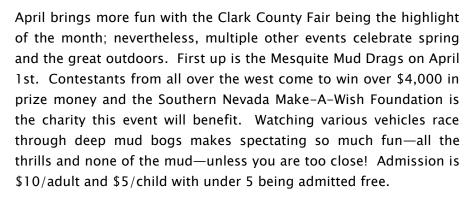


Get Out and Enjoy Spring Activities in NE Clark County

The rural communities in northeast Clark County take full advantage of spring weather and every weekend is jam-packed full of outdoor activities! In March, the Chamber of Commerce sponsored the Valley-wide Yard Sale, bringing in folks from Vegas and beyond to enjoy fun yard-sale finds throughout the rural community. The Moapa Valley Revitalization Project hosted the Moapa Valley Days Street Festival with vendor booths and music at the shady Overton Park. Other March events featured the Moapa Valley High School Rodeo and Partner In Conservation's First Annual Logandale Trails Beauty and Beast Fundraiser. Horse trailers and OHV rigs filled both sides of the county fairgrounds and with both events offering free admission to the public, many came out to watch and enjoy both outdoor activities.

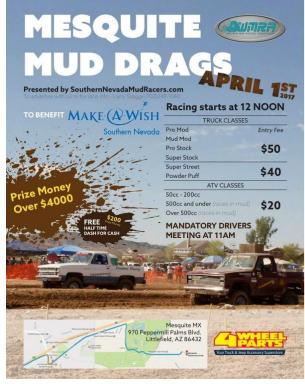


Valley of Fire State Park is hosting guided hikes almost every Saturday in April to take full advantage of the gorgeous wildflower display the Mojave Desert offers this time of year. Check out their Facebook page for more info and be aware that most hikes require reservations and fill up fast!

Of course, fun does not have to be a planned event. Take a drive along the Northshore Road, enjoy the flowers, stop for a picnic or cruise into Overton for lunch at a variety of great local eateries. Plan a few hours to visit the Lost City Museum which houses an amazing array of artifacts and exhibits. The Moapa Valley Chamber of Commerce's website is a great one–stop place for information, directions, and event calendars. Add it to your 'favorites' and check back often! http://moapavalleychamber.com







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Overton Community Center Mural Finalists Unveiled

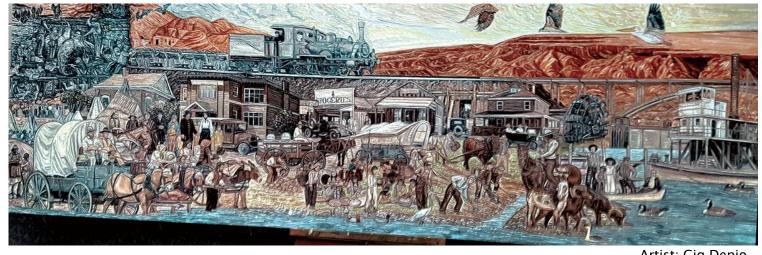
At the March 15th meeting of the Moapa Valley Town Advisory Board, 3 artists presented their visions for a 12 foot tall by 36 foot wide mural for the west wall of the meeting room in the Overton Community Center. The winner was not chosen that night, but will be announced at a future date. Once selected, the artist will have until the end of the year to complete the project. For more information visit: http://mvprogress.com/2017/03/22/artistspresent-ideas-for-overton-community-center-mural/



Artist: Joan Day



Artist: Heidi Leavitt

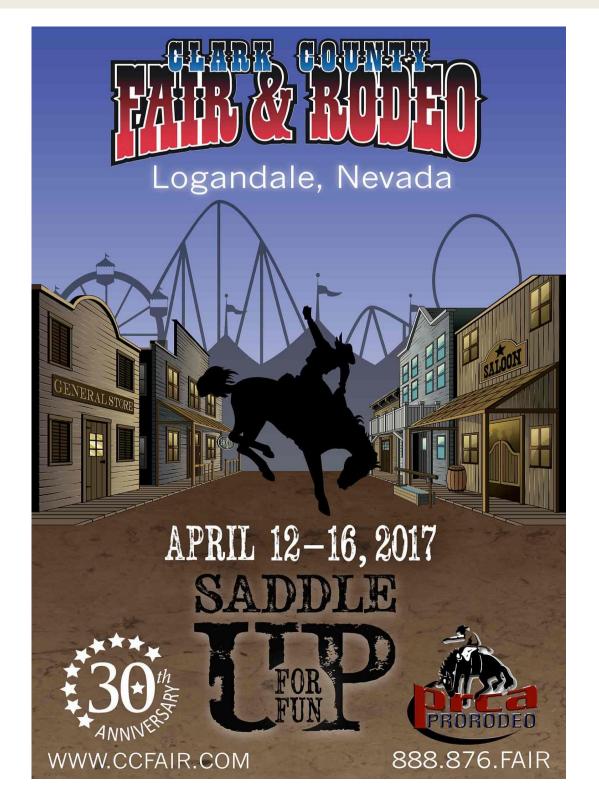


Artist: Gig Depio

Events for April - Northeast

- Wednesday, April 12 Moapa Valley TAB* meeting at the Moapa Valley Community Center, 7 pm
- Tuesday, April 25 Moapa TAB* meeting at the Robinson Justice Court & Community Center, 7 pm
- Thursday, April 27 Bunkerville TAB* meeting at the Bunkerville Community Center, 7 pm

*TAB = Town Advisory Board



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Indian Springs Kicks Off Youth Baseball Season

It's time for Youth Baseball again and Indian Springs started their season with a parade! Teams rode through the town and ended up at the baseball field where they played their first games. The first pitch was thrown out by Toni Nichlos, who was also Grand Marshall of the parade. Good luck to all of the teams, now.......Play Ball!!

















Events for April - Northwest

• Monday thru Friday at the Indian Springs School – Safekey Program for children in grades K – 6 after school. For more information call 702–879–3890 or stop by the Safekey room next to the playground

- Tuesdays at the Indian Springs Community Center Knit, Stitch and Crochet: this is a great opportunity for knitters, crocheters and other fiber artists to gather and share their projects, talk over ideas, and just enjoy company, 10 am
- Wednesdays at the Indian Springs Community Center The doors will be open and the coffee will be on, so stop by for some good conversation, 10:30 am
- Thursdays at the Indian Springs Community Center Dance yourself into shape, 18 and over, 10am
- Thursdays at the Indian Springs Community Center The Pathway to Sobriety 12 Step Addiction Recovery Open Meeting, 6 to 7 pm, call 702-375-5758 for more information
- Saturdays, April 1, 8, 22 & 29 Youth Baseball, T-Ball at 9 am, Rookies at 10:15 & Minors at 11:30 am
- Wednesday, April 12 Movie and a Craft Moana, 11 am at the Indian Springs Community Center
- Thursday, April 13 Indian Springs TAB* meeting at the Indian Springs Community Center, 6:30 pm
- Thursday, April 27 Mt. Charleston TAB meeting at the Mt. Charleston Library, 7 pm
- Thursday, April 27 Bingo at the Indian Springs Community Center, 6:30 pm

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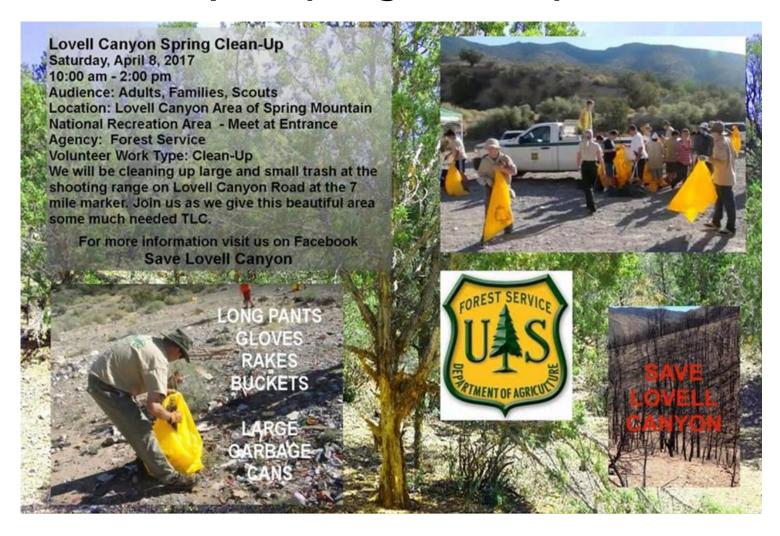
Eagle Scout and Partners Remove Fencing



On March 11, an Eagle Scout Project organized by Boy Scout Troop 912 partnered with the U.S. Forest Service and the Great Basin Institute to remove a section of barbed wire fencing from the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest's Spring Mountains National Recreation Area. Eliminating the defunct fence aids in the movement of elk, deer, and wild horses, allowing wildlife to travel more safely and freely across the landscape. Twenty-two people volunteered their time to remove 855 feet of barbed wire fencing, which improved 176 acres of habitat.

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Lovell Canyon Spring Clean Up



Sandy Valley VFD Welcomes New Engine







Annual Spring Fling at Keystone

Sunday, April 2nd, 2017 - All Day!

FEATURING:

Little Britches Rodeo Competition Beginning at 8am Cowboy Church with Pastor Mike from 10am-11am



..AND INTRODUCING:

"Vittles and a Show" at lunchtime with Mama's Wranglers — The Jackson Family Band & Cloggers







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show prices: \$10 adults / \$5 kids 12 & under - buy your tickets and/or sign up for booth space at the Sandy Valley Post Office!
booth prices: \$10 standard; \$5 non-profit; \$0 artists

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Events for April - Southwest

- Mondays at the Sandy Valley Senior Center Quilting group, 1 5 pm
- Fridays at the Sandy Valley Senior Center Crochet and Knitting, 1 5pm
- Saturday & Sunday, April 1 & 2 Little Britches Rodeo at the Keystone's BJC Arena, 9 am
- Sunday, April 2 Sandy Valley's Annual Spring Fling, see ad on previous page
- Tuesday, April 4 American Legion Meeting at the Keystone in Sandy Valley, 6:30 pm
- Friday, April 7 General Meeting and Potluck at the Sandy Valley Senior Center, 1 pm
- Saturday, April 8 Keystone Enrichment Foundation Meeting, Keystone Center in Sandy Valley, 9 am
- Tuesday, April 11 Sandy Mesquite Valley Dev. Assoc. meeting at the SV Community Center, 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, April 11 Sandy Valley CAC* meeting at the SV Community Center, 7:30 pm
- Sunday, April 16 Annual Blue Diamond Easter Sunday Brunch, 9:30 am at the Blue Diamond Rec Hall, all you can eat poached egg concoctions and a whole lot more, \$15 adults and \$5 kids 12 and under
- Saturday, April 15 Sandy Valley Community Breakfast, 8 am to 10:30 am at the Senior Center, \$3.50 for the best pancakes & sausage or biscuits & gravy
- Monday, April 3 Coffee and Donuts at 8 am and Board meeting at the Sandy Valley Senior Center at 11 am
- Tuesday, April 25 Goodsprings CAC meeting at the Goodsprings Community Center, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, April 26 Red Rock CAC meeting at the Blue Diamond Library, 7 pm

*CAC = Citizens Advisory Council **Contact Shawna at 702-723-5040 for more information

Remodeling at the Blue Diamond Library



The Blue Diamond Library will be closed a a remodel from Monday, April 3rd through Friday April, 7th. The library services will be available during that time at the Blue Diamond Rec Hall during normal hours. The library will be getting new carpet, paint and furniture. Be sure to stop by and check out the changes!

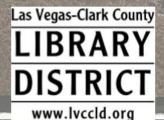
Almeda Bradshaw Songs of the Cowboy: Romance and Reality



Almeda Bradshaw is one of
Montana's most talented
Western singer/songwriters. Her
love and appreciation for the
cowboy life comes through in
heartfelt expressions of the
west. A lifetime of writing and
music places Almeda's work
above the ordinary, and her clear
vocals, compelling stage presence
and musicianship make her an
audience favorite.

Laughlin Library - 2840 S. Needles Hwy Saturday, April 15 at 2pm

Centennial Hills Library - 6711 N. Buffalo Dr. Monday, April 17 at 6pm



Free and open to the public.
For more information call 702.507.6019

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Events for April - Southeast

• Tuesdays at the Laughlin Library – Club Tuesday offers a variety of crafts, games activities and stories for ages 5 to 11, 4:30 pm

- Wednesdays at the Laughlin Library Lego Club, ages 5 to 11, 4 pm
- Sunday, April 2 Movie Matinee at the Laughlin Library, Moana, 1:30 pm**
- Saturday, April 8 Children's Craft at the Laughlin Library, 3 pm**
- Friday, April 7 & 21 Movie Matinees at the Laughlin Library, 2 pm**
- Sunday, April 9 Origami Paper Folding class at the Laughlin Library, 1:30 pm**
- Sunday, April 9 Tea at Three sample new teas at the Laughlin Library, 3 pm**
- Tuesday, April 11 Computer Classes at the Laughlin Library. Computers and the Internet 10:15 am 12:15 pm. Getting Started with Microsoft Word 1:00 pm 3:00 pm REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Call 702–507–4063 to register
- Tuesday, April 11 Laughlin TAB Meeting at the Regional Gov. Center, 1:30 pm
- Thursday, April 13 Brown Bag Book Club at the Laughlin Library, 11 am**
- Monday, April 24 Laughlin Constable's Office Quarterly Town Hall Meeting at the Laughlin Library. Meet the Laughlin Constable and find out what his office has been doing the last quarter and what they can do for you! Questions are always welcomed. Light refreshments are served. 5:30 pm
- Wednesday, April 26 Searchlight TAB meeting at the Searchlight Community Center, 6 pm
- Thursday, April 27 Adult Coloring at the Laughlin Library, 2 pm**
- Thursday, April 27 Pokemon Club at the Laughlin Library for ages 5-11, 4 pm**

*TAB = Town Advisory Board **For more information call the Laughlin Library at 702-507-4060



4-H Voices: Sandy Valley 4-H Club

Free Carwash and Hotdog lunch in Sandy Valley
By Erika Lovato

The Sandy Valley 4–H Club teamed up with Sandy Valley Volunteer Fire Department for an awesome event, a free car wash and open house, on Saturday, March 25. We all had tons of fun washing the cars and getting wet and sharing good laughs. There were 24 kids working the car wash and we washed 25 cars. The SVVFD served hot dogs, chips, and water. They were glad to help. We washed the cars out side of the bays at the station, and then the owners pulled them forward into the bays to be dried. This was a free event, done by the SV4–H Club as our March Community Service project. Afterwards, while we were cleaning up, the firefighters pulled out their hoses and we were able to spray them into the parking lot. All of us 4–H kids had so much fun serving the community and helping.







This Little Piggy Goes to Market: February
OllieAnna Wadley

March has been busy as we enter the final count down for fair. My market hogs are converting better than anticipated, so I will have to hold them back a bit. We don't want them too fat. They should have about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch of cover and we don't want them to carry more weight than their carcass can hold. This is why we like to select a market hog with a big bone.

Showmanship practice, feeding, weighing, record books and yes the buyer letter, all this crammed into the final few weeks. I have attached my buyer packet that gets sent out to prospective buyers. Please come to fair and see the show and attend the livestock auction!

Bye for now, next month we will have the final break down of profit and gain. I sure do hope there is a profit involved!



OllieAnna Wadley 777 E Quartz Ave 8707 Sandy Valley, NV 89019

Dear Si

My name is Ollie Anna Wadley. I am a search year member and out reporter for Sandy Valley 4.4 Club. I have been raising a 4.4 market hag to show and Sell at the Clark County Foir and Senior Ukrasheck Ouclien, In Logandole, New on Haril 15, 2017. I am trying to Searce a bouyer for my project I have induded some information on how

I hope to see you at the Sear!

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