

Mark Twain Community Center Accomplishments 2018

The Mark Twain Community Center is the cornerstone for information and hub for activities in the Mark Twain community.

This year, we improved our mailing system by utilizing a local woman owned and operated company for more professional postcards to be sent out to the community, CSG.

Our calendar is completely full providing a meeting place to groups such as Narcotics Anonymous three days a week, two classes a week to Martial Arts and Zumba, we are home to five separate Boy/Girl Scout groups, and a few other hobby groups. Through the Mustang Cares food program we provide food to 35-40 families bi-monthly including 40 turkey dinner donations for Thanksgiving last year. We also implemented monthly senior food boxes, installed cabinets for Mustang Cares food program, provided shelves for the Boy Scouts and installed computers upstairs for their use.

We provide the community with a safe place to meet and gain information for public safety and preparedness for severe weather issues and public meetings such as county commissioners, planning meetings, and polling locations.

We offered a shot clinic during our Mustang Cares food program that reached many residents.

Our Easter celebrations, annual egg hunts and brunch, brought in a record 80 people. As well as a record number for our annual Christmas Santa/Sheriff Spaghetti feed. Guests overflowed from the main room and tables were set up in a side room to accommodate the high volume. We provided dinner to over 75 guests and toys to each child that attended.

This year, through fund raising efforts, the Mark Twain Community Center continued our scholarship fund for Virginia City High School seniors. We were able to award four high school seniors \$350 scholarships in June.

We improved the Veterans Memorial by adding a gazebo, a picnic table and extended the parking lot near the memorial making it more accessible to handicapped and elderly visitors. Our party honoring our Veteran Memorial was attended by over 100 people including county commissioners and the local Sheriff's department. Once again, the national anthem was sung by a local Virginia City high school student. We offer placement of the Veterans name plaque free of charge to our local residents. We added 10 names this year, bringing our total to approximately 50 names.

All of these accomplishments couldn't be possible without the ongoing support of Storey County.

Our monthly stipend is adequate for our operations.

Starting balance from our carry over from 2015 was \$9920.17 which our total for the year in earnings came to \$27,871.36. Our expenditures for 2016 = 13,972.63. Our current balance is: 14315.83/ Sv. 375.00 Included in this total were the following:

Steve our cleaner = 1798.13. (9.25/hr. approx. 16-18 hours a month)

Our purchases for the year: New refrigerator, stove, washer and dryer. All the old products were paid forward to community members in need.

Numerous purchases such as new blinds, general cleaning supplies

Computer supplies/ upgrade of software and a postage Pitney Bowes machine and a new printer for color documents

We paid for all the supplies and services provided for the MTCC Vets memorial total: approx.

\$3300.00 and we have enough to complete the project. Plan the service for Memorial Day.

We have hired a Certified Intuit professional to set up our Quick Books and manage our account approximately 5.0 hours a month. \$20.00/hr.

We have also a Savings Account total \$375.00 that will have a stipend added each month to use as a scholarship for students in Storey County. Also any funds that we get from any of your functions go to the fund. Our goal is for \$500.00 for 2 persons.

We have improved our basketball court.

Last but not least we would love to replace our flooring in the community center. It has seen a better day and it would improve the overall esthetics of the center. Also we are planning to recover many of our chairs. The flooring will be not in our budget and our hope is to have support from the county.