



Aug—Sep 2020 **Issue #203**

Build a bridge, not a barrier; make a friend, not a fuss; find a cause, not a controversy; be a cheerleader, not a critic; seek a solution, not a standoff

STALLION SPRINGS RESIDENTS:

What happened to our Summer? Even without the pool open and other fun summer activities I feel that our summer still flew by. I have missed seeing all of the kids and families out enjoying the warm sun and I have especially missed hearing all of the fun at the pool when we walk outside the office. I hope that you have made the best of the last few months and that you are all hanging in there during this challenging time. Remember to reach out to your friends and neighbors, smile and wave and try to stay positive. There are many resources out there for anyone in need so please don't hesitate to reach out. We are truly all in this together.

As most of you are aware, we have a trashy situation here is Stallion Springs. As long as I have lived here, I have witnessed many residents and nonresidents abusing our site. Dumping illegally and dumping large and not so large items that have NEVER been allowed. In an effort to avoid fines from Kern County and to keep our costs down we installed the new arms which will only allow access for our paying patrons. This new system will also allow better control over those dumping unauthorized items in our bins. As a reminder I ask that you all take the time to review the map and rules you were given upon your new trash tag install prior to arriving at the site. Be aware of the <u>NEW FLOW</u> of traffic and be patient as we all learn through this new change. Change isn't always fun but it is necessary in this case and we have the best interest of our residents in this. A few other things to remember SLOW DOWN especially when entering and exiting the site, be patient the arms will open automatically. Should they not open for some reason please call us right away at 661-822-3268 so that we can help you. Know that this is a learning process for all of us, staff included, so take the time to call us if you have questions or concerns.

Green waste: The new green waste area is great! So much easier for all residents as you can now just put your trimmings on the ground in the designated area. NO BAGS ALLOWED only small branches, grass, hay and leaves. NO MANURE (All manure MUST go to the Tehachapi Landfill) Do not leave large tree stumps or logs in our green waste area or you will be subject to citation. This site is for chippable items only. FREE MULCH is there and ready for any and all residents to take and use in their own yards.

TRASH BINS: These bins are for basic household trash only. Check our website for more details.

EWASTE: E-waste bins are available and are only to be utilized for items such as printers, computers, lamps etc. (small corded appliances only) No light bulbs or liquids of any kind.

RECYCLING: Unfortunately, this area is still a work in progress. If the bins are full or not available please take your items home and wait, otherwise you can place them in the trash bins for now.

**Bottles, cans, plastics and cardboard will be accepted but ALL cardboard MUST be flattened before throwing into the bins.

We are Looking forward to the change and loving the way the new site is coming along! Thank you in advance for your cooperation on this.

Vanessa Stevens, General Manager



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STALLION SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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To the Community,

August 7, 2020

On behalf of all officers of the Stallion Springs Department, I would like to personally say thank you to the entire Tehachapi community for your ongoing support of our Department during these difficult times. Over the past several weeks we have received an overwhelming amount of support and have exchanged kind words with residents and community organizations throughout Kern County. It has truly been an honor spending time interacting with you, listening to you and praying with you.

Relationship building is the process of developing social connections, and it is something we can all participate in together to help make a stronger community for us all.

Our main priority remains the same, to protect and to serve you and your families so that you may continue to feel safe in your community. We are blessed to work in such a wonderful, supportive community and we are humbled and honored to serve you.

Respectfully,

Gary Crowell, Chief of Police Stallion Springs Police Department

STALLION SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

**Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the meeting may be cancelled again. Notifications will be sent advising. If meeting is a Teleconference, instructions will be sent out with notifications about how to join in.

Our meetings are on the fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.:

Next meeting is:

August 25, 2020 &

September 22, 2020

Corral Room,

27850 Stallion Springs Drive

ALL are welcome! Bring your friends and neighbors! Meet our SSPD and get the latest updates on how to prevent crime in our neighborhood.

Parks and Rec



Summer Craft Night #1

We have missed craft night as much as you, if not more! Working with the guidelines of Kern County, we will provide 2 - 6" terracotta pots, paint, and design inspiration for an outdoor, social distancing craft! Sign up at the CSD by Friday, August 14th to ensure your spot!

When: Thursday, August 20th@6:30pm

Where: Stallion Springs Community Center

Cost: \$15

We hope to see you there, don't forget to wear a mask!

Summer Craft Night #2

The following week we will be offering a second craft, macramé hangers for plants! We will provide the materials and instructions on how to make this beautiful craft! Plants will not be provided. For this event, we will be following the CDC guidelines of social distancing and asking you to wear a mask. Sign up at the CSD before Friday, September 11th to get a spot!

When: Thursday, September 17th@6:30pm

Where: Stallion Springs Community Center

Cost: \$15







Kid's Craft Night

We will be hosting a craft night for the kids! Get them out of the house after a day of virtual learning to get some sunshine, paint a pot, and plant some seeds to watch grow throughout the school year! Sign up at the CSD to get your spot!

When: Thursday, September 2nd@6:00pm

Where: Stallion Springs Community Center

Cost: \$5

We have high hopes to be able to bring back more in person events and activities for the community soon. Until that is possible, follow along on our Facebook page for ways to stay active virtually and fun pages for children to explore. Hang in there and stay safe!

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The new library is almost complete and the grand opening will be Saturday, August 29, 2020 10 a.m.—3 p.m. Please wear a mask if you are attending. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Emma at 661-822-1385. We are so excited for this great improvement to our community!



Lake News:

All of the work done over the past few months to Horsethief Lake has really made a difference! We have stocked the lake with Big Mouth Bass, Blue Gill & Mosquito Eaters. We are still looking for donations for fish, so please spread the word. Donations can be made to Support Stallion Springs Foundation (non-profit organization to better the Community). Please specify "Fish" in the memo.



IMPORTANT: FISHING PERMIT IS REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES.

Fishing without a permit will result in a fine. 48-hour permits are available at the Stallion Springs General Store or the CSD for \$10. Yearly permits are available at the District Office ONLY Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m.— 4:15 p.m. (closed from 12—1).

Parks & Recreation:

Due to Corona Virus, at this time, we are following the CDC recommendations and will continue to keep the pool, gym and most activities suspended at this time.



Stay active, stay positive, and stay well.

Your participation in the Demand Response events over the past several days helped minimize the CAISO's rotating power outages.

The Governor's Office is still asking for utilities to activate all Demand Response programs to reduce energy usage as well as use all available onsite back-up generation during the hours of 2 to 9 p.m.

Thank you.

JUST A HEADS UP ABOUT WATER PAYMENTS....

When you use your bill payment system to pay Stallion Springs CSD, your bank writes a check and it is sent by mail.

Your bank may take money out of your account today, but not write a check for up to 10 days after your request.

We may not get your payment for up to 14 days after your request.

SSCSD offers credit card payments thru our website www.stallionspringscsd.com and we now offer Phone payments and Auto payments by calling: 661-825-1515.

There is a minimum processing charge for the online credit card payments, but the payments are processed immediately.

WATER INFORMATION

<u>BILLING</u> - You will receive a bill which includes water usage, trash and sewer charges, every two months as follows:

Did you know you can go online and pay or just manage your water bill at www.stallionspringscsd.com, Online Bill Pay? Stallion Springs CSD only accepts Cash or Check in our office.



ADDITIONAL DATE FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY WILL BE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2020 9 A.M.—1 P.M.

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STALLION SPRINGS

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Important Information for Stallion Springs Residents

Stallion Springs Community Services District Office (Hours - Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Closed 12:00n - 1:00 p.m. for lunch) 27800 Stallion Springs Drive • Tehachapi • CA • 93561 • Phone: 661-822-3268

Parks and Recreation
661-823-7883
Police Department Dispatch 800-861-3110
Fire Department

661-822-3980 Water & Sewer Emergency 661-822-3268

661-753-6207 (after hours)
Police/Fire Emergencies
911

Police Non-Emergency	У
800-861-3110	

Street lights should be reported to Southern California Edison 800-655-4555. They will need the closest cross streets & the pole # that can be found on the pole.

Potholes or needed street repairs should be reported to the Al White, Public Services Supervisor via email:

awhite@stallionspringscsd.com or call the District office 661-822-3268.

Utilities			
& Services	Provider	Phone Number	Website
Trash, Water, Sewer	SSCSD	661-822-3268	mysscsd.com
Electricity	So. Cal. Edison	800-655-4555	sce.com
Natural Gas	The Gas Company	800-427-2200	socalgas.com
Telephone	AT & T	800-331-0500	att.com
Internet/Telephone	Race Communications	877-722-3833	race.com
Animal Control	K.C. Animal Services	661-868-7100	

Planning to dig? You will need to have the underground utilities marked. Designing a project, no matter how big or small, you need to know the location of the underground lines. To place a dig notification, please call 8-1-1 or 800-227-2600.

Public School Information	Phone Number	Website
Tehachapi Unified School District	661-822-2100	teh.k12.ca.us/
Tehachapi High School	661-822-2130	ths.teh.k12.ca.us/
Jacobsen Middle School	661-822-2150	jms.teh.k12.ca.us/
Transportation Dept.	661-822-2115	teh.k12.ca.us/



PAY ONLINE! Pay your water bill anytime, anywhere. Online Bill Pay makes it easy for you to manage your water bill. You can view your bill, see payment history, etc. You can even do auto pay. Owners can register or use Quick Pay. Renter's Only use Quick Pay. Go to our website at www.stallionspringscsd.com. It is located on the Home Page.

Please be advised that the Main District Water Valve should never be turned at your meter. By doing this, it may cause damage or may be broken which will cause water shut offs not only to your residence, but to a whole neighborhood. Thank you.

Recommended: All customers should have their own customer valve for shutting off water.

INFORMATION AND NOTES

- ◆ For emergency police, fire and medical calls dial 911 and specify to the dispatcher that you live in Stallion Springs. To reach the police for nonemergency purposes, contact Kern County Dispatch at (800) or (661) 861-3110.
- ◆ California law states that dogs must be on a leash. Please follow this rule. Stallion Springs Police will be working with Kern County Animal Control in regard to ticketing violators.
- ♦ For District emergencies off hours, such as a main line water break you may call 822-3268. Leave a message with the problem, your name and contact number and an on-call District staff will be paged.
- Please visit our website:

www.stallionspringscsd.com

to keep informed.