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A firefighter emerges from the smoking ruins of a once beautiful home on Foster Lake Road. PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

Fire destroys local home

BY MARSHALL SMITH
 STAFF REPORTER

Around 2:20 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 10, David Salk smelled smoke and saw flames leaping from his neighbor's fully engulfed home at the end of Foster Lake Road. The two-story home, in a neighborhood of mostly full-time residents, belongs to Michael and Barbara Hynes.

Salk called CalFire Station 23 in Pine Cove. Crews were on scene within 5 minutes of their dispatch at 2:30 a.m. according to Incident Commander Engineer John Riley. "When we got there the fire was throwing up flames 300 to 500 feet in the air," said Riley. Within minutes, engines from Idyllwild Fire Protection District (IFPD) and the Forest Service were also on the scene and engaged in combatting the Lake Fire.

See Fire, page 17

Jonathan LaBenne's monumental vision

BY MARSHALL SMITH
 STAFF REPORTER

Tree carver Jonathan LaBenne's career started in Idyllwild in 1989. He parlayed it into one of national recognition, highlighted most recently by a commission to carve bears for Bearizona, a 150-acre drive-through wildlife park in Williams, Ariz., that opened in May of this year. LaBenne's carvings are featured throughout the West and include The Codger Pole that Ripley's Believe It or Not calls the "largest carving in the world." Now he is hoping to come full circle and return to the place where he began his carving

career in order to replace his original monument (see pictures).

An Idyllwild citizens' committee including Mike Pearson and Josh and Emily White is interested in having LaBenne replace his iconic 1989 sculpture. "We're exploring things and are working together," said Pearson, who acted as monument caretaker until it was dismantled in 2006 because of woodpecker and insect damage.

Pearson said his group intends no disrespect to David Roy, but that Roy has stated he does not want to move his carving to the site of the original monument as called for in Roy's 2007

contract with the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce. Roy is also nearly three years late in completing his carving and has not set a possible completion date.

"I can carve [a new monument] in three months' time maximum, although it could be completed in a month and a half," said LaBenne. He proposes a new carving that will stand 20 feet (about two stories) taller than the first monument. LaBenne had wanted to be included in the Chamber's 2007 competition to replace his original work but found out about the competition after design submission deadlines had passed.

See LaBenne, page 18

County offers historic district ordinance

BY MARSHALL SMITH
 STAFF REPORTER

Riverside County representatives came to Idyllwild to discuss the proposed Idyllwild Historic Preservation District (District). They brought along draft revisions to county ordinance 578, designed to update the process for District designation, formation, management and operation.

Property owners within the proposed District have until Aug. 24 to ask questions of and lodge comments with the county about the proposed draft. It

is available on the Planning Department website, www.tlma.co.riverside.ca.us/planning, and with a link on the Town Crier's website, www.towncrier.com. Questions and comments may be directed to Keith Herron, chief preservation officer, Riverside County Park and Open Space District at (951) 955-4558 or at kherron@co.riverside.ca.us.

The impetus for an Idyllwild District arose because of Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone's concern that without the special status a District would

See HPD, page 17

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, Aug. 2 to Aug. 8:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

Aug. 2 — Medical aid, Live Oak Street, Idyllwild.
Aug. 2 — Medical aid, Franklin and Gail drives, Pine Cove.
Aug. 2 — Public service assist, Maranatha Drive, Idyllwild.
Aug. 3 — Medical aid, Sylvan and Acorn ways, Pine Cove.
Aug. 4 — Medical aid, Tahquitz Drive, Idyllwild.
Aug. 5 — Medical aid, Delano Drive, Idyllwild.
Aug. 5 — Invalid assist, Delano Drive, Idyllwild.
Aug. 6 — Medical aid, Village Center Drive, Idyllwild.
Aug. 6 — Walk-in medical aid.
Aug. 6 — Smoke scare, Crestview Drive and Hide-a-Lane, Idyllwild.
Aug. 7 — Traffic collision, Highway 243 north of Pine Cove.
Aug. 7 — Medical aid, Canyon Trail, Pine Cove.
Aug. 7 — Medical aid, Delano Drive, Idyllwild.
Aug. 8 — Medical aid, Highway 243 at Keenwild.

Aug. 8 — Medical aid, Scenic Drive, Idyllwild.
Aug. 8 — Medical aid, Canyon Trail, Pine Cove.

Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

Aug. 2 — Medical aid, chest pains.
Aug. 2 — Fire, false alarm.
Aug. 2 — Medical aid, fall.
Aug. 3 — Medical aid, person down.
Aug. 5 — Medical aid, person down.
Aug. 7 — Traffic collision, cut and rescue.
Aug. 7 — Medical aid, abdominal pain.
Aug. 7 — Medical aid, difficulty breathing.
Aug. 8 — Medical aid, traffic collision.
Aug. 8 — Medical aid, burns.
Aug. 8 — Medical aid, fall.

Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

Log unavailable.

Riverside County Fire, Pinyon

Aug. 2 — Medical aid, 70000 block of Linda Vista Road, Pinyon.
Aug. 6 — Traffic collision, Santa Rosa Truck Trail and Highway 79, Pinyon.
Aug. 8 — Medical aid,

60000 block of Locarno Heights, Pinyon.

Riverside County Fire, Anza

Aug. 2 — Traffic collision, Mitchell and Bohlen roads, Anza.
Aug. 2 — Two walk-in medical aids.
Aug. 3 — Walk-in medical aid.
Aug. 3 — Medical aid, Derry Lane and Hill Street, Anza.
Aug. 4 — Medical aid, Pine and Cedar streets, Garner Valley.
Aug. 4 — Fire, Bradford Road and Cowboy Country roads, Aguanga.
Aug. 5 — Medical aid, Cary Road and Highway 371, Anza.
Aug. 5 — Medical aid, Highway 79 and Juni Hills, Aguanga.
Aug. 6 — Three walk-in medical aids.
Aug. 6 — Medical aid, Hill Street and Dickson Way, Anza.
Aug. 6 — Walk-in medical aid.
Aug. 7 — Fire menace standby, Coyote Canyon and Yucca roads, Anza.
Aug. 7 — Vegetation fire, Pierce and 70th streets, Anza.
Aug. 7 — Medical aid, Glenda Lane and Fisher Road, Anza.

Aug. 8 — Medical aid, Highway 371 and Lake Riverside Drive, Aguanga.

Aug. 8 — Traffic collision, Highway 371 and Bahrman Road, Anza.

Aug. 8 — Medical aid, Tripp Flats Road and Sunshine Lane, Anza.

Aug. 8 — Walk-in medical aid.

CHP log

The resident post of the California Highway Patrol responded to the following call from Monday to Sunday, Aug. 2 to Aug. 8. This may not be a complete list of responses:

Aug. 2 — Single-vehicle (motorcycle) traffic collision with one injury, Mitchell Road west of Bohlen Road, Anza.

Aug. 4 — Single-vehicle, noninjury traffic collision, Highway 243 north of Highway 74, Mountain Center.

Aug. 7 — Single-vehicle traffic collision with one moderate injury, Highway 243 north of Lake Fulmor Road. Driver, Andrew R. Minnear, 51, of Sidney, Ohio, was transported to Desert Regional Medical Center and was subsequently arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol.

Toddler critically burned at Lake Hemet

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

A female toddler, about 2 years old, sustained critical burn injuries after falling into a campfire at around 11:15 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 8, according to CalFire/Riverside County Fire Department.

ment.

According to Public Information Officer Capt. Fernando Herrera, the girl was airlifted to the burn center at the Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.

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

New law to protect Caltrans workers

The new law, Senate Bill 240, adds Caltrans vehicles displaying flashing amber warning lights to the list of vehicles for which motorists must slow down and, if safe, move over to a lane not immediately adjacent to the stationary vehicle. Since 1924, 174 Caltrans workers have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Violation of the new provision is punishable by a fine of not more than \$50. The new law also makes the safety protections permanent by removing the sunset date (Jan. 1, 2010) from existing law.

Aug. 8 — Two-vehicle traffic (motorcycle and SUV) collision with major injury, Highway 371 west of Bahrman Road. Driver of motorcycle was airlifted to Desert Regional Medical Center with major head trauma.

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

Sheriff's log

All people identified here Log unavailable.

Idyllwild Weather				
From the National Weather Service				
Thursday 8/12	Friday 8/13	Saturday 8/14	Sunday 8/15	Monday 8/16
93/59 Clear, light winds.	96/61 Mostly sunny.	96/64 Mostly sunny.	99/65 Mostly sunny.	98/66 Mostly sunny.

Date	Idyllwild this year				Idyllwild last year			
	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S
8-2	84	54			87	53		
8-3	86	54			86	56		
8-4	85	52			87	59		
8-5	85	46			87	58		
8-6	na	na			81	56		
8-7	83	50			78	43		
8-8	75	45			84	50		

Moisture in inches		Snow in inches	
To date this season (Idy):	.10	To date this season (Idy):	0
To date last season (Idy):	.04	To date last season (Idy):	0
Total last season (Idy):	23.61	Total last season (Idy):	35.91
To date this season (PC):	.03	To date this season (PC):	0
Total last season (PC):	30.92	Total last season (PC):	72.5

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

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

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OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

By BRUCE WATTS

Enjoy climbing from the couch ...

On Friday, Aug. 6, a new documentary about George Mallory titled, "The Wildest Dream: Conquest of Everest," was released. For those of you unaware of Mallory, he and his partner, Sandy Irvine, disappeared on the upper slopes of Mt. Everest in June, 1924.



Seventy-five years later, in 1999, Conrad Anker found Mallory's frozen remains on Everest. The fate of Mallory and Irvine is the focus of this documentary. In particular, the question remains: did Mallory reach Everest's summit and perish on the descent or did he fail in his attempt to reach the summit? Although there is no way to ever know for sure, this is a question that has been asked for more than eight decades.

From what I have read, the film has Conrad Anker following in the footsteps of George Mallory. Since National Geographic Entertainment is distributing the film, I am sure this is going to be a beautifully shot and thought-provoking film. I will be looking for it as soon as it comes out on DVD.

Next up is a film called, "180 degrees South: Conquerors of the Useless," which claims to be "inspired by the legendary 1968 expedition of Yvon Chouinard and Doug Tompkins." It was the name Chouinard that attracted my attention, as he is one of the legendary climbers and a contemporary of Royal Robbins, who pioneered many climbing skills on Tahquitz. Chouinard is famous both as a rock climber and businessman. He was one of the first to make climbing gear in America and he is the owner of the outdoor clothing company Patagonia.

The film follows Jim Johnson as he supposedly retraces Chouinard's journey to Patagonia. Instead of driving the Pan American Highway like Chouinard, Mr. Johnson decides to hitch a ride on a sail boat. The boat loses its mast in rough seas and they end up on Easter Island.

It doesn't take long before the viewer begins to see that not much is going as planned. In fact, it seems that the people making this movie really do not have a plan at all. The "action" moves between surfing and Johnson's weak attempt to reach the summit Corcovado Cerro.

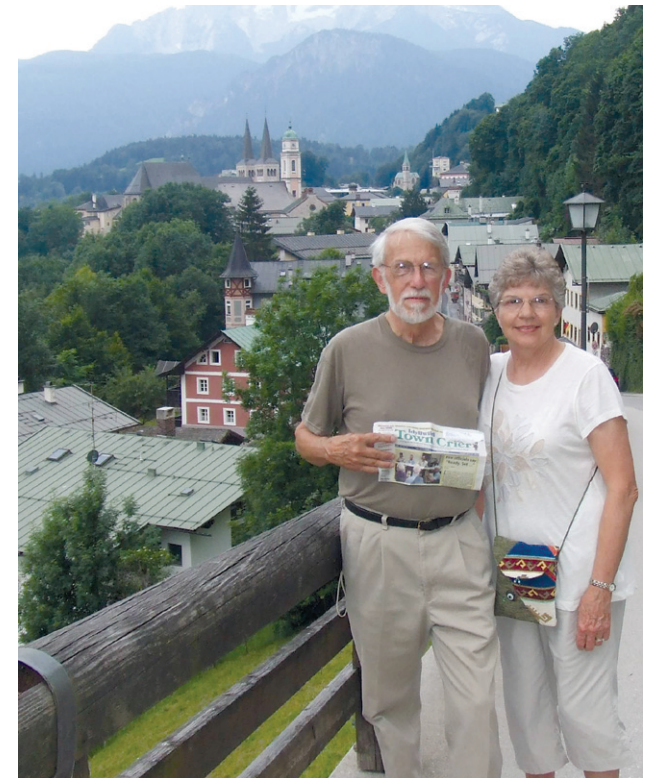
Because the delays have left the summit free of ice and turned it into a rotten slag heap that is unprotectable, the climbers are forced to turn back.

The only redeeming sections of this movie are the scenery once they reach Patagonia and the interviews with Chouinard and Tompkins about their attempts to buy large parcels of land in Patagonia in order to save it from development. All other parts seem to drag on without purpose.

A third documentary — "Blindsight" — has my attention, but I have yet to finish watching it. It's a documentary about Eric Weihenmayer, the first blind man to reach the summit of Mt. Everest, and his effort to help six blind Tibetan teenagers on an expedition to climb a



On a family vacation at Maui, Hawaii, **Breanna Lewis** had a good time reading the *Town Crier* and avoiding the waves. She is near Ka'anapali and Molokai Island is in the background. **Kathy and Bob Lewis'** presence is unknown, but they are not on the beach or at Molokai. PHOTO COURTESY OF KATHY LEWIS



Louise and Don Giger, of Idyllwild and Omaha, returned to Berchtesgaden, Bavaria to celebrate their 44th wedding anniversary. The European edition of the *Town Crier* was available where they lodged — the same hotel where they spent their honeymoon. In 1966, Don was in the Army and Louise was a registered nurse working at the Nurnberg U.S. Army Hospital. PHOTO COURTESY OF DON GIGER

Left, the California or Chilean Aster (*Aster chiliensis*), is native along the California roadsides, but adapts well to our mountains with minimal moisture. Leafy green shoots are topped with 1-1/2-inch-wide pale lavender flowers with yellow centers in summer. It is a quick-spreading plant, a good soil stabilizer and a bit invasive. It attracts butterflies and beneficial insects. If you plant along with California Goldenrod (*Solidago californica*) and Narrowleaf California Fuchsia (*Zauschneria cana*) the flower bed will come alive in late summer and thrive through the first frosts. PHOTO COURTESY OF HAROLD VOORHEIS

23,000-foot-plus peak on the slopes of Everest.

The film starts with Mr. Weihenmayer summiting Everest and then moves to the story of his work with the Tibetans.

Although I did not get a chance to see the actual climbing, the backstory of the teenagers living in Tibet and Mr. Weihenmayer and others showing the kids that they can rise above their handicaps was very inspiring. Even without seeing the ending, I highly recommend "Blindsight" to my readers.

Lilac Festival?

Anyone interested in finding out about the planting of 1,000 Lilacs in town are invited to attend a one hour information meeting on

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Bob Deeble dies at age 80

Bob Deeble, longtime Idyllwild resident and Forest Service staff member and volunteer, died on Thursday, Aug. 5 at the age of 80. In his honor, the Town Crier is reprinting, with minor edits, a 2007 message that Forest Service staff members sent to Bob when he moved into the Devonshire Care Center in Hemet.

This letter to "Ranger Bob" is a fitting tribute to a beloved community member who loved these mountains deeply. Former Wilderness Ranger Gail Heveron, with help from other Forest Service staff and volunteers, authored the letter:

"Bob worked here as a FS Wilderness Ranger many moons ago, and then came back in the 1990s as front desk staff. Bob has a love for the Wilderness and the Forest Service that is amazing. He has had MS (multiple sclerosis) for 44 years, but that would not keep him down. Until he left the FS in about 2002, Bob would hike with his specially made arm crutches up and down the Wilderness trails, just like a mountain goat, sometimes swaying in the breeze due to the MS, and never falling down. Nothing could keep him out of the Wilderness.

"Ranger Bob [was] a good friend of Candy, a 1980's FS ranger for whom Bob named Candy's Creek, and he made and put up the sign that stands today ...

"We want you to know, Bob, that you are ever in our thoughts as we go about our

daily business here at your beloved Idyllwild Ranger Station. We recall the fresh flower bouquets that you often brought in to brighten our days, and our noses. We recall seeing you with your two beautiful golden retrievers loving their ride in the back of your truck on your way to walk them on the Ernie Maxwell Scenic Trail ...

"You will be happy to know, Bob, that the San Jacinto Wilderness has not changed. The same junction signs are still up, the same lupines bloom on the way to Tahquitz Valley, the same ferns grow five feet tall then yellow out for the autumn months in the meadows, the same wind whispers through the tops of the pines ...

"We hope for good, fragrant August and September rains, and look forward to the usual day of a light snowfall at the end of October at the elevation of Saddle Junction and above.

"We have several wonderful and dedicated Volunteer Wilderness Rangers, Bob, who continue to care for the Wilderness and the public up there, whether they are lost without a map or didn't bring enough water with them, those things will never change. The volunteers will continue on, Bob, where we can't any longer, and enjoy every granite rock slab view, every pine cone, and every rain drop up there for us.

"You left a great legacy in the Wilderness and in our hearts, Bob."

Anza Citizens Patrol seeks volunteers

The Anza Citizens Patrol is now accepting applications for the prestigious position of volunteer. You may even choose your own days and hours. The meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month. Please call Brian at 951-763-5324 for more information.

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At members' requests, the **Pine Cove Property Owners Association** is holding a special meeting at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14 at the Pine Cove Water District (PCWD) property, on the corner of Rockmere and Marion Ridge Road, across from the PCWD office. The meeting will focus on the closing of the Pine Cove Post Office. Seating will not be provided.

High Country Garden Club

Annika Knoppel and **Elizabeth Nagy** will speak on the variety of growing conditions needed for various types of annuals, perennials, shrubs and trees, and the potential pests and diseases that could harm them, at the next meeting of **High Country Garden Club** at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14 at Lizzy Anne's Garden Center, 56480 Highway 371, in Anza.

For more information, call the garden center at (951) 763-4834, or contact Knoppel, club leader, at (888) 834-9005, ext. 5, or e-mail her at hcgardenclub@gmail.com.



At the Aug. 4 Rotary meeting, Idyllwild Rotary President **Danny Richardson** (right) thanks **Colonel Bo Bottomly** for his stories about World War II and the Korean War. Col. Bottomly is a veteran and author of several books about his war experiences. PHOTO BY DAN SLATTERY



Idyllwild Rotary Club members **Charlie Wix** (left near car), **Chuck Streeter** (center) and **Gary Glasheen** clean up Highway 243. Monthly for more than 15 years, the Rotary has been cleaning a 2-mile section of Highway 243 from Mountain Center toward Idyllwild. PHOTO COURTESY OF DAWN MILLER

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MOUNTAIN FOLK

The Town Crier received word that **Cathy Vail** passed away Tuesday, Aug. 10. We, and the entire community, extend our deepest condolences to her husband, **Gary**, and to all her family and friends.

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


ONLY IN IDYLLWILD

"Last week while attending the summer concert my wallet slipped out of my pocket. A person sitting several feet behind me saw what happened, picked up the wallet and handed it to me. I never knew that it slipped out of my pocket. I'm grateful to that man."

Nick Novosad
Idyllwild

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11

- 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.
- Pine Cove Water District, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, women only, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.
- Mountain Area Safety Taskforce (MAST), 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- Inlandia Creative Writing Workshop (free), 5-7 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54185 Pine Crest Ave.
- County Service Area 38 Advisory Committee meeting, 5:15 p.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr.
- Mountain Disaster Preparedness Board Meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spritual Living Center, 54423 Village Center Dr.

THURSDAY, AUG. 12

- MEMSCOMM, 9 a.m. Rancho Encino Club, 45915 Orchard Rd., Poppet Flat.
- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Joint CSA 36/ICRC meeting, 5 p.m. (ICRC board meeting fol-

lows.) IWD board room, 25945 Hwy. 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.

FRIDAY, AUG. 13

- Baby Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Debbi Geisinger, 659-8710 or (951) 966-1094.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; Pick-a-stick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church, Manse Alcove, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- MDP CERT Training, 5-9 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha 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.

SATURDAY, AUG. 14

- MDP CERT Training, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.
- Special Meeting of the Pine Cove Property Owners Association re: closing of Pine Cove Post Office, 8:30 a.m. PCWD property (outdoor meeting, no seating), Rockmere and Marion Ridge Road.
- Lilac Festival info meeting, 10-11 a.m. Alpenglow Lilacs, 25025 Fern Valley Rd.
- High Country Garden Club, 10:30 a.m. Lizzy Anne's Garden Center, 56480 Highway 371, Anza.
- 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.

SUNDAY, AUG. 15

- Zen Meditation Group, 8 a.m. Call 659-2253.
- MDP CERT Training, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.
- Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- 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 Flats, across from CalFire Station 6.

MONDAY, AUG. 16

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon & 7:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce board meeting, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243.
- Idyllwild Francophonie (fluent-French speakers), 6:30 p.m. Mountain Restaurant, 26290 Hwy. 243. RSVP to Françoise Frigola at 659-4146.
- Garner Valley Property Owners Association, 7 p.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devils Ladder Rd.

TUESDAY, AUG. 17

- Zen Meditation Group, 7 a.m. & 7 p.m. Call 659-2253.
- Camp Alandale's Friends 4 Orphans, 10 a.m. 25420 Lodge Rd.
- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile-High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; AA Open Meeting & Big Book Study,

6-7 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Idyllwild Religious Science, 54423 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Square.

- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 5-7 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Ave.
- Cancer Self-help Goup, 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 Chimneys St.
- Hemet Unified School District board meeting, 6:30 p.m. Professional Development Service Center Board Room, 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 for location.
- Idyllwild Water District board meeting, 7 p.m., IWD board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 18

- 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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INITIAL THOUGHTS

We do it because ...



Once again we have a very full paper. Many of the stories exist only because of people and residents whom we casually call "volunteers."

Idyllwild and our neighbors are part of the unincorporated region of Riverside County. "Unincorporated," I guess that means you're on

your own mostly. Sometimes we feel that during an emergency, just ask the Mountain Disaster Preparedness group.

There is some help; county Supervisor, Jeff Stone, tries to look out for us in a variety of ways.

Nevertheless, unlike Hemet or Palm Springs, we have no true local government. There is no Idyllwild Waste Management department vigilantly cleaning local streets and trails. That's the point, Mario Marchiaro, co-owner of Kenario Gallery, and friend Elliot Taylor are making in Marshall's story about "The Cleanest Forest." There is no curbside pickup, no green lattice baskets every 50 feet, we have to do it ourselves.

The gist of this story is not why Idyllwild deserves this designation, rather Marchiaro and Taylor are asking neighbors to join them in the struggle to keep the title. We can see and intuitively judge whether our town and environs are clean.

I've been on hikes with friends who stop and collect discarded water or soft drink bottles that were apparently too heavy after emptying for the original owner to carry back to camp or the car.

Contributing muscle and motor is not the only way to help. Richard Montano, owner of Mountain Footwear, suggests that we make it more difficult for thoughtless visitors and perhaps residents to litter.

He recommends placing receptacles around the retail areas. These might attract more of the plastic bottles we see squashed on the roadside. I'm sure there are other suggestions that would significantly reduce the load of trash that we have to collect ourselves.

We have no chief of police or head of economic development. The Chamber for decades and now the Idyllwild Business Roundtable, both composed of volunteers, are trying to uncover options for helping local businesses survive and possibly expand.

But one of those options — a historic preservation district — that could have a significant impact seems to attract few retail historians. Twenty people attended last week's meeting, four represented one gestating business yet born.

If the Board of Supervisors establishes a local district, five people will be needed for the local commission. Who is interested? Who has working knowledge of county codes and can interpret the consequences of creating locally unique regulations?

No local risk management plan exists. There is no head of public safety. Consequently, the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council has again stepped to the forefront to help develop a Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The CWPP isn't a Visa card, but it has helped the FSC and county to garner some fire protection grant money.

Mountain Disaster Preparedness is constantly organizing and planning for an event which none of us wants to see.

And even though the community's largest event, the Idyllwild Jazz in the Pines Festival, is only weeks away, people such as Gary Parton are already conceiving of future events such as a Lilac Festival. See his letter on page 7.

One person called me this week in response to my plea for several to step forward and help find a solution to the Tree Monument debate. I'm not advocating how to solve it, simply that we need to be creative in order to avoid division. Strong feelings, good and bad ideas populate both sides of this brewing controversy.

The Tree Monument, Historic District, Lilac Festival, Lemon Lily Festival, Idyllwild Film Fest, MDP, softball tournaments and perhaps, in the future, a community center are all opportunities awaiting whose success is only a few volunteers shy of victory.

J.P., EDITOR

READERS WRITE

Big earthquake is coming

EDITOR:

A big earthquake is coming sometime to Anza, Idyllwild, San Jacinto and points in between.

People will be in varying states of readiness and preparedness when it happens. Worst case scenario, some people will wish they were in another state altogether!

Propane tanks will shake off their foundations, roll downhill spewing gas, until they find flame and light the whole mountain on fire. Seismic cutoff valves should be mandatory on every tank.

The mention in last week's paper, of our unique situation, was vague. From Borrego up through Coyote Canyon (Terwilliger) comes the Coyote Canyon Fault, it meanders over toward Thomas Mountain and buddies up with the San Jacinto Fault. This runs on the Anza side of Thomas Mountain and curves into the Lake Hemet Dam area and then on toward the busy town of San Jacinto.

There is a little fault on the Garner Valley side of Thomas Mountain appropriately called the Thomas Mountain Fault. It is fairly short, running from a little past Paradise Corners along Thomas Mountain and ending untraceably around Lake Hemet Dam.

Thomas Mountain is a giant lump sandwiched by two faults. When the earthquake happens, Lake Hemet will burst and the water will inundate Valle Vista and San Jacinto. The seismologists are obviously prepared [since they have] a bunch of huge greyhound type buses to make their getaway.

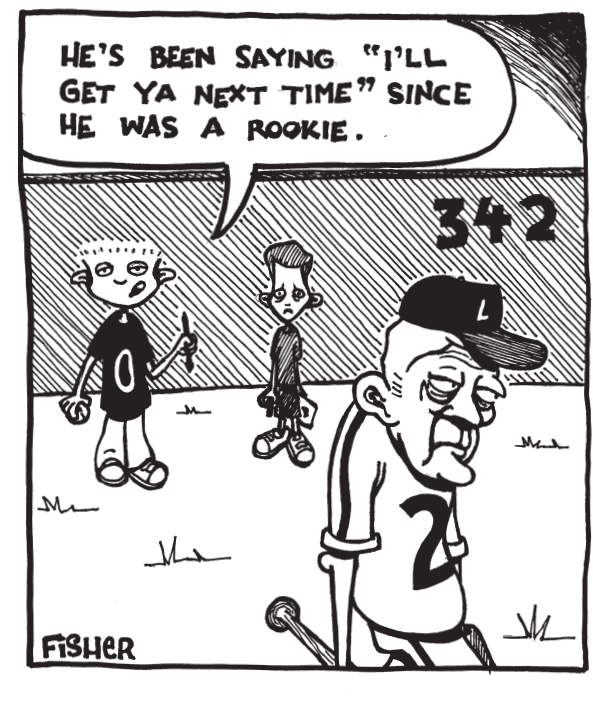
Here comes the unique part, the San Jacinto Fault as it runs through Anza is said to be a "seismic gap." This means it is a loaded gun with a finger on the trigger. All the seismologists at Caltech and elsewhere are studying it like crazy.

Last week's paper [July 29 edition] mentioned whether seismologists were able to forecast quakes. I believe the answer was "they wish they could".

Editorials, letters to the editor, guest editorials and cartoons reflect the opinions of the authors and not necessarily the Town Crier or Tindle Publications.

Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



With the Anza gap situation, I have positively found the only prediction made by any seismologists anywhere — both magnitude and "when".

Here is the quote and the web address of the Caltech website that made the prediction: <http://projects.crustal.ucsb.edu/observatories/gvda/>. Better hurry! They might take the prediction off the page after the attention I have drawn to it.

Click on "seismotectonic background," [there you'll read,] "The San Jacinto fault system is historically the most active strike-slip fault system in Southern California. The slip rate of 10 mm/y (Sharp, 1967; Rockwell, 1990) and the absence of a large earth-

quake since at least 1890 on a 40 km zone of the Anza segment leads to a relatively high probability for a magnitude 6.0 or larger event in the near future."

T.S. BENNETT

MOUNTAIN CENTER

A future for Bay Tree Spring

EDITOR:

Information sources have reported that Bay Tree Spring has been capped and sealed. I can verify the truth of that that by personal observation.

The same sources indicate that capping has been ordered by agencies with official sounding acronyms like USFS and DHS. They claim to be concerned

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Letters

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about our health and well-being. How curious that the same bureaucratic network has not capped off the tobacco industry. Or the beef industry.

As indicated by the Town Crier articles about the Tree Monument, words describing a fiasco do not accomplish anything concrete (or wood for that matter). Like the Tree Monument, Bay Tree Spring has become a monumental controversy rather than monumental resource. (Journalists are not supposed to tell you what to do.)

The arguments on all sides of the controversy are, to some extent, reasonable. They include: water quality, safe accessibility, liability, responsibility and liberty.

If you examine all the "problems," you may agree with me that it all comes down to a problem created by an over-litigious society which is overstocked with politically distracted bureaucrats.

For a bureaucrat to say "No" just requires a memo. A "Yes" requires committees, funds, studies, planning, etc. You can easily see the bureaucratic path of least resistance always points to "No."

So, now that my or our word-fix has been satisfied ... here is my suggestion.

Form a not-for-profit corporation, called Bay Tree Spring (corporation). The corporation can be comprised of concerned individuals who are capable of negotiating a transfer of responsibility for Bay Tree Spring out of the hands of the various acronyms and into the hands of "Bay Tree Spring" (n.p. corporation).

From that point on, it will become a creative project for Idyllwildians to address and resolve all the issues and problems associated with reopening the spring and recovering this resource.

The concrete over Bay Tree Spring was actually applied with hands and tools and funds. Any future change in that condition must also be accomplished with hands and tools and funds and the words plainly printed on a sign: "Natural Spring, Use water at your own discretion, contact Bay Tree Spring Corporation for more information."

ALMADEUS STAR GIOELI
IDYLLWILD

Dedicated to a Lilac Festival

EDITOR:

Idyllwild has been a touchstone in my life for over 50 years and it's time for me to give something back to this mountain paradise. I would like to donate 1,000 lilacs over three years to the downtown area. Lilacs have long been a part of gardens on the Hill, doing well with little maintenance or care.

I am seeking a small group of volunteers willing to help one or two Saturdays a year for two or three years to help plant them. With a little work and care, lilacs could become a rich part of our lives. Idyllwild could be a floral show place during the month of May each year, an Alpine village unique in California.

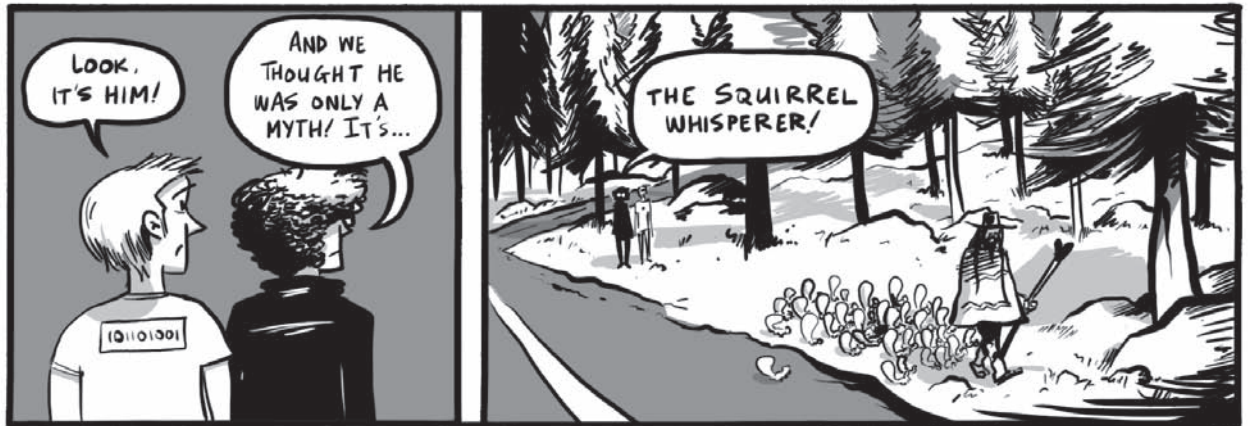
During 2013, the last year of planting in the downtown area, several hundred lilacs will be made available to residents at \$10 each. In 2015, we could look forward to Idyllwild's first lilac festival. The fragrance and color of lilacs will forever make May one of the most memorable months on the Hill.

Check this and future issues of the Town Crier for information meeting dates. [Editor's note: See Community calendar, page 5.]

I hope my dream for lilacs on the Hill is shared by others willing to help.

GARY PARTON
IDYLLWILD

ON THE FRINGE



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illustrator writer

OFF THE MAIN ROADS

BY LEE ARNSON, RMRU MEMBER

Hiking, teaching and preparing ...

I hike quite a bit with my younger daughters, Riley and Brooke. As I spend more time with them in the high country, hiking at their pace, I have come to appreciate the wilderness in a different way.

If I am in the high country by myself, I move at a pretty quick pace, concentrating on the task at hand if it be search or rescue, or thinking about getting to my destination if it's a day hike. When I am with my kids, I have come to notice that the final destination is not as important as the journey of getting there.

The hike from Humber Park to Saddle Junction has three creek crossings along the way. I have passed by these crossings at least a thousand times in the last 30 years without giving them much notice. This time of year, they are flowing strong with snow melt and I now take advantage of them as being great places to stop and rest. My daughters splash around for awhile, while I actually sit, relax and take in the sights. Then, it's on to the next one and before you know it, we are at the Saddle.

Another aspect I consider when hiking with my kids is what they would do if something were to happen to me and they had to go for help. I am always pointing



out landmarks while we hike so if they had to, they could find their way back to a main trail in hopes of meeting up with another hiker or getting to a place where a phone call could be made for help. There are a few locations in the high country where you get cell service. I make sure I point these out to my daughters, as my oldest one carries her own phone, or my youngest could take mine if we were in need

of help.

If we are on one of the main trails, I always take the time to point out the signs at the trail junctions, noting which way we are headed. As we return, passing by these junctions again, I ask them, "Which way should we go?"

Many things have to be considered before going for help, and as I have written in the past, it is best to stay put if you are lost, but if it is an emergency, and you are with other hikers, they should be able to go for help in a safe manner. Just knowing that my daughters could handle themselves is comforting.

So if you do hike with your children, even if it's in an area that you know well, take the time to slow down, point out landmarks you have seen many times before, make it fun for them and you may see the forest in a new light.

Two sides to Monument story

EDITOR:

Who authorized Mike Pearson to negotiate a deal for a new monument without the community's say? Who is this backdoor Charlie? If memory serves [me right], Pearson was adamant and hell-bent on cutting down the original monument.

At the time, David Roy stated he could save the monument, repair cracks and thousands of woodpecker holes like only he knows how.

Pearson, the monument's

steward, failed in his duty to stay on top of the maintenance of the monument. But Pearson and the Chamber refused to listen. Mr. Roy should have been given that chance.

The Chamber listened to a logger and not a man who has dedicated his life to creating, caring [for], and preserving the beauty of wood. Listen to David Roy ... What a shame, the monument mess could have been avoided. Oh, one other thing, I thought at one time LaBenne would carve the new monument for nothing.

It should also be noted

that while LaBenne was carving the original monument, he also sold his own small carvings to make money. Roy is selling T-shirts to make ends meet. What's the difference?

If the people of Idyllwild have any questions at all

about David Roy's monument, its history, funding problems or why he is selling T-shirts, all they need to do is ask him. Just talk to him. David Roy is the most honest guy you'll ever meet.

GARY WALL
SAN DIEGO

Back-to-school supplies needed

On July 20, the Idyllwild HELP Center kicked off the Back to School Supplies Drive for local K-8 students. The "school bus" and "stop sign" will be at BBVA Compass through Aug. 16. On the bus and stop sign will be tags with a child's age, gender and grade and their back-to-school-needs. Our children need just the basics: pencils, paper, backpacks, lunchboxes, rulers and erasers. For further information about the drive, call the HELP Center at 659-2110.

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Allstate Insurance tests fire retardant for homeowners

BY BETH NOTTLEY
STAFF REPORTER

Hill residents who have homeowners insurance through Allstate Insurance Company were recently notified that their homes would be part of a pilot test. If a wildfire were to approach the mountain communities, the structures and surrounding landscape of Allstate's clients could be sprayed with a fire retardant as part of the company's new Wildfire Protection Program.

As the main feature of the program, Allstate is running

a test from August through the remainder of the fire season in two geographical areas deemed to be at high wildfire risk — a 90-mile radius from Fallbrook and from Simi Valley. During the test period, Allstate's partner in the program, Firebreak Spray Systems, LLC, will attempt to reach the insured's property in advance of an approaching wildfire. They may choose to spray the property with Phos-Chek, the same fire retardant that the U.S. Forest Service uses when fighting wildfires.

Phos-Chek renders fuel

sources such as grass, pine needles and woody material nonflammable. As heat increases from an approaching fire, the product decomposes and gives off water vapor to cool the flames. A non-flammable carbon coating remains to insulate the fuel source, virtually starving the fire of fuel. It is a long-term fire retardant, designed to work until it is washed off with rain or sprayed water.

According to Jim Klapthor, Allstate corporate relations, the Wildfire Protection Program is a "test run of a fire suppression system to

see if it's beneficial to policy holders and, if called upon, actually works." Policyholders in the test area were automatically enrolled in the program at no cost, and were notified that if they wanted to opt out, it had to be done in writing within 14 days of July 15, the date of Allstate's letter notifying policyholders of the program.

In its notification to policyholders, Allstate made it clear that although the goal of the program is to protect homes in the proximity of an active wildfire, there is no guarantee that one of the

Firebreak service trucks will be able to reach a property during a wildfire. Idyllwild Fire Chief Norm Walker said he approves of Allstate's cautiousness. "I like their approach; in the face of a big wildfire when we're evacuating residents they may not be able to get in to the area." He did say, however, that if homes were able to be sprayed with the fire retardant, "it

could save some houses." He said Phos-Chek is a "good product" and added, "It's a fertilizer, so the long-term effect on plants is good."

Walker did express reservations about employees of a private company being on the scene of a wildfire, possibly getting in the way of firefighting crews or creating a situation where the

See Allstate, page 23

Propane bills reduced at Hummingbird

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

According to Pine Cove's Hummingbird Mobile Home Park resident Brandi Selkirk, the Riverside County Agricultural (AG) Commissioner's Office, division of Weights and Measures, significantly reduced propane bills for a majority of the Park's affected residents.

The problem arose from inaccurate meter readings. An employee of park owner Focus Management was responsible and residents were surprised by bills for eight months to a year ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000.

"Propane bills for everyone in the park, except for mine, came down," said Selkirk. "My mother's came down from \$3,000 to \$856, my sister's from \$2,700 to \$500 and Kat Davis' from \$1,190 to \$18. They [AG] said my readings were mostly accurate and that my meter was probably faulty."

In last week's edition, we reported that Focus Management asked residents to pay past due propane bills by Aug. 4 or they would be given three days to pay or vacate. Jon Zorn, Focus Management president, contacted the Crier to clarify that only residents that had made no arrangement with

Focus to set up a payment plan would be asked to pay the full balance immediately or be served a 3-day notice.

"Residents were served a notice to pay or quit only if they did not pay their current rent and utility charges, or did not set up a payment plan," he said. "When Weights and Measures told me the adjusted amounts were incorrect, I served notices only for the current charges that were past due. I have honestly worked with Weights and Measures to make sure that the residents' bills were adjusted correctly, and always tried to work compassionately with the

residents to clear this up with as little disruption to their budgets as possible," said Zorn. "When any resident called me to ask for a payment plan, I said, 'What can you afford?' and I did not charge interest."

Zorn indicated that Focus has yet to collect on what he terms the "vast majority" of propane used last winter by residents and is waiting till the matter is resolved by Weights and Measures. "We still expect residents to make prompt payment on all charges that are not in dispute," he said.

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



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Christian Science Church
 25970 Cedar St. at River Drive, 659-2511. Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Service 10 a.m.; Wednesday meeting, 7 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room, in church building, open to the public, Wednesday through Friday, 2 - 5 p.m.

Community Presbyterian Church
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 25525 Tahquitz Dr. (in Fern Valley off South Circle Dr.)
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 54423 Village Center Dr., Ste. 5 on lower floor. 659-3464.
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Arts & Entertainment Calendar

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

Wednesday, Aug. 11

Can't Beat Poetry, 5 p.m. Chakra Shack.
Desert Rose, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
"Salt," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, Aug. 12

Bridge, 12:30-4 p.m. Creekstone Inn. For information, call 659-4910.
Masters (55 & Over) Co-ed Softball League, 4 p.m. Town Hall.
Free Zydeco Dance Lessons sponsored by ICRC, 5-6:15 p.m. Idyllwild Community Center Park.
Dan Papaila, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
Idyllwild Summer Concert Series: Mountain High Swamp Rockers 6:15 p.m.; **Lisa Haley & The Zydekats,** 7 p.m. Idyllwild Community Center Park.
"Salt," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Chamberfest Master Class: Winds, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall; **Chamberfest Master Class: Brass,** 8 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Friday, Aug. 13

Children's Center Open House: Multi-Arts, 2:45 p.m.; **Chamberfest Master Class: Strings,** 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.
Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.
Karma Dogs, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
Sandii Castleberry, Bill Saitta & Paul Carman, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.
The Budweiser Girls, 6-11 p.m.; **DJ or Karaoke,** 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.
"Dinner for Schmucks," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Isis Theatre Company presents: "Reasons To Be Pretty," 7 p.m. reception; 7:30 p.m. curtain. Caine Learning Center.
Karaoke, 8:30 p.m.-2 a.m. Bone Daddy'z.

Saturday, Aug. 14

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; **The GirlZ** 1-3 p.m.; **Bill Saitta,** 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
Butterfly Daze, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; **Live music by DoRojo,** noon-3 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center.
Chamberfest Student chamber Music, 10 a.m. Stephens Recital Hall; **High School Festival Choir,** 1 p.m. IAF Theatre;

Chamberfest Chamber Orchestra, 3:30 p.m. IAF Theatre; **Chamberfest Music Faculty Recital,** 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

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

Jerome Robinson, 1-5 p.m.; **The Satellites,** 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

"Dinner for Schmucks," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Drum Circle, 4 p.m. Chakra Shack.

Poetic Justice with Alex Watson, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

Isis Theatre Company presents: "Reasons To Be Pretty," 7 p.m. reception; 7:30 p.m. curtain. Caine Learning Center.
DJ Tek, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. Bone Daddy'z.

Sunday, Aug. 15

Ernesto Ale, 9 a.m.-noon; **Swift Pony,** 1-3 p.m.; **Skeleton Crew,** 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
Psychic Fair, 10-4 p.m. Chakra Shack.
"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum.

Jerome Robinson, 1-5 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.
"Dinner for Schmucks," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Monday, Aug. 16

Children's Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.
Tucker vs. Elvis, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
"Dinner for Schmucks," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Student Recital: Instrumental and Vocal Music, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Tuesday, Aug. 17

Jazz Night, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
"Dinner for Schmucks," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Student Recital: Percussion, 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre; **Student Re-**

cial: Instrumental and Vocal Music, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Wednesday, Aug. 18

Peter Curtis, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
"Dinner for Schmucks," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Student Recital: Instrumental and Vocal Music, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Thursday, Aug. 19

Bridge, 12:30-4 p.m. Creekstone Inn. For information, call 659-4910.
Masters (55 & Over) Co-ed Softball League, 4 p.m. Town Hall.
Barry Lawrence, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Dinner for Schmucks," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Idyllwild Summer Concert Series: United States Marine Corps Band, 7 p.m. Idyllwild Community Center Park.

Barry Lawrence, 7 p.m. Café Aroma.

Festival Music Faculty Recital, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Friday, Aug. 20

Children's Center Open House: Multi-Arts, 2:45 p.m.; **Theatre Production: Sketch Comedy,** 8 p.m. Junior Players Theatre; **High School Festival Choir & Opera Workshop,** 8 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.
Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

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COLONEL BO'S COMPLAINT



What a Day! What a Gorgeous Day!" Coupled with a joyful smile, this greeting is one we hear a dozen times a day around the Post Office. The flatlanders call complaining about the heat or the humidity or the governor or just the flatland. But here on the 'Hill', we smile and enjoy the cool, clean, clear breeze, just enough to keep the flag unfurled. Reminds us, 'This is America; not Heaven.'

"Need Rain!" A Long Beach biker yells back to

Charlie Wix's cheery greeting. My thoughts flashed back to 1950, Korea. My jet fighter squadron was flying out of K-28 — south of In'chon on the Yellow Sea. It rained steadily for three months. Cold, steady rain. We were in squad tents and mud. Even the mosquitoes were grounded. All our GI trucks and jeeps were stuck in the goo. Nothing was flying. There was no beer, no booze, no ice cream. Just dry eggs and Spam and a nonstop poker game from February 'til June. One night I heard the chaplain, "Gents, I swear to you, I'll never pray for rain again, ever." I've seen that chaplain around our Post Office. Suppose he's responsible for this glorious weather? Stop by B's MOUNTAIN of BOOKS — read or listen to my DISHONORED GLORY and enjoy the weather.



Idyllwild Summer Concerts

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Country music benefit for Idyllwild kids

By Beth Nottley
Staff Reporter

Country music singer and songwriter Mark Connors will perform his 2nd-annual "Bless Our Children" benefit concert for the Idyllwild HELP Center on Saturday, Aug. 21 at the Buckhorn Camp Peace Center. His last Idyllwild concert in January raised more than \$1,600 for the Idyllwild HELP Center Children's Fund.

Although that concert

was only seven months ago, Connor wants to avoid an ill-timed major snowstorm like the one that may have adversely affected attendance at January's concert. He is using a new venue that can seat several hundred people in order to raise more money for the program that provides items such as clothing and school supplies to local children of low-income families.

Connors will perform solo at the Aug. 21 concert, accompanied by

background music from his band's soundtrack. A 15-minute video will be shown in which Connors talks about his experiences as a homeless youth and his dedication to raising funds for organizations that help children. "I know what it's like to go to school hungry and wearing mismatched clothes and shoes that don't fit right," he said.

This concert will also feature local actors, whose identities are being kept secret, joining him on stage to act out the words to his songs. "It'll be one heck of a show," said Connors.

Since his January performance in Idyllwild, Connors has had a big year. He relocated from Idyllwild to Nashville full-time, released his third CD, "Its All About the Country," and is presently on a year-

long national tour. He was named official host of Country Stars Online and hosts an Internet video show, "Road Stars of Country." He said he's gotten international exposure by getting picked up by the British Broadcasting Company. Besides airplay in Great Britain, he is played on the Armed Forces radio in Iraq and Afghanistan.

He's just released his fourth CD called, "I'm Broken In, So Bring It On," which Connors said reflects his determination to succeed in spite of challenges he's faced trying to make in the music industry.

For his second fundraising concert for the Idyllwild HELP Center Children's Fund, Connors is determined to put on a good show to raise money for a good cause. He'll take



Mark Connors

PHOTO COURTESY OF MARK CONNORS

MDP CERT class this weekend

Mountain Disaster Preparedness (MDP) is offering a CERT training class from Aug. 13-15 and anyone 18 years or older is invited to attend. There is no cost for the class. To become certified, participants must attend all three days of the class, which will be held at the IFPD training room. The Friday, Aug. 13 session meets from 5 to 9 p.m.; the Saturday and Sunday sessions meet from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Individuals who are already CERT trained and want to take the class as a refresher are welcome to attend this class.

Volunteers are sought to act as the victims and help at the Sunday session's exercise test.

Preregistration is required to attend the CERT class so that training material will be available for each participant. Please send us your name, address, and e-mail for the initial registration to Rick Foster at rick.foster@verizon.net. Foster can also be reached at (951) 659-1938.

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 Karaoke, 8:30 p.m.-2 a.m. Bone Daddy's,
 Karaoke or DJ, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

Saturday, Aug. 21

Tribal Rendezvous Festival, all day; Evening Gala Show, 7:30 p.m. Rainbow Inn.

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon; Unwound, 1-3 p.m.; Robin Adler & Dave Blackburn, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Junior Naturalist Program: Mapping & Orienteering, 10 a.m.-noon. Idyllwild Nature Center.

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

Jerome Robinson, 1-5 p.m.; Grand Reopening Celebration with music by The SateLLites, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

Drum Circle, 4 p.m. Chakra Shack.

American Legion Auxiliary Luau, 5 p.m. dinner; 8 p.m. music & games. American Legion Post 800.

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

Ironics, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. Bone Daddy's.

Sunday, Aug. 22

Tribal Rendezvous Festival, all day; Documentary Film Screening, 5:30 p.m. Rainbow Inn.

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; Greg Jones Band, 1-3 p.m. Skelton Crew, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

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

Jerome Robinson, 1-5 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

Monday, Aug. 23

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

Peter Curtis, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Tuesday, Aug. 24

Jazz Night, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.



The Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting with the Jo'An Lackey (center left), new and former owner of Jo'An's and her manager, Mike Lackey, Jo'An's son. Representing the chamber are Lauren Devore (on left) and Julie Johnson (right). PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

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 Chamberfest Master Class: Winds. 8PM, Stephens Recital Hall.
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Friday, August 13
 Children's Center Open House. Multi-Arts, 2:45PM, Children's Center.
 Chamberfest Master Class: Strings. 8PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

Saturday, August 14
 Chamberfest Student Chamber Music. 10AM, Stephens Recital Hall.
 High School Festival Choir. 1PM, IAF Theatre.
 Chamberfest: Chamber Orchestra. 3:30PM, IAF Theatre.
 Chamberfest Music Faculty Recital. 8PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

Monday, August 16
 Student Recital: Instrumental and Vocal Music. 8PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

Tuesday, August 17
 Student Recital: Percussion. 7:30PM, IAF Theatre.
 Student Recital: Instrumental and Vocal Music. 8PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

Wednesday, August 18
 Student Recital: Instrumental and Vocal Music. 8PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

Thursday, August 19
 Festival Music Faculty Recital. 8PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

Friday, August 20
 Children's Center Open House: Multi-Arts. 2:45PM, Children's Center.
 Theatre Production: Sketch Comedy. 8PM, Junior Players Theatre.
 High School Festival Choir & Opera Workshop. 8PM, IAF Theatre.

Tuesday, August 17
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Tai Chi practice group

A free Tai Chi practice group coordinated by Trudy Levy welcomes all individuals to gather together to experience the benefits of Tai Chi.

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Marine Band wraps Summer Concert Series

By Marshall Smith
Staff Reporter

The Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Band, stationed at 29 Palms, and under the direction of Chief Warrant Officer 2 Stephen B. Giove, wraps the 11th season of the Idyllwild Summer Concert Series (ISCS) on Aug. 19 at the Idyllwild Community Center Park.

Always a highlight of the ISCS, and always in the series' finale position, the 51-member Marine Corps Band is a professional concert wind ensemble that brings the highest musical standards to its performances. Playing a broad program of selections from Sousa marches and patriotic music to scores from

the movies, the Marine Band provides a quality concert experience. Members are often music school graduates prior to entering the Corps.

One of 12 Marine Corps Bands in the country, the Air Ground Combat Center Band plays extensively throughout the Western United States, including the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena and the Longs Peak Scottish Irish Highland Festival in Estes Park, Colo. The men and women of the band are trained Marine Riflemen who undergo basic training, just as any Marine does, and then attend the Armed Forces School of Music in Norfolk, Va.

Musical Director Giove graduated from the prestigious Berklee College of

Music in Boston receiving a Bachelor Degree in Music Performance as a drummer and percussionist. After 10 years in the Corps, Giove attended the University of Mississippi where he received a master's degree. Three years later, he reenlisted.

Music and the Marine Corps go back to the founding of the republic with the establishment of the U.S. Marine Band in 1798, by order of President John Adams. It is the oldest organization of its kind in the country.

Bring your chairs, retire your dancing shoes, and attend what is sure to be a wonderful concert by some very fine, and highly disciplined,

professional musicians who happen to be part of a long and distinguished tradition — the few, the proud, the United States Marines.

The concert begins at 7 p.m. There is no opening act.

The community joins to thank Ken Dahleen, his board, and sponsors for affording this opportunity for locals to have another exceptional summer musical experience. As of Monday, Aug. 9, ISCS still needed \$1,930 to cover the expenses of the 2010 Summer Concert Series.

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



"I got rhythm," this Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center Band vibes player demonstrates at last year's Idyllwild Summer Concert Series finale. FILE PHOTO



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Lora Steere celebration a success

BY CAREY POWERS
NEWS INTERN

As was apparent and overflowing from her letters that were read aloud at last Saturday's Retrospective Celebration, Lora Steere lived thoroughly and without reservation, thirsting after "impossible dreams" and innovative thinking in the arts.

"I've just had no dull moments," she wrote in Idyllwild in 1954, after a long summer teaching sculpture not only to her ISOMATA students, but also to her grandchildren, who were with her continuously throughout the duration of the summer program. A lot can be said about a woman who treasured her extended family as learners, as mentees, and as people who had dreams and curiosities of their own that she guided into maturity.

The celebration at The Rustic Theatre was filled with memories, letter readings, music, and a contagious appreciation of a woman whose influence was far-reaching both in Idyllwild and at Idyllwild Arts. Many thanks were given to event coordinator,

Karen Pomer, and Lora's protégé, Evan Mills, who formulated the idea and gathered the available materials for this appreciation ceremony.

The speakers' voices emanated great fondness as well as an ever-growing respect and warmth for their friend, teacher, and grandmother. Many of Steere's grandchildren made an appearance and spoke for their recently deceased father, James, whose memories of Steere were sadly illuminating and humorous.

Slowly over the course of the celebration, Lora Steere became not just a name or an accomplished artist persona, but a true character, a human being, whose love of life, high regard for the people of Idyllwild, and long history of personal struggle and artistic liberation inspired the full house who attended.

Speaking about the central traits of a mentor, a position he felt was dwindling in the world, Evan Mills offered words like "challenging," "enigmatic," and "fun" to describe the singular way she taught and nurtured. But she was more than just a distant figure of respect. Her heart didn't just inform her work; her work was an outpouring of the heart.

One could say she was unimaginably strong. From her frequent treks up to Tahquitz Peak later in her



Paris Deesing, Idyllwild Arts student and producer of the **Lora Steere** documentary, speaks with **Evan Mills**, a Steere protégé and 2007 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate.

PHOTO COURTESY OF LEA DEESING

life, to the fierce and seemingly unafraid way she raised four children alone, teaching day and night in the Los Angeles school system, she lived despite her fears, not in fear.

The presentation was broad and expansive, as was Lora Steere's interests and character. Bob Smith, author of Idyllwild and the High San Jacintos, said the Lora Steere Retrospective turned into a very special case for him, as he has the same love of these beautiful mountains. "It took on more than just research," he said with profound understanding.

Even as someone who did not know Lora personally, the young film student Paris Deesing, who attended the premiere of her film, "When Art Met Idyllwild: A Tribute to Lora Steere," seemed thankful and happy

to have shared her interpretation of Steere's rich history, "devotion to art, and love of life."

In a presentation entitled "The Essence of ISOMATA," Bob Krone, son of Idyllwild Arts founders Max and Bee Krone, commended Steere's inimitable role in



Charles (Lora Steere's grandson) and Carol Steere, accept a Board of Supervisors proclamation declaring Aug. 7, 2010 as Lora Woodhead Steere Day in Riverside County from **Verne Lauritzen**, chief of staff for 3rd District Supervisor **Jeff Stone**.

PHOTO J.P. CRUMRINE

shaping the budding community of artists that was ISOMATA. He wrote, "Lora Steere helped them build a dream, then became a leader to make it a reality." She was a visionary as well as a creator, and a student as well as a teacher, which made her lastingly curious

No moment could better describe the insurmountably strong community of Idyllwild Arts better than a request from Bob Krone. Everyone, he said, who has taught at or attended Idyllwild Arts, please wave or stand. Nearly everyone

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Lora Steere sculpted this *Discobolus* for the 1932 Olympics. *Helms Bakery* commissioned five statues from Steere.

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At last Saturday's Junior Culminations: Textiles at Idyllwild Arts, young designers gave a fashion show to their parents. Shown here is a young seamstress named **Tess**.

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Brooke McLain, 16, (left) plays a Sonatine with her instructor, **Allison Allport** (right) at last Friday's Harp Recital at Idyllwild Arts.

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Sisters, **Melanie Thornburg** (left) and **Shana Vanzee**, join United Blues vocalist, **Rick Grady**, on stage during last week's concert.

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At the Junior Naturalist Program last Saturday at the Nature Center, **Sherry Stange** shows a group of young people the stages of birth of a baby bird.

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Tom Kowalczyk, keyboardist for the United Blues Band.

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'Only in Idyllwild' stories sought

The Town Crier's well of Only in Idyllwild stories has run dry. Readers are invited to submit stories about things that could have only happened here. E-mail them to beth@towncrier.com or drop them by the Town Crier office.



Greg Varra (left), drum making instructor, leads **Josie Montes** (right), a member of the New Mexico Mescalero Tribe, from Anaheim Hills, in song after making their new tribal drums. The drum making event was Saturday at the Idyllwild Community Center park.

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SPORTS

Town Hall sports

On Monday, Aug. 2, Pacific Slope played the Café Aroma Meatballs for second place. It was a tight contest throughout. Pacific Slope took an early lead with **Shaunna Friemoth** getting a base hit and driving in a run which wasn't enough. The mighty Meatballs came back to win the game 8-6. **Kathy Lewis'** three base hits and **Chris Fogle's** grand slam turned the game around.

On Tuesday, Creekstone Inn creamed the Whitman Physical Therapy More Cowbells. **Chad Marler's** good game including a couple base hits and stellar play at third base were not enough for the More Cowbells. Creekstone's offense, led by **Brian Kretsinger's** single and double, was too much to stop. Creekstone won 15-1.

On Wednesday, Ajax hosted Forest Lumber for fourth place. After the first inning, the game was tied 4-4. Forest Lumber's **Marty Prevosto** collected three hits during the game. But Ajax pulled away behind **Raymond Maras'** double and driving in two runs. Ajax took over fourth place beating Forest Lumber 16-11.

On Thursday, Forest Lumber played Creekstone Inn. **Jeremy Potter** had a good game for Forest Lumber with a couple of base hits, but Creekstone was just too much for Forest Lumber as **Josh White** had three base hits as Creekstone handled Forest Lumber 19-2.



Bill Sanborn of the Whitman Physical Therapy More Cowbells slides safely under **Noah Whitney's** tag during Monday's game, which Pacific Slope won 10-4. PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

On Friday, Ajax hosted Whitman Physical Therapy More Cowbells. This was a close game as **Mike Dobson** had three singles for More Cowbells and **Maria Loutzenhiser** had three base hits for Ajax, who squeaked by More Cowbells 9-8.

On Sunday, Aug. 8, Creekstone Inn and Whitman Physical Therapy More Cowbells met for the second time this week. Despite a closer game, Creekstone won again. More Cowbells was ahead thanks to **Julie Glover** getting a key base hit and driving in a run. In the last inning, Creekstone came back with **John Miller** getting a key base hit and driving in two runs of Creekstone's six runs in the seventh inning in a come from behind 11-9 victory.

	Wins	Losses
Creekstone Inn	8	1
Pacific Slope	5	3
Café Aroma Meatballs	5	3
Ajax	5	4
Forest Lumber	3	6
Whitman Physical Therapy Cowbells	0	9

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America's cleanest forest isn't

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Lake Arrowhead calls itself "The Alps of California." Someone honored Idyllwild with the sobriquet "America's Cleanest Forest." But is it? And if it is or was, who's responsible for keeping it clean?

The troubling pictures of trash and discarded appliances up and down gullies just off of Highway 243 and in and around Humber Park challenge the "Cleanest Forest" moniker.

Idyllwild has no local government and consequently, no cleaning crews on its payroll. Responsible hikers have an ethic of carrying out what they bring in. So when mega-trash of the "too big to put in your pocket variety" starts turning up in the "cleanest" forest environs, what is a viable recourse to get it removed?

Local Mario Marchiaro, co-owner of Kenario Gallery, and friend Elliot Taylor, have taken matters into their own hands, and sometimes hands are not enough. "Some of the trash, downhill on the left side off of Highway 243 when coming into Idyllwild, was too big for two people to carry," said Marchiaro, mentioning a refrigerator and a steel futon mattress frame. "It's trash that has been there a long time — paint containers, toilets, everything conceivable," he noted.

Idyllwild depends on volunteerism for its quality of life. Just off the beaten tracks and main hiking trails, generally near areas with parking in the winter, careless individuals are shattering that quality of life by discarding junk and waste of all sorts tucked in and under bushes. "McDonald's bags and drink cups," said Marchiaro, "they didn't even buy their food here." So to keep the "Cleanest Forest in

America" clean, once again, volunteers are needed.

Not only are they needed for cleaning discarded trash, but opportunities to avoid the initial and inappropriate deposit are also important. For example, Richard Montaña, owner of Mountain Footwear, cites the lack, in the downtown corridor, of recycling containers for bottles and cans. "We should offer visitors and residents that option," he said.

Marchiaro and Taylor routinely make monthly cleanup trips with bags and mechanical arms to pick up refuse — used diapers, underclothing, IV bags, bottles, truck tires — that visitors have left with no regard for the beauty and gift of this mountain environment.

"They go to the most beautiful places to discard their trash, it's bizarre," said Marchiaro, who takes daily walks and collects an average of three bags of trash. Steve Moulton, who collects trash from Chamber of Commerce containers, notes that many civic-minded locals regularly pick up trash and that effort is part of living somewhere where employed cleanup crews are not available.

For Marchiaro, a native of Italy, the need to keep natural environments clean, is deeply rooted. "I want my environment to be clean wherever I go," he said. He recounted visiting his home village in Italy and returning from a walk along a beautiful path linking his village with another. "My mother was shocked I picked up trash belonging to someone else," he remembered. "But if I don't, who will?" he explained.

"If everyone would take a trash bag and gloves with them on walks and just pick up the trash they see, we could make a difference," he said. "It's your backyard."



Top, **Mario Marchiaro** and **Elliot Taylor** found these not so casual discards just off Highway 243 on the bend leaving Idyllwild. Above, a truckload of trash was all in a day's work for Marchiaro and Taylor in their efforts to keep "America's Cleanest Forest" clean. PHOTOS COURTESY OF MARIO MARCHIARO

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New community wildfire plan beginning

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Preparation of a new San Jacinto Mountains Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) has begun. The Board of Supervisors adopted the current plan in July 2006.

In 2005, the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council (FSC), under the leadership of former President Blair Ceniceros, took responsibility for initiating the work in the San Jacinto Mountains CWPP. This plan, the product of several community meetings, covered the Hill from Poppet Flat to Pinyon.

The biggest change in the revision will be its breadth. The initial intent, according to Cal Fire Capt. Mark Barr and current FSC President Mike Esnard, is to expand the coverage to include all San Jacinto Mountain communities from Cabazon south to the San Diego County border (see map). Essentially, this version will include the mountain communities, the foothills and all approaches to the Hill.

"We're hoping this will keep things simple in the county," Esnard said explaining the CWPP expansion. "One large CWPP rather than many smaller ones is our aim."

The geographical enlargement also engenders some strategic planning adjustments, too. The original plan focused largely on the removal of dead or dying trees, according to Kevin Turner, Cal Fire.

"Fire protection of the Hill is more than just trees," he said. "Anza and Sage have significant fire hazards due to brush and we don't want to limit ourselves geographically."

The local FSC, which prepared the original CWPP, is continuing in the forefront of the project, according to Esnard. "We have representation on our board from Pinyon and Anza. We need a local representative or contact for the plan to be successful. We are still working on selecting or finding them [for the southern communities]."

The first organization meeting in Anza, which Esnard felt was decently attended, was held in

June. Others are to be scheduled, according to Barr.

The Healthy Forest Restoration Act of 2003 authorized CWPPs. Communities that have completed a CWPP will have a higher priority for monetary assistance for hazardous fuels reduction projects.

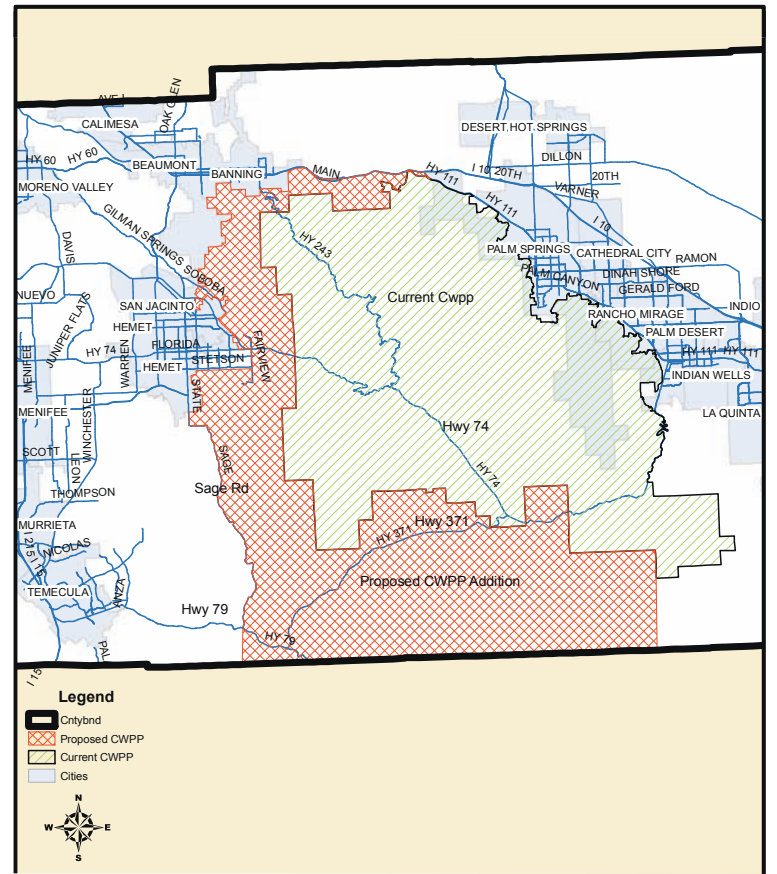
Completion of the 2006 plan was facilitated with the help of Dave Kehrlin, ESRI of Redlands. Esnard and Turner said ESRI will also be involved in this version.

The 2006 CWPP set three goals intended to reduce the threat of fire on the mountain. The first is to facilitate and assist the removal of dangerous fuels to achieve optimal protection of people, property and habitat. The second goal is to continue and expand education of residents and interest groups to assist in creating greater safety for fire.

The third and final goal is to continue to support the work of federal, state and fire protection agency resources in creating a safer environment in the San Jacinto Mountains.

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Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council
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Bill Sanborn unopposed for fifth term

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

The selection of several local candidates for education and water agency boards has been determined. The June 8 primary was only two months ago and the November election is still three months away; nevertheless, Friday, Aug. 6 was a decisive day for several local campaigns.

Incumbent and Idyllwild resident Bill Sanborn is unopposed for his seat on the Hemet Unified School Board. Sanborn was appointed to the board in 1991. He and five other candidates applied to fill the term of Dwight Holmes, who resigned. Sanborn took office in September 1991.

His last challenger was former Idyllwild resident John Holt, who lost to Sanborn in 1994. In the three elections since 1998, Sanborn ran unopposed.

Three other HUSD trustee seats will be filled in November. Phyllis Petri's area 2 (Anza south to Aguanga) challenger is Paul Bakkom, husband of Idyllwild School teacher Holly Guntermann. Petri was first elected to the HUSD board in 1990.

Area 3, which is Hemet, has two trustee seats on the ballot. Board President and incumbent Joe Wojcik is seeking reelection. He was first elected to the board in 2006. Dr. Glenn Figgins, also elected in 2006, died this spring and his appointed replacement, Gisela Gosch,

is not seeking election to the board. Candidates may still file.

As of Monday, four candidates have filed to join the race with Wojcik for two seats. The new candidates are Clarence R. Holliday, James Little, Jayson D. Sandoval and Horacio "Ross" Valenzuela.

Terms for Lake Hemet Municipal Water District seats for District Divisions 1, 3 and 4 expire this year. All three incumbents — Patrick Searl, Frank D. Marshall, and Larry Minor — are seeking reelection and none will be opposed.

In what may be a historic election, Valley Health System has four director seats scheduled for November. This may be the district's

last public election since the sale of its assets, including the two Medical Centers in Hemet Valley and Menifee Valley, which are pending. The district will continue to exist and manage funds for public education, but its essential purpose — managing a hospital — will end when the sale closes, possibly later this month.

Dr. William Cherry represents Zone 1, which includes the Hill, and is unopposed. Two other incumbents — Thomas Wilson and Glen Holmes — are also unchallenged to continue their service.

However, Zone 6 incumbent Director Robert O'Donnell has opposition, Dean Deines, a public administrator. O'Donnell was

the only director to question the sale of the hospitals. Madaleine M. Dreier, who was appointed to finish the first two years of former President Darren Magness'

term is also unopposed for a full 4-year term.

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Fire

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Neighbors feared the Hynes were still inside. Prior to the arrival of fire crews, Roland Perales, whose home overlooks the Hynes', had trained his garden hoses on their propane tanks to help prevent an explosion and worried for the lives of his neighbors. "We couldn't get to the tank to turn it off, he said. "We thought they were inside the home all this time. We just assumed the worst."

Fire crews found the Hynes, a couple in their 70s, in their yard backed against a chain-link fence, about 200 feet from the burning structure. Crews moved the Hynes to the safety of a CalFire vehicle. Late Tuesday morning, after the immediate danger had passed, Hynes said, "We're physically O.K. but everything else is down the tubes."

The fire was under control by early morning. "We [the combined crews] got it pretty much knocked down within the better part of an hour," said IFPD

Chief Norm Walker. CalFire Mountain Battalion Chief Dan Johnson estimated that crews would have all hot spots extinguished by 1 or 2 p.m. "Hand crews are carefully going through the timbers of the house to see if we can save personal belongings," said Johnson. "The problem is that it's a two-story structure and it will take us a while to peel out the structural pieces [to find personal items]."

Chief Johnson recalled talking with Barbara Hynes. "When she woke up [they were in a loft or upstairs bedroom], the fire was all downstairs," he remembered her saying. "She said there was a lot of noise."

The Hynes managed to exit the house before the top story collapsed onto the foundation, but not before trying to save a caged pet cockatoo, according to Nancy Layton, who along with Rick Foster responded in Red Cross capacity. "The cockatoo inflicted pretty severe bites on Mr. Hynes," said Layton. "On-scene paramedics thought he might need stitches." The pet did not survive the blaze.



Early morning flames engulf a home on Foster Lake Road around 2:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10.

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With smoke still rising from embers, a firefighter stands near the Mission style lamp post of a destroyed Foster Lake Road home.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

Pursuant to Red Cross procedure, Layton and Foster ensured the Hynes will be able to purchase emergency food and clothing. The Hynes will stay at a friend's house for the time being. Layton noted the Hynes' home was fully insured and the couple would likely be covered for expenses of temporary stay.

Looking out over five engines and 20 firefighters from three different agencies working the fire scene, and noting the close proxim-

ity of neighboring homes, Chief Johnson remarked on how fortunate the Hill is to have interagency cooperative agreements in place, and how that cooperation ensures rapid response and effective manpower to battle fire emergencies such as this one. "This could have been so much worse," said Incident Commander Riley.

Standing with neighbors gathered to watch the crews at work, Perales turned to family members and said, "Let's go back inside and

make them [the firefighters] some more coffee."

Reached at their friend's home, Hynes speculated that a recent spraying of the underside of a redwood deck with a sealant might have contributed to the fire. "Something may have ignited that still wet undercoat," said Hynes. "The crew that did the spraying had only done the bottom and had not yet gotten to the top." The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

Hynes noted he and his

wife got out so quickly that they had no time to get car keys, wallets and purses, so right now they have no transportation. "We're working with Steve at Idyllwild Garage and AAA to get keys made," he said. "We're sort of in limbo right now. We're not sure if we'll rebuild. The house was so beautiful, both inside and out, with the best view. That's why we bought it."

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HPD

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confer, Idyllwild would be subject to meeting county codes drafted primarily for parts of the county with newer buildings and more spaces for parking than are available in Idyllwild. Stone also expressed concern that Idyllwild could be hit by Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) suits that recently affected Julian, in San Diego County. District status carves out exceptions for ADA compliance and allows timeline flexibility, a word oft used by county presenters, for county code compliance.

Retired Deputy Planning Director Jerry Jolliffe underlined, as an example,



Jerry Jolliffe, retiring Riverside County Deputy Planning director, and Verne Lauritzen, chief of staff for 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone, confer prior to the community meeting on the historic district ordinance.

strict code requirements for parking that exist in the rest of the county — requirements of a certain number of parking spaces per business and prescribed parking space measurements — that are not feasible in Idyllwild

given its existing grid and older structures.

Jolliffe also noted that should Idyllwild's predominantly older structures be forced to comply with other county codes on comparable off-Hill timelines, it could



Keith Herron, Riverside County chief preservation officer.

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cause financial distress to Idyllwild business and commercial property owners and threaten their economic survival. Stone's Chief of Staff Verne Lauritzen said, "With a Historic District, there would be different

and less stringent categories for code timelines. Without a District, Idyllwild would be completely vulnerable. Code violations are code violations. If we enforced

code in Idyllwild [as it is in the rest of the county], we'd shut it down. The county has liability when there are violations we know about.

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LaBenne

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"I had my start there [in Idyllwild] and it means a lot to me," he said. "It would be a homecoming type of experience to return and [create something new for] that little spot [the original monument site]."

LaBenne and Pearson both acknowledged they have learned much from the truncated life of the original monument. "First, we had a tree that had been dead for some time," said LaBenne. "Second, it was a pine, not a cedar. And because cedars have tannins, a natural oil

that acts as a preservative, a cedar monument will weather far better than the previous pine one." LaBenne said that technology of wood preservation has changed dramatically in the 21 years since he carved the first monument and that he would use the latest and most effective sealants on a new carving.

"Probably the biggest mistake we made was putting it [the original 1989 carving] in the ground and planting a garden around it. There should have been a seal placed around the base [to insulate it from moisture moving up into the base]."

"With a new monument, we'll place it on a foundation,

much like a foundation for a house," he said.

LaBenne said he would also consult with local Ca-huilla tribal elders to make certain his depiction of the early residents of the San Jacintos is accurate.

Pearson is investigating all the logistical considerations, including working with the Forest Service to locate a minimum 70-foot green cedar tree in the San Jacinto or San Bernardino mountains and retrofitting the present monument area for installation of the larger carving. Pearson said he had gotten agreement from metal sculptor Dore Capitani to install the metal straps that

will anchor the monument to its new base.

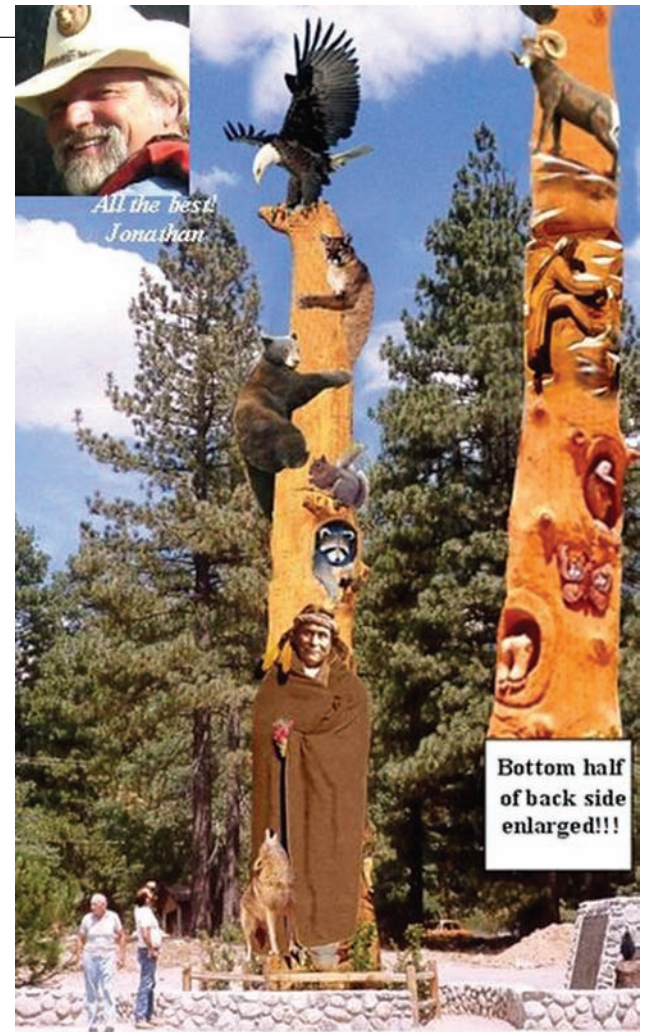
"We're looking for sponsors," said Pearson, who will approach county and congressional representatives for funding.

The Town Crier welcomes community input on this issue.

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

Nationally recognized tree carver **Jonathan LaBenne's** design for a new 70-foot-tall Tree Monument, which an Idyllwild citizen's committee hopes he will carve to replace his iconic 1989 sculpture.

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Answers to Sudoku (Puzzle on next page)

Services



Josh & Noah Whitney
(951) 659-2596
Complete Tree Care
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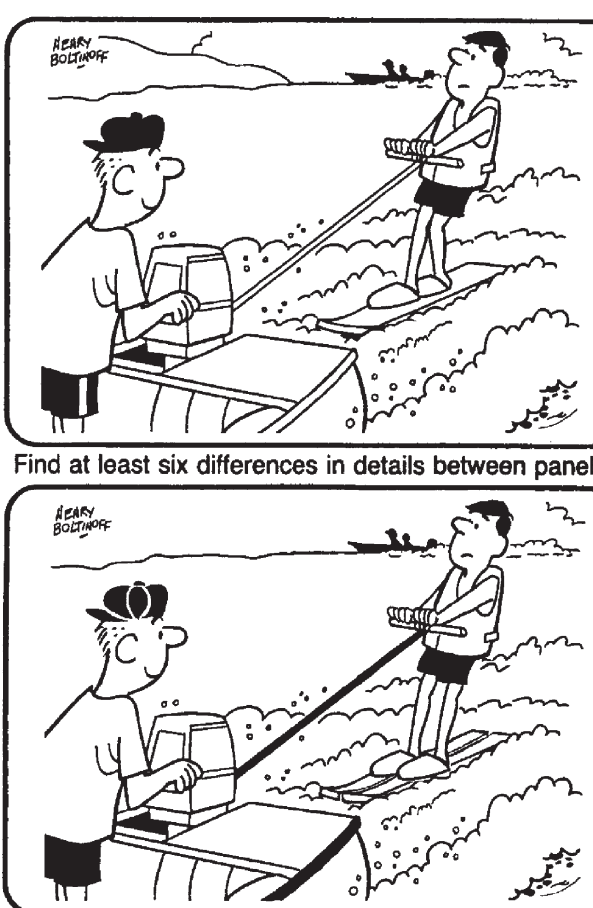
JT's Property Maintenance, home repair & caretaking. Abatement upkeep, hauling. Wood cutting & splitting. 37 years on the Hill. Call Jim 951-659-3400 or 951-316-2500 (c).

L&M. Tile, masonry, concrete, carpentry & decks. All types of repairs. Custom workmanship. Call 951-659-0011.

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Answers to Crossword (Puzzle on next page)

IT'S DIFFERENT



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Cap is different. 2. Stripe on shorts is gone. 3. Two skis instead of one. 4. Rope is black. 5. No hand on horizon. 6. Boat trim is black.

Services

WEEDS, WEEDS, WEEDS. Irrigation. Big loads, small loads. We return all calls. Free estimates, 659-2902.

Handyman Service
 Abatement, home repair & general maintenance, garage clean up, painting, window washing, etc.
 Call Gilbert
 (760) 828-7254 or
(951) 659-3584 or
 chileanhandyman@ yahoo.com

Yardbirds are back! Rake, haul, we do it all. Just give us a call. That's not hard it's 659-YARD (9273) or 659-2176.

For Sale

When you place your classified line ad in the Town Crier, it also appears on our Web site at no additional charge. Call 659-2145 to get your ad in front of thousands of people! www.towncrier.com

Brothers Multifunction center w/color printer/copier/scanner/fax/PC fax/photo printing & 5 new black ink cart. 16x14x6. Good condition. \$35. 659-5919.

Free music downloads, complete songs from Idyllwild singer-songwriter, Darien Martus at darienmartus.com

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It's that time again . . . the Town Crier's super . . .

Labor Day Weekend Yard Sale Bargain!

For just \$20.00, you get 2 weeks of Advertising, Yard Sale Signs and Map!

Town Crier • 54295 Village Center Dr. • 659-2145
 Deadline: Noon Monday, Aug. 23, 2010

- Classified ad runs in the Aug. 26 & Sept. 2 issues
- Maximum words: 25
- You get 9 brightly colored signs (including six fat arrows) to direct people to your house.
- Ad will also appear on the Town Crier's Web site for 2 weeks (www.towncrier.com)
- A listing on the Yard Sale Map!

Offer applies to classified line ads only. No refunds if canceled after first run.

Classifieds

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For Sale

FREE CLASSIFIED

Place a Marketplace ad for item(s) totaling \$50 or less. 5 lines, 3 consecutive weeks, private party, for sale items. One ad per household at a time. Town Crier, 659-2145.

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

Over 200 VHS movies. \$75 firm for the whole lot. Musicals, Disney, drama, comedy. You name it. Call 760-324-0992.

2006 Travel Trailer, 27' Mallard, large slide. See at 26500 Hwy 243, Idyllwild. \$7,900. 929-681-6818.

FREE wood bunkbeds. 659-3746.

SUPER EASY & SECURE! Place Your Town Crier Classified Ad by using our online Classified order form. Just go to www.towncrier.com and click on Place a Classified Ad under Advertising in the menu bar. If you have any questions, please call the Town Crier at (951) 659-2145 or toll free at 1-888-535-6663. Ask for Sandy.

Yard Sales

25547 Cedar Glen Dr. Yard sale with wonderful stuff! Sat. ONLY, 8/14, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Clothes, antiques, some furniture.

Yard Sales

MOVING SALE! 25120 Franklin Dr., Aug. 12, 13, 14 & 15, Thur-Sun. 9-5. Clothes, tools, tandem bike, 6-speeds, winter coats, sorrel boots, & misc.

HUGE YARD SALE! Sat., Aug. 14, 8-4, 55450 So. Circle Dr. (near Fern Valley Rd.) Furniture, antiques & collectibles. Honda generator, old lumber, glassware, household items. Lots of \$1 items, A-Z. No early birds.

2 weekends, August 14-15 & August 28-29, 8A-3P Loads of Odds n' Ends. 52660 Sylvan Way, Pine Cove.

Education

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA! Graduate in 4 weeks! FREE Brochure. Call Now! 1-866-562-3650 ext. 60 www.SouthEasternHS.com (Cal-SCAN)

Automotive

1978 VW Convertible. \$3,500. Local in Idyllwild. 316-393-1060.

Automobiles

WE'RE REBUILDING AMERICA. Any CAR. Any Credit. Minimum Down Payment Required. CALL NOW. 800-814-8867. (Cal-SCAN)

Also on the **Internet** towncrier.com

SUDOKU

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

Autos Wanted

A CAR DONATION HELPING SICK KIDS! Donate Your Car to SONGS OF LOVE and make a sick child smile! Featured on NBC (TODAY SHOW), CNN. Tax-deductible, all vehicle conditions accepted. www.SongsofLove.org 888-909-SONG (7664). (Cal-SCAN)

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

DONATE YOUR VEHICLE! Receive Free Vacation Voucher. United Breast Cancer Foundation. Free Mammograms, Breast Cancer Info www.ubcf.info Free Towing, Tax Deductible, Non-Runners Accepted, 1-888-468-5964. (Cal-SCAN)

Mobile Homes

Royal Pines, 26350 Delano Dr. Completely remodeled. Space #24, 2 BR, 1 BA, turn key, furnished. Space #25, 3 BR, 1-1/2 BA, unfurnished. See Todd Space #24 or call (760) 666-2439 or see manager.

Mobile Homes

REDUCED! Stay Cool!

25' trailer in Idyllwild Trailer 55+ Park, #50, \$8,900. 949-870-2613.

Double-wide home, 2 BR, 1 BA, large living, dining, den & kitchen, wood stove, all appliances. Turn-key, furnished. Backyard faces beautiful meadow. Price reduced from \$40,000 to \$34,995. #94. Owner will carry. Lease option. See mgr. at Royal Pines Estate or call 951-659-2691.

Rentals Wanted

Family with Idyllwild Arts student needs long-term rental house, Sept. 2010-June 2012. Preferably furnished. 3 BR, 2 BA or 2 BR + studio space. Ideally 1/4-mile to town. Please contact Andersondrawings@aol.com

2 BR, 1 BA, unfurnished. MUST be able to walk to town (within 1/4 mile) Long-term rental, 2 years. ASAP! Please send pictures and information to: BettySanDiego@aol.com 619-895-0934.

For Rent or Lease

Adorable Idyllwild home for lease. Privately owned, single-level, 2 BR, 2 BA cabin, fully furnished. Queen beds, rock FP, full kitchen, outdoor patio w/view, W/D, Internet/cable. One month free rent with a year's lease! \$1100/mo. Vacation rental! Please call or email for quote: 951-775-7720 or totoderwin@verizon.net

Spectacular 4 BR, 2 BA, 2-story, 2300 sq. ft. house. 30x30 carport. No smoking. \$1500/mo. + sec. dep. Avail. now. 53595 Middle Ridge. Call 714-313-5820.

Large studio close to town, upstairs, FP. No pets/smoking. \$575/mo., 6 mo. lse. 54321 Rockdale. 310-831-2290 or 310-218-7725.

2 BR, 1 BA + office in Pine Cove. Newer kitchen and bath. New carpet. Wood stove. Wraparound decks with great views. Includes water and electric. \$850/mo. No pets. Call 760-218-0855.

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

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CROSSWORD

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 - 13 Group of scenes
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 - 15 Unoriginal one
 - 16 Geese-in-flight formation
 - 17 Rose or Townshend
 - 18 Shrew
 - 20 Go sightseeing
 - 22 Accepts the truth
 - 26 Make one
 - 29 Speck
 - 30 Feedbag morsel
 - 31 Logical
 - 32 Wrestling victory
 - 33 Carvey or Delany
 - 34 Citric drink
 - 35 Pendulum site?
 - 36 Brave
 - 37 Office equipment
 - 40 Chess piece
 - 41 Gunman's missile
 - 45 Connections
 - 47 Egos'
 - 49 counterparts
 - 50 Tiny bit
 - 51 Drudgery
 - 52 Poolroom stick
 - 53 Wound cover
 - 54 On the - (unfriend-ly)
 - 54 Bart, to Homer
 - 55 Throw
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 - 2 Arizona tribe
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 - 4 He can hold his head high
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 - 7 Cowboy hat
 - 8 - New Guinea
 - 9 Cold-weather gear
 - 10 Cauldron
 - 11 Ram's mate
 - 19 Festive
 - 21 Frequently
 - 23 Archie's wife
 - 24 Catches some rays
 - 25 Remain
 - 26 Mil. branch
 - 27 Zilch
 - 28 Unskilled
 - 32 Eaters' outings
 - 33 Swordplay specialist
 - 35 Manhandle
 - 36 Wildebeest
 - 38 Mardi Gras "faces"
 - 39 "Peer Gynt" playwright
 - 42 Crazy
 - 43 H H H, in Greece
 - 44 Surveillance
 - 45 Pair
 - 46 Debtor's letters
 - 48 Pair

HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A relaxed mood early in the week could give way to high-temperature disputes. The Aries Lamb should resist being pulled into heated quarrels that could really singe your wool.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Satisfy that practical obligation first, then you can feel free to indulge in your creative endeavors. Also, check for hidden or overlooked areas where repairs might be long overdue.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Home is still the Twins' major focus this week. But outside matters begin to take on added importance, especially those involving possible career moves. Stay alert for signs of change.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A travel plan might need to undergo some considerable adjustment because of unexpected changes. Keep an open mind and let the facts guide you on how you want to handle this.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Playing cat and mouse with a matter you don't really want to tackle wastes time, energy and, most important, an opportunity. Ask someone with experience to help you get started.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A shift in policy might not please you, but before you put up a "No Go" wall of resistance, examine the circumstances. You might be quite pleasantly surprised by what you find.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Yesterday's critiques about your methods might have

already evolved into today's praise for your achievements. Good for you. Now go on and continue to build on your credibility.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) An occasional temperamental flare-up might occur as you continue to help get things back to normal. Stay with it. You should soon get some idea of where to take things next.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A negative reaction to what you believe was a well-deserved request might mean that you need to reconsider your position and make changes accordingly.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) There's always room for someone new at the Sea Goat's table. And the someone new this week could bring a message you've been waiting a long time to hear.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A pile-on of personal matters this week might seem too overwhelming to deal with. But handling them on a one-by-one basis could have you out from under it by the weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A friend might need your good advice regarding a matter. Be supportive. But unless you can be absolutely sure you have all the facts, be careful about any suggestions you might be asked to offer.

BORN THIS WEEK: Few things make you happier than bringing people together and helping to forge new friendships.

IWD's recycling report available

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Idyllwild Water District (IWD) has completed its environmental assessment for a proposed water recycling facility. The document is available at the district office. A public hearing on the proposed adoption of the draft negative declaration is scheduled for the district's regular meeting at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 21.

IWD General Manager Terry Lyons has found that the construction and use of the proposed recycling facility "could not have a significant effect on the [local] environment and a negative declaration will be prepared."

The district has applied for a conditional use permit to install and to operate a tertiary water recycling system. The facility would be located at the existing treatment area.

Currently wastewater (sewerage) is discharged into a sludge pond and then eventually into percolation ponds. The water seeps into the subsoil and gradually migrates off the mountain.

Treating and recycling the water will allow for its reuse for irrigation and landscaping. IWD has plans to transport the water via pipelines to Foster Lake, which serves as basin for ground water recharge. IWD has several wells surrounding the lake from which

water is pumped into its system.

The initial recycling plant will be a pilot effort and, therefore, its capacity will be limited to about 20 percent of the currently discharged wastewater. However, construction will allow for future expansion if the pilot results are successful, according to the report.

The tertiary treatment plant will be located at the current IWD sewerage facility southwest of the Idyllwild Arts campus. Treatment will include two stages of filtration devices and chlorination. The first filter will remove suspended solids and the second will remove harmful bacteria

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Allstate

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employees would have to be rescued. U.S. Forest Service Chief Dan Felix who said, "Whenever an outside entity comes in, it compli-

cates matters," shares this concern. "Communication [between firefighting personnel] is how we stay safe in a fire," he stressed.

Addressing those concerns, Allstate's Klaphor said, "Our program partner, Firebreak Spray Sys-

tems, would be in constant contact with the fire command center" [in the event that personnel enter a fire scene to apply the fire retardant].

Beth Nottley can be reached at beth@towncrier.com.

Public Notices

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NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JULY 28, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: A. Tengco, Deputy

Pub. TC: Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as SWEETIMATES, 36387 Mimosa Tree Road, Winchester, CA 92596, Riverside County. GERALIN GERON REYES and DWAYNE ALBANO REYES, 36387 Mimosa Tree Road, Winchester, CA 92596.

This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.

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

Signed:

GERALIN G. REYES

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 29, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-08231

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

CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: N. Garrett, Deputy

Pub. TC: Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2010.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Date of Filing Application: June 24, 2010.

To Whom It May Concern:

The Name of the Applicant is:

NSOM AMERICA, INC

The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at:

61721 HWY 74

MOUNTAIN CENTER, CA 92561

Type of license Applied for:

41 - ON-SALE BEER & WINE

EATING PLACE

Pub. TC: Aug. 12, 2010.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Riverside County Waste Management Department invites you to submit a proposal for the following services:

Equipment, Staffing, and operation of a Facility at the Old Idyllwild Dump Site for the Processing of Debris Which May Include Logs, Brush, Trees, Pine Needles and/or Residential Greenwaste

Request For Proposal: WMARC-155

Bid Issue Date: August 5, 2010

Closing Date: August 23, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. Non-Mandatory Bidders Meeting: August 12, 2010.

Grinding Facility, located on Highway 243, 1 mile south of Saunders Meadows Road. Time: 10:00 AM

You can access the Request for Proposal and any subsequent Addendums on the Riverside County website located at: <http://www.purchasing.co.riverside.ca.us> (under current open bids).

Pub. TC: Aug. 12, 19, 2010.

RIC10015137

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92501.

PETITION OF LEEANN KAMMOURIEH FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

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

a. Present name: LEEANN KAMMOURIEH changed to Proposed name: LEEANNA VAMP KAMMOURIEH

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

NOTICE OF HEARING

a. Date: 9-17-10 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 3
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.

Date: Aug. 6, 2010

Gloria E. Trask

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Pub. TC: Aug. 12, 19, 26, Sept. 2, 2010.

LEGAL NOTICE

30 Day Comment Period for Paradise Grazing Allotment Project USDA Forest Service

San Bernardino National Forest San Jacinto Ranger District

Opportunity to Comment on Paradise Grazing Allotment Project.

The Forest Service, San Bernardino National Forest, San Jacinto Ranger District proposes as the Allotment Management Plan for the Paradise allotment to close the allotment to cattle grazing to reflect limited grazing feasibility because it does not meet the USDA, Forest Service, Region 5 minimum grazing standards. The Jim Burn Unit is suitable, but is too small to manage as a single allotment. As part of this action the water struc-

HPD

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This [District] provides a little bit of protection for the county as well as for the property owner in Idyllwild." Jolliffe concurred. "It is better to have some flexibility than none when it comes to code issues," he said.

When an audience member raised a question about existing business signage code, Jolliffe noted the good thing about having design guidelines as part of a historic district is that they would provide businesses with examples of permissible signage drawn up by a local review board. "One of the neat things about having design guidelines is that the requirements would be separate from other areas of the county," he said. "And those District guidelines should be vastly different from the rest of the county [to perpetuate Idyllwild's idiosyncratic identity]. Idyllwild is eclectic to begin with, so there has to be a lot of flexibility with regard to signage, parking, and local direction."

Lauritzen said he understood town anxiety about the county coming in to

do something in the community, but stressed the many opportunities for citizen and property owner input leading up to District formation, and especially after formation, should that come to pass.

Jolliffe and Herron stressed that the District would be locally directed, with a five-member board, all of whom must reside within three miles of the District and three of whom must own property within the District. The local review board, appointed by the county Board of Supervisors, would be responsible for drafting District design guidelines (for exteriors only). Consequently, at least one member should be familiar with architecture and construction techniques. "This should be your District, well-crafted from the community for the community," said Jolliffe. "Everybody needs to clearly understand what they are getting out of this."

Of concern to some attendees was whether residences within the District would be affected. Presenters made clear that only buildings designated "contributing resources" would be affected by District guidelines and that

no residences within the proposed District were designated "contributing resources."

This draft ordinance 578 greatly revises a previous 1979 ordinance created when Old Town Temecula was considering historic district status. One of the stipulations this draft removes is the opportunity for a specified percentage of property owners within the proposed District to prevent its formation. The present draft gives two opportunities for public comments on District formation (in addition to the comment period on the draft itself which ends Aug. 24). These official public comment periods are when Planning Commission reviews the proposal and a second when the Board of Supervisors (BOS) considers it. The decision to establish a historic district in Idyllwild will rest with the BOS after reviewing all public comments.

Jolliffe and Lauritzen estimated the draft ordinance could be passed by end of September and the District's creation placed before the BOS in the first quarter of 2011.

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

unable to send comments electronically, you may send them to the following address: Paradise Grazing Allotment Project, Attn: Tom Hall, San Bernardino National Forest, 602 S. Tippecanoe Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92408.

Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as an email message, portable document format (.pdf), plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc). The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered comments are: 8-4:30 Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. In cases where no identifiable name is attached to a comment, a verification of identity will be required for appeal eligibility. If using an electronic message, a scanned signature is one way to provide verification. It is the responsibility of persons providing comments to submit them by the close of the comment period. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to appeal must meet the information requirements of 36 CFR 215.6.

Pub. TC: Aug. 12, 2010.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project Title: Design and Build a Treatment Plant for POTW Effluent For Recycling and Recharging Fractured Bedrocks using Dual Filtration Technology

Project Location: Idyllwild, California
Lead Agency: Idyllwild Water District
County: Riverside

Notice is hereby given that Idyllwild Water District has completed a CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) checklist of the above mentioned project located in Idyllwild, California. Maps showing the Project Site and its vicinity are available for review at the Water District's office.

This checklist was completed in accordance with the District's guidelines implementing the California Environmental Quality Act. This checklist was undertaken for the purpose of deciding whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of such checklist, the District's staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and has therefore prepared a Draft Negative Declaration. The checklist reflects the independent judgment of the District. The project site is not on a list compiled pursuant to government Code section 65962.5. Copies of the checklist and the Draft Negative Declaration are on file at the District's office, 25945 Idyllwild Road (State Highway 243), Idyllwild, CA 92549 and are available for public review. Comments

will be received until September 15, 2010. Any person wishing to comment on this matter must submit such comments, in writing, to the District prior to this date. Comments of all responsible agencies are also requested.

At its meeting at 7:00 p.m. on September 21, 2010 at the Idyllwild Water District Office, the Board of Directors will consider the project and the Draft Negative Declaration. If the Board of Directors finds that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, it may adopt the Negative Declaration. This means that the Board of Directors may proceed to consider the project without the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report.

Pub. TC: Aug. 12, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as FRONTLINE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, 790 Beaumont Avenue, #124, Beaumont, CA 92223, Riverside County. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40, Beaumont, CA 92223. THE VALRON SYNDICATE, 790 Beaumont Avenue, #124, Beaumont, CA 92223, a California corporation.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in 2002.

Signed:
RUDY ALLEN FLORES

CFO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Aug. 3, 2010.

FILE NO.:

R-2010-08356

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON AUG. 3, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO AUG. 3, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: A. Clabaugh, Deputy

Pub. TC: Aug. 12, 19, 26, Sept. 2, 2010.

Idyllwild Service Directory

- New ads placed at beginning of month only
- Deadline for new ads: 5 p.m. last Thursday of month
- Unless the heading is currently running, your ad must be 2 col. x 2" or larger.
- Minimum insertion: 1 month
- One copy change permitted monthly
- Deadline for copy change: noon Friday

- 1 COL. x 2" = \$13.40 PER WEEK
- 1 COL. x 2-1/2" = \$16.75 PER WEEK
- 2 COL. x 2" = \$26.80 PER WEEK
- 2 COL. x 2-1/2" = \$33.50 PER WEEK
- 2 COL. x 3" = \$40.20 PER WEEK
- 2 COL. x 3-1/2" = \$46.90 PER WEEK

Questions? Call Sandy at (951) 659-2145 or E-mail: sandy@towncrier.com

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Along the route, IWD plans to make the treated water available to local customers willing to purchase the water. This would include Idyllwild Arts, Royal Pines

Trailer Park, Idyllwild County Park and the Mt. San Jacinto State Park.

Near Jameson, the water will merge with IWD's diversion from Strawberry Creek and continue on its path to Foster Lake.

"After a test on the water in Foster Lake, it has been discovered that the treated water will have a better quality than the lake water. So, in effect, the project will discharge cleaner water in the reservoir," according to the environmental analysis.

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Steere

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in the audience did so. This just went to show that the Steere and Krone vision had visibly triumphed and grown momentous. "That is the essence of Idyllwild Arts," Krone said.

Steere would have been inwardly glowing if she were to have seen this, and to have heard her life orated from her earliest years to the day of her death in her beloved Idyllwild.

Evan Mills and Karen Pomer, when they imagined such a retrospective celebration, said that everyone in Idyllwild and at Idyllwild Arts needed to know who Lora Steere was, because she was such a big presence in

small Idyllwild's history.

There was said to be a sparkle in her eyes. Taking the children, her students, to look for the spot where the first studio was to be built on the ISOMATA campus, Steere wrote with an untethered passion, "Oh, you had to see it!" And now the wish of Mills and Pomer has come true, at least for the full crowd at The Rustic Theatre: they will know her legacy, and name it as an uncontainable source of inspiration.

An exhibit at the Krone Museum consisting of relics and artworks such as Steere's sculpture of an Olympic athlete, her desk and typewriter, and a collection of busts will run through Sept. 3.

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By MIMI AND HOOTCH

ARF "angels" have been busy the last two weeks! Ready to rescue, reunite and, if need be, give their homes and hearts to those that are lost. Amazingly, after 30 days being under the care of an ARF angel, who relentlessly searched, **Sam** the German Shepherd was reunited with his pack. Another angel helped reunite the Siberian husky with his worried pack.



Now we have a beautiful tabby/calico mix found at Inspiration Point Saturday night. "**Sweetie**," a pseudo name because she is so sweet, has found shelter with an animal lover who never tires of extending her wings to facilitate the "happy ending." Join the ARF angels in our effort to make every animal safe, loved and in good homes. Please join for the animals.

A huge hurrah for **Chance**, our parade dog, who went to his forever home, and for **Phoenix**, our sunshine orange, who now has a family to call her own.

Rosi will still need extensive medical treatment to be able to continue her "happy dance" that she is so fond of doing. She is so lucky to have found her angel who goes above and beyond to make Rose comfortable in the interim.



And then we have **Mrs. Dash**, the dachshund, who literally dashed in and out of ARF, and was able to connect with unconditional love at first sight with her new mister.

Beth Ann has returned to ARF, after being an angel herself to someone in need. She is ready for her new assignment to administer some purring medicine to anyone in need, even if only for a short time.



Remember all those baby kitties? They will be available for adoption on Aug. 21! **Marlena, Buddha, P.K.** and the whole gang are meowing ... Yay!

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Trail improvements, a phone line from Tahquitz Peak to Round Valley, campsite maintenance and a new well were just some of the projects underway at the Mt. San Jacinto State Park.

55 years ago - 1955

A new subdivision was opened in upper Fern Valley by the Idyllwild Mountain Park Company.

50 years ago - 1960

Paving the way for the tramway agency to finance an aerial lift from the desert to Long Valley, a new contract between the San Jacinto Winter Park Authority and the California Dept. of Natural Resources was signed in Sacramento.

45 years ago - 1965

Almost 100 Model A Fords from Southern California came to the annual campout of Ford owners in Idyllwild.

40 years ago - 1970

For the first time in its 20-year history, ISOMATA offered classes after its summer session ended, beginning a high school program that has lasted to this day.



From left to right, **Jez Meyer, Tommy McKnight and Chris Doyle** examine a dead rattlesnake in **Sharon Schmidt's** first grade class at Idyllwild Elementary School in 1984. One of the students' fathers brought the rattlesnake to remind the children to be safe.

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35 years ago - 1975

Despite efforts of ground crews, the Lake Hemet Fire reached Thomas Mountain. The fire was the second major blaze in these mountains in less than 12 months.

30 years ago - 1980

A program was created to prevent overuse of Devil's Slide Trail; only 20 hiking

permits could be issued in one day.

25 years ago - 1985

Nearly 200 acres of "prime property" crossed by Deer Springs Trail was purchased by the State of California for the State Parks Department.

20 years ago - 1990

A San Diego couple, Joe and Sylvia Cordileone, climbed Tahquitz Rock to exchange wedding vows. Ten of their 25 wedding guests

made it to the top to witness the event.

15 years ago - 1995

Representatives from the Hemet Unified School District and the teachers' union said progress had been made in contract negotiations, but the two sides remained far apart on a possible pay raise for district teachers.

10 years ago - 2000


Before children returned to school, the first stage of a construction project at Idyllwild School was underway when an excavator knocked down two classrooms and the library.

5 years ago - 2005

To the community's great shock, Alexis Echavarría, a promising Idyllwild Arts' film student and a community service volunteer in Thailand, died unexpectedly.

1 year ago - 2009

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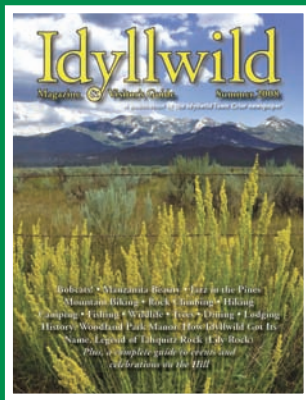
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