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Members of the Hill fire agencies met with residents last week to discuss the new fire season. The Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council organized the session at Idyllwild School. From left, **Chris Fogle**, U.S. Forest Service battalion chief; **Kevin Turner**, CalFire forester; **Dan Felix**, fire chief for the San Jacinto Ranger District; and CalFire Capt. **Matt Barr**.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

Fire officials say "Ready, Set ..."

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Local fire officials spent two hours Thursday evening, May 20 discussing the 2010 fire season with local residents. The Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council (FSC) organized and sponsored the evening which included the chiefs of the three fire organizations operating on the Hill as well as several other speakers with intimate knowledge on what local property owners can do to improve the protection of their residences and families.

"People are here because you care," began Riverside County fire Chief John Hawkins, who also heads the CalFire Riverside unit. "Deliver our messages to the town folk and community, it's better delivered by you."

Hawkins' message was "We and us, not I and me."

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"The Odd Couple" visits Idyllwild

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

The "Odd Couple," a 1965 Neil Simon play, makes its Idyllwild debut, with an Idyllwild cast, Friday, May 28. The production will continue through the weekend, the last performance will be Sunday, May 30. The stage program will be combined with a dinner, à la dinner theater, for \$30 and all proceeds benefit the Idyllwild HELP Center.

Recognizing the HELP Center's value and contribution to the town, Conor O'Farrell, the director and professional thespian, suggested to Kathy Halkin, president of the Idyllwild HELP Center's board of

directors, that he would like to produce a theater event to benefit the HELP Center.

"People call the church all the time and we refer them to the HELP Center," he observed. "Their need is money to help people with needs such as food, utility bills, medical emergencies and other problems.

"It's a fund-raiser for an organization that is always giving something to people, here," he said. "With a meal and some comedy, I felt you would get something for your money."

The play is about two mismatched roommates — Felix Ungar and Oscar Madison. The former is an obsessive neatnik and the latter, a casual and relaxed

writer whose priority for cleanliness comes after almost everything else in his life.

O'Farrell recruited the entire cast, composed of local residents. Vic Sirkin plays Madison and Lou Bacher is Ungar. The other members include Pete Capparelli, Jim Crandall, Phil Drell and Frank Ferro as the poker playing buddies. Sandi Castleberry and Halkin portray the Pigeon sisters

Working with nonprofessional actors was a challenge for O'Farrell, but he is proud of the results and confident this is the right group of people. Excited to be part of the production, Bacher still expressed surprise at what
See *Odd Couple*, page 21

Temecula BID reps come to Idyllwild

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Temecula Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau President Kimberly Adams and Chairman Dennis Ferguson counseled local business leaders on the challenges and opportunities in forming a business improvement district (BID), at the Caine Learning Center on Wednesday, May 19.

What the Temecula directors made clear is why so many tourist destinations are adopting the BID model — money from cities and counties for assisting tour-

ism marketing is drying up. Ferguson highlighted that six years ago business owners in Temecula were facing the same quandaries as are Idyllwild owners now, albeit with a somewhat better economy. Temecula owners were struggling to manage their businesses and find the time and money to design and create effective marketing campaigns that would keep them in business. Businesses functioned as separate marketing entities instead of having a coordinated branding and marketing campaign.

Ferguson said the BID
See Bid, page 31

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, May 17 to 24:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

May 17 — Two walk-in medical aids.

May 17 — Medical aid, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

May 17 — Power line down, Deerfoot Lane, Idyllwild.

May 17 — Steam, vapor, fog or dust thought to be smoke, Highway 243 at Marian View Drive, Idyllwild.

May 18 — Walk-in medical aid.

May 18 — Medical aid, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

May 19 — Medical aid, Hemstreet Place, Idyllwild.

May 22 — Medical aid, North Circle Drive, Idyllwild.

May 22 — Walk-in medical aid.

May 22 — Medical aid, Marian View Drive, Idyllwild.

May 23 — Medical aid, Highway 243 at Deer Springs Trail, Idyllwild.

Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

May 17 — Commercial vehicle fire.

May 18 — Medical aid,

chest pains.

May 20 — Wildland fire.

May 21 — Medical aid, traffic collision.

May 23 — Medical aid, person down.

May 23 — Medical aid, traffic collision.

Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

May 17 — Vehicle fire, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

May 18 — Structure fire, 58000 block of Remy Lane, Anza.

May 20 — Traffic collision, 58000 block of Ramsey Road, Anza.

May 21 — Traffic collision, 53000 block of Highway 74, Garner Valley.

Riverside County Fire, Pinyon

Log unavailable.

Riverside County Fire, Anza

May 17 — Medical aid, Contreras Road and Valley View Lane, Anza.

May 18 — Residential structure fire, Remy Lane and Terwilliger Road, Anza.

May 19 — Medical aid, Yucca Valley and Spanish Dagger roads, Anza.

May 20 — Walk-in medical aid.

RMRU finds scout leader

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

An Orange County Boy Scout leader injured his leg Sunday and needed the assistance of the Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit (RMRU) to get off the mountain.

The scouts were in the upper Deer Springs drainage, miles from the highway, when the leader was injured. The troop, with another adult leader, hiked out Sunday, and contacted the Sheriff's office and RMRU, according to local member Lee Arnsion.

"It took nearly 20 hours to locate him and the leader who stayed with him," Arnsion

said.

Arnsion and Will Carlson took the tram to the top of the mountain Sunday evening, camped and began searching for the pair about 6:30 a.m., Monday morning.

After finding the two, the RMRU rescuers called for a helicopter to airlift the man out and to medical assistance.

Arnsion confirmed that Sunday night's temperatures and weather impeded a quick search and rescue effort. The scout leaders had a tent and plenty of bundling to stay warm, he said.

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

May 20 — Traffic collision, Highway 371 and Cary Road, Anza.

May 21 — Medical aid, Ramsey and Terwilliger roads, Anza.

May 22 — Traffic collision, Bautista Road and Highway 371, Anza.

May 23 — Medical aid, Stones Throw and Spring Brook roads, Anza.

call from Monday, May 17 to Sunday, May 24. This may not be a complete list of responses:

May 20 — Two-vehicle, noninjury traffic collision, Highway 371 east of Burnt Valley Road, Anza.

May 21 — Single-vehicle traffic collision with one minor injury, Ramsey Road west of Terwilliger Road, Anza.

CHP log

The resident post of the California Highway Patrol responded to the following

Sheriff's log

Log unavailable.



Local artist, **Dore Capitani**, uses art to warn visiting motorcyclists of the danger riding the Hill's serpentine roads.

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Strange but true

Although Portuguese is the official language of Brazil, those who study such things say that there are 170 languages spoken in that country, most of them known well only by the indigenous people who grew up speaking them.

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Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service

Thursday 5/27	Friday 5/28	Saturday 5/29	Sunday 5/30	Monday 5/31
67/35	69/38	78/47	83/50	80/49
Partly cloudy, patchy fog, windy.	Partly cloudy, becoming mostly cloudy, patchy fog.	Mostly sunny and warmer.	Sunny skies.	Sunny skies.

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year				
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S	
5-17	70	43			89	55			
5-18	60	51			84	58			
5-19	na	na			80	52			
5-20	na	na			81	51			
5-21	75	37			75	49			
5-22	63	46			73	45			
5-23	63	31	.07		73	46			

Moisture in inches

To date this season (Idy): 23.61
To date last season (Idy): 18.04
Total last season (Idy): 18.04
To date this season (PC): 30.92

Snow in inches

To date this season (Idy): 35.91
To date last season (Idy): 55.2
Total last season (Idy): 55.2
To date this season (PC): 72.5

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

Weather season is July 1 to June 30. For Hill road conditions and Hill weather, visit the Internet at <http://www.towncrier.com> or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

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OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

BY BRUCE WATTS

PCT wrap up, part 2

Looking back on the month of May, I have to say that in the big scheme of things it is not about the shop or Idyllwild or the gear or the weather. It is ultimately all about the hikers on the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT). We see but a brief glimpse of what it is like to be out hiking for several months and even though that glimpse can be a very intense experience, most of us will never know what it is like to do a through-hike.

If I were 30 to 40 years younger I would probably be hiking the PCT right now. Alas, I don't think my knees would hold up for even a week on the trail. So every year I get my PCT fix at work. On numerous occasions, I get to have a meaningful conversation with some of the hikers. One such hiker is Billy Goat.

Billy Goat is as close to a celebrity as any other through-hiker. As a 71-year-old man with 37,000 trail miles under his shoes, Billy is looked upon as both an elder statesman and inspiration in the through hiking community. When Billy comes to town all the other hikers and non-hikers alike seem to gravitate toward him and want to talk with Billy Goat.

With his long, gray beard and his weathered look of wisdom, Billy seems like the Gandalf of the hiking community. Although Billy Goat seems to handle things with good humor, he is far from the type of person who wants all the attention he receives. In fact, some people would call Billy Goat cantankerous.



This is Billy Goat's ninth year in a row on the PCT. As I said about him last year, which bears repeating, there's nothing about Billy Goat that can be bought or sold. Billy Goat is his own man and that is one of the things that sets him apart from the rest of humans on this planet.

Next, I would like to mention the Granquist brothers — Jack, 26-years-old, Brad, 23, and Erik, 21 — who are hiking the PCT together. Actually, I dubbed them the Baltoro Brothers as they all are carrying Gregory Baltoro packs. They didn't seem too keen on my trail name for them so I will see if it sticks. Once the other hikers give you a trail name it tends to stick for the duration of the hike and beyond.

The three brothers are all stamped out of the same mold and look so much alike they could have been triplets. The main difference between them is that they seem to come in three sizes: large, bigger and XL. At any rate, I really enjoyed meeting them and plan to follow their hiking blog at www.pctadventure2010.blogspot.com.

There are many more hiker stories to tell. Some of them are a little crazy. Some are down right insane — but like the saying goes, it takes all kinds. I, for one, tend to concentrate on the positive side of life and remember the



This Penstemon, the Scarlet Bugler, is a very showy perennial with a spike of 2-inch red flowers between April and July. Native to dry slopes in the coast ranges and the Southern Sierras up to 6,500 feet, this Penstemon wants full sun and is very drought tolerant. Hummingbirds find it a favorite. You can see this plant when driving up and down the Hill.

PHOTO COURTESY OF HAROLD VOORHEIS

good things.

This column completes my coverage of the 2010 PCT season. In the next column, I will return to all things Idyllwild. Until then have fun, be safe.

Mary & Doug Austin and The Idyllwild Rotary Club

Proudly Present two \$1,000 Idyllwild School Charles Dickens Essay
& Poster Contest Scholarships to

Emma Salter and Michael Drell



In 2005, Mary & Doug Austin/Olde English Theatre created the "Idyllwild School Charles Dickens Essay & Poster Contest." The first recipients of the contest monies are now college bound. A committee selected two students to receive the first annual \$1,000 scholarships, moreover, one \$1,000 scholarship for the Essay and one \$1,000 scholarship for the Poster portions of the 2005 contest. This will be an annual scholarship event,

The Idyllwild Rotary Club's motto: "Service Above Self" and a cornerstone of Promoting Literacy and Reading Programs cheerfully provided half of the scholarship funding. The Idyllwild Rotary Club has been onboard with this scholarship undertaking for the last three years. Mary & Doug Austin/Olde English Theatre and the Idyllwild Rotary Club feel if a Middle School student is encouraged to read Charles Dickens and other classics, they are on their way to mastering the English Language.

A very special thank you to Patty Carratello and Principal Matt Kraemer for their ongoing support of this reading program.

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Gigi and Daniel Suiffet visited their granddaughter **Emmaline**, and her parents in Frisco, Colo., whose elevation is 9,000 feet. While in Frisco, the Suiffets took part in the town's annual spring clean-up. Inset is the recycling tent they encountered. Impressed by the civic and eco-minded residents, Daniel is thinking one or two local groups might spearhead a similar effort in Idyllwild. "We are surrounded by a corps of volunteers who are so open-hearted, and can only wait to benefit our town [Idyllwild]."

PHOTO COURTESY OF DANIEL SUIFFET



Barry and Linda Shapiro, owners of Idyllwild Pharmacy, visited The Alamo in San Antonio, Texas, and remember the Town Crier.

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On a cruise from Singapore to Rome, **Barbara and Terry Richmond** stopped in Dubai, the capital of the United Arab Emirates. The large sailboat in the background is actually the Burj Al Arab Hotel.

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The Idyllwild Garden Club is dedicated to protecting, preserving and gardening with our native plant treasures.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 17.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

- 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.
- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- "Beyond Chocolate? A Naturopathic Medical Perspective on Fitness and Health," presentation by Dr. John Dunn, Licensed Naturopathic Physician, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Mile High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Drive.

THURSDAY, MAY 27

- Idyllwild Business Roundtable, 8 a.m. Caine Learning Center, 54385 Pine Crest Ave.
- Qigong with Keiko, 10-11 a.m. The Chakra Shack, 54750 North Circle Dr., Unit A.
- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Village Center 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.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Lemon Lily Festival planning meeting, 1 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243.
- Business Improvement District meeting with speaker from Main Street, Palm Springs, 6:30 p.m. Caine Learning Center, 54385 Pine Crest Ave.
- ICRC Book Club, 7 p.m. Creekstone Inn.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr.

FRIDAY, MAY 28

- 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.
- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step program. BBQ 6-7 p.m.; Open Share meeting 7-9 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy 243, Mountain Center. Child care available. Call 659-0097 for information.
- "Inner Journey to Self" workshop with Celeste Mann, 7-9 p.m.; Full Moon Circle, 8 p.m. The Chakra Shack, 54750 North Circle Dr., Unit A.

SATURDAY, MAY 29

- Al-Anon, noon, Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- 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.
- Girls' Goddess Group, 1-2:30 p.m.; Yoga with Trine, 2:30-4 p.m. The Chakra Shack, 54750 North Circle Dr., Unit A.

SUNDAY, MAY 30

- Zen Meditation Group, 8 a.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, 12x12 Book Study closed meeting, noon. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243; 5 p.m., Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Road, Poppet Flat, across from CalFire Station 63.

MONDAY, MAY 31

- Memorial Day Ceremony, 11 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon & 7:30 p.m., St. Hugh's Ep-

scopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

- Community Arts Network, informal brainstorming sessions, 4-5 p.m. Idyllwild Tea Company, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.
- Al-Anon, 5:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr.

TUESDAY, JUNE 1

- Zen Meditation Group, 7 a.m. & 7 p.m. Call 659-2253.
- Women's Health Fair with free osteoporosis, diabetes & blood pressure screenings, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Idyllwild Pharmacy, Strawberry Creek Square.
- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- Low Income Commodity Distribution (all ages, low income) & Senior food Sharing (anyone over age 60 qualifies), 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Mormon Church, 53830 Tollgate Rd.
- Idyllwild Garden Club, noon. Community Presbyterian church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; AA Open Meeting & Big Book Study, 6-7 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.
- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 5-7 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Ave.
- Hilltop Horsemen, 6 p.m. Call 659-2947 for location.
- ESL class, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild School, 26700 Highway 243.
- Beginning Belly Dancing with Raye, 6-7 p.m. The Chakra Shack, 54750 North Circle Dr., Unit A.
- Hemet Unified School District board meeting, 6:30 p.m. HUSD offices, 1791 W. Acacia Ave., Hemet.
- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step Study meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Call 659-0097 for information.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

- 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.
- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- Garner Valley Women's Club, 10:30 a.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devil's 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.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spritual Living Center, 54423 Village Center Dr.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

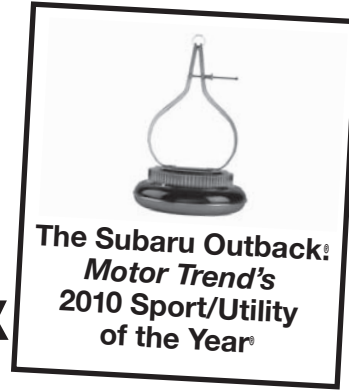
- California Department of Forestry (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Mountain Resource Center 25380 Franklin Dr., 659-3335.
- Idyllwild HELP Center, 26330 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-noon & 1-3 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. 659-2110.
- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 North Circle Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday. Group tours by appointment. 659-2717.
- Idyllwild Library, 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 Wednesday & 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; 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.



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INITIAL THOUGHTS

Too many districts? Higher fees ...



A Community Service District (CSD) is an idea whose time may have come for Hill residents. It is certainly worth considering as several local governmental agencies mount campaigns to raise fees.

I'm not advocating a CSD for the Hill, just a suggestion that we might want to examine a bigger picture and look at other options.

While these fee campaigns may be fun and, I hope, enlightening, they may also obscure an option which would serve purposes beyond a funding mechanism.

In unincorporated areas, the county provides basic services such as water, sewer and security. Under California law, a community service district may be created to provide some or all of these services without incorporating the area.

The range of governmental services is very broad. Government Code section 61100 begins with the supply of water. It then lists more than 20 other services such as the provision of sewage, wastewater, recycled water, fire protection, rescue services, hazardous material emergency response services, ambulance services, police protection, law enforcement services, security services or library services.

In addition, a CSD is authorized to acquire, construct, improve, maintain and operate recreation facilities in the same manner as a recreation and park district.

A CSD may assume responsibility for one, two or any combination of these functions, including the ones, such as a cemetery district, that I have omitted from the above list. The decision rests with the residents of the district. They can tailor their district to local needs and priorities.

In order to carry out these functions, a CSD is authorized to adopt ordinances, to acquire real and personal property and to establish rates or other charges for services and facilities that the district provides. When a CSD exists, the property owner pays taxes to the CSD instead of the county for the services provided. Taxes are calculated upon assessed value of the land and improvements and placed on the property tax bill. CSDs are limited to a maximum tax levy of 1 percent of assessed valuation unless a majority vote authorizes more.

Currently, both Idyllwild Water District (IWD) and Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) are discussing their need for increasing revenue by raising fees.

This column is not about the merits of these proposals. Neither district has held a public hearing on the matter, although IWD has one scheduled next month. We should be patient and listen to the facts and arguments.

IFPD is still in preliminary discussion and has not even scheduled a public hearing. But commissioners spent time talking about the need, their strategy and a town meeting to present these needs, such as a new ambulance, equipment for the volunteers' engine and heavy duty clothing for all firefighters.

The Idyllwild Community Recreation Council held their first fund-raiser Saturday. Apparently it was successful and I can vouch for the quality of the food. One spaghetti feed won't be sufficient to build a new community center.

Here's three vital community and public service areas which will begin asking for additional taxpayer support. At this point, recreation funds will be donations.

Given the recent and strong advocacy for local control, local management and local autonomy, perhaps a CSD that encompasses several or more of these functions could improve service to our community. Maybe broadening the community to encompass neighbors from Mountain Center to Alandale would help. For example, CSA 38 would want to be included in a CSD since they are still looking for that new fire engine.

I think a CSD is an option worth exploring, if only to reduce the number of boards and commissions. As summer begins, and thoughts turn to travel and beaches, don't forget to ask, "What's a CSD?" and "Why should I care?"

J.P., EDITOR

READERS WRITE

Graffiti

EDITOR:

Well this letter took a while to write. I guess because there is so much going on in the news today and in the world. I had to take a breath and sit down to write.

A few months ago I had noticed some graffiti on the railing of The Fort in town.

Then my dogs and I went down to the creek near the Skate Park and someone tagged a rock right in the middle of the creek. I know that I can't be the only one noticing this in our community. The people that are doing this don't care about Idyllwild nor you or I.

We walk and talk with the people who are doing this, they are someone's brother, son and someone's sister, daughter. Hopefully they will realize that you don't express yourself this way.

Please parents talk to your children, let them know how you feel about tagging.

How it effects the quality of a community. How it lowers property value. With all the radical changes going on in America, perhaps these people who are making the graffiti are finding it hard to be noticed or recognized. They may not even be from Idyllwild. They could be from, God only knows.

But all of us that live here in Idyllwild have something in common, we know what is beautiful. Our forest and streams are beautiful. Our people are beautiful. Please be the eyes for your community. Look out for each others property. Maybe we can put a stop to this.

EILEEN DETZEL
IDYLLWILD

The tail is wagging the dog

EDITOR:

It appears that TV commercials are competing in a marathon to determine how many commercials can be squeezed into a one-hour TV program.

I'm sure that the writers are thrilled. If you have a belly ache, take the latest prescription medicine. They

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Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



Holiday closings

Hill businesses and institutions that will be closed Monday, May 31, to observe Memorial Day:

Area post offices	Idyllwild
Fern Valley	Water District
Water District	Idyllwild Health Center
Compass BBVA Bank	Pine Cove
Hemet Unified	Water District
School District	Riverside County offices
Idyllwild Library	Town Crier

These will be open:

Idyllwild Pharmacy (10 a.m.-2 p.m.)	Mount San Jacinto State Park
Idyllwild Transfer Station	U.S. Forest Service

Trivia test

Language: What is a uraeus?

Answer: Representation of the sacred asp

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YOUTH TALK

BY JENNY KIRCHNER, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Why do we celebrate Memorial Day?



**Brooklynn Pace, 8
Grade 2**

"So we can remember the person who died and stuff, and they make statues."



**Lainie Wilke, 8
Grade 2**

"We celebrate Memorial Day so we can remember all the people that gave their lives to us."



**Bowden Tate, 6
Grade 1**

"So we can honor our Army."



**McKenzie Nunez, 7
Grade 1**

"Because it's a special day, remembering all the guys that are in war."

Tai Chi practice group

A free Tai Chi practice group coordinated by Trudy Levy welcomes all individuals to gather together to experience the benefits of Tai Chi. The practice group will meet every Tuesday in June, from 6-6:40 p.m. at the Quiet Creek Inn. Participants are asked to park on Four Chimneys Road, behind the inn. At the sessions, participants will practice the 24-movement Tai Chi short form several times. For more information, call Trudy Levy at 659-9548.

Matter of fact

In the May 20 issue, the article "Hill's leaking underground fuel tanks" mistakenly refers to "Sandlin and Sons" as the owner of the site at the Idyllwild Shell Village Food and Fuel site. The name of the owner or responsible party is Nick Sanden, Sanden & Sons, Inc.

Town Crier regrets the error.

ON THE FRINGE

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illustrator writer



10 DIRECTIONS

BY SHIRLEY SCHRAFF

Pomegranate Trees

My family was not the madcap family of fiction. The Galbraithes come to mind with 12 children and a seemingly endless supply of talent and money to fuel their adventures.

My mother was 14-years-old when she met my father and was married at 16. She dropped out of school and that, sadly, was the end of her education. She had no regret. She was permanently at the maturity level of a young teenybopper. My father's brilliant mind was useless in his state of untreated bipolar disorder.

So, I think I've made it clear that this experience wasn't the fun adventure usually celebrated and enjoyed in summer light fiction. But then few of us have a childhood that could be described as a fun adventure.

I was 10-years-old the summer following my parents impulsive decision to move from Michigan to Arizona. In the middle of building a house it seemed to be a foolish decision, if for no other reason than poor timing. They quickly put together an ill-conceived plan to accompany my newly widowed grandmother to Apache Junction, Ariz., where she usually spent her winters.

My grandmother, in excellent health, drove her car from coast to coast alone once or twice a year. To my parents, the grass always looked greener on the other side and, in their view, the most effective solution was moving away.

After three or four days of planning, a broad use of the word, it was time to put the big move in gear. We left Michigan on a very cold November morning in a 1946 Ford bread delivery truck for what was supposed to be, at most, a 6-month stay in Arizona. In reality, we were never to return to Michigan. After a brief sojourn in Apache Junction we ended up in Phoenix.

It was summer time, it was Phoenix and it was hot. The waves of heat could be seen as the sun rose over the desert floor.

Every morning, I awakened breathing the clear, dry and



hot desert air. The smell was new and fresh, signaling the beginning of the possibilities that each moment brings. A beginning with a clean slate that presents itself with unlimited possibilities from moment to moment and being in each moment is all there is.

My parents bought a beautiful new home in Phoenix, which, for the most part, made them poor. Money was so tight that food was scarce and we did

not have a refrigerator. However, we did have an ice chest. As the oldest child, it became necessary for me to take action.

All around our home was a construction boom. I organized the troops and at the end of the day we would collect the ice in a burlap sack that was dumped out of the portable ice chests that the construction crew filled every morning. We also gathered any edible food that was left. Exploring and looking for new construction sites was my job.

One day I made an awesome discovery. Several very mature pomegranate trees, the same genre found in Iran, a sweet variety that grew to 25 to 30 feet tall, were covered with ruby red fruit and were growing just off the perimeter road close to the bank of the irrigation ditch. I shinnied several feet up the tree and reached the fruit, which I had not seen before. The fruit, encased in a hard pulpy material, was exceptionally sweet.

We, kids, felt an immediate connection and love for this fruit. It was thick and syrupy and tasted incredibly delicious. Our mouths were stained red as well as our clothes. We did not stop eating until we were satiated.

Collecting ice was our late afternoon routine. The thick, reddish-brown bark of the pomegranate trees provided an ideal toehold as we shinnied up the tree — our morning routine. We weren't finished though until the juice dripped off our chins. But I enjoyed climbing the trees almost as much as eating the fruit

Since that summer, whenever I see a display of pomegranates in the market, I hear them urging me to climb that tree and to taste the sweet red nectar of the pomegranate.

Trivia test

History: In what year did the Korean War end?

ANSWER: 1953



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"In a silent auction at the spaghetti dinner fund-raiser at the Rainbow Inn, my 5-year-old daughter first bid \$1 for a porcelain doll. After her bid was raised, she proceeded to put her next bid down, asking if she had that much money to spend. Sadly she was overbid again. "Mashu" (Grandma) told her that she would help out for her final bid of \$10. When the auction ended, we were not aware if she had won. A lady, from the kindness of her heart, saw my little girl had been outbid and was able to place a final bid in my daughter's name. That same lady searched through the crowd calling out, "Who is Katelyn?" When she found my daughter, she presented the porcelain doll to her. Katelyn was smiling ear to ear. Her angel was Sandy Weber of Fit after 50."

Dawn Rizor
Idyllwild

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CLUBS

Part-timers

On Saturday, May 29, five part-timers will open their cabins for the **Idyllwild Part-timers Network's** (IPN) first cabin crawl. The tour is an opportunity to foster IPN group growth and for the cabin crawl host to share his/her's own space.

IPN continues to volunteer its time, efforts and resources to nourish a well-rounded part-timer community. For more information on IPN activities, contact **Denney Herr** at Idyllwildpartimers@yahoo.com

Garden Club

Elizabeth Nagy will present a program on container gardening at the next meeting of the **Idyllwild Garden Club**. How to get creative and incorporate many different plant combinations in your containers will be emphasized.

The club potluck lunch and meeting will begin at noon Tuesday, June 1, at Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church. Final plans and details for the club's Annual Garden Tour on Saturday, June 12 will also be presented.

Visitors interested in learning more about the club and its membership are welcome. For more information, contact **Harold Voorheis**, club president, at 951-659-3598.

Horsemen

Veterinarian **Dr. Roberta Zajack** will speak at the next meeting of the **Hilltop Horsemen** on Tuesday, June 1.

The meeting will be held at the home of **Bob and Jeanette Durst** in Garner Valley. The 7 p.m. meeting is preceded by a 6 p.m. potluck. Attendees should bring a side dish to share.

For more information or directions to the Durst home, call 659-2947

Strange but true

It was American novelist, poet and painter — and prominent member of the Beat Generation of artists — William S. Burroughs who made the following declaration: "I don't care if people hate my guts; I assume most of them do. The important question is whether they are in a position to do anything about it."

MOUNTAIN FOLK

On May 7, Airman **Tyler Ibanez**, who grew up in Idyllwild, graduated from basic training in Lackland, Texas. Airman Ibanez's proud parents are **Marjie** and **Guy Ibanez**. To the right, he salutes his home town Idyllwild and its newspaper, the Idyllwild Town Crier.

Idyllwild resident **Danielle McKnight**, a member of Hemet High School's Air Force Junior ROTC unit, will be promoted, effective with the fall semester, to Cadet Colonel and appointed as Cadet Group Commander, the highest rank and appointment attainable in Junior ROTC.

In the Idyllwild Pharmacy's in-store drawing on May 20, **George Companiott** won two tickets to the Doheny Blues Festival at Doheny Beach.

Charlotte "Charlie" Anthony, on the Mt. San Jacinto Community College faculty, was selected to read and to score the College Board's U.S. History Advanced Placement Exams next month. She will spend an all-expenses paid week in Louisville, Ky., reading high school students essays about U.S. History

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To get your birthday listed, e-mail beth@towncrier.com or call (951) 659-2145, Ext. 17, with the month and day.



Airman Tyler Ibanez.

PHOTO COURTESY OF MARJIE IBANEZ



Idyllwild resident, **Matt Norris** (right), San Jacinto District's Teacher of the Year, received his award May 11 at the Riverside County Celebrating Educators Luncheon. Norris teaches a 4/5 combo class at Hyatt Elementary School. Also pictured is his principal, **Vince Record** (left).

PHOTO COURTESY OF THE JUDY CLEVELAND

High Country Garden Club

"Please Pass the Pliers — Recycling Everyday Objects into Fabulous Garden Art" will be the topic presented by **Tish Clark** at the next meeting of the **High Country Garden Club** at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 12.

Clark, artist and avid gardener, is known for her outdoor display at Twice Loved Treasures in Anza and the Anza Valley Artists' art shows. Clark will talk about making handcrafted garden art from everyday objects found in your kitchen, garage or wherever. Clark will also show off her own native gardens. Refreshments will be served



Idyllwild Rotary President **Steve Kunkle** (right) presents **Janice Herdey**, president of the Mountain Community Patrol, with a gift for being the guest speaker at the Rotary's May 19 meeting.

PHOTO BY STEVE ESPINOSA

and the meeting will be held at Terwilliger Creek Ranch, 57760 Valley Vista.

For more information contact **Annika Knoppel** at 888-834-9005 ext. 5.

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FISHING REPORT



The fishing report gives California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) news on stream and lake stocking in the San Jacinto Mountains and other miscellaneous information relating to fishing.

Lake Hemet was last stocked with catchable-sized rainbow trout on Wednesday, May 5.

Lake Hemet

Darlene Redner at Lake Hemet had no report on fishing at the lake last week.

Water level at the dam is 127.3 feet. Last year's level was 125.2 feet.

Diamond Valley

Jesse Dinkins at Diamond Valley Lake (DVL) Reservoir had this report on fishing this week.

The combination of spawning and post spawn bass this week yielded the best week anglers have seen in months. Reports of 20- to 40-fish days have been prevalent for catch and release fisherman. Bass have been biting a wide variety of baits including fluke and scrounger combos, Senkos, drop shot finesse worms, jigs, lizards and brush hogs. The biggest bass of the week was caught by **Scott Holley** of Torrance who was fishing with a brush hog in the marina cove.

Trout are still biting even with warmer water and a week since the last plant. Mini jigs, Powerbait and spinners worked the best this week. **Jake Altamirano**, 7, of Fontana caught a 7-pound trout fishing with Powerbait from shore. **Charles Kneevina** of Montclair caught a 4.63-pound trout fishing with a Lip Ripperz mini ripper.

The striper bite slowed this week. Only a few catches were reported. Most striper were caught from shore with Lunker Punks, Zplugs, or



Scott Holley with his bass.

PHOTO COURTESY OF JESSE DINKINS AT DIAMOND VALLEY LAKE

LA sliders. **Mark Knoop** reported an 8-pound striper caught from shore. **Louie Rabadi** of Lake Elsinore caught a 9.26 pound striper fishing with a plug.

Anglers have been consistently catching cats from shore as well as boats. Mackerel and anchovies have been the most reported baits, but shrimp and chicken liver has accounted for a few reports. The most reported areas have been the saddle dam, Rawson cove, and near the wave attenuator. **Jim Isaac** caught a 4.5-pound cat fishing with chicken liver. **Mark Knoop** caught a 12-pound cat, fishing from shore. **Robert Granado** of San Bernardino caught his biggest cat at 15 pounds, fishing in the marina cove with shrimp. **Jake Altamirano** of Fontana caught a 10-pound cat, fishing from shore.

The panfish bite has been wide open at DVL. Blue gill, red ear sunfish, and crappie have all been reported in large numbers. Most anglers are catching them along the dams with mini jigs, mealworms, or nightcrawlers

DFG checks anglers for fishing licenses. See the Idyllwild Visitor's Guide for locations where licenses are sold.

Letters

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write a 30-minute script for a 60-minute show. That's fair, isn't it — 50 percent to 50 percent?

It appears that the FCC, the Federal Continuous Commercial Commission, has relinquished all authority.

Yes, bless free enterprise. The tail is wagging the dog!

DONALD J. HARRISON
IDYLLWILD

In response: "Neatness ..."

EDITOR:

As I write this letter I have been in my new location exactly 18 days. The financial undertaking and physical exhaustion of the move have been completely overwhelming. I have not even had time to adjust to my new surroundings, or begin to complete all the plans I have for the new location. I don't recall the last time I took a day off.

My pockets and refrigerator are empty. I am doing my very best not to suffer a breakdown as I continue to settle open issues related to the loss of my 19-year-old son Shane last summer.

If truly you had the best interest of the town at heart, I am of the opinion you would be elated. Instead of closing my store, as many others have, I was able to, by the

grace of God, move it and begin to improve it.

I am grateful for my old location, it gave me my start. A dear friend took the time to hand paint the sign I am using "temporarily" while my new sign is being made. You call it crude and I call it beautiful! A beautiful display of kindness and a proactive participation, in an endeavor to make improvements.

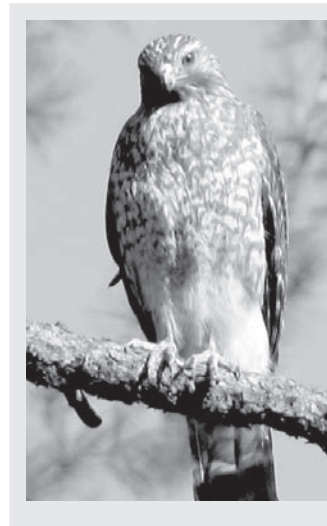
In your letter you strongly encourage others to come in to my business, directly to me, to voice their opinions — why didn't you?

Parking is an ongoing issue for the entire town. I am guilty of using a parking place in front of my own shop, but I pay rent on it. I have never blocked the handicapped parking, nor would I.

I hung clothes on my car just to irritate you Nancy, after you called Code Enforcement. I will do it again, if you do not stop this nonsense. Kindly retract your complaint. I am simply trying to make a living. You are making it more difficult than it needs to be!

In order for my business to be successful, I MUST display merchandise outside. It stops the traffic. Do you really think I would drag all that stuff out there and have to put it away, if it were not an absolute necessity?

I do not appreciate you trying to tell me how to run my business publicly and attempting to rally a bunch of



This hawk was seen near the Mountain Center post office.

PHOTO COURTESY OF BETHANY PULLIAM

people and law enforcement to make me do it your way.

I have made a success of my business because I know how to bring business to my shop. I have what people need and sell it for a fair price.

What makes our town is not what you see when you look at it on the surface, but the core of it. Its old-world character and loving spirit of the people make it appealing to the visitors and locals alike. Not how fancy our buildings look.

I apologize in advance to my fellow business owners for my following statements. I hope you can all understand, I feel I have no choice. There are countless other businesses with merchandise or seating areas outside their store fronts on walkways or in parking lots. I will not be singled out, made to conform to standards oth-

ers are not. I have worked hard for four years to build a successful business.

If you wish to discuss this with me further, I would appreciate your doing so in person, not via Code Enforcement or the newspaper. If you wish to bring some of those folks, who praise criticism, you can all come together and we can have a go at discussing this like adults.

Life is short, losing my son has taught me that. I encourage you to focus in a direction that brings you and those around you fond memories of your time here. Thank you to the rest of Idyllwild for your overwhelming love and support!

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Health care costs pinch FVWD

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

As with many public boards, and many more in the future, the Fern Valley Water District (FVWD) directors struggled, at their Friday, May 21 meeting, with the problem of how to value post retirement medical benefits for employees.

Consultant Marvin J. Paull walked the board through a menu of methods for funding retiree benefits, governing laws and requirements and options the board will review at subsequent meetings about how to best proceed.

The short summation of the requirements and the problem is that medical costs and retirement benefits are expensive and are escalating, have to be planned for, and that ultimately costs will be passed on to district customers. District-paid benefits are for medical premiums after employee retirement and the benefits are comparable to a pension plan.

FVWD currently has four employees under 65 and one retired employee receiving benefits. Paull bluntly told the board that unless they set aside the money for these future costs, "There could be a cash flow drain due to the growth of the retiree group in the next 10 years." That is the problem with which directors are faced.

In other business, FVWD customer David Day asked the board about funding rebates for energy-efficient washing machines, as do other Hill districts. Somewhat cool to the idea, FVWD President Ron Korman pointed out Idyllwild Water District's expensive experience in providing the rebates. Board members agreed to form a committee

to study rebate feasibility and then submit their findings to the board.

In his General Manager's report, Steve Erler requested funds, approximately \$50,000, for a solar-powered water circulation and mixing system for tank number 11, a primary storage facility for the district that last year was recoated and had a temporary effect on water taste. This piece of equipment would move water throughout the tank, and help insure maximum freshness in the large storage tank.

Erler also proposed a study to determine whether well number 1, drilled in 1950 with an estimated capacity of 5 to 50 gallons per minute, is worth rehabilitating. Erler recommended employing a professional well contractor to determine if rehabilitating measures would likely be successful. The well has been out of commission for a long period. Estimated budget for the project would be about \$15,000.

The largest proposed capital expenditures would be \$415,000 for replacement of transmission lines on a schedule over a number of years.

In a budget worksheet provided the board, projections for fiscal 2010-11 anticipate income increases from \$903,753 to \$979,750; expenses from \$1,112,324 to \$1,082,583 with a slight decrease in reserves from \$1,284,342 to \$1,147,676. The board will vote on the budget next month.

Water consumption is down 2.6 percent from the same period last year, and water sales are up 3.2 percent.

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

IWD defers conservation rebate change

BY J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

The June 18 Idyllwild Water District (IWD) meeting will include a public hearing about the possibility of raising district water rates and fees as well as discussing the next fiscal year's budget. During last week's May 11 meeting, IWD's directors devoted a substantial amount of time to financial issues.

The imminence of the June meeting appeared to influence the board's action to modify its rebate policy for conservation-enhancing appliances. Jim Ludy, IWD's auditor and controller, submitted a recommendation to reduce the low-flow toilet rebate to \$50 from \$100.

Ludy noted that the local hardware stores now carry only low-flow equipment. Since the program's inception, 250 rebates have been granted.

In addition, Ludy recommended reducing the washing machine rebate to \$200 from \$400 per machine. He advised the board that the state is now also offering rebates for installing efficient washing machines.

In the future, he said, he expects to recommend the board extend its incentives to other water-conserving appliances. Ultimately, the rebate issue was tabled until the June meeting.

Directors Warren Monroe and John Cook supported the change. "The prices [of the appliances] are coming down and there is no sense in covering the full price," Monroe said.

President Allan Morphet and Director Jim Billman opposed reducing the rebates

just prior to consideration of the water rate increase. Director Mike Freitas recommended more consideration of the issue, especially notification to customers.

The issue was referred to the budget committee to be brought forward in June with the next fiscal year budget.

Another budget issue, but less charged, was the public hearing on the annual standby charges — an annual \$30 per acre fee applied to unimproved parcels. During the hearing, the board read an appeal letter from Bob Lewis, Town Hall recreation director, requesting the termination of a fee on a Town Hall parcel on which nothing could legally be built. The board approved terminating the standby fee and approving the Town Hall recreation appeal.

The board also approved a resolution to seek federal grant money for a pilot and demonstration test of the proposed water recycling facility. General Manager Terry Lyons was optimistic about securing funding from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation because the results would apply to any mountain community such as Wrightwood, Big Bear and many others.

"[The Bureau of Reclamation] has to look at a project from the national perspective," commented Anuj Saha, president of Ascend Engineering, IWD's consultant on the recycling program. "How does recharge work and effect fractured bedrock?"

In water business, Lyons reported that new chlorinator equipment was installed at the Foster Lake facility. Also later this summer, Southern California Edison will share

VHS financials reverse positive trend

BY J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Valley Health System's (VHS) positive improving financial picture from last month took on very dark hues in April. Available cash declined and most indicators, such as discharges and patient days, fell also. The result was a \$400,000 loss in April, compared to the \$500,000 loss in March.

Interim Financial Officer Kathleen Cain attributed some of the negative results to April having one less day than March.

"April resulted in a \$1.7 million decrease in cash," Cain reported. More cash was needed because April had five weeks and therefore and extra week of check disbursements.

But the lower cash level resulted in days' cash on hand decreasing from 17 in March to 13 in April.

Also, the record \$15 million collections that VHS brought in last month could not be repeated in April. This month, collections were \$13.6 million, which was even disappointing for what had been anticipated.

While salaries, wages and benefits declined, VHS full-time equivalent usage increased despite lower hospital volumes. Hemet Valley Administrator Mark Palmer told the board some of the extra staffing was necessary because new nurses needed

orientation before starting work on the hospital floors or in departments.

The FTEs per patient day have risen almost 15 percent since January. At that time, the ratio was at its nadir of 4.05 FTE per patient day and is now 4.62. This completely erases the decrease from September through January.

While the patient days declined at both facilities, they also saw an increase in the length of stay," Cain said.

Uninsured patient days continued to grow at the Menifee Valley Medical Center (MVMC). This is the third consecutive month. For a low of 66 new uninsured patients in January, the level rose to 111 in April, the second highest month in the past 12.

Since uninsured patient days were relatively constant at the Hemet Hospital Cain would not attribute the growth at Menifee to the economy. However, Rick Dicapo, the MVMC administrator and others, suggested the regulatory problems with Southwest hospital facilities may have driven more patients north to Menifee.

Total surgeries were also down in April from the preceding month yet remain above the average for the year.

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the cost to improve the efficiency of IWD wells, Fern Valley 1A and 2 and Well no. 2. The SCE share will be about \$6,000.

During April, IWD produced nearly 7.7 million gallons, 811,000 gallons more

than April 2009. But for the first four months of 2010, total production is still nearly 2.6 million (10.2 percent) less than the comparable period last year.

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Upcoming CERT training

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training will be held the first weekend in June at the Riverside County Fire Station 77 in Anza. There is no cost to take the 20-hour training program that provides instruction in fire suppression, search and rescue, medical aid and more. Classes will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Friday, June 4 and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, June 5 and 6, respectively. Participants must attend the entire session. For more information, or to register, call (951) 955-4700.

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John Hawkins

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Mike Esnard, Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council president and **Norm Walker**, interim Idyllwild Fire Chief.

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FSC

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He stressed how individual actions benefit and affect the entire community. Refusing to abate one's property not only increases the risk of fire there, but if a fire starts, the chance of it spreading to neighbors and then the entire community is much higher.

The state and Riverside county policy is now, "Ready, Set Go," Hawkins said. The first step is to protect structures. That starts with the creation of defensible space

within 30 feet of the house or other structures. Then other vulnerable areas, such as eaves and combustible roofing, should be checked and replaced if necessary.

With respect to the last step, "Go," Hawkins told the group, "When law enforcement says 'go,' go! That is not the time to think about something different."

The other speakers included Dan Felix, San Jacinto Ranger District fire chief; Chris Fogle, one of the district's battalion chiefs; Kevin Turner, former Prefire management division chief who has returned to

assist on the Hill; Norm Walker, the interim Idyllwild Fire Chief; Edwina Scott, the FSC executive director, and Pat Boss, longtime resident and current FSC project manager.

The Forest Service is creating a series of fuel breaks on federal land surrounding our local communities. Both Felix and Fogle stressed as federal monies dry up, they will shift their work to maintaining the existing

fuel break system. Of the 10 fuel breaks on the Hill from Santa Rosa Mountain north to Indian Mountain, the latter one is the only one not fully established, according to Fogle. But work has started.

In cooperation with Riverside County Fire Department, the Forest Service is working to ensure that evacuation routes, Highways 243 and 74, are clear and permit traffic, especially fire

No Hill fire stations to be closed

As he began his presentation, Riverside County Fire Chief John Hawkins stressed that it is unlikely any county fire station on the Hill, stations 23 (Pine cove) or 53 (Garner Valley) will be closed for budgetary reasons this season.

Secondly, he said CalFire has no intention to shut Station 53 because of the volunteer company. "We're reforming the volunteer program because it is not part of the county fire department," Hawkins explained. "It needs to be part of the county and it's not prudent to be outside [the county structure]."

equipment, to move in both directions.

Turner, Scott and Boss discussed the grant money still available either through the county or the FSC for individuals to get help abating their property.

All of the speakers emphasized the responsibility of residents as individuals to help improve the community's safety. And speaking as both a fire official and longtime resident, Fogle said, "I live here and grew up here. Anything off our [Forest Service] property, we can't help with. But it

is important for you as homeowners to clean your property."

Walker stressed IFPD's goal was to achieve a safe community, not simply punish people. Property owners who cooperate on cleaning their land will find IFPD very cooperative. If people need some help, IFPD also has programs available, he added.

Questions regarding help can be directed to the FSC at (951) 659-6208.

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IFPD ends financial contract with Coopersmiths

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

The Friday, May 21, Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) Commission special meeting resulted in a special result. IFPD's long-term relationship with the Family Business, owned by Craig and Janice Coopersmith, was terminated on a 3-0 vote.

Commissioner Dr. Charles "Chip" Schelly was not at the meeting, but commission President Jeannine Charles Stigall said he would have abstained if he had been present. She did not have to cast a vote since a majority of the commission supported

the motion.

Although the Coopersmiths were not present at the session, they were aware the subject was on the agenda. They apparently were too ill to attend. Earlier in the day, they delivered seven boxes of IFPD records to the station, according to interim Fire Chief Norm Walker.

The termination is about the issue of the agency's audits. For several months, Janice Coopersmith indicated at commission meetings and in the minutes of those meetings that the audit firm, Smith Marion of Murrieta, had the information necessary to begin the 2008-09 audit.

However, this week David Marion, principal in the firm, said he could not estimate a completion date for the audit because he had received no information from The Family business.

"The Coopersmiths have not contacted me or provided any information for me to begin the audit," was Marion's e-mail response to Stigall's question about an estimated completion.

"I would require, at a minimum, a copy of the trial balance and a copy of the detail general ledger for each fund for the year ending June 30, 2009; that information would enable me to conduct my planning

and prepare for the testing necessary at the district office," he added.

When asked, the Coopersmiths declined to comment on Marion's statement. They did add, "We will discuss these matters directly with the Board or at next meeting."

In reference to the 2008-09 audit, the minutes of IFPD's March meeting read, "Information updated and physical audit will be set up." The April minutes read, "Physical audit to be performed on Thursday, April 22." At the May meeting, Janice Coopersmith said the physical audit was canceled because of the late spring

snowstorm.

Marion has said no one in his firm knew of an April 22 appointment, Stigall said.

"This relationship is totally dysfunctional," said Commissioner Ben Killingsworth. "We can't rely on them."

Recently hired admin-

istrative assistant Rhonda Andrewson and Walker were reluctant to terminate the relationship quickly over concern about ensuring the continuity of the financial reports.

However the commission [See IFPD, page 34](#)

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Idyllwild hosts state Senate 37 debate

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

The Pine Cove Property Owners Association and the Idyllwild Town Crier will jointly sponsor a debate of candidates running for the California Senate District 37 seat vacated in December when then Senator John J. Benoit resigned to accept an appointment as a Riverside County Supervisor.

The debate takes place on Friday June 4 at 6:00 p.m. at the Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) meeting

room. It is scheduled to last 75 minutes, with typical debate format of 3-minute answers and 2-minute rebuttals, with facilitation and time enforcement by a moderator.

Three candidates are running: current Republican Assemblyman Bill Emmerson (AD 63 Redlands), Democrat Justin Blake, and American Independent Matt Monica. Both Blake and Monica are desert residents and school board members. As of this writing Blake, Monica and Emmerson have accepted.

Emmerson has put it on his schedule with the caveat that a bill may come to the Assembly floor on June 4 that requires his presence. Should Emmerson, regarded as the frontrunner because of a commanding fund-raising edge, not attend, the debate will go forward, according to PCPOA President Annamarie Padula and Town Crier management. "We'll have an empty chair for any non-attending candidate," said Padula.

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Six candidates for U.S. Senate primary

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Two Democrats and three Republicans are challenging California Senator Barbara Boxer in the June 8 primary. First elected in 1992, Boxer is challenged by Democrats businessman/producer/educator Brian Quintana and blogger/journalist Mickey Kaus. Neither Harvard College and Harvard Law graduate Kaus nor Quintana have demonstrated significant support leading up to the primary.

The real contest, according to mid-May polls for her two Republican challengers, former U.S. Congressman and fiscal conservative Tom Campbell and former Hewlett-Packard CEO Carly Fiorina. Fiorina was on Senator John McCain's short-list for vice president in the 2008 presidential campaign. Although some recent polls show Fiorina gaining ground against Campbell, most show Campbell with consistent leads over Fiorina. The third Republican candidate, Cali-

fornia Assemblyman Chuck Devore, a small government, no tax Republican, is not currently posing a significant challenge to Fiorina or Campbell.

In general election match-up predictions, Boxer leads any of her Republican challengers, with Campbell having the best chance to unseat her. Recent polling shows a shift of independent, non-affiliated voters back to Boxer's column.

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Prop 16: Local choice or corporate monopoly

BY MARSHALL SMITH
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Proposition 16, on the June 8 ballot, proposes to require a 2/3 supporting vote of the electorate of any local governmental body before that entity could create its own publicly-owned utility, expand existing service into a new territory or create a community choice aggregation program which buys power in bulk from electric service providers. The initiative has only one sponsor, Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E), the for-profit investor-owned utility that serves much of Northern California. As of May 2, PG&E has spent over \$35 million to promote this initiative.

Californians currently receive power from three types of providers: investor-owned utilities (IOU) such as PG&E and Southern California Edison; publicly-owned utilities or districts such as the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power or the Truckee Donner Public Utility District; and electric service providers or ESPs that provide customers who have chosen not to receive electricity from IOUs or publicly owned utilities and contract for "direct access" with an ESP to deliver electricity to the customer through the local utility's transmission and distribution system.

Called by proponents the

"Taxpayers Right to Vote Act" and by opponents the "Monopoly Protection Act," the Initiative seems aimed squarely at Assembly Bill 117, the Community Choice Aggregation Act (CCA), passed in 2002. CCA allows California cities and counties to circumvent investor-owned public utilities and directly procure energy on behalf of electric consumers in their jurisdictions — usually at savings to their customers over IOU rates. PG&E is required by law to cooperate with governmental entities that decide to implement CCA.

Current law in some cases requires voter approval for start-up of electricity service by a local governmental agency or expansion of existing service into a new area. In contrast, local agency action to create and begin implementation of a CCA may be undertaken by a vote of the local agency governing board and does not require voter approval. It is this lack of voter approval that Proposition 16 specifically targets, requiring what is called a "super-majority" vote to implement CCAs if Proposition 16 were to pass.

Fiscal effects on the consuming public could be looked at in two ways: first if the measure prevented expansion of publicly-provided (as opposed to IOU provided) electrical service

that required construction of costly new energy infrastructure, that might hold consumer rates at a lower level. Conversely, if the measure lessened competitive pressures on IOUs from publicly held providers, rates would remain higher.

Customers of nonprofit municipal utilities pay an average 20 to 25 percent less for electricity than do customers of IOUs. For example, Santa Clara County's Silicon Valley Power delivers power at rates 30 to 40 percent lower than PG&E. In Southern California, Imperial Irrigation District provides rates 14 percent lower than Southern California Edison.

The logic used in the initiative posits that since California law requires two-thirds voter approval for tax increases for specific purposes, elected officials in local governments should be held to the same standard before committing public funds to starting or expanding electri-



Idyllwild School Principal Matt Kraemer's students of the week (from left) are **Zoe Crawford, Kyra Espinoza, Allison Hitchcock and Emi See.** Principal Kraemer chose the students for having the highest seventh-grade GPA. (Not pictured, **Danielle Simmons.**)

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cal service, even if ultimately, unlike a tax, there are savings to end consumers.

The 2/3 requirement would not apply in three instances: where use of public funds has been approved by voters within the jurisdiction prior to passage of this measure; or are for purchase and provision of energy from alternative sources such bio-

mass or tides; or providing electric delivery solely for the local government's own use and not for electric service to others.

Supporting Proposition 16 are: PG&E, the California Chamber of Commerce, the California Taxpayers Association, the Oakland Jobs and Housing Coalition and the Orange County Register.

Opposing are the League of Women voters, the California Democratic Party, the Utility Reform Network, the San Francisco Guardian, the Oakland Tribune, the Fresno Bee, The Sacramento Bee, and the Marin Independent-Journal.

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County agrees to month-to-month for ICRC

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

The Idyllwild Recreation Council (ICRC) will continue to manage the recreation contract for County Service Area (CSA) 36 on a month-to-month basis, with new contract requirements. The county will continue its close oversight of ICRC's contract performance.

On Thursday, May 20, another capacity crowd attended the CSA 36 Advisory Committee meeting. This time, they came to hear the county announce its decision on whether and how to extend or renew ICRC's contract, which expires on June 30, 2010. After ICRC and CSA Operations Manager Bill Brown aired respective videos and power point presentations, Brown asked the assembled ICRC board if they were willing to abide by new contract stipulations the county presented in its power point — stipulations that would be incorporated as performance benchmarks in the month-to-month extension. ICRC directors answered they would abide by the new stipulations.

These contractual performance benchmarks, which, according to Brown, the county considers "non-negotiable," are as follows:

- "ICRC shall negotiate and execute a new lease for Town Hall including a provision transferring ICRC's current lease to the county if the Recreation Operating Agreement is terminated, with the county holding first right of refusal to lease the facility, and with



Holly Maag, chair of County Service Area 36, **Michael Franklin** and **Bill Brown** of the county's Economic Development Agency.

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the Chamber leasing to the county for the same \$1.00 a month currently charged ICRC";

- "Town Hall salaries will be revised to match comparable pay for the positions of director, assistants, maintenance, sports and activities [after the county completes a salary survey for nonprofits in the county]. County shall have final approval of pay scale";

- "ICRC shall institute a new system to receive public suggestions for improvements to the recreation program without fear of public retaliation [to those making the suggestions]. ICRC shall clearly post a policy at Town Hall that states: 'Our goal is 100 percent customer satisfaction.' At the entrance to Town Hall, ICRC shall post a picture, e-mail address and business phone number for the Recreation Director as well as the names and e-mail addresses of the chairman of ICRC, the chairman of CSA 36, and the CSA Administrator";

- "All meetings regarding public recreation and public funds will be open to the public";

- "CSA 36 Advisory

Committee and ICRC will hold a joint meeting to discuss recreation on a monthly basis";

- "A quorum of both boards must be present in order to have a meeting";

- "ICRC will amend their bylaws to allow private meetings only for the following issues: development of the future community center site and employee reviews or personnel matters that require legal confidentiality";

- "County will pay 50 percent of the cost for providing Directors and Officers Insurance to ICRC [board of directors]";

- "Town Hall contracts [with suppliers] will be reviewed and approved by the County for cost efficiency";

- "Town Hall shall adopt new policies and procedures that ensure all staff are trained on the legal and approved uses of public money. [There is] no [policy] of entitlement to public funds at Town Hall";

- "All ICRC Board Members and Town Hall staff

shall sign an acknowledgement that they clearly understand the legal and approved uses of public money for recreation";

- "ICRC shall fully separate all revenue and expense [private vs. public] for auditing purposes";

- "Town Hall shall keep a separate bank account clearly titled 'Town Hall Recreation.' Access to this account shall only be granted to select Town Hall employees";

- "ICRC shall develop a comprehensive community recreation plan and present it to the joint CSA36/ICRC board no later than Sept. 1. It should address all of the following: expanded recreation programs for all demographics, program categories of 'non-sports activities for residents,' enhanced senior activities, enhanced teen programs, youth/adult/senior [off-Hill] field trips, Town Hall Booster Club/Ambassador Program, enhanced preschool program [to help working parents], and enhanced after-school program [to help working



John Simpson, ICRC director, and **Chris Singer**, ICRC chairperson.

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parents]."

There will be a "probationary period" during which if ICRC fails to fulfill existing and new contractual obligations by dates required and in ways stipulated, the county would terminate the month-to-month contract with notice, thereby curtailing any renegotiation of a full 4-year term contract, according to Brown.

Verne Lauritzen, Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone's chief of staff, made it clear that it is not the county's desire or intention to "take over recreation" as has been alleged by a number of locals. The county already manages recreation, by collecting CSA parcel taxes and general property taxes that fund district recreation and streetlights, and by administering CSA 36.

As recreation contractor, ICRC provides the recreation program. Lauritzen did say the county expects ICRC to fulfill its county contract according to legal requirements that CSA 36, Brown and the Supervisor are tasked to insure. "The county does have an expectancy by you [the CSA taxpayers] that your [public tax] dollars are spent according to regulations," he said. "The agency that contracts [with the county, ICRC] is accountable to the Committee, and the Committee is accountable to the Supervisor. The buck stops with the Supervi-

sor." Lauritzen indicated ICRC performance would be closely monitored during this probationary period.

Both ICRC Director John Simpson and Recreation Director Bob Lewis made the point that ICRC provides a mix of local recreation programs that are tax-funded, but other private groups or businesses, such as Curves, also provide recreation opportunities.

Lewis cited a wide offering of recreation opportunities as "available to Hill residents." Lewis subsequently clarified that the community, not ICRC, provides some recreational opportunities he cited at the meeting.

"The mix of recreational activities which ICRC promotes is a hybrid of private and public opportunities," Simpson explained outside the meeting. "Further, our mission statement in part says 'creating, supporting, coordinating and enhancing recreational and educational activities in Idyllwild' which would necessarily include appropriate, private programming that fits within that scope or is beyond our budgetary means."

CSA 36 Chair Holly Maag explained to attendees that there had been nine months of questions and information gathering about the recreation contract and county expectations that began in September 2009.

She encouraged greater community attendance at future CSA 36 meetings, which she said are the proper venue for community dialogue in order that recreation consumers and taxpayers can be accurately informed.

ICRC's month-to-month contract period begins July 1.

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From left, **Chole Schelly**, 10 and **Amy McKimson**, 9, have some fun eating spaghetti during the Idyllwild Community Center fund-raiser Saturday at Rainbow Inn.

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Among other games, kids raced while hopping in pillowcases last Saturday during the Idyllwild Community Center fund-raiser. **Miren Pino**, 7 (right), takes the lead in a practice race.

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Garner Valley residents oppose tree removal

By BETH NOTTLEY
STAFF REPORTER

At a California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) public hearing on Wednesday, May 19, about 50 Garner Valley residents voiced their disagreement with the plan to cut down 18 trees along a 12-mile stretch of Highway 74.

Caltrans maintains that the targeted trees' proximity to the highway poses a hazard to motorists. Local residents, however, argue adamantly that the trees cause no threat to sober drivers obeying the speed limit. Secondly, the trees are a valuable natural resource, which should not be destroyed. Further, many voiced the opinion that in the current fiscal crisis, spending public funds for this project is wrong.

This is not a new issue for area residents. More than 10 years ago, a group of Garner Valley residents formed a group called Save Our Mountain Environment (SOME) that successfully fought Caltrans' plan to remove 12 trees along Highway 74 in what was called a "Cure Project." As with now, Caltrans believed the trees were too near the highway and needed to come out for public safety. In 1999, after months of SOME protesting, Dennis Green, then public information officer for Caltrans, stated, "We have decided not to cut the 12 trees." He also promised, "Public meetings will be held before we decide to go ahead with any cure project, if we do."

Time passed, until September 2008, when Garner Valley resident Wendy Skean noticed trees along Highway 74 marked with bright red paint and learned they were soon slated for removal. Alarmed, she hastily organized a meeting on Sept. 17, 2008 between residents and Caltrans officials.

At that meeting, Caltrans officials presented statistics showing that in a nearly 3-year period, from Nov. 1, 2004 to Sept. 30, 2007, there were four injury traffic collisions along Highway 74 caused by drivers hitting trees. Also, a fatality occurred when a driver, who had left a suicide note, purposely plowed his car into a tree.

Then, as now, Garner Valley residents maintained that the collisions were caused by the drivers, not because of the trees. Typical was the opinion of resident Betty Swank who said, "The problem is not the trees by the highway. The problem is drunk drivers, people going too fast and driving over the yellow line."

The result of the 2008 protest was that Caltrans postponed cutting down the trees until a public hearing could be scheduled. In the interim, Caltrans' prepared an "Initial Study with Proposed Negative Declaration," concluding that the project would not have a significant effect on the local environment.

The study was released for public review on May 6, 2010 and the public hearing was May 19 at the Garner Valley Commons. Caltrans had seven representatives at the meeting, including two staff attorneys. Marie Petry, Caltrans' senior environmental planner in charge of the project, told residents that the hearing was, "a listening meeting only," and that there could be no discussion of the issue. Those who wanted to give a statement, had to sign up to do so. A court reporter recorded all the statements to be entered into the public record. All the residents who spoke objected to the removal of the trees, basically saying that collisions are the fault of the driver and that less expensive and less drastic means, like speeding signs and reflective markers on the trees, should be employed to make the roadways safer.

Wendy Skean read statements from many residents who were unable to attend the afternoon meeting because of work. She also presented a petition containing

more than 1,000 signatures of people against the tree cutting. In her own testimony, Skean said, "You are spending our money ... it is time to listen to the people." She also pointed out a display board on which Town Crier articles about collision fatalities that have occurred on local highways since the September 2008 meeting. "None of these [fatalities] involved trees," she said. "They were caused by irresponsible drivers."

The public has until 5 p.m. June 4 to submit comments on the Draft Initial Study with Proposed Negative Declaration. Written comments may be sent to: Marie J. Petry, Senior Environmental Planner, California Department of Transportation, 464 West Fourth Street, 6th Floor, MS 821, San Bernardino, CA 92401-1400. They can also be e-mailed to Marie_Petry@dot.ca.gov. The Town Crier has a copy of the document available for public review at the office.

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This tree, located in Garner Valley on Highway 74 at mile post 64.52 is one 18 trees slated to be removed by Caltrans because they are too close to the roadway. This tree is 18 inches from the highway's edge.

PHOTO BY BETH NOTTLEY



Garner Valley resident Wendy Skean reads her statement protesting the Caltrans plan to remove trees along Highway 74. About 50 locals attended the hearing; all who testified were against the proposal.

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On May 23, the Idyllwild HELP Center celebrated its annual Volunteer Appreciation Party at the Silver Pines Lodge. This is a time to thank the many volunteers that help the HELP Center. Pictured here, from left, are Inge Austerman, Randi Sokol, Margaret-Mary Leusch, and Bob and Ginny Garron.

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Strange but true

It was Britain's Prince Albert who originated the boutonniere. It seems that while they were courting, Queen Victoria offered a small bouquet of flowers to her future husband. Prince Albert used his pocketknife to cut a hole in the lapel of his jacket and put the stems of the bouquet through it.

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We would like to thank everyone for taking time out of their busy schedule to meet with us on Thursday, May 20, 2010, and for supporting the youth with new opportunities that would benefit both the youth and the community of Idyllwild.

We have scheduled a new meeting on Thursday, June 3 at Buckhorn Camp located at 24641 Hwy 243, Idyllwild, California. We will be going over the contracts and the internship.

Please call at (951) 765-0917 ext. 43 if you will be able to attend the next schedule meeting. Thank you for your support.

Antonia Mateo
Business/Community
Liaison
California Family Life
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From left, **Karen Patterson**, director of the Idyllwild HELP Center; **Lenore DeJesus**, California Family Life Center (CFLC) program director, **Antonia Mateo**, CFLC business/community liaison and **Karin Greenwood** of Community Lumber all attended Riverside County Summer Work Experience Program (SWEPE) orientation class last Thursday at Town Hall.

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Ms. Mateo should be contacted if your business has not yet provided her with a contract. Copies of the contract form can also be gotten from Marshall Smith at the Idyllwild Town Crier.



Sunday, May 23, snow was falling in Idyllwild.

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BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

In the evening of Wednesday May 19, an Idyllwild resident stopped by the roadside on state Highway 243 two miles east of Lake Fulmor and discovered a skull not far from the roadside. Four officers arrived at the scene, after the resident reported his find, and spent significant

time questioning him. Because the resident was told by officers at the scene not to speak to the press, he is uncomfortable having his name used in this article.

According to Riverside County Sheriff's Department Special Investigations Supervisor Sgt. Steve Mike, there were no other bones found in the location. Reports on Facebook that the skull had a bullet hole should not necessarily be relied on as accurate, said Mike.

"We don't know how long the skull has been out

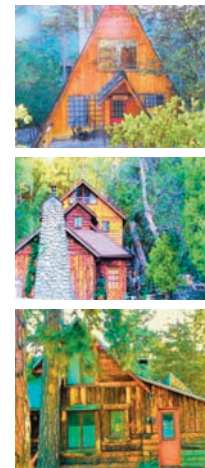
there, and there is nothing conclusive about its condition until Homicide concludes its investigation and report," he said. Mike said a forensic anthropologist has been assigned to the investigation to help determine age and other potential identifying factors.

Anyone with information should contact Investigator Rick Simms at Central Homicide at (760) 393-3524

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

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The Bellews, Sheilah (second from left) and Terry (far right), shared their Town Crier with residents of Cartagena, Columbia during their April cruise through Panama.

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On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment



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, May 26

AWANA for ages 3 to fifth-graders, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church.
The Girlz, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Creative Writing Senior Readings, 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Thursday, May 27

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

Swift Pony, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Creative Writing Senior Readings, 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Friday, May 28

Free BBQ lunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Forest Lumber.

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

"The Odd Couple," benefit performance & dinner for HELP Center, 5:30 p.m. dinner; 7:30 p.m. show. Town Hall.

Live Worship Music, 5:30-9

p.m. Idyllwild Pines Camp.
Unwound, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Faultline Folk Music with Don Reed, Harry Joe Reynolds & Kathleen Johnson, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Moving Pictures Screening, 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Saturday, May 29

Garner Valley Station 53 Annual Garage Sale, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. 59200 Morris Ranch Road.

Jimmy Campbell Memorial Softball Tournament, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Idyllwild School field.

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; **Greg Jones Band**, 1-3 p.m. Café Aroma.

Friends of the Idyllwild Library Annual Memorial Weekend Book Sale, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Library.

Annual Wildflower & Art Exhibit, 10-4:30 p.m.; **Sessions with John Muir Laws**, 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.; **Live Music**, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

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

"Shrek Forever After," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Annual Memorial Day Barbecue, 3-7 p.m.; live music by

Lenny & Friends, 1-4 p.m. American Legion Post 800.

Chica & the Man, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

"The Odd Couple," benefit performance & dinner for HELP Center, 5:30 p.m. dinner; 7:30 p.m. show. Town Hall.

Moving Pictures Screening, 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Sunday, May 30

Garner Valley Station 53 Annual Garage Sale, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. 59200 Morris Ranch Road.

Jimmy Campbell Memorial Softball Tournament, Playoffs 8 a.m. Idyllwild School field.

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; **Hojo & the Half Notes**, 1-3 p.m.; **Skeleton Crew**, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Book Signing: "The Family Guide to Naturopathic Medicine," by Dr. Jon Dunn, Naturopathic Physician, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The Chakra Shack.

Holistic Arts Fair, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Chakra Shack.

4th-Annual Art Fair, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Dore's Mountain Art Garden.

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

2010 Spring Fashion Show, 2 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

"Shrek Forever After," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Marion View Ensemble presented by The Associates of Idyllwild Arts, 3 p.m. Call 659-4615 for location.

"The Odd Couple," benefit performance & dinner for HELP Center, 5:30 p.m. dinner; 7:30 p.m. show. Town Hall.

Monday, May 31

Holistic Arts Fair, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Chakra Shack.

Annual Wildflower & Art Exhibit, 10-4:30 p.m.; **Sessions with John Muir Laws**, 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.; **Live Music**, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Memorial Day Ceremony & Luncheon, 11 a.m. American Legion Post 800.

Lindsay Speed, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, June 1

Children's Art Class with Saffron, 3 p.m. The Chakra

Shack.

Jazz Night: Paul Carman, Marshall Hawkins & Barnaby Finch, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, June 2

Desert Rose, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Jazz Concert, 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Thursday, June 3

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

Awards Assembly, 1 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Ann Farnsworth, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Friday, June 4

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

Belly Dancing, 7 p.m. Café Aroma.

Baccalaureate, 8 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Saturday, June 5

5 & 10K Run & Fitness Walk: 7:15 a.m. 5K Run/Walk; 7:45 a.m. 10K Run; 9:30 a.m. 1/2-Mile Kid's Run. Start at center of town. **Awards and**

Pancake Breakfast, 8-10:30 a.m. Town Hall.

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; **Lindsay Speed**, 1-3 p.m.; **Alex Watson**, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Horseshoe Tournament, 10 a.m.-noon. American Legion Post 800.

Commencement, 11 a.m. Holmes Amphitheatre, Idyllwild Arts.

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

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

Sunday, June 6

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; **Swift Pony**, 1-3 p.m.; **Skeleton Crew**, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

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

Monday, June 7

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

Straight Jackets, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Tuesday, June 8

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

Idyllwild Library Memorial Day Book Sale

By Rosalind Tilson, Friends of the Idyllwild Library

The Friends of the Idyllwild Library will hold an extra-large Memorial Day weekend book and media sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 29 and Sunday, May 30, at the Idyllwild Library. Due to the generosity of donors, there will be more books, all in great condition, than ever before for sale on both days.

A special section will feature collectibles, sets and gift-quality items. Prices will be \$1 for hardcovers, 50 cents for softcovers and videos, and 25 cents for children's books.

Sunday will offer a greater bargain, with everything at half price. Those who want the best selection will choose to hurry in on Saturday, and those who wish to have an amazing bargain can wait until Sunday.

Refreshments and drinks will be provided. This sale raises funds for library programs and the building fund. The Friends of the Library always welcome new members, and seeks volunteers to help at the book sale, or during the remainder of the year.

The library is located at 54185 Pine Crest Avenue, Idyllwild. For more information, contact Teresa, the librarian, at (951) 659-2300 during library hours.

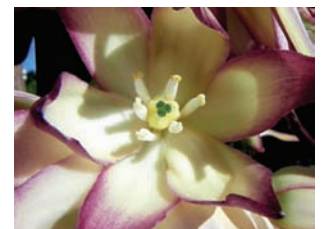
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Purple nightshade *Solanum xanti*

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Yucca detail

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Wild Hyacinth *Dichelostemma capitatum*

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Idyllwild Nature Center, Saturday, May 29 through Monday, May 31

Wildflower Weekend Schedule

Daily Events

Native plant sales
Art & Crafts Exhibition & Demonstration.

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Sunday May 30th

9:00am-3:00pm Gourmet Style Native Food Tasting with Alice Kotzen

10:00am "Find Your Place in the Forest" walk with John Muir Laws

10:00am wildflower crafts

11:00am Music w/ Joey Latimer & Friends

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May 29, 30 & 31 10 AM-4:30 PM



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Boxed Lunches for Sale by Jo'An's

Monday May 31th
 9:00am-4:00pm Pine needle basket making with Alice Kotzen create your own! All day basketry instruction, or part day session your choice, N/C materials provided, limited space, RSVP nature center.

10:00-11:30 John Muir Laws
 Join John for a stroll in the forest as he interprets nature through discovery, observation and investigation.

10:00-3:00 Children create fun wildflower crafts with dried press flowers, note cards, decorated seed pots,

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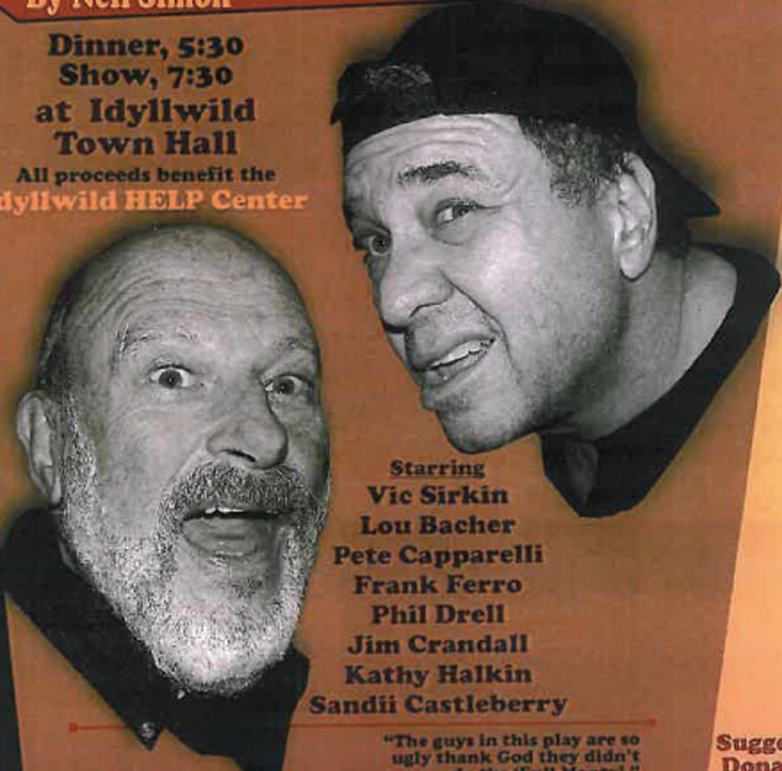
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From left, **Vic Sirkin** and **Lou Bacher** rehearsed at Town Hall for the upcoming performance of "The Odd Couple" that will open this weekend.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Odd Couple

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was necessary to carry it off and found new admiration for professionals.

"I was in before the words were out of his mouth," Bacher said chuckling. "I have a lot of lines and didn't think it would be difficult to learn. I'm surprised. I expected it to just come from reading the play a hundred times. Now I realize every performance is different."

The cast has congealed, according to O'Farrell and Bacher. Rehearsing so often is creating a "men's club" atmosphere. "More like a fight club," interjected Ferro.

"Everybody is becoming a child again, learning new

skills," O'Farrell said. "They have to let go of the adult ego and become a beginner again."

O'Farrell, who has participated in community theater previously, is very pleased with his cast's performance.

"Doing community theater is a good fund-raising tool," he said. "We could choose a different organization for each production." But he stressed a future encore would be a production in which all the actors share responsibility. In "The Odd Couple," Madison and Ungar have the burden of the performance.

"People won't get Broadway," he cautioned, then he added, "But good talented people are giving all they



From left, **Vic Sirkin**, **Phil Drell** and **Jim Crandall** also in the "The Odd Couple" cast, rehearse before opening night Friday.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

have to the audience." In return, he hopes the audience will give generously to the HELP Center.

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

Editor's disclosure: **Conor O'Farrell** writes a monthly

column for the Town Crier. It's seldom funny, but often provocative, he says. You can read it in the third issue of each month. **Jim Crandall** is the Chief Operations Manager for the Town Crier. This writer has photographed all other cast members except for the fat cop, **Phil Drell**.



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A construction team is also needed, as well as donations of old lumber, window frames, and doors. Any Western props would also be appreciated.

Since the Ghost Town is moving to the Idyllwild Community Center site, the committee said a lot more work is needed on the exterior, and that several more scenes will be added. Also, new this year, will be an Enchanted Forest Trail for the young ones.

The committee also urgently needs a place to keep an 8' x 40' storage container.

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On May 19, **Mrs. Chavez'** second grade class, with the help of **Mrs. John**, hosted an Invention Convention for staff and students of Idyllwild School. The second graders studied famous inventors and then used recycled materials to create modern "problem solving" inventions. Pictured here are a **Joey Neu's** bird house and **Emily Hill's** "glove drier." Looking on (from left to right) are sixth graders **Madison LaMont**, **Kyah Gracia** and **Rosa Lopez**.

PHOTO BY BETHANY SWANSON, IDYLLWILD SCHOOL



Even preschool students (ages 2- to 4-years old) understand the end of the school year. Here, **Kathy Lewis'** students celebrate by dancing. From left to right are **Carter McLean**, **Nickolas Fletcher**, **Jessa Smith**, **Seth White**, **Rylan Righetti** and **Mason Dunn**.

PHOTO COURTESY OF KATHY LEWIS



Dawn Sterling and **Kayla Stuart** served up some rootbeer floats during Idyllwild School open house last Friday night. With the school year winding down, kids, parents and families all came out to see accomplishments the students had made throughout the school year.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Picnic tables were vacant while dozens stood in line for rootbeer floats last Saturday at Idyllwild School.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

School will be out May 27th and 28th

There will be no school for students in the Hemet Unified School District on May 27 and May 28, 2010. This is in addition to the Memorial Day holiday on Monday, May 31.

Web site for recreation

California State Parks and GreenInfo Network have created a web portal that makes it dramatically easier for the public to find and get to any kind of open-space and recreational lands in the Golden State. The FindRecreation web site contains data on everything from federal wilderness areas to neighborhood tot lots, with interactive maps and searching.

Here's how it works. Go to www.findrecreation.parks.ca.gov. Enter a home address, city or zip code and the site will display a detailed street map or aerial image of every recreational opportunity in the area. By clicking on a particular site, the user can learn more, and get transit or driving directions directly to it. View any site in an interactive 3D map, using Google Earth technology and high-resolution imagery from Microsoft Bing maps. For many areas, the site will show available trails (a forthcoming version will also show parking sites, restrooms and viewpoint outlooks). After that, it is all up to the user to get packed and get going.

In addition to parks, Find Recreation also shows the detailed location of over 1,300 public campgrounds in California. Hikers and backpackers can combine FindRecreation's 3D map views with camp locations and trails to help plan simple walks or multi-day outings.

The park and open space areas shown in FindRecreation are part of the California Protected Areas Database (CPAD), a GIS inventory created by GreenInfo Network. CPAD has data on over 15,000 named parks in the state, totaling over 49 million acres and owned by 860 different public agencies and non-governmental organizations. CPAD is the most comprehensive open space inventory ever created for California and is the largest detailed inventory of its kind in the nation (more at www.CALands.org).

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Radio Club Board Member, **Bill Baker**, led an entry-level ham radio technician class at the Idyllwild Fire Protection District last Saturday. About 18 of the 28 registered people showed up for the class, coming from Pinyon Pines, Aguanga, Anza and Idyllwild.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Thursday, May 11, was another premiere for local film, "Legacy." Last week, Actresses **Cazzy Golomb** (left), **Francesca Brown** (who traveled from London) and **Kyrie Maezumi** (far right) joined director **Stephen Savage** for the event in Palm Springs.

PHOTO BY DALEA CHERIE



Astrocamp Science Interpretives Creator, **Larry Kawano**, held a public tour of Astrocamp, a local science camp for kids, on Sunday afternoon. Kawano started his tour with a presentation on the background and history of Astrocamp, owned by Guided Discoveries, as well as discussing the four sister camps that operate between Long Beach and Catalina Island. Unfortunately, the cold weather kept many away, but he led the tour for the one person that arrived.

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Kurt Leuschner, Professor of Natural Resources at the College of the Desert, spoke about the Palms to Pines Birding and Nature Trail at the popular Idyllwild Community Recreation Council's Speaker's Series at the Rainbow Inn on Wednesday, May 19.

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Trivia test

Entertainers: What is rock singer Sting's real name?

Answer: Gordon Sumner



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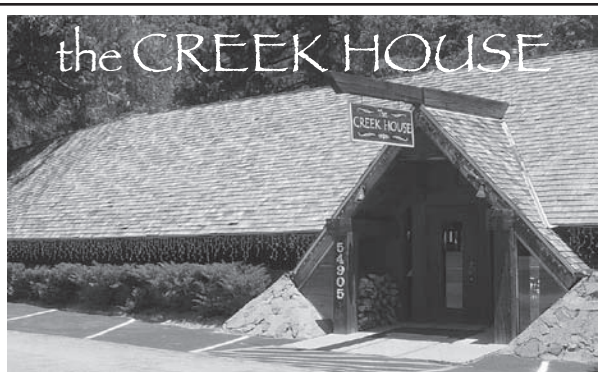
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BO'S AMAZING GRACE



Did you catch JP's musing last week on 'Volunteering?' Powerfully caring nudge for mountain villagers like us. There are so many ways to serve. Now more than ever, it is the right time to step out and help fill a community need. Find out how our skills can ease a burden, create something beautiful or just 'be-there' for someone. Caring can come in so many different ways.

Pastor Wally reminded us Sunday of Paul's Romans Letter. St Paul says 'Loving Your Neighbor' is the only value we need. If we can just put it into practice in our daily thoughts and actions — not just in front of the Post Office. But we tend to be so diffident — I do. I don't even know some of my neighbors. But the 'Caring Thing' is proactive. Reach out! Give the guy a hug. Encourage the neighbor kid. Tell the strange lady how pretty her hat is. Notice each person in line at Stater Brothers. If you want to know how SMILES WON the WEST, check out Linda's caring warmth at B'S MOUNTAIN of BOOKS and buy my BLIND GLORY while you're there.



SPORTS

Town Hall sports

Bob Lewis provided the following report on Town Hall Co-ed Youth Baseball:

T-Ball (no score kept)

On Tuesday, May 18, the Sacco Dining Rangers hosted the Idyllwild Shell Yankees. **Layton Teeguarden** had a good game for the Rangers. He hit the ball hard and played good defense. **Vicky Lovett**, for the Yankees, stopped some ground balls and hit the ball.

On Thursday, May 20, the Rustic Theater Dodgers took on the Idyllwild Shell Yankees. **Emma Righetti** smacked the ball hard for the Yankees and **Jesse Ostrander** of the Dodgers ripped the ball hard every time he was up and played great behind the plate.

On Saturday, May 22, the Silver Pines Lodge Padres battled the Idyllwild Shell Yankees. **Josiah Schipper** hit the ball hard for the Yankees. The Padres countered with **Anthony Munoz** playing great defense.

Also on Saturday, the Rustic Theater Dodgers played the Sacco Dining Rangers. **Rene Hernandez** smacked the ball well for the Rangers. **Joslynn McLean** stopped a couple ground balls for the Dodgers.

Minors

On Tuesday, May 18, the Forest Lumber Cubs battled the Rainbow Inn Braves. The Braves built a 4-0 lead, thanks to **Josh Gray** collecting two base hits. The Cubs came back in the last inning. **Joey Neu** got a key base hit and scored a run for the Cubs. Nevertheless, the Cubs came up short, losing 4-3 to the Braves.

On Thursday, May 20, the Idyllwild Rotary Angels played the American Legion Dodgers. This was a terrific contest between the two top teams in the league. **Lainie Wilke** played a great game for the Dodgers, getting a couple base hits. The Angels countered behind **Miren Pino's** three base hits. The Angels held on and beat the Dodgers 8-5.

On Saturday, May 22, the Rainbow Inn Braves hosted the Idyllwild Rotary Angels. **Carolyn Edelstein** played good defense and had a base hit for the Braves, but **Stefan German** ripped four base hits for the Angels, as they blew the game open at the end and beat the Braves by the score of 12-1.

Also on Saturday, the Forest Lumber Cubs visited the Idyllwild Rotary Angels. The Angels enjoyed a big lead with **Brian Mabery** collecting four base hits. **Faith Vogt** played a good second base and hit the ball hard for the Cubs, but the Angels were too much for the Cubs beating them 19-4.

Standings	Wins	Losses
Idyllwild Rotary Angels	6	0
American Legion Dodgers	4	2
Rainbow Inn Braves	2	4
Forest Lumber Cubs	0	6

Majors

On Monday, May 17, the Café Aroma Diamondbacks played the Idyllwild Pizza Co. Giants. This was a classic pitching duel between the Giants' **Sage See** and the Diamondback's **Elias Wilke**. Sage pitched great and got a couple base hits for the Giants. Elias also pitched great and ripped a double for the Diamondbacks. The Giants prevailed 3-1 over the Diamondbacks.

On Wednesday, May 19, the Idyllwild Land Surveying Pirates hosted the Idyllwild Pizza Co. Giants. The Giants jumped out to an early lead, thanks to **Noah Rutherford's** three base hits. **Chance Vladika** ripped two doubles for the Pirates, but it wasn't enough as the Giants beat the Pirates 14-7.

On Saturday, May 22, the Café Aroma Diamondbacks battled the Idyllwild Land Surveying Pirates. With only seven players, the Diamondbacks still kept the game close. The Diamondbacks' **Kyle Louzenhiser** ripped two singles and two doubles, but the Pirates countered with **Edgar**



The Dodgers played the Rangers during Town Hall Youth Baseball game. Idyllwild School student, **Jesse Ostrander**, playing for the Dodgers, gives a high-five to one of the grandparents that helped at first base last Saturday morning.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Layton Teeguarden goes to bat for the Rangers during Town Hall Youth Baseball at Idyllwild School last Saturday.

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Seth Loutzenhiser slides safely home while Pirates' catcher **Justin Nunn** awaits the throw.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE



Edgar Santiago of the Pirates crosses home after hitting his first grand slam Saturday.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

Santiago's grand slam, and beat the Diamondbacks 18-13.

Standings	Wins	Losses
Idyllwild Pizza Co. Giants	6	0
Idyllwild Land Surveying Pirates	2	4
Cafe Aroma Diamondbacks	1	5

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 at least 300 dpi.

Trivia test

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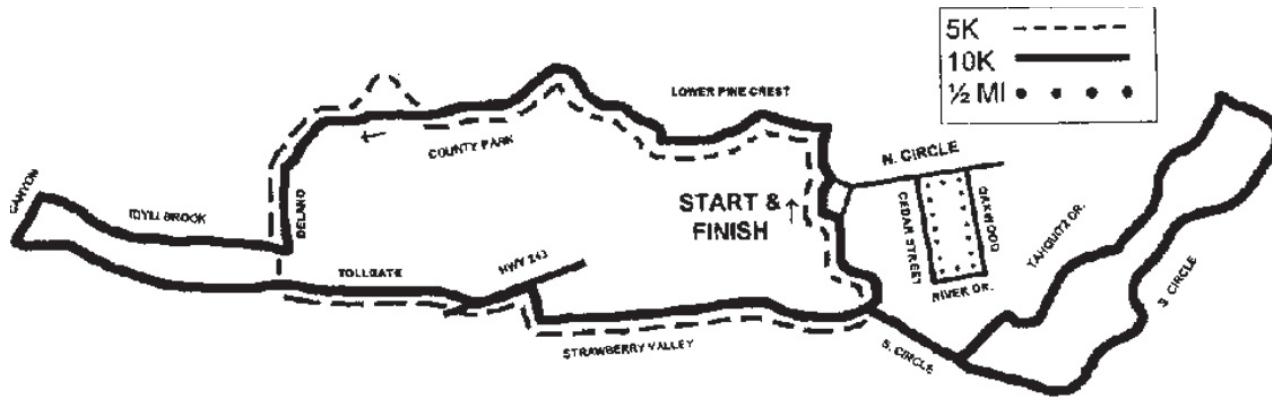
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Another Idyllwild 5 and 10K run and fitness walk

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

It's the first week in June, and another Idyllwild tradition is set to energize and enliven the weekend — the 30th-annual Idyllwild 5 and 10K Run and Fitness Walk that raises money to fund recreation at the Idyllwild School (IS).

So whether you're septuagenarian or a 7-year-old, an inveterate runner or an occasional ambler, there's a piece of mountain history awaiting you — especially if you are a top finisher. And if it's not for the reward of a custom medallion, then participate for the sheer joy of exercising with neighbors and competitors from all over the country.

Over the years of the run, money raised has grown from about \$800 a year to

current levels of \$3,000 to \$4,000 to fund a potpourri of purchases for IS, from scoreboards to climbing walls, and uniforms to top-field artificial turf. "The run is very important," said IS Physical Education Teacher Holly Guntermann, "The 5 and 10K is an all-or-nothing event for Idyllwild School physical education funds. Without race money there would be very little in the way of physical education equipment. And the race brings business into Idyllwild. What's fun is some of the adults running it now ran it as students when they were here. Now their kids are running it, too."

In addition to locals, participants come from the Los Angeles and San Diego metro areas. In the past, runners have come from as far away as the East Coast.

The top male and female finishers in the 5 & 10K runs will receive special awards and custom medallions, as will the top overall male and female competitors in the 5K Fitness Walk. Kids in the half-mile age 7 and under Fun Run at Town Hall will receive awards at the finish line. All entrants of all ages are eligible for prizes selected by random drawings.

Register in person across from the Girl Reading monument on Village Center Drive from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, June 4, or on race day from 6:15 to 7 a.m. The 5K event begins at 7:15 a.m. at the starting line on Village Center Drive near the Gastrognome Restaurant; the 10K starts 30 minutes later at 7:45. The half-mile Fun Run begins at 9:15 at Town Hall. See the race Web site for entry fees/application

and sponsor information, www.idyllwildrace.com.

A post-race Awards Ceremony and Pancake Breakfast, presented by the Idyllwild Parent-Teachers Association (PTA), takes place at Town Hall from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children under 12, and may be purchased at race day registration or at pre-race registration Friday evening. Breakfast proceeds benefit IS PTA.

The run/walk happens rain or shine. Organizers don't allow rollerblading or roller-skating. Dr. Charles "Chip" Schelly will return as announcer.

For more information, call (951) 659-5687 or e-mail info@idyllwildrace.com.

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

Women's Health Fair at Pharmacy

Free screening for osteoporosis, diabetes and blood pressure will be available at the Idyllwild Pharmacy from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 1.

Also at the event, Idyllwild Health Center Nurse Practitioner Brenda Scherlis will talk about breast cancer and the start of the Idyllwild Race for the Cure chapter.

Everyone is invited to attend. For information, visit or call the pharmacy at (951) 659-2135.

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48" round dining room table w/leaf & 4 chairs, \$325. Call Addy or Tom at 951-659-5284 or 951-537-8356.

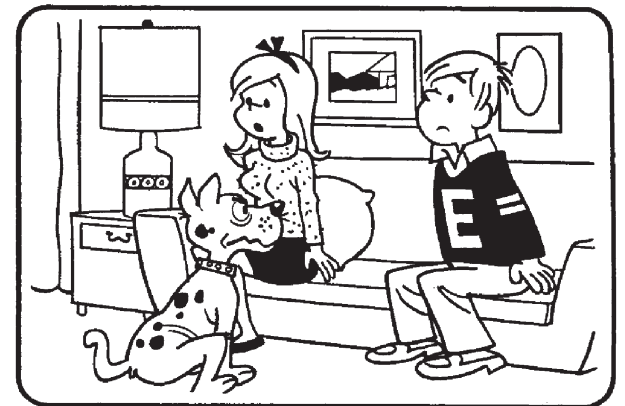
Small bamboo desk with 2 drawers & bamboo chair. Good condition, \$50. Call 659-2534.

WANTED: OLD COINS, SILVER Dollars, Proof Sets, Gold & Silver Coins. "COIN SHACK," 207 East Florida Ave., 951-925-5767. Next to Hungry Heart.

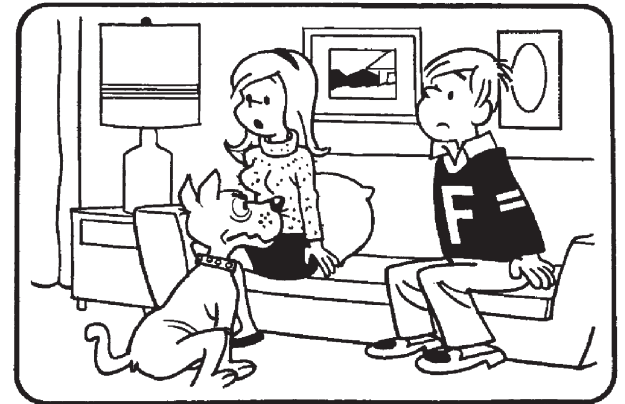
Port-A-Crib, old fashioned wood with barely used mattress. \$40. Merrie 659-8293.

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Each kit contains:

- 3 All-Weather Yard Sale Signs 11x14" (Bright Pink, Glossy, Thick)
- 275 Fluorescent Pre-Priced Labels
- Pre-Sale Checklist
- Sales Record Form

Stop by the Town Crier and check them out.

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Answers to Sudoku
(Puzzle on page 29)

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Answers to Crossword
(Puzzle on page 29)

Memorial Day Weekend Yard Sale Treasure Hunt!

Use the treasure map below to plan your yard sale adventure. The number at the end of each yard sale listing corresponds to the location number on the map.

Multi-family Sellarama, Fri., Sat., Sun., May 28-30, after 8 a.m., 25890 Cedar St. near Town Hall. Beds, housewares, lamps, books office equipment. **(2)**

Gargantuan Garage Sale! Sofa, coffee table, Fiesta-ware, spinet piano, file cabinets, hand-carved columns, household & decorator items. 53305 Deerfoot Ln., Sat., 5/29, 8-4 & maybe Sun. **(13)**

Collectibles for Sale
Garner Valley, 59742 Hop Patch off Pyramid Peak. Vintage items: Jewelry, linens, buttons, Calif. pottery/ceramics, phones, typewriters and more. Fri. & Sat., 8-3. 659-4005. **(22)**

Garner Valley, 59320 Devil's Ladder, Fri., 28, Sat., 29, 9-6. Antiques, old dresser + vanity, cedar chest, surround sound speakers, telescope, horse stuff & much, more. Park on street. Go to back. **(34)**

54400 Jameson, Fri., 1-4 & Sat., 8-4. Some furniture, household items, old cigar boxes, puzzles, clothing, old linens & lots of misc. Don't miss this one! **(30)**

New chain saw, CDs, books, household, misc. Fri., 5/28 & Sat., 5/29, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., 54410 Village View. **(14)**

24820 Marion Ridge Dr., Pine Cove. Mark & Margie's annual ... "funnest ever" ... Sat-Sun-Mon, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. **(26)**

Good stuff, no junk, great deals! Fri., Sat., Sun., 5/28-30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 25740 Tahquitz Dr. (address on cedar tree at base of driveway). **(12)**

52793 Overlook Dr., Pine Cove, 5/28, 29, 30, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Lots of stuff! Collectibles, vintage clothing & jewelry, glassware, kids clothes, misc., odds & ends. **(46)**

Home Staging Inventory: Lamps, sofas, bedding, misc. Home Decor, furnishings, art work, 34' RV cover. Good stuff. 8-3, Fri. & Sat. ONLY. 55070 Upper Pine Crest. **(28)**

The Chakra Shack
54750 North Circle Dr.
Saturday, 5/29. **(21)**

Driveway/Yard Sale, May 28, 29, 30, 8-?. Antiques, clocks, furniture, costume jewelry & lots of misc. 25450 Tahquitz Rd., Idy. (dirt road) **(32)**

54560 Adams, Sat & Sun, 9-2, Camp equip. misc., household items, men & women clothing. Best offer on all. Check-out the HOUSE 4 SALE by owner. **(25)**

Pecan dining table, Yamaha key board and more. 26700 Crestview Dr. (corner of Saunders Meadow), Sat. & Sun., 5/29 & 5/30, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. **(1)**

25205 Lodge, 5/28 & 5/29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Furniture, dishes, cabin decor, framed art, toys, etc. **(44)**

Estate sale, Fri.-Sun., May 28-30. 27030 Saunders Meadow Rd. Handtools, furniture, firewood \$5/bundle, Monitor kerosene heater w/tank. **(36)**

Multi-family Sale. Household & shop items. 52541 Sunset Dr., Sat., 5/29 ONLY, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. 659-3933. **(19)**

Sat., 5/29, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 52664 Sylvan Way, Pine Cove. Microwave, TVs, CDs, records, tapes, chairs, stereo equip., gas grill, books, etc. **(38)**

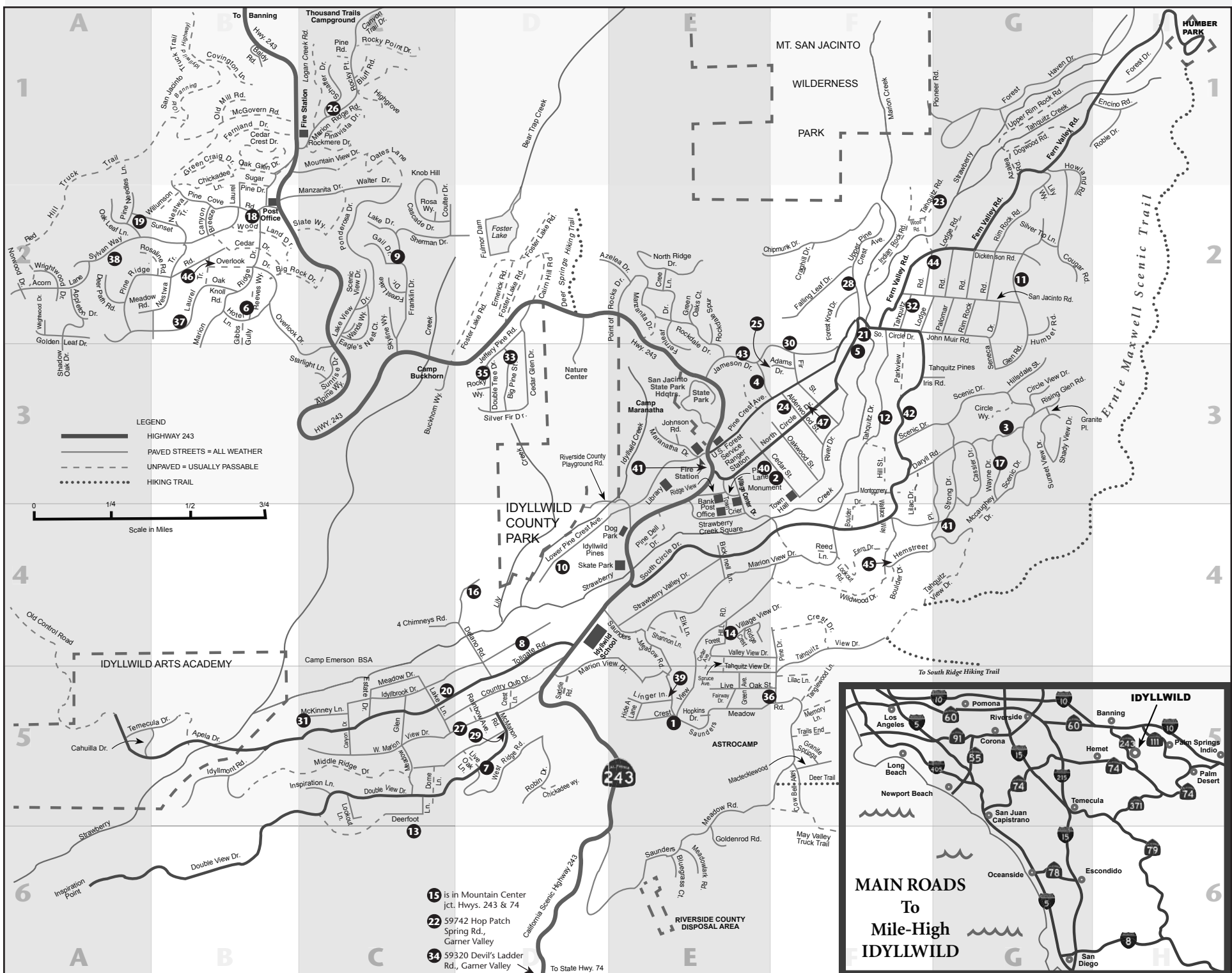
25530 Big Pine St., 5/28, 29, 30, 8-4. Antiques, house & yard furniture, snowthrower, yard & shop tools/light fixtures, dishes. **(33)**

HUGE GARAGE SALE SATURDAY ONLY
7 a.m.-till it's gone!
Everything must go!
NO earlybirds please!
54270 Jameson Drive **(43)**

College Fund Campaign: Join Hilary in her sale to fund school: A breathtaking variety of goods. 25426 Hotel Lane off Overlook, Pine Cove. 7 a.m.-2 p.m., 5/29-30. **(6)**

52381 Laurel Trail in Pine Cove off Marion Ridge Rd. 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday & Sunday. Clothes, tools, garden stuff, kitchen items, MORE! **(37)**

Yard Sale ads continue in the first two columns of the facing page →



YARD SALES from previous page

53665 Idyllbrook Dr. Tools, furniture, LP's, small appliances, office supplies, May 29, 30, Sat. & Sun., 7 a.m.-1 p.m., both days. (8)

Annual Memorial Day Weekend Yard Sale. Thurs.-Sun. Something Old Made New Byou Thrift Shoppe. 2 locations, lots of good stuff: 25965 Hwy. 243 & 55055 Strong Dr. We gladly accept garage sale leftovers. Call 951-852-0568. (41)

Moving Sale. 54790 "A" N. Circle Dr. (above Cafe Aroma) Friday & Saturday, May 28 & 29, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Some vintage, antiques accessories, lamps, furniture, etc. (5)

Multi-family sale. Some vintage, art, furn., dishes, guy stuff, misc., lots of interesting things, great prices. 55080 South Circle, 5/28, 5/29, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Rain or shine. (42)

Sat. 29 & Sun. 30, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Royal Pines Estates, 26350 Delano Dr., Idyllwild in the meadow. Several family sale. Tools, furniture, and some antiques, lots of misc. (16)

25915 Wayne Dr., Sat., 5/29 ONLY, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Camping gear, inflatable kayak, 3 TV's, queen-size oak headboard, pickup truck cover, clothing, good variety of everything! (17)

53450 Marion View Dr., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8 a.m.-11 a.m. Legos, barely used toys, port-a-crib, beanie babies, crafts, coffee table, decorations, misc. (27)

25622 Double Tree. Sat. & Sun., 8-3. Gorgeous maple desk, sectional leather couch, TVs, and other household goods. (35)

FERN VALLEY SALE. Antique glassware, American Fostoria, tools, furniture, books, clothing, golf gear. 25275 Glen Road. Friday, 5/28 & Saturday 5/29, 8-4. (11)

26205 Hemstreet MOVING! Sat. & Sun., 7 a.m.-4 p.m. 16' ext. ladder, radial arm saw, generators, household goods, wood chipper & more. (45)

Multiple Family Yard Sale Lower Pine Crest: 53850-53921 Pine Crest Ave. Furniture, exerciser, tools, camping, fishing equip., books, clothes. Fri., 5/28-Sat., 5/29, 8-4 (10)

GIGANTIC YARD SALE 54725 Jameson Drive. Everything must go. Sat., Sun., Mon., May 29-31, 10 a.m. Furniture, kitchenware, appliances, linens, books, clothing, & glassware. (4)

26710 McMahon, 28, 29, 30. Antiques, clock, round oak table, plates, wall phone, yard tools, household items. Lots of misc. (29)

SATURDAY, 5/29 ONLY! 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 2 Telescopes, leather chair, Glassware, trinkets, +++ 55255 Daryll (3)

Group yard sale featuring marble-top dresser, maple bed-frame, country pine table, quality furnishings, collectibles, books. 25690 Alderwood. Sat. 9-4, Sun 10-2. (24)

Golden Carrot Horse Rescue Benefit. May 29-30, 8 a.m. Good stuff, some new; art, antiques, clothing, horse items. Jct. Hwy. 243/74, Mt. Center. (15)

Great Yard Sale! 25010 Tahquitz Rd. Friday-Monday, 8 a.m.-? See you there! (23)

Buck's Annual Yard Sale Anything but ordinary! Lots of good stuff! 25110 Marion Ridge Dr., Thurs., 5/27, 10-3, Fri., 5/28 & Sat., 5/29, 6:30-3, Sun., 5/30, 7-noon. (18)

ARF Annual Yard Sale. Sat. & Sun., 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Come help support the animals. Baked goods & coffee! 1/2 block off No. Circle @ Cedar. (40)

Multi-family Yard Sale, Fri. & Sat., 8-4, 53050 McKinney Lane. Guy stuff, lighting fixtures, decor items, clothing. (31)

53425 Tollgate Rd. Fri.-Sun, 5/28-5/30, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Large weaving floor loom, Alpaca wool yarn & spinning wheel, books, CDs, long flowing skirts & dresses. (20)

53525 Double View Dr. Lots of furniture, beds, sofas, kids furniture, upright piano, entertainment center, selling everything! May 29, 30, 31, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. (7)

25246 Gail, Sat., 29 & Sun 30, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. NSF wire shelves, wood hutch, couch w/recliner seat, NSF metal table, assorted Xmas decorations & much more. (9)

In house yard sale. Corner of Linger Lane & Saunders Meadow. Sat. & Sun., 8 a.m. Sm. roll-top desk, queen-size oak bedstead, sm. kitchen dining set w/matching buffet, freestanding pellet stove (near new), lots more. (39)

Furniture—old, collectible, antique, kitchen items, linens, table saws, Christmas, clothing (NWT). Toys. 54545 North Circle, behind office on Alderwood. 8-5, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 12-5 Sunday, Monday, Fire-Sale. (47)

Classifieds

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Autos Wanted

DONATE YOUR CAR! to SONGS of LOVE! Seen on the TODAY SHOW! Make a sick child smile and get a tax-deduction. Endorsed by Bob McGrath of Sesame Street! Call 888-909-SONG (7664) (Cal-SCAN)

Mobile Homes

\$24,500 OBO, space rent is \$525/mo. Peaceful and adorable, corner location, 2-bed, 1-bath remodeled mobile home for sale in Royal Pines Park in Idyllwild, San Jacinto Mountains. 1 hour from Palm Desert and Riverside, 2 hrs from Los Angeles. Located next to Idyllwild State Park, walk to Idyllwild Arts High School. Huge shed plus 2-car parking. Sump cooling system in summer, new wood stove for heat in the winter. Must sell, son graduating from Idyllwild Arts in June. Complex has recreation room, pool table and swimming pool. Great hiking behind mobile home. Must see! Open house: May 29 and 30, 2010. Call Lori for more information, 310-947-1748.

Charming mobile in Royal Pines Estates, 26350 Delano, Spc. 5-A. Turn-key 1 BR, 1 BA, lg. bonus rm. w/FP, lg. deck w/best view in park, lg. lot w/2 lg. sheds, new paint. \$18,000. 714-230-5321.

Mobile Homes

Double-wide home, 2 BR, 1 BA, large living, dining, den & kitchen, wood stove, all appliances. Turn-key, furnished, backyard faces beautiful meadow. Price reduced from \$40,000 to \$35,000. #94. See mgr. at Royal Pines Estate or call 951-659-2691.

40' Aljo, 2 popouts, furnished, outdoor furn., gazebo, W/D, slashed to 1/2-price, \$15,000. Call 760-904-8274.

For Rent or Lease

Room for Rent, charming loft. Perfect for student or part-time summer vacation rental. Very affordable. Avail. June 1. 659-4744.

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

BIG newer hm. Steps to lwd! 2nd flr-1 BR/BA, hi-ceil, deck w/ vu, W/D, carport. 1st flr-1 BA w/ + rms., BRs, ofc. or sound/art studio? \$1295/mo. (818) 880-1628.

Desperate for a rental? Place your classified ad in the best read "bulletin board" in town The Town Crier. Call Sandy 659-2145.

FOR RENT: 8x8 storage shed at Community Lumber, \$65/mo., if paid 3 months at a time or \$75 if paid monthly. 659-4239.

For Rent or Lease

2 BR, 1 BA cabin. New appliances & washer/dryer. Decks & views. \$950/mo. Separate entrance **Studio,** with bath. Both \$1100/mo. 951-634-7500.

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

Adorable Idyllwild home for lease. Privately owned, single-level, 2 BR, 2 BA cabin, fully furnished. Queen beds, rock fireplace, full kitchen, outdoor patio w/view, washer/dryer, Internet/cable. Free months rent with a years lease! \$1100/mo. Please call or email: 951-775-7720 or todderwin@verizon

4 BR, 2 BA log home, fenced 1/2-acre, walking distance to school & town. Pets OK. Appliances, W/D, wood/propane heat, water paid. Avail. June. No smoking. \$1250/mo. 951-659-5917.

For Rent or Lease

No Screening Fee 2.5 / 2 house, \$950/mo. 1 / 1 cabin, \$450/mo. 2 / 1 mobile home, \$650/mo. Rent to own. Serial # S1915 Dealer # DL115294 Details: Rent.FocusMan.Biz or (951) 487-1966

2 BR, 1 BA, overlooks Saunders Meadow, wood burning stove, WD, stove, fridge, \$800/mo. Call 951-205-6776.

1 BR + loft cabin, stove & refrigerator, \$650/mo. Credit check. Call 760-469-5905.

2 BR, + office, 1.5 BA, wrap-around deck, long views, outdoor dining patio w/fireplace, 3/4-acre lot in quiet neighborhood, \$950/mo. Call Erica 562-686-5897.

2 BR, 1 BA tastefully furnished mobile. Family park, pool. Fenced for small pet. Long term or seasonal OK. \$675/mo. 951-543-6292.

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 - 35 Comic DeLuise
 - 38 "What's up, -?"
 - 40 "Give a hoot, don't pollute" owl
 - 43 California-Nevada lake
 - 45 Trump casino-hotel
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For Rent or Lease

2 BR, 1 BA, \$800/mo. W/D hookups, deck. New paint, new electric stove, 3-car parking space. No pets. 52725 Idyllmont. 619-276-9800 or www.junopm.com

PINE COVE HOUSE for lease, 2 BR, 1 BA, \$800/mo. Cute, comfy, good neighbors. Call for details. 619-889-8166.

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For Rent or Lease

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OFFICE/RETAIL SPACE, 54445 N. Circle Dr., corner of N. Circle & Oakwood. Next to Yoga Studio. \$350/mo. Owner/agent Pete, 951-452-5552 or 659-2320.

Retail/gallery space, 1,000 sq. ft. on North Circle in Oakwood Village, \$1,275/mo. Contact Amanda, 951-659-9091.

Real Estate

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as HAPPY MASSAGE, 13121 Perris Bl. #109, Moreno Valley, CA 92553, Riverside. Mailing address: 11539 Lower Azusa Rd #B, El Monte, CA 91732. YUMEI (NMN) PENG, 11539 Lower Azusa Rd #B, El Monte, CA 91732. This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed: YUMEI PENG
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 26, 2010.

FILE NO. R-2010-04544
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 26, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 26, 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: L. Siu, Deputy
Pub. TC: May 6, 13, 20, 27, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as SURF TO SNOW SIGNING SERVICE, 24783 Marion Ridge Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549. Mailing address: P.O. Box 3224, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside. AMBER MARIE BOOTH, 24783 Marion Ridge Dr., 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: AMBER BOOTH
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 27, 2010.

FILE NO. R-2010-04605
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 27, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 27, 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: L. Rojas, Deputy
Pub. TC: May 6, 13, 20, 27, 2010.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following fictitious business name HEMET COUNSELING CENTER, 717 E. Florida Avenue, Suite B, Hemet, CA 92543, Riverside County, has been abandoned by the following person: NANCY NYSWANDER BROTHERS, 25409 Marion Ridge, Idyllwild, CA 92549. This business is conducted by an individual.
The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Riverside County on May 14, 2004. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
Signed: NANCY NYSWANDER BROTHERS
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 7, 2010.

FILE NO. R-2004-05875
CERTIFICATION
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: A. Clabaugh, Deputy
Pub. TC: May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as AFM AND ASSOCIATES, 2230 Lake Park Drive, #12, San Jacinto, CA 92583-7412, Riverside County. MICHAEL DENNIS TRACY, 2230 Lake Park Drive, #12, San Jacinto, CA 92583-7412. This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on January 1, 2010.

Signed: MICHAEL DENNIS TRACY
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 30, 2010.

FILE NO. R-2010-04823
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 30, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 30, 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
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: A. Clabaugh, Deputy
Pub. TC: May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as DORIEEN G. ISRAEL, 25955 Highway 243, #2, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1171, Idyllwild, CA 92549. DORIEEN GILLESPIE BIETZ, 25955 Highway 243, #2, Idyllwild, CA 92549. This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on January 2010.

Signed: DORIEEN GILLESPIE BIETZ
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 3, 2010.

FILE NO. R-2010-04856
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MAY 3, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MAY 3, 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
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: A. Clabaugh, Deputy
Pub. TC: May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as PROTECT PEST CONTROL, 38-820 Elna Way, Cathedral City, CA 92234, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1316, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270. RICHARD PAUL THIBODEAUX, 38-820 Elna Way, Cathedral City, CA 92234. This business is conducted by an individual.
Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in May 1992.

Signed: RICHARD PAUL THIBODEAUX
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 30, 2010.

FILE NO. R-2010-04824
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 30, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 30, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Still operating under a full head of self-esteem makes you want to tackle a matter you had shied away from. OK. But be sure to arm yourself with facts before you make a move.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) That smart move you recently made caught the attention of a lot of people, including some with financial deals to offer. Use your Taurean wariness to check them out thoroughly.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Shyness might keep you from asking for more information on a potentially important matter. But your curiosity grows stronger by midweek and gives you the impetus for data-gathering.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Taking on too many tasks may not be the wise thing to do at this time. You might overspend both your physical and emotional energy reserves, and have to miss out on some upcoming events.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Try to keep your spending at an affordable level. Splurging now — especially on credit — could create a problem if your finances are too low for you to take advantage of a possible opportunity.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might not approve of a colleague's behavior during much of the week. But don't play the judgmental Virgo card here. As always, check the facts before you assume the worst.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Coping with an old issue that has suddenly re-

emerged could take a big toll on your emotional energies. Decide whether you really want to pursue the possibilities here.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) For all your skill in keeping your secrets safe, you could be unwittingly letting one slip out by the way you're behaving in that new relationship. Are congratulations soon to be in order?

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Good old-fashioned horse sense could help you get around those who unknowingly or deliberately put obstacles in your way. Ignore the confusion and follow your own lead.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A puzzling attitude change in a colleague from friendly to chilly might stem from a long-hidden resentment suddenly bubbling up. An open and honest talk should resolve the problem.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This week, many ever-generous Aquarians might find themselves feeling an acquisitive urge. If so, indulge it. You've earned the right to treat yourself to wonderful things.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Expect to get a lot of advice on how to go about implementing your plans. But once you've sorted it all out, you'll probably find that, once again, your way will be the best way.

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy the quiet times of your life, but when you're in the mood, you can throw a party everyone will want to go to.

Bid

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mechanism they chose provided a workable and ultimately very effective solution — a pass-through assessment paid by overnight tourists on their hotel room bill necessitating no out-of-pocket costs for local owners; and a predictable annual budget for tourism promotion of the whole district, professionally administered by tourism experts hired and overseen by a locally elected board. It was, he said, a “win-win” mechanism. Their budget grew from \$120,000 in the first year to more than \$1 million for fiscal 2010–11.

Ferguson and Adams stressed that there are many ways to effect an assessment, from the bed assessment they chose, to a business license surcharge (a model the Downtown Palm Springs BID will discuss at the meeting on May 27, to one they recommended for Idyllwild) — a Big Bear

“resort district assessment” in which every register sale for retail and restaurants is added to the bed assessment to create a comprehensive model that might be a better fit for a smaller town.

Counties or municipalities collect BID assessments. Locally elected boards and directors direct and administer assessments collected by the county. County or city oversight is limited to seeing that legal guidelines are used in spending BID dollars. Adams stressed that she implemented a policy of having a board representative from each of the valley’s discreet industries in order to adequately represent all business community interests.

Ferguson recounted that Temecula Valley’s wine country provided the impetus for creating a local BID. “It came to life from a small contingent of wine country people who came to the area, fell in love, decided to stay, and then needed to promote what they loved,” he noted, a com-



Dennis Ferguson and Kimberly Adams of the Temecula Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau spoke to Idyllwild business leaders about the challenges and opportunities in forming a Business Improvement District at Caine Learning Center on Wednesday, May 19.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

parison he found apt regarding Idyllwild. “At that time [about 6-1/2 years ago] Old Town [Temecula] was struggling and the wine country was challenged to promote itself. With Idyllwild, you have [like the wine country] a stunning visual palette to

market.” Ferguson noted that like Idyllwild, when Temecula Valley started its BID, few knew where or what Temecula was as a tourism destination.

“We had no challenges from lodging customers regarding the assessment,”

said Ferguson. “Nothing changed. Not one complaint.”

“The district is cooperative marketing,” said Adams. “Prior to the BID [town businesses] had spent years going in circles.” She advised Idyllwild BID proponents to go one-on-one to local business owners to get support and think both about the small and large businesses and how they might benefit from a BID. “Find out what each business wants,” she advised.

“You have to do this if

you are going to compete in destination marketing,” said Ferguson. “But first understand the big picture. Don’t go to the minutiae at the beginning.”

Bryan Tallent, former Chamber of Commerce director and IBRT supporter said, “Other communities all around us are doing it and for each dollar they’re taking in [with a BID], we’re losing those dollars by not doing this.”

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

Grinding facility now open on Saturday

The Idyllwild green waste grinding facility is now open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday.

The grinding facility is a service offered to Riverside County residents for trees and other green waste. The facility is also open weekdays from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

The Idyllwild Grinding Facility is located a half-mile southwest of the Idyllwild Transfer Station. The transfer station is located at 28100 Saunders Meadow Road in Idyllwild. For more information, contact Riverside County Waste Management Department at (951) 486-3200 or visit http://www.rivcowm.org/landfill_info/landfill_hours.html.

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CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: A. Clabaugh, Deputy

Pub. TC: May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 2010.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON WATER ASSESSMENTS CHARGES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the secretary of the Pinyon Pines County Water District as follows:

(1) FILING OF REPORT. A written report has been prepared and filed with the secretary concerning the proposed Water Standby Assessments for the fiscal year 2010-2011 pursuant to Resolution #75.

(2) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AND PROPOSED ASSESSMENT. This report contains a description of each parcel of land and the amount of the assessment proposed to be levied for said fiscal year on each parcel as follows:

(a) Thirty dollars (\$30) per year for each acre of land or parcel of land less than one acre for all lands within the boundaries of Pinyon Pines County Water District.

(b) Such water standby charge shall not apply to any parcel of land less than one and one-quarter acres (1-1/4) on which an active service connection exists thereon or before July 1, 2010.

(c) With respect to tracts of one and one-quarter acres (1-1/4) or more, one and one-quarter (1-1/4) acres of land shall be exempted from the water standby charge for each active service connection which exists thereon or before July 1, 2010.

No billing for such assessment shall be rendered, instead the amount of the assessment shall be added to the county tax roll and shall be collected together with general taxes.

(3) INSPECTION OF REPORT. This report is available for inspection by calling the District at (760) 349-3261.

(4) HEARING ON REPORT. A hearing on said report will be held before the Board of Directors at 9:00 am on June 6th, 2010 at the Pinyon Flats County Fire Station at 70080 Highway 74 Pinyon Pines, California. At this hearing, the Board of Directors shall hear and consider all objections or protests, if any, to said report and upon conclusion of the hearing, the Board may adopt, revise, change, reduce or

modify any assessment or overrule any or all objections. This Notice is given pursuant to Sections 31032.1 through 31032.9 of the Water Code of the State of California.

Christy Huss

Secretary of the Pinyon Pines

County Water District

and of the Board of Directors thereof

Pub. TC: May 20, 27, 2010.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following fictitious business name DESERT PLASTIC SURGERY MEDICAL CENTERS, 35280 Bob Hope Dr., Ste 105, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, Riverside County, has been abandoned by the following corporation: ADRIANAMED, INC., 35280 Bob Hope Dr., Ste 105, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, California corporation C2663686.

This business is conducted by a corporation.

The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Riverside County on Dec. 15, 2006.

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

Signed:

RIM MARCINKUS

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 10, 2010.

FILE NO.:

I-2006-04180

CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: S. Perez, Deputy

Pub. TC: May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as DESERT PLASTIC SURGERY MEDICAL CENTERS, DESERT HAIR MEDICAL INSTITUTE, EUROSIPA, HOME OF EUROLIFT MEDICAL CENTERS, EUROLIFT MEDICAL CENTERS, 72-301 Country Club Dr. #106, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, Riverside County, RIMMARCINKUS, 24 Mesa Vista, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

RIM MARCINKUS

Statement filed with the County Clerk of

Riverside County on May 10, 2010.

FILE NO.:

I-2010-01266

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CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: S. Perez, Deputy

Pub. TC: May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 2010.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the public that there is available in the Pine Cove Water District office, for public inspection, the written report of the water stand by assessments for unimproved lots for the fiscal year 2010-2011. The assessment will be \$30.00 per acre or portion thereof.

A hearing on said report will be held before the Pine Cove Water District Board of Directors at 10:00 am on June 9th, 2010, in the District boardroom located at 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove, CA.

Pub. TC: May 20, 27, 2010.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following fictitious business name DESERT PLASTIC SURGERY MEDICAL CENTERS, 72-301 Country Club Ste 106, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, Riverside County, has been abandoned by the following person: RIM MARCINKUS, 24 Mesa Vista, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Riverside County on Jan. 15, 2009.

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

Signed:

RIM MARCINKUS

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 10, 2010.

FILE NO.:

I-2009-00154

CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: S. Perez, Deputy

Pub. TC: May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 2010.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
T.S No. 1181370-10 APN: 559-172-006-1
TRA: 071304 LOAN NO: Xxxxxx6224

REF: SWANSON, LANCE

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED March 30, 2004. 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 June 09, 2010, at 9:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded April 08, 2004, as Inst. No. 2004-0254652 in book, page of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Riverside County, State of California, executed by Lance David Swanson and Laura Ann Swanson Husband And Wife As Joint Tenants, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank at the sixth st entrance to the corona civic center building 815 W. Sixth Street Corona, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **Completely described in said deed of trust** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 52765 Sylvan Way Idyllwild Area CA 92549 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but 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: \$208,861.57. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **Regarding the property that is the subject of this notice of sale, the "mortgage loan servicer" as defined in civil code § 2923.53(k)(3), declares that it has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to civil code 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, California Declaration I, John Kennerty, of America's Servicing Company ("Mortgage Loan Servicer"), declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the following is true and correct: **The Mortgage Loan Services has obtained from the Commissioner of Corporation a final or temporary 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/OR 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 or 2923.55. Date and Place: 7/03/09 Fort Mill, South Carolina Name of Signor: John Kennerty Title and/or Position VP Communication For sales information: Mon-Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: May 05, 2010. (R-314924 05/20/10, 05/27/10, 06/03/10)**
Pub. TC: May 20, 27, June 3, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD GREAT SPACE, IGS, 54401 Village Center Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County, Mailing address: P.O. Box 958, Idyllwild, CA 92549. MARK ANDREW TAYLOR, 54401 Village Center Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

MARK ANDREW TAYLOR

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 19, 2010.

FILE NO.:

R-2010-05573

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MAY 19, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MAY 19, 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: A. Clabaugh, Deputy

Pub. TC: May 27, June 3, 10, 17, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as M. WRIGHT INVESTIGATIONS, 27285 Ruby Grass Ct., Murrieta, CA 92562, Riverside County, MARYANN LOUISE WRIGHT, 27285 Ruby Grass Ct., Murrieta, CA 92562.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in 2004.

Signed:

MARRYANN WRIGHT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 17, 2010.

FILE NO.:

R-2010-05442

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MAY 17, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MAY 17, 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

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: D. Rivera, Deputy

Pub. TC: May 27, June 3, 10, 17, 2010.

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Some of 2010 Census Crew, Chief Lou Padula's enumerator team at a gathering at the Padula's Pine Cove home celebrating a successful local census wrap. From left, front row, Lou Padula, Annamarie Padula, and Sara Harding. Back row from left, Sean Townsend and John Aussenhofer.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

Census wraps in Idyllwild

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

A local crew of enumerators, not as we once called them "census takers," supervised by Pine Cove resident Lou Padula, wrapped the Idyllwild census with a party at the Padula's Pine Cove residence on Sunday, May 23.

Padula thought the general organization of the census, materials and training provided, and particularly the efficiency and work ethic of his crew, were excellent.

At the cozy dinner party, with views out of the dining room window of late May snow, enumerators shared stories of challenges and successes in the variety of neighborhoods they canvassed. Padula and crew noted that generally residents were cooperative, although some refused to fill out the form unless it was properly mailed to them. Census forms cannot be mailed but must be filled out by the enumerator at all local residences.

One enumerator recounted that one resident refused to tell his birthday although

he volunteered his age. Others proposed giving them the form and they would fill it out later. That is also not acceptable according to Census 2010 guidelines. In a curious but memorable moment, one resident stood at the door reading the enumerator's employee number into a tape recorder and asked if the enumerator was authorized to read him his Miranda rights (the standard "you have a right to" etc., read when an individual is being arrested).

Enumerator Brent Miller had the greatest success story — discovering 40 "off-the-grid" residences in a remote survey area. "Our crew was well-organized, and got our work done efficiently," said Padula. All Padula's crewmembers were anxious to see what the Census would reveal about Hill population.

Dec. 31 is the deadline by which the Census Bureau must deliver the Census results and plan for U.S. House of Representatives reapportionment.

E-mail Marshall Smith at marshall@towncrier.com.

IFPD

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members were disturbed about the discrepancy between the Coopersmith's public statements and the auditor's information.

Ultimately, the commission set July 1 as the end of the relationship between the two organizations. A formal contract could not be terminated since there is not a signed contract between

the financial contractors and IFPD.

There was no discussion of the proposed 2010-11 budget, starting July 1. But the commission clearly indicated its concern about the sufficiency of future revenue streams and its willingness to consider asking the public to increase the current \$65 per parcel special assessment.

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CREATURE CORNER

By MIMI AND HOOTCH

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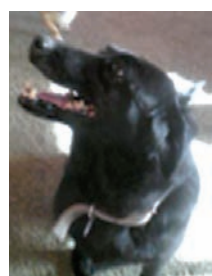


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PAST TENSE

60 years ago - 1950

Audie Murphy's film, "The Kid from Texas," was playing at the Rustic Theatre. It was shot the previous year on the mountain.

50 years ago - 1960

Leigh Dutton was authorized to continue selling wine and beer at his Gourmet Liquor Shop. A Riverside Superior Court judge denied a writ of mandate sought by Lee Bailey, representing the Idyllwild Protective League.

45 years ago - 1965

Bud Hunt was the new Junior Chamber of Commerce president.

40 years ago - 1970

The first hookup for Idyllwild's new sewer system connected to the Wilson Smith home and tied into the trunk lines.

35 years ago - 1975

An easing of the gasoline crisis was credited for a big increase in the number of people visiting the Hill over the holiday weekend. The U.S. Forest Service estimated



A \$1 million project was planned for Dutch Flat in 1960 and only got as far as this artist's rendering. The plans included a golf course, clubhouse and motel units. FILE PHOTO

the Hill had 45,000 visitors.

30 years ago - 1980

At a meeting of the Idyllwild Property Owners Association, Fire Chief Bud Hunt reported that hot ashes were "the number one culprit" of fires on the Hill.

25 years ago - 1985

Among the five Idyllwild residents graduating from the Elliott-Pope Preparatory School was Mark Taylor. Valedictorian of his graduating

class of 38 members, Taylor was awarded a \$500 scholarship from the Idyllwild Scholarship Fund.

15 years ago - 1995

About 100 children and many adult volunteers attended the 4th-annual Fishing Festival at Lake Fulmor. Sadly, only one fish was caught during the day-long event.

10 years ago - 2000

Memorial weekend on


the Hill was marred by the Tahquitz Fire that claimed 233 acres of the mountain wilderness overlooking the Idyllwild, Fern Valley and Pine Cove. Many campers were turned away when the U.S. Forest Service was forced to close all camping and day use sites in the southern half of the wilderness area.

5 years ago - 2005

More than 30 rescuers combed the Pacific Crest Trail for hiker John Donovan, 60, of Virginia, who hadn't been seen in almost a month. The search was futile until 2006 when Donovan's remains were found. He had apparently lost the trail in the snow and hiked into a canyon from which he could not hike out.

1 year ago - 2009

The first Jimmy Campbell Memorial Softball Tournament was held to raise money for the Campbell Kids Fund on behalf of his four children. The late Town Hall director died two months earlier in March.




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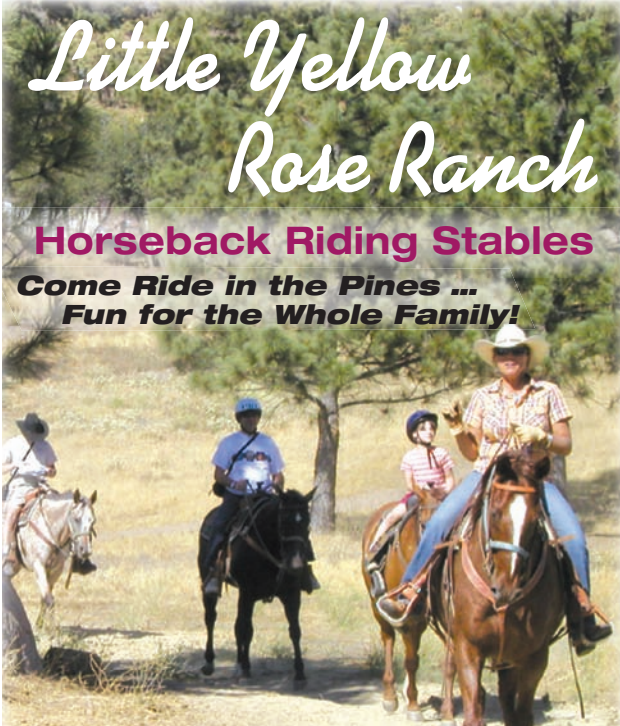
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