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The price of cleaner air

Auto and propane gas
prices may increase

BY J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Hill residents and visitors have benefited from falling gas prices this fall and although the market price of gas will depend on the world price of oil, the pump price of gasoline may increase 9 to 10 cents this month.

This is the consequence of a California law (Assembly Bill 32) enacted in 2006

to curb air pollution, greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels and respond to climate change problems.

Initially, oil manufacturers were part of the state Cap and Trade program. As of January, now fuel suppliers also come under its requirements either to reduce the carbon pollution in their product or to obtain allowances or permits. These set limits and may be sold or traded among producers and sup-

pliers, hence, the name "Cap and Trade."

Propane was added to the natural gas section. Now suppliers also will have to have allowances for carbon emission, and whether they build this cost into their prices is their decision, according to David Clegern, spokesperson for the state's Air Resources Board.

This year, an allowance for a metric ton of carbon emission costs \$12. Each year, the total amount of carbon emissions permitted is reduced 3 percent.

Economists and state
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FILM FEST RETURNS: The sixth-annual Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema opened Tuesday morning. The Rustic Theatre is the principal venue for the filmmakers and actors during the festival, which culminates with the Award Ceremony Saturday evening at the theater.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

Some of 2015's new laws

BY J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Gov. Jerry Brown and the state legislature were busy during 2014 with both the Senate and Assembly passing more than 1,000 bills. That represents more than two bills per day. In reality, it's closer to five or six since the legislature is not in session 365 days.

Gov. Brown signed 930 bills and vetoed 143 bills.

One of the more significant laws, which took ef-

fect on Jan. 1, was actually enacted in 2013. Assembly Bill 60 permits unauthorized immigrants to the state to obtain a California driver's license if they can prove identity, California residence and meet all other licensing requirements, such as passing the drivers license knowledge and behind-the-wheel driving exams.

According to the California Department of Motor Vehicles, nearly 17,200 individuals applied for a state driver's license on

Friday, Jan. 2.

The plastic bag ban, which was to go into effect on July 1, may be delayed until 2016 or later. Opponents of the ban filed petitions to place the referendum issue on the 2016 ballot for voters' approval. The Secretary of State has not confirmed if a sufficient number of signatures were obtained to qualify the referendum.

One law, which is effective July 1, is AB 1522. All state businesses are
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Part 2: Top 10 stories of 2014

Editor's note: This week ends the Town Crier's two-part series examining the top 10 stories affecting Idyllwild in 2014.

Motorcycle fatalities return to Hill roads

BY J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The past year was very dangerous for motorcyclists traveling the Hill's roadways. Seven deaths occurred in 2014 compared to none in 2013.

The causes vary. Some officials simply attribute it to the improving economy, which encourages more motorcycle trips than recent previous years. In the whole of 2008, there were five motorcycle fatalities on the Hill's highways.

Most of our coverage has been photographs of the scene and one editorial. Editor Becky Clark explained the value of photographs in her "Out Loud" column: "Some photos tell more than a story can, such as when the Marine motorcy-

clist was killed several years ago on Highway 243. Larry Donahoo, Village Hardware, donated an American flag, and the man's fellow Marines' ritual covering of his body with the flag on the highway while traffic stopped was a gripping photo. It broke our hearts to lose a man we didn't know."

Mile High Radio assume operational control of WNKI

At the end of 2014, two years of negotiations
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Michael Hestrin, left, is sworn in as Riverside County district attorney, as his wife, **Benilda**, looks on at a ceremony held Monday, Jan. 5, at the Riverside Historic Courthouse. Superior Court Judge Christian Thierbach administered the oath of office.
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COURTESY OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY DA'S OFFICE



Above, this crash was reported around 11:17 a.m. Monday involving a pick-up truck with a camper shell driven by **Leif Kvammen** (right) of Pine Cove. Kvammen was not injured and no other vehicles or persons were involved in the collision. Kvammen, traveling westbound on Highway 74 near the Strawberry Creek Bridge, said he heard a "pop and clash" at the same time coming from his right front wheel, immediately dragging the vehicle off the pavement into the side embankment and rolling it over. He wasn't sure but thought he possibly had a tire blow out. The crash blocked traffic to one lane but was cleared before 12:30 p.m.
PHOTO BY JACK CLARK



At about 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, Idyllwild Fire responded to a chimney fire on South Circle Drive. The residence was quickly investigated, the fire extinguished and no one was injured.
PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service

Thursday 1/8

60/36
Mostly sunny.

Friday 1/9

56/34
Mostly sunny.

Saturday 1/10

52/34
Mostly sunny.

Sunday 1/11

50/33
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Monday 1/12

51/34
Mostly sunny.

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1/2	49	23			
1/3	52	25			
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1/5	71	29			
Idyllwild last year					
Date	High	Low	M		S
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12/31	na	na			
1/1	69	37			
1/2	65	36			
1/3	63	35			
1/4	62	36			
1/5	60	37			
Moisture in inches					
To date this season (Idy): 11.28					
To date last season (Idy): 7.37					
Total last season (Idy): 14.88					
To date this season (PC): 12.08					
Total last season (PC): 15.54					
Snow in inches					
To date this season (Idy): 4.2					
To date last season (Idy): 2.6					
Total last season (Idy): 5.0					
To date this season (PC): 6.75					
Total last season (PC): 13.0					

TEMPERATURES AND 24-HOUR moisture and snow totals for Idyllwild are re-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 www.idyllwildtown-crier.com or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

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Top 10

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between the Idyllwild Fire Protection District and the Mile High Radio Club successfully ended with a mutually approved agreement for MHRC to operate the local emergency station WNKI — 1610 AM.

From the fall of 2012, when Bob McCullough retired as WNKI's manager, the position has been vacant, although volunteers have kept it functioning, especially during the 2013 Mountain Fire. In December 2012, MHRC offered to manage the station and bring its expertise to the dials and antenna.

With mountain terrain, coverage of the whole Hill is a challenge, according to MHRC President Bill Tell, but he and fellow MHRC member Tom Pierce have developed a plan, which was presented in the spring of 2014, that should accomplish this task of propagating the station's signals.

"[The club] has a vision to broadcast WNKI from Poppet Flat to Pinyon," Tell has said. "We can cover the entire area that's part of the [Community Wildfire Protection Plan]. People are screaming 'We can't hear you.' The MHRC has the vision, the engineering know-how and the drive to pull together a team from multiple agen-



The annual Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council inspections of oaks for Goldspotted oak borer began in June. Here, Aida Quiles (left), Ron Perry (back) and Elliott Taylor (right) inspect a black oak for more D-shaped GSOB exit holes

PHOTO BY DORIS LOMBARD

cies to make this happen."

The IFPD commission approved the agreement at its November meeting and two weeks later in a special meeting, MHRC also approved the agreement. Its first step will be developing the operation plan for the station and thorough training, according to Tell. Initially, MHRC will set priorities for improvements to the station, while seeking funding sources,

including grants.

"We have preliminary estimates for many of the improvements we have proposed to date ... most likely move out on some simple less expensive ones first, making sure we maintain an operations budget and validate performance improvements as we go along," Tell said.

Idyllwild Fire Chief Patrick Reitz added, "MHRC has been work-

ing diligently for about two years to move WNKI into the new generation; the initial steps are actually a continuation of what has already taken place to date with the MHRC, all of which has been very positive."

Many on the Hill have been urging, supporting and anticipating this step for several years. Nevertheless, as the signatures were being applied to the document, some have raised concerns.

For example, prior to the commission's unanimous approval, Reitz expressed some reluctance, although he assured the commission he would support its decision.

"I still have concerns over the issue of insurance and how we reach settlement if we reach impasse," Reitz told the commission. "I'm still concerned the agreement is not there yet." Later he clarified his comment: "Based on the district's legal counsel's review, there are two concerns — mutual indemnification and the process by which impasse is addressed, using the courts instead of arbitration."

On the other side, MHRC member Jeff Smith has expressed his fear that the agreement's language will threaten the license because it explicitly violates a Federal Communications Commission regulation regarding these lo-

cal stations, classified as Travel Information Stations.

In a July 2013 rulemaking, the FCC stated, "We find that allowing routine [TIS] broadcasts during nonemergency periods of terrorist threat levels, public health alerts, emergency preparedness messages, conservation messages, and the like, is not in the public interest, as such routine broadcasts also would dilute situational awareness pertinent to the traveling motorist. The primary purpose of the TIS is to assist motorists in the

process of traveling and to provide emergency and imminent threat information in covered areas. Therefore, we will continue to disallow messages that do not have a travel nexus, are not emergency-related, or do not relate directly to an imminent threat because such messages would dilute the convenience and efficacy of TIS."

However, Tell and Michael Andelson, who assisted the club in reviewing the agreement, stressed that the actual limitation is on a licensee's

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Last year y'all presented another whirlwind year of activity in Idyllwild, from events to political controversies. We lost community members we loved, we raised funds and volunteered to improve our community, we paraded down North Circle Drive, we danced to splendid live music from jazz to rock to Zydeco, we rejoiced in our fine artists' works, we delighted in watching first-rate actors on stage, we gobbled a lot of brie and we sipped many a fine wine.

Boy, did we live last year, as we seem to do every year in this capital town.

I failed to make every event or even most events. Having three grandchildren on the Hill now, I babysit a lot, rarely turning down a request. I just believe spending time with my grandchildren is as precious for them as it is for me.

My co-habitant also is co-owner of the paper so the TC is as much a part our personal lives as it is our business. We constantly communicate on the subject with each other — in the car, at a restaurant and while sipping fine wine. And we need to, so sometimes we put the business before all else and don't make it to an event.

I also — once in a while when I run out of them — wash and dry my clothes. Once a month, I pay house bills. Maybe twice a week lately, I cook a nice meal at home or at my son's house.

I also serve on two state boards, traveling five times a year.

Where is this going? Well, you Hill folk sure stir up a lot of activity — so much so that a person would require riches to attend every event, just to hire help to keep their clothes and house clean, their bills paid, their car washed, etc., etc.

Don't you folk stop, though. I love what I'm able to attend. What a great place to live.

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

Yes, Christmas is what it is

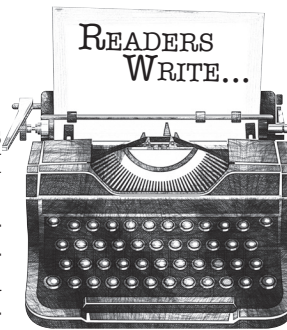
EDITOR:

Sue Draper believes "Christmas is what it is." I agree.

My distant colonial ancestors and cousins considered Christmas pagan and popish. In 1659, Massachusetts forbade, under the fine of 5 shillings per offense, the observance "of any such day as Christmas or the like, either by forebearing of labour, feasting, or any such way." The Assembly of Connecticut, in the same period, prohibited the reading of the Book of Common Prayer, the keeping of Christmas and saints' days, the making of mince pies, the playing of cards, or performing on any musical instruments. Unless it occurred on Sunday, Christmas was just another day of work. Any celebration was heretical and blasphemy.

Thus, Merry Christmas "or" Happy Holidays to everyone.

BYRON EDWARDS
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to move forward with taking over management of WNKI.

The Mile High Radio Club has not taken this endeavor lightly. The process is time consuming and will take some effort to organize committees and technical support. The equipment is outdated and will take quite a bit of money to replace, but in the meantime, with technical support, they will upgrade what they have.

The FCC has guidelines and the parties involved do not intend to ignore those guidelines. Mr. Smith needs to read all of the FCC material and not just what suits him.

As far as the location at IFPD, where else would it be? IFPD is often the location of the command center. It is convenient and centrally located.

I have not stood by and observed a group with limited vision, but a group with expanded vision. The only tunnel vision seems to be Mr. Smith's focus on failure. If he thinks he's going to continue to detour progress in this community at every turn, he is destined for failure.

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Another view of Jeff Smith's point

EDITOR:

If Mr. Smith wants WNKI to fail, why doesn't he just come out and say so? He says it has been mismanaged. Just to clarify, the co-founders and managers have all passed away, save one, who is elderly, has moved away and is unable to be contacted, though many have tried. IFPD then approached the Mile High Radio Club to consider managing the station.

Since that time, Bill Tell, along with other radio club members, has spent countless hours assessing equipment, tracing wires and phone lines, cleaning equipment, etc. He has talked to a number of county agencies, equipment specialists, and communications specialists. Mr. Tell was able to glean what technical background and assistance he could from co-founder Carroll Lindholm (who developed the programming software for WNKI), before Mr. Lindholm passed away in 2013, to keep WNKI running in an emergency.

The radio club then proceeded to draft a Memorandum of Understanding, an agreement, with IFPD. This agreement covers the bases and allows the radio club

Not satisfied with Fire Code Committee's statements

EDITOR:

A lie is a lie, a contradiction is a contradiction and a false statement is false. Confusion and doubt surrounds the new fire-abatement policies only because of the statements by MCFSC, its president and public officials.

Here's a few:

The money we'll pay? Idyllwild Fire Chief Reitz mentions the cost for additional inspection personnel and particularly the availability of funds to pay contractors, a pool of funds until liens can be collected.

Brandon Smith, county fire investigator, said, "This ordinance will need increased staffing. I think that's what we're missing in enforcement."

And Riverside Fire Chief Hawkins agrees, "We'll need to define a framework for actions and the intricacies of finances, including inspection staff and abatement costs for contractors." (All three, Town Crier, Oct. 23.)

And guess who is eventually going to pay for it? Yet hear now what MCFSC

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conduct, not simply language in the agreement. Both men stated that the club's broadcasts would have to comply with FCC regulations and guidelines.

WNKI, 1610 AM, was established in 1988. The station founders were George Covington and Carol Lindholm who were involved in managing the station until 2003, when Bob McCullough, Pine Cove resident and former water district director, assumed the daily management, especially during fires and other emergencies.

Covington and Lindholm envisioned a station to keep Hill residents informed of approaching disaster threats, updates during emergencies and information for residents who have complied with evacuation orders.

"It [the station] was George's idea, WNKI was his baby," McCullough told the Town Crier in 2012. "IFPD said they'd provide the space, but George had to raise the money."

While IFPD holds the

FCC broadcast license, Covington did raise the \$19,000 from various agencies, such as Cal Fire, the U.S. Forest Service and private donations, to equip the station. WNKI also provides local weather information and public service announcements, but its primary function is to provide emergency broadcasts.

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Goldspotted oak borer spreading domain Idyllwild declared zone of infestation

The invasive Goldspotted oak borer expanded its presence on the Hill during 2014. The number of local trees harboring the GSOB is now at 61, according to Gregg Bratcher, Cal Fire chief forester for Riverside County. The number of infested and dying trees nearly doubled from early June to the end of the year.

That is one reason local officials have taken this problem to the state. At the state Board of Forestry's Dec. 9 meeting, Cal Fire Director Ken Pimlott requested that the zone of

1 using a service road. When I arrived at the well, I observed a small wood shed with no fire damage,
2 with a locked door, and a large standing metal water tank which appeared to be empty. NOWLIN
3 unlocked the door using her keys and allowed me to enter, where I observed the well pump and
4 filtration system. I examined the electrical for the pump and located two breakers marked pump and
5 aux, in the off position. I then observed a second electrical box, housing a "pump saver plus" with
6 two wires disconnected.
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10 I returned to the main house and met with W-6 Greg EZQUERRO, a certified electrician sent by CAL
11 FIRE upon my request. I had him examine the main service panel, remove the tripped breaker,
12 verify the electrical system was safe and the tripped breaker did provide service to the junction box,
13 reinstall the panel cover and confirm the power to the property was on, so the alarm system was
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Pages extracted from the Mountain Fire report show the extent of Cal Fire's redactions.

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President Esnard says publicly: "No one I know involved with this process has suggested creating a new tax or fee ... Let me repeat, no one has suggested raising fees or taxes." (TC, Nov. 27.)

They may try to pass the law, and make us fund it later. Which one is it? And how much?

Every house or vacant lots only?

Chief Hawkins tells us the purpose of the committee is for "unabated properties which have no structures," and undeveloped lots in "areas above 3,000 feet." (TC, Dec. 25.)

Sue Nash, the one writing the law, tells us the intense abatement requirements within 30 feet of structures would apply to all property owners. (TC, Oct. 23.)

And Idyllwild Chief Reitz, a member of the committee, told us when asked, that intense abatement means 30 feet out from every house, any two trees or bushes touching (live or dead) are in violation.

No structures, says Chief Hawkins. The one writing the law says all structures. Somebody isn't telling the whole story.

Chief Hawkins "affirmed he is committed to a public process and hearing," (TC, Dec. 25), but the committee is meeting at 1 p.m. on a workday when everyone is at work.

And the big question, the one asked over and over, and the one never answered: such an important issue that affects us all, why can't we vote on it, rather than a non-elected committee? Inflammatory public statements by MCFSC's Sue Nash, the one writing the law, don't help. "We're terrified, everybody wants to do this," she said. (TC, Oct. 23.)

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infestation for the oak borer be expanded to include the Hill. The board unanimously approved the request.

"By establishing the GSOB zone of infestation in Riverside County, even greater public attention will focus on GSOB and raise the awareness of the surrounding counties and the rest of the state. In addition, the ZOI provides specific authority to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to control and limit the spread of the infestation under certain circumstances," Pimlott wrote in his request.

He stated that since 2012, when the first positive oak was identified on the Hill, the cost of removal and disposal has exceeded \$200,000. The majority of the damage has occurred on highly valued large oaks on private property, he added.

Since the first identification in fall 2012, Dr. Tom Scott and Kevin Turner, both of the University of California, Riverside, Cooperative Extension, believe the GSOB's infestation has been slower and less pervasive than in San Diego County.

While it is still early to identify differences between the GSOB's spread here and in San Diego County, Turner acknowledged that no other community has committed the resources — funding and volunteers — to combat

the insect's invasion of forest oaks.

Scott estimated that nearly 40,000 acres in San Diego have been identified as GSOB locations. Between 50,000 and 200,000 oaks have probably died as a result of this infestation, he added. The board also expanded the San Diego County ZOI at its December meeting.

Besides in San Diego

and Riverside counties, this autumn a grove of 30 oaks in Orange County were found infested with GSOB, according to Bratcher. This is the first discovery there and "it was not contiguous with Riverside County," Bratcher emphasized.

The hotline is still available to receive calls of suspected GSOB-infested oaks. The number is 951-

659-8328. He advised residents to be on the alert for oak trees that retain their dead leaves during the winter.

Just as alarming as the spread of the pest is the fear present within the community of seeking help identifying the sick and dying trees.

"I've heard from several sources that people don't want to call the hotline because they're afraid county fire will come and take the tree or trim it," Bratcher said.

He emphasized that these actions are not permitted without the permission of the property owner. "We have no jurisdiction without permission," he stressed.

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Cal Fire redacts Mountain Fire report

By JACK CLARK
LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

In July 2013, only weeks after the Mountain Fire, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire) issued a press release stating the fire had been caused by "electrical equipment failure." But Cal Fire did not indicate whether that "electrical equipment failure" had been due to a manufacturing defect in a component
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State Sen. Jeff Stone being sworn into office on Dec. 1. He is the former 3rd District supervisor for Riverside County. PHOTO COURTESY OF CHRIS WYSOCKI, STONE'S CHIEF OF STAFF

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part, faulty installation, negligent maintenance or repairs, a lightning strike or sabotage. The press release faulted no one for causing the fire.

Cal Fire public information officers stated that Cal Fire would release no further information "until the investigation is complete."

In May 2014, Cal Fire released its heavily redacted report to the Town Crier. Apart from indicating that the Mountain Fire had originated somewhere on spacious property owned by Dr. Tarek M. Al-Shawaf in Mountain Center, Cal Fire extensively blacked out all parts of the report indicating the origin and cause of the \$24-million blaze that began on his property.

During the next four weeks, the Town Crier repeatedly inquired as to why Cal Fire was holding back on origin and cause, and during that time Cal Fire did not explain, nor did it claim any exemption.

Finally, in June 2014, a Cal Fire public information officer told the Town Crier that the report was redacted because the final origin and cause determi-



Riverside County/Cal Fire Chief **John Hawkins** (with Idyllwild Fire Chief **Patrick Reitz** sitting) talks to the audience at the Fire chiefs meeting on Thursday, June 26, at Town Hall.

PHOTO BY BECKY CLARK

nation is not made in investigators' reports, but in "an additional step" that had not yet been taken. He did not indicate what constituted the "additional step," nor did he explain why Cal Fire had released the report after having stated that nothing further would be released until the investigation was complete.

Within days, a different public information officer told the Town Crier that the report was redacted under Government Code section 6254, subdivision (b), because of possible future criminal or civil litigation. But California

courts have clearly held that withholding information under subdivision (b) requires that litigation already have been filed, which was not the case.

The Town Crier requested unredacted reports under the California Public Records Act.

In July 2014, Cal Fire's in-house counsel, David Wiseman, told the Town Crier that the report was redacted under section 6254, subdivision (f), because it was an investigatory file compiled "for law enforcement purposes." But no California appellate court has held Cal Fire's fire investigation reports to be "compiled for law enforcement purposes." Wiseman further stated that if no criminal or civil litigation developed within a reasonable time — "two years or so" — he would seek executive authorization for the release of the unredacted reports at that time.

The two-year anniversary of the Mountain Fire is now only six months away. Cal Fire still has not filed litigation or released the origin and cause of the fire. Under California Code of Civil Procedure section 338, subdivisions (b) & (c), the statute of limitations for a person to file a civil suit for damage to their real or personal property is three years, yet after a year and a half Cal Fire still has not released the information the public needs to support such compensatory litigation.

The Town Crier will further pursue the origin and cause of the July 2013 Mountain Fire and report on these efforts in upcoming issues.

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A smorgasbord of restaurant changes

BY BECKY CLARK
EDITOR

2014 was a big year for restaurant sales, changes and new openings. Alphabetically by restaurant:

Oscar and Gabriela Piñeiro bought Arriba Mexican Restaurant on Oct. 25 from Jose Huizar. They plan to keep the same style menu with possibly some Cuban-style dishes added occasionally. The couple also plan to



Despite nearly 5 inches of rain last week, Idyllwild Water District's storage at Foster Lake remained nil in early March. Said General Manager **Tom Lynch**, "The water wasn't more than 6 inches to a foot deep, so the lake will probably be dry by the end of the week. Strawberry Creek is dry at our diversion level, so no water is running over to the lake." By summer, the lake was dry.

PHOTO BY TOM LYNCH

open a Caribbean restaurant in Banning at some point in the future.

Café Aroma Manager Frank Ferro, with wife Lori, left the restaurant early in 2014, followed by Chef Geoff Brown. Aroma owner Hubert Halkin hired Philip Weber as general manager. Jeffrey Ford, an experienced Army cook and soon-to-be graduate of a Santa Monica culinary school, was hired as executive chef.

CJ Fast and Fresh Food, primarily a take-out place, opened on the Fourth of July right next to Arriba. Juan and Carol Garces Martinez offer American-Mexican food from breakfast to lunch, including pancakes, waffles, burritos and huevos rancheros, as well as milk shakes, burgers, fruit cocktail, fish tacos, vegetarian food and donuts, too.

Bobby Ye's Hidden Village Chinese restaurant closed its doors for good March 16. In May, Idyllwild Downtown Historic District Local Review Board passed the application process to redesign the building within IDHD guidelines for new owners Frank and Lori Ferro.

FERRO should be open by early-spring, hopefully before March, according to Lori.

The Ferros also co-own Idyllwild Brewpub on the lower level of the Strawberry Creek Plaza's south-side building. Lori said, "We will serve traditional pub fare using organic and locally sourced ingre-

dients. Our draft menu includes a great burger, fish and chips, salads and pot pies. Don Put is our brewmaster, and he has a great reputation for his awesome beers." Brown, who left Café Aroma, will be chef for both restaurants, said Lori.

Paul Amick purchased Honey Bunns & Joe from Dan and Laura Slattery. He opened it Sept. 2 as the Town Baker and is hosting artist receptions throughout the year.

Paul and Katie White opened Idyllwild Bake Shop & Brew on Nov. 8. The former Greek Place also started selling canned and bottled beers Dec. 13 with a beer and wine license.

Jim and Sandy Felcher, owners of Quik Stop, a fast-food place next to the Rustic, renamed it Idyllwild Ice Cream and Idyllwild Jerky and began specializing in gelato and jerky in May, but continuing to offer fast food, too.

Windean Dahleen's Idyology restaurant opened Oct. 15, in the former Creek House location in Fern Valley. The comfort cuisine with a global flair is the only creek-side restaurant in Idyllwild. "[We bring] our globally inspired ambience and food with a unique hillbilly, mountain lovin' twist," said Dahleen. "While we embrace organic, locally farmed foods and the freshest ingredients, we also strive to deliver a fun and hip, relaxing, back-

woods experience with fervor." Vegans, vegetarians and meat lovers alike will find something on the menu.

Betty Joan Lackey sold Jo'An's Restaurant & Bar in June to a new corporation, Jo'An's Bar & Restaurant Inc., with Mo Jacob as chief financial officer. New owners plan to upgrade the restaurant and have added more entertainment to the nightly fare. The owners are running a contest asking for votes to either change the name (and to what) or not.

After many renovations, Thomas and Kristen Bachmann opened Tommy's Kitchen in the same location. In November, they opened for breakfast and lunch and may open for dinner later. As a chef and caterer in the past, he has prepared many fancy dishes. But in Idyllwild, "I want to take care of the local community. I want to make good, homestyle cooking using my own recipes, my own food," said Thomas.

Lake Hemet Market temporarily closed Nov. 10. Alex and Carol Tomazin of Temecula decided not to renew their lease with Lake Hemet Municipal Water District.

When the market reopens in March 2015, the country store and new outdoor diner will be under corporate management of the California Parks Company, the recreation management company that since 2011 has managed Lake Hemet Campground under contract with the water district.

Wagoner said a condition of the new lease with CPC was for them to complete certain named improvements within the next three years. Some of those improvements include a new roof, a "facelift" for the building while keeping the same rustic theme, and an outdoor deck to serve diners. A gas station on the north end of the property is a possible future improvement also.

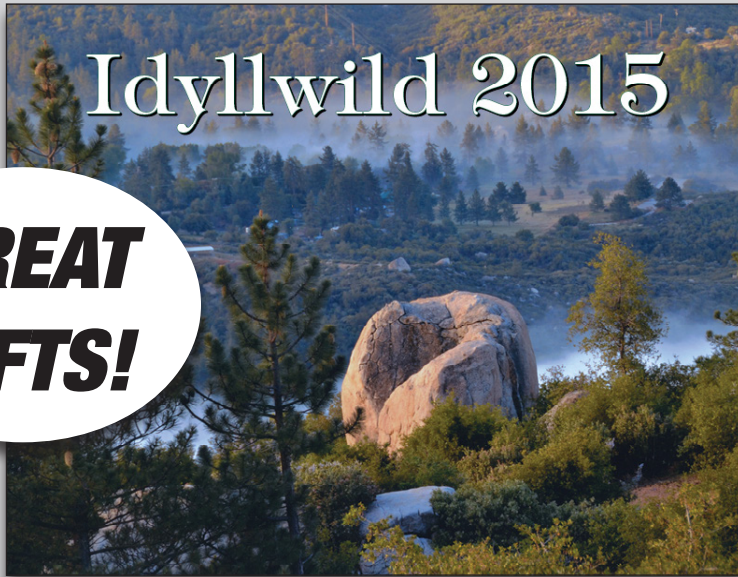
Peter and Antonietta Zuber of the Swiss Fondue House closed the restaurant mid-June and returned to their home country of Switzerland.

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Ruby Presnell performs with Ruby Blue on the Main Stage during the 21st annual Jazz in the Pines Festival. Her other band, Ruby and the Red Hots, performed at the French Quarter on Saturday.

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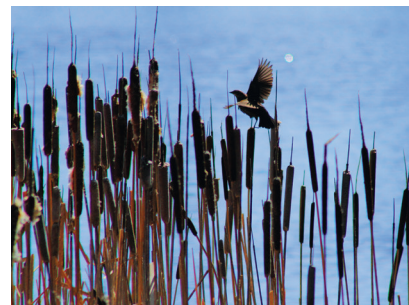
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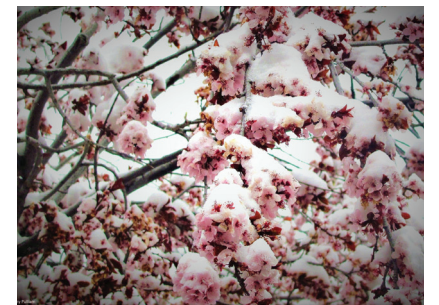
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For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 9.

Wednesday, Jan. 7

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Pickle Ball, 8-10 a.m. Idyllwild Community Park.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Oma's, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.
- Garner Valley Women's Group, 10:30 a.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devil's Ladder Rd.
- Spanish Class for Home-schoolers, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- American Legion Post 800 Auxiliary board, 5 p.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Co-dependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Soroptimist International of Idyllwild, 8:30 a.m. breakfast; 9 a.m. meeting. Mile High Cafe, 29470 Hwy. 243.

Thursday, Jan. 8

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. & "We Don't Know" Agnostic & Atheist meeting, 6-7 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Cross Road 243 Church office, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. 951-659-0097.
- Free warm lunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idyllwild Francophonie (fluent-French speakers), 12:30 p.m. Café Aroma, 54750 North Circle Dr. RSVP. Call Francoise Frigola, 951-659-

4146, for more information.

- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave. Show up or phone 951-659-4910.

- Idyllwild Elders, 3:30-5 p.m.; Women's Bible Study, 3:30-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54001 Village Center Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30-9 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

Friday, Jan. 9

- Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Monica Sierras at 951-659-5932 for information and location.
- 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.)
- Feeding America, 3-4 p.m. Cross Road 243 Church, Mountain Center.

Saturday, Jan. 10

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

Sunday, Jan. 11

- 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, General Discussion (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).
- Narcotics Anonymous, 8-9 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Monday, Jan. 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.

- Zen-style meditation & dharma discussion, 6-7:30 p.m. the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. Call Valerie Kyo-shin Velez at 951-659-5750 for info.
- Al-Anon, Open Meeting, 7-8 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; 7-8:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, "Just for Today," 7-8 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

Tuesday, Jan. 13

- Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council, 9:30 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Drive. Call 659-6208 for information.
- Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild, 9:30 a.m. Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; men's meeting, 6-7 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Fire Code Committee, 1 p.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr.
- La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 659-8321.
- Lovingkindness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 5-7 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54495 Village Center Dr.

Wednesday, Jan. 14

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Pickle Ball, 8-10 a.m. Idyllwild Community Park.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Oma's, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.
- Riverside County Mobile Health Clinic, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- Pine Cove Water District board, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.
- Spanish Class for Home-schoolers, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

The Idyllwild Fire Station responded to the following calls, Tuesday to Monday, Dec. 30 to Jan. 5.

Idyllwild

- Dec. 30 — Medical aid, 6:55 p.m., one patient.
- Dec. 31 — Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney or flue, 12:56 p.m.
- Dec. 31 — Medical aid, 6:22 p.m., one patient.
- Jan. 1 — Medical aid, 1:54 p.m., one patient.
- Jan. 1 — Medical aid, 3:30 p.m., one patient.
- Jan. 1 — Medical aid, 4:18 p.m., one patient.
- Jan. 1 — Lock out, 5:40 p.m.
- Jan. 2 — Medical aid, 10:54 a.m., one patient.
- Jan. 2 — Water or steam leak, 4:23 p.m.
- Jan. 2 — Medical aid, 9:52 p.m., one patient.
- Jan. 2 — Smoke or odor removal, 11:07 p.m.
- Jan. 3 — False alarm or false call, other, 10:55 a.m.
- Jan. 3 — Medical aid, 12:27 p.m., one patient.
- Jan. 3 — Medical aid, 4:04 p.m., one patient.
- Jan. 3 — Good intent call, other, 9:04 p.m.
- Jan. 4 — Medical aid, 3:07 p.m., one patient.
- Jan. 4 — False alarm or false call, other, 4:44 p.m.

Pine Cove

- Jan. 1 — Dispatched and canceled en route.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls, Sunday to Saturday, Dec. 28 to Jan. 3.

Idyllwild

- Dec. 28 — Public disturbance, N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.

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

Community service hours

- California Department of

• Dec. 28 — Missing person, Oakwood St. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 28 — Public disturbance, Forest Haven Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 28 — Alarm call, Hummer Rd. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 29 — Vehicle code violation, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 29 — Alarm call, Fernleaf Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 29 — Area check, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 29 — Public disturbance, Alderwood St. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 29 — Civil dispute, Saunders Meadow Rd. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 30 — Alarm call, Daryll Rd. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 30 — Alarm call, Ridgeview Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 31 — Follow-up, address withheld. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 31 — Suspicious circumstance, Tahquitz View Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 31 — Suspicious circumstance, Manzanita Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 31 — Assist other department, Idyllbrook Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Jan. 2 — Assist other department, 24000 block of Fern Valley Rd. Handled by deputy.

• Jan. 2 — Suicide threat, address withheld. Handled by deputy.

Mountain Center

• Dec. 31 — Suspicious person, McCall Rd. Handled by deputy.

Pine Cove

• Dec. 30 — Assist other department, Nestwa Trail. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 31 — Brandishing a weapon, Overlook Dr. Report taken.

• Dec. 31 — Alarm call, Cedar Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 31 — Assist other department, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• Jan. 1 — Trespassing, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• Jan. 1 — Trespassing, Fernland Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Jan. 1 — Follow-up, address withheld. Handled by deputy.

• Jan. 2 — Missing person, Lakeview Dr. Report taken.

• Jan. 3 — Follow up, address withheld. Handled by deputy.

• Jan. 3 — Suspicious vehicle, Cedar Dr. Handled by deputy.

Pine Meadows

• Dec. 28 — Check the welfare, 37000 block of Tool Box Spring Rd. Handled by deputy.

Poppet Flats

• Dec. 28 — Man with gun, Park Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 29 — Missing person, Big Horn St. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 29 — Public assistance, Big Horn St. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino National Forest

• Dec. 29 — 911 hang-up from cell phone, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 29 — Suspicious circumstance, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 30 — Check the welfare, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• Jan. 3 — Assist other department, 50000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Report taken.

Twin Pines

• Jan. 2 — Shots fired, Twin Pines Rd. Handled by deputy.

lage Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday; noon-8 p.m. Tuesday; noon-5 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, 659-2300.

• Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4 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.

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

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

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

• Idyllwild Library, 54401 Vil-

On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

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

Wednesday, Jan. 7

- Jazzercise, 7:15-8:15 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Rustic Theatre, AstroCamp & Caine Learning Center. Local discount passes available at the Idyllwild Town Crier & Visitors Center.
- "Anonymous," movie, 10-11:30 a.m. AstroCamp.
- Marshall Hawkins & Paul Carman, 6-9 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Thursday, Jan. 8

- Jazzercise, 7:15-8:15 a.m. & 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Town Hall Tots Music & Movement (Infants-4 years), 9:45-10 a.m. Town Hall.
- Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema, 10 a.m.-8:40 p.m. Rustic Theatre, AstroCamp, Caine Learning Center, Mary Austin Theatre & Creekstone Inn. Local discount passes available at the Idyllwild Town Crier & Visitors Center.

Friday, Jan. 9

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Crafty Kids Art Class, Let's Get Ready for Valentine's Day Workshop, (5-11 years),

2:30-3:30 p.m. Town Hall.

- Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema, 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Rustic Theatre, AstroCamp, Mary Austin Theatre & Creekstone Inn. Local discount passes available at the Idyllwild Town Crier & Visitors Center.

- Forest Folk Movie Night & Potluck, "Under the Yum Yum Tree," 5:30 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.

- Slot Bank Social, 6-9:30 p.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

- Don Reed, Lenny Hansell & The Finches — Hank Williams Tribute, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Saturday, Jan. 10

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Town Hall.

- Bald eagle count, 8:30 a.m. Lake Hemet Market.

- Children's Film Festival, 10 a.m.-noon, 8 short films & popcorn. Idyllwild Library.

- Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Rustic Theatre, AstroCamp, Caine Learning Center & Mary Austin Theatre. Local discount passes available at the Idyllwild Town Crier & Visitors Center.

- "Anonymous," movie, 10-11:30 a.m. Mary Austin Theatre (Silver Pines Lodge).

- Lenny Hansell, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Sunday, Jan. 11

- "Walking With the Enemy," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Monday, Jan. 12

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m. Town Hall.

- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Storytime, "Let's Make a Snowman," 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

- "Walking With the Enemy," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, Jan. 13

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.

- Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m.; Art Classes With Saffron (ages 7+), 3-4 p.m. Idyllwild Library.

- "Walking With the Enemy," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, Jan. 14

- Jazzercise, 7:15-8:15 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m. Town Hall.

- "Walking With the Enemy," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, Jan. 15

- Jazzercise, 7:15-8:15 a.m. & 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Town Hall Tots Music & Movement (Infants-4 years), 9:45-10 a.m. Town Hall.

- "Walking With the Enemy," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.



A large crowd celebrated New Year's Eve at the Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro on Wednesday night. PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

Friday, Jan. 16

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Crafty Kids Art Class, Let's Get Ready for Valentine's Day Workshop, (5-11 years), 2:30-3:30 p.m. Town Hall.

- Forest Folk Movie Night & Potluck, "Dolphin Tale 2," 5:30 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.

- Slot Bank Social, 6-9:30 p.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

- "Wild," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Saturday, Jan. 17

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Town Hall.

- Yu Gi Oh! Card Playing Club for teens, 10 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Library.

- "Wild," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Sunday, Jan. 18

- "Wild," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.



The dance floor filled up as Pentagrams & Daisies took to the stage at JoAn's Restaurant's New Year's Eve celebration.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Monday, Jan. 19

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m. Town Hall.

- "Wild," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, Jan. 20

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Author Rick Barker questions war's inevitability as speaker

BY MARSHALL SMITH
CORRESPONDENT

Philosopher Rick Barker, author of "Transcending Evolution, a Christian Guide to Understanding, Accepting and Transcending Evolution" (Amazon 2014), riffs on complex themes and evolutionary history much like a master jazz improviser. He connects the dissonances and sonorities of human societal growth to illustrate what is the most important end product of that growth — choice.

He is the featured presenter this month for the Idyllwild Community Center's Speaker Series. He will examine the question, "Is War Inevitable?" by reviewing our continuing journey from tribal to global thinking and motivation. He notes that when we were more primitive, our drives were primarily alpha in nature — procreation and survival. But he points out we also had a drive, the empathy drive, that helped us integrate productive societal structures — division of labor, care for the young and elderly, self-sacrifice — that put the group before the individual. And that empathy drive has helped us balance our more primitive impulses, so that with awareness and recognition of our patterns we can overcome genetically wired predispositions to certain instinctive behaviors and be more at choice.

War, said Barker, is not the same as the aggressive nature of an individual. It was historically an empathetic impulse to protect the welfare of the group, the tribe. "It could be said that the most valuable thing about the empathy drive was that it made us more warlike," said Barker. "The alpha drive alone put the individual's needs before those of the group."

But must that need to protect one group from another, to be warlike, continue as humanity evolves? How is it now, in the 21st century? How far have we evolved? And is war inevitable?

Barker notes that the easiest way to create solidarity is to create an "out" group — the "other." "That's what



Rick Barker, the January ICC speaker.

PHOTO COURTESY RICK BARKER

Hitler did," said Barker. "He rallied a country by creating and demonizing an 'out' group." But, Barker notes, we have grown to a point where, for the most part, we do not any longer create "out" groups based on genetically acquired traits. "That was the upshot of the 1960s," he said. "It became explicitly illegal to judge or discriminate against others based on genetically acquired traits. We have gradually come to value culturally acquired traits over genetically defined ones such as race or skin color."

He quotes Joseph Campbell, "Today the planet is the only proper 'in' group," as an indicator of what is happening globally. "Our 'in' group will naturally expand over time," said Barker. "It is my personal belief that the biggest challenges facing us today — including war, GMOs, climate change and factory farming — will not be solved from the top down. They can only be solved from a grassroots level. If we are ever going to get past being warlike, it will be because individual humans chose to be more connected and empathetic."

Barker said much of reality is a mystery to him but what he does understand, from both a philosophical and scientific level, is human nature, why it is the way it is and how it can be changed by the individual, to increase his well-being and that of the world itself. "I subscribe to the notion that meaningful change can only happen in the world when a certain critical mass of people choose to be the change that they want to see," he said. "I cannot

change another person, only they can do that, but I can share a few tools that can help people change, help them be aware of choices they can make."

Barker is a spirited and charismatic speaker. Although his body is dealing with the effects of Parkinson's disease — he sometimes must consciously will his body to do things like walking that others take for granted — his intelligence and ability to convey an engaging and understandable narrative of the most complex issues remain powerful. "Parkinson's turned out to be the luckiest thing ever," said Barker, acknowledging how it caused him to reconsider existing patterns and make different choices.

His presentation is scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, in the great room of Silver Pines Lodge. There will be a wine and cheese reception at 5:30 p.m. Both are free to the public.

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Instruction for elementary students are two hour-long classes (10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.) the Fridays of Jan. 16, 23 and 30 and Feb. 6, 13 and 27. All new artists and/or volunteers need to complete an orientation before teaching or assisting with their first class. Small stipends are awarded for their time.

Email Ginger Dagnall (ginger.dagnall@gmail.com) or Catherine Smith (catchatfield@hotmail.com) with the dates and times you are available to teach. An orientation will be held the second or third week in January.

Snowfall ushered in 2015

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The great snowstorm of 2014 missed most of the Hill. In most places, it appeared that about 2 to 3 inches of snow fell. So surprisingly, the Wednesday morning National Weather Service snowfall total reported 8 inches for Idyllwild.

Idyllwild Fire Station recorded 2 inches and George Tate recorded 4 inches in Pine Cove.

Highway 243 was quickly plowed and cleared. Streets and lanes were plowed, too. This allowed many visitors to come in search of a snow vacation. Cold temperatures ensured that snow that fell Tuesday night remained through the weekend.

By Monday, temperatures were significantly warmer — in the 60s — and will remain warm through the week.

While rainfall is above the long-term average for this time of year, snowfall is about average this year. The average snowfall through December is 7 inches. Pine Cove's total snowfall is 6.75 inches and the Idyllwild Fire Station reported 4.2 inches through the end of December.

However, the northern portion of the state is still



Despite the snow blanket, the bear bench outside of the BBVA bank offered good seating to observe winter's latest white cover.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

behind on snowfall, threatening future water supply for portions of the state. On Dec. 30, the California Department of Water Resources reported, "The first manual snow survey of the Sierra snowpack this winter found more snow than last year at this time, but the snow water equivalent as measured statewide remains far below average for this date."

"A snowpack built up

significantly during the winter months would be needed to recharge the reservoirs to their historical averages as the snow melts during the late spring and summer months," DWR Director Mark Cowin said in the press release. "Generally, California's snowpack supplies about a third of the water needed by the state's residents, agriculture and industry as it melts in the late spring and summer."



Tuesday night's (Dec 30) snowstorm dropped several inches, which required many people, including these at the Lumber Mill, to shovel the snow from parking spaces and driveways.

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Idyllwild Inn, covered in pillowy white snow, had no vacancies to end 2014.

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HEALTH ON THE HILL

Our mental health, part 4 ...

BY BRYAN AND BRANDY ASCH
REPS TRAINING CENTERS

A truly compassionate nature is something I just knew I had. I didn't understand exactly how or why I seemed to care more than most, about more than most, I just did. However, that particular quality wasn't immediately visible on the surface. The physical and mental abuses I suffered took their toll on my outward behaviour and began manifesting into a consistent need for attention. Most of my actions were focused on inanimate objects I could break or destroy. To the casual observer, this defiant unruly cuss of a child probably just needed more discipline.

I'm two weeks out from a kick-boxing match and my sparring partner is a no-show. My trainer steps into the ring with his, "We ain't here to train," 10-ounce Windy gloves. A few rounds of "tip tap" and we start banging a little. I see a beautiful opening for a spinning back kick, I time-spin and hit my mark all while controlling the power and follow-through. Former world champions don't like when you "pull" a shot, they actually get offended when you show some mercy. Go figure.

"A compassionate nature! You will never be a great fighter, Basch!" These words hit harder than the left hook I just caught splitting the inside of my right nostril. I snap responded defensively, "If it weren't for that compassion you make fun of all the time you'd be nursing broken ribs right now!" Of course, this doesn't sound as threatening as intended with a nasally voice due to a half pound of cotton shoved up my nose. "Come in the office when you're cleaned up; I want to show you something."

Steve is 65 years old at this point in the game and can still obviously throw a left hook with the best of them. A six-time world champion kick boxer with a hole in the wall gym filled with the kind of memorabilia straight out of a B-rated Benny "The Jet" Urquidez movie set. "What's up, coach?" I throw myself into a worn-out leather recliner in the corner of his office. He puts a video in the player and cuts the feed out to the big screen in the gym so we can view it privately. It's one of my first amateur fights. The video had already been fast-forwarded to late in the second round. I'm getting the best of an exchange and finish with a left hook that hits just south of the button and spins my opponent's headgear, covering his right eye. I'm standing over him just about to capitalize with a final follow-up straight right to the temple when I notice he cannot see me or the punch coming at all. I don't hesitate, immediately circling to my right until I come into his field of view. We touch gloves as he nods in recognition, we circle a bit and "ding." Round over.

Steve throws a quick snapping right at his own left palm creating a crack like a bullwhip. "You see? You had

Under \$100 Art Fair

Online registration is now open for the Art Alliance of Idyllwild's upcoming Under \$100 Art Fair, which takes place Saturday, Feb. 7, at Town Hall. With space limited to 18 tables, early registration is encouraged. Registration fee is \$30 per table and the deadline to register is Sunday, Feb. 1.

Art lovers will have a rare opportunity to purchase a variety of original art for under \$100 — and just in time for Valentine's Day. This is one of AAI's most popular events, offering for sale works in various media including ceramics; watercolor, ink and acrylic paintings; jewelry; mixed media; glass; and wood. Each is an original work produced by the artists (no arts and crafts are permitted) and priced at less than \$100.

To register online or for more information, artists may visit www.artinidyllwild.org/event-1821777 or email artinidyllwild@gmail.com.

Under \$100 Art Fair will be open to the public from 10:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

Flowers of the forest for 2014

Throughout their lives, all of the people in this annual tribute were connected to Idyllwild.

And because these are such small communities, many of the names that appear in Town Crier obituaries have appeared in past pages of the Town Crier when those people were alive. In that sense, they live on in the written history of our community, as well as in the memories of the people they left behind.

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the knockout. Your one moment of 'compassion' could have cost you the fight." "But it didn't, I knocked him out in the third." "Yes, you did, but it could have gone differently; he could have come back or got a wild shot in. The point is, you don't have that killer instinct and in the fight game that is pure weakness." "Well, Steve, I suppose if I have to give up my compassion to be a great fighter then I will settle for being a good fighter with great compassion."

So anyone, please explain this one to me. Here is a quick recap of the violence perpetrated against me by the hand of the foster father all before age 9: cracked skull with concussion, two front teeth knocked out, 12 stitches in lower chin, broken collarbone in three places, and many numerous beatings with everything from belts to boards. Now that's enough, I would think, to recreate the monster the foster father was, in me. Hold on to your seats though because it got even worse for me when I left the foster family for an actual adoption.

Without going into any detail, suffice to say the physi-

cal abuse continued albeit less then it was. However, the lack of hitting was now replaced with a degree of mental abuse beyond explanation in this forum until I was 16 and left.

So here are the questions, finally: Why am I not standing in front of a judge rationalising my illegal, immoral, illicit behaviour by blaming it on my broken childhood? Why am I not repeating the cycle of violence by bringing it into my own household? How have I found true happiness operating a small business dedicated to helping people? And how was I able to give and receive love without really ever having it shown to me during the most important years of my budding personality?

The answers to these questions don't have a quick, catchy cliché pitch to them and they won't try to sell you anything. The answer for me has always been there long before the nurturing process was to begin.

To be continued ...

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COMING SOON: "Wild"
Friday, Jan. 16-Thurs., Jan. 22
Adapted from Cheryl Strayed's best-selling memoir of the same name, director Jean-Marc Vallée's Wild stars Oscar-winner Reese Witherspoon as a self-destructive divorcee who seeks to conquer her demons by hiking 1100 miles across the Pacific Crest Trail.



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Leona McGaugh passes — a way of life remembered

BY MARSHALL SMITH
CORRESPONDENT

As the family story goes, when Leona Agnes Barton first met her husband to be, Joe McGaugh, in the mid-1930s, she had a .22 over one shoulder and a dead rabbit, dinner, over the other. With her death on Dec. 29, one day shy of her 95th birthday, a well and fondly remembered part of Hill history also passes.

Even as the world below the mountaintop embraced citification with all its modern appliances and the latest must-have gadgets, Leona continued to live simply — much as she had as a child living on the 1,200-acre Aguanga Cottonwood Ranch farmed by her father. According to her grandson James Silberstein, Leona never owned or used a computer, made all her calls on a rotary phone and still cooked her meals on a wood-burning stove.

She married Joe in 1938 in Yuma, Arizona. Later, in the early 1940s, the couple moved back to the Hill, and specifically Idyllwild, where they owned and operated the town dairy, milking the cows and delivering the milk to the then-tiny town. They also bought and operated the Village Market for several years, the only market in town at the time.

Keith Froehlich remembers Leona well. "I've known her since I was 8," he said. "Our families came to Idyllwild at about the same time. I remember [the McGaugh] brought three cows and bought two more



Joe and Leona McGaugh in the 1970s.



Leona McGaugh in recent times.

PHOTOS COURTESY MCGAUGH FAMILY

"We didn't know much of what was going on off the mountain."

The McGaughs eventually bought and developed Baldy Mountain Ranch off Highway 74 in Garner Valley. "I guess Idyllwild was getting too crowded for them," Froehlich said.

Barbara Hunt also remembers the McGaughs very well. "They were best friends with my folks [John and



Leona McGaugh in an earlier time.

to start the town dairy. After they bought the Village Market [in the early 1950s], I worked for them while I was in high school. I remember Leona as always being strong, hard-working and with a great sense of humor. She and Joe were very easy to be around. They were a good pair."

Froehlich remembers Idyllwild as a town with a one-room school he attended as a first grader, maybe 300 to 500 residents, a "quiet, simple and civil town" where everyone was on a first-name basis.

Inie Wilson]," she said. She recalled Leona managed the dairy and organized the delivery of milk. "Joe had a sense of humor. I remember him milking the cow and squirting the milk directly into my mouth as he milked. Leona was a sweet and very gracious lady.

"Those women, they were real pioneers. She was a classy lady — the way she lived and treated people. She had a favorite saying, something she would always say to my mother, 'Keep kickin!'"

Leona is survived by two daughters, Joyce and Alma, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Silberstein said services for Leona are at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 8 at the San Jacinto Valley Cemetery. "She gave generously to many charities serving veterans, Native Americans, orphans, the homeless and those suffering from disease," he said. "In lieu of flowers, those wishing to honor her memory should send donations to whomever they see most in need."

Free community healing offered

Christina Nordella offers free, 15-minute healing sessions from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church. The next date is Jan 6.

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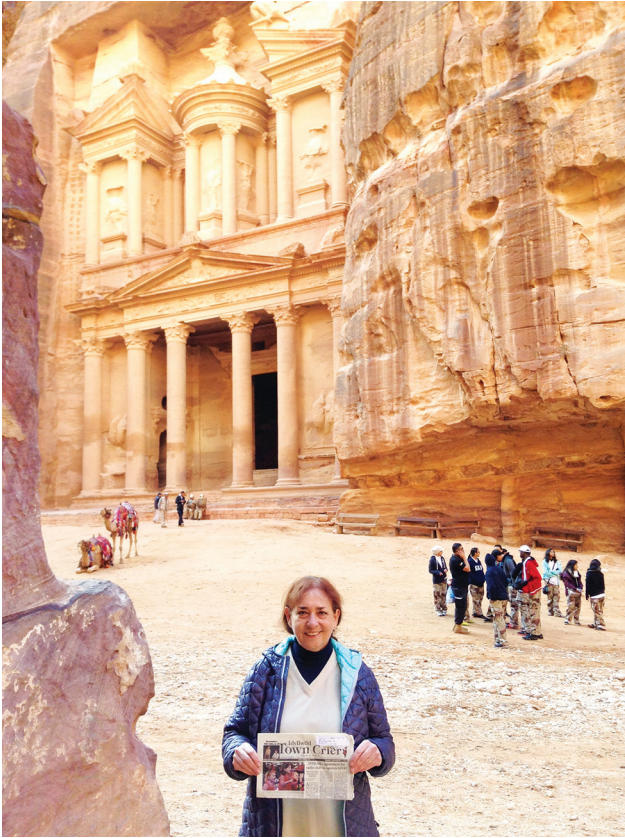
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TC AT PETRA: Marcia Krull of Idyllwild recently returned from a trip to Israel and Jordan, where she spent a day visiting Petra, a historical and archaeological city famous for its deep-cut canyons and rose-colored stone architecture. Established by the Nabataeans, possibly as early as 312 BC, Petra is Jordan's most-visited tourist attraction. In the photo, Krull is standing in front of The Treasury, which was seen in the movie "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade." Jordan's tourist industry has been severely impacted by the political situation in the Middle East, and her guide was delighted when she told him that the local newspaper might print a photo of her visiting Petra.

PHOTO COURTESY MARCIA KRULL



Shown is a male Varied Thrush photographed in bird biologists Jon and Anne King's yard on North Circle Drive on New Year's Day. Jon said this species did not regularly occur in the San Jacinto Mountains until this winter. The last time it was recorded on the local Christmas Bird Count was 1991. "This winter has seen a major influx of the species south of its normal wintering range," said Jon. "Varied Thrushes breed from northwest California to Alaska, and typically winter in California but remaining to the north and west of our area. On my hikes around the area this winter, I have seen small flocks of Varied Thrushes from Alandale to Pinyon and at several locations in between. We have seen up to nine together in our yard. This is probably a record year for the occurrence of Varied Thrush in the Idyllwild area."

PHOTO BY JON KING

County seeking grand jurors

The Riverside County Superior Court is accepting applications from qualified citizens interested in being nominated to serve as civil grand jurors from July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.

Those interested must have the following qualifications:

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A fillable application can be located on the court's website at <http://riverside.courts.ca.gov/> by selecting grand jury under the divisions tab. An application may also be requested by sending a self-addressed, stamped, business-sized envelope to the Riverside Superior Court Jury Services Division. Applications must be received by March 27, 2015, and should be submitted to Riverside Superior Court, County of Riverside, Jury Services Division, P.O. Box 400, Riverside, CA 92502.

Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild

Rabbi-in-training Julian King will lead a Shabbat service at the Caine Learning Center on at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9. The service will be followed by an Oneg (socializing and light snacks).

If interested in attending, email King at rabbijuleskingharshalom@gmail.com.

For more information about Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild, visit www.templeharshalomidy.com.



There were four entries last week. Maurie Bousquet, Colin Smith, Ray Vreeland and Jim Wise all correctly identified the tree through the roof overhang at Windean Dahleen's Idyology restaurant at the top of North Circle Drive at the intersection of Pine Crest Avenue. Smith's name was drawn from the hat so he wins the two-adult gift card to Shane Stewart's Rustic Theatre. The gift cards are good for one year. This week's photo should result in quite a few entries, I think.

One entry per household. Contest deadline: Monday noon. Not a race — correct entries go into a hat for a drawing. Full contest rules and guidelines available at the Town Crier office.



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Off the Main Roads

By HELENE LOHR, RIVERSIDE MOUNTAIN RESCUE UNIT

Winter senses meditation ...

It's so easy to let the winter season bottle you up in your house in an odd mix of hibernation mode and cabin fever. But you don't have to let winter hem you in.

Take some time to go outdoors and re-expand your world. After all, there are only so many board games you can play.

Winter is a great time for natural meditation (or just gathering your thoughts). To get back in touch with the rhythm of the seasons, I like to explore the world, focusing individually on each of my senses.

Each season has a unique set of impressions it leaves lingering on your skin, burned behind your eyelids, a faint trace of scent, a taste on your tongue. Each sense you have is a gift, so take the time to truly appreciate each one of them.

Listen

You say you can't manage a woodland hike in this cold weather? You can barely make it out the door? Then walk just outside your front step tomorrow morning and take 30 seconds to do nothing but listen.

What do you hear? The crunch of your boots on snow. A bird call oddly muffled by the blanket of snow covering the landscape. The pattering drip of water melting off the trees? Take a deep breath. Take it all in.

Look

Take a walk through the pines. Leave your camera at home so you can see through your own eyes. What do you see?

The dapple of sunlight dancing its way through the branches? Early morning steam rising off the meadow where sun meets frost? Stillness interwoven with movement as birds dart their way between their refuges?

Or maybe the clear bright stars of a winter night? Take a deep breath. Take it all in.

Taste

Every season has its own taste. The fresh young pine needles of the summer inevitably give way to winter's sharp, dry tannins. Autumn's fruity rose hips dry into tart little berries, just begging to be made into tea.

The world is there to be experienced — and there's no experience quite like the crisp, clean taste of a new snowflake melting on your tongue.

Smell

My favorite reward of a hike in the mountains is the moment I take a deep breath and become aware of the fresh scent of pine and wet earth. Slowing down to enjoy the scents of the trail, my lungs seem somehow clearer, my mind brighter.

They say scents have the most direct connection to the emotional center of the brain — I guess that means that if you want to brighten your day, you should take the time to open up your nose first.

Feel

Winter definitely has its own feel. Stepping out into the wild, what will you feel?

The feathery brush of a snowflake against your cheek. The slippery lurch of ice underneath your feet. The crisp, pinching bite on the tip of your nose on a bitter cold night. The warmth of the fire embracing your body as you walk through the door.

Take a deep breath ... and take it all in with a smile.

So when winter comes, instead of complaining about the cold, go out and consciously revel in its crispness, its beauty, its sensations.

★ STUDENTS OF THE WEEK ★



Michelle Akins-Johnson, instructional aide at Idyllwild School, has chosen **Tony Badger**, eighth grade, and **Jaida Kurkier**, sixth grade, as the students of week. Michelle chose them for always giving their personal best and for being good friends to all. PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

Volunteer Reserve Program

Riverside County Fire Department is accepting applications for Volunteer Reserve positions with Riverside County Fire Department.

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MOUNTAIN FOLK

The **National Association of Music Merchants** honors **Ken Dahleen's D&D Sound Connection** in Idyllwild with the Milestone Award for 25 years of service in the music products industry. The award recognizes retailers and manufacturers who have succeeded over the years through best practices and strong community standing to reach a landmark anniversary.

"NAMM is proud to recognize D&D Sound Connection for their 25 years of service to their community, staff and to the music and sound products industry," said Joe Lamond, NAMM president and CEO. "Their hard work and willingness to adapt, as well as their commitment to making this world a more musical place have helped them stand the test of time and will be the driver of their future success."

Milestone Awards are presented to longtime industry leaders during the 2015 NAMM Show in Anaheim later this month. The NAMM Show is the world's largest gathering for the music instrument and product industry. The annual event brings together 95,000 industry professionals to preview the latest gear, attend educational sessions and network with peers from 100 different countries.

NAMM is a not-for-profit association with a mission to strengthen the \$16.7 billion music products industry. NAMM comprises about 9,200 member companies located in 99 countries.

Riverside Emergency Animal Rescue

The annual Riverside Emergency Animal Rescue Services training starts Jan. 24. The course is free, although a minimal fee may be required for fingerprinting.

But since only two people have signed up this year, the session may be canceled.

Riverside County is seeking anyone interested in receiving training and being available during emergencies to be deployed into areas to rescue animals. Although you'll have some hands-on training from fire personnel and the Sheriff's Department, most of the training you do at home on your computer.

Sometime in April, you'll go on a field exercise for your final. You will only be deployed if you want to be.

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CREATURE CORNER

By MIMI AND HOOTCH

Paws up to **Boomer**. His birthday is in February, and it looks like he will have a brand new home for his special day. Along with **Dusty**, they will both bring in the "Meow Year."

Little **Juliet** still has a New Year's wish to find her perfect home, complete with an endless bowl of food and a basket filled with her favorite toys. She is under a year old and full of the puppy play, so an energetic and patient family is a must. Juliet is a doxie/Chihuahua-mix who will bring you endless laughter through the New Year. And this girl smiles!

Ernie and **Wilson** thought they could have a wish for every toe they have, and since they

are polydactyls, that's a lot of wishes. They are 8-month-old brothers. Ernie has a surprise, too. He is polydactyl on all four paws. Wilson is a bit shyer than brother Ernie, so we are working on socialization. They are still playful kittens with the cattery crowd. They wish for a home that will love them and all of their toes. And lots of canned food!

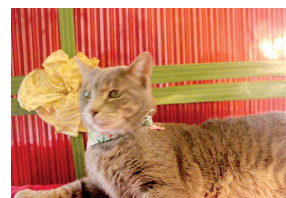
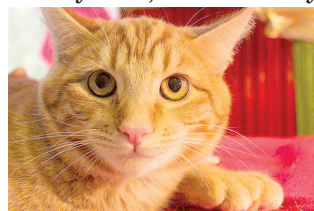
Tommy thinks all this Christmas stuff is for the birds. And that's exactly what his wish is. He would like his own outdoor cattery so he could nap in the sun, with one eye open always checking out the birds. He is a large male, about 3 years old — very mellow with other felines and very gentle with humans.

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This week, Creature Corner is sponsored in Memory of Comet by Bill and Chris. To sponsor the column, call Lisa Streeter at the Town Crier, 951-659-2145.



65 years ago - 1950
The Idyllwilders Square Dance Club rested its dances until spring.

60 years ago - 1955
The village was crowded with people when the first good snowstorm of the season hit. The TC reported that people "piled out of cars and into snowbanks, heaving snowballs at their friends."

55 years ago - 1960
Temperatures in Idyllwild hit a five-year low; Idyllwild Dairy reported a reading of 5 degrees.

50 years ago - 1965
Real estate ads in the TC showed a furnished, 2-bedroom home listed at \$19,000; a 2-room "secluded hideaway" on 1/2-acre lot for \$7,500 and a 3-bedroom home with fireplace,



This early 1949 scene shows a cold winter at Fleming Ranch in Garner Valley. A tree split the barn so baled hay was brought out to feed the livestock. FILE PHOTO

loft and view of Tahquitz for \$25,000.

45 years ago - 1970
Five years after the first planning meeting, the Idyllwild sewer disposal project was 90 percent complete. Service was expected to start in March.

40 years ago - 1975
Hill resident Claude Ryan, aviation pioneer, was inducted into the Aviation Hall of Fame in Dayton, Ohio.

35 years ago - 1980
Building a Pine Cove to Idyllwild hiking trail was discussed at the Pine Cove

Property Owners Association board meeting.

30 years ago - 1985
Drivers were warned to watch out for "The Great Anza to Hemet Cattle Drive," a two-day drive of 100 cattle and 50 horseback riders making their way from Anza to the Farmers Fair held at Hemet Fairgrounds.

25 years ago - 1990
Josh Bishof, 12, of Mountain Center was competing for a spot on the U.S. Olympic Luge Team.

20 years ago - 1995
Local business owners

reported a record number of visitors over the New Year's holiday week. "It's been like a Saturday night for the past eight days since Christmas Eve," said Phyllis Kirchner, general manager of O'Sullivan's Tavern in the Pines.

15 years ago - 2000
Jeri Sue Haney, manager of Idyllwild's Guaranty Federal Bank, celebrated New Year's Day after it was announced there was nary a Y2K glitch in bank operations.

10 years ago - 2005
Deputy Chief Steve Kunkle was selected as the new fire chief by the Idyllwild Fire Protection District commission.

5 years ago - 2010
Filmed in Idyllwild, Festival Director Stephen Savage's feature film "Legacy" anchored the Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema with a red-carpet world premiere at the festival main venue, The Rustic Theatre.

1 year ago - 2014
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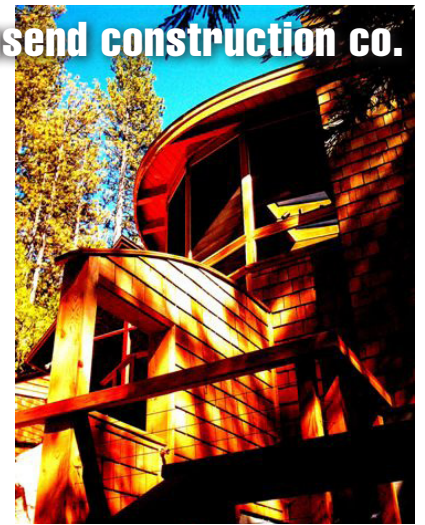
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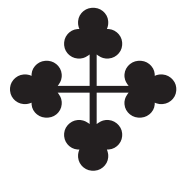
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Bold Face \$1 entire ad or 25¢ each word	
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2-inch ad (minimum size)	\$18.95
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as M & K BIKER SHOP at 54225 North Circle Drive, # 18, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: PO Box 623, Idyllwild, CA 92549. MARK ALTON FORDHAM 1405 Lucerne Drive, Hemet, CA 92544, KATHLEEN ANN ROCKWELL 1405 Lucerne Drive, Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners.

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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above May 30, 2014.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
MARK ALTON FORDHAM
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 10, 2014.

FILE NO:
R-2014-11587

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT OF 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). 6064.

Publication of notice pursuant to this section shall be once a week for four successive weeks. Four publications in a newspaper regularly published once a week or oftener, with at least 5 days intervening between the respective publication dates not counting such publication dates, are sufficient. The period of notice commences with the first day of publication and terminates at the end of the twenty-eighth day, including therein the first day.

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: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 18, 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 8, 2015.

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Answers to Sudoku
(Puzzle on next page)

S	C	I	S	S	O	R	D	R	A	W	L	E	R
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Answers to Crossword
(Puzzle on next page)

WORD SEARCH

(Answers on next page)

M	S	W	E	E	T	S	S	O	L	V	E	Z	R	T
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Actor	Eggs	Meter	Seen
Acts	Egypt	Mind	Sign
Area	Evil	Mixes	Sing
Asia	Except	Nail	Solve
Based	Fears	Need	Spade
Bench	Flags	Noun	Sung
Brand	Gear	Nylon	Sweets
Calf	Hers	Owned	Tape
Caps	Hide	Pain	Tourist
Chain	Hill	Pale	Trap
Colors	Indian	Peel	Tries
Cord	Inside	Pins	Veins
Cuts	Lane	Pole	Venus
Depart	Made	Pots	View
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Earth	Maple	Rink	



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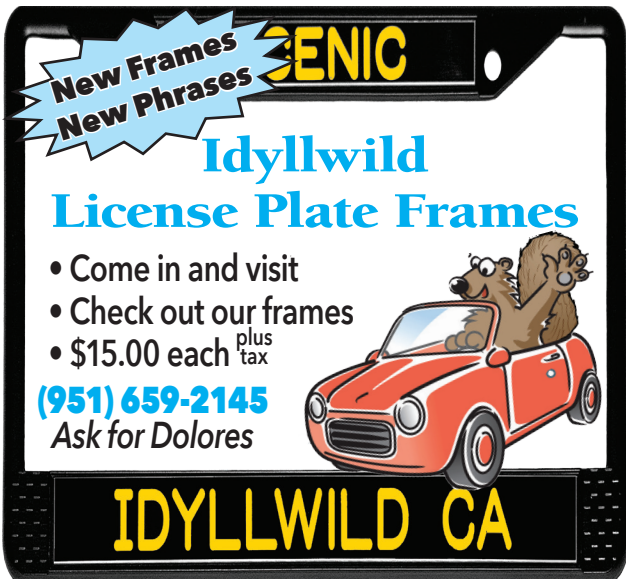


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Idyllwild Death Cafe

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Meetings are the fourth Tuesdays and Wednesdays of each month except in December when they are on the third Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Small donations cover coffee, tea, paper plates, napkins and plastic ware.

Legals

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is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
ROBERT STANLEY MAGNUSON
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 11, 2014.

FILE NO.:
I-2014-03082

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT, AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT OF 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). 6064.

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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: M. Duenas, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as PINE COVE MARKET & SPIRIT GAS at 23235 Hwy 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549. SHALEY, INC., 54295 North Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549. A California Corporation.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on May 17, 2011.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
SHANE STEWART
President
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 24, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-12004

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT, AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE

FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

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CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: N. Garrett, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as MOUNTAIN CENTER MARKET & SPIRIT GAS at 53660 Hwy 74, Mountain Center, CA 92561, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549. SHALEY, INC., 54295 North Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549. A California Corporation.

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

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
SHANE STEWART
President
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 24, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-12003

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT, AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: N. Garrett, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as MORENO MOTORSPORTS at 36847 Cottonwood St, Winchester, CA 92596, Riverside County. MORENO HOLDINGS, LLC,

Student exchange help needed

World Heritage, a nonprofit student exchange program, seeks volunteers to serve as area representatives. The group offers qualified students from around the world, between age 15 and 18, the opportunity to spend a high school year or semester in the U.S. with a host family.

Representatives recruit and screen potential host families, as well as supervise the students, organize activities and support host families, students and schools. They do receive compensation to cover expenses for each student placed.

For more information, call 1-800-888-9040 or email info@world-heritage.org.

36847 Cottonwood St, Winchester CA 92596. A California Limited Liability Company.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.

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

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
NATHANIEL MORENO
Managing Member
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 23, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-11982

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT, AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

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CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: M. Gonzales, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following fictitious business name IDYLLWILD OUTDOORS, 25965 HWY 243 # C & D, Idyllwild CA 92549, Riverside County, has been abandoned by the following person: VILLAGE HARDWARE & LUMBER, INC., 54190 HWY 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549. A California Corporation.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Riverside County on 12/06/2013.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

Signed:
LARRY EDWARD DONAHOO
President
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 24, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2013-12516

CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: N. Garrett, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015.

PSC 1406567 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 3255 E Tahquitz Canyon Way, 3255 E Tahquitz Canyon Way,

Palm Springs 92262.

PETITION OF HAILEY MARIE HICKS.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: HAILEY MARIE HICKS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:

a. Present name: HAILEY MARIE HICKS changed to Proposed name: HAILEY CAROLE RYAN.

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: 2/13/15 Time: 8:30 AM Dept. PS3.
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

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

Date: DEC 19 2014
MICKIE E. REED
COMMISSIONER OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Pub. TC: Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as RAM DEVELOPMENT at 73-816 Dinah Shore Drive Palm Desert, CA 92211, Riverside County. Mailing address: 47426 Rabat Dr. Palm Desert, CA 92260. MICHAEL MALLORY ROBINSON, 47-426 Rabat Drive, Palm Desert CA 92260, RENEE ADELE ROBINSON, 47-426 Rabat Drive, Palm Desert CA 92260.

This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 01/1988.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
RENEE ROBINSON
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 5, 2015.

FILE NO.:
I-2015-00001

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT, AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT OF 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). 6064.

Publication of notice pursuant to this section shall be once a week for four successive weeks. Four publications in a newspaper regularly published once a week or oftener, with at least 5 days intervening between the respective publication dates not counting such publication dates, are sufficient. The period of notice commences with the first day of publication and terminates at the end of the twenty-eighth day, including therein the first day.

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: L. Quintero, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2015.

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 11:30 am on January 22nd, 2015 at: Lockaway Storage, 1181 N. 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 & 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.

Lamb, Chris B338
Lott, David C108
Maquinales, Gilbert B108
Jones, Juliette E335
Peterson, Thomas F105
Ramirez, Michael E106
Owens, Paul RV61
Auction to be held on January 22nd, 2015 @ 11:30 AM.

Lockaway Storage Hemet
American Auction Service
Bond # FS8632014

Pub. TC: Jan. 8, 15, 2015.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described Personal property will be held at the hour of 1:00 PM January 22, 2015 at San Jacinto Self Storage, 1137 S San Jacinto Ave. in the city of San Jacinto, County of Riverside State of California. 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.

Auctioneer's Name: American Auctioneers
Dan Dotson & Associates
Address: P.O. Box 1359
Riverside, CA 92502
Phone: (800) 838-7653
State Bond #: # FS-863-20-14
All units listed contain miscellaneous household items and furniture. Unit numbers and identity of Occupants renting each space are as follows:
117 – Richard Hingston
120 – Ruben Martinez

214 – Denise Braham
301 – Diana L. Franks
304 – Shelsie Mora
316 – George Galvin Fernandez Jr.
404 – Michael Bauniff
409 – Eula Ruth Foshee Brown
509 – Luis Caldera
521 – Tina R. Hobocienski
619G – Ramiro Resendiz

Pub. TC: Jan. 8, 15, 2015.

RIC 1412752 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main St., (P.O. Box 431) Riverside, CA 92502-0431

PETITION OF JESSICA WRUCK.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: JESSICA WRUCK filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:

a. Present name: MICHAEL JESSE MARQUEZ changed to Proposed name: MICHAEL JESSE GEORGE BURROLA.

b. Present name: JESSALYN MAY MARQUEZ changed to Proposed name: JESSALYN MAY BURROLA.

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: 2/18/15 Time: 8:30 AM Dept. 2.
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

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

Date: DEC 30 2014
SHARON J. WATERS
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, 2015.



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Flu season growing

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The 2014-15 flu season is growing with portions of the country considered at epidemic levels. However, California and Riverside County remain at or below normally expected levels at this part of the flu season.

Based on its weekly survey before New Year's, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that the "proportion of deaths attributed to pneumonia and influenza was at the epidemic threshold." Also, influenza has been related to the deaths of 15 children already this flu season. Four of the deaths were between Dec. 6 and 13.

Hospitalization rates are beginning to climb, which is normal for this portion of the flu season. The rate for people over age 65 is 38.3 cases per 100,000 population. For children under age 4, the rate was 13.4 cases per 100,000. At the same point in last year's flu season, the older-than-65 ratio

was 10 and the under age 4 ratio was 10.2.

For the week ending Dec. 20, 22 states were experiencing high levels of influenza-like illnesses. During the previous week, 13 states had high levels and at this point in the 2013-14 season, only eight states were considered to have had high levels.

During the same period, 36 states reported widespread influenza activity. Only California reported sporadic activity; throughout the rest of the nation the flu activity was greater and increasing. However, California's Department of Public Health reported, "Influenza activity in California is low but increasing."

For the week ending Dec. 13, the percentage of patient visits for influenza-like illnesses in California increased to 2.3 percent from 1.9 percent in the previous week, according to CDPH. The percentage of influenza detected with laboratory tests is significantly higher than in 2013.

Obituary Leona McGaugh 1919-2014

Leona McGaugh maintained a way of life more familiar to last century. She didn't own and never used a computer. She still made her calls on a rotary telephone. She cooked meals on a wood-burning stove. But none of these facts prove she was unconnected. Owner and operator of the 130-acre Baldy Mountain Ranch near Mountain Center, Leona was a generous lady who understood how to connect with others directly with straightforward dignity.

Surrounded by her family, Leona died at home Monday, Dec. 29, the day before her 95th birthday.

Born in Whittier, California, in 1919 to John and Irene Barton, Leona Agnes grew up on the 1,200-acre Aguanga Cottonwood Ranch farmed by her father. With no electricity, no telephone, no indoor plumbing and no Scott tissue, Leona joked that she and the family were grateful for pages from the Sears and Montgomery Ward catalogues.

On weekdays she walked 1 mile to the Cottonwood School which still stands today as the oldest single-room schoolhouse in California. She later graduated from Hemet High School in 1937. One of her favorite memories to share was when the men from the CCC camps invited the country folk for movie night. She also enjoyed reminiscing about the Saturday night dances at the schoolhouse well attended by the whole family. "But it was back to work on Monday," she would remind. "No tractors then — all horse and manpower."

When she first met Joe McGaugh, she had a .22 on one shoulder and a dead rabbit, that night's dinner, over the other. She and Joe would later marry in 1938 in



Yuma, Arizona, and shortly move back to California to work on a ranch in Aguanga owned by actor Frank Morgan of "The Wizard of Oz" fame.

In 1944, the couple bought the Idyllwild Dairy and the town's main market, and for nearly two decades Joe milked cows and delivered milk while Leona operated the store, now known as Village Market. As the two maintained the long hours demanded by livestock, business and the raising of two daughters, Joyce and Alma, they were also developing the property at Baldy Mountain Ranch.

Joe built the mile-and-a-half dirt McGaugh Road from Highway 74 to the ranch where the couple raised pigs and cattle and grew alfalfa. Eventually Joe and Leona opened campsites and founded a picturesque mobile home park.

When Joe died in 1986, Leona continued to operate and develop this beautiful place, which remains the most enduring piece of her legacy. Those who live on and visit Baldy Mountain Ranch will deeply miss the warmth, humor and down-to-earth insight of its grand lady.

Leona is survived by her daughters, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, at the San Jacinto Valley Cemetery where she will be laid to rest with her beloved husband, Joe.

Leona McGaugh gave generously to many charities serving veterans, Native Americans, orphans, the homeless and those suffering from disease. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to honor her memory should send donations to whomever they see most in need.

Locations for donation-optional flu vaccines

Banning Family Health Center
3055 W. Ramsey, Banning
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Appointments: 1-800-720-9553
Clinic: 951-849-6794

Hemet Family Health Center
880 N. State St., Hemet
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Fairway Market, above, looking through the Idyllwild Library sign on Wednesday morning, Dec. 31, after an early morning snowstorm. Roads were slick with ice near the Shell Station coming into Idyllwild on Highway 243 at Ridgeview Drive, at right.



PHOTOS BY HALIE WILSON

Air

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officials assume the suppliers will pass the cost of the permits on to gas purchasers. Opponents of the program have referred to this price increase as "the hidden gas tax."

California drivers currently pay about 48 cents per gallon in state taxes, second to New York's levy of 50 cents.

Transportation constitutes almost 40 percent of all carbon pollution produced in California, by far the largest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions. These fuels also produce 80 percent of smog-causing pollution and more than 95 percent of fine particle pollution from diesel engines. Reducing emissions from the transportation sector is critical to achieving the 2020 greenhouse gas reduction limit required by AB 32, as well as meeting ambient air quality standards and reducing localized health impacts.

Californians should expect a continuation of the state's efforts to reduce carbon emissions. On Monday, Gov. Jerry Brown applauded the efforts already accomplished and the anticipa-

tion of achieving the 2020 goals. But after lauding the past, he promised higher goals for 2050.

"Toward that end, I propose three ambitious goals to be accomplished within the next 15 years: increase from one-third to 50 percent our electricity derived from renewable sources; reduce today's petroleum use in cars and trucks by up to 50 percent; and double the efficiency of existing buildings and make heating fuels cleaner," Brown proposed.

When he said, "We must also reduce the relentless release of methane, black carbon and other potent pollutants across industries," his message is clearly an endorsement of AB 32 and the ARB's implementation of the landmark legislation.

Calling the achievement of these new goals exciting, bold and necessary, Brown concluded, "Taking significant amounts of carbon out of our economy without harming its vibrancy is exactly the sort of challenge at which California excels."

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New laws

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required to pay full-time and part-time employees a minimum of three days of sick leave annually.

Environmental laws were popular in recent legislative action, particularly as a result of the current drought. AB 2014 now prevents homeowner associations from penalizing residents for replacing their lawns with low-water plants.

Several bills, SB 1168, SB 1319 and AB 1739, will impose greater regulations on using groundwater, particularly in the largest and most urban water districts.

AB 32, enacted in 2006, established the state's Cap and Trade program. Effective Jan. 1, fuel taxes, in-

cluding gasoline and propane, were raised to address clean air problems in California (see accompanying story page 1.)

Local residents should be aware of AB 2048, which affects the state fire prevention fee. The new law specifies the state's fire prevention fee will be applied to "habitable structures" effective Jan. 1. The current law simply says the fee applies to structures.

The new language makes it clear that habitable structures are for residential use and exclude "commercial, industrial, or incidental buildings such as detached garages, barns, outdoor sanitation facilities, and sheds."

The changes also exempt the fee if the State Board of Equalization may exempt any habitable

structure that is subsequently deemed uninhabitable as a result of a natural disaster during the year for which the fee is due, as well as one subsequent year if the habitable structure has not been repaired or rebuilt.

Another new law, which will please many locals, is AB 1965, which now permits restaurants to allow dogs to dine with their owners on restaurant patios, under certain conditions, such as a separate outdoor entrance for dogs.

One of many bills affecting public education was AB 420, which eliminated the authority to suspend a pupil in grades K-3, and the authority to recommend for expulsion a pupil enrolled in grades K-12, inclusive, for disrupting school activities or otherwise willfully

defying.

Schools are now required to stock at least one epinephrine auto-injector in case a student or someone else is suffering from an anaphylactic reaction.

Fifteen California community colleges may begin to offer four-year degrees pursuant to SB 850.

Election laws were also subject to change. SB 1253 modifies the state's initiative process, including a longer window for signatures and public review.

And finally, in today's digital world, SB 962 requires smart phones to have the capability of making them inoperable if they are lost or stolen. This feature can be software, hardware or both.

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