

February 2018 **Clark County District BNewsletter**

Hello,

I want to thank everyone who reads our newsletter. The next few months I would like to spend some time on neighborhoods and neighborhood pride. While everyone is very busy we must not forget to be a good neighbor. Good neighborhoods exist

because of things that take place in and around them. Our office will be working directly with North Las Vegas Councilman Scott Black and Las Vegas Councilwoman Michele Fiore to address concerns across District B. I find that folks forget to talk to their neighbor and instead post their complaint on social media. We want to work more closely together to improve our communities by talking with each other about issues. Enclosed you will see some tips that can be used to make your neighborhood even better. We would like residents to pledge to do at least one of these tips once a week. Please send us any positive information or "Outstanding" resident contributions so that we can share them with everyone.

Please be sure to encourage friends and neighbors to sign up for our online newsletter or tell us your favorite spot and we will deliver them so they are easily accessible.

Thank you for all you do in District B!

Signed. Marilyn

Good Neighbor Tip #1

Are you having others over for a party or family event? Let your neighbors know, so that if parking or music becomes a problem they will know who to approach.

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Neighborhood Meeting 2nd Tuesday



Last month we had our first neighborhood meeting in the Northeast. Hosted in conjunction with the Metro Northeast Area Command C.O.P. team, it was a chance for neighbors to get together to discuss issues specific to their neighborhood. For those of you in the 89156 or 89115 ZIP code, please feel free to join us the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Cora Coleman Senior Center at 4 p.m. If you would like to have a meeting in your neighborhood about issues that are of concern in your area, give our office a call and we can work on setting one up.



Show a little love in your neighborhood

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Do you have a neighbor? Then YOU are a neighbor too! Marilyn is devoted to creating safe and friendly neighborhoods in part, by asking neighbors to get to know their neighbors. Here are some tips and ideas for getting to know your neighbors and creating a community:

• Say Hello

Sometimes we have to be the first to strike up a conversation, even if is a little uncomfortable. Try to find a common interest, just look for clues. Do you like flowers? Perhaps your neighbor has a yard full of beautiful flowers you admire. Ask about them and how to make your yard look as lovely. Maybe you like animals and they have a dog you think is adorable, say hello and ask about their fur baby.

• Be Visible

Take a walk even if it is just to the mailbox. Watch your kids play in the front yard. With the milder weather, you could take an electronic break on the front porch.

Offer Your Help

If we are conscious of what goes on around us, we can notice if may a neighbor hasn't picked up their newspaper for several days or the lawn is longer than usual. You may find someone who is sick or needs some assistance due to being elderly or a mobility issue. Offer a cold water bottle to a neighbor working in their yard. On a windy day, bring up your neighbor's trash can so it doesn't blow away.

Be a Good Neighbor

Keep your yard tidy to show care for the whole neighborhood. Don't allow your pets or children to be a nuisance. Organize a community project, anything from a cleanup to a neighborhood yard sale. Most of all be friendly and remember that everyone has rough days, so if your neighbor doesn't respond the first time you reach out, give them the benefit of the doubt and try again.

Getting to know your neighbors fosters a sense of community and improves safety. If you know your neighbors, you know who should or should not be in the neighborhood. Share information on suspicious individuals or activities.





1st Tuesday with LVMPD

The 1st Tuesday program is an opportunity for you to be involved with your police department. Each month a different area of the department makes a presentation about the work they are doing in your area. Visit <u>Metro's website</u> for the topic of the month and locations.

Neighborhood Cleanup

Our first neighborhood cleanup of the year was a great success! With the help of Northeast Area Command's C.O.P. team and volunteers, we were able to fill six dumpsters.













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THINGS TO DO & UPCOMING EVENTS

Celebrate Chinese New Year

China Lights Las Vegas is happening at Craig Ranch Regional Park. The Lantern Festival features hundreds of larger-than-life, fullyilluminated, lanterns, as well as Chinese cultural performances and special handicrafts to Las Vegas through **Feb. 25**.

For nearly 2,000 years, the Chinese New Year has been celebrated with lantern, and this family-friendly festival is making its first-ever stop in



Las Vegas! There will be a Chinese New Year Celebration on Friday, Feb.16 with special activities.

Open nightly from 5:30 to 10p.m. Closed on Mondays. Visit <u>http://www.chinalightslv.com</u> for pricing and more information.

Attend a Shredding Party

Las Vegas City Councilwoman Michele Fiore will host a free document shredding party at the Centennial Hills YMCA, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive, March 3, from 10 a.m. to noon. Keep your personal information safe and have old documents shredded for free. There will be a limit of five boxes per vehicle.



Walk or Run a 5K

Feb. 24 8a.m. Downtown

Las Vegas Less about your 10minute mile and more about having the time of your life, The Color Run is a five-kilometer, untimed race and epic Finish Festival. Thousands of Color Runners are doused from head to toe in different colors at each kilometer and finish with a larger than life party with music, dancing, and massive color throws.

Visit https://thecolorrun.com/locations/las-vegas/

for more information and to register.

February is American Heart Month

Love your heart and it will love you back! Heart disease is the leading cause of death for both men and women in the United States. The good news? It also is one of the most preventable. The Southern Nevada Health District is offering free blood pressure screenings from **11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 2** at its main location, 280 S. Decatur Blvd. and **Feb. 16** at its East Las Vegas Public Health Center at 570 N. Nellis Blvd. Visit <u>Southern Nevada Health District</u> or <u>Get Healthy Clark County</u> for more heart healthy tips.

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HIDDEN GEM

Each month we will highlight a place of interest in our district.

This month we bring you Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument.



This hidden gem was established as the 405th unit of the National Park Service on Dec. 19, 2014. Located just north of Las Vegas, the monument's 22,650 acres stretch along US Highway 95 north of Aliante and Centennial Hills to Creech Air Force Base.

Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument, or TUSK (the National Park Service acronym), contains the single largest assemblage of Ice Age fossils in the Southwest, spanning geologic history from 7,000 to 200,000 years past. It is a continuous record found nowhere else.

The area has been studied since the early 1900s. Most notably, a four-month intensive study in 1962 chronicled by National Geographic, catalogued thousands of Ice Age mammal fossils including Columbian mammoth, ground sloth, American lion, ancient camel, dire wolf, saber-toothed cat, bison and three ancient species of horse. After decades of being in California the fossils are now back in Las Vegas and will eventually be displayed at the Las Vegas Natural History museum.

Because Tule Springs is a new park, there are no facilities, but there is still plenty to explore. To access the park, people can park on nearby public roads in the cities of Las Vegas and North Las Vegas, or off of Corn Creek Road just five miles north of the Snow Mtn. exit on US-95. Corn Creek has a visitor's center which has information about the monument. This area has not suffered the impact of nearby development. However, sections closer to town have not been treated as kindly and have suffered destruction of habitat and fossils due to illegal activities such as the dumping of trash and the use of off-road vehicles.

Protectors of Tule Springs was informally founded in 2006 in an effort to protect the fossils and preserve the last of the undeveloped portions of the Upper Las Vegas Wash basin. Protectors of Tule Springs, working with local government agencies and other non-profit groups, were instrumental in the making of this monument. Now, an official non-profit, Protectors work with the National Park Service to protect the area and educate the public about its importance.

Clark County has long supported the efforts to protect and preserve this area. In 2017, with the support of a county grant, Protectors began a neighborhood-watch style program, "I'm a Protector," which encourages neighbors and visitors to the monument to report activities that endanger its valuable resources and diminish its stark beauty. To join in Protectors' efforts or learn more about the monument please visit: <u>https://protectorsoftulesprings.org/.</u>

It is a beautiful place to hike and to enjoy. You may go explore anytime during daylight hours just remember a few things:

- No motorized vehicles
- No shooting
- No digging for fossils
- Do not pick the flowers
- Do not leave any trash behind



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Mosaic Taiwan

Here is a great opportunity for Nevada Students (age 20 to 35) to visit Taiwan!!

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) of the Republic of China (Taiwan) has recently announced the **2018 Mosaic Taiwan Fellowship Program**.

This two-week long exchange program from **June 10-23** provides young U.S. and Canadian students and professionals a wonderful opportunity to explore Taiwan through workshops, lectures, historic site visits and extensive cultural activities. Travel and living arrangements in Taiwan will be provided by MOFA.

MOFA will accept applications now through Feb. 28. For more information and an application please visit MOSAIC Taiwan on Facebook.





Mosaic Taiwan is a fellowship exchange program for promising young leaders from the U.S. and Canada hoping to gain firsthand experience of the Republic of China (Taiwan), a vibrant Asian democracy in which a diversity of cultures have prospered. Sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the program provides young people with an interest in global affairs the opportunity to understand Taiwan's culture and society through extensive exchanges with local students and professionals and to explore the beauty of the country's natural environment. It also gives young leaders for Taiwan international exposure by fostering dialogue with their overseas counterparts.



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Thank you for taking a moment to look into District B.

Please reach out to us with community events, questions or requests for information.

Contact our office at (702) 455-3504 or

Vanessa, Newsletter Editor, at (702) 455-3522 Email: <u>Vanessa.aguayo-</u> <u>barker@clarkcounty</u> <u>nv.gov</u>.

If you would like to be removed from this list, or have someone who would like to be added, please <u>email</u> <u>Vanessa</u>.



CLARK COUNTY LAW LIBRARY FREE Legal Education Classes

Offered as a free community service by Nevada Legal Services Clark County Law Library

The Clark County Law Library and Nevada Legal Services are offering a full schedule of free, legal education classes to the public from January through April 2018. Classes will be held at the Law Library, located in downtown Las Vegas at 309 S. Third St., Suite 400.

Topics include: Criminal Records Sealing and Civil Rights Restoration; Basics of Lawsuits and Legal Research; Drafting a Civil Complaint in Clark County; Unemployment Law; Estate Planning; Probate for Estates Under \$100,000; Tenant's Rights; and a Records Sealing Forms Clinic.

Please call (702) 455-4696 to reserve a seat. Classes Offered Through April 2018

At the Clark County Law Library* 309 S. Third St., Suite 400 Las Vegas, Nevada 89155

Monthly Crime Prevention Tip from Metro Northeast Area Command: Lock your doors! The most common point of entry in home burglaries and vehicle burglaries is the door. Something as simple as locking your doors can prevent you from becoming a victim. H4

Classes start Feb. 8, 2018 Sign up Now

Email: ralexand@clarkcountynv.gov for an application

Want To Do Business With Clark County?

CLARK COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM (SBOP)

FOR SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS WHO:

- Have been in business at least one year
- Have an active Nevada State Business License
- Have not been awarded a County contract in the past two years
- Provide a product or service that may be procured by Clark County
- Are willing to commit to12 training sessions over a 4-month period, one day per week

BUILD YOUR CAPACITY TO WIN

AND COMPLETE GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.

- Learn about bidding and procurement directly from County purchasing agents and experts
- Develop best business practices to grow by
- Build your small business referral network
- Gain valuable insights and mentoring from successful entrepreneurs and organizations
 - Learn about new contract opportunities and how to bid
 - Gain access to local small business resources

Space is limited. Eligible applicants are approved on a first come, first served basis. APPLY NOW TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT. **FREE OF CHARGE.** You invest time & effort. **To request your application email**: Royal Alexander at ralexand@clarkcountynv.gov





the more places you'll go.

-Dr. Seuss

