

Amargosa Valley Newsletter

"All the news that's fit to print (maybe)"

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I LOVE AMARGOSA

By: Lucy Good

Edward and I lived in Amargosa Valley for many years. In our younger years, while raising our family here, we were very involved in the community; the last few years, not so much. Like everyone else, we've had some friends and some, not so friendly acquaintances. Since Edward passed a year ago, I have been reminded that we live in a wonderful community. You have helped me, and encouraged me, and seen me through. I thank you. And I love each of you.

VALENTINES FLOWERS FOR SALE! DON'T FORGET YOUR SWEETHEART

By: Sherry Donegan

The Joyfulears Women's Ministry will be selling flowers for Valentine's Day. We will set up beside Country Store, on Farm Rd. 3pm – 5pm on Friday Feb 13th and Sat the 14th, 12 noon - 5pm. For early or late purchases please call Sherry 372-1617 or Cell 702-575-2014

CHILD CARE FOR VALENTINES DAY !! SLUMBER PARTY!!!

By: Sherry Donegan

The Joyfulears Women's Ministry will have child care set up in the Gym for Valentine's Day, Sat Feb 14th. You may drop off your children after 3 P.M. and they must be picked up no later than 8:00 A.M. if they are staying the night.

If your child is staying the night make sure they have sleeping bag, pillow & other necessary items.

Donations of snacks to share are welcomed.

For more information & scheduling you may call Rebecca 702-575-2017. or Sherry 372-1617

FOOD PANTRY

AMARGOSA SENIOR CENTER

FEBRUARY 20, 2009

1:00 P.M. UNTIL 3:00 P.M.

***For more information please call
775-372-5412 or 775-751-5898***

FROM MISFORTUNE TO COMPASSION

By: Donna Finnamore

Thanks to all of our generous and caring community members who were able to assist the Pinon Family after losing their home to fire during the holidays. We would also like to thank the American Red Cross for contacting the Pinons and providing them with additional necessities. They are amazing!

We know these are tough times, but please keep the Red Cross in mind when thinking about being charitable in the future. Here is some information directly from their website:

All American Red Cross programs, including disaster relief, are made possible through the generosity and commitment of people like you. You do it through your direct donations and or planned gifts. The American Red Cross, including the Southern Nevada Chapter, honors donor intent, meaning that whether you donate to the local chapter of the national American Red Cross, your funds will be properly directed to the intended recipients. www.floodrelief.org

AMARGOSA AMATEUR RADIO VOLUNTARY HAMMING IT UP

Yes that's right, we are having fun and enjoying ourselves helping the families in need in our town. We have now started a food bank in case of an emergency such as fire. We are also a part of Nye County Emergency Services. We are called into service when an emergency strikes our Town or Country. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month. If you would like to help please call Archie Selbach (775) 513-5332.

THIS MONTH'S MEETINGS

***Planning Committee – Wednesday
02-18-2009***

***Town Advisory Board – Thursday
02-26-2009***

FROM THIS CORNER OF THE WORLD

By: Jan Cameron

I know you have heard it before, but the Senior Center needs your help. Let me explain. The Senior Center needs to feed a certain number of people each and every day in order to justify the federal grant money that is needed to prepare the meals and keep the Center open. It is really that simple.

Now that may not seem important to you. So let me address the reasons why you shouldn't go the Senior Center for dinner. (1) Sure, you are over 60, but you really don't need anyone to prepare meals for you. Most of us don't. But, can you fix a full meal – salad bar, entrée, vegetable, starch, and desert for \$2.00? (2) The 'seniors' are probably just old fogies who growl at each other and can't carry on a conversation anyway, right? Wrong. I certainly don't feel very foggy, myself, and I think most of the seniors who go to the Center don't. We chat and we laugh and we plan ventures together. It makes for a fun evening. (3) It is a long way to drive to the Center. Yes, it is. It is a long way to drive anywhere in Amargosa Valley. So? (4) I really like my own cooking. Well, so do I, but Fred is a wonderful cook, and he also does the dishes. Does that happen at your house? (5) When you get older, you might think about it, but you are too busy now. Well, if you don't think about it now, it might not be there when you do.

What will happen if, heaven forbid, you and your husband are in a car accident and are injured, and you can't get to the store for groceries? Sure, a neighbor will get them, for a while. But even with the groceries, what if you can't stand long enough to cook or can only make cereal. Well, call the Senior Center. They will deliver full meals for you week in and week out (and ask you to pay only \$2/meal for the weekends). So you can concentrate your energy on getting well and taking care of your other needs. But that won't happen if there isn't a Senior Center. And, if you lose your spouse, how lonely it will be. At the Senior Center, it would be a little less lonely.

And, even if you never really need the Senior Center, you will be helping to preserve it for those who do. Dinner is served from 4-5:30, Monday through Friday. Dinner is only a \$2.00 suggested donation for those 60 and over and their spouses. So, try it. You just might like it.

MOVIES FOR THE OVER 18 CROWD

By: Jan Cameron

For the last several months, the Senior Project Council has tried to provide an evening out, dinner and a movie, for the 18 and over crowd. We have presented *Leatherheads*, *Ironman*, and *Mama Mia*. Each was probably not for everyone's taste, though I, unexpectedly, enjoyed all three. We even had wonderful fat hotdogs with special buns, nachos, and great chili (if I do say so myself!), and, of course, popcorn and sodas.

For each movie, we have had fewer than 20 people, including the 4-5 people who are required to handle the movie and food. That is not enough of a turnout to make it worth the effort. So, I give.

RECYCLE IN AMARGOSA VALLEY

Amargosa Valley now has recycling. Paper, plastic, glass and metal may be taken to the recycling bins in front of the Horizon Academy on 373. When the individual bins get full, the staff at the Academy will alert Pahrump Valley Disposal who will come empty them. Pahrump Valley Disposal has provided these bins free of charge to Amargosa and will not charge for pickup and disposal. The little income from the disposal will offset most costs. So, if you would rather see things reused, rather than going into the landfill, drop them into the recycle bins on your way to the dump.

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN

By: Diane George

The Second Grade and Kindergarten Classes at Amargosa Valley School would like to take a Field trip to the Springs Preserve in Las Vegas to learn more about our desert environment. The entrance fee is free, but in order to hire a bus through the school district it will cost over \$600. We are asking area businesses and local people to help us raise money for this educational opportunity. If you could give just a small donation, it would be greatly appreciated. All donations can be dropped off at the office or sent to the Amargosa Valley Elementary School c/o Miss Diane George or Mrs. Katie Dawson, HCR 69 BOX 401-Z, Amargosa Valley, NV 89020. Thank you for your attention to this.

NEW LOCKSMITH IN TOWN

By: George White

Home Burglarized? Crime Strikes Amargosa Valley! New local locksmith offers assistance to area residents and businesses.

Recently, one of our neighbors here in the valley suffered a burglary. A thief entered their home and made off with some valuable property. It was the easiest kind of crime - the perpetrator just walked right in. The door was locked, but all indications are that the person who did it had a key to the house. If so, this burglary was 100% preventable.

If you are like most people, over the years you've made many duplicate copies of your house keys. Have you given keys to your children? To their neighbors or your friends? Renters, roommates, or guests? Has anyone ever lost a key?

Whether you moved into your home in the last few years or have been there a long time, it's a good idea to have all the locks changed to a new key. Any of your old house keys that are in circulation will no longer work, and you'll have the confidence of knowing that you control all the keys to your house. Plus, you'll get the convenience of one key that opens all of your locks.

Amargosa Valley resident George White has dedicated his company, Maximus Total Security Solutions to making home security accessible and affordable to everyone, not just the rich and famous. George is a licensed, bonded, and insured locksmith and alarm technician, and offers a full range of services including residential, commercial, and auto/truck/RV locksmithing; key duplication; safes and high-security mailboxes; alarm systems; and much more. Emergency lockouts and after-hours service are available. To contact George, please dial 372-1210 or 877-680-5625.

SENIOR CENTER FRIDAY NIGHT POOL

By: Pat Minshall

Starting November 7th, we will have open pool (must be 18 to play) @ the Senior Ctr. Play starts @ 5:30PM. Come and have one of Fred's fantastic meals and stay and play pool with a great group of people. \$5 buy in with 1st.2nd.3rd. pay out to winners.

NEW TO THE VALLEY (WELL ALMOST)

By: Pat Minshall

We at the Senior Ctr. watched the new house go together on "Desert Senior Lane & Atomic", it's a beautiful place and we wondered who lived there. The other day I knocked on the door to meet them. Monica and Ramiro Chavez and their 5 children have actually lived here in the valley for 5 yrs., but just moved into their new house about a year ago. They moved here from Ca. (where else). Ramiro works at the dairy and Monica is the comptroller at Longstreet. Their children are Ramiro 15, Ivan 14, Lucero 13, Angel 10 and Jasmine 4. I met Jasmine a darling little girl who is very excited that next year she gets to go to school. Five children keep the Chavez's very busy and when they aren't taking care of their home they are off watching the children play in different sports. A belated "Welcome to our Valley".

T&T CAFÉ DEATH VALLEY JUNCTION

Death Valley Junction is the home of a new area café. The T&T Café is open Wednesday through Sunday: 7:00-3:00, W & Th; 7:00-6:00, F; 7:00-9:30, Sat.; and 8:00-?? Sun. There is a full menu for breakfast, including omelets, pancakes and French toast. Lunch features a variety of hamburgers and cold sandwiches, including the "Indestructible Avinash Veggie Sub". The dinner menu was undetermined when these menus were collected. The Manager formerly ran the Crow Bar restaurant in Shoshone, so the food ought to be good. Support the new place, along with the old. We need the variety.

FROZEN SEAFOOD & BERRIES

Are you interested in frozen seafood or berries from Oregon? I am trying to get a truck to deliver here from Bithell Farms but we need a minimum order. The berries come in 14 lb boxes or buckets and the seafood is by the pound. Orders need to be placed by February 18th for delivery between March 6th and April 11th. I have placed a list on the community bulletin board at the Country Store or you can call me for more information about the order form/price list. Thank you, Taunya Carter 775-372-5274.

A.R.A Sand Drags

2009 Race Schedule

Day Races

Feb. 21st~March 28th~April 11th

Registration 8~10a.m.

Open Time Trials 10~12:30p.m.

Race Starts 1:00p.m.

Night Races

Sept. 19th~Oct. 10th

Registration 10~12p.m.

Open Time Trials 12~4p.m.

Racing @ Sundown

Year End Race

Nov. 13th Day Race with
Banquet & Awards after race

For more info Call

Calvin @ 702-575-9870 or

Christa @ 702-575-9657 or

E-Mail us @ ARADrags@Yahoo.com



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**DATE: February 17 & 18, 2009
HOURS: 8:15 - 3:15**

**PLACE: Amargosa Valley Medical
845 Farm Rd.
Amargosa, NV**

FOR AN APPOINTMENT CALL: 1-877-581-6266

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