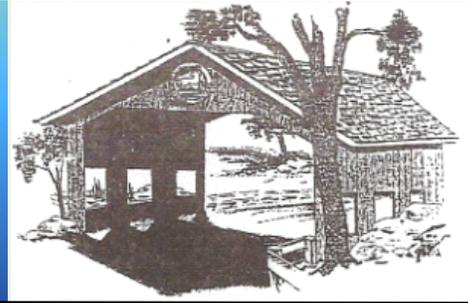


# The Stallion Springs BRIDGE

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*Build a bridge, not a barrier; make a friend, not a fuss; find a cause, not a controversy; be a cheerleader, not a critic; seek a solution, not a standoff*

Our field staff is busy working on the water system, preparing for the higher use summer months. SSCSD operates two wells in the Cummings Valley. The Cummings Valley Well #2 is currently having the pump replaced and the well serviced. The Cummings Valley Well #1 will then be serviced and placed on line for the highest water use months in late summer.

The entire State of California is in a very serious drought and we all must conserve water. Please take all opportunities to conserve water whenever possible.

- Interim General Manager, Brad Burriss

## **Stallion Springs Clean-Up Day** **Saturday, May 9th from 8a-12n** **CSD parking lot**

Residents can do their SPRING cleaning and drop off their items at the CSD for FREE, easy disposal and recycling!

ACCEPTABLE BULKY ITEMS: Furniture, Shelving, Washers, Dryers, Carpeting, Water Heaters, and Electronic Waste: Computer monitors & towers, TVs, etc.

**WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:** Hazardous Waste, Construction Waste, Tires, Asphalt, Concrete, Alkaline Batteries, Fluorescent Tubes or Light bulbs.

Bulky item pick-up for Senior and Disabled Adults must call 822-3268 to schedule a pick-up.

We will also have SHREDDING for sensitive documents.

**STALLION RESIDENTS, LET'S CLEAN UP OUR PROPERTIES AND HELP MAKE OUR COMMUNITY BEAUTIFUL!**

## **INFORMATION AND NOTES**

- ◆ For emergency police, fire and medical calls dial 911 and specify to the dispatcher that you live in Stallion Springs. To reach the police for non-emergency purposes, you may call 822-3268 during normal business hours or 800-861-3110 for off business hours.
- ◆ California law states that dogs must be on a leash. Please follow this rule. Stallion Springs Police will be working with Kern County Animal Control in regard to ticketing violators.
- ◆ For District emergencies off hours, such as a main line water break you may call 822-3268. Leave a message with the problem, your name and contact number and on-call District staff will be paged.
- ◆ Please visit our website [www.mysscscsd.com](http://www.mysscscsd.com) and keep informed.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### **Silence the Distractions**

*April is Distracted Driving  
Awareness Month –  
“It’s Not Worth It!”*

To save lives and educate all Californians, especially young drivers, about the dangers of distracted driving, the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), California Highway Patrol (CHP), Impact Teen Drivers, and more than 200 law enforcement agencies statewide are working together on increased education and enforcement efforts for National Distracted Driving Awareness Month in April and California Teen Safe Driving Week, the first week of April.

“Driving takes one’s full attention and any distraction can have deadly, dangerous consequences,” said Chief Michael Grant of the Stallion Springs Police Department. “Imagine driving for four or five seconds while blindfolded. That can be the effect of looking down to send a text message. In the average time it takes to check a text message – less than 5 seconds – a car travelling 60 mph will travel more than the length of a football field.”

Throughout the month of April, Police, Sheriff and the CHP will focus on educating the public about the dangers of driving distracted through local media interviews, visits to schools, and traffic safety presentations. In addition, two dates, April 1 and April 15, have been earmarked for special statewide high visibility enforcement days for all law enforcement agencies including the Stallion Springs Police Department, that are participating in the national traffic safety campaign.

The urge to read and answer an incoming message when we hear the text sound can be almost overwhelming. The Office of Traffic Safety is using a message of “Silence the Distraction” in new public service announcements aimed at getting drivers to turn off their phones while driving so they won’t be tempted.

“No text, call, or social media update is worth a crash,” said OTS Director Rhonda Craft. “With an average of less than a second to react to an urgent situation, drivers need to have all their attention on the roadway.”

While distracted driving can take on many forms and affects all road users, young drivers are at a greater risk. During “California Teen Safe Driving Week,” April 1-7, Impact Teen Drivers will focus on educating teens that their number one killer – reckless and distracted driving – is 100% preventable. “People are realizing that everyday behaviors, such as texting or reaching for a dropped item, can be lethal when done behind the wheel,” Kelly Browning, Ph.D., Executive Director of Impact Teen Drivers, said.

“Each of us must drive responsibly, keeping full attention to the task at hand - *DRIVING*. If you have teenagers in your family who are driving, make sure they understand the laws and what their responsibilities are as well,” Chief Michael Grant added. “The collective goal with this month-long campaign is to change the behavior of all drivers. That change begins with education.”

- Mike Grant, Police Chief

## POA WELCOME COMMITTEE

Four new residents have moved into Stallion Springs since the first of the year and it was our privilege to call on them and welcome them into our wonderful community.

We caught the Bell family as they were leaving. We did welcome them and offer our assistance if they needed any information on the area. We always take a packet of brochures and pamphlets, when we go calling, and we also leave our names in case the new residents need further help in acclimating to the Tehachapi area.

Our second stop was with Frank & Gloria Davis who moved up the hill from Bakersfield. They were busy redecorating their new home and had the cutest little dog, named Dog. Dog captured our hearts and made the visit even more special. Next we met Tom & Elizabeth Haskell who just moved here from Pismo Beach. They found Stallion Springs because Elizabeth's brother, Dave Cox, lives here. She said many of their family are now Stallion residents and they are very happy to be close together again.

Our last call was on the Dow-Sey Herrera family who were not home. We were sorry to have missed them but left our Welcome Packet on their gate.

We spent a lovely afternoon telling new homeowners all about the great place into which they moved. We welcome them and look forward to seeing them around the community and at the various local activities and events.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### LIBRARY HOURS:

1st Tues	10a-2p
3rd Tues	10a-2p
Thursdays	10a-2p
1st Sat	Noon-3p

Our Stallion Springs Library (located adjacent to the Bridge) has a large selection of books - from children's through adult in most every category. Please accept our invitation to stop by, browse, pick up a good book or two. We are on the honor system-take the books and return when you have finished reading them.

Why is our library only open a select number of hours? Because we need VOLUNTEERS to staff the library. We ask that two volunteers work together. Are you interested? Contact Kay Cordes at 823-7321.

## Stallion Springs POA 2015 Dinner Dance

### "A Night to Remember"

**Date & Time:** Saturday, April 11, 6pm-11pm

**Location:** The Corral Room  
Stallion Springs Community Center  
27850 Stallion Springs Drive

**Price:** \$25/Singles or \$45/Couple

**Music:** DJ

Adults only, No Host Bar, Door Prizes and Silent Auction.

Dinner catered by P-Dubs Bar and Grille.

This function is a fundraiser to provide a scholarship for a graduating senior from Stallion Springs.



Get your tickets now.  
Call Lewis Brown  
822-5023, Linda  
Gordon 877-3365,  
Lori Rodgers 823-  
1954 or any other  
POA Board Member.

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661-616-2505 or  
[www.hcbb.com](http://www.hcbb.com)



### Upcoming Blood Drives in Stallion Springs...

Saturdays 9:00am-1:00pm  
in the CSD parking lot

•**May 9, 2015**

•**July 11, 2015**

•**September 5, 2015**

•**October 31, 2015**

# PARKS AND RECREATION

## COLOR RUN/WALK:

Come dressed in white and be ready for a rainbow of fun at our Annual family friendly 5K. Protective eyewear recommended.

When: Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>

Cost: \$10 if you register by May 15<sup>th</sup> and \$15 the day of the event.

Sign in at 9 am; race begins at 9:30 am. Meet at the Community Center. All ages welcome. Kids under 12 MUST be accompanied by an adult. NO DOGS ALLOWED.

## FREE CRAFTS FOR KIDS:

During Open Gym:

Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> we will have a FREE Easter kids craft.

Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> we will have a FREE Mother's Day kids craft.

## PAL EASTER EGG HUNT:

Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am at Man O' War Park. FREE.

## SKATE NIGHT:

Every other Sunday from 5-6 pm. Helmets required, no exceptions. Skates & scooters ONLY. No skateboards. Snack bar will be open.

## HOCKEY CLINIC:

Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 11am-4pm

If you are new to hockey, always wanted to play or just want to brush up on your skills, this is the clinic for you! Come learn some great hockey skills and have some pizza too.

Cost: \$20 per child. Pizza Lunch is included. Ages 8-18yrs.

## SUMMER DANCE CLASSES:

Start in June. Contact Miss Sara for more info: 661-330-2809

## JUDO:

The Stallion Springs PAL is offering a new 6-week Judo Program beginning April 8<sup>th</sup>. Ages 6 & up can join for only \$65 and cost includes the Gi. Stop by the Community Center Mondays or Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm to sign up.

A GREAT big "Thank You" to all the sponsors and our favorite T-shirt guy, Scott with Hachapi Tees, who made our Annual Chilly Dip a success.

## Chilly Dip

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## OPEN GYM

Free and open to the public  
Mon, Wed & Fri 3:00-6:00 pm  
Sundays 2:00-5:00 pm



Come find your game.

## JOB OPENINGS:

### **PARKS DEPT. AIDES:**

The Stallion Springs Parks & Rec Dept. is hiring for part-time seasonal Parks staff to assist with events and programs at the Community Center. Must be 18 years or older.



### **LIFEGUARDS:**

The Stallion Springs Parks & Rec. Dept. is hiring for Lifeguard positions for the summer season. All Lifeguards must be CPR and Red Cross certified.

Apply now at the CSD during business hours.



### **FITNESS CLASS MEMBERS:**

After careful consideration, we must change the rates for the monthly fitness pass.

Effective May 1, 2015, our monthly fitness rates will change to \$30 for residents and \$40 for non-residents. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Thank you, SSCSD



**~ APRIL 2015 ~**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>SPRING BREAK</b>			1 *Body Condition 6-7 pm <b>Open Gym</b> 12-3 pm	2 *Stretch & Tone 10:30 am *TTL Body Training 5:30 pm	3 <b>Open Gym &amp; Free Easter Craft</b> 12-3pm	4 PAL Easter Egg Hunt 9 am Man O' War Park
			5 GYM CLOSED Easter	6 *Yoga 6-7 pm GYM CLOSED	7 *Stretch & Tone 10:30 am *TTL Body Training 5:30 pm	8 *Body Condition 6-7 pm <b>Open Gym 3-6 pm</b> Judo 6:30 pm
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## 2015 CERT Class in Stallion Springs!

What would you do if....

- A fire started in the brush near your home?
- An earthquake damaged your neighborhood?
- Winter storms caused extended power outages?
- Winter weather made it impossible for you to get home from work?
- You are working on a project at home and fall off a ladder?

If you can answer "I'm not sure" to these or many similar questions about what to do in an emergency or when disaster strikes your community, you can get help to help yourself!

Sign up at [StallionSpringscert1@gmail.com](mailto:StallionSpringscert1@gmail.com) or call 661-412-CERT for

**"Community Emergency Response Team" (CERT) Basic Training Class!**

**At the Stallion Springs CSD EOC / Board Room**

Wednesday	April 15	5:30 PM – 9:00 PM
Saturday	April 18	8:30 AM – 5:30 PM
Saturday	April 25	8:30 AM – 5:30 PM
Wednesday	April 29	5:30 PM – 9:00 PM

## POA Annual Roundup & Flea Market Saturday, May 16th 8am-1pm

Come join the fun! The SSPOA is a non-profit organization whose sole purpose is to be of service to the Community. We have several fundraisers throughout the year, raising funds to offer scholarships to our THS seniors, help refurbish our parks; as well as other activities that benefit the Community.

The Roundup portion of this event will be held inside the Community Center. We are currently looking for MORE VENDORS, so if you are a vendor, crafter or sell a product, please go to the CSD office and pick up an application in the newsletter or email Tonie at [tonieonly@att.net](mailto:tonieonly@att.net) for an application.

The Flea Market is located in the Community Center parking lot. There are also garage sale spaces available.

There will also be a bake sale. Note: we do need bake sale donations. We will have a Snow Cone vendor too!

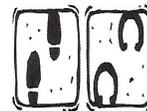
If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Tonie at [toekneeonly@att.net](mailto:toekneeonly@att.net)

## WEED ABATEMENT

Reminder: The deadline to clear your property of weeds is June 15th. Due to a mild winter, the drought has continued, and is very serious. If you have questions or need further clarification on clearance requirements, please contact the District office, 822-3268 or the Fire Department, 822-3980. Please do your part in keeping Stallion safe from the threat of fire.

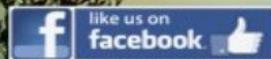
## HIKE AND RIDE

### TRAIL ACTIVITIES, WINTER MONTHS



The Stallion Springs Trail group will likely begin having trail work days in April. If we start weed whacking this early, the weeds will only grow back and have to be done again. We generally meet at the Stallion Springs Library on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. to discuss what needs to be done, and then we meet at Horsethief Park at 9:00 a.m. on the fourth Saturday. We bring our own hand tools, weed eaters and the like. Generally we work for a couple of hours and meet back at the park again when we're finished for coffee, cake, and conversation. It's a congenial group of people, and if you'd like to help maintain our beautiful trails with a hard-working group of Stallion Springs residents, please join us. Watch for date and time information in

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### Household Hazardous Waste

**Drop-off Collection Event...One Day Only!**

**Tehachapi Landfill**  
**12001 East Tehachapi Boulevard**  
**SATURDAY, April 4, 2015**  
**9:00 am - Noon**

— Transportation Guidelines —

- ⊗ Transport no more than 15 gallons or 125 pounds of waste per trip.
- ⊗ Make sure containers are not leaking and are properly labeled.
- ⊗ Keep wastes separated and away from passengers.

- ⊗ Automotive Fluids
- ⊗ Batteries
- ⊗ Fluorescent Light Bulbs
- ⊗ Household Cleaners

- ⊗ Paint
- ⊗ Pesticides
- ⊗ Pool Chemicals
- ⊗ Sharps

Kern County Residents Only. No Business Waste accepted at this event. For more info call the Kern County Waste Management Department at 800-552-KERN, Option 6, or check us out on the web at: [www.KernCountyWaste.com](http://www.KernCountyWaste.com)



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**Farewell and "Thank You",  
 Heather Tingley**

It is with great regret we inform you that our own Heather Tingley, SSNW Co-Block Captain and my dear friend, is leaving us this month, as her family is moving to Tehachapi. Heather deserves our very highest accolades for her performance as our SSNW Co-Block Captain and for her outstanding support of our community!

Heather generously accepted our nomination as Co-Block Captain in January 2014, and then selflessly focused her energies on leading and supporting SSNW, in addition to single handedly administering and maintaining the SSNW Facebook page she created—all while maintaining a busy family life with children, husband, schedules, and all their activities.

Heather established our SSNW FB page as a way of increasing communication and support in our community, and to expand NW membership. Thanks to Heather, our SSNW membership has grown by leaps and bounds, with a current FB membership of 352 and email members totaling 367 (some name duplications probable)! As our Block Captain and FB administrator, she constantly monitored all SSNW FB activity and posts, granted requests for membership, provided NW information to our community and neighboring communities, coordinated SSPD information and Nixle Alerts, composed and posted NW Meeting Agendas and Highlights, and coordinated notifications from other community groups—all even while away on vacations! Then Heather took the initiative and set up a NW FB page for Bear Valley Springs (at BVS' request), which they now

administer themselves. Chief Mike Grant has always offered that he and SSNW will help neighboring communities establish their own NW groups.

Also, Heather previously was a member of the Greater Tehachapi Crime Watch (GTCW) which met monthly in Tehachapi, and she coordinated information between our two groups. Currently the GTCW is not active, but Heather hopes to revive and re-energize the group once she is established after her move.

Heather, we can't thank you enough for your exceptional service, dedication and outstanding work ethic in the performance of your SSNW Block Captain responsibilities in our community! We all give you standing ovations! Yours will be big shoes to fill!  
 - by Joan Clark

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For all **non-emergencies**, community problems, call KC Sheriff Office (KCSO) at:  
**1-800-861-3110 or (661) 861-3110.**

Identify yourself as a resident of SS and a member of Neighborhood Watch. Our SSPD is dispatched through this number.

**\*DO NOT call SSPD cell phones, or the CSD, as your call will not be logged in at Dispatch!\***

**STALLION SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

Find us on: **facebook.**

Future meetings will be announced at a later date.

Meetings are held at:  
 CSD Board Room, 27800 Stallion Springs Dr.

ALL are welcome! Bring your friends and neighbors! Meet our SSPD and get the latest updates on how to prevent crime in our neighborhood.

**Sign Up for NIXLE!**  
 For community ALERTS from the CSD and SSPD, sign up for NIXLE! It's easy! Go online and type in the address bar EXACTLY as follows:  
<http://local.nixle.com/register/>

You also can report or ask questions at the SSPD website:  
<http://www.mysscsd.com/Police>  
 Department/House Checks & Contact. Select "Contact" for the form to report or ask questions.