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THURS., JANUARY 21, 2010



(right) Riverside County 3rd District Supervi-year's festival.

An awards ceremony wrapped up the 2010 sor, presented the award to producer Galina Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema Leinen (left) and the director, Idyllwild's own (IIFC) on Saturday night at The Rustic The- Stephen Savage (center). Stone also announced atre. "Legacy" won Best of Festival; **Jeff Stone** that the county will contribute \$5,000 to next

IIFC closes boffo week

By Marshall Smith STAFF REPORTER

here were doubters and cynics that pooh-poohed the Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema (IIFC) concept. There were others that thought the idea meritorious but criticized the timing, overlapping as it did with the Palm Springs International Film Festival. Some raised eyebrows at the short four-month production timeline. There were merchants who supported the festival and others who scoffed.

By the conclusion of the Gala Awards Ceremony on the festival's last day Saturday, Jan. 16, doubters were either silent or absent.

Idyllwild's resident filmmaker Stephen Savage had promised a "real" film festival - a week of 60 plus films with two venues; world premieres and special screenings; attending celebrity producers, actors, documentary and feature filmmakers; and klieg lights, searchlights, spotlights, sponsors, banners, buzz

and bravado. He, executive producer Chuck Huddleston, associates and volunteers made good on the promises, delivering a sparkling, high-quality, diverse festival that added several more diamonds to Idyllwild's crown as one of the top 100 arts communities in the U.S.

Newly minted as "The Arts Capitol of Riverside County" by Best of Festival Award presenter, Riverside County Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone, Idyllwild made a strong film festival debut, impressing locals and Hollywood luminaries alike. "I had two invitations for tonight," said Stone who attended with his daughter Brittany, "Idyllwild's film festival and Palm Springs' film festival. It's obvious which one I chose.'

Looking out at the crowd that included some of the evening's prizewinners, as well as energized locals, Stone said, "I think you're all winners here tonight. And to acknowledge that, on behalf of Riverside County, I will make a pledge. We're going to let the whole See IIFC, page 15

Stigall leads IFPD commission

By J.P. Crumrine

hange can occur quickly, sometimes almost instantly, and sometimes slower, almost glacially. The Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) is embracing change at a pace between revolutionary and evolutionary.

In August, three incumbent commissioners were defeated for re-election. In December, the new commissioners took office. Last week, at their second regular meeting since begin sworn in to office, the commission actively and passively took several actions that continue their journey down the change path.

Without opposition, Jeannine Charles-Stigall, elected as a fire commissioner in August, was chosen as the new commission president. Pete Capparelli, also a new commissioner, will be vice president and Commissioner Ben Killingsworth was unanimously re-elected as the commission secretary and treasurer.

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Storm warning plans

By Marshall Smith STAFF REPORTER

ith winter storms predicted for this week and next, Riverside County Office of Emergency Services (OES), County Transportation, Caltrans, Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) and Southern California Edison (SCE) are on alert to provide emergency service and response when it becomes necessary.

According to OES Deputy Director Peter Lent, sand and sand bags have been pre-deployed around the county to staunch predicted mudslides, flooding and flash flooding. CalFire will likely

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News of record

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, Jan. 11 to 17:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

Jan. 11 - Medical aid, 54100 block of Rockdale Drive, Idvllwild.

Jan. 12 — System malfunction, 52500 block of Temecula Drive,

Jan. 12— Dispatched and nothing found, Highway 243,

Jan. 14 — Service call, Maranatha Drive, Idyllwild.

Jan. 14 — Walk-in medical

Jan. 15 — Service call, Maranatha Drive, Idyllwild.

Jan. 15 — False alarm, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

Jan. 15 — Walk-in medical

Jan. 16 — Medical aid, 58000 block of Pine Crest Avenue, Idyllwild.

Jan. 16 — Assisted an invalid, 24000 block of Forest Drive, Idvllwild.

Jan. 17 — Medical aid, Lookout Lane, Idyllwild.

Jan. 17 — Medical aid, Village Center Drive, Idyllwild.

Jan. 17 — Traffic collision, Highway 243, Mountain Center.

Jan. 17 — Walk-in medical

Riverside County Fire,

Jan. 12 — Fire alarm,

Jan. 12 — Vehicle fire, 53600 block of Highway

Jan. 14 — Cover as-

Jan. 17 — Traffic

Jan. 17 — Refuse fire, 50000 block of Highway

signment, Station 28,

collision, 53000 block of

Highway 243, Mountain

Riverside County Fire, **Garner Valley**

Jan. 11 — Medical

aid, 36900 block of Tool

Box Spring Road, Garner

Jan. 12 — Residen-

tial structure fire, 42000

block of Terwilliger

Highway 243, Mountain

Jan. 12 — Vehicle fire,

42800 block of Terwil-

liger Road, Anza.

243, Garner Valley.

Pine Cove

Sage.

Center.

Valley.

Center.

Road, Anza.

243, Pine Cove.

Jan. 17 — Walk-in medical aid.

Jan. 13 — Medical aid, 50000 block of Mount Road, Anza.

Jan. 15 — Traffic collision, 30000 block of Hill Street,

Jan. 16 — Medical aid, 58000 block of Burnt Valley Road,

Ian. 16 — Medical aid, 30000 block of Paradise Drive, Anza.

Jan. 16 — Traffic collision, Highway 371 and Barber Road,

Ian. 17 — Traffic collision, highways 243 and 74, Mountain

Riverside County Fire, Pinyon Ian. 12 — Fire.

Riverside County Fire, Anza

Jan. 11 — Medical aid, Regal Blue and Lubo trails, Anza.

Jan. 12 — Residential structure fire, Terwilliger Road and Rogers Lane, Anza.

Jan. 12 — Walk-in medical

Jan. 13 — Vegetation fire, Barham and Benton Way, Anza.

Jan. 13 — Medical aid, Hill and Mount roads, Anza.

Jan. 14 — Medical aid, Highway 371 and Bahrman Road,

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Jan. 14 — Walk-in medical

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Jan. 16 — Medical aid, Indian Road, Anza.

Ian. 16 — Medical aid, Terwilliger Road and Rodgers Lane,

Jan. 17 — Traffic collision, Highway 243 half-mile north of Highway 74, Mountain Center.

Jan. 17 — Walk-in medical

Jan. 17 — Medical aid, Highway 371, Anza.

Riverside County Fire, Anza

Jan. 4 — Medical aid, Fischer and Harvey Hills roads, Anza.

CHP log

The resident post of the California Highway Patrol responded to the following call from Monday to Sunday, Jan. 11 to 17. This may not be a complete list of responses:

Jan. 17 — Two-vehicle, traffic collision with one fatality, Highway 243 north of Highway 74, Mountain Center.

Nothing to report.

Guaranty Bank offers Haiti connection

By Marshall Smith STAFF REPORTER

Guaranty Bank (GB) Manager Jeri Sue Haney announced that BBVA Compass (the company acquiring GB) has established a special Haiti earthquake disaster relief account for all GB branch locations.

Through Saturday, Jan. 30, BBVA Compass Foundation will match all private donations made at all GB branches up to a total of \$100,000. Donations will be administered through the American Red Cross and will be added to a 1 million euro (approximately \$1.4 million dollars) donation made by Guaranty parent company BBVA, headquartered in Spain.

After January 30, donations can

still be made at Guaranty bank locations and will be forwarded to the American Red Cross, but will not be matched.

Contributing customers are asked to note on their check memo line 'Haiti earthquake relief effort.'

On a smaller scale, locals Jessica Schiffman and Sue Nash set up a table Saturday, Jan. 16, at Mountain Harvest Market's Farmer's Market to collect Haiti earthquake relief funds. Businesses at Strawberry Creek Shopping Center have baskets out until Saturday, Jan. 23 to collect donations. 'So far we have collected around \$300," said Mountain Harvest coowner Doug Yagaloff.

Marshall Smith can be reached at marshall@towncrier.com.



Lorel Cornman

donated to Haiti relief on Saturday. At Mountain Harvest Market's Farmer's Market.

Jessica Schiffman

and Sue Nash set up a table to collect funds for Haiti Earthquake relief

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TEMPERATURES AND 24-HOUR moisture and snow totals for Idyllwild are recorded daily at 4 p.m. at the Idyllwild Fire Station. Pine Cove totals are measured by resident George Tate also at 4 p.m. Moisture inches

include all precipitation such as rain, melted hail and melted snow. Weather season is July 1 to June 30. For Hill road conditions and Hill weather, visit the

Internet at http://www.towncrier.com or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

Outside Idyllwild

Book review: "The Stone Masters"

The Stone Masters: California Rock Climbers in the Seventies," is a collection of original stories and found essays by John Long. Personal photos

and archive discoveries from Dean feel what it was like to "boldly go" Fidelman are included. Stone Masters Press 2009 publishes this book, at just under 200 pages. The format is large coffee table style. In front of you are photo essays and written chronicles of one of the seminal periods in the world of rock climbing.

The Stone Masters were a loose group of young hard-core climbers who not only pushed the envelope by climbing higher graded routes, but also set the tone for a new generation of traditional/free-climbing.

Similar to the surf craze of the sixties when non-surfers wanted to have the "look" of the California beach scene, the Stone Masters created from scratch a new persona of the hard-core climber. Their new vibe was combination of hippie, punk, bum and all daredevil attitude.

To become a Stone Master, one needed to prove his mettle by leading the classic 5.11a Valhalla on Suicide Rock. This test piece, originally climbed in 1970 by Ivan Couch, Larry Reynolds and Mike Dent, is still a benchmark for Southern California climbers.

The book includes many vintage photographs and stories of the interesting personalities that came into their own during the early 1970s, including some of the boldest climbers they need. Thanks RMRU!

who pushed the envelope a little too far and are no longer with us such as John Bachar, Tobin Sorenson and John Yablonski. The author John Long, Lynn Hill, Mike Graham, Rick Accomazzo, Darrell Hensel and many others made their name climbing on Tahquitz and Suicide and became known worldwide to the climbing community.

The thing I like the

Soroptimists seeks new members

The Soroptimists of Idyllwild is a women's service club improving the lives of women and girls in our community and around the world. Soroptimist International of Idvllwild is actively recruiting new members who are business and professional women. Call Karen Doshier at 659-0790 for information.



most about "The Stone Masters" is that these are personal stories. The climbers who lived the adventures wrote about them too. Reading these accounts gives a glimpse into their world. And you now can

after your dreams.

Secondly, I like that the photos look their age and I mean that in as good way. It would have been easy to go crazy with new photo editing tools that come with all computers these days. They even included some dramatic black and white shots that really give this book a true look of historical perspective. Add the fact that many of the photos were taken locally and this is a book that can be enjoyed by locals outside the climbing community.

Finally, John Long is a gifted writer. He has the ability to bring you along for the ride when he spins his yarns and you are right there in the moment. Mr. Long also adds his own unique brand of humor that is both well-known and highly regarded in the climbing world.

'The Stone Masters" is a book that belongs on the shelf of any climber who is interested in climbing history. Even non-climbers like myself can appreciate it on many levels.

I would like to close this week's column by giving a shout out to our very busy of late RMRU members. Lee, Les, Ralph and so many more have given generously of their time to make sure that people get the help



Soroptimist International of Idyllwild President Karen Doshier (second from left) welcomes three new members(from left to right) Virginia Lumb, Lisa Furugen and Jacque Swerdfeger. PHOTO BY CHRIS FINNEY

Motorcyclist dies in crash

By Beth Nottley NEWS ASSISTANT

A 25-year old Oklahoma City, Okla. man died Sunday, Jan. 17 after a fatal crash involving his motorcycle and another vehicle on Highway 243 just north of Highway 74 in Mountain Center. His identity has not been released pending notification of family

The motorcyclist, riding a 2006 sport-type Honda, was traveling northbound on Highway 243 about 1/4-mile north of Highway 74 at approximately 20-30 miles per hour when he failed to negotiate a curve and crossed the double vellow center lines. He was ejected from his motorcycle and he, and the Honda, went under a 2003 Toyota Highlander driven by Sang Ahn, 23, of

Attempts at the scene by rescue personnel to revive the motorcyclist were unsuccessful. He was transported by ambulance to Hemet Valley Medical Center where he was pronounced dead at approximately 2 p.m.

According to California Highway Patrol (CHP) com.



Sunday afternoon, Highway 243 was closed for about 30 minutes because of a fatal motorcycle crash.

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Officer Scott Beauchene, the local San Gorgonio Pass CHP responded to four collisions involving fatalities and another involving serious injury over the weekend. The collisions, other than the Mountain Center crash, were not on Hill road-

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Community calendar

& Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 13.

Wednesday, Jan. 20

- · Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.
- Meeting, public welcome, 25525 Tahquitz Dr. 8:30 a.m. Café Aroma, 54750 North Circle Dr.
- ESL class, 8:30-11:30 a.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz
- · Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- · Garner Valley Book Club, 10:30 a.m. Call 659-6049 for location.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, women only, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, nity Presbyterian Church, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- · Free seminar: "How to Reinforce Your Child's Education at Home," 6-8 p.m. Bautista Creek Elementary School, 441 N. Lake St., Hemet.
- · CAHSEE class, 6-9 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal monument. Call 659-Church, 25525 Tahquitz 2718.

Thursday, Jan. 21

- · Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Dr. Village Center Dr.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
 - · Lake Hemet Munici-

For the Idyllwild Arts pal Water District meeting, 3 p.m. 26385 Fairview Ave., Hemet.

- · High Valleys Water District, 6 p.m. HVWD office, 47781 Twin Pines Rd., Twin Pines.
- · ESL class, 6-8 p.m. Idvllwild School, 26700 Highway 243.
- GED class, 6-9 p.m. St. • Town Crier News Hugh's Episcopal Church,
 - Narcotics mous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr.

FRIDAY, JAN. 22

- · Baby Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Debbi Geisinger, 659-8710 or (951) 966-1094.
- · County Supervisor Jeff Stone, noon-2 p.m. Idvllwild Fire Station. 54160 Maranatha Dr. Call 1-866-383-2203.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; Pick-astick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Idyllwild Commu-Manse-Alcove, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle

SATURDAY, JAN. 23

- · Stand in Silent Vigil for Peace, Justice and Nonviolence, noon. Town center at "Girl Reading"
- · Al-Anon, noon. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center
- Astronomical Society of the Desert Star Party, 5-8 p.m. Palm Desert Visitor's Center, 51-500 Highway 74, Palm Desert.
 - · Alcoholics Anony-

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

Sunday, Jan. 24

- Zen Meditation Group, 8 a.m. Call 659-
- Teen Group, 10-11:30 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Drive, Strawberry Creek Square.
- Idyllwild Writer's Guild, 3 p.m. 25685 Big Pine St., Cedar Glen. Call 659-0130.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 5 p.m., Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Road, Poppet Flat, across from Cal-Fire Station 63; AA (open) "Came to Believe" book study, 5 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.

Monday, Jan. 25

- ESL class, 8:30-11:30 a.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon & 7:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz

· Valley Health System board meeting, 6:30 p.m. Medical Arts Building Boardroom, 301 N. San Jacinto, 2nd floor, Hemet.

Tuesday, Jan. 26 Meditation • Zen

- Group, 7 a.m. & 7 p.m. Call 659-2253.
- · Valley Quilters Guild, 9:30 a.m. 305 E. Devonshire, Hemet.
- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; AA Open Meeting & Big Book Study, 6-7 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.
- · International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 3-5 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Ave.
- ESL class, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild School, 26700 Highway 243.
- · GED class, 6-9 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 27

- · Idvllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.
- ESL class, 8:30-11:30

a.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz

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COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

- · California Department of Forestry (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 Monday-Friday. p.m. Mountain Resource Center 25380 Franklin Dr., 659-3335.
- · Idyllwild HELP Center, 26330 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-noon & 1-3 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; a.m.-noon Friday. 659-
- · Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 North Circle Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday. Group tours by ap-

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pointment. 659-2717.

- · Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce, 54325 North Circle Dr., #103, Mile Hi Plaza,noon-4 p.m. Friday & Saturday. 659-3259.
- Library, · Idyllwild 54185 Pine Crest Ave., 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday & Friday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Wednesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, 659-2300.
- · Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-

Sunday. 659-3850.

- · Idyllwild Skate Park, Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243, 2:30 p.m.-dusk Monday to Thursday; 1:30 p.m.-dusk Friday; noon-dusk week-
- Idvllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday-Monday; Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.noon & 1-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

The Art Alliance of IdvIlwild



The 2010 **General Membership Meeting** has been postponed until Saturday, Feb. 20

IT'S TIME AGAIN: 2010 DOG SHOW!

Town Crier's Dog Show Rules & Entry Form!

Greta, above, won "Cutest Dog" last year, and Poppy, below, won "Most Unusual Dog."



The Dogegories:

1. Cutest Dog

- One dog per entry fee of \$25. (\$5 of each entry will be donated to ARF, Animal Rescue Friends.)
 Entries must be received by noon Wed., Feb. 3, 2010.
- Each entry must include one clear color photo of the dog and may also include up to two (human) family members.
- Winners will be announced in the March 11, 2010 issue of the Town Crier. Awards ceremony at 12 p.m. Friday, March 5 in the Idyllwild Dog Park. Contest runs in the Feb. 11, 2010 issue of the Town Crier and on the Town Crier's Web site at
- www.towncrier.com. Winners will be determined by the most votes cast in each of two "dogegories." Ballots will
- be printed in the Feb. 11, 2010 issue of the Town Crier. Sorry, no photocopied ballots will be accepted. You also may cast your vote online at www.towncrier.com. Dog owners must choose one "dogegory" per entry. The choices are: Cutest Dog and Most
- Unusual Dog. In case of a tie, each top vote-getter will be awarded.
- Each winner receives a customized Earth 'N Fire doggie bowl that includes the winner's name and "dogegory." Each bowl is filled with doggie treats and toys. Every dog will receive treats courtesy of the Spruce Moose. Photos of dogs cannot include images of prior awards.
- Contest limited to full-time and part-time Hill residents.
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Pine Cove plans for future

By J.P. Crumrine EDITOR

At their Jan. 13 meeting, directors of the Pine Cove Water District (PCWD) listened to General Manager Jerry Holldber discuss district accomplishments over the past decade and provide a broad outline of plans for the next 10 years.

Before the specific and high-profile projects were described, Holldber stated, The number one priority is maintenance of the entire system at a high level of attention. The district could do fine putting in new facilities, but if you don't maintain them, the system will break faster than you can replace."

Since the year 2000, PCWD has significantly increased its production capability. Early in the decade, the district negotiated the purchase of the Highway Wells from Paul Black. Next month, the balloon payment will be made and PCWD will have no debt.

New wells have been drilled and a major treatment facility constructed on its Dutch Flat property. The third and final phase of the project will be completed this year. The PCWD office 44 percent of the year-end estimate building has been remodeled and property behind and across from the office has been acquired.

As he began describing ideas for the next 10 years, Holldber invited comments and feedback from the board and public. While always attentive to maintenance, now he hopes to replace 22,200 feet — more than four miles — of main line pipe.

This work will be spread over most of the decade, replacing 2,500 to 3,000 feet annually. The elimination of debt payments will be the source for the needed capital to purchase more pipe.

The district's storage facilities will be a higher priority this coming decade. This previous decade, the supply side was significantly expanded, according to Holldber. But plans to drill test wells will not be shelved.

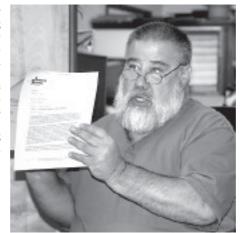
Improving the Highway tanks complex will be the higher priority, he said. Then he will begin planning to recoat the district's storage tanks.

'This is very good," commented Director Mike Esnard. 'To be able to think about where we've been and where we're going is very helpful."

In other business, Holldber provided insurance and the vacant lot purchases the mid-year budget review. The board accepted and approved the audit for fiscal year 2008-2009.

Total income is about \$322,000 or of \$728,000. A year ago, the mid-year revenue was about \$340,000. While property tax revenue is down \$6,000 (more than 10 percent), the reduced usage has caused a \$27,000 decrease in current service charges. Several other items are higher, resulting in a net difference of about \$20,000.

Expenses have been \$380,000 through December, but several items such as jp@towncrier.com.



Jerry Holldber, Pine Cove Water general manager, talks about his next decade plan.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

have been paid for the full year. PCWD has also spent more than \$2,800 on its conservation and rebate program.

December water production was two million gallons compared to the 2.3 million produced a year ago. For the full year, PCWD produced 35.4 million gallons, nearly 600,000 (1.6 percent) less than the 36 million produced in 2008. This was the least amount of water production since 2001 and represents an 11.1 percent decrease from the 2006

J.P. Crumrine can be reached at

Clubs

Astronomy Club

The Astronomical Society of the Desert will hold a star party from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23, at the Palm Desert Visitors Center, 51-500 Highway 74.

The club will observe the first quarter moon with spectacular mountains and craters, and see Mars rising. Also visible will be the Orion nebula, the great Andromeda Galaxy, and other deep sky objects. Andromeda, the princess; Orion, the hunter; and Cassiopeia, the queen, will be pointed out in the star tour. Bring a coat as it may get cold. The event is free and telescopes will be provided.

Bob Victor, professional astronomer and author of the "Sky Calendar" published by Abrams Planetarium, of Michigan State University will present a talk called "The Opposition of Mars and What's Up in 2010" from 3 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30, in the Community Room of the Palm Desert Public **Library**, 73-300 Fred Waring Dr. in Palm Desert.

For more information or directions, call John Frazier at (760) 771-4607 or visit www.astrorx.org.

High Country Garden Club

The High Country Garden Club's first meeting of 2010 will be a tour of Sage Mountain Farm, an organic farm in Aguanga, hosted by Phil Noble.

The tour will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday Feb. 13. The farms address is 40630 Sage Rd., in

For more information, contact Annika Knoppel, at (888) 834-9005, extension 5, or e-mail hcgardenclub@gmail.com.

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Same 'old' CSA 38

By J.P. Crumrine **EDITOR**

On the evening of Wednesday, Jan. 13, County Service Area 38 (Pine Cove) Advisory Committee met and re-elected officers for 2010. Jerry Holldber remains the chair. Marge Muir and Lou Padula will return as the vice chair and secretary,

The Advisory Committee reviewed the preliminary 2010-2011 budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010. Riverside County Fire Department Battalion Chief Dan Johnson and Station 23 Caption Andre Schmidt prepared the initial draft for the committee.

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for the purchase of a new engine for Station 23. The committee has been discussing this purchase for more than a year. Last year's budget also had funding for the engine, but county officials deleted it for several reasons.

Wednesday's discussion focused on the likelihood that the engine's

cost could approach \$400,000 by the actual purchase date. Currently CSA 38 reserves are about \$470,000. But this year's expenses and revenues are about equal and the reserve balance is estimated to be \$440,000 by the end of the fiscal year.

"Obviously, this is still a budget place holder until we can buy the engine," said committee member Marge Muir.

Committee member Thomas Mc-Cullough expressed concern that the purchase of an engine would leave a reserve balance of about \$40,000. Another \$30,000 should be available once the existing CSA 38 engine is sold, according to Johnson.

The volunteer company leader, Wayne Clark, recommended shifting \$2,500 from The proposed budget includes \$300,000 fire protection to small tools.

The committee also discussed the ambulance contract with Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) and concerns about the ambulance leaving the Idyllwild station without being fully staffed and picking up additional staff along the way.

The committee also questioned how IFPD's automatic aid agreement with Hemet Fire Department will affect ambulance service and fire protection on the Hill. The committee hopes to hear more from IFPD about its commitment to its local obligations.

Clark also reported that the company currently has six volunteers and two

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To all of you kind, wonderful people of Idyllwild

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INITIAL THOUGHTS

Ah, awards season ...



In honor of the Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema's (IIFC) Saturday awards gala and Sunday night's Golden Globe awards, I am offering a potpourri of community awards earned since November.

First is the "Idyllwild, I've Got Your Back" award which goes by acclamation to Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone.

Not only was he the only county supervisor at the IIFC awards ceremony, he made a public promise of \$5,000 support for the 2nd-annual IIFC. The IIFC is one of several Idyllwild organizations such as Jazz in the Pines, Mountain Disaster Preparedness and the HELP Center, which Stone has helped.

Even his first issue after becoming supervisor, stopping CalFire's abandonment of Hemet-Ryan Airport, demonstrated he truly looks out for Idyllwild's interests.

It's not just a show using public money, he also made a significant private donation to the film festival's preferred charity, Susan G. Komen for the Cure, the global leader of the breast cancer movement. At this rate, he may retire the award.

Unfortunately, Stone's staff won the "Not the Way to Handle It" award. This summer, county staff reminded the County Service Area 36 (Idyllwild) Advisory Committee that new officers should be elected and Pete Capparelli had already served several years as president. The committee chose Holly Maag as its new chair.

During this sharing of county procedure, no one mentioned that a committee member's tenure is normally limited to two terms — eight years. Six months into Capparelli's ninth year, Stone's staff said they were appointing someone else and he would no longer be an Advisory Committee member. This action seems to lack the normal style expected from his staff, especially for one who has served so well.

The Idyllwild Community Recreation Council (ICRC) earned the "Financial Statements Are for Wimps" award in a close competition with Idyllwild Fire Protection District. In September, Chair Chris Singer told a public meeting that the combination of their monthly financial statements and minutes of meetings would substitute for audits, which ICRC could not afford. Four months later, no financial statements have been distributed. So when will the community get a glimpse of its recreation money?

The "Step Up and Be Counted" award goes to the whole Hill. Take a glance at the "Readers write" column (letters to the editor). Ten letters this week is a near record. Thanks to all of you and especially Nancy Borchers' bravery expressing an independent and controversial idea. We live in a community that generally respects freedom of speech and it shows in the diversity of thinking that is shared on these pages.

Last week, while judging entries in the California Newspaper Publishers Association Better Newspapers contest, I reviewed the "Editorial pages" category for weekly papers with circulation between 4,300 and 11,000. One of the criteria is the paper's effort to balance viewpoints. Two entries had no "Letters to the editor" in the pages they submitted. Thumbs up to the Hill.

The "Don't Quote Me" award goes to an individual who submitted an anonymous letter to the editor. If you're not prepared to stand by what you think, don't ask us to be your surrogates. We create enough trouble on our own.

Finally, I'm proud to announce the "Who Cares How Well" award to Fire Chief Steve Kunkle. At last week's commission meeting, he announced he has given no performance evaluations during his tenure. He didn't share whether everyone is performing excellently or below satisfactory.

J.P., Editor

READERS WRITE

It's the residents

EDITOR:

We have lived in Idyllwild for more than 30 years. I conducted a service business in town for 27 years, which we started from scratch, and because of which we were able to retire and, hopefully, spend the rest of our days here.

Our son was born and raised in Idyllwild and attended our local school and Hemet there. High. I think I know Hor and understand this community as well as anyone, except perhaps is. I the real "old timers" it in (you know who you are and so do I).

The purpose of this letter is to remind the weekenders, part-timers, visitors, critics and perhaps some local business people that, at its heart, this is not a community whose main focus is coffee drinking at cafes ("everyone" is not at Café Aroma, sorry Frank), festivals, art, dog walking and the like. This is a village of real people living real lives, just like the big city only with better scenery.

Thus, while there may be aspects of our town that some might deem "unsightly," my best unsolicited advice (the only kind I give anymore) is to get over it. This is not the perfect place to live, just the best we've found.

Believe it or not, most of us do not spend every waking hour thinking about sprucing up the place for tourists. If that's your deal, that's fine. Just don't expect the rest of us to leap on board. I learned a long time ago, the hard way I might add, that the charitable thing to do when others don't actively support your project or charity is to quickly forgive and forget. They may have a good reason, or no reason. Either way, it is none of your business.

Tourism is not the lifeblood of our town. The lifeblood is the

people who live and work here. People, some of whom we still miss very much, have come and gone. Institutions (e.g., Desert Sun School) have come and gone. Festivals (e.g., Bluegrass, Timber) have come and gone. The community has survived.

Not much has changed, really, in 30 years. We just have more barbecue smoke and loud music in the center of town where there once was a park. Honor and enjoy our version of real life in a small village for what it is. Don't try to torture it into something it is

J. KENT STEELE IDVLIMILD

Re: 'Clean up town gateway'

I am the owner of

EDITOR:

Something Old Made New Byou. A human being with feelings, friends, three jobs. A single parent with a 17-year-old and a 5month-old grandson doing everything I can to make an honest living. I wonder, did you think at all about the personal struggles of any of the people behind these businesses before you voiced your opinion in what I feel was a ruthless and brutal verbal attack? Do you really know any of us? Have you ever stopped at our businesses to see if you could in some way support us? You say you love Alicia — her name is Alice — if you knew her and loved her as I do, you could not be so cruel. I wonder, have you driven around the rest of the town and noticed that almost every street and some businesses proudly display both woodcarvers' art?

The HELP Center is a wonderful asset to the community as a nonprofit organization. You cannot compare apples and oranges. Their nice carved signs

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Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



Town Crier Daily News

On Monday, Jan. 11, the Town Crier began to post a new story on-line each day from Monday through Friday. You can find the new story posted in the "Daily News" blog.

This will not be "Breaking News" which we'll reserve for an unexpected incidents such as major weather storms, fires or other events that need broadcasting.

The "Daily News" story might be about a meeting from the prior night or something else that the News Room is working on. Occasionally there will be a special weekend story, but the commitment is for one a day, your daily vitamin, from Monday through Friday.

And next week, look here for news on more local columnists joining the TC team.

Children's story time at the library

The Idyllwild Library's Children's Story Time is every Monday from 10:30 to 11 a.m.

Call the library at 659-2300 for more informa-

How to get a letter published

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

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were donated and their property is maintained by volunteers. It costs money to make imeconomic times we lack of care or hope, for it to be. but funds! We are all doing our best to simply meet our expenses, keep our doors open Agrees with and feed our families. Obviously you think our businesses have EDITOR: nothing positive to offer our community. to add to last week's I will tell you, you are very wrong and very rude.

My "pathetic used way." furniture" is recycled this hill and is still perfectly good and saleable. I have countless customers who and old, full-time residents, who are grateful to find what they need of these enterprises at a fraction of the need a business license cost of new, without leaving the Hill. Do- (Including the numering so stimulates our ous firewood sellers own little economy and keeps good, usable things out of our land- wood come from? Is it fills. Earth Angels' "un-sellable rotting junk" is also a huge blessing Idyllwild Technologies the Hill. Their computer part robots are recycled materials and are, in fact, art.

Do you have any concept of the idea altors, Chamber of of sticking together and helping each residents, both full and other through tough part-time, would also times? My concept is Luke 10:25-37. To me this is what Idyllwild has always been — a quaint little mountain town, with a mixture of warm little mom and pop shops and inns, filled with smiling faces, sagging rustic signs, dusty vintage treasures, the smells of coffee brewing, pine trees and toasty fireplaces burning.

Aspiring artists, mostly starving,

proudly offering their Earth Angels different kinds of art, along with welcome arms, to tourists and provements. Money no locals alike, all along one has in the rough the roadway. What it is not is Rodeo Drive have all seen for nearly in Beverly Hills and I, two years. It is not a for one, do not wish

IDYLLWILD al.

Borchers

I feel that I need 'Readers write" letter from Nancy Borchers, "Clean up town gate-

I completely agree furniture which comes with her assessment out of the homes on of the Highway 243 southern entry into our mountain village. It has become unkempt and unsightly. have second homes, Is this partly because rental cabins and new our town is unincorporated?

> I question if some to display and sell? at several locations - where does their a potential infestation to our native forest?

Of course our counto many. Additionally, try is still having national and local fiis our only source for nancial problems, and electronic supplies on I respect the right of people to earn a living. but at the cost of a creatively made from really unattractive entrance into Idyllwild?

I would think that local businesses, Re-Commerce and many agree.

MARY ANN E. MILLER IDYLLWILD

speaks out

EDITOR:

I think it only proper that I respond to the fairy tale and opinion written by Ms. Nancy Borchers. Her words seemed grouchy, mean Kim Smith spirited and delusion-

> If the scenery is that offensive to her, I suggest she take a different route to the EDITOR: dump. I would venture to guess that many mountain folks do not appreciate her calling their donations and purchases "trash."

Donations come from the community and go back into the community. On occasion, several pretty well-known actors like Warren Beatty, Annette Benning, Joe Spano and Paul Williams have come in and commented on what a wonderful store [Earth Angels] they felt they had found.

Many gracious people of our town have shown us their love and support. You know who you are and who you are not, too. We aspire to be a forprofit business with a conscience. There should be no jealousy or politics regarding our attempt at Earth Angels to assist people who come to us in need. We give with an not a hand-out.

As we should all know, words can hurt or they can heal. We choose the latter. Thanks for having an open heart.

KAREN AND KEN Wallen Idyllwild



ON THE FRINGE

Who does this lady, Nancy Borchers, think she is? She needs to find a hobby. How slow do you have to go to drive through town and notice hinges on gates?

Shouldn't she be watching where she is going and keeping her eyes on the road? There is going to be more than hinges and trash laying around on the road if she hits a tourist.

And who are you to judge what the thrift shop has for sale? If you're not interested in what they are selling keep your comments to yourself!

Evidently, there are people who want to buy what they are selling. Let the powers that be decide on who displays what and needs to clean up.

KIRSTEN EBNER Idyllwild

[Editor's Note: While attitude of a hand up, there was never any thought to withhold this letter, the third paragraph posed a problem for me. It seems to urge the stifling of one's thoughts which is counter to the paper's generally broad interpretation of free speech, established in the First

Kristin Ethier

Amendment to the constitution. I wrote Ms. Ebner suggesting she edit that sentence.

But as I thought about my actions, I realized that I was restricting her free speech. Since the statement is not crude, rude or false, we've printed the letter as it was submitted.

But we encourage residents — full- or parttime — to share their thoughts and feelings. I believe every letter we receive represents 10 to 20 more people with the same idea. So don't quash that urge to write, others will be happy to hear you express what they think.

The economy and gateway are linked

EDITOR:

Nancy Borchers is certainly welcome to her opinion about certain people's commercially zoned yards that face Highway 243, but it is a case of sour

Is Ms. Borchers our Idyllwild art critic at large? No. Is she our junk judge? No. She is evidently the president of Pine Cove Property Owners Association. She has tremendous responsibility as the president to try to set values. I would suggest that Pine Cove is

ommunity

Town talk BY JENNY KIRCHNER, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

How are you preparing for the snowstorm?



Will Carter School teacher Indio

"We bought gloves, snow boots and tire chains."



Elizabeth Isotalo **Rartender Idyllwild** "We have propane."



Mackenzie Cordova, 8 Grade 2

Stacking wood and getting kindling.'



Lynn Williamson Gary's Deli employee Idyllwild

"I'm not prepared for it; I don't want to go outside. I've never been in a snowstorm before, but we do have our shovels to dig out."



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the criticism and the just fine here, that's my opinion.

just about everything she sees is junky, messy, and/or should not be there. She looks and sees trash where I do not. I choose where tion of the angst that I look, as a result I see beauty, diversity, uniqueness and joy on display.

Some of her comments are not valid because she obviously never set foot in the harangues. The things she comments upon she never saw, the worst kind of attack. As a result of her comments. business at some of has picked up.

We are in a recession or depression in America, a fact that Ms. Borchers seems to

the "other" entrance to want to ignore, with Idyllwild proper, and millions of people in that Ms. Borchers start need of food, people sleeping under bridges, cleanup in her own malls empty, business backyard town of Pine at a near standstill Cove, and leave our and getting worse. No little town of Idyllwild mention or comments alone. We are doing about people sleeping under bridges because the television news, Fox According to her let- news and Wall Street ter in last week's paper, Journal are owned and controlled by foreigners such as Rupert Murdoch.

I think Ms. Borchers comments are a reflecaffects all of us in this down-turned economy. The fluorescent signage in our town is reflective of desperation, and our town is no different than all of the other towns that have places of business she empty stores and thrift stores galore. Maybe Ms. Borchers can afford new furniture bought at Walmart that sends her money to China. I prefer to buy clean, not junky, these establishments nice, used furniture at a truly reasonable price that keeps our local economy afloat.

T.S. Bennett MOUNTAIN CENTER

Likes Idyllwild

EDITOR:

Wouldn't it be nicer if this town worked together to make it a better place, rather than bickering and nitpicking? We are all so blessed to be able to call this heavenly place home.

> Mim Andews IDYLLWILD

All festivals are good

EDITOR:

I am writing in response to Frank Jasko's comments about the Jazz in the Pines' nominal contribution to the village as compared to the Film Festival being "village-friendly." I normally let sleeping dogs lie but Mr. Jasko's observations need correcting

Let me first say that any festival or event that brings visitors to Idyllwild is a good thing and should be supported as long as it isn't detrimental. Every new visitor to Idyllwild is likely to fall in love, as we all have, and will be back for visits unrelated to an event or festival.

It is true that Jazz

in the Pines is not village-centric but it does bring thousands of visitors to Idyllwild who might not otherwise have come at all. The inns and those restaurateurs who choose to be open in the evenings are sold out every year.

I can personally point to many repeat guests to our inn [Quiet Creek Inn] and the Idyllwild village whose first experience visiting Idyllwild was Jazz in the Pines. The lodging industry's and restaurants' combined contribution to the local economy is significant and would be dramatically impaired without the benefit of the Arts Academy in Idyllwild.

Jazz in the Pines is the Associates' major annual fund-raiser for scholarships, which benefits worthy students from Idyllwild, other parts of the U.S. and the world. These scholarships help make the Academy thrive. Idyllwild Arts is the number one employer in Idyllwild. Many of these employees live and shop in the community. The school brings parents as visitors to at the Idyllwild Inter-Idyllwild many times national Festival of

a year to drop their students off, pick them up or to attend performances and events.

I don't have a feel for how well the local shops benefited from the recent Film Festival but I do know that any festival requires active participation by those who expect to benefit from it. Some village merchants (and many artists) take advantage of the opportunity of setting up shop at Jazz in the Pines.

All it takes to benefit from a festival is participation and contribution, which brings me to Mr. Jasko's suggestion that locals should be offered discounted tickets to Jazz in the Pines. He failed to mention that there are hundreds of locals who get free tickets by contributing a few hours of their time as a volunteer worker at Jazz in the Pines. Nothing is cheaper than free.

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Idyllwild's secret revealed

I had a great time

Cinema. Steve and his small but dedicated group pulled off a first-year festival that seemed like a well-established festival with all the trappings. They somehow managed to present great films and networking events while keeping the friendly, quirky, everyoneknows-everyone, and if you don't, you will attitude, that is quintessential Idyllwild.

Being in the back-

ground of most events, I overheard so many attendees discussing the beauty and ambiance of this town. Over and over I heard phrases like "I never knew this place was here" or "Why haven't we been here before?"

To those of you who would like to keep Idvllwild's existence a secret from the outside world, sorry, your cover has been blown. To para-

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The election of officers was delayed from the first action item on the agenda to the last item in order to accommodate the late arrival of former President Paul Riggi. He opened the discussion with a statement about the merit of rotating the officer positions. This policy would enable all commissioners to understand the responsibilities of the jobs.

Stigall's first official action was closing the marathon meeting — almost four hours in duration.

Another action, or perhaps, non-action may portend a more significant change in the future. Killingsworth recommended extending Fire Chief Steve Kunkle's contract through the remainder of this fiscal year, ending June 30. None of the three other commissioners (prior to Riggi's arrival) made a second and the motion died with no action.

Kunkle's most recent contract expired June 30, 2009. Since then he has been serving without any signed contract. Killingsworth wanted to extend the current contract until the commission could



IFPD Commissioners Chip Schelly and Ben Kill**ingsworth** ponder one of many issues.

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Jeannine Charles-Stigall, new president of the Idyllwild Fire Protection District.

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formally evaluate Kunkle's performance and make a decision on renewing it for

"Along about May we can do an evaluation," Killingsworth said. "We'll know more than we do today and it's good to have something in place."

Capparelli said, after the motion died, that the lack of second was not equivalent to tabling the recommendation to Febru-

ary. "It will be an issue to address at some point," he stated.

Killingsworth did have support to establish an ad hoc committee to review and evaluate the department's management and supervision practices.

'How do things work here and [how] are orders transmitted? How do we know they are obeyed?" was Killingsworth's explanation for needing the review. "How are directions disseminated and archived? Do we remember what we were told last month?"



Fire Chief Steve Kunkle during discussion of his contract.

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As an example where management makes the decision not you." communication seemed inconsistent, Charles-Stigall mentioned the continuing

The commission asked Capparelli and Killingsworth to be the committee conducting the review. And Capparrelli concurred that this was a step in the right jp@towncrier.com.

payment of trainees.

The commission made one other noteworthy change. The commission repealed the infamous and controversial "5-year separation" rule. The past board enacted it last winter, requiring employees to be separated from the department for a minimum of five years before becoming eligible to serve on the commission.

While state law exempts volunteer firefighters from having to resign in order to serve on their

fire department boards (the case of Commissioner Dr. Charles "Chip" Schelly) IFPD imposed a more restrictive requirement.

It became controversial and did prevent the candidacy of Paul Miglin during the latest election. A vigorous debate ensued after Schelly's motion. But the commission chose to repeal the limitation by a 3-0-1 vote, with Schelly abstaining.

"Restrictions on who the public can vote for are just wrong!" Schelly said. When Riggi suggested that the elimination of the restriction might leave the impression that the commission was being packed with employees, Jeff Smith, Pine Cove, responded, "No, the community

The commission also established an ad hoc committee, composed of Charles-Stigall and Capparelli, to review the financial officer's contract and activities. [See the story on the IFPD budget on page 12.]

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An Earthwitness Foundation reception honoring "our Mountain Land Guardians" will be hosted by the Idyllwild Nature Center at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13.

The program will pay tribute to Alvino Siva ((1923-2009), a Cahuilla elder who strove to preserve ancient Cahuilla bird songs. A recepton with live music by local group DoRoJo, immediately follows the reception. Cost is \$15 per person. Proceeds will benefit RMRU and the Earthwitness Foundation.

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ICRC considers separate meetings

By Marshall Smith STAFF REPORTER

At its Thursday Jan. 14 meeting, the directors of the Idvllwild Community Recreation Council (ICRC) discussed splitting their meetings, with one focusing on parcel-tax-funded Town Hall recreation and the other on all other ICRC business, including all matters relating to the proposed Idyllwild Community Center (ICC).

ICRC directors and the county have tussled over the degree to which ICRC, as a private organization, should accommodate Brown Act open government guidelines. Town Hall budget reports would be public, but ICRC financials might not be available to the public. "ICRC meetings may be private in the future, at a different time and in a different place," said Director Vic Sirkin.

As discussed, the Town Hall recreation meeting would always be open to the public and subject to some form of open government language. ICRC meetings, on the other hand, could be closed to the public and presumably not subject to Brown Act language.

"Nothing has been decided for sure, but we're considering it," said Chairperson Chris Singer. Singer indicated that ICRC is interested in having someone from Pine Cove or Mountain Center become an ICRC director, "in order to include those communities in the greater ICRC recreation vision [encompassing the proposed community center].

In a surprise announcement, Sirkin stated that Riverside County 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone's office asked longtime County Service Area (CSA) 36 member Pete Capparelli to step down from the Advisory Committee. Opal Hellweg of Stone's staff confirmed Sirkin's announcement, citing Board of Supervisor board policy A-21 that appears to limit board service to eight years. The pertinent marshall@towncrier.com.

section (Section 5f) of A-21 states: "To encourage varied citizen participation in advisory groups, the Board of Supervisors shall generally seek new appointees to replace individuals who have served for eight consecutive years. Board members retain the discretion to reappoint individuals regardless of the length of time served on any advisory group."

CSA committee members are appointed by the Board of Supervisors to be the "eyes and ears" of the district supervisor and have no

policy-making authority. CSA 36 is responsible for recreation and street lighting. ICRC is the independent recreation contractor.

In a statement released to the Crier, Capparelli said, "Over the last nine years, it has been gratifying and a pleasure to work with CSA board members to help with recreation on the Hill. I have been recently disappointed with the county administrator's [Bill Brown, CSA operations manager] lack of responsiveness to the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council's attempts to get clarification on many questions in order to improve their organization in the manner required by the County. When I was first appointed to CSA 36, the county administrator at that time could not do enough to help us. Recently, it's felt like an uphill battle to make any progress in achieving a better quality of recreation for the community. This is very unfortunate for all of us. I hope better relations can be achieved in the near future."

Capparelli's departure is effective immediately, leaving two current board vacancies. Interested applicants can contact Opal Hellweg at (951) 955-1030.

In other ICRC business, Recreation Director Bob Lewis reported that Town Hall had obtained its own tax identification number in order to comply with Brown's request that tax-funded recreation not be under the aegis of ICRC's nonprofit Mount San Jacinto Community Center.

Sirkin questioned the move. "Town Hall was never its own non profit. This [move] will create an additional tax return and more expense."

In view of a possible separation into two meetings and administrative bodies, Sirkin proposed delaying bylaw revision to reflect that possibility.

Marshall Smith can be reached at



Contingency

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activate one or two swift-water rescue teams. CalFire advises residents, especially those in and below burned areas, to prepare their homes before flooding occurs. Unfilled sandbags may be available in limited quantities from local fire stations (IFPD and Station 23 in Pine Cove have sandbags. For other locations see www.rvcfire.org).

CalFire/Riverside County Fire Department Chief John R. Hawkins reminds residents that personal safety should always be one's top priority. Hawkins noted that nearly half of all flash flood fatalities are vehicle-related. Hawkins advises not to drive through flooded areas. Turn around and find an alternate route, obeying road closure signs and barricades that have been posted for safety purposes.

Of more interest to the Hill are potential power outages, warming shelters and heavy snow and berms blocking egress from homes. A planned power outage for the Cedar Glen area is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 20 between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. If weather conditions are severe the outage will not occur. SCE media representative Louis Davis said, "A pole needs to be repaired, but the planned outage will totally depend on the weather. If it's snowing and conditions are dangerous, it [the outage] won't happen."

Should a weather-related power outage exceed 12 hours in duration, SCE confirmed it would notify OES. Depending on prevailing conditions in the outage area, OES may then choose to declare a local emergency,

Fire Chief Steve Kunkle said IFPD would open its training room as a warming shelter if conditions merit that action. Residents without power and heat who feel they are in trouble can either call 911 or IFPD (659-2153) to request warming shelter information. Residents trapped behind plow-built snow berms who need to get out can call IFPD to request IFPD plow their berms, according to Kunkle.

SCE's Davis affirmed that SCE would have adequate equipment at the ready to deal with

power outages but cautioned that much would depend on whether the source of the outage was on a street that had been plowed. "If the outage is on a side street that has not been plowed and we can't get to the outage, that is a problem outside of our control," said Davis.

Mountain Disaster Preparedness (MDP) Training Director Rick Foster said that he hoped MDP volunteers with radios would turn on radios if snow becomes heavy. "If not, I'll be making some phone calls," said Foster. He also advised any residents needing warming to call IFPD. "That's the best place to start."

Lastly, neighbors who are aware of those with special needs should be proactive in checking in with them to determine what they might need, based on escalating weather conditions.

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Library seeking DVDs

The Friends of the Idyllwild Library is seeking donated DVDs to be used and enjoyed by the entire community. Many people have DVDs in their homes they will not view again. These could be donated to the library for the enjoyment

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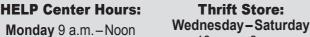
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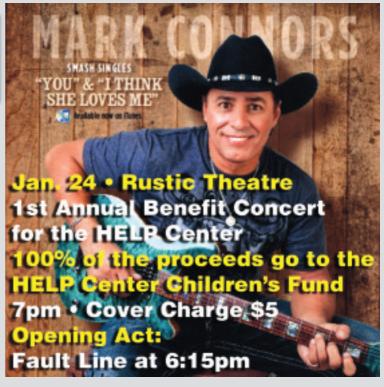
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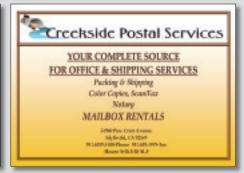














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Garner Valley recalls board; elects replacement

By Marshall Smith STAFF REPORTER

In a total housecleaning, the Garner Valley Property Owners Association (GVPOA) voted on Saturday Jan. 16 to turn out the current board members and replace them with a completely new slate.

By a margin of 161 to 43, the "yes on recall" bloc demanded the replacement of directors Eric Jones, Mark Lamont and John Geges with Bill Whitman, Jack Williamson, Mick Bolander, Dennis Miller and Susan Gonzalez, Whitman was the top vote-getter with 169 votes. Williamson followed with 163, Bolander with 161, Miller with 160, and Gonzalez with 154 votes was the final director elected. Far behind were rejected directors Jones with 98, Lamont with 57 and Geges with 53 trailed the pack.

According to Garner Valley Underground publisher James Baron, a recall proponent, the new board plans to contest the legal settlement previous Board President Lamont made on behalf of the GVPOA. Baron cites numerous irregularities in how Lamont reached settlement with Marc Jones and then board failures in appropriately informing GVPOA members of settlement terms.

The question is did the board act with appropriate authority?" Baron asked. And if not, does that failure sufficiently undermine the legal bases of the settlement so as to overturn it or render it unenforceable?

Baron maintains that the entire recall might have been avoided had settlement terms been promptly provided as requested by some GVPOA members. "Instead, they provided no [settlement] information for a year," said Baron.

He indicated one possible recourse for the newly elected board is to file under the board's errors and omission insurance policy in hopes that the insurance company would pay the settlement if it is affirmed upon challenge. Another recourse, according to Baron, might be to recover individually from directors that approved the settlement if their actions are found to fall outside the scope of insurance and any corporate shield. "They made the settlement without association approval," said Baron. "They could have made the settlement subject to the vote of the members.

Past GVPOA Board President and 20-year resident Millie Shaw pointed out that the recall election did not conform with GVPOA's own Election Rules (for elections on or after July 1, 2006) specifically section 2, which states that a

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candidate forum must be held prior to mailing By J.P. CRUMRINE election materials. Forums are for the purpose of familiarizing landowners with the candidates and their positions.

Since this was not done, Shaw questions the election's validity. Shaw also faults the election on an apparent failure to follow applicable sections of the Davis-Stirling Act, the private association's version of open government. Shaw stated, "Davis-Stirling requires that inspectors of elections be impartial third parties. Sally Burrage, who campaigned vigorously for the recall and overthrow of the Board, was allowed to take part in inspecting and counting of votes. The recall group got around that by saying she was no longer going to be called an "Inspector of Elections," and that she was merely helping out.

"Another election will take place in four months (May) with nominations starting in March. Bottom line figures on how much the recall election actually cost the association [GVPOA] have not been revealed," Shaw added.

Calls to management company Professional Community Management's Ray McGee seeking election costs were not returned prior to press

Garner Valley Property Owners United founder Mike Johnson also questioned the election's validity, inasmuch as it did not follow adopted election rules. "The only reason we founded United was to have a bloc committed to following the rules," said Johnson. "That's the biggest problem. No one follows the rules."

According to Garner Valley United member Walt Kuchler, "There will never be peace. There will always be fighting. It will never be over. There has been no real communication between the opposing sides. My suggestion is to get rid of the association [GVPOA] and let the county manage it [common property]."

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IFPD protects tax windfall

At the Tuesday, Jan. 12 Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) meeting, commissioners made changes to the budget, remedying a failure that Commissioner Dr. Charles "Chip" Schelly had recently lamented.

Last week, with the return of Treasurer and Commissioner Ben Killingsworth, the commission took an action in contravention of Fire Chief Steve Kunkle's previous budget recommendation.

The good news [in the budget] is the \$138,000, one-time gift from Riverside County," Killingsworth said. The six-figure windfall had been announced at the Jan. 6 special meeting. Kunkle recommended using the found money to balance the operational budget. With its inclusion, Kunkle's budget had a projected \$1,400 positive balance at the end of the fiscal year.

Killingsworth argued that the \$138,000 would better serve IFPD if it were shifted to savings and "out of the budget."

"We should put it aside. There are several things such as the Zoll equipment or the radio communications equipment which we could use it for," he said. "Let's put it away and not spend it on routine operations."

Despite some initial balking, Kunkle and financial officer Janice Coopersmith agreed the funds could

be set aside in the district's reserves until the commission decided how and where it wished to use these

Killingsworth also advised his colleagues they would need to review several line items which appear to be severely out of balance at the February meeting. Protecting the \$138,000 from eventual depletion was Killingsworth's first financial move of the meeting.

Later he urged the commission to review the financial officer's contract (the \$30,000 annual contract with The Family Business) and take action if deemed appropriate to modify and reduce the cost of these services and to provide clerical or administrative support to Kunkle.

"Ever since I got here, I've recommended a half-time person to help the chief," Killingsworth began. "He typed [all the proposed policies discussed at the meeting] and he shouldn't do that."

Continuing, Killingsworth argued that he felt IFPD was paying too much for the financial support the Coopersmiths supply.

In response, Janice Coopersmith said she felt the commissioner did not understand all the support they do provide the agency and the chief. She said they do more than prepare payrolls. She listed state retirement payments, agency insurance and special reviews they prepare at the See Budget, page 21

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Arts & Entertainment Calendar

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Wednesday, Jan.20 AWANA for ages 3 to fifth graders, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church. HOIO and the Half Notes, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Thursday, Jan.21

Thursday Morning Hikes, 9-11 a.m. Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor's Center. Call (760) 862-9984.

Bridge, 12:30-4 p.m. Creekstone Inn. For information, call 659-4910.

Friday, Jan. 22

National Performance Art Month II: Visiting Artist Exhibition, Emily Mast, 2 p.m. lecture; 6 p.m. performance. Parks Exhibition Center; Theatre Production: "Welcome Home, Jenny Sutter," 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

Live music, 6-8 p.m. Mile High Cafe.

"Dress to Glow" Teen Party and Dance, 6-9 p.m. Town Hall.

Sandii Castleberry, Paul Carman & Bill Saitta, 6-9 p.m. The Creek

Saturday, Jan. 23

Saturday Morning Hikes, 9-II a.m. Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor's Center. Call (760) 862-9984.

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; Puente, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma

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

Jazz: Paul Carman, I-4 p.m. IdvIlwild Tea Co.

Sandii Castleberry & Paul Carman, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restau-

High Cafe

Theatre Production: "Welcome Home, Jenny Sutter," 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Sunday, Jan. 24

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; Unwound, I-3 p.m.; Skeleton Crew, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

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

Theatre Production: "Welcome Home, Jenny Sut- Thursday Morning Hikes, ter," 2 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Mark Connors Benefit Concert for HELP Center Children's Fund, 6:15 p.m. music by Fault Line with special guests Don Reed and Alex Watson; 7 p.m. The Mark Connors Band. The Rustic Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 25

Children's 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library

Sandii Castleberry & Paul Carman 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma

Tuesday, Jan. 26

Jazz Night: Paul Carman, Marshall Hawkins & Barnaby Finch, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma

Wednesday, Jan. 27 AWANA for ages 3 to fifth graders, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church.

Thursday, Jan. 28

9-11 a.m. Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor's Center. Call (760) 862-9984.

Bridge, 12:30-4 p.m. Creekstone Inn. For information, call 659-4910.

Friday, Jan. 29

Arriba Mexican Restau-

Storytime, Live music, 6-8 p.m. Mile

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9-11 a.m.; 3rd-annual "Geocaching in the National Monument, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor's Center.

HOJO and the Half Notes, 1-3 p.m. Café

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Saturday, Jan. 30

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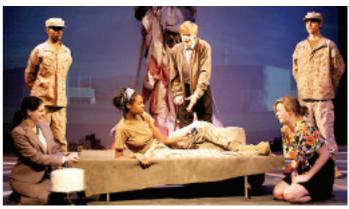
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'Welcome Home, Jenny Sutter'

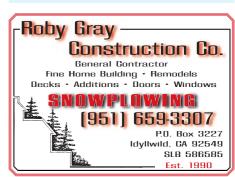


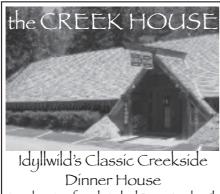
The Idyllwild Arts Academy's upcoming theater production of "Welcome Home, Jenny Sutter," will open at 7:30 p.m. Friday Jan. 22 at the IAF Theatre on campus. From left, Madeleine Otto, Juwan Lockett, Amenta Abioto, Riley Lynch, Joey Jennings and Carter Scott. The play shows again at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

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ICRC Speaker's Series event canceled

The ICRC Speaker's Series talk by Peter Lent, "Idyllwild in the Aftermath of a Major Earthquake," scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 20 has been canceled due to weather.





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Lemon Lily Festival plans smell sweet

By Beth Nottley News Assistant

Organizers for the Idyllwild Lemon Lily Festival to be held Friday, July 16 through Sunday, July 18, 2010 met on Thursday, Jan. 14 to formulate a draft budget, outline a sponsorship drive and define the event's activities.

The festival's purpose is to provide education about, celebrate and restore what was once a major Idyllwild tourist attraction — the Lemon Lily (Lilium parryi), a striking plant that can grow to over five feet with up to 30 flowers on a stalk emitting a heady lemonvanilla scent. Many thousands once graced the Hill along perennial streams and in wet meadows, canyon bottoms seeps and springs until over-zealous early 20th-century bulb collectors caused its population to dramatically decline. Committee member Dave Stith, an amateur botanist, counted 2,662 Lemon to recruit in the near future. They Lilies along Willow and Tahquitz also intend to issue a press release creeks from the end of July through September.

Planners of the festival, including representatives from the Forest Service, Idyllwild Garden Club (current sponsor), Friends of the Mount San Jacinto County Parks (current sponsor), the Idyllwild Business Roundtable (IBRT) and a professional events planner, have beth@towncrier.com.

almost finalized plans for the festival which tentatively includes a Friday night reception and Saturday art show and guided hikes to view the Lemon Lily at the Nature Center; a children's village with old-time activities, barbecue dinner and hoe-down dance at Town Hall on Saturday; a Lemon Lily Walk throughout town on Saturday where attendees visit participating businesses to collect lemon-flavored foods on a Lemon Lily plate which local artist Jan Jaspers-Fayer custom designed; and a Sunday morning breakfast at Town Hall.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to adopt a Lemon Lily, with proceeds going toward the cost of purchasing the bulbs and planting them along Idyllwild creeks.

The committee estimates expenses will be about \$18,000 to produce the festival. They are preparing a business plan to present to potential sponsors whom they plan calling for artists' participation.

For more information about the festival, visit www.lemonlily.com. To get information about becoming a sponsor for the event, call Shelly Kibby at the Idyllwild Nature Center at (951) 659-3850 or e-mail info@lemonlilyfestival.com.

Beth Nottley can be reached at

IIFC awards winners

By Marshall Smith Staff Reporter

No film festival is complete without an awards ceremony and the Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema (IIFC) was no exception. Awards presenters at the 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 16 Rustic Theatre Gala included Festival Director Stephen Savage, local celebrity and actor Conor O'Farrell, Hollywood actor Wolfgang Bodison, Renate and Geoffrey Caine and Riverside County Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone. "The envelope please:"

Selected based on the largest audience for a festival screening

Best of Festival - "Legacy," Stephen Savage,

The Tahquitz Awards (audience vote)

Best Feature Film - "Rock Slyde," Chris Dowling,

Best Feature Director - Chris Dowling, "Rock Slyde"

Best Feature Screenplay - Chris Dowling, "Rock

Best Female Actor, Feature or Short - Kyrie Maezumi, "Legacy"

Best Male Actor, Feature or Short - Rob Evens, Around"

Best Cinematography, Feature or Short – Thomas L. Callaway, "Broke Sky"

A&E

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Monday, Feb. I Peter Irrgang Photog-Exhibition, raphy Skeleton

Crew, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma

Children's Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Tuesday, Feb. 2 Jazz Night: Paul Carman, Marshall Hawkins & Barnaby Finch, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Best Documentary - Cassie Jaye, "Daddy, I Do"

Best Featurette (over 15 less than 60 minutes) "Dead Cat Bounce," Daric Gates, director

Best Short (under 15 minutes) - "Wrong Way Up," Gabriel Hardman, director

Best Director, short film under 15 minutes – "The Hit," Abazar Khayami, director

Best Screenplay, Short - Tommy Smeltzer, "The Deposition of Lou Bagetta"

Awards chosen by the Caines

The Renate (best documentary made by an educator) - Jim Rizor, "Ketch My Drift"

The Geoffrey Caine Trophy - (best student film made by a director under 18 years of age) - Rob Miller, "From Page to Stage: The Journey of 'Heartland"

Award chosen by Stephen Savage and musician brother Tucker

Marshall Hawkins Award for best original soundtrack – Greg Stitt, "Manhater"

Awards chosen by Stephen Savage

The Joni Award - Tim Faulkner, husband of Joni Faulkner — an annual award given to the Idyllwild resident who does the most to support the arts and serve the community. Joni Faulkner, said Savage, was a major arts contributor. "She said 'Go be, go do. I have it and you need it." Joni Faulkner died in 2006 of breast cancer.

The Lily Rock Lifetime Achievement Award Stephan Gierasch, actor in over 100 films including "The Hustler," "Dave," "High Plains Drifter," "Carrie," and veteran of many television series including "M.A.S.H.," "Cheers," "Murder She Wrote," and "The Twilight Zone." The 83-year-old Idyllwild resident's IMDb resume consumes five pages, truly a lifetime of achievement which began on television in 1951.

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Certain songs remind me of my youth. Whenever I hear Louis Armstrong singing:

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 22

National Performance Art Month II: Visiting Artist Exhibition. Emily Mast. Lecture, 2 PM, performance, 6 PM, Parks Exhibition Center.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JANUARY 22 & 23

Theatre Production: Welcome Home, Jenny Sutter. 7:30 PM, IAF Theatre. Adult themes and strong language, recommended for mature audiences.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

Theatre Production: Welcome Home, Jenny Sutter. 2 PM. IAF Theatre. Adult themes and strong language, recommended for mature audiences.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

National Performance Art Month II: Visiting Artist Exhibition. Kristina Lenzi & Mari Novotny-Jones. Lecture, 2 рм, performance, 6 рм, Parks Exhibition Center.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

National Performance Art Month II: Visiting Artist Exhibition. Flora Wiegman. Lecture, 2 PM, performance, 6 рм. Parks Exhibition Center.

Guest Reading: Brad Udall. 7:30 PM, Krone Museum.

IIFC

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world know that Idyllwild has an international film festival. [And to help spread that message] the county will donate \$5,000 for next year's festival."

Stone mentioned that redistricting following 2010 census tabulation might cause him to lose some centers of population from his district. "But I told the other four supervisors on the board [Riverside County Board of Supervisors] "Idyllwild is off limits. I'm keeping Idyllwild."

Stone also contributed \$500 of personal funds to festival sponsor Susan G. Komen for the Cure breast cancer awareness group. As he announced his gift, Stone acknowledged Tim Faulkner, winner of the first annual Joni Award, for the Idyllwild local who does the most to promote the arts and serve the community. Falkner's wife Joni, a major arts patron according to Savage, died in 2006 of breast cancer.

The most anticipated event of the festival, the world premiere of Savage's "Legacy," took place Friday, Jan. 15. It brought out a capacity crowd of villagers and celebrities. More than 200 people waited outside, some anxiously counting the number of people in line to see if they had a chance to get into that showing. In line, people joked, laughed, talked about what they had seen that week, and pointed out actors they had seen in the week's films. Pine Cove resident Nancy Borchers, who may hold the record for number of IIFC films seen (27), was among those waiting to see if they could get in to the evening

Inside, a capacity crowd cheered as IIFC featured filmmaker Will Wallace introduced Savage, who explained this was not the film's final cut. "I'll be making another edit," said Savage. marshall@towncrier.com.

"I'm planning to take 10 minutes out of the first act."

Supported by name Hollywood actors Will Wallace and Wolfgang Bodison, Kyrie Maezumi, 1995 Idyllwild Arts graduate and company, "Legacy" was infused with an urgent in your face authenticity, keeping audiences at seats' edge throughout Savage's twisting murder mystery. Filmed for the most part locally, "Legacy," like the festival itself, showcased Idvllwild, Professional? Yes! Idyllwild idiosyncratic? Yes! Do the film and the festival have futures? Emphatically, Yes!

And that brings us to the critical question and mystery for next year. Savage is filming in January 2011. Can "Idyllwild 2011" (the festival's name for next year) succeed without him guiding every aspect including doing 80 percent of the work, without an industry insider, and without Executive Producer Chuck Huddleston?

"I'll still be the Hollywood insider and schmooze man, able to pull in favors. I've already talked to others in town who will spearhead Idyllwild 2011's initial direction. Specifically because of the Town Crier's and Shane Stewart's levels of committment, I'm committed to continue. worked hard to get a template together. There will have to be a festival submission process, as with all other festivals. And we will be bigger next year than Marin and Mendocino [other established film festivals]. I'm not looking to be another Big Bear [a limited weekend festival]. So yes, I'm in," said Savage,

And like a new friend that you've come to appreciate, IIFC's departure is bittersweet. "I'm really proud of the diversity [of films] that we brought in," said Savage. "It could have just been a slasher festival." Instead it was funny, provocative, polished in places, rough in others, but in all ways vibrant, and Idyllwild.

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Local biz unaffected by film fest

By Marshall Smith STAFF REPORTER

Local businesses expressed satisfaction with the just-completed Idvllwild International Festival of Cinema (IIFC) but for the most part saw no major uptick in business. "The town looked great" was an oft-repeated observation. "I saw a lot of new faces, and a very happy community," said Café Aroma's Frank Ferro.

But other than for a few businesses close to the festival's main venue, such as Pam Allen's Wooley's, many merchants did not see increased profits. Larry Allen, owner of Fireside Inn said, "We had pretty good occupancy. I thought it was the best Idyllwild looked, maybe ever. The festival gave quite a lot of flair to this little town."

Spruce Moose co-owner John Stonitsch also saw no increased business. "We had one couple come in from the festival," he said. "I hope it really grows. I think it's great for the community."

Gary Budnick, owner of Gary's Deli, also liked the way the town looked but did not see a major increase in business. "The town looked great. I think next year I'd like to do gourmet food boxes for patrons [who were rushed to attend films and had trouble finding places to eat quickly]." On Monday, the festival's opening day, festival patrons complained that it was difficult finding places to eat because few restaurants were open.

Doug Yagaloff, Mountain Harvest Market coowner and member of the Business Roundtable, was more upbeat and offered some suggestions to festival organizers for next year. Although he also did not experience any major business increase, he found reasons for why that may have been so.



A foursome of documentary filmmakers huddled in a corner of Café Aroma during the Idyllwild Festival of Cinema's Director's Breakfast Thurs., Jan. 14. From left: Darik Gates, "Crook," Cassie Jaye, "Daddy, I Do," Jim Rizor, "Ketch My Drift," and Rob Miller, "From Page to Stage, The Journey of 'Heartland."

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"Festival organizers were way too flexible with film schedules," he noted. "Many [screening times] ran late and scheduled films were changed at the last minute." Consequently, Yagaloff noted, attendees found it difficult to schedule meal times. "I think next year there should be fewer movies and more break time for the town [more time for passionate film attendees to explore the town and eat in local restaurants]. Other festivals I've attended always run on time." Yagaloff also recommended that next year's sponsors or producers create a short movie highlighting town business offerings, food and merchandise, to be shown prior to each film so that attendees get a crash course in what is available in Idyllwild.

As others have noted, Yagaloff also questioned the choice of January as the best time in a mountain community for a festival, "I think January's a really bad month. Had the storm that is predicted for this week come in last week, there would have been no business at all - no lodgers, restaurant patrons, or shoppers."

Most interviewed for this article agreed that more and better-placed advertising would have benefited the festival, including advertising on the two interstate billboards.

For Rustic Theatre owner Shane Stewart, the festival was an opportunity for a new crowd of off the Hill patrons to experience Idyllwild. "Shane made no money from this festival," said Festival Director Stephen Savage, "He paid staff, that's all. But what he provided was an opportunity for the town to shine and introduce itself to new people. I can't thank him enough."



Dominique Luchart, second from left, a film producer from France, introduces herself at the Women In Independent Film Seminar, which took place at the Rainbow Inn Thursday, Jan. 14. Other filmmakers participating in the seminar were, Shanah Blevins, far left, Lesley Patterson, center, Cassie Jaye, second from right, and Amanda Aday, far right. The seminar was held in association with the Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema.

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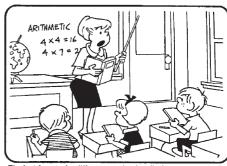
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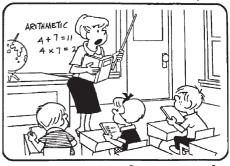
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Answers to Crossword (Puzzle on next page)

Public Notices

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as COMMUNITY LUMBER COMPANY, 54200 Maranatha Drive, Idvllwild, CA 92549-0037, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 37. Idyllwild, CA 92549-0037. KARIN OLIVE GREENWOOD, 25755 Scenic Drive Idyllwild, CA 92549-0540.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

Registrant began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on December 21, 1981.

KARIN OLIVE GREENWOOD

R-2009-13794 NOTICE - THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON DEC. 18, 2014. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO DEC. 18, 2014. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF

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Classifieds (Continued from previous page)

Commercial Rentals

RETAIL or **OFFICE** the courtyard building

- Ample Parking
- · Central Air & Heat
- 600 1,500 sq. ft.
- Low Rent 659-2774

Real Estate

53490 Double View.

Spectacular, unobstructed ridgeline Garner Valley views. Fenced, 1/2acre corner lot (2nd lot perced), 2 BR, 2 BA, stone fireplace w/insert. newly remodeled, huge wraparound deck, FA, propane, laundry, storage below, detached garage \$275K; \$65K for adj. lot (terms avail.) Lease/option considered. Package for \$325,000. 760-770-9194 or 760-861-0991

54449 Valley View Dr. Top-to-bottom remodel, designer decks, paved parking, screen porch. \$250,000. 951-659-5152.

Lots For Sale

26780 Meadow Glen.

.45 acre lot, water meter, temp power, plans & permits. \$95,000. (951) 659-5152.

> Subscribe! (951) 659-2145

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 18, 2009. FILE NO.

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Real Estate/Land

20 ACRE RANCH FORE-CLOSURES Near Booming El Paso, Texas. Was \$16,900 Now \$12,856. \$0 Down, take over payments. \$159/month. Beautiful views, owner financing. FREE map/pictures 1-800-343-9444. (Cal-SCAN)

BANK FORECLOSURE! COLORADO Land Bargain 87 Acres- \$39,900 Rolling fields, Rocky Mountain views, access to 1000's of Acres BLM Land. Electric, telephone, excellent financing. Call now 866-696-5263, x

5488. (Cal-SCAN)

Out of State



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

on file in my office. This business is conducted by a LARRY W. WARD

County Clerk By: M. Meyer, Deputy iness under the fictitious name listed Pub. TC: Dec. 31, 2009, Jan. 7, 14, above on July 1, 1994.

SIR RAYMOND STANLEY TINDLE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME Statement filed with the County Clerk

STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as THE FAILED BUDDHIST SOCI-ETY, 53101 Toll Gate Rd., Idvllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: POB 679, Idyllwild, CA 92549. SUZANNE MARIE DUAMARELL, 53101 Toll Gate Rd., Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an

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

SUZANNE DUAMARELL Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 30, 2009. FILE NO.

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON DECEMBER 30, 2014, A NEW FICTI-TIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO DECEMBER 30, 2014. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PRO-FESSIONS CODE).

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LARRY W. WARD. County Clerk By: D. Perez, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD TOWN CRIER,
IDYLLWILD MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES TELEPHONE BOOK, IDYLLWILD MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY TELE-PHONE BOOK, IDYLLWILD COM-MUNITIES TELEPHONE DIRECTORY
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Sudoku

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

lowing described personal property will be held at the hour of 11 a.m. on Jan. 27 2010 at Guardian Self Storage, 1315 E. 6th reet, in the City of Beaumont, County o verside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: usehold items, misc. furniture, misc.

President

FILE NO.

R-2009-14025 — THIS FICTITIOUS

of Riverside County on Dec. 29, 2009.

NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON DE-

CEMBER 29, 2014, A NEW FICTITIOUS

BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO DECEMBER 29,

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By: C. Leyva, Deputy
Pub. TC: Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 2010.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

To Whom It May Concerns

5, 2010.

Date of Filing Application:Jan

To Whom It May Concern.
The Name of the Applicants are:

DELNERO, RICK

& RUDEEN-DELNERO, ELIZABETH

The applicants listed above are plying to the Department of Alcolic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic

54245 N. CIRCLE DR., UNIT C-8

Type of license Applied for:
ON-SALE BEER & WINE

IDVITWILD CA 92549

PUBLIC PREMISES

I hereby certify that this copy is a

LARRY W. WARD

County Clerk

AND PROFESSIONS CODE

tools and equipment. This notice is given in accordance with the Business and Professions Code of the State of California.

(951) 845-2929 Unit #G3 Unit #A116 Name: ANGELA BLACK Unit #C136 Unit #A111 Name: JAMES GRISBY Unit #C70

Deborah Villagrana - Manager American Auction Service

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following person is doing ousiness as WE GET ER DONE, 53331 Circle View Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549 Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 753, Idyllwild, CA 92549. TRACY FRANKLIN PHILIPPI, P.O. Box 753, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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Pub. TC: Ian. 14, 21, 28, 2010.

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Notice is hereby given by the under signed that a public lien sale of the fol

the provisions of section 21700 et. seq. of

Manager: Deborah Villagrana RE: Notice of Public Sale Misc. Household Items and Furniture, Tools & Equip.

Guardian Self Storage 1315 E. 6th Street Beaumont, CA 92223 Name: GRANT ESPINOSA Name: LORRAINE EWING Name: KASEY IAEGER

Auction to be held on Jan. 27, 2010,

Guardian Self Storage/Beaumont

Pub. TC: Jan. 14, 21, 2010

STATEMENT

This business is conducted by an

Registrant has not yet begun to

Crestview Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside. Mailing address: 50855 Washington Street#203, La Quinta, CA 92253. TRACY FRANKLIN PHILIPPI tatement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 11, 2010 MTG SYSTEMS INC., 50855 Washing-FILE NO.: ton St. #203, La Ouinta, California 92253,

corporation.

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LARRY W. WARD. County Clerk By: C. Leyva, Deputy Pub. TC: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing

See Public Notices, next page

Horoscope

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You need to be certain that all the right conditions are in place before you take that first step. It can't hurt to listen to good advice from those who have your best interests at heart.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Be careful not to get involved in other people's disputes unless you know the facts behind the disagreements. That's the best way to be assured of making wise and honest decisions.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You still need to be careful about how you're going to spend those energy reserves you finally got around to restoring. Best advice: Avoid overdoing it. Let things take their course.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your aspect continues to favor travel alone or with that special person. So if vou've been putting off making those getaway plans, it's still a good time to get started on them.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Those so-called golden opportunities that continue to dazzle the Lion still need to be carefully checked out. Be suspicious about anything that looks like the "perfect" prospect.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Changes at the workplace could make it more difficult to do things the way you prefer. But the wise Virgo who shows some flexibility could find it paying off in a big way.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might want to check out the explanation you were given for a sudden shift in your duties. There's a possibility that you haven't been told all the facts that you deserve to know

business as MTG NETWORKS, 26824

Registrant commenced to transact

MICHAEL T. GUSTIN

President

I-2010-00094

business under the fictitious name listed

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 12, 2010.

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SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Having confidence in your abilities is important, especially when you could be facing a new challenge, whether it's in the workplace or in a personal relationship, Good luck.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A new work-related opportunity might not be all that it seems. Before making any decisions, you might want to check with others who have had some experience in that area.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A situation involving someone close could benefit from your timely intervention. Avoid being judgmental. There'll be plenty of time later for those "little talks" you like to have.

AOUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Travel could be a surprise element in that new project. Be prepared for other previously undisclosed aspects that also might come to light as you proceed with the work

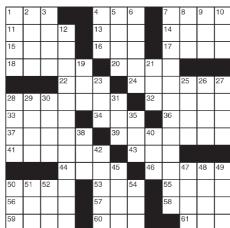
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Try to balance your work-related responsibilities with the time you're spending on your recently revived social life. An old friend might be planning to return after a long absence.

BORN THIS WEEK:

Your sensitivity makes you aware of the needs of others. Have you considered a career as a counselor?

Crossword

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Fern Valley agrees to help neighbors

EDITOR

At their Friday, Jan. 15 meeting, the Fern Valley Water District (FVWD) directors heard a request from Jim Mead representing the Tahquitz Shadow Property Owners Association.

The directors unanimously agreed to pay a portion of the cost to maintain Forest Haven Drive. FVWD has property and wells at the end of Forest Haven Drive to which it needs access. Mead estimated maintenance costs would be about \$6,600

Mead has taken on the responsibility to re-seal and maintain the association's road. Since FVWD workers frequently use the road and are driving heavy equipment and trucks, Mead asked if the agency would share the cost along with the other five property owners.

In other matters, the board reviewed the 2009-10 mid-year budget and was pleased with progress through December. Total income is about \$413,000 or 46 percent of the estimated year-end total of \$903,000.

and the district's share would be near This is about \$30,000 less than December 2008, and 75 percent of the difference is in lower property tax revenue.

> Expenses are nearly \$700,000, of which nearly 60 percent is for the capital budget. Operating expenses were at 49 percent of the total year projection at the end of

Replacing pipeline along Falling Leaf, Forest Knoll and other streets and coating the outside of tank nos. 6, 7, 9 and 10 represent 94 percent of capital expenses. In water business, General Manager

See FVWD, page 21



A table covered in salt played a role in performance artist Marilyn Arsem's (right) Friday night show at the Idyllwild Arts Academy (IAA). Arsem has been creating live events since 1975, ranging from solo to large scale. IAA senior, Karina Lee joined the performance by sitting at the table. To experience the art, visitors were encouraged to sit with Arsem.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

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County Clerk By: T. Parsons, Deputy Pub. TC: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following person is doing business as "CLAUDINE'S", 54282 North Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1698, Idyllwild, CA 92549. CLAUDINE GLORIA ELLIS, 26503 Saunders Meadow Road Idellwild CA 92549

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

CLAUDINE GLORIA ELLIS Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 14, 2010

R-2010-00480 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON IAN 14, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSI-NESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JAN. 14, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEO., BUSI-CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD County Clerk Bv: M. Meyer, Deputy Pub. TC: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following person is doing busi-ness as PDM PLUMBING SERVICES, 28763 Avenida Marquesa, Cathedral City, CA 92234, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 3099, Cathedral City, CA 92235, PHILIP DIRK MYERS 28763 Avenida Marquesa, Cathedral City, CA 92234 This busine

is business is conducted by ar

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious

PHILIP D. MYERS Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 4, 2010

I-2010-00009 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON IAN 4,2015.A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JAN. 4, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELE AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE

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14411 ET SEO., BUSINESS AND PRO-FESSIONS CODE)

CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD County Clerk By: Y.R. Cruz, Deputy Pub. TC: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S No. 1243646-03 APN: 577-320-015-8 TRA: LOAN NO: Xxxxx6248 REF: Crouch, Sandra IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED November 18, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE JEYOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On February 10, 2010, at 9:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded November 30, 2005, as Inst. No. 2005-0987433 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Riverside County, State of California executed by Sandra L. Crouch, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check

drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank At the sixth st entrance to the corona civic center building 815 W Sixth Street Corona, California, all right title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: Completely described in said deed of trust The street addres and other common designation, if any of the real property described above is purported to be: 60533 Devils Ladder Road Mountain Center CA 92561-3011 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Truste and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$866,985.87. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Regarding the rtythat is the subject of this no property that is the subject of this nounce of sale, the "mortgage loan servicer" as defined in civil code § 2923.53(k)(3),

declares that it has obtained from the

commissioner a final or temporary

order of exemption pursuant to civil code section 2923.53 and that the exemption is current and valid on the date this notice of sale is recorded, the time frame for giving a notice of sale specified in civil code section 2923.52 subdivision (a) does not apply to this notice of sale pursuant to civil code sections 2923.52. I, Rebecca Kuenzi, of Bank of America, declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, following is true and correct Bank of America has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporations a final order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the accompanying Notice of Sale is filed. AND The time frame for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (a) of Civil Code Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 (b). Date 11/13/09, Place: Getzville, NY, Name of Signor: Rebecca Kuenzi Position: Tear ManagerFor sales information: Mon-Fr 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: January 15, 2010. (R-284004 01/21/10, 01/28/10,

Pub. TC: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 2010.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S No. 1244824-03 APN: 561-131-029-2 And TRA: LOAN NO: Xxxxx8161 REF:Davis, Doris IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED May 04, 2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE, IF YOU NEED AN EX-PLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On February 10, 2010, at 9:00am, Cal-West-February 10, 2010, at 9:00am, cal-West-ern Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded May 21, 2004, as Inst. No. 2004-0383265 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Riverside Co State of California, executed by Doris A Davis, An Unmarried Person, will sel at public auction to highest bidder for cash cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank At the sixth st entrance to the corona civic center building 815 W. Sixth Street Corona, California, all right title and interest conveved to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the situated in said County and St described as: Lots 47 and 48 of idyllwild country club park tract no. 1, in the county of riveriside, state of California, as per map recorded in book 11, page 65 of maps, in the office of the county recorder of said county. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 53700 Country Club Dr Idyllwild CA 92549 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but withou covenant or warranty, express or implied regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale

is: \$42 574 57. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Regarding the property that is the subject of this notice of sale, the "mortgage loan servicer" as defined in civil code § 2923.53(k)(3), declares that it has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to civil code sec-tion 2923.53 and that the exemption is current and valid on the date this notice of sale is recorded, the time frame for giving a notice of sale specified in civil code section 2923.52 subdivision (a) does not apply to this notice of sale pursuant to civil code sections 2923.52. I, Sandy Korbut, of Bank of America, declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the following is true and correct: Bank of America has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporations a final order of exemption pursuant to California Civil Code Sec-tion 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the accompanying Notice of Sale is filed. AND The timeframe for giving Notice of Sale specified in subdivision (a) of Civil Code Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 (b). Date: November 13, 2009, Place: Getzville, NY, Name of Signor: Sandy Korbut Position: TeamManager For sales information: Mon-Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221, Cal-Western Reconvey ance Corporation, 525 East Main Street P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: January 18, 2010. (R-283949 01/21/10, 01/28/10, 02/04/10)

Pub. TC: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 2010.

RIC10000399 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFOR NIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street Riverside CA 92501

PETITION OF ELIZABETH ANNE NNE FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: ELIZABETH ANNE JENNE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: ELIZABETH ANNE

IENNE changed to Proposed name ELIZABETH ANNE ALEXIS HIGGINS

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

i without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: Mar. 4, 2010 Time: 8:30

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 consensitional general circulation, printed in this county Idvllwild Town Crier

Date: Jan 11 2010 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR

Pub. TC: Ian. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing busi-ss as NOPALITOS, 26490 Forest Hill Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549-889, Riverside County, DANIEL ROBERT GRAY, 26490 Forest Hill Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549-889 This business is conducted by an Individual.

Registrant commenced to transact ess under the fictitious name listed

DANIEL GRAY Statement filed with the County Clerk

of Riverside County on Dec. 22, 2009

R-2009-13900 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON DEC. 22, 2014. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO DEC. 22, 2014. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSI-

CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD. County Clerk
By: S. Berry, Deputy
Pub. TC: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing business as EARTH TRAILS PUBLICA-TIONS, 54369 Jameson Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside. Mailing address P.O. Box 889, Idvllwild, CA 92549, GARY LEE GRAY, 54369 Jameson Dr., Idvllwild CA 92549; MATTHEW LEE GRAY, 4700 Mead St., Denver, CO 80211; and DANIEL ROBERT GRAY, 26490 Forest Hill Dr., Idvllwild, CA 92549-889.

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

Statement filed with the County Clerk

of Riverside County on Dec. 22, 2009.

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By: S. Berry, Deputy Pub. TC: Ian. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010.

HEC 10000090 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALI-FORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE HEMET BRANCH, 880 N. State St.

Hemet, CA 92543.
PETITION OF MICHAEL CRUMP AND SIBA CRUMP FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS Petitioner: MICHAEL CRUMP
 AND SIBA CRUMP filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names

as ronows:

a. Present name: MICHAEL FRED-RICK CRUMP changed to Proposed name: MICHAEL FREDRICH ROSE

b. Present name: SIBA TALAL CRUMP changed to Proposed name: SIBA TALAL ROSE

c. Present name: ZEN LAZARUS CRUMP changed to Proposed name: ZEN LAZARUS ROSE

d. Present name: KOHDA EDWARD DANDAN FRENCH changed to Proposed name: KOHDA EDWARD ROSE

e. Present name: MICHAEL FRED-RICK CRUMP JR. changed to Proposed name: MICHAEL FREDRICH ROSE JR.

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 cour 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

Date: 2/23/10 Time: 8:30 a.m

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 thi Idyllwild Town Crier. Date: Jan. 11, 2010

Kathleen Jacobs

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR Pub. TC: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010.

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INC-092253 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFOR-

NIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 46-200 Oasist Street, Indio CA 92201 PETITION OF FAITH M TALOS

FOR CHANGE OF NAME.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS 1. Petitioner: FAITH M. TALOS

filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: a. Present name: MARY ANGEL FAITH MAGNO DUNGCA changed to Proposed name: ANGEL MAGNO

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing 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

a. Date: 3/5/10 Time: 8:30 a.m Dept. 2G

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 Idvllwild Town Crier

Date: Dec. 31, 2009

Harold W. Hopp JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR

Pub. TC: Ian. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as COUNTRY CLUB AND RESORT RENTALS, 77622 Country Club Drive Suite A. Palm Desert, CA 92211, Riverside County. COUNTRY CLUB RENTALS AND RESALES INC., 48420 Stillwater Dr., La Quinta, CA 92253, a California

corporation.

This business is conducted by a

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in 1996

> HOWARD E. GURVITZ C.E.O

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 11, 2010. FILE NO.

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Letters

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phrase our governor: "They'll be back!"

Congratulations to everyone involved on a great event.

BARBARA CALDERONE IDYLLWILD

Calls for new **IFPD** chief

EDITOR:

Rotarian Herbert Taylor phrased it best as guiding principles or questions of all Rotarians while addressing their professional and personal relationships. Is it the truth? Is it fair? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

These principles have been violated and continue to be violated by Steve Kunkle, Rotary president, in his relationship with our communities and the governance of Idyllwild Fire Protection District.

Multiple Grand Jury investigations and their findings, failed performance evaluations, failed financial audits, repossessed equipment, disenfranchised staff and highly polarized communities form the basis of these failures. It's time to step down as leader of IFPD.

JEFF SMITH PINE COVE

Stone seeks CSA 36 members

Riverside County Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone is seeking residents interested in serving on the County Service Area 36 Advisory Council (CSA). The Idvllwild CSA Advisory members will advise and make recommendations to the supervisor concerning recreation in the Idyllwild area.

Idyllwild residents who are available and willing to share their time and expertise are encouraged to apply for the appointed position. For more information, please contact Opal Hellweg at (951) 955-1030

FVWD

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Steve Erler reported that well levels were up slightly in December at about the same levels as 2008.

Unaccounted-for water loss rose to 23 percent in the November and December billing period, more than double the previous billing period. A major leak on Green Avenue is the likely cause, but Erler plans to conduct a comprehensive leak survev to be sure.

During this billing period, FVWD customers used 5.1 million gallons of water, 9.1 percent less than the 5.6 million-gallon use in the 2008 period. For the year, total usage was 39.4 million gallons, 6 percent less than the 42 million gallons used during 2008.

This is the lowest water usage since 2002 and 18.6 percent less than the 2007 peak usage of 46.8 million gallons.

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

Budget

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chief's request.

"It's more than paying the bills and making deposits," she stated. "I don't think you have all the facts.'

Former San Jacinto Ranger District Fire Chief Norm Walker noted that every local fire district except the Pechanga Tribe has an administrative assistant for their chiefs.

While Killingsworth continued to express concern about the contract costs, Craig Coopersmith explained that having served the district for more than 10 years meant the district was compensating them for experience and expertise.

Eventually the commission established an ad hoc committee composed of President Jeannine Charles-Stigall and Vice President Pete Capparelli to conduct the review. The Coopersmiths objected to Killingsworth's involvement in the re-

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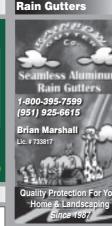
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Evan Biley, playing for the Warriors, takes control of the ball against the Lakers last Friday night at Idyllwild School. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



On Saturday, Jan. 9, the Idyllwild Girls under 14 team, United, defeated Redlands in a Area 137 Tournament game. The score was 4 to 1. Unfortunately, San Bernardino defeated the United this past Saturday, Jan. 16, 3-1. In the victory over Redlands, Rachael Polk scored three goals (hat trick) and Kelly Clark scored one. Allison Hitchcock, Kelly Clark and Grace Lehman had assists in the scores. Mia Lehman scored the only United goal in the loss. The final tournament game is 8 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 23 in Redlands.

PHOTO COURTESY OF COACH DAN HITCHCOCK

Creature corner

By Tasha and friends

ARF can always use donations of cat and dog food, treats, litter, leashes, collars and halters. If you have anything you'd like to donate, drop it off any time. And thanks!



Adopted this week: Doggies: Ginger, Handsome, Duke, Colby, Spencer and Cheyenne.

Reunited with their grateful owners, Jade and Riley, Oz and Stitch. ARF also assisted in the adoption of Lexie the yellow Lab.

Dogs available: 3- to 4-month-old Aussie mixes, Kinsey, Kiara, Montana (females) and Merle (male); Lacey, a Manchester terrier; Kandy, an adorable 8-month-old Lab mix; Spanky, a Lab/pit; Kate and Sheena 8-year-old retriever/pit siblings; Brownie, an 8-year-old Chihuahua; her son Blue, a 4-year-old Chihuahua; Mia, a 16-month-old Lab-mix; **Ponchita**, a 1-t o-2-year-old Chihuahua; Johnny, black and white Chihuahua mix; Buddy, a 9-year-old shepherd/Lab; Lady, a 9-year-old German shepherd; Sugar Plum, a poodle; Duchess, a 1-1/2-year-old boxer; **Coco**, a chocolate Lab-mix; Paris, an 8-month-old collie/cattle dog; and Lance,

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Creature corner is sponsored this week by Brian and Marcel in memory of Whiskey and Daisy. You're missed. To sponsor the column, call Kathy Bryson at the Town Crier, 659-2145.

Senior Discount days at Thrift Store

Idyllwild HELP Center is having senior discount days at the Thrift Store every Friday during the hard economic times. Seniors will be given a 10-percent discount.

60 years ago - 1950

Architectural plans for the new Community Church were being drawn up.

55 years ago - 1955 The Rustic Theatre was playing "Cattle Queen of Montana," starring Barbara Stanwyck and Ronald Rea-

50 years ago - 1960

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

45 years ago - 1965

After a detailed explanation of how a proposed treatment plant would operate and not produce odors, a group of Idyllwild property owners approved plans for a local sewage sys-

40 years ago - 1970

It was announced that work would soon begin on the largest subdivsion ever planned for the San Jacinto Mountains. The tract of 3,700 lots was to be named Lake Idyllwild, but it would be located about 15 miles southeast of the town of Idyllwild.

35 years ago - 1975

Increasing property taxes was the bad news that Riverside County Deputy Tax Assessor Orval Miller delivered to Hill residents at an Idyllwild Property Owners Association meeting. His crew was reassessing property of

PAST TENSE

30 years ago - 1980

time since. 1966.

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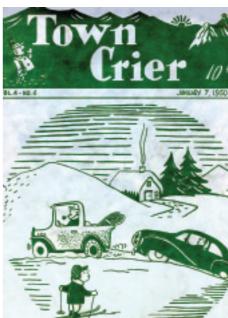
The Idyllwild Lions Club made the first donation toward the building of public restrooms in downtown Idvllwild. The Idvllwild Chamber of Commerce was spearheading the fund-raising effort.

25 years ago - 1985

A new Garner Valley association was formed, Garner Valley Citizens for Economic and Educational Common Sense, to fight the Hemet Unified School District's plans to build a \$10 million, 900-student high school on the Jim Burn site in Garner

20 years ago - 1990

The Coordinated Resource Management and Planning committee suggested that Riverside County's Waste Management Department use local wood-



The cover of Jan. 7, 1950 issue of the Town Crier was a winter drawing by Ernie Maxwell, portraying a scene that has always been very familiar to residents ... lots of snow.

to minimize the need the load for the trash for pine needles and hauler and cost for the branches to be taken off county.

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15 years ago - 1995

It was reported that the Idyllwild HELP Center ended 1994 by receiving a portion of the land it was located on as a gift from an anonymous private do-

10 years ago - 2000

The Mozart Haus restaurant opened on Highway 243, featuring German menu items and Weltenburger, the oldest dark beer in the world.

5 years ago - 2005

Nancy Huber of Idyllwild won first place in the Chamber's WinterFest Soup contest with her own special concoction: Bev's Spud Soup recipe.

1 year ago - 2009

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IDYLLWILD INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF CINEMA 2010 A STAR IS BORN



Riverside County Supervisor Jeff Stone (right) and his daughter Brittany (left) attended the IIFC awards ceremony last Saturday night at The



Tim Faulkner (left) is interviewed by Jody Mortara (center) before the world premiere



Above, the Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema closing awards ceremony kicked off with Tucker

McIntyre on the drums, along with other musicians, last Saturday night at The Rustic Theatre.



Renate Caine (left) presented The Renate Award (best documentary made by an educator) to Jim Rizor (right) for his work on "Ketch My Drift" at the IIFC awards ceremony last Saturday night



Actor Wolfgang Bodison (left) presented Kyrie Maezumi (right) the award for Best Female Actor for her performance in "Legacy."

grew up in Idyllwild. Will Wallace (background, right) also performed in "Legacy" and attended the event. The crowds were in the hundreds last Friday night at The Rustic Theatre for the world premiere of "Legacy," a film

Kyrie Maezumi (right) arrives at The Rustic Theatre for the premiere of "Legacy." Maezumi, who played the lead female role in "Legacy,"

Savage. Out of the 232 seats available, 222 were full, according to Shane Stewart, owner of the Rustic Theatre.

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Idyllwild local and director of "Legacy," Stephen Savage (right) introduces the cast after the world premiere at The Rustic Theatre last Friday night.