

# SPRING VALLEY NEWS

SVLPOA – 3000 Wolf Creek Rd.. Clearlake Oaks. CA 95423-3000

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December 2016

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## COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES

DECEMBER 2016

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|----|---|--|
| 3  | Holiday Dinner                          | Doors open at 4:00 PM<br>Dinner at 6:00 PM |
| 7  | C.E.R.T. Meeting                        | 6:00 PM                                    |
| 13 | SVLPOA Breakfast                        | 8:00 – 11:00 AM                            |
| 17 | <b><u>NO</u> SVLPOA General Meeting</b> |  |



# COMMUNITY CENTER CALENDAR

Meeting schedules for December and January have been changed.  
Check to dates below to be sure to make the meeting

## DECEMBER 2016

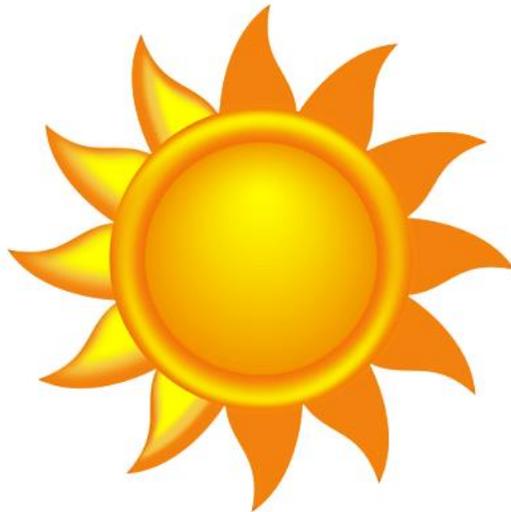
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17	<b><u>NO SVLPOA General Meeting</u></b>	

## JANUARY 2017

4	Lake Recovery Meeting	9:00 AM
4	CSA2 Meeting	7:00 PM
8	SVLPOA Breakfast	8:00 – 11:00 AM
19	SVLPOA General Meeting	6:30 PM
28	Chili Cook Off	Doors open at 4:00 PM Dinner at 6:00 PM

## FEBUARY 2017

1	Lake Recovery Meeting	9:00 AM
1	C.E.R.T. Meeting	6:00 PM
1	CSA2 Meeting	7:00 PM
12	SVLPOA Breakfast	8:00 – 11:00 AM
16	SVLPOA General Meeting	6:30 PM



### Send Someone a Bit of Sunshine

If someone in your neighborhood could use a bit of sunshine due to an illness, or whatever, please let our Sunshine Lady know. Linda Mann, 998-9464, will be happy to send some warm wishes to them.

## BREAKFAST

### SUNDAY

December 13

8 - 11 A.M.

### OMELETTES

### SCRAMBLED EGGS

### PANCAKES

### HASH BROWNS

### SAUSAGE &

### BACON

### BISCUITS &

### COUNTRY GRAVY

### FRUIT

ADULTS \$8.00

KIDS (3-12) \$3.00



## COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The free lending library is open for all Community Center events. No limit on books, no fines, and no due dates.

To donate paperback books, please contact a SVLPOA Board member to review and accept your donation.

**SVLPOA BOARD VOLUNTEER OFFICERS**

President Tim Campbell 889-7423  
 V. President KC Silva 998-0159  
 Secretary Sunny Gardner 530-5497  
 Treasurer Wendy Overin 998-9484  
 Bldg. Co-or. John Van Schaick 998-9781

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 Community Center new phone 533-9158

The SVLPOA Board members are residents who volunteer to provide breakfasts and activities for the community. They have no authority to act as a policing agent in the event of neighborhood disputes or illegal activities.

If you have a problem, or witness illegal activities, call one of these numbers for assistance.

Post these numbers next to your phone so you have them handy if you need them.

**EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

Report Vandalism: Sheriff Dispatch  
911 or 263-2690  
 Sheriff's Office: 262-4200  
 Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services:  
262-4090  
 Special District Office 263-0119  
 Lake County Fire: 994-2170  
 Northshore Fire: 274-3100  
 U.S.F.S.: 275-2561  
 Lake County Animal Care & Control:  
263-0278

**CAMPGROUND COMMITTEE**

Campground Information 998-9194  
 Campground Keys 998-9376

***(The park and grounds are cared for by all our residents. Remember to keep the gate to the park closed and locked at all times.)***

**County Service Area (CSA) #2**

Phone: 263-0119

**Advisory Board Volunteer Members**

Jim McDole 998-9535  
 Chair (Water)  
 Mark Currier 998-0241  
 (Lake Recovery)  
 Peggy O'Day 998-2987  
 (Safety)  
 Ed Smith 998-1167  
 (Finance)  
 Monte Winters  
 (Roads)  
 Member Helen Mitcham

**Who Ya Gonna Call...?**

Destructive 4 wheelin' in the campground... Stranger cruisin' around in my neighbor's property... Nuisance animals... These are a handful of phone calls for assistance I, and other SVLPOA board members, have received over the past several weeks. Unfortunately, taking direct action to affect these and any number of other instances is not in the prevue of the board.

Why do we not handle these situations? The reasons are the same as to why you may not want to. Repercussions on self, home or property by whomever you bend out of shape. Not knowing the full legal landscape of how to appropriately approach said issues. The list goes on.

However, there are a handful of local agencies that are trained and equipped to handle such situations. I would recommend starting with the Lake County Sheriff's Department. They will be happy to take your call and take any and all information you're able to provide.

If you like suggestions on who may be the appropriate agency to handle questionable situations, I'd be more than happy to partner with you on them. My best advice is get to know your neighbors, be vigilant but respectful of others privacy and if something odd is going on – stay safe and involve the proper folks when appropriate.

Tim Campbell, SVLPOA President

## Campground

October's rains were unexpected, but six inches of rain is always welcome during this long drought. The fall colors are nothing short of spectacular. The pyrocanthis (a forest green bush with brilliant red berries) is something to see this year, as well as our willows, cottonwoods, oaks, and wild grapes with their browns, yellows, and reds as they go dormant greeted by the white blooms of the coyote bush. The mass crop of acorns is about normal or a little light.

As the trees go dormant, the water comes back and the springs and creeks start to run. Migrating fowl begin to show up as our deer fade away back into the hills surrounding our homes before winter arrives.

Thank you to Doug Penn for using his atv to drag the camp sites and the baseball field. It looks really nice.

There may be some burning on the lake bad and greenbelt/campground during the winter to reduce the fuel load and open areas to the creek. During the lake recovery planning for the campground and greenbelt will be ongoing. If you have an opinion, please speak up.

The best of a healthy and happy holiday season to you and yours, now and always.

Merry Christmas

Joe G. Welz, SVCC



## Newsletter and Membership Information

The newsletter and area information is now available on our website at [www.svlpoa.org](http://www.svlpoa.org). Print a copy and share it with a neighbor. If you would like it mailed or sent to your e-mail, fill out this form and mail it with \$10 to the address shown on the form.

THANK YOU to the residents who have become members of the SVLPOA. Welcome to our new members: Pastor Jacque Hansen-Merritt, Keely Southwick, and Terre Yocum. We look forward to seeing you at our meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2017.

Membership for 2017 is due in January, 2017. If you plan to vote on the new SVLPOA Officers in March, your membership must be in by the end of February.

New members, fill out this form for 2017, and get the remaining months of 2016 FREE!

## SPRING VALLEY LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION (SVLPOA)

### 2017 MEMBERSHIP FORM

(Annual dues to be paid by January 31)

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Individual \$10.00 (minimum 18 years old) First  
Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Please mail newsletter to address shown above.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please send the newsletter to my e-mail at \_\_\_\_\_

Send this coupon and a check for dues to SVLPOA, 3000 Wolf Creek Rd., Clearlake Oaks, CA 95423, or bring to a SVLPOA event at the Community Center. Meetings are on the third Thursday of the month at the Spring Valley Community Center.



## **Chili Cook-off – January 28th 5:00pm-8:00pm**

What's better to cut through the chill of a winter day than a hot bowl of homemade chili? Think yours is the best in the valley? Bring it on down to the Community Center on Saturday, January 28th and put your secret family recipe up against your neighbors.

Chili drop off is 5:00pm for judging, along with the opening of the bar. Serving will officially begin at 6:00pm – the POA will be providing cornbread and green salad. Donations for desserts are most welcome. Hope to see you and your famous chili there!

Tim Campbell, SVLPOA President



## **VALLEY COWBOY CHURCH**

What a delightful time of the year! As we celebrate and thank the Lord for our country and our Savior's birth, let's remember to pray for peace and all those in need!

Our church hosted a free Thanksgiving dinner on the 24<sup>th</sup>, and we hope it was a blessing to the community!

Our doors are open to everyone. Please come to our Christmas Program and support our Christmas Caroling group.

Dec. 11 – 10:30 AM Christmas Program

(Operyland star "Rowdy" will sing a song for us)

Dec. 19 & 20 – Christmas caroling (hay wagon). If you'd like to join us, call 350-1109

Time: 5:30 – 6:30 PM Christmas Caroling

6:30 – 7:30 PM Hot cocoa, apple cider and cookies at the church

Come join us and hear our plans for the future!

God Bless, Pastor Jacque

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Spring Valley Lakes Property Owners Association

## Coming Spring 2017 – Spring Valley CERT Safety & Awareness Event

Have you ever found yourself wondering...?

I pay a fee to CAL Fire for fire prevention. It is higher than I pay for fire protection from Northshore Fire. Since the fee became effective we've paid over \$200,000, what did I get for that money? How much has been spent here in Spring Valley?

Or... Grasses on our properties is supposed to be cut short by May of each year to protect ourselves and our neighbors from fire. How do we report a property that isn't compliant?

Better yet... The campground is used by young residents for parties every year. They do a lot of damage that eats up our campground revenue fixing things instead of improving them. Who do I call to report such a party? Should I go down and talk to them?

This coming spring, your Spring Valley CERT is going to help you get the answers to these and other concerns weighing on the minds of fellow residents. CERT will be hosting a safety and awareness event at the Community Center and will be inviting agencies from across the county who affect our lives in the valley and the types of services we receive. These agencies will include CalFire, Lake County Sheriff, Special Districts, North Shore Fire, REACH and many more. These folks will bring all their cool toys and equipment to show off so bring the kids as well. CERT would also like to host a Q&A panel for the leaders of these agencies.

We will continue to update you as a concrete date takes shape and more agencies commit to attending.  
Tim Campbell: Captain, Spring Valley CERT





## Breakfast Report

The monthly breakfast November 13th at the Community Center was enjoyed by all those who attended. The specialty for November, prepared by Jim Cary, was the chili relleno cassarole that has been a favorite over the years. Also available were the custom-made omelets and pancakes besides the regular fare of scrambled eggs, salsa, hash browns, bacon and sausage, biscuits and gravy, and fruit.

Just a reminder, we serve breakfast every second Sunday of the month between the hours of 8:00 am to 11:00. This event is a fun and easy way to support your community center. The better turn-out we have, the more funds we will have available to put toward other activities you want to see happening throughout the year.

Again I want to thank those who made the breakfast possible. The cooks, besides Jim, were Mark Currier and Tim Campbell, assisted by Rebecca Campbell. Servers were Linda Holt, Win Cary, and Connie (Blondie) Sager. Mike Silva set the tables and Lethie Chadwick served coffee. Besides cooking, Jim Cary sold tickets at the door. Carol Weber greeted everyone and collected their tickets to keep track of the number in attendance. K.C. Silva did shopping and supervision. Remember, if any of these jobs sound appealing to you, don't hesitate to call either K.C. or Wendy on the board to let us know. Sharing the duties lightens the load and makes every event more enjoyable for all.

See you at the next breakfast, December 11<sup>th</sup>.  
Wendy Overin

## CSA2 Advisory Board 11/2/2016

By Peggy O'Day

**Public input:** In regard to water distribution project we would like the roads in as good of condition as they were before the project. A growing concern when the brush was cut and vegetation was cleared two years ago. It should have been removed rather than left in a pile to become a fire hazard, plus we have to pay to have it removed. We paid someone to remove the brush and the job was not completely done. We are tax payers and we are paying for this. Monte stated "they did what they were told to do, cut the brush." Mark Currier says we can mention it to Special Districts to request workers to take the clippings out with them

**Finances:** Reviewing the expense reports last year shows water paid for water; total water revenue of \$256,249 also paid for operation and maintenance. Ed says anticipation is our new pipeline will mean less wasted water.

**Safety:** Like Joe Welz stated, with the buildup of brush and vegetation in and along our lake, if we have heavy rain it could wash everything under our Wolf Creek bridge and cause a lot more damage. Our conversation on safety continued with the trees leaning over the bridge. Cal Trans was called for a bridge inspection; our concern is our new water tank for the Spring Valley Community. From this point we discussed an evacuation plan and included our Spring Valley CERT Team Leader Tim Campbell. He stated that, depending on the time of the year and whether the disaster is flooding or fires, as a general plan we need to consider where we would want our residents to go to be safe.

**Roads and Bridges:** no report

**Lake Recovery:** Soil samples were tested for Clearlake Lava by a aggregate processing plant where the excavated materials were screened, classified and sorted. The samples looked good which means we are one step closer to having our lake recovery project move forward. Mark Currier worked for years with the required government agencies, to get all the permits needed to proceed with lake recovery.

Motion to have a bye in December so our next meeting will be January 7th at 7:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there.



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**Halloween Party**

30 to 40 of the children living in the area enjoyed a fun Halloween Party at the Community Center on October 31.

Many thanks to all the adults and teens who helped with the decorations set up, party supervision, taking down decorations, and cleaning the building. It was a big job, and many hands made it possible.

Thank you, also, to all the residents who donated cakes, candy, funds, refreshments and prizes. Without your help and donations the children would not have such a great time.

