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Inter-Agency Effort Makes a Difference

On November 4th a clean-up event took place in a well-used shooting area on public lands on the east side of South Las Vegas Boulevard. While clean-ups and community events take place regularly all over the County, this one was unique. It was truly an interagency effort that included Metro, BLM, NHP, Clark County, and the NRA's Institute for Legislative Action. In 2015, Clark County Code was updated to prohibit discharge of firearms within ½ mile of any Highway and 500 feet of any other street. This was an effort to increase the safety of motorists, and other road users, while also maintaining access for recreational shooting on public lands. The clean-up event was held to raise awareness of the change to the regulations, to revitalize an area that has been heavily impacted by shooting activities in the past, and to bring diverse groups together toward a common goal. In addition to the groups mentioned above, many other groups participated in making the day a success that included Bass Pro Shops, NRA, Back Country Horsemen, Republic Services, Vertical Aviation, and Elemental AG. While there is still a lot of work to do, the future is promising due to the strong, diverse team that has been brought together.

















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Indian Springs Youth Team Up for Candlelighters

The Indian Springs Volunteer Fire Department's Miss Indian Springs reigning winners teamed up with the Indian Springs Middle School Student Council to do a toy drive for the Candlelighters Organization. During their visit to deliver the toys that had been collected Candlelighters staff shared a





some information about their organization. They assist children up to the age of 21 that are battling cancer and their families with things such as a sanitizing an entire theater so the kids and families can attend a movie safe from risk of infection. They also offer summer camps, hand out fleece blankets and gas/food cards, and adopt whole families for the holidays including providing them uncooked holiday meals and gifts. All of the Indian Springs kids that got a chance to visit found it to be a memorable and moving experience. To find out more about Candlelighters: http://www.candlelightersnv.org/about-us/

Vico, BLM Nevada's Only K9 Retires

Dave Stolts has been Vico's handler since 2011 when Vico was brought into the BLM's K9 program. Since that time, Vico has been involved in assignments all over Nevada and the west. He has been a part of operations on public lands involving high use recreation, such as the Burning Man event, Sand Mountain, and work within the Las Vegas Valley, as well as, work assignments on the international border interdicting narcotic and human smugglers. The most important part of their duties, however, was the outreach to schools, churches and special events.

Vico has a unique personality. He has the ability to be calm and collected, but when it's time to work he turns it on and gets the job done. One great memory Stolts has is when they were working near the border following a group of smugglers. The law enforcement team had hiked in rough









terrain all day and had decided they would head back for the night. As the team was leaving the area Vico picked up the scent of the smugglers. The rest of the team had basically called it a day, but Vico never quit. The team was able to follow the smugglers' trail, catch them at a highway, and make the arrests. Stolts said he didn't even signal Vico to work, but he had the sensibility to never stop.

This year Stolts has accepted a supervisory role on the Southern Nevada District where he will be supervising up to nine Law Enforcement Rangers. With this change, he felt it was time to retire Vico, but Stolts will continue to keep him in his well-deserved retirement.

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

- Weekdays at Indian Spring Elementary School After School Safekey Program. A recreational program for children in grades K-6. Participants must be at least 5 years of age or in kindergarten, through 13 years of age at the start of the school year in order to participate. After school until 5:30 pm. Cost is \$6 per day per participant. For more information or to register your child, call 702-879-3890 or stop by the Safekey room located next to the elementary school playground
- 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
- Saturday, December 9 High Desert Seniors Christmas Potluck and Secret Santa Gift Exchange, 2 to 4 pm at the Indian Springs Community Center
- Thursday, December 14 Indian Springs TAB* meeting at the Indian Springs Community Center, 6:30 pm
- Saturday, December 23 High Desert Seniors Pancake Breakfast at the Indian Springs Community Center, 8 to 10 am.
- Thursday, December 28 Bingo at the Indian Springs Community Center, 7 to 9 pm

*TAB = Town Advisory Board

Indian Springs Volunteer Fire Department is having a fundraiser: Special Delivery from Santa



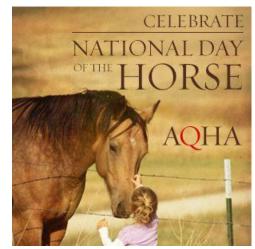
Delivery will take place
Saturday, December 16th
between 5:00pm - 8:00pm.
Santa will be arriving
in the fire engine.
Cost is \$5.00 per household.
You will need to provide a
wrapped/labeled gift for each child
receiving a gift at your home.

The form, money and wrapped/labeled gift(s) are due to Cindy Quick (702-308-9704) or Natalie Wilcox (702-859-2406) by Thursday, December 14th no later than 5:00pm.

National Day of the Horse

Since 2004, December 13th has been recognized as America's National Day of the Horse. In honor of that, and the fact that December also brings NFR to Southern Nevada, here are a few facts about horses in the U.S. courtesy of the American Horse Council.

- There are 9.2 million horses in the United States.
- 4.6 million Americans are involved in the industry as horse owners, service providers, employees and volunteers.
- 2 million people own horses.
- The horse industry has a direct economic effect on the U.S.of \$39 billion annually.
- The industry has a \$102 billion impact on the U.S.economy when the multiplier effect of spending by industry suppliers and employees is taken into account.
- The industry directly provides 460,000 full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs.



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Many Hands (and Mules) Make Light Work

The Bristlecone Chapter of the Back Country Horsemen of Nevada assisted the Friends of Red Rock Canyon on a day of trail maintenance on the Pine Creek Trail on Saturday, December 2nd. Utilizing their horses and mules, the group hauled 7,200 tons of gravel to help keep the trail in good condition for hikers to use and enjoy. To learn more about Back Country Horsemen visit: https://www.bchnvb.com/ and for more information about the Friends of Red Rock visit: http://www.friendsofredrockcanyon.org/index.php









Red Rock Loop Improvements Win Award

On October 11th, the Bureau of Land Management held a ribbon cutting to recognize the completion of a major road improvement project at the Red Rock National Conservation Area. The included construction of bridges over low water crossings, a flood warning system, pulverization and paving of the 13-mile Scenic Drive, and expansion and improvements to parking lots. These improvements mean better access for visitors, new restroom and over 200 more parking spaces. The project was awarded the Federal Highway Administration's 2017 Environmental Excellence Award for the 2 bridges over the low water crossings.









Events for December- Southwest

- Tuesday, December 5 Sandy Valley American Legion Holiday Potluck at Keystone, 6:30 pm
- Saturday & Sunday, December 9 & 10 Ranch Sorting National Championships at the BJC Arena in Sandy Valley, 9 am to 4 pm
- Monday, December 11 Holiday craft class Reindeer, penguins & snowmen! 18 and over, 6:30 pm, \$2 per project
- Tuesday, December 12 Annual Christmas Program at the Historic Goodsprings School, 6 pm
- Tuesday, December 12 Sandy Valley CAC* meeting at the SV Community Center, 7:30 pm
- Saturday, December 16 Sandy Valley Community Breakfast, 8 am to 10:30 am at the Senior Center, \$3.50 for the best pancakes & sausage or biscuits & gravy
- Saturday, December 23 Christmas Café at Sandy Valley Ranch, free dinner for all Sandy Valley residents, 5 to 7 pm

*CAC = Citizens Advisory Council

Ranch Sorting National Championships Comes to Sandy Valley

If you want to see some great rodeo style action but weren't able to get tickets to NFR, head out to Sandy Valley on December 9th and 10th. The Ranch Sorting National Championships will be having a Ranch Sorting Competition at the BJC Arena at the Keystone Center. Or, if you have ever wanted to try Ranch Sorting with your horse, here's your chance. Ranch sorting is a fast paced event that involves a team of 2 riders and 11 numbered cows. The team works to move one cow at a time from one end of the pen to the other in numerical order. Numbers are drawn randomly at the beginning of each round, so the riders don't know which cow they will need to sort out first. A tremendous amount of teamwork and communication is necessary to bring the cows through in the right order while keeping all of the others from sneaking across at the wrong time. While speed is important, patience and "reading" the cows plays a huge part, too. Whether competing or watching, it is sure to be a fun day.



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Events for December - Northeast

• Mondays at the Moapa Valley Library - ABC Kids, Ages 3-5, 11:15 am; Computer Topics, 3 pm; Hands on Computer Help, 4 pm

- Tuesdays at the Moapa Valley Library ABC Mousers, Ages 2-5, 11:15 am; Anime Otaku Club, 2:30 pm; LEGO Club, Ages 6-11, 4 pm
- Wednesdays at the Moapa Valley Library Computer Class, 3 pm; Computer Logic & Programming, 4:30 pm
- Wednesdays and Thursdays at the Moapa Valley Library Stay and Play, Ages 0-5, 11:15 am; Homework Hangout, 3 pm
- Thursdays at the Moapa Valley Library Tiny Tots, Ages 0-3, 4 pm; Discovery Lab, Ages 6-11, 4 pm
- Fridays at the Moapa Valley Library Friday Fun Time, Ages 0–5, 11:15 am; Move & Groove, Ages 0–5, 11:15 am; Teen Space, 2:30 pm
- Saturdays at the Moapa Valley Library Game On, 12 pm; Crafternoon, 2 pm
- Saturday, December 9 Holiday Open House at the Lost City Museum in Overton, raffle, holiday gifts and light refreshments, 10 am to 4 pm
- Wednesday, December 13 Moapa Valley TAB* meeting at the Moapa Valley Community Center, 7 pm
- Tuesday, December 26 Moapa TAB* meeting at the Robinson Justice Court & Community Center, 7 pm
- Thursday, December 28 Bunkerville TAB* meeting at the Bunkerville Community Center, 7 pm

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Native American Day at the Lost City Museum

The Lost City Museum held its Native American Day Celebration on November 19th. The event included Native American Jewelry, Craft Demonstrations, Traditional Dance, and Native American Food. Models of Native American dwellings were also on display.







Events for December - Southeast

• Tuesdays at the Laughlin Library - Club Tuesdays, a wide variety of crafts, art, games, stories, and STEM activities for ages 5-11, 4:30 pm

- Wednesdays at the Laughlin Library Lego Club, Ages 5-11, 4 pm
- Tuesday, December 5 "Winter Wonderland" Story Time, songs and a craft at the Laughlin Library, ages 5-11, 4:30 pm
- Sunday, December 10 Origami Class at the Laughlin Library, 1:30 pm
- Sunday, December 10 Tea at Three is BACK at the Laughlin Library. Drop in, bring a friend, and sample what may turn out to be your favorite drink. Free tea and cookies will be provided. 3 pm
- Tuesday, December 12 Laughlin TAB* Meeting at the Regional Gov. Center, 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, December 13 Searchlight TAB* meeting at the Searchlight Community Center, 6 pm
- Thursday, December 14 Build Graham Cracker Cottages at the Laughlin Library, Ages 5-11, 4:30 pm
- Saturday, December 16 Saturday Readers Book Club will discuss The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware at the Laughlin Library, 11 am
- Saturday, December 16 Children's Craft at the Laughlin Library, Ages 5-11, 3 pm**
- Sunday, December 17 Movie Matinee at the Laughlin Library, Cars 3, 1:30 pm**
- Saturday, December 20 Adult crafts at the Laughlin Library, 10:30 am
- Saturday, December 30 Adult Coloring at the Laughlin Library, 2 pm

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

Laughlin Library Is the Place to be for Holiday Music

The Laughlin Library will be hosting two afternoons of holiday music this year. On Saturday, December 9th at 12 p.m., Nik "Nik at Nite" Mastrangleo and his trio will bring classic holiday songs to life with his jazzy holiday concert. Light refreshments will be served as you sing along to your favorite holiday tunes. Then, on Wednesday, December 13th at 2 pm, Alameda Bradshaw returns to share her favorite Christmas Carols and seasonal songs with her own western flair.





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