

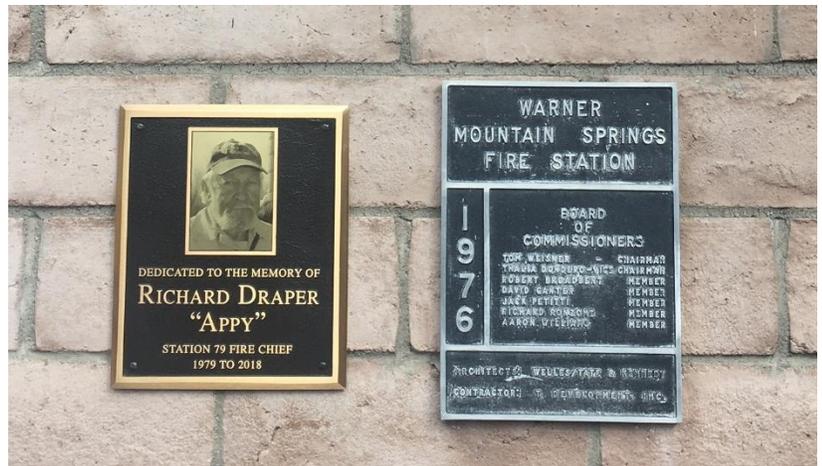
RURAL CONNECTIONS

Plaque Dedicated in Honor of Longtime VFD Chief

Many words have been used to describe Richard Draper: Legend, Character, Firefighter, Chief, Father, Neighbor. But, everyone that knew him called him Appy. On Saturday, December 1, a memorial was held to honor Appy's 39 years of service to Clark County and the Mountain Springs Community as the Chief of Clark County Volunteer Fire Station 79. Appy was known in the firefighting community throughout the state and several humorous stories about Appy's firefighting adventures and colorful life were shared with the group. At the end of the ceremony, a plaque on the front of the station in honor of Appy was unveiled. Commissioner Brager, Fire Chief Cassel, Assistant Chief Haydu, and Fire Chiefs from other stations around the County were in attendance along with the family, friends and colleagues.



**Firefighters never die,
they just burn forever in
the hearts of the people
whose lives they saved.**



Full Steam Ahead for Goodsprings Trail Project

Years ago, the members of the Goodsprings Historical Society came up with the idea of a walking trail that would share the rich history of the town while also allowing people to enjoy the natural beauty of the area. That idea came one step closer to reality on Saturday, December 1, when Commission Brager scooped the first shovel full of dirt on what will soon be the Goodsprings Trail. The project was chosen for funding by the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act in 2014. Since that time, community members, the Historical Society, engineers, architects, and County staff have worked together to create the design. The project consists of a large 2.2 mile loop with smaller loops and connector trails near the Trail Head. A portion of the trail follows a ridge line that provides sweeping views of the town of Goodsprings and the surrounding mountains and canyons. Interpretive signage along the trail will share information about the history, flora and fauna in the area. The trailhead will include bathrooms, shade structures, and picnic tables. All parts of the project have been designed to have the rustic look of a mining town. A section of the trail will resemble a section of railroad track and a bridge over a drainage area will replicate the train that used to haul ore from the Yellow Pine Mine during its heyday in the early 1900's.



Members of the Historical Society were on hand for the groundbreaking and were excited to see their vision coming to life. The trail is expected to be open and ready for visitors in early 2019.



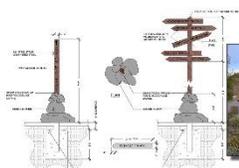
- Base Bid Signs
- 1 Yellow Pine Mine Railroad History @ Trail Head
 - 2 Mountain Ranges, Old Spanish Trail
 - 3 Mining History and Safety
 - 4 The Town of Goodsprings History

- Additive Alternate Signs
- 5 Geological Information
 - 6 Desert Fauna & Flora

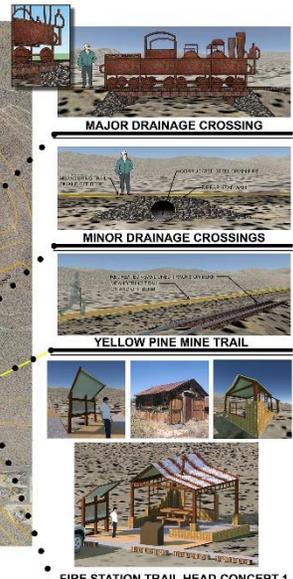
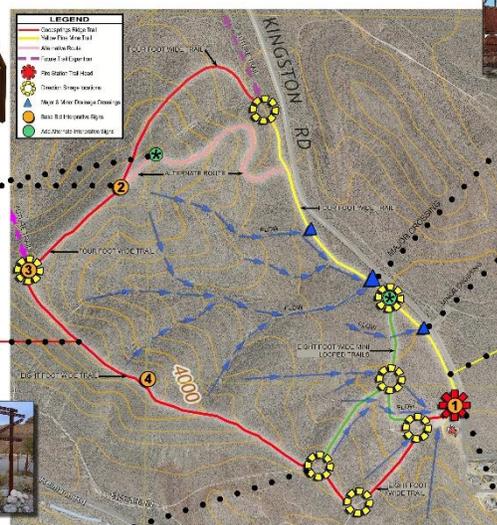
EDUCATIONAL / INTERPRETIVE SIGNS



GOODSPRINGS RIDGE TRAIL



TRAIL CROSSING/WAYFINDING SIGNAGE





VALLEY ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION'S 2019 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

CASH FOR COLLEGE

4 YEAR ACADEMIC \$1,000 PER YEAR

(available to high school seniors)

2 YEAR VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL \$1,000 PER YEAR

(available to all members)

1 TIME CONTINUING EDUCATION \$500 ONE TIME

(available to all members)

**Visit vea.coop/community/scholarship-program/
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**Valley Electric
Association, Inc.**

A Tridelta Energy Cooperative 

Events for December – Southwest

- **Wednesday, December 12** – Mountain Springs CAC* meeting at the Mountain Springs Fire Station, 6 pm
- **Saturday, December 15** – Sandy Valley Community Breakfast, 8 am to 10:30 am at the Senior Center, \$4.00 for the best pancakes & sausage or biscuits & gravy
- **Monday, December 17** – Craft class at the Sandy Valley Community Center – 18 and over, 6:30 pm
- **Tuesday, December 18** – Lego club at the Sandy Valley Library, 4 pm
- **Wednesday, December 19 & 26** – Coloring Club at the Sandy Valley Library, 4 pm
- **Wednesday, December 19** – Red Rock CAC* special call meeting at the Blue Diamond Library, 7 pm
- **Thursday, December 13, 20 & 27** – Theater Thursday at the Sandy Valley Library, 4 pm
- **Saturday, December 15, 22 & 29** – Movie Matinee at the Sandy Valley Library, 1 pm

*CAC = Citizens Advisory Council

Goodsprings VFD Helps to Fill the Fire Truck

Chief Colleen and her crew from the Goodsprings Volunteer Fire Department joined forces with members of the Clark County Fire Department at Walmart on Sunday, December 9th to “Fill the Fire Truck.” This was the 3rd year in a row that Goodsprings Station 78 has taken part in this great event. It is just one more way that this group of dedicated volunteers gives back to their community!



Columbia Pass Santa Returns

When Santa isn't busy checking his naughty and nice list, doing quality control on the elves' toys, or feeding the reindeer, he spends his time standing alongside Sandy Valley Road at the top of Columbia Pass. He takes the time to wave at every single car that goes by and never stops smiling. In the past few years, Columbia Pass Santa has been treated very poorly by some people that are undoubtedly on the naughty list. But he is back and better than ever this year sharing his holiday joy with everyone that drives by.

Indian Springs School Receives Garden Grant

Indian Springs is one of 40 schools around the State that will receive grant funding from the Nevada Department of Agriculture (NDA). Per the press release from NDA “Encouraging consumption of fresh fruits and vegetables is an ongoing priority for Nevada schools to promote healthy living and learning for students, and thanks to Senate Bill (SB) 167, signed into law by Governor Brian Sandoval on June 8, 2017, the NDA was able to appropriate up to \$5,000 in funding to each qualifying school during the 2018–2019 school year.”



Puddles at the Boulder City Electric Night Parade

Puddles, who is the mascot of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and is featured on their logo below, made the big migration to Boulder City last weekend to participate in their annual Electric Night Parade. He joined Smokey Bear and Rangers from Lake Mead on a patrol boat to ride along the parade route.



US Fish and Wildlife Seeking Biologists

So you have a passion for wildlife management, fisheries or ecology? The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will be opening 120 biologist positions throughout the United States. Applications will be accepted between January 2 and 16, 2019.

For more information visit: https://www.fws.gov/cno/careers_at_fws/USFWSAnnouncement_flyer_11282018.pdf



Credit: USFWS



Events for December – Northwest

- **Tuesdays at the Indian Springs Community Center** – Knit, Stitch and Crochet is a great opportunity for knitters, crocheters and other fiber artists to gather and share their projects & talk over ideas, 10 am
- **Wednesdays at the Indian Springs Community Center** – Coffee Talk: The doors will be open and the coffee will be on, so stop by for some good conversation, 10:30 am
- **Thursdays at the Indian Springs Community Center** – The Pathway to Sobriety 12 Step Addiction Recovery Open Meeting, 6 to 7 pm, call 702-375-5758 for more information
- Saturdays, Sundays and all through Winter Break in December – Activities, \$1 hot chocolate and \$1 s'mores around the patio firepit at the Spring Mountains Visitors Gateway in Kyle Canyon
- **Thursday, December 13** – Indian Springs TAB* meeting at the Indian Springs Community Center, 6:30 pm
- **Saturday, December 15** – Community Emergency Response Team program at the Indian Springs Community Center, 1 pm
- **Thursday, December 20** – BINGO at the Indian Springs Community Center, 18+, 7 to 9 pm

*TAB = Town Advisory Board

What is CERT?

A Community Emergency Response Team program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations,

Through CERT, the capabilities to prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters is built and enhanced.

Please come join the ISVFD for an informational meeting regarding creating an Indian Springs CERT. December 15th @1:00 pm at the IS Community Center

We need to have a minimum of 15 people interested so, please RSVP @ 702-879-3890

PLEASE NOTE CORRECTED NUMBER



Kick-Off Lunch

Sunday - Dec 16th

Food, is being served at 12:00pm

Location Trucks Field

We will be having hot dogs, chili dogs, chips and drinks.

Come on down, either to eat, watch or, play.

Registration starting at 12:30pm

Tournament starting at 1:00pm



Events for December – Northeast

- **Wednesday, December 12** – Moapa Valley TAB* meeting at the Moapa Valley Community Center, 7 pm
- **Thursday, December 13** – Family Fun Event at the Moapa Valley Recreation/Senior Center, Join Commissioner Kirkpatrick, CC Parks and Recreation, Metro and the United Seniors to decorate cookies, have lunch and visit with Santa, 11 am
- **Sunday, December 16** – Messiah Sing! Moapa Valley Community Choir and Orchestra at the OLSHACS (3011 N. Moapa Valley Blvd, 7 pm, free

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Moapa Valley Performing Arts Council Presents...

MESSIAH SING!

Moapa Valley Community Choir & Orchestra



Sunday, December 16th at 7:00 pm

ALL are invited to join the Choir FREE performance at "OLSHACS"
 For more information contact 3011 N. Moapa Valley Blvd.
 Gaye Nelson 702-398-3503 Logandale, NV



All events are sponsored in part by MVPAC, Individual Partners for the Arts which include Nevada Arts Council, America First Credit Union, Grant and Laurel Bushman, Moapa Valley Chamber of Commerce, Moapa Valley Telephone Company, and Board of County Commissioners.
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Overton Power District Shines Bright in Light Parade

The crew from Overton Power District #5 participated in the Festival of Lights parade on December 5th in Mesquite. Santa and Mrs. Claus stopped by for a photo op in front of the beautifully lit truck. Parade participants in the parade collected canned goods and help the City of Mesquite surpass its goal of 1,000 pounds of food donated to the Salvation Army.



Valley of Fire State Park is

NOW HIRING

Personnel for Seasonal Positions

Seasonal Park Aide I, \$13.03/hour, 40 Hours Per Week, Benefits Available

Valley of Fire State Park is currently accepting applications for seasonal Park Aide I positions. Park Aide I positions perform routine facility and grounds maintenance, collect park user fees and make change as necessary, issue entrance permits, assist visitors by providing information concerning park facilities, policies, rules, and fees, prepare and monitor inventory lists, assist with interpretive programs, and perform routine repairs with hand tools and equipment. Work season is limited to no more than nine consecutive months. This position has hire rights, contingent upon satisfactory work performance.

For a full description of the position, visit our website at:

<http://parks.nv.gov/employment/>.

Interested persons should visit:

<https://nvapps.state.nv.us/NEATS/Recruiting/ViewApplicantHome.aep>

Create an applicant profile and print it.

You can bring the printed application in person to the park or mail it.

Valley of Fire State Park

P.O. Box 515

29450 Valley of Fire Rd, Overton, NV 89040

Phone: (702)397-2088; Fax: (702) 397-2621

Email: vofsp@parks.nv.gov

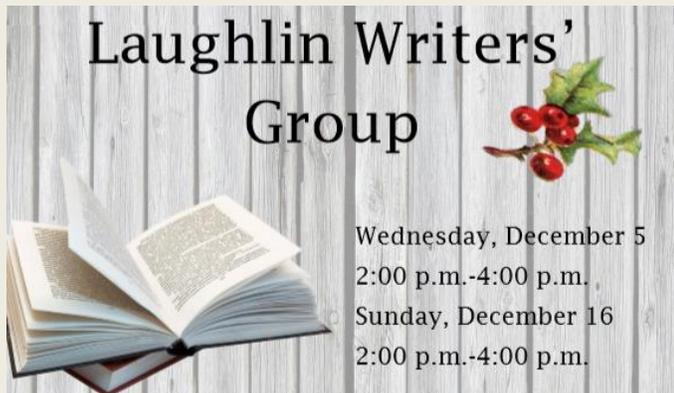


Events for December – Southeast

- **Wednesdays at the Laughlin Library** – Lego Club, Ages 5–11, 4 pm
- **Tuesday, December 11** – Laughlin TAB* Meeting at the Regional Government Center, 1:30 pm**
- **Friday, December 14** – Movie Matinee “Crazy Rich Asians” at the Laughlin Library, 2 pm**
- **Saturday, December 15** – Saturday Readers Book Club: *Skipping Christmas* by John Grisham, Laughlin Library, 10:30 am**
- **Wednesday, December 16** – Laughlin Writers at the Laughlin Library: Local writers, both published and unpublished, come together to improve their craft and share their passions, 2 pm**
- **Tuesday, December 18** – Device Advice at the Laughlin Library, 11 am**
- **Tuesday, December 18** – Toddler Time at the Laughlin Library, 10:30 am**
- **Friday, December 28** – Movie Matinee “Equalizer” at the Laughlin Library, 2 pm**

*TAB = Town Advisory Board **For more information call the Laughlin Library at 702-507-4060

Laughlin Writers' Group



Wednesday, December 5
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 16
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Local writers, both published and unpublished, come together to improve their craft and share their passions. All are welcome. Hosted by local author, Marcia L. Scott.



Laughlin Library
2840 S. Needles Hwy.
702.507.4063

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SAFETY TALK

with the Laughlin Officers
of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department



Sgt. Gallagher and other officers from the LVMPD will share with us tips on staying safe in our communities.

Wednesday, December 5
2:00 p.m.
Laughlin Library
2840 S. Needles Hwy
702.507.4063

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Rocky's Road: Journey of an Orphaned Burro

Down in Sandy Valley, it gets really chilly at night, so Rocky has put on a furry, slightly curly winter coat. He seems to enjoy the cold and loves to run around like a wild animal when he is out helping Dad feed the horses in the mornings.

This past months he has been developing some helpful new skills. He is learning basic carpentry starting with cutting wood for Mom's craft projects and framing a wall in the hay barn. And, he is working on his marksmanship to provide back up to the dogs as they keep the ranch free from coyotes and jack rabbits.



From our herd to yours..

best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a bright, beautiful New Year!