

Mountain Singles Newsletter

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Events & Dates

(Subject to change)

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| Oct 01 | Sat | Scots vs. Big Bear |
| Oct 02 | Sun | Sunday Movie Group |
| Oct 05 | Wed | Bin 189 |
| Oct 07 | Fri | Game Night |
| Oct 12 | Wed | Blondie's |
| Oct 14 | Fri | Bowling Night |
| Oct 15 | Sat | Piano Bar |
| Oct 19 | Wed | Arturo's |
| Oct 21 | Fri | Game Night |
| Oct 26 | Wed | Sports Grille |
| Oct 28 | Fri | Bowling Night |
| Oct 29 | Sat | Halloween Party |
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| Nov 02 | Wed | Bin 189 |
| Nov 04 | Fri | Game Night |
| Nov 09 | Wed | Restaurant to be announced |
| Nov 11 | Fri | Bowling Night |
| Nov 12 | Sat | Private Movie Screening |
| Nov 16 | Wed | Arturo's |
| Nov 18 | Fri | Game Night |
| Nov 19 | Sat | Piano Bar |
| Nov 23 | Wed | Restaurant to be announced |
| Nov 25 | Fri | Bowling Night |
| Nov 26 | Sat | Thanksgiving Dinner |
| Nov 30 | Wed | Restaurant to be announced |
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| Dec 02 | Fri | Game Night |
| Dec 07 | Wed | Bin 189 |
| Dec 09 | Fri | Bowling Night |
| Dec 10 | Sat | Private Movie Screening |
| Dec 14 | Wed | Restaurant to be announced |
| Dec 16 | Fri | Game Night |
| Dec 17 | Sat | Piano Bar |
| Dec 21 | Wed | Arturo's |
| Dec 23 | Fri | Bowling Night |
| Dec 28 | Wed | Restaurant to be announced |
| Dec 30 | Fri | Game Night |

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Planned events for October through December are shown to the left. News is below.

Halloween

Come join us for a Halloween house party on Saturday, October 29, 2011, from 6:30 to 10 pm, at Don's .. er.. house.

Actual Halloween is on Monday, October 31. Kids will be out doing Trick or Treat two nights after the party.

Most of us will be wearing street clothes, but it is perfectly appropriate to arrive in a Halloween costume. Art may show up in a head-to-foot cow costume!

Don will provide beer, wine, margaritas, and some festive .. er .. pies. Bring chips, snacks, fruit, desert, or whatever you like, in case you only trust the food you brought with you.

Members and .. er .. family and friends just show up. Others RSVP at (909) 744-8561.

Blondie's

We have long had member requests for a trip out to Blondie's in Arrowbear. I have eaten there three times, by now, and always thought the food is pretty good. So please join us for dinner at Blondie's on Wednesday October 12, at 6 pm.

This will be a driving adventure as much as a dining adventure. Take Highway 18 through Running Springs, and past the handful of establishments that make up Arrowbear. Go around the big rocks, and look for Blondie's on your right. If you reach the turnoff to Green Valley Lake, you just missed it, so go back about 0.3 miles.

Address List

Arturo's Restaurant

27159 Hwy 189, Blue Jay CA 92317
In the Rite Aid center. (909) 337-5500

Bin 189 Restaurant

27984 Hwy 189, Lake Arrowhead, CA 92352
In the Lake Arrowhead Resort. (909) 744-3056

Blondie's Restaurant

0.3 miles west of turnoff to Green Valley Lake,
on Hwy 18. (909) 867-9000.

Don's Place (Game Night, Halloween)

28146 North Bay Road, Lake Arrowhead, CA 92352
(909) 744-8561

Prime Properties (private movies)

26816 Hwy 189, Lake Arrowhead, CA. 92352
(909) 337-7653
From Hwy 18, take Daley Canyon to the stop sign.

Rim Bowling and Entertainment Center

23991 Lake Drive, Crestline, CA 92325
(909) 338-5550

Royal Oak (Piano Bar)

27187 Hwy. 189, Blue Jay, CA 92317
(909) 337-6018
In the Rite Aid center.

Sports Grille

27200 Hwy 18, Blue Jay, CA 92317
(909) 744-8785
Across the street from Royal Oak and Arturo's.

They seem inept at some aspects of running a business. I applied for a local's card ages ago, and it never arrived. The phone number posted all over the Internet is disconnected, giving the impression that they have folded. But they are actually doing well, and answer to (909) 867-9000. None of the map services (Google, Mapquest, Yahoo) can show an adequate map for Blondie's. The restaurant seems to be surviving on the strength of good food, local reputation, and reasonable prices.

This is as far east as we have ever gone, so members near Running Springs are expected to turn out in force.

Sports Grille

With a name like "Sports Grille", I would expect beer, pizzas, wooden picnic tables, and a floor littered with peanut shells. This place doesn't fit the mold. It does have a dozen large flat-screen TVs showing live sports. But the menu and service are a surprise. Quick – name another sports bar that serves chicken curry, scampi, French style seafood, classic steaks and crème brulee! I have gone to the Grille to watch a game, but usually I go there looking for good food.

Please join us for dinner at the Lake Arrowhead Sports Grille on Wednesday October 26, at 6 pm. They are located across the street from the Royal Oak and Arturo's in Blue Jay.

Movie Group

John Rappazzini is experimenting with forming a group to watch movies at the Blue Jay Cinema. About 7 members turned out to watch a film on Tuesday, September 27. There is also some interest in Sunday matinées. If you might be interested, call John at (562) 714-2585.

The private movie showings at Jeff Perlis' Prime Properties are still on, though, dark in October.

Piano Bar

Interest has picked up a little at the Piano Bar. There were 18 in attendance last September 17. The event

has remained popular, going all the way back to the start of Mountain Singles, two and a half years ago.

Pianist Steve Lawless has a passion and a gift for communication through music, and works so fluidly with the audience that the audience becomes the performance. A composer, Lawless can play a piece, without sheet music, having heard it only once. When some from the audience are coaxed into singing, (and it doesn't take much coaxing!) Steve can shift and rearrange the piece to adapt to the singers as they sing.

We will be there again next Saturday, October 15, at 8 pm.

Bowling

October 1 is the one-year anniversary of Bowling Night. The bi-weekly event has remained popular since John started it. The record turnout for bowling is 23 members. Current attendance is about 9.

John bowled in the 180s, a few weeks ago. Now we tease him about a repeat performance.

Walk Around Lake Gregory in Crestline.

The Mountain Singles hike begins at 7 am every day except Saturday. Hikes usually get back right at 8 am. Members sometimes go afterwards to the Lake Gregory Coffee Co. on the corner of Lake Drive and Springy Path. As of August 6 there are around 4 to 7 walkers per day. Meet at the South Shores parking lot on San Moritz Drive. For information, contact hike leader Dave at (909) 338-5061. Take a cell phone, and give your cell phone number to Dave. Walkers probably meet on Saturday, too, but Dave will be elsewhere.

Writers Group.

This is not part of Mountain Singles, but is of interest to several of us, anyway. The group is off to a good start. It has been written up twice in the Mountain News and Crestline Courier. There have been two general meetings, both with about 20 in attendance. Don put up a website for the group, and created a

discussion board. The group has several purposes. In particular they express interest in fellowship and critiquing each other's work. If you are a writer, then call (909) 744-8561 for more information. The next meeting will be at Don's house on Oct. 24, 6:30 pm.