



OUR TOWN

Town of Apple Valley, California

Get
Connected

State of the TOWN

The Mayor and Town Council spoke to a sold-out crowd at the 2015 State of the Town address in August. The annual event serves as a review of accomplishments as well as a snapshot of goals for the coming year.

With a theme of "Get Connected", one connection discussed was the Yucca Loma Bridge across the Mojave River. Now 18 months into construction, Phase 1 is nearly done. Improvements on Yucca Loma Road from Apple Valley Road to the bridge must be complete before it opens to traffic. Funding just became available for this segment, and these final improvements are expected to take about a year.

To better connect riders from one end of Town to the other, we have begun a master plan to upgrade the bike lane network with new signage, striping and placement. The modifications are thanks, in part, to a grant from the Highway Safety Improvement Program, funds from Measure I, and Traffic Impact fees.

This year we received more than \$400,000 in grants for programs that will do things like:

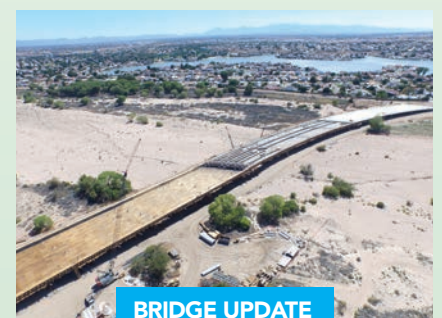
- Help eliminate the blight of abandoned tires
- Create a master plan for safe routes to school in partnership with the school district
- Install two electric vehicle charging stations at Town Hall
- Contribute to the purchase of the Hilltop House property

This is in addition to the \$531,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds and \$208,000 in HOME funds that have been allocated to various social service agencies that perform important work in our Town, as well as improvements to parks and infrastructure benefitting low and moderate income residents.

Possibly the most critical connection this year has been on the issue of public ownership of water. In a survey done in July 2015, 70% of ratepayers surveyed support the Town's efforts to acquire Apple Valley Ranchos Water Company to provide greater local control and bring stability to double digit rate increases. We encourage residents to visit AVH2Ours.com to learn more.

Community ownership of water is important, not only for our citizens, but for economic development as well. Competitive water rates is one of many factors a site selector may look at. Such was the case with AVDC, LLC. The town signed an Owner Participation Agreement with that company for the development of a 1.35-million-square-foot distribution center project in the North Apple Valley Industrial Specific Plan Area. The proposed \$115 million project will employ 400 to 500 permanent jobs when it opens in early 2017.

For more information on the State of the Town, view the presentation online at www.AppleValley.org.



BRIDGE UPDATE

Now more than 20 months into construction, Phase 1 of the Yucca Loma Bridge is expected to be complete by the first of the year. The bridge should open to traffic in about a year, when improvements to Yucca Loma Road leading to the bridge are also completed.

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MEETING CALENDAR

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings take place in the Council Chambers at 14955 Dale Evans Parkway

TOWN COUNCIL

2nd & 4th Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION

1st & 3rd Wednesday at 6 p.m.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

1st Thursday of alternate months at 6 p.m.

HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

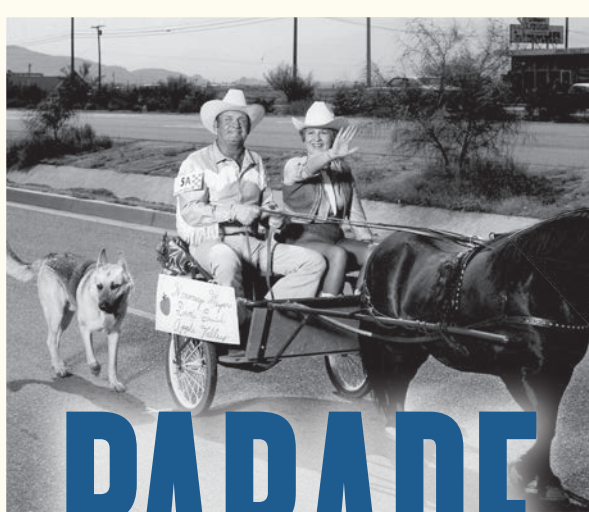
3rd Thursday of alternate months at 2 p.m.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Every Saturday
from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Hazardous Waste Collection Center
13450 Nomwaket Road
Information:
(760) 240-7000 x7522

DISASTER COUNCIL

October 13, 1:30 p.m.
Apple Valley Conference Center
14975 Dale Evans Parkway



PARADE

Returning to Apple Valley

Strike up the band and hitch up your horses! After an eight-year absence, the parade will be marching back into Apple Valley, with Cliff Earp serving as the grand marshal. Clubs, schools, churches, businesses, bands, car clubs, equestrians and more are invited to show their community spirit by participating in the parade on October 17. Coordinated by The Village in Apple Valley, participant registration closes on October 5. For more details or an application, visit www.AVillage.org or call 760-240-7000 x7075.

Blood Donations SAVE A LIFE IN NOVEMBER

Giving blood is easy and only takes a few minutes. Find out how simple it is to save a life on Tuesday, November 17 when the Town of Apple Valley hosts its next LifeStream blood drive from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Conference Center at 14975 Dale Evans Parkway in Apple Valley.

Prospective donors at least 15 years of age should be free of infections or illness, weigh at least 110 pounds, and not be at risk for AIDS or hepatitis. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are encouraged.

Call 1-800-TRY-GIVING or visit www.lstream.org.



COMMUNITY CALENDARS AVAILABLE IN DECEMBER

Filled with beautiful images from all over Apple Valley, the 2016 edition of the Apple Valley Community Calendar will be available for pick up beginning December 7. This wall calendar is a handy reference that lists Town Council and planning commission meetings, special events, beautification opportunities and a helpful phone directory. Copies will be available at Town Hall, the Development Services Building and the Animal Shelter free of charge. Despite the onslaught of electronic devices, the community calendar continues to be a popular tradition and supplies go fast!

HOLIDAY TOWN CLOSURES

Columbus Day: October 12
Veteran's Day: November 11

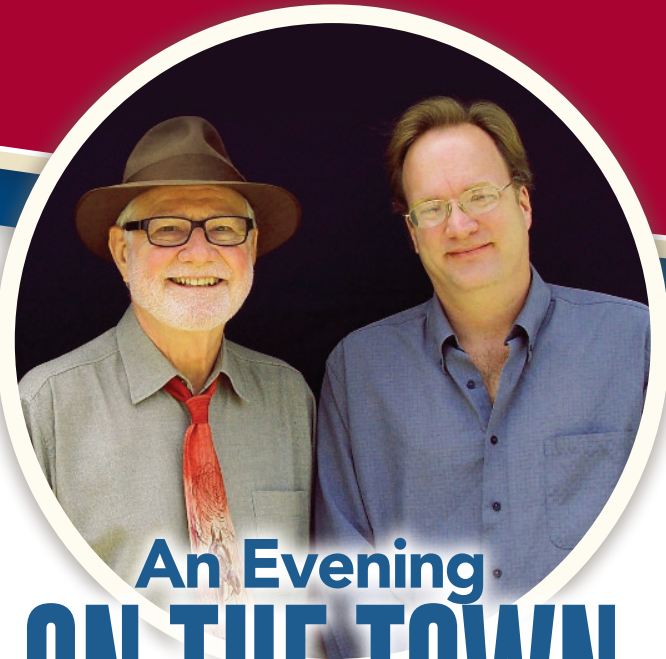
Thanksgiving:
November 26-27

Christmas/New Year's:
December 24 to January 1

For emergencies pertaining to sewer, water, flooding, traffic sign and signals, or a Town facility please call our **24-hour emergency dispatch number at (760) 961-6001.**

Animal Services Closed:
November 11 & 26-27
December 25 - 28
January 1, 3 & 4

Town of Apple Valley, California



An Evening ON THE TOWN

Aiming to offer High Desert residents a unique, intimate, and upscale entertainment experience, the Town of Apple Valley will kick off a new "Evenings on the Town" series, when the Apple Valley Golf Course becomes the place to be for a quality musical experience. The inaugural event will be held Friday, November 6. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the show begins at 7 p.m. Enjoy an unforgettable night of music by former Righteous Brothers musicians Hal Ratliff and Lee Ferrell.

Ratliff and Ferrell's sound can best be described as a fusion of pop, jazz and rock 'n' roll, with a bit of New Orleans blues thrown into the mix. Their onstage chemistry is infectious, according to Ferrell.

"Hal and I have an unspoken musical bond," said Ferrell, the father of actor Will Ferrell. "I feel so much more like playing when I'm working with him. And we have such a great time on stage just clowning around and acting silly. I think everyone has much more fun when you don't get too serious."

Ferrell and Ratliff met in the 1980s when they were both touring with The Righteous Brothers. They eventually teamed up again to play local gigs at venues such as McKenna's On the Bay in Long Beach.

In 2006, Ferrell wrote the song "Goodbye Cowboy" for his son Will's feature film, "Talladega Nights." Lee also wrote the song "Brother" for Will's 2008 movie "Stepbrothers."

Admission to Evenings on the Town is \$50 per person or \$90 per couple. Along with the concert, the event will feature heavy hors d'oeuvres and a drink coupon good for one beer or wine. This first event will serve as a fundraiser for the Town's S.A.V.E. Campaign (Support Apple Valley Events), which raises money to support Sunset Concerts, Healthy Apple Valley and other community events. We hope to turn this into a monthly event in the spring.

**Seating is extremely limited, so advance ticket purchases are encouraged.
Call (760) 240-7000 x7074.**

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ON · THE · TOWN

HAPPY TRAILS CHILI COOK OFF Back for 14th year



Taste your way through champion and community cooks, as the Rotary Club of Apple Valley teams up again with the Town of Apple Valley to present this popular event on Saturday, October 10.

A kid's Fall Festival area will feature inflatables, face painting and other games and activities, while bands keep things hopping at the stage.

Of course, the main attraction is the chili. Local businesses, clubs and individuals are encouraged to throw their aprons into the running to win the "community cooks" division. In addition, more than 40 professional cooks will compete in the International Chili Society sanctioned division of the cook off. Winners qualify to move on to the 2016 World Championships. Many of our cooks will be competing in the 2015 Worlds the following weekend. The public is invited to taste and shop their way through booths of chili cooks and vendors. Additional food vendors will be on hand, as well as a beer garden.

Held at Lenny Brewster Sports Center at 21024 Otoe Road, gates are open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., with the best chili selection between 11am and 2pm. Cost is \$5 per adult, with kids 10 and under free if they are not tasting. Paid admission includes a tasting kit with ballots to vote for the People's Choice. Money raised supports the many local programs of the Rotary Club of Apple Valley.

For more information visit
www.HappyTrailsChiliCookOff.com, or
call Kathie Martin at (760) 240-7000 x7070.



Apple Valley HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

You don't have to travel to the North Pole to find snow or gifts or the holiday spirit. The Town of Apple Valley offers many special events and recreation activities for all ages to enjoy.

Make your holiday season merry and bright beginning with our two-day Holiday Craft Fair November 7 and 8. Complete your holiday shopping from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Apple Valley Conference Center at 14975 Dale Evans Parkway adjacent to Town Hall. Quilts, jewelry, woodwork and other fine gifts are offered from more than 50 vendors all in one place. Santa will be available for free photo opportunities with your own camera, or photo packages can be purchased for a reasonable price.

Bring the family and a helping of good cheer to our Winter Wonderland and Christmas Tree Lighting on December 5. This event will feature train rides, inflatables, crafts, giveaways, live entertainment and falling snow from 2 to 6 p.m. at Civic Center Park before we light our tree. Bring the kids for a picture with Santa. Admission and parking are free.

Your family doesn't have to wait until December 25 to see Santa. He will stop by Apple Valley early this year when he visits James Woody Park 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday's, December 9 and 16. He will listen to children's wish lists and be available for photos.

For more information on these and other activities, visit www.AppleValley.org.



Shopping and dining in Apple Valley not only supports local businesses, it also helps fund police, fire, parks, roads, events and more. Shop Local, Think Apple Valley this holiday season.

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Join the conversation at www.ShopAppleValley.org

DECEMBER 16



FAMILY GINGERBREAD HOUSE BUILD

Bring the sweetest kind of holiday cheer to your family this season by decorating a handcrafted Gingerbread House with your family on Dec. 16 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Each kit comes with everything you need to make your house, but you are welcome to bring your own candy as well. The fee is \$16 for a group of 4 and \$4 for any additional person for a max of 6 per group. Drinks will be provided and feel free to bring your own food. Preregister by noon on December 11. For more information call Alicia Dannelley at (760) 240-7000 x7891.

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OUR Town

Town of Apple Valley, California



S.A.V.E.

Support Apple Valley Events



Some people save money. Some people save time. In Apple Valley, thousands of people S.A.V.E. a lot more when they attend, participate in or support Apple Valley events.

"We S.A.V.E. a sense of community," said Steve Orr, Director of Business Development for Heritage Victor Valley Medical Group. HVMG has been the title sponsor of the Sunset Concert Series for two years.

"It's important to give back to the community we serve," Steve said. "The Town's S.A.V.E. campaign makes it easy to do that while also meeting our corporate goals."

"I save memories," said Sharon Scoyne. Sharon first donated as an individual in memory of her husband, John, who passed

away on in 2013. "We enjoyed coming to these concerts together," she said. She hopes her small donations each year will allow other friends and families to create special memories as well. "I tell all my friends to come to the concerts. We have such a good time."

Contributions from other residents, volunteer organizations and businesses have "S.A.V.E.d" other things like the lives of animals, with donations to our animal shelter; our aquatics program, with donations to our Recreation Department; and our environment, with contributions to our Green Apple program.

We are also undertaking a capital campaign for the Civic Center Park Amphitheater,

to add a shade structure over the stage, improved lighting and permanent seating in a portion of the park. With your help, we can make this happen.

What Town program or event would you like to S.A.V.E.? Any contribution will help. For \$25 you will be added to our virtual donor wall on our website. For just \$250 or more, you will be invited to the end of the season donor appreciation night at a Sunset Concert in August 2016 and your name or logo will be featured on our sponsorship boards all season long. Checks can be sent to S.A.V.E. Campaign, Town of Apple Valley, 14955 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA 92307. Or you can donate online at www.AppleValleyEvents.org using PayPal or a credit card.

The AVCRF is a not-for-profit public benefit corporation. Check with your tax professional to see what tax benefits you may gain from your contribution. For more information call (760) 240-7000 x 7070, or visit www.AppleValleyEvents.org.



ANIMAL SERVICES COALITION

Building on a history of strong connections with rescue organizations and community leaders, Apple Valley Animal Services has formed the Animal Services Coalition. A cross section of staff, community volunteers, and advocates will work together to solve the problem of pet overpopulation.

Work in the three key areas of policy, placement and population, will be lead by the values of humane animal sheltering, and a commitment to professional collaboration, community involvement, accountability, integrity and respect.

Help Us Break A WORLD RECORD

This will be one for the record books – and you can be in it! On October 24 at the Paws N' Claws Pet Fair, Apple Valley Animal Services and co-host Shear Realty invite the public to be a part of a once in a lifetime event – Breaking a World Record for the “Largest Dog Obedience Lesson” ever held.

According to a recent study by the National Council on Pet Population Study and Policy (NCPSP), 96% of the dogs relinquished by their owners to a local shelter had not received obedience training. Apple Valley Animal Services wants to break this cycle by breaking a world record!

“Many dogs are turned into the shelter by their owners for behavioral reasons,” said Gina Whiteside, Animal Services Manager. “We want to send the message that obedience matters and that seemingly bad dogs can become loving family pets with proper training. Our goal is to provide resources to dog owners before these pets become a statistic. Further, we want to show adopters that shelter dogs have potential and should not be overlooked.”

Register to become one of five hundred people and with dogs to participate in the obedience lesson and gain world-wide recognition. Pre-registration will include animal handling instruction through the Town's partner, InsideOut Dog Training. All handlers must be at least 18 years of age and dogs must be a minimum of 1 year, spayed/neutered, current vaccines, and dogs must be social. The participation fee is \$10 for individuals and \$8 per person for groups of 2 or more. The fee includes an event T-shirt if registered prior to October 5, and a free AVID pet microchip (while supplies last). Participants are eligible for an exclusive prize drawing.

Visit www.AVAnimals.org, email avasevents@applevalley.org, or leave a voice mail at (760) 240-7000 x7060 for more information.



CLEAR THE SHELTER Event a Success

Thirty five wags and purrs and one slithery snake – that was the final count after Apple Valley Animal Services participated in the nationwide “Clear the Shelter” event on August 15. Widespread media announcements on television, in the newspaper and on social media drew more than 450 people to the town's shelter in just a few short hours. The campaign resulted in 35 animals finding permanent, loving homes.

Adoption fees were reduced to \$20 per animal, including a microchip, vaccines, and spay/neuter fees. Donations covered the balance of the cat adoptions, and the Town absorbed the cost to discount the dog adoptions.

“The more animals we adopt out, the longer we can care for other animals here instead of having to make some hard decisions when we run out of space,” said Christie Gonzales, Animal Services Technician, who noted that a typical Saturday at the shelter might see as many as 15 and as few as zero adoptions.

Shelter staff hopes to raise additional funds to provide similar events in the future.

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Turning 10!

PAWS N' CLAWS PET FAIR

Help Apple Valley Animal Services celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Paws N' Claws Pet fair October 24 at Civic Center Park.

Celebrate all things furry, scaly, finned and feathered from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at this day-long celebration filled with demonstrations, vendors, low-cost vaccinations and an opportunity to be a part of breaking a world record for the Largest Dog Obedience Lesson.

The event started in 2006 as a small gathering of vendors and displays at the original shelter on Tonikan Road. Aimed at educating the public about Apple Valley Animal Services and responsible pet ownership, it quickly outgrew that space and moved to Lion's Park on Highway 18. It continued to grow and moved to Civic Center Park a few years ago, and has

now become the biggest pet-oriented public event in the region.

"Apple Valley Animal Services has always been committed to bettering the lives of animals, not only in our own community, but in the entire High Desert region," said Animal Services Manager Gina Whiteside. "Not only does this event further that mission by providing a wide variety of information, but it is also a safe environment where pet parents can safely socialize their animals and interact in a setting with large groups of people and other animals."

The Pet Fair will feature vendors, demonstrations and snake avoidance training as well as microchip services for only \$20. Apple Valley, Victorville, Adelanto and San Bernardino

County residents can license or re-license their pets on-site or take advantage of a low-cost vaccine clinic. Cash only please and proof of residency is required.

Visitors can meet some of the adoptable animals in need of a loving home and add a furry friend to the family.

Space for vendors of all types are still available for as little as \$25 or \$50 for an upgraded space. Retail vendors are not restricted to pet-related items.

Sponsors are needed to help make this event a success. For more information visit www.AVAnimals.org, email avasevents@applevalley.org or call (760) 240-7000 X 7555.





MWA FACILITIES

Tour Scheduled

Water is a vital commodity in the desert that we can't afford to squander. See what the Mojave Water Agency is doing to make the most of this resource by participating in a facility tour on October 21 from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Participants will gain a first-hand perspective of how the MWA manages our local water source. The tour is free and lunch is provided during this event that includes a visit to some of the field sites operated by the agency. Educational credits are available for eligible participants. The tour will begin at the MWA office at 13846 Conference Center Drive in Apple Valley.

Contact Gloria Golike at (760) 946-7001 or ggolike@mojavewater.org by September 28 to reserve your space.

ABC'S OF WATER

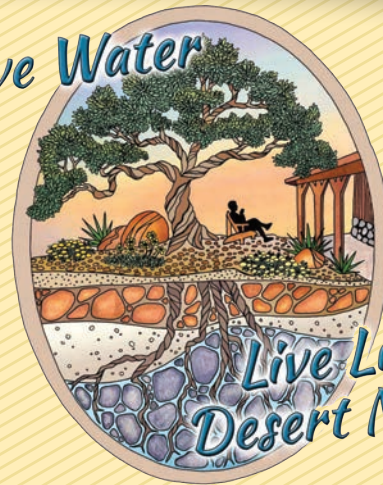
Discussing Greywater

Learn how to use "greywater" and the benefits this irrigation system can offer at the "ABC's of Water" session hosted by the Mojave Water Agency on November 17 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at 13846 Conference Center Drive in Apple Valley.

Nicholas Holmes, a certified greywater installer, will explain the definition and benefits of greywater, and when it should and shouldn't be used. The session will also educate participants on greywater health and safety considerations, soil and plant uses as well as building code and permitting issues.

Seating is limited. The deadline to register for this free event is November 16. Contact Gloria Golike at (760) 946-7001 or ggolike@mojavewater.org for more information or to reserve your space.

Save Water



SAVE WATER!

Live Like a Desert Native

Our desert supports a higher diversity of plants and animals than most other places on earth, and they have lived successfully through many extremes. Our desert plants and animals don't just survive here, they thrive.

How have they done it? What's their secret? How do we achieve the goal of living comfortably and successfully in the desert? We can learn how to thrive here from our desert environment by living like a desert native. Using less doesn't mean living less!

Tips for living successfully in the desert:

1. Put down deep roots

Water plants long and slow, not often or shallow. Deep roots need watering much less often.

2. Make Shade

Add shade with trees, shade cloth, umbrellas or arbors. Add shade over outside living spaces with porches, sail cloth, latticework or pull-down shades. Shade saves moisture, cools you, your home and the ground. It reduces the need for cooling air conditioners.

3. Cover your ground

Add mulch, chips, rock or gravel over the ground. This holds moisture, cuts watering needs, reduces weeds, cuts down soil erosion and run-off. Even small water savings add up.

You'll know you've done it right ... when your yard starts to take care of itself!

BUCKLE AND BOOST YOUR CHILDREN CORRECTLY

with help from AVFPD

The Apple Valley Fire Protection District recently launched a new program aimed to improve child safety in automobiles. Residents may call for an appointment with a specialist who will educate parents how to choose, install and use a child car seat, booster seat and seat belts correctly.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among children in the United States. By correctly using a child restraint system, parents can reduce the likelihood of serious injury or death to their child. One study found that out of 3,500 child restraints systems observed, 72% of them were installed incorrectly.

"That is an alarming number. If installed and used correctly, child restraint systems can reduce the risk of injury by 71% to 82%," said Public Education Specialist Jennifer Eisenbrey, "And when the driver is buckled, children are restrained 95% of the time, so it is important to be a positive example for your child."

Contact the AVFPD at (760) 247-7618 to schedule an appointment. For additional information visit www.nhtsa.gov and www.applevalleyfd.com.

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SPRING CERT CLASS

Registration Open

Have you seen CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) in the news lately? These vital teams of community volunteers were very busy with recent fires in San Bernardino County.

Pine Fire

- Phelan/Pinon Hills CERT assisted at the American Red Cross Shelter at Serrano High school.
- Oak Hills CERT was at an Alert Level.

North Fire

- Oak Hills CERT was at Phase I Alert status.
- Phelan/Pinon Hills CERT was activated for pre-shelter reception at Serrano High School.

When you take the CERT Class, you will learn how to be prepared for emergencies, learn fire safety, light search and rescue, disaster medical, terrorism, disaster psychology, and CERT organization.

Becoming CERT-ified is free. Registration is open now for the next session in spring 2016. For more information, contact Dawn Harrison at dharrison@applevalley.org.



NEW WELL

Begins Operation at Course

The recent activation of a second well at the Apple Valley Golf Course brings a projected savings of \$475,000 otherwise paid to the Apple Valley Ranchos Water Company. To further conserve water use, the Town has turned off irrigation to 28 acres (24% of all turf area), along outlying areas as well as some internal pockets.



ROYDALE'S

Open for Dinner on Fridays

Roydale's Bar and Grill at the Apple Valley Golf Course is now open for dinner every Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. The restaurant offers a casual dinner with a classic dining experience. Among its many offerings, enjoy succulent shrimp scampi or perfectly cooked steak. Be sure to try the crème brulee for dessert. The delicious wood fired pizza continues to be a popular draw. Served everyday starting at 11 a.m., pizza can be served on-site or is available to go.

Looking for something new for your holiday parties? Book now as dates are filling fast. For more information contact Randi Coffman at (760) 242-3653 or randi@applevalleygolfclub.com.

Pictured Above: For \$5 per person, the all-you-can-eat pizza buffet is a big draw. Call the restaurant at (760) 242-3125 x9 for days and hours of this special.

VETERANS' AID & ATTENDANCE PENSION PROGRAM

Are you a Veteran or Surviving Spouse?

The VA designed this program to help Veterans and their surviving spouses receive the financial support necessary to ensure their continuing care in an Assisted Living setting. The pension with the additional benefit of Aid and Attendance can provide up to \$1,788.00 for a veteran, \$1,149.00 per month to a surviving spouse, \$2,120.00 for a married veteran, or \$2,837.00 per month to a veteran couple.

Eligibility Requirements

- Veteran must have served at least 90 days of active duty, with a least one day served during a time of war.
- Assets must be less than \$80,000. (Assets do not include your personal residence, car).
- Financial need – in general, there must be less income yearly than the cost of care provided.
- Medical diagnosis – You must have a medical condition indicating that you are in need of assistance from others in order to live a quality life, including, but not limited to the following:
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OCTOBER 15: COOKING FOR THE COLLEGE BOUND

This hands on workshop will teach teens to prepare healthy meals and snacks that will improve their study skills and brain function. Lessons include hands-on preparation of eight meals or snacks. **Location:** Apple Valley Conference Center **Time:** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Registration Deadline:** Oct. 8 **Ages:** 13-18 **Cost:** \$3

NOVEMBER 21: TURKEY RUN

The 12th annual Turkey Run offers separate awards for men, women and children in different age divisions. Check-in by 7 a.m. for the 8 a.m. race that starts at the Town Hall Recreation Center. **Cost:** \$17 for runners by November 18 then the price increases to \$20. Walkers can register for \$10 to receive a medal, or are free without a medal.

DECEMBER 4: MOST TALENTED KID CONTEST

The Town of Apple Valley will showcase our most talented kids ages 7 to 18. Sign up by Nov. 19 and attend the Dec. 2 rehearsal to perform at the showcase at James Woody Community Center Auditorium. Enjoy an evening of fun entertainment and good old-fashioned root beer floats from 6 to 9 p.m. **Cost:** Performers - \$5. Audience Admission: \$1



Teens lauded for VOLUNTEER EFFORTS

The Recreation Department is grateful for the many volunteers and sponsors that have contributed their time, effort or financial support to programs from January to July 2015. The following teens volunteered at least 35 hours in six months for a total of 1,300.

Tatiana Chavez	Abbygayle Gonzales	Kara Perkins
Charlie Colbert	Addison Hall	Erica Piar
Christian Collins	Ayleen Luna	Breauna Rhoades
Monica Collins	Hunter McKoy	Paulina Ruggles
Sara Dean	Marshall McKoy	Jasmine Sedillo
Tyler Foss	Teadja Owings	Russell Weaver

THANK YOU

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HOMES FOR OUR TROOPS Breaks Ground On Local Home

Army Specialist Jose Martinez received a hero's welcome this summer when Homes for Our Troops (HFOT) held a kick-off ceremony for the construction of a new home in Apple Valley.

On March 3, 2012, Jose was on foot patrol in Afghanistan when he stepped on an explosive device while attempting to aid a fellow soldier who had been injured in a similar blast. Martinez lost both of his legs, his right arm and suffered the partial amputation of his left hand in the explosion.

He and his wife, Liseth, have been living in a second-floor apartment that is not wheelchair accessible. In the coming weeks,

Homes for our Troops will begin building Jose a new, adaptive home right here in Apple Valley. It will include as many as 40 modifications to accommodate his needs.

"These adaptations include wider halls and doorways; automatic door openers; roll-under sinks, stove tops, and counters; pull-down shelving; backup house generator; sliding windows; roll in shower with digital temperature control; and a master bedroom closet that is a steel reinforced concrete storm room built to FEMA standards," said Katelyn Donovan, HFOT Community Outreach Coordinator.

Nearly 100 people were on hand at the James Woody Community Center on July 11 when Jose and Liseth arrived to meet the team that will be managing the building of their house. Next up, Homes for our Troops will hold a Volunteer Day this winter, when volunteers will be needed to install landscaping. HFOT is also seeking donations of bottled water, ice chests full of ice, a rental company to donate a 20-foot by 40-foot framed tent, 10 tables, 80 chairs and lunch. For more information or to volunteer or donate, contact kdonovan@hfotusa.org or visit www.hfotusa.org.