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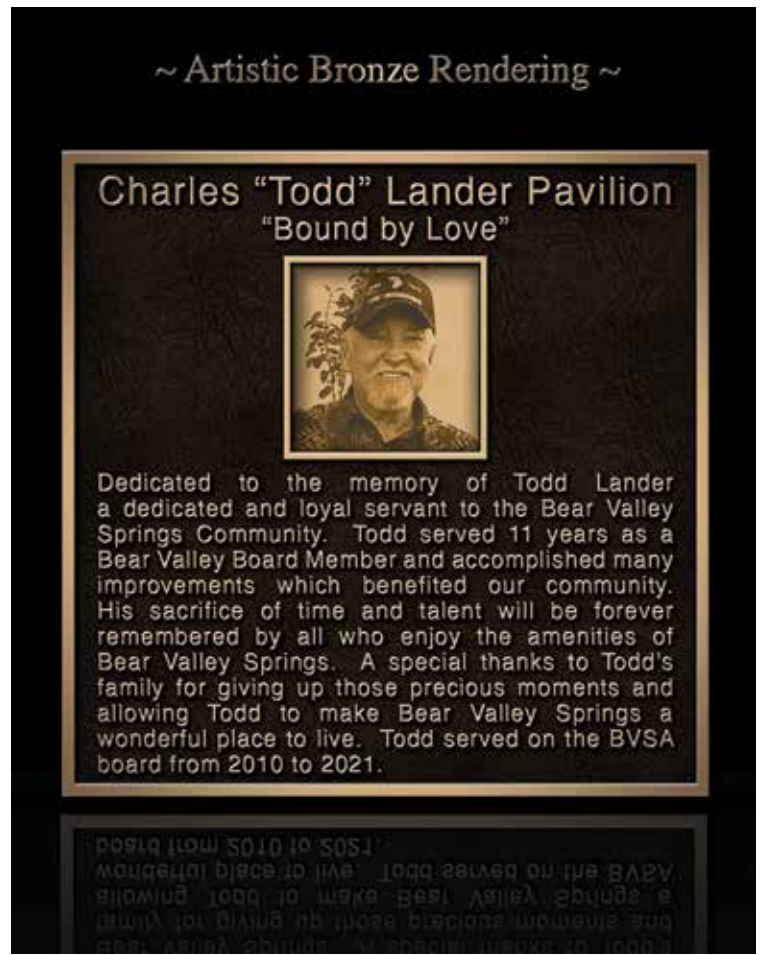
by **Wesley Shryock**
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BVSA General Manager

As members may know, BVSA Board Member, Todd Lander, passed away last August. Todd served on the BVSA Board for 11 years and volunteered throughout Bear Valley Springs in multiple capacities over the years. I personally served with Todd for much of this time. One of Todd's initiatives during his service on the Board was the original Mulligan Room patio, contributing to the building of the patio himself. In the months before he passed, he supported and

approved the recent renovations to the Mulligan Room patio. It, therefore, seemed only fitting to commemorate him and his service to the community by naming the updated Mulligan Room patio, the Charles "Todd" Lander Pavilion. We are also hoping to use the materials from the previous patio to shade the new lower patio area, as Todd always encouraged us and was careful to ensure that the BVSA did not waste useful materials.

In his later years, Todd wrote a book called Bound by War: A Memoir of Love, Friendship and Survival, documenting his time and memories serving in

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the U.S. Army during Vietnam. The book is available on Amazon and I highly recommend it. A plaque commemorating Todd's service will be placed at the entrance to the new Mulligan Room patio. The plaque says "Bound by Love," which is a play on words to Todd's book and exemplifies Todd's love for the community of Bear Val-

ley Springs. We also wish to thank Todd's wife, Sandy, and his family who sacrificed their own time with him, so that he could serve us all over the years.

May Todd's legacy of love, service, and spirit of volunteerism, be an inspiration to current BVS residents and future generations to come. 🐾

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Water wise – Leak diagnosis

Submitted by
Bear Valley Community Services District

Identifying water leaks saves you money and conserves our water supply. Follow these easy steps to determine if you have a leak in your household system.

Step 1. Turn all water-using

appliances off so that no water is running. This means turning off all water inside and outside the home, including showers, sinks, washing machines, and any appliance that uses water. If you have a sprinkler irrigation system, turn off the controller and manually shut off the two valves at the double check valve

assembly to isolate the irrigation system.

Step 2. Take the lid off of your water meter box and lift the protective cover. For most homes in the valley, the water meter is located near the roadway.

Watch the meter. The meter will have a triangular red or silver and black disc commonly called a “leak indicator.”

• If the leak indicator is spinning or there is no leak indicator, but the meter’s dial hand moves, water is running. This indicates that you have a leak – see Step 3.

• If the leak indicator is not moving, note the hand’s position and check again after a 10-minute wait. If the needle has moved, there is a slow leak – see Step 3.

Step 3. Locate the main shut-off valve to the home. This is the point where your water enters your home, often in a garage. Turn this valve off and turn a faucet on inside the house to confirm that the valve is working. The faucet may run for a few seconds as your pipes drain, but your shut-off valve is broken if water continues to flow. Once the water has been

shut off to the home, return to the water meter.

• If the leak indicator or dial hand is still moving, water is flowing between the meter and the shut-off valve. This indicates that there is an underground leak on your property.

• If the leak indicator or dial hand are not moving, the leak is somewhere in the home.

Underground leaks between the meter and home can be challenging to diagnose and often require a professional’s services. If you need information to help you locate the water lines on your property, the Kern County Building Department will have plumbing plans for all properties in the valley. If your home was built after 2000, the Bear Valley Springs Association might have construction plans on file.

The Bear Valley CSD staff are happy to be of assistance if you have any questions. We are here to serve our community, and we’ll work hard to maintain the quality of life that can only be found in our beautiful valley. You can contact us at 661-821-4428, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. 🐾

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#9984827



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PRISTINE, ONE-OF-A-KIND, move-in-ready 3 bedroom 2 bath in the desirable gated community of Bear Valley Springs! Walk into your light filled sun room with a beautiful skyline view of meadows and picturesque mountains. Kitchen has an open floorplan, custom shaker cabinets, new stainless steel KitchenAid appliances and quartz countertops. This home also offers owned solar, new Samsung washer & dryer, tankless water heater and exquisite shiplap ceilings throughout! Bathrooms are tastefully designed with modern tile and classic fixtures. This lovely brand new home is sophisticated and charming! Located in the desirable gated community of Bear Valley Springs. Bear Valley Springs offers a restaurant, 2 lakes, golf course, community pool, equestrian center, trails, market, gas station, tennis courts, community center work out room and so much more! Quartz countertops and hardware will be installed by February 10th. Wood chips at lower part of property will be spread by March. House set up for future Generac generator. **\$480,000**

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS



#9983880



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BEAUTIFUL 6.83 ACRES with Oak trees and Amazing mountain views! This property is perfectly located on a cul-de-sac and close to Oak Tree Golf Course and 4 Island lake. This is your chance to live in the gated community of Bear Valley Spring. Lot 36. Bear Valley Springs offers a Golf Course, Community Pool, 2 Lakes, 2 Restaurants, Community Center, Equestrian Center, Horse/Hiking trails, Tennis courts, Fishing, Campground, Gas Station and a Mini-mart. Come build your custom home now or just enjoy all the amenities Bear Valley has to offer when you purchase this Spectacular 6 plus acres. Seller has Perc Test on file. **\$34,900**

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#9984455

WONDERFULLY MAINTAINED 3 bd/2 bath condo with 1392 SF. The spacious living room features vaulted ceilings and gas fireplace. Lots of windows w/blinds make this a light filled living area. Bath has a walk-in tub. Galley -style kitchen is updated with beautiful tile counters and back splash. A stackable washer and dryer are included! **\$229,000**

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS



#9984787

SPECTACULAR MOUNTAIN RETREAT! Magnificent custom designed ranch style home offering a perfect blend of rustic luxe, nature, and privacy. Words cannot describe how incredibly beautiful this property is. You will truly appreciate the stunning unobstructed Valley and Mountain views, the abundant wildlife, the peaceful setting all surrounded by lush mature Oaks. **\$840,600**

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#9984599

WONDERFUL 3 BEDROOM 2 BATHROOM CONDO next to Oaktree Golf Course. Spacious living room, wood burning fireplace and glass doors opening up to a large fenced patio. Downstairs master bedroom has a walk-in closet, bathroom and it's own door to the backyard patio. Galley kitchen with a breakfast bar. **\$218,000**

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#9983082

SPECTACULAR PRIVATE MOUNTAIN RETREAT! Gorgeous Home Offering Unobstructed Panoramic Views. This gorgeous home is perfectly situated high on a beautiful 5 acre hillside lot to maximize the amazing views. This home is perfect for a weekend getaway or full time resident who wants a little privacy. Located just 2-hours from LA & 1-Hour from Bakersfield! **\$515,000**

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#9984357

VIEWS, VIEWS, VIEWS... Enjoy Unobstructed Southern Sierra Views From this Beautiful Custom Home...Spacious open great room floorplan offering vaulted ceilings and consistent neutral design theme throughout. Large pictures windows in living area as well as den/3rd bedroom bring the outdoors in. This home is move-in ready! **\$306,150**

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#9984588

UNIQUE OPEN FLOOR PLAN home with spectacular views, nestled among the oaks. This uncommon 3-bedroom, 3 1/2-bathroom home sits on 5.03 acres. The living room has a cozy wood-burning stove that provides heat and ambiance. Living room at the center of the home features vaulted ceilings and a wall of sliding glass doors opening to an oversized deck. **\$380,000**

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#9984553

BEAUTIFUL HOME featuring 3 Bedrooms and 2 Bathrooms. The entry way welcomes you home with stunning slate floors and opens up into the spacious living room. The living room features vaulted ceilings, beautiful wood floors, river rock fireplace and a wall of picture windows with amazing views. Adorable multi-use Sunroom. **\$389,000**

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#9984583

BEAUTIFUL LOG CABIN HOME with two master bedrooms and gorgeous views. One master is on the main floor and another master is upstairs. Many upgrades throughout. Wood burning fireplace in the Great Room, a Sun Room off of the downstairs master bedroom. Man cave and the garage contains a small workshop. \$27,000 over asking price! **\$490,000**



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GOLDEN HILLS WEST



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CHARMING 4BR 2 BATH 2,383 sq. ft. home on 1.08 acres in West Golden Hills. The spacious family room has a cozy brick heatilator fireplace and large windows afford views of the mountains to the north. The renovated kitchen has granite counter tops and an eye catching backsplash. The large master bedroom has a beautiful ceiling fan, double doors that open to a patio, and bay windows with the same north views. It has a large walk-in closet with space for two wardrobes. The other three bedrooms have ceiling lighting fixtures and blinds over the windows. The generous laundry room has a sink, a built-in hamper and lots of cabinets for laundry supplies. The living room is wired for internet service. Black Oak, Deodora Elm, Nectarine and Apricot Trees adorn the property. There is a round rail corral sufficient for two horses. The 17' foot by 60' swimming pool is enclosed by a 6' tall block wall with locked gate. There is a new bubble solar cover, a heater, and a pump which can run at this pool RPM during sub-freezing hours it prevents pipes from freezing and it is economical to run. Unique to this pool are three lane line markings on the pool bottom for lap swimming and the deck is set up for land lines for wave reduction while training. Elevated lighting allows for night swimming. Also in the yard are a 10' by 20' Moriarity Tuff shed. There is a detached 780 sq. ft. workshop which has a large roll up door, a side door, and an outlet for charging an electric Ranger or similar vehicle. **\$594,000**



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Spring cleaning and projects

Submitted by

BVS Environmental Control Committee

The first day of spring is March 19. Many of us will begin "spring cleaning" and make future plans for outdoor projects this time of year. Below are a few reminders for residents as you consider projects:

- As you are cleaning the interior of your home, please remember that no garbage, trash, junk, debris, interior furnishings or household appliances may be kept or stored where they are visible from neighboring lots or streets, roads, or common areas. All garbage/trash needs to be in appropriate covered containers and are not to be viewed from neighboring lots, or the streets, roads or common areas. A contributing factor to the recent increase in bear and wildlife activity is due

to residents storing trash outside. ECC Rules, Sec. 112 & 114

- If you are utilizing tarps to cover wood piles, barbecues, yard furniture, etc., please remember that the tarps must be black, brown, tan, or dark green in color. No white, blue, shiny, reflective silver or other brightly colored tarps may be used. ECC Rules, Sec. 109

- Be aware of mistletoe overtaking your oak trees! Mistletoe can rob trees of their nutrients through absorbing water and minerals. While you do need approval from the ECC to trim major branches or remove an oak tree, you do NOT need a permit if you are solely removing mistletoe. If you are using a contractor, please make sure that you check that they are licensed and bonded with worker's compensation insurance, so that you are not responsible for any injury that

could happen on your property. Any other type of trees, with the exception of oak trees, may be trimmed or removed without ECC approval. Please plan to remove any dead trees on your property that could pose a fire hazard. ECC Rules, Sec. 106

- With spring's arrival, mustard and other weeds multiply like, well, weeds! Each lot must be maintained in good condition and repair, and in such a manner as not to create a fire hazard, all at the owner's expense. Maintenance includes weed and dead shrub removal, as needed, to improve appearance as much as possible. Although Kern County has particular weed abatement deadlines, the ECC Rules are to be complied with throughout the year. In 2021, 71 violation letters were sent out requesting removal of weeds or dead trees. Should those same properties be in violation this year, the disciplinary process will continue which could include fines and suspension of amenity privileges. Let's work together to keep the valley safe from fire hazards and keep the appearance and beauty for all of us to enjoy! ECC Rules, Sec. 102.E & 118

- In acknowledgment that one household's junk could be another person's treasure, you may desire to have a yard/garage sale this spring or summer! Please plan ahead, as permit requests must be submitted a full week prior to your

sale. Each lot may have three garage/yard sales per calendar year and may not have sales on two consecutive weekends or on BVSA recognized holidays. Each permit grants the resident up to three yard sale signs. The permit costs \$50 - (\$25 of which is refundable upon return of the signs in cleaned and satisfactory condition). Please plan to pay with two \$25 checks or cash only. ECC Rules, Sec. 103.B.

- Remember that property owners need to complete a submittal form for approval before any construction or alterations to the exterior of your property (ECC Rules, Sec. 504) including, but not limited to: Exterior painting, fencing, trim/removal of oak trees, roofing, excavation, or installing decks, sheds, chicken coops or animal shelters, patio covers, solar panels, pergolas.

Submittal forms can be picked up at the BVSA office and can also be found on our website, www.bvsa.org -> Document Library -> ECC Documents. Completed submittals received by Friday either at the BVSA office or by emailing ecc@bvsa.org will be reviewed by the ECC the following Wednesday. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact the ECC staff by email at ecc@bvsa.org or by calling 661-821-5537 X222 or X211 and we will be happy to assist you. 🐾

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Easements vs. Rights-of-Way

Submitted by
Bear Valley Community Services District

We're often asked what the difference is between an easement and a Right-of-Way (ROW). Additionally, some property owners may not even realize that they have an easement on their property and what that means for them.

Easement

An easement is "a right to cross or otherwise use someone else's land for a specified purpose." An easement is a "nonpossessory" property interest that allows the holder of the easement to use property they do not own or possess. An easement doesn't allow the easement holder to occupy the land or exclude others from the land unless they interfere with the easement holder's use. In contrast, the land possessor may continue to use the easement and exclude everyone except the land's easement holder.

Land affected or "burdened" by an easement is called a "servient estate," while the land or person benefited by the easement is known as the "dominant estate." If the easement

benefits a particular piece of land, it's said to be "appurtenant" to the land. If the easement only benefits an individual personally, not as an owner of a particular piece of land, the easement is termed "in gross."

As a rule, an easement holder has a right to do whatever is reasonably convenient or necessary to enjoy fully the purposes for which the easement was granted so long as they do not place an unreasonable burden on the servient land. Conversely, the owner of the servient land may make any use of that land that does not interfere with the easement holder's use of the easement.

An easement may give a utility company the right to erect power lines or bury a gas pipeline across a land tract. The property owner still has a right to use the land through which the easement passes; however, they must take care not to impede the granted easement's original intention. For example, building a permanent structure on an easement would not be allowed. Understanding the permitted land usage will help landowners avoid frustrations and unnecessary expense to

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Due to the trucker shortage across the country, there has been a significant delay in the delivery of *Bear Tracks* to the publisher, and thus to our members. This could potentially affect future delivery of *Bear Tracks*, as well. While you are waiting for your mailed hard copy, we encourage you to view it online at the link below. We apologize for the inconvenience.

<https://www.bvsa.org/bear-tracks>



Red Cross Lifeguard Class – Cost: \$150.

With a satisfactory completion of this Lifeguard class, you will receive a 2 Year Red Cross Certification that is required to apply for a Lifeguard position at either Bear Valley Pool, Stallion Springs, or at Dye Natatorium. This does not guarantee you a position, but the qualifications to apply. Class size is limited to first 10.

Dates: Saturday March 19th, Sunday March 20th, and Saturday March 26th, Sunday March 27th – all 4 days from 8am to 5pm at Bear Valley Pool (You must attend all 4 days)

For all students attending all classes: Be on time! Everyone needs to download the Lifeguard Manual from the Red Cross website, bring a water bottle, swimsuit, towel, pencils, warm clothing, and a sack lunch.

Lifeguard Recertification Class- Cost: \$90 (for previous Lifeguard Certified student only!) 1 8-hour Class- date TBD

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'Gotta dance! Gotta dance!'

Submitted by
Chris Budge
Contributing Writer

Gene Kelly most famously sang those words. Mr. Kelly was quite the hooper and a legend in the dance community. Our very own community, Bear Valley Springs, has started up a swing dance club. You won't find any professional hoofers, just your fellow neighbors wanting to get together, enjoy each other's company and share their knowledge of swing dance.

Enter Martha and Brian, the most enthusiastic (and patient) pair of dance teachers you'll have the pleasure of meeting. The couple has been swing dancing for close to 15 years. Brian and Martha moved to Bear Valley Springs two years ago, after traveling the world for a year.

The club was born when after a summer evening out with the

pickleball club, the two spontaneously danced to the song, Tennessee Whisky. The enthralled audience clapped and cheered. Before he could even put away his paddle, Brian was swinging the ladies around the court until he begged for a breath, or maybe it was to recover his bruised feet. Brian will never tell which it was; a gentleman keeps his secrets. The idea was advocated (demanded) that the pair should start a dance group.

With the encouragement and support of Chris Budge, the BVS Swing Dance Club was formed to encourage residents to dance with each other at The Oak Tree Branch Saloon and other events in BVS and Tehachapi. Thanks to the BVSA Board for recently recognizing the club. Martha and Brian want to help residents get started and they are offering basic swing dance classes. They have simplified the dance moves so that after a few lessons, cou-

ples can get out on the dance floor and have fun.

The club is off to a good start with Friday evening classes. Attendance doubled each week and by the fourth Friday, there were about 40 students participating. They teach in the banquet room at the OTCC. They have decided to split the large Friday class into two, first from 6 to 6:45 p.m., for those who have learned the first class and second, from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m., for new dancers. After the class, students mosey on down to the saloon for dinner, drinks, and dancing, when the band is suitable. They have also started playing swing music on Sunday evenings in the Oak Branch Saloon. This gives us another opportunity to practice what they taught and enjoy swing dancing together.

The club started a Facebook page for the group, "BVS Swing Dance Club," which already has 109 members. They were fortun-



nate to find dancers with experience, such as Raquel Mills, who is helping with the teaching. They are looking for more people to help teach swing dance. They have already had the first guest teacher, Charles, from Bakersfield.

If you are interested in joining the club or want more information, please go to the Facebook page "BVS Swing Dance Club," or email SwingDanceClub.BVS@gmail.com.

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Bear Valley Community Services District selects new police chief

Submitted by
BVS Community Services District

The Bear Valley CSD Board of Directors unanimously approved Dan Suttles as the new Chief of the Bear Valley Police Department and Director of Public Safety. Suttles is a Marine Corps veteran, who has spent his 18-year law enforcement career in Glendale, California. During that time, he has served as a Patrol Officer, SWAT Operator, and Investigator. As Sergeant, he worked in patrol, investigations, Internal Affairs, and as an adjutant to the Chief of Police. As Lieutenant, he has most recently served as Watch Commander overseeing 26 Patrol Officers.

Suttles says he was using job postings as a tool to outline career pathing when he came across the BVPD Chief recruitment brochure. Our desire to preserve our values and traditions stood out in a sea of departments looking for change. His curiosity was piqued by the novelty of a community that was happy with who and what they were. He began learning more about us by contacting the BVSA, the Veterans' Association, the Wildlife Coalition, and other groups to hear from



Dan Suttles

them what they loved about Bear Valley Springs. When he learned that our community values reflected his own beliefs, he felt this was an opportunity he could not ignore.

"I am honored to have been invited to be part of the Bear Valley CSD team. I'm incredibly excited to get to know the men and women who operate the front gate and work at the PD. I'm also looking forward to knowing the community members that make Bear Valley Springs such a great place," Suttles said.

Suttles intends to relocate to Bear Valley Springs. He took over from Interim Chief Jeff Kermode on Feb. 28. 🐾



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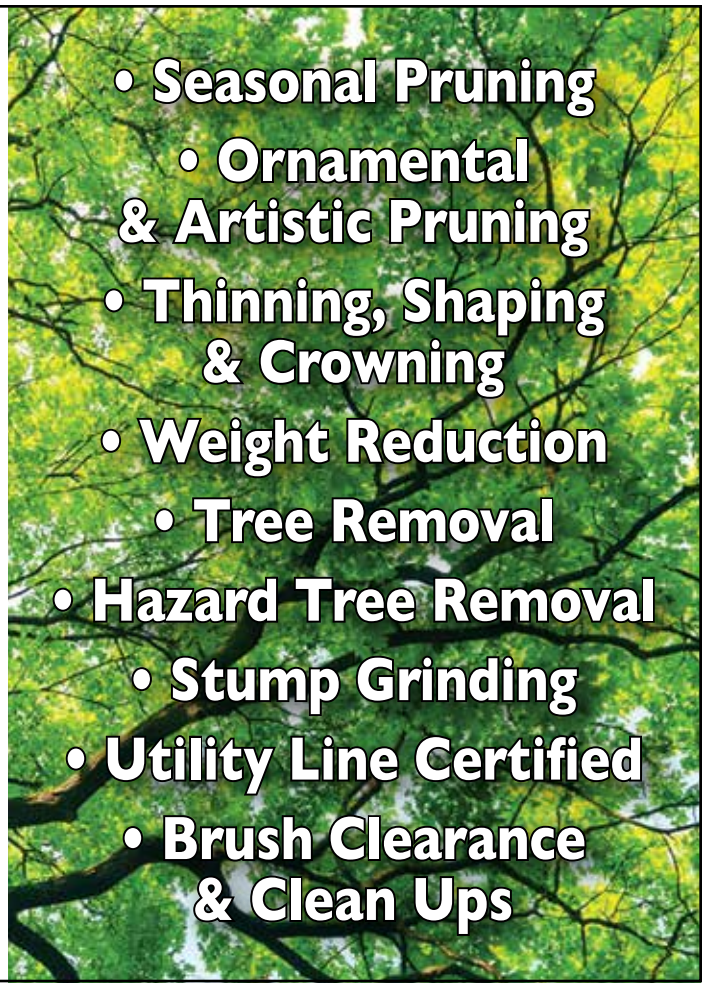


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Bear Valley Springs Tailwaggers' vision is to grow our rescue division with members who want to put a plan in place that includes supporting our two rescues in Tehachapi; Save Tehachapi's Orphan Pets (STOP) and Have a Heart Humane Society. Tailwaggers volunteers may decide to:

- Volunteer to transport dogs in foster care to and from various vet appointments in Palmdale
- Collect blankets, towels, toys
- Visiting the rescue facilities to help socialize the dogs
- Walking and working with dogs who are waiting to be fostered
- Be a Dream Puff Baker to raise funds for STOP and Have a Heart
- Become foster parents, especially for puppies, while the rescues provide all food and medical care
- Designate STOP or Have

a Heart as your charity if you shop on Amazon

This month, Tailwaggers is focusing on STOP and the dedicated volunteers who have found forever homes and medical care for over 1,500 pets since 2008.

Their president, Aleshia Ripeli-Culpepper, was born and raised her in Bear Valley. She now lives in an unincorporated area of Tehachapi off of Tucker and Highline roads with her husband, Joe, and 9-year-old daughter, Emma. Her home is used as the main STOP rescue home for as many as five dogs or more at a time, depending on the need for fostering dogs. You might say fostering is a family affair. At one time Aleshia had to bottle feed eight siblings, while the mom healed from a cesarean section after giving birth.

Lynda Pearson, one of the original founders, Katy Jacobson, Marsha Donelson and



Charla Dubsy, who was another founding member and who also runs the cat program, are on the board of directors, and each plays an important role in sustaining the STOP rescue. STOP relies on donations and the staff are volunteers, receiving no salary. Every penny received helps fostering and pays medical bills. Once again, the Kern County Shelters are having to euthanize dogs and STOP members are trying to prevent that, but it depends on volunteers!

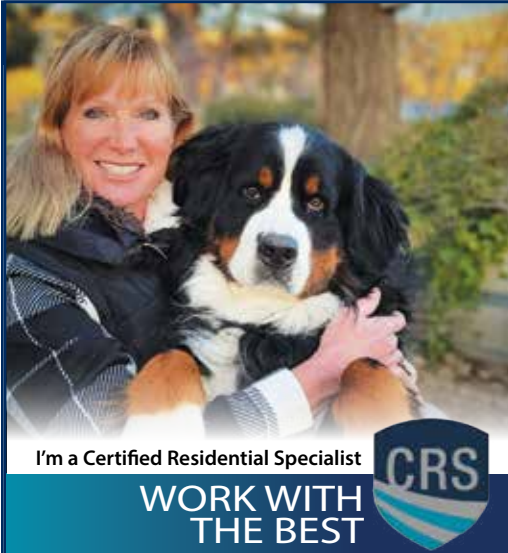
Tailwaggers Dog Club is

dedicated to supporting local rescue efforts in our area. Supporting STOP gives our members an opportunity to help STOP continue their success in finding forever homes for these pets.

To learn more, check out their website: www.STOPRescue.org, and don't forget to become a member of Tailwaggers.

For more information or to join the rescue division, contact Pam Miller by texting 661-203-5725, or email pambvsprings@gmail.com.

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BVSA RECOGNIZED CLUBS

BVSA Recognized Clubs enjoy the benefits conveyed to them as per the BVSA Rules, Article 18.

- **ASTRONOMY CLUB** - Enjoy the night skies and learn about Astronomy with an enthusiastic group. Monthly meetings 1st Monday, 6:30 pm, Equestrian Center Lounge. Contact: Pres. Claude Plymate, info@bvsac.org
- **BEARLY LADIES BUNCO CLUB** - Provide an opportunity for good fellowship, comradery and sharing mutual interests in enjoying Bunco! Contact Mindi Pugh at bvsmin@sbcglobal.net
- **BUCKAROOS** - Promotes safe, fun western cowboy activities for kids and adults alike. All levels of riders welcome. President Jeff Kermod @ (661) 343-7503, 1st VP George McMackin @ (661) 400-1333, 2nd VP Erika Underwood @ (805) 705-1123, Treasurer Cheryl Akerly @ (661) 609-6113 & Secretary Debi Kermod @ (949) 291-0551
- **BVS CYCLE CLUB** - Recreational and informative. Please contact Zack Crum at bvsycleclub@gmail.com
- **BVS SOCIAL BRIDGE CLUB** - Social interaction and play. Call Ann Peyton @ 661-821-0926
- **BVS VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION** - Commander Bill Kritlow @ 949-394-4525.
- **BVS WILDLIFE COALITION** - Educates and advocates for living in harmony with wildlife through fun activities, presentations, and special events. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 6 pm in the OTCC Reception Room. Contact Anya at (661) 435-0667 or email at bvswildlifecoalition@gmail.com.
- **BVS WOMEN'S CLUB** - Provides an opportunity for good fellowship among the women of BVS. Contact Margie Underwood - 661-202-8553. Website: www.bvswomensclub.com.
- **CARRIAGE DRIVING** - Meetings are the 2nd Thursday each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Equestrian Center Lounge. We promote safe driving, drive-and-ride outings and good horsemanship. Contact Debbie Mayer @ (661) 238-8444
- **CRAFTY LADIES** - Meet at the Equestrian Center Lounge every Tuesday, 1-3 p.m. Bring your own project and get acquainted! Contact Pat Kritlow @ 949-394-4524
- **CULTURAL ARTS ASSOCIATION (CAA)** - CAA provides performing arts programs to enhance our way of life. Contact president Sonja Bronson at 661-472-9294.
- **DRESSAGE** - Active in many equestrian dressage activities in the local area. Contact Janice Polletta at 661 847-8364.
- **ECLECTIC BOOK CLUB** - Meets the first Monday of the month at noon at the Equestrian Center Lounge. Call Kay Klinker for more information at 821-1621.
- **GARDEN CLUB** - The Garden Club is a resource for all Bear Valley residents who would like to make the most of their garden. Bring your questions, lessons learned and gardening enthusiasm to our meetings, which take place every third Friday (March- October) @ Equestrian Center lounge. Dues are \$10.00. Contact Clare Scotti to learn more 661-238-3020.
- **GREENHORNS** - Provides an environment for horse and rider to learn cattle-handling skills that are used in working cattle operations throughout the west. Contact President Denise Togami @ 805-231-8676, or Don McLaughlin @ 208-781-8746.
- **HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION** - Promotes fellowship, equestrian activities and facilities. Supports acquisition and preservation of riding trails. Contact President Susan Mustafa @ 661-538-0995 or smustafa@outlook.com.
- **MAKE IT SEW** - To promote the advancement of sewing and quilting skills. Robyn Woodhouse 821-0603 or Teri Lindsey 805-304-7351.
- **OAK TREE BRIDGE CLUB** - Experience and enjoy the benefits the Bridge has to offer! Bob Nixon 661-823-9483.
- **OAK TREE MEN'S GOLF** - Meet the 2nd Tuesday every month in the Card Room at the OTCC at 9:00 a.m. Contact Mark Poindexter at 805-320-9444.
- **OAK TREE WOMEN'S GOLF** - Open play - Monday at 10:00; 9-hole playday - Wednesday at 10:00; 18-hole playday - Friday at 9:30. Those interested in playing

or joining, contact the Pro Shop at 821-5144 or Joy Webber at 661-300-1536 or email at cows4joy@sbcglobal.net.

- **OLD GUYS POKER CLUB** - Provide good fellowship, comradery, and sharing of mutual friends. Contact Bill Snow at 562-922-2661 for more information.
- **PICKLE BALL** - Promote Pickle Ball Play. Contact Rhonda Arbolante, 661-428-7461, rhondaarbolante@gmail.com.
- **PONY CLUB** - BVSPC is part of the United States Pony Club, an organization which promotes the development of the young English or Western rider (ages 8-25). The Horsemasters' branch focuses on enhancing adults' current knowledge and skills. Contact Debbie Swarens at 661-821-0968 or Jena D'Cruz at is 661-817-2173.
- **RC MODELERS** - Anyone interested in RC Model Aviation or Model Cars are welcome to come join us in activities at our field and our meetings. Contact Dan Mason 661-203-8398.
- **SPORTSMAN'S CLUB** - The club coordinates a wide variety of social, sports and RV activities. Contact Will Handley at 661-414-6489.
- **TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB** - Contact Tailwaggers President, Kathy Kneer, 916-878-6453, Kneer7546@gmail.com.
- **TENNIS CLUB** - Contact Rick Lund, Tennis Pro @ 747-0613

BVS SPECIAL INTERESTS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- **CERT** - Training BVS residents to be prepared and ready to serve in the event of a local disaster situation. Contact David Shaw at tehachapicert@gmail.com, 661-609-8365, <https://www.facebook.com/tehachapiCERT/>
- **CO-ED SOFTBALL** - Come on out for a non-competitive pickup game of softball. It's perfect for anyone who can't run, throw, or catch but wants to get a little exercise and a lot of laughs. Ages 50+ Tues. and Thurs. 3:00 pm. All Ages Sundays at 3:00 pm. Contact Lisa Burt @ 821-0850 or the_burt_family@yahoo.com
- **CUB SCOUT TROOP 135** - Grades 1st through 5th grade. Contact Cub Master Jon Read 909-268-3297.
- **EMERGENCY AMATEUR RADIO TEAM** - This team is made up of licensed amateur radio operators in BVS who donate their services in times of an emergency. Weekly net check-in Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. 146.700Mhz(-) PL123.0. Contact John Dan Mason @ (661) 203-8398
- **FRIDAY NIGHT BRIDGE PARTY** - Relaxed atmosphere for couples and singles to enjoy social Bridge. Contact Carol Burdick @ 821-7213 or Elaine Williams @ 821-5768
- **GRIZZLIES SWIM TEAM** - We swim year-round. Recreational and competitive. Contact Debbie Papac @ 821-6541
- **HISTORICAL SOCIETY** - Provides an opportunity for good fellowship and encourages the residents of Bear Valley to become interested in the preservation of this community's historical past. Contact Judy Reynolds @ 821-7035.
- **LADIES BUNCO NIGHT** - The dice start rolling at 3:00 PM and ends at 6:00 PM. We meet at the Whiting Center the second Sunday of every month. Contact the Whiting Center 821-6641
- **P & J BRIDGE CLUB** - Contact Chris Schaeffer @ 661-771-2373
- **TRAIL TREKKERS** - Enhancing club member enjoyment of existing trail system within Bear Valley. Increase knowledge in the safe long-distance. Contact Carol Miller @ 821-8966.
- **SPINNERS AND WEAVERS** - Exchanging of techniques & support. Contact Elaine Maxwell @ 821-1680 or Rona Samuels @ 821-5828.
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THE GOAL: Know how to respond safely when instructions are given to evacuate or take shelter

In a disaster you may be asked to either evacuate or shelter-in-place. In the excitement of an emergency, it can be difficult to focus on what you are doing. Know what to do to keep your family safe. Practice your tornado and fire safety plans. If your family has practiced, they will be more comfortable doing it when the emergency actually happens.

▶▶▶ CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING THINGS TO DO THIS MONTH TO BECOME BETTER PREPARED:

Identify the best storm shelter in your home and practice getting to the shelter with your family.

Choosing the best place in your home or workplace to shelter from a tornado isn't always easy. Many newer buildings don't have a really good shelter area. Use these rules of thumb to find the best tornado shelter possible:

- Stay away from windows and skylights
- Shelter "down and in"—Put as many walls between yourself and the outside as you can (think of the ceiling as a wall)
- Avoid rooms with large ceiling expanses
- Find an area large enough for everyone to stay comfortably for at least 45 minutes

If you live in an area prone to hurricanes, be prepared to protect your family and your property. Cover windows with plywood or hurricane shutters when a hurricane warning is issued—don't use tape. If you are advised to evacuate, do so. Otherwise, stay inside and away from windows until the storm has completely passed.

Learn how to safely shelter in place.

In an emergency like a chemical spill, you may be told to “shelter in place”. This means to make the place where you are a safe place to stay until the danger has passed. Shelter in place orders are given when it would be dangerous for you to go outside.

Notification—Warning sirens may be used to warn people that it is not safe to be outside. Emergency responders may go door to door in the affected area. They may also use loudspeakers from police or fire vehicles to give instructions. Information will also be given over television and radio using the Emergency Alert System.

What to do in a hazardous materials incident—The first thing to do when a chemical spill or similar event occurs is to get information. Turn on the television or radio to find out if your area is affected and what steps to take. Never call 911 to get information about an emergency. Only call 911 if you are injured or need assistance.

If you are told to shelter in place you should close all doors and windows and shut off fans and air conditioners. Take your family to a room with as few doors and windows as possible. You may be told to put towels or tape around the cracks of the windows and doors. Follow emergency instructions carefully. Make sure you take a battery-powered radio with you so that you will know when the danger has passed. Power in your area may be shut off during the incident.

Make a Go Bag for emergency sheltering.

Emergency shelters will be opened when people are displaced from their homes. In most areas emergency shelters are operated by the American Red Cross. At the Red Cross Shelter:

RED CROSS WILL PROVIDE

- A cot to sleep on
- Meals and bottled water
- A nurse for basic medical care
- Information about the disaster from public officials

YOU MAY NEED TO BRING

- Pillow and blanket
- Identification
- Change of clothes
- Cards or magazines
- Comfort items
- Your medication and medical supplies (or a list of what you are taking, dosage, and Dr’s names)

NOT ALLOWED AT THE SHELTER

- Weapons or alcohol
- Pets (except for service animals)

The Red Cross will never provide information about you to anyone without your permission. There is never any charge for emergency sheltering.



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Asking Price
\$386,000

An abundance of charm awaits! Not to mention the views... This country charmer is situated on approximately 1.48 acres of oak studded property, with plenty of room for horses! Composite decking partially wraps around this home and affords many moments of relaxation, wildlife viewing, and taking in the breathtaking Bear Valley Springs landscape. This 3 bedroom 2.3/4 bath includes 2006 sq ft of living space, attached two car garage, and a detached garage/ workshop. Bonus: On natural gas!



Asking Price
\$475,000

The Best of Both Worlds

Spectacular views, yet just minutes from the valley floor and on natural gas! This turn-key 3/2 home is perched perfectly on 2.65 gorgeous oak-studded acres and is bursting with charm.

Living room features rich hard-wood flooring, built in bookshelves and crown molding, with french doors opening to breathtaking panoramic views of Bear Valley Springs. Kitchen is updated with white cabinets and black appliances, and flows into the light and bright breakfast nook. Master and guest rooms are spacious, oversized 2 car garage. There is much to appreciate with this property.



SONYA SCHROEDER
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BETH HALL
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DRE: 01453499



Welcome to Bear Valley Springs! This lot is ready to build your dream mountain house on. Easy access to the street. Beautiful rock formation on property. It even already has a water meter installed on it!!!

That is a \$8000 savings! Electric is at the street. Buyers to do their due diligence. Come check this one out and be part of what Bear Valley Springs has to offer. Gate pass needed to enter Bear Valley Springs Community.

Asking Price
\$18,000



MARILYN KAGLEY
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There is a shortage of homes in Tehachapi! Think about buying a beautiful very buildable 1.93 acre mountain view lot with pines on a private cul-de-sac location. A survey has been done! It is located in the desirable area of Bear Valley Springs which is gated and has amazing amenities.

Voted by PC magazine and Forbes as one of the great places to work from home location. Call your Realtor to learn about this wonderful community and what it offers.

Asking Price
\$25,000



MAGGIE SCHICK
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Asking Price
\$410,000

This beautiful home offers stunning, panoramic views of Bear Valley Springs. Lower level offers 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom, upper level offers a beautiful living room with picture windows, vaulted ceiling and a cozy fireplace. Kitchen has granite countertops and lots of cabinet space. The large master Bedroom is on the upper level. Enjoy the view of Bear Valley Springs from the outside deck, surrounded by oak trees and abundant wildlife. Windows have been replaced, new window coverings in the living room, Hardy Board siding on the exterior. Make this your forever home!



Asking Price
\$130,000

The perfect location in Bear Valley Springs. 2.99 acres with views of Bear Valley and surrounding mountains. Plenty of room for your home and barn, chicken coop, workshop or whatever is on your wish list.



SHERRY SKEELS
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Asking Price
\$25,500

Very buildable lot on quiet cul-de-sac. Trees were trimmed to promote health recently. Property is mowed for easy access. Rock formations, views, pines, and oaks. Wildlife abounds.

Lot on left also for sale.



Asking Price
\$65,900

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SUN: 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM		Month MARCH 2022			
Day	TIMES	ACTIVITIES	AGE	FEE	INSTRUCTOR
M O N	5:30 AM- 8:45 PM	WEIGHTROOM OPENS-FITNESS CENTER	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	NO INSTRUCTOR
	5:30 AM-9:00 AM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	9:15 AM-11:20 AM	SEE SEPARATE FLYERS FOR WORK OUT CLASSES	ALL	SEE SEPARATE FLYER PER INSTRUCTOR	
	10:00-2:30 pm	PAINTING WORKSHIP (GREEN RM)	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	NO INSTRUCTOR
	12:00 PM-2:00 PM	PICKLEBALL (GYMNASIUM)	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	JULIAN /DAVE
	2:30 PM - 4:00 PM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	4:15 PM - 9:00 PM	BVS HOCKEY PRACTICES	AGE 5-17	GUEST FEES APPLY BELOW	COACHES
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	8:00 AM-11:00 AM	BV STEPPERS MEMBERS (GREEN RM)	ADULT	BV STEPPERS	LORA SCHROCK
	8:30-10:00AM	WATER THERAPY	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY BELOW	MARTI SPRINKLE
	9:15 AM-1:00 PM	SEE SEPARATE FLYERS FOR WORK OUT CLASSES	ALL	SEE SEPARATE FLYER PER INSTRUCTOR	
	11:25 AM-4:00 PM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
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	11:25 AM-4:00 PM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	12:00 pm-3:00 PM	RAC Meeting 1st Wed. of Month (Green Rm)	Adult	RAC Staff	Kim Clow
	12:00 PM-2:00 PM	PICKLEBALL (GYMNASIUM)	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	JULIAN /DAVE
	3:30 PM - 5:15 PM	Bible Club (Green Room)	K-5	Bible Club	Mari Lacom
4:15 PM - 9:00 PM	BVS HOCKEY PRACTICES	AGE 5-17	GUEST FEES APPLY BELOW	COACHES	
T H U R S	5:30 AM-8:45 PM	WEIGHTROOM OPENS-FITNESS CENTER	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	NO INSTRUCTOR
	5:30 AM-9:00 AM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	8:30 AM-11:00 AM	WATER THERAPY	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY BELOW	MARTI SPRINKLE
	8:30 AM-11:00 AM	VETERANS MEETING (GREEN RM)	ADULT	SEE VETERANS 1ST THURSDAY OF MAR.	Jed Hannon
	9:15 AM - 1:00 PM	SEE SEPARATE FLYERS FOR WORK OUT CLASSES	ALL	SEE SEPARATE FLYER PER INSTRUCTOR	
	11:25 AM-4:00 PM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	12:30 PM-2:30 PM	BV STEPPERS MEMBERS (GREEN RM)	ADULT	BV STEPPERS	LORA SCHROCK
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	9:15 AM-11:30 AM	SEE SEPARATE FLYERS FOR WORK OUT CLASSES	ALL	SEE SEPARATE FLYER PER INSTRUCTOR	
	10:30 AM - 4:00 PM	RANGER MEETINGS (Green Room)	Staff	Rangers	Joe Horswell
	12:00 PM-2:00 PM	PICKLEBALL (GYMNASIUM)	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	JULIAN /DAVE
	2:30 PM - 4:00 PM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY BELOW	STAFF
	4:15 PM - 9:00 PM	BVS HOCKEY GAMES	AGE 5-17	GUEST FEES APPLY BELOW	COACHES
S A T	7:00 AM-8:45 PM	WEIGHTROOM OPENS-FITNESS CENTER	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	NO INSTRUCTOR
	9:00 AM- 11:00 AM	BV STEPPERS (GREEN RM)	ADULT	BV STEPPERS	LORA SCHROCK
	2:10 PM - 3:00 PM	OPEN GYMNASIUM	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	VETS BINGO 1st Saturday of the Month	Adult	GAME CHARGES	Paul Tate
S U N	12:00 PM-6:45 PM	WEIGHTROOM OPENS-FITNESS CENTER	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	NO INSTRUCTOR
	12:00 PM-2:00 PM	FREE SKATING (HELMET REQUIRED) NO HOCKEY STICKS	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF/PARENTS
	1:00 PM-3:30 PM	BUNCO 2nd SUNDAY OF THE MONTH (GREEN RM)	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY BELOW	LINDA WETTA/STAFF
	3:10 PM - 4:55 PM	OPEN BASKETBALL CT	ALL	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	STAFF
3:00 PM-4:00 PM	RC CLUB MEETING (GREEN RM) 2ND SUN	ADULT	GUEST FEES APPLY SEE BELOW	DAN MASON	

*** All Times and Prices are subject to change***

GUEST FEES: Daily Whiting Center Fees: Ages 9 to 15- \$2, OVER 16YRS- \$5, with out Property Owner- \$10

Daily Weightroom Fees-With property owner \$10, with out property owner- \$15

Match 2022

Margaret -FREE

Caitlyn- First Class Free

Teresa-FREE/ Donations Accepted

ALL Classes dates, times and fees subject to change

WORKOUT CLASSES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 CARDIO DANCE 9:00AM-10:00AM MwMSIT & FT 10:30AM-11:55AM	2 HITT TRAINING 9:15AM-10:15AM MwMSIT & FT 10:30AM-11:55AM	3 CARDIO DANCE 9:00AM-10:00AM	4 HITT TRAINING 9:15AM-10:15AM
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Update on the lakes in Bear Valley and the Five-Year Plan

Submitted by
**Lake Quality
Advisory Committee**

The Lake Quality Advisory Committee has established goals to create a healthy ecosystem within the lakes, including diverse self-sustaining fish populations and re-established plant-life to provide habitat, while improving water quality driven

by continued water data monitoring. All of this is being done to support the BVSA lakes and enhance their recreational capabilities for the community. With COVID keeping us at home the last two years, the lakes have been even more important to the Bear Valley Springs. In an effort to fulfill our goals, and the 5-year plan approved by the BVSA board, we have done a lot



of work. We know you have seen some of it, but we are proud of the outcomes which are only possible because of this amazing

community, so here are a few highlights:

Watershed: The drought made us very aware of the importance of storing and protecting the water we have. To that end, following the advice of the USDA and outside consultants, we have monitored the watershed, mapped Four Island, Jack's Hole, and Cub lakes with sonar, and begun to deepen and design Jack's Hole to reduce evaporative loss and increase water storage. Four Island has a granite bottom and Cub has a bentonite bottom, so increasing water depth in these lakes would be costly and take a long time. Only Jack's can be deepened without increasing surface area and subsequent evaporation, providing a great reservoir. LQAC developed plans with Mountain View Consulting, and other outside consultants, and began small digging projects in Fall 2021. You may have noticed we hit water at about 5-6 feet below the bottom! This project will continue with a designed peninsula for fishing and greater depth, providing both fish habitat and increased water storage. In addition, depth gauges have been installed in the lakes to help monitor depth and water volume.

Water Quality: As documented across the U.S. and in our valley, all of our lakes are subject to runoff that carries unwanted nutrients from fertilizer, manure, effluent and other sources of nitrogen and phosphorus, which stimulate algae blooms. After a depressing 2020, Goldfish Publications, LLC

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where we had to briefly close the Four Island lakes due to a cyanobacteria bloom, we have made great strides. The Spring 2021 phoslock treatment has kept our orthophosphate (the unbound residue in the water) at 0.00. Phosphate is a key stimulant for toxic cyanobacteria (blue-green algae), and we have bound it to prevent negative environmental effects. Because of the problem with cyanobacteria toxin in lakes across California, we began participating in the California State Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) reporting to keep our valley residents safe and this year we did not have to close the lake, although the majority of California lakes suffered from harmful blooms. Unfortunately, recently, we have had water entering the lake that is high in nitrates, which cannot be bound like phosphorous. Nitrates are harmful to fish life and at very high levels, to humans as well. With Jack's Hole and a new plan for pumping the water among the lakes through plant-rich ditches, we can allow plants to naturally absorb the nitrates and rehabilitate the water for our lakes. This plan was also validated through outside consulting and USDA best practices.

Plant Life: Four Island and Cub used to boast good green algae and aquatic plant-life. But the nutrient imbalance and the over-population of catfish created a perfect storm to make the lake bottoms a barren desert. Using innovative technology and some genius from committee members, we have built and planted prototype floating islands that move with the water levels, provide fish habitat, and can be moved directly in the path of run-off as a filter upon entering the lakes. These volunteers provided a great resource and opportunity to pilot test floating islands by creating two sizes using quality material instead of purchasing costly pre-made floating islands. LQAC has a green thumb and propagated a healthy water lily population with beautiful flowers that grace our lakes when



they come out of hibernation in the spring. The arduous work of volunteers saved a lot of money compared to purchasing more lilies, by propagating the tubers, caring and replanting them where needed.

Fish: The damage done by the bullhead overpopulation has been a tough challenge. Many residents have helped in the battle and the catfish derbies have been fun. Who knew we had some incredibly talented fishermen, women and kids that could help us? These predatory fish destroy both plants and young fish. Over six thousand pounds of bullhead were harvested last season. In addition, as Jack's Hole and the 7th pond were drained/dried up, volunteers helped net and transfer between 4,000 and 6,000 mid-sized crappie and 4,000 to 5,000 green sunfish and golden shiners. These more mature fish will make great spring fishing and saved the association between \$27,000- \$51,000 in fish stocking fees in the future. The 7th hole pond is being kept at a high-water level to act as a water reserve, but also to help maintain a fish and lily nursery we have established there. A recent "Young of the Year" fish study



revealed that we have had fewer hatches and less growth among our fish populations than similar water bodies (like Stallion Springs). This is most likely due to lack of fish habitat and adequate food, such as insects and plants. Most recently, the residents donated Christmas trees, and 23 volunteers, including Kern fly fishermen, helped tie the trees to blocks and put them in Four Island and Cub lakes to provide fish habitat and places for insects to reproduce. Admittedly a few trees got away, but we expect to clean those up and to have a much better fishing season this spring.

Recreation: Whether you just

look at the lakes, walk the shoreline, swim, fish, kayak, boat, or paddle, these lakes are jewels in our valley. Working with the Recreation Advisory Committee (RAC), we have coordinated to make the lakes accessible. We will continue to regularly test the water quality and update the LQAC 5-year plan to make this amenity even more valuable in the future. Water clarity in January was 18 inches for Cub, 24 inches for Jack's and 42 inches for Four Island.

Maintaining and protecting this ecosystem is a group effort and LQAC appreciates the amazing community participation. 🐾



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Once a Bagger always a Bagger: Bear Valley has something for everyone!

Submitted by
Wayne Boudreau
Contributing Writer

In a quiet setting, 10 miles southwest of Tehachapi, lies the community of Bear Valley Springs. Within that small enclave lies the Oak Tree Country Club, a 9-hole course designed by Ted Robinson, Sr. in 1972. At an elevation of 4,400 feet, the course winds through the valley floor, with both elevated and low-level dual tees, for a full 18 holes.

Outside of the men's and women's clubs, a small group of golfers, who have come to be known as the "Baggers," was created to fill a small void of fun, laughter, and camaraderie. What started as just a time to get together,

Randy Barker, Steve Vine, Carl Brooks, and Wayne Boudreau, would play a couple of times a week on their home course.

Soon, others joined in and the Baggers were formed, playing each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Golfers from all different backgrounds and ages started with 9-hole play and then moved on to the full 18. After each round, they would gather at the 19th hole patio for beverages, laughter and to trade quarters, which became a time to kid, rib and flaunt one's winnings. You can always tell a Bagger after the round as he would be the one carrying a purple Crown Royal bag, hopefully with enough quarters to pay for his daily outing and one quarter for the taco bag. At the end of each season, the quarters in the

taco bag were put to good use, as the group would meet at the president's house for a catered taco party to celebrate another year.

With the passing of our long-time firefighter friend, Carl Brooks, on Feb. 18, 2021, who was one of the founding four, the OTCC and Baggers recognize his devotion and contribution to the community by having a memorial golf tournament in his honor.

Each year, as the group has grown, travel trips have been a mainstay, as trips to Las Vegas, Laughlin and Pahrump, have created excitement and anticipation of winning a few quarters from peers. As can be seen, rain or snow does not deter the Baggers from their daily routine, and instead of a few cold

beers, they may switch to coffee and Bailey's. With each passing week, the group gains more new players joining together. We have regulars who play 18 holes three days a week and there are those who drop in once a month for the fun, laughter, camaraderie and sometimes, a few quarters.

These connections with the Baggers have gone on for more than 10 years and anyone with a few extra quarters can join. So, for those in the Bear Valley Springs – if you enjoy the company of old and young, want a few laughs, a lot of chiding and are not afraid to put a few quarters to the test no matter what your handicap may be, call Oak Tree Country Club any Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday, and join the 10 a.m. Tee Time. 🐾



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Two Eggs and Cheese Blend	\$6.50
Add \$0.50 each: Onion, Bell Pepper, Mushroom, Spinach, Tomato, Jalapeno, Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream	
Add \$1.00 each: Bacon, Ham, Sausage	
Add \$1.50 for extra egg	
Add \$2.00 for avocado	

COMBOS

Onezie	\$5.50
One egg, one bacon or one sausage patty, toast and choice of potato or one pancake	
Twozie	\$10.00
Two eggs, two bacons or two sausage patties, toast and choice of potato or one pancake	
Smoked Ham and Eggs	\$10.00
Two eggs, smoked ham, toast and choice of potato or one pancake	

Favorites

Golfer Sandwich	\$6.00
One fried egg, bacon and American cheese on your choice of toasted bread	
Breakfast Burrito	\$6.25
Scrambled eggs, bacon and cheese blend rolled in a warm flour tortilla. Served with salsa	
Breakfast Quesadilla	\$7.25
Toasted flour tortilla with scrambled eggs, bacon, avocado and cheese blend. Served with salsa and sour cream	
Country Fried Steak and Eggs	\$12.00
Two eggs, sausage gravy, your choice of potato and toast, biscuit or English muffin	
Biscuits and Sausage Gravy	\$7.00
House made sausage gravy smothered over 2 buttermilk biscuits	

Cubs and Seniors

Ham Scramble	\$6.00
Served with fruit cup and 1 slice of toast	
Silver Dollar Pancakes	\$3.00
6 Buttermilk mini pancakes	
Steel Cut Oatmeal	\$5.00
Served with brown sugar, raisins & nuts, seasonal berries and chilled milk	

From the Griddle

Buttermilk Pancake	\$2.50
One pancake served with whipped butter & maple syrup	
Add Wild Maine Blueberries \$0.50	
French Toast	\$3.00
One piece of thick, custard dipped bread. Served with whipped butter and maple syrup	

Sides

Country Potatoes or Hash Browns	\$2.50
Three Bacon Slices	\$3.00
Two Sausage Patties	\$3.00
Smoked Ham	\$3.00
Extra Beef Patty	\$7.00
One Egg, Any Style	\$1.50
Sausage Gravy	\$4.00
Fresh Fruit Cup	\$5.00
Toast, Biscuit, English Muffin or Corn Tortillas	\$1.50
White, Wheat or Sourdough	

ALL DAY MENU



HANDHELD

Includes French fries or coleslaw. Substitute fries for salad, fruit or sweet potato fries \$1; onion rings \$2
American, Swiss, Cheddar or Bleu cheese \$0.50. Add Bacon or Avocado \$2.00

Angus Burger 4oz/8oz	7.00/ 10.00
Choice Angus beef patty, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion on a brioche bun	
Turkey Burger	\$8.00
Lean turkey patty, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, and chipotle mayo on a brioche bun	
Gardenburger® Veggie Burger	\$9.00
Oats, brown rice, mushrooms & cheese blended into a patty. Served with lettuce, tomato, pickle and onion on Brioche bun	
Pulled Pork Sandwich	\$9.00
Slow roasted pork dressed with zesty BBQ sauce and creamy coleslaw on a brioche bun	
Sportsman's Club Sandwich	\$10.00
Ham, turkey, bacon, Swiss cheese, mayonnaise, lettuce and tomatoes on toasted sourdough	
Reuben Sandwich	\$10.00
Corned beef with Swiss cheese, sauerkraut, and thousand island dressing on grilled rye bread	
Philly Beef Dip	\$12.00
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Nathan's All Beef Hot Dog	\$6.00
Additional items \$0.50 each: grilled peppers, grilled onions, diced red onion, sauerkraut or cheese	
Grilled Chicken Wrap	\$9.00
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B.L.T Sandwich	\$8.00
Smoked bacon, lettuce, tomato and mayonnaise served on your choice of toasted wheat, white or sourdough bread	
Grilled Chicken Sandwich	\$9.00
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Grilled Three Cheese Sandwich	\$7.25
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Chinese Chicken Salad	\$9.00
Grilled Chicken, shredded cabbage, crispy chow mein noodles and cashews tossed with creamy sesame dressing	
Classic Caesar Salad	\$7.00
Romaine lettuce, garlic croutons and shaved parmesan with creamy garlic dressing	
House Salad	\$7.00
Mixed greens, cherry tomatoes, cucumber and croutons	
Cobb Salad	\$12.00
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Served with your choice of side	
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Carnitas Tacos	\$9.00
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Quesadilla	\$5.00
Served with avocado, tortilla chips, salsa and sour cream	
Add: Jalapenos, \$0.50, Grilled Chicken \$3.00, Philly steak \$6.00	
Four Piece Fried Chicken	\$13.00
Served with your choice of side	

SIDES

French Fries	\$4.00	Extra Beef Patty	\$7.00
Sweet Potato Fries	\$5.00	Small House Salad	\$4.00
Onion Rings	\$5.00	Soup of the Day	\$4.00
Fresh Fruit Cup	\$5.00	Garlic Bread	\$1.00

DESSERTS

Chocolate Layer Cake	\$7.25
Seasonal Housemade Cheesecake	\$7.00
Lemon Meringue Pie	\$5.00

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remove structures that impede the use of an easement.

A common issue here in Bear Valley Springs is the building of fences on an easement. Some of these easements have drainage structures on them, which could be anything from an earthen ditch to a concrete v-drain or covered pipe. Fences catch leaves and debris, creating blockages that increase the potential for flooding on the property. Fences also make it difficult for personnel or equipment to access the easement for maintenance activities.

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Road ROWs measure from the center of the roadway.

However, sometimes center-points may not line up with the center striping we see on the pavement - a point to consider when planning structures, permanent landscaping, or other domestic property uses. Residents must be careful not to install any items, including mirrors for sight distance, reflectors, non-authorized signs, etc., within the right-of-way.

Within Bear Valley Springs' boundaries, the district is responsible for maintenance work and other authorized use of the rights-of-way. We respond to the best of our abilities to requests for signs, striping, reflectors, and other traffic control devices. We take great pride in understanding how to maintain our roadways properly. We will also do our best to explain why we do what we do as far as maintenance in the roadway and work with our residents to solve any issues that may arise while using District roads.

The Bear Valley CSD staff are happy to be of assistance if you have any questions. We are here to serve our community, and we will work hard to maintain the quality of life that can only be found in our beautiful valley. You can contact us at 661-821-4428, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. 🐾

TEXT OF ADOPTED CHANGES TO
ECC RULES

*(Deletions are shown in strikethrough type and additions in **boldface underlined** type)*

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A. Garbage, Receptacles, Storage Areas, Etc.4. Antenna/Satellite Dish**

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CHEESE, HOUSE MADE MARINARA AND YOUR
CHOICE OF TOPPINGS

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MEAT TOPPINGS

2

PEPPERONI, CANADIAN BACON, BACON,
GRILLED CHICKEN, SWEET ITALIAN SAUSAGE

VEGGIE TOPPINGS

1.25

ARTICHOKE HEARTS, BELL PEPPER, BLACK OLIVE,
PICKLED JALAPENO, MUSHROOMS, CARAMELIZED
ONION, ROASTED GARLIC, RED ONION,
TOMATO, PINEAPPLE, GREEN ONION, BASIL,
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QUESADILLA BURGER 12

8 OZ ANGUS BEEF PATTY, CHIPOTLE MAYO, PEPPER-JACK CHEESE, CHEDDAR CHEESE, BACON, PICO DE GALLO ON WARM FLOUR TORTILLAS

8 OZ ANGUS BURGER 10

8 OZ ANGUS BEEF PATTY WITH YOUR CHOICE OF CHEESE, SERVED WITH LETTUCE, TOMATO, PICKLE AND ONION ON A WARM BRIOCHE BUN

4 OZ ANGUS BURGER 7

4 OZ ANGUS BEEF PATTY, WITH YOUR CHOICE OF CHEESE, SERVED WITH LETTUCE, TOMATO, PICKLE AND ONION ON A WARM BRIOCHE BUN

IMPOSSIBLE BURGER 12

100% PLANT BASED IMPOSSIBLE PATTY, SERVED WITH LETTUCE TOMATO, PICKLE AND ONION ON A WARM BRIOCHE BUN

MUSTARD-MARINATED GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH 12

8 OZ GRILLED MARINATED CHICKEN BREAST, GRILLED ONIONS, SWISS CHEESE, LETTUCE AND TOMATO ON A WARM BRIOCHE BUN

APPETIZERS

BEER-BATTERED 9

ARTICHOKE HEARTS

DOZEN BUFFALO WINGS 15

1/2 DOZEN BUFFALO WINGS 8

ONION RINGS 5

FRIED CAULIFLOWER 6

COCONUT SHRIMP 12

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