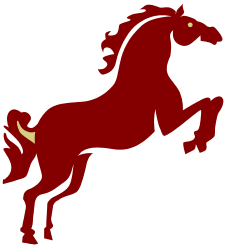


# STALLION SPRINGS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2011



## 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.

### SSPOA

Meeting

Friday

January 21

Stallion Springs  
Community Center

6:30 pm  
Regular Meeting

7:00 pm  
Entertainment  
&  
Refreshments

“Comedy under  
Construction”

This group is a part of  
TCT and works for  
donations only

This event is  
**FREE**  
donation boxes will  
be available

Laugh Hard  
&  
Dig Deep

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy New Year to the Residents of Stallion Springs. 2010 was a prosperous and exciting year, I pray 2011 will far exceed the progress we had in 2010.

Christmas Caroling was a great success

the young and old had a great time. There was an excited and enthusiastic crowd both nights.

You need good help to make a function successful, we had it. I am thanking all the volunteers who donated their time, baked goods and efforts to make the Christmas Caroling a success. Stallion Springs is blessed with good hearted folks. May God bless you all.

Our first gathering in 2011 will be a play, a group called Comedy under Construction will be performing. This will be a fun filled evening so save the date, January 21, 2011.

Evian (Stallion Springs Store) came up with a way to make a difference in the community for the children.

Man-of-War Park is in need of playground equipment. In order to accomplish this task he is promoting and selling Stallion Springs' souvenir cards which all the proceeds will go toward the purchase of the playground equipment. Words will not describe the professionalism in putting this card together. Go in and take a look, purchase a couple and tell a friend.

Think of the hopes that lie before you, not of the waste that lies behind:

Think of the treasures you have gathered, not the ones you fail to find;

Think of the service you may render, not of serving self alone;

Think of the happiness of others, and in this you'll find your own.

Stay Tuned In

Lewis Brown  
SSPOA



Interim General Manager Brad Burris swore in re-elected board members Susan Mueller and Sandy Young for a new four-year term at the Stallion Springs Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday, Dec.21. Sandy Young and Susan Mueller were re-elected as Board President and Vice President, respectively.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	COMMENTS
January 21	SSPOA General Meeting	Stallion Springs Community Center	6:30 pm	7:00 pm Comedy Under Construction & refreshments
February 12	Bake & Candy Sale	Stallion Springs Community Center	10:00 am	Raise funds for Playground Equipment at Man of War Park
February 25	SSPOA General Meeting	Stallion Springs Community Center	6:30 pm	Dessert & Coffee, Speaker Tyler Napier & Irene Gunchinan Stallion Springs Water Information. Meet New Stallion Springs General Manager, Mary Beth Garrison



**HAPPY NEW YEAR** Stallion Springs property owners and residents! As your 2010-2011 Recording Secretary, I am proud to serve with such a dynamic group of volunteers. For the last three years, I have proudly served the Property Owners Association. Stallion Springs is a great community! The four seasons, open spaces and wildlife are my reasons for moving from Bakersfield to Stallion Springs.

For the last eleven years, I have worked as an Agricultural Biologist/Weights & Measures Inspector for Kern County. As an Animal Science graduate from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, my career fits nicely into my educational background. I have been President and a Board Director for the California Association of Standards and Agricultural Professionals (CASAP) promoting professional development for biologists and inspectors within the State of California. Also, I have served as President of Kern County Agricultural and Measurement Standards Association (KCAMSA) for the Kern County Dept. of Agriculture and Measurement Standards since 2001.

My volunteer work includes working with high school students in Agriculture; I have spent 5 years as a horse judging coach for Highland High School and sit on the Agriculture Advisory Committee. Working closely with The Future Farmers of America, I have directed Market Lamb and Breeding Sheep projects for high school students at the Kern County Fair. Working with children and animals is very rewarding to me. My next project is to establish a 4-H Chapter for Stallion Springs. I am currently seeking any interested parties to assist in leader roles and provide input for 4-H projects. Please contact me at [Rodgerslori@msn.com](mailto:Rodgerslori@msn.com) for more information. We plan on having our first 4-H meeting in February of 2011. It is so important to give our young residents an opportunity to grow and contribute to our wonderful community.

Thanks to all our volunteers and residents for promoting our association and community!  
Lori Rodgers



The **Stallion Springs Neighborhood Watch** is in need of more signs. The SSPOA is asking for donations from the many Stallion Springs residents and volunteers to donate money for the purchase of these signs. You can make your checks payable to SSPOA and leave them at the SSCSD office in the POA Mail. Thank you very much for your help.

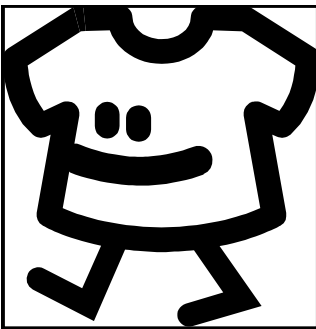


### THROUGH THE EYES OF A FIRST TIMER

Our traditional Christmas Caroling event was another huge success! This was my first time attending and it was an evening filled with love of the season! The three caroling rides were filled to capacity with eager kids, young and old. The weather Friday night was far from optimal, with a constant drizzle of rain but this was not a deterrent at all. Each wagon load of carolers returned wet, cold and very happy, many asking if there was room on the next wagon leaving. The carolers returned to hot cocoa, coffee and cookies of every variety donated by SS residents. Santa was soaked through when the last ride ended and he was smiling from ear to ear! The residents of Stallion Springs gathered together as friends and neighbors. The air was filled with camaraderie and a great pride for our community! For me the evening was simply beautiful and I thank you all for the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful community!

Next year I just may need to get on that wagon and sing Christmas Carols and the rest of you just might want earplugs!!

Terri Nelson



### SOUVENIR SWEATSHIRTS

The POA is proud to present our new sweatshirt line of clothing. These sweatshirts are made by Gildan in a heavy blend, with 50% cotton,

and 50% polyester. These sweatshirts come in five colors: Pink, Yellow, Hunter Green, Navy Blue, and Yellow. The Stallion Horse is embroidered, and beautiful! These adult sweatshirts sell for \$23.00. Adult size range from small to double X.

We are also featuring child sweatshirts, by the

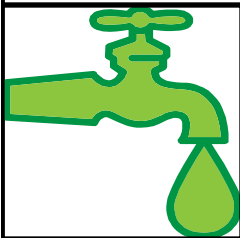
same manufacturer, and grade. These child sweatshirts sell for \$17.00. Child size is small to large.

These sweatshirts will be for sale at The General Store at the Chevron station, and the Stallion Spring Resort.

These are great sweatshirts, I have washed and put mine in the dryer, with no problems, and minimum shrinkage.

Tee shirts will no longer be available in the General Store, but call Cassie Latimer @822-6882 or Terri Nelson @822-4553 we will arrange for you to get one. Cost for the Tee's remains at \$13.00 each or two for \$25.00.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cassie Latimer



### FEBRUARY WATER MEETING

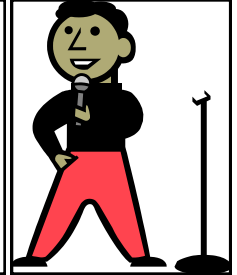
The February POA meeting will be February 25<sup>th</sup> at the SS Community Center and will feature Tyler Napier and Irene Gunshinan speaking on Stallion Springs Water, with the guest of honor being our new Stallion Springs General Manager, Mary Beth Garrison.

Attend the Stallion Springs Property Owners Association monthly meetings and stay informed. Bring your favorite finger foods and deserts, and join us for lots of fun and good information



Because of the possibility of snow in Stallion Springs, the Valentine Dance planned for February will be replaced with an Annual Dinner & Dance, March 26<sup>th</sup> at the Woodward Lodge. The dance is in the planning stages and the Lodge has been reserved, so stay tuned for further information.

Don't miss the great comedy show starring the TCT group **“Comedy Under Construction”** on January 21<sup>st</sup> at the Stallion Community Center. The SSPOA General Meeting begins at 6:30, directly followed by the comedy show. See you there!



## **STALLION SPRINGS PROPERTY OWNER'S WELCOME COMMITTEE**

*After eleven years of calling on new home owners in Stallion Springs, Barbara Chott and I have decided to look for some new faces to take over the Welcome Committee. On a very rainy Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, Kay Cordes and I set out to call on five new families in Stallion Springs so that I could introduce Kay to the ritual Barbara and I have followed these past years. I have to say, that this has been one of the most enjoyable jobs I have ever undertaken. Meeting new people and welcoming them to our great community has been a true pleasure. We know that in the future, the welcome will be just as warm and the calls just as enjoyable for those taking over the position of Welcome Committee.*

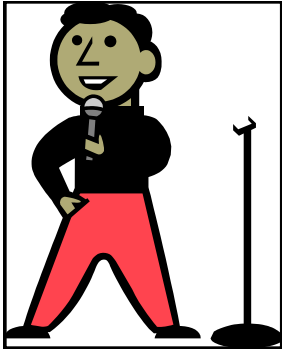
*The Harris, Ross and Stewart families were not at home. We did leave Welcome bags in the shelter of their porches and hope they enjoy living in our great community.*

*The Weinberg family moved to Stallion Springs from town, but they were happy to have us greet them and welcome them with a bag of information about the area that perhaps was new to them. We had a nice long visit with Christine and Gary Lewis. They moved from Lancaster but have family members living in the Tehachapi area. They actually owned property in town for several years prior to their decision to relocate here. They bought a fixer-upper and are quite excited about painting and yard work.*

*Despite the rain, our afternoon was delightful, as it always is when we meet new people.*

*Susan Mueller and Kay Cordes*

**While Susan Mueller will continue to be active in the Stallion Springs Community She will be greatly missed in the Stallion Springs Property Owner's Welcome Committee.**



# **Stallion Springs**

## **Property Owners Association**

Presents

## **Comedy Under Construction**

**January 21, 2011**

**General Meeting 6:30 PM**

**Entertainment begins at 7:00 PM**

**Stallion Springs Community Center**

**Refreshments will be served**

**“Comedy Under Construction” is a part  
Of the Tehachapi Community Theatre.**

**They work for donations only so**

**LAUGH HARD & DIG DEEP**

# Man-of-War Park Project



All proceeds from the sale of the postcard will be donated toward the purchase of playground equipment for Man Of War park in Stallion Springs.  
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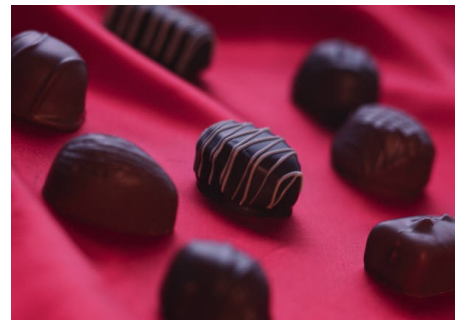


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**100% of the proceeds from sale of these cards will go the Man-of-War Project.**



**Stallion Springs Property Owners Association Board of Directors and Volunteers are planning a Bake Goods & Candy Sale February 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am to 2:00 pm to help with cost of the Man-Of-War Park Project.**



**To help with this bake sale please call; Faye 661-823-5460, Cassie 661-822-6882, Terrie 661-822-4553. Thank you for your interest in this project.**

Stallion Springs Property Owners Assoc.  
Financial Statement  
Dec 1 through Dec 31 2010

**Description****Balance as of Dec 2110:**

Checking Account	\$3,307.11	
Savings		\$ 106.00
Petty Cash		\$ 165.00

**Deposits:**

December

Produce Sales	\$ 145.00	
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Total Deposits	\$ 145.00	
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**Disbursements:**

December

Check # 1029 Tehachapi Tees	\$ 643.40	
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Check # 1030 Johnson Printing	\$ 50.76	
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Check # 1031 Faye Belknap	\$ 135.63	
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Total Disbursements	\$ 829.79	
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**Balance as of December 31, 2010:**

Checking Account	\$2,622.32	
Savings		\$ 106.00
Petty Cash		\$ 165.00

**Committees/Projects:****Products Fundraiser**

Balance 10/31	\$ 96.50	
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December Sales	\$ 145.00	
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Wholesale Purchases	\$ 643.40	
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Account Balance 12/31/10	-\$401.90	
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**Other Accounts:**

Scholarships

Account Balance 11/30/10	\$ 40.00	
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No Activity in December

Account Balance 12/31/10	\$ 40.00	
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Stallion Springs Police Sergeant Mike Grant swore in a new member of the Stallion Springs police force at the CSD Board of Directors Meeting, December 21<sup>st</sup>. Officer Norman Simon comes to the force with more than 30 years experience in police work.

Officer Norm Simon is working as a part time officer saving the community costly retirement, medical and other benefits. This is yet another example of our Police Department, keeping us safe while watching our budget.

Thank you Stallion Springs Police Department,

Stallion Springs Property Owners Board of Directors

### **STALLION SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE IN STALLION SPRINGS!

Stallion Springs Neighborhood Watch Program is looking forward to an expansive and growing year throughout 2011. We encourage you to ask your neighbors to participate in this community program as we continue to broaden. As a reminder, all meetings are conducted in the CSD Board Room, the second Saturday of each month, excluding December.

Many residents have expressed their approval of the nine Neighborhood Watch sign posted. On behalf of the Neighborhood Watch Program and myself, we would like to extend our gratitude to Jerry Knott (a Stallion Springs CSD employee). for his diligent efforts in posting those signs in place. If and when you notice Jerry posting the additional signs, kindly take time to express a word of thanks.

On January 8th, at 9:00 AM (CSD Board Room), our first Neighborhood Watch meeting will commence for 2011. Sergeant Mike Grant will attend to help facilitate and support the meeting. The topic of discussion will center on increasing the number of Neighborhood Watch signs throughout our community. Presently, the majority of the signs are located along Stallion Springs Drive. There have been inquiries as to when additional signs will be placed along Comanche Road, commonly known as the "back country." There are plans to support the "back area" as well as those who reside in the flats. The latter will be discussed in more detail at our January 8th meeting. We encourage our residents to share their concerns and ideas. Our community's input is invaluable.

In closing, I extend my appreciation for those individuals who continually support and attend our meetings each month. We look forward to making The Stallion Springs Neighborhood Watch program a vital asset to our community.

Chuck Di Leo

## **Juvenile Prescription Drug Use**

### **By Sergeant Mike Grant**

While serving as a School Resource Officer with the Kern High School District, I arrested a large number of students who were in possession of prescription medication. Most of the kids stated that they stole the medication from their parents and grandparents. A few of them admitted to rummaging around a parents room while visiting at friends homes. I even encountered a group of kids that admitted befriending certain kids to gain access to *their* parent's medicine cabinets.

The majority of parents and grandparents that I contacted regarding these illegal pursuits were surprised but did not realize the severity of the issue. Their general reaction was, "Well, at least it's not narcotics".

I discovered that kids mostly targeted Vicodin and Oxycontin, but any prescription medication they could get their hands on would do. One sophomore student admitted to buying a pill from a fellow student, that he could not identify, but swallowed it anyway. The pill turned out to be a high dose of prescription Morphine, which soon rendered the victim semi-conscious.

National studies have reported that children ages 12-17 abuse prescription drugs more than any illicit drug except for marijuana. Even more than cocaine, heroin and methamphetamine combined! Teens are abusing over the counter drugs (OTC's) as well. These OTC's are primarily cough and cold remedies that contain dextromethorphan (DXM). "Robo-Tripping" is new slang for ingesting large quantities of Robitussin. Four percent of 8<sup>th</sup> graders, five percent of 10<sup>th</sup> graders and six percent of 12<sup>th</sup> graders abused OTC's during 2010.

The new trend is to consume prescription med's, with OTC's, and then chase that with alcohol and/or marijuana, a deadly combination. I have a friend on the Ventura County Sheriff's Department who is serving as a School Resource Officer. He recently informed me that some kids are attending, "Pharming Parties", or "Punch Bowl Parties". These parties involve kids filling large bowls with stolen medications, which are then swallowed by the handfuls.

Speaking to your children about narcotics abuse is still the most effective way to keep your kids off of drugs. Remember to include a talk about prescription medication and OTC abuse as well. All medication should be secured in a locked cabinet, or container, rendering its contents inaccessible to anyone but the intended user. Treat your medications like a firearm or a deadly weapon, because in the hands of a child, they just may be.

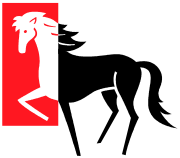
If you have any questions or concerns regarding juvenile drug prevention and education, please contact the Stallion Springs Police Department at 821-3268. You may also schedule a meeting between you, your child, and a police officer regarding these and other issues. Next month, we will cover bullying and peer pressure. Stay tuned for our various public seminars, including drug and gang education during 2011!

## 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, 2011.

First Name	Spouse	Last Name	Check #
Mailing Address		City	State
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  
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