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The annual Idyllwild 5K & 10K Run and Fitness Walk took place through the streets of Idyllwild last Saturday morning. Following the event was a pancake breakfast and awards ceremony at Town Hall. Dozens of runners and walkers take off from the starting line at 7:15 a.m. Proceeds benefit the Idyllwild School physical education department. This year's entries set a record.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

**Idyllwild Trailer Park woes**

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
 STAFF REPORTER

Once again, the Idyllwild Trailer Park (ITP) is under the county microscope for alleged violations of county code. Officials from Code Enforcement (CE), Environmental Health and Safety, Building and Safety, and County Counsel met with residents on Saturday, June 5 in the ITP meeting room. Park owners did not attend. County representatives expressed concern over park owner violations, including substandard electrical wiring attached to trees and other improper connections, as well as resident violations that include unpermitted room additions

and other construction that does not meet county code requirements.

**Park Owner Violations**

CE Director John Boyd noted that chief among county concerns were code violations that raised issues of public safety that potentially endanger not only park residents but the wider Idyllwild community — improper electrical wiring attached to trees and otherwise jerry-rigged in obvious contravention of code. Yet even though the county inspected the park in 2008, and noted the prevalent improper wiring and consequent potential danger, current owner La Cumbre Management has

See Trailer Park, page 22

**Debate continues without Emerson**

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
 STAFF REPORTER

The Pine Cove Property Owners Association (PCPOA) and the Idyllwild Town Crier sponsored a civil and spirited debate between Democrat Justin Blake and American Independent Matt Monica at the Idyllwild Fire Department on Friday June 4. Republican candidate, Bill Emmerson (AD 63 Redlands), who had accepted the debate invitation, cancelled fewer than three hours before the debate start. Blake, Monica and Emmerson are contending in the June 8 election for the California Senate District 37 seat previously held by current Fourth District Supervisor John J. Benoit.



Democratic candidate Justin Blake and American Independent candidate Matt Monica shake hands after their Idyllwild debate.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

Emmerson had not previously agreed to publicly debate Blake and Monica so his acceptance of the Idyllwild invitation was noteworthy. His spokesperson said an unexpected personal and family problem occurred.

Although separated by ideology and firmly held positions, Blake and Monica demonstrated that civility and cordiality still can coexist in our prevailing intemperate national conversation. Both were gracious to each other and the audience.

Debate moderators Doug Yagaloff and Annamarie Padula posed the questions that PCPOA members and Idyllwild Town Crier staff prepared and chose several questions which the audience submitted during the debate.

Arizona's recent and controversial new immigration law, SB1070, received a lot of attention from both candidates. Blake said he did not support it and that it

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*Lost hiker does the impossible*

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
 STAFF REPORTER

Richard Wong, 23, of Valencia, a college student in San Francisco, confounded Riverside County Sheriff's Department (RCSD) searchers and all search scenarios by turning exhaustion into a prodigious physical feat and a curtailed hike into an endurance marathon.

On Monday, May 31, Wong and four friends began hiking from Humber Park to what searchers had been led to believe was Tahquitz Peak. That misinformation proved costly to Wong. In a June 7 interview, Terrence Tringali, one of Wong's

hiker friends, said the group had always intended to hike to the summit of Mt. San Jacinto. Around noon, a mile below the Saddle, Wong told his friends he was not feeling well, was experiencing extreme exhaustion and was going to head back to Humber Park. He never arrived there.

Around 10:30 Monday night, Wong's friends returned to Humber and reported him missing. Early morning on Tuesday, June 1, RCSD mobilized Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit, who, along with Desert Search and Rescue and an RCSD helicopter unit, began combing the area from the top

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# NEWS OF RECORD

## Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, May 31 to June 6:

### Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

**June 1** — Walk-in medical aid.

**June 3** — False Alarm, Tahquitz and Marian View drives.

**June 4** — Medical aid, Temecula Drive, Idyllwild.

**June 5** — Medical aid, Ridgeview Drive, Idyllwild.

**June 5** — Smoke detector activation due to malfunction, Pioneer Road, Idyllwild.

**June 5** — Medical aid, Tahquitz Drive, Idyllwild.

### Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

**June 5** — False Alarm.

**June 5** — Medical aid.

### Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

**June 2** — Traffic collision, 74000 block of Highway 74, Garner Valley.

**June 2** — Traffic collision, 61000 block of Highway 74, Garner Valley.

**June 3** — Ringing alarm, 57000 block of Michelle Road, Garner Valley.

**June 5** — Traffic collision, 53000 block of High-

way 243, Idyllwild.

**June 6** — Medical aid, 52000 block of Morris Ranch Road, Garner Valley.

### Riverside County Fire, Pinyon

**May 31** — Traffic collision, Vista Point and Highway 74, Pinyon.

**June 1** — Medical aid, Mile Marker 74- 87 and Highway 74, Pinyon.

**June 3** — Ringing alarm, Mitchell Road, Anza.

**June 5** — Hiker/Rescue, Saw Mill Trail, Pinyon.

### Riverside County Fire, Anza

**June 1** — Medical aid, Highway 371 and Contreras Road, Anza.

**June 1** — Traffic collision, Highway 371 and Kirby Road, Anza.

**June 1** — Vegetation fire, Soboba and Gilman Springs roads, San Jacinto.

**June 2** — Traffic collision, Highway 74 and Arlington Road, Garner Valley.

**June 2** — Medical Aid, Highway 371 and Lake Riverside Drive, Aguanga.

**June 3** — Ringing alarm, Mitchell and Bohlen roads, Anza.

**June 4** — Vegetation fire, Lake Skinner and Borel Road, Sage.

# Richardson convicted

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

On May 25 in Riverside County Superior Court, a jury convicted Robert Dale Richardson, 51, of Anza, of felony assault with a deadly weapon, using a firearm in the commission of a felony and of

being a habitual offender.

The incident for which Richardson was convicted occurred on July 20, 2009 in the 44700 block of Gold Creek Lane in Aguanga. Sentencing is scheduled for June 25.

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



Around 6:45 p.m. Saturday, a male on a Harley Davidson motorcycle was traveling northbound on Highway 243 when he allegedly crossed the double yellow line colliding with Shannon Carder of Lakewood, who was traveling southbound in his 1984 Toyota pickup. Both occupants had minor injuries. American Medical Response transported the motorcycle driver to Hemet Valley Medical Center.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

# Key pleads guilty

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

On April 22, Holly Augusta Key, 22, of Anza pleaded guilty to felony possession of methamphetamine, a controlled substance. The Riverside Superior Court deferred judgment on Key for a period of not less than 18 months in order that she can complete a drug diver-

sion program with Anderson and Associates of Murrieta.

Key must complete the program by Oct. 25 and provide proof to the court of satisfactory completion. Should she fail to complete the program as ordered, Key would be sentenced accordingly.

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

**June 5** — Public service assist, Valley Vista and Cargill lanes, Anza.

**June 5** — Medical aid, Burnt Valley Road and Patrick Lane, Anza.

**June 5** — Medical aid, Highway 74 at the Pacific Crest Trail, Anza.

of Kirby Road, Anza.

**June 2** — Solo motorcycle collision, Highway 74 east of Strawberry Creek, Riverside County.

**June 5** — Two-vehicle (motorcycle and pickup truck) traffic collision with two minor injuries, Highway 243 north of Highway 74, Mountain Center.

## CHP log

**June 1** — Two-vehicle traffic collision with no injuries, Highway 371 west

## Sheriff's log

Nothing to report.

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## Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service

Thursday 6/10	Friday 6/11	Saturday 6/12	Sunday 6/13	Monday 6/14
<b>82/49</b>	<b>75/44</b>	<b>75/46</b>	<b>80/51</b>	<b>86/64</b>
Mostly sunny, windy.	Partly cloudy, patchy fog overnight, cooler.	Partly cloudy in the morning, becoming mostly sunny.	Sunny and clear.	Sunny skies, warmer.

Date	Idyllwild this year				Idyllwild last year			
	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S
5-31	na	na			76	48		
6-1	71	44			74	46		
6-2	74	45			76	47		
6-3	77	47			71	50	tr.	
6-4	81	50			68	45		
6-5	85	60			64	33		
6-6	84	55			55	32		

### Moisture in inches

To date this season (Idy): 23.61 To date last season (Idy): 18.04  
 To date last season (Idy): 18.04 Total last season (Idy): 55.2  
 To date this season (PC): 30.92 To date this season (PC): 72.5

### Snow in inches

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

## Sometimes a great notion ...



Last week's column titled "Lightening Bug" was about getting your pack weight down to 20 pounds or less. I wrote the column after working with a local hiker, Rob Bowman, to get his pack lightened up for an overnighter to Law's Camp. Most of the information I passed along was gleaned from reading and talking directly to the PCT hikers.

A couple of years ago, I had a PCT hiker who took every item out of his pack and weighed each individual piece. He even weighed the batteries from his cell phone. After he finished entering the weight of every item in a notebook, I asked him to weigh the notebook and then get rid of it because it was now the only item in his pack that he did not need to carry.

So Saturday at work, I walks a PCT hiker with a 55-pound pack. After talking for a few minutes, he told me he must lighten his load and, of course, I agreed with him. Rather than go through my usual spiel, I simply handed him my column from last week's Town Crier and told him to read it and come back when he was ready to reduce his pack weight. I may have to give myself a new title at work; I am thinking of something on the line of "weight reduction specialist" or WRS for short.

After my month plus of retail hibernation, I am finally getting my personal life sorted out again. Many stories of swiftly flowing creeks in the high country have begun to filter into the shop from my local customers. I now find myself in a familiar position — summer is here and I better do something about it other than work my life away.

So, I have now decided that no matter how busy I am I have to get myself and my camera outdoors at least once a week. I recently purchased a new ultralight HD video camera and I am anxious to use it for something other than shooting my aquariums and pets. My project this

year is to put together a video hiking guide for Idyllwild. This gives me a good reason to hike all over hill and dale. I plan to start with Deer Springs Trail this week. Hopefully when you read this on Wednesday, I will be leaving my cares behind on the trail.

Finally, on a personal note, I can not help mentioning the passing of former UCLA basketball Coach John Wooden. Although he reached the pinnacle of basketball greatness both as a player and a coach, his story is not just about sports. To put it simply, John Wooden was one of the great men of our generation, or any other for that matter. It is fitting that his two favorite people in history were Abraham Lincoln and Mother Teresa because he was known for being both wise and compassionate.

What John Wooden did with his 99 years on this earth was to set a personal standard of excellence so high that he lifted all those who knew him, or knew of him, to a higher level. He was never about winning or losing; he was all about being the best you can be.

"Happiness begins where selfishness ends," said John Wooden. Rest in peace.



The Honeysuckle family is best known domestically in our area by the climbing garden honeysuckle, a close relative of our native Hairy Honeysuckle (*Lonicera hispidula vacillans*). Its loose growth and sparse foliage do not make it a suitable vine for a trellis, but it is quite attractive planted as it occurs in nature, near the base of a shrub. It is coming into bloom now (June).

PHOTO COURTESY OF HAROLD VOORHEIS



This San Diego or Chaparral Honeysuckle (*Lonicera subspicata denudata*) makes a sprawling ground cover the drip line of coast live oaks, spreading to cover much of the ground in the shade of the tree. Use it in small planters that cannot handle bigger plants, give little afternoon shade, a little extra water, a rock or two and a little redwood mulch.

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## Idyllwild Businesses

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For more information view the events tab at [www.lemonlilyfestival.com](http://www.lemonlilyfestival.com). To sign up, send an e-mail to [info@idy4u.com](mailto:info@idy4u.com) or call Shelley at 951-659-3850. Deadline is 6/18.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

- 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.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321
- Pine Cove Water District, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.
- Community Church Guild, noon, church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Lemon Lily Festival Volunteer Organization Meeting, 1 p.m., Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243
- 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.
- Mountain Disaster Preparedness board meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn 54950 Pine Crest Ave.
- "Calling in the Divine Feminine" with Celeste Mann, 6-8 p.m. Chakra Shack, 54750 North Circle Dr., Unit A.
- Business Improvement District meeting with speaker from the Palm Springs Desert Resort Communities Convention and Visitors Authority, 6:30 p.m. Caine Learning Center, 54385 Pine Crest Ave.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 54423 Village Center Dr.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 10

- Idyllwild Business Roundtable, 8 a.m. Caine Learning Center, 54385 Pine Crest Ave.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 11

- MEMSCOMM, 9 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr.
- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- 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.
- Idyllwild Community Recreation Council, 5:30 p.m. IWD board room, 25945 Highway 243.
- Mile High Radio club, 6:30 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.
- RACES, 6:30 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- Baby Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Debbi Geisinger, 659-8710 or (951) 966-1094.
- County Supervisor Jeff Stone, noon- 2 p.m., Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr., Call 1-866-383-2203 for apt.
- 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. The Chakra Shack, 54750 North Circle Dr., Unit A.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 11

- Summer Work Experience Program Application and Orientation Meeting, 10 a.m. Town

- Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- 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, JUNE 13

- Zen Meditation Group, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 659-2253.
- Teen Group, 10-11:30 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Drive, Strawberry Creek Square.
- Idyllwild Writer's Guild, 3 p.m. 25685 Big Pine St., Cedar Glen. Call 659-0130.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 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, JUNE 14

- Associates of Idyllwild Arts, 10 a.m. Wilson classroom, 52500 Temecula Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon & 7:30 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- Community Arts Network, informal brainstorming sessions, 4-5 p.m. Idyllwild Tea Company, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.
- Idyllwild Francophonie (fluent-French speakers), 6:30 p.m. Mountain Restaurant, 26290 Highway 243. RSVP to Françoise Frigola at 659-4146.

- Pinyon Communities Council, 7 p.m. Pinyon Fire Station, 70080 Highway 74, Pinyon.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 15

- Zen Meditation Group, 7 a.m. & 7 p.m. Call 659-2253.
- Camp Alandale's Friends 4 Orphans, 10 a.m. 25420 Lodge Rd.,
- Greater Idyllwild Christmas Tree Lighting Organization Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Muirs Mountain Realty, 26115 Hwy. 243.
- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 5-7 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Ave.
- 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.
- Cancer Self-help Group, 5:30 p.m. Call 659-6262.
- Tai Chi practice group (free), 6-6:40 p.m. Quiet Creek Inn, 26345 Delano Dr. Park on Four Chemneys St.
- 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.
- Idyllwild Right to Life, 7 p.m. Call 659-5228.

- Idyllwild Water District board meeting, 7 p.m. IWD board room, 25945 Highway 243.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

- 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 Book Club, 10:30 a.m. Call 659-6049 for location.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, women only, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.
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- "Calling in the Divine Feminine" with Celeste Mann, 6-8 p.m. Chakra Shack, 54750 North Circle Dr., Unit A.
- Business Improvement District meeting with speakers from Riverside County explaining county involvement in the process, 6:30 p.m. Caine Learning Center, 54385 Pine Crest Ave.

- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual 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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## Summer Poetry Readings

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Please keep all of the poems family-friendly for our younger ears in the audience. We encourage original poetry, but all poems are welcome.

Future Poetry Readings will be held in July and August.



## Obituary

### Aleen Agranowitz, Ed. D., CCC, SLP,

Aleen Agranowitz, a noted speech pathologist, passed away peacefully at her home in Long Beach on May 10 surrounded by her family. She was 94. She was a part-time Idyllwild resident and founder of Speech and Language Development Center, which established Morning Sky School here on the Hill in 1979.



In 1955, Dr. Agranowitz co-founded a speech clinic. Her home served as the original clinic which became the Speech and Language Development Center (SLDC) in Buena Park, Calif. She led the school as the Chief Executive Officer and served as Chief Advancement Officer until April 2010. In addition, she continued her practice as a speech pathologist.

Dr. Agranowitz was born Aleen Crittsinger on June 16, 1915, in Waterbury, Conn. She was the only child of Edith and Lewis Crittsinger and was raised in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Dr. Agranowitz graduated in 1938 from Worcester State Teachers College. In 1972, she graduated from the University of Southern California (USC) with a Master's degree in Speech Pathology and, in 1987, she earned her Doctorate in Education from the University of La Verne.

Her interest in language and special education problems began when she worked with adult aphasics at the Bethesda Naval Hospital near Washington, D.C. during her service in the U.S. Navy. Aleen was a Naval officer from 1943 through 1947.

She came West to study under Dr. J.M. Nielsen, a neurologist who was a leading authority on aphasia, and to work with brain injured WWII veterans at the Veterans Hospital in Van Nuys, Calif. When the hospital moved to Long Beach, Dr. Agranowitz was made Director of the Aphasia Clinic. She married a former patient, Aaron Agranowitz, in 1951. She resigned from the Veteran's Hospital to raise her family in Long Beach where she ultimately began the clinic for children with special needs.

Although, the clinic began with three children with special needs, today SLDC serves over 300 children and young adults diagnosed with disabilities in the areas of

language, learning and behavior. More than 70 percent of the students have a diagnosis of autism. Over 45 public school districts and Regional Centers in Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside and Orange counties refer their students to SLDC. Parents have traveled from as far away as Ireland to have their son or daughter attend SLDC. Today, SLDC has grown into one of the largest, state certified, non-public, special education schools in California.

Especially dear to Aleen's heart were the children, families and staff of SLDC as well as the Adult Aphasia program that she began and met with weekly for the past 30 years.

Under Dr. Agranowitz's leadership, SLDC has operated two other programs. In addition to Morning Sky, which existed for 29 years as a residential and school program for boys 11 to 18 years here in Mountain Center, there also was Daybreak, two group homes in Placentia, Calif., which served and provided a stable home for 12 severely disabled adults for 19 years.

SLDC also has a sister school in Hermosillo, Sonora Mexico, the Instituto Angel de la Guarda, which Dr. Agranowitz and the staff of SLDC helped to found in 1968. A close connection with this school continues today. The Instituto serves more than 150 children and young adults. SLDC staff members continue to visit the Instituto and evaluate students twice each year, and provide professional development for teachers and parents.

"Aleen's intelligence, wit and charisma were quite amazing," said Patty Bauman, president of the SLDC Board of Directors. "Her ability to speak extemporaneously was a gift that few possess, and her memory was quite unbelievable. The skill and caring that Aleen showed as a therapist set the standard for what SLDC is today."

Aleen is survived by her children, Sara, David and Joel; three grandchildren; and her beloved dog, Boomer. Sara Jones, along with husband E.C. and son Michael live in Long Beach; David and Santy Agranowitz with daughter Natalia and son Gabriel live in Idyllwild and Buena Park; and Joel and Janet Agranowitz live in Orange. All will miss her zest for life.

#### 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](http://www.rivcowm.org/landfill_info/landfill_hours.html).

#### Celebration of life Clifford G. Dorn Jr.

A celebration of Clifford Dorn's life will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 19, 2010 at his home at "Trail's End," 32235 Morris Ranch Road, Garner Valley. The celebration will be potluck style for all of his family and friends. Seating is limited, so bring a chair if desired.



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## INITIAL THOUGHTS

Assemblyman Emmerson:



I hope your father is doing better. It was a great disappointment when you canceled your appearance at the Senate District 37 debate Friday evening.

While this letter will not appear until after election day, that's good timing because it's not about the election. It's about being a representative of all people in your district.

Idyllwild is a small community, less than 4,000 permanent residents — not exactly a rich vein of voters. But this community cares about its elected officials and turns out to vote in high percentages. Being so elevated gives us a different perspective than many of your other constituents.

Interestingly all of the other elected officials have found time to visit Idyllwild and listen to our residents. You may have practiced dentistry here, but significant turnover has occurred during the intervening years. Most of us only know Dr. Dunn and Dr. Dunn and are very happy with them.

The former Senate incumbent — Supervisor John J. Benoit — of the seat your seeking, and I assume have now won, frequently came to the Hill. Sometimes those were official visits and sometimes he came simply to enjoy one of our special events.

Russ Bogh, the candidate whom both you and Benoit defeated in Republican primaries, has ventured up the winding Highway 243 to share his views and talk several times with locals about life 25 miles from a traffic light.

Assemblyman Brian Nestande, unopposed in the general election, found time to come and talk with the Hill communities before the election.

The county's five supervisors are able to work together and solve problems more effectively than the squabbling, bickering, partisan state legislature. Perhaps their willingness to spend time outside the office helps them understand their constituents' plight. The 3rd District's supervisor is Jeff Stone, whom you didn't support as a future senate colleague.

Most people here had no idea who this Temecula pharmacist was and what he could do for us before his election. Now they know and embrace him. It's not because of the tens of thousands of dollars he has brought to Idyllwild. He's a friend because he cares and shows it. He comes here monthly to meet with anyone who schedules an appointment. He listens, takes notes and assigns staff to find a solution.

But it's not just county pols who know how to drive mountain roads. Our Congresswoman, Mary Bono Mack, a Republican like you, comes to the Hill several times a year.

Saturday, she spoke at both the Idyllwild Arts commencement and the Keenwild Helibase dedication. She helped secure the funds for its renovation. As she told the gathering, her job is to help before an emergency occurs.

If you don't have time to visit, to listen or discourse with our residents, how can we expect you to help us? We live in a fire prone area. Wildland fires, not structure fires, threaten our community every year. Will you know how to explain to your colleagues how the regulations, protecting air quality in the flatlands, stifle winter controlled burns on the Hill?

Do you know that the \$11 billion water bond has minimal affect here because our water districts rely almost exclusively on groundwater and local streams, not the Sacramento Delta or Colorado River. Yet, Idyllwild Water District has to go to the federal government for funds to construct a pilot recycling plant.

While you're balancing the state budget, what are you doing about the lawsuit over state education funding, to which our local school district — Hemet Unified — is a plaintiff.

So good luck Senator-elect. Let us know when you'll be in Idyllwild. We will tell people and local groups who really would like to meet you and share their views.

J.P., EDITOR

## READERS WRITE

### Offensive jokes aren't funny

EDITOR:

It is disturbing that the point of the recent "Joke of the Week" was to reinforce the negative stereotype of the "money-loving Jew" — just as it would be for any race, religion, persuasion of any kind to be mischaracterized and mocked in this way.

JUDY SCHONEBAUM  
IDYLLWILD

### In re: In re: "Neatness"

EDITOR:

I see that I have created controversy again where I didn't mean to. All I wanted was for Idyllwild to put forth a clean, shining bright face for those of us who live here and for visitors to the Hill.

I was amazed to see that Kim wants me to do what she will not: speak to her directly. I did not call Code Enforcement. If she had asked, I would have told her [that I didn't call them]. I never even thought of it.

This is a community disagreement with no need for outsiders. I know that Code Enforcement is in town a lot though, especially at her neighbors, the Idyllwild Trailer Park. Maybe they saw something they didn't like when they were going in and out past her place.

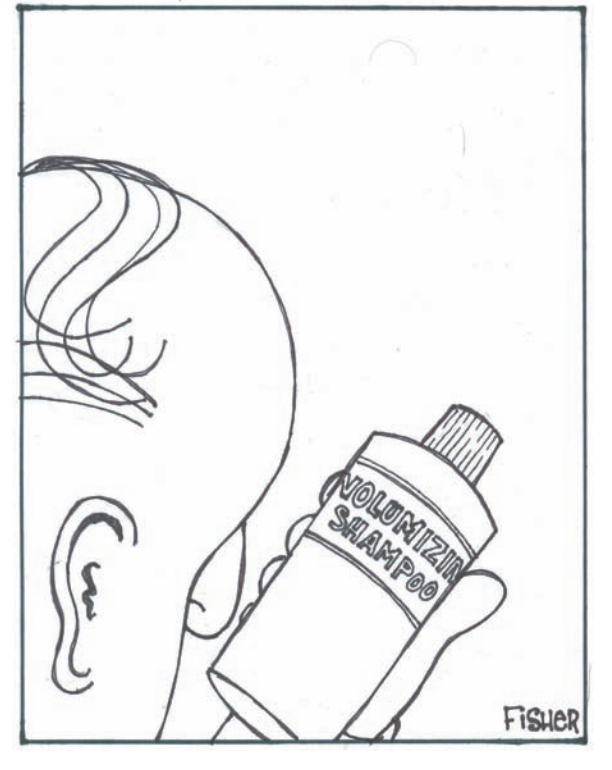
I went back and looked at my letter to find out what could have caused her to run on so long. Had she read my letter thoroughly, she would have realized that I made twice as many positive statements as negative ones (12 to six), followed by simple solutions.

Then I read her letter again. She accused me of doing something I did not and threatened to punish us all for this. I am distressed that it has gotten to this point. She admitted to encroaching on her fellow businesses' parking spaces and I now realize that she might have been using the handicapped space only a day or two when she was getting settled. Since my mother used a wheelchair, I know how important handi-

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### Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



capped spaces are to those who need them.

Yes, other businesses do place merchandise in front of their doors. In every case, they have brightly colored, clean, lovely, enticing items displayed. I wish Kim would do the same.

I would like to discuss this with her face to face but I truly feel that by simply stating observations, I would get run over by personal invec-

tive as I have in the past. I'm not a creative writer as many folks are, but just describe what I see. I'm very sorry she believes these horrible things about me and I'm sorry for her personal tragedies. I do not know Kim and therefore can have no opinions about her character. All I really wanted was for her to tidy up a bit.

NANCY BORCHERS  
PINE COVE

### Matter of fact

In our June 3 edition, we reported that new Idyllwild Postmaster Kelly Gates would host a dinner at Town Hall following her July 23 swearing-in. Both events are by invitation only. The Town Crier regrets the implication that the function would be open to all.

### How to get a letter published

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# YOUTH TALK

BY JENNY KIRCHNER, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

What's been your favorite thing about this school year?



**Jenah Arnett, 6  
Grade 1**

"It is when I do math."



**Emma Johnston, 7  
Grade 2**

"Was last Thursday, I went to the swimming party and it was so fun."



**Chayton Kenyon, 7  
Grade 2**

"The favorite thing about the school year is we had a nice teacher, Mrs. Chavez."



**Pierce Pramuka, 8  
Grade 2**

"My favorite thing is pet day and the accelerated reader test."

## Idyllwild Scholarship Fund

The Idyllwild Scholarship Committee would like to applaud the community for its wonderful generosity. Local businesses, organizations and many individuals raised \$13,000 this spring for the Idyllwild Scholarship Fund. Recently, the 12-member committee held interviews, deliberated, and made decisions regarding disbursement of the funds. In order to qualify, students had to have at least a 3.0 GPA, live in Idyllwild, and be planning to further their education at a two or four year college upon high school graduation. Students will learn of their scholarship awards at their respective high school award ceremonies. The committee was impressed, as always, with the caliber of the candidates, and our community can certainly be proud of these young people.

### Strange but true

If you wanted to dig to the center of the earth, you'd have to go down about 4,000 miles.

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## ON THE FRINGE

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illustrator writer



## OFF THE MAIN ROADS

BY LES WALKER, RMRU MEMBER

Devices help, common sense is best...



Visits to wild places are often deeply rewarding. But these adventures also entail risks that can occasionally prove life threatening, even for the most experienced outdoors people. New technology offers help, but not prevention.

Personal Locator Beacons (PLBs), available for use in the United States since 2003, provide a powerful safety net for wilderness travelers.

A PLB is a portable transmitter capable of sending out a personalized emergency distress signal to a network of orbiting military satellites. These satellites then relay your information to search-and-rescue teams, such as the Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit (RMRU), anywhere in the world.

This is a great tool if used correctly. But search and rescue teams around the U.S. are finding them being used for trivial reasons, as the following incident, written up in an Associated Press story, tells.

Two men and their teenage sons recently tackled one of the world's most difficult summertime hikes — the Grand Canyon's parched and searing Royal Arch Loop. With their bedding and food, the inexperienced backpackers also packed a PLB. "Yuppie 911" is now the phrase used for these devices.

Three times in three days, the hikers summoned help — mobilizing helicopters for dangerous, lifesaving rescues inside the canyon's steep walls. The hikers used their PLB to summon a helicopter rescue after running out of water; but they insisted on continuing rather than being lifted out.

After finishing their own water, the only water they could find "tasted salty."

### HUSD registering new students

Hemet Unified School District is currently registering all students in grades K-12, new to the district, for the 2010-11 school year. Its Centralized Registration Office, located at 2085 W. Acacia Avenue in Hemet, will be open all summer and parents are encouraged to complete the registration process early. School will start on Aug. 23, 2010. Call (951) 765-5100 ext. 3580 for additional information.

### Youth employment orientation Saturday

There will be an application and orientation meeting for the Summer Work Experience Program (SWEP) for youth and parents at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 12 at Town Hall. All youth who have already applied for the program, and those still wanting to apply, along with a parent, should attend the meeting.

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# Business improvement district meetings continue

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Doug Yagaloff, Judy Beggin, Bryan Tallent, Larry and Pam Allen, Gary Budnick and other Idyllwild Business Roundtable (IBRT) participants have said they came together to help their respective businesses survive a deteriorating economy and to contribute to the common good of invigorating Idyllwild's business climate.

The latest project, an exploration of the merits and attendant challenges for Idyllwild's becoming a Business Improvement District (BID), intends to inform the community about the process. The series of public meetings features leaders from neighboring BID's and county representatives.

On Wednesday, May 19 Temecula Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau Chairman Dennis Ferguson told attendees, "You have to do this if you are going to compete in destination marketing," because funds from state, county, and municipal agencies to assist with promoting tourism are drying up.

On Thursday May 27, Joy Meredith, president of Main Street Palm Springs, the

downtown Palm Springs BID echoed Ferguson. "The best way [to promote area business] is to pool the money together [through a BID] because individually you can't do much good," she said.

Meredith's business is one of the smaller members of the Main Street BID, and she touted the advantage of being promoted on an equal footing with much larger players. "It was important to me that everyone was on a level playing field," she said. "It's empowering for businesses to see they're not alone. This is a tough economy and working together gives you power. What could I do alone with my \$300 [yearly assessment]? That wouldn't even buy me a decent ad."

Objections generally raised about BIDs are about how assessments are levied, are they fair, and are they based in part on the likely benefit to the specific participating business. Speakers from Temecula, where assessments are based on a two, recently raised to four percent pass-through per night lodging charge, said end users had voiced no objections in the five years the BID has been in place.

Meredith said that once Main Street BID participants could see how their money was being spent and how effective it was to aggregate those funds, BID objections dropped away.

Meredith spoke encouragingly about how a BID can integrate and bring a business community together. "It's all about community," she stressed. "You want your neighbors to prosper." Looking out at her audience, Meredith spoke about the Idyllwild she and her husband have visited often and come to love. "There's a vibe and a lightness about this place that you have to let people know about," she said. "But you have to have money to do that."

IBRT facilitator Doug Yagaloff and participant Brent Miller put together four explanatory meetings to present the BID concept and give local business owners a chance to attend, ask questions, and become better informed about the benefits and responsibilities of Idyllwild's forming a BID in an effort to invigorate an increasingly cash-strapped economy.

At 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 9, the Palm Springs Desert Resort Communities

Convention and Visitors Authority (CVA), of which many local businesses are members through IBRT initiative, will speak about its process of formation and its \$7 million plus yearly budget. Among issues to be addressed are the many ways assessments can be levied. BID's are often funded through "pass-through" assessments levied on end users, not business owners. Municipalities or counties collect the assessments. Locally elected boards, often with hired professional management, spend the funds to promote tourism and improve local business health.

IBRT urges local business owners, especially those who may have negative preconceptions about BIDs, to attend and ask questions. Referring to her own experience in helping form Main Street Palm Springs BID, Meredith said, "I'm glad to have the opposition [speak]. It's an opportunity to address those points."

On Wednesday, June 24, IBRT presents the last of the four BID meetings at which the county will talk about its involvement in the process

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

## ONLY IN IDYLLWILD

"I was participating in a yard sale over Memorial Day weekend with some friends and neighbors. We were trying to downsize my husband's collection of books and records. A local gentleman was looking through the books and in the first volume of a set, he found an envelope with over \$400 in \$20 bills and a notation indicating that my husband had placed it there in 1986 (apparently for safekeeping). He brought the envelope over to our payment table saying, "You probably would like this" and handed it to me. I was so stunned that I did not get the gentleman's name but my husband would very much like to thank him."

Barbara Richmond  
Idyllwild

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# Pine Cove property owners make local grants

BY BETH NOTTLEY  
STAFF REPORTER

At its annual General Meeting on Saturday, June 5, the Pine Cove Property Owners Association membership voted to give a total of \$5,750 to nine different organizations serving the public on the Hill.

In a meeting attended by more than 50 members of the group, a vote was taken on which organizations would receive an award and how much each award would be.

Granted \$1,000 each were Mountain Disaster Preparedness for re-supplying the Disaster Area Stations on the Hill with emergency supplies; the Idyllwild Scholarship Fund for scholarships to graduating Hemet High School seniors toward their college educations; and the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES), the official volunteer communications arm of the Riverside

County Office of Emergency Service. RACES trains ham radio operators who would be the Hill's source of communication in the event of a major disaster that took out cell towers.

Granted \$500 each was WNKI, the emergency broadcast radio station for the Hill; the Woodies, volunteers with the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council who provide firewood to needy families on the Hill; the Idyllwild Area Historical Society toward its effort to construct a temperature and humidity controlled facility for its archives; the Idyllwild HELP Center for utility assistance for Pine Cove residents (this grant was in addition to a previous \$500 grant made earlier this year); and the Pine Cove volunteer firefighters for whatever need they choose.

Finally, \$250 was given to a new group calling itself The Greater Idyllwild Christmas Tree Lighting



It was standing room only at the Saturday, June 5 Pine Cove Property Owners Association Annual Meeting. The group gave \$5,750 in grants to local organizations.

PHOTO BY BETH NOTTLEY

Ceremony Organization (the group is still developing its name) toward the cost of putting on the event, now in its 50th year. Marge Muir gave a brief presentation about the plan to expand the event to two days. "Every organization on the Hill is going to be involved this year," she said. The organization is holding its first public meeting at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 15, at Muirs Mountain Realty on Highway 243 across from

the Shell Station and anyone interested is welcome to attend.

The Pine Cove Property Owners Association is currently 819 members strong. Dues are \$10 a year, and each year the association gives funds to local organizations. For information about the association, call Annamarie Padula, president, at 659-5128.

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The Pine Cove Water District held its annual customer tour and Barbecue Saturday. Above, visitors and staff enjoy the preparation. Below, PCWD General Manager Jerry Holldber discusses his Dutch Flat treatment facility with guests.

PHOTO BY VICKI JAKUBAC, PINE COVE WATER DISTRICT



## IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT JUNE 2010 NEWSLETTER

**OAKWOOD WELL** – IWD has purchased an existing well on Oakwood Street. This well was drilled in 1991, meeting community domestic well standards. Under a well agreement, the District operated this well during the 2002/03 multi-year drought and it produced 30 gallons per minute. The well's water quality is good, however, similar to our Foster Lake wells, it will require treatment to adjust the pH level. This well can provide water for 175 residential services, or about 20% of our May 2010 water demand of 161 gpm. This well was a very good investment for the District.

**GROUND WATER REPLENISHMENT PROGRAM** – The District has been investigating a Recycled Water Project. The District received a \$35,000 grant from the State Water Quality Control Board to prepare a Feasibility and Planning Report. The State has requested that we provide our alternatives for providing new water supplies.

- Alternative #1 – Truck delivery of the recycled water to customer's "green tanks" for irrigation use.
- Alternative #2 - Use it for groundwater replenishment.
- Alternative #3 - To drill additional wells.

For 30 years the District has replenished ground water with the District's existing secondary treated recycled water located at our percolation ponds. A proposed 20gpm "pilot" project using an advanced tertiary treatment process would provide high quality water, nearly meeting drinking water standards. This tertiary treated water would be pumped to Foster Lake for a groundwater replenishment pilot program. The Bureau of Reclamation has \$500,000 of grant funds for recycled water projects that IWD can apply for.

**REBATES FOR RETROFITS** – The District will be reviewing their toilet and washing machine rebate program at the June 15th Board meeting. We have been discussing adjusting the rebates offered for the toilet and washing machine replacement program. The Board may consider lowering the amount of the current rebate funds. We have been spending more than our annual rebate budget account. For the past 10 months nearly \$18,000 has been spent for these programs. Since these rebate programs have been in effect, August 2002, a total of nearly \$44,000 has been granted for these rebates. Staff will be considering adding new customer rebate programs (such as irrigation devices) that will help conserve water. If you have any ideas that you would like to see considered please let us know.

**RATES, FEES AND CHARGES** – The Board will be considering increasing water and sewer rates at the June 15, 2010 board meeting. These rates were last increased in 2005. They will also be looking at the current schedule of additional charges. These include capital facilities fees for water and sewer, transfer fees and turn on/turn off fees. These charges were last reviewed in December 1996.



# Fire season started and agencies prepared

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

The May 26 Mountain Area Safety Taskforce (MAST) meeting was a celebratory moment as two important, but former, members returned, at least temporarily, and simultaneously demonstrated the purpose of these sessions and how fleeting the personal moments are when danger, especially fire, threatens the Hill.

Both former CalFire Pre-Management Fire Division Chief Kevin Turner and former San Jacinto Ranger District Fire Chief Norm Walker sat at the IC's [incident commanders] table during the meeting.

As the meeting began, fire officials were holding cell phones to their ears or reading messages on their blackberrys and rapidly keying replies because of the Fairview Fire near Fairview and Whittier Avenues east of Hemet. Before the meeting ended, the California Highway Patrol and Riverside Sheriff's attendees were called to help on the fire and left the meeting in mid-session.

At 79 acres, the Fairview Fire would not be considered major, but it was the first large fire of 2010. The room was unusually somber. The Fairview Fire signaled the possible dangers these public safety officials could confront during the next five months of fire season.

Although Southern California fire officials have adjusted to a constant threat of wildfire, spring does symbolically identify the start of a new fire season because

of renewed attention to fire abatement inspections.

## Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD)

The IFPD abatement program has started. The initial letters have been mailed to property owners and IFPD's first neighborhood inspections have begun, according to interim Fire Chief Walker.

Unfortunately, current budget concerns have forced IFPD to conduct its inspections with on-duty personnel, rather than Walker's preference to augment his resources with additional inspectors.

At the May IFPD meeting, the commission did agree with Walker's recommendation to clarify the local ordinance to ensure consistency with state Public Resource Code 4291, which authorizes fire abatement inspections.

The changes clarified how needles and duff will be inspected. Within 10 feet of a structure, pine needles, leaves and duff must be removed. In the next 20 feet, two inches of duff may remain under the trees' drip line.

## Riverside County Fire/Cal-Fire

Pursuant to the Governor's recent executive order, CalFire's Riverside unit has additional staffing, engines and air tankers. Riverside County Fire has committed to complete 13,000 inspections this year, Deputy Chief Mike Ritchey stated.

"We go to peak staffing first week of June," reported Ritchey. This includes four person engine staffs.

A revision of the Commu-

nity Wildland Protection Plan will begin soon, Turner reported. This version will likely encompass a larger portion of the county, including south to the San Diego border.

## U.S. Forest Service

The Forest Service is quickly approaching full strength summer staffing, according to San Jacinto Ranger District Fire Chief Dan Felix. At this point, six of the district's seven fire stations will be open seven days per week. Shortly, Felix expects to be able to expand the seventh station to seven days from five days per week.

The Forest Service has completed pile burning on 118 acres within the local district according to Chris Fogle, one of the district's battalion chiefs. They are planning work on the Indian Mountain fuel break, he added.

Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council (MCFSC)

Despite the expanding staffing at the fire agencies in case of an emergency, Mike Esnard, president of the MCFSC, reported his agency has used all of its existing grant fund to help property owners abate.

"We are working with the state and county for another grant," Esnard said. He also added that funds for replacing wood roof shingles will not be awarded until the county's emergency plan is approved."

Southern California Edison (SCE)

"This is the lowest point we seen since starting the [Bark Beetle program]," reported SCE's project manager Dave Simmons. Although SCE has seen some dying trees, Simmons stated overall mortality continues to decline.

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# Bono Mack dedicates Keenwild helibase

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

On Saturday, the U.S. Forest Service held a ribbon cutting and dedication of its renovated Keenwild Helibase. A larger and better-equipped facility replaces an old helibase of minimal and mediocre conditions that for decades occupied the ridge above the Keenwild Fire Station.

With the help of local Congresswoman Mary Bono Mack, a state-of-the-art helibase is now in place in the San Jacinto Mountains. The helicopter stationed at the base from late May through November circles the district looking for smoke or fire and, if necessary, is capable of dropping 260 gallons of water on or ferrying firefighters to the conflagration, according to Doug Ross, helibase superintendent.

After bringing air equipment back to the San Jacinto District in the early 2000s, former District Fire Chief Norm Walker, currently the interim Idyllwild fire chief, began efforts to establish a permanent quality helibase here.

By 2007, internal Forest Service funding was available to initiate the project, but was insufficient to complete the quality helibase Walker had envisioned. With the help of Bono Mack and her staff, additional funding was secured as part of the fiscal year 2008-09 Forest Service budget.

Construction work on the new facility began last June, according to Forest Supervisor Jeanne Wade Evans.

On Saturday, dozens of former Forest Service firefighters and members of the public saw and toured the new 2,200-square-foot

building. A command center, pilots' office, training and meeting space, sleep area and a kitchen are all part of the new building which is more than four times the area of the original building.

The former structure was cobbled together from a building at the Cranston station, Walker said. They found an old shed, razed it, transported it to Keenwild and reassembled it with some new parts. The former helibase center was 500 square feet with an obstructed view of the landing pad.

"This [renovation] was a necessity, aviation is complex and fighting fires from air isn't easier," said current San Jacinto District Fire Chief Dan Felix.

Bono Mack paid tribute to Walker for his persistence and insistence of the need and importance of this facility.

"When an environmental catastrophe occurs, such as in the Gulf [of Mexico] now, I don't want to be in the way," she said. "My job starts before it happens — thinking about the risks. This is a good example of thinking ahead."

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Saturday was the dedication of the renovated Keenwild Helibase.

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San Jacinto District Ranger Laurie Rosenthal was the emcee for Saturday's ribbon cutting ceremony.

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Congresswoman Mary Bono Mack arrives at the ceremony with San Bernardino Forest Supervisor Jeanne Wade Evans.

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Congresswoman Mary Bono Mack thanks former District Fire Chief Norm Walker for his persistence in finding funds to complete the helibase improvements. In the background on the left are District Ranger Laurie Rosenthal and Congressman Connie Mack (R-FL) and on the right is the Helibase crew, from the left, Superintendent Doug Ross, Capt. Daniel Sepulveda, Squad Boss Daniel Diaz, Senior Firefighter Jael Constantino and Firefighters Peter Bosco and Matt Brant.

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## Trivia test

Legal: If someone dies "intestate," what does that mean?

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## FIRE AND FOREST

BY MIKE ESNARD, FSC PRESIDENT

### Fire safety requires preparation ...

Snow's over, now's time to think about fire. The Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council (FSC) sponsored a community meeting about fire on May 26 at Idyllwild School.

After two hours of presentation and discussion, there are many lessons to take away and I will focus on just a few.

On the prevention side, Chris Fogle and Dan Felix of the US Forest Service and CalFire's Kevin Turner spoke of the fuels projects around the mountain. Idyllwild and Pine Cove residents should feel reassured

by the 11 fuelbreaks surrounding the community. These would not necessarily stop a fire, but they would slow it down enough for the fire agencies to gain the upper hand.

Both Chris and Kevin mentioned an important fact regarding fuels reduction projects, which I will paraphrase this way: the time of big government money is over, so we now have to spend what money we have on maintaining our existing projects.

The background here is that the huge bark beetle infestation caused severe tree die-off around 2001. Eventually with help from

Congressman Jerry Lewis (R-CA 41) and Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) large federal grants came to our area. This influx of money made possible fuels projects that the agencies had wanted to do for some time. Most of these projects are complete, and it is highly unlikely that we will get similar funding levels in the near future.

The key word now is maintenance. What money is available must go towards maintaining all of the fuelbreaks and evacuation route projects currently in place.

Regarding residents and fire, County Fire Chief John Hawkins argued for the "Ready, Set, Go" formula.

The "ready" part of this refers to proper fire abatement of your house, making sure that hazardous fuels don't provide a pathway directly to the structure. Most of us at the MCFSC know this; if you don't, call (659-6208) for a free consultation on what abatement should be done on your property.

The "set" part refers to evacuation planning in the event of an actual fire. The key here is to plan where you would go and what you would take if you needed to get out quickly.



We all need a list, or a prepared bag, that makes leaving easier. We need to remember things like prescriptions, glasses, key documents and our pets. Families should consider having a meeting point in the event of separation and a third-party contact outside the area to help pass messages. The "go" part means leave when the order is given. Don't shelter in place, and don't delay. Just leave, and let firefighters do their jobs.

The last lesson to mention is about our fire agencies. It is clear to me that every agency is not only willing but eager to talk

to the public on these matters. We had lots of highly trained and experienced fire personnel in the gymnasium, all willing to talk to anyone interested about abatement or fire suppression. Norm Walker, Idyllwild Fire interim chief, spoke for all when he talked about working with all residents toward success.

Personnel from Riverside County/CalFire, the US Forest Service and Idyllwild Fire want our communities as a whole to be successful in managing fire, and they want to work with us as partners to do it. I think that is something we can feel good about.

## Forest Service studies night flights

BY J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

At a congressional hearing last month, Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell said his agency was re-evaluating its no night flying policy. The re-analysis is the result of the post-evaluations of the August 2009 Station Fire in the Angeles National Forest.

Local Los Angeles county officials have argued that more aggressive action, including night time use of helitankers, would have contained the fire within the first 48 hours. The fire started on Aug. 26 and was not fully contained until the second week of October. It burned a total of 160,000 acres, destroyed 89 homes, claimed two lives and cost more than \$100 million to fight.

At the behest of Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), the Senate Appropriations Interior, Environment and related agencies subcom-

mittee held the hearing May 26. The Appropriations committee held the hearing because funding Forest Service programs is intertwined with firefighting policy, Feinstein explained.

"The big issue in the West is nothing is like having your house burn down," she told Tidwell. "If we're [the government] supposed to protect people, and knock out the fire in the first 24 hours, air assets are critical and have to be in place and accessible."

Currently Los Angeles, Kern and Santa Barbara counties and San Diego city have regulations to oversee night flying for aircraft fighting fires.

Tidwell agreed and indicated the Forest Service review, which will include both rotary wing and fixed wing aircraft, should be completed by the end of the year.

Fighting fires in the dark with air craft is not as simple as taking the "red eye" from



The Forest Service's Keenwild helicopter.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Los Angeles to New York. Aircraft are much closer to the ground and when the fire is near an urban area the threat of power lines and other utility lines or other hidden facilities raise the risk.

"From the outside looking in, it seems like a obvious benefit to drop water at night," said interim Idyllwild

Fire chief Norm Walker, and former Forest Service fire chief on the San Jacinto Ranger District. "However, the decision is actually based on a number of complex issues, not the least of which is safety of the pilots and ground crews."

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### Strange but true

Those of you who need your daily java fix probably won't be surprised to learn that coffee is one of the most popular drinks worldwide and is one of the most traded agricultural commodities. Due to limitations in cultivation, however, Hawaii is the only state in the U.S. that produces the beans.

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Installation of the 2010-2011 Soroptimist International of Idyllwild's board. Shown above from the left are **Melody Blaschko** (President), **Denise Edmiston** (Treasurer), **Chris Finney** (President-Elect), **Fran Ballard-Miller** (Golden West Region Past Governor), **Karen Doshier** (Recording Secretary) and **Jacque Swerdfeger** (Corresponding Secretary).

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### Soroptimists seeks new members

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## Lynch brings a bit of Ireland to Series

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Local poet, musician and actor Mick Lynch brings a bit of Ireland to the conclusion of the popular Speaker's Series sponsored by the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council at 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 16, at the Caine Learning Center.

Titled, "Out a' the Pine: Revisited," Lynch brings a one man, four character, one act play in full Irish brogue with music and sound effects. "It's a period-piece spiritual journey about a man coming to grips with his own ways," said Lynch. Conscious of the lilting musicality of the Irish dialect, Lynch winked and warned his audience to avoid napping. "My job is to keep it fluid and dramatically alive," he said. "Come and experi-



**Mick Lynch** presents a one-man show "Out a' the Pine: Revisited," replete with fiddle, whistle, and Irish brogue.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

ence yourself at a level you might not have previously accessed."

The play is "revisited" because of the numerous rewrites Lynch has completed — 30 to date. The original version was written in 1996. He began revising it again in February of this year, layering in new awareness and consciousness with each revisit. "For me, the process [of rewriting] has been a

teaching, helping me find where I'm at in my own development," he said with typical good humor. "I've gotten to update my own process and experience."

No Irish immersion is complete without fiddle and whistle, both of which will be integral parts of Lynch's journey. Local musician Pete Holzman will assist Lynch with cues and sound effects.

"It's the miracle of life," smiled Lynch with a nod down the generations to his forebears in County Claire.

Lynch's session is free to the public as is the wine and cheese reception that precedes it at 5:30 p.m. The Caine Learning Center is at 54385 Pine Crest Avenue in Idyllwild.

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## Lemon Lily Festival rolls out educational events

BY BETH NOTTLEY  
STAFF REPORTER

One of the main goals of organizers of the upcoming Lemon Lily Festival to be held in Idyllwild July 16-18 is to educate the public about the Lemon Lily's plight. Once abundant on the Hill, the Lemon Lily, needs help to restore it to prominence in its native habitat. In addition to many events celebrating the flower, festival organizers have planned activities designed specifically to teach people of all ages about the Lemon Lily.

Local children got in on the effort this week as they had a chance to name the "Lemon Lily Kids." Students at Idyllwild School, along with local home-schooled children, got a picture of the boy and girl Lemon Lily featured in the recently published comic-style story, "The Lemon Lilies Come Home!" by festival committee member Avianna Jones. The children suggested names for the Lemon Lily Kids and the committee will vote on the names at a future meeting. The winners of the naming contest will receive a Lemon Lily T-shirt. The comic book will be handed out to children attending the festival

to educate them about the effort to bring the Lemon Lily "back home again."

During the festival itself, children and adults will have many opportunities to see and learn about the Lemon Lily. On Friday, June 16, Geoffrey Caine, director of the Caine Learning Center, is giving an adult educational seminar, "From Lemon Lilies to the Cosmos: How to teach almost anything beginning anywhere," designed for parents, and educators. Children of parents attending the seminar will be engaged in an activity related to the Lemon Lily.

On Friday and Saturday, local naturalist Dave Stith will lead interpretive riparian walks along Lily Creek at the Nature Center. Also, on Saturday, June 17, Stith and Forest Service Botanist Kate Kramer will give a Lemon Lily seminar to introduce the flower's background, history in Idyllwild, new propagation techniques and the Forest Service's future cultivation plans.

For those who enjoy hiking, on Sunday, June 18 Stith and Botanist Michael Wangler will lead a 6-hour, leisurely-paced hike up Devils Slide Trail to an area one-half mile beyond Saddle

Junction, where dozens of Lemon Lilies were spotted last year. Along the way, they will identify and talk about the many plant species on the trail. Space is limited for this hike and reservations are needed. E-mail hikes@lemonlilyfestival.com.

The Lemon Lily Festival is shaping up to be a town-wide event with events such as a Pioneer Town with old-time activities, a Lemon Lily walk with participating businesses giving away treats (34 shops and restaurants have signed up to be on the route; festival organizers welcome more to sign up), a hoedown with dancing, an adult art show at the Nature Center, a junior art show at the Chakra Shack and many others.

Festival organizers also invite individuals interested in volunteering to work at the festival to attend a Volunteer Orientation Meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 22 at Mountain Harvest Market. To learn more about the festival, go online to www.lemonlilyfestival.com. Also, look for the Lemon Lily Festival program to be printed soon in the Town Crier.

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## Django! And strings

BY J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Next weekend, June 18 to 20 is the Aroma Spring Jazz Festival. Five different groups will perform inspiring and luscious music on Café Aroma's deck from Friday evening through the last table based on Sunday evening.

Several of the groups and individuals are very familiar to Aroma regulars and the Idyllwild Associates Jazz in the Pines Festival. But the Spring Festival's music director Paul Carman has worked hard to bring new, different and accessible jazz music to Aroma's confines.

This year, he has invited Ryan Dart's Manouche Swing to play for diners Saturday evening. Dart brings a jazz style rarely heard on the Hill, but that does not mean cutting edge or avante-guard jazz. He and his members play a traditional genre — "django" jazz.

Even for jazz aficionados, "django" may be unfamiliar, but its notes and chords originated in the early decades of jazz's birth. But django is in reality a lost child returning home. It's

foreign flavor is authentic. Europe secretly embraced the new American music and this jazz was played in the back rooms of Paris and London before and during WWII. Django is the progeny of early American jazz and Romani, or gypsy, music.

Jean "Django" Reinhardt, a Gypsy jazz guitarist, became a legend after his death in 1931. Many famous and well-known American guitarists credit Reinhardt as their inspiration or motivation. Some of the most famous guitarists and musicians who publicly admire Reinhardt include Jimmy McCulloch, Chet Atkins, B.B. King, Jerry Garcia, Jimi Hendrix, George Benson and Wes Montgomery.

Reinhardt has played and recorded with some of the great jazz musicians including Coleman Hawkins, Louis Armstrong and Dizzy Gillespie.

With violinist Stéphane Grappelli, he created the Quintette du Hot Club de France, which has been called one of the most original bands in the history of recorded jazz.

"Think blue grass swings like jazz," Carman said describing this unique genre. "There is no drummer, the rhythm is handled by the guitars. It's all strings!"

"In the U.S., swing came from the drums," Carman continued. Reinhardt and his troop were not classically trained. They played at gypsy camps outside Paris

and heard this new music, jazz, in the city's night clubs. But Reinhardt could not read music, just assimilate it.

"It's gypsy folk music influenced by American swing," Carman stated. But Reinhardt and Grappelli could improvise. "Django and Stéphane's improvisation is as good as anyone on this earth," Carman said.

Watching Woody Allen's 1999 movie, "Sweet and Low Down" is good preparation

for Dart's Manouche Swing, which is another name for gypsy jazz. Fictional guitarist Emmet Ray's idol is Django Reinhardt and several of his pieces are featured on the soundtrack.

Whether one is a long-time jazz devotee or one who simply enjoys rhythm, Django jazz is for everyone. And many Hill music fans have heard an excellent local django player already — Don Reed. So Carman recommends the Saturday

evening music with your dinner.

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### Trivia test

#### Animal Kingdom:

What about the Basenji dog makes it unique?

*Answer: It doesn't bark*



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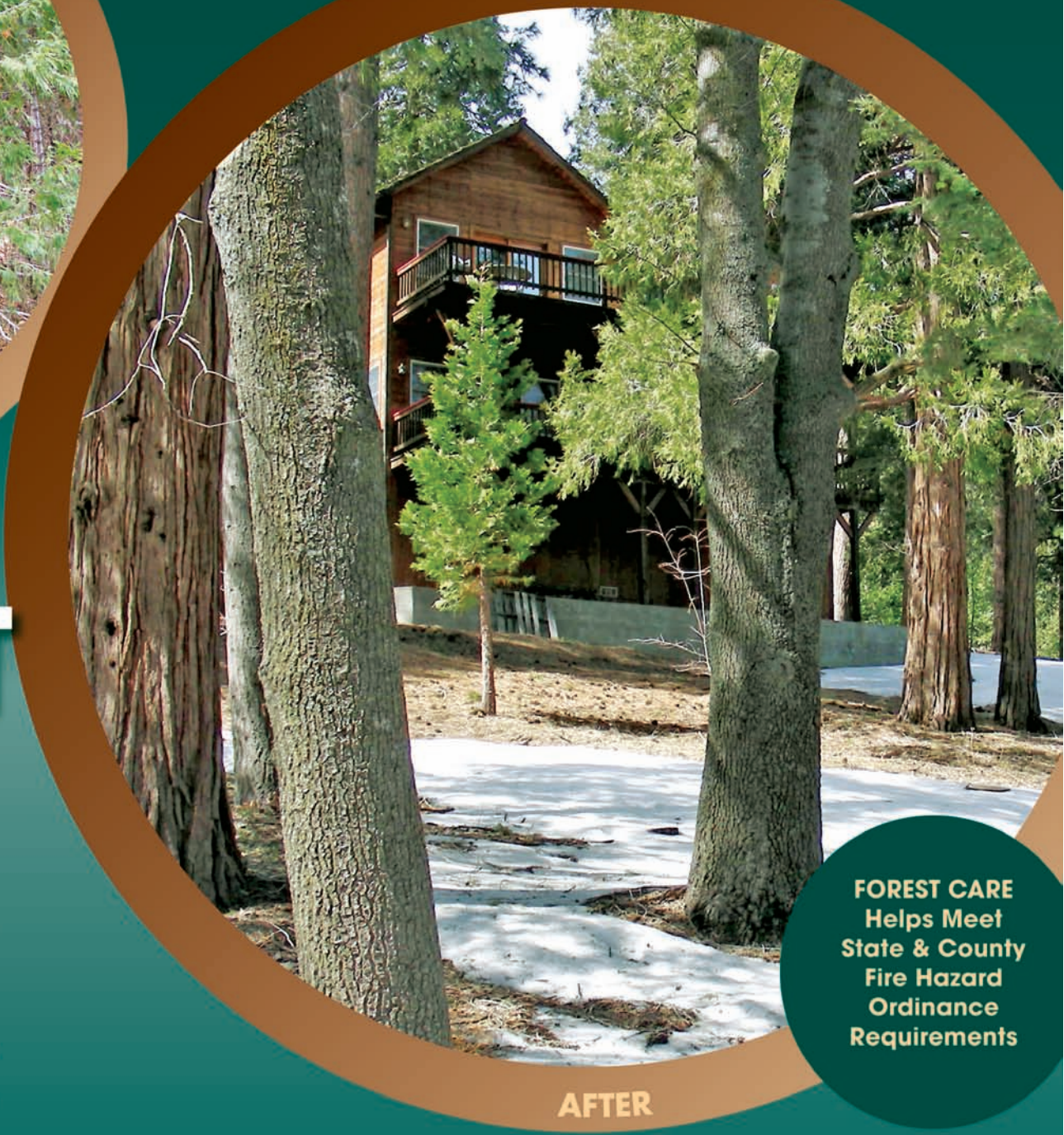
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# Idyllwild 5K/10K Run & Fitness Walk 2010

Note: These are preliminary results provided by Kathy Loper Events. If you find any errors, please check final results online at [www.idyllwildrace.com](http://www.idyllwildrace.com).

## Idyllwild 10K Run Results

**Overall Winners**  
 Men's Division  
**Santiago Alonzo Indio 37:08:00**  
 Women's Division  
**Misty Hitchcock Idyllwild 46:47:00**

### Men's 10K Run Results

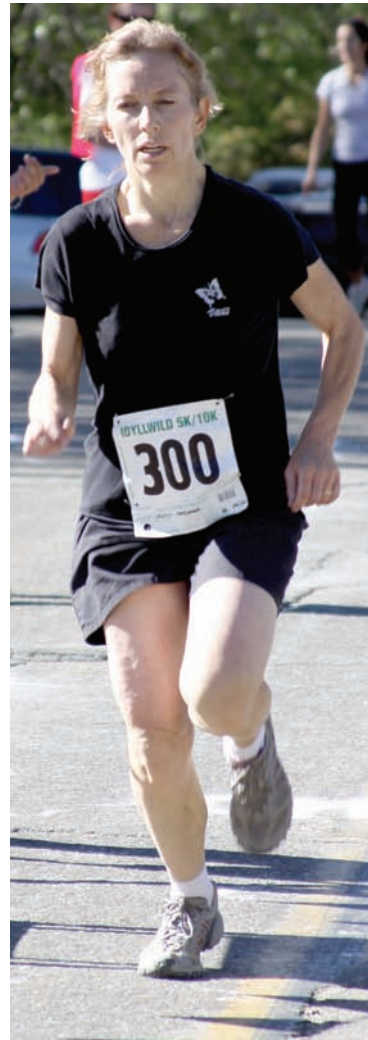
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25-29		
Santiago Alonzo	Indio	37:08:00
Chester Gillmore	Idyllwild	42:54:00
Chris Williams	Idyllwild	1:01:41
30-34		
Luke Curtis	Vista	50:00:00
Joel Herman	Palm Desert	50:41:00
Lloyd Little	Palm Desert	1:01:43
Marlon Mendoza	Temecula	1:01:47
Brian Wilson	Idyllwild	1:12:45
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Jon-erik Burleson	Murrieta	46:33:00
Adam Young	Fallbrook	54:21:00
Demian Schmolke	Palm Desert	1:04:49
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Riccardo Caruso	Encinitas	39:44:00
Jeff Cate	Riverside	40:34:00
Richard Glynn	Idyllwild	48:42:00
David Callis	Idyllwild	49:36:00
Steven Carlson	Mountain Center	1:09:56
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Tom Dellner	Dana Point	41:31:00
J. Richard Aybar	Murrieta	43:01:00
Kevin Doherty	Idyllwild	55:15:00
Kevin Turner	Orange	59:23:00
50-54		
Kevin Prochaska	Idyllwild	43:51:00
Eric Clifton	Winchester	46:28:00
Pete Kirkham	Hemet	47:03:00
Felix Aguirre	Redlands	1:39:24



**Santiago Alonzo was the first across the finish line for both the 5K and 10K races last Saturday.**



**Sara Taylor was the first female across the finish line during the 5K race.**



**Misty Hitchcock was the first female across the finish line during the 10K run.**

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65-69		
James Callaway	Coronado	21:58:00
Dave Pelham	Idyllwild	32:32:00
70-74		
Kent Holder	Fox Island, WA	27:09:00
Larry Turner	Idyllwild	49:21:00
75-79		
Henderson Cleaves	Hemet	35:49:00
Donald W. Walker	San Diego	42:04:00
Larry Pleet	Mountain Center	48:02:00
80-99		
Jim Franklin	Palm Springs	29:48:00

### Female 5K Run Results

Ages 1-9		
Shadyn Skinner	Hemet	26:53:00
Miren Pino	Idyllwild	42:32:00
10-12		
Nayeli Peguero	Idyllwild	23:17:00
Riley Arnsen	Idyllwild	25:21:00
Emi See	Idyllwild	29:00:00
Kaylee Dravenstatt	Idyllwild	29:04:00
Malia Burleson	Idyllwild	31:19:00
Sarah Regan	La Puente	37:05:00
Chloe Schelly	Idyllwild	40:34:00
Meili Spano	Idyllwild	42:22:00
13-15		
Shelbi Skinner	Hemet	27:24:00
Mallory Marcus	Idyllwild	28:20:00
16-19		
Sara Taylor	Victorville	20:41:00
Kelsey Johnson	Hemet	31:55:00
Wendy Behrends	Moreno Valley	35:30:00
20-24		
Erin Schilling	Moreno Valley	45:00:00
Jami Behrends	Moreno Valley	45:00:00
25-29		
Jennifer Coyle	Menifee	21:30:00
Taylor Mitchell	Hemet	28:58:00
Amber Booth	Idyllwild	44:14:00
Tam Phan	San Diego	49:21:00
30-34		
Veronica Rust	Palm Springs	26:15:00
Katie Bodell	Orem, UT	29:19:00
Claudia Posey	Idyllwild	29:57:00
Robyn Pulsipher	Hemet	31:22:00
Heather Sanders	Idyllwild	31:26:00
Laura Jolly	Menifee	31:28:00
Christine Sevilla	Idyllwild	33:28:00
Kym Davis	Cathedral City	35:07:00
Amanda Stone	Idyllwild	36:12:00
Jodi Bowden	San Jose	37:42:00
Irena Turner	Las Vegas, Nv	40:00:00
Kenia Davila	Huntington Park	46:08:00

55-59		
Stan Ideker	San Diego	47:40:00
Dean Chantiles	Palm Springs	50:50:00
Steve Compton	Idyllwild	56:58:00
60-64		
Gary Rust	Palm Springs	59:23:00
65-69		
Teruo Shida	Monterey Park	1:03:56
Robert Sielski	Indio	1:04:55
70-74		
Dale Sutton	San Diego	1:19:54
80-99		
Jim Franklin	Palm Springs	1:05:20

### Female 10K Run Results

Ages 25-29		
Jennifer Coyle	Menifee	48:16:00
Samantha Comafay	San Diego	1:20:03
30-34		
Veronica Rust	Palm Springs	58:48:00
Amber Tingey	Loma Linda	1:04:27
Sarah Schmolke	Palm Desert	1:17:30
Linda Davis	Palm	1:19:56
35-39		
Brigid Freyne	Temecula	47:14:00
Christin Bargenda	Temecula	54:13:00
Kristine Nunn	Hemet	54:46:00
Caroline Carlson	Mountain Center	1:12:40
Kristen Grimes	Hemet	1:24:23
40-44		
Misty Hitchcock	Idyllwild	46:47:00
Amy Weisman	San Diego	59:25:00
Lisa Neal	La Mesa	1:00:24
Heather Reid	Hemet	1:44:29
45-49		
Barbara Marcus	Mountain Center	46:49:00

Tannya Rae Hicks	Idyllwild	55:17:00
Diane Wheeler	Carlsbad	56:41:00
Julie Frasca	La Quinta	1:06:53
Susie Zolghadri	San Diego	1:08:26
Michelina Aybar	Murrieta	1:18:42
Jenna Aguirre	Redlands	1:24:24
50-54		
Patricia Koutz	San Diego	1:03:32
Susan Vitek	La Mesa	1:09:55
Judy Zuckerman	Menifee	1:42:58
55-59		
Gabriela Sonntag	San Marcos	1:06:35
Joni Childers	Temecula	1:42:57
60-64		
Ginger Semple	Palm Springs	1:02:23
65-69		
Laura Boyse	Palm Springs	1:14:19
Sunny Sutton	San Diego	1:22:13

### 5K Run Results

**Overall Winners**  
 Men's Division  
**Santiago Alonzo Indio 16:50:00**  
 Women's Division  
**Sara Taylor Victorville 20:41:00**

### Male 5K Run Results

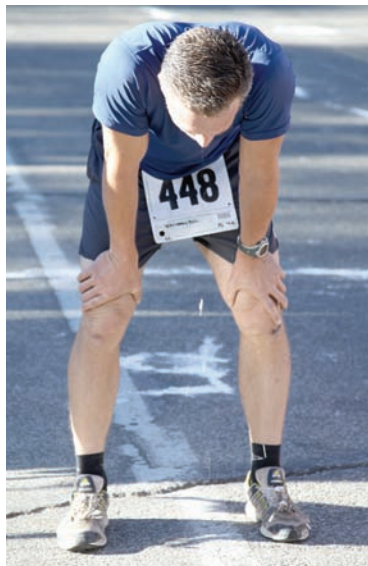
Ages 1-9		
Cooper Sherman	Fallbrook	24:56:00
Kieran Burleson	Murrieta	31:21:00
Ethan Turner	Las Vegas, NV	40:37:00
10-12		
Ryan St. Pierre	Idyllwild	23:29:00
Micah Hitchcock	Idyllwild	25:16:00
Erik Warner Knell	S.J. Capistrano	33:07:00

Riley Turner	Orange	34:38:00
Yeraj Rust	Palm Springs	35:03:00
Evan Biley	Idyllwild	40:33:00
Evan Cowan	Bermuda Dunes	45:34:00
13-15		
Erec Vonseggern	Idyllwild	21:57:00
Chad Schelly	Idyllwild	22:35:00
Zachary Baker	Idyllwild	24:22:00
Tristan Skinner	Hemet	24:27:00
Mitchell Biley	Idyllwild	31:03:00
Alex Sanborn	Idyllwild	31:09:00
Tony Zolghadri	San Diego	32:51:00
16-19		
Logan Hitchcock	San Clemente	20:18:00
Zach Chandler	Hemet	21:48:00
Chris Foster	Idyllwild	22:36:00
Sebastian Jutisz	Idyllwild	24:06:00
Taran Skinner	Hemet	31:31:00
John Bevan	S.J. Capistrano	32:58:00
20-24		
Matt Barats	Idyllwild	23:05:00
Chris Wegemer	Idyllwild	24:06:00
Anthony Carratello	Idyllwild	24:58:00
25-29		
Santiago Alonzo	Indio	16:50:00
Brad Stone	Idyllwild	29:58:00
Mike Harding	Idyllwild	39:46:00
30-34		
Nick Hamlin	Chula Vista	17:57:00
Shane Fender	Idyllwild	29:04:00
Rob Gessner	Idyllwild	30:11:00
Sean Booth	Idyllwild	35:05:00
Manuel F. Monguia	San Marcos	43:07:00
35-39		
Brad Rechtfertig	Idyllwild	19:52:00
Todd Sanders	Winchester	20:03:00
Mark Hespeneide	Idyllwild	20:37:00
Todd Carpenter	Idyllwild	24:07:00

Jason Pfaff	Hemet	24:24:00
Jon-erik Burleson	Idyllwild	28:38:00
Jacobus Pino	Idyllwild	42:32:00
40-44		
Leon Long	Yucaipa	22:53:00
Joe Sherman	Fallbrook	25:09:00
Tom Bethmann	Lake Forest	28:06:00
Tim Mchargue	Yucaipa	28:47:00
Alfred Bussell	San Diego	36:42:00
45-49		
Bill Whitman	Idyllwild	19:40:00
Lee Arnsen	Idyllwild	22:08:00
Paul Vonseggern	Idyllwild	24:36:00
Kirk Dye	Idyllwild	25:50:00
Tom Collins	Palm Desert	27:09:00
Jim St. Pierre	Idyllwild	29:37:00
Ron Oldham	Idyllwild	40:41:00
Bruce Cowan	Bermuda Dunes	45:38:00
50-54		
Eric Clifton	Winchester	20:23:00
Kevin Prochaska	Idyllwild	20:53:00
Brett Baur	Temecula	27:06:00
Rick Smith	Fallbrook	29:49:00
Stan Harding	Idyllwild	30:55:00
John Porter	Idyllwild	37:10:00
Willie Behrends	Moreno Valley	37:18:00
55-59		
Stan Ideker	San Diego	22:16:00
Jim Stephens	San Clemente	24:51:00
Les Widerynski	Idyllwild	31:11:00
Bob Baker	Idyllwild	31:58:00
Jeffrey Calkins	Anaheim	39:51:00
60-64		
Gary Rust	Palm Springs	23:17:00
Michael Rein	Idyllwild	28:18:00
Jim Olson	Recho Cucamonga	32:44:00
Tennis Skinner	Hemet	33:29:00
Manuel J. Monguia	San Marcos	35:23:00

35-39		
Julia Garcia	Chino	26:00:00
Shannon Jacobs	Idyllwild	27:13:00
Dawn Sonnier	Idyllwild	28:17:00
Vanessa Mirro	Idyllwild	30:29:00
Michelle Pawlowicz	Idyllwild	30:42:00
Heather Sorensen	Idyllwild	33:56:00
Leandra Mchargue	Yucaipa	37:11:00
Grace Mexicano-Busse	San Diego	42:27:00
40-44		
Christine Formica	Idyllwild	25:11:00
Lisa Neal	La Mesa	28:40:00
Lisa Abrille	Idyllwild	37:07:00
Josie Robarge	Beaumont	37:58:00
Jana Aragon	Riverside	38:34:00
45-49		
Janette Dye	Idyllwild	25:50:00
Barbara Marcus	Mountain Center	28:20:00
Jennifer Anderson	Aguanga	29:53:00





Idyllwild local **Bill Whitman** takes a moment to collect himself after finishing the 5K race last Saturday morning.



About 20 kids under the age of 7 competed in *The Kids Fun Race*.

Christine Megillick	Hemet	30:59:00
Kathy Johnson	Hemet	31:57:00
Carletta Stokes	Anza	36:48:00
Cheryl Neville	Lake Hughes	40:31:00
Caroline Worthington	Mountain Center	41:04:00
Jill Conger	Escondido	49:05:00
Tamara Hanlon	Poway	49:21:00

50-54		
Valerie Velez	Idyllwild	29:06:00
Adrienne Dubarry	Idyllwild	30:12:00
Jody Ideker	San Diego	38:04:00
Jody Soto	Idyllwild	38:54:00
Joann Tomsche	Idyllwild	40:37:00
Roxane Rollins	Valley Center	44:40:00
Jackie Behrends	Moreno Valley	45:46:00

55-59		
Phyllis Pleet	Mountain Center	32:54:00
Debra Sheridan	Anza	33:09:00
Dawn Miller	Idyllwild	35:20:00
Anna Monguia	San Marcos	35:28:00
Anne Mishica	Idyllwild	37:24:00
Karen Johnston	Bermuda Dunes	40:55:00
Pam Boyd	Apple Valley	44:41:00

60-64		
Ginger Semple	Palm Springs	28:07:00
Jayne Davis	Idyllwild	32:15:00
Ann Holder	Fox Island, WA	42:13:00
Sally Trost	Redlands	43:11:00
Cathy Curtis	Palm Desert	43:12:00

65-69		
Virginia E. Lopez	Chula Vista	33:35:00
Marcia Holzman	Idyllwild	37:51:00
Carolyn Medlin	Oceanside	49:03:00

70-74		
Martha L. Walker	San Diego	33:42:00
Ann Brundage	Palm Desert	40:42:00
Nancy Cohee	Palm Desert	48:10:00
Marcia Lasher	Carlsbad	49:04:00

### 5K Fitness Walk Results Male & Female Combined

Robert Cady	Yucaipa	34:31:00	Janice Coopersmith	Idyllwild	52:21:00
Dale Sutton	San Diego	35:41:00	Monica Rice	Beaumont	52:22:00
Bob Smith	Idyllwild	36:22:00	Jessica Landsparger	Moreno Valley	52:39:00
Shawn Denham	Idyllwild	37:06:00	Melinda St. Pierre	Idyllwild	52:40:00
Dora Dillman	Idyllwild	40:17:00	Vic Scavarda	Idyllwild	52:41:00
Karen Rohlf	Riverside	40:45:00	Doris Lombard	Idyllwild	52:42:00
Terri Wilk	Winchester	40:57:00	Barbara Pelham	Idyllwild	52:44:00
Marshall Smith	Idyllwild	42:09:00	Kaitlyn Bevan	S.J. Capistrano	52:45:00
Ann Holder	Fox Island, WA	42:38:00	Dan Callis	Idyllwild	52:46:00
Karen Brown	Idyllwild	42:39:00	Ellvra Knell	S.J. Capistrano	52:46:00
Gary Brown	Idyllwild	43:34:00	Claudia Callis	Seal Beach	52:55:00
Chris Kramer	Idyllwild	44:19:00	Terri Callis	Seal Beach	52:57:00
Teofilo Beltran	Temecula	44:20:00	Shay Bevan-Knell	S.J. Capistrano	52:59:00
Cherrel Beltran	Temecula	45:18:00	Erik Knell	S.J. Capistrano	53:01:00
Larry Baker	Idyllwild	45:19:00	Steven Coffey	Idyllwild	53:02:00
Gigi Kramer	Idyllwild	46:15:00	Jana Desrocher	Hemet	53:02:00
Jackie Murphy	Fallbrook	46:20:00	Billie Kercmar	Hemet	53:03:00
Cindy Shockley	Hemet	46:42:00	Kathleen Hamilton	Hemet	53:30:00
Sandy Weber	Idyllwild	47:05:00	Bob Hamilton	Hemet	53:54:00
Jennifer Adamson	Idyllwild	47:30:00	Teresa Quevedo	Idyllwild	54:24:00
Leann Smith	Fallbrook	47:34:00	Barbara Seidel	Idyllwild	54:36:00
Christopher Gay	Idyllwild	47:56:00	Laura Raya	Santa Ana	54:46:00
Karen Neville	La Puente	48:16:00	DJ Knox	Redlands	54:49:00
Wendy Read	Idyllwild	48:17:00	Matt Kraemer	Hemet	54:54:00
Kirsten Ingbretnsen	Idyllwild	48:18:00	Rachel Haynes	Idyllwild	55:01:00
JP Crumrine	Idyllwild	48:20:00	Sonya Dravenstratt	Idyllwild	55:02:00
Danielle Baraty	Idyllwild	48:28:00	Debbi Kraemer	Hemet	55:41:00
Ben Cowan	Bermuda Dunes	48:43:00	Bob Schraff	Idyllwild	56:12:00
Marissa Carratello	Idyllwild	48:39:00	Dorian Paul	Idyllwild	56:14:00
Emily Mumphy	Idyllwild	48:40:00	Jennifer Paul	Idyllwild	56:15:00
Amy Cowan	Bermuda Dunes	48:43:00	Geneva Frailey	Sun City	56:16:00
Grace Reed	Idyllwild	49:00:00	Kevin Hughes	Dsrst Hot Spgs	56:17:00
Don Reed	Idyllwild	49:02:00	Michele Hughes	Dsrst Hot Spgs	56:18:00
Jane Megoldrick	Fallbrook	51:08:00	Suzy Capparelli	Idyllwild	57:24:00
Paul Carman	Idyllwild	51:18:00	Pete Capparelli	Idyllwild	57:25:00
Mark Biley	Idyllwild	51:20:00	Mary Stephens	San Clemente	57:26:00
			Courtney Stephens	San Clemente	57:27:00
			Maurice Copeland	Idyllwild	58:12:00
			Richard Dorisse	Idyllwild	58:16:00



**Sandii Castleberry** and her Goldendoodle "Cayenne" were walkers in this year's 5K Walk.



**Damian and Monica Boettcher** walked the 5K with kids in tow.

Katherine Calkins	Anaheim	58:17:00
Janice Vanzanten	Idyllwild	59:03:00
Mary Zimmerman	Idyllwild	59:04:00
Savanah Loutzenhiser	Idyllwild	59:16:00
Maria Loutzenhiser	Idyllwild	59:17:00
Seth Loutzenhiser	Idyllwild	59:17:00
Kyle Loutzenhiser	Idyllwild	59:34:00
Max Swanson	Idyllwild	59:58:00
Beth Swanson	Idyllwild	59:59:00
Frank Cawthon	Cherry Valley	1:00:00
Sally Cawthon	Cherry Valley	1:00:00
Luke Cawthon	Cherry Valley	1:00:02
Alicia Young	Fallbrook	1:00:03
Melanie Thomas	Idyllwild	1:01:40
Lana Ickes	Idyllwild	1:01:41
Pat Schwartz	Idyllwild	1:01:43
Judy Krug	Idyllwild	1:03:19

Allan Morphet	Idyllwild	1:03:20
Craig Coopersmith	Idyllwild	1:04:10
Sandii Castleberry	Idyllwild	1:04:23
Janice Loutzenhiser	Devore	1:04:55
Demian Boettcher	San Jacinto	1:04:56
Monica Boettcher	San Jacinto	1:04:56
Jason Boettcher	Idyllwild	1:05:19
Tina Hamby	Idyllwild	1:05:19
Amaya Levy	Idyllwild	1:09:21
Seth Levy	Idyllwild	1:09:21
Trudy Levy	Idyllwild	1:09:21
Barbara Peterson	Hemet	1:09:21
Laurie Litth	Idyllwild	1:11:29
Catherine Pritchett	Idyllwild	1:11:29
Linda Blazo	Fallbrook	1:17:16

## 30th 5K & 10K biggest ever

By **JIM TAYLOR**  
RACE COMMITTEE MEMBER

Saturday, June 5, was the 30th running of the Idyllwild 5K and 10K Run and Fitness Walk. This year the official starters were Wes Rizer and Wayne Stanfield, two of the original organizers of the race 30 years ago. Wes still lives in Idyllwild with his wife, Debbie, who also played a key role in those early years. Wayne made a special trip back to Idyllwild from

out of town to commemorate the anniversary and visit old friends.

It was another record year for this local event with over 400 runners and walkers participating (excluding dogs). One volunteer was heard to say you can tell there is a good crowd when there is a line at the porta-potties. And even though the race was difficult with the altitude and hills, the participants were overwhelmingly positive about their experience.

Even though it was a warm day for the runners, everyone seemed to have a great time. Chip Shelly kept the crowd entertained with his play-by-play announcing. As the runners finished they were roundly cheered on by the crowd and given water as they came out of the chute.

One runner commented that he always enjoys this race because of the location, the fact that the proceeds go to the Idyllwild School Physical Education pro-

gram, and that Kathy Loper Events does the timing.

Many locals turned out this year, as they do every year. Four local teams competed for the first time. Idyllwild School, Mountain Disaster Preparedness, the Rotary-Rotary Anns and The Town Crier all went head-to-head in a hard-fought battle in the 5K Fitness Walk.

One runner, Kent Holder, formerly from Idyllwild came down from Washington State for

the race. The oldest runner was 80-year-old Jim Franklin from Palm Springs, who has raced for many years. He ran both the 5K and 10K races! The youngest runner was 5-year-old Nathan Turner from Nevada.

This year, in a rare occurrence, one person — Santiago Alonzo from Indio — won both the 5K and 10K races, confirming the special significance of the 30th walk and race.



# 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, June 9

Paul Carman, Jazz, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.  
"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

### Thursday, June 10

Bridge, 12:30-4 p.m. Creekstone Inn. For information, call 659-4910.  
Barry Lawrence Combo, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.  
"Shrek Forever After," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

### Friday, June 11

Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.  
Peter Curtis, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Mike Rider in the style of Johnny Cash" with special guest artist Vince Day, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.  
"The A-Team," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

### Saturday, June 12

Art Alliance of Idyllwild's Plein Air & 3-D Art Festival: Plein Air Experience, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Throughout town; 3-D Art, noon-5 p.m. Member Galleries; start at Village Centre.  
David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; The Girlz, 1-3 p.m.; Bill Siatta, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.  
Idyllwild Garden Tour Sponsored by the Idyllwild Garden Club, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Start at Village Centre.  
"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum.

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## 2010 Garden Tour on Saturday

By Deborah M. Gmeiner  
Chair, Idyllwild Garden Club 2010 Tour

The 2010 Idyllwild Garden Club Garden Tour will be from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, June 12. The tour features six private gardens representing very different styles found on the Hill and the children's garden at the Idyllwild School, where docents will explain the Junior Gardener Program.

Refreshments and a plant sale, along with a preview of plans for the new Idyllwild Area Historical Society (IAHS) gardens will be at the IAHS from 11 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Ben and Kitty Cordell's "Banana Belt" garden offers

panoramic views, abundant wildlife, native wildflowers, manzanita and native oaks. Stone outcroppings and large trees offer places to view the valley below and magnificent skies above.

Debbie Geisinger, a well-known local arborist, shares her woodland garden, a living example of good stewardship of the land. She will lead tours on the hour, sharing her knowledge of healthy trees, mulching, pruning and much more.

Tom Sepko and Steve Davison have softened their natural ravine garden with stone-lined pathways. Daffodils delight visitors in the spring. Annuals and perennials grow beneath trees and shrubs.

See Garden, page 22



Idyllwild School students performed "Stars on Parade" last Friday and Saturday at Idyllwild School. Famous musical pieces from six different Broadway musicals were performed, including "Oliver!", "Fiddler on the Roof" and "Once Upon a Mattress."

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One of the beautiful gardens on this weekend's Idyllwild Garden Club tour.

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**SATURDAY JUNE 19 1-4 PM**  
**JASON HARNELL TRIO**  
JAMIE ROSENN - GUITAR JOE BAGG - ORGAN  
JASON HARNELL - DRUMS

**SATURDAY JUNE 19 6-9 PM**  
**MANOUCHE SWING**  
MUSIC OF "DJANGO REINHARDT AND THE HOT CLUB OF FRANCE"  
RYAN DART - GUITAR LAURA GEIER - VIOLIN  
NATHAN RASNICK - GUITAR BEN SHEPARD - AC. BASS

**SUNDAY JUNE 20 1-4 PM**  
**STRAIGHT JACKETS**  
THE MUSIC OF THE "YELLOWJACKETS"  
BARNABY FINCH - KEYS BILL SAITTA - EL. BASS  
PAUL CARMAN - SAXOPHONES JEFF OLSON - DRUMS

**SUNDAY JUNE 20 6-9 PM**  
**SHERRY WILLIAMS**  
SHERRY WILLIAMS - VOCALS RON STOUT - TRUMPET  
JOSH NELSON - PIANO JIM DEJULIO - AC. BASS  
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# AAI presents 2010 Plein Air Fest

By Betty Bailey  
Correspondent

This weekend promises to be one of the liveliest of the year in the art town of Idyllwild as the Art Alliance of Idyllwild (AAI) rolls two of its most popular events into one fun-filled weekend. The annual Plein Air Festival and the annual 3-Dimensional Art Show and Gallery Tour are sure to thrill visitors and locals alike.

Plein Air is French for "open air" and, on Saturday, AAI artists will be scattered throughout the town, capturing lovely and picturesque outdoor scenes on canvas. The idea of plein air is to capture, with paint on canvas, a single moment in time. The result is a colorful "snapshot," which will serve as a keepsake that will evoke fond memories

for years to come.

Attendees can enjoy appetizers and drinks as they stroll from gallery to gallery, watching the artists at work.

The three-dimensional show presents art in 360 degrees. AAI member galleries will open their doors to feature fine original 3-D works that include ceramics, wood, clay, fiber, glass art, carved porcelain pottery, jewelry, furniture and mixed media. It all happens Saturday, June 12, from noon to 5 p.m. Stop by any AAI member gallery to pick up your route map.

Both events culminate Sunday morning with a champagne reception, from 10 a.m. to noon, hosted by the Quiet Creek Inn. Come see the finished Plein Air creations and cast your choice for the Community Favorite Award. A juror will

choose the First, Second and Third Place awards as well as Honorable Mentions.

The AAI is a non-profit, 501(c) 3 organization with a mission to promote art and arts education through the support of Idyllwild artists and galleries. For more information on these or

other AAI events, please visit AAI's website at [www.artinidyllwild.com](http://www.artinidyllwild.com) or call toll free, (877) 439-5278. To download a copy of the AAI Gallery Guide, click go to [www.artinidyllwild.com/AAI2010GalleryGuide.pdf](http://www.artinidyllwild.com/AAI2010GalleryGuide.pdf).

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Bow Bridge by Paul Strahm

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**A&E**

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Local Author Day with book-signings and music by David Jerome, noon-4 p.m. B's Mountain of Books.

"The A-Team," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

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

**Sunday, June 13**

Art Alliance of Idyllwild Plain Air Experience Awards & Art Sale, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Quiet Creek Inn.

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; Artist's Reception: Kathy Luber, 2-4 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.

"The A-Team," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Monday, June 14**

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

Swift Pony, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma. "The A-Team," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Tuesday, June 15**

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.

"The A-Team," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Wednesday, June 16**

Idyllwild Community Recreation Council Speaker's Series presents: Mick Lynch, 5:30 p.m. re-

ception, 6-7 p.m. speaker: Caine Learning Center.

"The A-Team," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Thursday, June 17**

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

"The A-Team," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Friday, June 18**

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

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Aroma Spring Jazz Festival: Paul Carman Quartet; 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"The A-Team," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

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**Saturday, June 19**

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; Aroma Spring Jazz Festival: Jason Harnell Trio, 1-4 p.m.; Ma-

nouche Swing, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

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"The A-Team," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

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

**Sunday, June 20**

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; Aroma

Spring Jazz Festival: Straight Jackets, 1-4 p.m.; Sherry Williams, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum. "The A-Team," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Monday, June 21**

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

Peter Curtis, 6-9 p.m., Café Aroma.

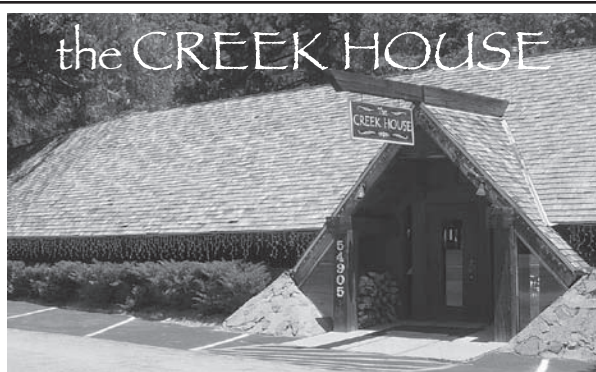
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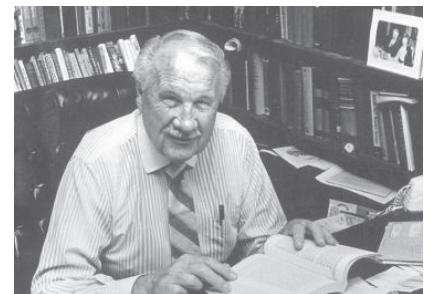


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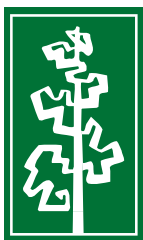
Actually I'm stealing this thought from one of the great Christian leaders of the Twentieth Century. I met Ray Stedman when I was recalled from Vietnam to bail my son, Kirk out of jail. Kirk was one of the notorious 'Berkeley Seven' hippie students who occupied the Library at the University of California in protest against the Vietnam War. Ray was pastor of a big, popular, mainly 'Stanford Students' church in Palo Alto. Ray met me at the San Francisco airport and in the next ten days changed my life. Or I should say, "The Christ-in-Ray' changed my life. We bailed out the hippies, and we saw them through court to probation. But the incredible power of Doctor Stedman was his attitude of expecting — and finding — the 'good,' positive and hopeful qualities in everyone. He was not fond of the war — any war — but he befriended me and through our ten days together which took us through a dozen 1968 hippie camps, the demonstrations in Haight-Asbury, the struggle at the gates of the Presidio, Berkeley and Stanford in the streets and the tent city of pregnant teens in Palo Alto. Ray introduced me to a thousand of these, his friends — and together we heard their side of the story. Never once did I hear Ray criticize, find fault or judge. Often, he prayed with them, but he never 'put-them-down.' Go over to B'S MOUNTAIN of BOOKS in the Village Center, Idyllwild and let Linda & Lauren show you more of this great American Frontier Value.



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# SPORTS

## Town Hall sports

Danny Richardson provided the following report on Town Hall Co-ed Youth Baseball:

### Minors

On Thursday, June 3, the American Legion Dodgers squeaked by the Rainbow Inn Braves, winning 5-4. The Dodgers' **Ethan Teeguarden** crossed home plate in the last inning to win the game. Outstanding Braves' defensive player **Josh Gray** kept the game close.

Also on Thursday, the Idyllwild Rotary Angels exploded over the Forest Lumber Cubs, 22-1. **Faith Vogt** of the Cubs scored their only run in the second inning. Several Angels scored more than once, led by **Chayton Kenyon's** inside-the-field-homerun.

The playoffs began the next day, Friday, June 4. First-place seed Idyllwild Rotary Angels, played the fourth-place Forest Lumber Cubs, and won 14-4. Defensive standouts for the Angels were **Stephan Carman** and **Jake Mabery**. **Jacob Lande** and **Faith Vogt** each crossed home plate twice, trying to help the Cubs.

### Final Standings

	Wins	Losses
Idyllwild Rotary Angels	8	1
American Legion Dodgers	7	2
Rainbow Inn Braves	3	6
Forest Lumber Cubs	0	9

### Majors

On Wednesday, June 2, the Majors regular season ended with the Café Aroma Diamondbacks playing the Idyllwild Land Surveying Pirates. **Zach Fogle** had an excellent defensive game for the Diamondbacks. The Pirates scored six runs in their third. **Nick Anderson** and **Kyan Gracia** of the Pirates scored twice. The final score was 9-3 Pirates.

The Majors playoffs also began Friday, June 4. The game between the Diamondbacks and the Pirates was suspended because of darkness with the score tied, 11-11. The game will resume in extra innings 5 p.m., Wednesday, June 9. The winner will play the Idyllwild Pizza Co. Giants in the Championship Game.

### Standings

	Wins	Losses
Idyllwild Pizza Co. Giants	8	0
Idyllwild Land Surveying Pirates	3	5
Café Aroma Diamondbacks	1	7

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**Miren Pino**, of the winning Idyllwild Rotary Angels, swings away during Town Hall Youth Baseball minor playoff game against the Forest Lumber Cubs.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

## Steele back in the money

By JACK CLARK  
PROFESSIONAL GOLF CORRESPONDENT

Brendan Steele did well last week in the Melwood Prince George's County Open. Playing on the University of Maryland Golf Club course in College Park, Md., his 67-70-66-71 - 274 total score, tied for 17th place and was worth \$8,400 in prize money. Steele struggled to control big drives during the first two rounds, averaging 312 yards. But only a third stayed on the fairways.

He turned this around in the third round when he sacrificed distance for accuracy. His driving averaged 293.5 yards dropped, but he found the short grass nearly 80 percent of the time and hit all but one green in regulation.

Steele's putter was also working nicely last week as he needed only 1.66 putts per green in regulation, which tied him for 11th place in that category.

The next stop on the Nationwide Tour is the \$525,000 Fort Smith Classic played June 17-20 at the Hardscrabble Country Club in Fort Smith, Ark., where \$99,000 goes to the winner.



**Thomas Zur** participated in the annual Sons of the American Legion Horseshoe Tournament last Saturday afternoon at the American Legion Post 800. Zur and his playing partner, **Bob Lewis**, came in second place.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



His coach sends **Chance Vladika**, of the Idyllwild Land Surveying Pirates, home during playoffs last Friday. The Pirates and the Café Aroma Diamondbacks game was suspended and will be resumed Wednesday, June 9, prior to the championship game.

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A player for the Idyllwild Rotary Angels barely makes it to first base, as **Jacob Lande**, 8, runs to cover.

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**Amy McKimson** was the Pirates pitcher during the playoffs.

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# Congratulations Idyllwild Arts Class of 2010



Actor **Richard "Cheech" Marin** attended the Idyllwild Arts Commencement for his daughter, **Jasmine Marin**, a Visual Art major.

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Excited Idyllwild Arts seniors scream in support of fellow classmates taking the stage as they received their diplomas last Saturday.

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The stage was crowded with the class of 2010 and faculty last Saturday.

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Congresswoman **Mary Bono Mack** addressed the class and audience last Saturday during the Idyllwild Arts Academy 2010 Commencement. Mack connected with the students after explaining her college major was in Art History.

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Idyllwild Arts Valedictorian **Karina Birgitta Li** (left) is announced by her mother, the Dean of Academics, **Anna-Karin Li**, before Karina addressed her fellow classmates with words of encouragement and excitement last Saturday.


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Over 100 caps took to the sky as the Idyllwild Arts class of 2010 celebrate after receiving their diplomas last Saturday.


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Headmaster **Bill Lowman** hugs one of the graduates as she makes her way to receive her diploma.

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Idyllwild School held its last awards ceremony for the school year last Friday morning. Teachers presented awards to students who have advanced personally and academically throughout the year. From left (back row), Principal **Matt Kraemer**, "**Rocky**" and second grade teacher Mrs. **Deborah Engel**. From left (front row), **Lauren Badger**, **Levi Sorensen**, **Myiah Crawford** and **Johnny Edwards**.

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**René Montoya**, 4, was one of the many kids who came out to the annual PTA Carnival last Friday afternoon at Idyllwild School. All proceeds went to benefit the PTA.

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Students need teachers. Pictured above are **Deborah Engel**, **Kirsten Ingbretson** and **Michelle Adler** (not pictured, **Colleen Sanden**). Principal **Matt Kraemer** chose these teachers not only for a job well done while at Idyllwild School, but also to say goodbye. These four educators are among the teaching staff who lost positions in the Hemet district this year.

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Students have some fun on a large tricycle at Idyllwild School during the PTA Carnival last Friday.

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**Erec VonSeggern** of Idyllwild prepares for his solo flute performance at the University of Redlands Community School of Music and the Arts Youth Symphony Showcase Concert on Sunday while Music Director and Conductor **Karen Thurman-Palmer** enjoys the Town Crier. Erec performed the Concerto in F major, Op. 10 No. 1 by Vivaldi.

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Mountain Community Patrol President **Janice Herdey** (left) and Riverside County Deputy **Ezekiel Escobedo** bestow a 15-year pin on member **Elizabeth Odom** and a 10-year pin on **Leann Gudmundson**.

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# Work proceeds to remove underground pollutants

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

The most recent news about the leaking underground fuel tanks (LUFT) on the Hill.

## Pine Cove

The county Department of Environmental Health (DEH) has received an interim remedial action Plan from Frey Environmental, Inc, the consultants for owner, Howard Friedman.

They recommend employing vapor extraction again for a two-week period during the last quarter of 2010. Frey has tested vapor extraction methods at the site twice. The first test in April 2009 did not generate strong results or promise of future success; but a second effort in December 2009, when water levels were lower, was much more gratifying.

Frey optimistically believes the two-week project

will withdraw a significant volume of volatile gases from the subsurface.

## Chevron station

Based on the results from additional monitoring wells for the Village Food and Fuel (Shell station) site, DEH contacted the owners of the Chevron station about the possibility of a leaking underground storage tanks on or near their property.

Since then they have engaged the same contrac-

tor — R M Environmental — working on the Shell site. A proposed work plan was submitted to the county for review and accepted for implementation.

DEH required some technical changes and asked that all monitoring wells be sampled quarterly. The filed work plan should be completed and reported to DEH by July 30 according to a letter from Linda Shurlow and Sharon Boltinghouse, both with DEH.

## Garden

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Rick and Carol Service's garden demonstrates how a garden can be made accessible. A meandering wooden walkway circles a natural garden with young fruit trees, shrubs, lilies and roses. Tea parties on the decks are shaded from the afternoon heat.

Fruit trees are the first thing you notice in Tom Skinner and Barbara Kaiser's garden. Located around the Priefer-redesigned cottage are a variety of raised herb and flower beds and a lovely patio garden out back.

Harold and Lynn Voor-

heis' garden is a favorite on the tour. Harold gardens at 6,000 feet. This cottage garden is filled with perennials growing under black oak and pine trees. Harold will guide visitors, providing information about high country gardens.

Advance tickets sales at are available online at [www.idyllwildgardenclub.net](http://www.idyllwildgardenclub.net), the Idyllwild Pharmacy, Pine Cove Market and B's Mountain Books. Advance Day of the event tickets sales at will be at the BBVA Compass Bank ATM kiosk, Village Center Drive, from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Advance tickets are \$12; day of the event tickets are \$15.

## Trailer Park

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done nothing to correct park-wide electrical wiring dangers.

Boyd noted that CE has sent three letters to La Cumbre regarding park-wide violations but park owners have not taken steps to correct the situation. "We have met with park ownership," said Boyd. "They have not responded."

Meanwhile, CE is conducting individual inspections of residents' units.

Residents who attended the meeting questioned why they should pay to correct violations on or in their units if the park owners have not corrected the most obvious electrical violations. "Before we do anything, what assurances do we have from owners that the park will remain open?" asked one resident.

What initially brought county scrutiny to ITP according to La Cumbre President James Murdock, was the attempt by a resident to install an electrical panel upgrade from 30 to 175 amps, construct a room addition, and then list the unit for sale. The unit in question was a recreational vehicle, not a mobile home, and that is at the core of the most emotionally charged issue in the park with regard to code compliance. "We requested he show a permit," said Murdock in a March 2009 interview, "which he did not have. Under state law, you cannot structurally alter a recreational vehicle. You can add on to, with proper permits, a mobile home [but not to an RV]. Our concern, as park owners, is for liability and for the safety of the park and its residents." Because of

questions of code, no units have been able to be sold since that initial compliance question was raised.

ITP residents voiced skepticism of La Cumbre's intentions since owners have done nothing to back up their words of concern for the safety of park residents. This led some to voice concerns that park owners, and a rumored "silent partner" might be intent on closing the park, and that is the reason park owners have not moved to correct obvious safety violations.

## Residents' Violations

In an April 29 letter to residents, Boyd stated, "Inspections conducted by Code Enforcement and Building and Safety departments found that many spaces had recreational vehicles or park models installed, as well as construction without permits and items such as room additions, patio covers, decking, covers and unsafe utility connections ... All property owners and residents must ensure that all the buildings and mobile homes in their spaces are in accordance with these codes. Health and safety are the preeminent concerns [of the county]."

And that is the conundrum that the long and fractious June 5 meeting did little to resolve. Residents who own RV or park models with room additions (likely more than half the units at ITP) are faced with removing the additions, which often constitute the majority of their living space and investment, since neither county nor state regulations permit additions to RVs. Also, since additions to ITP RV units often involved altering the original structure of the RV,



Residents of the Idyllwild Trailer Park listen to county representatives discuss residents' future at a Saturday, June 5 meeting.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

what RV owners would be left with after removing additions, would be a virtually unusable living space.

The county is in the process of completing individual unit inspections and instructing residents to correct violations "within a reasonable timeframe." But resident after resident who spoke at the meeting, who are caught in a quandary of if and when to spend the money to remedy those violations, suggested it is not in their interests to invest to correct violations before park owners correct theirs.

Most residents present said they had bought their units with the room additions and other cited issues in place. ITP Property Owners Association member Keith Seifert, acting in President Ron Murray's stead, noted that ITP was originally an

RV park. That is why the park has communal shower and toilet facilities — that not only were RV's permitted, they were the original permitted units, and that previous park owners routinely permitted add-on room additions to any unit in the park.

The county has said it would work with mobile home owners to bring their units to code but held out little hope for resident RV owners with room additions. As county counsel Lisa Traczyk explained, "State statutes and local ordinances [that apply to ITP] are all enacted for county safety and are something the county cannot waive." Said Boyd, "Some [ITP] units may not be able to be brought to code."

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John Boyd, Riverside County Code Enforcement director, speaks to residents of the Idyllwild Trailer Park about likely code violations that residents and park owners must correct.

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## Debate

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would likely be found unconstitutional. Monica said he wholeheartedly supported it because the federal government has failed in its border policing efforts.

From then on, the gulf between the candidates narrowed a bit as they focused on the issue of illegal immigration, its causes and potential remedies. Monica contended that paying for social services for 2.7 million California illegal aliens contributes to the state's economic crisis. Blake said that most illegals pay into the state economy through purchases and sales tax and income tax. Both candidates supported some path to citizenship for illegals already here, with Monica limiting it to a one-time, two to three-year amnesty so that illegals could pay state income tax and help alleviate what Monica termed a catastrophic state budget crisis.

An impending November ballot measure to legalize possession of small amounts of marijuana for personal use and to permit taxation of those sales by municipalities and implementation of a statewide regulatory plan also revealed candidate differences. Monica, based on his experience as a psychologist, espoused the oft-quoted view that marijuana use leads to other drug use and that

he adamantly opposed any form of legalization. Blake countered that medical marijuana use in California is already legal and that getting rid of marijuana prohibition for possession of small amounts for personal use would permit state regulation, fill tax coffers and help get drug dealers off the streets. Blake said it was disingenuous to rail against illegality when, for all practical purposes, marijuana is already legal and in wide use in the state. He likened the current situation to liquor prohibition in the 1930s with its concomitant rise in syndicated crime and control of the market.

Blake touted green energy jobs and manufacture as a means to economic health for Riverside County. Although Monica agreed, he cautioned that "97 percent of us drive cars that use oil, and until the oil lobby and 'elitists' reach out to blue collar workers and respond to our needs," green talk is premature. Blake countered, "Oil has built corporate socialism" garnering record profits at the expense of American workers. "When shall we address our oil addiction? When we run out? We need to address it now. We in government have to take on this corporate goliath and leave a clean, desirable and livable planet to our children."

Candidates also differed on the role of government with Monica contending, "There is too much government in California. Any talk



Debate moderators, **Annamarie Padula and Doug Yagaloff**

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of increasing taxes is unfair to the people of this state." Blake countered, "There is a place for government. If there's a pothole in my street I want it fixed by an accountable public agency. Taxes must be fairly collected and used for public purposes."

In closing, Monica said he has already won this race by raising issues others would not touch and speaking frankly about them. "I have not waffled," he said. "I'm the blue collar candidate."

Blake repeated that there is a place and function for government; that it is a "living thing" that needs to be nurtured and carefully tended. "It's impossible to love your country and hate your government," he noted. "I don't believe we all need to agree. We just need to bring everything to the table and see and analyze with an open heart."

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**Justin Blake, Democratic candidate.**

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**Matt Monica, American Independent Party.**

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recounted his odyssey.

After his friends went on, he said he rested, then, feeling better, decided to start after them. Although he encountered other hikers and even a park ranger on his way to the summit, neither search teams nor RCSD's helicopter spotted him because they were not looking in that area.

Wong said he got to the summit about sundown. Because it was still snowy there, he realized that he needed to hike out. "I thought I'd hike back to Humber, but the dark and the thickness of the trees convinced me I needed to stop for the night," he said. Wong had on a t-shirt, basketball shorts and tennis shoes. "I also had a jacket

and that pretty much saved me," he said.

The next morning, at sunrise, Wong saw that he was still on the ridgeline and that the cables of the Tram were off to his right. He decided to follow the cables down to the desert station. "Ten decently-sized hills turned out to be 80 or 90 with vertical dropoffs," he recounted. "I followed a little creek, with snow runoff, down the mountain. It looked shorter and a lot easier on a map."

Explaining why he decided to trek down the steep face he said, "Tuesday was my mother's birthday and I wanted to make sure not to worry her."

Wong said it took him 10 hours to get down the

precipitous north face. "It was a bad guess and a bad gamble," he acknowledged.

Late Tuesday, around 6 p.m., 30 hours after reporting his exhaustion, Wong was sighted by desert Tram personnel in a canyon just above the station. They hiked up and walked him down.

Many lost and anxious hikers have looked from the ridgeline to the deceptively close lights and civilization of Palm Springs below and decided to make the dangerous descent. Wong is one of the lucky few that successfully completed it on his own.

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## Strange but true

Greece's Parthenon is a famous ruin, but many people today don't realize that it wasn't time that caused the destruction of the structure. In 1687, the Ottoman Turks occupied the Acropolis and used the Parthenon to store gunpowder. A mortar fired by the attacking Venetians hit the building and ignited the gunpowder, causing much of the widespread damage we see today.

## Vehicle use map for National Forest

San Bernardino National Forest Supervisor Jeanne Wade Evans has announced the implementation of the new Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) in compliance with the U.S. Forest Service Travel Management Rule. The new map is available to the public at no cost and identifies the system of designated roads and motorized trails available to the public on the San Bernardino National Forest.

The map identifies the roads and trails specifically designated for motor vehicle use. Other public roads are also shown on the map for information and navigation purposes only. The map does not display non-motorized recreational uses or facilities and attractions, so a Forest Visitor Map is still recommended for general information.

The 2005 ruling required all National Forests to designate a system of roads, trails, and areas for motor vehicle use with the intent to enhance opportunities for outdoor recreation while ensuring forest resources are properly managed over the long-term.

To view and print the map and additional information about motorized vehicles on the San Bernardino National Forest, visit: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sanbernardino/recreation/ohv/index.shtml>.

## Trivia test

**Food & Drink:** In the preparation of food, what is a garde-manger?

*Answer: A cook who specializes in preparing cold salads, meat or fish*

## Hiker

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of the Palm Springs Aerial Tram to Humber and Tahquitz.

Searchers had been told Wong had left the group to return to Humber, so search efforts focused on the areas in which searchers expected to find him. Yet somehow, after telling his friends he was too exhausted to continue, Wong found the stamina and sure footedness to safely navigate his way to the 10,834-foot peak of Mt. San Jacinto, and then down the treacherous north face of the mountain, a descent that has beckoned to and broken other hikers. In a telephone interview, Wong

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Answers to Sudoku  
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**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Others might urge you to act more quickly on your ideas. But you'd be wise to follow your Bovine instincts and get more facts to bolster your position when you finally present it.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You might be tempted to accept the well-meaning offer of a friend to act as an intermediary in a dispute. But you know best what it's about, and you can handle the challenge. Good luck.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Entertainment can play an important role this week. Enjoy some well-earned diversion with people you care about. Something especially wonderful might come from this well-spent time.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Catnaps and playtime are in order for Leos and Leonas who need to take some time off from their hectic schedules to restore their energies and rebuild their mental muscles. Have fun.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Virgos will need to keep an open mind this week about choices that seem improbable. A closer study might well reveal possibilities that might have been overlooked. Stay with it.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A disappointing outcome of a well-intentioned

effort should be seen as a lesson in how to do it right the next time. Note all your changes and have your new plan set up by week's end.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Travel plans might need readjusting because of changes in the costs previously agreed to. Deal with the problem as quickly as possible to minimize any delays that might result.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Your honest approach to an unsettling experience draws admiration from others. Use their positive feedback to build support for your program to introduce needed changes.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Travel is strong in your aspect this week, and so is nostalgia! You might want to consider planning a trip to a place that holds some very special meaning for you. Bon voyage.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A job-related situation could provide an opportunity you hadn't considered before. Look it over carefully and see where and how you can tailor it to fit your needs.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Showing strength as well as sympathy helps you deal with a difficult personal matter. It also helps you set an example for others when it's their turn to get involved in the situation.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a way of making people feel comfortable without losing one whit of your own dignity in the process.

# CROSSWORD

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## FISHING REPORT

The fishing report gives year's level was 125 feet.

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 24.

### Lake Hemet

**Darlene Redner** at Lake Hemet had the following report on fishing at the lake last week.

On Saturday, June 5, **Al Campbell** of Hemet caught his trout limit, all 1-1/2 to 2 pounds, trolling with rooster tail lures.

Also on Saturday, **Patrick Farley**, 11, of Pinyon Pines, was using worms down by the dam and caught four nice-size trout.

On Sunday, June 6, Joe **Bojorquez** of Cypress and a friend were using nightcrawlers on a boat in the middle of the lake when they took home 10 trout and four nice-size bluegill.

Also on Sunday, **Austin Blackcloud** of Watertown, N.Y., hooked seven trout, including a 5-pounder.

Water level at the Lake Hemet dam is 127 feet. Last

### Diamond Valley

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

### Bass

In the morning, pummel the points for a topwater whopper. When the sun is high, you have to be sly by fishing at 15 to 25 feet with a jig, drop shot, or Carolina rig. Fish with a straight tail, brush hog, or big worm to nail a lunker largemouth. Shad will bring bass to the surface.

### Trout

The water is getting hot but the bite hasn't cooled. Nightcrawlers, mini jigs and Powerbait still work great.

### Striper

The striper bite has wound down, but some can still be found under cloud cover. **Ted Blackburn** of Hemet caught a 12.56-pound striper fishing from shore with a Lunker Punker.

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Winning poems of state senior poets laureate will be named in July, following which they advance to final rounds of competition from which the winner of \$500 and the 2010 National Senior Poet Laureate title will be announced around Sept. 1.

Dewell H. Byrd, retired school administrator from Eureka, won the 2009 California Senior Poet Laureate Award with his poem "Portrait Day." Winner of the 2009 National Senior Poet Laureate Award was Patricia Frolander, 66, rancher from Sundance, Wyo.

Co-sponsors Vera-Jane Goodin Schultz and Wanda Sue Parrott founded the contest administered by Amy Kitchener's Angels Without Wings Foundation. In 1993. The 2009 winners can be seen in "Golden Words Anthology," along with rules for the 2010 Senior Poets Laureate Contest, at [www.amykitchenerfdn.org](http://www.amykitchenerfdn.org).

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# village Market

## Your Full-Service Farmer's Market

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 Open Monday through Sunday, 5:30am to 9pm  
**Art's Butcher Shop, Deli & Grandma's Pies**  
 We Have What You Want! Quality Foods at Great Prices.

<p><b>Expanded Meat Dept.</b>                  All Choice Beef                  All Natural Pork                  All Natural Chicken                  USDA Inspected                  Seafood</p>					<p><b>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday Night Pizza Special Every Week</b>                  Buy One Pizza, Get Second Pizza 1/2 Price!                  1/2-price pizza of equal or lesser value.</p>
<p><b>Fresh Sliced Meats</b>                  Turkey, Ham, Roast Beef                  Save 1<sup>00</sup> lb <b>3<sup>99</sup> lb</b></p>	<p><b>Fresh Cantaloupe</b>                  Save 40¢ lb <b>99¢ lb</b></p>	<p><b>Fresh Seedless Watermelon</b>                  Save 20¢ lb <b>33¢ lb</b></p>	<p><b>Fresh Pineapple</b>                  Save 50¢ ea <b>3<sup>49</sup> ea</b></p>	<p><b>Fresh Gala Apples</b>                  Save 50¢ ea <b>99¢ lb</b></p>	
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<p><b>Barefoot Wine</b>                  Assorted Varieties                  Save 3<sup>00</sup> ea <b>9<sup>99</sup> ea</b></p>	<p><b>Corona, Corona Light, or Pacifico</b>                  12 Pack                  Save 2<sup>00</sup> ea <b>11<sup>99</sup> ea</b></p>	<p><b>Fresh Pork Spareribs</b>                  Save 1<sup>00</sup> lb <b>14<sup>99</sup> lb</b></p>	<p><b>Chicken Half or Parts</b>                  Save 50¢ lb <b>12<sup>99</sup> lb</b></p>	<p><b>Boneless Skinless Chicken Breast</b>                  Save 1<sup>00</sup> lb <b>2<sup>99</sup> lb</b></p>	