

# June 2019

**HAPPY  
FATHER'S  
DAY**



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# News & Notes

## Sad, Sad News

Jan Tier, sp. 261 passed away May 5<sup>th</sup>. She moved into the park in 2004. Our sympathies to her family friends and all who knew her.

Twila Hudson, sp. 31 passed away May 10<sup>th</sup>. She moved into the park November 2017. Our deepest condolences to her family, friends and all who knew her.

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## Pet Patrol

The weather has been very strange the last few weeks. Hopefully it will warm up and so that walking outside will be nicer. Having said that, if it does get warm or hot, please check the ground to make sure that it is not too hot for paws. If your human caregiver cannot hold their hand on the ground for at least a minute, then you should not be walking on it. There is nothing more painful than burnt paws. Also make sure that your human caregiver does not allow you to go into any one else's lot to pee, poop or whatever. Have them pick up what you deposit on the streets as well so no one else steps, drives in it or spread it around the park.

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## For Safety's Sake

### Safer Seniors

#### Suspicious Vehicles

Vehicles in the following situations MAY be involved in crimes and should be reported to authorities:

Slow moving, without lights, following aimless course in any location, including residential streets, schools and playgrounds (burglar, drug pusher or sex offender);

Parked or occupied, containing one or more persons, especially at an unusual hour (lookouts for a burglary or robbery);

Parked by a business or unoccupied residence, being loaded with valuables (burglary or theft);

Abandoned in your neighborhood (stolen car);

Containing weapons (criminal activity);

Someone, especially a female or juvenile, being forced into a vehicle (kidnapping, assault or attempted rape);

Business transactions taking place in it, especially around schools or parks (sale of stolen items or drugs);

Persons detaching mechanical parts or accessories from it (theft or vandalism);

Objects being thrown from it (disposing of contraband).

## Describing and Reporting Events, Vehicles and Persons

In attempting to describe events, vehicles or persons, write down the details of what you have observed while they are still fresh in your mind, so your descriptions to law enforcement officials will be as accurate as possible.

When describing events, write down:

What happened;

When it happened;

Where it occurred (note the nearest cross street, home address or landmark in relationship to the event;

Whether injuries are involved (Be prepared to report visible or suspected personal injury. Be as specific as possible - this could save a life!);

Whether weapons are involved (this information, whether observed or suspected is vital to responding officers).

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## From the Manager

The May potluck was a lot of fun. Thank you to Beth for being a great bartender and Wayne Riegel for your cooking.

Next month will be our 4<sup>th</sup> of July Barbecue. Your invitation will be attached to your July newsletter with more information as well.

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**Neighborhood Watch** will have a meeting on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 PM in the clubhouse. This is a resident run organization. All park residents are invited to attend or volunteer for this organization.

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The pool is open. Pool exercise will be every **Monday, Wednesday and Friday** (I hope) starting **June 17<sup>th</sup>** from 4-5 PM throughout the summer. This is for residents and their guests. **IT IS NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!** All persons must sign in!

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Mary Lee has **exercise classes** in the clubhouse every **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** from **3:00-4:00PM**. These classes are also free and open only to Holiday Homes Residents and their guests.

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This month's **Mini Health Fair** will be **Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>** from **10-11 AM**. You can have your blood pressure 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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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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The office will be closed Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> for the Memorial Day Weekend. The Answering Service will be answering the phones for us and getting in touch with us if we need to take care of something. Have a very safe and healthy holiday!

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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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### 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

#### XIV. VEHICLES:

- A. Designated Locations: Driveway space is limited to automobiles and smaller motor vehicles which are to be parked in a designated location. Travel trailers, boats, motor homes, large trucks (greater than one ton) are not to be stored on the mobile home lot. Only parallel parking is permitted on the streets. Only vehicles that are currently registered to the resident or when the resident has obtained written permission from management may be parked in the driveway or parking area. All vehicles parked on the space must be in operating condition and drivable. If a vehicle is not drivable, i.e. is on jacks, has flat tires, dead batteries, etc., then Management may require the Resident to remove the vehicle from the home site. All other vehicles must be removed from the home site and/or moved to the R.V. parking lot (subject to normal parking fees and availability of spaces), unless they are used by temporary visitors or registered guests of the resident.
- B. Limitations: Parking of travel trailers, boats, recreation vehicles, trucks or any other wheeled conveyance must be designated and approved by Management. Recreational vehicles, trucks and trailers may be parked at the owner's space for loading and unloading only, not to exceed 48 hours at any one time. Management reserves the right to limit the

number of guest vehicles, to prevent overcrowding. No automobiles may be stored on the mobile home space. Storage shall include but not be limited to the parking of an operative vehicle for a period exceeding four (4) weeks, or the parking of more than one vehicle for the purpose of selling such vehicles or as part of a commercial activity. However, residents may park their vehicle in the parking space on their mobile home space when on vacation. If the homeowner has more than 2 cars, they must be parked in the driveway or directly in front of their home and not encroach on a neighbor's parking area. Management may charge as additional rent any towing charges and storage charges to enforce these parking rules.

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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.

### Tomato & Watermelon Greek Salad

#### Dressing:

2 Tbsp extra-virgin olive oil  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp salt

1  $\frac{1}{2}$  Tbsp red-wine vinegar  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp ground pepper

#### Salad:

1 romaine heart (7 oz.), torn into pieces  
1 cup chopped orange bell pepper  
2 Tbsp chopped fresh parsley  
2 tsp chopped fresh mint  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup crumbled feta cheese

1-pint cherry tomatoes, halved  
1 cup cubed seedless watermelon  
1 Tbsp chopped fresh oregano  
15 pitted Kalamata olives, quartered

To prepare dressing: whisk oil, vinegar, salt and pepper in a large bowl.

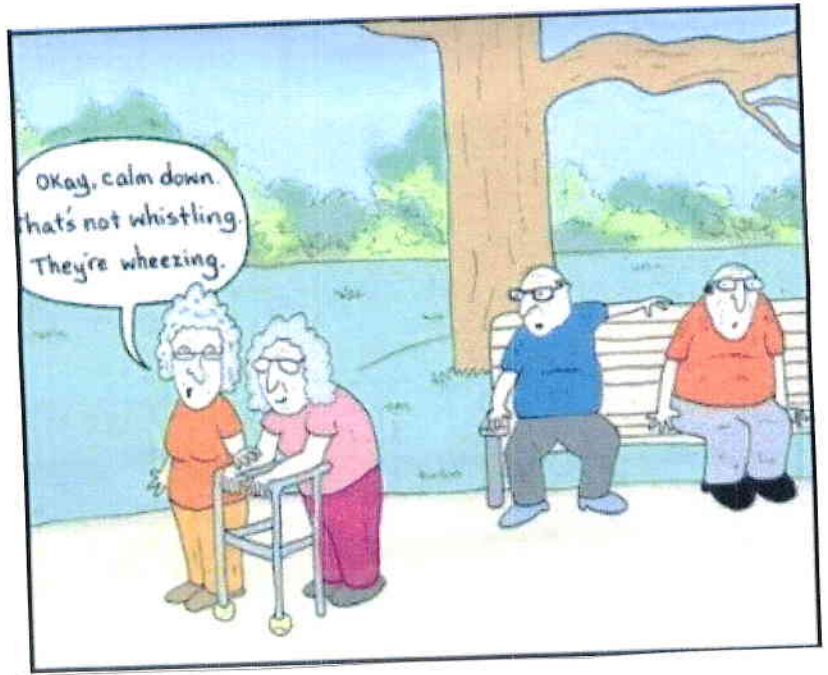
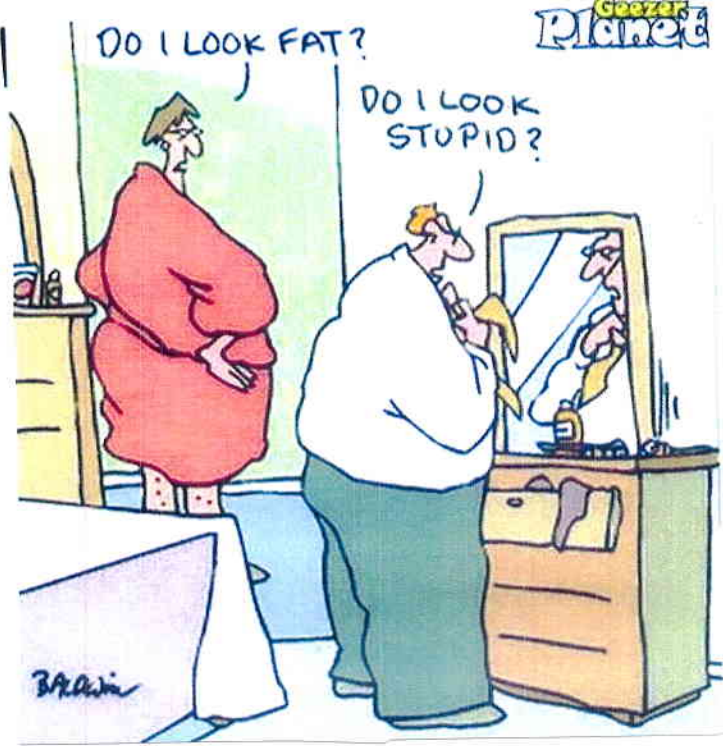
To prepare salad: Add romaine, tomatoes, bell pepper, watermelon, parsley, oregano and mint to the bowl: toss with the dressing. Top with olives and feta, gently toss again and serve immediately.

Serves 6

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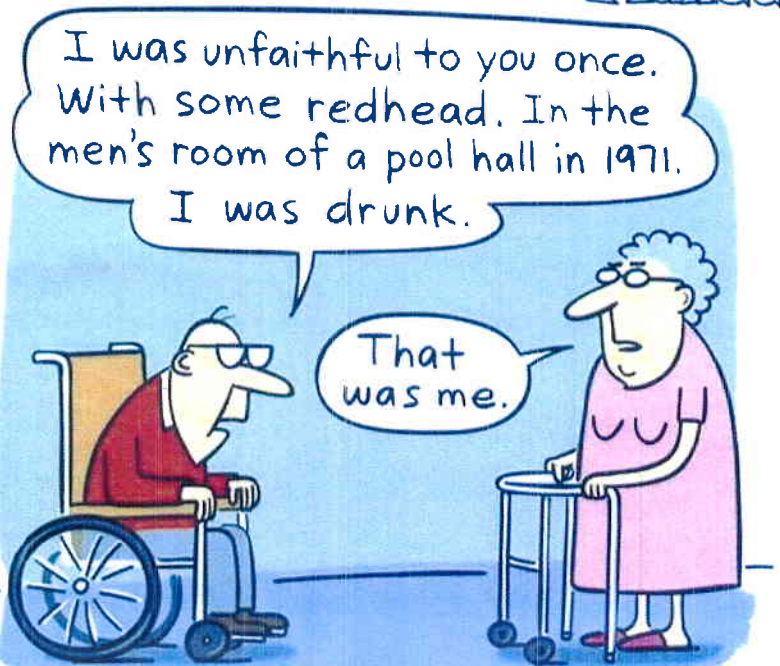
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about getting older...

You're still going to do stupid stuff,

Just much slower.



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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC AWARENESS

This notice is to inform the residents of Holiday Homes Mobile Home Park of the hazards associated with the natural gas pipeline system located within the park and how to respond if a gas leak is detected. Please read the contents carefully. Our goal is to ensure that natural gas is provided to the residents for their personal use in a safe and reliable manner.

### **Purpose of the Gas Pipeline System**

The natural gas pipeline system in Holiday Homes is owned, operated and maintained by the owners of the park. The pipeline system is designed to distribute gas to the residents, which is commonly used for warming homes, heating water (i.e. hot water heaters), cooking, the laundry room and the pool heater.

### **Reliability of the Gas Pipeline**

The gas pipeline system is operated and maintained by qualified individuals in accordance with the park's Operations and Maintenance Plan, which contains procedures for safely operating, maintaining and monitoring the system. The California Public Utilities Commission inspects the gas pipeline system for compliance with the Federal rules and regulations.

### **Hazards Associated with the Gas Pipeline**

Gas can leak from pipeline facilities damaged due to corrosion, outside force, natural events or equipment failure, etc. Because natural gas is a flammable commodity, gas leaks, under certain circumstances, have the potential to cause harm.

### **Preventive Measures Used for the Gas Pipeline**

The gas system is leak surveyed annually. All hazardous leaks are repaired. All main valves are inspected to ensure that they are operable. The gas system is patrolled on a routine basis to ensure that hazardous conditions such as atmospheric corrosion, improper care of discontinued services and customer lines, inadequate support of meters and pipeline components, etc., are noted and corrected. The park has a cathodic protection system that protects the pipeline from corroding and that the system is monitored on a routine basis to ensure its effectiveness.

### **How the Gas Pipeline Can Be Damaged**

The gas pipeline is susceptible to damage to outside forces such as those caused by excavation, vehicular traffic or excessive loads placed on meter set assemblies. In addition, restricted access to main valves and meter set assemblies could result in severe consequences in the event of an emergency.

The greatest risk to underground gas pipelines is damage caused during excavation. Even a minor impact with the pipeline could cause a dent or damage to its coating, resulting in a leak. **Notify the park owner/manager before you dig.** Do not park vehicles near gas meters or pipelines that are not protected by barriers. Do not remove meter supports or place heavy items on top of meter set assemblies. Do not restrict access to main valves or meter set assemblies. Please inform park owner/manager of gas meters that are vulnerable to vehicular damage or need supports and any other potential hazards you may notice.

### **Ways to recognize gas leaks**

Odor: Natural gas is colorless, odorless, tasteless and non-toxic. An additive (Mercaptan) in the gas gives it a distinctive odor (similar to rotting eggs or sulfur).

Vegetation: Natural gas leaking from an underground pipeline can destroy vegetation by starving the roots of air and water. An unusual dry patch of vegetation, within an otherwise green area, could indicate a below ground gas leak.

Sound: A blowing or hissing sound could indicate the presence of a gas leak.



**Bubbling Water:** Gas leaks on underground pipelines in flooded areas may cause bubbles in the water as the gas rises to the surface.

**Fungus-like Growth:** Gas leaks in valve boxes, manholes, etc., may develop a fungus-like growth that is generally white in color.

### **How to Respond to a Gas Leak**

Do not light items such as matches or cigarettes, or use any device that may generate a spark such as electrical switches, telephones (cell and land line phones), doorbells, automobiles or other engines, etc. Extinguish all flames, evacuate the building to a safe distance and turn off gas if feasible. To report a gas leak, call 252-3511 and inform park personnel of the situation and the location of the leak. Do not make the phone call from the area where the gas leak is present.

Example: You smell gas by your back steps! There could be several reasons for the odor, so first you would call the office. Trained personnel will come to your home at once and do several tests to determine the source of the odor. If it were a leak at or around the meter, they would attempt to repair it. If it were a leak in your home, they would inform you of the source and turn off the gas to that appliance. If it were a more serious problem they would make arrangements with contractors, etc.

## **Other Park Utility Information**

### **Utility Responsibility**

Did you know there are three owners for each utility line in the park? First is the Utility Company, which is responsible for quality, volume and supply of the utility to the Master Meters in our park. Second, Park Management and Owners are responsible between the Master Meter and your Space Meter. We are responsible for most of the gas pipes in the street that goes to your individual meter. Third, you are responsible from the Space Meter to your appliances, outlets, etc. This would make you responsible for your stove, home heater and hot water heater. It also includes the gas lines pipes from your appliances to the meter.

### **Electric Problem**

The electricity goes off in your house! First determine if this is a community problem (like a brown out or black out). Turn off all appliances especially the air conditioner or swamp cooler. Do not open your refrigerator or freezer anymore than necessary. When the power comes back on, turn on each appliance, at intervals of 2 minutes apart so that the main power source will not be overloaded. If your appliances do not all come on call the office, 252-3511. If the office is closed, ask for the manager and someone will be sent to your home as soon as possible.

### **Water/Sewer Problem**

You have a water or sewer leak at your house! Call the office or tell the answering service what the problem is and have them call a manager to come evaluate the problem. Trained personnel will come to your home to determine what the problem may be. If it is a park problem, it will be taken care of as quickly as possible. If it is a problem with your home plumbing, they will inform you as to the best way of taking care of the situation.

### **Telephone or Cable TV/Satellite Service Problem**

Holiday Homes Mobile Home Park is not responsible for your telephone, cable or satellite service. If you have problems with these particular items, please call the company involved with your service.

For additional information, contact the owner/manager of the park. Also, visit the websites of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (<http://www.phmsa.dot.gov>) or the California Public Utilities commission (<http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/puc/>).

If you have any questions, please call the office, 252-3511.

# June 2019

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