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## County seeks Idyllwild, FV applicants for local recreation

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

The Town Hall recreation program, run by the county, has recently been loudly criticized by residents of County Service Area 36 (Idyllwild and Fern Valley) for not being responsive to resident interests and for not disclosing how CSA 36 tax dollars are specifically being used to fund recreation.

In response to complaints, 3rd District Supy. Chuck Washington agreed to reconstitute the CSA 36 Advisory Council, giving residents a chance to have regular public meetings with a locally constituted council to review finances and policies governing local recreation.

In the past, when the council met regularly, county representatives were required to give residents regular financial and informational reports about tax-funded local recreation programs and street lamps. Residents

also could request changes in programs and formats.

Even though the decision to reconstitute the council was posted on Thursday, Nov. 5, in the Town Crier and elsewhere, only one application has been received to date. The council has five vacancies.

Should no more applications be received by end of day Wednesday, Dec. 30, CSA 36 residents will have lost their opportunity for review and comment on community recreation.

Interested CSA residents or business owners within the CSA 36 boundaries should contact Opal Hellweg at 951-955-1030 or download applications at <http://rivcodistrict3.org>.

Said Hellweg, "The Idyllwild CSA 36 council members will advise the supervisor's office and make recommendations concerning recreation and street lights."

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Santa Claus talks about Christmas with the many children who attended Idyllwild's Tree Lighting Ceremony, "An Olde Fashioned Christmas." More photos, pages 10 and 11. PHOTO BY CHERYL BASYE

## Some rain and little snow for Thanksgiving festivities

BY JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

A smattering of rain and snow fell on the Hill last week. Rainfall totaled between 0.25 and 0.34 inches from Mountain Center to Pine Cove.

While the snowfall in Garner Valley and further south was more than an inch and Pine Cove recorded half an inch, Idyllwild barely saw a light covering, insufficient to declare the Town Crier's Snow Guessing Contest over.

Freezing temperatures did descend on the Hill the past several nights, but

the local water districts have not had any pipes break nor had any reports of customers suffering from busted pipes. Stone Creek Water Company, however, did have a pipe break on Camp Alandale property that affected its 15 or so customers early Monday morning, according to Town Crier co-publishers Jack and Becky Clark, residents of the area.

Through November, the total Hill rainfall has exceeded the long-term average (since the 1940s) for rain in Idyllwild of 5.8 inches. Since July 1, the beginning of the rain year, the U.S. Forest Service's

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propane FAU. The large, mostly usable parcel offers both privacy and a sense of open space. #7206 \$329,000



# Safety tips for the holidays

BY DEPUTY MICHAEL VASQUEZ  
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DEPARTMENT

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department would like to remind the public about some safety tips with all the entertainment and activities associated with the holiday season. It's easy to overlook some personal safety practices when enjoying the holidays throughout the county. Below are some helpful tips to keep in mind during the holiday season:

**Car safety**

Do not leave packages or valuables visible within your car. Always lock your doors and windows and don't forget to set your alarm or use an anti-theft device.

**Shopping trips**

Always be aware of your surroundings. If shopping at night, go with a friend or family member.

**Shopping with little ones**

Teach children to stay close to you at all times while shopping and never allow children to make unaccompanied trips to the restroom.

**Package delivery**

With the online shopping trend, more people are having packages stolen right off their front porches. If you are expect-

ing a package, request signature confirmation or have a trusted neighbor hold the package for you.

**Gift package disposal**

Dispose of big gift boxes discreetly. Packaging for items such as TVs, computers, etc., should be broken down before disposing. Do not let everyone see the wonderful gifts your family received during the holidays.

**Answering the door**

Criminals can often try to scope out your home posing as a salesperson or someone looking for charitable donations. Be cautious when talking to people with whom you are unfamiliar and do not let them into your home.

**Leave on the lights**

Leave outside lights on at night or set them on a timer. During the day, leave the radio or television on so the house looks and sounds occupied.

**Traveling**

If you are going away for the holidays, have a neighbor or family member watch your house and pick up your newspapers and mail.

The Riverside Sheriff's Department is committed to public safety and wishes everyone joy and happiness during this holiday season. Citizens are encouraged to telephone the local law enforcement stations to report any suspicious activities, vehicles or persons.

# Three rescues over Thanksgiving holiday

California Department of Parks and Recreation rescued six people in three separate incidents over the four-day holiday.

On Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26, State Parks completed two separate rescues. The first began about 12:30 p.m. when State Parks received a report of three hikers in distress without water on the Skyline Route leading from the valley floor in Palm Springs to Long Valley near the Palm Springs Tramway's mountain station at the 7,400-foot level.

Rangers made contact with the hikers about two hours later. The distressed hikers were given water and were then able to hike out on their own, under the guidance of the rangers. The three male subjects ranged in age from their mid-20s to mid-50s and all were from Desert Hot Springs.

The second Thanksgiving rescue started about 3:30 p.m. after State Parks received a report of a lost hiker near San Jacinto Peak.

The male hiker in his 50s from Los Angeles got separated from his wife and child as he descended from the peak. Rangers found him about three hours later uninjured and escorted him back to safety in the dark.

On Friday, Nov. 27, about 9:45 p.m., State Parks received another call of lost hikers near Wellman Cienega.

Three rangers and a volunteer were called out for the rescue. A man and woman in their early 20s from Irvine were found at 2 a.m. Saturday near the Pacific Crest Trail and Strawberry Junction trails.

The temperature in their location with the wind chill was below zero and they were suffering from extreme hypothermia. Without the proper clothing in these temperatures, hikers, such as this couple, are putting their lives in jeopardy.

After being found, they were given dry clothing and warmed up in the field before making their decent to Humber Park with the assistance of the rangers. All parties involved arrived safely at Humber Park about 5:15 a.m. and were driven back to Palm Springs.

**Nature Center closed Tuesdays**  
Until further notice, the Idyllwild Nature Center is closed Tuesdays due to staff shortages. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday to Sunday.

**Ventriloquist at the library**  
At 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, ventriloquist Joe Gandelman visits the Idyllwild Library to present a free, family friendly holiday show. All are invited to this free event.

# Idyllwild Weather

From the National  
Weather Service

**Wednesday 12/2**

 **63/33**  
Sunny.

**Thursday 12/3**

 **62/30**  
Mostly sunny.

**Friday 12/4**

 **53/29**  
Mostly sunny.

**Saturday 12/5**

 **60/30**  
Sunny.

**Sunday 12/6**

 **61/26**  
Mostly sunny.

**Monday 12/7**

 **59/36**  
Mostly sunny.

**Tuesday 12/8**

 **55/40**  
Sunny.

**Idyllwild this year**

Date	High	Low	M	S
11/24	57	35		
11/25	41	33	0.30	
11/26	40	29		
11/27	40	29	0.05	
11/28	42	23		
11/29	47	27		
11/30	51	23		

**Idyllwild last year**

Date	High	Low	M	S
11/24	60	31		
11/25	68	33		
11/26	76	41		
11/27	79	44		
11/28	75	41		
11/29	63	41		
11/30	48	35	0.01	

**Moisture in inches**

To date this season (Idy): 8.84  
To date last season (Idy): 4.71  
Total last season (Idy): 20.02  
To date this season (PC): 8.10  
Total last season (PC): 15.54

**Snow in inches**

To date this season (Idy): 0.0  
To date last season (Idy): 0.0  
Total last season (Idy): 10.0  
To date this season (PC): 1.0  
Total last season (PC): 27.75

Idyllwild temperatures are recorded daily at 4 p.m. at Idyllwild Fire Station, an official NWS COOP reporter. Idyllwild moisture and snow totals are recorded daily at 9 a.m. (and additional times if noted) at the Idyllwild Town Crier, an official CoCoRaHS reporter in cooperation with NOAA. Pine Cove moisture and snow totals are recorded daily at 4 p.m. by resident George Tate at personal weather station KCAIDYLL1, an official www.wunderground.com reporter. 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 us on the Internet at [www.idyllwildtowncrier.com](http://www.idyllwildtowncrier.com) or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

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# Future county budgets face serious deficits

## Current year not a problem

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

On Nov. 17, Riverside County Executive Officer Jay Orr presented to the Board of Supervisors the condition of the county's budget for fiscal 2015-16 after the first quarter ended Sept. 30.

While he said this year's budget was on target for both expenses and revenue, the future is treacherous. Projected increases, some known and some new, will stretch the county's capability.

"If we remain on our current projectory, we will have increasing difficulty achieving balanced budgets and delivering appropriate mandated services," Orr announced as he began his summary for the board.

Later, new Fiscal Director Paul McDonald made the point more dramatically. "The challenge is next year and

beyond ...," he said. "Cutting all the general government from the discretionary budget would not be sufficient to meet these increased funding needs."

In his report to the board, Orr said "... public safety costs will outpace available revenue if they continue unabated." To the board, he added, "We need to look at all services, whether headed by appointed or elected departments, and determine the correct appropriation for the services rendered."

Since the recession of 2008, some county agencies have incurred budget cuts of 45 percent or more, according to Orr.

Exacerbating the county's ability to fund future services are several large but unfunded projects or programs. For example, fully staffing the new East County Detention Center beginning in 2017 will require \$50 million over two years, according to McDonald.

And county jail inmates recently won a lawsuit requiring the county to improve medical care delivered to

the inmates. Orr and county staff estimate this will cost about \$40 million.

These incremental costs will exceed \$100 million, which is more than the county's general government funding.

Orr did acknowledge that several studies of the county's public-safety programs and costs should be completed and available for review early in 2016 and may provide recommendations to help with future funding demands.

Relying on these reports, Orr recommended that all stakeholders recognize "that public-safety expenditures and other assumption have to be moderated." For example, he will recommend a phased implementation of staffing for the ECDC.

The board unanimously accepted the first quarter report and asked Orr to provide more specific recommendations during the mid-year review next year.

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# Registration of drones may start this month

## Federal task force issues registration proposal

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

The Federal Aviation Administration Task Force has recommended a registration process for drones, unmanned aviation systems. The proposal may go into effect later this month and apply to drones weighing more than 250 grams, about half a pound.

Owners of drones will have to register. Each

drone will have to be identified and identification placed on the drone.

The next step is a set rules released from the FAA. The Task Force did not address how to enforce the registration process, a future step for the FAA.

The Task Force approached its discussions of the registration process with two goals in mind, according to the report it released last week. The first objective was to ensure ac-

countability by creating a traceable link between aircraft and owner. The second was to encourage the maximum levels of regulatory compliance by making the registration process as simple as possible.

The Task Force's intent was to create a simple registration process that would be easy to comply with. The process will be electronic and accessible through either a website or through an application and should be completed before flying the drone.

After submitting their

name and street address (email addresses or phone numbers would be optional), the owner will receive an electronic certificate of registration and a personal universal registration number to use on the drone.

The single registration number is intended for use on every aircraft they own. However, where applicable, registrants may be able to use the manufacturer's permanently affixed serial number to satisfy the marking requirement.

The Task Force was

concerned that a registration process more burdensome would discourage registration.

The Task Force also recommended that the registration be free.

In his blog earlier in November, FAA Administrator Michael Huerta wrote, "We will consider their recommendations and the public comments as we develop an interim final rule on registration, which will likely be released next month and go into effect shortly thereafter. This step will be followed by another opportunity

for the public to comment as we move toward issuing a final rule on registration."

The danger of drones flying in inappropriate airspace was a major issue this summer. The U.S. Forest Service and Cal Fire both reported several incidents where drones affected their ability to use aircraft while fighting major fires in Southern California. In September, a drone crashed into a section of fortunately empty seats during the U.S. Open Tennis Championships.

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*- Gary Budnick*



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## OUT LOUD



I hope all of you readers enjoyed Thanksgiving. We certainly did.

I become quite excited weeks before, looking forward to the companionship of family and friends, especially grandchildren. I feel Thanksgiving from the moment I make out my grocery list until the last of the family leaves the house.

This year, I was blessed to have two 8- and 9-year-old grandchildren to help me shop, clean the house and cook. We had a blast together and they earned money for their savings accounts. (A little boy in particular is earning money for an Xbox — video game console, if you don't know what that is, and that's about all I know about it.)

Despite the joy Thanksgiving brings, it is a lot of work and stress, and I'm supposed to be reducing stress because of that little heart attack in September.

Each year, I discover a more efficient way to do one thing. Last year, it was doing all my oven cooking the night before to free up the oven for the turkey on the holiday. This year, I used the bridge on my stovetop to make the gravy right in the turkey pan. And leftovers were collected by all in containers buffet style right off the table instead of in the crowded kitchen.

Finally, my daughter and a daughter-in-law put heads together and suggested that this year for Christmas, we draw adult names at Thanksgiving instead of buying for everyone. Kids get gifts from all. (Our family's growth in numbers will bankrupt us all if we don't.) So two cousin granddaughters entertained themselves with writing down the names on paper, getting the spelling right and then allowing us to draw names. We do the same at the TC among employees.

I'm looking forward to shopping for something very special for my family giftee, as well as my TC giftee, with ease.  
Becky Clark, Editor



## FIRE & FOREST

By CHRIS KRAMER,  
MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES  
FIRE SAFE COUNCIL  
PRESIDENT

### FIRE PREVENTION IS YEAR ROUND ...

As we roll into December, many of us have just enjoyed a Thanksgiving with friends or family, gone to see the annual town tree lighting, awakened to discover a dusting of snow on the ground or trees or noticed the smell of wood stoves in the air again.

Everything about the start of the winter season this year makes it feel different from the last. They say that in Southern California, fire season is year round, and our continuing drought conditions have made this a very real statement.

Maybe the projected wetter-than-normal winter will allow us to relax a little from this threat in the coming months. Could it be that we dodged the bullet again this year?

The bullet I'm speaking of is a large or catastrophic wildfire in our area. Yes, we have been lucky since the Mountain and Silver fires occurred in the summer of 2013.

But I have always said, there's nothing like a major fire to get everyone's attention. When it comes to reinforcing the need for everyone to do their part, to prepare for and fire abate their property, we all need to be vigilant and continue this practice.

With the onset of the cold weather and more use of heating appliances, be sure you have a working smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector in or near each sleeping area of your home. These devices really do save lives. If using any kind of electric space heater, be sure it is plugged directly to a wall outlet. Never use an extension cord to these or any high wattage appliances because the risk of failure is too great.

Forced-air furnaces should have the filters changed before each heating season and even a regular service from a heating technician is a good idea, too. Just ask anyone who has found a critter or rodent nest packed into their furnace.

Fireplaces and wood stoves are another high-hazard item this time of year. Be sure to keep screens and glass doors in place or closed, especially when going to bed for the night. And always keep anything combustible or flammable away from these in all directions.

An inspection or cleaning of the chimney or flue pipe also is a wise investment if it has not been done in a while.

We who live on this mountain must always deal with the threat of fire in our lives. With common sense and proactive actions beforehand, we can all reduce our exposure to this threat.



Penelope Smrz, visiting the Wonderland of Rocks in Joshua Tree National Park for Thanksgiving, cannot resist catching up on the latest news in the Town Crier.

PHOTO BY ALOIS SMRZ

### How to get a letter published

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The Town Crier will not publish "thank-you" letters, consumer complaints, form letters, clippings from other publications or poetry. Political letters during election season cost 10 cents per word but are not accepted the week before an election.

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## Open health insurance enrollment

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

Open enrollment for Covered California health insurance began Nov. 1 and continues through Jan. 31, 2016.

To be eligible for coverage to begin on Jan. 1, you must apply by Dec. 15. If you apply later, your coverage will begin later, but as long as you meet the Jan. 31 enrollment deadline, you will avoid owing a tax penalty for being uninsured. Others with special qualifying life events may enroll at any time of the year.

The vast majority of CC consumers have access to insurance plans from at least three different companies. Each plan offers products in multiple metal tiers or levels, which vary whether you want to pay more for your monthly premium and less when you use care, or pay less for your premium and more when you use care.

Medi-Cal enrollment is year-round. Medi-Cal and CC use the same application. After entering your information, you will find out whether you qualify for Medi-Cal or CC.

Because of the large number of Medi-Cal applications received, processing could take longer than expected, and proof of certain information is required for each application. Anyone needing help with the application may contact the Riverside County Department of Public Social Services at 1-800-274-2050 or <http://dpss.co.riverside.ca.us/>.

CC health insurance plans come with children's dental coverage embedded in them. Also, CC offers optional family dental plans for adults.

Visit the CC website ([www.coveredca.com](http://www.coveredca.com)) to learn how enrollment works. To learn more about who is eligible to enroll, visit the individuals and families section.

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Evelyn and Carter Johnson are the first to drop their letters to Santa in the box bound for the North Pole. Santa's helpers are (from left) Sherry Kaufman, John Aussenhofer, Postmaster Kelly Gates and Christina Reitz. The mailbox will be in the Idyllwild Post Office lobby until Friday, Dec. 18, for children to send Santa their Christmas wishes. Santa allows the Town Crier to print the letters in the Christmas edition for readers to enjoy. PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON

## Santa sighting

The North American Aerospace Defense Command is celebrating the 60th anniversary tracking Santa's yuletide journey. The NORAD Tracks Santa website, [www.noradsanta.org](http://www.noradsanta.org) features Santa's North Pole Village, which includes a holiday countdown, games, activities and more. The website is available in English, French, Spanish, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese and Chinese.

Apps also are available in the Windows, Apple and Google Play stores, so parents and children can count-down the days until Santa's launch on their smart phones and tablets. Tracking opportunities also are offered on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Google+. Type "@noradsanta" into each search engine to get started.

Also new this year, the website features the NORAD Headquarters in the North Pole Village and highlights of the program over the past 60 years.

Starting at 11:01 a.m. on Dec. 24, website visitors can view Santa make preparations for his flight. NORAD's "Santa Cams" will stream videos on the website as Santa makes his way over various locations. Then, at 3 a.m., trackers worldwide can speak with a live phone operator to inquire as to Santa's whereabouts at the toll-free 1-877-446-6723 or by sending an email to [noradtrackssanta@outlook.com](mailto:noradtrackssanta@outlook.com). Any time on Dec. 24, Windows Phone users can ask Cortana for Santa's location and OnStar subscribers can press the OnStar button in their vehicles to locate Santa.

It all started in 1955 when a local media advertisement directed children to call Santa direct, only the number was misprinted. Instead of reaching Santa, the phone rang through to the crew commander on duty at the Continental Air Defense Command Operations Center. Thus began the tradition, which NORAD carried on since it was created in 1958.

# Bald eagle counts start next weekend

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

The U. S. Forest Service has scheduled its four bald eagle counts for this winter. All counts will be on the Saturday mornings of Dec. 12, Jan. 9, Feb. 13 and March 12.

Migrating eagles typically begin arriving in the area in late November and leave in late March or early April. During the winter, Southern California bald eagles are typically found at many of the lakes, including Big Bear Lake, Baldwin Lake, Silverwood Lake, Lake Arrowhead, Green Valley Lake, Grass Valley Lake in the San Bernardino Mountains and Prado Dam, Lake Perris, Lake Hemet, Lake Skinner, Diamond Valley Lake, Lake Matthews and the Salton Sea to the south.

The Forest Service stresses that no experience is necessary. Signing up ahead of time is not required either. Volunteers can just show up at the designated time and location, dress warmly, bring binoculars and a watch.

This is an opportunity to catch a glimpse of our national symbol. Brief orientations prior to the count teach volunteers where to go and what to do.

Two bald eagles reside on the shores of Lake Hemet. In 2014, they produced two eaglets.

The local count will be at Lake Hemet. Volunteers meet at the Lake Hemet Grocery Store at 8:30 a.m. on the above dates for orientation. Contact Ann Bowers ([annbowers@fs.fed.us](mailto:annbowers@fs.fed.us) or 909-382-2935) for more information.

Other counts that day within the San Bernardino National Forest will be at Big Bear Lake, Lake Arrowhead, Lake Gregory, Silverwood Lake State Recreation Area and Lake Perris State Recreation Area.

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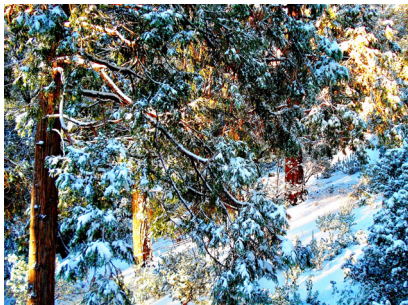
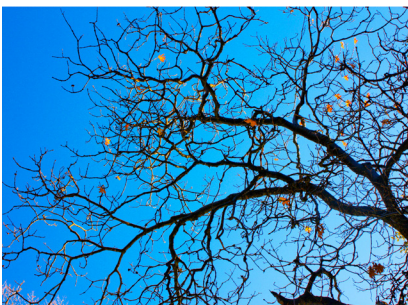
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# Idyllwild Fire Department to review financial services contracts

## Joint meeting with Finance Committee in the future

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

The Finance Committee work dominated the last Idyllwild Fire Protection District's commission meeting. Besides reviewing financial reports and appointing a new citizen alternate to the committee, the commission plans to schedule a joint meeting or workshop with the committee before mid-January.

Finance Committee Chair and Commissioner Nancy Layton requested the joint meeting because "the committee members want to be sure that the work they are doing is in accordance with what the board agrees it wants the committee doing. We do not want to be seen as going off on our own, heading in directions the board does not approve."

Layton asked that the joint meeting be open to the public and Commission President Jerry Buchanan agreed to set a date before the committee's January meeting. (The Ralph M. Brown Act requires such a meet-

ing to be open to the public.)

At the committee's Nov. 18 meeting, Fire Chief Patrick Reitz shared that he wanted the committee to review and recommend two contract proposals — both financial issues — to the commission.

The first would be a possible revision of the contract for accounting services. The first contract was issued in July 2013 to Rob Dennis, a certified public accountant from Rancho Cucamonga. It will expire in June 2016.

The committee has expressed disappointment with the accuracy and timeliness of the financial reports for several months. It also leans toward letting the chief's administrative assistant perform some of this work rather than contracting for it.

Reitz recommended the committee review the proposed request for financial services and submit a revised proposal to the commission for its January meeting.

He also recommended the committee review the current contract for audit services. The 2014-15 audit is still not completed, although Reitz said he had seen a draft. The current contract with Fedak and Brown was approved in May 2014 and still has a year remaining.

"Based on what we have experienced this year, the board should issue a new contract ahead of the end of

this one" Reitz stated.

Layton also expressed concerns about the relationship with the auditor. "There were a series of things affecting our relationship with Fedak last year. This year another series of issues — administrative issues on their part," she added. "We are willing to look at breaking the contract for this year and go with a new contract request."

The commission unanimously, 3-0, approved the Finance Committee's assignment to review, revise and recommend new proposals for finance services and audits. Commissioners Rhonda Andrewson and Larry Donahoe were absent.

The commission asked Reitz to evaluate whether IFPD might want to apply for grant funds from the State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund. At its November 2012 meeting, the Commission approved a resolution opposing imposition of the \$150 fee (only \$115 if the property is within a local fire district such as Idyllwild). Buchanan wanted the commission to discuss whether IFPD should be involved in the program.

"Should we apply and take a chance of getting an award? Should we apply for something we opposed?" he asked.

Members concluded that the grant categories covered work that would benefit the community and they ought to request some funding. Reitz indicated he would review the grant categories and prepare an application for the January submission date.

"I'll set up a meeting with Cal Fire, the U.S. Forest Service and the district because I think maintenance of fuelbreaks might be an area to consider," he replied. He also said consideration would be given to expanding the availability of the grinding station for local residents.

Reitz also announced that Sherry Edwards has resigned as administrative assistant. He has offered the position to Sherry Ann Warren who he said has ably been acting in the position for several months.

Mark Lonsbury, who has attended several Finance Committee meetings, was the sole applicant for the vacant alternate position for the Finance Committee. He is a computer database consultant and worked extensively in the Midwest.

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## Volunteers needed to survey county homeless population

In just two months, communities nationwide will begin conducting their annual Point-in-Time Homeless Count and survey. Five hundred volunteers are needed to survey Riverside County to help determine the region's needs for homeless services and to guide decisions about how to use resources.

The PIT Homeless Count is a one-day, street-based and service-based unduplicated count and subpopulation survey of sheltered and unsheltered individuals to identify how many people in Riverside County are homeless and their subpopulation characteristics on a given day.

The Riverside County Department of Public Social Services will partner with the Riverside County Continuum of Care to survey on Friday, Jan. 26. Volunteers are needed from throughout the county to help organize and implement the count in their communities.

The count is mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The county's count will be divided into two areas: a street-based survey from 5:30 to 9:30 a.m., and a service-based survey from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This count is primarily for cities, however, the county Department of Mental Health has an outreach team, which does survey unincorporated areas, including the Hill, according to Donyielle Holley, Riverside County

Point-in-Time coordinator.

Last year, 533 volunteers were deployed across the region to successfully count and survey the unsheltered homeless population. Volunteer recruitment is encouraged among neighborhood and nonprofit organizations, college students, faith-based institutions, community service clubs and social service providers. Important data will be collected on the general homeless population and subpopulations of homeless veterans, families, youth and chronically homeless individuals.

HUD, the largest source of homeless program funding, requires that continuum-of-care communities that receive HUD CoC funding (such as Riverside County) perform a "one-day, point-in-time" unduplicated count and subpopulation survey of sheltered (every year) and unsheltered (every other year) homeless individuals during the last week of January.

The 2015 count identified 1,587 unsheltered and 883 sheltered homeless people in Riverside County. Unsheltered homeless people include those living in places unfit for human habitation, such as on the street or in a park.

Organizations or individuals may register online to participate at [www.RiversideHomelessCounts.com](http://www.RiversideHomelessCounts.com).

Questions may be directed to Holley at [RivCoPIT@RiversideDPSS.org](mailto:RivCoPIT@RiversideDPSS.org).



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

### Wednesday, Dec. 2

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Town Crier office, 54405 N. Circle Dr.
- Soroptimist International of Idyllwild, 9 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr.
- Garner Valley Women's Group, 10:30 a.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devil's Ladder Rd.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Writing workshop, 1-2 p.m.; cancer support group, 4:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Transforming Chronic Pain, 4-5:30 p.m. Hill House, Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
- American Legion Post 800 Auxiliary board, 5 p.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- El Niño Community Outreach Meeting, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center.
- Co-dependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

### Thursday, Dec. 3

- 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.
- Tai Chi, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.
- Free warm lunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idyllwild Rotary Anns, 11:30 a.m. Call 951-852-2306 for more information.
- Bridge, 12:30 p.m., Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave. If interested, show up

or phone 951-659-4910.

- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30-9 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

### Friday, Dec. 4

- Free Mat Pilates Classes, 9 a.m. Tarah Jade, 54320 N. Circle Dr.
- 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.
- Feeding America, 3-4 p.m. Cross Road 243 Church, Mountain Center.

### Saturday, Dec. 5

- Pine Cove Property Owners Association, 9 a.m. Pine Cove Fire Station, 24919 Marion Ridge Dr.
- Meditation, Zen-style, 9 a.m.-noon. The Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. Valerie Kyoshin Velez, 951-392-6507 or kyoshinvelez@gmail.com.
- American Legion Post 800 meeting, 10 a.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

### Sunday, Dec. 6

- Occupy Idyllwild stand and discuss with the 99 percent. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Town center at Harmony monument. Call Sue at 909-228-6710.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, Book Study meeting (closed), noon. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243; 5 p.m. Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Rd., Poppet Flats, across from Cal Fire Station 6.
- Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts" open meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 8-9 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

### Monday, Dec. 7

- 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.
- Friends of the Idyllwild Library board, 9 a.m.; Qi Gong meditation, 1-2 p.m. Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Wisdom in Spiritual Eldering, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
- 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.
- Debtors Anonymous, 12-step program for compulsive debting and spending, 7-8:30 p.m.; Narcotics Anonymous, "Just for Today," 8-9 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

### Tuesday, Dec. 8

- Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council public board, 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.
- La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 659-8321.
- Lovingkindness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m.; Self-Realization Fellowship Meditation, 6-7 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.
- Meditation & dharma study, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Yoga Studio, 54445 N. Circle Dr. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for info.
- Hemet Unified School District board, 6:30 p.m. HUSD offices, 1791 W. Aca-cia Ave., Hemet.

### Wednesday, Dec. 9

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Town Crier office, 54405 N. Circle 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.
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Writing workshop, 1-2 p.m.; cancer support group, 4:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Transforming Chronic Pain, 4-5:30 p.m. Hill House, Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
- Co-dependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

### Community service hours

- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr., 659-3335.
- Idyllwild HELP Center, 26330 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-noon & 1-3:30 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 659-2110.
- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 North Circle Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat. & Sun. Group tours by appointment. 659-2717.
- Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon., Wed.; noon-8 p.m. Tues.; noon-5 p.m. Thurs. & Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat., 659-2300.
- Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wed.-Sun. 659-3850.
- Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thurs.-Mon.

## NEWS OF RECORD

### Fire log

the Idyllwild Fire Station responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, Nov. 23-29.

### Idyllwild

- Nov. 23 — No responses.
- Nov. 24 — Assist police or other governmental agency, 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave.
- Nov. 24 — Cooking fire, confined to container, 54000 block of S. Circle Dr.
- Nov. 24 — Medical aid, Village Center Dr.
- Nov. 25 — Medical aid, Alderwood St.
- Nov. 26 — Walk-in medical aid.
- Nov. 26 — Public service, 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave.
- Nov. 27 — Two medical aids, Ridgeview Dr.
- Nov. 27 — Heat from short circuit (wiring), defective/worn, N. Circle Dr.
- Nov. 27 — Walk-in medical aid.
- Nov. 28 — Medical aid, N. Circle & Cedar St.
- Nov. 28 — Walk-in medical aid.

### Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls, Sunday to Saturday, Nov. 22 to 28.

### Idyllwild

- Nov. 22 — Danger to self/other, 25000 block of Hwy. 243. Report taken.
- Nov. 22 — Two 911 hang-ups from cellphone, 24000 block of Fern Valley Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 23 — Harassing phone calls, Address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 23 — Harassing phone calls, address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 24 — Alarm call, Jameson Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 24 — Check the welfare, 53000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 25 — Follow up, address withheld. Handled by

deputy.

- Nov. 25 — Suspect info, address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 25 — Missing person, 53000 block of Marian View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 26 — Alarm call, Rockdale Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 26 — Public disturbance, 25000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 28 — Vicious dog, 25000 block of Rim Rock Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 28 — Civil dispute, 25000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

### Mountain Center

- Nov. 23 — Public assist, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 24 — Trespassing, 28000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 24 — Trespassing, 29000 block of Hwy. 243. Unfounded.
- Nov. 24 — Follow-up, address withheld. Handled by deputy.

### Pine Cove

- Nov. 24 — Shots fired, Sylvan Wy. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 25 — Follow-up, address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 26 — Public disturbance, Cedar Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 2 — Follow up, address withheld. Handled by deputy.

### Poppet Flats

- Nov. 24 — Two burglaries, 46000 block of Poppet Flats Rd. Report taken.
- Nov. 27 — Burglary, Coyote St. Report taken.
- Nov. 27 — Hang up from cell phone, Coyote St. Handled by deputy.

### San Bernardino National Forest

- Nov. 23 — Burglary, 23000 block of Hwy. 243. Report taken.
- Nov. 24 — Public disturbance, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 27 — Lost hiker, address undefined. Report taken.

### Passports to Antarctica at library

Idyllwild School is offering "Become a Jr. Explorer and Explore Antarctica." The event is connected to the exhibit "Explore Antarctica: Empire of the Penguin," now featured at the library through January.

A passport booklet has been prepared for younger patrons to discover all sorts of interesting facts about the continent and its penguin population. Visitors may ask for a passport with questions about Antarctica and look for the hidden answers found within the display.

Upon completing the passport's questions, junior explorers can have their passports stamped and receive an expedition certificate. Everyone is invited to come in and explore Antarctica.

### Free mat pilates community class

A weekly free mat pilates community class is being offered Fridays at 9 a.m. Classes are held at Tarah Jade, 54320 N. Circle Dr.



# 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, Dec. 2

- Holiday program with Local Color, 5-7 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Bill Saitta, 6-8 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.
- "Mockingjay-Part 2," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

#### Thursday, Dec. 3

- Michael Britton & football, 6-8 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.
- "Mockingjay-Part 2," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

#### Friday, Dec. 4

- Poetry Fridays, 3-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Live music, 5-8 p.m.; Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- Forest Folk Movie Night and Potluck, "The Thomas Crown Affair," 5:30 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.
- Visual Arts Student Theme Show "Displacement," opening reception 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Keith McCabe, 6-9 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.
- Peter Curtis Jazz, 6:30 p.m. Ferro.
- Silver Beatles Tribute Band, 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

#### Saturday, Dec. 5

- David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; Change Required 1-3 p.m.; Keith McCabe, 6-9 p.m. Cafe Aroma.
- Yu Gi Oh! Teen Card Club, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Michael Britton & Karen Blanchard, noon-4 p.m.; Live music to 8 p.m.; Karaoke, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- "Mockingjay-Part 2," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

- "Uh-Oh, Here Comes Christmas," Stratford Players, 2 p.m. Christian Science Church.
- 3Skinz, 6-9 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.
- "Radio Tales," Mick Lynch & Dick Halligan, 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

#### Sunday, Dec. 6

- Dan Papaila, 9 a.m.-noon; IAA Students Zema & Sumi, 1-3 p.m. Cafe Aroma.
- Michael Britton & Karen Blanchard, noon-4 p.m.; Live music to 8 p.m. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- Jack Rubio, 1-4 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.
- "Uh-Oh, Here Comes Christmas," Stratford Players, 2 p.m. Christian Science Church.
- "Mockingjay-Part 2," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

#### Monday, Dec. 7

- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Children's

Storytime, "Reindeer Tales," 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show "Displacement," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Greg Jones Trio, 6-9 p.m. Cafe Aroma.
- "Mockingjay-Part 2," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
- Football & Happy Hour, Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.

#### Tuesday, Dec. 8

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show "Displacement," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Stephen Linsteadt, author talk, "Quantum Healing Codes," 5:30-8 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Jazz Night, 6-9 p.m. Ferro.
- "Mockingjay-Part 2," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

#### Wednesday, Dec. 9

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show "Displacement," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Willy B. & John King, 6-8 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.
- "Mockingjay-Part 2," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

#### Thursday, Dec. 10

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show "Displacement," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition

Center, Idyllwild Arts.

- "Mockingjay-Part 2," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

- Thursday night football. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.

#### Friday, Dec. 11

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show "Displacement," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Poetry Fridays, 3-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Live music, 5-8 p.m.; Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- Forest Folk Movie Night and Potluck, "Vacations," 5:30 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.
- Keith McCabe, 6-9 p.m. Cafe Aroma.

- Don & Dennis Reed, & Lenny Hansell, 6-9 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.
- "The Importance of Being Earnest," theater performance, 7:30 p.m. Rush Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

#### Saturday, Dec. 12

- David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; Don & Dennis Reed, 6-9 p.m. Cafe Aroma.
- Michael Britton & Karen Blanchard, noon-4 p.m.; Live music to 8 p.m.; Karaoke, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- "The Importance of Being Earnest," theater performance, 2 & 7:30 p.m. Rush Hall, Idyllwild Arts.
- Lenny Hansell & guest,



Kinsey Kretsinger and Archer Scott enjoy Idyllwild Library volunteer Virginia Lumb's seasonally themed story time reading Monday at the library.

PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

6-9 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.

- Comedy Night, Ricky Betts, Elias Tindall & Jeff Urrea, 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
- Idyllwild Arts Academy Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre.

#### Sunday, Dec. 13

- Coffee House Folk, Jen Hajj, 9 a.m.-noon; Roger Dutton Band, 1-3 p.m. Cafe Aroma.
- David Jerome, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.
- Michael Britton & Karen Blanchard, noon-4 p.m.; Live music to 8 p.m. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- Idyllwild Arts Academy Orchestra, 2 p.m. IAF Theatre; "The Importance of Being Earnest," theater performance,

mance, 2 p.m. Rush Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

#### Monday, Dec. 14

- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Children's Storytime, "Jingle Bells & Cookies," 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Visual Arts Student Theme Show "Displacement," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Nathan Rivera & Jessie Andra Smith Gypsy Blues, 6-9 p.m. Cafe Aroma.
- Football & Happy Hour, Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.

#### Tuesday, Dec. 15

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show "Displacement," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Jazz Night, 6-9 p.m. Ferro.

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**Doug Austin**, with **Clement Moore's** book, leads *The Olde English Theatre Players* in a rendition of "The Night Before Christmas." PHOTOS BY CHERYL BASYE



The Idyllwild Children's Choir entertained another large crowd before the Christmas Tree was lit Saturday evening.



Despite the cold temperatures Saturday, the throng attending the Tree Lighting Ceremony warm themselves next to the fire, which **Rob Muir** and his mother **Marge** lit.



Idyllwild's honorary **Mayor Max**, accompanied by Chief of Staff **Phyllis Mueller**, anticipates the crowds of fellow canines and children and some adults for the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony last Saturday.

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Lights adorn the Idyllwild Christmas Tree Saturday before another huge crowd. In the background is the Children's Christmas Tree. PHOTO BY CHERYL BASYE

### Soroptimists ask for donations

Soroptimist International of Idyllwild (www.siidyllwild.org) is encouraging the community to collect regular and travel-sized soap, toothpaste, shampoo/conditioner, body wash, deodorant and lotions. Collected items will support the Soroptimists in assisting the Idyllwild HELP Center, currently serving the needs of more than 600 people in our mountain community.

In addition to these basic needs, as sponsors of the "Soroptimist Women's Cabinet" located at the HELP Center, local So-

roptimists also emphasize that donations of feminine products — including sanitary napkins, tampons and panty liners — are desperately needed. Contact Theresa Teel at thursa@gmail.com or Karen Doshier at 951-452-4599 to donate items mentioned.



Despite early snow flurries Friday and a new venue at Idyllwild School because of Town Hall's closing, the annual Rotary Club's Harvest Festival still drew crowds.

PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

### Calling all singers

The Idyllwild Master Chorale begins its 40th season with a concert slated at the new Lowman Concert Hall at Idyllwild Arts on Dec. 19 and 20. In celebration of its 40th anniversary, the IMC will return to its rich tradition of performing the Christmas portion of Handel's "Messiah," along with an eclectic fusion of

holiday jazz featuring the Marshall Hawkins Quintet and vocalists Sherry Williams and John Fleming.

Also, with a grant received from the Idyllwild Community Fund, John Rodby will provide new arrangements of holiday classic standards.

Singers interested in joining the chorale are

most welcome. Contact Dwight "Buzz" Holmes, Artistic director/conductor, at Idyllwildmasterchorale@yahoo.com or 951-659-2650.

Rehearsals are Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Music Room at Idyllwild School through November and December until the concert presentation.

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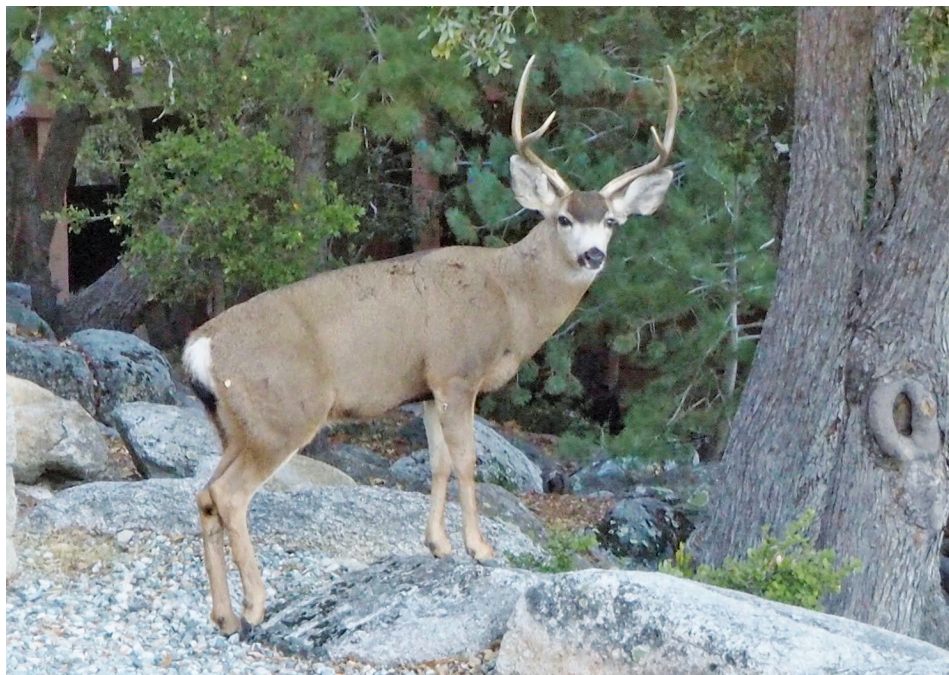
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A magnificent buck graced **Tom and Karen Higgins** with his presence in their front yard in Fern Valley a few days ago. PHOTO BY KAREN HIGGINS

**Tara Rose Davison** performed at Cafe Aroma Saturday afternoon, bringing classical guitar to the patrons as they dined.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



## Idyllwild Actors Theatre presents 'A Merry, Madcap Christmas'

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Idyllwild Actors Theatre serves up a festive mix of heartwarming, hilarious and touching Christmas stories in readers' theater format by some of America's most noted authors. "A Merry, Madcap Christmas" features IAT's core company of actors — Jeri Greene, Michèle Marsh, Howard Shangraw, Jacob Teel, Meg Wolf, Betty Anderson and Suzanne Avalon.

With a cappella holiday musical selections arranged by cast member and music director Barbara Rayliss and Christmas stories from Robert Benchley, Harper Lee, David Sedaris and Aaron Shepard, the evening will be warm, cozy and life-affirming. "There'll be a lot of humor and some poignancy, which is just what we need at this time in our lives and with what is going on in the world," said IAT founder Avalon.

Particularly poignant and uplifting, especially now, is "The Christmas Truce" by Aaron Shepard, a recounting of Christmas Eve 1914 as English

and German troops hunkered down in trenches across a line of demarcation in France in World War I. Fighting had slowed, given horrendous casualties on both sides, and opposing troops waited silently, only 50 yards apart, as rains that had pummeled the battlefield began to abate. As temperatures fell, the land became coated in a white frost. Shooting stopped. English troops peered with astonishment as they saw what appeared to be Christmas trees with candles and lanterns erected by German troops in front of their lines. For the rest of the true story, you'll have to wait to hear it told by IAT's corps.

Wrote Shepard, "The Christmas Truce of 1914 is one of the most extraordinary incidents not only of World War I but of all military history. Providing inspiration for songs, books, plays and movies, it has endured as an archetypal image of peace."

"Starting in some places on Christmas Eve and in others on Christmas Day, the truce covered as much as two-thirds of the British-German front. Thousands of soldiers took part. Perhaps most

remarkably, it grew out of no single initiative but sprang up in each place spontaneously and independently."

Shepard cautioned that this kind of event may never be seen again on battlefields, given how war is now conducted by sighting on a computer screen and pushing a button: "Yet still, what happened on that Christmas of 1914 may inspire the peacemakers of today — for now, now as always, the best time to make peace is long before the armies go to war."

"A Merry, Madcap Christmas" plays at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, and Saturday, Dec. 12, at the Rainbow Inn. A reception precedes each performance at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased at the door or online at [www.idyllwildactorstheatre.com](http://www.idyllwildactorstheatre.com). A dinner theater package is offered with the Gastrognome Restaurant for \$50 per person. The package includes a three-course meal and preferred and reserved seating. For more information, call 951-692-9553.

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

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# Here come the Beatles

## Silver Beatles Tribute Band plays the Rustic

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Whether you like the early or Sgt. Pepper Beatles, mop top haircuts or psychedelic shags, all will make appearances on Friday, Dec. 4, when the Silver Beatles Tribute Band plays the Rustic Theatre. "It's a way to bring the community together and find out what they like," said promoter and presenter Mike Vladika.

Vladika promises that beer and wine at bargain-basement — prices, and the Rustic's complement of lobby food — will make any "Hard Day's Night" "Come Together," and convince you that "All You Need is Love."

The Silver Beatles have been featured throughout Southern California, at the

Mirage Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas and overseas entertaining the armed forces in Tokyo. They are Steve Anfinson as John Lennon, Larry Stuppy as George Harrison, Barry Scott as Paul McCartney, and Gary Long as Ringo Starr.

For any too young to have been there or whose memories are fogged by the passage of time or whatever, the Beatles were the best-selling music artists in the U.S. with more than 178 million certified unit sales, according to the Recording Industry Association of America. As of 2015, the Beatles held the record for the most number-one hits on the Hot 100 with 20. They are the best-selling band in history with sales of more than 600 million records

worldwide. They received 10 Grammy Awards and one Academy Award for Best Original Song, "Let It Be," from the 1970 film "Let It Be." They starred in five movies, including "A Hard Day's Night," "Help!" "Magical Mystery Tour," "Yellow Submarine" and "Let It Be."

"Doors open at 5," said Vladika, "and the band plays from 7 till 9. Come see them — a great sound, costumes and all." Vladika urges don't be a fool on the Hill, come and get it, and although the price of admission can get you in the door and in the groove, it may not buy you love.

Tickets are \$20 advance sale at the Rustic and \$25 at the door. For more information, contact the Rustic or visit [www.rustictheatre.com](http://www.rustictheatre.com).



The Silver Beatles Tribute Band plays the Rustic on Friday, Dec. 4. Produced by Mike Vladika, the show begins at 7 p.m., runs to 9 and reprises early to psychedelic Beatle moments in the career of the iconic Fab Four.

PHOTO COURTESY STEVE ANFINSON, SILVER BEATLES TRIBUTE BAND.

## Soroptimists' Live Your Dream awards applications being accepted

Since 1972, the Soroptimist Live Your Dream Awards (formerly Women's Opportunity Award) has disbursed more than \$25 million to tens of thousands of women who have overcome poverty, domestic and sexual violence, divorce, the death of a spouse, or other life challenges. They are women of courage and determination to turn their lives around. Recipients may use the cash award to offset any costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education, including books, childcare and transportation.

The program begins at the local level with a cash award up to \$1,000 presented by Soroptimist International of Idyllwild.

The applicant must be the primary support for dependents who may include children, spouses, partners, siblings and/or parents.

They must reside in the greater mountain area, which includes Idyllwild, Pine Cove, Mountain Center, Garner Valley, Anza and Twin Pines.

They must be enrolled or accepted in a vo-

ational/skills program or an undergraduate degree program, and be highly motivated to complete the education.

They cannot be a Soroptimist member or immediate family of a Soroptimist.

The recipient will have their application forwarded for further competition at the region level.

Information may be found at [www.Soroptimist.org/awards/DreamAwardsFAQforApplicants.pdf](http://www.Soroptimist.org/awards/DreamAwardsFAQforApplicants.pdf) or call Karen Doshier at 951-452-4599.

## Gathering for highly sensitives

A Highly Sensitive Persons gathering, facilitated by Veda Roubideaux, is held from 2 to 4 p.m. the Sundays of Dec. 27 and Jan. 24 at the Spirit Mountain Retreat.

For more information, contact the center at 659-2523 or [info@spiritmountainretreat.org](mailto:info@spiritmountainretreat.org).

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★ STUDENTS OF THE WEEK ★



Fact or Fiction?  
**Nursery Rhyme Challenge**

Nursery rhymes are short poems and songs for young kids. Here are some questions about some popular nursery rhymes. How many can you answer correctly?

- 1) Jack and Jane climbed the hill together. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 2) Little Bo Peep could not find her dog. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 3) An old woman lived in a shoe. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 4) Jack Sprat could not eat anything lean. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 5) The Sandman helps kids wake up. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 6) Old Mother Hubbard looked for a bone for her dog. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 7) Little Tommy hopes the rain will go away so he can play outside. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 8) Simple Simon met a fireman on his way to the fair. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 9) Jack leaped over a candlestick. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 10) The mouse ran up and down the clock. **Fact or Fiction?**

Answers: 1) Fiction, Jack and Jill climbed the hill. 2) Fiction, Little Bo Peep could not find her sheep. 3) Fact, an old woman lived in a shoe. 4) Fact, Jack Sprat could not eat anything lean. 5) Fiction, the Sandman helps kids sleep. 6) Fact, Old Mother Hubbard looked for a bone for her dog. 7) Fiction, Little Tommy hopes the rain will go away. 8) Fiction, Simple Simon met a pie man. 9) Fact, Jack leaped over a candlestick. 10) Fiction, the mouse ran up and down the clock.



Idyllwild Middle School Instructional Aide **Megan Gaudreault** chose **Joey Neu**, eighth grade, (left), and **Savannah Strunk**, seventh grade, as students of the week because "these students demonstrate kindness in the classroom and strive to do their best work on assignments."  
PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

**Jokes and Riddles**

Q: What do planets like to read?  
A: Comet books.

Q: Where do books sleep?  
A: Under their covers.

**What Rhymes with...**

**READ**

List 10 words that rhyme with "read."

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
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5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

Some answers: bead, deed, feed, head, lead, mead, need, seed

**So You Think You Know the Hill?**

BY JACK CLARK  
CONTEST JUDGE

That's a bit more like it — we had seven correct entrants regarding last week's photo, which was a detail from **Dore Capitani's** metal sculpture, commissioned in memory of Mary Austin, on the front of the Idyllwild Library. In the hat were the names of **Kathy Gorzny**, the **Jeff and Yvonne Smith** family and **Deidre Vaile**. **Dolores Sizer** pulled out **Deidre's** name, so, **Deidre**, please come pick up your two tickets to **Shane Stewart's Rustic Theatre** at the TC office. OK, see if you can find this week's spot.



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.

BY JAY PENTRACK

**St. Hugh's Episcopal Church** will host an Interfaith Service of Solace at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4. St. Hugh's is located at 25525 Tahquitz Drive in Idyllwild. Participants include Temple Har Shalom, Spirit Mountain Retreat Center, Idyllwild Community Zen, Idyllwild Spiritual Living Center and St. Hugh's Episcopal Church.

**Sky Island Natural Foods and the Meadow Greens Cafe** is offering a locals lunch special. It includes hot soup of the day, along with your choice of a salad, wrap or hot sandwich for \$9.99. Offer valid Mon.-Thurs. throughout December.

Sadly, after 15 years, **Gary's Deli**, located in the Strawberry Creek Square, closed on Dec. 1.

Guests may now dine on the climate controlled front patio of **Ferro**.

**Café Aroma Lunch & Dinner Specials**  
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**Thursday, Dec. 3**  
• Lunch: Turkey Club with Smoked Gouda, served with Soup or Salad  
• Main: Carbonara Pasta  
• Steak: 8 oz. Organic New York or 12 oz. Grass-fed with Balsamic Marinated Tomatoes

**Friday, Dec. 4**  
• Lunch: Chicken Flautas  
• Main: Trout Almandine  
• Steak: 8 oz. Organic New York or 12 oz. Grass-fed Rib Eye with a Pesto Rub

**Saturday, Dec. 5**  
• Main: Shrimp Gumbo  
• Steak: 8 oz. Organic New York or 12 oz. Grass-fed Rib Eye with a Peppercorn Merlot Reduction

**Sunday, Dec. 6**  
• Main: Gnocchi & Sausage in a Vodka Cream Sauce  
• Steak: 8 oz. Organic New York or 12 oz. Grass-fed Rib Eye with a Citrus Compound Butter

**Monday, Dec. 7**  
• Lunch: Scampi Pasta  
• Chef's Surprise Dinner Special and Idyllwild's Original Half-Price Wine Night!

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# Don Raridon discovers doors and pathways

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Don Raridon solves problems. With a keen analytic and intuitive nature, he notices small openings that lead into larger clearings. Once through the opening and into the clearing he assesses and appreciates what is there. It is in the noticing that his particular gift for analysis, structure and composition produces elegant results.

As is characteristic of many Idyllwild artists, Raridon is multifaceted. Trained in computer science, he is a skilled nature photographer who uses time in nature for inspiration and centering.

From an early age, Raridon was fascinated by how devices were constructed and how they functioned. "Before computers, my father used to bring home broken things for me to fix — stereos, clocks, watches," he said. "He did it to please me. I loved taking something apart, trying to figure out why it was broken and then how to fix it." With that focus, it was a natural progression for Raridon to move into computers as the field was expanding.

Born in Van Nuys and raised in the Reseda and Northridge area, Raridon described his growing up and coming of age as a normal "valley guy" kind of thing enriched by an early discovery of nature. "From the age of 10, I had this certain drive for nature," he remembered. "I hiked with friends and by myself enjoying the solitude and freedom." He noticed the systems and structures in natural balance in the canyons north of his home. "At home, I used to build these huge and elaborate ant farms, watching how ants worked together, solving problems and creating."

His patient observation of nature's processes, meth-



Don Raridon, artist of the computer and the camera, is the Town Crier artist of the week.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH



There is something magical and mystical in this Raridon photo, "Old Dead Tree." It's as if the tree is posing in a sun salutation, worshipful, unbending and still.

PHOTO BY DON RARIDON

ods, balances and structures proved valuable in his later career in computers and photography. By noticing the mosaic of compositional details in his surroundings, he developed a wide-angled holistic approach to computers and art. Raridon stayed in the moment, moved carefully and unhurriedly. And he noticed.

With computer issues and problems, Raridon finds his way in patiently. He is effective in finding solutions other tech support personnel often miss. As in nature, each path is different. Noticing how they are different creates understanding. Understanding leads to creative problem solving and artistic composition. Raridon has built a successful local career in web design, computer analysis and systems repair, mostly by word of mouth. But it is in his 15 years of outdoor exploration and photography that he finds his joy.

"Outdoor photography is my passion," said Raridon. "A big part of my intention is to share what I see with others so that their souls may be enchanted by nature

itself and the importance of connecting to it."

His photographs evoke feelings. He captures in a frame what seems to be a perfectly arranged composition, with magical overtones. About his process, he said, "It's a combination of waiting and being in the right place. Spending time and being present is so important. A lot of doing this work is becoming aware. I know I need to be present and allow the universe to do its job taking care of the direction I need to go in order to grow.

"The course or pathway in life is just to grow as a being and be open to what comes your way."

Of hiking with his camera, Raridon said, "Sometimes I get these cues when I'm out on a hike, to stop. Sometimes there's a clue there. The stopping is just to wait to see what's coming."

And by stopping, he seems to arrive at otherworldly places, just in time to capture extraordinary moments. "I

See Raridon, pae 16



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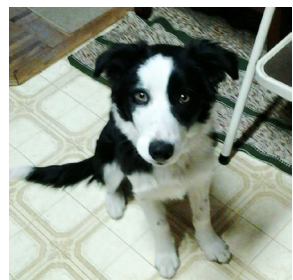
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Idyllwild Bible Church</b></p> <p>25860 Highway 243, Pastor Tim Westcott. A Family Friendly Bible Based Fellowship. <b>Sunday Worship &amp; Nursery Care, 9 a.m.</b> <b>Sunday Worship, Nursery Care &amp; Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.</b> Mid-week Bible Studies &amp; Youth Groups. Call Church Office for Information. 659-4775</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>St. Hugh's Episcopal Church</b></p> <p><i>An Anglican House of Prayer for all people</i> Rev. Daniel Rondeau • Sunday Service, 10:00 am Wednesday Service, 10:00 am 25525 Tahquitz Dr. (in Fern Valley off South Circle Dr.) Phone (951) 659-4471</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Idyllwild Community Church</b></p> <p>54400 N. Circle Dr. 659-2935 • Rev. Richard Olson Sunday Worship – 9:30 a.m. Celebration: 5th grade &amp; under during worship ~ Child care available • Wednesday: Men's Breakfast, 6:15 a.m. – Women's Bible Study, 9 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild</b></p> <p>Hanukkah Potluck Party Friday, Dec. 11th, 6 PM Bring your Menorah &amp; Wrapped \$10 Exchange Gift Caine Learning Center – 54385 Pine Crest Ave. Shabbat Study Session Dec. 12th 10 AM St. Hugh's - 25525 Tahquitz Dr. www.templeharshalomidyllwild.org</p>



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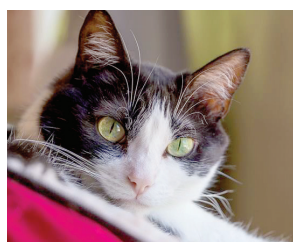
litter of babies. They are all in new homes, but Momma Bobbie needs a home now. She is a bit shy around other cats and not at all sure about dogs. She absolutely loves humans, though.

Now, if you are interested in not coming home to an empty house, and don't prefer a lap cat, **Furball Bill** is your guy. He is about 4 years old, still likes to play and actually is fine with mellow canines. He tolerates



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**Sadie** is a little bit of both: lap cat, loves to be touched, but wants her alone time, too. She is fine with other felines, but not too sure about the canine crowd. Her favorite time is in the morning when she knows it's time for chow. She will weave in and out of your legs to show her appreciation and love.



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*Creature Corner is In Memory of all of our Beloved Pets.*

### Raridon

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don't Photoshop," he said. "I'm just there."

On one hike, being there and being present produced particularly magical results. Hiking with a woman friend in the high country, Raridon saw a spotted owl above him in a tree. He stopped. He watched. And then, as he sometimes does, he began talking to it. His friend pulled out her phone and began videoing the encounter. At one point (and the encounter is recorded) Raridon can be heard saying, "Oh my god, it's coming." The owl flew toward him and lightly perched

on his finger, for a moment. But it was there, with Raridon, on his finger. Then it flew back to its perch in the tree. As Raridon and his friend began hiking down the mountain, the owl flew from tree to tree following them.

Raridon has a bachelor's degree in computer science from Redding University. He is owner and proprietor of Omni Web, website design and hosting and computer fixes of all sorts. His catalogue of photographs can be viewed at [www.viewbug.com/member/OmniWeb#/OmniWeb/photos](http://www.viewbug.com/member/OmniWeb#/OmniWeb/photos).

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

## Past

## Tense

### 65 years ago - 1950

The Idyllwild Riding Club was going to present a real "bang-up" Western show at the Idyllwild Stables arena.

### 60 years ago - 1955

"Music Round the Town," the second of a series of 14 music books that Max Krone edited and Bee Krone, his wife, arranged, was published.

### 55 years ago - 1960

Idyllwild residents were rallying to help a family — two adults and seven children — whose house on Pine Crest Avenue burned. "While firemen played hoses on the ruins, neighbors invited the victims into their homes for shelter and breakfast," said the author of the Town Crier article.

### 50 years ago - 1965

A young rodeo rider living in Mountain Center was termed "The Boy Who Can't Be Thrown." "Made about \$3,000 in three months and was never bucked off," the boy said.

### 45 years ago - 1970

Ending a long dry period, the Hill received 3 to 4 inches of snow. In the higher mountain elevations, the snowfall measured 12 inches.

### 40 years ago - 1975

County carpenter Frank Prather was blocking out steps leading down to a centuries-old Native American rock painting in order to make a cast concrete gallery.

### 35 years ago - 1980

Following one of the worst fire sieges in South-

ern California history, the forest opened in the San Jacinto mountains and all local firefighting units returned to the Hill.

### 30 years ago - 1985

Idyllwild Water District was seeking a low-income water conservation loan of up to \$1 million from the State Water Resources Department to replace lines.

### 25 years ago - 1990

Elliott-Pope Preparatory School (now AstroCamp) announced it would be closing after 60 years of preparing students for college.

### 20 years ago - 1995

In an effort to break away from the Hemet Unified School District, a group of organizers in Anza began collecting signatures to hold a feasibility study for a new school district.

### 15 years ago - 2000

The Soroptimists were starting their annual Christmas "love train" at Guaranty Federal Bank, which consisted of boxes people could fill with toys or food for needy families.

### 10 years ago - 2005

Local cross-country runner Franklin Cooper-Smith made the California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section finals, and represented Hemet High School in the 3-mile race.

### 5 years ago - 2010

The eagle had landed — and the bear, the mountain lion, the gecko and all the other creatures mantle carver David Roy envisioned and crafted. After more than a three-year wait, David Roy's "Harmony" began its surprisingly brief and potentially perilous move from its carving site to the final destination in the village center.

### 1 year ago - 2014

After two years, Idyllwild Fire Protection District commissioners approved an agreement for the local Mile High Radio Club to operate WNKI, the local emergency radio station.



Helen Nelson and her totem pole with a Finnish flavor in October 1973. FILE PHOTO

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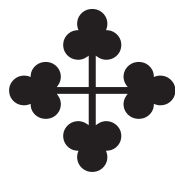
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Number of Lines	Each time
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Answers to Sudoku  
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For Sale

Metal and glass bay-window glass display shelving system \$200; burglar alarm system, \$500; Becky, Town Crier, (951) 659-2145, ext. 11.

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FIREWOOD for sale. Eucalyptus, orange, and avocado. (951) 487-8508

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Answers to Crossword  
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For Rent or Lease



**Idyllwild Property Management**  
54960 Pine Crest Ave. #1  
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www.idyllwildpm.com

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WORD SEARCH

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Bread	Glare	Reins	Toast
Canoes	Hangs	Roped	Topic
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Enable	Nerve	Shall	Upset
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Ethnic	Pearl	Steel	Waiter
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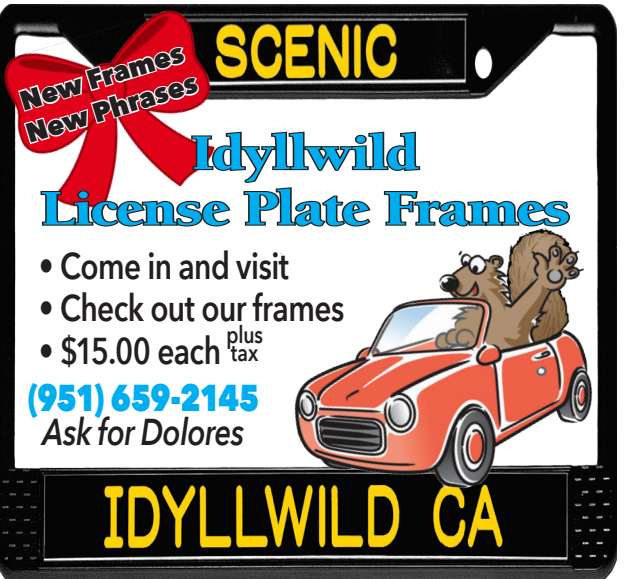
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Answers to Word Search  
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Health

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Legals • Doing Business As

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as IDYLLWILD GAMES, BATTLEAXE, IDY. GAMES, CAMPING IS IN TENTS, BATTLEAXE: NORTHERN WARS, BATTLEAXE: THE NEW WORLD, FEATHERS OF OBSIDIAN, POT: THE CARD GAME, 53230 Meadow Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: PO Box 530, Idyllwild, CA 92549. NICOLASSKYLLARRYAN, 53230 Meadow Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.  
This business is conducted by an Individual. 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:  
NICOLAS SKYLAR RYAN  
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Oct. 23, 2015.

FILE NO.: R-201511861  
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

See Legals, next page

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- ACROSS

1. Custom

5. Sloughs

9. Inevitably

13. Small buffalo

14. The New Yorker cartoonist Edward

15. The "A" of ABM

16. Balkan native

17. Lift up by mechanical means (var. spell.)

18. Put one's foot down?

19. Business' private investigator (2 wds)

22. Twenty-four of these in a day

23. Euphorbiaceous plants

24. Police, with "the"

26. Bridle parts

28. "... \_\_\_\_ he drove out of sight"

29. Mozart's

"L' \_\_\_\_ del Cairo"

30. Ahead of the times

35. Dawdle

38. Flipper

39. "All kidding \_\_\_\_"

40. Adverse secondary reaction to a drug (2 wds)

43. Big \_\_\_\_ Conference

44. Ten liters (abbrev.)

45. Loafer, e.g.

47. Back muscle, familiarly

48. Lightweight cotton cloth, usually plaid

51. Appeared

53. Business investors with no active roles (2 wds)

56. Knowing, as a secret

57. Bill of fare

58. John Paul II, e.g.

60. Clearasil

target

61. Astrological ram

62. \_\_\_\_ vera

63. Call for

64. Go through

65. Onion relative

DOWN

1. Functioned as

2. Aces, sometimes

3. Zero degrees compass point

4. Ban

5. Substance used or prepared for eating

6. Ashtabula's lake

7. Crows' homes

8. One out?

9. Filled pad to sleep on

10. Strip of ropes and tackle, nautical

11. Hot spot

12. All alternative

14. Moroccan prince or

ruler

20. Hangup

21. Papal court

24. Gobs

25. Palm berry

27. Dumps

31. Not recorded on a map

32. Hamlet, e.g. (2 wds)

33. "I had no \_\_\_\_!"

34. Copper

36. Blushed

37. Long

41. Freight car without sides or roof (2 wds)

42. Rich cakes originating in Austria

46. Long, long time

48. Chop finely

49. "Home \_\_\_\_"

50. Extra

52. Calyx part

53. Capital of ancient Chinese empire

54. "Mi chiamano Mimi," e.g.

55. \_\_\_\_ gin fizz

59. "A rat!"

HOROSCOPES  
December 2015 — Week 1



March 21 – April 19  
Family discussions grow out of hand at the planning of an event. Step up and play peacemaker, Aries. There is too much to do not to have everyone onboard.



April 20 – May 20  
Just because you know how to play the game doesn't mean you should. Let your work speak for itself, Taurus. A letter makes you ponder.



May 21 – June 21  
Good times are headed your way, Gemini. Passion burns bright, and money woes end. A project at work is approved, and the right team is selected.



June 22 – July 22  
Pay those naysayers no heed, Cancer. You know exactly what you are doing, and you will finish on time. A friend drops by bearing gifts and a secret.



July 23 – August 22  
Joy to you, Leo. Youngsters weave in and out of your home all week long, allowing you to relive the season through the eyes of a child and enjoy it to the fullest.



August 23 – September 22  
Whoa, Virgo. You're moving much too fast these days to see what's really important: your family. They miss you. Make time for them. An auto is fixed.



September 23 – October 22  
A loved one drops out of sight. Don't worry, Libra. They are simply taking a breather and will return. A health crisis ends with an alternative mode of treatment.



October 23 – November 21  
There are other options, Scorpio, more than you realize. Don't get backed into a corner. Travel plans get underway. Make sure the whole family is involved.



November 22 – December 21  
Sweet Sagittarius. You're always ready to lend a hand, even if it puts you in a bit of a pickle. Others appreciate that and will reward you for your efforts.



December 22 – January 19  
'Tis the season to shop, Capricorn. Don't go without a list, or you're sure to come home with more than you bargained for. A target is chosen.



January 20 – February 18  
Evidence mounts against a loved one, confirming your suspicions. Steer clear of the matter, Aquarius. You are in no position to judge or to help.



February 19 – March 20  
Party invites arrive by the handful. Choose the best and leave the rest, Pisces. A tiny gift boosts spirits. A text gets the conversation going.

SUDOKU

Difficulty: Easy

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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.

PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk

Pub. TC: Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 2015.

RIC1512756

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 880 North State Street, Hemet, CA 92543, Branch name: Hemet Courthouse.

PETITION OF SARAH E. ESTES-MONTES. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: SARAH E. ESTES-MONTES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:

a. Present name: SARAH ELIZABETH ESTES-MONTES changed to Proposed name: SARAH ELIZABETH BARKER.

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: 1-14-2016 Time: 1:30, Dept. H1.  
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: Riverside, Idyllwild Town Crier.

Date: 11/05/15  
KATHLEEN JACOB  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
Pub. TC: Nov. 12, 19, 26, Dec. 3, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SPRUCE MOOSE, 54225 North Circle Drive, Suite 7D-16, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: 28955 Bonita Vista Road, Mountain Center, CA 92561. ALISIA ANN FISHER, 28955 Bonita Vista Road, Mountain Center, CA 92561.

This business is conducted by an Individual. 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:  
ALISIA ANN FISHER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Sept. 25, 2015.

FILE NO.:  
R-201510573

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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STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as FERN VALLEY INN, 25240 Fern Valley Rd, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 2266, Idyllwild, CA 92549. GARY EDWARD ERB, 25240 Fern Valley Rd, Idyllwild, CA 92549. BRENDAMARSHIELA ERB, 25240 Fern Valley Rd, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

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:  
GARY EDWARD ERB

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 4, 2015.

FILE NO.:  
R-201512383

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.

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.

PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk

Pub. TC: Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 3, 10, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as INGENIOUS INCEPTIONS, 59870 Anzanita Lane, Anza, CA 92539, Riverside County. Mailing address: PO Box 390332, Anza, CA 92539. JOSEPH MICHAEL JAMESON, 59870 Anzanita Lane, Anza, CA 92539.

This business is conducted by an Individual. 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:  
JOSEPH MICHAEL JAMESON

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Oct. 26, 2015.

FILE NO.:  
R-201511912

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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PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk

Pub. TC: Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 3, 10, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SMOKIES SHOP, 54200 North Circle Dr. Suite E2, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. CHRISTOPHER MIKE VALDEZ, 5574 Nectar Ave, Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by an Individual. 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:  
CHRISTOPHER MIKE VALDEZ

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 13, 2015.

FILE NO.:  
R-201512725

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

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

PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk

Pub. TC: Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as TEMECULA VALLEY PARTY AND EVENT RENTALS, 25782 Calle Corveta, Temecula, CA 92590, Riverside County. ELIZABETH ANN SENNE, 25782 Calle Corveta, Temecula, CA 92590.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

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:  
ELIZABETH ANN SENNE

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 23, 2015.

FILE NO.:  
R-201513129

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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Pub. TC: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2015.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 880 N. State Street, Hemet, CA 92543, Branch name: Civil.

PETITION OF RACHEL PATTERSON. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

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

a. Present name: RACHEL SUZANNE PATTERSON changed to Proposed name: ALEK JASPER PATTERSON.

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: 01-14-2016 Time: 1:30pm, Dept. H1.

b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

3. b. Other: Changing to conform to gender identity.

Date: 08/18/15  
KATHLEEN JACOB  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Pub. TC: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2015.

STATEMENT OF  
ABANDONMENT OF USE OF  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following fictitious business name DO-RYCE FLOREST, 3040 E. Florida Ave, Hemet, CA 92544 Riverside Co, has been abandoned by the following persons: LESLEE ANNSLIPICH, 601 E. Whittier Ave., Hemet, CA 92543 and MICHAEL VLODIMERE SLIPICH, 601 E. Whittier Ave., Hemet, CA 92543.

This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Riverside County on 04/18/2012.

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:  
LESLEE A SLIPICH

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 11/26/2015.

FILE NO.:  
R-2015-04592

CERTIFICATION

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

PETER ALDANA,  
County Clerk

Pub. TC: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2015.

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# Feinstein proposes three new national monuments in desert

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, with support from fellow Democrat Sen. Barbara Boxer, last February introduced the California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act of 2015, a bill that amends and updates the historic California Desert Protection Act of 1994. The bill would expand protection for more of the California desert.

Besides additional wilderness acreage, wild and scenic river designations, expansion of Death Valley National Park, Joshua Tree National Park and the Mojave National Preserve, the proposal would establish two new national monuments. The Mojave Trails National Monument would encompass 965,000 acres of land, including former Catellus-owned lands donated to the U.S. government with the intention of preservation.

The other proposed monument is the Sand to Snow National Monument, which would encompass 135,000 acres of land from the desert floor in Coachella Valley to the peak of Mount San Geronio.

After little substantive progress on the legislation, in an August letter to President Barack Obama, Feinstein asked him to use his “authority under

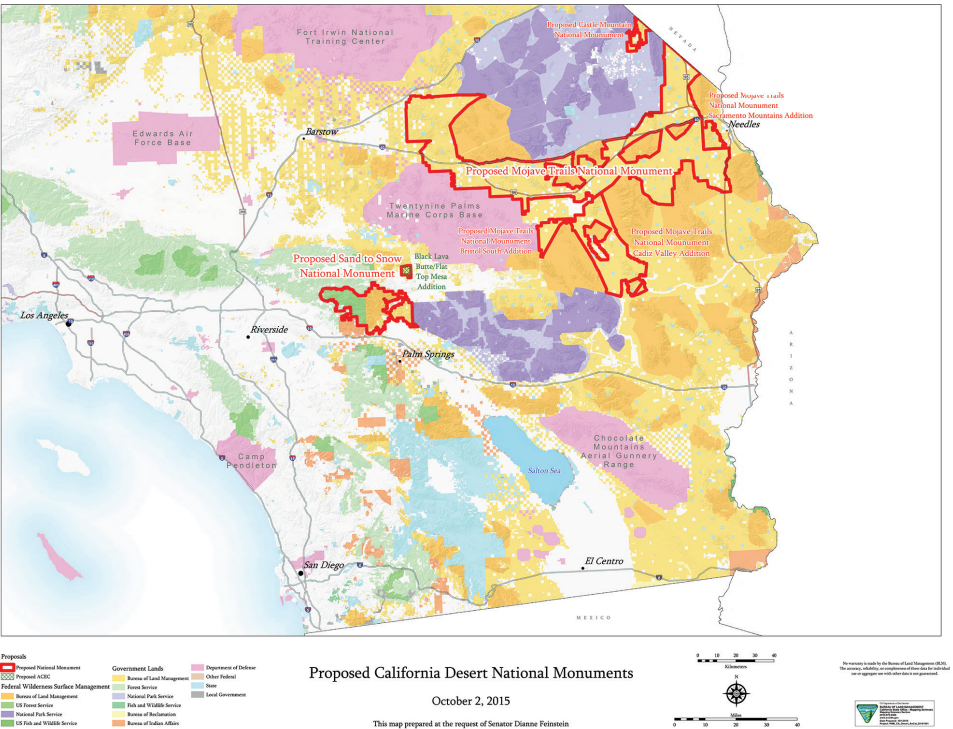
the Antiquities Act of 1906 to designate three national monuments in the California desert: the

Mojave Trails National Monument, the Sand to Snow National Monument and Castle Mountains National Monument.”

She wrote, “As an addition to the Mojave National Preserve in the legislation, [the Castle Mountains] area northeast of the current preserve boundary was left out of the 1994 California Desert Protection Act due to an active gold mine, which ceased operations in 2001.”

In October, Feinstein hosted a public meeting on the proposed designations. Hundreds attended, including many administration officials and local elected representatives, including Congressman Dr. Raul Ruiz.

After the session, in a press release, Ruiz said, “It was an honor to join Sen. Feinstein and the other elected officials to hear the public’s points of view on the proposed Sand to Snow, Mojave Trails and Castle Mountain national monument designations. The Desert Conservation and Recreation Act gives our communities an opportunity to enjoy for generations to come what could be our nation’s most environmentally diverse national monument, and marry conservation, recreation, tourism and job creation. I support the bill



Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Cal) has proposed three new desert national monuments. MAP COURTESY SEN. FEINSTEIN'S OFFICE

and its passage through Congress.” In November, the Vet Voice Foundation released a poll commissioned to understand Californians’ perspectives on proposed desert national monuments. The survey reveals overwhelming support among California voters statewide and in the desert region for President Obama to designate the Mojave Trails, Sand to Snow and Castle Mountains national monuments. “Voters want the president to protect these lands as important habitat for wildlife, and so that families and children

have places to get outdoors and explore nature,” said Lori Weigel, partner in Public Opinion Strategies, who conducted the survey. “This support is broad-based and cuts across many demographics.” According to the poll’s findings, 75 percent of California voters support the president designating three national monuments in the California desert, with 70 percent support among residents in the desert region itself. JP Crumrine can be reached at [jp@towncrier.com](mailto:jp@towncrier.com).

## Legals

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RIC1513455  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street,  
Riverside, CA 92501, Branch name: Civil.  
PETITION OF ESTHER GONZALEZ  
ARANDA.  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
1. Petitioner: ESTHER GONZALEZ ARANDA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:  
a. Present name: YOLTZIN ADAIR GONZALEZ changed to Proposed name: YOLTZIN ADAIR ROMANO.  
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show

cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.  
NOTICE OF HEARING  
a. Date: 12-30-2015 Time: 8:30, Dept. 02.  
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: Riverside, Idyllwild Town Crier.  
Date: 11/09/15  
JOHN W VINEYARD  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
Pub. TC: Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2015.

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In a rare weather event, Garner Valley had about an inch of snowpack Friday morning near Fobes Ranch, while the distant hills toward Idyllwild (May Valley area) had only a dusting. PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON

Weather

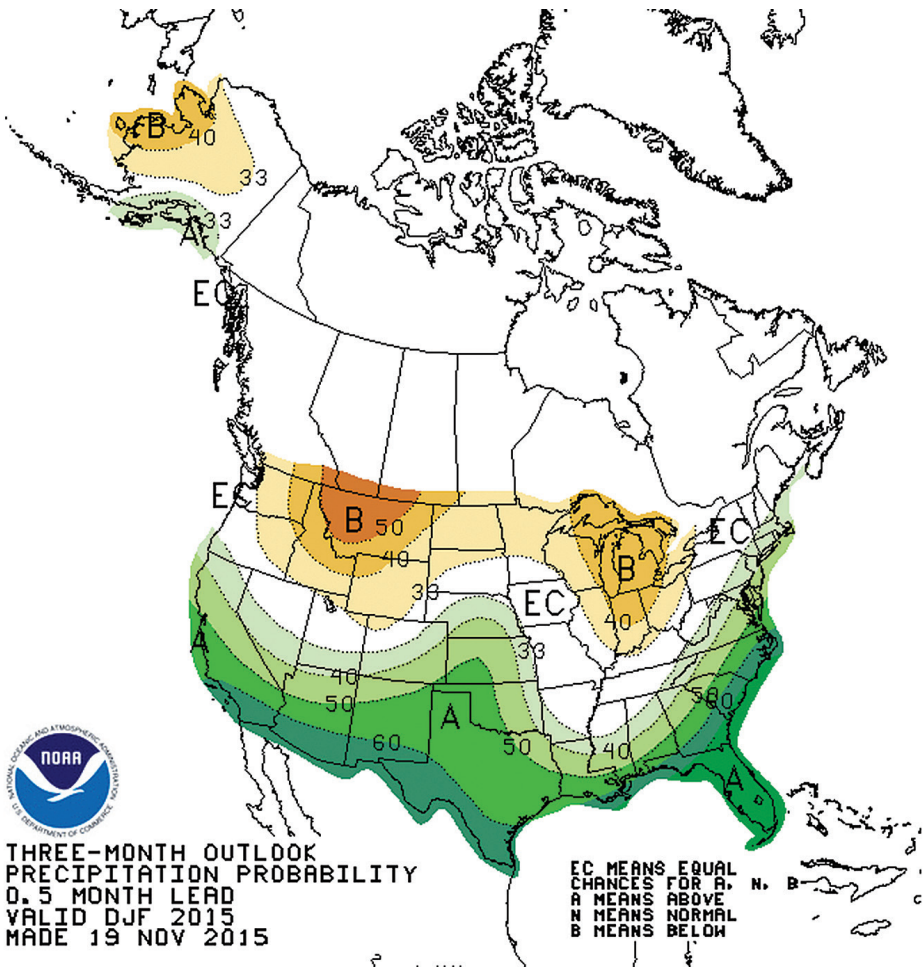
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Keenwild Ranger Station has recorded 6.7 inches and 8.1 inches have fallen in Pine Cove.

The long-awaited El Niño storms are still forecast to arrive by middle to late December and drench the area from January through March. The latest National Weather Service forecast expects the El Niño conditions to continue into late spring or early summer.

Long-range precipitation forecasts project above-average rainfall in Southern California through early spring and above-average temperatures.

The National Weather Service's most recent precipitation forecast for the months of December through February says the chance of above-average rainfall in Southern California is greater than 60 percent. MAP COURTESY THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE



Riley Amacker enjoys Friday's snowflakes while attending the Rotary's Harvest Festival Friday at the Idyllwild School gymnasium. PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

Caltrans District 8 holds El Niño preparation event

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

On Tuesday, Nov. 24, Caltrans District 8 partnered with multiple public agencies to hold an El Niño preparation event in the Cajon Pass. Attending were Alex Tardy from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in San Diego and first responder representatives, including the California Highway Patrol, the U.S. Forest Service, Cal Fire, and the San Bernardino County Fire Department, Sheriff and Public Works Department.

Terri Kasinga, Caltrans District 8 public information officer, served as mistress of ceremonies.

The message from all was to prepare, be aware and be ready. Said Tardy, "It is not a matter of whether the El Niño is coming, it is when. The ocean temperatures in the Pacific are unusually warm, at levels we've never seen before. The jet stream will be driven south, meaning there will be a lot of precipitation. It should start

anytime and run from December through March. This will be an extended winter. Preparation is very important."

Caltrans District 8 Director John Bulinski noted, "Caltrans is taking the El Niño forecast seriously. Crews are committed to preparing and responding to incidents that adversely affect our roadways. Ultimately, we cannot predict how our environment will respond to the magnitude of the storms that are forecast, however, we are ready to respond." Bulinski stated Caltrans is refreshing road striping, performing erosion control, increasing staffing and repositioning equipment in order to deal with major flooding and snowfalls. Bulinski urged drivers to plan ahead and check weather and road conditions before setting out on a trip. "Always carry chains in mountain areas," he said. "While careful planning and evaluation are taking place across the region, the weather impact on the drought-stricken terrain cannot be predicted."

San Bernardino County Fire Assistant Chief Don

Trapp warned area residents that flooding each year causes more deaths than from any other severe weather hazard and that this year the levels of flooding and mudslides may be historic. He cautioned that many deaths result from drivers underestimating the force and strength of flowing water. "Heed signs that say turnaround," said Trapp. "Heavy rainfall can cause normally dry washes and riverbeds to become raging torrents in a very short amount of time. Never cross a road that you can't see due to it being covered by water." He noted that 12 inches of rapidly moving water can move a small vehicle downstream and 18 to 24 inches can move a much larger vehicle.

Said Kasinga, "Check traffic conditions before you go and if you go to the mountains, go safely. And stay off private property if you want to play in the snow."

A video of the conference may be viewed at [www.youtube.com/user/caltrans8](http://www.youtube.com/user/caltrans8).

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