

# December 2018



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# News & Notes



## New Residents

**John Matthews** is moving into sp. 90. He is moving here from out of state and will be joined by his wife, Svetlana soon.

**Katherine Johnson and Karen Moede** moved into sp. 111. They have moved here from out of town.

**Dawn Hines** will be moving into sp. 225. She is moving here from town.

Welcome to our new neighbors! Let's get to know our new neighbors and invite them to all the activities around the park!

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## Pet Patrol

This year has flown by so fast. The holidays are already here. Make sure that your human caregivers keep you healthy during this holiday season by not giving you leftovers from holiday meals. That when they decorate, to keep the decorations far enough away not only to keep the decorations safe but so you won't get in trouble for harming something that might mean a lot to your human caregivers.

Have a safe and very healthy holiday season! See you next year!!

Please enjoy this picture -



A man may smile and bid you hail  
Yet wish you to the devil;  
But when a good dog wags his tail,  
You know he's on the level.  
~Author Unknown





## For Safety's Sake

### Avoid Vehicle Theft

The following 10 tips are provided by the California Highway Patrol to help you act now to prevent vehicle theft.

1. Always lock your vehicle.
2. Always utilize anti-theft devices.
3. Always park your vehicle in a well-lighted area at night.
4. Always make sure you receive an ownership certificate when purchasing a vehicle.
5. Never leave your keys in your vehicle.
6. Never hide a spare ignition key in the vehicle.
7. Install an audible alarm system.
8. When possible, park your vehicle in a secure garage.
9. Beware of your surroundings prior to leaving your vehicle.
10. Beware of high theft vehicles.

Californians can help eliminate auto theft by reporting possible vehicle theft activity by calling: 1-800-835-5247

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### From the Manager

There will not be a December potluck this month. Instead we will be having the **Riegel Family/Holiday Homes Christmas Party** on **December 15<sup>th</sup>**. You will receive an invitation in your mail box December 12<sup>th</sup>.

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The judging for the **Holiday Homes Decorating Contest** will be **Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**. If you wish to be judged, please leave your holiday lights on at least until 9PM. Winners will be announced at the Christmas Party the next evening.

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If anyone would like to **restart the Neighborhood Watch program** in the park, please contact the office at 1-760-252-3511. We are looking for someone to head the committee, keep in touch with the police liaison, etc.

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**Message from John and Bob Riegel:** We are going to be using a drone to film for advertising homes for sale. Your privacy and safety are most important to us. We may need to close a portion of a street when filming. All drone flights and filming will be conducted in accordance with applicable laws and regulations by the FAA. If you are driving or walking in the Park and see Bob or John operating a drone and/or filming, please stay at a safe distance until we let you know it's safe to continue on your way. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

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**Exercise** is every **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3:00-4:00 PM** in the clubhouse. Mary Lee is the instructor. These are low impact exercises to help you keep limber. The class is free.

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The **Health Clinic** will be on **Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>** (I hope) from **10-11AM** in the clubhouse. You can have your blood pressure and your pulse taken. You never know what will be offered each month, so come down and check it out.

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**An important message from the office:** Please make sure you make out your rent check to Riegel Properties and not Holiday Homes using blue or black ink only. Thank you!



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Donna Berry has a Tai Chi class in the clubhouse every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8-9 AM. Everyone is invited to take part. Classes are free.

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For any resident in the park who refers a new resident that buys a Riegel Property home and signs a 5-year lease, you will receive a one month rent credit valid any month you choose within a one-year period.

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Please watch out for your neighbors. If you don't see them over a day or so and you know they haven't left on a vacation, give the office a call so we can follow up.

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**DO NOT put paint or oil collections behind the shop. Also, DO NOT put TIRES there.** Burrtec will not pick up those items. You can dispose of paint or used oil at the Hazardous Waste Corporation Yard at 900 So. Ave. H on Saturdays from 9AM-2PM. You can also ask them what to do with tires.

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The Barstow Police Department wanted us to know that they can put your name, phone number, space number, medical condition and up to 3 contacts of friends or relatives into their computer aided dispatch system so that, in case of emergency, they have someone to call for our Resident's with Special Needs. The information would be the resident's responsibility to update of change if you move. Call the office to get the form to fill out or drop off a note at the police department with a notation stating what your note is for.

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Anyone with TV's, computers and/or monitors, microwaves, coolers, large furniture, etc. that you want to have dumped, please call the office and we will arrange to have them picked up and disposed of for you. Do not put these types of items in any of the dumpsters.

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ATTENTION: Seniors with Diabetes and/or Arthritis, you may be eligible for FREE SHOES and/or ARTHRITIS PRODUCTS through a Medicare Program "At No Cost to You". For more information, please call Dianne Millard at 1-951-990-0017. SORRY NO HMO INSURANCES.

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Office hours for Holiday Homes MHP are as follows:

Monday through Friday 8:30-11:30

Billing Period (1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup>) 8:30-11:30

1:00-4:30

Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holiday except by appointment.

After 4:30 PM and on weekends and holidays the answering service will pick up the phones. Please give the answering service sufficient time to get in touch with a duty manager and for the duty manager to get to you before calling back. Also, unless it is a dire emergency, please do not knock on the manager's door or call them at home. Use the answering service.





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The speed limit in the park is **15** miles per hour. Please stop at all stop signs

and corners that don't have stop signs. You don't want to run into one of your neighbors or their pets with your car!

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**Please make sure you close the dumpster lids when you throw your trash away!** You will be helping to keep the feral cats from looking for food, keeping bugs away and making the area look more presentable.

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**Attention Seniors (age 60+)**

Did you know? You could have a nutritious meal for a donation of only \$3.00? All meals include a main dish, vegetable, drink and dessert.

Where?

At the Barstow Senior Citizen's Center located at 555 Melissa Ave. Our lunch service time is from 11:30AM until 12:30PM. Our phone number is 1-760-256-5023.

This meal is provided through a grant from the Department of Aging and Adult Services of San Bernardino County. All donations are to help offset the cost of staff, utilities and the care of the equipment. Without your donation, the program would stop. You can bring a friend but if they are under 60 years of age: their donation will cost \$5.00. (This is still a great meal deal!)

We also provide meals to homebound seniors!

For more information, call 1-760-256-9111.

Thank you,  
Jeff Eason

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We are doing our best to keep the park safe but we need your help, if you see someone acting suspiciously or anything suspicious, PLEASE call the Barstow Police Dept. at 1-760-256-2211. You can request that the responding officer not show up at your door. If the officer needs to talk to you, they can call you on the phone. With all of us working together, we can help minimize these types of problems.

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**The cameras in the park are monitored daily.** We do see vehicles that go through stop signs without stopping and vehicles speeding on the streets not only by the cameras but also by direct observation. Be aware of the speed limit - 15 mph. It might not be such a bad idea to stop at all corners (even the ones that don't have stop signs) so there won't be any type of accident.

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**From Park Rules and Regulations, revised 6/1/06**



**X. MOBILEHOMES, STRUCTURES AND ACCESSORIES:** Installation of mobile homes, structures and accessories shall be subject to the approval of management and in compliance with California Civil Code and California Administrative Code, Title 25.

**A. Completion Within Sixty (60) Days:** The installation of all appliances, accessory equipment and structures on incoming mobile homes by Resident shall be completed within sixty (60) days of the date Resident signs the rental agreement or first occupies the mobile home, whichever is earlier. If a resident makes a change in existing accessory equipment, the standards for incoming mobile homes must be met and all work shall be completed within sixty (60) days of approval.

**B. Building Permits:** Building permits, licenses and other similar permission from government agencies must be obtained, if so required, before any installation or construction of certain accessory equipment and structures. All work is to be performed in a professional manner.

**C. Park Management Approval Required:** Prior to commencing a new installation of or a change in accessory equipment and structures, or a change in any appliance which is to be connected to the gas, electric or water supply (except for replacement of an existing refrigerator, stove, washer or dryer of the same type), Resident shall submit for Management's approval a written plan describing in detail the accessory equipment and structures which Resident proposes to install or change.

**D. Removal Required:** Any accessory, equipment or structure not in compliance with the Park's residency documents, including the blockage of an exterior doorway or excessive storage on a porch that may create a hazard of potentially unsafe condition shall be removed by Resident within ten (10) days of receipt of written notice.

**E. Pre-Existing Conditions:** Residents are cautioned that there are mobile homes and home sites in the Park which contain accessory equipment and structures which no longer conform with present Park standards and regulations. Nonetheless, Residents may not assume their plans will be approved because they conform to accessory equipment and structures existing on other mobile homes or home sites. If a resident voluntarily makes an addition to their mobile homes, accessory equipment, landscaping, fencing, structures, etc. the Resident will be required to comply with present standards.

**F. Mobile Homes:** To ensure architectural compatibility, construction and installation standards, all incoming mobile homes must be in good condition be less than five (5) years old, be approved by Park Management and must have detachable hitches. Exceptions for the age requirement when submitted in writing may be ranted at management's discretion on a case-by-case basis.

**G. Mobile home Sizes:** All mobile homes in the Park shall conform in size to the requirements of the lot on which they are placed as established by Park Management. The area covered by mobile home, accessories and structures shall not exceed 75% of lot area. Placement of mobile homes shall be determined by Park Management.

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## Recipes and Other Stuff

If you have a favorite recipe that you would like to share, please bring it to the office for copying and it will be printed in the newsletter.

### Cranberry Pineapple Apple Walnut Raspberry Jell-O

Submitted by: Donna Berry, sp. 168

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| 1 6 oz. box Raspberry Jell-O                                   | 1 14 oz. can whole cranberry sauce                             |
| 1 20 oz. can chunk pineapple in natural Juice, drain and save. | 1 20 oz. can sliced pineapple in natural Juice, drain and save |
| 1 large apple, chopped   | 1 cup chopped walnuts  |

Boil saved pineapple juice (add water to make 2 cups) and add to gelatin. Stir two min. until completely dissolved. Add whole cranberry sauce, chunk pineapple, apple and chopped walnuts while continuously stirring. Pour into a 9" x 13" pan. Add sliced pineapple on top.

Refrigerate overnight.

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### Ways to Aggravate Santa

Instead of milk and cookies, leave him a salad and a note explaining that you think he could stand to lose a few pounds.

While he's in the house, go find his sleigh and write him a speeding ticket.

Leave him a note explaining that you've gone away for the holidays. Ask if he would mind watering your plants.

While he's in the house, replace all his reindeer with exact replicas. Then wait and see what happens when he tries to get them to fly.

Leave a note by the telephone telling Santa that Mrs. Claus called and wanted to remind him to pick up some milk and a loaf of bread on his way home.

Throw a surprise party for Santa when he comes down the chimney. Refuse to let him leave until the strippers arrive.

While he's in the house, find the sleigh and sit in it. As soon as he comes back and sees you, tell him that he shouldn't have missed that last payment and take off.

Take everything out of your house as if it's just been robbed. When Santa arrives, show up dressed like a policeman and say, "Well, well. They always return to the scene of the crime."

Leave out a copy of your Christmas list with last-minute changes and corrections.

While he's in the house, cover the top of the chimney with barbed wire.

Leave Santa a note explaining that you've moved. Include a map with unclear and hard-to-read directions to your new house.

Paint "hoof-prints" all over your face and clothes. While he's in the house, go out on the roof. When he comes back up, act like you've been "trampled." Threaten to sue.

Dress up like the Easter Bunny. Wait for Santa to come and then say, "This neighborhood ain't big enough for the both of us."

### Christmas With Louise

As A joke, my brother used to hang a pair of pantyhose over his fireplace before Christmas. He said all he wanted was for Santa to fill them. What they say about Santa checking the list twice must be true because every Christmas morning, although Jay's kids' stockings were overflowing, his poor pantyhose hung sadly empty.

One year I decided to make his dreams come true. I put on sunglasses and went in search of an inflatable love doll. They don't sell those things at Walmart. I had to go to an adult bookstore downtown. If you've never been in an X-rated store, don't go. You'll only confuse yourself. I was there an hour saying things like, "What does this do? You're kidding me! Who would buy that?"

Finally, I made it to the inflatable doll section. I wanted to buy a standard, uncomplicated doll that could also substitute as a passenger in my truck so I could use the car pool lane during rush hour. Finding what I wanted was difficult. Love Dolls come in many different models. Top of the line, according to the side of the box, could do many things I'd only seen in a book on animal husbandry. Finally, I settled for Lovable Louise. She was at the bottom of the price scale. To call Louise a doll took a huge leap of imagination.

On Christmas Eve with the help of an old bicycle pump, Louise came to life. My sister-in-law was in on the plan and let me in during the wee morning hours. Long after Santa had come and gone, I filled the dangling pantyhose with Louise's pliant legs and bottom. I also ate some cookies and drank what remained of a glass of milk on a nearby tray. I went home and giggled for a couple of hours.

The next morning, my brother called to say that Santa had been to his house and left a present that made him VERY happy but had left the dog confused. She would bark, start to walk away, then come back and bark some more. We all agreed that Louise should remain in her pantyhose so the rest of the family could admire her when they came over for the traditional Christmas dinner.

My grandmother noticed Louise the moment she walked in the door. "What the hell is that?" She asked. My brother quickly explained, "It's a doll." "Who would play with something like that?" Granny snapped. I had several candidates in mind but kept my mouth shut. "Where are her clothes?" Granny continued. "Boy that turkey sure smells nice Gran," Jay said, to steer her into the dining room. But Granny was relentless. "Why doesn't she have any teeth?" Again, I could have answered, but why should I? It was Christmas and no one wanted to ride in the back of the ambulance saying, "Hang on Granny, hang on!"

My grandfather, a delightful old man with poor eyesight, sidled up to me and said, "Hey, who's the naked gal by the fireplace?" I told him she was Jay's friend. A few minutes later I noticed grandpa by the mantel, talking to Louise. Not just talking but actually flirting. It was then that we realized this might be Grandpa's last Christmas at home.

The dinner went well. We made the usual small talk about who had died, who was dying and who should be killed when suddenly Louise made a noise like my father in the bathroom in the morning. Then she lurched from the pantyhose, flew around the room twice and fell in a heap in front of the sofa. The cat screamed, IU passed cranberry sauce through my nose and Grandpa ran across the room, fell to his knees and began administering mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. My brother fell back over his chair and wet his pants. Granny threw down her napkin, stomped out of the room and sat in the car. It was indeed a Christmas to treasure and remember.

Later in my brother's garage, we conducted a thorough examination to decide the cause of Louise's collapse. We discovered that Louise had suffered from a hot ember to the back of her right thigh. Fortunately, thanks to the wonder drug called duct tape, we restored her to perfect health!

# Merry Christmas

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| 9<br>Private Party #35 12-7  | 10                                    | 11<br>Tai Chi 8-9<br>Exercise 3-4<br>Card Club 6-9 | 12<br>Exercise 3-4 | 13<br>Tai Chi 8-9<br>Health Clinic 10-11<br>Exercise 3-4<br>TOPS 5:30-7:30 | 14<br>Card Club 6-9                                   |  | 15<br>Riegel Family/Holiday<br>Homes Christmas Party<br>4:30-7:30 |
| 16<br>Private Party #125 2-6 | 17                                    | 18<br>Tai Chi 8-9<br>Exercise 3-4<br>Card Club 6-9 | 19<br>Exercise 3-4 | 20<br>Tai Chi 8-9<br>Exercise 3-4<br>TOPS 5:30-7:30                        | 21<br>Card Club 6-9                                   |  | 22  |
| 23                           | 24<br>Christmas Eve<br>Office Closed  | 25<br>Christmas Day<br>Office Closed               | 26<br>Exercise 3-4 | 27<br>Tai Chi 8-9<br>Exercise 3-4<br>TOPS 5:30-7:30                        | 28<br>Employee Holiday<br>Lunch 11-1<br>Card Club 6-9 |  | 29  |
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