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2nd District Supervisor Rutherford Update

The Glen Helen Parkway grade separation got go-ahead from the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors on May 7 with the approval of a \$16 million contract to construct the project.

Construction is scheduled to begin in June and should be completed by February 2015. The complex project entails building an entirely new portion of Glen Helen Parkway from Cajon Boulevard to Cajon Creek. The new road will have two lanes in each direction and will be divided by a median. The road will feature a bridge spanning the railroad tracks that, on a daily basis, serve as many as 100 trains, including some a mile long.

Visit this link to view a map of the project
www.sbcounty.gov/rutherford/report/Glen_Helen_Parkway/index.html

The current alignment of Glen Helen Parkway will remain open throughout construction, so delays should be minimal. However, drivers are advised to watch out for construction equipment and crews when traveling in the area.

Once the bridge over the tracks and new road are completed, the northern section of the new road will be opened to traffic and the old Glen Helen Parkway will be closed.

Provisions have been made to accommodate a connection to a bridge project over Cajon Creek once funding is available.

Meanwhile, the Devore Interchange (I-15/I-215) project is also set to kick off this summer. It will take three years to complete this massive overhaul of what has been deemed one of the worst grade-related bottlenecks in the nation.

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SUMMER IS HERE! By Val Henry

Well, we all survived the rave in March. Those of us that live closer to the freeway heard little noise, but those of us that live in the upper areas of Devore heard and felt it. Steve Helt and I watched the concert goers for a few hours and watched the supposedly non-percussion fireworks display. That was the loudest non-percussion fireworks I have ever been exposed to. Darcee stepped in about 2 hours after Steve left and stayed with me the rest of the night. I will say there was a concerted effort to impact Devore as little as possible with traffic and it worked well until the concert was nearly over. The traffic was not directed along Glen Helen Parkway toward the I-15 freeway as promised. It was allowed to come in droves into Devore. Thankfully, the Sheriff's Deputies were very good at deflecting traffic away from our community streets, turning around those who did not use the freeway on ramp. We did have a gridlock problem for a time with those trying to turn around competing for roadway with those coming into the community. The trains worked well to relieve the problem, stopping incoming traffic for a while to allow redirected traffic to exit the community. Traffic was still very heavy when Darcee and I left for home at 2:30am.

Many events are coming to our area over the next few months. First off we have Mayhem coming up in June at the San Manuel Amphitheater. The freeway reconstruction (I-15/I-215) will be ramping up soon. I'm sure you have noticed the closures of the on/off ramps at night and the drilling that has been going on. We all know that there will be times when we are all inconvenienced and unhappy about traffic backups, but this won't be the norm for the entire duration of this project.

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**DRPA MEETING
MINUTES
by Steve Helt**

**Regular Quarterly Meeting
Minutes**

May 6, 2013

Meeting Called to Order at 7:04 PM

Board Members Present: Valerie Henry, Darcee Klapp, Craig Braun, Steve Helt, Amber and Doug Claflin.

Guests; Susan DuBay, Becky Jinbo, Sherrell Juarez, Jeff Deputy, Ron Kato, Bill Klapp, Lori & Jim Campbell, Misty & Mick Donegan, Lorna & Dave Garvin.

Treasurer's Report: Checking Balance \$3,078.00. Savings Balance \$1,772.76, Totaling \$4,850.76

Board Election Results: Val Henry elected as President, Darcee Klapp as Vice President, Amber Claflin as Treasurer, Sherrell Juarez as Trails, Steve Helt as secretary.

Unfinished Business:

Community Emergency Response Team: Training trailer is stationed at Devore Fire Station. Discussion of purchasing additional supplies, updating inventory and monitor perishable supplies.

Trails: Trails Committee continuing to establishing trail routes. Available trail maps brought for viewing. Coordinating equestrian trail along new section of Cajon Blvd. during Caltrans Interchange Project.

Community Topics:

Discussion of current improvements with Devore I-15/I-215 Interchange Project.

Results of March 16th Glen Helen Pavilion Rave Concert discussed.

Kimbark Elementary School planning Fundraising Donation Drive on May 18th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.


**Devore Weather
Report**

All records are for the weather year started on July 1, 2012

High Temperature to Date (8/10) 104°
Low Temperature to Date (1/10) 24°
Wind Chill Low to Date (1/10) 23°
12-13 Rain Total 12.51"
High Wind Speed (1/30) 42mph

11-12 Rain Total approx 29.00"
10-11 Rain Total 45.00"
09-10 Rain Total 42.01"
08-09 Rain Total 18.38"
07-08 Rain Total 21.12"
06-07 Rain Total 7.81"
05-06 Rain Total 37.56"
04-05 Rain Total approx 93.00"
03-04 Rain Total 16.59"
02-03 Rain Total 28.08"
01-02 Rain Total 6.99"
00-01 Rain Total 28.82"
99-00 Rain Total 28.3"
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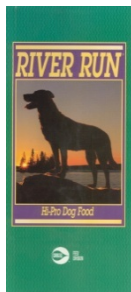
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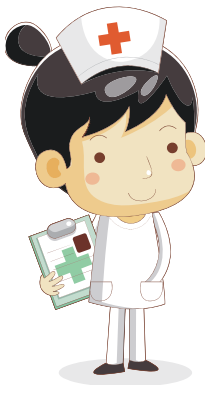
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Devore Update

By Darcee Klapp

- **Family Nature Programs at the Lytle Creek Ranger Station.** Join us and learn about the history, plants, and animals of our local area. Each program will last 1 to 1-1/2 hours, depending on the group. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Group size will be limited. Call for more information and reservations. Bonnie Trusler (909)880-1334 or btrusler@verizon.net. The last program was on June 2nd. Contact Bonnie for future dates.
- Freeway ground breaking event scheduled for June 28th – The freeway construction will officially begin – Good Luck!
- Have you seen them? It seems that Margaret and Steve Avila’s passion is spreading through Devore – yes ... vineyards. Their passion and enthusiasm has turned weed ridden areas into beautiful grape vineyards. Keep up the good work. Who knows maybe Devore will return to the vineyards and orchards it once was.
- Have a birthday, anniversary, or other special event? Email the DRPA newsletter. We want to hear from you. It’s YOUR newsletter.
- Kudos Kimbark – The 2012 academic performance index rankings were published May 25, 2013 and were surprisingly good.
- API ranges from 200–1000: Kimbark 840 / Cesar Chavez 751 / Cajon High School 746
- 2012 statewide ranking from 1–10: Kimbark 7 / Caesar Chavez 3 / Cajon High School 8
- 2012 Similar schools ranking 1-10: Kimbark 8 / Caesar Chavez 3 / Cajon High School 8



From the Nurse's Corner

By
Anne Mitchell RN

Welcome to the Summer edition of From the Nurse's Corner. I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer so far!

I just made my weekly trip to Pet Smart to buy goodies for my dog when I noticed a very small dog locked in a car next to mine. One of the employees was already there looking to see if the car was unlocked and since it wasn't, he called 911. The windows were down about an inch on each side as if the owner was aware that it was hot outside, and I am not sure but I think that part made me even more mad. Luckily the officer was able to get the dog out of the car and the little guy was found to be safe. I didn't stay around to see what happened to the owner, but I hope it wasn't good!!! (Sorry, no sympathy!)

So~ Leaving your dog in the car is NOT OK and as you can guess, It is really NOT OK to leave your child!! Temperatures rise in enclosed cars at an alarming rate. It only takes 10 minutes for your car temperature to rise 19 degrees! In 1 hour the temperature can rise at least 43 degrees. Do the math~ If you inside of your car starts out at 85 degrees, in one hour the car will be 128 degrees. If the car has dark interior or is in direct sunlight, this can be an even higher number.

Heat stroke in children is when the core temperature of that child reaches 104 degrees. What is not well known, is that even if a child seems ok at the time, they can have suffered effects that are long term and deadly. Since the turn of the century, there have been over 600 children that have died being left in cars.

What to do if you see a child or dog in a hot car~ CALL 911! And then attempt to get the car open. If you are in an area where 911 might take some time, get in that car and get that child or dog out! These few minutes can save this child's or dog's life.

There is not an acceptable time limit to leave a dog or child in a car!

Heat stroke can happen to anyone anytime. Hydration is a must! By the time you are feeling thirsty, you are already dehydrated. If you are going to be outside in the sun on hot days, drink plenty of water or drinks that replenish electrolytes. Take time to get in the shade and cool off whenever possible. Remember parents; your child does not know he or she is hot!!!! You have to think for them and keep them safe!

Suggestion of the day~ Swim lessons are in full swing at the local pools! And remember, if you can't swim, don't be the lifeguard at your own pool. There are adult lessons available along with first aid classes!

And thanks to all our fire fighters~ We love you guys!



EDDIE COMER RETURNED TO DEVORE

By Alice Eby Hall

The Comer family rented in Devore from the mid-'50s to the mid-'70s. Eddie was one of three children, and he married one of the Gleason girls. He ended up living in Minnesota, which would be a good reason to revisit Devore.

That is what he did a few months ago. He stopped at Mom's Store to refresh his memory. He saw the Devore book and bought a copy. He said he had his money's worth in five minutes the book brought back so many memories.

Back when Eddie and I were kids in Devore, a county dump was over on Glen Helen Road, where the little campground is now. The old man who oversaw the dump didn't much care what we did—scrounge stuff, shoot bottles, shoot rats—we had a ball.

Then the county reorganized and put Eddie Comer's mom in charge of the dump. She ran a "tight ship" so to speak. There was no more scrounging or shooting. Bummer! But she did her job well—the way the county wanted her to do it.

Eddie said he remembered me, even though he's probably seven years younger than I am. He said he was only ten and was the youngest kid at our house for a Boy Scout meeting (my dad was scout master). He said that my sister and I and a few of her friends "pantsed" him.

Now, not only can I not remember such an incident, I can't even imagine being involved in such an event. But what do I know? There must have been some reason my siblings and I were known as "the Eby brats!"

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Add to this the Glen Helen Parkway overpass project that is to begin soon. This is a county project and is not in conjunction with the Caltrans/SANBAG freeway project. This could work in our favor as it may slow the “through town traffic” commuters. It is hard to predict how the two projects will affect traffic in Devore. All I can say is we have worked hard to see that Devore is impacted as little as possible. We will try to keep everyone updated as these projects move forward.

The Spring Trails development was approved by the San Bernardino City Council without completed final plans. We are waiting to see what the next move will be as they complete and submit their plans. All the necessary property needed to proceed has not been purchased yet. We will keep on top of this project to insure that none of their traffic is pushed through and onto our community streets. I will attend any future meetings and keep the community informed as I learn new information.

I want to thank the community for their generous donations to support the school for their field trips (Mountain School and Catalina). 16 bins were filled making the school \$800. They also received a \$50 donation and made \$350 on the bake sale. Great job Devore! Thank you for supporting your community and our kids.

Lastly, I would like to leave you with a gentle reminder that summer is upon us. We live in the foothills. Fire season is here, so be mindful of weeds and brush. Snakes are out and active. Please be careful; teach your children about snakes. Don't tease or try to catch any snake as it could be a rattler and no one wants to get bit. Even non-venomous snakes can cause a nasty infection from a bite. Coyotes, bobcats and cougars are active also. Watch your small animals as they are prime targets. Ticks and mosquitoes are active this time of year. Lyme Disease and Hanta Virus are both in our area, so dress appropriately and use repellent when outside in the mornings and evenings. I am not trying to scare anyone. I do, however, want everyone to enjoy their summer and be safe and stay healthy.

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The project will include adding a lane in each direction in addition to adding truck by-pass lanes, which will separate cars from trucks that are starting to slog up the Cajon Pass on I-15.

The project, which is expected to cost about \$324 million, will also reconnect Cajon Boulevard (old Route 66), which currently dead-ends just north and south of the interchange.

Visit www.DevoreInterchangeProject.com for more information. The Website also lets you sign up to receive e-mail alerts when there will be construction-related closures and detours at the interchange.



Kimbark Elementary School Fundraising for Mountain Camp and Catalina

Due to recent budget cuts the 5th grade Mountain Camp and 6th grade Catalina trip will no longer be fully funded by the school district. This is the first time in over 20 years that we need to raise money for every child to go. If we do not raise enough for everyone, then no one can go. It is all or nothing. The money that we need to raise for both camps for the next school year is \$25,000.

Many families have had the privilege of having their children go on these trips for free. We would appreciate any help from individuals or businesses who would like to sponsor a child to go to camp.

We recently did a Goodwill fundraiser and the support of the community was wonderful! Some Devore families came by more than once dropping off their donations. We filled 16 bins and earned \$800 for that fundraiser. Every little bit helps.


We will keep you informed for our next fundraiser and thanks again for your continued support of our school. If anyone would like to make a donation to Kimbark Elementary for the camps please send it to Jackie Lacey at Kimbark Elementary.

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Congratulations to Isabel Cholbi

Devore resident and a student at Cesar Chavez Middle School (former Kimbark Elementary student), made it to the semi-finals in the Scripps Spelling Bee. She made it to the 6th round. This was her second time competing in the national event.

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