

Town Record

**Summer Edition** 

# Manager's Message

After almost ten years of being under the wing of the Town of Gardnerville Main Street Gardnerville went out on their own. The State of Nevada started a state Main Street Program last year and now Main Street Gardnerville is able to be accredited through the National Main Street Center. Main Street Gardnerville has been and continues to be the only Main Street program in the State of Nevada. Main Street Gardnerville will celebrate it's 10th year on September 20 in Heritage Park in conjunction with the Third Thursday Wine Walk.

Help Main Street Gardnerville celebrate 10 years this September 2018 at Heritage Park.



Summer is upon us, the flowers are hanging, and Carson Valley Days is behind us. We want to thank those who sponsored the Main Street basket program this year, the students of Douglas and Smith Valley High Schools, and the Aurora Pines girls at China Spring for their efforts this year on making the baskets and the town is looking like summer.

During the winter we planned for a number of projects that are now being worked on. See the town project description in the report for those specific projects.

The town staff and board want to thank everyone for refraining from posting garage sale signs on the town's stop signs and poles within the town. Please remind others of this issue as town staff will continue to monitor the situation and take down signs when they are taped to poles.

Mother nature has provided a number of rain events this spring producing large volume rain storms. Town staff has been proactive on the storm drain maintenance over the years and the drainage for the most part has been working fairly well. If you know of any areas, please reach out to the town to inform us of the situation. With the yard improvements adjacent to Toiyabe we added a large drainage basin to increase its capacity to reduce the drainage issues in that area. We continue to clean out the ditches and remove vegetation to free up the channel and drainage system for irrigation and storm drain plans.

The town board and town staff want to invite you out to all our events this year. We will have the Freedom 5K on July 4th followed by the Carson Valley Pops Concert. Splash Dogs returns August 10-12 & Sept 27-30. Movies in the Park started in June and ends in August. There is a flyer attached and

a great line up of movies this year. Please take the movie survey online if you are interested in a specific movie for next year. https:// www.townofgardnerville.com/whats-new/ town-news/. Gardnerville's Christmas Kickoff is November 29, 2018.



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**Town Maintenance Facility** 





Gilman Pond/Trail



**Town Concrete Project** 

# **Town Projects**

*Maintenance Yard Improvements* – V&C Construction finished up the yard improvements. The town yard is secured from view and brick wall matches Raleys and the parking lot wall at Sharkeys. The wrought iron fence will go up in the future. Town staff will be re-doing the landscaping along 395 and from the yard to Toler, when there is time to do so. Staff now has more secured storage space and a second access onto a side street so we do not have to drive the bobcat on Highway 395 to access the yard. The pretty part of the project starts now.

**Gilman Pond improvements / Martin Slough trail** – NDOT right of way is still acquiring the right of way needed to complete the Martin Slough Trail at the Minden side of the project. The Town received a Land and Water Conservation Grant to build some amenities for the path. Impact Construction installed, the picnic tables and shelters along the path, and Boy Scout Conner Ritchie was able to install the park benches and trash cans in November 2017. This work finished up around Christmas last year.

**Town Concrete Projects** – The town is repairing 12 different concrete projects around town and upgrading 5 handicap accessible ramps along our streets. The project also includes repairing a sinkhole, crumbling sidewalks, and curbs. The projects are not limited to one area as we are addressing issues all across town. Thanks V&C for getting this done.

**New Field Tractor** – The town purchased a new John Deere 4044M field tractor and implements for mowing the open space and maintaining our parks. We were able to purchase it under budget and it will be arriving in August, 2018.

**Southgate Reconstruct** – The town is reconstructing Southgate Avenue located in the industrial area sometime in the next couple months. The base under the street is failing and the road above showed the effect with severe potholes. The road will be open during construction over the 2 weeks in June or July. It will be open during the day with all businesses accessible.

**Storm Drain off Hussman** – The town is partnering with Ted Borda and the Land and Water Conservancy to improve the storm drainage through his field behind Hussman. We will be installing piped drainage through the field to increase flow and improve maintenance. This area has historical flooding potential and the improvements will reduce this likelihood and allow Ted to grow crops.

*Gardnerville Station* – The Gardnerville Station on the S-curve has been awarded to Simerson Construction. They have begun the rehabilitation of the building and are expected to complete their work in August. The improvements are for the building only with funding through a partnership grant with Douglas County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) along with town funds. The town will finish the site work with parking and landscape at a later date.

**Boy Scout Project Chess /Checkers** – Boy Scout, Dominic Jackson, is working with the Town and Mainstreet Gardnerville to build and install 2 chess boards in the Heritage Park Gardens. When complete there will be life size chess pieces (think elementary school student size) that will be available to the residents to have a different kind of chess experience. Large checkers will also be available if that is your game of choice. The town has helped many Boy Scouts earn their Eagle Scout through community projects over the years. Thank you for your help Dominic Jackson!

**Storm Drainage -** RO Anderson is working on a storm drain model now and design of a large underground storm water basin that will, in the future, collect runoff from neighboring properties and Highway 395 and discharge into the newly built flood channel at the Hellwinkel property. The basin is scheduled to be installed this winter.

**Reminder** – If you walk your dog around town, please be kind to town staff and local residents by picking up after your animal. When mowing the grass, doggie bombs can make an impact on all those around us. Thank you from the Parks Department and local residents.

### Main Street Flowers

Thanks to Douglas High School, China Spring Youth Camp/Aurora Pines Facility and Smith Valley High School (our flower growers) and the Main Street Gardnerville Flower Committee for overseeing the hanging flower basket program. The flowers were hung on May 30th by town staff. The schools had some problems this year with the flowers and soil they used, then the aphids hit hard. Since this is a learning process for the students, sometimes when the flowers are taken out of the greenhouse and subjected to traffic, sun, wind and cooler temperatures, it takes them a while to aclimate. This program not only beautifies the town, but gives the kids the opportunity to learn. We hope you understand that this year the flowers were put up before they were blooming. We appreciate all the sponsors of the flower program that provides beauty and a learning experience.

### Health & Sanitation

### Winner of the 2017 Free Trash For A Year Raffle - Dennis & Sue Gardner.

Don't forget to provide your input on the town's online customer service survey for your chance to win a year's free trash service. at https://www.townofgardnerville.com/services/trash-collection/ The survey will be active August 1, 2018. The Town Board will be considering a trash rate increase in the next few months. If passed, the increase will take effect January 1, 2019. With the October billing you will see a new type of invoice. It is a pressure seal format that has an envelope provided, is easier to read and provides more information.

### **Pruning Correctly for Tree Health**

Topping causes serious injuries to trees and leads to hazardous conditions. When pruning trees, people often think about their personal needs from the trees and pay little attention to the fact pruning affects the health of the trees. Pruning, if done improperly, can damage sapwood, which can impact growth and inhibit defense mechanisms.

Proper care starts with an understanding of how trees grow and selecting the appropriate tree for the planting site. Know the soil type and drainage. Don't plant trees that grow large, such as sycamore, in small places, under power lines or close to buildings. Start pruning after three years of planting to establish the framework shape of the tree. Prune only one-quarter of the entire tree each

year. Prune regularly to maintain the structure of the tree. Topping causes serious injuries to trees and leads to hazardous conditions. Over-pruning destroys a tree's framework, weakens roots and initiates excessive weak sprouts that become hazardous. Don't work near power lines. Hire a professional arborist if the pruning job requires a ladder, chainsaw, if the tree has been storm damaged or if the limbs are greater than two inches in diameter. (From Dr. Alex Shigo's book "Tree Pruning".)

### Arbor Day 2018

Arbor Day was celebrated on April 27, 2018. With the help of about two dozen members of Girl Scout Troop 287 and Cub Scout Pack 8583, town staff planted two trees: an Autumn Blaze Maple and a Catalpa in Heritage Park Gardens. The trees will eventually provide shade for a lifesize chess and checkerboard. Heather Giger of the Nevada Division of Forestry presented Gardnerville with their 16th Tree City USA designation. Scouts who participated in the event were given a purple sage plant, a honeylocust or a golden raintree.





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### **Events**

Splash Dogs local event is August 10-12 and the national event returns on September 27-30, 2018. Look for further information on the Splash Dogs website at www. splashdogs.com.

Gardnerville's Christmas Kickoff starts the holiday season on November 29, 2018. Join us for live entertainment, a light show, fireworks, popcorn and dutch oven cobblers.







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# July - December 2018 Dates to Remember



- July 3 Town Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m. 1407 Highway 395 N
- Oct 2 Town Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m. 1407 Highway 395 N
- July 13 Movies in the Park Heritage Park - Beauty & the Beast @ sunset
- July 19 Wine Walk
- July 27 Movies in the Park Heritage Park - Despicable Me 3 @ sunset
- August 7 Town Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m. 1407 Highway 395 N
- August 10 Movies in the Park Heritage Park - Cars 3 @ sunset
- August 10-12 Splash Dogs Heritage Park
- August 16 Wine Walk
- Sept 4 Town Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m. 1407 Highway 395 N
- Sept 20 Wine Walk
- Sept 27-30 Splash Dogs Heritage Park

Oct 6 Heritage Park -Fall Harvest Festival &Coffin Races

#### Extra Greenwaste Days

Tuesday, October 9 Tuesday, October 23 Tuesday, November 6 Tuesday, November 20

#### October 24/25 Fall Cleanup

For Residential customers extra trash may be put out on your regular trash day. Keep extra bags or boxes at least three feet from trash cans. No large items (refrigerators, furniture, appliances, etc.) or hazardous waste (tires, batteries, paint, etc)

Nov 6 Town Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m. 1407 Highway 395 N

#### November 7/8 Limb Pickup

Picked up on your <u>regular trash day</u>- limbs (2'X 4') secured with rope. Keep bundles at least three feet away from trash cans.

- Nov 6 Town Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m. 1407 Highway 395 N
- Nov 29 Gardnerville's Carson Valley Christmas Kickoff -4:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. Heritage Park



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> Movies begin when the sun sets behind the mountains

For more info contact the Town of Gardnerville at 782-7134 or www.townofgardnerville.com

Heritage Park is located east of Sharkey's & Hwy 395 at 1447 Courthouse Street. Gardnerville







Visit our websites for more information:



Pancake Breakfast and Lunch **Carson Valley Lions Club** will be hosting a







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A Concert of

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