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Candidate Social Tuesday March 22, 2016 7:00 pm (approximately)

Immediately Following the
Open Board Meeting
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your Candidates for the
2016 Board of Directors
Election!*

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2016 Candidates



Stephen Garcia
(Incumbent)



Robert McCoy
(Incumbent)



Christopher
Huntingford



Loran Keith



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San Bernardino County

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SCOTT BECKERT SVLA BOARD PRESIDENT

I hope everyone has been enjoying the great weather we've been having, but don't forget it's still winter in the High Desert and that it snowed on Easter way back in 1995! Enjoy the beautiful days when we have them, but don't put those warm clothes away just yet.


The February 9 Board meeting to consider Community Task Force (CTF) recommendations was well attended and lasted until 10PM! After much discussion and community input, the Board adopted two of the three recommendations regarding proposed rule changes for SVL rental properties. The adopted rule changes were: 1) Require all rental property leases to include a Crime Free Lease Addendum, and 2) Require all landlords to possess either a SB County or Apple Valley rental license. The requirement that all landlords live in SVL for at least 12-months prior to renting out a property did not pass. Our staff will begin the process of adopting these new rules, so if you are currently a landlord in SVL or planning to become one, please watch for more information in the coming months.

The Board of Directors election is fast approaching with four of the seven Board seats up for grabs this year. Four candidates have volunteered to serve our community as Board members – two are incumbents: Steve Garcia and Rob McCoy; and the other two are Loran Keith and Christopher Huntingford. Thank you to all these can-

didates for volunteering to serve our great community. The election will be held April 30 and ballots will be mailed to homeowners near the end of March. To be eligible to vote in this year's election, you must be a SVL homeowner on or before March 31, 2016.

Since there are only four candidates running for four open board seats, you might think this means the candidates will be automatically elected, but that isn't the way our elections work. We are required to hold an election every year regardless of the number of candidates running. Our annual election costs homeowners \$15,000+ and our By-laws require that at least 25% of ALL property owners return their ballots or the election is not valid.

It is very important that you return your election ballot even if you do not wish to vote for any of the candidates running for the Board. You may simply return a blank ballot using the normal return procedures. Please remember to sign the envelope #2 and the ballot will count only towards quorum and nothing else. If we fail to achieve quorum, we must spend additional assessment funds to continue the election until we achieve the required 25% quorum. So please, save yourself some money and return your ballot!

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled to be held at 6PM on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 in the SVL Community Center. 

February 9, 2016 Board Meeting Summary

- Adopted rule to require a Crime Free Lease Addendum on all rental leases
- Adopted rule to require landlords to obtain a SB County or Apple Valley rental license
- Did not adopt rule to require 12-month residency before becoming a landlord

February 2016 Board Meeting Summary

- Approved January 26, 2016 Regular Board meeting minutes
- Accepted January 31, 2016 Financial Report
- Approved issuance of Citation-Fine notices
- Approved SVLA Sewing Bee Club
- Approved SVLA Healthy Mindfulness (Meditation) Club
- Approved Resolution #10 - Establishment of Record Date as March 31, 2016 for the April 30, 2016 Board of Directors Election
- Approved Resolution #11 - Voting of Association Properties for the April 30, 2016 Board of Directors Election
- Approved Rory Shannon for Architectural Committee

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I am happy to report that we are making great progress on two long-overdue system upgrades in the association. The Public Safety radio system has been severely outdated and out of compliance for quite some time. By the time you read this article, the new digital system should be up and running! This new system will provide for better coverage and a big

Lastly, I want to recognize Denyel Heater who has recently joined the association team as a paid employee. Denyel has been a dedicated Community Event Team volunteer for quite some time. She will now transition into a part-time position to help support event coordination and implementation. This is a position that was approved in the current fiscal year budget; we were just waiting for the right person to fill it. Denyel is that person! Congratulations to Denyel!



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SVLA Board of Directors 2016 Election Candidates

This year's election has 4 open Board of Director seats. There are two incumbents, Stephen Garcia and Robert McCoy, joined by two other candidates: Christopher Huntingford and Loran Keith. The four seats up for election are currently held by Scott Eckert, Stephen Garcia, Robert McCoy and Mike Visser. Information and ballots will be mailed out in March from The Inspector's of Election (TIE). PLEASE VOTE... We must meet quorum!

STEPHEN R. GARCIA



As a long-time resident of Spring Valley Lake, my family and I are proud to call this one-of-a-kind neighborhood home. We love the golf, equestrian facilities, and fishing & boating, but most of all, we love the sense of community created by all our friends and neighbors. To me, it's clear why Spring Valley Lake is called the Jewel of the High Desert.

For the past 29 years, I have served as Executive Director of Facilities and Operations at Victor Valley College. Before that, I worked at Lockheed Aircraft and Santa Fe Railway. I am also a member of High Desert Church.

Here in the neighborhood, I've had the privilege of serving two years on the SVL Board of Directors as Secretary and now currently Vice President. In these roles, I've been privileged to work with my outstanding fellow Board members and exceptional SVL Association to address

the challenges of our thriving community.

As a resident, I'm acutely aware of the many challenges we face. I understand that the operation, management, and oversight of our unique suburb takes the team efforts of many dedicated volunteers and staff. To that end, I became a member of the SVL Community Task Force to assist in identifying, defining, and proposing solutions for our most challenging problems. Through straight talk and tough choices, I've been part of our community's growth. With your support, I'll continue to do more of the same.

I believe Spring Valley Lake should be taking a proactive role in understanding developments in and around our neighborhood. I also feel that collaborating with outside agencies on continued improvements is critical to our future prosperity.

Finally, I believe that communication between the Board and SVL residents is key. As a board member, I intend to reach out to the community on major topics to understand our collective concerns. Creating an open dialogue will ensure that decisions and their effects are understood. By working together, I am convinced we can ensure our home will remain the Jewel of the High Desert long into the future.

ROBERT MCCOY



I have lived in Spring Valley Lake for 18 years and am proud to call this community my family's home. As a longtime resident of Spring Valley Lake, I know that the sense of safety and security is a valuable component of this community. Supporting our Public Safety staff and achieving the highest level of safety possible is a foremost priority. An equally important responsibility of the board of directors is to ensure the Association operates in a manner that maintains strong financial health and solvency. I am dedicated to ensuring appropriate oversight of Association fiscal policies and procedures and to ensuring the Association operates in a manner that best protects our property values.

Spring Valley Lake's sense of community is one of our greatest assets and it is simply unmatched anywhere else in the high desert. I am an advocate for SVLA Clubs and committees, and I strongly

support community events such as the SVLA Community Christmas Parade, Yacht Club Parade, youth organization community fundraising events, and other similar functions that bring our community together.

Our community is strongest when residents, directors, and association staff communicate and work in collaboration. Our Association and Board of Directors best serves residents when there is open communication and I continue to push for improved transparency and communication between the Association, Board of Directors and residents. Protecting our unique community requires a Board of Directors that can think critically and independently to address our community's needs while acting in respect to residents, Association staff, and the trusted consultants and experts upon whom they rely.

Service to the community is an honor and privilege. A good portion of my personal time is dedicated to community benefit organizations. I've served six years in the Marine Corp, and I'm in my 20th year of a law enforcement career. I've earned degrees in Organizational Studies and Organizational Leadership and have a fair understanding of what it takes to be part of a successful team. I plan to call upon my experience to continue

SVL 2016 Board of Directors Election Candidates (cont.)

serving and strengthening our community in order to help maintain its status as the greatest place to live in the high desert.

CHRISTOPHER HUNTINGFORD



I discovered the Spring Valley Lake community in 2014, in the midst of a company transfer. Upon stumbling upon the development, I was immediately attracted to the water and amazing uniqueness that Spring Valley Lake presented. The ability to safely take long walks, fish, enjoy community events, and be a part of something inimitable spoke to my family. I began as a renter. Seventeen months later, I purchased that very house.

My son, thirteen years old, attends Excelsior Charter School, and as a father I can trust in the dedication Public Safety has for our community. I have volunteered with organizing two Christmas parades, and am currently working on the Pirate Plunder event, as a way to bring us together.

My family and I have enjoyed

every moment that we have been honored to call Spring Valley Lake home. We have a microcosm of society here of caring, passionate residents, ready to uphold our reputation as a great community. Serving on the board, I will continue to push forward the notion that this is the place to live, and I feel we have the strong infrastructure in place to make a difference.

Professionally, I have been a corporate citizen for fifteen years, currently serving as a call center manager for Verizon, with many projects and management titles behind me. In my spare time, I write fantasy fiction books, and hold a Bachelors in Religion from Vanguard University.

During my time in Spring Valley Lake, I have immersed myself in the issues that surround us. As a lake in a drought-stricken environment, it is imperative that we continue to take course that keeps us as self-sustaining, so we may enjoy this lake for years to come. Our public safety must continue to be at the forefront of our thoughts. Wal-Mart, with its ever looming shadow, must be kept at bay, to keep our community safe, from crime and traffic.

As board member, I promise you that my goals will be 1) Communication with transparency. 2) Public Safety. 3) Protection of our environment. 4) Financial strength. 5) Modernization.

LORAN R. KEITH



My wife Christy and our two kids moved to Spring Valley Lake because we found it to be an inviting and safe community for children and family. Playgrounds, ballfields, and fishing areas presented many outdoor recreation options for our kids and family members. The thought of our children being able to walk and ride their bikes on the streets and walk to friend's houses were things we looked forward to. The biggest attraction to us was the well maintained houses and there seems to be a sense of pride in having a well maintained yard here.

We have enjoyed the many amenities of living here in Spring Valley Lake. This community has been able to uphold its reputation of being the jewel of the desert, due to the efforts of the board, committee volunteers, dedicated staff, and most of all, caring and friendly residents. I believe in the power of volunteering and the value it adds to one's life. I am an active supporter of

the International Footprinter's Association, and several other organizations. Professionally, I am a Sheriff's Deputy in San Bernardino County and a veteran of the USAF. I have also completed numerous safety and security courses.

I have first-hand knowledge that we as a community are not immune to the economic, social, criminal and environmental issues that surround us. Our Board of Directors have been an integral part of protecting our community from the Mars Nutro plant and Walmart, as well as improving our security patrol, obtaining water rights, and promoting environmentally friendly water usage. I want to continue to proactively identify and address issues before they become serious and costly problems for SVL.

As a board member, my primary goals will be 1) Public safety, 2) Financial strength and integrity, 3) Protection of our amenities and assets, and 4) Communication with residents about issues that affect our community.

I encourage ALL of our community members to participate and vote. Your decision does matter and it does count. YOUR vote is YOUR voice in whether our community thrives or deteriorates.

Thank you.
Loran R. Keith Jr.



Ballots by Mail: Must be returned to TIE P.O. Box by April 28, 2016 - 5:00pm

****Please remember to sign** Envelope #2**

Member Meeting for Board of Directors Election: April 30, 2016 - 10:00am





2016 Inaugural PIRATE PLUNDER

COLD WATER CHALLENGE




There was a group of Pirates that shipwrecked at the SVL Beach on Saturday, March 12, 2016. Approximately 55 people braved the chilly air to come see what they were up to. They brought a few special visitors along with them, such as Santa Claus and Miss America, it was quite a lively bunch. The Pirates recruited 25 people to join the challenge and off they went. They ran straight into the cold water and continued across the whole stretch of the swimming area, out of the water and through the water fountain. They then took the chance to warm up next to the heaters while they enjoyed a cup of coffee or hot cocoa and a donut.

There was \$720 raised through participant fees as well as other donations received. All of these proceeds will go to benefit the SVL Little League. Thank you to everyone who came out supported and participated.



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PAUL BEAM Director



Just when you think spring is around the corner, and all the trees are turning pink, white and purple...

we get a nice freeze. One can never depend on the weather here in the High Desert!! Winter is reminding us it is here for a few more days. The rain is much needed and our landscapes just soak it all in.

While we're talking about trees, if you have Mistletoe in your trees, here are a few facts about it you should know. Although it does have green leaves, Mistletoe is a parasite and trees that are heavily infested by this plant will be reduced in vigor, become stunted, and die.



Birds carry the seeds from one tree to another and start the cycle over from one infected tree to a healthy one. While it's great to hang at Christmas time and hope for a kiss, it does your trees no good. Now would be a good time to remove the Mistletoe from your trees.

As we drive around, we are pleased to see that most of the residents have taken down their holiday decorations. We do thank you for your hard work in keeping



our community looking good. Unfortunately, there is always one or two that lag behind and can't seem to get their decorations down in a timely manner. Please do your best to put them away. Thank you so much.

With the rain comes a bunker crop of weeds. We've seen a lot of them all over Spring Valley Lake.

Do your best to keep up with them hard as it may be!!



The Code Enforcement Department is asking that **all** trees, bushes, plants, next to the curb be trimmed back to the curb line.

We have noticed that some of them are growing way past the curb out into the street. Remember your trees and bushes are to be within your own property lines.



Many of you that received "Citation Determination - Notice Of Responsibility" Notices, have sent in appeals. It would seem that going over the Citation Appeal Process one more time would be beneficial to each of you. Here is how the violation process works:

- A violation is observed
- We send you a Courtesy Notice. Pay attention to the due date on the notice. If you see that you cannot clear up the violation by the due date, call us for an extension. This way, you will never receive a citation.

• If you receive a Citation, that means you went past the due date. Within the Citation it tells you to contact us and make arrangements for a Written Appeal or a Personal Appearance. It is important that you appeal and be heard by your peers.

• When your Citation goes before the Citation Review Committee they make a recommendation to the Board. They are homeowners just like you, and give each Citation a fair and equal review.

• If you do not appeal your citation it will go before the Board of Directors as an **Uncontested Citation**. They will always rule, "Liable as Charged with Fine".

• At that time you will receive the LOD or "Letter of Determination," telling you how much the fine is. This notice gets everyone's attention. You have 30 days to appeal from the date on the notice. If you fail to appeal, you cannot appeal again.

We hope that everyone reads this and makes an effort to never receive a Citation!! We would much rather see the violations cleared up and taken care of. Our job is to help keep this community looking the very best it can. Together we can Spring Valley Lake looking like the Jewel of the Desert. 💎

~ The Code Enforcement Team

Spring Time
in Paris
Dinner Dance
April 9, 2016
5:30pm - 10:00 pm
Community Building
\$1300 Members \$1800 Guests
Drinks Starting at \$150
Live Entertainment by: Deep of Blue
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The SVL Veterans Club

The SVL Veterans Club held well attended business/social meeting on February 16, 2016. It was a good chance to bond with fellow Veterans in an informal setting.



Our next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 15, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Community Center, Room CB1. We would love to have you join us.

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SVL Veterans Club



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Fishing Area #8 Officially Under Construction!!

After much planning and various approvals, work has begun on the new upgrades and restroom facility coming to fishing area #8.

These upgrades have been much anticipated and are going to be a great addition to the community!!

Keep your eye out for updates on progress and completion!!





2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION CALENDAR

February 26, 2016 4:00 p.m.

Deadline for withdrawal from candidacy

March TBD

Meet Your Candidates Forum

March TBD "Date of Record" for Election

March TBD Notice of Meeting Mailed Out

April 28, 2016 5:00 p.m.

Ballots by mail returned to TIE P.O. Box by 5:00 p.m.

April 30, 2016 10:00 a.m.

Member Meeting for Purpose of Election of Board of
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Spring Valley Lake Rods & Relics Car Club



Planning Committee

The Meadowlark Park update plans were presented to the Board of Directors during the February board meeting. Those plans include three new ball fields to accommodate the over and under age 12 players and "T-Ball" teams. Working with Little League representatives, staff, the county and SVL members, the design will make better use of the ballfield areas by situating the backstops together and more centered. A snack and picnic area with trees and drinking fountains will speak to all the needs for more quality ball games.

A new perimeter walking path inside the park and meeting with the current sidewalk on Rolling Ridge will be 7-10 feet wide (at least) to allow for groups and passing. Solar LED lighting will

light the path and the footing will consist of GD. In place of the current ballfield on Rolling Ridge, will be a 7,000 plus sq ft. off the leash pet area. This area will be accessed from the sidewalk on Rolling Ridge. Besides an updated Baseball park, most members agree that an area for pets is a much needed facility in our community.

Boasting the walking path, will be seven exercise and stretching equipment stations, a Pickle Ball Court and a concrete pathway connecting this to the basketball court and playground areas.

Meadowlark will be the "hub-bub" of Spring Valley Lake with all the planned multiuse updates. The layout will start this summer at the close of baseball season. Stay tuned. 💎



Lark at the Lake

by Joy Ohler



Anyone taking an active interest in the news of our community naturally hopes to see signs of progress in areas of concern. Many turn to our local publications to help navigate through local community news and no one wants the news of the day to toss hope around like a small vessel on an angry sea. While news comes to us from all directions everyday, we can rely on our own social media and print publication now; with links to our own 'quick response' codes, and our own Interactive Website: www.svla.com as well as our association's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/Spring-Valley-Lake-Association-137769399619016/?fref=pf> this is a trusted source for community information. In addition, almost all SVLA Community Clubs now have their own social media Facebook pages too.

Remember to vote for the new Board. By-Laws require at least 25% of all property owners return their ballots or the election is not valid. It will cost more money to continue the election process and achieve the required quorum. Stay tuned in, stay informed, engaged, and please vote.

Of further interest, did you know you can turn a traffic ticket into a blessing?

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February 9, 2016

Specialty Certificate Earned by Our General Manager

Congratulations to Our Manager, Glenn Grabiec!

Spring Valley Lake Association is proud to announce that our General Manager, Glenn Grabiec, has recently earned a Specialty Certificate in Large Scale Community Management. This additional designation is offered as part of an advanced continuing education program for experienced Certified Community Association Managers (CCAM's) through the California Association of Community Managers.

This Specialty Certificate program integrates curriculum in the areas of Risk Management, Human Resource Management and the specialized knowledge and skills unique to managing large scale associations.

Through this program Glenn increased his depth and breadth of knowledge in those areas and created personal development and action plans to implement many of the best practices that were shared. Glenn was one of the first Community Manager's in California to earn this Specialty Certificate.

We believe that higher education is a valuable asset in a continually evolving industry and Glenn is committed to applying that knowledge and excellent service to our Association.

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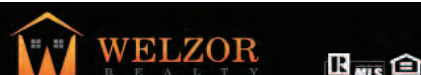
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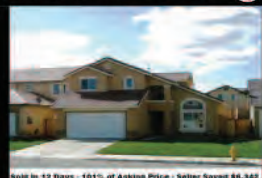
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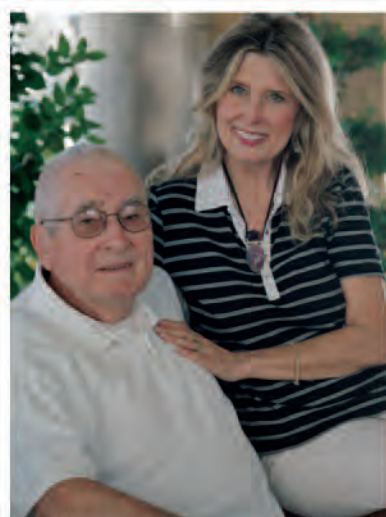
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Message from the President

Members of the SVL Social & Fishing Club celebrated Leap year with an overnight trip to beautiful Temecula. Some members enjoyed wine tasting at some of Temecula's many wineries, while others took advantage of the opportunities afforded at the nearby Pechanga Casino, while still others enjoyed a round of golf at Temecula Creek Resorts 27 hole golf course. The weather was great and a good time was had by all. Stay tuned for more opportunities for fun and fellowship thru the SVL Social & Fishing Club.

-Mike Conroy

Today, for our new members, we are going to provide information about our Fishing Weigh Master and our Fishing Derby rules. Our Weigh Master is Bob Hernandez, 760-541-7302, call him with any questions you may have about

Story by Yvonne Beckelhymer

lake fishing.

Our lovely lake is stocked 4 times in the winter with trout only. We have, in our lake, Trout, Blue Gill, Large Mouth Bass, Cat Fish and maybe Sun Fish.

We have two phases for our Fishing Derby. Winter derby is Nov. thru April (for trout only). Summer derby is from May to Oct. (any warm water fish, except blue gill). To participate in the Derby, you must have an SVL ID card and be a member of the SVL Social & Fishing Club.

The Weigh Master will be at the Marina fish cleaning station from 4:00-4:30pm to weigh the catch on the first Monday of the month. We award a \$20.00 prize for the largest fish at the SVL Social & Fishing Club meeting that night. It is open for both men and women. We have great fishing stations in the community, so come out, bring your poles, and enjoy the lake.





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Eagle Scout Helps Out SVL Community

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With this year expected to be an El Niño, bringing a lot of rain our way, this is a nice perk to take advantage of.

While all materials are provided, members are still required to fill their own bags. This task can be cumbersome and/or impossible for some to accomplish.



Boy Scout Colby Hillers, took it upon himself to help the community out by centering his Eagle Scout Project around filling sandbags for members within the community.

Colby presented the project to the Association and we thought it to be a great project and one that could greatly impact the community.

Colby set aside two separate weekends to complete the project, he created his own flyer and the Association helped out with advertising.



Over the two weekends and leading up to the project, Colby spent approximately 50 hours in planning and completing the project. He filled and distributed nearly 500 sandbags and enlisted help from his fellow Boy Scouts, from Troop 257 as well as Venture Crew 257.

It was a successful project which benefitted the Community as well as help Colby reach his achievement of Eagle Scout.



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3/24	Architectural Committee	3pm	CB4
3/24	Neighborhood Watch Meeting	6pm	EQ1
3/26	Easter Egg Hunt	9am	MLP
4/1	Lion's Club Poker Tournament	7pm	CB1
4/5	Citation Committee	5:30pm	CB4
4/5	SVL COPs Meeting	6pm	CB1
4/9	Spring Dinner Dance	5:30pm	CB1
4/13	Lake Committee Meeting	9am	CB3
4/14	Architectural Committee	3pm	CB4
4/17	Lion's Club Poker	2pm	CB1
4/21	Community Plan Committee	6:30pm	CB4

Boat Test for Vessel Operator's Permit occurs Daily at 9am in CB4

SVL Committees

COMMITTEES	COMMITTEE CHAIR	MONTHLY	TIME/LOCATION
Citation Committee	Don Nelson	1st Tuesday	5:30pm CB4
Equestrian Estates Committee	Marvin Jobes	3rd Tuesday Every other Mth	6pm EQ1
Lake Committee	Pete Lawson	2nd Wednesday	9am CB3
Communication Committee	TBD	TBD	TBD
Architectural Committee	Ilene Bandringa	2nd & 4th Thurs.	3pm CB4
Community Plan Committee	Jeri Lawrence	3rd Thurs	6:30pm CB4
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Boy Scouts Troop 2226, 2nd, 3rd 4th M, 6pm, CB3	C.J. Cook 760-887-6200
Craft Club - 2nd & 4th TH, 10-3pm CB3	Sandra Dorman 760-962-1999
Cub Scout Pak 26 , 2nd, 3rd 4th M, 6pm, CB1	Britt Imes 760-900-3897
The Coffee Break Club-3rd TH, 10am-12pm CB1	Dennis Verhagen 760-243-2128, thecoffeebreak@earthlink.net
Lions Club Poker - 1st F, 7pm CB1	Jim Meehan 760-680-0029
Rods & Relics Club - 2nd SAT, 8am CB4	Don Sedam 760-955-6052
Scouts Venture Crew 257, TH 6:00pm, CB3	Casey Hillers 760-780-7828, caseyhillers@gmail.com
Sewing Bee's	Virginia Granados 760-245-7801
Social & Fishing Club - Varies, CB	Mike Conroy 760-962-1094
Veterans Club - 3rd T, 7-8:30pm, CB3	Robert Read 760-961-6870
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Archery Club	T	2pm, 3pm, 4pm	PFP	Bob Gierlich 760-243-6082
Power Yoga	T/W	6:30pm-7:30pm	CB3/ CB1	Jace Knisely 760-628-6416
Line Dance Beginner/Intermediate.	M	9:10-10:10am 10:10-11:40am	CB1	Su Kim 760-241-8823
Line Dance Ultra Beg./ Beg./Easy Intermediate	T	8-9am, 9-10am 10-11:30am	CB1	Su Kim 760-241-8823
Bunco 2nd TH./mo.	TH	6pm	CB1	Debbie Clements 760-245-8204
Arthritis Exercise	T,TH	8 - 9am	CB3	Dottie Schiller 760-243-4697
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Abbreviation	Name/Location of Facility
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