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News & Notes

New Residents

Sharon Ramsey has moved into sp. 174. She came to us from the other side of town.

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

Sad, Sad News

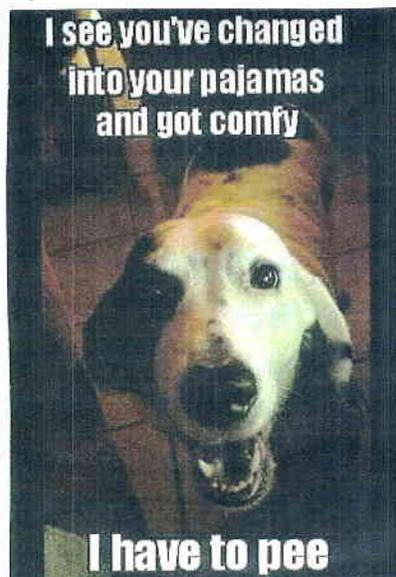
Manee Lundgren, sp. 155 passed away December 30th. She moved here in January 2010. Our deepest sympathies to her family, friends and all who knew her.

Pet Patrol

The park is trying to round up the cats that are running free. Please help us by not feeding these animals. This will allow us to capture them and let them be tamed, spayed/neutered, get their shots and then taken to PetSmart in Victorville to be adopted. If you allow your cat to run free in the park (which is against Park Rules and Regulations), you run the risk of your cat being one of the ones that we trap. If that cat does not have a tag with their name/space number or phone number, that cat will be taken to the Humane Society. You will be able to pick it up there.

Speaking of the Humane Society, make sure that your animals' shots are up to date. They do come around occasionally to check that all dogs are licensed and have had their shots.

With all this cold weather I hope that you are able to be under a warm blanket and not have to stay outside for very long. The following picture is for those that don't have a fenced yard to go to. I don't think your human caregivers will like it but please enjoy -



For Safety's Sake

If A Crime Occurs - Report It

Sound easy? Unfortunately, only half of all crimes are ever reported. Too bad because the police/sheriff can't do anything if they don't know what happened. Eyewitness information is the key to solving many crimes. Remember these tips when reporting crime to your law enforcement agency:

Call the police/sheriff immediately. A five-minute delay can reduce the chance of ever catching the criminal.

Tell the police/sheriff as much as you can. No fact is too trivial. In many cases, it is what victims and witnesses tell police about the criminal that results in an arrest. The police/sheriff can use answers to as many of these questions as possible. Please remember that wrong information is worse than no information at all.

What occurred?

When did this occur?

Where did this occur?

How many suspects were there?

What did they do?

What did they say?

What did they take?

Which way did they go?

Were there any other witnesses? What are their names, addresses or phone numbers?

Is there any other information which you feel is important?

Can you describe the suspect(s)?

Can you describe their vehicle(s)?

Sometimes, due to limited resources and personnel, the police/sheriff may not be able to respond immediately. They have to prioritize their calls based on apparent danger to human life. Don't be discouraged. They will get to you as soon as possible.

Even an anonymous tip is better than nothing. Don't hesitate! Follow this rule:

If you see something suspicious, call the police/sheriff - fast - so they can act fast. The longer you wait, the harder it is to catch the criminal.

Once You Have Reported The crime, Stick with It.

It pays to prosecute. About 70% of the criminals who are arrested for property crimes are convicted.

Being a witness in court is not as much trouble as you think. Each community provides services to help victims and witnesses with transportation, day care services or follow-up counseling.

From the Manager

The first potluck of the year will be Monday, February 11th from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm in the clubhouse. We will be decorated for Valentine's Day. If you need special seating or transportation to the clubhouse, please call the office before 12 pm that day so we can arrange that for you. Don't forget to bring your favorite side dish, your place settings and your neighbors. See you there!

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.

The **Health Clinic** will be on Feb. 14th 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.

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!

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.**

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.**

Office hours for Holiday Homes MHP are as follows:

Monday through Friday 8:30-11:30

Billing Period (1st through 5th) 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!

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

K. Skirting: Skirting is required on all mobile homes, porches, decks and patios. All materials and colors must coordinate with the mobile home. Skirting may be all aluminum, masonry or other approved material which matches or blends with the siding of the mobile home.

L. Awnings: All newly installed mobile homes shall have a patio awning with a minimum size of eight feet by thirty feet (8' x 30') and a carport with a minimum size of twelve feet by thirty feet (12' x 30'). All awnings shall be of "unitized" construction and all unitizing trim shall match the color and style of the mobile home trim.

M. Exterior Storage Buildings: Each resident may install up to two (2) storage buildings with a maximum total of 100 square feet, provided maximum lot coverage area is not exceeded. Storage buildings can exceed 100 square feet only if a permit from San Bernardino County is obtained, written permission is given by Management and the storage buildings comply with Title 25 requirements for setbacks and maximum lot coverage. A maximum height equal to the height of the mobile home or ten (10) feet, whichever is lower, shall not be exceeded. Management must approve the type of storage building and location of the storage building on the lot.

N. Fences: Only chain link fences no lower than thirty-six (36) inches or higher than forty-two (42) inches will be permitted. All fences must be fitted with a top rail and may only be placed in the back yard or may enclose an area to the rear of the front door.

O. Antennas: Exterior antennas, including but not limited to, television, ham and CB antennas are not allowed unless prior written approval is obtained from Management. CB antennas shall be mounted to the ground, properly supported and located at the rear of the mobile home. All approved antennas must be placed at the rear of the mobile home and shall extend no more than thirty-six (36) inches above the roofline, except as permitted by management for specific situations. Consent to install a satellite dish may be denied if the satellite dish will detract from the aesthetic beauty of the Park. Homeowner agrees to remove any antenna that interferes with a neighbor's TV or stereo reception.

P. Special Standards: In order to maintain the aesthetic beauty of the Park, Management retains the right to impose additional standards on those residents who have corner home sites or home sites in unique locations.

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.

Chili-Cheese Dog Totchos

1 pkg. (28 oz.) Extra Crispy Tater Tots	1 can (15 oz.) chili
5 Wieners, cut lengthwise in half, then sliced crosswise	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups shredded Cheddar Cheese
	1 green onion, sliced

Heat oven to 425°F.

Bake tater tots as directed on package. About 5 min. before tater tots are done, cook chili and wieners in saucepan on medium heat until heated through, stirring frequently.

Spread tater tots onto oven proof platter; top with chili mixture and cheese. Bake 5 min. or until cheese is melted.

Sprinkle with onions.

Serves 12

My grandpa started walking five miles a day when he was 60. Now he's 97 years old and we don't know where he is.

I like long walks, especially when they are taken by people who annoy me.

I have to walk early in the morning before my brain figures out what I'm doing.

I joined a health club last year, spent about 400 bucks. Haven't lost a pound. Apparently, you have to go there.

Every time I hear the dirty word exercise, I wash my mouth out with chocolate.

If you are going to try cross-country skiing, start with a small country.

We all get heavier as we get older because there's a lot more information in our heads. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.

On the first day of school, a first-grader handed his teacher a note from his mother. The note read, "The opinions expressed by this child are not necessarily those of his parents."

Questions to Ponder:

What was the best thing before sliced bread?

If a parsley farmer is sued, can his wages be garnished?

Why do they put Braille on the drive-through bank machines?

If you try to fail and succeed, which one have you done?

I was in a snarly mood the other day when I came out of the supermarket and the license-plate frame on the back of a black Toyota Camry caught my eye.

Suddenly I found myself smiling at the clever play on words that I had just read. It said, "Girls just want to have funds."

I have been jotting down clever license plate frame sayings for a while now. Today seems as good a time as any to share my collection with you.

Some of the best license-plate frame sayings that I have observed are those that allow people to poke fun at themselves.

A few of my favorites: "I don't skinny dip, I chunky dunk," "I may be slow but I'm ahead of you." "I'm not drunk, I drive like this," and that timeless classic: "If you don't like my driving, stay off the sidewalk."

You have to admire people who are not afraid to share their personal problems with the world via their license-plate frames.

A few choice selections that I've read: "Driver carries no cash, he's married," "I'm Schizophrenic and so am I," and last week I saw an incredibly witty, semi therapeutic message on a license-plate frame.

It read, "Time wounds all heels."

A few of the gems that I have written down are admittedly a little on the mean-spirited side, such as "He who dies with the most toys, still dies!" and "I'd rather push a Chevy than drive a Ford," but most are designed with the simple purpose of making us grin unexpectedly with messages like "I golf therefore I swear" and "Be nice to your kids, they choose the nursing home."

Several of the license-plate frames that I have observed had sayings that gave me pause. "Why join them, it's more fun to beat them," "Driven by a demented old guy" and "Keep honking, I'm reloading," all tend to convey a message that has caused me to give wide berth to the vehicles they've adorned.

I recently spotted a license-plate frame that I think I'm going to have made for my own vehicle because I feel it captures my innermost feelings ever so eloquently; almost like a mirror into my soul.

It read, "Give me the chocolate and nobody gets hurt."

 *Happy Valentines Day* 

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