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From left, number 13, **Emily Jimenez**, **Torrin Williams**, **Robert Priefer**, **Lori Ferro**, Principal **Matt Kraemer** and **Chad Schelly**, all go for the ball during a faculty versus students basketball game at Idyllwild School last Saturday morning. All students and faculty had to show for a snow day make-up, but the day was filled with fun and games. See page 12 for more snow day make-up pictures.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Town unites for Lemon Lily

By **BETH NOTTLEY**
NEWS ASSISTANT

Plans for the Lemon Lily Festival to be held Friday, July 16 through Sunday, July 18, 2010 have been firmed up and it appears as if the entire town will be involved in the three-day schedule of events all centered on the restoration of what was once a major Idyllwild tourist attraction — the Lemon Lily (*Lilium parryi*).

Many thousands of this striking plant, which can grow to over five feet tall with up to 30 flowers on a stalk emitting a heady lemon-vanilla scent, once graced the Hill along perennial streams and in wet meadows, canyon bottom seeps and springs. Early 20th-century bulb collec-

tors, however, caused its population to dramatically decline. Bulbs are expensive and difficult to obtain. This year, in fact, it became even more difficult because a severe cold snap in Oregon froze and killed nearly 1,300 bulbs. Fortunately, organizers of the Lemon Lily Festival were able to procure 100 bulbs from a Northern Californian source.

The Lemon Lily Festival organizers, who have dubbed it "A Festival for Education, Celebration, and Restoration," are going to turn back time in Idyllwild with an old-en-days themed festival and the planting of the Lemon Lily bulbs, which they say will be the start of bringing the plant back to prominence. Bryan Tallent, co-owner of The Spruce Moose

See *Lemon Lily*, page 13

Conor O'Farrell in 'The Pacific' for HBO

By **MARSHALL SMITH**
STAFF REPORTER

Idyllwild resident actor **Conor O'Farrell** is featured in the 10-part miniseries, "The Pacific," airing on HBO beginning March 14. Produced by Steven Spielberg, Tom Hanks and Gary Goetzman in association with HBO Films, Playtone, Dreamworks and Seven Network Australia, "The Pacific" chronicles United States Marine Corps action in World War II's Pacific Theater of Operations from landing in Guadalcanal to the Japanese surrender.

O'Farrell's character is a courtly Southern doctor from Mobile, Ala., a World War I veteran who tries to prevent his son's enlistment by fabricating a heart condition for him. "The first shot of the

ther of Corporal Eugene "Sledgehammer" Sledge, author of one of the memoirs on which the series is based, "With the Old Breed." Filmed in Australia, the series will focus on Pacific Theater operations through the eyes of three marines — Sledge, Private First Class Robert Leckie, author of the other memoir "Helmet for My Pillow," and Gunnery Sergeant John Basilone.

miniseries is me listening to my son's heartbeat," recalls O'Farrell. Having seen and experienced war, O'Farrell's character has no illusions about its nature. The dramatic arc of the series, as seen through Eugene's eyes, is from his adolescent and romantic notions of war and patriotism to his disillusionment at the cruelty and barbarity he witnesses on both sides. The final episode of the series deals with the difficulties of readjustment that returning marines, especially Sledge, experienced.

O'Farrell touted the coming of the series. "The first shot of the

See *O'Farrell*, page 13

Crash victims recovering

By **J.P. CRUMRINE**
EDITOR

Two Idyllwild residents are slowly recovering from a very serious traffic collision last month. **Loel Cornman** and **Will Johnson** were patients at the Desert Regional Medical Center, Palm Springs through this weekend.

As their recovery continues, Johnson said they are discussing with their doctors and the hospital where the next stage of rehabilitation would best occur.

In early February, they were in a horrific traffic collision in Palm Desert. "Our vehicle must have rolled or flipped at least four times," Johnson said in phone interview.

He suffered multiple broken ribs and several fractures in multiple places. Fortunately, none of his ribs punctured his lungs or other organs. Johnson can visit Cornman, but he still needs the assistance of a walker and accompaniment along the hallway, he stated.

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NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, Feb. 22 to 28:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

Feb. 22 — Traffic collision, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

Feb. 23 — Rescue, Tollgate Road, Idyllwild.

Feb. 23 — Walk-in medical aid.

Feb. 23 — Rescue, Pine Crest Avenue, Idyllwild.

Feb. 24 — Dispatched and canceled en route, Tollgate Road, Idyllwild.

Feb. 25 — Medical aid, 52500 block of Temecula Drive, Idyllwild.

Feb. 26 — Malicious false alarm, 25000 block of Rim Rock Road, Idyllwild.

Feb. 26 — Medical aid, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

Feb. 28 — Traffic collision, Highway 74, Mountain Center.

Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

Feb. 22 — Traffic collision, Pine Cove.

Feb. 23 — Unknown type of fire, Pine Cove.

Feb. 26 — Medical aid, Pine Cove.

Feb. 26 — Medical aid, difficulty breathing.

Feb. 26 — Medical aid, chest pains.

Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

Feb. 23 — Fire, 39000 block of Bautista Road, Anza.

Feb. 26 — Medical aid, 56500 block Highway 74, Garner Valley.

Feb. 28 — Traffic collision, Highway 74, Garner Valley.

Riverside County Fire, Pinyon

Feb. 23 — Fire.

Feb. 27 — Public service assist.

Riverside County Fire, Anza

Feb. 22 — Medical aid, Indian Rock Road and Lake Riverside Drive, Aguanga.

Feb. 23 — Walk-in medical aid.

Feb. 24 — Residential structure fire, Rocky and Candalaria roads, Anza.

Feb. 23 — Walk-in medical aid.

Feb. 23 — Medical aid, Terwilliger Road and Grandon Avenue, Anza.

Feb. 24 — Medical aid, Contreras Road, Anza.

Feb. 24 — Walk-in medical aid.

Feb. 25 — Medical aid, Terwilliger Road and Rodgers Lane, Anza.

Feb. 25 — Walk-in medical aid.

Feb. 25 — Medical aid, Wheeler Road, Anza.

Feb. 26 — Medical aid, Hill

Street, Anza.

Feb. 26 — Refuse fire, Cave Rock and Cary roads, Anza.

Feb. 27 — Walk-in medical aid.

Feb. 27 — Medical aid, Highway 371, Anza.

Feb. 28 — Medical aid, Ridgecrest Trail and Lupin Way, Aguanga.

CHP log

Nothing to report.

Sheriff's log

The Lake Hemet Subdivision of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department responded to the following calls from Tuesday Feb. 23 to Thursday, Feb. 25. This may not be a complete list of responses:

Feb. 23 — Man identified as

Joseph Antonio Heredia, 25, of Anza charged with felony arson on an inhabited structure in the 52000 block of Highway 371, Anza.

Feb. 24 — Woman identified as Holly Augusta Key, 22, of Anza arrested on suspicion of felony possession of methamphetamine and felony transportation of marijuana in the vicinity of Highway 371 and Burnt Valley Road, Anza.

Feb. 25 — Reported felony petty theft, suspect unknown, in the 53000 block of Middlebridge Dr., Idyllwild. Case remains open, but suspended.

All people identified here are presumed innocent of these preliminary charges pending court actions. Only the names of suspects charged with felonies will be printed.

Crash

Continued from page 1

Cornman has incurred spinal injuries as well as a broken forearm and ankle. Several of her spinal vertebrae have been fused. Consequently, she is currently wearing a "halo" to prevent neck movements, he explained.

Both Cornman's and Johnson's children have been helping at the hospital during recovery. His son, who lives in Bali, arrived and will stay and assist for several

months.

"How this has spread by word of mouth has been incredible," Johnson was pleased to say.

Both are resting and very appreciative of the calls and visits, but recovery is a slow process requiring significant rest even during the day. He asked if calls and visits could be deferred until they have improved more, which will increase the pleasure of the contact and the company.

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



A rollover traffic collision occurred on Highway 74 about two miles east of Highway 243 around 1:30 a.m. last Thursday. Both occupants of the vehicle, one male and one female, left the scene allegedly uninjured.

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Plenty of sun. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 30s.	Mostly cloudy. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the mid 30s.	Mix of rain and snow. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the low 30s.	Mix of rain and snow showers. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the low 30s.	A few clouds. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 30s.

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year				
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S	
2-22	47	22	.58	tr.	na	na			
2-23	53	23			58	34			
2-24	58	23	.70	.5	61	28			
2-25	na	na			61	31			
2-26	na	na			57	30			
2-27	58	23	.70	.5	65	31			
2-28	49	25	.10		70	31			

Moisture in inches	Snow in inches
To date this season (Idy): 19.03	To date this season (Idy): 28.81
To date last season (Idy): 16.78	To date last season (Idy): 53.2
Total last season (Idy): 18.04	Total last season (Idy): 55.2
To date this season (PC): 24.99	To date this season (PC): 58.75

TEMPERATURES AND 24-HOUR moisture and snow totals for Idyllwild are recorded daily at 4 p.m. at the Idyllwild Fire Station. Pine Cove totals are measured by resident George Tate also at 4 p.m. Moisture inches include all precipitation such as rain, melted hail and melted snow.

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OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

BY BRUCE WATTS

'Avatar' and Idyllwild

Anyone who has talked to me this year knows that I am a big fan of the movie "Avatar." I like science fiction and fantasy stories but not the typical Hollywood blockbuster movies that are based on comic books, TV shows and the sequels, which are more of the same.

"Avatar," unlike many others, is not based on a book or comic; it is the sole creation of James Cameron. You might remember a little movie he made in the 1990s called "Titanic." Because "Avatar" is Cameron's creation, he got to express and to share his views on environmental issues and the treatment of the indigenous people of planet Earth and, in this case, the moon Pandora.

This is a story of a far-off planet where a huge corporation is pushing a native tribe off its land in order to access the natural resources below the surface. Ripping them from the ground and, in the process, totally destroying the environment echoes what has happened on Earth in the past and, sadly enough, is still happening.

In India, a native tribe is currently being pushed off its land to make way for a mining concern. In the Ecuadorian Amazon, the indigenous tribes are fighting to keep oil companies from drilling in their jungle homes.

In one of the most amazing videos I have ever seen, a group of tribal members is being bussed into Quito to watch "Avatar" in 3-D. Seeing the tribal people sitting in a theater — some of them have never even seen a movie — was very interesting. Hearing them talk about it afterward was also enlightening to say the least. Needless

to say, they really identified with the native tribe on Pandora.

I am sure by now most all of you are wondering what this has to do with Idyllwild. Well, I tend to think of my fellow Idyllwilders as a local tribe and basically we do have an "us and them" mentality when it comes to folks from off the Hill.

If a corporation moved into Idyllwild and forced everyone to sell their homes so they could be bulldozed to the ground for the purpose of mining or logging, I would imagine there would be a major confrontation.

I grew up in Orange County and Hawaii. I watched virtually every piece of land around me being "developed." That is the main reason I came to Idyllwild. Like so many others, I feel that I am living in the shelter of the forest and because it is a national forest that surrounds our town, I feel safe here. No giant company is going to bulldoze the forest for ski runs or cut the trees for timber.

Even though we are safe from the massive development that has taken place in Southern California, we still need to be protective when it comes our natural environment.

The movie "Avatar" has awakened a whole new generation to environmental issues. Many of the younger fans of "Avatar" never gave much thought to what is happening away from their computer monitors. For us aging baby boomers, it is good to know that there will be another generation coming up that might actually put Mother Nature above profits.



A great blue heron visited Mountain Center Saturday. Speaking of her photo subject, **Doris Lombard** wrote, "An eerie pterodactyl-like form appeared in the morning light and rested atop a pine overlooking our pond. The goldfish took cover, and we wondered if they remembered a time when the great blue heron had gulped down their relatives."

PHOTO COURTESY OF DORIS J. LOMBARD



A pod of about 35 pelicans rests along the shore at Lake Hemet on their way to the Salton Sea, believes **Gary Kuscher**.

PHOTO COURTESY OF GARY KUSCHER

Free listings in upcoming Visitor's Guide

The Idyllwild Visitor's Guide is the no. 1 reference guide used by tourists to plan their trips to the Hill. The Town Crier will list your future events in the Summer/Fall edition for free. These listings will also appear on the Town Crier Web site's Arts & Entertainment Calendar.

We invite all community groups, galleries, shops, music venues, bands, etc. to submit listings of any events planned from Memorial Day through October.

Listings must include name of event(s), date, time and location.

Listings may be e-mailed to beth@towncrier.com, mailed to P.O. Box 157, Idyllwild, CA 92549, or dropped off at the Town Crier office.

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ONLY IN IDYLLWILD

"Enjoying so much the great variety of plants and creatures with which we on the Hill are blessed and wanting to learn more about them, I found a book, "The Mind of the Raven," at the local library that described intriguing bird behaviors. We see ravens regularly, but had never witnessed the amazing aerial acrobatics I read about and imagined. Later that same day, taking advantage of the sunny afternoon to work outside, we looked up to see a pair of ravens soaring in circles above the roof. Higher and higher they rose on an unseen updraft. Suddenly, one of the ravens dove, tucking its wings in and back, twirling through the air, flying upside down before righting itself, circling again and again repeating the spectacular barrel rolling flying feat I had read and wondered at only that morning! Only in Idyllwild!"

Doris Lombard
Mountain Center

"Only in Idyllwild" may be sent one of four ways: e-mail to beth@towncrier.com, call 659-2145, Ext. 17, fax to 659-2071 or drop off at the office, 54295 Village Center Drive.

CLUBS

PCPOA

John Stubeck of Suburban Propane will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the **Pine Cove Property Owners Association (PCPOA)** at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, March 6 at the Pine Cove Fire Station. Stubeck will present different services, plans and rates.

Democrats

The Riverside County Democratic Central Committee Chair will moderate a forum between 65th Assembly District Democratic candidates **Jason Sandoval** and **Carl Wood** at the next monthly meeting of the **Democrats of Hemet-San Jacinto**, Tuesday, March 9 at Ya Ya's Coffee House, 312 N. San Jacinto in Hemet.

Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. and costs \$10. The meeting starts at 6:15 p.m.

For information call **Hal Spangenberg** at 487-0325 or **Ken Hampton** at (909) 241-9188.

Women's Guild

John and Grace Tebay will speak at the next **Women's Guild** of the **Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church** meeting Wednesday, March 10. The Tebays will speak on ministry to the poor.

The group meets in **Fellowship Hall** at the church for lunch at noon and the speaker begins at 1 p.m. Lunch is \$4. All women on the Hill are invited.

For more information, call **Linda Young** at 659-9603.

To get a listing in "Clubs," visit www.towncrier.com, click on "News" in the menu at the top and click on "Submit a news item," or stop by and fill out a news form.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Idyllwild School Principal Matt Kraemer's students of the week (from left) are **Caitlin Burns** and **Melchor Velasco**. Seventh- and eighth-grade teacher **Patty Carratello** chose the students for doing their personal best, being kind to others and being helpful without needing to be asked.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Birth

Ayden David Reed Sellers

Curt and Michelle Sellers of Idyllwild proudly announce the birth of a son, Ayden David Reed Sellers, born at 6:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 4, 2010 at Desert Regional Medical Center in Palm Springs. He weighed 5 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 18 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Mike and Ginger Sellers of Orange County. Maternal grandparents are David and Mary Carroll of Idyllwild, and Ray and Paulette Drott of Long Beach.

Born four and one-half weeks early, Ayden spent several weeks in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit but his parents and proud big sister, Kaylee Drott, welcomed him home on Friday, Feb. 26.



Announcement notices

A 250-word announcement plus a photograph costs \$39. Additional words are 10 cents each. An obituary notice is also published online without the photo at www.towncrier.com/obituaries/obits.html.

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Summary info for the week of
Feb. 22-28, 2010

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Page Views - Over 23,722
Total Hits - Over 130,807

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For the *Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar*, see "On the Town," on page 16.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Café Aroma, 54750 North Circle Dr.
- ESL class, 8:30-11:30 a.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- Garner Valley Women's Club, 10:30 a.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devils Ladder Rd.

- 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.
- San Jacinto Mountain Area Water Agency, 1:30 p.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- CAHSEE class, 6-9 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Bible Study, noon-2 p.m. Chapel In The Pines, Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Hwy. 243. Call April Wilson at 659-4006 for information.
- Lemon Lily Festival planning meeting, 1 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243.
- ESL class, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild School, 26700 Highway 243.
- Soroptimist International of Idyllwild business meeting, 5:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant, 55980 Highway 243.

Call Karen Doshier, 659-0790.

- GED class, 6-9 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr.

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

- Baby Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Debbi Geisinger, 659-8710 or (951) 966-1094.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; Pick-a-stick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church, Manse-Alcove, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

- Pine Cove Property Owners Association, 8:30 a.m. Pine Cove Fire Station, 24919 Marion Ridge Dr., Pine Cove.
- Spirituality Book Club, 10 a.m.-noon. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2430 for information.
- Stand in Silent Vigil for Peace, Justice and Nonviolence, noon. Town center at "Girl Reading" monument. Call 659-2718.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7:30 p.m., Community Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Raw Foods Potluck, 5:30 p.m. Nature's Wisdom, 54235 Ridgeview Dr. Call 659-4300.

SUNDAY, MARCH 7

- Pinyon Pines County Water District, 9 a.m. Pinyon Fire Station, 70080 Hwy. 74, Pinyon.
- Zen Meditation Group, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 659-2253.
- 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 CalFire Station 63; AA (open) "Come to Believe" book study, 5 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.

MONDAY, MARCH 8

- ESL class, 8:30-11:30 a.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Associates of Idyllwild Arts, 10 a.m. Wilson classroom, 52500 Temecula Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon & 7:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Pinyon Communities Council, 7 p.m. Pinyon Fire Station, 70080 Hwy. 74, Pinyon.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

- Zen Meditation Group, 7 a.m. & 7 p.m. Call 659-2253.
- Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild, 9:30 a.m. Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council public board meeting, 9:30 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr. Call 659-5208 for information.
- 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.

- La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 659-8321.
- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 3-5 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Ave.
- Idyllwild Fire Protection District Commission, 5:30 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.
- Democrats of Hemet-San Jacinto, 5:30 p.m. dinner; 6:15 p.m. meeting. YaYa's Coffee House, 312 N. San Jacinto,

Hemet. Call 487-0325.

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- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- Pine Cove Water District, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, women only, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.

- Mountain Area Safety Taskforce, 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- CSA 38, 5:15 p.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.
- Mountain Disaster Preparedness board meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave.
- CAHSEE class, 6-9 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Anza Municipal Advisory Council, 7 p.m. Anza Community Building, 56630 Hwy. 371, Anza.

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

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

- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 North Circle Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday. Group tours by appointment. 659-2717.
- Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce, 54325 North Circle Dr., #103, Mile Hi Plaza, noon-4 p.m. Friday & Saturday. 659-3259.
- Idyllwild Library, 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 weekends.
- Idyllwild 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.

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INITIAL THOUGHTS

Community spirit redux ...



After a slight but lengthy digression last week, I am returning to the subject of community spirit which I broached the week before.

In the nearly two weeks you have had to think about the challenge, I've received five suggestions.

Here's my intention. I have not yet shared these ideas with the elegant and exceptional entrepreneur who originated the challenge. So, everybody reads and evaluates them this week.

This week, I'll meet and discuss these ideas with her. Next week, I'll report whether any of these ideas pass her initial threshold (and reveal her identity then, too).

Meanwhile, I encourage you to submit your own thoughts and opinions about these possible community inspirations as well as any other new suggestions.

1. Planting a garden in front of the Idyllwild Area Historical Society building could involve residents of all age groups. The garden would be composed of native and historic plants, not just flowers. The community would have to raise funds, decide on the horticulture and do the backbreaking planting.

I need to mention that the Idyllwild Garden Club is already in the initial planning stages to do this work.

2. Creating an endowment for the Summer Concert Series. I'm sure Ken Dahleen (and he didn't suggest it) will think this is a swell idea. Again the suggester thought all age cohorts could be involved and the fun would be derived from the various means to raise money.

The objective would be to ensure that a summer concert series is a permanent Idyllwild event.

3. Building a teen center was another suggestion. This person said the kids would need more than one room which may be available if the Idyllwild Community Center (ICC) were ever completed. They also were skeptical of ICC's future and felt focusing on just one part, which could be expanded in the future, would bring teens and adults together. This person envisioned construction of a 21st-century Town Hall.

4. "Forest Biomass Utilization Facility" is the name given to this idea. We all live in a forest and we all do fire abatement. Most of this biomass is hauled off the mountain (using diesel fuel) for disposal or electric generation.

Ideally, the idea person thought we might want to purchase a generator to produce our own electricity.

Two other forest things that might attract residents would involve fire logs or mulch. The fire logs are used mostly by inns and bought at Home Depot or Lowes. The mulch would be much easier to process. The Garden Club gets mulch in bulk and trucks it up themselves.

The community spirit comes from knowing that we will be improving the health of our forested community, saving tons of fuel from hauling these products.

5. Raise an endowment to purchase Jo'An's, raze the structures and return it to a park.

Rest assured, I do not correspond with our columnists. There was no intentional connection between this suggestion and Bob Smith's column — just serendipity. He is not aware of it and I did not know his column's subject until Monday.

So share your reactions. Perhaps, these ideas will stimulate some more.

J.P., EDITOR

Funds to help with damaged trees

County grant funds are available to help Idyllwild-area homeowners have storm-damaged dead and dying trees removed from their properties. Between 75 to 100 percent of the cost may be covered.

Call (951) 659-3337 to make a preinspection request by a CalFire inspector.

READERS WRITE

Shop Idyllwild!

EDITOR:

As a summer-only nearby resident, I shop in Idyllwild. I was shocked to learn of my wonderful businesses closing due to lack of business. Isn't it better to save your gas and shop locally? We owe this to our friends and neighbors who are business owners. Support Idyllwild! Shop locally!

SUE OLESON
LAKE HEMET/INDIO

IAA students donate to Haiti relief

DEAR EDITOR:

The National Honor Society at Idyllwild Arts has raised over \$1,800 in donations and through the selling of T-shirts for a Haiti relief fund. After researching several organizations we have decided to donate to "Direct Relief International." We collected money at the Dining Hall during meal times and at several events around campus to come up with that amount of money.

LUKE SHERMAN
IDYLLWILD ARTS ACADEMY

Paramedic duties

DEAR EDITOR:

A suspended paramedic acting as a captain and incident commander, what a brilliant idea! IFPD, you, or Jim Reyes, should disclose why Reyes' license was suspended by the state or county Emergency Services Medical Administration as disclosed at a recent IFPD meeting.

The nature of his offense is serious. His conduct is egregious and merits his unpaid suspension and/or demotion in rank and/or pay. I believe it also merits exploring his potential termination.

Speak up IFPD, the county and state are listening! On second thought perhaps you shouldn't — Grand Juries and such, given your negative experiences with their findings. Perhaps the town should look elsewhere for ambulance and fire protection services as explored by the Grand Jury? Our health and safety are at stake!

JEFF SMITH
PINE COVE

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Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



Matter of fact

In last week's story about the Art Alliance of Idyllwild, Gary Kuscher's name was misspelled. Town Crier regrets the error.

Scholarship fund donations sought

The Idyllwild Scholarship Fund is collecting donations for scholarships awarded annually to local high school seniors.

During the past 40 years, \$281,995.88 has been awarded.

Young community members from Hemet High School and Idyllwild Arts Academy who benefited this past year from these scholarships were: Keith Donahoo, Lucas Dunn, Blythe Ferro, Michael Ferro, Brittany Gallardo, Richelle Gribble, Spencer Koobatian, Anna Lilieholm, Christina Rizk, Larissa Shirley, Cory Sumrall and Kendra Wines. A total of \$14,000 was awarded.

To contribute to the fund, mail checks payable to Idyllwild Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 97, Idyllwild, CA 92549. All donations are tax deductible.

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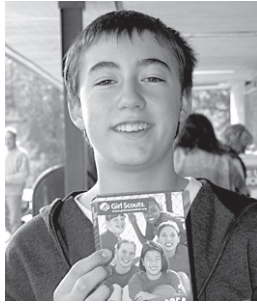
TOWN TALK

BY JENNY KIRCHNER, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

What is your favorite Girl Scout cookie?



Jeni Kets
Teacher, Idyllwild Arts
Idyllwild
"Peanut Butter Patties and
Thin Mints."



Makai Metzler
Student
Idyllwild
"Definitely the chocolate
peanut butter cookies."



Vicky Lovett, 4
Idyllwild
"I like the peanut butter
ones."



Rick Aronson
Owner,
The Purple Scooter
Idyllwild
"Without question, the
Caramel DeLites."

Series for those experiencing loss

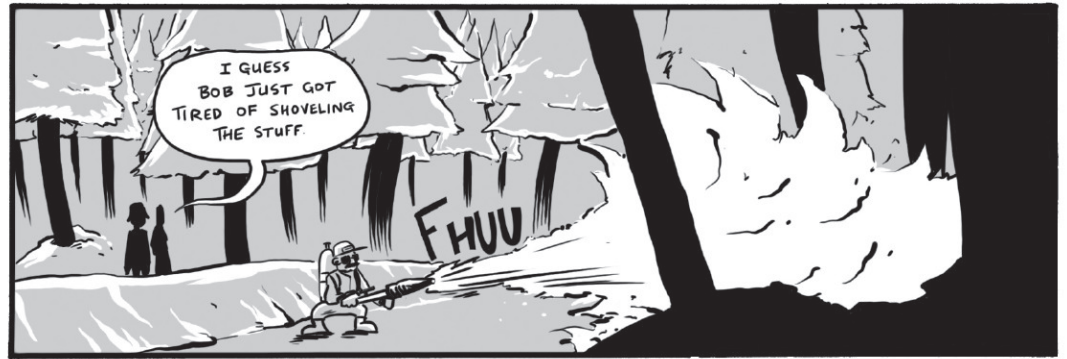
Spirit Mountain Retreat is sponsoring a free 8-week series, "Living Through Transition and Loss," designed for those experiencing transition and loss in their lives. The loss may be serious illness, relationship issues due to separation or divorce, death of a loved one or financial losses, as well as other issues.

The series, which is partially funded by the Idyllwild Community Fund, will meet from 10 a.m. to noon on eight consecutive Thursdays beginning March 11 and ending April 29. Participants do not have to attend all sessions.

The sessions will be held at Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood Street. For more information, call (951) 659-2523.

ON THE FRINGE

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illustrator writer



BEFORE OUR TIME

BY ROBERT B. SMITH

Evolution: Idyllwild's village center ...

Today I have Jo'An's Restaurant in my sights. No, not for the usual reasons, merely because the plot of ground it occupies has been an Idyllwild focal point for over a century.



Until 1904, the site was just a nondescript piece of Strawberry Valley landscape thinned by 19th-century loggers. But it happened to adjoin Idyllwild's first large-scale tourist facility, Strawberry Valley Lodge (aka Idyllwild Sanatorium, but that's another tale). After the lodge burned down, owner Walter Lindley chose this spot for a replacement.

"The Bungalow," a classy new hotel designed in California bungalow style, opened in 1905 and struggled for financial viability. Facing a stockholder rebellion, Lindley in 1906 sold out to Los Angeles developers Frank Strong and George Dickinson.

Marketed as the "Idyllwild in the Pines" resort and later renamed the Idyllwild Inn, the hotel was essentially the only game in town. Without Lindley's marketing skills, it languished until 1917. Then Claudius Emerson's family bought most of central Idyllwild. Strong and Dickinson, whose interest was land sales, not innkeeping, would focus on developing Fern Valley.

The Emersons' inn energized a lively social scene, with nightly parties and dances, pack trips to the peaks, a fine restaurant and recreational facilities galore. Unfortunately, the 1929 Crash and Great Depression caught Emerson overextended in preparations for a lake-front development along Tollgate Road — creeks would be dammed — and by 1936 his Idyllwild, Inc. was bankrupt. The Idyllwild Inn's final, anticlimactic demise came in 1945, when its 40 years as the village's social and economic center abruptly ended in another spectacular blaze.

Cleared of wreckage, what folks began to call the Village Circle remained a figurative and literal void in the heart of the community. Enter Jerry Johnson, who had come to

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Chaudhuri-PHH connection confirmed

BY BILL KLIPPEL, HEMET
OPOSED TO THE SALE OF
VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM

Last week, in Riverside's Bankruptcy Court, Kali P. Chaudhuri admitted to being the force behind the group of local physicians known as Physicians for Healthy Hospitals (PHH). They were behind Measure P, which allowed PHH to purchase Valley Health System (VHS) assets without any competitive bidding. Little did voters, a compliant Hemet city council or several unions realize that in addition to PHH, a Limited Liability Corporation (LLC), there is also a PHH, Inc. According to Chaudhuri, the LLC will oversee operations of the hospitals. In addition, Chaudhuri owns and has 100-percent control over PHH, Inc.

Your hospitals are now back in the hands of the man whose management team oversaw the degradation of our once successful VHS, taking it to its current financial dilemma. You may want to know how the wool was pulled over the eyes of

the voting public, but don't ask the VHS board of directors, as they claim complete ignorance of Chaudhuri's PHH connection. That's hard to believe, since many of them have received payments or are involved directly or indirectly with him.

VHS board members Dr. William Cherry, Madaleine Dreier and Vinay Rao also gave testimony at the trial. As board members they were responsible for crafting Measure P. Their votes as board members helped to bring it to ballot. Some may see a conflict of interest when you consider that Cherry receives payment in the sum of \$20,000 a month from Chaudhuri's medical group HCMG. Dreier's husband Ralph, who is a local surgeon, receives \$25,000 a month from the same source and Rao is an administrator in a surgicenter owned by Chaudhuri. With all of this money changing hands on a monthly basis, they claim complete ignorance of the fact their source of income (Chaudhuri) was

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LHMWD delays full GV rate hike

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Lake Hemet Municipal Water District (LHMWD) General Manager Tom Wagoner reported that the board had voted to postpone the full scheduled rate increase to Garner Valley residents. The decision followed a heavily attended meeting of the board on Thursday, Feb. 18. Residents of Hemet, San Jacinto and Garner Valley showed up en masse to protest tier rate and service charge increases.

What has been in effect for Garner Valley is a rate of \$1.61 per hundred cubic feet (HCF or 748 gallons) for tier 1 (0 to 20 HCF); \$1.88 for tier 2 (21 to 50 HCF); \$2.21 for tier 3 (51 to 150 HCF); \$2.28 for tier 4 (151 to 250 HCF); and \$3.56 for tier 5 greater than 251 HCF. The board voted

to increase these rates but postpone, at least for a year, the bimonthly service or delivery increase from \$37.26 to \$40.

The board adopted the following tier increases: at tier 1, Garner Valley customers will pay \$1.626 per HCF (a 1-percent increase); at tier 2, the rate will be \$1.913 (1.75-percent increase); at tier 3 \$2.271 (2.75-percent increase); tier 4 \$2.981 (3.50-percent increase); and at the top tier 5, water users will pay \$3.711 per HCF (4.25-percent increase).

Wagoner said that barring anything catastrophic, such as a major earthquake, or some additional unforeseen Anza Electric increase, the adopted rate structure should remain in effect for the next year.

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

CERT Refresher Day planned

The Riverside County Office of Emergency Services is offering its annual CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) Refresher Day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 13, 2010. The class is open to all CERT graduates and will include sessions on medical operations and search and rescue techniques. Participants are asked to wear closed-toed shoes and long pants and to bring gear such as helmets, goggles, gloves and water. The class will be held at the Roy Wilson Training Center, 31920 Robert Road, Thousand Palms. To register, call (951) 955-4700.

Next step: suck soil clean

BY J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

In late January, Frey Environmental submitted a second vapor extraction feasibility test as part of the clean-up of the underground storage tank at the former Pine Cove Center.

Initial tests in April 2009 were disappointing, but the December results "... suggest this technology will be effective at extracting concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons and reducing the mass of petroleum hydrocarbons from ... soils beneath the site," Frey wrote in its report to the Riverside County Department of Environmental Health.

Frey is proposing to include the vapor extraction technique in its corrective action plan to be submitted. This technique has one limitation. The vacuum works best when the natural groundwater levels are low, thus pulling more gas from

the soil and less water. In April 2009, the levels were higher than December. This is the probable reason for the difference in success, according to Frey. In December, groundwater levels were nearly seven feet lower than August.

The December tests resulted in detection of total petroleum hydrocarbons as well as xylene concentrations. At monitoring well (MW) no. 2, the August groundwater samples detected concentrations of TPHg at 2,100 micrograms per liter (µg/L) and benzene concentrations near 43 µg/L.

When the groundwater was first sampled in April 2000, the TPHg concentration at MW-1 was 3,800 µg/L and 13,000 µg/L at MW-2. In December, no TPHg was detected at MW-1. Benzene levels have declined nearly 90 percent in 10 years.

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



Randy Castro of Pacific Slope Tree Company grinds tree trunks at the HELP Center as part of a new community-wide focus on volunteerism.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

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54423 Village Center Dr., Ste. 5 on lower floor. 659-3464.
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Rec contract then and now

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

On Sept. 17, 2009, County Service Area (CSA) Operations Manager Bill Brown met jointly with the boards of the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council (ICRC) and the Advisory Committee of CSA 36. The county sought answers to questions regarding ICRC contract fulfillment. Over five months later, Brown stated at a Thursday, Feb. 18 meeting CSA 36 meeting, that the county still had not received all requested answers and that some ICRC board members were seeking his removal. Brown is charged by Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone with overseeing and administering the ICRC recreation contract. The CSA 36 Advisory Committee is also charged with recreation contract oversight but Brown is the primary authority to which ICRC reports.

A look back at a timeline of events helps explain how the months-long breach developed.

On Feb. 27, 2009, former ICRC Chair Diane Cardinalli signed a contract with the county transferring recreation management from the Chamber of Commerce to ICRC. Key contract provisions required ICRC: to submit a budget to the CSA administrator (Brown) and the CSA 36 Advisory Committee on or before Feb. 1 each year; to submit any overage, above that the approved budget that occurred after budget submission to both CSA 36 and the administrator (Brown); to provide a monthly written report on recreation activities to both Brown and the Committee; to obtain and maintain comprehensive

public liability insurance and property damage insurance that named both the county and CSA 36 as coinsureds with ICRC and provide "evidence thereof to the CSA Administrator [Brown] who is hereby designated to administer this Agreement on behalf of CSA." Primary reporting responsibility, as per the contract, is to Brown. For over two years, ICRC failed to fully meet these contractual terms. This year the budget was submitted on time and the county and CSA 36 have been listed as coinsured on required policies. Monthly written reports on recreation activities are now regularly being sent to Brown.

In March 2009, James Campbell, who had succeeded Bob Lewis as recreation director, unexpectedly died. Lewis, who had gone to work for Brown, wanted to return to Idyllwild and ICRC selected him as the recreation director. During the period from 2007 to 2009, Lewis had been tasked to oversee the ICRC contract. Lewis subsequently stated that no one at the county or at CSA 36 questioned his oversight or any aspect of ICRC's performance.

Also in this period, the local, county and state economies began to badly deteriorate raising county concerns over dollars spent everywhere. ICRC hired Lewis at what appeared to be a large increase over Campbell's salary and raised salaries of other Town Hall employees. The ICRC's budget swelled beyond limits that had been previously submitted and tacitly approved by the county. Brown learned of these increases

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Confirmed PC swine flu death

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

A Riverside County Sheriff-Coroner investigation report dated Jan. 30, 2010 confirmed the H1N1 type A influenza (swine) death of Nancy Jean Drolet of Pine Cove on or about Dec. 9,

2009. This death occurred shortly before the number of H1N1 cases and deaths began to decline nationwide.

According to the report, a friend last saw Drolet alive on Dec. 7 at about 11 a.m. The same friend went to check on her on Dec. 9,

found her unresponsive and called 9-1-1. Captain W. Baker of the California Department of Forestry pronounced Drolet dead at 10:22 a.m. Dec. 9.

The report stated that Drolet had been suffering from flu-like symptoms including fever, coughing,

congestion in her chest and insomnia since Nov. 28 but had refused to seek medical attention.

Drolet died alone and there were no signs of foul play.

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Aitchison won't sell merchandise at park

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Art Levitt, owner of the Village Market, felt the town's efforts to keep Mount San Jacinto State Park (MSJSP) open a year ago had produced an ironic turn of events. Last week, Levitt received a letter from Garrett Aitchison, MSJSP sector superintendent, stating the park's nonprofit affiliate might begin sell-

ing merchandise carried in Levitt's and other local stores.

In his letter, Aitchison wrote, "We would like to express our interest in offering for sale the below listed items. Please keep in mind that the intent is not to take business away from your establishment, rather we are focusing on providing a convenience."

Aitchison said he really had in mind visitors who

arrive late in the evening. His list of possible items including travel-sized personal care products, tent stakes, plastic utensils and propane canisters caught Levitt's attention since they are part of his inventory.

On Monday, Aitchison said he has changed his mind about augmenting the visitor center's inventory. "I'm not going to attempt it; it's not worth it," he said.

"In Idyllwild, it is hard enough to compete with Wal-Mart and Stater Brothers," Levitt said. "We rely on people to forget things such as paper towels. Every day we have tourists and hikers come in for something"

Although Aitchison thought the park would only sell about \$500 worth of products annually, Levitt said he sells much more during the summer.

Aitchison says he has

withdrawn the proposal and does not intend to compete with any local merchant. He thought it would be a convenience to the park visitors and was not trying to compete with Village Market or any other local business.

"The money would have gone back into interpretation for programs like the Camp Fire and Junior Rangers," Aitchison said.

He and Levitt have spo-

ken about the idea and Levitt was grateful for the opportunity to discuss it.

But Levitt, who was one of several local business owners to receive the letter, saw a threat to his business and not just a convenience for park visitors.

"I'll stop at nothing to protect local merchants," Levitt said.

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County cites improvements, cuts Jo'An's slack

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Citing cooperative and remedial efforts on the part of Jo'An's Restaurant's present owners Parvin Naderi and Andrew Panbehchi, Riverside County Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) Supervising Environmental Health Specialist Stephanie Percival said EHS

had backed off a Feb. 15 deadline for EHS-mandated repairs. Repairs included replacing the restaurant's kitchen floor and removing a primary refrigerator from an exterior building constructed without permit.

"They removed the char-broiler from the kitchen and they've done a good job of maintaining and keeping the kitchen floor clean,"

said Percival. Removing the charbroiler made more room to clean and maintain the kitchen floor, Percival explained. She also noted that EHS had postponed requiring the refrigerator to be moved at this time under the stipulation that contents would be restricted to beer products and nothing else.

Percival cited the ongoing lawsuit between the

present and previous owners, the current economic downturn and the reported cooperation of the present owners as reasons for relaxing the repair order.

Present owners Parvin Naderi and Andrew Panbehchi operating as Le Joan's Inc. sued previous owner Betty Joan Lackey in 2009 on multiple causes of action seeking contract rescis-

sion and return of their full purchase price of \$1.3 million. Lackey counter-sued for breach of contract, damages, and return of the property to her ownership. The lawsuits are currently unresolved.

In addition to EHS citations, Le Joan's is under a two-year probation for serving liquor to a minor. The state Alcohol and Beverage

Control Board (ABC) closed Jo'An's from Sept. 1 to Oct. 1, 2009 for the referenced violation. Should an additional ABC infraction occur during the probationary period, ABC could permanently pull Le Joan's liquor license.

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Idyllwild Rotary President **Steve Kunkle** (left) presents a \$1,000 check to **Ralph Priem**, Rotary assistant governor, for Rotary International's efforts to eradicate polio throughout the world.

PHOTO BY STEVE ESPINOSA



Idyllwild Rotary President **Steve Kunkle** (left) presents **Mike Voell**, community education instructor at Mt. San Jacinto Community College, with a gift for being the guest speaker at the Rotary's Feb. 24 meeting.

PHOTO BY STEVE ESPINOSA

Monthly raw food potluck

A raw food potluck is held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. the first Saturday of each month at Nature's Wisdom, 54235 Ridgeview Drive. On holiday weekends, the potluck will be scheduled for the second Saturday. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge. Just bring a raw food dish to share. For more information, e-mail Lori Alexander at music@greencafe.com.

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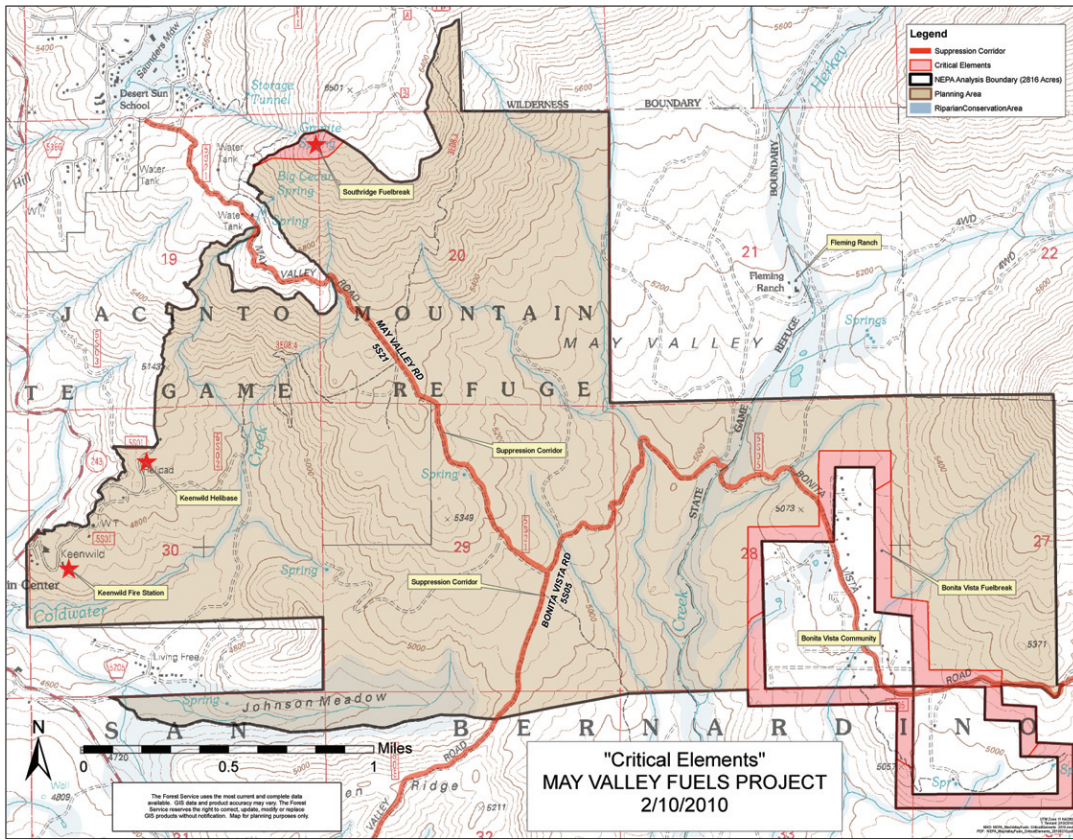
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Idyllwild in the early 1930s and was assuming Emerson's former role as the village's prime developer. He headed a local syndicate. Johnson's marriage to a vivacious local, Eleanor Poates, whose family owned the Rustic Tavern (now Silver Pines Lodge), solidified relationships.

Once Johnson's group owned the old Idyllwild Inn site, Eleanor spearheaded an effort to rehabilitate it. By 1949 the low rock wall that still surrounds Jo'An's was in place. The next spring, walkways were built and the area was planted with over 800 perennials, shrubs and trees, among them snowball, purple barberry, Weigela rose, white bridal wreath, forsythia, redwood, black locust, dogwood, lilac, catalpa, purple-leaf plum, white birch, and silver maple. The resulting enclave was named "Eleanor Park" for the woman who made it possible. (Check out Elvis Presley's movie, "Kid Galahad," for glimpses of the park in its prime.)

As time passed, Eleanor Park met the inevitable fate of taxable, but "unproductive," private land within a commercial district. A small structure appeared, then by the mid-1970s a food stand was operating in the park. Advertised in 1980 as Woodpecker's Hut, this evolved into a series of short-lived restaurants with names like Tahquitz Inn, O'Sullivan's Tavern in the Pines and The Pines, before Jo'An's became permanently ensconced early in 1997.

Hospital

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the driving force behind Measure P and PHH. It's enough to take your breath away, isn't it?

Last week's court proceedings challenged Cherry, Dreier and Rao's objectivity and willingness to separate personal benefits from the operation of the hospitals. Their failure to perform simple due diligence with regard to the background of a group that was well-known for its ties to Chaudhuri demonstrates a lack of willingness to examine the issues and problems. Many in our community feel that Riverside County District Attorney Rod Pacheco would do well to impound a Grand Jury to investigate VHS and its board.

Forest Service will tour May Valley project

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Next Saturday, March 13, the U.S. Forest Service is hosting a field trip to discuss the May Valley Fuels Reduction Project proposal. Forest Service personnel will share direction and regulations pertaining to the management of the project area, and be on hand to answer questions.

The project, encompassing about 2,816 acres, is proposed to reduce fuels and wildfire hazards on National Forest lands. The San Bernardino National Forest (SBNF) classifies the area as wildland-urban interface, where the probability of a catastrophic wildfire occurring is moderate to high. Under the National Fire Plan

and the Healthy Forest Initiative, emphasis is placed on reducing the risk of wildfire within the wildland-urban interface around communities at risk.

Multiple strategies, such as mechanical removal and some prescribed burns, will be employed, according to John Miller, SBNF public information officer. More information and details about the project can be obtained from Harold Carey, San Jacinto Ranger District forester.

The full-day event will convene at 9 a.m. at the Idyllwild Fire Department. From there, participants will drive to the May Valley area. The Forest Service recommends use of high-clearance vehicles if possible. Different locations along

May Valley and Bonita Vista roads will be singled out for discussion and presentation of strategies and problems. Outdoor clothing and footwear, a lunch, water, and binoculars (if available) will enhance the success and pleasure of the tour.

Back at the Idyllwild Fire Department, the Planning Session will begin about 1 p.m., and continue until 5 p.m. At this session, the public will have an opportunity to address concerns, discuss potential treatments, and develop a "community" proposed action for fuels reduction for the May Valley area.

The May Valley Fuels Reduction Project, located on National Forest lands, extends roughly from the San Jacinto

Wilderness boundary and the Southridge trailhead to the north, Johnson Meadow to the south, the Keenwild fire station to the west and Pine Springs Ranch to the east.

Please RSVP to Harold Carey at 909-382-2946, or e-mail him at haroldcarey@fs.fed.us, by Wednesday, March 10, 2010. The project map may also be viewed on line at the San Bernardino National Forest Website: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sanbernardino/projects/index.shtml>. The map is available on the Web site, under San Bernardino National Forest National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Projects; May Valley Fuels Reduction Project.

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An atypical day at Idyllwild School

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Chad Schelly (holding ball) prepares to pass to a fellow team-mate during a students versus faculty basketball game.



Teacher **Michelle Adler** (right) takes off down the court with a flock of Idyllwild School students in tow.



Idyllwild School Principal **Matt Kraemer** was detained by students during the student/faculty game.



A member of the African Acrobats balances two glass bottles during a performance at the snow day make-up.



African Acrobats from Kenya performed for the Idyllwild School last Saturday during the snow day make-up. Above, one of the five members of the group showed off his balancing skills.



Wildlife Biologist **Kevin Brennan** spoke to **Barbara Longbrook's** class about deer and the difference in their antlers during the snow day make-up. Brennan also showed a mountain lion "rug" and other animal specimens.



Students in **Michelle Adler's** class had some fun with building blocks last Saturday morning. All students and faculty reported to school for a snow day make-up.

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Lemon Lily

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gift shop, is optimistic about this goal and excited to see the level of community involvement in the effort. He said, "We have the power to bring it [the Lemon Lily] back to what it was 100 years ago."

Highlights of the festival include an around-town Lily Walk, an art show, guided walks to Lily Creek and a back country hike in search of native Lemon Lilies, planting of Lemon Lily bulbs, a barbecue sponsored by the American Legion Post 800, an old-fashioned hoedown with live fiddle music and square dance lessons, an outdoor pancake breakfast sponsored by the Rotary and a "Pioneer Town" with hands-on activities and demonstrations by artisans of goods from bygone era.

According to festival organizer Shelley Kibby of the Idyllwild Nature Center, the community has rallied around the festival and many people and organizations have already volunteered their services. Dozens of businesses from Strawberry Creek Shopping Plaza to town center and up to the top of North Circle Drive



This Lemon Lily was found in the local mountains along with many more plants nestled in a clear but wet area.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

have signed up to participate in the weekend's Lily Walk, giving away tastes of lemon-flavored treats or festival-related souvenirs.

Local businesses and service organizations have also stepped up. Many have volunteered their skills to lead Pioneer Town demonstrations. For example, the Mountain Quilters are currently making a Lemon Lily quilt that will be raffled off and will be demonstrating how to quilt at the event; Pino Tree Service is building a playhouse-sized log cabin kit that children will be able to build and tear down (picture real, but life-sized Lincoln Logs); and the Soroptimists are planning an old-time kitchen gadgets

area for activities like butter churning, ice cream making and apple pressing.

Other planned events that individuals have already volunteered to lead or local businesses have agreed to sponsor include old-fashioned games like relay races with wooden hoops and wagon wheels, gold panning, soap making, pioneer doll making, rag rug making, and wool spinning. Kibby said she is still seeking "a real cowboy" able to demonstrate roping and someone who can lead candle making activities. Anyone interested in leading these activities, or others not mentioned, can call her at (951) 659-3850.

In addition to their time, locals are already committing funds for sponsorships that range from \$25 to \$600. Major donors so far include the Friends of the Mount San Jacinto County Parks, the Idyllwild Garden Club, Pine Cove Property Owners Association, Idyllwild Tea Company, Dr. Jon Dunn, Dore's Mountain Art Garden, the Town Crier and committee member Dave Stith, the botanist who is presently trying to grow plants from Lemon Lilies he counted in Idyllwild last year. "That's pretty amazing since they [festival organiz-

ers] haven't even sent out their sponsorship request letter," said Tallent. "The community is already really behind the festival."

At their Thursday, Feb. 25 planning meeting, festival organizers approved a sponsorship letter that will soon be distributed, along with a press release about the event. Festival organizer Denise Huntington, member of the Friends of the Mount San Jacinto County Park and Nature Center volunteer, wrote them. Huntington said she has already sent the press release to several major publications that print calendars and stories about tourist events in California. She said the media contact list she has compiled is available at no charge to any other group trying to promote Idyllwild as a destination.

The Lemon Lily Festival planning meetings are held at 1 p.m. every Thursday at the Idyllwild Nature Center and anyone who would like to help with the festival is welcome.

For more information about the festival, visit www.lemonlilyfestival.com or on the Idyllwild Nature Center's Web site at www.idyllwild-naturecenter.net.

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O'Farrell

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genial and exciting work atmosphere HBO fosters in contrast to that of network programs on which he's worked. "It's a creative work environment with collegial discussions on the set," said O'Farrell. "It's a very stimulating atmosphere. HBO gets really good people from directors to writers and gives them free rein. That's what the networks don't get. Network executives micromanage [the creative process] and they don't know what they're doing."

Filming of "The Pacific" started in August 2007 and wrapped in May 2008. The budget was over \$150 million and is estimated to be the most expensive series ever filmed in Australia. O'Farrell said producers constructed a new studio in Melbourne expressly for shooting the series, and filmed on location in and around Melbourne, Port Douglas, Queensland and in rural Victoria. O'Farrell traveled to Australia on three different occasions for a total time of about 4-1/2 months Down Under.

"This was a different kind of thing for me as a role," said O'Farrell. "A doctor steeped in old Southern tradition. You put on those clothes, you start using the accent — it was really fun.



Conor O'Farrell as Dr. Sledge is a courtly Southern physician in the HBO miniseries "The Pacific."

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I slowed down. I walked differently. My entire demeanor changed. This is one piece I'm pretty proud of. It's a very good piece."

Considered a companion piece to the Emmy award-winning series, "Band of Brothers" about the war in the European Theater, "The Pacific" reunites Hanks, Spielberg and Goetzman as producers. "We're proud to be reuniting with Tom Hanks, and Steven Spielberg to complete the story of the American combat experience of World War II," said HBO Films president Colin Callender. "This epic miniseries is based on the true stories of three marines whose experiences in the Pacific embodied the unique nature of that theater of war, and dramatize how profoundly it differed from the European front."

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CSA 36

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indirectly from the newspaper rather than notification from either CSA 36 or ICRC.

In May 2009, ICRC announced, and CSA 36 approved a \$5,000 gift to the Idyllwild Summer Concert Series. This action had no prior county approval as required by contract and was not allowed in any case under current county regulations that prohibit gifts of county tax funds to third parties.

In August, a dispute emerged between an ICRC board member and the

board at large centered on questions over whether and how ICRC was fulfilling its bylaws. Brown and his deputy, Mike Franklin, as well as this reporter, were turned away from a meeting to discuss that issue. After the ICRC board member was removed, the remaining board promised to remedy its bylaw problems. At the end of August, Brown required a joint meeting of the CSA 36 and ICRC boards to discuss ICRC contract implementation and accountability. ICRC promised at the Sept. 17 meeting to address all county concerns and answer all county questions. As of the Feb. 18 CSA meeting, Brown stated he still had

not received answers to some of the questions the county sought. Then Lewis handed him a packet with additional responses. As of this writing, ICRC bylaw revision is "on hold."

ICRC board members maintain that Brown won't attend their meetings and assist them in addressing county concerns. Brown explained at the Feb. 18 meeting that after having been refused entry to an ICRC meeting, he had decided to attend only the CSA meetings where California's open government law — the Brown Act — applies. Until Singer came to the February meeting, ICRC board members generally did not

attend CSA 36 meetings.

Supervisor Stone clarified, in a letter Brown read to the CSA 36 board, that he expects Brown to see the county contract is fulfilled. "To be very clear, I have directed Bill Brown, whose job it is with the Economic Development Agency [EDA] to oversee, monitor, administer, and review all contractual agreements between the CSA and organizations such as ICRC." Brown and the Advisory Committee seem in clear agreement regarding roles and accountability.

Next week we will look at next steps.

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Spring Challenge time again

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Something invigorating comes the first weekend in May that clears away memories of gray skies, snow accumulations and berm problems. It arrives this year with new energy, excitement and a strategy to enfold more of the town into what has become a major national sporting event — the 2010 Idyllwild Spring Challenge (ISC) cycling race. “This is Idyllwild’s race,” said organizer Katie Hedrich of Idyllwild Cycling. “It’s not the 24 Hours of Adrenalin race from Canada. This is a home-grown, home-sponsored race.”

Each year the Spring Challenge has grown in both reputation and number of participants. When it started in 2005, just over 100 riders participated. This year, Hedrich anticipates 400 plus riders. In 2006, ISC made the cut as one of four new venues added by the American Mountain Bike Challenge (AMBC). All AMBC racers can qualify for USA Mountain Bike National Championships held this year July 15 through 18 in Granby, Colo. In 2007, ISC was listed on the National Mountain Bike and Cross Country (NMB) calendar and became an international Cycling Union (Union Cycliste Internationale - UCI)

race that allows competing pros to gain points toward Olympic trials. Last year, ISC organizers also added a junior Olympics series for riders 18 and younger. “If they place high enough in the races they ride [at ISC] they earn the right to go to special training camps,” said Hedrich. The first segment of the race, all day on Saturday, May 1, offers competitors challenging Hurkey Creek courses from 7.5 to 30 miles in length.

This year organizers are planning ways to pull racers into town — to showcase not just a great racecourse at Hurkey Creek, but an interesting and hospitable host town. Hedrich pointed out that

because of the nature of the 24-Hours’ race, cyclists need to remain at Hurkey Creek, where participants usually camp. “With our race, participants can opt to camp and stay in town,” said Hedrich.

ISC conducts two of its three race segments, the Time Trial and the Super D either in or beginning in Idyllwild — the Time Trial on Forest Service control roads behind Idyllwild Arts and the Super D from a point beginning at Cowbell Alley in Idyllwild to a finish line in Hurkey Creek. To complement those Sunday races, organizers are planning to provide a bus to bring Hurkey Creek campers to town for breakfast

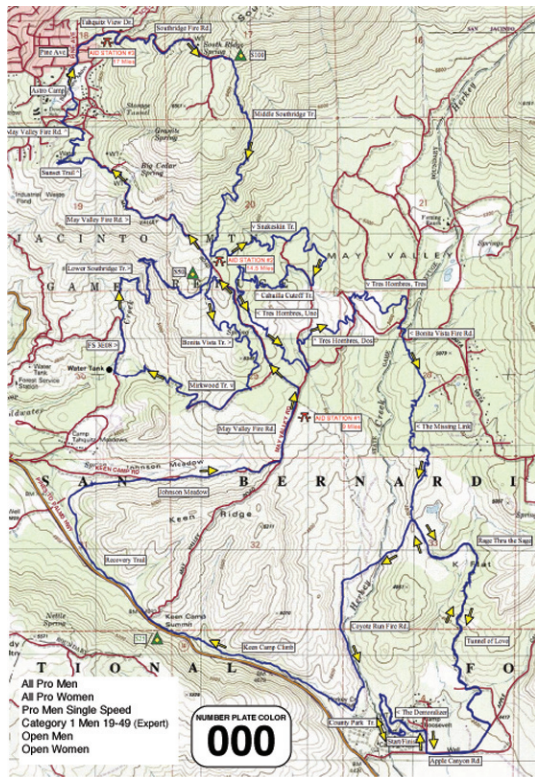
on Sunday morning. “We’ll shuttle racers from town to the Time Trial and Super D sites,” she noted.

Organizers are also offering local restaurants, innkeepers and merchants a race tie-in opportunity. By contributing \$50, local business owners become “Idyllwild Spring Challenge Proud Sponsors.” For that they receive signage to display at their business, listing on the ISC Web site and on a sponsor board at the race site at Hurkey Creek. They also receive \$5 coupons supplied by race organizers that racers can collect at the business and then use to reduce the racer’s entry fee. “That way racers come into

the sponsoring restaurant, collect their coupon, have a meal, perhaps decide to stay at sponsor inn, or buy merchandise at a sponsoring merchant,” she explained. “As soon as a business signs up, from now until the race weekend May 1 and 2, they’ll be advertised and have coupons and the opportunity to attract racers.”

Idyllwild Cycling and lead promoter Hedrich have, in five years, taken a local race and raised it to national and international prominence. “This is a dream come true for me,” said Hedrich. “This is a passion.”

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The venue and courses for the Saturdays May 1 Idyllwild Spring Challenge at Hurkey Creek.

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Eye of the Artist — March 13

By Betty Bailey
Special for the
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What does “scale” mean to you? That’s what artists in Idyllwild must decide for this year’s “Eye of the Artist” event, presented by the Art Alliance of Idyllwild (AAI). For the event, each artist member will create a work of art based on his or her interpretation of “scale.” With mediums that include painting, sculpture, ceramics, photography, glass, jewelry, furniture, basketry, metal and mixed media, the results are sure to be spectacular.

This year’s “eye opener” will be held from 7 to 9 p.m Saturday, March 13 at the Rainbow Inn. This begins the AAI’s 13th season of promoting art and arts education in Idyllwild while supporting local artists and galleries.

About 50 interpretations of the theme “scale” are expected to be shown and guests will have a chance

to take home one or more of these original works of art in an “opportunity drawing.” For the cost of a \$2 ticket, you can add to your art collection or start a new one. Local gallery owners also get in on the act. Their generous donations of works of art will be auctioned to the highest bidder. Auctioneer Frank Ferro returns to conduct this fun part of the evening.

The “Eye of the Artist” event is the AAI’s largest fund-raiser of the year. Proceeds help fund AAI events throughout the season. The event also kicks off the AAI season, which offers a unique art event on various Saturdays, between March and October. For a listing of this year’s events, please visit the AAI web site (www.artinidyllwild.com).

The Art Alliance of Idyllwild is a nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization that contributes to the Idyllwild Arts Academy and to



Frank Ferro auctions local artwork during the 2009 “Eye of the Artist” event sponsored by the Art Alliance of Idyllwild.

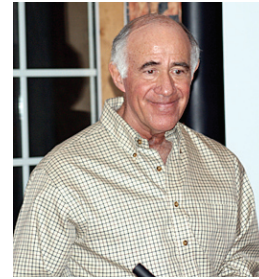
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the smARTs Program at Idyllwild School. For a suggested donation of \$5, you get a spirited evening of food, fun and exceptional art. Tickets for the opportunity drawing are \$2 each, three for \$5, seven for \$10, or 25 for \$20.

For more information, call the Art Alliance of Idyllwild at 877-439-5278 or visit the Web site at www.artinidyllwild.com.

Strange but true

Talk about a serious typo: In 2008, the Chilean mint issued thousands of copies of a coin with the country’s name spelled “Chiie” instead of “Chile.”



Local emergency room physician **Dr. Dick Goldberg** talks about his experiences serving in the Dominican Republic treating victims of the Jan. 12 disastrous Haiti earthquake. Goldberg recounted his week there as part of the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council’s Speaker’s Series. The event was held at the Rainbow Inn.

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Mike Rider performed the musical hits of **Johnny Cash** last Friday night at The Creek House.

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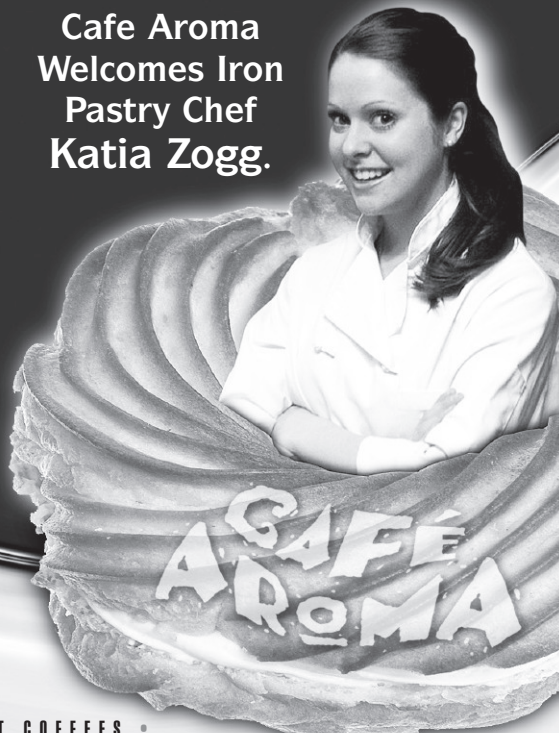
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Arts & Entertainment Calendar

Arts & Entertainment Calendar listings are at the discretion of the editor. Submittal forms can be picked up at the Town Crier.

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

Dan Papaila, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Valentine's Day," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Theatre Labwork: Head Over Heals in Shakespeare," 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Thursday, March 4
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.

Skeleton Crew, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Valentine's Day," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Theatre Labwork: Head Over Heals in Shakespeare," 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

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

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

The Girlz: Sandii, Kathleen & Jamie, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

Belly Dancing, 7 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shutter Island," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Saturday, March 6
Wildflower Festival, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument National Monument Visitor Center; Palm Desert. Call (760) 862-9984.

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

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; Chica & the Man, 1-3 p.m. Café Aroma.

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

"Shutter Island," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

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

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

Sunday, March 7
Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; Greg Jones & Friends, 1-3 p.m.; 82nd Annual Academy Awards celebration, 5 p.m. Café Aroma.

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

"Shutter Island," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Monday, March 8
Children's Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Sandii Castleberry, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shutter Island," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

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

Musical Theatre in the Meadow, 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

"Shutter Island," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, March 10
AWANA for ages 3 to fifth graders, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church.

Annie Moscow, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shutter Island," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, March 11
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.

Unwound, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shutter Island," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Friday, March 12
Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

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

smARTS, Idyllwild School Show Opening Reception, 6 p.m.

Parks Exhibition Center; Idyllwild Arts. Show runs through Friday, March 19.

Saturday, March 13
Saturday Morning Hikes, 9-11 a.m.; Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center. Call (760) 862-9984.

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; Hallie Hudson, 1-3 p.m. Café Aroma.

Junior Trail Guides Explorer Program (ages 9-12), noon-4 p.m. Santa Rosa & San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center. Call (760) 862-9984.

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

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

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

Art Alliance of Idyllwild Presents: The Eye of the Artist, "Scale," 7-9 p.m. The Rainbow Inn.

Sunday, March 14
Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; Catarina New, 1-3 p.m.; Skeleton Crew, 6-9 p.m.; Special Showing of "The Pacific" starring Conor O'Farrell, 9 p.m. Café Aroma.

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

An Evening of Original Mu-

sic with Roger Dutton & the Grey Striped Suits and special guests, 6:15 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Monday, March 15
Children's Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Dan Papaila, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Tuesday, March 16
The Friends of the Idyllwild Library present: "An Evening of Rembrandt," as portrayed by Ken Young, 5 p.m. Community Presbyterian Church.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 12
smARTS. Idyllwild Elementary School Show. Opening reception, 6 PM, Parks Exhibition Center. Show runs through Friday March 19.
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A treat for a good cause

By Beth Nottley
News Assistant

Ah, the Girl Scout cookie ... so easy to eat "just one more," until the entire box is suddenly gone. And, they can be consumed with little guilt since polishing them off is all for a good cause of funding girls' scouting activities. The only problem is the two or three boxes that one orders — with every intention of doling the cookies out slowly — are quickly gone and there are no more to be had until the next year's cookie sale.

That's a problem no more thanks to a change in the way Girl Scout cookies are now being sold. In the past, the girls took customer orders and a few weeks later they were delivered. Someone craving more would be lucky to score an extra box. This year, Girl Scout cookies are being sold a different way. Instead of a preorder system of distribution, cookie warehouses (called "pods") have stores of cookies from which troop leaders can replenish their supply. Troops also are relying more on selling cookies at booths

set up outside of local businesses.

The new system is working well in Idyllwild, according to Girl Scout Troop #561 Leader Kasandra Lovett and the troop's "cookie mom," Jessica Prierer. The troop, made up of 16 girls led by Lovett, co-leader Verna McQueeney and Prierer, has already met its goal of selling 2,000 boxes and still has until March 14, when the cookie campaign ends, to sell more. "It's because of the booths and having the cookies on hand," said Lovett.

There are still plenty of cookies to be sold, although Thin Mints — the most popular cookies — are running out. Lovett and Prierer laughed when, at the same time, they both exclaimed, "If [customers] can't get Thin Mints, they get mad." In addition to Thin Mints, mint-flavored chocolate wafers dipped in a chocolate coating, the cookie choices this year are Peanut Butter Patties, crispy vanilla cookies layered with peanut butter and covered with a chocolate coating; Peanut Butter Sandwiches, crunchy oatmeal cookies with a peanut butter fill-

ing; Shortbreads, traditional shortbread cookies made in the shape of the Girl Scout trefoil logo; Caramel DeLites, vanilla cookies coated in caramel, sprinkled with toasted coconut and laced with chocolate stripes; Thanks-A-Lot, shortbread cookies dipped in fudge; Lemonades, a lemon-flavored wafer; and Daisy Go-Rounds, cinnamon-flavored crispy cookies packaged in 100-calorie snack packs. Each box retails for \$4.

"We've got to get rid of these cookies," said Lovett. Girls from her troop set up a booth in front of the post office on Monday from 3 to 5 p.m. and Friday from 1 to 4 p.m., and in front of the Village Centre shopping plaza on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lovett and Prierer also have come up with some creative ways to sell the cookies. Both have their cars packed with cookies and back windshields painted with the words "Girl Scout Cookies For Sale." It is not unusual for them to be stopped by cookie shoppers. Also, Lovett lives on Highway 243, right across the street from Idyllwild School.

She said, "There's a line of cars sometimes, especially when people come up for the snow." During the Jan. 23 snowstorm, Prierer took a wagon loaded with cookies through town and sold more than 100 boxes.

Sale of the cookies is important for the local troop because it relies on the 70 cents it makes from the sale of each box to fund activities for the scouts. Lovett explained that most of the girls in the troop come from working class families who aren't able to contribute much money toward even the purchase of scout uniforms and badges their girls earn, much less outings. "Most of these parents are just trying to get by," she said. This year, the girls hope to earn enough to go to Sea World and to a Build-A-Bear workshop. They are also working on several badges, which cost about \$1 each and want to purchase vests for girls who don't have one.

So go ahead, treat yourself to a few boxes of your favorite Girl Scout cookies. It's for a good cause.

E-mail Beth Nottley at beth@towncrier.com.



Girl Scout Troop #561 has been out and about, selling Girl Scout cookies to the masses. One happy customer walks away with three boxes last Friday in front of the post office. **Chloe Lovett, 6,** and **Payton Prierer, 6,** count the earnings.

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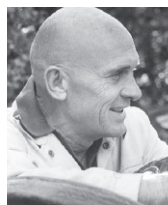
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COLONEL BO'S STORY TIME



I know I speak for a ton of us mountain neighbors when I say, "The earliest and most precious memory I have of childhood is sitting on my Mom's lap and listening to her tell stories." This storytelling time was — and still is — a major part of all of our preschool education — yours as well as mine. Now I don't mean to denigrate you guys. But indoor storytelling is and has always been a Mom's territory. Outside, by a campfire in the woods, it's Pop's. Either way, we kids found these 'storytimes' precious and fascinating moments. We younguns watched our Moms and Pops and learned how to tell a story. Then what seemed like just a flash-in-time, I found myself in a hot, wet, jungle tent in the Solomons. It's WWII. I'm sitting with six or eight other 20-year-old American GIs — listening to and telling some of the same stories — exaggerated a bit. If you would like to listen to or read some of my great adventures while driving to town or doing your housework or rocking the baby, drop by B'S MOUNTAIN of BOOKS or GREY SQUIRREL in Idyllwild and pick up an armload. You wouldn't believe how many neighbors tell me they're awesome —and they cost almost nothing.



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Professional Golf

Jack Clark, professional golf correspondent, gave this report on Idyllwild native **Brendan Steele**:

Brendan Steele suffered a back injury last week during the Panama Claro Championship resulting in his missing the cut and returning home for treatment.

He will miss this week's Nationwide Tour event in Colombia, but anticipates being ready for the \$550,000 Chitimacha Louisiana Open at Le Triomphe Country Club in Broussard, La. on March 25.

Town Hall Basketball

Town Hall Recreation Director **Bob Lewis** reported on Town Hall Youth Basketball:

First- and Second-Grade Division:

On Tuesday, Feb. 23, the Idyllwild Land Surveying Trojans played the Town Hall Wolverines. **Alia Teeguarden** of the Wolverines displayed great ball handling and made good passes to her teammates. But the Trojans' **Kevin Posey** made a great shot and the Trojans squeaked by the Wolverines 9-7.

On Thursday, Feb. 25, the Idyllwild Rotary Buckeyes battled the Idyllwild Land Surveying Trojans. This game was a defensive battle as **Brooke Arnson** of the Buckeyes played great defense and showed good ball handling with her passes. The Trojans kept it close with **Joaquin Mercado** grabbing numerous rebounds and playing good defense for the Trojans. But they lost this squeaker, when the Buckeyes' **Payton Priefer** made a basket for a 4-2 win over the Trojans.

In the last game of the regular season on Friday, Feb 26, the Trojans and Buckeyes met again. **Miren Pino** had a great game for the Trojans with her rebounding and good passes. The Buckeyes countered with lots of hustle and good defense from **Rory Wilke**. This time, the Trojans, behind **Chayton Kenyon's** 12 points, did not wait for the two-point close game. The Trojans beat the Buckeyes 25-10.

Standings

Team	Wins	Ties	Losses
Trojans	5	1	2
Wolverines	4	1	3
Buckeyes	2		6

Third- through Fifth Grade Division:

The Fairway Market Lakers played the Forest Lumber Heat on Tuesday, Feb 23. **Addison Wilson** played a great game with good defense, scoring 8 points for the Lakers. With **Yan Iranov's** hustle and rebounding, the Heat tied the Lakers in regulation time. But the Lakers extinguished the Heat in overtime, 24-19.

On Thursday, Feb. 25, the Rainbow Inn Warriors battled the Forest Lumber Heat. The Heat's **Cody Espinoza** had 4 points and made some great passes to his teammates. The Warriors had great play from **Amara Wilson** with great hustle and numerous rebounds. After a tight first half, the Heat pulled away at the end and beat the Warriors 21-15.

The Warriors played the Lakers in the last game of the regular season on Friday, Feb. 26. **Megan Graham** had a great game for the Lakers, scoring 2 points and playing great defense. **Ben Tiso** of the Warriors scored a bucket and had numerous assists with great passes to his teammates. But the Lakers prevailed, beating the Warriors 16-13.

Standings

Team	Wins	Losses
Lakers	11	1
Heat	5	7
Warriors	2	10

Send sports reports about locals to itc@towncrier.com or drop them off at the Town Crier by 10 a.m. Mondays. Photos also are welcome. If sending by e-mail, resolution must be



Warrior's player **Amara Wilson** (center) is outnumbered as she is towered over by Lakers' teammates at last Friday's basketball game.

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Idyllwild School student **Megan Graham** gets her turn at making a basket during the Town Hall Coed Youth Basketball game with the Lakers playing the Warriors last Friday night at Idyllwild School.

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The Warriors run the ball down the court against the Lakers last Friday night at Idyllwild School.

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Three new temporary tax credits

TAX TIPS

By STEPHEN T. PEPPER, EA, CFP



In an effort to stimulate our economy, last February Congress enacted the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that established three related credits.

The Making Work Pay Credit (MWPC) is a refundable credit of up to \$400 (\$800 joint) claimed on Schedule M of Form 1040. Economic Recovery Payments (ERP) were \$250 checks sent in May and June to Social Security recipients. The Government Retiree Credit (GRC) is a refundable credit of up to \$250 (\$500 joint) claimed on Schedule M for government retirees. The MWPC

applies to the 2009 and 2010 tax years while the ERP and GRC are for 2009 only.

The MWPC applies to anyone with earned income such as wages or self-employment income. The amount of the credit is 6.2 percent of earned income up to \$400 (\$800 joint). Both spouses need not work.

The credit phases out proportionally as your modified adjusted gross income increases from \$75,000 to \$95,000 for a single person, to \$150,000 to \$190,000 for a joint return. Withholding tables were modified in

April to give employees the credit immediately through decreased withholding.

The \$250 ERPs were sent to recipients of Social Security, Railroad Retirement Benefits or Veterans pensions or disability pensions.

The GRC applies to recipients of any government pension (including

cities and states) as long as the wages earning the pension were not subject to Social Security. The credit amount is \$250 per retiree (\$500 joint if both spouses qualify). Withholding tables were revised earlier this year to reflect the credit through decreased withholding. None of the credits repre-

sents taxable income.

The largest benefit you can receive from all three credits total is \$400 (\$800 joint). Therefore, if you qualify for two or all of the credits, you may still only receive these maximum amounts for all credits combined. The new complicated schedule M calculates the required offsets to ensure you don't receive more than \$400 single or \$800 joint.

Many taxpayers had automatic withholdings reduced too much so they might end up owing money when the tax return is filed. This can occur in situations such as when

the taxpayer had multiple jobs, a working spouse, unearned income reducing the credit and dependents that don't qualify for the credits but had their withholdings reduced. Civilian pensions had their withholding reduced but they do not qualify for the credits. This resulted in under withholding for civilian pension recipients.

These new interconnected credits can be confusing, as is the new schedule M. You will want to study the rules carefully before proceeding if preparing your own tax return.

Favorite recipes sought for cookbook

The Spruce Moose is creating a cookbook and is seeking locals' favorite recipes to include in it.

Up to three recipes may be submitted in writing to the shop, by mail to P.O. Box

1820, Idyllwild, CA 92549 or by e-mail to SpruceMooseGifts@msn.com.

Deadline for submission is April 30 and the cookbook is scheduled to be printed in early summer.

Once printed, \$1 from the sale of each cookbook will be donated to the Idyllwild HELP Center's Food Bank.

Strange but true

You may not be surprised to learn that the portions offered in fast-food restaurants have increased in size during the past few decades, but you may find the amount of the increase to be shocking: Portions are now anywhere from two to five times as large as they were in 1980.

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Automotive

2006 Dodge, 4X4, megacab, diesel, too many extras to list. Excellent condition, low miles, \$29,500. Call 306-7415.

Autos Wanted

DONATE YOUR CAR: Children's Cancer Fund! Help Save A Child's Life Through Research & Support! Free Vacation Package. Fast, Easy & Tax Deductible. Call 1-800-252-0615. (Cal-SCAN)

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Mobile Homes

Lake Hemet, park model, 40 ft., w/canvas rm., lg. lot, trees, turn key, shed, gazebo, partial lake view. \$23,000 OBO. 760-775-9147.

For Rent or Lease

RIGHT IN TOWN

Cute studio apartment. Full bath and full kitchen. Stackable washer/dryer. Nice balcony on second level. No pets, please. Special Ballard pricing. **\$675/mo.** includes water and sewer.

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Large one bedroom, one bath apartment close in town. One-car attached garage. Plus additional parking. Recently remodeled and upgraded. Very private. Rent includes water and sewer. Electric heat. \$750/mo.

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IT'S DIFFERENT



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Plant is missing. 2. Man's nose is smaller. 3. Blind are longer. 4. Briefcase is different. 5. Chair has cushioned back. 6. Picture has been added.

For Rent or Lease

Idyllwild, 3 BR, 2 BA, propane heat, wood burning, airtight FP, sunny, W/D hook-ups, lg. yard, \$1100/mo. 951-659-3241 or 760-340-1270.

Fern Valley, very private, luxurious home, amazing views, gourmet kitchen, walk-in pantry, Wolf stove, central propane heat, two airtight, wood burning FPs, W/D hook-ups, 4 lg. BR, 5 BA, 2,000 sq. ft. deck. Avail. April. 951-659-3241 or 760-340-1270.

2 BR, 1 BA, \$700/mo., W/D hookups. Deck. No pets. New paint/carpet. 25462 Cedar Glen, Apt. B. 619-276-9800.

Beautiful & spacious 2 BR, 2 BA, plus bonus room, lots of built-ins and storage in Cedar Glen. Washer/dryer, fridge, freezer included. \$1250/mo. Please call 562-618-0008.

For Rent or Lease

Pine Cove, 3 BR, 2 BA home on 3-acres. Lrg. kitchen, dining room, FP & deck, \$1150/mo. includes water & electric. 951-659-5836.

Tri-level view Pine Cove home. 3 BR + den, 2 BA, W/D hookups, decks, skylights. No smoking/pets \$1225/mo. 760-904-5780.

Desperate for a rental?

Place your classified ad in the best read "bulletin board" in town, The Town Crier. Call Sandy 659-2145.

2-level house: 3 BR, 2 BA, furnace, FP, paved road, deck. No pets/drugs/smoking. Sec. dep & credit check \$895/mo. 951-925-1965.

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IDYLLWILD CA

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Answers to Sudoku
(Puzzle on next page)

A	M	O	E	B	B	H	A	T	E
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Answers to Crossword
(Puzzle on next page)

Classifieds

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For Rent or Lease

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Next to the Bread Basket
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Fax: 951-659-4206
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Seeking awesome tenant for awesome studio. Light, spacious, quiet. Walk to town. No smoking/pets. \$550/mo., includes water & WiFi. Avail. now. 951-282-6662.

Log hm. built in 1990, 2 BR, 1 BA + loft, fully furnished, central heating, FP, dual pane windows, W/D hookups, spa tub, front deck, quiet neighborhood, level maintained street, close to town. No pets/smoking. Sec. dep. & credit check. \$995/mo. Chris 909-948-2982, cell 909-912-2862.

RENTER'S DELIGHT, Move-in ready, spacious 2 BR, 2 BA home in Cedar Glen. Cathedral ceilings, ample windows, and great decks all on one level. Appliances included; furnished if desired. Pets OK with deposit. Must see to appreciate! \$1150/mo. Call Jay 951-659-5859 or 858-335-4105.

For Rent or Lease

1 BR, 1 BA, newly remodeled, Pine Cove. \$575/mo. + sec. dep. No smoking. Call 760-831-8008.

Commercial Rentals

RETAIL or OFFICE

the courtyard building

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

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Reduced Rates...
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 Pete Daly
(619) 871-7235

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Subscribe! 659-2145

SUDOKU

(Answers on previous page)

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

Commercial Rentals

COMMERCIAL

Spruced up. Great location right on Hwy. Great window exposure and plenty of parking. Multi-use gift shop/office etc. ADA compliant bathroom + employee bathroom. AC. Great opportunity. \$950/mo.

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CROSSWORD

(Answers on previous page)

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ACROSS

- 1 I love (Lat.)
- 4 Recede
- 7 Detest
- 11 Overextended
- 13 Hair-salon item
- 14 First victim
- 15 Afrikaner
- 16 "- whiz!"
- 17 57-Across site
- 18 Confused
- 20 On pension (Abbr.)
- 22 Commotion
- 24 Snapshots
- 28 Automobile framework
- 32 Bring forth
- 33 Sharpen
- 34 Matlock's field
- 36 A Great Lake
- 37 Enola Gay payload
- 39 Units of measure
- 41 Pay
- 43 "Cool!" (Sl.)
- 44 Furtive call
- 46 Teeny-tiny
- 50 Dog bane
- 53 Pick a target
- 55 Counterfeit
- 56 Prison compartment
- 57 Floral adornment
- 58 Polynesian carving
- 59 Serene
- 60 "- Winterbourne"
- 61 Favorite

DOWN

- 1 Actress Jessica
- 2 Academic
- 3 Individuals
- 4 Omelet necessity (Abbr.)
- 5 "Cheers" order
- 6 Censor's sound
- 7 Quickly and in large amounts
- 8 Homer Simpson's dad
- 9 Sleuth
- 10 Wapiti
- 12 Request for a bribe
- 19 Billboards
- 21 Definite article
- 23 Lubricate
- 25 Ripped
- 26 "Grapes of Wrath" type
- 27 Gets a glimpse of
- 28 Bloke
- 29 Vagrant
- 30 Unsigned (Abbr.)
- 31 Despondent
- 35 Marry
- 38 Clear the tables
- 40 Prized possession
- 42 Song of praise
- 45 Layer
- 47 Ante, maybe
- 48 Autumn tool
- 49 Leave out
- 50 Media watchdog org.
- 51 Meadow
- 52 Right angle
- 54 Wrong (Pref.)

JUST LIKE CATS & DOGS



HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Disappointed about something that didn't go your way? Cheer up. Look at the reasons it happened, and you could find a valuable lesson about what to do (or not do!) the next time.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 19) It's a good time to do some reassessing of plans and goals — even how you considered redoing your bathroom. The point is to be open to change if change can improve things.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Take some time to learn who is the right person (or persons) to approach and discuss your ideas with for your new project. Also, reserve time to prepare for an upcoming family event.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Dealing with a demanding situation, as you recently did, could drain much of your own emotional reserves. Take time to relax and indulge yourself in some well-earned pampering.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The regal Lion might feel that she or he is above emotional displays. But showing your feelings can be liberating for you, and reassuring for someone who has been waiting for you to do so.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An emotionally needy person might make more demands than you can cope with. Best to ask for some breathing space NOW, before resentment sets in and makes communication difficult.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An unexpected spate of mixed signals

could cause serious schedule setbacks. Best to focus on straightening everything out as soon as possible and get everyone back on track.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be aware that someone in the workplace could try to use a disagreement with a colleague against you. If so, be prepared to offer your side of the story with the facts to back you up.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) An unexpected challenge to a previous decision can be unsettling. But your reservoir of self-confidence — plus your loyal supporters — should help carry the day for you. Good luck.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While the idea of making some sort of major move in the near future continues to interest you, don't overlook a new possibility that could be emerging closer to home.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Be careful not to base an upcoming decision on gossip or anything you might hear if it can't meet provable standards. That's true regardless of whom the source might be.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might still need to do some solid reassessing early in the week before you can close that sensitive situation. A new job-related opportunity could present itself later in the week.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are extraordinarily sensitive to people's feelings, and you're always ready to offer comfort if necessary.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as CDM DESIGNS, 25124 Highway 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 3258, Idyllwild, CA 92549. CHAD DAVID MARLER, 25124 Highway 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:
CHAD DAVID MARLER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 21, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-00685

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JAN. 21, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JAN. 21, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: M. Meyer, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as PRESENT ESSENCE PRESENTS, 26808 Saunders Meadow Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1712, Idyllwild, CA 92549. PRESENT ESSENCE, LLC, 26808 Saunders Meadow Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549, a California L.L.C.

This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company/Partnership.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on Jan. 1, 2010.

Signed:
TRICIA LYNN PILKINGTON
Manager
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 29, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-01017

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JAN. 29, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JAN. 29, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: M. Meyer, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing business as PINE COVE GARAGE, 23245 Hwy 243, Pine Cove, CA 92549, Riverside County. TIMOTHY CHARLES ROOD, 54374 Valley View Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, and BRUCE EDWARD STEWART, 25440 Rim Rock, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by Co-partners.
Registrants have not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:
TIMOTHY CHARLES ROOD
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 29, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-01011

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: M. Meyer, Deputy
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RIC541341

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

PETITION OF CIRILA FLORES – MARIO CHAVEZ FOR CHANGE OF NAME.
TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

1. Petitioner: CIRILA FLORES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

a. Present name: CRISTIAN CAMARILLO changed to Proposed name: CHRISTIAN CHAVEZ

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

NOTICE OF HEARING
a. Date: 3-9-10 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 3
b. Address of the court is same as noted above.

3. 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: Idyllwild Town Crier
Date: Jan. 12, 2010
Gloria C. Trask
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Feb. 11, 18, 25, March 4, 2010.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. NO. 1234646-03 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. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On March 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 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 address 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 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: \$870,070.89. 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 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, 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 Section 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: Rebecca Kuenzi Position: Team Manager For sales information: Mon-Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 5255 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: February 09, 2010. (R-294237 02/18/10, 02/25/10, 03/04/10)

Pub. TC: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as EARTH QUAKE READY!, 69712 Willow Ln., Cathedral City, CA 92234, Riverside County. RICHARD NELSON MILLS, 69712 Willow Ln., Cathedral City, CA 92234.
This business is conducted by an Individual.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:
RICHARD NELSON MILLS
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 2, 2010.

FILE NO.:
I-2010-00314

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FEB. 2, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 2, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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: D. Perez, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-01018

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 11, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 11, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Perez, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as PHOTOGRAPHY BY SHAUNNA, 26556 Don Juan Circle, Hemet, CA 92544, Riverside County. SHAUNNA MARIE FRIEMOTH, 26556 Don Juan Circle, Hemet, CA 92544.
This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:
SHAUNNA MARIE FRIEMOTH
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 5, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-01346

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 5, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 5, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: C. Leyva, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 18, 25, March 4, 11, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as BOOKKEEPING MADE EASY, 40680 Walsh Center Drive #238, Murrieta, CA 92562, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 434, Murrieta, CA 92564. KIMBERLY ANN BARRIER, 40680

Walsh Center Dr. #238, Murrieta, CA 92562.
This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:
ANN BARRIER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 10, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-01546

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 10, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 10, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Rivera, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as SOLUTION HANDYMAN SERVICES, 25400 Manzanita Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. EDUARDO (NMM) CORRALES, 27200 Roger St., Hemet, CA 92544.
This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:
EDUARDO CORRALES
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 26, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-00818

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CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: B. Harris, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2010.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. NO. K504598 CA UNIT CODE: K LOAN NO: 4000731267/WILSON INVESTOR NO: 0082327875 AP #1: 565-232-010-4
POWER DEFAULT SERVICES, INC., as duly appointed Trustee under the following described Deed of Trust WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (in the forms which are lawful tender in the United States) and/or the cashier's, certified or other checks specified in Civil Code Section 2924h (payable in full at the time of sale to T.D. Service Company) all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property hereinafter described: Trustor: JOHN A. WILSON, KATHY WILSON Recorded July 1, 2005 as Instr. No. 2005-0530741 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of RIVERSIDE County, CALIFORNIA, pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded November 18, 2009 as Instr. No. 09-0598489 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of RIVERSIDE County CALIFORNIA. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED JUNE 24, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. 26601 SAUNDERS MEADOW ROAD, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549

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servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date of the notice of sale is filed; The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: February 19, 2010 POWER DEFAULT SERVICES, INC. as said Trustee, as Authorized Agent for the Beneficiary CHERYL L. MONDRAGON, ASSISTANT SECRETARY T.D. SERVICE COMPANY 1820 E. FIRST ST., SUITE 210, P.O. BOX 11988 SANTA ANA, CA 92711-1988 We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing. If available, the expected opening bid and/or postponement information may be obtained by calling the following telephone number(s) on the day before the sale: (714) 480-5690 or you may access sales information at www.ascentex.com/websales. TAG# 884005C PUB: 02/25/10, 03/04/10, 03/11/10.

Pub. TC: Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as PAT'S PC REPAIR, 45760 Bentley St., Hemet, CA, 92544, Riverside. Mailing address: 43430 E. Florida Ave. #F, PMB 284, Hemet, CA 92544. PATRICK ALAN LUFT, 45760 Bentley St., Hemet, CA 92544.
This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:
PATRICK ALAN LUFT
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 17, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-01761

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: A. Clabaugh, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-02097

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County Clerk
By: A. Clabaugh, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as VEIN INSTITUTE OF THE DESERT, 414-300 Monterey, Suite B, Palm Desert, CA 92260, Riverside County. Mailing address: 45-166 Crystal Springs Dr., Indio, CA 92201. JOAN LEIGH WARREN, 45-166 Crystal Springs Dr., Indio, CA 92201.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:
JOAN L. WARREN
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 23, 2010.

FILE NO.:
I-2010-00522

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: M. Duenas, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2010.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described personal property will be held at the hour of 2:30 P.M., March 16, 2010 at Lockaway Storage, 1181 N. State St. in the city of Hemet, County of Riverside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, misc. tools and equipment.

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

Manager/Cathie Brogdon
RE: Notice of Public Sale
Misc. Household Items and Furniture, Tools and Equip.
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Unit # B339
Name: Maxence Muller
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Name: Joe Nunez
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Name: Sarah Thompson
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Name: Beverly Samuels
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Lockaway/Hemet
Cathie Brogdon - Manager
American Auction Service
Bond # FS8632014
Pub. TC: March 4, 11, 2010.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described personal property will be held at the hour of 3 p.m. on March 16, 2010 at San Jacinto Self Storage, 1137 S. San Jacinto Ave. in the City of San Jacinto, County of Riverside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, misc. tools and equipment.

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

Manager: Bill Cook
RE: Notice of Public Sale
Misc. Household Items and Furniture, Tools & Equip.
San Jacinto Self Storage
1137 S. San Jacinto Ave.
San Jacinto, CA 92583
(951) 487-6112
Unit # 227
Name: Anderson, John
Unit # 303
Name: Cropper, Sally
Unit # 423
Name: Weber, Diane
Auction to be held on March 16, 2010, at 3 p.m.
San Jacinto Self Storage/San Jacinto
Bill Cook - Manager
American Auction Service
Bond # FS8632014
Pub. TC: March 4, 11, 2010.

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Signed:
PATRICK ALAN LUFT
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 17, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-01761

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County Clerk
By: A. Clabaugh, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as ROWLEY CONSTRUCTION, 53250 Big Rock Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 2024, Idyllwild, CA 92549. VANCE WILBERT ROWLEY, 1246 So. Shelton Street, Santa Ana, CA 92707.
This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:
VANCE WILBERT ROWLEY
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 24, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-02097

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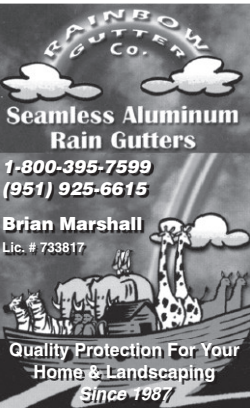
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CREATURE CORNER

BY MIMI AND HOOTCH

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My name is **Natasha**. I am a young, female bluetick coonhound. I am a bit shy so I need some reassuring. I do love to ride in the car and I walk well on the leash. I am spayed and current on all shots. I am looking for my "forever home" and would be happy to live with other cats and dogs. Call ARF to

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60 years ago - 1950

Ernie Maxwell and Ralph Accardi, conducting the snow survey, got lost near Hidden Lake. But Maxwell declared, "Each year we get a little less lost."

50 years ago - 1960

An experiment by the U.S. Forest Service to attack beetle-infested pines by spraying insecticide from a helicopter was conducted at Chimney Flat.

45 years ago - 1965

The County Board of Supervisors upheld the "No Shooting" ordinance. It became illegal to discharge a firearm within 300 yards of a public road, highway or trail or within one mile of city limits.

35 years ago - 1975

It was announced that the Pacific Crest Trail, which was two-thirds built, would pass through the San Jacinto and Santa Rosa Mountains. The trail, which would be the nation's longest, was scheduled for completion in 1980.

PAST TENSE



"Weekend at Bernie's" star **Terry Kiser** (left) makes a special appearance at a showing of his movie at The Rustic Theatre on Aug. 20, 1989. Kiser, who spent summers in Idyllwild, played a corpse in the popular comedy. With him is former Rustic Theater manager **Marsha Bronson**.

FILE PHOTO

30 years ago - 1980

It was raining again to the dismay of Leonard Hale, general manager of the Lake Hemet Municipal Water District. Recent storms had badly eroded the granite below the auxiliary dam, threatening to lose an estimated 2.6 gallons of water.

20 years ago - 1990


Five hundred students from Idyllwild Elementary School planted 1,500 trees on the grounds of Living Free Animal Sanctuary.

10 years ago - 2000

The Women's Guild of the Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church gave a tribute to Grace Moore, who had recently retired after 15 years of running the church's Thrift Shop. Grace seems to have forgotten that and can still be found running around the Thrift Shop.

1 year ago - 2009

After 34-1/2 years with the U.S. Postal Service and nearly seven years as Idyllwild's postmaster, Dawn Miller retired.




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HUSD puts layoffs on agenda

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

With no change in negotiations between Hemet Unified School District (HUSD) and the Hemet Teachers Association (HTA), HUSD Superintendent Dr. Philip Pendley placed the potential layoff of nearly 144 staff members, including teachers, on the Tuesday, March 2 board agenda.

Last week, the state informed both HUSD and HTA that it had accepted and recognized the impasse. A mediator will be appointed to intercede with the intent to try to achieve an agreement.

"The layoffs are necessary if we don't have a settlement," Pendley said. He and the board have consistently stated that protecting the teaching and other staff was their highest priority.

The level of state reductions has led HUSD to request a 7-percent reduction in salaries and benefits. This cut

would protect teachers' jobs. In other Riverside County school districts, cooperation between the district and the teachers' organizations has varied.

HTA has indicated it understands the pressure being placed on HUSD management comes from outside and does not reflect a shift in attitude toward the association.

Because HTA has not simply agreed to HUSD's proposals, the district quickly declared an impasse.

Lead HTA negotiator, Holly Guntermann, Idyllwild School physical education teacher, approached the board at its Feb. 23 meeting and asked them to reopen the negotiations.

"We're hoping they'd talk to us," Guntermann said. "We should be at the table."

More bad news

As part of the Legislature's efforts to balance the state budget and manage its cash

flow, it has shifted the problem to counties, cities and school districts. AB 5 X8 enables the state to postpone up to \$2.5 billion in payments to schools between July 2010 and March 2011 if the state's cash flow cannot support the transfer of funds. The payments, which occur three times a year, could be deferred up to 60 days in July and March and 90 days in October.

"It's another one of those things which makes doing our job more difficult," Pendley said. According to him, one deferral was already planned. This bill makes future transfers subject to the discretion of the California Department of Finance and the Governor's Office.

"The state is passing its cash flow problems onto agencies like ours," Pendley said. "This makes us borrow more. It's another example of the state passing the buck."

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VHS pleased as pink to sell, finances still red

By J.P. CRUMRINE
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The Monday evening, March 1, Valley Health System board meeting was anticlimactic and a continuation of the recent financial trends. The lack of drama originates in the closure of last week's court case.

Prime Healthcare Services of Ontario, founded by Dr. Prem Reddy, aggressively litigated the VHS board's decision to sell the Hemet Valley (HVMC) and Menifee Valley (MVMC) medical centers and other real estate to Physicians for Healthy Hospitals (PHH). Although composed of a group of local doctors, PHH never had to compete for the right to purchase the VHS assets.

VHS' trend of red ink continued in January. Operations have been negative every month of this fiscal year (since July). Through

January, net losses amounted to slightly more than \$5 million and nearly 20 percent of those losses occurred in January.

Restructuring fees, the legal costs VHS must pay to creditors while it is under the bankruptcy umbrella, have totaled about \$4.3 million through January. The income statement would have a slightly different hue if VHS comes out of bankruptcy.

Kathleen Cain, the interim financial officer, mentioned improvements in several key indicators. Discharges have increased and exceeded the January 2009 volume. Complementing the increase in discharges is a drop in the average length of stay.

She also noted a growth in surgeries at HVMC. The uninsured patient days are about the same. At MVMC, these are fairly constant, but more volatile at Hemet.

Both Prime Healthcare

and VHS are awaiting Bankruptcy Court Judge Peter Carroll's decision. If he rules in VHS' favor, PHH will have no more obstacles to prevent closing the purchase.

A ruling in Prime's favor would create some chaos. VHS' plan to end its bankruptcy protection is dependent upon selling the hospitals to PHH and using the cash to pay off its bondholders.

One fact emerging from the trial was confirmation that Hemet physician Dr. Kali Chaudhuri controls the legal entity that controls PHH. Both the VHS board and PHH had long denied his involvement. But he was necessary to assure PHH's loans in order to convince the bankruptcy court that PHH had the ability to secure the financing to close the sale.

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