SPRING VALLEY NEWS

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HAVE A SAFE AND WONDERFUL AUGUST, AND REMEMBER SCHOOL IS STARTING BACK UP, SO WATCH FOR THE CHILDREN AND THE RED LIGHTS ON THE BUSES.

President's Message by Helen Mitcham

WOW! The 4th of July parade and barbecue was a lot of fun! Hope you were there to join the festivities. Many thanks to (my favorite) Valley patriot, Kenny Breen for serving as our Grand Marshal. He and companion Gavin are always a welcome sight in the valley. To each of our parade entrants – thanks! I appreciate your sense of community and patriotism!

Thanks to everybody who helped with the BBQ and festivities at the Community Center. To BBQ Master Bobby Keyes thanks a bunch and to Cotton Candy Man Mark Sahf – WOW that was a hit! And the water slide kept all the kids entertained. Engineers Anthony and Claudia – thanks for bringing the train. It's always such a hit! And to the crew that makes sure we're set up right and have everything we need- Thank You!

I have a word of warning though … watch out for the wicked arm of Julie Sahf! After getting dunked first, she set out and successfully dunked 3 other people – Richard Vasquez, Kris Tyner and me! Need to work on a better way out of the tank for next time … and a better ladder!!!

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT CAME OUT FOR THE DAY!

Maybe it was the heat but we had just one person at the POA meeting on the 21st! We couldn't vote on anything or make any decisions but we shared bits of information about Firewise and other valley items of interest. Meetings are always the third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. Please stop in!

The breakfast was huge – served 96! I'm sorry I missed it, especially since it was Bobby Keyes LAST BREAKFAST on the omelet stove!!! He's moving to Arizona … If you see him wish him luck. We will miss him.

WANTED We're looking for a new cook for our breakfasts! Is that you?

Actually, we'd like to find a couple of cooks – for omelets, sausage and bacon, hashbrowns, pancakes and waffles! It would be nice to have a couple of crews – split up the work – one month on and one month off! A few years ago, we had two crews for each job – cooks, set up, serving, and clean up. If you've been reluctant to volunteer for an "every month" job … would you reconsider if it was every other month?

Our breakfasts are for the whole community to enjoy and we're asking for your help. Are you willing to try it at the August breakfast? Maybe September? The Board hopes you will think about it and contact any one of us to help.

Speaking of cooks … have you ever barbecued a pig? We're looking for someone to BBQ at our pig roast August 27th – CAN YOU HELP? Call Helen Mitcham 707-998-9194. Please join us in the cool of the Community Center for our monthly meeting on August 18th at 6:30pm. See you there.

Contact Information

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Emergency Services	911
Sheriff Dispatch	707-263-2690
CDF-Clearlake Oaks (Hwy 20)	707-998-3711
Northshore Fire	707-274-3100
Animal Care and Control	707-263-0278
Special Districts (Water)	707-263-0119
Poison Control	800-222-1222

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SPRING VALLEY CALENDAR

AUGUST

August 3	Wed.	Clearlake Gleamers Food Bank Community Center 8 am-10 am.
August 3	Wed.	EaRTH Meeting- Moose Lodge 4 pm.
August 3	Wed.	CSA #2 Advisory Board Community Center 7:00 pm.
August 14	Sun.	SVLPOA Breakfast Community Center 8:00 am – 11:00 am.
August 18	Thur.	Clearlake Gleamers Food Bank Community Center 8 am-10 am.
August 18	Thur.	SVLPOA Meeting Community Center 6:30 pm.
August 27	Sat.	Pig Roast Community Center 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm.

SEPTEMBER

September 7	Wed.	Clearlake Gleamers Food Bank Community Center 8 am-10 am.
September 7	Wed.	EaRTH Meeting- Moose Lodge 4 pm.
September 7	Wed.	CSA #2 Advisory Board Community Center 7:00 pm.
September 10	Sat.	Campground Meeting Community Center 10:00 am-12 pm.
September 11	Sun.	SVLPOA Breakfast Community Center 8:00am –11:00 am (TBA in Sept.)
September 15	Thur.	Clearlake Gleamers Food Bank Community Center 8 am-10 am.
September 15	Thur.	SVLPOA Meeting Community Center 6:30 pm.15
September 24	Sat.	Western dinner Community Center 5:00 pm –10:00 pm. (square dance)
September 30	Fri.	Karaoke Community Center 5:00 pm –10:00 pm.

OCTOBER

October 5	Wed.	Clearlake Gleamers Food Bank Community Center 8 am-10 am.
October 5	Wed.	EaRTH Meeting- Moose Lodge 4 pm.
October 5	Wed.	CSA #2 Advisory Board Community Center 7:0 0pm
October 9	Sun.	SVLPOA Breakfast Community Center 8:00 am – 11:00 am (TBA in Oct)
October 14	Fri.	Karaoke Open Mic Community Center 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm
October 20	Thur.	Clearlake Gleamers Food Bank Community Center 8 am-10 am.
October 20	Thur.	SVLPOA Meeting Community Center 6:30 pm.
October 31	Mon.	Halloween Party (TBA closer to October)

Sunday Breakfast

8 AM – 11 AM

It is all you can eat Buffet:

Scrabble eggs, Hash Browns, Potatoes O'Brien, Sausage and Bacon, Biscuits and Country Gravy.

Only One Special Order from The Kitchen

Omelets, Pancakes, Waffles,

Unlimited Coffee and Juice Included in the Price.

THIS MONTH'S SPECIAL- CHILI RELLENOS

SVLPOA Members ($7)
Adults ($9)
Child Age 3-12 ($3)

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ON THE GREENBELT by Joe Welz

What does it take to keep this community working? A few caring people and a lot of time and hard work. I find it hard to explain. A little stress gets the juices flowing. Planning, set-up, the event and clean-up, It takes a while to learn how to put on an event. So, if you can find the time Volunteer through the Home Owners Association (SVLPOA). The satisfaction of a job well done brings pleasure to the soul, A mind that's content not to mention having a good time!

August is the time for buck (Deer) season and Yellow Jackets.
Buck season opens on August 13th, 2022, and closes on September 25th, 2022.
Yellow jackets start to be noticed so don't leave sweet things where people play or hang out or you will just attract the little buggers.

Please do not shoot guns in the park area. It is Illegal and there are too many houses and too many people moving around.

Centrally located in the Campgrounds/Play Area, there is a bathroom. Please use it, that is why it is there.

WOLF CREEK FIREWISE by Win Cary

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to….

- Our current group of volunteers, including but not limited to: Vickie Estrella, Cindy Storrs, Barbara and Patrick Jiron, Madeline and Lorelei Franco, Claudia and Anthony Lindheimer, Julie and Mark Sahf, Win and Jim Cary, Daniel Myers, Bryan Schwartz, and Dirk Widman. Other residents have helped, but this group is always ready to come out and work hard.
- Mark Currier for planning, producing, and donating printed, long-sleeve shirts for the group.
- The residents who have supported our program with their donations and support.
- All the property owners who have worked for hours and spent their funds to clear their property so we all can be protected if we have another wildfire year.
- The SVLPOA Board and CSA2 Board for their positive support of all our efforts.

I have been talking to a North Shore Fire rep about clear cutting along New Long Valley Rd. from Hwy 20 to Pomo Trail. They hope to have all their necessary equipment by mid-August. I hope we can work together to remove most of the fire fuels along that four-mile section up to 20' off the pavement. We will need volunteers for a total of eight hours a day for a number of days for traffic control and brush cutting. Any time you can volunteer, from two hours up, will be very appreciated by the work crew, and by any resident driving New Long Valley Rd. during an evacuation. If you are interested in clearing our only right-of-way in the event of a wild fire, and are willing to help us with this project, please call 707-998-3004 to get on the list. A few years ago, I received an estimate of $20,000 per mile from a licensed tree trimmer for this work. With the help of North Shore Fire crews and equipment, we should be able to get this completed at very little cost.

The monthly report of our activities is being given at the Property Owner Assoc. meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. Looking forward to seeing you there.

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CAMPGROUND by Helen Mitcham

Finally!!! The lock is back on the gate! It's taken months but we finally got a lock all the keys work in and if you were waiting for a key, check at the Pantry … you may have an envelope!

Please remember to close and lock the gate every time you go in or out! It's not a"leave it as you found it" it's a "lock every time"!

The toilet replacement is on hold pending receipt of another bid. We need three written bids to proceed and that's been a challenge. I hope to have the last one by August 7 th – then we get to schedule the work!

This past Sunday, someone ran over the water pipe between sites 5 and 6 so the water has been shut off to the bathrooms and showers. They are all locked now until the pipe is repaired. Special Districts will be setting iron pipes like are at site 3 to protect the pipe and faucet.

If you're interested in helping get the ball field ready for a friendly game of softball, please give me a call! I know the pitching rubber has been damaged and the little tufts of green bushes in the infield need to be pulled out. It's just a bit too hot right now …
There is a campground meeting scheduled for September 10th at the Community Center meeting will be at 10:00am. Come join us and see what's in the works – and give us your ideas.

CSA #2 ADVISORY BOARD by Helen Mitcham

Our guest at the July meeting was Scott Hornung from Special Districts. He is the coordinator for the Lake Recovery project and brought presentation of where we are and where we're headed. A couple of people said they felt like things were finally moving – like we might be almost past the planning stages and onto actual work. It's been a long 12 years to get to this point but it seems like things are finally happening.

We have a timeline developed by the Anchor QEA (Engineering firm) we will be able to share- maybe post at the Community Center.

More test digs have been made to assess the quality of the "spoils" sites and the AB has asked for an analysis of the material at the bottom of the lake to see if it might be useful in home gardens.

There is a lot of material needing to be removed and relocated – perhaps the Sulphur Bank mine might be an option. The critical Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) permit - previously approved – was lost by the Corps but was replaced by SDA. The ACOE contact is reviewing to ensure all is in order. SDA is hopeful this will be re-approved soon. Other permits and plans are either approved now or being prepared for submittal per the schedule – grading permit, de-watering and storm water plans.

There's still a lot to be done but … we have progress! We hope to be at a place in the project where a community meeting can be held to update the status and provide more details. We're looking at end of September with the engineering firm and SDA providing the update. Updates are provided at each meeting.

We will spend time this month on the proposed budget for the current fiscal year and plans for work on our roads this year. The paving job on New Long Valley Road is being done by Public Works. Thank you!

Please join us on Wednesday evening, August 3rd at 7:00pm.

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SPRING VALLY FOOD GIVEAWAY by Mark Sahf

The Spring Valley food giveaway is held on the first Wednesday and third Thursday of each week and provider of the food we giveaway is the Gleaners out of Findley Ca.

The number of householdswe provide for has not increased significantly from the discontinuing of the food giveaway at the moose lodge but it has increased. We ran out of food the last two giveaways but we have finally arranged for more to come in. I also discussed with the Gleaners the possibility of getting more fresh vegetables and they said they would do their best but apparently there is a logistical and timing problem they will have to overcome to get as much as we would like.

We have an exceptional group of volunteers that has allowed us to provide this service to each person without having to wait in a line any longer than 5 minutes if there is any wait at all. I would like to thank the following volunteers: Mark & Julie Sahf, Louie & Lori Gomez, Scott Prewett, Vicki Estrella, Lorelei Franko, Dan Myers, Scott & Sarah Renkes, Marc Clark, Anthony & Claudia Lindheimer and Patrick Leuty.

Holiday Tea by Gayle Christian

I will be hosting a Holiday Tea for the SVLPOA on Saturday December 3, 2022. It will be at the Community Center at 12 Noon.

We will be having the traditional three course luncheon with assorted tea sandwiches, savory selections, and delectable desserts. Assorted teas, coffee available, I will have the tables set with beautiful tea cups and table settings.

There will be entertainment and a silent auction table with a lot of wonderful items. Delicious baked goodies will be on the auction table also.

Please feel free to dress in your finest fluff and puff or as you please.

Tickets are $10.00, and seating is limited so please call by December 2nd,2022

RSVP to: Gayle Christian **707 533 9810.**

Everyone is welcome to this fun holiday event!!!

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NOVEMBER CRAFT FAIR by Jim Cary

We have seven crafters signed up to participate in this fun activity. Anyone else wanting to join should contact Jim Cary at 707-998-3004. The cost is $10 per table for both days.

We will be setting up on Thursday, November 3 rd, between 4 P.M. and 7 P.M. Doors will open for business on Friday and Saturday, November 4 th & 5 th from 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Let Jim Cary know if you want to do a food table. We hope to have several desserts donated by the ladies of the valley. Coffee will be free to those attending.

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CRAFT SALE by Kristin Langdale

We have started a craft sale in the Bar area the morning of our monthly Sunday Breakfast.

If you live in Spring Valley and are interested in selling your homemade item please
Contact: Kristin Langdale @ 707-540-2589.

This is a free of charge opportunity to let everyone see your creativity, and put a little jingle in your pocket, and get to meet your neighbors.

I will put your name into a jar and pick a name at the end of the month. If your name is picked I will call and let you know what you need to do to get it all set up and ready.

If you get picked and **can not** do it the following month then your name will go back in the jar. If you do participate, your name will stay out of the jar until everyone has had a chance to have a turn.

There is no pressure to stop in and say hi and look. If you see something you would like to have the person in charge will let know the price and is responsible for collecting the money for their crafts. and will get it ready for you to take home when you leave.

This is NOT affliated with the SVLPOA breakfast, so all money for crafts are to be paid to the crafter that has set up in the bar that month.

SPRING VALLEY LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION (SVLPOA)

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Date: _____ Total Memberships: _____

Name: _____
First Last

Phone: _____ Spring Valley Street Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____ City/Town: _____ Zip Code: _____

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