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April 4, 2013 Maureen S. Randall
Date Signature

MEETING AGENDA

TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2013

4:00 PM

JOSHUA TREE ROOM

YUCCA VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER COMPLEX

57090 TWENTYNINE PALMS HIGHWAY

YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA 92284

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION

Jeff Evans, Chair

Dan Harman, Commissioner

Laurine Silver, Commissioner

Meredith Jones, Commissioner

Mark Nuaimi, Town Manager

Jim Schooler, Director of Community Services

Maureen S. Randall, Secretary

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AGENDA

**TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2013**

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(WHERE APPROPRIATE OR DEEMED NECESSARY, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA)

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by _____

ROLL CALL Commissioner Harman, Commissioner Silver, Commissioner Jones, Chair Evans

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission Agenda

Action Motion: **Move to approve the agenda of the April 9, 2013
Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission meeting**

Motion _____

Move _____ 2nd _____ Vote _____

CONSENT AGENDA

1-5 **2. Minutes of the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission meeting
March 12, 2013.**

Recommendation: **Move to approve minutes as presented**

**AGENDA
TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2013**

6-8 3. Museum Report

Recommendation: **Move to receive and file the Hi Desert Nature Museum Monthly Report for March 2013**

9-10 4. Youth Commission Report

Recommendation: **Move to receive and file the Youth Commission report for March 2013**

11-13 5. Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce Gourd Art Festival

Recommendation: **Move to approve the Sunday use of Town Facilities**

All items listed on the consent calendar are considered to be routine or non-controversial matters. The items listed on the consent calendar may be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of specific consent calendar items unless a member of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission or Town Staff requests such discussion at the beginning of the meeting.

Recommendation: **Approve Consent Agenda items 2-5**

Move _____ 2nd _____ Vote _____

**AGENDA
TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2013**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

In order to assist in the timely conduct of the meeting, the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission will usually not respond to citizens' comments or inquiries during this part of the meeting. The Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission is prohibited by state law from taking action on items not included on the printed agenda. Are there any public comments on items not on the printed agenda?

STAFF REPORTS

14-18 6. Mid Southern California Area 09

Recommendation: Consider the issue and make a recommendation regarding the Sunday use and reduction of fees.

Action Motion _____

Move _____ 2nd _____ Vote _____

19-21 7. Offered Donations to the Hi-Desert Nature Museum

Recommendation: Move to accept five offered donations into the permanent collections of the Hi-Desert Nature Museum.

Action Motion _____

Move _____ 2nd _____ Vote _____

**AGENDA
TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2013**

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

1. Commissioner Silver
2. Commissioner Harman
3. Commissioner Jones
4. Chair Evans

STAFF INFORMATION ITEMS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission is May 14, 2013 at 4:00pm in the Joshua Tree Room of the Yucca Valley Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

**TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION
MINUTES**

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2013

CALL TO ORDER by Chair Evans at 4:00pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Commissioner Harman

ROLL CALL Commissioners present: Commissioner Harman, Commissioner Silver, Commissioner Jones, Vice Chair Collins and Chair Evans.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Action Motion: **Move to approve the agenda of the March 12, 2013 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission meeting.**

Move: Harman

2nd: Collins

Vote: 5-0-0-0

CONSENT AGENDA

2. **MINUTES OF PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING OF FEBRUARY 12, 2013**

Recommendation: **Approve minutes as presented.**

3. **MUSEUM REPORT**

Recommendation: **Move to receive and file the Museum Monthly report for February 2013**

4. **RECREATION REPORT**

Recommendation: **Move to receive and file the Recreation Monthly reports for February 2013**

5. **YOUTH COMMISSINO REPORT**

Recommendation: **Move to receive and file the Youth Commission report for February 2013**

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Action Motion: **Move to approve Consent Agenda items 2-5**

Move: Silver 2nd: Harman Vote: 5-0-0-0

6. Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Event

Director Schooler introduced a request for a waiver of facility use fees. Director Schooler gave a brief history of the event. Carl Gorham and Assemblyman Paul Cook worked to designate March 30th as “Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day”. The bill was signed in 2008 by Governor Schwarzenegger.

In prior years, Town staff has supported the event which featured public addresses by dignitaries, refreshments and an open microphone session where veterans in attendance could share their recollections and sentiments about their military service.

In 2012 due to financial constraints and lack of available staff, the Town took a step back and Mr. Gorham led the event.

Mr. Gorham has requested the use of the Yucca Room from 1:00pm to 5:30pm on Friday, March 29th for the event. He changed the date from Saturday, March 30th for the convenience of the public and Town staff.

This will be the 4th year the event has been in Yucca Valley.

Action Motion: **Move to approve the waiver request for the Yucca Room on Friday, March 29 for the Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans event.**

Move: Harman 2nd Silver Vote: 5-0-0-0

7. Request for Sunday Facility Use-New Creation Church Yucca Valley

Director Schooler reported on a request from the New Creation Church of Yucca Valley. The organizers of the event are asking for use of the Yucca Room and Courtyard on Sunday, March 30 to hold an Easter Sunrise Service from 6am to 12pm.

According to the current Facility Use Policy, Town buildings are available for use 7:00am until 9:00pm Monday through Thursday and 7:00am to 10:00pm Friday and Saturday. Town buildings are not available for rented or reserved use on Sundays or holidays unless specifically authorized by the Director or/ Commission acting on behalf of the Town Council.

Bobby Exley spoke on behalf of the event stated they are not asking for fees to be waived only requested Sunday use. He mentioned last year the event drew approximately 150-200 people, and noted that his church could provide volunteers for Town events if necessary.

Action Motion: **Move to approve the Sunday use of Town facilities on March 30th for New Creation Church-Yucca Valley**

Move: Silver 2nd Collins Vote: 5-0-0-0

8. Yucca Valley High School Boys Soccer Banquet ~ waiver of fees request

Director Schooler reported on the Yucca Valley High School Boys Soccer team waiver request. The Yucca Valley High School Boys Soccer program has requested the use of the Senior Center for the annual end of the season banquet. The event is to be held on Thursday, April 4th from 5pm to 9pm. Coach Tee Vallo thanked the Town. Approval of the request would result in waiving approximately \$100.

Action Motion: **Move to waive facility use fees for Yucca Valley High School Boys Soccer banquet on April 4th**

Move: Collins 2nd Jones Vote: 5-0-0-0

9. Extension of waiver for current user groups

Director Schooler reported on an information item. In the past several months the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission has reviewed and made some recommendations for the Town's Facility Use Policy. Town Council is expected to review the policy and recommend changes during the budget preparation process over the next few months. Because several groups are currently using facilities with approval for waived or reduced fees, staff has determined that interruptions, confusion and miscommunication can be minimized with an extension of these waivers and /or reductions until June 30, 2013, by then the budget process will be complete.

The affected groups are:

- Andromeda Society (monthly meetings)
- California Desert Coalition (monthly meetings)
- Cub Scouts 903 (periodic use)
- Girl Scouts Troops #808 & #809 (weekly meetings)
- Hi Desert Chorus (bi annual performances)
- Lobos Football League (monthly meetings)
- Morongo Basin Conservation Association (monthly meetings)
- Morongo Basin Youth Soccer Association (monthly meetings)

Narcotics Anonymous (weekly meetings)
Perfect Wings 4-H (monthly meetings)
Tri Valley Little League (monthly meetings)
Vintage Iron Tractor Club (quarterly meetings)

STAFF INFORMATION ITEMS

- Director Schooler reported staff is continuing to work on the budget and coming up with alternatives for lowering the cost of programs and events.
- Concrete is being poured at Brehm Youth Sports Park.
- Due to possible ongoing construction of the Senior Housing project on Dumosa Ave in May, Grubstake Days Community Fair will be held at the grounds of the Boys and Girls Club, Tri-Valley Little League and Brehm Sports Park on Little League Drive.
- The renovation of the Yucca Valley High School baseball field is nearing completion.
- The Easter Egg Hunt will be at the Community Center softball field Saturday March 30th 9am sharp. For ages 2-7.
- A Police Contact Station is in place at the Paradise Park Neighborhood Building. Good presence in the community.
- Teen Topic Community Forum March 18. The Youth Commission will be discussing youth issues within our community. Open to the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

1. **Commissioner Silver:** Commissioner Silver mentioned that even when people are busy she is glad to see them upbeat.
2. **Commissioner Jones:** Commissioner Jones informed the commission of a Run for the Arts on May 5th. The event will have a 5k Run and Health Walk along with an art show at Essig Park.
3. **Commissioner Harman:** No comment
4. **Vice Chair Collins.** Vice Chair Collins invited everyone to the Chamber mixer tonight at Applebees from 5 to 7pm.
5. **Chair Evans:** Chair Evans attended the grand opening of the Police Contact Center in Paradise Park Neighborhood Building. He stated it great to see the community's involvement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

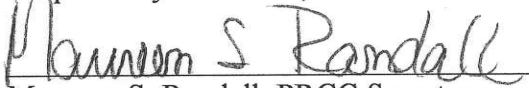
The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission will be on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 4:00pm in the Joshua Tree Room of the Yucca Valley Community Center.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 4:28pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maureen S. Randall". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Maureen S. Randall, PRCC Secretary
Community Services Department

PARKS, RECREATION, CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation, Cultural Commission
From: Lynne Richardson, Museum Supervisor
Date: April 2, 2013
For Commission Meeting: April 9, 2013

Subject: Museum Report

Prior Commission Review: The Commission receives a monthly Museum report and update from staff.

Recommendation: Receive and file the monthly museum report for March 2013.

Summary: The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission is appointed by the Town Council to serve in an advisory capacity in matters pertaining to the primary activities of the Community Services Department. The Commission is also designated by the Council as the Museum Advisory Commission. This report is intended to inform the Commissioners of current exhibitions, events and activities at the Hi-Desert Nature Museum and to create an opportunity for Commission questions and discussion.

Order of Procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Questions
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

Discussion:

Current Temporary Exhibits:

“Reduce, Reuse, Recycle” and “All Things with Wings” will be on display in the Temporary Gallery through April 26, 2013.

The “Yucca Valley High School Art Show” will be on display from April 30 through June 1, 2013.

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Museum Attendance

The month of March brought 2,487 visitors to the museum, which is slightly higher than visitation in March 2012.

Museum Revenues

The museum received \$511 donations in March, a significant increase from donations received in March 2012.

Gecko Gift Shop Income

Merchandise sold:	\$ 1820.48
Sales Tax:	\$ 145.62
March Total:	\$ 1966.10

March gift shop income was approximately twice the sales of the corresponding month in 2012.

Fundraising:

The museum is holding a silent art auction through April 20, 2013. This fundraising event features 30 works of art from the "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" exhibit representing a wide range of styles created and donated by local artists. All proceeds from the sale of the auction items will support the Hi-Desert Nature Museum and its educational programs.

Upcoming Programs and Special Events

Wed., April 10, MBHS Presents "Cowboy Billy Mitchell"
Sat., April 13, Science Saturday, Pollution & Recycling
Sat., April 20, Earth Day Conservation Fair
Sat., April 27, Science Saturday, Nose & Tongue
Fri., May 3, YVHS Art Show Reception
Wed., May 8, MBHS Presents
Sat., May 11, Science Saturday, Animal Traces
Sat., May 25, Science Saturday, Fear

Advertising and Promotion:

During the month of March the Hi-Desert Nature Museum sent press releases regarding programs and special events to the following media outlets: Copper Mountain Broadcasting, Desert Entertainer, Desert Post Weekly, Desert Sun, Desert Trail, Hi-Desert Star, KESQ, KNEWS, KVCR, Palm Springs Desktop, Press Enterprise, San Bernardino Sun, Sun Runner, and Z107.7.

The museum's web site, www.hideserternaturemuseum.org, Facebook page and Twitter account are continually updated with current exhibits, events, and programs.

The electronic newsletter, "Tortoise Tales," was sent to 1347 recipients on March 8.

Museum Progress on Projects and Programs in March:

Project/Program	Status	Notes
Hosted a Spring Kids' Crafts Program	Completed	March 23
Co-hosted MBHS Presents	Completed	March 13: Digital Media for Historic Preservation
Taught two Science Saturdays	Completed	March 9: Money March 30: Language
Presented a Winter Lecture	Completed	March 14: Plants of JTNP
Co-hosted a wildflower class with the Desert Institute	Completed	March 15
Participated in Reading Night at Yucca Elementary	Completed	March 20
Painted art wall and door of the Diorama Room	Completed	
Installed track lighting in the Diorama Room	Ongoing	Track to be installed in other exhibit areas
Worked on logistics for the Earth Day Conservation Fair	Ongoing	April 20
Initiated full inventory of collections	Ongoing	
Conduct various educational programs for students and special interest groups	Ongoing	
Address visitor inquiries regarding desert ecology and local history	Ongoing	
Continue developing partnerships with local agencies and community organizations	Ongoing	

Reviewed by: Staff
Department Director

PARKS, RECREATION, CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation, Cultural Commission
From: Jim Schooler, Community Services Director
Lynne Richardson, Museum Supervisor
Date: April 2, 2013
For Commission Meeting: April 9, 2013

Subject: Youth Commission Update

Prior Commission Review: The Commission receives a monthly Youth Commission report and update from staff.

Recommendation: Receive and file the monthly Youth Commission report for March 2013.

Summary: The Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission is appointed by the Town Council to oversee the activities of the Youth Commission. The items presented in this report are to inform the commissioners of current activity with the Youth Commission, and to create an opportunity for Commission questions and discussion.

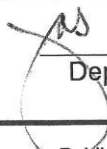
Order of Procedure:

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Discussion:

The Youth Commission met on March 4, 2013 for their regularly scheduled monthly meeting. During the meeting commissioners continued logistical planning for their Teen Topics Community Forum. Commissioners performed a review of the Powerpoint presentation and questions to be presented at the forum utilizing the Turning Point wireless clicker technology.

On March 18, 2013, commissioners hosted a Teen Topics Community Forum gathering public opinion on issues such as smoking in Town parks, skate parks and bicycle paths. An open mic period was provided for audience members to voice thoughts and ideas on youth related topics.

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Town Manager Town Attorney Mgmt Services  Dept Head

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A Youth Commission forum has been scheduled at La Contenta Middle School for Wednesday, May 15, 2013. Commissioners will host games with the students and share information about Youth Commission projects and duties. Youth Commission applications will be made available to students interested in next year's term.

During March commissioners volunteered at the Easter Egg Hunt on March 30th.

The next scheduled meeting of the Youth Commission will be Monday, May 6, 2013. Commissioners will be presented to Town Council during the Tuesday, May 21, 2013 meeting.

Previously Reviewed by: Staff

Attachments: None

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission
From: Maureen Randall, Administrative Assistant
Date: April 4, 2013
For Commission Meeting: April 9, 2013

Subject: Facility Use – Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce Gourd Art Festival

Prior Commission Review: A similar request was considered in September 2012, resulting in Commission approval of the Sunday use.

Recommendation: Consider the issue and make a determination regarding the request for Sunday use of a Town facility.

Summary: The Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce has requested use of Town facilities in conjunction with the Gourd Art Festival. The request is to hold a weekend event that would include Sunday. The Town’s policy only permits Sunday use with special permission.

Order of procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Questions of Staff
- Commission Discussion
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

Discussion: Cheryl Nankervis, Executive Director of the Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce has submitted a request to use the Community Center Complex on Friday, October 18 from 2pm to 6pm, Saturday October 19th from 8:00am to 5:00pm and Sunday, October 20th from 8:00am to 3:00pm for the 4th Annual Gourd Art Festival. The event has been well-attended in the past, and the organizers are expecting a large turnout again this year.

This event is free to the public; however the vendors pay a small fee for table space in the event. In accordance with policy, events are not scheduled in Town facilities on Sundays without special approval. (Policy excerpt: “Except for public meetings and special events conducted by the Town of Yucca Valley, Town buildings are open from 7:00 am until 9:00 pm Monday through Thursday, and from 7:00 am until

Reviewed By: _____ _____ _____ _____
 Town Manager Town Attorney Mgmt Services Dept Head

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10:00 pm Friday and Saturday. Town buildings are not available for rented or reserved use on Sundays or Holidays unless specifically authorized by the Director and/or Commission acting on behalf of the Council.”)

The Chamber has requested special authorization for the Sunday, October 20th use of the Yucca Room and other rooms in the complex for their Gourd Festival an expected attendance of a several hundred people.

Alternatives: Approval of the facility Sunday use request; denial of the request.

Fiscal impact: Approval would require the assignment of staff on Sunday. If fees were charged for the hours of use according to the approved rental fee schedule, the group would have to pay approximately \$1,015.00 for the Sunday use. However the Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce is listed on the “Appendix C” of the Town Facility Policy which exempts certain organizations from paying facility use fees.

Attachments: Yucca Valley Chamber letter requesting waiver and permission to use the facility on Sunday.



April 4, 2013

Town of Yucca Valley
Parks & Recreation Commission
57090 29 Palms Hwy.
Yucca Valley, CA 92284

Re: Yucca Valley Gourd Art Festival


The Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce is requesting the use of the entire community center complex to hold the 4th Annual Gourd Art Festival on October 18, 19 and 20, 2013. We partnered with Welburn Gourd Farm last year which resulted in a larger turn-out of Gourd artists who stayed in our lodging facilities and ate in our restaurants. In addition to the Welburn Farm partnership we have invited The Indian Store to participate. These vendors will attract gourd artists from all over the Southern California area.

We are pleased to announce that we are partnering with the Morongo Basin Cultural Arts Council by being a featured event during the annual Open Studio Art Tours. The Art Tour draws people from all around the country and the world.

We request that the fees be waved and have permission to use the facility on Friday, October 18 from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., Saturday, October 19 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 20 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. If further information is required, please contact me.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Cheryl Nankervis
Executive Director

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission
From: Maureen Randall, Administrative Assistant
Date: March 28, 2013
For Commission Meeting: April 9, 2013

Subject: Request for Sunday Facility Use– Mid Southern California Area 09

Prior Commission Review: None

Recommendation: Consider the issue and make a determination regarding the request for Sunday as well as a reduction of fees.

Summary: Jay Eckhardt and Katherine Cook, representatives of Mid California Area 09, have requested use of Town facilities on a Sunday to hold an assembly for their group. They have also requested a reduction in facility use fees.

Order of Procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Discussion / Questions of Staff
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

Discussion:

The Town of Yucca Valley’s public parks and buildings are used for Town sponsored recreational, cultural, civic and social activities and programs. Additionally, the Town makes use of public facilities for conducting the business of the Town Council and its appointed commissions, committees and work groups. The Town also makes certain facilities available to the public for meeting, activities events and services that meet similar needs and interests of the community.

Organizers of the Mid Southern California Area 09 annual event have requested use of the Yucca Room on Sunday, June 9th to hold an assembly to discuss the needs of Alcoholics Anonymous groups in this area and respective districts. They are anticipating approximately 135 to 150 in attendance for this event from 7am to 5pm.

The group has asked for consideration for Sunday use and reduced room charges, i.e., permission to use the Yucca Room at the weekday rate of \$25 per hour and lowering the deposit to the \$200 rate.

Reviewed By: _____ _____ _____ Jas
 Town Manager Town Attorney Mgmt Services Dept Head

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The Facility Use Policy specifies the weekend rental rate of \$45 per hour and the room rental refundable deposit is \$500.

According to the current Facility Use Policy, Town buildings are available for use from 7:00 am until 9:00 pm Monday through Thursday, and from 7:00 am until 10:00 pm Friday and Saturday. Town Buildings are not available for rented or reserved use on Sundays or Holidays unless specifically authorized by the Director and/or Commission acting on behalf of the Town Council..

Currently there is no other event scheduled in the building on the proposed date. Staff would need to be brought in for this event.

Alternatives: Approve the Sunday facility use and reduction of fees request or decline to approve all or part of the request.

Fiscal impact: According to the approved facility use fee schedule, the charge for the requested use is \$450 (\$45 per hour for the Yucca Room) granting the request of \$25 per hour would reduce revenue by \$200.

Attachments: Mid –Southern California Area 09 letter requesting Sunday use and reduction of facility use fees.

Maureen S. Randall
Community Services
The Town of Yucca Valley
57090 29 Palms Highway
Yucca Valley, CA 92284

Dear Maureen:

Our 12 Step program (Alcoholics Anonymous) has its own non-profit organization based on our 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts in order to meet the needs of A.A. as a whole – locally and worldwide. Attached to this letter is a simple organization layout to (hopefully) assist in your understanding.

Not including worldwide, the U.S. and Canada comprise 93 areas – each area made up of its own district(s). In California alone, there are 6 areas – each having any number of districts. Our area (Mid-Southern California 09 – MSCA) has 25 districts. Yucca Valley is in MSCA District #30.

Each month we have an Assembly to discuss the needs of A.A. in our area and respective districts. Each month we rotate the district hosting the assembly. The assembly is always held on the second Sunday of each month.

District #30 last hosted in December 2011. At that time, we used the 29 Palms Elks Lodge for the Assembly. The Elks Lodge was wonderful with us, but needless to say, the 'ambience' is not quite up to par. Many of our districts use their local park/community centers – none of which surpasses ours.

Based on our history with you we would truly appreciate Yucca Valley's accommodations. Our target date is June 9, 2013. We are aware your facilities are not usually open on Sunday.

Attached is the rental application. We can only hope in hopes the Yucca Valley principals will consider this request and financial terms the same as that of our RoundUp as the hosting district is responsible for all expenses. Therefore, we respectfully ask your consideration in giving us permission to use the Yucca Room at the \$25 per hour rate and lowering the deposit to the \$200 rate you had before.

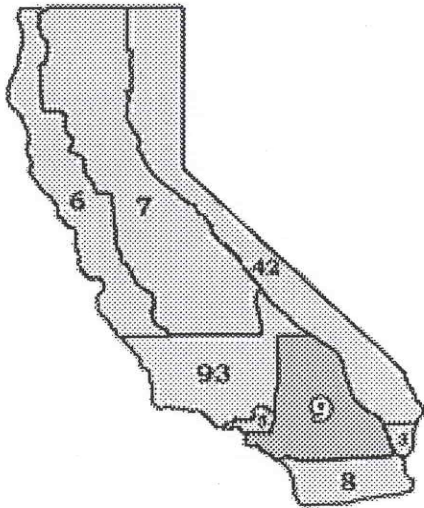
We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Most sincerely,

(Unsigned - sending by email)

Katherine Cook2013
Chair- District #30

26 March 2013



42 = Part of Nevada
3 = Part of Arizona

General Services, New York Purpose (Preamble)

We are the General Service Representatives.
We are the link in the chain of communication for our groups with the General Service Conference and the world of A.A.

We realize the ultimate authority in A.A. is a loving God as He may express himself in our group conscience.

As trusted servants, our job is to bring information to our groups in order that they can reach an informed group conscience.

In passing along this group conscience, we are helping to maintain the unity and strength so vital to our fellowship.

Let us, therefore, have the patience and tolerance to listen while others share, the courage to speak up when we have something to share, and the wisdom to do what is right for our groups and A.A. as a whole.

Purpose of the MSCA (Mid-Southern California Area 09)

Service to the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous shall be the primary purpose of General Service in the Mid-Southern California Area.

There are 93 areas in the U.S. and Canada. In California there are six (6) Areas.

- California Northern Coastal Area 06 (CNCA)
- California Northern Interior Area 07 (CNIA)

- Central California Area 93 (CCA)
- Southern California Area 05 (SCA)
- **Mid-Southern California Area 09 (MSCA)**
- San Diego/Imperial Area 08 (SDIA)

Within MSCA 09 there are 25 districts. We are District #30.

Purpose of District #30

District #30 covers Yucca Valley, Morongo Valley, Landers, 29 Palms and Wonder Valley.

As a district, and volunteers of the district, our primary purpose is to follow the preamble stated above.

PARKS, RECREATION, CULTURAL COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Members of the Parks, Recreation, Cultural Commission
From: Lynne Richardson, Museum Supervisor
Date: April 3, 2013
For Commission Meeting: April 9, 2013

Subject: Offered Donations to the Hi-Desert Nature Museum

Prior Commission Review: None.

Recommendation: Move to accept five offered donations into the permanent collections of the Hi-Desert Nature Museum.

Summary: The Hi-Desert Nature Museum has been offered five donations to the permanent collections of the Hi-Desert Nature Museum, covering the collecting areas of local art and history.

Order of Procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Questions
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

Discussion: The Hi-Desert Nature Museum's Collection Policy states that the museum will acquire and accession into its collections only those artifacts, works of art and archival materials that conform to the collection, preservation and interpretation of the natural, artistic and historical elements of the local area.

Donations shall be approved and accepted by the Museum Advisory Committee. The Museum staff shall present the proposed acquisitions and potential donations for the Committee's review and evaluation. The Committee agrees to accept or not accept museum objects into the museum's collection by majority vote. Upon acceptance of objects, museum staff is authorized to prepare the Transfer of Title documents for the donor's signature. Title is transferred to the museum when the museum receives the completed donor forms.

Reviewed By: _____ _____ _____ _____
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Criteria for Donations and Acquisitions:

Objects offered to the museum shall be evaluated on the basis of one or more of the following criteria:

1. Objects which are directly associated (or relevant) with the mission of the museum.
2. Objects of national, regional, or local importance historically, scientifically or aesthetically, which are appropriate for exhibition.
3. Objects that are essential for the interpretation of exhibitions.

Following is a list of donors and the objects offered to the Hi-Desert Nature Museum. Donations will be accepted or declined individually. A Powerpoint presentation with images of the offered donations will be presented during the April 9, 2013 PRCC meeting.

Richard Sroda

Framed Black & White Print of JTNP landscape by noted photographer Paul Roark

Shirley Ann Halfield

Antique Purse

Ivory letter opener

Edward Graham

Record: Grubstake Days, Linn Twins Sing Quest for Gold

Sheila Donahoe

International/old U.S. bank notes

Jack & Myra Rolston

Painting of Yucca Valley street scene, dated 1965, by George Shellhase

Homestead Papers

Burnt Mt. Aerial Photograph

Reviewed by: Staff
Department Director

Alternatives: Staff does not offer any alternatives to the recommendation, however, the commission could decline to approve specific donations.

Fiscal Impact: None

Attachments: None