

RURAL CONNECTIONS

Goodsprings Trail Grand Opening

In 2003, Members of the Goodsprings Historical Society proposed the idea of a trail to share the beauty and rich history of the Goodsprings area. After years of planning, months of design and construction, and the dedication of the Goodsprings Historical Society throughout, the Goodsprings Trail is ready to open! An art themed celebration will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2019. Visitors are welcome to come explore the trail

from 9 am to 11 am. Along the trail hikers can watch Plein Air artists as they capture on canvas the views from different parts of the trail. At 11 am, the art pieces will be displayed at the trailhead as a part of the Grand Opening Ceremonies led by Clark County Commissioner Justin Jones. Throughout the event, attendees can learn about the history of the area, participate in an art project, view the art for sale from the participating artists, or just enjoy the peace and beauty of the desert surroundings.

To reach the trail, head south on I-15 to the Jean exit. Head west on State Route 161, which runs right into the town of Goodsprings. At the Y, turn right on Esmeralda and then left on Pacific. The road turns right and the site is immediately on your left.

If you are an artist, or know of an artist, that would like to participate, please contact Meggan Holzer at meggan@clarkcountynv.gov or 702-455-0341



Join Commissioner Justin Jones, Clark County Real Property Management, and the Goodsprings Historical Society to celebrate the

Goodsprings Trail Grand Opening

Saturday
May 4, 2019

9 am – 11 am

- Hike the entire 2.2 mile loop along the ridge or walk the 0.5 mile loops near the trailhead
- Watch artists at work along the trail capturing the beauty of the landscape on canvas
- Participate in an art project at the trailhead

11 am

- Grand opening ceremony and remarks, art display and judging, light refreshments



Commissioner Jones Tours Southern District F

On March 12th, Commissioner Justin Jones embarked on a whirlwind tour of the southern rural areas of his District. He started out meeting Sasquatch at Terrible's Road House in Jean. With 96 gas pumps, it is the largest Chevron in the US. After enjoying the famous Ghost Pepper Burger and learning about the history of the Pioneer Saloon, he took in the sights of Goodsprings including a visit to the historic, one-room Goodsprings School, and the construction site for the Goodsprings Trail. Moving on to Sandy Valley, the Commissioner visited with residents at the Senior Center, met the staff at the Library, and got to see the progress on the Peace Park renovation project. During the afternoon tour of the community he got to see the airport and the general store and learn all about the history and upcoming projects in the area. He visited the Sandy Valley Volunteer Fire Station where he met with Chief Ken Smith and heard about the rewards and challenges of being a Volunteer Fire Fighter in a rural community. The evening ended with the Sandy Valley Citizens Advisory Council meeting where Commissioner Jones got the chance to talk to residents, hear about current events in the community, and meet Metro Sergeant Jeff Dean. District F has a very large rural area and Commissioner Jones looks forward to getting to know his other rural areas better in the near future.



Peace Park Grand Re-Opening Set For May 11th

As the contractor is putting the final touches on the improvements to Peace Park, the planning of the Grand Re-Opening celebration is happening, too! The event will kick off at 9 am and will include speeches, a bike rodeo, food, excitement, and plenty of water fun in the new splash pad! The details are still being worked out, but be sure to put Saturday, May 11th on your calendar. You don't want to miss out on the fun!!



Volunteer Firefighters Train for Wildland Fire Season

Firefighters from Goodsprings, Mountain Springs, Cal-Nev-Ari, Trout Canyon, Mount Charleston, BLM, and students from CSN participated in the field training portion of wildland training in Blue Diamond on March 23rd. Firefighters must be re-certified in wildland fire fighting annually which allows them to hone their skills and learn new techniques. Hosted by A2 and the fire training center instructors, the training is designed to prepare firefighters for the upcoming wildland fire season. Hopefully these skills will not need to be used, but if they do, CCFD Rural firefighters will be ready to respond.



Mt. Charleston Firefighters Shine Day or Night

You won't have to look too hard to find a Firefighter in the Mt. Charleston area these days! They have all been outfitted with neon yellow jackets with reflective stripes. The jackets, generously donated by Deb Dailey, were given to all members of the Mt. Charleston Fire Protection District. Weather conditions in Clark County can be unpredictable – and that is especially true up in the mountains. Not only will these jackets help with visibility, they will also keep the personnel warm and dry as they respond to the needs of residents and visitors alike. Thank you to VFD Chief Martin for being an excellent impromptu model!!!





Tres de Mayo!
(May 3, 2019)

Cocktails * 5:30pm
Dinner * 6pm

**Mt. Charleston Volunteer
Fire Department
Benefit Party**



Mt. Charleston Lodge

Early Bird Adults = \$20 (Before 4/28)
Adults = \$25 (after 4/28)
Children 5-10 = \$10
Under 4 Free



**Mexican Buffet, Raffle,
Silent Auction**



Tickets available at the bar
at Mt. Charleston Lodge

Help With Identifying Broadband Connectivity Gaps

In today’s world, internet connectivity is vital – but in many of our rural areas, service is poor or even non-existent. NACO, the National Association of Counties, recognizes that this is a problem and has developed an app to try to help identify areas lacking in connectivity. The app is called TestIT and is available for both iOS and Android. More information is provided below or at <https://www.naco.org/testit>

Editor’s Note: In my travels all around the County, I notice huge differences in the service available in different areas. I have loaded the app on my phone, which only took a few seconds, and just did my first test here at my desk at the Clark County Government Center. A screen shot of my phone is shown on the left below. As I travel around during the next month I will continue to run tests and see what I find. I will share the results with all of you next month.

App Store

2:24 PM



Download speed
40.30 mbps
Upload speed
26.59 mbps

ABOVE the national average

ABOVE the FCC minimum

Run another test

MOBILE APP LAUNCH

Introduction

Accurate connectivity data is the foundation for investments in broadband infrastructure. Unfortunately, connectivity data provided to the Federal Communications Commission is often inaccurate and inflated – leaving many rural communities overlooked and disconnected.

NACo has partnered with the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) and the Rural Community Assistance Partnership (RCAP) to develop a mobile app designed to identify areas with low or no connectivity to help ensure adequate funding for broadband infrastructure is provided across the country.

“TestIT” is an iOS/Android mobile app that leverages a broadband sampling tool designed by Measurement Labs (MLabs) to aggregate broadband speeds across the country from app users. With the press of a single button, users will be able to test their broadband speed from anywhere. Additionally, users will be able to compare their internet speeds to the national average and minimum standards established by the Federal Communications System. **No personal information will be collected through this mobile app.** A snapshot of each sample will be sent to a database which will allow NACo and partners to analyze connectivity data across the country. The data collected through this app will help identify areas where broadband service is overstated and underfunded by comparing the data to the National Broadband Map.

Your help identifying gaps in our nation’s broadband coverage is critical to making substantive changes to the process for reporting broadband service. We hope you will help shed light on this critically important issue and encourage your friends, family and constituents to join in the efforts as well!



Find us in the app store!

Get Started!

- 1. Locate the iOS/Android App Store on your phone

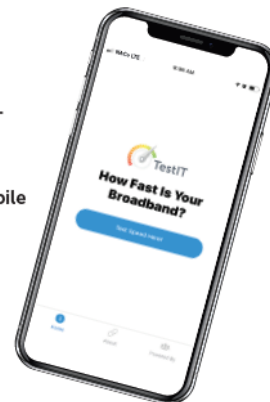


- 2. Search for “TestIT” in your mobile app store



- 3. Download TestIT mobile app

- 4. Open TestIT mobile app and click: [Test Speed Here](#)



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Indian Springs 2019 CCSD Star Graduate

Taylor Hickman has attended Indian Springs schools from kindergarten through his senior year of high school. He has been recognized for outstanding attendance during 10 of his 13 years in school, and he has had perfect attendance four different times.



Taylor is an outstanding student, citizen and athlete. He has participated in numerous extracurricular activities, including basketball, baseball, football, band, theater and student council. Taylor is currently on track to graduate sixth in his class and plans to attend the University of Nevada, Reno in the fall.

The Indian Springs community is proud of Taylor's accomplishments and wishes him the best for the future. Congratulations to Star Graduate Taylor Hickman of Indian Springs High School!

Activities at the Indian Springs Community Center

SPRING BREAK ACTIVITIES CLARK COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION @ the Indian Springs Community Center



KIDS CRAFT

Wednesday, April 16th starting at 5:00pm
Cost is \$1.00 per person

We will be making a fun Easter craft and enjoying a snack. Along with a special Easter egg team game....
Space is limited, so please call or come in to reserve your child's place.

This is for elementary Aged Children, younger children are welcome however, an adult would need to stay and assist them.

OPEN REC

Thursday, April 17th
starting at 1:00pm until 5:00pm
Cost is \$1.00 per-child per day.

Children age 7 and under are welcome however, an adult will need to stay with them.
We will be running Minute to Win It Games through out.

 Clark County Parks & Recreations
Indian Springs Community Center
(702) 879-3890

Adult Craft Friday, May 3rd 6:00pm

Come pick your style...



Cost is \$10.00 for this craft.

This is for adults 18 and older.

Space is limited, you must pre-pay by

Thursday April 26th.



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Local Artists Showcased at the Lost City Museum

Artwork from the Moapa Valley Art Guild is the featured exhibit at the Lost City Museum for the month of April. The Guild will present a varied media collection of fine arts and crafts featuring paintings in oils and



watercolor and hand-made decorative gourds and cards. Many of the featured items are one-of-a-kind. The pieces featured in the exhibit are available for purchase.

The Lost City Museum actively engages people in understanding and celebrating Nevada’s natural and cultural heritage. It is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily at 721 S. Moapa Valley Blvd., Overton. Admission is \$5, children 17 and younger and members enter free. Take Interstate 15 north to exit 93. For more information, call the museum at (702) 397-2193 or visit Facebook.

Clark County Parks & Recreation
EGG HUNT

<p>Ron Lewis Park 1340 E Highway 168, Moapa (702) 864-2423 April 17, 2019 10:00 AM</p>	<p>Logandale Sports Complex Frehner Ave & N Heyer St., Logandale (702) 398-7480 April 18, 2019 10:00 AM</p>
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Ages 10 & under
Fun and Prizes



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ClarkCountyNV.Gov/parks
 ccparks@ClarkCountyNV.gov



Upcoming Events in Searchlight

SEARCHLIGHT SENIOR CENTER
BAKE SALE




SAT. APRIL 27TH
8AM - 4PM
 At
Terribles Roadhouse
Parking Lot

QUILTING CLASS

WHERE? SEARCHLIGHT COMMUNITY CENTER

WHEN? APRIL 26, 2019

WHAT TIME? 10:30AM



Come join us for a morning of learning simple machine quilting.
 All material and thread supplied.

If you have your own sewing machine, please, bring it. We will have several to use here but they are on a first come first serve basis.

Class will be taught by retired teacher Sue Schmitt.

For more information call Michele at 702-912-6275 or stop by the center Tues thru Fri 8:30am to 1:30pm

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SEARCHLIGHT LIBRARY
EASTER FAMILY CRAFT
BUNNY PICTURE FRAME



Join us to make a Bunny Picture Frame for your favorite person!
 Craft supplies provided by the library.
 Participation is FREE.

Thursday April 18TH 2:00 - 4:00pm

Las Vegas Clark County Library District
 Searchlight Library
 200 Michael Wendell Way
 Phone: 702-297-1442
 www.lvccld.org



SEARCHLIGHT LIBRARY
Spring Break
OPEN PLAY & SNACK



TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY 4/16 & 4/17
 Build your own amazing design using our MagFormers, Legos or Keva Planks, or use the computers. #FreeFun

1:30 - 4:15 PM

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Rocky's Road: Journey of an Orphaned Burro

Rocky is such a good helper around the ranch and loves to interact with the horses, dogs, and anyone that comes to visit. But, it was unknown how he would do at a public event in a new place with lots of activity taking place. In true Rocky style, he was a champ and charmed everyone at the Sandy Valley Pet Event on Saturday, March 23rd. He met Lemon, his mustang "cousin" that was rescued as an orphan near Goodsprings – the same area where Rocky came from and by the same wonderful people that rescued him. He got some treats and snuggles from two of Clark County's Animal Control Officers and became buddies with Mojave Max.

Don't worry about Rocky's stardom going to his head, though. He is still as humble as ever and continues to learn new, helpful skills around the ranch. He provides assistance escorting dad as he moves supplies around the property. And, he is an excellent valet, making sure dad parks his truck in just the right spot.

