of their children when I'm out and about...but that's another topic for another time.

The Stallion Springs Police Department takes bullying very seriously as our officers have intimate knowledge and experience with its results. If you would like us to mitigate an issue between children or help with any bullying issues, please schedule an appointment to speak with us. The Stallion Springs Police Department can be contacted at (661) 822-3268.

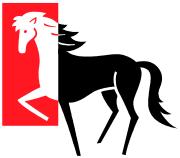
Next month, “Methamphetamine...The Devils Dandruff”.

APPLICATION FOR ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IN THE STALLION SPRINGS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

All property owners are automatically inactive non-voting members. The POA Board would like to request that all residents have an "active" membership in the Stallion Springs Property Owners Association, Inc. which gives you a voice in the direction that this Association is to take. Our fiscal year membership dues are \$25 per couple or \$12.50 per person. Please make checks payable to SSPOA, 27800 Stallion Springs Drive, Tehachapi, CA 93561. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$_____ for the fiscal year membership ending June 30, 2012.

First Name	Spouse	Last Name	Check #
Mailing Address		City	Date
Home Phone	Business Phone	Fax #	E-Mail

*Come to the meetings, meet your neighbors and get involved in your community.
We need your participation and ideas.*



Stallion Springs Property Owners Association
27800 Stallion Springs Drive
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