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THURS., SEPTEMBER 6, 2012



Many people came out to rummage through the many yard sales in town over the Labor Day weekend. For more photos, see page 15.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

## International order honors local community groups

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

The Grand Priory of the Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem will honor several local groups on Sept. 15. Four community groups will receive contributions, while numerous Idyllwild citizens will be given medals for their wonderful community service work and honored at a black tie dinner that evening at the Creekstone Inn, according to Karen Cantrell, secretary general for the United States Grand Priory of the Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem, a Christian ecumenical order worldwide.

The order is headquartered in Malta. Its Grand Chancellor, Max Ellul, will be attending the event and the evening dinner. This is

its second investiture in the U.S., according to Cantrell, who has organized both.

She, who owns a ladies golf apparel shop in Palm Desert and property near Poppet Flat, helped selected the beneficiaries.

The Idyllwild Volunteer Fire Company will receive \$1,400 at the ceremony at the Queen of Angel Catholic Church in Idyllwild and the same amount for the next nine years, Cantrell said.

"It was disbelief," said Dan Messina of the Volunteers. "It was too good to be true. That kind of generosity doesn't come often."

The Idyllwild Volunteers plan to use the fund to buy safety gear for their members, according to Messina. "We've been limited to the number of people because of finances," he said.

Other recipients include the High Valley Mountain Disaster Team (\$500), the Idyllwild School smARTS program (\$200) and the Queen of Angels Catholic Church (\$500).

Cantrell consciously chose Idyllwild as the location of the second U.S. investiture for the Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem. In September 2011, the order held its first investiture at the Mission Inn in Riverside.

"We're flattered that they found us deserving," said John Wilson, President of the High Valley Team. "I really appreciate the generosity of a group like this."

The Mountain Disaster Team needs the funds to improve its communication and readiness for

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## Lawmakers send pension change legislation to Gov.

Future and current public  
employees affected

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

On Friday, Aug. 31, the state Legislature sent Gov. Jerry Brown legislation (Assembly Bill 340) modifying public sector pensions. Most of the changes will affect new employees beginning Jan. 1, 2013; however, some of the changes will affect current employees.

"With strong bipartisan support, the state Legislature today passed the biggest rollback of public pensions in California history," Brown said in a Friday press release. "This sweeping pension reform package will save tens of billions of taxpayer dollars and make the system

more sustainable for the long term. I commend the Legislature for taking this action."

On Friday, California Public Employees Retirement System officials estimated the bill would save between \$42 billion and \$55 billion over 30 years for its administered pension plans.

Not only state employees, but local governments, such as Riverside County, and special districts that contract with CalPERS for retirement programs will be affected. AB 340 will not affect the pension plans for the state university and college systems.

By 2018, local agencies

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## State fire fee repeal fails

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

One final futile legislative effort was made to repeal the state fire prevention fee.

During the final week of the legislative session, Assemblyman Brian Nestande (R, Palm Desert) helped introduce legislation which would repeal the \$150 fee.

Its passage was tied to enactment of Assembly Bill

1500, which would have expanded the corporate income tax.

This bill was not passed and the fire fee repeal died.

Action on the fee will move next to the judiciary as opponents gear up to challenge the fee's legality in the courts. The Howard Jarvis Taxpayers' Association has a website devoted exclusively to the state fire

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NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Tuesday to Monday, Aug. 28 to Sept. 3, 2012:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

Aug. 28 — Medical aid, Pine Crest Avenue, Idyllwild.

Aug. 28 — Medical aid, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

Aug. 28 — Medical aid, Delano Drive, Idyllwild.

Aug. 29 — Dispatched and nothing found, Tollgate Road and Idyllmont Drive, Idyllwild.

Aug. 29 — Dispatched and canceled en route, Highway 243 and Azalea Trail, Pine Cove.

Aug. 30 — Medical aid, Highway 243 and North Circle Drive, Idyllwild.

Aug. 30 — Medical aid, Highway 243 and Ridgeview

Drive, Idyllwild.

Aug. 31 — Medical aid, Tollgate Road, Idyllwild.

Sept. 1 — Walk-in medical aid.

Sept. 1 — Medical aid, Highway 243.

Sept. 1 — Dispatched and canceled en route, 54000 block of Golden Leaf Drive, Pine Cove.

Sept. 1 — Dispatched and canceled en route, Rainbow Drive, Idyllwild.

Sept. 1 — Walk-in medical aid.

Sept. 2 — False alarm, Cedar Street, Idyllwild.

Sept. 3 — Medical aid, Cedar Street, Idyllwild.

Sept. 3 — System malfunction, Jameson Drive, Idyllwild.

Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

Aug. 29 — Wildland fire, Tollgate area, Idyllwild. Canceled by U.S. Forest Service.

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Another Neighborhood Watch group formed. This one is in Pine Cove and members Jeremy Potter and Becky Smith admire the new signs they've installed.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE



DA disappointed with Hillman sentence

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Deputy District Attorney Timothy Cross was not pleased with Christopher V. Hillman's sentence for attempting to influence the jury during the Raymond Oyler arson murder trial in 2009.

On Friday, Aug. 24, Judge Larrie Brainard sentenced Hillman to 36 months of formal probation.

"I'm really disappointed," Cross said. "The jurors were just doing their duty and shouldn't have been approached."

After the original jury verdict finding Hillman guilty, Brainard issued an opinion that he thought Hillman's defense was inadequate. In March, the state appellate court sided with the DA's appeal.

Unfortunately, Cross said he can't appeal the sentence as he did the question of adequate defense for Hillman.

Cross acknowledged that some crimes have a range of degree, where latitudes on sentencing are sensible. For example, robbery has a great range, including the amount or value, whether violence was involved and other factors.

But jury tampering is simply not complex, Cross argued. "It's a serious offense. This was a very important case. The defendant was trying to get information to the jury, which the trial judge prohibited the defense from using. I find the sentence offensive."

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According to California Highway Patrol Officer Ron Esparza, at 2:15 p.m., Sunday afternoon, Sept. 2, Matthew John Stanley, 59, of Poway was traveling south on Highway 243 at 40 miles per hour in a 25 mph zone. He lost control of his 1998 Harley Davidson motorcycle crashing near the Highway 74 intersection. American Medical Response transported Stanley, complaining of left shoulder and back pain, to a nearby hospital.

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Thursday 9/6	Friday 9/7	Saturday 9/8	Sunday 9/9	Monday 9/10
 <b>89/58</b> Chance of showers/thunderstorms.	 <b>90/59</b> Mostly sunny.	 <b>91/59</b> Chance of showers/thunderstorms.	 <b>91/57</b> Chance of showers/thunderstorms.	 <b>89/57</b> Mostly sunny.

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year			
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S
8-27	87	51			89	53	.32	
8-28	90	53			88	59		
8-29	86	61	.01		90	58		
8-30	80	56	.09		na	na		
8-31	79	54			na	na		
9-1	83	53			89	50		
9-2	86	53			85	55		

Moisture in inches		Snow in inches	
To date this season (Idy):	2.26	To date this season (Idy):	0
To date last season (Idy):	.84	To date last season (Idy):	0
Total last season (Idy):	20.01	Total last season (Idy):	42.1
To date this season (PC):	3.61	To date this season (PC):	0
Total last season (PC):	22.06	Total last season (PC):	73.25

**TEMPERATURES AND 24-HOUR** moisture and snow totals for Idyllwild are recorded daily at 4 p.m. at the Idyllwild Fire Station. Pine Cove totals are measured by resident George Tate, also at 4 p.m. Moisture inches include all precipitation such as rain, melted hail and melted snow.

Weather season is July 1 to June 30. For Hill road conditions and Hill weather, visit the Internet at <http://www.idyllwildtowncrier.com> or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

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# OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

By BRUCE WATTS

## Blue skies and white puffy clouds ...

It certainly has been an interesting summer with a strange monsoonal flow of thunderhead clouds building up almost every day for over a month.

Nearly 30 years ago, in the early 1980s, I remember this much lighting, thunder and rain for a period lasting this long.

Some of you Hillbillies may remember The Baker in the Forest restaurant at Fern Valley corners. I was working in the kitchen there at the time and we served lunch outside along Strawberry Creek. Every day, the tables were set up at noon for the lunch crowd. For about three weeks, we had a daily cloudburst and rain storm at 12:01 p.m.

After seeing all the sugar packets and salt and pepper shakers getting ruined day after day, I finally stopped setting up the outside tables. People still were coming at lunch time and asking to sit outside. When I told them no, they would protest.



Bees and a butterfly feeding on goldenrod.

PHOTO BY BRUCE WATTS

I told them, "Wait five minutes and you will see why." Sure enough, the rain fell right on schedule. It was like some kind of vortex directly over the restaurant.

Sure, we have had snowstorms in June, snow on Memorial Day and a titanic hailstorm on Labor Day a few years back, but I don't think we have ever had this many cloudy days in July and August.

This brings up the questions: Is this an effect of global warming? Is cloudy, hot and humid the new normal for Idyllwild in the summer time? I wonder.

As Mark Twain once said, "Everyone talks about the weather but no one ever

does anything about it." Whether you believe in global warming or not, you have to admit it seems like something is going on and it is something big.

On a more positive note, the clouds have made for the best summer ever for taking landscape photos. With clear blue skies, clean air and those wonderful and dramatic thunderhead clouds drifting over the mountain peaks you could not ask for better opportunities for the shutterbugs in town, particularly around sunset.

With all the rain we have had the mountain is much greener than usual at the end of summer and some of the later blooming plants are still in flower. I have been doing some yard cleanup and made several trips to the



On the morning of Aug. 23, a tree fell and blocked the Ernie Maxwell Scenic Trail. The above photo was taken that day. The photo below was taken on Labor Day. **Robert Haine** said this about his hike, "The trail is still passable, with a little climb over the fallen trees."

ABOVE PHOTO BY LAURA TETLOW

BELOW PHOTO BY ROBERT HAINE



Transfer Station last week. I went past a large bush with golden yellow flowers just uphill from the road near the dump entrance.

After passing this plant several times, I finally took my camera along and stopped to add a photo of this plant to my collection. I determined that it was a goldenrod species, but it was much bigger than the other goldenrods that I had encountered earlier.

After climbing a few feet up the hill with camera in hand, I was amazed to see that the flowers were literally covered in insects. Bees were too numerous to count and, at least seven butterflies were feeding and ignoring my presence.

It was so nice with the blue skies and white puffy clouds in the background, the green and gold of the plant and the crown of orange butterflies that I went back the next day just to shoot a few more pictures.

Until next week have fun, be safe.

Congratulations to all the teams and their families for another great co-ed Adult Softball season! Special thanks to Creekstone Inn, Pacific Slope, Forest Lumber, Perez Cleaning Service and Café Aroma for sponsoring the teams. Thanks to Jeremy Teegarden and Town Hall Recreation for administering the league. Also, thanks to the umpires and snack bar.

What a great opportunity to have fun, compete with and against friends and neighbors right here in beautiful Idyllwild. A treat for sure. Every summer I say, "I'm getting older, slower. My commitments to work, my bills and family are always a priority. Is it worth it? You bet it is!"

So thanks again to all who participated. See you next summer! Team Ajax will be waiting for you!

— *Charlie Clayton, Idyllwild*



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## JR. NATURALISTS



**Shelley Kibby**, the park interpreter at the Idyllwild Nature Center, is holding a large gopher snake while the Jr. Naturalists have the opportunity to feel its skin.

PHOTOS BY CAREENA CHASE

**Dr. Bill Hayes**, a biology professor at Loma Linda, shows a South Pacific rattlesnake, which is local to the Idyllwild area, during his presentation, titled "Roam the Realm of the Regal, Reclusive, Recoiling Reptiles," at Idyllwild Nature Center Sunday. Hayes explained that this specific rattler not only carries venom but also the very dangerous Mojave Toxin, a neurotoxin.



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## Honors

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disaster. Wilson said, "We desperately need radios."

"Idyllwild is another side of California," Cantrell said. "It's not the ocean nor missions. There are people with good hearts, hard working and lonely."

The official investiture

service will be from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., Saturday Sept. 15 at the Queen of Angels Catholic Church. It is free to the public.

"We encourage the community to attend and see these wonderful people being honored," Cantrell said. "Chivalry is not dead."

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## Cancer coping skills workshop

The American Cancer Society is offering a free telephone workshop for cancer patients and their caregivers.

Part of the "I Can Cope" series, the next workshop titled "Managing Side Effects of Cancer and Treatment," will be from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Sept. 15. Reservations for the workshop must be made by Sept. 10.

"I Can Cope" is a series of educational classes for people facing cancer, which covers topics relevant to the cancer patient and is facilitated by American Cancer Society volunteers.

For more information or to make a reservation, call (800) 227-2347 or visit cancer.org.

## Call to artists for 2013 Indian Wells Arts Festival

Fine artists and crafts-people interested in showing and selling their work at the 11th Annual Indian Wells Arts Festival — "where Art is a Happening!" — are invited to apply online.

A total 200 artists will be accepted. Primary jury deadline is Oct. 13. Sixty spaces are held for the secondary jury's Jan. 5, 2013 deadline. This outdoor judged and juried art show will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 5 through 7, 2013, on the grass plaza of the Indian Wells Tennis Garden.

Applications may be submitted online at indianwellsarts-festival.com. Go to the Artist tab. For more information, contact via email info@IndianWellsArtsFestival.com or call (760) 346-0042.

## Call for listings in Idyllwild Guide

The Town Crier invites all businesses, organizations and individuals (musicians, artists, etc.) to submit event listings for the winter/spring Idyllwild Guide that will be published in October. Submit listings for events that will occur from October through May 2013. Please include date, time and location of event.

In addition to being seen in the Idyllwild Guide by thousands of residents and visitors on the Hill, events will also appear on the Town Crier's website.

Listings are free. Email your listing to james@towncrier.com or drop it by the Town Crier's office.

## Obituary Robert John Muir

Robert John Muir, a resident of Pine Cove, Calif., for 56 years died Monday, Aug. 27, 2012, after a long bout with dementia. He was 84 years old.

Bob was born in Denison, Iowa, on Aug. 23, 1928, to Elizabeth and Andrew Muir. When Bob was 8 years old the family moved from Iowa to Southern California. Before moving to the Hill, Bob lived in Alhambra, San Gabriel and Temple City. He attended Mark Keppel High School, in Alhambra, and the Mt. San Jacinto College in San Jacinto.

Over the course of his life, he worked for the U.S. Forest Service and for Clayton Manufacturing. Bob, being an outdoor guy, quit working inside and took on construction as his lifelong profession. He was a founder of the Pine Cove Volunteer Fire Department where he served as chief. He was recognized by the California Department of Forestry for over 35 years in volunteer service. It was through Bob's efforts that the California Department of Forestry brought its first fire station to the mountain in 1964. Bob was a member of the Skaters of the Past, he was a top-notch skater and skier, and a member of the Hemet Jeep Club.

He is survived by Marge Muir, his wife of 62 years; three children, Chuck Muir and wife Teri of Bayfield, Colo., Rob Muir of Idyllwild, and Kathy Muir of Pine Cove; 14 grandchildren, Tommy McKnight of Seattle, Wash., Patrick McKnight of Seattle, Wash., Charlie Muir of Durango, Colo., Mike Muir and wife Christy of Bayfield, Colo., Tiffany Miller of Bayfield, Colo., Robert B. Muir and wife Alyssa of Idyllwild, Lauren Marchioni of Hemet and Jeffrey Muir and Courtney of Seattle, Wash.; and 12 great-grandchildren, Penelope McKnight, Gabriel Ramirez, Henry Muir, Chloe Muir, Lily (Lu Lu) Muir, Malcom Muir, Revin Muir, Sari-anne Muir, McLaren Marchioni, Loudon Marchioni, Saylor Marchioni and Asher Muir.



## Obituary Shirley Mae Petkin

Shirley Mae Petkin of Rancho Mirage, Calif., died on Aug. 11, 2012, in Rancho Mirage from complications of Parkinson's disease. She was born to Bert and Agnes Jacobson on May 30, 1928, in Chicago, Ill. She was 84 years old.

Shirley Mae, as she liked to be called, grew up in Chicago, where she graduated high school, and in 1965, moved to Los Angeles. During her lifetime, Shirley worked as a model in the fashion industry and was the first female hostess on a television show. She was a member of the Catholic Church.

Shirley Mae loved living in Idyllwild with her husband, Robert. They were married in 1984 in the house they were building in Idyllwild. In 2004, Shirley Mae and Robert moved to the desert area to be closer to medical facilities as they had serious medical needs.

She is preceded in death by her husband Robert E. Petkin. She is survived by her sons, Randall Bratcher of Reno, Nev., and Allen Bratcher of San Diego, Calif.; and her two grandchildren, Ryan Bratcher of San Diego, and Amber Bratcher of London, U.K.

Shirley Mae was cremated on Aug. 13, 2012. A memorial service is planned for Sept. 7, 2012, at the Mirage Inn Assisted Living Center in Rancho Mirage, to be conducted by her son Allen Bratcher.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations in Shirley's name be made to Rady Children's Hospital in San Diego, www.rchsd.org.



In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to an animal rescue organization such as the Human Society of the United States, www.JoinAspca.org, or RescueAnimalsNow.org.

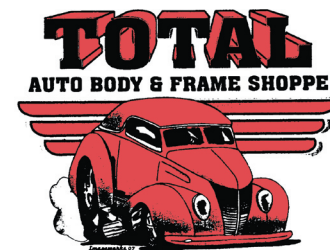
A Celebration of Life will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday Sept. 16, at the Idyllwild Nature Center (parking fees are waived).

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## WARNING



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM IN FORCE

## Neighborhood Watch

9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012

Fire Station 23, Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove

Presenter: Sgt. Jim Wilson, Riverside County Sheriff's Department

Pine Cove Property Owners Association



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 12.

### THURSDAY, SEPT. 6

- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Oma's, 24541 Ridgeview Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr., Contact Betty
- Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Chapel in the Pines Church office, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.
- Idyllwild Rotary Anns, 11:30 a.m. Call 852-2306 for more information.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Back to School night, 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for middle school and beginning at 6:30 p.m. for elementary school, Idyllwild School, Highway 243.
- Forest Folk, 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 25925 Cedar Street.
- Soroptimist International of Idyllwild, 6 p.m., The Creek House, 54905 N. Circle Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

### FRIDAY, SEPT. 7

- Cancer Support Group for women and men, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr., For information, call Deanna (951) 659-8104.
- Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Jenny Stepien at (760) 445-6325 or e-mail jennyleeslater@yahoo.com for information and location.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; Pick-a-stick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church, Manse Alcove, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Feeding America, 3 p.m., Chapel in the Pines, Mountain Center, distribution at the former Morning Sky School, on Hwy. 243.
- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step program. BBQ 6-7 p.m.; Open Share meeting 7-9 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Child care available. Call 659-0097 for information.

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 8

- Mountain Disaster Preparedness's 3rd Annual Shake

Out Drill, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., either DAS-B at the Mountain Resource Center on Franklin Drive or DAS-C at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church. Call (310) 251-2926 for information.

- Pine Cove Property Owners Association, Neighborhood Watch informational meeting. Sgt. Jim Wilson, Riverside County Sheriff's Department will speak, 9 a.m. Pine Cove Fire Station, 24919 Marion Ridge Dr., Pine Cove.

- Raw Food potluck, 5 p.m., at Anna's "Nature's Wisdom" restaurant, call (951) 659-2525 for information.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7:30 p.m. Community Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.

### SUNDAY, SEPT. 9

- Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- Occupy Idyllwild stand and discuss with the 99 percent. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Town center at "Harmony" monument. Call Sue at (909) 228-6710.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Book Study (closed) meeting, noon, Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243; 5 p.m., Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Road, Poppet Flat, across from CAL FIRE Station 6.

- Teen Group, 1:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

- Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts" open meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

### MONDAY, SEPT. 10

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr., Contact Betty (619) 895-0934 for location.

- Friends of the Idyllwild Library board, 9 a.m. Library, 54185 Pine Crest Ave.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

- Idyllwild Community Meditation, meditation from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. at the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Drive. Instruction available by appointment. Call Valerie Kyo-shin Velez at 659-5750 for information.

### TUESDAY, SEPT. 11

- Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council public board meeting, 9:30 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr. Call 659-6208 for information.

- Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild, 9:30 a.m. Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; AA Open Meeting & Big Book Study, 6-7 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

- La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 659-8321.

- Hemet Unified School District special board meeting, 3 p.m. HUSD offices, 1791 W. Acacia Ave., Hemet

- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 5-7 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Ave.

- Idyllwild Fire Protection District Commission, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.

- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step Study meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375

Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Call 659-0097 for information.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 12

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.

- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Oma's, 24541 Ridgeview Dr.

- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.

- Pine Cove Water District, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.

- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.

- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, women only, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.

- CSA 38, 5:30 p.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.

- AWANA for ages 3 to fifth-

## CLUBS

### Pine Cove Property Owners

The Pine Cove Property Owners Association will host a Neighborhood Watch informational meeting at 9 a.m. Saturday Sept. 8, at the Pine Cove Fire Station on Marion Ridge Road.

**Sgt. Jim Wilson** of the Hemet office of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department will speak.

To get a listing in "Clubs," visit [www.towncrier.com](http://www.towncrier.com), click on "News" in the menu at the top and click on "Submit a news item," or stop by and fill out a news form.

graders, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest Ave.

- Mountain Disaster Preparedness board meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave.

- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

### COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Mountain Resource Center 25380 Franklin Dr., 659-3335.

- Chamber of Commerce, 54325 North Circle Dr., 12-3 p.m. Monday-Saturday. 659-

3259.

- Idyllwild HELP Center, 26330 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-noon & 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. 659-2110.

- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 North Circle Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday. Group tours by appointment. 659-2717.

- Idyllwild Library, 54185 Pine Crest Ave., 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, 659-2300.

- Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. 659-3850.

- Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday-Monday; Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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## INITIAL THOUGHTS

### Election coverage begins ...



is important.

While the presidential race will be the most important and most visible in the next two months, several other races and 11 propositions are on the ballot. Many of these are more important to us than the top of the ticket.

For example, Proposition 30, Gov. Jerry Brown's tax increase or revenue raiser, will affect your pocket book and your children's and grandchildren's future. While most of the additional money will not increase educational funding directly, it will lower the probability that education programs — from kindergarten through high school and the state's university and college systems — will not suffer significant reductions.

California is also electing a U.S. Senator. Do you know the candidates? The Democrats have nominated Dianne Feinstein. If elected, she will begin her fourth full-term in January.

But do you know the name of the Republican candidate? Read further because it might be asked next week for Town Talk.

The Town Crier articles leading up to Nov. 6 will not tell you how to vote and neither will I in these columns. Our goal is to help you prepare to make your choices, particularly for the races and measures which will have a significant and local consequence.

We're starting our political educational effort this week. On pages 21 and 22, you can find articles about propositions 33 and 39. With 11 measures on the ballot and only nine weeks until Election Day, we have to cover more than one measure per week.

But there will be races for legislative office to report on also. For example, as of this election, Idyllwild is in a new California Assembly district. And Hemet Unified School District has three director seats up for election. Although Idyllwild cannot vote in that race, we'll keep you informed about the candidates who will have some control over your family's education.

What about Measure U? Know about that one?

The paper does not have the financial resources to fund our own or participate in major statewide polls. But we can report on them when released. More importantly, we can try to improvise and focus here.

Look at this week's Town Talk on the adjoining page. We plan to use this tool several more times between now and Nov. 6 to learn what the Hill is thinking about and what issues are important to local residents.

And your opinions matter to us. It may not put more money in your pocket, but the people who took time to register their choices about the importance of the 11 propositions ultimately set the priority, which we'll use to report on the measures.

Rather than simply go down the list in order, we'll do the most interesting and important to you close to the election rather than make you remember all the details over the next 60 days.

J.P., EDITOR

**Elizabeth Emken** is the Republican senatorial candidate. She and her family live in Danville, Calif. Emken served as vice president for government relations at Autism Speaks.

**Measure U** will reauthorize \$49 million of HUD bonds previously approved in November 2006. Its passage will save taxpayers up to \$198 million in overall interest costs.

## READERS WRITE

### Paradise? Here?

EDITOR:

You call this paradise? Everyone needs to wake up and smell the dead brush.

I haven't paid much attention to what's been going on around here lately, so tonight I read the Town Crier. And what did I see about what's been going on?

ARF and the monument.

Is that what you call paradise? Everyone that says Idyllwild is paradise needs to look up the definition.

MICHAEL FREITAS  
IDYLLWILD

### Computer scams

EDITOR:

It has come to my attention that several people on the Hill have been the victim of computer scams via phone calls. Their computers were hacked and sensitive information stolen.

The scam is enticing and persuasive. You receive a phone call from someone with a strong Indian accent and you definitively are told that "something is wrong with your computer."

These days, an Indian accent being associated with computer support, you begin to believe that, indeed, your computer has issues, regardless of whether your intuition is screaming.

The caller may tell you that he is from Microsoft, Apple, Norton, McAfee, etc. He may say that errors have been detected on your computer, that your firewall subscription has expired, that there are issues with your website, etc.

If the ploy is related to errors on your Windows-based computer, the caller walks you to the Windows Event Viewer logs to show you the errors. Not knowing that the logs always contain errors, you panic and release control of your computer. It is only when you are asked to pay to get your computer fixed that you realize what has happened. But it is too late, your computer has been infected and your data stolen.

Under Windows, the scammer can also guide you to the command prompt — something mysterious

## Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



to the average user — and tell you to take some techie actions, unknown to you.

One of the most devastating steps is when you are led to type AAMMY. This brings you to a website displaying the cost for this support call and when you realize this is a scam. But, again, this is too late.

If you have any suspicions about a computer related phone call, tell the caller to contact your computer support person.

If you suspect files could have been deleted from your computer, immediately turn your computer off the usual way, and contact your support person. He may be able to recover these files as long as you do not run any program, including going on the Web.

If you know that a computer containing your personal information — yours or someone else's — has been hacked, all the infor-

mation it contained is now in the hands of strangers. There is a strong possibility that your identity has been stolen. You need to take immediate steps to protect yourself as best and as soon as possible.

If your computer containing other people's personal information has been hacked, notify these individuals ASAP.

In general, keeping all computers infection-free and well-protected, not visiting "dodgy" websites — especially pornographic ones — limit future trouble.

FRANCOISE FRIGOLA  
IDYLLWILD

### No on Prop 30

EDITOR:

Greetings from a cynical centrist!

Here we are two months away from an election of such enormous ramifications

See [Letters, page 23](#)

### How to get a letter published

The Town Crier welcomes letters reflecting all opinions. Letters should be concise and to the point. They should be no longer than 400 words. Letters must be typewritten, double-spaced and in upper/lower case (not in all caps). Letters must be signed (unless e-mailed) and must be identified with the writer's name, address and weekday phone number.

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## FIRE AND FOREST

By MIKE ESNARD,  
MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES FIRE SAFE COUNCIL  
PRESIDENT

### Planning for future wildfires ...

Our local fire season thus far has not been remarkable, but it has been for others. We did get smoke from the Sage fires recently, but we were never seriously threatened.



Other communities in the West have not been so fortunate. The Rocky Mountain states had very large and destructive fires in June, and the West Coast states had very large fires in August. Northern California had many large fires in its forested areas, some still burning as of this writing.

Nationally we have had fewer fires than average but they have burned much more acreage. The fires are getting bigger.

Budgets in the states with these big fires are all going to struggle to pay for the unbudgeted portion of their fire suppression efforts. Utah, for example, budgeted \$3 million for fire suppression, but will have to pay over \$16 million for their share of firefighting costs. Large budget shortfalls in firefighting allocations will be the typical case in Western states this year.

This situation is probably going to get worse. Unfortunately for all of us the atmosphere of our planet is getting warmer and that will not help. The fire risk will double in California over the next 40 years, largely due to climate change and land development, according to a study published this summer for the California Energy Commission. The author, Professor Anthony Westerling, is on the faculty at the University of California, Merced, School of Engineering.

The report shows a complex interaction between climate, people and land use that affects wildfire. Different scenarios bring different results, so that fewer people moving into wildland areas, or a slower increase in average temperature, produce fewer fires. But the probability is that higher temperatures and more people will cause more fires.

I would have guessed that the threat would be greatest in Southern California, but the report indicates the greatest threat is to the forests in the Sierra Nevada Mountains and foothills of Northern California.

Whichever scenario plays out in the future, we are very likely to continue on the path of the last decade, which has seen more large fires. As they always do, firefighters will put most of them out (nature will handle the rest).

But as a society we will have to pay more for an increase in suppression effort. How we pay for it is up to us.

Professor Westerling said in a press release that though policies to mitigate climate change could help to limit changes in wildfire, it is still going to get warmer, no matter what we do at this point.

Carbon limits aside, we have some important local policy options. "Fire suppression, fuels management and development policies such as zoning and building codes are the primary means we have to manage wildfire risks", he states in his press release.

See [Fire & forest](#), page 30

## BEFORE OUR TIME

By ROBERT B. SMITH

### Sequoias, settle in here ...

A grove of giant sequoias in the San Jacinto Mountains? Yes indeed!

One sultry day this summer, I was hiking with friends up one of my least favorite routes, the Black Mountain Trail. The day's weather only made it worse, but as we passed 7,000 feet and approached the saddle at the head of Hall Canyon, high above Lake Fulmor, I noticed something odd in the corner of my eye.



The scattered incense cedars here seemed slightly off-color and uncharacteristically lush. It hit me that I was seeing not cedars, but a cluster of nearly 40-year-old Sequoiadendron giganteum trees.

I'd recently learned about them while consulting on the history of Lake Fulmor with botanist Rudolf Schmid of the University of California, Berkeley. Last year Dr. Schmid published evidence that this population of trees has been proliferating naturally and now ranges over 17 acres.

On a recent trek through the grove he plotted at least 158 thriving specimens. So sequoias should now be considered not merely curiosities cordoned off in a distant national park, but naturalized residents here in Southern California.

How did they get here? Old-timers on the Hill will remember the huge Soboba Fire of 1974, which started on the Indian reservation near Valle Vista and spread across some 18,000 acres, denuding the northwest slopes of Black Mountain and Fuller Ridge. In its aftermath, the Forest Service undertook a massive reforestation program to restore the burnt area. Along with a variety of pine and oak species, sequoia seedlings were planted on about five acres of mountainside high on the northwestern flank of Black Mountain.

This was hardly the first instance of sequoia planting in these parts. Hill residents are familiar with the line of sequoias in front of the Idyllwild School and in the yard of Jo'An's Restaurant, the most prominent being the village Christmas tree. Once you know what to look for, you'll notice ornamental sequoias scattered throughout our area, from the flats below Idyllwild Arts to the upper reaches of Fern Valley.

This all started in the 1940s. In 1941 Marion Michael Null, a physician and human perpetual-motion machine, retired with his wife to Idyllwild to pursue his love of horticulture. They settled in a trailer and set about planting their 1.5 acres. But as a former medical missionary to Asia and natural leader, Null couldn't resist community involvement.

Starting with First Aid instruction for the locals during World War II, Null soon was repeatedly elected president of the Chamber of Commerce. In that role he collaborated with Town Crier publisher Ernie Maxwell in 1948 to create the Izaak Walton League chapter that would shape Idyllwild's long-lasting conservation ethic.

By then Null's wife had passed away, and his horticultural hobby had become focused on growing sequoia trees from seed. He mounted a single-minded campaign to popularize them as ornamental additions

## TOWN TALK

By DOLORES SIZER

*With only two months until the presidential election, who do you think will win and why? Whom will you vote for?*



**Josh Tate**  
Nonprofit administrator  
Idyllwild

*"I think Mitt Romney will win; so, I am writing in Ron Paul."*



**Julie Verspui**  
Post Office employee  
Hemet

*"I don't vote for the candidates; I vote against them!"*



**Barb Seidel**  
Bank employee  
Idyllwild

*"I hope Mitt Romney. The debt has grown under the Obama administration. I think Mitt Romney has the business experience."*



**Alex Watson**  
Luthier  
Idyllwild and Scotland

*"If I had a vote, it would be for Obama. His best years are yet to come."*

to the village. But he also led the chamber and the league to urge the Forest Service to include sequoias in its continual reforestation efforts.

If your curiosity is piqued, the easiest approach to see the Black Mountain sequoias is from the Boulder Basin campground just below the peak. Black Mountain Road from Highway 243 takes you there, though it's a good idea to check at the ranger station regarding its condition, as the upper reaches of this road were badly damaged by recent thunderstorms.

The Black Mountain Trail descends from Boulder Basin in a series of switchbacks that quickly bring you to the saddle, where you'll find sequoias ranging from seedlings to young trees as tall as 20 feet.



Obituary —Marcia (Parady) Torrey-Jay

Marcia (Parady) Torrey-Jay of Idyllwild, Calif., formerly of Los Angeles, Calif., Philadelphia, Pa., and Manchester-by-the-Sea, Mass., passed away Aug. 27 in Idyllwild. She was 70.

She was born to Helen (Veara) and J. Eugene Parady of Rockport, Mass., on June 6, 1942, and raised in Rockport and Manchester-by-the-Sea. Marcia married Francis X. (Pete) Leahy with whom she had two sons, Shawn and Christopher. After they divorced, she married Curtis F. Torrey with whom she had one daughter, Rachel.

The family first moved to Atlanta where Marcia was a dancer and choreographer, then to Philadelphia where she worked as an advertising account executive. Later in life, she moved to Los Angeles where her work turned to writing, editing and designing websites, and her passion turned to yoga.

In 2007, Marcia moved to her beloved mountain town, Idyllwild, where she continued her work as a web designer and was an active member of AA, the program that saved her life 20 years ago and became the cornerstone for her rich community life. Indeed, many may not be with us today were it not in part for her sponsorship and service. Marcia was also a member of the Soroptimists of Idyllwild and the Spiritual Living Center.

Marcia leaves sons, Shawn and Christopher Leahy of Philadelphia; Christopher's children, Jake and Chris; his wife, Juanita, and step-sons, Chris and Dylan Hume; daughter, Rachel Torrey of Idyllwild; and sister Linda Mahajan, her husband, Subhash, of Middleton, Mass., and their daughters, Shanti and Shauna.

Her children remember Marcia through the following thoughts.

Rachel: "I got this from my best friend John, and shared it with my mom a few days before she died. It goes something like this: 'We come into the world kicking and screaming, because we don't want to leave the womb as we feel so safe in there, and it's all we know. Then we live our lives, and when it's time to die, we usually go kicking



and screaming because our life on Earth was safe and it's all we know. But it's just another birth!' This comforts me to no end. All she could say after hearing this was, 'Wow, I always knew there was something special about John. That's really beautiful.' My mom was my mentor, my biggest fan, and she never stopped pushing me to be a better person. In the end she came to the great realization that what matters is now. Her lust for life and learning will be with me always."

Chris: "I read this and it goes along with her courage and steadfastness in recent years with regard to her health. It sounds like it came from one of those daily affirmation books, but it's just such a Mom thing to say and really fits the situation: 'Life isn't about waiting for the storms to pass, it's about learning to dance in the rain.' She definitely learned to dance in the rain in the past three years. It rained a lot, but she was dancing right to the end."

Shawn: "My mom lived many lives in her one, reinventing herself continuously until her passing. She was spiritual yet practical, a mom and an entrepreneur, a wife and a free spirit. She was tough on slacking but melted in the face of accomplishment. She was a dancer, yoga instructor, PR maven and web designer, writer-journalist and photographer. She touched everyone she ever knew or met and was instrumental in the growth and even very

Announcement  
Marcia Torrey-Jay

Marcia Torrey-Jay, June 6, 1942 to Aug. 27, 2012.

A celebration of life will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 8, at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church in Idyllwild.

In lieu of flowers, donations would be welcome at ARF (Animal Rescue Friends) of Idyllwild.

It's possible that these Chihuahuas (Rosie and Casey) need a home. Anyone looking for two, sweet, cute, loving companions, should contact ARF at (951) 659-1122.



existence of many people. I was very fortunate to have her as my mom. She showed me how to stand on my own feet and think for myself while still sharing love of community and a big belly laugh. We were not ready for her to leave."

A celebration of Marcia's life will be held in Idyllwild at 2 p.m. Sept. 8, 2012, at St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church. Rev. Dr. Betty Jandl, pastor of the Center for Spiritual Living — Idyllwild Religious Science, where Marcia was a member, will conduct the service. St. Hugh's has graciously allowed use of their beautiful outdoor theatre and surrounding grounds for the service.

A second service will be held in Cape Ann, Mass., Oct. 13, 2012, with the location to be determined.

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25970 Cedar St. at River Drive, 659-2511. Sunday school,  
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Call Church Office for Information. 659-4775

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Father Charles E. Miller  
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Sat. 4 p.m.; Sun. 8 a.m. + 10 a.m.;  
Confession: Sat. 3:30 p.m. or by appt. 659-2708

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25525 Tahquitz Dr. (in Fern Valley off South Circle Dr.)  
Phone (951) 659-4471

Spiritual Living Center

Idyllwild Religious Science  
26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building) 659-3464.  
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## Sheriff Sniff talks about pension changes' impact on public safety

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff supports changes to California's pension laws, but one approved last week, has him and other public safety officials concerned.

The state legislature raised the retirement age for public safety employees from 50 years to 57 years.

Sniff and the California Police Chiefs Association is concerned that deputies and detectives over 50-

years-old will incur more injuries. Thus worker's compensation claims will grow and disability pensions may become more frequent which would negate the savings, according to the Association's letter to the governor.

"Here we have very pro-active patrol officers," Sniff said. "Younger men and women are strong and sustain fewer injuries. Patrol officers and detectives are in the front line. They chase crooks and are in pursuit at any time."

See Sniff, page 23

## New deputies in the pipeline

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Twenty-five new police officers completed a rigorous training program at the Ben Clark Training Center and graduated from the Riverside Sheriff's Department Basic Peace Officer Training Academy. Only one, Cory Zimmerman, will join the Sheriff's Department and could be part of a new wave of deputies that will increase staffing at Hemet Station. Other graduates will join CAL FIRE, the Corona Police Department and the University of California, Riverside, Police Department.

"Help is on the way," said Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff, noting that more deputies are in the pipeline

for graduation in the next 12 months. Sniff estimates about 25 for the January graduating class and 50 to 60 in the graduating class six months later.

Recruiting, hiring, and training men and women qualified to be a deputy sheriff is not simple, Sniff has said many times.

The last time the Sheriff's Department was recruiting, only 94 out of more than 30,000 applicants were selected.

The most recent training session began in July. About 32 trainees wanted to join the sheriff's department. After about a month of training, attrition has reduced the potential new deputies to 25, Sniff said.

Since 2008, as the re-

cession deepened, reduced county revenues forced cuts in Sheriff's Department patrol personnel. As a result, staffing in the unincorporated areas declined from a peak of 1.2 deputies per 1,000 residents in the unincorporated areas of the county, including the Hill, to .9, and this year to .75 deputies per thousand. Community policing, where deputies were stationed for 6-month periods on the Hill, as well as having two patrol cars on the Hill at all times, were eliminated through budget cuts.

Sniff hopes, with increased graduation rates from the academy and increased budget authorizations already

approved by the board of supervisors, that staffing in the unincorporated areas will return to previous peaks within 12 to 18 months.

The ceremony held Thursday, Aug. 23, at Grove Community Church in Riverside honored graduates who had completed 952 hours of training, 14 scenario tests and 26 written exams over a period of 24 weeks. The basic training course is designed to meet the minimum requirements of a peace officer as established by the state Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

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## Pension

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that contract with CalPERS must have employees share half of the retirement cost with the agency. Locally, this may affect the Idyllwild Fire Protection District and the Fern Valley and Pine Cove water districts.

Other changes, which will affect new employees, include raising the retirement age from 50 to 57 for public safety employees and from 55 to 62 for minimum retirement benefits for other public sector employees, but they won't be eligible for maximum benefits until age 67.

Also, the maximum retirement rate will be reduced from three percent per year of employment to 2.7 percent for new public safety employees and from 2.5 percent per year to two percent for miscellaneous employees.

Pensions will be limited to \$110,100 for employees eligible for Social Security. For those not eligible, such as teachers or public safety employees, the maximum retirement will be \$132,120.

Other changes eliminate the opportunity to raise benefits by spiking (inflating the final year's salary) or buying air time (artificially adding to length of service). Retirements will be based on the three-year final compensation average.

Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff has said he supports overall reform of pension legislation. However, he and the California Sheriffs and Police Chief associations oppose raising the retirement age for public safety employees.

Sniff argues that a deputy sheriff in their mid-fifties does not have the physical capability of younger officers. Consequently, he's concerned about on-the-job injuries climbing or expanded budgets to hire more deputies for street duty.

(For more of Sniff's views, see accompanying story.)

AB 340 passed the Assembly, 66 ayes, nine noes and five abstentions. Local assemblymen Brian Nestande (R, Palm Desert) voted for the final language, while Brian Jones (R, Santee) opposed the bill.

In the state Senate, the

vote was 38-1-1. Local Sen. Bill Emmerson, who has been advocating pension reform for several years, supported this bill reluctantly. In a statement, he said, "... crucial reforms are not included in this plan. It not only fails to address growing retiree health care costs, but it also fails to apply anti-spiking provisions to current employees."

"By limiting certain reforms to new hires, we will not realize major savings

for years, if not decades," he continued, "... If this legislature is serious about addressing our unfunded liabilities, true pension reform cannot go away quietly. We must continue to work towards a solution that is fair for both taxpayers and public employees. While this plan is one small step for change, it's a giant failure for true reform."

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### Strange but true

If you've seen the movie "The Wizard of Oz," you might remember that in the Emerald City, the horses were a variety of bright colors. No special effects there — the set designers simply rubbed the animals with Jell-O powder to achieve the bright hues. Those scenes had to be shot very quickly, though, since the horses had a tendency to lick off their colors.



# IFPD approves budget

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Without debate, the Idyllwild Fire Protection District Commission unanimously adopted its 2012-13 budget. The commission had reviewed and discussed the current budget in June when it preliminarily approved it during its first August meeting.

The total budget equals about \$1,663,700 and balances revenue and expenditures. The largest revenue increase, about \$45,000, is from the new ambulance contract with

the county. IFPD is projecting only a \$7,000 increase from property tax receipts from all sources.

Chief Patrick Reitz said the district has had no response from Riverside County regarding its August request for a \$425,000 advance, until December, of its property tax revenue.

In other business, the commission and Chief Reitz did have an extensive discussion of how to handle a gift of four dinner certificates valued at more than \$150.

Both the chief and commission were grateful for the

gift and the donor recognizing of the staff's contribution to the community. The commission discussed of the broader and long-term implications of accepting gratuities from local merchants.

Chief Reitz adamantly told the commission that he should not accept personal gifts. He also discussed how the department should react in response to an individual's grateful generosity.

At the end of the discussion, the commission agreed with Reitz that each of the three duty shifts should receive a certificate and Reitz

could use the fourth as an incentive to reward performance or special acts.

In other business, the commission reaffirmed its prior decision to have two regularly scheduled meetings each month — the second and fourth Tuesdays. The need for the second meeting would be established at the first meeting.

The commission also approved several more board policies, which it has been doing since winter. Chief Reitz did request that some be deferred, including the proposed policy on public contributions.

These will come forward in future meetings.

The department has inspected more than 2,300 Idyllwild properties this year of which about 75 percent have passed, Reitz reported. Nine properties have failed

three inspections and another 550 failed the second inspection, he added.

The commission plans to schedule a workshop to establish goals and objectives for the chief's future performance evaluations.

## RAMBLINGS FROM ROSCOE

THE FIRE DOG, AS INTERPRETED BY PATRICK REITZ, IDYLLWILD FIRE CHIEF

### Kids and school, part 2 ...

Time to get the kids up and off to school! Is it a joy, a chore or somewhere in-between?

Did your child get enough sleep last night? Are they getting enough sleep regularly? Sleep is very important to development and not enough sleep can lead to problems down the line.

A lack of rest and sleep has been shown to contribute to social, mental, and physical development problems. Not enough sleep can also cause problems in the classroom with concentration and participation.

If your child is not getting enough sleep, why not? Are they stressed with schoolwork, problems with their peers, problems at home, or just not comfortable?

Hand-in-hand with sleep is nutrition. Are they getting enough to eat? Are they getting enough of the right foods or are they surviving on "junk food"?

Kids need a well balanced diet for proper development. Too much fat, sugar, and caffeine can obviously cause problems, but so can too many carbohydrates and proteins. While supplemental vitamins may be helpful, they can also be just as harmful. Check with your doctor to see which ones and how much is right for your kids.

Exercise is also important. Get them out from in front of the TV or the computer and play! Playing not only stimulates the muscles it stimulates the mind. It encourages social development as well.

Now that you've got the kids up, bathed them, dressed them in clean clothes, and fed them breakfast, they are ready to head off school. Or are they?

What about that backpack they are carrying? What is in that thing? Are they packing to go off to school for the day or crossing the continent? Do they really need to haul all that around? Is it stuff that they need to bring



home from or take to school? Is it going to cause them back problems in the future? Is it going to injure them if they fall with it on or try to run?

How do your kids get to school? Do they ride the bus or do you, a family member, a friend or neighbor take them?

If they take the bus, are you or is someone else waiting with them? If it is someone else, do you know anything about that person? While your kids are waiting for the bus, are they waiting out of traffic or are they standing in the road? Are they wearing clothing that can be seen by drivers? Are they protected from the elements — you know hats, gloves, coats, proper footwear, etc.? Or are they too "cool" for that?

If you take them, are you all buckled-in? Do you leave in plenty of time so as to not exceed the speed limit?

What about that other person who may be driving the kids to school? Do they wear their seat belt? What kind of example are they setting when they drive? Is their car in good repair? Is it safe to drive? Do they have a valid license? Are they smoking with your kids in the car?

And of course, there are the dreaded topics of cell phones and iPods. For now, I will just mention to pay attention to the use of the ear buds that are pumping noise directly into the ears and the hearing problems that are already showing up in epidemic proportions.

As always, we welcome your comments and questions. Please feel free to contact us care of the Town Crier or chief@idyllwildfire.com.

I've got some smells to sniff...

Remember to play it safe in all that you do!



The day following the end of the Idyllwild Summer Concert Series, the fire department helped concert producer **Ken Dahleen** (center) remove the stage constructed for the series's performers. Firefighter **Greg Minor** (left) and **Capt. Michael Mulhall** (right) were assisting in the work.

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# Idyllwild students continue improvement

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

The performance of Idyllwild School students on the state's Standardized Testing and Reporting program improved again in 2012. For the fifth consecutive year, Idyllwild students have demonstrated progress in English and mathematics.

This year nearly 80 percent of the school's students earned either proficient or advanced scores in Language

Arts. Another 16 percent were basic, which means fewer than 4 percent of the local students were below basic on the statewide test.

None of last year's third grade students scored below basic.

The math performance was equally good. Slightly more than 80 percent were proficient or advanced this year compared to 69 percent in 2011. Five years ago, barely 60 percent of the students achieved at this level.

All students in the sec-

ond, third, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades achieve at the basic or above levels last spring.

"Idyllwild continues to get better," said Bill Sanborn, president of the Hemet Unified School District. "The scores continue to go up, which indicates teachers are doing a good job."

Idyllwild's results are substantially above the district's average, which are improving. Since 2010, the percentage of HUSD students with proficient or advanced STAR scores has grown from 49 percent to 51.5. Students earning proficient or advanced math results has also grown, from 41 percent to 42.8 percent in the past

three years.

At Hemet High School, the language arts achievement is better than the

district-wide results. Nearly 57 percent of students were in the top echelons, but 60 percent reached those levels last year.

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## STAR test results

### Percent of students proficient or advanced

#### Idyllwild School

Subject	2012	2011	2010	2008
English	78.8	72.9	65.8	61.6
Mathematics	80.4	69.3	61	59.9
History (grade 8)	58.3	83.7	63.3	49
Science (grades 5 & 8)	78	87.7	79.3	

#### Hemet Unified School District

Subject	2012	2011	2010
English	51.5	49.8	49
Mathematics	42.8	42.1	41
History (grade 8)	38.4	39	36.2
Science (grades 5 & 8)	48.6	48.7	46.6

## Fire fee

*Continued from page 1*

fee. See [hjeta.org](http://hjeta.org) and click on the fire tax banner or [firtaxprotest.org](http://firtaxprotest.org) for more information.

The state of California has begun mailing bills to rural property owners for fire prevention. Residents in State Responsibility Areas, such as the Hill, will eventually receive two bills this year — one for the State's 2011-2012 fiscal year, and one for its 2012-2013 fiscal year.

Each bill will be \$150 per habitable structure on your property.

The Howard Jarvis Taxpayers' Association web-

site has information and instructions if a property owner would like to seek reimbursement for the fee, which it considers an "illegal tax" pursuant to Proposition 13.

According to Kris Vosburgh, Executive Director, once the state begins to reject the refund claims, the Jarvis Association will have plaintiffs for its lawsuit alleging the fee is really a tax.

"It's a matter of weeks, not months, now," Vosburgh said. He expects to have about 40 plaintiffs from throughout the state when the suit is filed.

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# On the Town

## Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

### Arts & Entertainment Calendar



Arts & Entertainment Calendar listings are at the discretion of the editor. Submittal forms can be picked up at the Town Crier.

#### Wednesday, Sept. 5

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; Kid's Movement with Lucianna LoPresto, 4-4:45 p.m.; Adult Dance (Salsa & Waltz) with Connie Wolfe, 7-8 p.m. Town Hall.

Jazz Night with Paul Carman & Marshall Hawkins, 6-8:30 p.m. The Creek House.  
"The Bourne Legacy," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

#### Thursday, Sept. 6

Children's Yoga with Trine Bietz, 4:15-5 p.m.; Wii games for all ages, 7-8:30 p.m. Town Hall.  
Tom McNeary, 5:30-8 p.m. The Creek House.  
"The Bourne Legacy," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

#### Friday, Sept. 7

Kids Mountain Class, 3:30-

4:30 p.m.; Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 5-6 p.m. Town Hall.

Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba's.

Skeleton Crew, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

"The Expendables 2," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

#### Saturday, Sept. 8

Mixed Level Yoga, 9-10 a.m. Quiet Creek Inn.

"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum.

"The Expendables 2," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Live Entertainment, 6-9 p.m. Arriba's.

Hotflash, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

#### Sunday, Sept. 9

David Jerome, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Arriba's.

"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum.

"The Expendables 2," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

#### Monday, Sept. 10

Cribbage, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Town Hall.

Childrens Story Time, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

"The Expendables 2," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

#### Tuesday, Sept. 11

Seniors' Wii Activities, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; Tap Dance with Annika Kay, 3-4 p.m.; Ballet/Tap with Annika Kay, 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.

"The Expendables 2," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

#### Wednesday, Sept. 12

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; Kid's Movement with Lucianna LoPresto, 4-4:45 p.m.; Adult Dance (Salsa & Waltz) with Connie Wolfe, 7-8 p.m. Town Hall.

Celtic Open Music Session, 6-

8:30 p.m. The Creek House.  
"The Expendables 2," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

#### Thursday, Sept. 13

Children's Yoga with Trine Bietz, 4:15-5 p.m.; Wii games for all ages, 7-8:30 p.m. Town Hall.

Lenny Hansell, 6-8:30 p.m. The Creek House.

"The Expendables 2," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

#### Friday, Sept. 14

Kids Mountain Class, 3:30-4:30 p.m.; Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 5-6 p.m. Town Hall.

Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba's.

Don Reed & Friends, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

Visual Art Faculty Show Opening Reception, 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Idyllwild Arts, Show runs Sept. 11

through Oct. 12.

#### Saturday, Sept. 15

"Climbing Tahquitz Rock" Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum.

IAHS Home Tour 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., tickets available at IAHS museum

Investiture for Grand Priory of the Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., Saturday Sept. 15 at the Queen of Angels Catholic Church.

Live Entertainment, 6-9 p.m. Arriba's.

#### Sunday, Sept. 16

David Jerome, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Arriba's.

"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum.

Paul Carman, Noon-2:30 p.m. The Creek House.

#### Monday, Sept. 17

Cribbage, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Town Hall.

Childrens Story Time, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

#### Tuesday, Sept. 18

Seniors' Wii Activities, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; Tap Dance with Annika Kay, 3-4 p.m.; Ballet/Tap with Annika Kay, 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.

#### Wednesday, Sept. 19

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; Kid's Movement with Lucianna LoPresto, 4-4:45 p.m.; Adult Dance (salsa and waltz) with Connie Wolfe, 7-8 p.m. Town Hall.

Jazz Night Too with Bill Saitta & Friends, 6-8:30 p.m. The Creek House.

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# Idyllwild Historical Society's 12th Annual Home Tour

Five homes with five distinctive characters

By Marshall Smith  
Staff Reporter

The Idyllwild Area Historical Society's much-anticipated annual fundraiser, the 12th edition of its Home Tour, features five very different mountain homes, each with a distinctive character and ambiance.

An 800-square-foot 1949 cabin in pristine original condition offers a peek at old Idyllwild. A more modern home features Spanish-Moroccan décor and musical instruments from all over the world. A 2002 Craftsman style home oozes rustic ambiance set off by an octagonal dining room with a peaked ceiling. A breathtakingly striking modular home that no one would ever know was modular had to be lowered in to its hilltop setting by cranes. And finally, a home with nearly 360-degree views and 1,400 feet of outdoor decks, which extend the home's living space at various levels, completes the extraordinary offerings of this year's tour.

IAHS volunteer Charlotte Groty has seen all the homes and thinks they are each thrilling. "The 1949 home has original tongue and groove pine paneling and vintage fir floorboards," she noted. "It has a still working beautiful O'Keefe and Merritt stove and an original, also still working, Coldspot refrigerator. The cozy living room has a beautiful bay window with padded benches. The cabin is a wonderful reminder of what Idyllwild used to be."

Groty described the 2002 Craftsman as "cabin style comfortable decorated with mountain whimsy" — leded glass windows, soaring knotty pine ceilings and a river rock fireplace.

She thought the modular home would fascinate viewers. "The owners will have a slide show running, which details how the home was lifted into place," she said. The artist owners designed the stained glass windows featured throughout, complemented by sculpture art and black slate porcelain floors. "It's like a tree house with views from the living and dining rooms as well as the kitchen," Groty gushed.

The fourth house, with the 360-degree views, features, according to Groty, jaw-dropping pine beam ceilings, and walls of windows with views of Idyllwild's noted mountain features as well as the lights of Hemet.

Lastly, the home with Moroccan décor and musical instruments abounds in tasteful elements said Groty, including gorgeous use of color and a vintage Wurlitzer juke box. "It is very delightful and welcoming," she said.

"Every year we get the most wonderful people to volunteer their homes in



Old Idyllwild, 1949 Cabin.

PHOTO BY FRAZIER-DRAKE



New Idyllwild.

PHOTO BY FRAZIER-DRAKE

order to help the museum," Groty said gratefully.

The Idyllwild Area Historical Society's 12th Annual Home Tour will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 15. Tickets are \$20 per person and are available at the Museum or by calling (951) 317-4613. Also visit [www.idyllwildhistory.org](http://www.idyllwildhistory.org) for more information. Proceeds are used to support the IAHS mission of sustaining the museum and promoting public awareness of local history.

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# Local markets use local growers

## Catering to locavores

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Mountain Harvest Market in Strawberry Plaza promotes itself as the local organic food one-stop. With the addition of more local growers, Mountain Harvest's managers are also part of the growing preference of many organic food lovers to eat locally produced fruits and vegetables. While Fairway and Village Market stock organic produce, only Village Market also buys some local produce, according to owner Jay Johnson.

Eating locally grown food is a movement that's popularity is expanding. Local produce has benefits for the environment. For example, it reduces the long distance trucking of food, consequently less gas consumed,

less exhaust and greater food freshness.

"Locavores," as they are known, choose to eat food grown within a 100-mile radius from home, both to support commitment to environmental and sustainability goals and for reasons of freshness and reduction in or lack of pesticides used to grow mega-farm food. The idea originated early this century. In 2007, locavore was the word of the year for the Oxford American Dictionary.

Mountain Harvest Market has long bought from on-the-Hill certified organic grower, Sage Farms in Aguanga, according to Melissa Townsend, the store's produce buyer. Townsend has recently added an additional four local growers.

Rios Farms in Banning



**Melissa Townsend**, produce buyer at Mountain Harvest Market's Saturday Farmers' Market.

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provides seasonal peaches and Heritage Gravenstein, a local Idyllwild orchard, supplies apples. Sky Farm Organics in Hemet provides heirloom tomatoes and navel oranges and La Rath Farms in Aguanga is the source for garden vegetables such as zucchini,

yellow squash, tomatoes, red potatoes and green beans. All produce from the new sources is "spray or chemical free" but not all is yet certified organic, Townsend notes. For example, La Rath is a "transitional organic" farm, in the process of obtaining its USDA organic certification.

Fairway Market is also stepping up its organic stocking, with organic chicken in the meat and poultry section and certain labeled organic produce in the produce section. None of it is necessarily local in origin, according to Fairway Manager Diana Johnson.

"We get our produce from Unified Grocers in Los Angeles," she said. "Where they get it, I don't know."

Village Market gets some of their eggs and tomatoes from Anza farmers, accord-



ing to Johnson, and some vegetables from farmers in Pinyon.

The "eat local" movement also has, as one of its stated goals, to fight global warming by reducing how much food is shipped long distances and to reduce petroleum used facilitating that transportation. Anuradha Mittal, executive director of the Oakland Institute, cited some surprising food transportation statistics in making the case for eating locally and eschewing corporate produce purchasing.

Mittal, using California

as an example, noted: 20 percent of California table grapes are sent to China, the world's largest producer of table grapes. Half of all processed tomatoes grown in California are exported to Canada at the same time the United States imports \$36 million in Canadian processed tomatoes annually; the U.S. imports \$19 million of Canadian cherries annually at the same time that Canada is the second biggest importer of California cherries.

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**Cathie Davis** (center, in yellow) has been organizing the PEO pancake breakfasts for the past several years. Here she heads into the breakfast crowd to fill syrup bottles. The annual fundraiser was held on Sunday morning.

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# Mayor Max's first two months

By MONK  
SPECIAL CANINE  
CORRESPONDENT

*Editor's note: Mayor Max visited the Town Crier Thursday, Aug. 30. Our special political reporter Monk interviewed his honor while he toured the office.*

Following his July inauguration and an unexpected medical situation, the Mayor is truly enjoying his office. According to his Chief of Staff Phyllis Mueller, the Mayor was very glad when he learned about his election.

He has pondered his situation and views it as a unique opportunity to help ARF and the Hill. During his term, he hopes to

meet as many two- and four-legged constituents as possible.

The Mayor has visited many local events, such as the Summer Concert Series, the Harmony dedication and Saturday's Opt-to-Adopt at the Idyllwild Nature Center.

One of his favorite visits was with the Forest Folk bunch. Apparently, they were very generous with their food, according to Max.

But he has also traveled beyond Idyllwild to expound and bark about its special location and beauty. The ride to San Francisco was pretty long and they have a lot more cars and noisy places there than Idyllwild,



Mayor Max with the Town Crier's political reporter Monk.

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Max said, but good food.

One of the first questions his staff addressed was "What does the community need and want?" Mueller said. Finding an answer lead Max to the Idyllwild

Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary.

Max says, with the help of staff, he is writing a column for the monthly ARF newsletter. It's titled, "Mayor Max Muses."

In the August edition, he tried to dispel the myth that ARF had sufficient funds and contributions for this year's operations. The election raised more than \$31,000, but more is needed to achieve ARF's \$65,000 goal.

"The amount we fund-raised doesn't even scratch the surface of what's actually needed to help animals on the Hill, much less off the Hill," Max wrote.

Besides money, Max stressed that volunteers are needed to work in the ARF facility and to provide foster homes for the cats and dogs, which are rescued. This request was mailed last week to all local constituents, with a refrigerator magnet included.

The Mayor and his devoted staff are devising ways to help more people learn about Idyllwild and then to come here for a visit or vacation.

In addition to his favorite charity, ARF, Mayor Max has contributed to sev-



Max attends the Nature Center's "Opt to Adopt" event Saturday.

PHOTO BY CAREENA CHASE

eral other local endeavors since taking office. In this way, he demonstrates his gratitude and connection throughout the community, he barked.

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Lily McMullin, 5, finds some treasures to take home at the Mountain Community Patrol annual yard sale. At right, Mountain Community Patrol volunteers (from left) Elaine Rahman, Barbara Maring and Janice Herdey sort through items for sale at the Mountain Community Patrol's annual yard sale.

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# MAYOR MAX

**A**ugust 31st marks the end of my second month in office. It's hard to believe that time is flying so fast, but it has been another great month.

I continue to work diligently to keep all the promises of my job description as Mayor of Idyllwild. You can review my job description and many other details about my mayoral office on [www.mayormax.com](http://www.mayormax.com) and also on Facebook.



**Some highlights of the month:**

## MAX GOES INTERNATIONAL

**August 3.** San Francisco and the beautiful state of California—I traveled to San Francisco to meet with my PR team to discuss media strategies for promoting Idyllwild, ARF, and the cause of animal rights on and off the Hill. We encountered people from all over the U.S. and around the world who were traveling the same route. To everyone we met, we promoted Idyllwild and ARF. We gave them our contact information and asked them to visit and stay in touch with us.



**August 11.** In between hail and rain storms in Pine Cove, we managed to slip away to a clear sky in Mountain Center and attend and support the Dennis Agajanian concert at Chapel in the Pines. What a fantastic guitar player! I was very popular with the kids there, and they liked

*(L to R) Jeri Wilcox, Caesar, Reba Coulter, Phyllis Mueller, Max, Maizy, Sandi Wilkes, and Pat Ruffner at the Forest Folk Potluck during the last Thursday night of the Summer Concert Series.*

petting me. I lased in on the cookies the kids were eating, and this had a great result. They shared the cookies with me and some juice. Thank you very much!

**August 12.** We had dinner with fellow campaign manager Kathy Keane, and visited with Lucky, ARF Ambassador, at Café Aroma, and we discussed ideas for creating a bigger dog park. Kathy and Lucky are wonderful ARF supporters.

**August 16.** We had lunch with town security and crime consultant Tracy Philippi to discuss solutions to theft crimes. We discussed the costs associated with putting security systems in homes that link to a 7x24-hour local police force with immediate response times. I promise to help “take a bite out of crime.”

**August 16.** I attended the Idyllwild Summer Concert at the Community Center and supported their fund-raising effort. The jazz was fantastic, and it was so pleasant being with everyone in the community at a venue like this. At this event, we also joined

Forest Folk’s potluck. The food was fantastic, and I really liked the egg salad sandwiches that I managed to wrangle... I met lots of new Forest Folk friends, including Caesar and Maizy.

**August 18.** We attended the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary luau with Mike Reno, a very good friend of the family and an excellent contractor too! The food was definitely great and worth a repeat performance. Everyone was very friendly, and I also made a nice donation to this wonderful group! Phyllis and Glenn were delighted to see the Legion’s “kinder, gentler” version of the traditional luau pig.

**August 23 and 30.** Forest Folk — We attended a second and third Forest Folk potluck and strategized options for ensuring the success of their upcoming Labor Day yard sale. Over the Labor Day weekend, we purchased several items from Forest Folk and other yard sales. You just can’t visit too many yard sales.



*The American Legion Luau Pig—very cute and tasty too!*

**August 25.** I attended and supported the Idyllwild Town Jazz festival. As the event closed, I was able to visit with many of the people who attended the concert. People still love to find out that Idyllwild elected a dog as their Mayor. I always make sure I’m wearing my tie so I look official when I meet people, and I do shake their hands.



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*(L to R) Doug, Erika, Max, and Marcela—my friends who drove all the way up to Pine Cove from Orange County to help us complete the ARF Direct Mail Campaign from the Office of Mayor Max. Hope you received it!*

**August 1-31.** ARF Campaign Direct Mail Program (3000 units)—As promised, we completed a campaign to all of the people in Idyllwild and Mountain Center letting them know about ARF's need for more volunteers and fosters. Hopefully, you received this in the mail recently. If you did not receive a copy, please call my office and let me know your P.O. Box and/or contact information. We will add you to the database. We also sent the campaign via email to everyone where an email address has been provided. This includes our local, national, and international friends we have from our own contacts and those we have met while promoting Idyllwild on and off the Hill.

If you know anyone that would like to adopt a pet or foster a pet or simply volunteer at ARF for a few hours a week, please contact ARF at [www.idyllwildarf.com](http://www.idyllwildarf.com) or call 951.659.1122. Thank you.

**New Idyllwild Promotions**—In my ongoing meetings with Idyllwild's top

business and community leaders, I have learned that more visiting tourists from all of the southern California markets are highly desired. The areas specifically stated of interest are visitors from Los Angeles, San Diego, Temecula, Hemet, Palm Springs, and the Orange County areas. My office has created a database of 47,000 CEOs and top business executives in the southern California firms in these markets and will be creating outreach campaigns inviting these companies to visit Idyllwild for their corporate meetings and events and also inviting their business contacts, associates, friends and family members to visit Idyllwild for the sheer pleasure of it! These campaigns will be implemented on an ongoing basis and will begin in September.

**Health Update**—I am doing very well on my health now, and my restricted diet has been paying off. I have regained some of the



*(L to R) Gary Budnick of Gary's Deli and Max—planning dietary survival strategies and new great ideas for Idyllwild.*

weight I lost, and I haven't been ill since my return to Idyllwild on the 13th of July. We stopped by Gary's Deli to meet with Gary and Chip to discuss my diet and health plan. Gary has been very helpful to me since I arrived in Idyllwild. Gary makes me special chicken that meets the requirements of my new diet. We love Gary and Chip and really appreciate them.



*(L to R) Carlos Adames, Max, and Andrea Adames, newlyweds visiting Idyllwild.*

### **A Happy Life—**

Please always remember, positive energy leads towards life. Surround yourself with positive-energy people, and you will find that life is full of fun, happiness, affinity, extroversion, smiles, simplicity, and abundance. To borrow a phrase, "smile and the world smiles with you." It's

easier to accomplish your goals when you are surrounded by positive-energy people, and life is simpler and more fun too. To sum it all up with a jingle: Don't let the negatives get you down. They only show and cause a frown. Always wear a smile in town. Only love and affinity should hang around.

And on that note, I love helping, and I will be helping and participating in the upcoming animal rescue charity events in town and regionally including the Living Free event on October 6th and the Heavenly Horse Haven event on October 20th. We are here to help. If you need help of any kind, please let us know by contacting my office. We will get back with you, and we look forward to hearing from you.

I love you.

Love always,

**MAYOR MAX**

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# Community pays tribute to Steve Hudson



Local Color sings beneath the tall trees with the view of Tahquitz Peak in the background at **Steve Hudson's** memorial service on Saturday afternoon.

PHOTOS BY JENNY KIRCHNER



**Steve Hudson's** daughter **Skye Zambrana** tearfully hugs her son **Zach Zambrana**, 15.



**Jayne Davis**, center, and **Anna Ancheta** start the formation of a circle as they sing "Auld Lang Syne."



**Steve Hudson's** family sits in the front row at his memorial on Saturday afternoon at Idyllwild Arts. From left, Hudson's grandson **Zach Zambrana**, 15, son-in-law **Mike Zambrana**, granddaughter **Zoe Crawford**, daughter **Skye Zambrana** and girlfriend **Jayne Davis**.



**Betty Bailey**, **Melissa Montgomery** and **Mick Lynch** take a seat together on the ground. The memorial was well-attended and standing "room" only.



Colleague **Dwight "Buzz" Holmes** also spoke at **Steve Hudson's** memorial.



One of **Steve Hudson's** former students and present colleague, **Erin Latimer**, spoke at his memorial. Latimer and Hudson's colleague, **Shannon Jacobs**, console each other as the service comes to a close.



**Doug Ashcraft** opened the ceremony with a speech about the many memories of **Steve** and the impact he made at the Idyllwild Arts Academy.

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# A busy Labor Day Weekend on the Hill



**Dick Halligan**, founding member of "Blood, Sweat and Tears," Grammy Award winner, composer of music for film and television performed on Sunday night at Idyllwild Arts. The Idyllwild Master Chorale sponsored the event.

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People start lining up to grab their plates at the annual Idyllwild Rotary Barbecue on Sunday afternoon. Above right, **Barney Brause** replenishes the beef brisket that was served at the Idyllwild Rotary's annual barbecue on Sunday afternoon.

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Right, **Saffron Symank** was one of the artists at the Art Alliance's Art and Treasures event on Saturday at the Idyllwild Community Center site.

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At right, **Jared Dillon** hosts a beer tasting event at Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe on Thursday night. Six different IPA beers were paired with food throughout the evening.

Far right, **Geoffrey Brown** and **Jeni Sponseller** came out to enjoy the beer tasting event at Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe on Thursday night.

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# McKay new PE teacher at Idyllwild School

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

*Note: Seven new teachers have joined the Idyllwild School faculty. The Town Crier will profile them over the next few weeks.*

"I'm pretty much a kid at heart," said Wisconsin native and new Idyllwild School Athletic Director Darren McKay. "So, it's easy for me to identify with the kids. I feed off their energy."

Affable, outgoing, and as you might expect, a sports enthusiast, McKay is very enthusiastic about having his first gym from which to run a physical education program. He came directly from college in Wisconsin (University of Wisconsin, Whitewater) to his first teaching assignment at Ramona Elementary School in Hemet, which had no gym.

While looking over the large, well-fitted Idyllwild School gymnasium, McKay said he was really looking forward to the yearlong sports education opportunities the indoor gymnasium would provide.

Growing up a mile from the University of Wisconsin Camp Randall Stadium in Madison, McKay is a committed UW football fan. "The start of college football season is a time I look forward to,"

he said. Asked what sports he played at college he said he was pretty much an intramural guy, with flag football and softball as his games of choice. He still plays but not as much as he'd like, citing



**Darren McKay**, new physical education director at Idyllwild School.

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some sports injuries.

When asked how the culture at Idyllwild School seems different from that at Ramona, McKay noted first that Idyllwild is much smaller and allows more connection with individual students. He also noted the students' obvious closeness here. "You can tell they've been together for a long time," he said. "They also have a lot of mutual respect. It's great to watch how they treat each other."

His main goal in crafting and running Idyllwild School's PE program is to give the kids as many opportunities to be successful as he could. "Even with the ones who don't want to do

See McKay, page 22

# George Companiott joins Idyllwild School faculty

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

For 22 years George Companiott has commuted from the Hill to teach in Hemet. Now, the longtime Idyllwild resident won't face that challenge. He commutes six miles to classroom 20 at Idyllwild Middle School where he teaches social studies to sixth through eighth grades and language arts to eighth graders. And he is already literally and figuratively at home.

"I wanted to get the chance to connect with my students," he said of his transfer to Idyllwild School. "When you're running a couple hundred kids through your classroom every day [as he had at Dartmouth Middle School in Hemet], that makes connecting harder."

The camaraderie and helpfulness of Idyllwild School teachers and administration was something special which Companiott noted. "I'm so pleased with how tight my relationship is already with the middle school teachers," he said. "Great communication, sharing — it makes for a very secure environment for the kids and allows me to

make real contact with them. No one will fall through the cracks."

Companiott and family have, for many years, called Idyllwild "home." His wife Heather is director of special programs for the Idyllwild Arts Summer Program. "My daughter went through K-8 at Idyllwild School," said Companiott. "This is a school where there is a lot more parent involvement and that, of course, is good for the students."

Companiott is from the Chicago area and completed bachelor's and master's degrees in history at Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana. He completed his teaching credential at Indiana University in Bloomington.



**New Idyllwild School teacher George Companiott.**

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

As part of his credential process, Companiott participated in a cultural immersion program, where he taught at an Apache Indian reservation in Ft. Apache, in the White Mountains

of northeastern Arizona. "We had to become [part of] a minority," said Companiott of the experience. He still maintains contact with some of his students from that time.

From there, he and Heather came to "this place called Idyllwild," where Heather's parents had a cabin. "We arrived in January," he related. "The temperature was 65 degrees and I thought, 'this could be a pretty sweet deal.'"

The sweet deal has grown into a lifetime, finally capped, with his new Idyllwild School assignment, as full-time immersion in Idyllwild.

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## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

**Melody Blaschko**, the school health tech for Idyllwild Elementary, chose **Autumn Detzel** and **Amara Wilson**, both 8th grade, as students of the week for Aug. 27. Blaschko said the students were selected "for their love of school and positive attitude in the health office."

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# Proposition 33: Insurance fairness or new rate hike opportunity?

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

*Editor's note: Once again it's the season when California voters exercise their right to govern directly. Using the state's initiative process, 11 measures have qualified for the November ballot. Some seem simple, but reading the proposition text can uncover what the title or summary may not fully disclose.*

*The Town Crier will summarize each of the 11 between now and Election Day, Nov. 6. Rather than reporting them sequentially, based on their number, the order is based on readers' votes on our online poll. Propositions 33 and 39 garnered the least votes and therefore our series will start with them. The more controversial and higher interest propositions will appear the election approaches.*

**Proposition 33 — 2012 Automobile insurance discount act**

Although proponents deny this proposition

changes key provisions of Proposition 103 passed in 1988, careful reading shows that is not exactly the case. The key provision of the 1988 insurance reform act was to require auto insurance companies to set rates based “primarily by a driver’s safety record and mileage driven.” Also, “The absence of prior automobile insurance coverage, in and of itself, shall not be a criterion for determining eligibility for a Good Driver Discount policy, or generally for automobile rates, premiums, or insurability.”

However, length of coverage with the same company (“persistence”) is one of 16 factors that the California insurance commissioner currently authorizes for determining rates for existing customers. But Proposition 103, the current governing law, prohibits companies from offering this discount to new customers who switch to them or for using absence of coverage as a rating factor.

Proposition 33, sponsored by Mercury Insurance’s CEO George Joseph, changes the law to permit insurance companies to provide this “discount” to customers who switch from other companies and to set prices based on the new factor of whether the driver previously carried auto insurance with any insurance company.

Conversely, the measure will, according to the California Secretary of State’s official summary, “allow insurance companies to increase cost of insurance to drivers who have not maintained continuous coverage,” even if those drivers have had a perfect driving record. This is the camouflaged nugget to which some groups object.

Under the proposal, an exception for lapsed coverage is granted if it were due to active military service or loss of employment (lapse of up to 18 months in the last 5 years), or if the lapse is less than 90 days. Other lapse scenarios, such

as a prolonged illness that stops premium payments for longer than 90 days, or a period in which a driver did not need or own a car, are not covered.

While billed as a “discount” for those who have maintained coverage, the initiative is also an opportunity for insurance companies to hike rates for those with coverage lapses not addressed in the initiative.

This proposition may seem familiar. In 2010, Joseph bankrolled Proposition 17, which is Proposition 33 minus exceptions for coverage lapses due to military service or a period of unemployment.

Joseph’s stated reasons for advancing it again are that it will make his company more competitive with other California insurance companies, although all companies would be able to offer a “persistence” discount should this initiative pass.

What the voter should consider is whether this is a “discount” extended fairly

or an opportunity to hike rates for those with coverage lapses not covered in the initiative, regardless of their driving records; and whether the portability of the continuous coverage discount outweighs adding a new way for insurance companies to set and increase rates.

Advocates argue that the initiative would give consumers greater ability to choose from and to shop for insurance companies, since their coverage discount would be portable.

The Legislative Analyst’s Office estimates that rate hikes to those with unpermitted lapses in auto insurance coverage could result in increased tax revenues for the state, since insur-

ance companies pay taxes on insurance premiums garnered instead of the state corporation income tax.

Opposing Proposition 33 are the Consumer Federation of California, California Labor Federation, Consumer Action, Consumer Watchdog, Consumers Union, California Nurses Association and the California Democratic Party.

Supporting it are Mercury CEO George Joseph, the Greenlining Institute, the California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, CDF Firefighters, and the California Republican Party.

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### Trivia test

**Art:** The artist Gustave Courbet was associated with which art movement in the 19th century?

Answer: Realism

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Three days of beautiful weather, thousands of happy festival attendees, outstanding musicians and vocalists, talented artisans and plenty of tasty food all in a forest setting that is unequalled in its beauty - that describes the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Jazz in the Pines. In addition to more than 300 volunteers, the following people deserve special mention for making the festival come to life.

Behind the scenes months before the event took place **Janet Goldberg** and **Karen Metz** were securing event sponsors. Many of last year’s sponsors returned and new ones came on board.

**Ted Cummings** organized his extensive logistical staff: **Gary Kuscher**, parking and golf carts; **Brent Miller**, buses and vans; **Kevin Weber**, special security; and the **CHP and Mounted Patrol** volunteers. **Nancy Layton** and **Rick Foster** put on the annual volunteer party at **Wilder Cabins**. With all of these people and events in place, the festival moved forward.

For the special dinner held for Patrons and Sponsors of the event, **Chris Maxson** deftly directed her staff of decorators lead by **Anne Erikson**, and turned the dining hall at Idyllwild Arts into an enchanting venue. Special sound/lighting consultant **Bob Houck** battled the acoustic issues inherent in a high school dining hall, and the efficient **Village Volunteers** served gourmet food, poured fine wines and made the evening memorable for our special guests.

First impressions are everything and as you entered the festival Main Gate you could see **Marilyn Kemple** with her friendly and efficient staff handling tickets and wristbands. Once on the festival grounds, you would encounter over 60 vendors displaying their hand-crafted wares and encounter the mouthwatering aromas coming from the Food Court. **Joyce Cummings** and her crew audition these vendors and supervise the set up of their individual booths.

From the first venue, **Stephens Recital Hall, a.k.a The Barn**, you heard the sounds of what is known to jazz purists as “straight ahead”. **Dave Blackburn** managed the sound in this venue, **Sandii Castleberry** was an outstanding emcee and many of our local musicians including **Robin Adler, Barnaby Finch, Don Reed, Paul Carman, Bill Saitta** and the **Idyllwild Arts students and alums** performed.

Just down the road through the woods, you encountered the Associates’ merchandise booth operated by **Harris Demetre** and **Terry Casella** displaying the annual festival T-shirt along with caps, posters and wine glasses available for purchase. At this point you heard the bluesy-rock sounds of **French Quarter** and saw the dancers having a blast. **Gigi Kramer** masterfully ran this venue and its several satellites, including the Beer and Margarita concession operated by **Terry and Diana Kurr**, and a staff that hustles to keep all the thirsty customers served. Sound in the **French Quarter** was engineered by **John King** and **Rocky Zharp** was this year’s emcee.

Move on now to the **Musicians’ Green Room** where performers can relax and have a bite to eat either before or after they perform. Holding court in the Green Room was **Dolores Ellison, “the Queen”**, with the capable assistance of **Doug Austin** and **Nancy Layton**. The performers were greeted at the **Musicians’ Gate** by **Lynnda Hart** and her staff and transported, along with their instruments, by **Linda Anderson** and her golf-cart driving crew.

You might have observed **JoAnn Graham** and her husband, **John**, collecting receipts from the various venues. Then **Nancy Layton** and the bank crew, counting and counting some more.

Finally, you have arrived at the **Main Stage**, the parachute-draped open air amphitheater that hosts the festival headliners and larger musical groups. **Pamela Forney** handled sound, **Bubba Jackson** kept things going as the emcee, **Alex Vargas** supervised stage security, and **Ken Dahleen** was in charge of special stage facilities and organization. **Richard Collins** and his crew did set up, and **Henry Negrete** and **Bob Baker**, displayed all of the banners advertising our sponsors.

These people, and probably a few that have slipped my mind for the moment, all played significant roles in the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Idyllwild Jazz in the Pines. **Thank you one and all for your hard work. To all of the unselfish and accomplished volunteers....you are so appreciated. Thanks for making it all happen.**

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— Marsha Lytle, Associates of Idyllwild Arts Jazz Chair, 2012.



# Proposition 39: Changes in computation of multistate corporation tax

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

The amount of money a business owes California in corporate income taxes each year is based on the business' taxable income. Beginning in 2013, Proposition 39, if approved, would change existing law to require multistate businesses to calculate their California income tax liability based solely on the percentage of their sales in California, what is called a single sales factor approach.

That is the method used in many states, including Colorado, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Oregon and Texas. Businesses based only in California would be unaffected by this measure.

Current law allows multistate corporations to choose an option that effectively reduces their California tax burden compared to com-

panies that operate only in California. The "three-factor method" allows a multistate company such as General Motors to use location of sales, property and employees (three factors) to calculate tax due the state. With this method, the more sales, property or employees the multistate business has in California, the more of their income is subject to state tax. Conversely, fewer employees and less property in California reduce its California tax burden.

For instance, if one quarter of the multistate company's total sales were in California, the tax would be based on a quarter of the company's total sales in all jurisdictions within which it operates.

The state's nonpartisan Legislative Analyst's Office calculates passage of Proposition 39 would increase taxes owed for most non-California

companies by about \$1 billion annually through 2018 and more than \$1 billion beyond.

According to the measure's text, increased revenues would be used to lower tuition costs at state universities and help fund alternative energy projects. The "Clean Energy Job Creation Fund" would transfer Proposition 39-generated revenue of about \$550 million in each of five fiscal years beginning in 2013 for "funding projects that create jobs in California improving energy efficiency and expanding clean energy generation." This money is earmarked for the purpose stated for the period stated.

The LAO forecasts school funding would rise if voters pass Proposition 39. General fund revenue raised by the measure would be considered in calculating the state's annual Proposition 98 (school

funding) guarantee. The LAO estimates the education revenue guarantee would grow by \$200 million annually from fiscal 2012 through 2018. For 2018 and beyond, the LAO projects even greater funding.

Opponents, including the Republican Party of California, argue that forcing multistate corporations to pay more California tax will result in those companies building fewer facilities and hiring less employees in California, thereby potentially decreasing hiring and jobs for Californians and lowering other tax revenue sources.

When Proposition 39's progenitor, Assembly Bill 1500 was working its way through the California Legislature, Brian Nestande, Idyllwild's assemblyman, resigned his leadership post in the assembly over his caucus's opposition to AB 1500. As the

lone Republican to vote for the legislation, Nestande said at the time that he supported the bill because it would level the business playing field in California. "Passage would close a loophole," he said. Nestande said his caucus was being inflexible and captive of an unrealistic no-tax mantra.

"I cast a vote yesterday [Aug. 13] as the only Republican to level the playing field for California businesses, so we have the same corporate tax policy as Texas, Wisconsin, South Carolina, Mississippi, Michigan, Indiana, Utah, and 10 other states," Nestande said to his constituents in an email message. "I specifically named those states because they have Republican governors that are considered leaders in our party today. They gave their home-based corporations an advantage and so should we."

Dorothy Rothrock, spokesperson for the California Manufacturers and Technology Association that opposes the bill, said Proposition 39 proponents are being disingenuous in crying foul about a supposed 2009 "back room

deal." She notes that what was added in 2009 by agreement of Democrats and Republicans was the single factor option to the already existing and long-standing three-factor option. By eliminating the three-factor choice, Rothrock said proponents of this initiative are pushing a major tax increase that would chill multistate companies' interest in locating facilities and employees in California.

Major supporting contributors include Thomas Steyer, Farallon Capital Management LLC and Californians for Clean Energy and Jobs; League of Conservation Voters Inc. and Western States Council of Sheet Metal Workers PAC.

No major contributing opponents are currently listed. Both the League of Women Voters and the California Democratic Party are neutral on the measure. The LWV believes all money should go to the general fund for all programs funded by state revenue rather than earmarked for special programs.

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## McKay

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sports, I want to show them the benefits of exercise, find out what they like and go

with it and have them be happy and active."

As a common thread of conversation from the teachers new to Idyllwild School this year, McKay also cites the camaraderie among

teachers and administration. "The staff is good, good sense of humor," McKay said. "When you've got that, you can get anything done."

Previous Athletic Director Holly Guntermann has been a mentor teacher for him, McKay said. He plans to continue her emphasis on keeping all kids active and involved. He also plans to continue Guntermann's

long-standing support of the annual Idyllwild 5 and 10K Run and Fitness Walk. The June event raises money for the Idyllwild School's PE program.

"Holly is coming up to fill me in," McKay said. "I've got some learning to do, but we'll support it."

McKay is married and lives in San Jacinto with four dogs and a tortoise.

## Record

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**Aug. 30** — Smoke check, Marion Mountain area, two fires found.

**Aug. 30** — Medical aid, North Circle Drive, Idyllwild.

**Aug. 30** — Smoke check, Highway 243, Poppet Flat.

### Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

**Aug. 29** — Wildland fire, Anza area.

**Aug. 30** — Wildland fire, 59200 block of Morris Ranch Road, Garner Valley.

**Aug. 30** — False alarm, 26900 block of McCall Park Road, Mountain Center.

**Sept. 1** — Wildland fire, 7000 block of highway 74, Garner Valley.

**Sept. 1** — Traffic collision, Highway 74 at mile marker 77.

**Sept. 2** — Traffic collision, highways 243 and 74, Mountain Center.

### CHP log

The resident post of the California Highway Patrol responded to the following calls from Saturday to Sunday,

Sept. 1 to 2. This may not be a complete list of responses:

**Sept. 1** — Solo motorcycle collision, Highway 74 near Springcrest Drive, Pinyon.

**Sept. 2** — Solo motorcycle collision, Highway 243 near Poppet Flat.

### Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls from Friday, Aug. 24 through Sunday, Sept. 2. This may not be a complete list of responses:

**Aug. 24** — Burglary, 26000 block of Highway 243, Idyllwild. The case is open but suspended.

**Aug. 24** — Burglary, 53000 block of Tollgate Road, Idyllwild. The case is open but suspended.

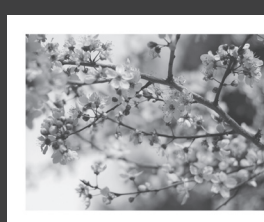
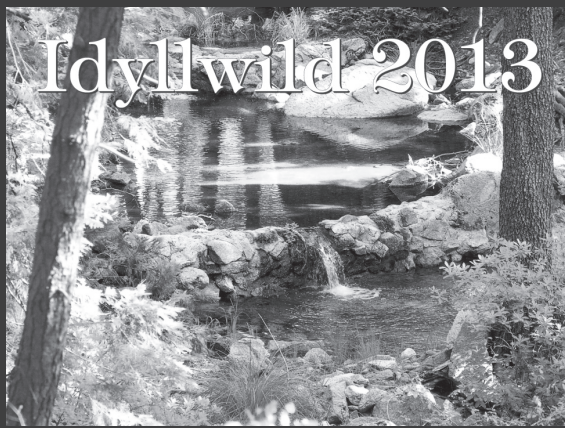
**Aug. 28** — Burglary and trespassing, 52000 block of Double View Drive, Idyllwild. The case is open but suspended.

**Sept. 1** — Burglary, 56000 block of Highway 74, Mountain Center.

**Sept. 2** — Assault with a deadly weapon, Terwilliger Road, Anza. The case is open but suspended.

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## Letters

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the results of which will be felt for decades. Yet, we've had dozens of letters over a doggie fundraiser contest result. Amazing! But then editor J.P. saved us from ourselves.

The election you ask? I did feel compelled to support Governor Brown's Proposition 30 [raise revenue or cut education funding] since we were about to have the usual march of the poor deprived school children paraded before our eyes if we didn't acquiesce to Sacramento's socialistic demands.

Then one guy named Warren Buffet chimed in. He says our public pension system is based on wildly optimistic investment returns, or will run short by hundreds of billions — with a "B" — of dollars.

Apparently, much of the Proposition 30 tax increase is actually going to fund pensions indirectly. Shame on the governor for not reducing our bloated pension liabilities first.

Note to all of you public employees: How long do you think people in the private sector are going to sit still for the huge wage disparity between public and private sector? The median income here is about \$20,000 per capita (\$10/hour) or \$35,000 per household. (Half make less. Half make more, way more.)

I know public administrators in the San Jacinto Valley that maintain their token two-bedroom local hovel for some weeknights only to really live in Coronado or Pacific Palisades on the weekend.

Yet, public employees seem to think it's just fine to make double, triple or more what their private sector neighbors make at public expense. People like school teachers, and most of the 20,000 or so Riverside County employees.

And fat cat administrators use their underlings salaries to justify their even fatter six-figure salaries. Even the self-employed seven geniuses that populate the Hemet Unified school board get at least their health care paid for at taxpayer expense.

And then Hemet Teach-

ers Association union leaders run for school board. The whole system is inherently self-serving and thus corrupt.

The best question might be why do teachers in the private sector that make half the money often produce better student test scores? Likely something to do with parents' expectations of their children and not expecting teachers to be parents for them.

Adding insult to injury, public retiree pensions are paid often at 90 percent of their just-spiked public salary pay for decades of retirement. And to make matters worse, too many pensioners retire on a disability (both real and imagined) to avoid paying income taxes on their pensions. Have we become a nation of weasels who want zero taxes for you but not anyone else?

My solution? For starters, public pay should resemble the local community, and not the pay necessary to live on the coast.

And since the private sector must live with a 401(k) retirement plan (if they are lucky), then so can you.

Why has the biggest employer in Riverside County been the county for generations? This is still called socialism most places. Maybe we can rename our county "Bell County" after that Los Angeles County city rife with self-serving, overpaid public servants that were arrested.

Until Social-mento gets pensions right, vote "No" on Proposition 30.

MIKE RENO  
PINE COVE

### A new library isn't open yet

EDITOR:

Hey, folks, lighten up! As I walk from our post office to Fairway Foods and other Strawberry Creek Shopping Plaza businesses, I often — make that usually — hear derogatory comments about the new library building.

The color, the doors, the parking, the cost of construction — everybody seems to have an opinion, and I haven't heard much good.

Having toured America for five years, I have experienced libraries in numerous

## Sniff

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The higher retirement age means more officers will have difficulty physically doing the job, Sniff believes. Today, they have the ability to leave at 50 and healthy.

Moving the over-50 cadre to desk jobs has its own drawback, Sniff highlighted. "If we create make-work jobs, it would be a huge expense."

cities, towns, villages and hamlets. Often they serve as an outpost for WiFi or local information.

While Idyllwild's current library may be in the top 10 for hominess, it's certainly in need of services most modern libraries provide for today's patrons.

Overall, Sniff believes the changes passed last week do not benefit public safety employees. The average age of a new Riverside deputy is 28, according to Sniff. They barely have 25 years employment before retiring now. Only a few are now 21 years old and just as many over 30 years when they begin.

Sniff argues that the large pensions are going to public safety employees, if they stayed in law enforcement of

Libraries today are far different from the traditional ones of the past, a natural evolution as the technological needs of the community change. Not affiliated in anyway with our library except as a user, I expect a vast improvement when the doors open to the

20 to 25 years, they would only receive a pension equal to 60 to 75 of their final salary. The \$100,000 pensioners are not street cops, according to Sniff.

While the new state bill raises public safety employee retirement to 57 statewide, Sniff is still concerned about the county's competitiveness for attracting new employees. In the next few years, the Sheriff's Department is planning a large expansion. Additional deputies

are needed for the jail expansion caused by the state realignment of the number of inmates. In addition, the Board of Supervisors has approved adding additional deputies for the unincorporated areas.

The senior ranks of the department have recently felt significant retirement in advance of these changes, Sniff added. He's replaced almost all the department captains in the past few years.

public.

That's why I find it annoying when I hear the cheap shots being hurled from the parking lot.

I suggest holding your comments until October when you have the opportunity to experience the new facility. Then we'll all

have a chance to walk in and find out what services are provided that we didn't realize we've been missing.

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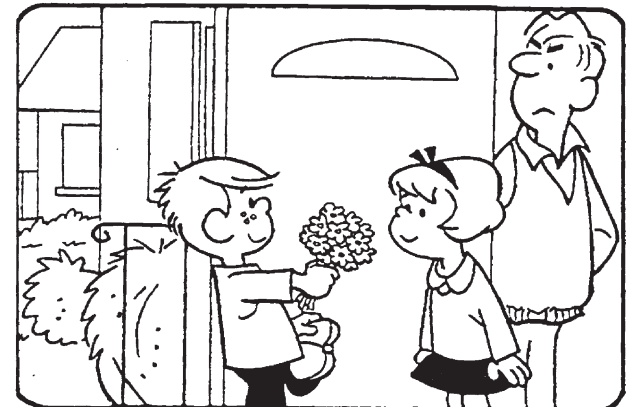
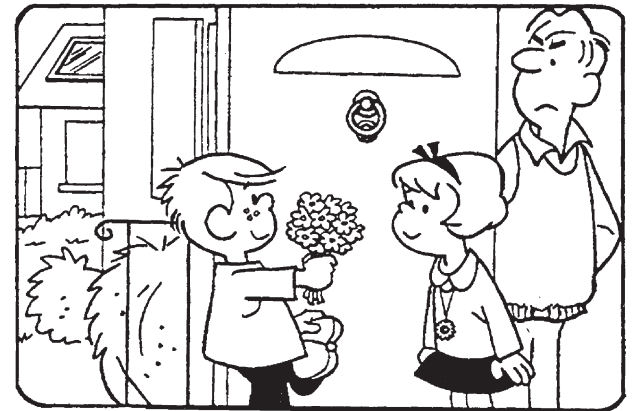
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**Answers to Sudoku**  
(Puzzle on next page)

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**Answers to Crossword**  
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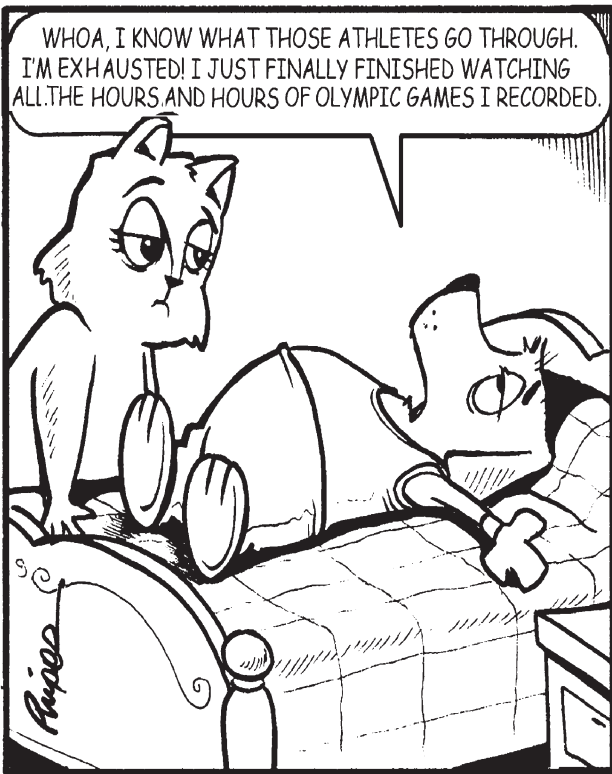
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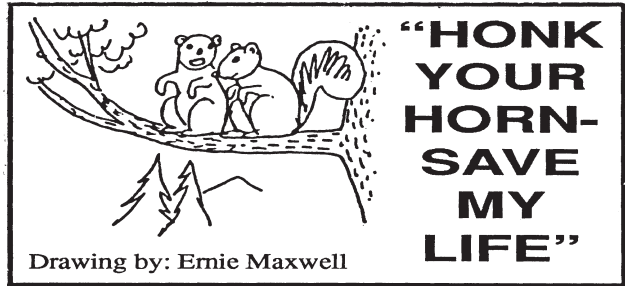
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- ACROSS**

1 Actress Gardner  
4 Vine-covered shelter  
9 Owls  
12 Perch  
13 Wilkes-, Pa.  
14 Everything  
15 Surgeons' devices  
17 Reason to say "alas"  
18 - constrictor  
19 Addicted  
21 Unisex garb  
24 Spheres  
25 - carte  
26 "Humbly"  
28 Giggly sound  
31 Columns' crossers
- 33 AAA job  
35 Play area  
36 Playful water critter  
38 Dowel  
40 Bankroll  
41 Warmth  
43 Chic  
45 Burn somewhat  
47 Joke  
48 Goof up  
49 "The Old Man and the Sea" author  
54 Pistol  
55 Implant  
56 Literary collection  
57 Praise in verse  
58 Rental contract
- DOWN**

1 Fire residue  
2 Compete  
3 \$ dispenser  
4 Soak up  
5 Knocking sound  
6 Lingerie item  
7 Lawn-care brand  
8 Vacation mecca  
9 Detectives  
10 Lotion additive  
11 Coaster  
16 Kimono sash  
20 Do what you're told  
21 Poi root  
22 Coin aperture
- 23 Author Nathaniel  
27 Jump  
29 Historic times  
30 Whirlpool  
32 Prognosticator  
34 Women's shoes  
37 Jennifer's "Friends" role  
39 Rio -  
42 Topic  
44 Ovum  
45 Lily variety  
46 Gunky stuff  
50 CEO's degree  
51 Humorous sort  
52 Whatever amount  
53 Thanksgiving vegetable



SUDOKU

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HOROSCOPE

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Your ideas earn you the respect of your colleagues. But you'll have to present some hard facts and figures if you hope to persuade those who make the big decisions to support you.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Keep those bright Bull's eyes focused on the project at hand. Avoid distractions. There'll be lots of time for fun and games later. Expect to get welcome news this weekend.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You soon might have to decide about moving a relationship from its current status to another level. Don't let anyone influence your decision. It must be yours and yours alone.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You finally can get off that emotional roller coaster and get back to focusing on your goals without interruptions through the rest of the week. A nice change is due by the weekend.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Trying to make an impression on some people runs into a bit of a snag at first, but it all works out. An old and almost forgotten personal matter once again needs attention.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) A rise in your energy level helps you finish an especially demanding task. Take some time now to spend with family and friends before starting a new project.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) This is a good

time to re-establish contact with trusted former associates who might be able to offer good advice regarding that career change you've been contemplating.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Your resourcefulness combined with a calm, cool approach help you work your way out of a knotty situation and avoid a potentially serious misunderstanding.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A calm, quiet period allows you to recharge your energies. But you'll soon be ready to saddle up and gallop off in pursuit of your goals.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Family matters need your attention. Check things out carefully. There still might be unresolved tensions that could hinder your efforts to repair damaged relationships.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) It's a good time to take a stand and show as much passion on your own behalf as you do when arguing for the rights of others. You might be happily surprised by the reaction.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You bring sense and sensitivity to a confusing situation. Things soon settle down, leaving you free to enjoy a weekend of fun and relaxation with friends and family.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a talent for being able to perceive possibilities where others see only problems..



# Public Notices

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**HECI120486**  
**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 880 N. State Street, Hemet, CA 92543.  
PETITION OF LINDA JAN MATTHEWS FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
1. Petitioner:LINDAJANMATTHEWSfiled a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:

a. Present name: LINDA JAN MATTHEWS changed to Proposed name: LINDEN MATTHEWS.

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
a. Date: 9-17-12 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. H-1.  
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.

Date: Aug. 6, 2012  
KATHLEEN JACOBS  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**RIC 1211422**  
**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92501.

PETITION OF SCOTT N. MARTIN SR. AND LUCYCELA MARTIN FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
1. Petitioner: SCOTT N. MARTIN SR. and LUCYCELA MARTIN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:  
a. Present name: WYATT CLINTON MARTIN changed to Proposed name: WYATT CLINTON DOC MARTIN.

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.

Date: July 30, 2012  
MAC R. FISHER  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following persons are doing business as THE LUMBER MILL BAR AND GRILL, 25985 Hwy 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County, Mailing address: P.O. Box 1931, Idyllwild, CA 92549, MICHELLE ELAINE SOLIS and LUIS --- SOLIS, 43175 Sereno Dr., Temecula, CA 92592.

This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on July 23, 2012.

Signed:  
MICHELLE E. SOLIS  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 6, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-08753  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 6, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 6, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT**

DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

**CERTIFICATION**  
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: N. Medina, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as SPECTRUM CAPITAL GROUP, SPECTRUM BUSINESS ADVISORS, 1945 Chicago Ave., #B-North, Riverside, CA 92507, Riverside County, SAUCEDO CAPITAL GROUP, 1945 Chicago Ave., #B-North, Riverside, CA 92507, a California corporation.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on June 27, 2002.

Signed:  
SARAH SAUCEDO  
CFO  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 6, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-08801  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 6, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 6, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: L. SIBLEY, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as RAM SALES, 873 W. 9th Street, San Jacinto, CA 92582, Riverside County. DANIEL MICHAEL MCGILL, 817 W. 9th Street, San Jacinto, CA 92582.

This business is conducted by an Individual.  
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:  
DANIEL M. MCGILL  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 7, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-08827  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 7, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 7, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: N. Medina, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as INN AT IDYLLWILD, INN OF IDYLLWILD, 54300 Village Center Rd., Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 515, Idyllwild, CA 92549. IDYLLWILD INN, INC., 54300 Village Center Rd., Idyllwild, CA 92549, a California corporation.

This business is conducted by a corporation.  
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:  
JOSHUA B. WHITE  
President  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 9, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-08963  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 9, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 9, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

**CERTIFICATION**  
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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk  
By: T. Vargas, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following persons are doing business as THE GRAND IDYLLWILD LODGE, 54820 Pinecrest Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 4216, Idyllwild, CA 92549. BRAD PATRICK RECHTFERTIG and JACQUELINE MARIE RECHTFERTIG, 54820 Pinecrest Road, P.O. Box 4216, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.  
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:  
BRAD PATRICK RECHTFERTIG  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 6, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-08752  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 6, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 6, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: N. Medina, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE, 54201 Ridgeview Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 2448, Idyllwild, CA 92549. SAN JACINTO MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY CENTER, P.O. Box 397, Idyllwild, CA 92549, a California corporation.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.  
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:  
DIANE CARDINALLI  
Treasurer  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 7, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
I-2012-02103  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 7, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 7, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

**CERTIFICATION**  
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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: A Chavez, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as QUALIFIED SPIRITS, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, Riverside County, LEVECKE CORPORATION, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, a California corporation, A27762.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.  
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:  
J. NEIL LEVECKE  
President  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 9, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
I-2012-02127

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 9, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 9, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

**CERTIFICATION**  
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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: A. Chavez, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 6, 13, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as MARTINEZ BRANDS, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, Riverside County, LEVECKE CORPORATION, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, a California corporation, A27762.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.  
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in March 2007.

Signed:  
J. NEIL LEVECKE  
President  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of

Riverside County on July 27, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
I-2012-02003  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JULY 27, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JULY 27, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

**CERTIFICATION**  
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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: D. Perez, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 6, 13, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as CALIMESA INN MOTEL, 1205 Calimesa Blvd., Calimesa CA 92520, Riverside County. Mailing address: 16272 Graceful Court, Riverside, CA 92504. VIBHAKERBHAI BHAILAL BHAI PATEL and VIMALABEN VIBHAKERBHAI PATEL, 16272 Graceful Court, Riverside, CA 92504.

This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above July 3, 1990.

Signed:  
VIBHAKERBHAI B. PATEL  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 16, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-09248

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**CERTIFICATION**  
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: N. Medina, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 6, 13, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as ALOHA CREEK, 54580 River Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riveside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1885, Idyllwild, CA 92549. JEFFREY BURWELL LEEP and CAROL ANN MARTIN, 54580 River Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:  
JEFFREY B. LEEP  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 10, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-08986

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 10, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 10, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: T. Vargas, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 6, 13, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as APPLE CANYON DESIGNS, APPLE CANYON DESIGN, ACD, 26060 Wallace Way, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1085, Idyllwild, CA 92549. MELISSA GRACE TOWNSEND, 26060 Wallace Way, Idyllwild, CA 92549, and JAMES PETER LAKEY, 58900 Apple Canyon Road, Mountain Center, CA 92561.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above July 17, 2012.

Signed:  
MELISSA TOWNSEND  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 3, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-08739  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 3, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 3, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk

By: T. Vargas, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 6, 13, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as REGURGITATION RECORDS, 25165 Cascade Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 918, Idyllwild, CA 92549. BRIAN THOMAS PARNELL, 25165 Cascade Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:  
BRIAN T. PARNELL  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 17, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
R-2012-09291

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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk  
By: T. Vargas, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 23, 30, Sept. 6, 13, 2012.**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following persons are doing business as MOUNTAIN VIEW AND COUNTRY FARMS, MOUNTAIN VIEW COMPANY AND COUNTRY FARMS, MOUNTAIN VIEW COMPANY, MOUNTAINVIEW INVESTMENTS, COUNTRY FARMS, COUNTRY FARMS COMPANY, 35939 Palomino Way, Palm Desert, CA 92211, Riverside County. Mailing address: 38180 Del Webb Blvd. #33, Palm Desert, CA 92211. JAMES HENRY FULCHER and SANDRA LYNN FULCHER, 35939 Palomino Way, Palm Desert, CA 92211.

This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:  
JAMES H. FULCHER  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 22, 2012.

**FILE NO.:**  
I-2012-02230  
**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 22, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 22, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).**

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk  
By: T. Jensen, Deputy  
**Pub. TC: Aug. 30, Sept. 6, 13, 20, 2012.**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described personal property will be held at the hour of 1:30 p.m. Sept. 19, 2012 at Perris Mini Storage, 369 East Third Street in the City of Perris, County of Riverside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, misc. tools and equipment.

This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of section 21700 et. seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California.

Manager/Rolando Corral  
RE: Notice of Public Sale  
Misc. Household Items and Furniture, Tools and Equip.

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Perris Mini Storage  
Rolando Corral - Manager  
American Auction Service  
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**Pub. TC: Aug. 30, Sept. 6, 2012.**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described personal property will be held at the hour of 2:30 p.m. Sept. 13, 2012 at Lockaway Storage, 1181 North State St., in the city of Hemet, County of Riverside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, misc. tools and equipment.

This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of section 21700 et. seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California.

Manager/Dustin Leonard  
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Lockaway Storage  
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Hemet, CA 92543  
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Name: MANUEL ROMERO  
Name: EDWARD WILLIAMS

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Lockaway Hemet  
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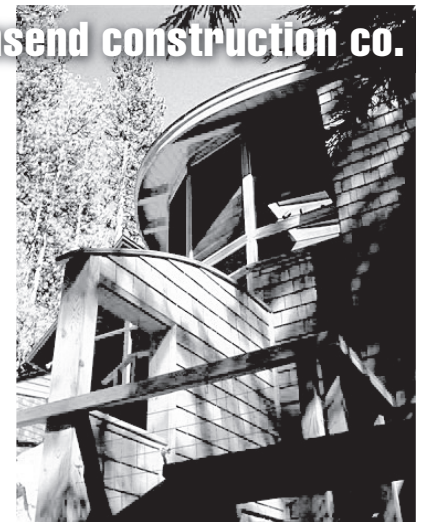
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## Fire & forest

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Locally, many of these issues have been addressed. The 2006 Esperanza Fire led to a Riverside County Fire Hazard Reduction Task Force that dealt with just about all of the policy issues named in the study. From my point of view county leaders are well aware of the fire risk and have taken appropriate steps to deal with it.

For those of us living in this high fire area, our most important tasks are to reduce the fuel around our homes and harden them against fire intrusion. I think we also need to accept that we will need to pay more for fire protection and prevention in the coming years.

## Public Notices

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as VILLAGE HAIR CREATIONS, 54391 Village Center Drive, Ste.#3, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. JOANNA MELISSA BANDELIN, 1035 Hisse Dr., San Jacinto, CA 92583, and VANESSA DAWN GARCIA, 1610 Cortina Dr., San Jacinto, CA 92583.

This business is conducted by Co-partners.

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:

JOANNA BANDELIN

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 27, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2012-09616

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 27, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 27, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

### CERTIFICATION

Thereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

LARRY W. WARD,  
 County Clerk

By: B. Villegas, Deputy

Pub. TC: Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2012.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described personal property will be held at the hour of 3 p.m. Sept. 18, 2012 at San Jacinto Self Storage, 1137 S. San Jacinto, in the city of San Jacinto, County of Riverside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, misc. tools, equipment and RV.

This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of section 21700 et. seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California.

Manager/Terry Farrington

RE: Notice of Public Sale

Misc. Household Items and Furniture.

San Jacinto Self Storage

1137 S. San Jacinto Ave.

San Jacinto, CA 92583

(951) 487-6112

Name: ANGELA BARBER

Name: GREG CHAPSON

Name: ANGELA CONTRERAS

Auction to be held on Sept. 18, 2012. At 3 p.m.

San Jacinto Self Storage

Terry Farrington - Manager

American Auction Service

Bond # FS8632014

Pub. TC: Sept. 6, 13, 2012.

### LIEN SALE

CIVIL CODE 3071 & 3072

On 9/19/2012 at 28720 Spruce Ave., Moreno Valley, CA, a Lien Sale will be held on a 2007 AZTEX, VIN: 4ZBSU21687F002414, CA LIC: 4GZ7136 at 10:30 a.m.

Pub. TC: Sept. 6, 2012.

## Trivia test

**Movies:** What movie was Steven Spielberg's first major directorial effort?

Answer: "The Sugarland Express" (1974)

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## CREATURE CORNER

By MIMI AND HOOTCH

They went from being lost and abandoned dogs to loved dogs. Paws up to our **Chip**, the teacup Chihuahua, one of the smallest from the Anza Rescue in April, and to **Elsie**, the deerhead Chihuahua whose owners simply walked away. Chip and Elsie walked proudly out the ARF door sporting new harnesses, their very own tags, brand-new beds and, best of all, their doting humans. We will miss you both.



That meant that **Charlie Brown**, Chip's father, and **Tawny**, Elsie's sister, had to say goodbye also. They could easily be adopted together, as they have become good buddies now. Charlie is about 3 or 4 years old, and most of the time not a peep can be heard from him. His favorite pastime is in your arms, and at meal time when he twirls and dances for his food.

Tawny is 9 months old and is a little more vocal than Charlie. She loves to snuggle in her bed with a chew bone, and walk backwards on her 2 hind legs at meal time. Together or alone, they are wondering when they will get their own harness and bed too.

Paws up to **Bailey** the yellow Lab for such good behavior at the Opt to Adopt event, because you are now home with your forever pack and a yard to play in too.



**Tammy** is a young min/pin mix, docked tail, and about 3 to 4 years old. She is good with other dogs, friendly, and good on the leash. Lost and forgotten, she made her way to the ARF angels to find a new, safe home.

On the "purr" side of things, **Lacy** our female tux found love at first sight. And **Gremlin**, the gray kitten will have a lifetime of fun with his

new family.

Still available are the adorable kittens **Bo Peep**, **Pearl**, and **Vincent**.



ARF has many cats and dogs available for adoption or fostering. Go to [www.arfidyllwild.weebly.com](http://www.arfidyllwild.weebly.com) and click on Petfinder. All pets are spayed, neutered, and current on shots. ARF is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays. Call (951) 659-1122 or email [info@idyllwildarf.org](mailto:info@idyllwildarf.org) for appointment on any other day.

*Creature corner is sponsored this week by Roxi du Dog, who has found her forever home. To sponsor the column, call Shane Fender at the Town Crier, 659-2145.*

## PAST TENSE

### 55 years ago - 1957

Pine Dell Estates was a new development in town, just below the village on National Forest Highway [aka Highway 243].

### 50 years ago - 1962

It had been 75 days since the last measurable moisture. High temperature for the week was a sizzling 96 degrees.

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With the new Sabin oral polio vaccine available, the County Medical Association was planning a massive immunization program called "Sabin on Sundays."

### 45 years ago - 1967

ISOMATA [Idyllwild Arts Academy] was the beneficiary of \$80,000 in donations during the year, Dr. Max Krone reported.

### 40 years ago - 1972

The Vista Fire was controlled after 3,440 acres of brush and timber had been blackened. It was the worst fire in this area since 1943.



*Published Sept. 7, 1962: A new concept in dining is promised by Robert Balzer and others who announced last weekend plans for a \$425,000 restaurant near Pine Cove.*

*To be known as Bob Balzer's Tirol Restaurant, the enterprise will be located on 10 acres adjacent to the Banning highway, three miles from Idyllwild.*

*Commanding a panoramic view of the Idyllwild-Strawberry Creek basin and surrounding peaks, the 160-seat restaurant will feature a diversified menu of continental food and wines.*

*This architectural rendering shows the plans for the restaurant.*

FILE PHOTO

### 30 years ago - 1982

Capparelli Realty won the men's softball championship for the season.

### 25 years ago - 1987

Local firefighting officials reported that the siege of lightning-sparked wildfires throughout California had taken its toll on the Idyllwild firefighting

force. The first 10 days of September also saw a total of 18 lightning-caused fires in the area.

### 15 years ago - 1997

A fierce storm hit Idyllwild with lightning, thunder and sheets of rain. An estimated 500 residents were out of electrical power anywhere from 30 minutes to six hours. No major weather-related injuries were reported. Idyllwild received a total of .43 inches of rain.

### 5 years ago - 2007

In the wake of the reactions to their resignations, Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce President Bill Triplett and 2nd Vice President Lou Bacher changed their minds and rescinded their resignations.

### 1 year ago - 2011

The Twin Fire near Twin Pines Road was contained within hours and only burned five acres. Combating the fire resulted in the closure of Highway 243 for several hours.

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### SADIE'S CLINIC VET DAY

Sept. 7 • 659-1122

**Disaster Preparedness Tip #1:**

When a disaster occurs, dozens of frightened and/or injured cats and dogs will run loose. ARF volunteers will do their best to reunite them with their owners. **IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT ID!** Yes, all pets should have collars and tags, but those can come off. Please help us keep you and your beloved animals together. **CHIP YOUR DOGS AND CATS NOW!** Available at the clinic.





The first Idyllwild Upright Bass Summit was held Sunday at Idyll Awhile. Performers included **Marshall Hawkins, Bill Saitta, Ron Van der Linden, Lenny Hansell, Harry Joe Reynolds, Sam Ostgaard, Bonnie Jean Scott** and Idyllwild Arts students **Forrest Webb** and **Owen Zorn**.

PHOTO COURTESY SHANNAH ZORN



**Kathy Harmon-Luber**, the Art Alliance's "Artist of the Year", catches up on reading the *Town Crier* with her friend **Rosalind Gordon** of Oban, Scotland, while they rode the ferry to Isle of Mull in Scotland. Kathy and her husband **Ken Luber** visited Rosalind in Oban for 4 days before driving north to the Scottish Highlands in August.

PHOTO BY KEN LUBER

Idyllwild locals **Steve** and **Jennie Espinosa** enjoy the *Town Crier* while standing in front of Italy's Leaning Tower of Pisa.

PHOTO BY DORA SEGOVIA

Far right, On break from guard duty, **Elaine Hoggan**, Pine Cove, peruses the *Town Crier* at San Felipe Castle, Cartagena, Columbia. The 17th Century castle was built to ward off pirates seeking the treasures, which the Spaniards appropriated.

COURTESY ELAINE HOGGAN



At top, **Peter Buhl** of Word of Mouth on North Circle expresses his thanks to the crowd gathered for the **Michael McMullen** benefit on Sunday afternoon. Above, **Zara McMullen** (center with teddy bear) sits among friends, family and neighbors at Word of Mouth Sunday afternoon during a benefit for her husband, **Michael**. The benefit was held to raise money for an Auto-Titrating BI-PAP machine, to address Michael's rare level of sleep apnea. A steady crowd streamed in, several restaurants provided food throughout the day and several bands, local and from off the Hill, showed up to perform and provide their support. A silent auction was also held at the event.

PHOTO BY BARBARA REESE



## MOUNTAIN DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

**Saturday, September 8th, 9:00-11:00 AM**

### Third Annual Idyllwild **SHAKE-OUT**

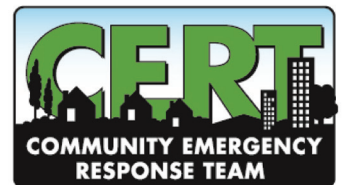
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It's 9:00 in the morning and you're listening to the radio as you're washing the breakfast dishes. Suddenly the radio blares out the **EMERGENCY WARNING** that a large earthquake has hit the Salton Sea area. Seconds later you feel a tremendous vibration up through your feet and then everything starts **SHAKING**, and **ROLLING**, and **ALL YOUR DISHES START FLYING OUT OF THE CUPBOARDS**.

You're thrown to the floor where things continue hitting you as they are thrown about. The noise is deafening and you realize you're screaming. Your baby is in his crib - you hope! - and he's screaming. Your other children are in school and you wonder if the school is safe. Your husband works off the Hill and you're absolutely terrified for him, your children, and yourself.

Suddenly the shaking stops and there's a minute of eerie silence.

You try to stand up and find your leg is twisted and may be broken.

#### WHAT DO YOU DO NOW?

**Come** to either:

**DAS-C** (St. Hugh's Episcopal Church at S. Circle & Taquitz Dr.  
or

**DAS-B** (Mountain Resource Center on Franklin Dr. off Hwy 143)  
at **9:00, Saturday, Sept 8th** to learn more.

If you're already **CERT** trained, we **REALLY** want to see you there!

For information call: **310.251.2926 (MDP Vice Pres)** or email: **MDPIdylwild@gmail.com**