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The Theatre Department cast of "Ajax in Iraq" will be performing at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13, at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, at Rush Hall on the Idyllwild Arts Academy campus. The thought-provoking play follows the parallel narratives of Ajax, an ancient Greek military hero, and A.J., a modern female American soldier, both undone by the betrayal of a commanding officer.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Art, music combined in holiday event

By JAY PENTRACK
STAFF REPORTER

The Idyllwild Master Chorale and the Art Alliance of Idyllwild will present the world premiere of "One Lone Candle — When the Arts Come Together." The two performances will be 6 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 21 and noon, Sunday, Dec. 22 at the Idyllwild School Gym located at 26700 Hwy 243.

Dwight "Buzz" Holmes serves as artistic and musical Conductor. The Town Crier sat down with Holmes to discuss the show.

Town Crier: How did this collaboration between the Master Chorale and the Art Alliance begin?

DH: The beginning of this fall I was talking to a colleague of mine that is helping me with promoting the

Master Chorale. I was really impressed with what the Art Alliance did with the Deer Sightings project and I thought that it was unique and something that was extremely Idyllwild-ish but at the same time very creative. It really had an impact on the town because you have this lasting installation that is there for everyone to see and enjoy and each one is a little bit different. I thought that was great.

The other thing that I observed was how they did their annual wine tasting event and it looked like the thing went viral. It looked like Idyllwild turned into Main Street Disneyland USA for a day with people going up and down the street. I asked Kathy Lubber, who is on the board of the Art Alliance, if they would be interested in having some sort

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USFS to drop rec fees at Black/ Thomas mountains

San Bernardino National Forest officials are seeking public comments on proposed changes to two standard amenity recreation fee areas — Black Mountain and Thomas Mountain — within the San Jacinto Ranger District, and six other areas within the SBNF — the Arrowhead, Barton Flats, Big Bear North, Big Bear South, Falls and Lytle Creek.

Within the SBNF, the national fee area review resulted in a proposal to eliminate the standard amenity fee designation for seven areas (Arrowhead, Barton Flats, Big Bear North, Big Bear South, Black Mountain, Falls and Thomas Mountain). It also proposed to substantially reduce the size of the Lytle Creek SAF area, and change the type of recreation fee charged from SAF to special recreation permit fee for four winter recreation locations (Barton Flats, Snow Valley, Aspen Glen, and Rim), and three recreational target shooting locations (Lightning Gulch, 1N09, Arrastre and Big Pine Flat).

In June 2011, the U.S. Forest Service nationally reviewed the 97 SAF areas on National Forest System lands. As a result of the review, the Forest Service plans to eliminate the SAF area designation for 73 recreation areas and reduce the size for the remaining 24 areas nationally.

The proposed changes for the eight San Bernardino National Forest SAF areas are consistent with national review results, according to an SBNF press release. Consistent with direction on implementing the national fee area review, the SBNF has not been issuing notices of required fees or enforcing recreation fees outside of the sites and reduced areas listed in the proposal below.

Comments on the proposed changes must be submitted by Jan. 6, 2014, to be considered by the California Recreation Resource Advisory Committee. Comments may be submitted to Tamara Wilton, Pacific Southwest Region, 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592 or twilton@fs.fed.us.

The public is welcome to attend and comment at all R-RAC meetings. The next R-RAC meeting is planned for Jan. 15 and 16, 2014. More information about the R-RAC and upcoming meetings may be found at www.fs.usda.gov/main/r5/recreation/racs.

Black Mountain Recreation Fee Proposal

Eliminate the Black Mountain SAF area designation, retain two SAF sites; retain five expanded amenity recreation fee sites; eliminate fees at seven SAF sites and areas: Black Mountain Lookout, Black Mountain Trailhead, Seven Pines Trailhead, Fuller Ridge Trailhead, Marion Mountain Trailhead, Seven Pines Camps, and Black Mountain Camps; and continue to accept local and national passes at the remaining recreation fee sites and areas.

See Rec fees, page 3

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls Tuesday, Dec. 3 to Sunday, Dec. 8:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

- Dec. 3 — Medical aid, Idyllwild.
- Dec. 4 — Medical aid, Idyllwild.
- Dec. 5 — Medical aid call, no incident, Idyllwild.
- Dec. 5 — Medical aid, Pine Cove.
- Dec. 6 — Two medical aids, Idyllwild.
- Dec. 6 — Assist invalid, Idyllwild.
- Dec. 6 — Smoke or odor removal, Idyllwild.
- Dec. 7 — Medical aid, Idyllwild.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls from Sunday, Dec. 1 to Saturday, Dec. 7. This may not be a complete list of responses:

- Dec. 1 — Public disturbance, 26000 block of Delano Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 1 — Check the welfare, 54000 block of Jameson Rd., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 1 — Alarm call,

54000 block of Tahquitz View Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 1 — Grand theft, 48000 block of Twin Pines Rd., San Bernardino National Forest. Report taken.
- Dec. 1 — Alarm call, 52000 block of Tall Pines, Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 1 — Miscellaneous criminal, 25000 block of Rim Rock Rd., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 1 — Miscellaneous criminal, 31000 block of Red Mountain Rd., Sage. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 1 — Grand theft, 38000 block of Contreras Rd., Anza. Unfounded.
- Dec. 2 — Civil dispute, 39000 block of Quioness Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 2 — Suspicious circumstance, 54000 block of N. Circle Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 2 — Danger to self and/or other, 25000 block of Lodge Rd., Idyllwild. Report taken.
- Dec. 3 — Alarm call, 54000 block of N. Circle Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 3 — Alarm call, 61000 block of Indian Paint Brush Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 4 — Alarm call, 61000 block of Indian Paint Brush Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.

- Dec. 4 — Fraud, 43000 block of Cowboy Country Rd., Anza. Unfounded.
- Dec. 4 — Suspicious vehicle, 25000 block of Lakeview Dr., Pine Cove. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 4 — Noise complaint, block of Melody Ln., Sage. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 5 — Petty theft, 58000 block of Hwy 371, Anza. Report taken.
- Dec. 5 — Suspicious vehicle, address undefined, Sage. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 5 — Civil dispute, 38000 block of Contreras Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 5 — Public intoxication, 54000 block of N. Circle Dr. at Park Ln., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 6 — Assist other department, block of Hwy 371, Anza. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 6 — Attempt warrant service, address withheld, Pinyon Pines. Warrant.
- Dec. 6 — Suspicious person, 43000 block of Oak Glen Rd., Sage. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 6 — Public disturbance, 39000 block of Howard Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 6 — Assist other department, address undefined, Poppet Flats. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 6 — Burglary, 39000 block of Cary Rd., Anza. Report taken.

- Dec. 6 — Suspicious person, address undefined, Pine Cove., Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — Suspicious vehicle, 53000 block of Idyllbrook Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — Danger to self and/or other, 53000 block of Marian View Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — Alarm call, 61000 block of Yucca Rd., Pinyon Pines. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — Suspicious vehicle, address undefined, Pine Meadows. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — Suspect info, address withheld, Poppet Flats. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — 911 call from business, 59000 block of Morris Ranch Rd., Pine Meadows. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — Vehicle theft, address undefined, Anza. Report taken.
- Dec. 7 — Search and rescue operation, address undefined, San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — Battery, 48000 block of Twin Pines Rd., San Bernardino National Forest. Report taken.
- Dec. 7 — Follow-up, address withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 7 — 911 call, 44000 block of Bonny Ln., Anza. Handled by deputy.

Major injury in over-the-side crash

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Friday afternoon, a vehicle and its driver ended up 50 feet over the side of Highway 74 near Palm Canyon Drive in Anza, according to the Riverside County Fire Department.






The driver had to be extricated from the vehicle. Mercy Air transported the individual to a nearby hospital.
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'Check Before You Burn' program

The Southern California Air Quality Management District will issue no-burn alerts when particulate pollution reaches unhealthy levels throughout the winter months. The "Check Before You Burn" program, now in its fourth year, is in effect through February 2014, and no-burn alerts will be issued whereby residents will not be allowed to burn wood or manufactured logs. Fifteen to 20 no-burn alerts are expected to be issued during the program's run.

Barry R. Wallerstein, SCAQMD's executive officer, advises, "Wood smoke from fireplaces contributes to regional particulate pollution, which is a serious public-health threat. Residents can play an important role in helping to clean the air and protect their family's health by checking before they burn wood in their fireplaces."

For daily forecast information, visit www.aqmd.gov/news1/2013/CheckBeforeYouBurn.htm. Residents may also sign up to receive electronic e-mail notices when a no-burn alert is issued for their area by visiting www.AirAlerts.org. Also, call their toll-free number at 866-966-3293.

Idyllwild Weather				
From the National Weather Service				
Thursday 12/12	Friday 12/13	Saturday 12/14	Sunday 12/15	Monday 12/16
				
55/32 Sunny	55/31 Sunny	58/31 Snow Likely	62/34 Chance of Snow	63/34 Mostly Sunny

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year			
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S
12-3	58	40			41	22		
12-4	40	27	0.05		na	na		
12-5	36	24	0.24	0.5	na	na		
12-6	43	24	0.05	0.1	53	20		
12-7	40	30	0.68	1.0	57	19		
12-8	na	na			56	25		
12-9	na	na			60	27		

Moisture in inches		Snow in inches	
To date this season (Idy):	5.61	To date this season (Idy):	1.6
To date last season (Idy):	3.18	To date last season (Idy):	0.00
Total last season (Idy):	14.02	Total last season (Idy):	42.8
To date this season (PC):	5.55	To date this season (PC):	3.00
Total last season (PC):	19.94	Total last season (PC):	44.75

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.

Editor's Note: At time of publication, we had not received precipitation or snow numbers from Pine Cove.



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Bald eagle count volunteers needed

The U.S. Forest Service needs help counting bald eagles in the San Bernardino National Forest. For the 36th season, the annual winter bald eagle counts in and near the San Bernardino and San Jacinto mountains will be on several Saturdays. This season the dates are Dec. 21, Jan. 11, Feb. 8 and March 8.

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, 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 Lake Hemet, Big Bear Lake, Lake Arrowhead, Lake Silverwood and Lake Perris. Volunteers are stationed at vantage points

around the lakes, where they watch for bald eagles during a one-hour period on the designated Saturday mornings. Volunteers record their observations on maps and data sheets.

Volunteers might catch a rare glimpse of our national symbol. Brief orientations are conducted prior to the count so volunteers know where to go and what to do.

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

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

Lake Hemet volunteers should plan meeting at the Lake Hemet Market at 8:30 a.m. for orientation. Contact Anne Poopatanapong (apoopatanapong@fs.fed.us or 909-382-2935) for more information.

Contact Drew Farr (dpfarr@fs.fed.us or 909-382-2816) for more information about the Big Bear Lake and Lake Arrowhead/Lake Gregory.

Volunteers interested in Silverwood Lake State Recreation Area should contact Kathy Williams or Mark Wright at 760-389-2303 or email khwilliams@parks.ca.gov.

Lake Perris State Recreation Area volunteers should contact the Lake Perris Regional Indian Museum office for more information at 951-940-5600.

Since 2003, several pairs of bald eagles have made the Southern California mountains permanent homes. They built nests and have successfully raised families. Nesting bald eagles may now be found at Lake Hemet, Lake Skinner, Lake Matthews and Big Bear Lake.

Fire personnel committee negotiates with career staff

By JP. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The Idyllwild Fire Protection District Personnel Committee met with negotiators from the Idyllwild Career Firefighters Association last week.

Before entering a closed session during the Dec. 5 committee meeting, Commissioner Jerry Buchanan announced that the subjects were the new California Public Employees Retirement System rules and overtime.

The CalPERS issue was a continuation of the discussion of how these new rules might be implemented at IFPD. The committee was established in October 2012 and went through several name changes, but the initial purpose was to examine recent state changes to public employee pensions.

At that meeting, Buchanan said, "... time to appoint a new committee for pension reform and major changes ... to deal with existing CalPERS requirements ... and all labor relations."

The overtime discussion addressed the topic of when it is discretionary and when it is non-discretionary, Buchanan said.

No decisions were reported after the closed session.

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Rec fees

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Thomas Mountain Recreation Fee Proposal

SBNF is proposing to eliminate the Thomas Mountain SAF area designation and eliminate the recreation fees at Thomas Mountain Camping Area and Toolbox Springs Camping Area.

If this proposal is adopted, the recreation fees would be eliminated for the 2,020-acre Thomas Mountain SAF area.

For more information about this recreation fee proposal, contact Tamara Wilton at 707-562-8965 or twilton@fs.fed.us. More information about this proposal can also be found on the forest's website, www.fs.usda.gov/sbnf.

Grinding facility winter hours

The Idyllwild Grinding Facility will be closed Saturdays from Dec. 1 through April 30, 2014.

Monday through Friday operations will continue and green waste will be accepted between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The facility will be closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.

Saturday operations will resume May 3, 2014, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information, call the Riverside County Waste Management Department at (951) 486-3200 or visit www.rivcowm.org.

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SPORTS

Golf

Jim Crandall, Palms to Pines Golf Association handicap chair, reported on the Friday, Nov. 15, golf tournament at the Morongo Tukwet Canyon Champions Course in Beaumont.

While skies were sunny in Idyllwild, the valley was buried under a thick cloud inversion, creating chilly conditions for play throughout the day.

Jerry Gabel (course handicap 24) shot a net 69 for first place; **Chuck Alkire** (13) took second with a net 70; there was a tie for third between **Lee Lanfried** (21) and **Bill Mitchell** (30), both with net 71s; and there was a tie for fifth place between **John LoGiudice** (21) and **Ray Rickards** (11) with net 72s.

The closest-to-the-pin winners on the four par-3s were **Dan Slattery** on the second hole, **Gary Brown** on the eighth hole, Mitchell on the 15th hole, and Gabel on the 17th hole.

Palms to Pines welcomes new members **Scott Foster**, **Lev Sanford** and **Tony Viola**.

Here are the year-to-date point standings of the 2013-14 season, which runs from August through July.

Place	Golfer	Points
1	Pete Capparelli	12
2	John Brower	10.5
3	Dan Slattery	8
4	Chuck Alkire	7.5
5 tied	Gary Brown	7
	Jerry Gabel	7
	Bill Ragland	7
8 tied	Jim Crandall	4.5
	Pete Holzman	4.5
	Lee Lanfried	4.5

12	Bill Mitchell	4.5
13	Ray Rickards	3.5
14	Mike Feyder	3
14 tied	Chris Kramer	2
	John LoGiudice	2
	Bill Sanborn	2
17 tied	Scott Schroeder	1.5
	Les Widerynski	1.5
19 tied	Don DePalma	1
	Ken Garelick	1
	David Hiemenz	1
	Ron Krull	1
23 tied	Scott Foster	.5
	Gary Leong	.5
	John McAndrews	.5
	Robert Priefer	.5
	Brad Rowland	.5
	Lev Sanford	.5
	Tony Viola	.5

Points are awarded at each tournament as follows: first place, 6 points; second place, 4 points; third place, 3 points; fourth place, 2 points; fifth place, 1 point. Also, one-half point is awarded to everyone who participates.

The top eight-point finishers of the year go into match-play playoffs for the club championship in August, September and October. A member has to compete in at least five regular-season tournaments and have a handicap no greater than 24.4 to qualify for the playoffs.

The club is a member of the Southern California Golf Association and is sanctioned to establish SCGA handicaps for members.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Idyllwild School math instructor **Danielle Baraty** named seventh-grader **Matthew Hamlet** (left) and eighth-grader **Laura Tlacomulco** (right) students of the week for positively contributing to classroom instruction, discussion and reviews, and being inquisitive and insightful students.

PHOTO BY JAY PENTRACK

If interested in joining the club or playing as a guest, contact Crandall at jim.crandall@verizon.net or 951-265-5732, or Pete Capparelli at pete@capparelli.com or 951-452-5552.

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Reduce the stress of holiday air travel

BY JAY PENTRACK
STAFF REPORTER

Millions of travelers will pack airports, train and bus stations, and highways over the holidays to celebrate with family and friends. With the millions of folk heading out of town for the holidays, wide-eyed excitement may give way to airport agony, train terrors and road rage. Advance planning and expectation management can help people arrive at their destination with their nerves intact.

AAA estimates that one in four Americans will take to the road this holiday season; that's 93.3 million holiday travelers vying for a lane or a seat. The average distance traveled is estimated to increase to 760 miles up from 726 miles estimated last year.

"Primary economic indicators all show modest improvement from last year and AAA is projecting an increase in the number of Americans stuffing their stockings with airline tickets and hotel reservations," offered AAA President and CEO Robert Darbelnet.

With millions of holiday travelers come long lines and short tempers. The best weapon to combat the stress and hassle of holiday travel is to be prepared. Expect delays, expect lines and traffic, and allow plenty of time to arrive at the destination.

Make sure to get plenty of sleep before beginning a travel adventure, especially important if traveling with

children. If traveling to a different time zone, consider beginning the adjustment a few days prior to actual travel.

Air travelers should consider flying out of small, regional airports that tend to be less crowded. This means shorter lines at check-in and security. Plan travel on less busy days; Christmas day fares are cheaper than the days preceding the holiday. For example, on Orbitz.com, with round-trip travel dates of Dec. 23 to 27 from Ontario, Calif. to JFK, N.Y., U.S. Airways fare is \$720.10 (excluding taxes). For Dec. 25 to 28 with the same itinerary and airline, it costs \$529.10 (excluding taxes). Make alternative plans in case a flight is delayed or canceled, or a connection missed. Check into other transportation modes (bus, train, rental car) if necessary in order to reach your destination.

The Transportation Security Administration advises that adult passengers ages 18 and over are required to show a valid federal or state-issued photo ID, so pack a driver's license or other acceptable identification. Ticket agents may require passengers who purchased their tickets online to show the credit card used to purchase the ticket.

If traveling with small children, bring along their birth certificate in the event it is needed. Divorcees might consider bringing along the custody decree. In the case of a deceased parent, it is wise to bring along their death certificate. These rules are in place to prevent child abduction by non-custodial parents and differ by country.

Be sure to check online for the rules governing travel to a destination. For international travel, a passport, including those for any children traveling, is a must. Insurance cards should also be included in packing, and travel/medical permission letters for any children traveling that are not your own.

Baggage fees can significantly increase travel costs and vary (sometimes dramatically) from airline to airline. Airfarewatchdog.com provides a comprehensive list of all fees for U.S. air carriers.

Shipping gifts ahead, rather than traveling with them may save a significant amount of money. Wrapped gifts may be brought through the security checkpoint, but may be subject to additional screening. If traveling with gifts, consider wrapping them upon reaching the destination.

Finally, to breeze through the TSA checkpoints, remember the 3-1-1 rule. Liquids, aerosols and gels are limited to 3.4 ounces each; they should be packed together in one quart-sized, clear, plastic, Ziplock bag; and passengers are allowed only one bag. Larger quantities of liquids, gels and aerosols may be packed in checked baggage. For more information on TSA requirements, visit www.tsa.gov. or add their "MyTSA" App to a phone or mobile device. If interested in the TSA PreV™ Program that allows select frequent flyers expedited screening benefits, visit www.tsa.gov/tsa-precheck-program.

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Holiday decorating contributes to house fires

BY JAY PENTRACK
STAFF REPORTER

It's the time of year for Christmas lights, holly, inflatable Santas and reindeer, and, of course, a Christmas tree.

It is also the time of year to be especially careful so decorations bring comfort and joy rather than chaos and heartbreak.

According to Cal Fire, in 2011, nearly 300 Christmas tree and holiday decoration fires were reported to its Office of the State Fire Marshal. State Fire Marshal Tonya Hoover, stated, "In just seconds, a dry Christmas tree can become fully engulfed in flames." Hoover added, "By practicing a little extra fire safety this holiday season, you can help reduce the number of holiday decoration-related fire tragedies."

The U.S. Fire Administration statistics indicate that one of every three home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems; on average, one of every 40 reported home-structure Christmas tree fires results in a death. The average structure fire results in one death per 142 reported home-structure fires. A heat source too close to the tree causes roughly one in every six of Christmas tree fires.

The Christmas tree: For an artificial tree, check the packaging to be sure it is fire resistant; if the original packaging is missing, try to find a tag on the tree and look online for the information. If it is not, consider purchasing a fire-resistant tree.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission advises consumers that live trees should be as fresh as possible. Fresh

trees are green with needles that bend rather than break; the trunk should be sticky with resin. It is too dry if a shower of needles fall from the tree as it is being loaded into a vehicle. When the tree arrives home, cut off 2 or more inches from the trunk to enable the tree to better absorb water. Be sure to keep the stand filled with water at all times; this will help the tree stay fresher longer. In planning where to place the tree, remember to keep it away from wall and floor heaters and fireplaces that cause the tree to dry out faster.

In placing lights on a safely placed, fresh green tree, Cal Fire advises consumers to use lights that have been tested and labeled by a recognized testing lab. Be sure to unplug the tree lights when leaving home or heading for bed. LED lights are a safer bet for a number of reasons: 1) they are cool to the touch; and 2) if one bulb burns out, the entire string is not affected. LED lights are more cost effective because they last longer (traditional bulbs last 3,000 hours while LED lights last up to 50,000 hours).

The Consumer Product Safety Commission also warns consumers never to use electric lights on a metallic tree; a tree can become charged with electricity and electrocute anyone touching it.

Around small children, use decorations that are smooth and unbreakable, keep small decorations out of the reach of children, and don't hang decorations that look edible because a child will likely try to eat them.

Home decorations: Be sure to use indoor lights indoors and outdoor lights outdoors; LED lights are again a good bet for their durability and cost. Do not use light strings

that are worn or frayed. And don't overload extension cords — use only three strings per single extension cord. Avoid using nails or staples to hang lights; clips will not damage or short-out light strings. Use only flame-resistant or fire retardant decorations.

Holly berries, mistletoe and other holiday plants can be dangerous if ingested. Be sure to keep them out of the reach of small children, or avoid using them as part of decorating.

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OUT LOUD

A few kudos ...



We produced a paper this week without either an interim operations manager or our incredible Halie, who is on maternity leave, as many of you know.

She will be returning at the beginning of the year and though we all here are immensely excited about that, it will be difficult for her to leave little Finley, as it was for me to leave her when I worked when she was a baby.

All our employees toil mighty hard to produce this little paper every week. I appreciate all of them and in particular — during this time while we're waiting for Halie's return — one staff member has stood out. If we gave Employee of the Month kudos here, it would go to Teresa Garcia-Lande.

Teresa is a tireless, humble, talented multi-tasker, always wearing a smile and willing to do anything necessary. She possesses a strong work ethic and has made it her ambition to learn whatever she needs to to get us through this bumpy ride until Jan. 2.

As I write this column early Tuesday afternoon, she is upstairs finishing pages to shoot to the printer.

Another person I've come to rely on heavily is my husband Jack. He thought he would be retired with little to do when we bought the paper in June. Instead, he takes on anything that needs doing — from building bookshelves to hauling trash to picking up papers at the printer to proofreading.

When we prepared to move into our new, much smaller office, Jack designed each staff member's space. He forgot a space for his own. He works at the office with me daily and, during summer, he worked outside at one of the tables.

But with cooler weather, he required an inside space. He created one at the small table in the lunchroom/circulation room. The space is a squeeze but he manages. We all do. We have a tight but comfortable home now.

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

READERS WRITE

Make ceremony more kid-friendly

EDITOR:

I have one suggestion that those of you in charge of the Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony might consider. Many of us with small children/grandchildren would greatly appreciate a more condensed version of the program. For example: 1) see Santa arrive, 2) sing a few uplifting Christmas/Hanukkah songs (such as "Jingle Bells," Rudolph, Dreidel), and 3) light the tree. This could take place in less than an hour.

Children just do not have the same attention span as adults. Moreover, the crowd blocks the stage and many of the little ones cannot see the festivities. Children are difficult enough to track in a crowd during daylight hours and, not surprisingly, it becomes even more so in the dark.

Clearly, many in the crowd enjoy every minute of the ceremony. This is in no way meant to curtail their pleasure.

May I suggest starting with a general program for all, adding the above mentioned 1, 2, 3 for the youngsters, and then continuing with the regular program? That would be a way to first gather the audience, then capture the children's attention, and conclude with the last part of the program.

Lighting the tree at nightfall would assure more folk's enjoyment. I heard some in the crowd wonder why the tree wasn't lit at 5 o'clock when it was dark. Many left; more left at 5:30 when there were still no lights. Most everything has its limits.

Please consider my suggestion as it is meant to be constructive.

LINDA WILSON
IDYLLWILD/OCEANSIDE



Lydee Scudder, winner of the Town Crier Snow Guessing Contest, receives her 100 Shopping Dollars from Town Crier Advertising Representative **Sean Lande** last Monday. Idyllwild Fire Protection District confirmed a half-inch of snow on Thursday, Dec. 5, 2013. Scudder's name was drawn from all participants who guessed the correct date.

PHOTO BY TERESA GARCIA-LANDE

SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW THE HILL?



Last week's close up was a little too tough, so there are more clues in this week's photo, which is now worth four tickets to Phil Calderone's Rustic Theatre. PHOTO BY JACK CLARK

BY JACK CLARK
CONTEST JUDGE

This week you are again challenged to identify the particular spot depicted in this Hill photograph. It might be the exterior of a building or surrounding grounds of a commercial, governmental or nonprofit premises, or a public place in Idyllwild, Pine Cove, Fern Valley or Mountain Center. The prize is tickets to the Rustic Theatre, your picture in the Town Crier, and life membership in the No. 1 Hillbilly Detective Agency. If there is no winner during a week, the ticket prizes will accumulate.

Open to all ages. It doesn't matter how you submit your entry, as long as it's in writing, delivered by noon Monday (or Tuesday if the Town Crier office is not open Monday) to the Town Crier, attn: Jack, and you convince the judge that you found the exact spot. Just saying something like, "The wall around _____ restaurant" is not enough. You must describe the actual spot by pacing off or some other specific description. Taking your own photograph of the spot would be ideal, but is not necessary to win as long as you persuade the judge that you have found the exact spot depicted in the contest photo. The decision of the judge is final. If there is no winner, clues will be given and the weekly prizes will accumulate. This is not a race. If there is more than one person with a correct answer, a drawing will determine the winner, so keep your answer to yourself. Check out this week's new photo.

How to get a letter published

The Town Crier welcomes letters reflecting all opinions. Letters should be concise and to the point. They should be no longer than 400 words. Letters must be typewritten, double-spaced and in upper/lower case (not in all caps).

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LOLA'S KITCHEN

BY DOLORES SIZER

Pairing beer with food ...

I always knew that certain foods are enhanced when paired with specific wines, but I had no idea pairing can also be done with beer.

In the past few months, J.P. Crumrine and I have attended the beer tasting at Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe.

At first I was skeptical; I'm not really a beer drinker. Now I look forward to the monthly event. All I drink is beer at the wine bar; a good beer selection is at hand. J.P. prefers dark, heavy beers. I drink only lighter beer.

In November, J.P. and I jumped on our horses and rode down to the wine bar. I was on my old steed called Altima and J.P. was on his steed called Never Washed. We tied up our horses and sauntered in. (Tongue in cheek.) The beer was German, and the pairings were perfect. I will not get much into the beer in this column, just the food.

One beer, Aventius Doppelbock of Kelheim, Germany, was paired with a currywurst. The portions were generous, however each portion is not a full meal. I wanted a whole pot of the currywurst. The term "melts in your mouth" is not lost on this recipe.

Another beer, Aecht Schlenkerla Eiche of Bamberg, Germany, was paired with Roasted Pork and Sauerkraut. The pork had a pulled-pork texture or shredded quality. The sauerkraut was infused with just a hint of sweetness. Ooooooh yum.

I asked for the currywurst recipe and David, the owner said, "Look online," so I did and found both recipes and here they are.

Almost forgot, even the desserts were paired with beer. Now for the recipes.

German Currywurst

Ingredients

- 3 (15 oz.) cans tomato sauce
- 1 lb. kielbasa
- 2 tbsp. chili sauce
- 1/2 tsp. onion salt
- 1 tbsp. white sugar
- 1 tsp. freshly ground black pepper
- 1 pinch paprika
- curry powder to taste



OFF THE MAIN ROADS

BY HELENE LOHR, RMRU MEMBER

The five Ws of outdoor exploration ...

Take a walk with your kids in the wild and discover some of the incredible plants and creatures right outside your doorstep. Educating yourself ahead of time on the natural wonders of your neighborhood will leave you an "outdoor expert" armed with an arsenal of fun impromptu lessons for everyday encounters with nature.

Ask yourself these five questions to prep for family outdoor expeditions:

Who are the locals of your natural neighborhood? We mountain folk have plenty of choices — pine trees, squirrels, coyotes, blue jays, woodpeckers, crickets, rabbits, deer and more. Find an interesting fact (or a few) about one of these critters to share with your child on your next hike. There's a plethora of great nature science books and websites you can use. Just take the time to do a little research.

What kinds of things do our wild buddies eat, build, sing or do every day? Can you find any signs of their activities? Look for woodpecker holes, hummingbird nests, gopher garden excavations, coyote howls, rabbit tracks in the snow or the piles of pine scales squirrels leave behind.

When do things happen in nature? With our heaters,



air conditioning and seasonless supermarkets, we've almost forgotten that cycles are an important part of nature. If you are cutting wood rounds for the fire, take time to look at them with your child. Examine the width of each ring. Was it a good year for growth? No wood rounds available? Just head to the trail for pine tree sightings. Every year, a pine tree adds a new "whorl", or circle of branches around its trunk. You can count the number of whorls to discover the pine tree's age.

Where do all these critters and plants jump, swim, crawl and grow? Depending on who you are looking for, you'll have to change where you look. You'll find ravens flying high, rabbits in the meadow thickets and Caddisfly larvae camouflaged as sticks down in Strawberry Creek. How about dedicating a hike to searching for one plant or animal? If you have favorite critters, focus on finding them, their traces and tracks. Find out what habitats they prefer and head out for it.

Why do all our natural neighbors do the things they do? Why do woodpeckers tap on trees? Don't make it up, look it up. Since most woodpeckers don't sing, they tap in order to claim their territory — and the noisier the tapping, the better they like it. Next time you're out, make a list of questions you can answer later. Why do some trees get rid of their leaves and others keep them? Why do birds migrate? Why do frogs croak and coyotes howl?

Based off these five questions, there are thousands of activities and experiments you can do with your kids outdoors. So instead of sitting them in front of the Xbox, think outside of the box.

Directions

Preheat oven to broil/grill. Pour tomato sauce into large saucepan, then stir in chili sauce, onion salt, sugar and pepper. Let simmer over medium heat, stirring occasionally. Bring to a gentle boil. Reduce heat to low. Simmer another 5 minutes.

Meanwhile, broil/grill sausage for 3 to 4 minutes each side, or until cooked through. (I prefer grilling, giving that nice, smoky flavor to sausage).

Pour tomato sauce mixture over sausage then sprinkle all with paprika and curry powder. Serves 4. From All-recipes.com

Pork Roast and Sauerkraut Dinner

Ingredients

- 3-4 lbs. pork loin roast
- 1 large can sauerkraut

- 2 medium apples
- 2 medium onions
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1-2 cans beer (Hooray)

Directions

In a large cake pan, place roast. Pour sauerkraut around roast. Quarter apples and onions. (You don't need to peel apples) Place around top of sauerkraut. Sprinkle with brown sugar and pour in one can of beer. Cover pan, sealing sides with foil. Bake in 350-degree oven for three to four hours depending on the size of roast. Add second can of beer if too dry. When ready to serve, mix sauerkraut, apples and onion together. Serves 4 to 6.

From cooks.com. Enjoy.

Hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season and the new year brings happiness and prosperity.

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Wednesday, Dec. 11

- 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.
- Living Gracefully With Pain, 10-11 a.m. Community Room, Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Spanish Class for Homeschoolers, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- 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, 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- AWANA for ages 3-fifth-grade, 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, Dec. 12

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
 - MEMSCOMM, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
 - Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Chapel in the Pines Church office, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.
 - Idyllwild Francophonie (fluent-French speakers), noon. Café Aroma, 54750 North Circle Dr. RSVP. Call Francoise Frigola, 951-659-4146, for more information.
 - Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pinecrest Ave. Show up or phone 951-659-4910.
 - Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Friday, Dec. 13**
- Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Jenny Stepien at 760-445-6325 or e-mail jennyl-eeslater@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. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (The Courtyard.)

- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step program, 6:30 p.m.; Open Share meeting 7-9 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Child care on request. Call 951-659-0097 for information.

Saturday, Dec. 14

- Covered California, 10-11 a.m. and 11 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.
- Raw Food Potluck, 5-7 p.m. Nature's Wisdom.

Sunday, Dec. 15

- 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.-1 p.m. Town center at Harmony monument. Call Sue at 909-228-6710.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, Book Study meeting (closed), noon. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243; 5 p.m., Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Rd., Poppet Flats, across from Cal Fire Station 6.
- Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts"

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

Monday, Dec. 16

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Children's story hour, 10:30 a.m. Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Al-Anon, Open Meeting, 7-8:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idyllwild Community Meditation, 7-8:30 p.m., the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. Instruction and consultation available at 6:30 p.m. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for information.
- Mountain Non-fiction Writers Group, 7 p.m. For information and address, call Larry Kueneman 951-659-2567.

Tuesday, Dec. 17

- Camp Alandale's Friends 4 Orphans, 10 a.m. 25420 Lodge Rd.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Drive; AA Open Meeting and Big Book Study, 6-7 p.m., Spiritual Living

Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

- Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 5-7 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Ave.
- Mile High Radio Club/Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services, 6:30 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Marantha Dr.
- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step Study meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Call 951-659-0097 for information.

• Idyllwild Right to Life, 7 p.m. Call 951-659-5228 for location.

Wednesday, Dec. 18

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.
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- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
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Churches and Spiritual Centers Directory of Idyllwild

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Christian Science Church

25970 Cedar St. at River Drive, 659-2511. Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Service 10 a.m.; Wednesday meeting, 7 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room, in church building, open to the public, Wednesday, 6-7 p.m.; Sunday, 11a.m.-Noon.

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 - Idyllwild Water District board meeting, 6 p.m. IWD board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.
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 - Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. 659-3850.
 - Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday-Monday; Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.



The observance of Hanukkah was true to its name, "The Festival of Lights." Held on the seventh of the eight-day festival, many participants brought menorahs of many styles — from traditional to ultramodern — to the dinner held Tuesday night at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church.

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Warm places to escape the cold

In response to this winter's severe cold conditions, the Community Action Partnership of Riverside County, Riverside County Department of Public Health, Riverside County Fire Department, Community Connect 211 and American Red Cross have partnered to open Warm Centers countywide to provide safe, warm places for individuals to escape the cold temperatures during the winter months of December through March.

Warm Centers will open to the public, in affected areas, when the Public Health department issues a "Cold Warning." Watch or listen for the "Cold Warning" on television, radio or the local newspaper.

The department issues a Cold Advisory after contact with the National Weather Service when temperatures drop to 40 degrees or below for at least three hours.

The department issues a Cold Warning after contact

with the National Weather Service when the forecast anticipates temperatures to remain below 40 degrees for three to five consecutive days. When Cold Warnings are issued, Warm Centers will be opened to the public, especially for those individuals more susceptible to the cold such as the elderly.

Idyllwild's American Legion Post 800 at 54360 Marian View Drive is a Warm Center for Hill residents. Its hours are noon to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The phone number is

951-659-3517.

A Hotline has been activated to obtain information on home measures to implement to stay warm and safe, Warm Center locations, hours and general information.

The Energy Crisis Hotline is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and the contact phone numbers are 1-888-636-8676 or TTY 951-955-5126.

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Protecting a home from burglary

BY JAY PENTRACK
STAFF REPORTER

With the recent rash of burglaries in Idyllwild, increased home security is a concern among many residents. Cost concerns prevent many families from installing a monitored, home-security system or video surveillance. There are many common-sense, low cost ways to protect a home and family from intruders without breaking the bank.

Lock doors. Sounds simple enough, but according to Sgt. Dan Ryan of the Palo Alto, Calif. police department, "People in friendly communities that are generally safe may think they don't need to lock their doors. That's a big mistake." It only takes being wrong one time to lose valuables.

Around 40 percent of annual household burglaries in the United States are not forced entries, meaning someone was able to walk, climb or crawl inside of houses almost as easily as if the owners left a key in the door, according to the U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics.

Make it a habit to check locks on windows and doors before heading off to bed. Teach children to lock the doors and stress its importance.

Weather is sometimes a deterrent. "Burglars are a lot like the rest of us — they want to stay away from the cold weather," explains Dr. Paul Cromwell, author of "Breaking and Entering: Burglars on Burglary," and a professor of urban and public affairs at the University of South Florida Polytechnic. Still, it is wise to continue your nightly ritual of locking up your home regardless of the weather.

Don't hide a key. The first place a burglar will look for a spare key is under door mats or flower pots, on door ledges, and under decorative rocks. No matter how clever the hiding place, experienced burglars have likely seen it all. The best plan is to leave a key with a trusted neighbor. And if you must hide a key, be creative and make sure children or other family members do not divulge the location.

Love thy neighbor. Get to know neighbors. Nosy neighbors can be a pain, but in terms of protecting your home, they can be a godsend. Join or organize a neigh-

borhood-watch program to reduce crime and reinforce property values. Adopt an "if you see something, say something" culture in the neighborhood.

Social media. Posting your trip to Hawaii on Facebook or checking in on Foursquare to your hotel in Cabo? You've just informed potential burglars that you're not at home. Never announce vacation plans or weekend trips (where your home is left unattended) on social media.

Prevent home-invasion robberies. Make sure porch and security lights are working, and don't open a door to strangers. Keep deadbolts locked, even when at home. Teach children not to open the door unless an adult is present in the home. Home invasion robbers will often use a ruse to gain entry to a home. Don't buy it; call the police immediately.

According to www.crimedoctor.com, senior citizens and women living alone are prime targets of home-invasion robberies. Home-invasion robbers rely on intimidation and, initially, a physical confrontation with the most significant violence occurring in the first minute, to establish domination. These types of burglaries are escalating; discuss an action plan with family to prevent being a victim of this violent and terrifying type of crime.

Man's best friend. Dogs are an effective alarm system, according to www.abcnews.go.com, and for many burglars, a "Beware of Dog" sign is as effective as an actual dog. Investing in a dog is a big responsibility. Be prepared to feed, love and care for a pet. Otherwise, a sign is probably the better option.

Mail and newspaper deliveries. If planning a vacation, be sure to stop newspaper and mail deliveries (or arrange for a neighbor to collect them).

Secure your garage. If the garage has an automatic door opener, unplug it when going on vacation and padlock the garage door. If leaving the car in the driveway, be sure the garage door opener is stored out of sight.

Keep an inventory. Keep a detailed inventory of possessions along with serial numbers, dates of purchase and original values. A video and/or photographic record of items is also valuable in case of burglary, fire or other disaster. Consider engraving or etching valuables; if stolen, it makes it difficult for a burglar to sell them, so they are less likely to be stolen.



Anne Erikson (center), president of the Associates of Idyllwild Arts, accepts a generous donation from **Gary Kuscher** (right), Art Alliance of Idyllwild president and **Scott Finnell**, AAI board member, on Monday, Dec. 9. They presented the Associates with a \$1,500 check from the proceeds AAI's October Art Walk and Wine Tasting.

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The Riverside County Sheriff's website www.riversidesheriff.org advises, "Understand the importance of 'target hardening,' a mindset of looking for potential weaknesses and denying suspects access. Simple steps can be taken to ensure the safety of our homes while maintaining the aesthetic beauty of our homes."

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Burglary victims dismayed at sheriff's response

By JAY PENTRACK
STAFF REPORTER

No additional burglaries have been reported in Idyllwild since Nov. 22, according to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, but some victims of the recent string of robberies have expressed dismay at the RCSD's response to the recent rash of burglaries. A seemingly lack of follow-up from the first report and insufficient communication about progress have been the criticisms.

On Dec. 9, Sgt. Wallace Clear of the Sheriff's Hemet Station indicated that the matter "is still under investigation."

Cristina and Otto Kyriakivis, owners of Idyllwild Mini Storage burglarized Nov. 20, are frustrated. "We feel like [RCSD] have a blatant disregard for the people of Idyllwild. Nobody seems to give a crap," said Cristina. "From the beginning [RCSD] did nothing."

The facility was burglarized between 3:30 and 4:30 a.m. that Wednesday. Unknown to the burglars, the facility captured them on surveillance video. "We called the police department and were told a deputy would arrive to take a report. We were not in town, so we had some friends come and wait for the police to arrive. About an hour later, we got a call back from an Officer Torres who said 'let's just do this over the phone.' The officer was extremely unprofessional and I told her so; I asked for her name and she said 'Torres,' I asked for her first name and she responded 'officer.'"

Officer Torres finally did come out to investigate and, according to Cristina, "stayed for only 45 minutes and didn't do much of anything."

The deputies didn't ask about the surveillance video or dust for fingerprints. "We still can't believe how they have handled this; the police have not even tried to follow-up with us," she added.

Mary Ann Reimer had a similar experience when her home was burglarized on Oct. 31. Mike Beebe, her pool and spa man from Allied Pool and Spa discovered the burglary and contacted the police. The deputy that came to investigate that night, according to Reimer, didn't do anything.

"He said it wasn't a break in because the doors were okay.

Apparently he didn't notice the hole in the wall," she said, "He didn't even write it up. He [the deputy] told Mike to call the office in the morning. When Mike called, there was no information on it, not even a case number."

However, the next morning three deputies came up to investigate for about three hours, which pleased Reimer, who said, "I think someone must have gotten into trouble over it. I still can't believe that they couldn't find any fingerprints." Reimer previously reported that the burglars had taken showers, eaten food, trashed the home and one of them appeared to have dyed their hair.

Reimer has not received any follow-up calls from RCSD.

Dr. Joseph Bernier's home was one of the first in the long string of burglaries. Bernier said, "When I called the station to report the burglary, they [RCSD] were monumentally disinterested until I mentioned that two antique pistols I owned were taken."

A storage shed at Idyllwild Pines was broken into and discovered on Nov. 9. A source that wishes to remain anonymous indicated that it appeared that the burglar had been staying in the shed. Employees at Idyllwild Pines recovered some of his belongings.

"He also broke into a cabin to cook the food he stole from us. He also showered there as well," the source said, and also indicated that the burglar's belongings were covered with bear spray. "It's like pepper spray on steroids," the source said.

Overall, the source indicated they were pleased with the RCSD, but did not understand why they didn't try to take fingerprints. The deputies arrived the same day the crime was reported. "From what the deputies said to us, I felt that they weren't very happy that they couldn't do a better job in catching this guy," the source said.

Clear explained that it is not unusual for information to be withheld that could compromise the investigation. "We follow-up on every investigative lead," Clear said.

Hemet Capt. Scot Collins understands the victims' concerns. "We are interested in all investigative leads," he said. The public is asked to contact the RCSD at 951-791-3400 with any information.

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Grants available for nonprofits

The Community Foundation of Riverside and San Bernardino counties is accepting proposals for grants from the Idyllwild Youth Grantmakers Fund through Jan. 8, 2014. The Idyllwild Community Fund, as well as The Community Foundation, funds the IYGF.

The IYGF provides grants to nonprofits in the Idyllwild community for projects, programs and/or activities that address issues facing youths such as alcohol and drug use, bullying, depression, academic achievement, youths art and recreation, and community wellness.

The IYGF Committee consists of 18 local middle-school students who review proposals, conduct site-visits and recommend grants for funding as part of a comprehensive multi-session, after-school philanthropy program.

The ICF advisors and The Community Foundation Board of Directors provide final approval for all grant awards.

The IYGF Committee was formed in February 2013 and is part of the foundation's Youth Philanthropy Initiative, which goals are to instill an ethic of volunteering and giving in the Youth Grantmakers and to teach youth to meet community challenges by making grants to projects that address the concerns of youths.

Last school year's IYGF awarded \$3,713 to nonprofits in the Idyllwild area.

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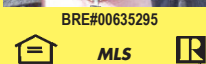


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Predicting wildfire behavior in the future

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Fire scientists from Maryland, Colorado and Riverside have collaborated to combine fire modeling with satellite data to develop a new method for predicting wildfire behavior in near real time. The resulting predictions will be more accurate and revised based on the fire's actual behavior.

For years, fire experts have researched and designed models for predicting a fire's behavior. One problem, according to Dr. Philip Riggan with the U.S. Forest Service's Fire and Fuels program out of its Riverside facility for the Pacific Southwest Research Station, is the difficulty of scaling lab experiments to the size and proportion of actual wildfires.

Nevertheless, there are models predicting fire behavior, such as rate of spread, based on terrain slope, fuels, moisture and other physical characteristics. "This is the basis for many models available in operation, but [real] fires often get to a certain size and don't relate well to small lab fires," Riggan said.

Some models do incorporate weather data, but similar to weather forecasts, their reliability deteriorates quickly after a few days. "Satellite data have, for more than two decades, provided routine active fire information but have not been able to distinguish between individual fire lines or to validate fire behavior on all but the largest fires," wrote the principal researchers in the landmark article published in the the Geo-physical Research Letters in October.

Essentially real-time data describing the location and direction of fires is captured from aircraft. While not predictive, the aerial images (usually infrared from night-time flights) have been helpful to firefighters and demark the conflagration's size.

The new technique, which Dr. Janice Coen of the National Center for Atmospheric Research and Wilfred Shroeder created, is the melding and combination of the model with the real-time physical data, explained Riggan.

"With this technique, we believe it's possible to continually issue good forecasts throughout a fire's lifetime, even if it burns for weeks or months," said Coen in an NCAR press release. "This model, which combines interactive weather prediction

and wildfire behavior, could greatly improve forecasting — particularly for large, intense wildfire events where the current prediction tools are weakest."

The model's accuracy was tested with data from the 2012 Little Bear Fire in New Mexico.

"[Coen] has coupled the complex atmospheric equation with equations for fire movement," Riggan said. For example, this technique allows for the possibility that a fire's intensity might generate its own winds. "This is not considered in most models," Riggan added.

The model also incorporates physical data, which change during the fire's lifetime, but are not part of the static models. Spotting, which can expand and change the fire's direction, as well as the effects of the firefighting, are examples of the additional data.

The satellite data, which are much better resolution today (about 1,200 feet compared to half a mile), can be available two to three times each day. Thus, the fire's position is more accurate, but its behavior is now used to modify the models to enable better allocation of firefighting resources, Riggan explained.

Forecasts using the new technique could be particularly useful in anticipating sudden blowups and shifts in the direction of the flames, according to the researchers' comments. In addition, they could enable decision makers to look at several newly ignited fires and determine which pose the greatest threat.

"This could give us a better record of how fire travels and a better understanding of rates of spread," commented Dan Felix, fire officer for the San Jacinto Ranger District.

"Many people have resigned themselves to believing that wildfires are unpredictable. We're showing that's not true," Coen was quoted in the release.

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Caltrans has hydro-sprayed a straw mulch compound to stabilize the soil in sections of the burn area on Highway 243 south of Mountain Center. Straw mulch is used for soil stabilization as a temporary surface cover on disturbed areas. The mulch is typically used in combination with seeding strategies to enhance plant establishment.

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'Red Wings' opens Idyllwild film festival 2014

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The opening night film for the Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema is Director Will Wallace's "Red Wing." Wallace also is the festival's co-director.

"Red Wing" is loosely based on Gerge Sand's French novel, "The Country Waif." Rather than the green and pastoral French countryside, "Red Wing" is set in a small Texas cattle ranching town. It's a socially thought-provoking and stirring story of how love can be found in the most unusual places.

"It's a story of a boy and the woman who was the maternal

figure in his life," said Wallace. "It's different takes on him — a very noble character surrounded by a number of other characters with less than noble intentions, and the series of obstacles he needs to overcome."

Glen Powell plays the adult Francis, who leaves town and finds work on the cattle ranch of Jim Verret, played by Bill Paxton. Powell worked closely with Wallace to influence his character's presence.

Eventually, Francis returns home to deal with his feelings and relationship with the woman who raised him (Breann Johnson) and her husband (Luke Perry).

Shot in the summer of 2012, the Texas weather was sweltering, Wallace said. During production, the heat, often above 115 degrees, sent numerous crew members to the emergency room and caused the equipment to overheat.

"One day, nine people had heat exhaustion," Wallace

lamented. "An ambulance came three times." They needed an on-set physician to ensure the cast and crew were sufficiently hydrated.

Not only was heat a concern for the cast and crew, but the frequent emergencies created filming frustrations for Wallace.

"I was constantly reassessing what to shoot, but we still came in within the budget," he said. The film's production involved hundreds of people, but Wallace had worked with many of them before.

"We had a good team and a good plan," he explained. "There is comfort working with a team whom you can rely on." For example, some of the actors have attended the Will Wallace Acting Company school in Los Angeles.

Besides the weather and its effect on the crew, the deal with Paxton was not signed until Wallace was two days in to shooting. Wallace had back-up plans in case Paxton didn't sign but he was truly hoping to work with Paxton on this film.

Wallace's stepfather, Terrence Malick, originally commissioned the script from Kathleen Orillion. "I thought it would be one I would love and do myself," Wallace said. Orillion's original script was very good and received little re-working, according to Wallace.

"I love being in Idyllwild," Wallace said. He was especially interested in the snow prospects. He was the featured filmmaker for the first festival in 2010 and has been a co-director since.

"Red Wing" will show at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, at the Rustic Theatre. Festival tickets may be purchased for the week, day or weekend at www.idyllwildcinemafest.com/tickets-passes/.

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Holiday beers

By JARED DILLON
IDYLL AWHILE WINE
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The style of Christmas ale is a unique one. To even name the style after Christmas is a misnomer.

Historically, cultures around the world have created some sort of fermented beverage to celebrate the change from autumn to winter. Many civilizations around the world have parties and holidays surrounding the time of the winter solstice. Seasons are changing and many primitive cultures saw this as an important period of life.

Interestingly enough, our ancestors preferred to produce beers very strong in terms of alcohol in conjunction with these events. If you look at a wide variety of strong beer styles like Germany's Doppelbocks or Belgium's Quadrupel Style ales, chances are you'll find their roots are firmly attached to that of celebrations such as Christmas.

Trying to explain the Christmas ale style is very difficult. One of the beers we are tasting on Dec. 19 is actually a Hanukkah beer named Jewbelation Reborn.

The beer itself is a 17-percent alcohol black ale with lush notes of dark raisins and oak.

The typical guidelines for these types of beers are that they are very strong in both flavor and alcohol, and also tend to be spiced with seasonal ingredients.

Belgian Christmas ales are notorious for having strong cinnamon, nutmeg and anise flavors. German Doppelbocks are strong lagers with rich caramel notes that are perfect for a winter evening.

American Christmas styles range in a vast variety of flavors. One we tasted at last year's beer tasting was flavored with ginger and pineapple.

Lest we forget, the overall sentiment behind Christmas ales is they are meant for sharing and celebration. The flavors and styles may be vast, but they are all brewed in hopes of bringing about cheer and good wishes.

Join us for a Christmas (and Hanukkah) Beer Tasting and Celebration at Idyll Awhile at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19. Each beer will be paired with a food course. Seating is limited. Call 951-659-9463 to reserve a seat at \$25 per person.



The poster from Will Wallace's "Red Wings."

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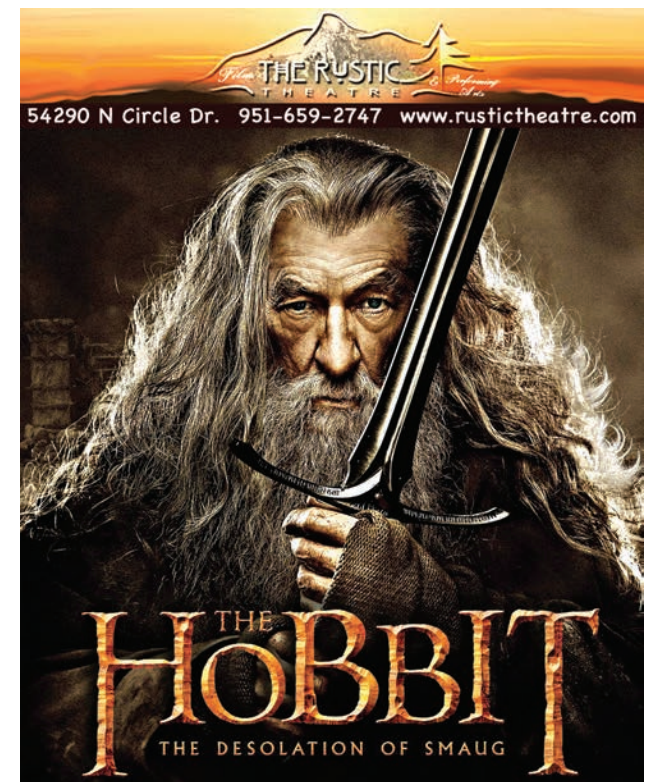
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of a visual arts event in the winter.

Here's Idyllwild and this beautiful solstice in this alpine setting and the thing [IMC/AAI collaboration] went viral. It just took off. It was kind of odd for me because as soon as it departed my lips it just went absolutely nuts. People just got all over it.

We had three or four planning meetings and I thought it was very interesting to network the performing and visual arts groups. I've always had a theory that if you're going to be named one of 100 art locations in the US, it might be worthwhile to explore a strategy. That's basically where that started.

TC: Where did the format of the show, 'Winter Solstice and Jazz Fusion' originate?

DH: A few years ago we had this tradition with the Master Chorale, it started in 1975. They would annually present the Messiah or something like that. My father was the conductor until about 1987 and then

I took over. Over time, I decided that it was time to spread out the dexterity of the musical offering. We've always come back to the classics but we decided we would add a segment on jazz classics; kind of like Holiday Inn. That stuff rarely gets performed. You hear it in recordings, but you never hear it live.

That sort of expanded into composers looking around and seeing what was available to them and saying, 'I've always wanted to write a Christmas tune, or I've always wanted to pull that together.' So John Rodby, who will be playing keyboard for the jazz session, has a piece that he pulled of his shelf that hasn't been performed anywhere called "One Lone Candle." We mentioned it to the Art Alliance and it became another one of those iconic events that happened this year. All this stuff just came together.

TC: And the orchestra?

DH: It's a string section, so it's a double quartet with oboe and soprano trumpet, and a couple of bass players. It's a good group. On the jazz sessions, the strings are like sweeteners

to the whole thing because they are playing with the rhythm section. The jazz group is going to be tenor sax, keyboard or piano, and Marshall [Hawkins] is playing bass. Bob Boss is coming in on guitar and a drummer. Then we've got those arrangements with strings, oboe and trumpet. It's this kind of fusion, if you will, it's a fusion of sound and you rarely get that unless you're listening to a Sinatra or Elton John recording.

Then we're going to do four choruses from the Messiah, a classical section. I want to give the audience a little bit of everything about this holiday season — stretch their ears, sculpt sound a little bit and really make it an event.

TC: Are ticket sales going well?

DH: I think so. Generally, the hall is so big that they buy at the door, but I have seen a lot of people buying in advance. The other phenomenon we had as we were doing the program this year was we started out with 16 pages of advertising and now we're at something like 46. Everybody is putting



Recording artist **Sherry Williams** and the Idyllwild Master Chorale Orchestra delight attendees at the 2012 Winter Solstice Concert at the Idyllwild School Auditorium. Artistic and Musical Conductor **Dwight "Buzz" Holmes** is excited about this year's first-time collaboration with the Art Alliance of Idyllwild on the show entitled "One Lone Candle — When the Arts Come Together."

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

their card in and getting on board. I'm starting to get nervous, [laughs] it's getting too crazy.

TC: How will the seating be arranged in the gym?

DH: We're going to have audience seating that is going to be raked — it's going to come up on risers. The front of the gym is going to have an orchestra on a red carpet, the choir is going to be in two sections of 4 x 8 risers, seated risers, and they are going to be framed by a shell. The audience starts probably at about half-court and they go back about two-thirds of the auditorium and that's going to be graduating up.

We've got a sound and lighting engineer coming in and we're going to

transform the gym. It's not going to look anything like you'd expect a gymnasium to look when we're done. It's going to look like a big sound stage. In the back, the Soroptimists are going to be serving some cider; the Art Alliance is going to have a display in the back part of the gym.

Idyllwild is a destination and it's accessible. If you look at Idyllwild as an apex point, it's equal distance from LA, San Diego, and Orange County and we have more and more people coming in from Arizona. We're a hub if you will. I think it's really good for the town and it makes us all fortunate that we get to live here."

The concert features

Sherry Williams renowned jazz recording artist; John L. Rodby, recording artist and Music Coordinator for Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade; The Marshall Hawkins Quintet; Tenor John B. Fleming; Recording Artist Amy Fogerson; and the Idyllwild Master Chorale and Orchestra.

The event will begin with an art show and reception followed by the concert.

Tickets are available online, at Prairie Dove Boutique (N. Circle Drive) and at the door. The cost is \$20 for adults, \$15 for students.

Jay Pentrack can be reached at jay@towncrier.com.

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Arts & Entertainment Calendar

Arts & Entertainment Calendar listings are at the discretion of the editor. Submittal forms can be picked up at the Town Crier, or email becky@towncrier.com.

Wednesday, Dec. 11

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; **Modern Dance for Kids, 4-5 p.m.** Town Hall.
Lawrence Spector, 6-9 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, Dec. 12

Carlos Reynosa and Friends, 6 p.m.; Lumber Mill Bar and Grill.
"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," 7 and 9 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Friday, Dec. 13

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon; **Crafty Kids Art Class, Wendy Watts, 2:30-3:30 p.m.** Town Hall.
"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," 3:30 and 7 p.m.; **Idyllwild Rock & Roll Christmas Live with the Greg Jones Band, 10 p.m.** Rustic Theatre.
Forest Folk Potluck & Movie Night, "Jingle All the Way," 5 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.
Bill Saitta and Doug MacDonald, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
Live Music, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.
"Ajax in Iraq," Idyllwild Arts Theatre Department, 7:30 p.m. Rush Hall, IA campus.
Karaoke, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The Lumber Mill Bar and Grill.

Saturday, Dec. 14

"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Society Museum.
Christmas Open House, noon-4 p.m. Living Free Animal Sanctuary.
Remembering Lori Alexander, 1 p.m. Cafe Aroma.
Santa's Workshop Children's Craft Day, 1-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
"Ajax in Iraq," Idyllwild Arts Theatre Department, 2 and 7:30 p.m. Rush Hall, IA campus.
"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," noon, 3:30 and 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Pedro Anderson, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Higher Grounds Coffee House.
That's All Folk, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
Karaoke with Scott Foster, 7-10 p.m. Jo'An's.

Sunday, Dec. 15

Dr. Betty's Talk, "The Open Door," Soloist Barbara Rayliss, 10 a.m. Spiritual Living Center.
"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Society Museum.
Kids' Christmas Party, 1-3 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
"Ajax in Iraq," Idyllwild Arts Theatre Department, 2 p.m. Rush Hall, IA campus.
"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," noon, 3:30 and 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Service Industry Night With DJ Billy Shepherd, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The Lumber Mill Bar and Grill.

Monday, Dec. 16

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
Open Mic with Scott Foster, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.
"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, Dec. 17

Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon; **Modern Dance for Adults, 4-5 p.m.** Town Hall.
"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, Dec. 18

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; **Modern Dance for Kids, 4-5 p.m.** Town Hall.

"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, Dec. 19

Carlos Reynosa and Friends, 6-9 p.m. Lumber Mill Bar and Grill.
Christmas Ale Beer Tasting, 6:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
"The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Friday, Dec. 20

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon; **Crafty Kids Art Class, Wendy Watts, 2:30-3:30 p.m.** Town Hall.
Forest Folk Potluck & Movie Night, "The Santa Clause," 5 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.
Live Music, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.
Karaoke, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The Lumber Mill Bar and Grill.

Saturday, Dec. 21

"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Society Museum.
Seniors' Holiday Luncheon, noon-2 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
Pedro Anderson, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Higher Grounds Coffee House.
Idyllwild Master Chorale and Art Alliance of Idyllwild, "Winter Solstice and Jazz Fusion Art Show," 6 p.m. show; 7:30 p.m. concert.

Idyllwild School Gymnasium.
Karaoke with Scott Foster, 7-10 p.m. Jo'An's.

Sunday, Dec. 22

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

Idyllwild Master Chorale and Art Alliance of Idyllwild, "Winter Solstice and Jazz Fusion Art Show," noon show; 1:30 p.m. concert. Idyllwild School Gymnasium.

Service Industry Night With DJ Billy Shepherd, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The Lumber Mill Bar and Grill.

Monday, Dec. 23

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
Open Mic with Scott Foster, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.

Tuesday, Dec. 24

Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon; **Modern Dance for Adults, 4-5 p.m.** Town Hall.



The blissful sound of carols filled the Idyllwild Library's meeting room Wednesday with a performance of "Christmas Around the World." Members of Local Color, an a cappella women's singing group, performed for visitors. Director **Anna Ancheta** (left) keeps the spirit of the evening light as she calls to guest percussionist **Mark Berres** (right) during a lively selection. Friends of the Idyllwild Library sponsored the program that included carols from the 14th century through the 20th century, and featured some traditional works arranged by Idyllwild residents.

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Idyllwild Garden Club Hospitality Committee member **Patti Morgan** (standing, left) welcomes a surprise guest to the organization's annual Christmas luncheon. Santa was there to bring cheer to the gathering.

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Highway 74 paving project update

Caltrans said it completed major items of work on its third project to rehabilitate the pavement on Highway 74 in two locations — prior to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Some minor striping work still is left to complete the \$2.3-million project where Caltrans performed an overlay on the existing roadway with asphalt, as well repaired designated dig-out areas.

Caltrans lauded the contractor, All American Asphalt, for all of their hard work, as well as the local community for its patience during construction.

For more information on these and other Caltrans projects, visit www.caltrans8.info and sign up for commuter/media email alerts.

View traffic conditions at <http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov> or planned lane closures at www.lcswebreports.dot.ca.gov.

Free craft workshop at library

The Idyllwild Library is hosting a free Santa's Workshop Children's Craft Day from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at the library.

Children and teens are welcome to join in for a variety of crafts to take home or give as gifts. All supplies are provided.

Each child is requested to bring a small photo of themselves, if possible. If not, the library will provide one.

For more information, call Susan Righetti at 951-659-2300.



This young bobcat was seen enjoying itself in Mountain Center recently.

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Answers to Sudoku
(Puzzle on next page)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as SKY ISLAND NATURAL FOODS, 54423 Village Center Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 1801, Idyllwild, CA 92549. SKY ISLAND ORGANICS, INC, 54423 Village Center Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549. A California Corporation.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on July 31, 2013.

Signed: MICHAEL JAMES WANGLER President
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Oct. 1, 2013.

FILE NO.: R-2013-10347
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON OCTOBER 1, 2018. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 2018. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: A. Acevedo, Deputy
Pub. TC: Oct. 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as PRO8 MEDIA, 6363 Estrela Ln., Eastvale, CA 91752, Riverside County. DAVID ROBERT SCHMIDT, 6363 Estrela Ln., Eastvale, CA 91752, Riverside County.

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

Signed: DAVID ROBERT SCHMIDT
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 4, 2013.

FILE NO.: R-2013-11477

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Santana, Deputy
Pub. TC: Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD AUTOMOTIVE, 54170 Pine Crest Avenue, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 126, Mountain Center, CA 92561. RONALD GEORGE KAUFMAN, 53705 Hwy. 74, Mountain Center, CA 92561, SHERRY LYNN KAUFMAN, 53705 Hwy. 74, Mountain Center, CA 92561.

This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on June 1988.

Signed: RONALD GEORGE KAUFMAN
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 4, 2013.

FILE NO.: R-2013-11474
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Santana, Deputy
Pub. TC: Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 2013.

RIC1313125

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

PETITION OF JESSIE ELIN, SHAYLA KATE, RILEY LYN, CHRISTOPHER EDWARD LAWRENCE.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner: JESSIE ELIN LAWRENCE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:

a. Present name: JESSIE ELIN LAWRENCE changed to Proposed name: JESSIE ELIN PAUGH.
b. Present name: SHAYLA KATE LAWRENCE changed to Proposed name: SHAYLA KATE PAUGH.

c. Present name: RILEY LYN LAWRENCE changed to Proposed name: RILEY LYN PAUGH.
d. Present name: CHRISTOPHER EDWARD LAWRENCE changed to Proposed name: CHRISTOPHER ROBERT PAUGH.

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

NOTICE OF HEARING
a. Date: 12/30/13 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 10.
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

See Legals, next page

HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)
The arts are a strong part of the Arian aspect, with music becoming more dominant. An important decision looms as a longtime relationship takes an unexpected turn.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
Surrounding yourself with beautiful things helps restore the Taurean soul. Enjoy an art exhibit, for example. Or redecorate your personal space with something truly splendid.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
Some colleagues might try to talk you out of what they insist is a risk, but which you consider an opportunity. As usual, follow your own good sense when making your decision.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
A workplace change you might have worried about soon proves to be highly favorable for the clever Crab who is ready to take advantage of new opportunities opening up.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)
Congratulations. Your Leonine pride is polished to a dazzling new brilliance thanks to your success in winning support for your new project from even the most doubtful of detractors.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)
An unsettling rumor about a colleague's apparently regrettable behavior is soon proved groundless, allowing you to enjoy the upcoming end-of-year festivities in a happy mood.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)
Your success in helping to create a harmonious environment

out of a chaotic situation earns you the admiration of someone who could become an important new presence in your life.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)
Your Scorpion's sense of loyalty could find you leading a passionate defense of a loved one you feel is being unfairly treated. The week's end brings long-awaited family news.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)
Your keen instincts are once more on high alert as you find yourself being pressured to make a quick decision about a certain matter. More facts come to light by week's end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)
An unexpected workplace development could disrupt some family plans. A full explanation, however, averts domestic discord. A financial matter continues to need attention.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)
Spend time away from distractions to reassess some recent moves that might not have worked out as you had hoped. What you learn could be invaluable for future decision-making.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
A recent act of kindness is a reminder of how important your friends are to you. You might want to show your appreciation by hosting a special pre-New Year's party just for them.

BORN THIS WEEK:
You always try to do your best, which sometimes causes you to be critical of those who don't live up to your standards.

ACROSS

1 Use the couch
4 Fidel Castro, e.g.
9 Picks out of a lineup, briefly
12 Japanese pond carp
13 Last Greek letter
14 Ultramodernist
15 Officeholder
17 Pitcher's topper
18 Apiece
19 Merman and Mertz
21 Label founded by Clive Davis
24 Gets a gander at
25 Fellow

DOWN

1 Schuss
2 Charged particle
3 Twitch
4 Halley's et al.
5 Resentment
6 Spelling contest
7 Actress
8 Talk on and on
9 Nonstop
10 Transaction
11 Bribes
16 — and downs
20 Pay attention
21 Rock band's gear

22 Bar
23 Just beginning
27 Explosive letters
29 You
30 Coaster
32 Undo a dele
34 Graffiti writer, e.g.
37 Masters, in old India
39 West Pointers
42 Doctrine
44 Scot's chapeau
45 Caprice
46 Mysterious character
50 Vegas-based crime show
51 Swelled head
52 Agree silently
53 Part of the foot

Two tuberculosis cases do not make an outbreak

J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The Riverside County Department of Public Health has announced the detection of two cases of active tuberculosis in nearby high schools.

In late October, one case was diagnosed in Vista Murrieta High School. A second case was diagnosed in an Indio High School student in November.

While unusual, the two cases are unrelated, said Barbara Cole, DPH director

of Disease Control. In 2012, one case of high school TB appeared in Riverside County out of a total 56 active cases — down from 68 in 2011, according to Cole. A total of 36 cases were found in people older than 44 years.

The numbers have been dropping since the mid-2000s. In 2007 and 2008, the number of identified cases in Riverside County was 80 and 79, respectively.

The county's current rate of cases, 2.5 per 100,000 population, is significantly lower than the U.S average of 3.2 and the

California average of 5.8, which happened to be an all-time low in California.

Tuberculosis is a disease spread by close and prolonged contact with an individual who has active tuberculosis. People may become infected with TB by breathing air exhaled by someone who is sick with TB.

TB is not spread by shaking hands, sharing food or drink, or via bed linens or toilet seats.

Some of the symptoms of TB include coughing with sputum for more than

three to four weeks; coughing up blood; pain in the chest when breathing; unexplained loss of appetite or weight loss; and fever with night sweats for more than three weeks.

Anyone concerned about TB may contact their health care provider or the DPH Disease Control at 951-358-5107. For more information about tuberculosis, visit the DPH's website www.rivco-diseasecontrol.org

J.P. Crumrine can be reached at jp@towncrier.com.

Intra-District Transfer period open

The Hemet Unified School District's Intra-District Transfers Open Enrollment period for the 2014-15 school year is Jan. 1 to March 1, 2014. During that period, parents may apply to transfer their children to a different school.

HUSD policy allows children to continue their current enrollment at their school through the highest grade level offered without having to annually re-apply for their transfer.

Parents may pick up an information letter and application at any district school or at the Centralized Registration Office, 2085 W. Acacia Avenue, Hemet. Applications must be submitted on or before March 1.

District officials stress limited space is available and those students who live within a school's attendance area will have priority.

Legion hosts holiday events

The American Legion Auxiliary is hosting two free annual holiday events. The first is a Kids Christmas Party from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15.

The second is a Seniors Holiday Luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21. Both events are free and held at the American Legion Post 800.

Volunteers are needed and are welcomed to show up for serving and clean-up.

Assemblyman to donate raise

Assemblyman Brian Nestande announced today he will donate to charity, the 5.3-percent raise approved for lawmakers earlier this year.

Nestande stated in a release, "Individuals and businesses were not the only ones impacted by the economic downturn. Charities and community organizations provide a myriad of vital services. These philanthropic groups saw a drastic reduction in funding and donations over the past several years. It has severely impacted their ability to deliver necessary services. Therefore, I am going to donate the monies to our local United Way chapters so that it can go to services that directly benefit our community."

The independent California Citizens Compensation Commission approved the pay increase in June, and it became effective Dec. 1. Lawmakers have taken reductions equaling 23.3 percent since 2009.

Special election for state senator

Last week, Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. issued a proclamation declaring a special election for the 23rd California Senate District on June 3, 2014. The primary for this special election is March 25, 2014.

The seat's vacancy occurred with the Dec. 1 resignation of Sen. Bill Emmerson.

County hosts stakeholder meetings

The Riverside County Emergency Medical Services agency is hosting the third round of stakeholder meetings with a presentation by The Abaris Group on recommendations regarding the EMS system in Riverside County. Health, government, educators, fire and emergency personnel, and law enforcement are encouraged to attend.

Meetings will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, at the Portola Community Center, 45-480 Portola Ave., Room 2, in Palm Desert and in Banning from 2 to 4 p.m. at Banning City Hall, Council Chambers, 99 E. Ramsey St.

For more information contact Juliana Boyle of The Abaris Group at 888.EMS.0911 or via email at jboyle@abarisgroup.com.

Idyllwild Water conducting survey

Idyllwild Water District has authorized the Specialized Utility Services Program Inc. to conduct a confidential income survey within the district. The survey's purpose is to determine the average income of IWD residents for the purpose of obtaining funding from federal and state programs.

IWD does not plan to make the information public.

For more information, contact IWD General Manager Terry Lyons at 961-659-2143, ext. 205, or terry@idyllwildwater.com, or SUSP Technical Assistance Coordinator Michelle MacLellan at 916-553-4900, ext. 109, or mmacellan@calruralwater.org.

Legals

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

Date: Nov. 21, 2013
SHARON J. WATERS
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as LET IT SHINE, 54425 North Circle Drive, #8, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 3141, Idyllwild, CA 92549. TERESA LORRAINE FRENCH, 54355 Tahquitz View Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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

Signed:
TERESA LORRAINE FRENCH
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 3, 2013.

FILE NO.: R-2013-12419
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CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: L. Montes, Deputy

Pub. TC: Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2013.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described personal property will be held at the hour of 12:30 p.m. December 16th, 2013 at Lockaway Storage, 1181 North State Street, in the city of Hemet, County of Riverside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, boxes, misc. tools and equipment.

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

Manager/Noelle Seniceros
RE: Notice of Public Sale
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(951) 929-2053
Name: SALVADOR MURILLO F107
Name: SUZANNE ARAGON B312
Name: CHRISTOPHER OURTH D107
Auction to be held on December 16, at 12:30 p.m.

Lockaway Storage /Hemet
Manager: Noelle Seniceros
American Auction Service
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Pub. TC: Dec. 5, 12, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as AIRBURST, 54380 South Circle, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 564, Idyllwild, CA 92549. RALPH

CONRAD HOETGER III, 54380 South Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, JOLENE BEVERLY HOETGER, 54380 South Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

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

Signed:
JOLENE BEVERLY HOETGER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 2, 2013.

FILE NO.: R-2013-12367
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Santana, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 12, 19, 26, 2013, Jan. 2, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as CALIFORNIA HOLISTIC CHAMBER COMMERCE, 27341 Stanford St, Hemet, CA 92544, Riverside County. CECE STEVENS, 27341 Stanford St, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:
CECE STEVENS
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 3, 2013.

FILE NO.: R-2013-12419

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: L. Montes, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 12, 19, 26, 2013, Jan. 2, 2014.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Cal. Government Code Section 6066 that a public sale of the following described personal property will be held at the hour of 11:00am on Friday, December 27th 2013 at 54245 N. Circle Dr. Unit A-1, Idyllwild, CA 92549, County of Riverside, State of California. The items sold are described as follows: furniture and furnishings, retail store products, gifts and decorative items, store fixtures and rocks. This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of Cal. Civil Code Sections 1988 et. seq.

Pub. TC: Dec. 12, 19, 2013.

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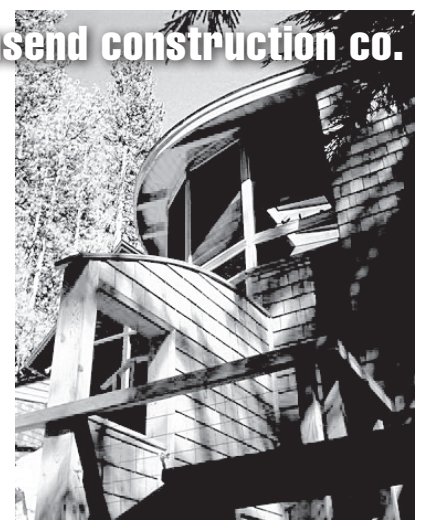
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CREATURE CORNER

BY MIMI AND HOOTCH

Dear, Santa Paws

ARF four-leggeds heard you were coming to town soon. So we put our furry little heads together and came up with our special wish list. We call it special because the ARF angels always tell us we are such special cats and dogs.

Mrs. Magoo stepped right up as the spokescat for the purring section. We conceded, as she is the oldest, wisest and has been here the longest. She wishes for her own home.



Twiggy wishes for a castle all her own. She is a bit of a diva, you know, and is declawed.

Boomer and all of the cattery wishes he will find a home with cats, dogs, kids and fun.

Tommy wishes for an outdoor cattery.

Whiskers wants more wet food. **Mama Pepper**, too shy for the camera, and a bit of a diva, too, wishes for her very own, very large water bowl to bathe in.



Meow Meow would like nothing more than his own bed and bowl. Oh, and he wants to have a forever home with **Sadie**.



Carly wishes for her own human that she can attach herself to.

And now a few woofs from the canine crowd.

Harley Dog wishes to enjoy that ride in the sleigh with you, Santa. We all watch him in the yard from our cattery as he skillfully buries his bones. And he loves bacon and catching the ball, but his favorite wish is to go for a ride ... forever.

So, Santa, we are keeping our list short, tails are wagging, and we are all purring and woofing as we sing our favorite song, "I'll be Home for Christmas."

And please take care of all the cats and dogs everywhere.

Thank you, Santa.
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65 years ago - 1948

"Ma's New Husband," the first production of the Mountain Players, was a big hit. Evie Kretsinger and Leigh Dutton headed the cast.

60 years ago - 1953

Boxes were placed in village stores for gifts of food and clothing for American Indians on the Santa Rosa reservation.

55 years ago - 1958

Businesses were asked to enter the Community Yule Decoration Contest the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce sponsored.

50 years ago - 1963

Intermittent rain fell, bringing the season's total to 10.90 inches, compared to 1.87 inches for the previous year.

45 years ago - 1968

Welch's Carriage Inn offered a complete dinner for \$1 on Wednesday Family Night.

40 years ago - 1973

With grocery industry strikes affecting deliveries to the Hill, local grocery store owners were making runs to Los Angeles and Santa Fe Springs several



Depite the threat of further storms, backpackers trudged their way to Humber Park and the wilderness area in November 1973. Most had a safe and glorious back-country experience, though two late-departing hikers from Lake Hemet spent a stormy Sunday night in the South Fork and were helicopter-rescued after daybreak.

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times a week to obtain goods.

35 years ago - 1978

Busted water pipes, hard-to-start cars and cold hands tormented many Hill residents when a cold spell dropped temperatures to as low as 8 degrees.

30 years ago - 1983

Hemet Unified School District announced it was exploring yet another prospective site for a mountain high school. Funds were approved to complete an

environmental assessment on the site located behind the Living Free Animal Sanctuary in Mountain Center.

25 years ago - 1988

Dwight "Buzz" Holmes was preparing to conduct the 12th-annual local presentation of Handel's "The Messiah."

20 years ago - 1993

After serving two years on the Hemet Unified School District board, Bill Sanborn was elected president.

15 years ago - 1998

Mike Pearson, a good friend of Santa Claus, was booking Christmas Eve visits by Santa to locals' homes in exchange for a donation to the Idyllwild Tree Monument maintenance fund.

10 years ago - 2003

The County Service Area 38 Advisory Council proposed a special tax to be collected from Pine Cove property owners to help fund the Pine Cove Fire Station and ambulance contracts. The tax was to be voted on in May.

5 years ago - 2008

The defense attorney for accused murderer and arsonist Raymond Lee Oyler had inadvertent support from the federal government for his contention that another more likely person was an arson suspect at the time Oyler was arrested.

1 year ago - 2012

On Tuesday, Dec. 4, the U.S. Forest Service and Cal Fire announced they had adjusted their fire protection responsibilities on the Hill. Separately, Cal Fire would increase its firefighting resources on the Hill in 2013.

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