



RURAL CONNECTIONS

Indian Springs Annual Warrior Competition

There was fierce competition – and plenty of mud, suds and fun at the Clark County Indian Springs Volunteer Fire Department’s Warrior Competition on Saturday, May 27th. A total of 42 kids ranging in age from 5 to 18 tackled a wide variety of obstacles including putting out a “house fire” using a real fire hose! Congratulations to all of the competitors – and a special round of applause to the winners!



Ages 5-7

- 1st – Robyn Di Gregorio
- 2nd – Connor Fannin
- 3rd – Tegin Putirskis

Ages 8-10

- 1st – Dominic Purcell
- 2nd – Damian Vaughn
- 3rd – Jonas Dederich

Ages 11-13

- 1st – Patrick Young
- 2nd – Dion Gilbert
- 3rd – Justo Hernandez

Ages 14-18

- 1st – Alex Golly
- 2nd – Mason Torneskog
- 3rd – Taylor Hickman



Kickoff to Summer Party Saturday, June 10th

Starting at 2:00pm, the Indian Springs Pool will be opened with FREE entry until the pool closes at 6:00pm.

Throughout the day, the staff has several games planned with the chance to win some cool prizes. Also, there will be a mini Swim Lesson at safety break.

At 6:00pm, we will be serving a FREE hotdog with chips and a water.

An outdoor movie, "ROCK DOG," will be shown starting at dusk.

Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs and blankets.

Looking forward to seeing all of you there.

Events for June – Northwest

- **Tuesdays through Thursdays at the Indian Springs Community Center** – Open Rec, Tuesdays and Wednesdays – 5 to 9 pm, Thursdays – 1 to 5 pm, \$1 per child per day, Children under 7 are welcome, but an adult must stay with them
- **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** – The Pathway to Sobriety 12 Step Addiction Recovery Open Meeting, 6 to 7 pm, call 702-375-5758 for more information
- **Saturdays at Trucks Field** – Just for Fun Softball for all residents 18 and over, be at the field at 7 pm for team selection and the games start at 7:30 pm
- **Thursday, June 1** – Mt. Charleston TAB* meeting at the Mt. Charleston Library, 7 pm
- **Saturday, June 3** – Mt. Charleston's Annual Pine Needle Pickup, contact Tom at 310-795-0035 to volunteer
- **Wednesday, June 7** – Club Read Kickoff at the Mt. Charleston Library with a special performance by Elephant and Piggie! Stay after for some awesome crafts! 1:15 pm
- **Saturday, June 10** – High Desert Seniors Community Pancake Breakfast at the Indian Springs Community Center, 7:30 to 10 am
- **Saturday, June 10** – Summer Kickoff Party at the Indian Springs Pool, see previous page
- **Tuesday, June 13** – Club Read Kick off at the Indian Springs Library at 12 noon, Ages 0-11, Join the club! Find out how to sign up, log your reading and earn prizes! Babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and children in grades K-12 are all encouraged to participate!
- **Thursday, June 15** – Indian Springs TAB* meeting at the Indian Springs Community Center, 6:30 pm
- **Saturday, June 17** – Miss Indian Springs Pageant, 3 pm
- **Thursday, June 29** – Mt. Charleston TAB meeting at the Mt. Charleston Library, 7 pm
- **Thursday, June 22** – Bingo at the Indian Springs Community Center, 7 to 9 pm

*TAB = Town Advisory Board

How Clark County's Rural Towns Got Their Names* (with a little history thrown in there, too)

Bunkerville: In 1877, a group of 23 Mormon pioneers headed to Nevada from Utah to establish a utopian community. The group was headed by Bishop Edward Bunker, and the community that was formed on the banks of the Virgin River was named Bunkerville in his honor.



Cal-Nev-Ari: Located along the 95 between Searchlight and Laughlin, Cal-Nev-Ari is named for the intersection of the states of California, Nevada, and Arizona. Interestingly, the small airport town is actually about 25 miles from that point.



Goodsprings: The town was named after a Mr. Joseph Good who headquartered his cattle raising operation at this oasis in the desert. After finding silver near the spring in 1861, Good established a small store and the town grew as more silver and lead deposits were discovered around 1868. At first, the town was known as Good's Spring but eventually was changed to Goodsprings with the establishment of the post office.



Jean: First known as Goodsprings Junction, Jean was the connection for the road to Goodsprings. When the post office was established at the site in 1905, store owner George Fayle named the town after his wife, Jean (shown in the photo to the right.)



Logandale: A miner and Civil War Veteran named Logan settled in one of the homes that had been left when the settlers of St. Joseph abandoned the town. The area began to revive in 1912 around a railroad station that had been named Logan in his honor. It was subsequently renamed Logandale to avoid confusion with Logan, Utah.

Mountain Springs: Appearing on an 1855 map of a land route between Salt Lake City and San Francisco, the area was undoubtedly named for the many springs in the area that still exist today. Early travelers through the area also referred to the stopping point as Piute Springs.

Overton: In the early 1880's, only one store existed in Moapa Valley, so families from St. Joseph, Kaolin, and other nearby settlements would hitch up their wagons and go 'over-to-town' for supplies. Eventually the pioneers simplified this to Overton.



*Editor's Note: This is the first in a series that will continue for the next couple of months. Some of the sources I used are listed below, but if you have more information you would like to share, I would love to hear about it!

"Nevada Place Names: A Geographical Dictionary" by Helen S. Carlson

<http://digital.library.unlv.edu/>

<https://www.moapavalleychamber.com/Moapa-Valley-History/>

<http://www.onlinenevada.org/articles/leavitt-house-bunkerville-clark-county>



Mountain Springs Resident Chosen for Jr. Golden Knights

Fourteen year old Harrison Whissel, a resident of Mountain Springs and student at Odyssey Charter School, tried out and made the Jr Golden Knights Bantam AA hockey team. This is the first year for the Jr Golden Knights team, they will be playing games in the new Las Vegas Golden Knights practice rink at Downtown Summerlin. They will also be playing in Utah, California, Idaho, Colorado, Arizona, and Montreal, Canada. At the end of the season they will be competing in the nationals located in New York.

Photo and article courtesy of Paul Whissel



Mountain Springs Resident Shares His Patriotism



Rafael Sarabia and his horse, Red Sonja, joined the Las Vegas Sin City Riders in the Helledorado Parade on May 13th in Downtown Las Vegas. Rafael led the group carrying an American flag along the parade route. The Sin City Riders were chosen as the Best Equestrian Entry in the parade. Rafael and Red Sonja also showed their patriot spirit by displaying the American flag for drivers along State Hwy 160 over the Memorial Day weekend.

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FOR MORE INFO: JAM AT THE BARN ON FACEBOOK OR [JAMATTHEBARN@GMAIL.COM](mailto:jamatthebarn@gmail.com)

Goodsprings School Performs at Old Timers Reunion

The Annual Old Timers Reunion was held the first weekend of May in Goodsprings. In addition to the usual potlucks, Historical Society Meeting, and Miner's Breakfast, this year the students of the Goodsprings School performed the "The Piggy Opera." This musical re-telling of the well-known story of the Three Little Pigs was delightful and funny. Teacher Tyra Tripp told the audience that every child in the class had learned every part in the production and that they helped to make all of the costumes and stage props. The kids really seemed to enjoy putting on the performance - and the audience loved it, too.



Clark County 4-H Demonstration Night



Saturday, June 10th in
beautiful Sandy Valley
from 5-9pm.



Come show your
public speaking skills,
demonstration skills,
and enjoy dinner with
your 4-H Family!

Open to ALL Clark County 4-H CloverBuds and Members!

Come compete in a county-wide 4-H Demonstration Contest. Great cash prizes, dinner, and demonstrations. Our favorite competition is back, and is being held in Sandy Valley. Fill out the entry form, and follow the submission instructions. If you have any questions, please call Sandy Valley 4-H Club Leader, Christine Brown at (702)538-2794. Guest judges include Assemblyman James Oscarman and Assistant Fire Chief Larry Haydu of the Clark County Fire Department. This event is sponsored by the Clark County 4-H Council.

Events for June – Southwest

- **Wednesdays at the Sandy Valley School Gym** – Basketball, 6:30 pm
- **Thursday, June 1** – Club Read Kickoff at the Blue Diamond Library, 3 pm
- **Thursday, June 1** – Club Read Kickoff at the Sandy Valley Library, 4:30 pm
- **Monday, June 5** – Coffee and Donuts at 8 am and Board meeting at the Sandy Valley Senior Center at 11 am
- **Saturday, June 10** – 4H Demonstration Night and Free Community Dinner from 5 to 9 pm AND 2nd Competition in the Sandy Valley Play Day Association Series, sign ups at 6 and ride starts at 7 – all at the Keystone Center
- **Monday, June 12** – Volleyball at the Sandy Valley School Gym, 4:30 to 6:30 pm
- **Tuesday, June 13** – Sandy Mesquite Valley Dev. Assoc. meeting at the SV Community Center, 6:30 pm
- **Tuesday, June 13** – Sandy Valley CAC* meeting at the SV Community Center, 7:30 pm
- **Wednesday, June 14** – The Return of Elephant and Piggie! and crafts at the Blue Diamond Library, 2 pm
- **Thursday, June 15** – All you can eat spaghetti, movie and game night at Keystone in Sandy Valley, 6 pm
- **Saturday, June 17** – Sandy Valley Community Breakfast, 8 am to 10:30 am at the Senior Center, \$3.50 for the best pancakes & sausage or biscuits & gravy
- **Friday, June 23** – Fratello Marionettes perform “The Frog Prince” at the Sandy Valley Library, 4 pm
- **Tuesday, June 27** – Goodsprings CAC* meeting at the Goodsprings Community Center, 7:30 pm
- **Wednesday, June 28** – Red Rock CAC* meeting at the Blue Diamond Library, 7 pm

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

Sandy Valley School Gym Dedicated

Commissioner Brager joined School Board Trustee Carolyn Edwards, Principal Dawna Alexander, students, staff, and members of the Sandy Valley community to dedicate the new gym at the Sandy Valley School. The gym is the first phase of many improvements and new structures that are planned for the future of the school.

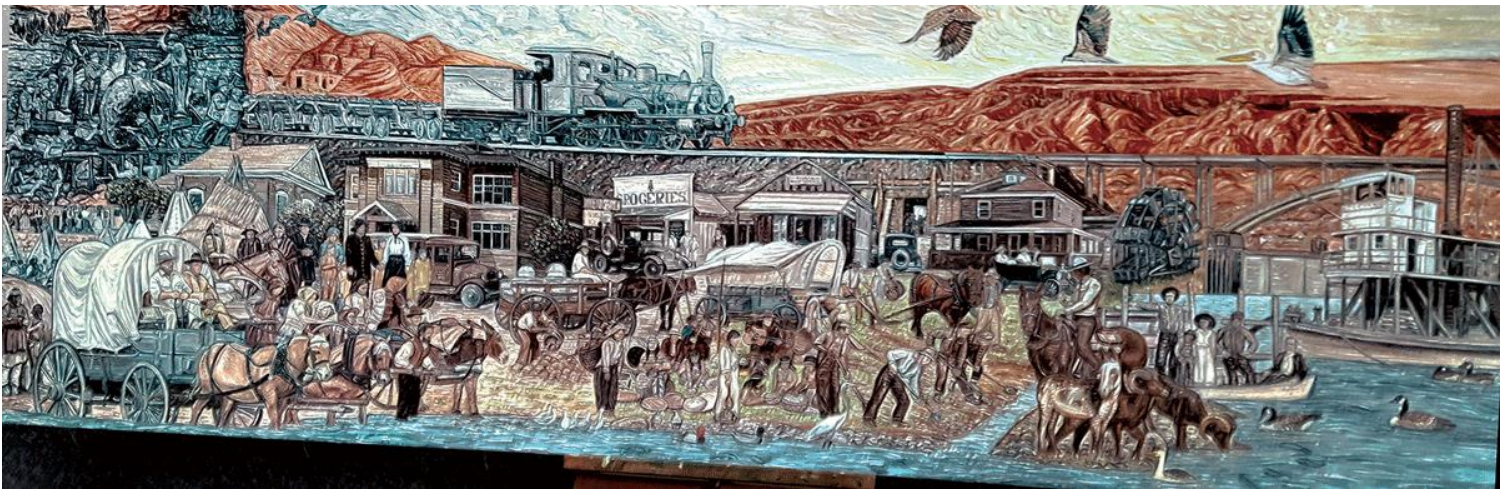


Overton Community Center Mural Winner Announced

A final winner has been chosen in the mural contest for the Overton Community Center. Las Vegas artist Gig Depio's mural was chosen to be displayed on the west wall of the building's main meeting room.

The final decision was delayed due to the high quality of the final submissions and the difficulty the panel had in choosing a winner. Ultimately, the office of County Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick decided to use all three submissions, in some way, in the downtown Overton area – although Depio's mural will be the one installed at the community center.

Details on how and where to use the runner-up mural ideas of artists Joan Day and Heidi Leavitt, both from Moapa Valley, are still under discussion and in the planning stages. But the Commissioner's office is intending to purchase smaller versions of the murals from the artists and display them at prominent spots in the community where they can be observed and appreciated while reflecting the rich history of Moapa Valley.



Moapa Valley FFA Annual Banquet and New Officers

The Moapa Valley Chapter of the national FFA organization celebrated a year well-done at its annual end-of-year banquet held on May 10. The event is held as a combination goodbye celebration for outgoing members, a recognition banquet for achievements made during the year, and an induction ceremony for new officers.

All present were treated to a delicious dinner of Navajo tacos and fresh, homemade scones provided by the Glen and Cheryl Rawson family.

Recognition was given to FFA members who competed in this year's zone and state competitions. Many MV chapter members placed highly in the zone competition and qualified for state. Competition teams that placed highly at the state level were the livestock judging team, the milk judging team, the ENR team, and the Best Informed Greenhand team, which took 3rd overall in the state.



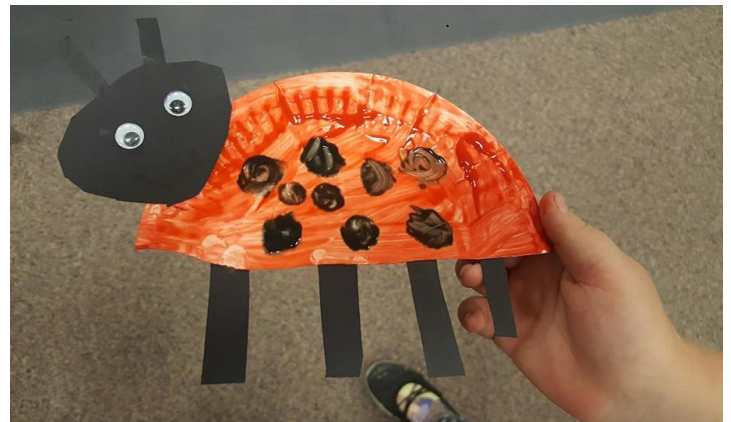
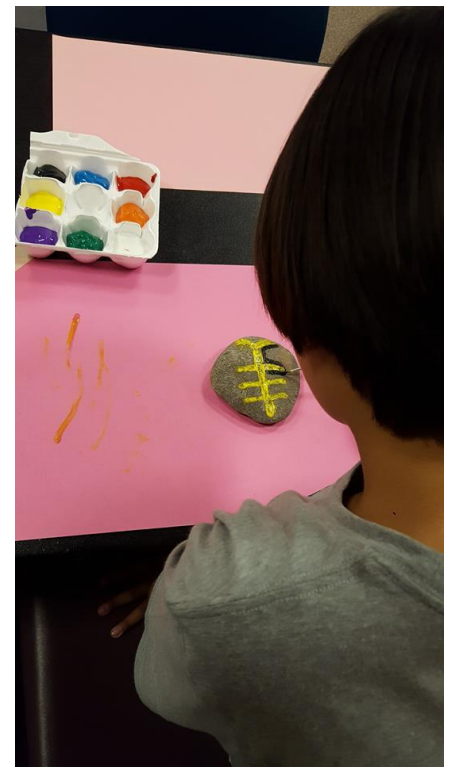
Events for June – Northeast

- **Mondays at the Moapa Valley Library** – Computer Basics at 3 pm; Hands-on Computer Help at 4 pm
- **Tuesdays at the Moapa Valley Library** – LEGO Club at 4 pm
- **Wednesdays at the Moapa Valley Library** – Computer Topics at 3 pm; Computer logic and Programming at 4:30 pm
- **Thursdays at the Moapa Valley Library** – Discovery Lab exploration of science, 4 pm
- **Fridays at the Moapa Valley Library** – Move and Groove for ages 0–5 at 11:15 am; Teen Space at 2:15 pm
- **Saturdays at the Moapa Valley Library** – Game on at 12 noon; Crafternoon at 2 pm
- **Saturday, June 3** – English Language Discussion Group at the Moapa Valley Library, 10:15 am
- **Friday, June 9** – Club Read Kickoff at the Moapa Valley Library, 11:15 am, ages 0–11
- **Saturday, June 10** – Young Writers Workshop: The Process of Writing a Story, Moapa Valley Library, 10 am
- **Wednesday, June 14** – Moapa Valley TAB* meeting at the Moapa Valley Community Center, 7 pm
- **Saturday, June 17** – Shakespeare Reading Party at the Moapa Valley Library, 10:15 am
- **Monday, June 18** – Fantasy Book Club at the Moapa Valley Library, 4 pm
- **Monday, June 19** – Fratello Marionettes performing The Frog Prince at the Moapa Valley Library, 11:15 am
- **Tuesday, June 20** – The Return of Elephant and Piggie! and crafts at the Bunkerville Library at 2 pm
- **Wednesday, June 21** – Fratello Marionettes performing The Frog Prince at the Moapa Town Library, 8:30 am
- **Tuesday, June 27** – Moapa TAB* meeting at the Robinson Justice Court & Community Center, 7 pm
- **Thursday, June 29** – Bunkerville TAB* meeting at the Bunkerville Community Center, 7 pm
- **Friday, June 30** – Making Magic with Adam London at the Moapa Valley Library, 11:15 am

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Lots of Art Being Created at the Laughlin Library

The creative juices were definitely flowing at the Laughlin Library in May! Between Craft Club, A Rock Party, and Kool-Aid & Canvas at Art Club, the kids in Laughlin had plenty to keep them busy – and a little messy! Here are a few of their creations.



Events for June – Southeast

- **Thursday, June 1** – Club Read Kickoff at the Laughlin Library, 4 pm**
- **Sunday, June 4** – Movie Matinee at the Laughlin Library, 1:30 pm**
- **Tuesday, June 6** – Game Club at the Laughlin Library, 4:30 pm**
- **Thursday, June 8** – Club Read Kickoff at the Searchlight Library, 2 pm
- **Thursday, June 8** – Brown Bag Book Club at the Laughlin Library, 11 am**
- **Tuesday, June 13** – Laughlin TAB* Meeting at the Regional Gov. Center, 1:30 pm
- **Tuesday, June 13** – The Return of Elephant and Piggie! and crafts at the Searchlight Library at 12 pm**
- **Tuesday, June 13** – The Return of Elephant and Piggie! and crafts at the Laughlin Library at 3 pm**
- **Thursday, June 15** – Folias Flute and Guitar Duo to perform “daring, self-written music” at the Laughlin Library, 2 pm**
- **Saturday, June 17** – Children’s Craft at the Laughlin Library, Ages 5–11, 3 pm**
- **Tuesday, June 20** – Fratello Marionettes: The Frog Prince at the Laughlin Library, 4 pm**
- **Thursday, June 22** – Adult Coloring at the Laughlin Library, 2 pm**
- **Thursday, June 22** – Pokemon Club at the Laughlin Library for ages 5–11, 4 pm**
- **Tuesday, June 27** – Story Club at the Laughlin Library, 4:30 pm**
- **Thursday, June 29** – Making Magic with Adam London at the Searchlight Library, 11:30 am
- **Wednesday, June 28** – Searchlight TAB meeting at the Searchlight Community Center, 6 pm

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