

# November 2017



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# News & Notes



## Sad, Sad News

**Wesley McCormick**, sp. 83 passed away October 6<sup>th</sup>. He moved into the park with his niece, **Jackie Jones**, in 2011. He was a very nice man who loved to walk their dog when he could. Our condolences to **Jackie**, his entire family and everyone who knew him.

**Sharon Mercer**, sp. 181 passed away unexpectedly October 13<sup>th</sup>. She moved here with her **Mom, Margaret** and her brother, **Ron** July 2007. A few years back Sharon worked for Riegel Properties as our housekeeper. She was also very involved with a few civic organizations in town. Our sympathies to **Margaret, Ron**, her children, the rest of her family, friends and all who knew her.

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## Pet Patrol

I hope that everyone had a great October. I can't believe it is November already. This year is almost done. Where did it go?

If you have a cute animal cartoon, joke or pictures that you would like to share, please bring it to the office and give it to my human caregiver. We are running out of these things (even the ones that don't involve animals).

Now is the time to start looking around your tires, engines and under your vehicles before you start them up. We have some strays in the park that love to sleep there because it is out of the weather and warmer. The Park is always trying to control these animals but it is a hard job especially when people are feeding these strays. If you stop feeding these animals, they will go somewhere else (hopefully out of the Park).

The **Humane Society** will be bringing their more social and adoptable canine friends to romp in our Bark Park the **2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday** of the month from **10:30-11:30 AM**. This month it will be the **9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of November**. If you would like to play with them or maybe find one to adopt, come on down. One of these delightful dogs was adopted last month.

Until next month -



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## For Safety's Sake

### When Disaster Strikes

No one is immune to disaster. Preparation is your most important key to survival. But what does preparation involve?

Prepare mentally. Acknowledge the fact that disasters happen and that you and your loved ones are potentially at risk. It is too late to prepare after disaster strikes.

Learn about disasters that can happen in your area. Know where shelters are. Consider whether the construction of your home and its location are as safe as possible. Remove fire hazards. Install smoke detectors and change their batteries at least once a year, if not more often.

Prepare emergency supplies. Power, water, phone and transportation services can fail. If you own a car, try to keep the fuel tank at least half full and always have food, water and an emergency kit in your home.

Have access to the phone numbers of friends, both near and far.

Make and rehearse an escape plan. Know the nearest exits in your building. Set up family meeting places, such as a school or a library, one nearby and another outside your neighborhood.

Authorities recommend that you practice walking with your family to those meeting points.

Plan to help others, including your neighbors.

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**Please, please, please update your emergency information with the office every year.** Especially if you live alone. There may come a time where we may have to find your next of kin or a close friend for you and if we don't have updated information, it is very hard to find someone for you. There will be blank forms in the January newsletter that you can use. You can also come down to the clubhouse or give us a call and we will get a form to you.

You may also leave us a key to your home so that in case of a medical emergency where you cannot get to your locked door, we may be able to get to you easier and quicker than trying to break in.

Also, if you are going to be gone for more than a day or two whether on a trip or even to the hospital, please let either your neighbors and/or the office know when you leave and when you get home. Especially when you get home.

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### From the Manager

We will be having our **November potluck Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30 PM** in the **clubhouse**. We will be decorated for Thanksgiving. Diane Hill will be preparing her favorite turkey recipe. Sue will be preparing the stuffing and Bob Riegel will be here preparing the roast beef and providing the mashed potatoes and gravy. If you need special seating or transportation to the clubhouse, please call the office before noon that day at 1-760-252-3511 so we may make the arrangements for you. Don't forget to bring your favorite fall side dish, your place settings and your neighbors. See you there!



**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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The **Emergency Team** will be meeting **Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** from **1-2 PM** in the clubhouse. We will be talking about how to make our group more effective during an emergency. The team is all volunteer and made up to help get information out to the rest of the Park faster and easier. Any resident is free to volunteer to join this group. We hope we see you at this meeting.

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**Exercise** is every **Monday, Wednesday and Friday** from **3:30-4:30 PM** in the clubhouse. Deborah Pullen is the instructor. These are low impact exercises to help you keep limber. The class is free.

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This month's **Health Clinic** will be **Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>** from **10-11 AM**. You can have your blood pressure taken 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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Rose Nieman 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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Feeling down, lonely, feel that you don't belong! You belong with us! We are forming a mental health group for park residents only - free. Please call 1-760-220-6802 or 1-760-252-0182. We look forward to hearing from you.

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**Do not put paint or oil collections behind the shop.** Burrtec does not pick up those items anymore. You can dispose of paint or used oil at the Hazardous Waste Corporation Yard at 900 So. Ave. H on Saturdays from 9AM-2PM.





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 or 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 (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. **Those of you that are speeding on the East side of Date St. - STOP IT!** 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!

As most of you know, Jeri Justus moved to Utah. So, I needed to find another **Assistant Manager**. I would like to introduce her to you. Her name is **Diane Hill** and she lives here in the Park. She will start **November 6<sup>th</sup>** so stop by the office and say hello. She looks forward to meeting and working with all of you!

**Please do not put outgoing mail in your mailbox overnight.** If you do, you are taking the risk of someone walking through the Park and stealing your mail possibly looking for information to steal your ID or money that could be in the envelope, etc.



### 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.

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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.

### Oat-Topped Sweet Potato Crisp

1 pkg. (8 oz.) Cream Cheese, softened  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup packed brown sugar, divided  
1 Granny Smith apple, chopped  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup flour  
 $\frac{1}{3}$  cup cold butter

1 can (40 oz.) cut sweet potatoes, drained  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp. ground cinnamon  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  cup chopped cranberries  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup old-fashioned or quick-cooking oats  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup chopped Pecans

Heat oven to 350°F.

Beat cream cheese, potatoes,  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup sugar and cinnamon with mixer until well blended. Spoon into 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ -qt. casserole; top with fruit.

Mix flour, oats and remaining sugar in medium bowl; cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in nuts. Sprinkle over fruit.

Bake 35 to 40 min. or until heated through.

Makes 8 servings

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**MAY YOUR STUFFING BE TASTY, MAY YOUR  
TURKEY BE PLUMP.  
MAY YOUR POTATOES 'N GRAVY HAVE NARY A  
LUMP,  
MAY YOUR YAMS BE DELICIOUS,  
MAY YOUR PIES TAKE THE PRIZE,  
MAY YOUR THANKSGIVING DINNER  
STAY OFF OF YOUR THIGHS.**

***Happy Thanksgiving!!!!***

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