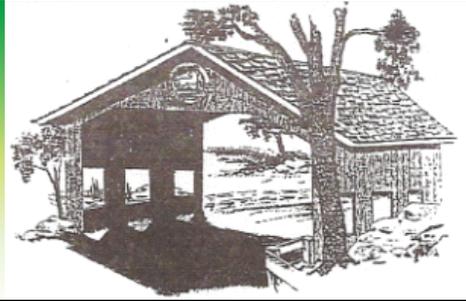


The Stallion Springs BRIDGE

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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

Winter weather conditions require changes in our driving habits. Ice, snow, fog and rain will hamper our vision and our vehicle's ability to safely navigate in poor weather conditions. District roads are plowed when the snow is 2 inches or more on the roads. At least 2 inches of snow is needed for the snow plows to work properly. Otherwise, the snow plows can become damaged while plowing the roads or damage the manholes or waterline monuments located in the center of the roads. When temperatures are below 28 degrees Fahrenheit, the conditions become too icy for field staff to safely operate the snow plows. In the fog, drivers need to reduce their speed and be mindful of poor visibility. The SSCSD is working on striping certain roads, but this cannot be done during winter weather conditions. Striping is very expensive due to environmental (EPA) requirements and the SSCSD staff will be developing a striping plan for some district roads. Also, all drivers need to respect the road signs placed by SSCSD field staff. Closed roads can be identified by 'Road Closed' signs or barriers that are placed at intersections where ice, mud or debris has created very dangerous driving conditions. These closures are for public safety and anyone that ignores the barriers is in violation of the law. We just want everyone to be safe.

Residents, we need your help! Erosion from heavy rains has become a problem where no vegetation is present to contain the mud and debris flows. The mud flows onto district roads and can be very dangerous for drivers, bike riders, and walkers. The SSCSD requests that residents remedy any property areas that are resulting in mud or debris that flows onto district roads.

RACE Update: Installations are moving forward for Stallion Springs residents. The SSCSD and RACE are performing site inspections to determine an underground or aerial drop for service. Aerial drops will need written approval from the SSCSD by submitting an ARTCOM form to the CSD office. ARTCOM forms can be found on the website www.mysscscsd.com, the RACE website and hardcopies are available at the CSD office. When forms are received by the SSCSD office, an inspection will be performed within 5 business days and residents will be informed with a decision. Any decision may be appealed by notifying the CSD office in writing and the appeal will be presented to the Board of Directors at the following SSCSD Board meeting. -Lori Rodgers - General Manager



Rental Home Tips Update

Perhaps your biggest investment is your home and many people own rental homes to supplement their income as well.

You should thoroughly check the background of your prospective renter. This can be easily done by going online and utilizing a onetime use background investigation website. There are hundreds of these sites that collect public information on almost every person in America. You can discover bankruptcies, tax liens, multiple marriages etc. For a more extensive background investigation, you can have your prospective renter fill out a waiver allowing you to utilize their social security number and other personal information to check for any criminal convictions and detailed credit history.

A standard rental agreement should include the following three stipulations or clauses:

1. A clause which states that if the renter engages in any criminal activity (disturbances, narcotics activity, reckless driving in neighborhood, multiple police at the residence etc.), that these can be grounds for eviction.

2. Detailed list of who is authorized to live in the residence. Many times a month we deal with renters who move in other unauthorized friends and family members. This can be grounds for eviction.
3. A statement regarding the number and type of pets that the renter is allowed to have in the home. We deal with barking and loose dogs constantly and eventually, the actual home owner, not the renter, can be cited for creating a nuisance.

The SSPD receives quite a few landlord/tenant disputes during the year and many of these could have been avoided if the property owner had performed some pre-rental due diligence. Remember, your property is one of your biggest investments.
- Chief Michael J. Grant

Board of Directors

Clydell Lamkin, *President*
Sandy Young - *Vice President*

Ed Gordon, *Director*
Vince McLaughlin, *Director*

Property Owners Association

MEETING TIMES: 4th Tue of the month

LOCATION: CSD Board Room

TIME: 7:00 pm

CONTACTS:

- Justin Reid - President
email: jreid0108@gmail.com
- Lea Martinez - Vice President 822-0270
- Linda Gordon - Sec./Treasurer 877-3365

The POA was established in 1988 and is a 501(c)4 non-profit organization. Currently, we support the Community in anyway necessary. We work with the CSD for Clean-up Days; we sponsor the Roundup and Flea Market. We also support the Oktoberfest and other events.

We try to be the catalyst in getting to know your neighbors and making new friends. We also have the Annual Dinner Dance, which pro-

vides scholarships to one or two graduating high school seniors.

We bring in speakers several times a year to keep our community informed about the local and surrounding area issues.

We need your help, your ideas and suggestions. Please feel free to contact any of the Board Members.

"Helping bring the community of Stallion Springs together."

"Happy New Year" to all of you. 2015 was a good year, with many changes both on the POA Board and in the events we held. All in all, the changes were very positive, especially the Chili Cook-off, which we plan on doing annually. The General Meeting was held on Jan. 26th. The speaker was Doug Pickard, who is very knowledgeable about the Southern Pacific Railroad. He spoke about the railroad in Tehachapi, the Tehachapi Loop and the Depot, which is now a railroad museum.

WELCOME COMMITTEE AVOIDS RAIN AND MAKES TEN CALLS

The Stallion Spring's Welcome Committee luckily picked Wednesday, January 13th to call on ten new homeowners. The rain held off and we had a delightful afternoon visiting with many new residents. After making our calls, we decided that the nicest and friendliest people choose to move to Stallion Springs.

Five families were not at home: the Richard Bakers, Richard Batchelors, Henry McGregors, Badri Saljooghis and Robert & Cecilia Smith. We left an information bag for each and hope to meet these families sometime in the near future.

Deanna and Kevin Ash moved out from town. Deanna actually lived in Stallion Springs at one time and was happy to return. They have two boys, Caius, age two and Rhys, six months. Kevin works in Mojave as a machinist working on train wheels, etc. Deanna has a good friend that lives just across the street so is quite comfortable in her new surroundings.

Francisco Defosse and his wife, **Gabriela** moved around from Georgia and Alabama before they landed in Mojave and ultimately Stallion Springs. Gabriela works from home but is anxious to get involved in community activities as well as social events. She is looking to become acquainted with her neighbors as well as other residents.

We caught **Ronald Fair** leaving but had a delightful short visit welcoming him to our great community. Ronald comes from Cal City along with **Claudia Heflin**. He works at Edwards in the Research

Lab. He has already indicated an interest in volunteering at the Library and other special events. Another asset has moved into our town.

Bob & Phyllis Sweet welcomed us into their home and what a pleasant visit we had. They are so enthusiastic about living here and eager to become part of the things that are going on. Phyllis has already attended a Red Hat lunch and has been invited to join a Bunco group. Bob was pleased to tell us that shortly after they moved into their new house, Chief Mike Grant stopped by and gave them his card offering to be of service if they ever were in need. They had been coming up to our area for years and were delighted to find their perfect house. Phyllis makes gift baskets for special occasions and Bob still works one day a week selling packing supplies.

Ralph Wahl and his daughter **Marcie** moved to Stallion because of friends they knew that lived here. Marcie is looking to move to Lancaster soon but we hope she enjoys her time while here in our community.

Kay and I enjoyed our afternoon with these great new residents. Nothing is more enjoyable than welcoming people to a community you yourself love. We were drizzled on off and on, but the sunshine of the new faces we met swept away the gloom of dreary weather

Welcome everyone! We hope you continue to enjoy your new surroundings and become an active part of this caring community.
- Kay Cordes & Susan Mueller

STALLION SPRINGS Board of Directors Vacancy

The Stallion Springs CSD now has one open Board of Director's position. The appointment process is being conducted by the Kern County Board of Supervisors in Bakersfield.

Applications are now being accepted by the Kern County Board of Supervisors.

The application deadline is:

February 1, 2016 at 12:00 pm

Applications are available on the Kern County website:

<http://www.co.kern.ca.us/bos/boards/cobapp.pdf>

Complete the general application and write in Stallion Springs CSD Board on the page listing the Boards and Committees. When you submit your application, please copy (cc) the form to District2@co.kern.ca.us

Questions? Please contact:

John Antonaros
Chief of Staff
Office of Supervisor Zack Scrivner
County of Kern, 2nd District
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301
(661) 868-3661

PARKS AND REC

LOCATION:

Community Center
27850 Stallion Springs Drive

CONTACT:

Amanda Westerby, Parks Coordinator
661-823-7883 or CSD office 661-822-3268

Stallion Springs runs its own Parks and Recreation Department that is not part of the Tehachapi Valley Recreation and Parks Department.

Activities include... Free Open Gym, Skate Night, Volleyball, Ladies Craft Night, Swimming, Oktoberfest, Christmas Caroling, Exercise Classes, and much more.

OPEN GYM HOURS - Mon, Wed & Fri 3-6 pm

SKATE NIGHT - Every Friday 6:00-7:00 pm

Music and games. All ages welcome. Helmet required if under 18 years old. Scooters, skates and penny boards are acceptable. **NO SKATEBOARDS.** Snack Bar will be open!

UPCOMING EVENTS...

Ladies Craft Night

Thursday, February 11th @ 6pm
Sign up at the CSD by Feb. 8th.
Advance sign up only. \$10.00



Ladies Craft Night

Thursday, March 10th @ 6pm
Sign up at the CSD by Mar 7th.
Advance sign up only. \$10.00

Come out and have some fun and make a seasonal craft. Bring your friends!

6TH ANNUAL STALLION SPRINGS CHILLY DIP

Saturday, March 12, 2016

11:00 am @ CSD Swimming Pool

The Stallion Springs Parks & Recreation Department is having their annual CHILLY DIP fundraiser to help raise money for parks programs. We will gather around and kick off the year with an invigorating jump in the pool!

You don't have to jump to show your support. Come out and watch your friends jump and buy a "chili boat".

For \$15.00 participants can jump, get a T-shirt and a hot "chili boat". Sign up by March 1st. Late sign-up is \$18 and you will receive last year's shirt (quantities limited.)

Sign up at the CSD office.

Canvas and Merlot in Stallion Springs!

The Art Studio of Tehachapi is excited to announce that their very own step-by-step art class for adults, Canvas and Merlot is coming to Stallion Springs! This class is presented by the owner of The Art Studio, Colleen Grant.

Colleen Grant is an award winning professional artist whose works include oil, acrylic and ceramics. She has received first place awards from the Kern County Fair and Cierra Coso Community College. She has been instructing students of all ages in fine arts for over a decade.

Canvas and Merlot is Colleen's fun-filled adult art class that includes a step-by-step art lesson from start to finish. All materials are included and each participant receives their own canvas. Two glasses of The Art Studio's very own Sangria and a variety of other wines plus treats are included as well.

Don't be intimidated! So many adult students who have never touched a paint brush to canvas have successfully created their very own masterpiece during their first Canvas and Merlot class. Art is for everyone and Colleen's warm sense of humor, artistic expertise, and patience, will easily guide you through this creative evening.

Sign-ups for the February 20th, 2016 Canvas and Merlot class in Stallion Springs are taking place now. Go to www.theartstudiovweb.com to sign up through PayPal.

Stallion Spring Corral Room

27850 Stallion Springs Drive

February 20th, 2016

6pm-8:30pm

Includes step-by-step art lesson, one 16x20 canvas, all materials, two glasses of wine and lots of treats!
\$35.00 per student

To celebrate Valentine's day, these are the two works of art we will be creating. If you bring a friend or special someone, you can join the two pieces of artwork together to form one bond of love or friendship... or you can turn your canvas horizontally and paint both!



LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION

Want to work as a professional lifeguard? Through videos, group discussion and hands-on practice, you'll learn teamwork, rescue and surveillance skills, First Aid and CPR/AED and other skills you need to work as a professional lifeguard.

Successful completion results in a 2-year certification in Lifeguarding that includes first aid, professional-level CPR and AED in one certificate. Digital certificate available upon successful completion of course.

Dates: March 12, 13 and 19, 20 (if needed)
Times: TBA, Course is 25 hours 20 minutes total
Location: Dye Natatorium pool, TVRPD Office
Cost: \$210
 Call TVRPD for info 661-822-3228.

The SSCSD will be hiring Certified Lifeguards in May 2016 for the summer season. Call the CSD office for more information 661-822-3268.



SPRING Clean-Up Day

Saturday, April 9th 9a-2pm
 CSD parking lot

Acceptable Bulky Items:

Appliances, Furniture, Carpeting, Tables, Desks, Chairs, etc.

Acceptable Electronic Waste: Computer monitors and towers, TVs, Vacuums, etc.

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT:

Hazardous waste, Construction materials, Wood, Concrete, Tires, Alkaline Batteries, Fluorescent Tubes or Light bulbs.

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



HOUCHIN COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK

"People Live When People Give"

Schedule your appointment:



661-616-2505 or
www.hcbb.com

Upcoming Blood Drives in Stallion Springs...

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

- **February 27, 2016**
- **April 23, 2016**
- **June 18, 2016**

LIBRARY

LIBRARY HOURS:

Tues & Thurs 10:00am - 2:00 pm
 Saturday 12:00 - 3:00 pm



LOCATION: 28500 Stallion Springs Drive

CONTACT: Emma Holm 661-822-1385 or email: mholm16@yahoo.com

YOU ARE THE "EYES AND EARS" OF OUR COMMUNITY!

Call Dispatch -

911 for Emergencies, or to report a crime.

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

Our meetings are scheduled on the third Wednesday of the month.



February 17, 2016 @ 6:30 pm

March 16, 2016 @ 6:30 pm

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.mysscscd.com/Police-Department/House Checks & Contact](http://www.mysscscd.com/Police-Department/HouseChecks&Contact). Select "Contact" for the form to report or ask questions.

EXERCISE CLASSES

MONTHLY PASS - \$30 RESIDENT, \$40 NON-RES

Get the monthly pass and you can take any/all exercise classes or try a class for \$5 resident, \$7 non-resident.

YOGA - MONDAY 6:00-7:00 PM

This class is geared toward the beginner. It emphasizes flexibility while strengthening your whole body.

STRETCH & TONE - TUES & THUR 10:30-11:30 AM

This low impact class emphasizes flexibility while utilizing light weights for muscle toning.

BODY CONDITIONING - WEDNESDAY 6:00-7:00 PM

This class focuses on strengthening all parts of your body using light weights and your own body weight in addition to a cardio workout. Burn calories and firm & tone.

FAMILY BOOT CAMP - TUES & THUR 5:30-6:30 PM

For adults & children 10 years and older, beginner, immediate and advanced. Men and women. High intensity interval training that can be modified for all exercise levels and age groups. Lots of variety and exercises working from head to toe, using hand weights (students required to bring own weights) jump ropes, stability balls, steps and more. Work at your own level.



~ FEBRUARY 2016 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 *Yoga 6-7 pm Open Gym 3-6pm Judo 6:30-8pm	2 Stretch & Tone 10:30 am *Family Boot Camp 5:30 pm	3 *Body Condition 6-7 pm Open Gym 3-6pm Judo 6:30-8pm	4 *Stretch & Tone 10:30 am *Family Boot Camp 5:30 pm	5 Open Gym 3-6pm SKATE NITE 6-7PM	6
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21	22 *Yoga 6-7 pm Open Gym 3-6pm Judo 6:30-8pm	23 *Stretch & Tone 10:30 am *Family Boot Camp 5:30 pm	24 *Body Condition 6-7 pm Open Gym 3-6pm Judo 6:30-8pm	25 *Stretch & Tone 10:30 am *Family Boot Camp 5:30 pm	26 Open Gym 3-6pm SKATE NITE 6-7PM	27 Blood Drive 9am @ CSD
28	29 *Yoga 6-7 pm Open Gym 3-6pm Judo 6:30-8pm					

~ MARCH 2016 ~

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STALLION SPRINGS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
 27800 STALLION SPRINGS DRIVE, TEHACHAPI, CA 93561
 661-822-3268 MAIN • 661-822-1878 FAX

MORE FUN AS A GROUP!!!

Bakersfield Condors vs. San Antonio Rampage

Saturday, Feb. 27
7:00PM *doors open at 6:00pm*

See the Bakersfield Condors in their historic move to the American Hockey League for the 2015-16 season.

Superhero Cape Giveaway - The first 2,000 children, 12 & under, will receive a Condors superhero cape.



Events and artwork subject to change

WEBSITE:

<https://condors.isportstix.com/order/group/tehachapicomunity/>

TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS THROUGH THE CONDORS SECURED TICKET PORTAL. TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE. PRICES WILL NOT BE HONORED AT THE BOX OFFICE. TICKETS SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY.

ALL ORDERS WILL BE CONFIRMED BY PHONE OR EMAIL BY A CONDORS TICKET REPRESENTATIVE. TICKETS WILL BE LEFT AT WILL CALL THE NIGHT OF THE GAME OR AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP IN THE CONDORS OFFICE PRIOR TO GAME DAY. THE CONDORS OFFICE IS OPEN MONDAY - FRIDAY, 8:30AM TO 5PM AND LOCATED AT 1001 TRUXTUN AVE.

Tehachapi Community Night!!!

Take advantage of special discounted pricing for friends & family by making tonight a group night

Seating Level	Group Rate
Executive (Lower Level)	\$17

FOR ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT Roger Parsons IN THE CONDORS OFFICE @ 661-324-7825 x218.

DEADLINE FOR ALL ORDERS IS February 26th at 5pm