

# The Village PIPER

A Community Newsletter for Southern Highlands Community Association



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## Neighborhood News

**Coco in the Park.** Make Friday, September 28th, family movie night. Grab your family, a blanket, your beverage cooler, and stroll your family to Goett Family Park for Disney Pixar's award-winning movie *Coco*. *Coco* is the computer-animated story of Miguel, an aspiring musician, who accidentally transported to the Land of the Dead where he finds his great-great-grandfather to help return him to the living.



Photo: popculturenerd.com

Prior to the movie, residents are invited to participate in field games and then enjoy free popcorn (while supplies last).

Please consider walking or biking to the park. Limited parking is available at the Boys & Girls Club located at 10900 Southern Highlands Parkway. See you there.

**Fall Irrigation Changes.** Cool fall mornings have signaled that it is time once again to change our irrigation controllers to Southern Nevada Water Authority's (SNWA) mandatory fall schedule. SNWA reminds all customers that it's time to scale back irrigation and eliminate water waste by reducing irrigation days to just three days

a week.

Most Southern Highlands' residence fall into SNWA's Group B, which restricts watering to Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays until October 31st. Watering with a handheld hose or supervised testing of your irrigation is allowed any time. No irrigation is permitted on Sundays. Watering on days other than your assigned day may be considered water waste and result in a SNWA fee. Failing to fix an irrigation repair causing water waste may also result in a SNWA fee.

You can find your watering group and other information on watering restrictions by visiting SNWA's website at [https://www.lvwd.com/conservation/drought\\_watering\\_schedule.html](https://www.lvwd.com/conservation/drought_watering_schedule.html). Please do your part to be water smart.

## New Sports Park Opens to Eager Crowds

On August 28th, County Commissioner Susan Brager joined Southern Highlands' Developer, Garry Goett, in cutting the ribbon to open Southern Highlands' newest park, Olympia Sports Park. The 17-acre park is located at 4855

Starr Hills Avenue (across the street from Stuckey Elementary) and offers some spectacular views of the city from its hilltop peak. The park amenities include six basketball courts; three full-size, lighted multipurpose fields for soccer, flag and frisbee football, lacrosse, and other sports; two playgrounds with shade structures; a splash pad; restrooms, and a hillside walking trail with workout stations and picnic tables.

Approximately 300 residents attended the grand opening ceremony and nearby residents have kept the park's foot traffic constant since its opening. The fields have quickly become popular sites for team practices. The two age-specific playsets are busy all day, and the walk path is extremely popular in the morning and evening hours when gorgeous sunrises and sunsets paint the horizon. At nearly any hour, you'll find the park busy with activity; but the hillside trail seems to be the most magnetic. From



workout enthusiasts pushing their limits on the trail's bodyweight training stations to dog walkers enjoying a desert stroll, this trail is never idle.

The layout and content of the park show the thought put into its design. The desert plants used to landscape the hillside are all labeled so residents can identify their favor-

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# Garage SALE Success



Price items individually



Do you feel like your garage is stuffed and your children's closets can't hold another toy? Then, it may be time to hold a garage sale. Southern Highlands is holding its Community Wide Sales Event on October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> from 7 am until 2 pm, and all residents are encouraged to participate by hosting their own garage sale. Here are 10 tips to host your best garage sale:

1. While deciding what you want to sell, remember if you bought it and it's in good shape, someone else will probably want to buy it as well.



Prominently display large furniture items

2. Price your items individually with price tags because items may be picked up and moved around throughout the day. Try not to sell things for less than a dollar because it can be difficult to provide proper change; instead, group smaller items together until they value a dollar.
3. Organization and details are key to a garage sale's success. Little things like washing and hanging clothes or displaying furniture in view of the street make a big impact.
4. Don't be afraid to get artistic. Making posters, an easy and fun activity for the kids, can completely change your sales. Would you rather go to a boring garage or a festival of knickknacks?
5. If you want to sell to the garage

sale's regulars to attend, you need to be ready at 7 am sharp! These early birds will move on to the next home if you are not prepared.

6. Stay vigilant of people trying to take advantage of garage sales by not allowing people into your home. Barriers and signage will limit access to your home and parts of your garage.
7. Time to show off those sales skills. Be friendly and welcome people to your "shop". This will help in your awareness of who is in your garage and make buyers feel welcome.
8. Bargaining is a part of the garage sale game and something you will have to do. Keep it light, be patient and don't be afraid to say no. Bargaining skill

will come with practice.

9. Bulk buys are not just for Costco anymore. If you have a lot of a certain object, selling them together is an easy way to make sure you sell as much as possible without leftovers.
10. Speaking of leftovers, anything you don't sell can go directly to your favorite donation services. Don't forget to keep those receipts. Southern Highlands has made donating easy, see page 4 for details.



Photo: lovelychicas.files.wordpress.com

## When It's Not Snow on Your Window Ledge

Pigeons are feral birds that find plenty of food, shelter, and protection from natural predators within urban communities. They bring with them diseases, mites, and other pests attracted to their droppings. These unwelcome house guests quickly produce large amounts of waste that can pose health risks to family members. Once they move into a home, they're very difficult to eradicate. Here are a few suggestions to encourage these pigeons to take flight and find a more suitable place to live.

- ◇ Eliminate uncovered food sources such as trash receptacles and outdoor pet food dishes.
- ◇ Pick up after pets regularly because pigeons will eat pet waste.
- ◇ Cover trash containers and keep areas

around containers clean.

- ◇ Enclose the openings of vents, attics, eaves, and around air conditioning units with screen material.
- ◇ Fit flat surfaces at roof edges with beveled wood or concealed metal spikes to deter roosting.
- ◇ Promptly remove rebuilt nests to encourage pigeons to move on.



- ◇ Perch an artificial predator such as a hawk, owl, snake or cat in the area where pigeons congregate and move it frequently.
- ◇ Consider contacting a professional when the infestation is large. These experts can safely remove the waste and treat the area to discourage re-infestation. Be prepared, the eradication process may require a few different layers of deterrents.

This is one house guest that you don't want to make feel right at home. To learn more about the health issue of pigeons, visit: [southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/health-topics/pigeons.php](http://southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/health-topics/pigeons.php).



# Southern Highlands Fall Festival

**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 20  
11 A.M. - 3 P.M.  
GOETT FAMILY PARK**



This charitable event is an admission-free festival with fun for the whole family. There will be games, raffles, a costume contest, a coloring contest, vendor booth trick-or-treating, food and beverages, \$1 bingo, and pumpkins for sale at bargain prices. The rock wall and zip line are back this year along with a trampoline-bungee jump. Even the most timid scarecrow would love a trip to this Oz.



Convenient parking and complimentary shuttle service is available from Stuckey Elementary located at 4905 Chartan Avenue at Starr Hills Ave.



## New Sports Park Opens



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ite species. The playsets, splash pads, and restrooms are all centrally located and within sight of the hill trail so parents trekking the path can keep an eye on their children below. The lights used on the sports fields were selected to aim light only where it's needed, preserving Southern Highlands' majestic skyline.

If you haven't stopped by the new park yet, plan a date to grab a quick picnic dinner and enjoy the fall breeze from a table on the hillside. The fall temperatures couldn't be better to check it all out.

The shaded play structures sport adventure and challenge for a wide range of children.



# Fall Cleaning Event

## COMMUNITY YARD SALE

**Sat. & Sun. Oct. 6 - 7 • 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Southern Highlands will advertise the event, and you host the sale at your home. Please note the following:

- Advertising on Facebook, Craigs List, the Review Journal, and other yard sale websites will list communities by name.
- Residents in gated sub-associations will need to contact their board for approval. Once your board approves, they can arrange to open the gates for your community. *The gated golf course communities are not able to participate.*
- Southern Highlands residents may rent up to (2) approved yard signs, free of charge. The request form may be found on: [SouthernHighlandsHOA.com](http://SouthernHighlandsHOA.com) in the Document & Forms Tab (Request for Yard Sale Sign).
- Sub-Association Boards may request the use of a Yard Sale Banner for their community. The request form is also located on the Association's website in the Document & Forms Tab (Request for Yard Sale Banner).
- **There are a limited number of yard signs & banners, which will be distributed on a first come-first serve basis.**

Clipart: openclipart.org, cdn.pixabay.com, newrochellestalk.com

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## MOBILE SHREDDING UNIT & DONATION DROP

**Sunday, October 7 • 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

Located at the Southern Highlands Corporate Center Parking Lot:  
11411 Southern Highlands Parkway

### OPPORTUNITY VILLAGE'S DONATION DROP

Bring your gently used donation items to help support Opportunity Village, who will be on location to receive your donation to help raise funds for their charitable initiatives. Tax receipts will be available upon request.



### MOBILE SHREDDING UNIT

There will also be a complimentary shredding service for your document shredding needs. Shredding is only for paper. No cardboard boxes, plastic bags, or large metal items (including 3 ring binders.) You do NOT need to remove paper clips, alligator clips, or hanging file folders that have small metal anchors.



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Oct 2 Compliance Hearings**  
Beginning at 6:00 pm

**Oct 11 Board Appeal Hearings**  
Beginning at 8:30 am

**Oct 18 Board Meeting**  
Enterprise Library  
Beginning at 2:00 pm

**Oct 24 Compliance Hearings**  
Beginning at 9:00 am

**Nov 6 Compliance Hearings**  
Beginning at 6:00 pm

**Nov 8 Board Appeal Hearings**  
Beginning at 8:30 am

**Nov 14 Compliance Hearings**  
Beginning at 9:00 am

**Nov 15 Owners Meeting**  
Southern Highlands Boys & Girls Club  
10900 Southern Highlands Parkway  
Beginning at 6:00 pm

**Nov 22-23 Thanksgiving Holidays**  
Association Office Closed\*

**Nov 28 Tree Lighting**  
Southern Highlands  
Corporate Center



\*When the Association Office is closed, homeowners may drop off payments or correspondence in the HOA Drop Box located on the west side of the Corporate Center building at 11411 Southern Highlands Parkway.

[http://www.](http://www.southernhighlandshoa.com)

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