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#### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### All events take place at the Community Building, 8367 Elizabeth Lake Road, unless otherwise indicated

April 30	4-H Mexican Dinner
April 30	Gymkhana, 8 a.m.
May 2	WAVHS, 6 p.m.
May 7	Garage Sale
May 7	Comm Queen Pageant, 5 p.m.
May 9	LVTown Council, 7 p.m.
May 16	4-H, 6:30 p.m.
May 19	LVIA General Meeting, 6 p.m.
May 28	Gymkhana, 8 a.m.
May 30	Memorial Day Service, 11 a.m,
June 4	Cherry Parade

For information about events and things of concern in Leona Valley go to the Town Council website— leonavalleytc.org or LVTC@LEONAVALLEYTC.ORG

The Leona Valley Improvement Association (LVIA) website is WWW.MYLEONAVALLEY.ORG

# LVIA'S Spring Garage Sale Saturday May 7



## It'll be a great day to come early shop 'till you drop then go back and shop some more TO TAKE PART IN THIS EVENT

Sellers: In a sealed envelope, marked GARAGE SALE, leave your name, phone number, address and any helpful directions to your location, along with a \$15 check made out to LVIA.

Put the envelope in the LVIA Box by the P.O. in Rancher's Market.

#### **DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, MAY 4**

**Buyers:** Get a map from Rancher's Market after 4 p.m. on Friday, May 6. Start shopping at 8 a.m. on Saturday May 7 \*Prices are double before 8 a.m.

## Shop, bargain and have fun

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The information you wish to include as a Cherry Chapters sponsor should be mailed to the Leona Valley Newsletter, P.O. Box 783, Leona Valley, CA 93551 or left in the Leona Valley Improvement Association (LVIA) box in Rancher's Market, located at the intersection of Elizabeth Lake Road and 90th Street West.

#### President's Message

Hi Everyone,

Lots going on in the LV this time of year! Make sure to join us as a shopper, a seller (or both) at our Spring LVIA Garage Sale on May 7th. Just pop your \$15 check to LVIA in the LVIA Box at Rancher's Market with your name, address and phone number to be added to the map and watch the dollars roll in! We are busy planning for the Cherry Parade June 4th and we are looking for a T-shirt design for this year's theme, "All Aboard the Cherry Express'. Please submit any and all of your design entries to Iviacherryfestival@yahoo.com and get a free T-shirt if we choose your design! The Cherry Parade Grand Marshal will be announced shortly and we hope to see you all at the parade on June 4th, it should be a great time.

The Community Queens are getting ready for the new pageant year and we are so excited for them. Service to the Community is a huge part of this organization, and our very own Angie Hughes creates such great opportunities and special memories for all the girls to share. Sponsor a Queen if you are able to and watch them make a difference in our town. Speaking of our beautiful town, the Town Council and the dedicated team of Land Use Committee members are hard at work trying once again to stop the Ritter Ranch Development Project from changing the face of Leona Valley forever. We are vehemently opposed to this development as we all chose this exceptional place for it's peace, tranquility and lack of tract housing. Please support us in our litigation crusade to keep Leona Valley and our way of life here the way it always has been...wild, beautiful and free.

As always, from our families to yours, we wish you health and happiness, and we invite you to join us at all of our upcoming events and especially to volunteer with us if you are able.

Judy Anaya, LVIA President

#### The Town Council Fights On

The Leona Valley Town Council is continuing their fight against the developers Leona Valley Improvement Associa- of Ritter Ranch, as well as the City of Palmdale. At the hearing on April 20, many residents attended and some had the opportunity to voice their opposition. Seventy-five letters were submitted by other residents. The City Council denied the appeal and approved the project. The Town Council may be moving forward with further legal action and will keep everyone informed about how they can help. The support by our community was great and much appreciated! The fight to keep our rural way of life will continue.

> Pat Nichols to be Honored at West Antelope **Historical Society**

The June meeting of the West Antelope Valley Historical Society will be our annual Ice Cream Social and auction. We invite the public to join us in enjoying some nice cold ice cream on June 6 at 6 pm at the Leona Valley Community Building. The auction will be a "white elephant" so bring an item if you want to or just bid on other people's goods.

We will also have a tribute to Pat Nichols, who recently passed away after many years as a Leona Valley resident. Pat was a volunteer in every local organization, including WAVHS, and donations in her memory will help fund the Schoolhouse renovation. We want to share stories of our experiences with her. It should be a fun evening, so please join us.



## Art Guild "Fun" draiser Attendees Enjoyed Spuds, Beer and Wine

especially colorful.

Bethany Barber was especially entertaining. The for sale for your home and garden. silent auction was fun and raised some needed cash.

> Robert Benitez



Best of Show went to Seiler Rankin with this great piece of art.



**Hughes-Elizabeth Lakes** Woman's Club

May 7, 2022 8 am to 2 pm 17520 Elizabeth Lake Rd.

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Looking for donations!

Please no electrical appliances or other electrical units, clothing or furniture.

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The Lakes and Valleys Art Guild held a "fun" draiser from MOAH judged over 30 entries in the juried art on April 23 at their Gallery, next door to Jack's and show. The winners were Seiler Rankin, Best of the Dog House. They spruced up their whole garden Show; Sal Vasquez, 1st Place; Toni Haigh, 2nd Place area in preparation for the event so it is looking and Mike Farrell, 3rd Place. Honorable mentions went to Charlotte and Ava Bonham, David Walker, Toni The art opening was open to the public and there Haigh, Michael Vernetti, Donna Weil, and Marcia was a good turnout. People enjoyed their loaded Abbate Stevenson. The next art opening will be on baked potatoes with all the fixings, as well as the June 11 with a theme of Early California History. In wines from Thief and Barrell and Barrett Cellars and the meantime, check out the Gallery for our beers from Bravery Brewing. The live music by merchandise from new vendors. We also have plants

# LVI Community Queens At Work LVIA started off their new membership year with a great

breakfast for new and renewing members. Our kitchen was well coordinated with most of our Board members along with our reigning Community Queens and hopeful contestants. The Queen Pageant is coming up on May 7 and we hope to see lots of residents supporting the girls as they vie for their titles.

We signed up over 50 members at the breakfast and encourage everyone to get their membership dues paid. Dues help to support lots of community activities, including scholarships for our Community Queens. LVIA pays hundreds of dollars every year to help the girls further their educations.

It is never too late to join and be a part of the Leona Valley community. Membership forms are on the cover of this newsletter every month.





The Leona Valley Queens and contestants at the LVIA Breakfast

#### 4-H Shows It's Strength With Sewing and Fashion

Members of our Clothing and Textiles class took blue ribbons and several "Best of Show" (B of S) awards at the recent Fashion Review.

Competition categories are:

Traditional - a garment constructed in the 4H Clothing and Textiles class

Consumer Science - purchase an entire outfit for \$40 or less

Trashion - construct a garment from materials that would be recycled or thrown away

Box challenge - construct a pair of pants using three things (such as zipper, hook & eye)

Participants awarded blue ribbons are eligible to go on to the Los Angeles County competition. Here are our winners by age group:

Junior: Ava Bonham

Traditional: Blue ribbon and B of S Consumer Science: Blue Ribbon, B of S

Intermediate: Kevin Vlach Traditional: Blue Ribbon

Box Challenge: Blue Ribbon, B of S Consumer Science: Blue Ribbon, B of S

Intermediate: Sophia Vlach Traditional: Blue Ribbon, B of S Trashion: Blue Ribbon, B of S Consumer Science: Blue Ribbon

It has been my pleasure to teach these dedicated sewers.

Linda Koch, sewing project leader



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President

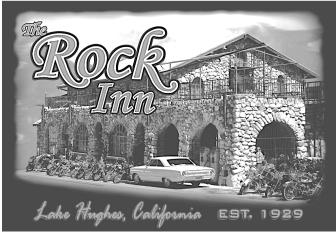
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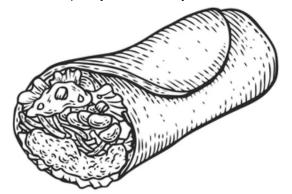
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#### Notes From Miss Cellaneous.....

it down. I'll remember it." I used to write a "To Do" list in the this power outage thing might happen again. morning and generally not get everything finished by bedtime. Now I do what I remember to do, write things down as soap all around your door frames to keep flies and mosqui-I get them done and congratulate myself at the end of the toes out of the house. I was surprised and pleased that it day when I read all the things I got done that day.

Last week we had two power outages on the same night. I was doing some laundry and of course when the power rarely had leftovers. I never knew that you could save left went off so did the washer. I rounded up some battery operated candles and turned them on and had enough light to if I am going to have a busy day the next day I make extra walk around my apartment without having to carry a flashlight. About 20 minutes later the power came back. Naturally I went around and reset the time on the TV, the microwave and clocks. I went out and started up the washer and came back in the house and settled in my recliner, then.....the power went off for about another 10 minutes. All of that prompted me to go out and buy more batteries. If you use a walker or a cane you might consider using a head lamp so you will have your hands free and not



The biggest lie I ever told myself is, "I don't have to write carry a flashlight. The way the wind has been blowing lately

Last year I mentioned rubbing a bar of Irish Spring bath worked so well.

In the kitchen: I was the youngest of eight kids so we over scrambled eggs and warm them up the next day. Now scrambled eggs. I cover them with cheese and add some mild salsa and heat them in the microwave. I can make a breakfast burrito in no time.

> 'til next time, here's to the good life out there in the country. **Ruth Perkins**



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## Memorial Day Service



On Monday, May 3, at 11 am, this event will be hosted by the Leona Valley Racketteers to honor of those from our community that served in the armed services, as well as 4-H leaders and members from the Antelope Valley who

have passed away in the last year. This will be followed by a Hot Dog BBQ. If you know of a past 4-H leader and/or member who has passed away in the last year, please email leonavalley4H@gmail.com by Friday, May 6th.

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Hello neighbors! I was recently elected to the LVIA Board and have been asked to contribute something each month to Cherry Chapters. I will be publishing these coupons of kindness each month for you to share with family, friends and neighbors around town. I would love to see you share a photo of your experience by posting it on the Leona Valley Improvement Association Facebook page or send what you did to my email at kathy.owen919@gmail.com or my phone 661 733-2295. The Board will pick a winner each month. I am sponsoring a \$25 gift card to a local restaurant for the presenter! All ages are welcome!..... by Kathy Owen

"Remember there is no such thing as a Small Act of Kindness. Every Act creates a ripple with no logical end."

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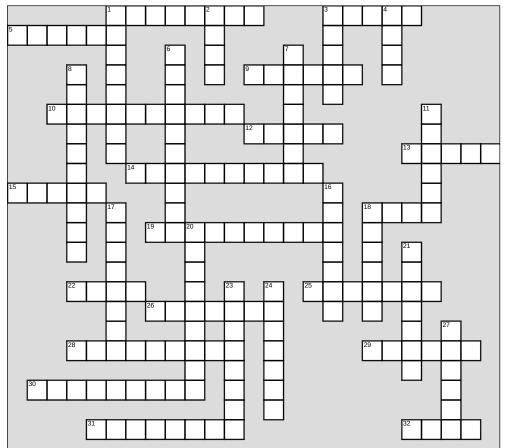
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#### Knowing Leona Valley - May 2022



walls and roof, used to grow plants in a climatically-controlled space

- 22 Male horse, under 5 years old, not gelded
- 25 Original street name for 87th St in LV
- **26** The name for food that is topped with ice cream
- **28** Seasonal movement of animals from one region to another
- **29** Shape of a bird-of-prey's beak
- **30** Sixty years ago this astronaut was the first American to orbit the earth
- **31** An animal or person that eats food from both plant and animal origins
- 32 The most consumed meat in the world

#### **Down**

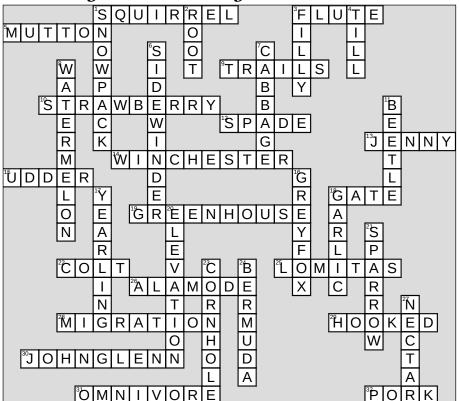
- **1** An important source of freshwater runoff each year, it is measured in inches during winters in the Sierras
- **2** The underground portion of a plant that absorbs water and nutrients
- 3 Female horse under the age of five
- 4 To break up ground to prepare for planting
- **6** Fastest snake in the world is this rattlesnake that has been seen in LV in years past
- **7** Common white butterfly with a few black spots on wings

#### **Across**

- 1 This common LV rodent is "red-green" color- blind
- **3** Tall, narrow glass, used for drinking (or toasting) champagne
- **5** The meat of an older sheep
- **9** Common name for paths through LV hills, used by horses, hikers, and cyclists
- **10** Name of the June full moon
- **12** Flat, sharp-edged shovel, used for slicing through soil and roots
- 13 Female donkey
- **14** Most popular rifle of the Old West; the leveraction Model 1873
- **15** Mammary gland of female cattle, sheep, goats, and horses
- **18** Hinged barrier used to close an opening to a corral, yard, or piece of property
- **19** Structure with transparent
- **8** The average American eats 16 lbs of this large, red or pink-fleshed fruit each year
- **11** The insect with the most species in the world has many varieties in LV
- **16** One of only two canines in the world that can climb trees; lives in LV
- **17** A young horse that is either male or female, and between 1 and 2 years old
- **18** Smelly food additive that comes in cloves
- 20 Leona Valley sits at 3491 ft
- **21** Common bird in LV; the white-crowned
- **23** Popular game played in backyards and when camping; boards and bean bags
- **24** A high-fiber hay variety used to supplement feeding horses
- **27** Sugar-rich liquid produced by blossoms of plants. Feeds birds and insects.

If you have seen a wild animal on your property or in Leona Valley that has not yet been highlighted in a Cherry Chapters crossword puzzle, please submit it to Jeff Wright at Cresta5555@gmail.com.

## $\overline{Kno}$ wing Leona Valley - Answers



## **Here Are Some Dates to Remember**

May 3-National Teachers Day

May 5-Cinco de Mayo

May 8-Mothers Day

May 12-International **Nurses Day** 

May 12-Armed Forces Day

May 30-Memorial Day Observance





#### The Hughes-Elizabeth Lakes Women's Club

The LWC is a philanthropic organization dedicated to helping others not only in the local area but also beyond these borders.

Meetings are held the second Wednesday each month except for December when we break for our annual Christmas Party. We meet at 11 AM in the Lakes Community Center on Elizabeth Lake Road. All ladies of the Lakes and Valleys area are welcome.

The LWC holds many fun events during the

the biggest being Casino Night. However, most of the Community Center projects find the LWC helping in some way.

The majority of our time and effort goes to making turtle pillows, lap blankets and quilts for the Painted Turtle. The meetings for sewing these are held most Mondays from 10 AM until 2 PM stopping for a potluck lunch at noon.

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#### Community Queen Contestants

Five young ladies will be competing for their respective titles at the Leona Valley Community Queen's Pageant to be held on May 7 at the Leona Valley Community Building. The pageant starts at 5 p.m. and tickets are \$10-presale and \$12 at the door.

These girls have been working hard to perfect their parts in the pageant and hope to see you at the event.

Brooklyn Contreras- Miss Leona Valley

Harley Koons-Teen Miss Leona Valley

Audrey Vander Hyde- Junior Miss Leona Valley

Aurora Winfrey- Young Miss Leona Valley

Millie Davis- Little Miss Leona Valley





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The weather was not great but everyone enjoyed themselves at the 4-H Easter Egg Hunt. For the most part the youngsters and their friends and family had a great time. The activities started inside as the kids of all ages painted and decorated piles of eggs, showing off their artistic abilities while their parents looked on or wandered around admiring the work that was going on.

After a while the activity moved out of doors as young-

sters searched around the grounds at the Leona Valley Improvement Community Building.





















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