

PIPELINE



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THANK YOU TO ALL RECREATION SPONSORS

Sun Valley residents and others enjoyed free movies in the park this past summer and a fun pool season. The District wishes to thank the following sponsors for the generous donations to make Dive Into Summer, Summer Blowout, free swim days and other recreational events and opportunities a great success: Hobey's Casino, Bonanza Casino, Nugget Casino, Atlantis Casino, Peppermill Casino, Eldorado Casino, Reno Aces, Wells Fargo Insurance, Jump Baby Jump, Valley Pawn, Wild Island, Tahoe Maritime, Perk Coffee, Lotus Radio, Reno Media Group, KOLO TV, Pepsi Bottling Group, JR's 24/7, James Tatomer and the Fink Family.



SUN VALLEY POOL LIFEGUARDS

Thanks to all the lifeguards that kept everyone safe at the Robert & Norma Fink Pool Complex this past season. Their hard work and dedication is always greatly appreciated.

BEAUTIFYING THE SUN VALLEY COMMUNITY

The District Board of Trustees continues to take steps to help beautify Sun Valley and has earmarked additional funds in the beautification budget to help support this mission. The annual partnership with Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful helps to promote educational efforts and community clean up events. The District also collaborates with Washoe County Health Department and Code Enforcement, who identifies specific properties in need of cleanup which qualify for a dumpster using the District dumpster program. The District also has a Garbage Assistance Program to help those customers who qualify for assistance with their Waste Management bill. For more information on any of these programs, please contact the District office at 775-673-2220.

GRAFFITI IS A CRIME

The District has been working closely with Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) in a united effort to eliminate vandalism and graffiti in Sun Valley. Earlier this year, the Board approved a donation of \$8,639.15 specifically for graffiti abatement in Sun Valley to the WCSO. Trustee Elliott represented the District at the Washoe County Commission's August 18th meeting where he presented the WCSO with this donation. The District encourages you to take an active role in helping reduce or eliminate graffiti. To learn more, please contact www.washoesheriff.com

VETERANS APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

Mark your calendars and be sure to attend the District's 6th Annual Veterans Day Celebration at the Sun Valley Neighborhood Center on Saturday, November 7th. All veterans, their families and the community are invited to this free event. Enjoy a free pancake breakfast from 9am-11am while we honor our veterans and thank them for their service.



From Left to Right:

- First Place: Marilyn Hodges (Healthy Vines)
- Second Place: Charina Arevalo (Sunset)
- Third Place: Chavelita Giunta (Cat)

2015 PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to this year's photo contest winners. Photos were taken in and around Sun Valley and judged for their originality and creativity. The photos will be on display at the District office. Thanks for your participation!

2015 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD HONOREES

The following persons and businesses were presented with the District's annual Community Service Awards that recognize those people and/or businesses that contribute to the quality of life in Sun Valley. This year's recipients are: Michael Rider for his continued volunteerism with the Sun Valley Parks and youth of Sun Valley; Greg Proctor for years of dedication working with the kids at the Sun Valley BMX Track; Bill Korte for volunteering his time installing the t-ball backstops at Gepford Park; Tholl Fence for their donation of fence material at Gepford Park; Sher Faenger for her assistance in helping keep the Sun Valley Post Office open; Vicky Maltman for her continued work with Veterans; Dawn McCarthy for her assistance finding housing for displaced Sun Valley residents. Thank you for your continued dedication to Sun Valley and its residents.

DATES TO REMEMBER/ OFFICE CLOSURES

- **October 30** Nevada Day
- **November 7** Veterans Day Celebration 9a.m. - 11a.m.
- **November 11** Veterans Day
- **November 26 & 27** Thanksgiving Day
- **December 24** Christmas Eve District office will close at 1pm.
- **December 25** Christmas Day
- **January 1** New Year's Day

TRUSTEE GARTH ELLIOTT

Garth Elliott has been a Sun Valley General Improvement District Trustee since 2010 when he was first elected to office. A longtime resident and Sun Valley community activist Trustee Elliott has focused much of his energy for the betterment of the Sun Valley community. He has served on many committees including serving for 5 years on the Citizens Advisory Board, and is recognized as a lead driving force with graffiti abatement in Sun Valley and the Graffiti Abatement Partnership with the Washoe County Sheriff's Department. He has worked for the Nevada Museum of Art as Facilities Manager and was formerly employed by HCR Manor Care as the Maintenance Director until his retirement.



Trustee Elliott is a cofounder of The Friends of The Black Rock/ High Rock Desert. In 1999 he helped strengthen permit stipulations with Burning Man, one of two that devised after event cleanup methodology and participated in the first inspection in 1998/1999. In 2001 he was one of two recipients of the Making a Difference Award presented by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Washington D.C.

Born in San Jose, California Garth came to the Reno area as a young man and attended UNR. As a facilities engineer, he uses a nuts and bolts approach to most problems and strives to help provide a quality, safe product at the lowest possible cost to District

customers. He has lived in Sun Valley since 1973 when he married his wife Linda. They have two sons

Joshua and Trevor, and two grandchildren, Shane and Jaden.

PREPARING FOR WINTER

As we prepare for the winter months, it's important to take some preventative measures now to save a lot of trouble during the winter months when temperatures drop. Feel free to stop by the District office to pick

up a Winterizing your Water Pipes brochure. Here are some other helpful tips:

- Wrap the water pipes under your home and the exposed supply line with heat tapes before cold weather sets in.
- Check the tapes frequently during the cold months as they can burn out.
- Check to be sure there are no openings in your skirting, allowing cold air to get in.
- Shut off outside water and drain all irrigation lines to prevent freezing. Remove any backflow devices.
- Consider a water heater blanket to cover your water heater tank if it is not located in a well-insulated garage or basement.
- Consider wrapping irrigation pipes, depending upon their location.
- Customers are responsible for all water that goes through the meter, so be alert of any leaks and have them repaired immediately. Call the District office during normal business hours to request a complimentary leak check at your meter to ensure leak has been repaired.

ENJOY FALL IN SUN VALLEY. VOLUNTEER WHEN POSSIBLE.

