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## Regional GSOB taskforce forms

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

A regional task force charged with stopping the spread of the Goldspotted oak borer across county lines and developing coordinated response plans is forming in Southern California.

The highly destructive pest has caused widespread damage to oaks in San Diego County and has recently been discovered in Idyllwild. The beetle, native to eastern Arizona, has no natural predators in California and has already killed 90,000 oaks in San Diego County.

The beetle has been positively identified in three trees in Idyllwild. Lead GSOB scientist, Dr. Tom

Coleman, U.S. Forest Service Forest Health entomologist, examined a suspected fourth tree on Tuesday, Feb. 5. It was found to have no GSOB infestation.

Former CAL FIRE Division Chief and current University of California, Riverside GSOB Program Coordinator Kevin Turner is coordinating formation of the nascent taskforce along with Coleman and Kim Camilli, CAL FIRE forest pest specialist. Turner said the regional group would operate under the auspices of the Southern California Committee of the California Forest Pest Council.

Turner said organizers are in the process of trying to identify potential key

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Tuesday morning, **Gina Moran-McGough**, with the Riverside County Office of Emergency Services, **Dr. Tom Scott**, with the University of California, Riverside, and Goldspotted Oak Borer Task Force volunteer and Idyllwild resident **Erin O'Neill** (right) examine an infected tree on Highway 243.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

## Roy refiles suit against Chamber

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

David Roy filed another complaint against the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce directors. This one was filed Wednesday, Jan. 23, the same day the court recorded approval of his request to drop the original suit without prejudice. The court record showed actual dismissal of the action on the 18th. Five days later, Roy filed a second complaint, slightly modified from the first — this time in a different department of Superior Court and before a different judge. Dismissal of a suit without prejudice means the court did not rule on the merits of the suit and allows the plaintiff to file again in the future.

The new lawsuit contains allegations against the Chamber directors similar to the August suit. Roy also seeks a similar recovery. He filed against the same named

Chamber defendants and filed in the same jurisdiction, the Superior Court of California, County of Riverside.

The original suit was a complaint for "Quantum Meruit and Fraud" — for money the Chamber purportedly owed Roy for work that he performed in applying a sealant to the "Harmony" monument in July 2012; and for fraud, alleging Chamber directors knowingly and purposefully "embezzled" money from the monument preservation account.

The newest suit is a complaint for "Declaratory Relief, Quantum Meruit and Fraud." Once again, Roy filed the suit in "Pro Per," representing himself, ostensibly without legal counsel.

The only major difference between the August and January court documents is an additional claim for relief, a declaratory judgment by the court of the rights of the parties, based on the

See [Roy](#), page 8

## Flu still spreading in the West and among elderly

BY J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Through January, the 2012-13 flu season has been worse than normal, particularly for people over 65 years old, but it has not reached epidemic levels.

People reporting influenza-like illnesses has continued to increase, both nationwide and in California. Riverside County officials reported on Friday, Feb. 1, the local indicators are above normal limits.

Nearly 14.2 percent of visits to Riverside County emergency departments were related to influenza-like illnesses in the week ending Jan. 26. In the

previous week, about 10 percent of the ER visits were for influenza-like illnesses.

While the percentage of visits to physicians with flu-like symptoms declined slightly week-to-week from 8.6 percent to 7.8 percent, the latter is still above historical data norms. In addition, the percentage of students absent due to illness climbed from 12.6 percent in the week ending Jan. 19 to 14.3 percent in the next week.

While overall indicators are still increasing, the rate of increase has slowed. Nevertheless, federal officials are still worried about this season's flu spread and effect.

"Far too few adults are being vaccinated against these important diseases," said Dr. Howard Koh, assistant secretary for health at the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

Just two weeks ago, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued a flu warning, targeted at seniors. "This flu season is taking the heaviest toll on people 65 or older." Seniors accounted for more than 50 percent of flu-related hospitalizations and 90 percent of the flu-related deaths. But 45 pediatric deaths have also been reported this flu season.

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NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Monday, Jan. 28 to Feb. 4, 2013:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

Jan. 29 — Medical aid, Marian View Drive, Idyllwild.

Jan. 29 — Medical aid, Highway 371, Anza.

Feb. 2 — Walk-in medical aid.

Feb. 3 — Medical aid, North Circle Drive, Idyllwild.

Feb. 3 — Medical aid, Glen Road, Idyllwild.

Feb. 4 — Medical aid,

Temecula Drive, Idyllwild.

Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

Log unavailable.

Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

Jan. 28 — Structure fire, 52700 block of Idyllmont Road, Idyllwild.

Riverside County Fire, Pinyon

Report unavailable.

CHP log

Log unavailable.

Sheriff's log

Log unavailable

Body found in Anza fire

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

A residence burned in Anza Monday morning, Feb. 4. While the fire was contained in less than 90 minutes, CAL FIRE investigators located a body within the structure. Identification of age, gender or other details was not

available.

The structure was a doublewide manufactured home located in the 58700 block of Yaw Road.

After the fire was reported about 7 a.m., six engines and more than 20 firefighters responded.

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Rain still not enough

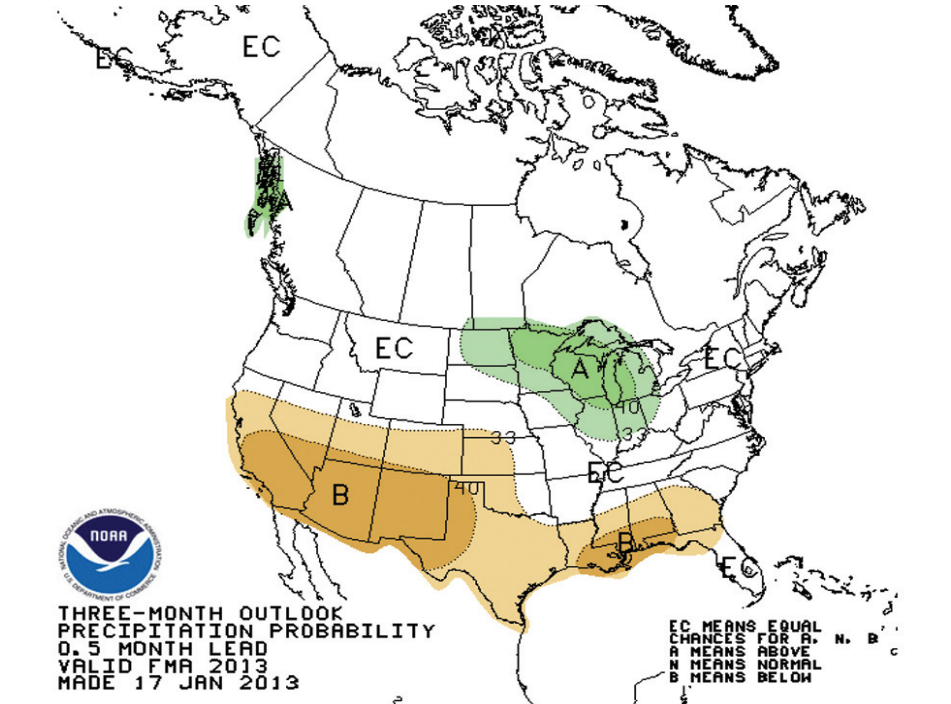
By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Although it seems as though this winter has been wet, in historic terms we are still in a drought and a dry rain year (July 1 through June 30). Rainfall totals through Monday, Feb. 4, are still significantly below the long-term average Hill precipitation, which is almost 14.2 inches through Feb. 1.

Keenwild Ranger Station has recorded only 8.9 inches and the Idyllwild Fire Station has recorded 9.1 inches through the end of January. Both are slightly less than two-thirds of the long-term average and about three inches less than the same period in 2012.

While January may have felt wet, especially when frozen pipes thawed, the rainfall was only 2.1 inches at Keenwild and Idyllwild reported 1.3 inch. Normally, January is the wettest month of the year and about a third of the rainfall from July through Jan. 31 occurs in those 31 days.

Since 2001, the 2005 and 2011 rain years are the only two where total rainfall has



The National Weather Service forecasts below-average rainfall for Southern California during the next three months. MAP COURTESY OF THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

exceeded that average. In the latter, the difference was less than four inches or less than 10 percent more than the average.

Last year's rainfall was 22 percent below average and just three years ago, the 2009 cumulative rain was 30 percent below average.

CAL FIRE's weather assessment for Southern California states, "The precipitation deficit is more pronounced across the inland regions where moist low-level southerly flow has been impeded by terrain."

While the first half of the

rain year has been disappointing, CAL FIRE weather forecasters said, "Often, some of the strongest wintertime storms of the season occur closer to the 'shoulder seasons' of November and December and March into April ... The long wave pattern which has been highly amplified across the West shows little inclination to change ... which would lead

to drier conditions toward the end of winter or early spring. Until then ... a persistent northwesterly flow aloft will keep Southern California slightly drier than usual. This trend toward drier weather will likely become more pronounced by March or April."

On Feb. 4, the National Weather Service continued See [Weather page, 24](#)

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**Idyllwild Weather**  
From the National Weather Service

Thursday 2/7	Friday 2/8	Saturday 2/9	Sunday 2/10	Monday 2/11
 <b>59/33</b> Chance of rain/snow	 <b>65/33</b> Snow showers.	 <b>66/34</b> Chance of snow.	 <b>65/37</b> Mostly sunny.	 <b>65/37</b> Sunny.

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year			
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S
1-28	40	24	.22	.5	na	na		
1-29	51	21			64	29		
1-30	59	23			na	na		
1-31	58	36			na	na		
2-1	na	na			58	30		
2-2	64	32	.08		na	na		
2-3	53	43			59	26		

Moisture in inches		Snow in inches	
To date this season (Idy):	9.13	To date this season (Idy):	9.6
To date last season (Idy):	11.73	To date last season (Idy):	7.1
Total last season (Idy):	20.01	Total last season (Idy):	42.1
To date this season (PC):	13.59	To date this season (PC):	20
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.



## OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

By BRUCE WATTS

### A day at the beach ...

Most of the baby boomer generation was in high school or college in the mid- to late 1960s. This was a time of great social upheaval and also the time when the young people of America tried to "get back to the land."

Everything from the past was suspect and catch phrases such as "never trust anybody over 30" and the Who's "I hope I die before I get old" became mantra for the hippie movement.

Believe it or not, this period was also the biggest boom in backpacking ever in this country.

So many hikers came to places such as Mt. Whitney that land managers realized they would have to take steps in order to protect the environment around the mountain. The permit lottery was one of the steps taken to curtail the onslaught of people who wanted to commune with nature.

When I was growing up in Hawaii and Huntington Beach, getting out in nature was all about going to the beach. It wasn't until I turned 21 that I realized that the millions of people on the Orange County beaches during a summer weekend diminished the sense of communing with nature.

By 1972, I had left Orange County for good and spent my time traveling and looking for a new place to call home. After a year on the road, I settled in Lake Arrowhead and moved to Idyllwild when my parents bought Burleys, a bar on the corner of Upper Pine Crest and Highway 243.

I have always felt that I came here to seek the shelter of the forest. Idyllwild was and is an island in the sea of Southern California's madness — the Californian model of never-ending growth fueling the economy.

Is it any wonder that our Northern California neighbors want to secede from the South?

Now that I am much, much older and hopefully a bit wiser, I realize that I and my fellow tree huggers need to pay something back to the forest. Sometimes the forest needs our help.

The bark beetle plague killed thousands of pine trees but the forest survived and actually probably ended up healthier due to thinning out the weaker trees. The new plague that has arrived on the mountain may not be so merciful to the oak trees on the Hill.



## Garden Club joins battle against GSOB

The Idyllwild Garden Club is joining with other forces on and off the Hill to take a proactive part in battling the Goldspotted oak borer infestation.

Club President Toni Berthelotte says that many of the club members will be manning phones and placing call backs to answer questions and give valuable information to callers. The Garden Club has also placed information and web-links on its website ([www.idyllwildgardenclub.net](http://www.idyllwildgardenclub.net)).

Members will reach out

beyond the local community via their personal email and social network lists to spread the word and ask others to avoid bringing oak firewood to our mountains.

The Garden Club's board of directors has other plans in the works to expand this call to arms, says Berthelotte. Phone questions may be called in from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. to (951) 659-3850. (If you get voice-mail, leave a name and number and someone will call you back as quickly as possible.)

The Goldspotted oak borer invasion is not something we can bury our heads in the sand about and hope for the best. But we can stay informed and keep ourselves aware of the situation. This is a real threat to all the oaks in our forest.

My generation has pretty much started and led the fight to protect the environment. The younger generations seem to be a bit too preoccupied with their smart phones to care much about environmental issues. So it really is up to us.

So what can you do to help? First, be aware of the signs of an GSOB infested tree. Unfortunately, in the winter months that may only be the small D-shaped exit holes in the bark. When spring comes it will be much more apparent which trees are infected, but once they show signs of stress it is usually too late.

The more eyes we have on the situation the better chance we have of stopping the GSOB before it spreads.

*Editor's note: If you wish to volunteer, read Mike Esnard's column on page 6 and the Idyllwild Garden Club notice above. For in-depth information on the GSOB, go to <http://gsob.org> or [http://cizr.ucr.edu/goldspotted\\_oak\\_borer.html](http://cizr.ucr.edu/goldspotted_oak_borer.html).*



**Dr. Tom Scott** (center) explains to Goldspotted Oak Borer Task Force volunteers and the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council Woodies what GSOB does and does not look like.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

## GSOB

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participants in all California counties from Ventura County south to the Mexican border.

"This group would be a GSOB information clearing house and a place to develop, coordinate and share GSOB response strategies," Turner said. "It will give us a collective voice from Southern California to make us more effective when seeking support [financial and legislative] from state and federal levels of government for GSOB-related efforts."

Turner indicated the task force would provide a place for counties, municipalities, utility companies, Caltrans and the state and national forests to share information and develop response plans. The task force could also promote legislative action to stop Goldspotted oak borer spread by restricting firewood transportation.

Firewood has been identified as the medium of transportation for the beetle's spread.

Turner sent an email to a wide variety of public agencies and officials asking them to help identify stakeholders to attend a GSOB taskforce kickoff meeting. "The kickoff meeting will be scheduled once we have received your feedback about your county's appropriate participants," Turner announced. "We anticipate the meeting to be held in March or April."

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, Turner and UCR's Tom Scott were in Idyllwild providing field-identification training for Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council Woodies and CALFIRE personnel. CALFIRE Mountain Battalion Chief Gregg Bratcher said the effort is designed to have more trained spotters on the ground. Anyone who thinks an oak is infested should call (951) 659-3850. Turner's email address is [kevin@ucr.edu](mailto:kevin@ucr.edu).

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# Kayanna Warren, new San Jacinto forester

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Welcome Kayanna Warren to the Hill. She is the new forester for the San Jacinto Ranger District.

Warren is a 2013 graduate of Yale University's School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. She has been an ecology and biology geek since grade school, she said proudly.

"We [she and her parents] lived 25 miles from Portland [Ore.]. I played in the woods for hours," she said describing childhood. "I lived among the Douglas fir and cedars."

While young she was aware of the forested areas being converted to housing and the distant Portland suburbs relentlessly expanding and creeping closer. "It's probably how I got interested in ecology as a 6-year-old. I asked if any of this will be left," she said.

Now she brings her skill, analytic tools and natural desire to Southern California. It's almost a homecoming. Although she grew up in Oregon, her parents were from Los Angeles and Warren has some family in the region.

She earned her bachelor's degree at the University of Washington, which is in Seattle. And she spent several years in the world of international environmental studies before attending Yale. Her natural science bent, combined with her international inclinations, led her to learning Chinese (she also knows some Spanish and Japanese),



**Kayanna Warren, forester,**  
San Jacinto Ranger District.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

which results in her brief tenure in environmental diplomacy.

She worked at the World Resources Institute, an environmental think tank, where she studied and did research on climate and energy issues. This opened doors to an 18-month stint at the State Department's Office of Global Change.

Warren and the former District Forester Hal Carey, have a unique complementary career path. He left the Hill to work on international forestry projects. She comes to the Hill from the international world and seeks to apply those ideas on the ground — back home in the West. In her brief time in the district, Warren has been working in the field preparing for fuel maintenance and pile burns.

"We have an interesting and varied ecology here," she observed. "Different pests competing with human use. It's a diverse habitat, I love it — applied ecology!" She



Girl Scout cookies season is here and members of the Idyllwild Troop 561 were selling boxes this weekend near "Harmony", the town's tree monument. Among the entrepreneurial troop members were (from left) **Sidney Cruz, Maggie McKimson, Abby See, and Mei Xing Hunt-Babcock**. They will have the traditional treats for sale through March 10.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE



The Mountain Community Patrol had its 2013 installation dinner on Jan. 14. During the evening, Riverside County Sheriff's **Capt. Scot Collins and Deputy Walter Kurtz** attended to participate in the installation of MCP's 2013 Board of officers: (from left) **John Edmiston**, president; **George Hall**, 1st vice president; **Dan Maring**, 2nd vice president; **Judi Milin**, secretary; **Carolyn Hall** and **Mel Goldfarb**, members at large and **Bob Edwards**, treasurer.

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describes her forestry work on the district as a "big puzzle — 3D puzzle," with an end goal of maintaining and ensuring a healthy forest.

She emphasized she solves puzzles by thinking broadly, thinking at the landscape level, and observing how the parts fit together. And the new puzzle piece, which she will confront later this year, is the Goldspotted oak borer.

She is hoping that residents who have taken the training to spot and identify the GSOB's presence will help create a map of its location and path. Then the public land managers may employ monitoring traps to continue to watch the pest's habitat.

"We're in the triage stage now," Warren said.

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## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



**Mrs. Longbrook**, first-grade teacher at Idyllwild School, chose **Seth White** and **Natalie Grove** as students of the week for the week of Feb. 4, because they are both "excellent students with outstanding attitudes and are always kind to others."



**Sarah Wales**, resource specialist K-5 at Idyllwild School, chose **Chloe Lovett** (left) and **Joey Neu** as students of the week for Jan. 21. Wales chose Chloe for demonstrating a tireless work ethic: diligently working to improve her reading skills, refusing to be distracted by anything, and never complaining about the work being too difficult. She chose Joey for showing great enthusiasm for learning and having a strong desire to do well in school. She said he "approaches challenging math assignments with determination, refusing to be discouraged."

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 10.

### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 6

• 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, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.

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

• Garner Valley Women's Club, 10:30 a.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devil's Ladder Rd.

• 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.

• AWANA for ages 3 to fifth-graders, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest Ave.

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

### THURSDAY, FEB. 7

• 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.

• 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.

• English as second language, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Idyllwild School Library, 26700 Hwy. 243

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

### FRIDAY, FEB. 8

• Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Jenny Stepien at (760) 445-6325 or e-mail jennyleeslater@yahoo.com for information and location.

• Feeding America, 3 p.m., Chapel in the Pines, Mountain Center, distribution at the former Morning Sky School, on Hwy. 243.

• 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.

• 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, FEB. 9

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

• Raw Food Potluck, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Nature's Wisdom.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 10

• 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, FEB. 11

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

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

• Idyllwild Community Meditation, meditation from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Drive. Instruction and consultation available at 6:30 p.m.. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 659-5750 for information.

### TUESDAY, FEB. 12

• 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.

• 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.

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

• Hemet Unified School District board meeting, 6:30 p.m. HUSD offices, 1791 W. Acacia Ave., Hemet

• 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, FEB. 13

• 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, 54241 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).

• Mountain Area Safety Taskforce (MAST), 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243.

• 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.

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At its Jan 30 meeting, Idyllwild Rotary Club President **Steve Espinosa** (right) of the Idyllwild Rotary congratulates **Chuck Weis**, Rotarian of the Month of January for his work with the Rotary International Fund. PHOTO BY RICK FOSTER

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.

• "This is This conversation" 6 p.m., Oma's European Bakery & Restaurant 54241 Ridgeview Dr.

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

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

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

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## COUNTY CORNER

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
 EDITOR

### Bark Beetle

Last month, the County of San Bernardino decided it no longer needed to declare a bark beetle emergency. Both Riverside and San Bernardino counties have been passing emergency bark beetle proclamations for more than a decade.

Riverside County Fire Chief John Hawkins said this county has no current plans to cease approving its emergency declarations.

"We are cautiously waiting to see what happens with the [Goldspotted oak borer]," Hawkins said. Also, the San Bernardino Mountains are in a slightly different climate zone and receive more moisture than the San Jacinto range, he added.

County officials may reassess the bark beetle situation in the spring after a more definitive assessment of whether GSOB has established itself on the Hill has been made.

### Solid Waste

The Riverside County Board of Supervisors is already searching for ways to reduce county costs and to raise more revenue for fiscal year 2013-14. Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone is pessimistic that property values and concomitant property tax revenue will show much, if any, growth for the next fiscal year.

One of the options, which the board will review at a Feb. 26 workshop, will be whether to divest itself of county landfills and use the revenue for other investments, or whether to offer neighboring counties the opportunity to export their waste to these landfills in order to raise Riverside County's revenue.

The county operates six active and 32 closed landfills and six transfer stations. According to a recent study, the Badlands and Lamb Canyon landfills are the most valuable assets.

While the entire system might have a small cumulative value, these two sites are worth between \$80 and \$120 million, perhaps more depending on the assumption of increased tonnage.

As an alternative, the county will submit a bid to import solid waste from Los Angeles County to Riverside County locations. Depending upon the cost per ton, Hans Kernkamp, general manager and chief engineer for the county's Waste Management Department, estimates the county could generate \$10 to \$20 million annually for its general fund.

### Code Enforcement

Concerned about budget reductions levied on the county's Code Enforcement Office, Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone has provided \$80,000 from his Community Improvement Development funds to restore some code enforcement staff.

"Supervisor [John] Tavaglione and I recognized that code enforcement is an integral part of public safety," Stone told his colleagues. "We want to make Code Enforcement a first-class department to deliver the goods to cleanup the com-

munity and make it safe."

The Supervisor then challenged his colleagues (Tavaglione was absent) to also use their CID funds to maintain code enforcement. While they supported Stone, none was able to match his effort.

New First District Supervisor Kevin Jeffries supported Stone's idea, but said his CID funds had all been spent before his arrival. Board Chair and 4th District Supervisor John Benoit's CID funds have been used, too. But he agreed with Stone that the county executive should look at options to restore some Code Enforcement staffing during the next budget period.

### Housing ordinance

President Barack Obama proclaimed January as "National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month." During 2012, Idyllwild Soroptimists brought attention to the issue of human trafficking.

Last week, Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone requested county counsel draft an ordinance to regulate the hospitality industry (the hotel, motel and inn businesses) in an effort to reduce human trafficking and prostitution in the Hemet and San Jacinto areas and other unincorporated areas of the county.

His proposal would prohibit renting rooms on an hourly basis, limit the rental of rooms to once per night and prohibit knowingly renting rooms to prostitutes or their clients.

"It's irresponsible of motel and hotel owners to knowingly abet human trafficking, which is growing," he told his colleagues. According to Stone, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has identified two hot spots for this crime — San Bernardino and along Florida Avenue in Hemet.

In response to a question, County Counsel Pamela Walls said Riverside City already has a similar law. The proposed ordinance will come to the board of supervisors in the spring, according to Walls.

### Cottage Food Industry

On Tuesday, Jan. 28, the board of supervisors held a public hearing on proposed Ordinance 916, which regulates cottage food operators. Following the hearing the ordinance was adopted.

The ordinance is based on a recent state law that authorizes two types of food operations — Class A and Class B. Both types must register with Riverside County.

Class A operations may engage only in direct sales of cottage food products from the cottage food operation, or from direct sales venues within their county. In other words, the consumer purchases the food product directly from the operator. Locations are generally temporary, such as holiday bazaars or certified farmers' markets or special events.

Class B cottage food operations may sell directly to the consumer or indirectly through a third-party retail food facility such as a restaurant or market. These operations are also subject to different inspection requirements.

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## Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



## Free tickets to Indio Date Fair

Starting this week, the first 25 people to purchase a 2013 calendar at the Town Crier office will receive a pair of tickets, worth \$16, to the 67th Annual Riverside County Fair and National Date Festival in Indio running from Friday, Feb. 15 through Sunday, Feb. 24.



At the Rotary's Jan 30 meeting, **Rick Foster** (right) of the Idyllwild Rotary thanks **Karen Metz**, manager of Summer alumni giving, for her discussion of Jazz Festival sponsorships.

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## BEFORE OUR TIME

By ROBERT B. SMITH

### Photographers record history ...

Fortunately for present and future Idyllwild residents, much of the Hill's history is preserved in photographs.

We've seen more than our share of outstanding photographers through the years, but the most familiar name is Gray. Father and son, Ernest Benjamin ("E.B.") Gray and Robert ("Bob") Gray left a legacy expressed largely in their picture postcards produced between 1904 and the 1980s.

Settling in Pasadena in 1899, 25-year-old E.B., with his wife Marguerite and the first of their four children, saw his photographic career blossom — his work earned a blue ribbon at the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair.

At that point, he worked for three summers (1904-1906) as photographer for the Idyllwild Inn. His postcards from that early time can be identified by his signature in the lower-left corner.

The family then began spending summers at the Mt. Wilson Hotel, where Marguerite ran the lunch counter and maintained cottages. E.B. worked for the Mt. Wilson Observatory and photographed hotel guests. When the family returned to Pasadena after a wartime stint in San Diego, they operated their "Little Gray Inn," a lunch counter at the bottom of the Sturtevant Trail out of Sierra Madre.

An interesting sidelight: During 1916-18, E.B.'s brother, Edward Harold ("E.H.") Gray lived in Idyllwild, and his postcards still circulate among collectors. Ever drawn to Idyllwild, E.B. and Marguerite in 1930 settled permanently here.

They bought Avery Field's studio on Ridgecrest (where the Suburban Propane office is now located), opened a photo and souvenir shop, and began pumping out postcards with Idyllwild-area scenes.

Less familiar is the Gray family's athletic prowess. E.B.'s enthusiasm was gymnastics. The family had wintered in Miami for years, where son Bob was born in 1913. In both Florida and Southern California, he directed gymnastics programs. For five years, he and his daughter, Edith, toured their own costume gymnastic show. During these years, E.B. added underwater photography and "wing-walking" photos from flying airplanes to his repertoire.

Two of Gray's children became champion mountain runners. Daughter Edith and son



Bob both set long-standing records in the Sierra Madre-to-Mt. Wilson trail race. (It was his practice to run the three miles between home and school daily.)

At age 17, in 1931, Bob also broke the all-time record for an 11-mile run from Idyllwild to San Jacinto Peak via Round Valley by 39 minutes — his time was 2 hours, 11 minutes — despite contending with several inches of fresh late-August snow near the peak.

In 1934, Bob Gray married Virginia, a college acquaintance, and the newlyweds settled in Idyllwild. Bob joined his father in the "E.B. Gray and Son" enterprise.

E.B. died in 1940, but his postcards continued to be in use through the 1950s. In 1939, Bob and Virginia built their own shop, Gray's Photo and Gifts, next door to what would become the Red Kettle. This Gray's would stand as a landmark at the gateway to downtown Idyllwild for the next 57 years.

While Bob traveled worldwide in the military during World War II, Virginia ran the business. (You can find her mark ("V. G.") as author of their postwar color-card captions.) Like thousands of people who attended summer camp in Idyllwild during the 1940s and 1950s, I recall fondly the panoramic photos Bob customarily made of entire camp populations.

By the 1980s, business at Gray's Photo began to tail off, and in their later years the Grays commuted daily from Hemet. In 1996, they sold the shop building and retired permanently to their Hemet home. With Bob's death two years later, the long dynasty finally ended.

*Bob Smith is a researcher and archivist with the Idyllwild Area Historical Society.*

*He welcomes comments, questions, corrections, and suggested topics for this column at [rbsmith9@greencafe.com](mailto:rbsmith9@greencafe.com).*

## Have questions for local experts?

The Town Crier staff is working on the 2013 Homes and Land Improvement edition, which comes out on March 7. Like last year, we're asking readers to send in their questions for local service providers.

The best questions will be answered in an informative "Ask the Experts" feature. Questions can range from landscaping to roofing, chimney cleaning to plumbing. One example:

"With the extreme highs and lows in temperature on the Hill, my cement driveway cracks more and more every year. I'm ready to replace the cement, but want to know if you recommend an alternative material that is less susceptible to the extremes?"

Please send your questions to [towncrier@towncrier.com](mailto:towncrier@towncrier.com), or stop by the office to drop off your questions.

## FIRE AND FOREST

By MIKE ESNARD, MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES FIRE SAFE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

### The threat to our oaks ...

There is a current and real threat to most of the oaks in our community — the GSOB or the Goldspotted oak borer.

This beetle has killed tens of thousands of oaks in San Diego County, and has now been positively identified in Idyllwild. So far it has been found in three trees around the center of town and possibly a fourth.

Whether or not we can contain it will depend on how well we as a community, residents and agencies together, act to identify and remove infested trees.

The GSOB is not native to California, so it presents all the problems of an invasive pest — no natural predators, and limited host immunity.

It is native to southeast Arizona and points further south, and was mostly likely brought to San Diego in the 1990s in the form of firewood, which is almost certainly how it traveled here.

The mature beetle lays eggs on the bark surface and in crevices. After the eggs hatch into larval form, the larvae bore into the tree and grow underneath the bark, feeding on the tree and damaging its water and nutrient systems.

When the bug matures into a beetle, it exits the tree to find another host, leaving a small D-shaped exit hole when it emerges. Red staining is clearly evident under the bark, and sometimes on the external bark.

Unfortunately, we have no treatment as yet for an infected tree. Dr. Tom Coleman of the U.S. Forest Service, the foremost authority, is now conducting research on the effects of various insecticides, but the research is only in its middle stages and he



cannot recommend any chemical to kill the beetle when it is identified in a live tree.

Like many public health threats, we must focus on prevention. No one should buy any oak that they are not certain is free of the GSOB. This means no oak from off the Hill, and no local oak unless someone knowledgeable assures you it is free of the beetle.

Burning infected wood will kill it, of course, but letting it lay outside in the warm months will allow it to mature and spread to oaks around your house.

The other public health action we must take is surveillance. There are certainly other infested oaks around town, and the sooner we can find them the sooner the tree can be removed, thus limiting the spread.

Everyone with oaks, especially black oaks, should pay close attention to their trees as spring approaches. The beetle likes large oaks, and will bore into the lower trunk, so anyone can check for staining or the D-shaped holes by looking at the lower part of the tree.

Our website, [mcfsc.org](http://mcfsc.org), is loaded with lots of useful links for more information, or go to [gsob.org](http://gsob.org) or the Riverside County Fire website. Groups are working on this problem and more information should become available as they progress in their work.

Losing our oaks would drastically change the esthetics of the area. Many large black oaks are trees of great beauty and they are the most susceptible to the beetle. (It will also attack Canyon and Coast Live Oak.)

Please check your trees, especially as it warms, and if you suspect any are infected call the Nature Center at (951) 659-3850 to discuss your tree. Whatever you do, be extremely cautious about buying oak firewood, and avoid anything from off the Hill.

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# Animal behaviorist talks energy healing for ARF

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Dr. Susan Foster is trained in clinical psychology, but her interest in species' behaviors and actions began with animals. "I started working with animals in nature, in marine biology," she said. In studying whales and dolphins in the Sea of Cortez, Foster noticed the vibrational energy generated by these species, and it is this use of energy that suffuses her work.

"I consider myself a spiritual counselor and a teacher, using energy to heal," said Foster. "It's often not what we say but the vibrational energy and intention that

heals." Foster said she uses hands-on to connect with an animal's source energy.

She is trained in energy work disciplines including Reiki, Deeksha and Shakti. She discovered through her work that animals, like humans, also enjoy and benefit from healing touch and healing sounds such as tuning forks and vocal sounds.

"Animals come to us with openness and trust," she noted. In working with them, she said it is important to get to a neutral place oneself. "Make sure you're clear, dropping your own nervousness or issues." She explained that unlike us, animals are not troubled by repetitive thoughts and

that they exist in a generally calmer state. "In a way, that's their peaceful blessing."

Foster advised that when we approach them to heal or calm them, we should also be in a non-troubled state, leaving our own emotional baggage behind, since they do take on our emotional behaviors and illnesses.

"Animals are sentient and sensitive beings," said Foster. She explained that she works with PTSD-affected military and their dogs. "The dogs [that pick up on the energy and issues of their humans] do everything the wounded warrior would do. They scan the room, they face the door, and they do everything the soldier would do to stay

vigilant."

Foster used the wounded warrior example to show the levels of intuition and sensitivity animals possess, especially with regard to their human companions. "How can we help these beings that have given us so much?" Foster asks. "By being sensitive to their communication and then modeling their own loving behaviors. It's all about intention. It is the intention that makes the deed holy."

Foster will have a dog at her presentation to demonstrate how energy healing can be effectively used. She asks though that attendees not bring additional dogs to the presentation. Foster,

who is local, is available for private consultation.

Foster's presentation is at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 17 at Mountain Pawlytechnic Canine Education School at 23400 Highway 243, Pine Cove, across from the Pine Cove Market. There is no charge for admission.

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Dr. Susan Foster, who uses energy work with animals.  
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## Roy

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facts presented. The suit will also be heard by a different judge. The Honorable Judge Albert J. Wojcik is scheduled to preside, beginning with a case management conference on Thursday, Aug. 8, 2013, at the Southwest Justice Center in Murrieta.

Roy's August 2012 suit was assigned to Commissioner Kathleen Jacobs in Superior Court in Hemet.

As in the previous complaint, Roy's pleadings explicitly acknowledge there was no contract between him and

the Chamber. Nevertheless, he claims he should be paid for the value of his work, \$1,500.

The complaint again alleges Chamber directors "embezzled the majority of the Chamber's Monument Preservation Fund, absconded with it, misappropriated the money, and engaged in a cover-up in the face of donor inquiries as to the use of the donations held in trust by the Chamber and its board members."

Chamber President Chris Titus stated last year she notified both Roy and his legal advisor, attorney and former Chamber President Ken Carl-

son, that Chamber books were open for their inspection and that those records would account for all checks written from the Monument Preservation Fund from the time Carlson was president until the present. Neither Roy nor Carlson came to inspect the Chamber books. Instead Roy filed the August 2012 action.


This latest suit by Roy seeks actual damages of \$1,500 from each defendant, punitive damages against each defendant, declaratory relief from the judge and court costs incurred by Roy.

The practical effect of Roy's latest action is to force Chamber directors to re-


spond, once again entailing personal costs for filing fees and potential attorney costs should directors choose to retain counsel. In the dismissal of the August suit, the court rescinded any fees or costs against Roy. But all fees and attorney costs incurred by Chamber directors remained, having already been paid.


Chamber directors met on Wednesday, Feb. 6, to discuss their course of action with regard to this latest action by Roy. Information regarding their plan was not available at press time.

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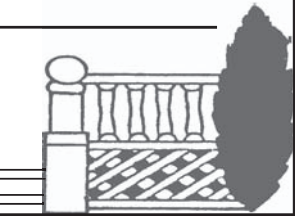


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# Town Hall preschool closes

Possible reevaluation later in the year

By TERESA GARCIA-LANDE  
SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT  
AND MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

The yard behind Town Hall where preschool children could be heard playing several times a week may be a little quieter, at least for awhile. Preschool classes have been canceled for this session. Parents of children who had attended the previous session were told the

cancellation had been due to lack of interest.

County Service Area Operations Manager Bill Brown confirmed that only one child had been registered and that was the reason for the cancellation. He said the matter could be revisited in the future if registration merited. Town Hall's preschool accepted children as young as three until they went to kindergarten.

One parent said the pre-

school allowed children an exposure to different people and their styles of learning, teaching and interaction. She hopes that future interest in the preschool will allow it to return.

Students learned games and crafts that they may not have been exposed to otherwise. At Christmas time, the children made Christmas tree ornaments with their faces on them. This and many other crafts, often

coordinated with the letter of the day or week, were a feature of the preschool.

The convenient Town Hall location also made possible small walking field trips for trick-or-treating or to the library.

The preschool at Idyllwild Elementary remains open and active; however, there is a waiting list and no children have dropped out at this time. Registration for next fall will commence in April.

## Bald eagle count continues Feb. 9: Volunteers needed

The Forest Service needs volunteers to help count bald eagles for the annual winter bald eagle counts in and near the San Bernardino and San Jacinto Mountains on Saturdays, Feb. 9 and March 9.

This is the 35th season of bald eagle counts and the first two days, in December and January, successfully spotted local eagles. A total of twelve eagles were observed during the count in January, including at Lake Hemet. Many of the 183 volunteer eagle counters saw an eagle during the census.

Migrating eagles typically begin arriving in the area in late November and leave in late March or early April. During the winter, Southern California bald eagles are typically found at many of the lakes, including Big Bear Lake, Baldwin Lake, Silverwood Lake, Lake Arrowhead, Green Valley Lake, Grass Valley

Lake in the San Bernardino Mountains and Prado Dam, Lake Perris, Lake Hemet, Lake Skinner, Diamond Valley Lake, Lake Matthews, and the Salton Sea to the south.

Concurrent bald eagle counts are held at Big Bear Lake, Lake Arrowhead, Lake Silverwood, Lake Perris, and Lake Hemet. Volunteers are stationed at vantage points around the lakes, where they watch for bald eagles during a 1-hour period on the count mornings. Volunteers record their observations on maps and data sheets. A brief orientation is conducted prior to the count so volunteers know where to go and what to do.

Through radio-tracking bald eagles, biologists learned that some of the same individual eagles return to the San Bernardino Mountains year after year.

"Through this method,



**Jack**, the one-year-old bald eagle that hatched at Big Bear Lake in 2012.

PHOTO BY ROBIN ELIASON,  
SAN BERNARDINO NATIONAL FOREST

the agencies and land managers have learned a lot about which areas are important to eagles and how the populations are doing. But we can't do it without a lot of volunteers — we need their eyes to help us look," said Forest Service biologist Robin Eliason.

No experience needed. Signing up ahead of time is unnecessary — just show up at the designated time and location, dress warmly, bring binoculars and a watch.

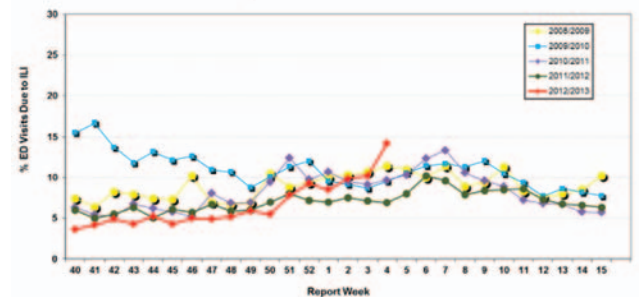
Volunteers planning on going to the Lake Hemet count should meet at the Lake Hemet Market at 8:30 a.m. for orientation. Con-

tact Anne Poopatanapong (apoopatanapong@fs.fed.us or (909) 382-2935) for more information.

Breeding populations of bald eagles in Southern California were extirpated by the late 1950s. Until reintroduction efforts began in the 1980s on Catalina Island, the southernmost nest site known in California was in Lake County.

Since 2003, several pairs of bald eagles have made the Southern California mountains permanent homes. Nesting bald eagles can now be found at Lake Hemet, Lake Skinner, Lake Matthews and Big Bear Lake.

Percent of Emergency Department (ED) Visits due to Influenza-Like Illness (ILI), Riverside County: 2012/2013 Influenza Season



Emergency room visits from patients with influenza-like illnesses jumped last week,

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## Flu

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The hospitalization rate for people older than 65 was nearly 115 per 100,000, which is about five times the rate for younger cohorts, except for children

under 4 years, whose hospitalization climbed to 36 per 100,000 population.

Nationally, the flu activity is beginning to decline in the East, but still increasing in the West, including California, which continues to report high levels of influenza-like illnesses.

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Bus Passes available at Idyllwild School office.

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

**Forest Folk Pot Luck & Movie Night**  
"Second Hand Lions"  
Thursday, Feb. 7, at 5:30 p.m.

**Valentine's Day Dance**  
Tickets are \$5 in advance — \$10 at the door.  
Includes a candlelit dinner and dancing upstairs for adults and games, dinner, and crafts downstairs for kids.

**February Adult Field Trip**  
Balboa Park, leave from Town Hall  
Wednesday, Feb. 20, 8 a.m.-6p.m.

**CLASSES FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN:**  
**\$10 per class. Space still available.**

**MONDAY:** 10 a.m.-noon Free Cribbage  
**TUESDAY:** 10 a.m.-noon Free Senior Wii  
3:30-4:30 p.m.  
Adult Capoeira  
**WEDNESDAY:** 9-10 a.m. Adult Yoga with Trine  
**THURSDAY:** 3:30-4:30 p.m. Kids Capoeira  
**FRIDAY:** 2:30-4:30 p.m.  
**Krafty Kids Art Class**  
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5-6 p.m. Adult Yoga with Trine

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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, Feb. 6

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m. Town Hall.

Marshall Hawkins & Paul Carman, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

"Mama," 7 p.m., Rustic Theatre.

### Thursday, Feb. 7

Kids Capoeira, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.

Forest Folk Movie Night & Potluck Featuring "Second Hand Lions," 5:30 p.m. Town Hall.

"Mama," 7 p.m., Rustic Theatre.

### Friday, Feb. 8

Krafty Kids Art Class with Wendy Watts, 2:30-3:30 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 & Lenny Hansell, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

"Django Unchained," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Music Senior Recital, 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

### Saturday, Feb. 9

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

"Django Unchained," 2 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

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

Jac Jacaruso, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

Karaoke with Scott Foster, 8-11 p.m. Jo'An's.

### Sunday, Feb. 10

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.

"Django Unchained," 2 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

### Monday, Feb. 11

Free Cribbage, 10 a.m.-noon Town Hall.

Open Mic Night with Scott Foster, 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's.

"Django Unchained," 7 p.m., Rustic Theatre.

### Tuesday, Feb. 12

Valentine Wine & Chocolate Pairings, 6:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon; Adult Capoeira, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.

"Django Unchained," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

### Wednesday, Feb. 13

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m. Town Hall.

"Django Unchained," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

See A&E, next page



Above, the stage was nicely lit which added to the ambiance of the Idyllwild Arts Academy Orchestra Concert on Saturday and Sunday.

At right, Idyllwild Arts junior **Julian Jenson** was the piano soloist performing Piano Concerto No. 5 in E-flat major, Op. 73, "Emperor" by Ludwig van Beethoven at the Idyllwild Arts Academy Orchestra Concert at Bowman on Saturday and Sunday.

PHOTOS BY JENNY KIRCHNER



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Feb. 6 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Don Reed & Lenny Hansell,

Friday, Feb. 8, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Jac Jacaruso, Saturday, Feb. 9, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

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# Idyllwild student finishes third at district spelling bee

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Idyllwild School eighth-grader Benjamin Cruz placed third out of 44 students from 22 Hemet Unified School District elementary and middle schools. This was the district's 36th annual spelling bee.

"It's the highest finish of any Idyllwild School student at the district bee that I can recall in the 15 years I've been involved," said former

Idyllwild School teacher Diane D'Arcy, who has long helmed the Idyllwild School bee. The district bee was held at the Hemet District office on Tuesday, Jan. 29.

Ben was the middle school runner-up at the local school's Jan. 17 bee. Middle School winner Dilyn Selkirk, sixth grade, finished 9th at the district bee.

Idyllwild elementary school winner Maggie McKimson, fifth grade, and runner up Sophia Carver,

fourth grade, made it to the third round of the district bee before being eliminated, according to D'Arcy.

All contestants are given a study list of typical words, said D'Arcy, but that is no guarantee the listed words will be the ones used in the contest. In fact, beginning in round five of the district bee, words not on the study list were used.

Ben Cruz made it to round 13 when he failed to correctly spell "recuper-

ate." The bee continued to 18 rounds before crowning winner Diamond Valley Middle School sixth grade student Suryansh Kumar. Suryansh's sister Kriti was district champion last year.

D'Arcy was proud of the Idyllwild School competitors this year and all years. "We put on a good bee," she said.

Marshall Smith can be reached at [marshall@towncrier.com](mailto:marshall@towncrier.com).



**Benjamin Cruz**, Idyllwild School eighth-grader, artist and recent third-place finisher in the Hemet Unified 36th annual spelling bee.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

## A&E

*Continued from previous page*

### Thursday, Feb. 14

Kids Capoeira, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.

Valentine's Day Singles Celebration with Live Entertainment, 6-10 p.m. Jo'An's.

"Django Unchained," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

### Friday, Feb. 15

2013 Riverside County Fair & Date Festival, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Fantasy Springs Resort & Casino.

Krafty Kids Art Class with Wendy Watts, 2:30-4:30 p.m.; Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 5-6 p.m. Town Hall.

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

### Saturday, Feb. 16

2013 Riverside County Fair & Date Festival, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Fantasy Springs Resort & Casino.

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

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

Karaoke with Scott Foster, 8-11 p.m. Jo'An's.

### Sunday, Feb. 17

2013 Riverside County Fair & Date Festival, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Fantasy Springs Resort & Casino.

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

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

### Monday, Feb. 18

2013 Riverside County Fair & Date Festival, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Fantasy Springs Resort & Casino.

Free Cribbage, 10 a.m.-noon Town Hall.

Open Mic Night with Scott Foster, 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's.

### Tuesday, Feb. 19

2013 Riverside County Fair & Date Festival, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Fantasy Springs Resort & Casino.

Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon; Adult Capoeira, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.

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# MAYOR MAX

**Dearest Community Members!**

Because my birthday party was held on January 13th and was so much fun, I decided to focus this month's recap primarily on a few photos from my birthday party, and to summarize briefly my mayoral activities for the month.

My party photos were provided by Barry Zander, Frazier Drake, Jacquelin Siff, and Alyssa Whitworth. Thank you for sending these photos to me!





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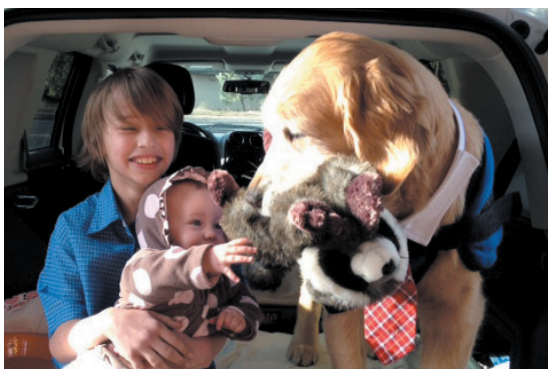
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*(L to R) Max and dear friend, Jose Carlos Bermudez Ham, meeting outside Mountain Paws. It was a great day!*



*Mayor Max presented to and visited with the Brownies (Girl Scouts of America) and other Idyllwild School students talking about community service and the office of the Mayor—doing as many good deeds as possible for others!*



*(L to R) Jadon, Maisy, Mayor Max, and Rocky Raccoon visiting outside after lunch at Mile High Café. Jeanelle is the mom of Maisy and Jadon.*

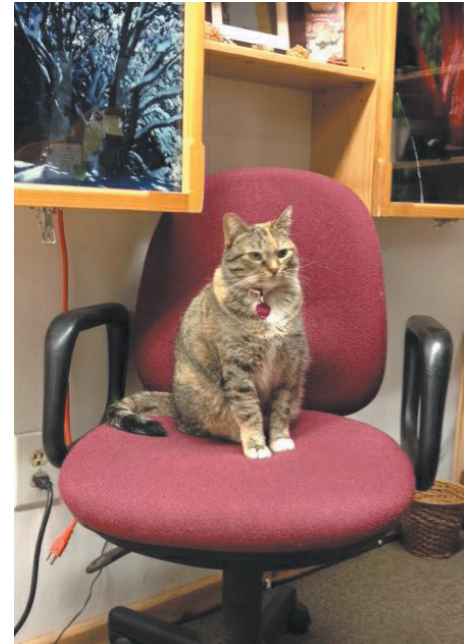
*January*—It was a very active month which included meetings with the Idyllwild Art Alliance; taking down the tree lights on the big tree; meeting at Idyllwild School with the Brownies (GSA) and other students; attending the Goldspotted Oak Borer meeting at Town Hall and working on plans for helping to curtail and eliminate the GSOB with a beat-the-beetle campaign; confronting, speaking with, and reporting wood sellers in Idyllwild that are bringing in oak wood from off the Hill; attending several films at the Idyllwild CinemaFest; bringing in the New Year at Jo'An's; meeting with community leaders in one-on-one meetings to discuss and implement Idyllwild plans on many topics; attending a Forest Folk potluck and meeting; and much more.

We also made countless on-request personal appearances with visitors and locals that requested to see me, and we spent time in town every day visiting those that stopped by to say hello wherever we were parked. We continued our promotion of Idyllwild on and off the Hill, including ongoing Facebook promotion. We also continued our distribution of Mini Me's to children, and we created a new Medium Me.

Last but not least, we held my birthday party at the Nature Center on January 13 and had approximately 400 guests. It was lots of fun, and I want to thank everyone for their very generous donations to ARF and also for all my stuffed animals that I love so much. I have now received a total of 27 stuffed animals, and I am working to chew them up as fast as I can. I have made great progress on many of them, I am happy to report.



*Max and his birthday party toys.*



*Sunny, Supervisor at the Nature Center, made sure none of the canines got out of line at the party.*

Most importantly, I want you to know that I love you very much. I always look forward to seeing you, and I want to be in communication with you. If you need anything, please call me at my office number, 951.659.0283, or email me at max@mayormax.com. I am here to be of service, to convey unconditional love, and to do as many good deeds as possible for the community and its members.

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# Steele ties for 6th in Phoenix

By JACK CLARK  
PROFESSIONAL GOLF CORRESPONDENT

Brendan Steele brought his game together in the Waste Management Phoenix Open on the Scottsdale TPC course in Scottsdale, Ariz., last week to post an 18-under-par 69-65-65-67 — 266 to tie for sixth place with two others.

The Idyllwild native's performance earned him a \$207,700 paycheck, bringing his season's winnings to more than \$260,000. He's now in the 30th spot on the official money list. He also earned 92 FedEx Cup points, raising his position on that list to 32nd place with 145 points.

During last week's tournament, Steele carded two eagles and 19 birdies against only five bogies all week. His first eagle came in Friday's second round on the 595-yard par-5 13th hole where he chipped in from 57 feet.

Steele's second eagle dropped in Sunday's fourth round on the 554-yard par-5 3rd hole where he was on the green in two and connected with a 10-foot, three-inch putt.

A unique feature of the Scottsdale TPC course is the No. 16 "Stadium Hole," which is a 162-yard par three set inside a stadium from tee to green. Some players hurl souvenir items into the stands — for example, visors and hats — as they are walking from tee to green at that hole.



**Brendan Steele** sinks a birdie putt in front of the 18th grandstand in the third round at the Farmers Insurance Open last week in La Jolla. His excellent putting continued this week at the Waste Management Phoenix Open in Scottsdale, Ariz.

PHOTO BY JACK CLARK

## SPORTS

### Town Hall Youth Basketball

Town Hall Sports Coordinator **Jeremy Teeguarden** reported on youth basketball for both the College League (kindergarten through third-grade) and the Pro League (third- through sixth-grade) for the week of Jan. 28.

#### College League (Kindergarten through third-grade)

The College League (grades K-3) played two days this week.

The caddies, carrying their players' bags, foot-race each other through the desert terrain in contests to arrive first at the green. It also is the one hole on the PGA Tour where spectators are encouraged to get raucous and make noise.

Some players such as Bubba Watson even egg the fans on to get loud while they are hitting from the tee. Shots coming close to the pin are rewarded with huge cheers, while those missing the green are roundly booed.

On Saturday, Steele's tee shot at No. 16 was right on target, hitting the green about a dozen feet short of the pin and directly on line. It scooted past the cup on the left side, missing it by only an inch, and stopped four feet, eight inches away. The roar from the crowd was deafening. Steele cashed in on more cheers when he canned the putt for a birdie two.

Steele's putting was consistently sharp all week. He sank eight putts of 10 feet or longer, including a 33-foot, 10-inch for birdie on the par-3 4th hole in round three.

After three tournaments, he has not missed a cut or had a double bogey yet this season.

By the way, if you'd like to know a bit more about Brendan Steele personally, there is a very interesting four-and-one-half minute video on YouTube. Just go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) and search for "at home with brendan steele." YouTube also has several other videos on the native Idyllwilder, including some analyzing his swing.

Steele takes this week off, but will return to action next week in the \$6.6 million Northern Trust Open on the Riviera Country Club Course in Pacific Palisades near Santa Monica. The winner's purse in this tournament is worth more than \$1.1 million.

The first game on Tuesday, Jan. 29, was between the Gastrognome Broncos and the Bluebird Cottage Inn Jayhawks. The Broncos got off to a fast start as **Layton Teeguarden** shot well all night scoring nine points. The Jayhawks' **Ethan Scott** played hard all game also scoring nine points. **Phoenix Bernal** led the Broncos solid defense and they won 21-9.

See Sports, next page



The Idyllwild Rotary Bears and the Bluebird Cottage Inn Jayhawks played a tough game Friday night at Idyllwild School.

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## Sports

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The night's second game matched the Idyllwild Rotary Bears and the Pacific Slope Bulldogs. **Cole Sonnier's** great defense helped the Bears forge an early lead. The Bulldogs didn't give up and made a late comeback to tie the game. **Meili Stroud** played tough defense for the Bulldogs as they came back. The Bears' **Preston Pino**, who scored all his team's points, added a late basket for a Bears' 16-14 victory.

On Friday, Feb. 1, the Gastrognome Broncos played the Wooley's Wildcats. The Wildcats jumped out early scoring 10 points in the first quarter. **Joel White** played well for the Wildcats scoring eight points in the game. The Broncos played better defense in the second half as **James Phillips** hustled all over. The Wildcats were too tough in this game and won 20-8.

Friday's second game was between the Idyllwild Rotary Bears and the Bluebird Cottage Inn Jayhawks. **Fiona McMillen** for the Jayhawks and **Katelyn Sonnier** for the Bears played great and kept the game close through three quarters. The Bears pulled away during the fourth quarter

and won 16-8.

The College League playoffs began 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5. In this game, the Jayhawks played the Bulldogs. The playoffs continue at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8.

Team	Wins	Losses
Wooley's Wildcats	7	1
Idyllwild Rotary Bears	7	1
Gastrognome Broncos	3	5
Pacific Slope Bulldogs	2	6
Bluebird Cottage Inn Jayhawks	1	7

### Pro League (Third- through sixth-grade)

The Pro League only had two games last week.

The first game Friday, Feb. 1, night was between the Idyllwild Arts Clippers and the Suburban Propane Heat. The game was a defensive battle in the first half as neither team could get open looks at the basket. The Clippers' **Tobin Ale** and the Heat's **Josh Gray** controlled the middle anchoring the defenses.

The second half was a different story as both teams started to hit open baskets. The game was close until the Clippers' **Chayton Kenyon** hit a couple of key three-point



**Fernando Garcia**, of the Idyllwild Arts Clippers shoots a lay up during the Friday's game against the Suburban Propane Heat

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

The Pro League playoffs begin this week. The starting times are 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday Feb. 8.

Team	Wins	Losses	Ties
Fairway Market Lakers	7	1	1
Idyllwild Arts Clippers	6	3	
Suburban Heat	2	6	1
Town Crier Cavs	2	7	

## Town Hall Adult Volleyball

Town Hall Sports Coordinator **Jeremy Teeguarden** reported on Town Hall Adult volleyball for the week of Jan 28.

On Monday, Jan. 28, Idyllwild Inn played Idyllwild Chevron. It was a close competitive match that went five games, three of which were decided by two points. The Inn took an early lead and won the first two games behind good hitting from **Josh White**. The Chevron team didn't quit and came back to win the next two games and force the fifth and deciding game. **Brian Wilson** played great attacking the net the whole night for Chevron. The final game went back and forth but Chevron's cutback could not be stopped. They won the match (20-25, 23-25, 25-23, 25-20 and 19-17).

Tuesday's match was between Idyllwild Garage and the Red Kettle. **Sage Torrez** led the Garage to a three-game sweep of the Red Kettle despite **Matt McDonald's** great setting for the Red Kettle. The game scores were 25-10, 25-19 and 27-25.



**Buddy Beagle**, of Forest Lumber, and **Lance Fogle**, of Silver Pines Lodge, display tough competitive play at the net during Adult Co-Ed Volleyball on Thursday night.

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On Thursday, Jan. 31, Silver Pines Lodge and Forest Lumber met. Both teams played well keeping all the games close. In only her second game for Forest Lumber, **Tawny Harrington** played well. Silver Pines came up with the big points when they needed them as they went on to win in three games. **Josh Leih** played great at the net for Silver Pines. The game scores were 25-21, 25-21 and 25-22.



Silver Pines Lodge defeated Forest Lumber Thursday night on spikes like this.

### Volleyball Standings

Team	Wins	Losses
Silver Pines	9	0
Idyllwild Garage	6	3
Idyllwild Chevron	4	4
Idyllwild Inn	4	5
Forest Lumber	3	6
Red Kettle	0	8

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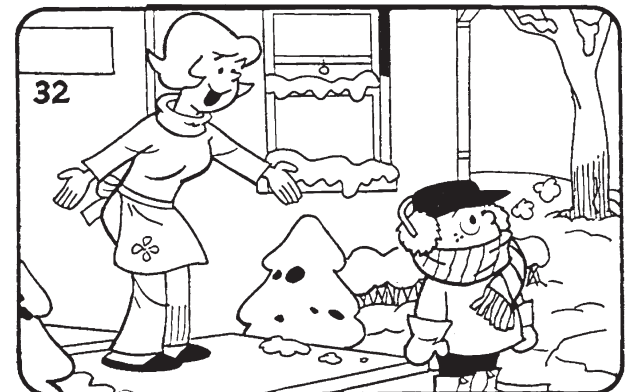
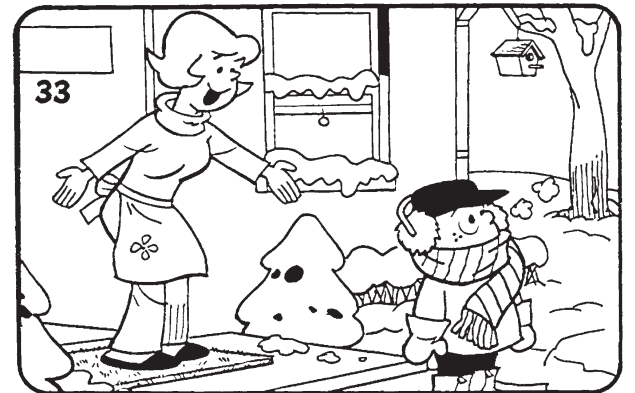
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Answers to Sudoku  
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14 Like a moray  
15 End of an illness  
17 Performances  
18 Sycophants  
19 Implant  
21 Help  
22 Entrance  
23 Melody  
26 Allow  
28 Wild West show  
31 "Star -"  
33 Flop  
35 Ginormous

36 Unspoken  
38 Wager  
40 Decay  
41 Rhyming tributes  
43 Airport overseer (Abbr.)  
45 Move up and down  
47 Busy  
51 Gumbo need  
52 Flinched  
54 Nasty stinger  
55 Cistern  
56 Journalist Lisa  
57 Caustic chemicals  
58 Acapulco gold  
59 London gallery name

**DOWN**

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3 Pouches  
4 Scent  
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8 Quaint restaurant  
9 Flute's cousin  
10 Sax range  
11 1990s video game  
16 Bride's cover  
20 Neither partner  
23 Lawyer (Abbr.)  
24 Playwright Levin

25 Source of help  
27 Bathroom fixture  
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**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Taking charge is what you like to do, and since you do it so well, expect to be asked to lead a special group. This could open an exciting new vista for you.

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**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) A spouse or partner might make an important, even life-changing, suggestion. Consider it carefully. It could hold some of the answers you've both been looking for.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You always try to do the right thing, and for the right reasons. No wonder people have come to depend on you.

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Drawing by: Ernie Maxwell



# American Tax Relief Act, part 2

After finishing my first article on the American Tax Relief Act of 2012 (see the Jan. 10 issue of the Town Crier) I realized that there were several important provisions that I still needed to discuss.

Cancellation of indebtedness income is taxable unless an exclusion applies. The principal residence exclusion for up to \$2 million of acquisition debt is extended through 2013.

The mortgage insurance premium deduction, which expired at the end of 2011, has been extended through 2012 and 2013.

The adjustment (\$250 or less) for teachers who have out-of-pocket expenses for classroom materials has been extended through 2013.

The provision that al-

lows taxpayers 70 1/2 years and older to make tax free distributions directly to a charity of choice has been extended through 2013 (up to \$100,000).

ATRA extends through 2013 the higher limits for Sec 179 expensing of depreciable assets for businesses. Likewise, the 50 percent bonus depreciation has been extended through 2013.

It is still possible to deduct local and state sales taxes in lieu of state

## TAX TIPS

By STEPHEN T. PEPPLER, EA, CFP



income tax through 2013.

The Bush-era enhancements to the child and dependent care credit have been made permanent. The maximum credit rate of 35 percent on up to \$3,000 of expense for one child and \$6,000 for two children is reduced, based on adjusted gross income.

The generous American Opportunity Tax Credit

for higher education is extended through 2017. Tuition, fees and books are qualified expenses for the credit.

The deduction for tuition and related expenses is extended through 2013.

The energy credits for individuals making energy efficiency improvements to their homes have been extended through 2013. The lifetime credit limit is \$500 (\$200 for windows and sky lights).

There are even more provisions which space does not allow us to discuss. Your tax preparer should be able to discuss with you those affecting your return.

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as TRIUNE HOME INSPECTION SERVICES, 32600 Hwy 74 #67, Hemet, CA 92545, Riverside County. DOUGLAS CALVIN ZEISSLER, 32600 Hwy 74 #67, Hemet, CA 92545.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

DOUGLAS ZEISSLER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 15, 2013.

FILE NO.:

R-2013-00480

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### CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD,  
County Clerk

By: C. Teran, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 2013.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing business as SAFE ARMS TRAINING INSTITUTE, BLAST-INGCAP.COM, KINETIC REACTIVE TARGET SYSTEMS, 54380 South Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 517, Idyllwild, CA 92549, RALPH CONRAD HOETGER III, 54380 South Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, and BENJAMIN

LEE BLOOM, 54025 Strawberry Valley Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

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

Signed:

RALPH C. HOETGER III

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 16, 2013.

FILE NO.:

R-2013-00555

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County Clerk

By: L. Sibley, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 2013.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person IS doing business as TRANQUILITY VINEYARDS & WINERY, 42191 Little Lake Road, Hemet, CA 92544, Riverside County. Mailing address: 26637 Soboba St., Hemet, CA 92544. WILLIAM FRANCIS SHINKLE, 26637 Soboba St., Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on Jan. 17, 2013.

Signed:

BILL SHINKLE

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 17, 2013.

FILE NO.:

R-2013-00630

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By: M. Llaneras, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 2013.

### LEGAL NOTICE

STRAWBERRY AND WEST RIDGE FUELBREAK MAINTENANCE PROJECTS  
USDA FOREST SERVICE  
SAN BERNARDINO NATIONAL FOREST SERVICE

SAN JACINTO RANGER DISTRICT

The San Jacinto Ranger District, San Bernardino National Forest proposes to maintain the Strawberry and West Ridge fuelbreaks. This action would reduce fuel loading on approximately 166 acres of National Forest System lands, and 7.4 acres of Private Lands under easement to the Forest Service for fuelbreak purposes, around the communities of Idyllwild and Pine Cove, California. Vegetation would be treated through a combination of mastication, hand cutting, and pile burning during winter months. Trees would be limbed and pruned. Implementation would continue for the next ten years.

A complete description of the proposed action and maps can be found at the project website: [http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/project\\_list.php?forest=110512](http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/project_list.php?forest=110512).

This comment period is intended to provide those interested in or affected by this proposal an opportunity to make their concerns known prior to a decision being made by the Responsible Official. Those who provide comments or otherwise express interest in the proposal by the close of the comment period will be eligible to appeal the decision pursuant to 36 CFR, part 215 regulations.

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments concerning this action will be accepted for 30 calendar days beginning on the date of publication in the newspaper of record: the Idyllwild Town Crier. Those wishing to comment should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source. The regulations prohibit extending the length of the comment period. The preference for receiving comments is by email. Please send comments to: [comments-pacificsouthwest-san-bernardino-san-jacinto@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-pacificsouthwest-san-bernardino-san-jacinto@fs.fed.us) with the words "Fuelbreak Maintenance NEPA" in the subject line. Please specify which fuelbreak(s) your comment(s) apply to. If you are unable to send comments electronically, you may send them to the following address: Fuelbreak Maintenance NEPA, Attn: Ed Wieringa, San Jacinto Ranger District, P.O. Box 518, Idyllwild CA 92549.

Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as an email message, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or word (.doc). In cases where no identifiable name is attached to a comment, a verification of identity will be required for appeal eligibility. If using an electronic message, a scanned signature is one way to provide verification. It is the responsibility of the persons providing comments to submit them by the close of the comment period. Individuals

and organizations wishing to be eligible to appeal must meet the information requirements of 36 CFR 215.6.

Pub. TC: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 2013.

APN: 559-082-015-1

TS NO: CA05001684-12-1 TO NO: 7082648

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/8/1998. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 2/14/2013 at 09:00 AM, At the front steps to the entrance of the former Corona Police Department 849 W. Sixth Street Corona, CA 92882, MTC FINANCIAL INC. dba TRUSTEE CORPS, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on 07/17/1998 as Instrument No. 297448 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Riverside County, California, executed by DIANE J. PETERSON, A SINGLE WOMAN, as Trustor(s), in favor of OCEAN WEST ENTERPRISES, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 24785 SCHAEFFER DRIVE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549 AKA 24785 SCHAEFFER DRIVE, UNINCORPORATED AREA OF IDYLLWILD, CA 92549 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$38,752.08 (Estimated), provided, however, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as ISABELLA DE ALLENDE, 52590 Idyllmont

Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County; Mailing address: P.O. Box 1209, Idyllwild, CA 92549. LINDA MYERS KRIKORIAN, 52590 Idyllmont Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549-1209.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

LINDA M. KRIKORIAN

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 17, 2013.

FILE NO.:

R-2013-00590

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By: N. Medina, Deputy

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as EXPRESS HOME SERVICES, 67135 Ribbon-Wood Dr., Mountain Center, CA 92561, Riverside County. TODD MILLER GLENN, 67135 Ribbon-Wood Dr., Mountain Center, CA 92561.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

TODD GLENN

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 23, 2013.

FILE NO.:

R-2013-00771

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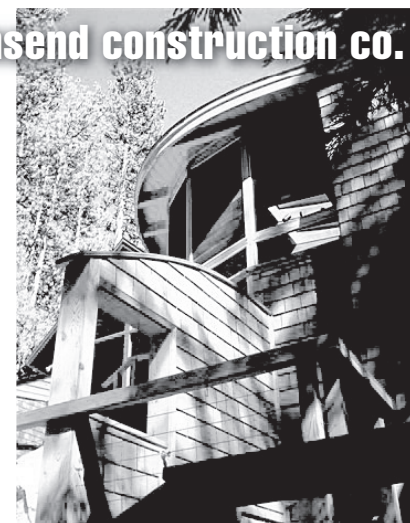
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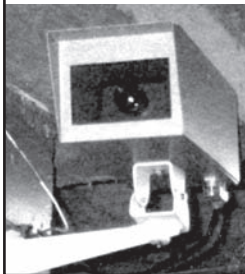
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## Super Kids Bowl 2013

The Hemet Unified School District held its Eighth Annual Super Kids Bowl, Friday, Feb. 1. Idyllwild School Principal **Matt Kraemer** originated the idea and organized the event for HUSD's severely handicapped special education students. Three Idyllwild School students — **Marc Hernandez**, **Tony Badger** and **Valana Marcus** — participated and scored touchdowns. At left, **Hernandez**, 14, runs down the field for a touchdown.

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**Badger**, 12, far left, plays with the Hemet High football team making a touchdown. **Marcus**, 13, left, heads down the field during Super Kids Bowl at Hemet High.



**Chloe Schelly** shoots for the Idyllwild School girls basketball team against Saint Hyacinth Academy on Wednesday afternoon. Idyllwild eked out a narrow win, 20-19.

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**Eli Wilke** shoots against Saint Hyacinth Academy from San Jacinto on Wednesday afternoon. With 19 points, he was the game's high scorer.



**Addie Wilson**, left, runs the court against Saint Hyacinth Academy on Wednesday afternoon. The girls' leading scorer in the game was Amy McKimson with seven points.



**Josh Philips**, left, goes for the net during the basketball game Wednesday afternoon. The boys team won 37-31.



CREATURE CORNER

By MIMI AND HOOTCH

And then there was one. Paws up to **Noah**, the male puppy for wiggling, wagging, and wishing your way right into a



forever home. That leaves **Olivia**, four months old and ready to snuggle right into your arms. These puppies are in Mt. Pawley Tech U. here in Idyllwild, and are A+ students.



**Baby Girl Faith** shivered in the early morning shadows, her short fur damp from the morning dew, and her body giving in to parvo. She had a long journey back to health, physically and learning to trust again. And her biggest wish has come true. She has her forever home, and will never find herself alone in the cold again. Paws up to you baby girl.

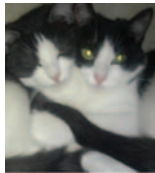


**Sandy** is a tan-and-white Chihuahua. Weighs in at about 8 pounds, short in stature, attends Mt. Pawley Tech U., and demonstrates several two-legged "special moves." Flanked to the left and always by her side is her right-paw dog, **Oreo**, a young male with Boston terrier-Chihuahua background, who also attends Mt. Pawley Tech U.



Mascot paws include **Winston**, and **Girl**. Winston is a young American Staffordshire with a warm chocolate-brown coat. He is good with all other animals and people, and is great on the leash. Girl is a senior Aussie who loves the great outdoors.

Sporting the "blue and black" are **Carly** and **Sadie**, **Midnite** and **Meow Meow**.



In the "red and gold" cheering their team are Heidi and Momma Pepper.



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65 years ago - 1948

The two-man Forest Service staff, Ranger Don Bauer and Fire Control Assistant Bill Hersh, hiked six hours to Martinez Mountain to check a fire started when a P-80 military jet crashed and exploded.

60 years ago - 1953

The American Legion picked a site between Idyllwild and Mountain Center for a rifle range to be open to the public.

55 years ago - 1958

"Year 'Round Idyllwild Population Soars Over 1,000 Mark," boasted a Town Crier headline.

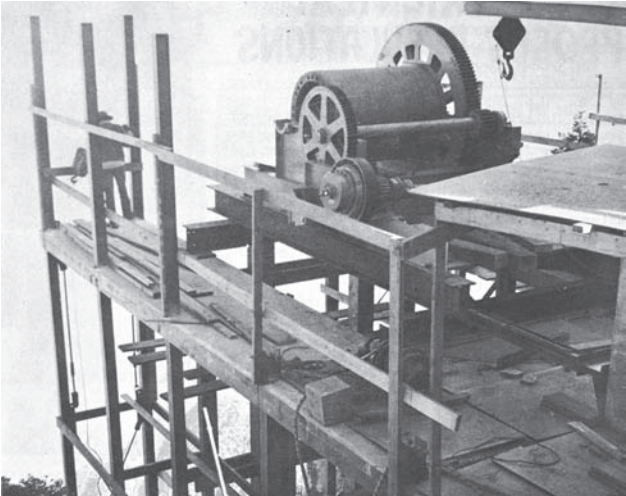
45 years ago - 1968

Land on which to build a new fire station was deeded to Riverside County by the Pine Cove Water District.

40 years ago - 1973

Major William Sheffer surprised his family by arriving home unexpectedly from Vietnam. The family already was planning to move to Puerto Rico, the major's next assignment.

PAST TENSE



Heavy cables would be handled by this machinery for the 80-passenger cars that travel from the desert to mountain stations during construction of the Palm Springs Aerial Tram in January, 1963.

FILE PHOTO

35 years ago - 1978

In a collective bargaining agreement between the Hemet Unified School District and California School Employees Association, employees working in Idyllwild, as well as other mountain communities, were awarded a premium of up to \$25 per month.

30 years ago - 1983

Hemet Hospice an-

nounced it was expanding its program to cover the Idyllwild area.

25 years ago - 1988

Two mountain lions, a male and a female, were killed in two separate incidents after State Department of Fish and Game officials determined they were a threat to public safety. Both had attacked family pets in residential areas.

20 years ago - 1993

Ken Dahleen, a Rotary Club member, drove relief supplies collected by the group to Tijuana. The recent storms had flooded the city, leaving the people in dire need.

15 years ago - 1998



Hill resident Andrea Wills was elected to attend the Riverside County Academic Decathlon representing Hemet High with 14 of her peers.

10 years ago - 2003

San Diego Chargers defensive end Marcellus Wiley visited the Hill. He sat in front of Jo'An's Restaurant to meet fans, and also spent time with students from Morning Sky School and their mascot dog named "Charger."

1 year ago - 2012

Nick Todd, Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce president since October 2010, submitted his resignation both as president and director to the board.



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# The people and their efforts

BY CHRIS TROUT  
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AS RELATED BY  
ROBERT PRIEFER

For more than 30 years, Idyllwild citizens, led by the ever present Robert Priefer, have made numerous attempts to build a community center facility. As far back as 1982, a consortium of contractors and recreation professionals spent one year researching similar facilities in Tahoe, Mammoth and other mountain communities before designing the High Country Recreation Center. Their dream of a fitness center, handball courts, and a multipurpose room for aerobic dance, plays and other activities was dashed when investors, motivated by expectations of short-term profits, decided that it would take 10 years to break even on the \$2 million price tag.

Fast-forward to 1998, a group from the Chamber of Commerce, CSA 36, CSA 38 and a coalition of folks who wanted recreation on the Hill approached David



**Robert Priefer**

PHOTO BY CHRIS TROUT

Liliehon and Priefer. A 16,000-square-foot building with a gym, activity rooms, indoor kitchen and fitness center was envisioned. This attempt was to be a joint effort with the county as long as there was local support for the endeavor. A vote was held, and a majority supported the concept, though it was still 20 votes short of a two-thirds majority. Even with the backing of then-Supervisor Jim Venable, the measure failed.

Eight years later, in



2006, David Butterfield approached Priefer and asked, "Why doesn't this beautiful piece of land in the center of town belong to the community?" With a commitment from Kent Steele, Pete Capparelli and Priefer to never profit in any way from the development of the project, Butterfield decided to purchase the land, only to find out that it had just been sold.

The new owner was planning to develop the frontage with commercial buildings and the back area with condominiums and residences. Within six months, Butterfield con-

vinced the new owner to sell him the land and the process began in earnest to prepare to build a community center.

John Holt and Lee Arnsen spent nearly two years securing lot line adjustments and lot mergers. Bill Lowman and Emily Shaw held community meetings with citizens to determine wants, wishes, desires and needs for the facility. Children and teens were given a chance to participate, and their ideas are today reflected in the design of the project.

In 2008, permits were pulled to demolish the

## Weather

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its forecast of a neutral period — neither El Niño nor La Niña patterns through the middle of the year.

The diminished precipitation will affect the 2013 fire season, according to Riverside County Fire Chief John Hawkins. The start of fire season depends upon moisture from late January through March. Without more rain or snow, worries about fire season will begin in April.

"If we have a dry winter,

that leads to the heavier fuels drying early and more intense fires if they occur," Hawkins said.

Northern California has had a wetter winter, but the latest snow pack report from the Department of Water Resources said, "Snow surveys today reported that water content in California's mountain snow pack is below average for the date. Manual and electronic readings today record the snow pack's statewide water content at 93 percent of average for this time of year."

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existing buildings. Several local contractors were not able to salvage them and the Idyllwild Area Historical Society was unable to fund the buildings' removal and transfer to another site.

Spearheaded by Vic Sirkin, with the muscle of the Rotarians and village volunteers and funded in part by a donation from the Butterfields, work began on a par course and track. And then the fund raising began in earnest by Dawn Sonnier and her team of parents to build the playground.

In June of last year, the successful playground effort had Idyllwild reminiscing about the barn-raising that built Town Hall. Jim Marsh was hired as the architect for the community center and the Butterfields made history with their announcement last month to fund the Butterfield Family Center and any operational shortfall for a period of 10 years to ensure that the facility is well-maintained.

To share your ideas, questions and inquiries, contact [chris@idyllwildcommunitycenter.org](mailto:chris@idyllwildcommunitycenter.org).

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