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Last Saturday at its Paws for a Cause fundraising event, Animal Rescue Friends (ARF) gave pet owners an opportunity to have their furry friend's photo taken with Santa. ARF is a nonprofit organization staffed by volunteers who work year-round to find foster and forever homes for homeless dogs and cats. Here, Hooch, left, and Kenai, right, tell Santa they just want a home for Christmas. Santa's helper is ARF Executive Director **Maria Lehman**. PHOTO BY CID CASTILLO

An outpouring of holiday giving

BY BETH NOTTLEY
 STAFF REPORTER

For many years, the Idyllwild Bible Church has hosted an outdoor Living Nativity where church members, dressed in biblical garb, brave the weather to reenact the Christmas story of the birth of Jesus. Of the event, IBC Pastor Tim Westcott said, "We've seen it as our gift to the spiritual life of the community."

This year, the IBC is giving a different gift. Instead of producing its annual Living Nativity, the congregation donated the funds earmarked to produce the event to the HELP Center for its holiday giving program.

Pastor Westcott said that he met with HELP Center Executive Director Karen Patterson at the end of September to discuss how IBC might help community members in need.

This was after he read a story in the Town Crier in which Patterson announced that the HELP Center would need to greatly curtail its holiday giving programs because of reduced funding. Patterson, he said, told him that the number of people being served by the HELP Center had almost quadrupled in a year's time. The church, he said, was moved to help their neighbors in need.

The congregation decided to give the \$2,300 budgeted for this year's Living Nativity toward providing Thanksgiving meals to local families. Then, Pastor Westcott said, "They wanted an opportunity to bring the spirit of Christmas into the homes of families." This desire led the congregation to provide gifts for 131 people from 32 families as part of the HELP Center's Angel Tree program. The

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County keeps stations open

BY J.P. CRUMRINE
 EDITOR

At the brink of closing fire stations and eliminating more than 20 fire positions, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors either blinked or demonstrated leadership. At its Dec. 7 meeting, Riverside County Fire Chief John Hawkins brought the board a broad proposal to save \$4.3 million in the county fire costs.

The antithesis of a "Pearl Harbor" strike, Hawkins and County Executive Bill Luna had been warning the

board for weeks that county expenses were on path to exceed the 2010-11 budget only a few months into the fiscal year. Closing fire stations would be a part of the solution that the board would have to approve.

Luna framed the discussion with his introduction, "We have a structural budget imbalance in the fire department and it must be corrected ... The policy question is are we prepared to proceed?"

Led by Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone, the supervisors' response was

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Cohen new IA president

BY MARSHALL SMITH
 STAFF REPORTER

The Idyllwild Arts Foundation appointed Brian Cohen as the next president of Idyllwild Arts (IA). Cohen, the dean of faculty at Putney School in Vermont, takes over from founding President Bill Lowman on July 1, 2011.

Cohen is a renowned printmaker with pieces in the Smithsonian, Philadelphia Museum of Art, and major universities. He holds a magna cum laude B.A. from Haverford College with high honors in fine arts and an MFA in painting from the University of Washington. He has taught drawing, painting, printmaking and

art history at the Putney School since 1985, where he also founded the Putney School Summer Programs and the Two Rivers Printmaking Studio.

Reached by phone in Vermont, Cohen talked about his appointment. "I'm ecstatic really," he said. "I can't imagine a school with which I could be more attuned. I love working with kids, seeing what they make, as a guide, participant or audience. They're alive to the world and young enough to be fresh and not impeded by too many big [established or entrenched] ideas. The current artists I most admire think outside of traditional definitions. You should always be pushing against

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NEWS OF RECORD

Oyler kin granted new trial

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, Dec. 6 to Dec. 12:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

Dec. 6 — Medical aid, Maranatha Drive, Idyllwild.

Dec. 7 — Smoke detector activation due to malfunction, 52500 block of Temecula Drive, Idyllwild.

Dec. 7 — Dispatched and nothing found, 54600 block of Lookout Lane, Idyllwild.

Dec. 8 — Walk-in medical aids.

Dec. 8 — Cover assignment, Highway 243, Pine Cove.

Dec. 9 — Medical aid, 25700 block of Fir Street, Idyllwild.

Dec. 10 — Medical aid, 52500 block of Temecula Drive, Idyllwild.

Dec. 11 — Dispatched and canceled en route, 25000 block of Lodge Road, Idyllwild.

Dec. 11 — Medical aid, 25000 block of Lodge Road, Idyllwild.

Dec. 11 — Medical aid, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

Dec. 12 — Medical aid, 52000 block of Golden Leaf, Idyllwild.

Dec. 12 — Two walk-in medical aids.

Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

Dec. 6 — Fire menace standby.

Dec. 8 — Commercial vehicle fire.

Dec. 9 — Fire menace standby.

Dec. 11 — Medical aid, seizures.

Dec. 12 — Medical aid, chest pains.

Dec. 12 — Medical aid, technical rescue.

Dec. 12 — Medical aid, person down.

Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

Dec. 8 — Vehicle fire, 53000 block of Highway 74, Garner Valley.

Dec. 8 — Vehicle fire, highways 371 and 79, Aguanga.

Dec. 9 — Ringing alarm, 57000 block of Mitchell Road, Aguanga.

Dec. 10 — Medical aid, 36000 block of Tool Box Springs Road, Garner Valley.

Dec. 11 — Public service assist, 33000 block of Pathfinder Road, Garner Valley.

Dec. 11 — Vegetation fire, 59000 block of Bailey Road, Anza.

Dec. 12 — Medical aid, 59000 block of Morris Ranch Road, Garner Valley.

Dec. 12 — Technical rescue, 53000 block of Highway

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Last week, Riverside County Judge Larrie Brainard ordered a new trial for Christopher V. Hillman, 48, of Hesperia, brother-in-law of Raymond Lee Oyler. In July, Hillman had been found guilty of seven counts of attempting to influence a juror during the trial of his brother-in-law Raymond Lee Oyler.

Riverside County Deputy District Attorney Tim Cross said his office was considering an appeal of the ruling.

“The judge’s ruling did not specifically state what the defense should have done or what it should not have done,” Cross said in explaining why his office would consider an appeal. The ruling specifically compliments Cross’s handling of the case while Brainard expressed exasperation with Hillman’s private attorney Mary Lord, even describing her work as “scattered.”

At Hillman’s August sentencing hearing, Judge Brainard questioned Hill-

74, Garner Valley.

Riverside County Fire, Pinyon

Dec. 8 — Medical aid.

man’s defense during the trial and stated that a new trial may be in his best interest. During the fall, several sentencing hearings resulted in postponements until Dec. 6. At that hearing, the judge decided the defendant was not appropriately represented and is not sure if justice was done on this case.

He then granted the motion for a new trial and set a readiness hearing for Jan. 6, 2011. At that time, he stated, Hillman is to be appointed new counsel to investigate whether a new trial motion should be brought. Judge Brainard stated he had reason to believe that Hillman’s current counsel was ineffective and believes a new trial may be in Hillman’s best interest.

In March 2009, Oyler was found guilty of igniting the 2006 Esperanza Fire, which killed five U.S. Forest Service firefighters.

Oyler’s month-long trial was interrupted one day when jurors discovered and reported fliers on their car windows. The material re-

Dec. 10 — Medical aid.

Riverside County Fire, Anza

Log unavailable.

ferred to the possibility of another arsonist.

In those pre-trial motions, Oyler’s judge refused to admit the defense’s premise about the Forest Service and CAL FIRE investigations of another person for arson in the Pass area. The individual was in custody for another arson investigation at the beginning of

Oyler’s trial.

Hillman was arrested in August 2009 following a 6-month investigation. His trial for jury tampering began July 6. About a week later, jurors had found him guilty of trying to influence a juror.

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Fire area restrictions lifted

CAL FIRE/Riverside County Fire Chief John R. Hawkins has rescinded the closure restricting public access of seven hazardous fire areas. The areas are: Avery Canyon, North Mountain and Indian Canyon, Whitewater Canyon, Nuevo/Lakeview, Minto, Reinhardt Canyon, and Ramona Bowl and Bautista Canyon. The proclamation suspending burning permits has also been terminated.

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From the National Weather Service

Thursday 12/16	Friday 12/17	Saturday 12/18	Sunday 12/19	Monday 12/20
47/34 Partly sunny, 20-percent chance of rain in the morning..	51/36 Partly sunny, chance of rain, patchy fog.	51/36 Mostly cloudy, chance of rain, patchy fog.	53/36 Mostly cloudy, chance of rain, patchy fog.	53/37 Mostly cloudy, chance of rain.

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year			
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S
12-6	na	na			38	30		
12-7	66	30			40	30	2	10
12-8	65	30			35	27	.15	
12-9	68	35			41	24		
12-10	66	41			50	20		
12-11	69	39			42	30	.5	
12-12	73	38			44	30	.79	

Moisture in inches	Snow in inches
To date this season (Idy): 7.33	To date this season (Idy): 3.7
To date last season (Idy): 6.25	To date last season (Idy): 17
Total last season (Idy): 23.61	Total last season (Idy): 35.91
To date this season (PC): 7.76	To date this season (PC): 4.25
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.

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OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

By BRUCE WATTS

Interview with Bob Romano: Part II

Editor's note: This week's column is a continuation of Bruce's interview with Bob Romano, of the Forest Service Volunteers Association (FSVA).



Watts: What are the qualifications to join the volunteers? I would assume you have to be in pretty good condition?

Romano: We also have jobs like working at the front desk. These don't require that people be in good physical shape. They just have to have knowledge of the local forest so they can answer questions about the trails.

It would be a good idea if the person had already been doing these things in the past. Maybe they're in a position where they don't want to hike much anymore but they have a lot of knowledge that they can share with visitors.

Other jobs include helping with the FSVA newsletter and similar tasks which don't require physical abilities.

Watts: Is your newsletter available online?

Romano: It has been in the past but right now we haven't been putting it online. It is something that once a person joins, even if they are not doing all this hiking and stuff, they would still get a copy of the newsletter. They can join and get a copy of the newsletter without actually being out there working and doing things.

Watts: Tell us more about the outdoor work?

Romano: Our biggest job and the one we spend the most time doing is being out there and being the eyes and the ears of Forest Service. [We are] patrolling the trails as equestrian rangers and also as hiking rangers.

The actual fieldwork that we do involves three different groups. We have our equestrian riders. We have our wilderness rangers, which is the same job that the regular wilderness rangers do for the USFS. The training is similar.

What we do up there in the wilderness is similar; the only thing we don't do is cite people. We are not out there writing tickets because we don't have the ability to do that but we are doing all the other kinds of work that a regular wilderness ranger does. We are educating the public, clearing the trail, making sure the campsites are being left clean and doing any kind of work like getting rid of illegal fire rings. We have a cross-cut saw team now, all volunteer, and we are out there cutting trees off the trail. So, we are pretty much doing everything that a wilderness ranger would do who is employed by the Forest Service.

The equestrians are a little bit different. They are generally in the backcountry like Cahuilla Mountain, which is in Garner Valley. They patrol the more popular equestrian trails and spend less time in the wilderness, because when we go up in the wilderness we are actually off-trail a lot, which is more difficult for the riders. So they're more out in the open, in areas like Garner Valley.



Fremont's Bush Mallow (*Malacothamnus fremontii*) is a wide-ranging chaparral shrub that gardeners value for its gray foliage, white stems, fragrant porcelain pink flowers and very rapid growth (not to be confused with a very different native species called "Apricot or Desert Mallow," or *Sphaeralcea ambigua*). Given full sun, decent drainage, and little water, this shrub can grow at least 4 feet in a single year, to a maximum size of about 6 feet and equally as wide. A native from the Eastern Sierra Nevada down to our San Jacinto Mountains, it blooms all the way from April until autumn! This bush mallow prefers good drainage, but tolerates clay soil, as well as deer and heat, too! For the best appearance, prune hard in late autumn or early spring. It is cold hardy to down to 15 degrees F.

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When we are in the wilderness, we are probably off the trail as much as on it, because that's where we find illegal fire rings. That's where we see people camping and make sure they are doing everything correctly.

An example of that is you might find someone camping right on the banks of Tahquitz Creek, which is illegal. Obviously, there are a bunch of reasons but we're a wilderness and we have regulations about where people can put their tent.

This interview will conclude next week. More information about the volunteers can be found at www.fsva.org



Topaz and Chad Marler vacationed on a Costa Rica beach with the Town Crier. PHOTO COURTESY OF CHAD MARLER



Congratulations to Cheryl and Mike Vladika. While visiting Las Vegas for their 10th anniversary, they used the Town Crier for a guide, which led them to a Barry Manilow performance.

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Obituary Charles Erskine Jr.

On Nov. 26, 2010 Charles (Chuck) Erskine Jr. passed away at the age of 87 in Palm Desert, Calif.

He was born in San Diego to Charles and Alberta Erskine. He attended school in San Diego and soon after high school graduation was drafted into the Army Infantry.

During World War II, he served as an armorer in the European Theater. He received several medals before being discharged in January 1946.

After the war, he went into the service station business. Chuck met his future wife, Shirley, at that time and they were married on June 7, 1952. Later, the family moved to the Los Angeles area where Chuck worked in sales for the Richfield Oil Company.

After he retired from Richfield, he and Shirley purchased a 5-acre lot in Garner Valley. With the help of family and friends, they were able to build the home of their dreams where they lived for 14 years. Chuck served on the board of directors of a local service organization and helped maintain the area's horse trails.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley; son David Erskine of Upland, Calif.; daughter Ruth Coshow of Portland, Ore.; daughter Polly Watts of Palos Verdes, Calif.; sister Florence Skates of Riverside; and five grandchildren.



Obituary Paula Jean Fredericks

Paula Jean Fredericks, 64, of El Cajon, Calif., died Dec. 9, 2010 at Sharp Grossmont Hospital from pulmonary complications.

She was born on Nov. 11, 1946 to William and Mary Vowiell. She married James F. Harding in 1965. In 1968, she married her second husband, Robert A. Fredericks.

She worked for 13 years as a communications representative with Rady Children's Hospital in San Diego. She was a member of the Journey Community Church of La Mesa, Calif.

She is survived by son John P. Fredericks of Hemet; sister Diana V. Trunick of San Diego; granddaughters Gennessee Sandlin of Idyllwild and Sarah Fredericks of Michigan; one great grandson, Vincent Fredericks of Michigan; and an unborn grandson to be born in March 2011 of Idyllwild.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her former husbands; brother William A. Vowiell, who passed away on Aug. 2, 1981; and daughter Kelly Sandlin, who passed away on Nov. 19, 2000.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 18 at Journey Community Church, 8363 Center Drive, La Mesa.

Her remains will be interred at Greenwood Memorial Cemetery in San Diego.

She touched many lives and will be missed by many.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15

- 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.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, women only, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard building)
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- AWANA for ages 3 to fifth-graders, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest Ave.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building)

THURSDAY, DEC. 16

- "Forgotten God," Women's Ministry Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Chapel in the Pines Church office, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.
- Fit After Fifty, 11 a.m. Mile High Fitness, 54423 Village Center Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Lemon Lily Festival Steering Committee, 1 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243.
- Lake Hemet Municipal Water District meeting, 3 p.m. 26385 Fairview Ave., Hemet.
- High Valleys Water District, 6 p.m. HVWD office, 47781 Twin Pines Road, Twin Pines.
- ESL classes, 6-8 p.m.

Idyllwild School Library, 26700 Hwy. 243.

- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building)

FRIDAY, DEC. 17

- Fern Valley Water District board meeting, 9 a.m. FVWD board room, 55790 South Circle Dr.
- Baby Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Debbi Geisinger, 659-8710 or (951) 966-1094.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; Pick-a-stick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church, Manse Alcove, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step program. BBQ 6-7 p.m.; Open Share meeting 7-9 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Child care available. Call 659-0097 for information.

SATURDAY, DEC. 18

- Stand in Silent Vigil for Peace, Justice and Nonviolence, noon. Town center. 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.
- Idyllwild Gay Potluck, 6 p.m. Location varies. E-mail scottandgregg@verizon.net.

SUNDAY, DEC. 19

- Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- Teen Group, 10-11:30 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building)

- 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 CAL FIRE Station 6.

- Idyllwild Writer's Guild, 3 p.m. 25685 Big Pine St., Cedar Glen. Call 659-0130.

MONDAY, DEC. 20

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon & 7:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idyllwild Community Meditation, Session I: 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Session II: 6:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Yoga Studio. Call Val at 659-5750 for information.
- Chamber of Commerce, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Water District board meeting, 25945 Hwy. 243.
- Garner Valley Property Owners Association, 7 p.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devil's Ladder Rd.

TUESDAY, DEC. 21

- 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.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; AA Open Meeting & Big Book Study, 6-7 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building)
- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 5-7 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Ave.
- Cancer self-help group, 5:30 p.m. Call 659-6262.
- Healthy Lifestyle Class, 5:30 p.m. optional weigh-in; health talk by Brenda Scherlis, 6 p.m. Silver Pines, 25955 Cedar St.
- ESL classes, 6-8 p.m.

Idyllwild School, 26700 Hwy. 243.

- 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.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

- California Department of Forestry (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Mountain Resource Center 25380 Franklin Dr., 659-3335.
- Chamber of Commerce, 54325 North Circle Dr., 12-3 p.m. Monday-Saturday. 659-3259.
- Idyllwild HELP Center, 26330 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-noon & 1-3 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. 659-2110.
- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 North Circle Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Idyllwild School Principal Matt Kraemer's students of the week are seventh-grader **Meili Spano**, left, and kindergartner **Lucy Tate**, right. Middle school teacher **Donna Mercer** chose Meili because she is very helpful in study skills, works quietly with others, and also completes her work independently. Lucy was selected because she is able to work independently in math and is very helpful to other students.

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& Sunday. Group tours by appointment. 659-2717.

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INITIAL THOUGHTS

A season of good tidings ...



I have to be brief today. First, it is with regret that I announce the departure of Carey Powers (right) from the Town Crier. But with great pleasure, I can share that she is returning to college in the small state of Vermont.

Carey has worked as an intern for us since July. She has done everything but shovel the parking lot. Many of you have read her stories and I hope you all wish her

well in this season and her future.

Thanks, Carey. Also, I'd like to recognize Bill Sanborn, Idyllwild resident and a trustee on the Hemet Unified School District board. Last week, he was chosen as the district's vice president for 2011.



J.P., EDITOR

READERS WRITE

Attention: senior drivers

EDITOR:

My car was hit (I have a 2005 red Honda Pilot) around 7:30 a.m. Dec. 7. I was going down the mountain and had just passed Mountain Center when I saw a car crossing over the double-yellow line.

I honked and the next second I heard breaking glass. I looked behind me and saw the car that hit mine speeding up the Hill. I realize that the whole day I was in shock (example: I left my car running in the doctor's parking lot and then locked it! I was in the doctor's office for an hour, and when I came back to my car, I discovered my mistake — luckily, I have a hidden key.)

When I could pull over, I saw the damage — my left turning assembly was hit and the glass was broken. The left side of my car was not damaged — luckily, no serious damage occurred. The Honda part was replaceable. My out-of-pocket costs were only \$400 parts and labor.

As a handicapped senior who has lots of doctors' visits — when you fast, they want you in the early morning — I am now more frightened than before.

I have lived here over 12 years and I have lost count of how many dangerous drivers I have seen — passing me on double-yellow, being over the double-yellow, getting up so close to me that I can't see their headlights.

I do pull over whenever I see a turnout. I cannot drive into rock or pull into an unsafe area. Flashing your lights or honking your horn just makes me more nervous. I try to drive the Hill during nonbusiness hours but, of course, my doctors keep

business hours.

I am taking the time to write this letter so that someone else will be safer. My recommendations are to try to schedule your appointment later in the morning and to heed the law and pull over as soon as you can safely. I have taken to turning my signal on when I see a turnout ahead and I am never in a hurry when going up and down our mountain road.

If whoever hit me wants to come forward, there will be no charge. Please drive more safely now realizing you could have killed me.

BARBARA BURGESS
 IDYLLWILD

Animal Services

EDITOR:

While it is disturbing news that Animal Services is facing cutbacks, the true travesty is the need for said services to begin with. Those ultimately responsible are the individuals who do not provide requisite care for the animals they acquire.

While a small number end up homeless due to circumstances beyond one's control (i.e. death of the owner), the vast majority who end up in the shelters were acquired by those for whom these sentient, feeling creatures hold little more value than a houseplant.

Taking responsibility for a companion animal is not mandatory and it's always been a little pipe dream of mine that those who do not spay or neuter, provide shelter, companionship, and veterinary care for their dogs, cats, horses et al. for their lifespan forgo acquiring an animal. They are not inanimate objects deserving of life outdoors to endure inclement weather, or to be tied to a tree sans any

companionship. They are not 'ethical' money-makers for you to discard upon growing older, 'breed de jour' status symbols purchased to fit in a handbag, armchairs to be left to die upon your eviction, or something weaker to abuse ... ad infinitum.

Animal service cuts would not be of such dire consequence if companion animals were only acquired by those who actually care for animals and provide them with the unconditional love they so freely give to us.

DIANA DESROSIERS
 IDYLLWILD

U.S. Postal insurance?

EDITOR:

I shipped a beautiful, old and rare guitar from Idyllwild to New Jersey [NJ] in July. I had taken excellent care of this instrument for nearly 50 years and had packed it well. It arrived badly damaged.

This was sad and very distressing to me, but I thought there would be no problem covering the repairs. It was shipped USPS Express and insured for \$4,000, the price the New Jersey recipient had paid for it. To make a 5-month-long saga short, coverage has been denied three times.

The first time the case was closed because there was no initial damage report, which a Post Office representative in New Jersey was supposed to do! It took him over six weeks, in spite of my and the recipient's efforts, and that was too late.

I got the case reopened in late September and after many more e-mails and phone calls, a claims representative took an interest. I could only contact the USPS accounting office and hope a message was relayed to the

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Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



right person. Some messages were lost, misdirected or perhaps ignored. Then, in early November, the claim was denied again because the helpful claims person was determined by officials to "lack expertise," as she helped negotiate a resolution.

The case was transferred to the USPS "Consumer Advocate" in Washington D.C. Neither I, nor local Postmaster Kelly Gates (who really tried, and I do appreciate her efforts), nor the postmaster in Freehold, NJ, could provide any real help. The claims people are anonymous and completely insulated.

And now the "Consumer Advocate" has denied coverage, reflexively, without investigation or inquiry, and I am told I can't appeal.

There is no dispute that I

packed the guitar adequately and in beautiful condition; there is no dispute that the USPS delivered it badly damaged. It seems there is an exclusion in the fine print — 609.4.3p — for damage due to "shock" when there is no visible damage to the box. Apparently, it could have been thrown out a tenth story window, and as long as it landed flat without damage to the box, it isn't their problem! I'm sure it was mishandled in some more commonplace way by the USPS, but in a way adequate to cause the damage.

The lesson here is that USPS insurance is insurance in name only. It lacks many of the claims features and protections of "real" insurance. If your package is not

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TOWN TALK

By CID CASTILLO, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Compared to last year, does this Christmas seem better to you economically?



Chuck Schlicht
Newspaper Mountain
Delivery Service
Idyllwild

"Our business is thriving. Last Christmas, we were delivering only the Press-Enterprise and the Californian. Now we've added the San Diego Tribune and the LA Times."



Sherry Chaney
Retired
Pine Cove

"Oh, it's better than last year. I am buying more presents but trying to be creative with my money. The economy must be getting better because I see more people buying presents."



Jesus Aldana
Cook — Jo'An's
Restaurant
Idyllwild

"Christmas last year was bad. It's changed a lot since then. The economy must be getting better because I see more people coming into Jo'An's, compared to last year."



Tamara Gray
Artist
Idyllwild

"I have more jobs this Christmas than last year — more window illustrations and signage. My husband is in construction and he just went back to work. There's a little light at the end of the tunnel."

At the Dec. 8 Rotary meeting, Idyllwild Rotary President **Danny Richardson** (right) presents a gift to **Nancy Layton** of Honey Bunns & Joe Bakery for her talk that morning.

PHOTO BY DAN SLATTERY



Mary Austin
"Scholarships and Grants"
Idyllwild, California

ON THE FRINGE

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illustrator writer



OFF THE LEASH

By CONOR O'FARRELL

The inner child ...

It's the holiday season and the airwaves are jam-packed with classic songs and movies. Last night, I stumbled onto "It's a Wonderful Life" on TV. I've seen the movie perhaps a dozen times. I know the story and expected no surprises.

But toward the end of the film when George Bailey storms into the house crying out Mary's name and finds his children waiting at the top of the stairs while the bank examiner and the police stand below, I began to tear. Darn! It got me again. What is it with me?

I can watch people being killed in some war film or a Shakespearean tragedy or anything reflecting man's good ole inhumanity to man without batting an eye, let alone shedding a tear. But show me goodness on the screen — humans rallying around a good idea, coming together to help a friend or standing stalwart against some injustice — and I'm a mess.

Another film that has this effect on me, big time, is "The Black Stallion." Every single time I watch the kid rip off his mask during the big race, grab the horse's mane, settle into an exquisite rhythm and when the screen mingles with flashbacks of the kid and the horse riding on the island beach with pure joy, having only each other, I am reduced to a blubbing wreck. Even telling the story, as I've done on many an occasion, I'm affected in the same way.

For years I've tried to understand just what it is that gets me. Then one day it came to me. It's PURITY! Purity absolutely kills me: a pure moment, a pure act without malice or self-gain, an outpouring of original innocence. That's what it is. But why does it affect me so?

The best I can come up with is that somewhere, buried deep within me, I remember it. I remember how humans should be, how humans should behave toward each other. I somehow remember what makes us noble, what makes us redeemable, and it grieves me that somewhere along the line we lost it, I lost it. These moments portrayed on the screen evoke that deeply embedded feeling of what



could be and just how far we've strayed off course.

But movies are fantasies, right? They're not reality. But these fantasies come from somewhere deep inside our collective consciousness. Some writer conceived them and put them on the page. Then we, the viewers, respond to them; in some way, we can't seem to get enough of them.

It seems to me that we all share this desire to return to a place where purity was all around us and we reveled in its glory — that distant land is still within reach. That 10,000 mile journey begins with one step — one pure act.

At the end of "Camelot," King Arthur stands ready for war with his friend Pellinore, his table in pieces, his love in a convent, his friend Lancelot ready to take up arms against him, when a young boy appears. The boy wants feverishly to fight for the round table, for the ideal of "might does not make right." The young boy has not yet forgotten.

Arthur sends the boy home to tell the story, to keep the dream alive. As the boy runs off, Arthur turns to Pelly and says, "it seems that in the sunlit ocean of the deep blue sea, that some of the drops do sparkle." This holiday season, take a moment to sparkle, to keep purity alive.

"Run boy, run!"

Happy Birthday Roberto!
Dec. 19th
The Christmas Elf is **40!**
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An invitation to all the women of this beautiful mountain:

I NEED YOUR STORY

I was inspired by a book I found in Wyoming about women of that area. The book, "Leaning in the Wind" (women write for the heart of the west).

We, including myself, have a "story" of how or why we came to this mountain. I can't wait to share mine with you. It is amazing! Is yours?

Write to me:

Judi Way, P.O. Box 524
Idyllwild, CA 92549
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My dream is a book of our stories — however you wish to share it! Honestly...

The Salvation Army helps locals

BY JENNA HUNT
CORRESPONDENT

The Salvation Army office in Hemet is ringing its bell in front of the Fairway Market in Idyllwild. The money landing in its iconic round pot will go directly to the local residents for the holidays.

Andrea Gammage, a seasonal worker with the Salvation Army, is the friendly face people see every day at Fairway.

"Fairway has been fabulous for us," she said. "We've had repeat offend-

ers who keep giving again and again. It is wonderful."

Gammage has a spunky and gregarious personality and likes to assist shoppers with putting away carts as a "little extra thing." She encourages people to help locals in need with food, utility assistance and other services the Salvation Army provides with the motto "Doing the Most Good."

"The people of Idyllwild need to know the money stays local and the Salvation Army is there for them," said Gammage, who

knows from experience after receiving help from the organization.

Gammage lives in Valle Vista and works part-time at Idyllwild's Lady of the Lake. The effort to put a bell ringer in Idyllwild during the 2010 holidays originated with Gammage, who encouraged her boss Captain Susan Gibson, corps officer and pastor of the Hemet Corps (which includes the Idyllwild region) to consider an Idyllwild location.

"This was my idea to bring the bell here to

Idyllwild," said Gammage, who holds her master's degree in rehabilitation and vocational counseling. She did her final master's internship at the Salvation Army.

The bell ringers for the Salvation Army have been in operation for more than 80 years, Gammage said. They start the day after Thanksgiving (also known as Black Friday) and ring and raise funds until Christmas evening. So far, the experiment in Idyllwild with the Salvation Army has been a success

and about 80 percent of shoppers give something to the cause.

"Idyllwild residents are extremely generous," Gammage said. "I am blessed to be here working in a postcard ... what could be better?"

Amy Righetti, an Idyllwild resident for eight years, stopped with daughters Rylan, 4-years-old and

Emma, 5-years-old, and contributed to the kettle.

"We donate every time we go to the grocery store," Righetti said. "I want to share with others, especially on the holidays."

To contact the Salvation Army Hemet Corps for assistance, call 951-925-7176 or visit the website at www.SalvationArmyUSA.org.

End of month Medicare deadline

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

A Friday, Dec. 31 deadline looms for Medicare enrollees or those newly eligible to make annual choices about their coverage. Those with traditional Medicare (parts A and B) must select their Medicare supplement and prescription drug plans. Those with Medicare Advantage, a combination program offered by private insurance providers, are facing significantly diminished program choices, as the federal government begins to reduce this option as an inefficient use of federal dollars. The

new federal health care law freezes reimbursements to companies offering Medicare Advantage plans at 2010 levels and will continue to reduce those reimbursements in future years.

Not only are Medicare Advantage plan choices significantly reduced for 2011, so are supplement and prescription drug plans, as private providers eliminate plans that have proven unprofitable.

If not using a private insurance advisor, Medicare recipients can go to www.medicare.gov "find a plan" section to compare their options. Current recipients are

urged to complete this process since many supplement and prescription drug plans are being discontinued.

An enrollee who does not elect a 2011 plan will be placed in a plan of the existing company's choice. This could cost the enrollee considerably more than paid in 2010. Investigate: costs, including monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and out-of-pocket expenses, especially gap or donut hole coverage; drugs covered under Medicare Advantage or prescription drug plans, especially those which are eligible for 50 percent discounts from manufacturers, part of ne-

gotiated requirements under the new national health care plan; and quality ratings for Advantage and Part D plans. Websites other than the federal that might have helpful tips are: www.aarpmedicare-plans.com; www.KaiserPermanente.org/Medicare; www.Humana-Medicare.com; and www.BlueShieldCAMedicare.com.


Under the new national health care law, physician-owned hospitals must be opened and certified by Dec. 31 or be barred from servicing Medicare patients.

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



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Father Charles E. Miller
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On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment



Arts & Entertainment Calendar

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

Wednesday, Dec. 15

"Unstoppable," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, Dec. 16

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

Idyllwild Arts Jazz Trio featuring Caleb Hensinger, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Winterfest: Community Social Dance, 6-9 p.m. Town Hall.

"Unstoppable," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Friday, Dec. 17

Santa's Village, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Village Centre Shopping Plaza.

DoRojo, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

Winterfest: Caroling Karaoke, 6-11 p.m. Jo'An's.

"Secretariat," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

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

Saturday, Dec. 18

Winterfest: Family Hike, 8 a.m. Meet at the tree monument

at 7:45 a.m.

David Jerome, 9 a.m.; Bellydancing, 7 p.m. Café Aroma.

Seniors' Christmas Party, 10 a.m.-noon. American Legion Post 800.

Santa's Village, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Village Centre Shopping Plaza.

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

Winterfest: Tour à Soupe, 1-4 p.m. Start at the Village Centre.

"Secretariat," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

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

Free Swing Dance Lessons, 7 p.m.-close. Jo'An's.

Idyllwild Master Chorale's 2010 Holiday Concert: Fusion II, 7:30 p.m. Idyllwild School Auditorium.

Joshua Tree Army Band, 9 p.m.-close. Bone Daddy's.

Sunday, Dec. 19

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.; Skeleton Crew, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Santa's Village, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Village Centre Shopping Plaza.

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

Museum.

Kids' Christmas Party, 1-3 p.m. American Legion Post 800.

Idyllwild Master Chorale's 2010 Holiday Concert: Fusion II, 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild School Auditorium.

"Secretariat," 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Winter Solstice: A Time to Celebrate the Gifts of Darkness, 4-5 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.

Monday, Dec. 20

Winterfest: Special Holiday Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Sandii Castleberry & Don Reed, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Secretariat," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, Dec. 21

Jazz Night, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Winterfest: Teen Dance, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Town Hall.

"Secretariat," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, Dec. 22

Tucker, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

"Secretariat," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, Dec. 23

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

Friday, Dec. 24

Santa's Village, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Village Centre Shopping Plaza.

Winterfest: Gingerbread Deco-



As part of the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce "Winterfest," the voices of Local Color sang Christmas carols at the gazebo located in Village Centre last Saturday.

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rating, noon-3 p.m. Honey Buns and Joe.

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

Saturday, Dec. 25

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon, Café Aroma.

Sunday, Dec. 26

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon; Skeleton Crew, 6-9 p.m. Café

Aroma.

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

Monday, Dec. 27

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

Tuesday, Dec. 28

Jazz Night, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

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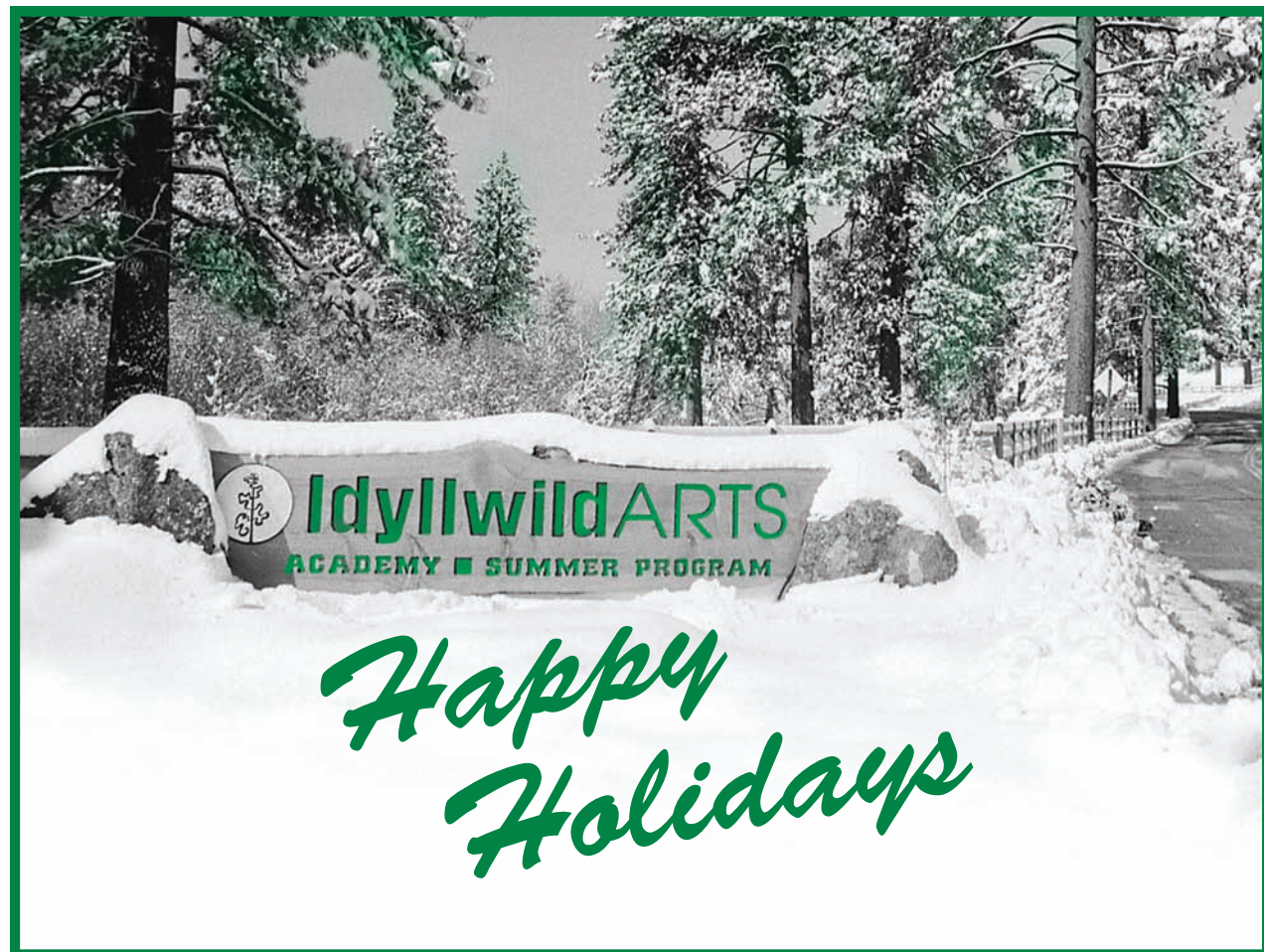
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The business of film at Idyllwild 2011

By Marshall Smith
Staff Reporter

Of all the arts, cinema may be the most egalitarian, requiring experience in many facets of the business. Actors direct. Directors act. Producers write. Writers produce. But no matter what specialty a filmmaker begins or ends in, the journey increasingly requires doing the "business" of film.



Lesley Paterson, writer-producer, just landed "Harry Potter" star **Daniel Radcliffe** for the remake of "All Quiet on the Western Front," which she and partner **Ian Stokell** wrote and will produce in 2012.

PHOTO COURTESY OF LESLEY PATERSON

Besides screening 50 films, Idyllwild 2011: Independent Festival of Cinema (IIFC) has lined up a panel of experienced film producers to explain the business of filmmaking. "Screenplay to Screen: Producing and Selling an Independent Film," the first of two 2011 festival seminars, takes place at 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13 at the Rustic Theatre.

The panel includes: Osiris Entertainment President Evan Crooke; Lesley Paterson, Scottish producer and screenwriter; Shanah Blevins, film, commercial and music video writer, director and producer; Will Wallace, actor, producer, director and this year's IIFC chairman; Jonathan Sachar, actor and producer, and his producing partner, Patrick Durham.

Paterson and writing partner Ian Stokell credit optimism and perseverance for a recent success. Paterson and Stokell took an overnight flight to New York to meet with Daniel Rad-

cliffe, hoping to interest him in their screenplay for "All Quiet on the Western Front." "We got the rights to the novel four years ago," said Paterson. "We spent the next year adapting it. We got it to his [Radcliffe's] agent." The meeting was set. Paterson and Stokell arrived at his apartment thinking there would be many at the meeting and they'd have two minutes to make their case. "He [Radcliffe] answered the door," she said. "It was just him there. He went through the script. Then he said, 'I'd really like to attach myself to it.'" Paterson, who came to writing and producing from acting, said it was having control of a project that moved her away from acting. "There are so many stories in the world I'd like to tell," she said. "Writing and producing give me that chance." Paterson hopes to film "Front" in 2012.

Evan Crooke has founded two film companies — Paragon Pictures in 1997 and Osiris Entertainment, a distribution company, in 2008. "The rules of the game in Hollywood are neither fair nor logical," said Crooke. "They're built on nepotism and power. It's not like other businesses where you work hard and you get a good

result. Crooke wanted to change the bad rap many distributors had and provide distribution from his own experience as a producer and director. "Osiris was created out of necessity to facilitate our producers in an honest and collaborative way. We'll only distribute content that we can believe in." Crooke will talk about a marketplace complicated by evolving technology, piracy and ethical fluidity, or as he calls it, "the gray crap of Hollywood."

Shanah Blevins' commercial work for McDonalds, Coors and Verizon has established her internationally. What she has learned from doing the business of film is the importance of patience. "Use your connections, who you know, and don't expect an immediate result. Know that even though the process can be long, you've got to enjoy every step of the way." She notes the current upshot is that it's now easier to get things done, because you don't have to shoot film.



Evan Crooke, CEO of Osiris Entertainment, founded his distribution company to provide producers distribution in an honest and collaborative way.

PHOTO COURTESY OF OSIRIS ENTERTAINMENT

Will Wallace, this year's festival chairman, has produced and sold over 20 independent films including last year's festival hit "Rock Slyde." Wallace said success in the business is built on integrity. "Don't treat potential investors as if this is a one-time deal," he cautioned. "Advise them of the risks involved and then tell them why this film is worth their investment." Wallace will talk about his concept of "front end points" for investors and the goodwill he has been able to build with his investors.

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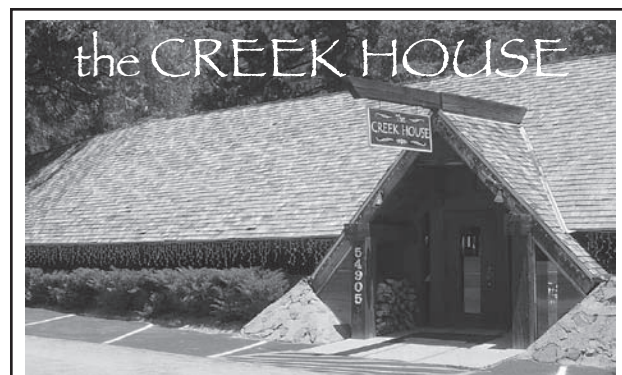
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Christmas card tradition and Alfred Burt's carols

By Marshall Smith
Staff Reporter

The 2010 Idyllwild Master Chorale Holiday Concert will feature Jazz Fusion II, traditional Christmas music and carols with a distinct local connection. The performances will be Saturday evening at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. Both will be at the Idyllwild School.

A local nexus for the Alfred Burt carols, his daughter Diane Burt D'Amico lives in Pine Cove and keeps the glow

of the Burt carols alive through her group, "The Caroling Company." The tradition of creating a Christmas carol for an annual Christmas card to friends and family began in 1922, when the Reverend Bates Gilbert Burt, Diane's grandfather, wrote the music and lyrics for the first card.

When Alfred Burt graduated from the University of Michigan's Music School in 1942, his father asked him to write the music for that year's carol, "Christmas Cometh

Caroling." Father and son collaborated on the annual carol from 1943 until 1947. After the elder Burt's death in 1948, Alfred continued the family tradition of sending an annual carol to family and friends, creating a cache of carols that has become a mainstay of Christmas secular music.

That tradition changed in 1952 when the Blue Reys, the vocal group with the Alvino Rey Orchestra with which Burt played, sang that year's carol, "Come Dear Children," in public. In 1953, Al-

fred Burt was diagnosed with lung cancer. Knowing of his deteriorating health, James Conkling, then president of Columbia Records, organized a recording session of the existing Burt carols. Burt agreed to write four more

to fill out the album. He finished the last of the four, "The Star Carol," on Feb. 5, 1954, less than 24 hours before he died at the age of 33. He never lived to hear his carols recorded or know how millions would come to cherish them.

The Master Chorale is proud to include these lovely Burt carols in its personal Christmas card to Idyllwild friends and families.

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COLONEL BO'S WINTER WISDOM



Ya' know how once-in-a-while you read something that is said so well you find yourself reading it over and over again? It sort of tastes like cake and ice cream. Normally, I find this kind of dessert sensation reading Marshall Smith. Last week a passage surfaced in a magazine I rarely read, but I want to share this one. The author is a personal friend and president of a Health Science Foundation. ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?

"Great Expectations. Have you noticed how fine the lines between observing, criticizing, educating, helping, nagging, and enabling? Have you ever noticed how difficult it is to change another person's behavior gracefully? Efforts to encourage 'change-for-the-better' always seem to be noble, unselfish and in the best interest of the miscreant ..." but my mother used to say when she heard me jumping on a brother or a neighbor, "Heath, you are responsible for the behavior of only one boy. Who do you suppose that boy is?" For more of my Mom's frontier wisdom, stop by B'S MOUNTAIN of BOOKS in Idyllwild or click colonelbostories.com. My book, WESTWIND WHISPERS is loaded.



Letters and wish lists for Santa

The Town Crier has again arranged for a special mailbox to be at the post office for children to mail their letters to Santa. Letters can be put in the mailbox no later than Monday, Dec. 20. The Town Crier will make sure they get to Santa. Some of the letters will be published in the Thursday, Dec. 23 issue of the paper.



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New recreation to be offered to adults

By BETH NOTTLEY
STAFF REPORTER

At the Dec. 9 meeting of the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council (ICRC), Town Hall Recreation Director Bob Lewis outlined the expansion of recreational activities for adults and seniors.

Beginning Thursday, Dec. 16, he said, free or very low cost Community Social Dances for adults would be scheduled monthly at Town Hall. Lewis said the Community Social Dances are being coordinated by volunteers Judith Schonebaum of the Community Arts Network and Annika Kay of Artists Gone Awry. According to Lewis, Town Hall staff will provide childcare at the dances.

Schonebaum said the dances will feature a variety of themes, including salsa,

swing, ballroom, folk and square dancing. Some will offer instruction in the course of the evening. The first dance will feature a wide variety of dance music.

"We want to create an atmosphere where everyone, whether beginner or advanced, will feel comfortable to 'step out,'" said Schonebaum.

Lewis also told ICRC directors that, in addition to the adult dances sponsored by Town Hall, a number of adult dance instruction classes formerly held in the old Cornet building in Strawberry Creek Plaza have moved to Town Hall. Kay, who teaches many of the dance classes, said the decision to move to Town Hall was made when the dance floor in the Cornet building was removed by the landlord, Mark Taylor of the former Idyllwild Studio of Dance. Kay also stated, "At

some point we would have had to move because of the new library. Town Hall is a great community center; there's a lot going on there." Lewis said that the dance instruction classes, although not put on by Town Hall, would increase the number of adults using Town Hall for recreational activities as well as provide income from space rental.

Lewis also told ICRC directors that the much-awaited Wii game system, and a big-screen television with which it will be played, would arrive in the next week. Lewis said he plans for the Wii system to be used for the adult recreation program, as well as by youngsters. In a subsequent interview, Lewis stated that many youngsters attending Town Hall teen dances have expressed that they would like to play Wii at future dances.

Demonstrating interest by the senior community, Lewis referenced a letter from a local man who said he is looking forward to playing Wii games with his grandchildren.

Lewis told ICRC directors and members of the public in attendance, "I'm really excited about these new activities for adults and seniors. I think they will be popular with the community."

Lewis also stated that he thought these activities "will help to satisfy the county that we're committed to providing adult recreational activities that are not just sports-related." This was one of the contract review points recently laid down by the county while evaluating ICRC's performance as recreation contract holder.

In addition to discussing the new activities with the ICRC board, Lewis also an-



A giant 60-inch TV with Wii console and Blu-Ray player was installed Tuesday at Town Hall. **Mark Cooper**, left, and **Mike Franklin**, right, from Riverside County's Economic Development Office, hoist the Sharp TV onto its bracket.

PHOTO BY CID CASTILLO

nounced that the Coed Adult Volleyball League starts this week. There are four teams this season, and new players are welcome. The popular league was started about eight years ago by the late Mark Loutzenhiser, captain of the Engine 57 crew who perished in the 2006 Esperanza Fire. *Beth Nottley can be reached at beth@towncrier.com.*

Holiday Storytime at the library

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All Idyllwild residents and visitors, young and old, are invited to the Idyllwild Library's special "Holiday Storytime" at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 20. The library is located at 54185 Pine Crest Avenue,



The cast and crew of the "Princess and the Pea," which was performed at the Idyllwild School last weekend, are pictured above. The production featured more than 50 children from Idyllwild School as well as home-schooled kids. The Missoula Children's Theatre and the Idyllwild PTA organized and presented the performance.

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PHOTO BY CID CASTILLO



Saint's **Addison Wilson** signals she is open for a pass as quarterback **Seth Loutzenhiser** winds up to throw the ball. Wilson caught the ball and ran in for a Saints' touchdown.

PHOTO BY CID CASTILLO

Town Hall sports

Bob Lewis gave this report on Town Hall Youth Coed Flag Football League for Monday, Dec. 6 and Thursday, Dec. 9.

Youth Coed Flag Football League

The week's first game between the Rotary Saints and the American Legion Chargers had a close first half. The Saints' **Nick Anderson** had some great runs and **Daniel Philips** had an interception, while the Chargers' **Noah Rutherford** made some nice moves of his own, gaining good yardage and scoring a touchdown. In the second half, **Kayleb Hembree** returned an interception for a touchdown for the Chargers, whose 34-22 win over the Saints kept them undefeated.

The week's second game was distinctly different than the close one on Monday. Although the Chargers scored 34

points again, the Saints could not cross the goal enough. The Chargers pounded the Saints 34-8.

The Chargers took it to the Saints from the start. **Brett Hembree** had a great defensive game diving and pulling flags and putting pressure on the quarterback all game long. **Addison Wilson** stood out for the Saints with several nice receptions including grabbing the two-pointer after the Saints' lone touchdown, but it wasn't nearly enough.

Standings:	Wins	Losses
American Legion Chargers	4	0
Rotary Saints	0	4

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IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT DECEMBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

A SHORT LIST OF SOME OF THIS YEAR'S COMPLETED GOALS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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- IWD well improvement program has provided increased efficiency, well water production and lowered pumping cost.
- SCE incentive fund program provides IWD \$7,200 for our three proposed well improvement projects.
- Cost Control Associates (CCA) was hired to locate savings for IWD – CCA's report shows minor savings and verified district's operation is very efficient.
- First phase improvements for our horizontal wells water main system. When completed, these gravity flow wells will provide 35 gpm without pumping costs.
- Installed new auto-adjusting chlorinator and booster pump for the Foster Lake water treatment plant.
- Drilled a new well - Well #29 will be completed in 2011.
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The District employees and directors wish to thank our customers for being diligent and conscientious consumers!

CUSTOMER'S FROZEN WATER LINES – Again, we want to stress the importance of wrapping your outside water lines to protect them from freezing temperatures. Although we provided some tips in the District's November newsletter in the Town Crier, some folks didn't prepare and have had water leaks. Please be prepared for the next freeze! If you need more information, please call us at (951) 659-2143.

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CSA 38 prepares new budget

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

With a reserve balance of more than \$500,000, the County Service Area (CSA) 38 (Pine Cove) Advisory Committee began to review a proposed budget for fiscal year 2011-12 (beginning July 1, 2011).

At the end of November, CSA 38's balance is \$521,000 and will continue to grow with the deposit of property tax receipts, despite a \$94,000 payment to Idyllwild Fire Protection District for the provision of ambulance service to Pine Cove residents.

Next year's proposed budget will provide the staff and volunteers at Station 23 (Pine Cove) with mobile dispatch computer equipment, maintenance of emergency and other equipment, and medical supplies and new tools.

In other business, the Advisory Committee continued its investigation and review of the county's tax assessments of local property according to the boundaries for the various local districts. In particular, the committee is concerned that adjustments in the Cedar Glen and Foster Lake neighborhoods, which were negotiated and agreed to in the 1980s, have not been made at the Riverside County Assessor's office.

The committee was reviewing a map of the district

prepared at the county level. "As I see it, their map is incorrect," noted Vice Chair Marge Muir. "Generally, CSA 38 boundaries should follow the Pine Cove Water District boundaries." CSA 38 Chairman Jerry Holdber agreed to contact the county on behalf of the district.

Mountain Battalion Chief Dan Johnson attended the meeting for Riverside County Fire Department. He discussed efforts to ensure that each Hill fire station has identical basic emergency equipment. This will more easily allow any station to back up another station on the Hill. He recognized, of course, that each CSA advisory committee might purchase additional equipment for their volunteer company.

Idyllwild Fire Chief Norm Walker also attended the meeting. He reported that the Board of Supervisors had approved Idyllwild's new ambulance fee schedule in October and IFPD has already implemented it.

He also told the board that the new mobile dispatch equipment would not be purchased until a dispatch cooperative agreement between the county fire department and IFPD is formally approved. He did not foresee any problems coming to agreement, just that negotiations were continuing.

"I'm not willing to spend

PCWD public hearing on rate raise

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

At the Wednesday, Dec. 8 meeting of the Pine Cove Water District Board of Directors, General Manager Jerry Holdber reported that all customers had already been notified by mail of a Jan. 12 public meeting at which the board will consider raising its water rates.

The hearing will be at the beginning of the regularly scheduled Wednesday, Jan. 12 meeting, which will begin at 10 a.m. The details of the proposed rate increase were included in the notification and are available at the PCWD office. Major changes include single family per-billing period increases of \$3.03 to

pay for infrastructure maintenance and replacement, and a one-time cost of \$1.30 per 1,000 first-tier gallons to cover increases caused by electric and other pumping costs.

In other business, the board elected the existing officers for another year's term. They are: President Tom McCullough, Vice President Mike Esnard and Secretary Lou Padula.

In his GM report, Jerry Holdber noted that November production is down about 400,000 gallons from last year. Water loss for the month was 9.4 percent and 10 percent for year-end total. The water level in the district's monitoring well, number 10, which had been holding its own, fell three feet last month. Other well

levels continue to hold. Holdber credits higher ground water levels owing to the last two seasons of precipitation.

Holdber informed the board that the district is in the process of installing permanent water sampling spots throughout the district's infrastructure. He is also investigating replacing some district vehicles through a grant or loan from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Holdber will have more information about the grant's likelihood at the next meeting.

Holdber sought the board's advice in changing from a postcard to an envelope customer billing. Holdber explained that although it is somewhat more expensive for the district, the offset

is providing more billing information for customers, more delivery reliability and the opportunity for the district to include informational mailers. The ability to include information normally mailed separately, such as the district's winterizing advisories, reduces the net cost to the district in upgrading the billing delivery method. The board encouraged Holdber to try the new method and sample customer reaction. Directors Joel Palmer and Dan Fandrich agreed to act as board advisors on this matter.

Lastly, the board supported Holdber's desire to return to the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council board and made that part of his job description.

COUNTY CORNER

Board actions affect Hill

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

In other action at the Dec. 7 Riverside County Board of Supervisors meeting, the Volunteer Reserve Firefighter program was approved. One of the first steps will be for existing volunteer companies to work with the county fire

department for board approval within 180 days.

The board also approved proceeding with funding for a new library in Idyllwild. The county plans to purchase and remodel the existing Cornet building adjacent to Fairway Market in Strawberry Plaza.

At its Dec. 14 meeting, the board held its first consideration of Ordinance No. 578.5. This is the revision to the county ordinance estab-

lishing and governing historic preservation districts. The second and final approval is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 11, 2011.

A separate and subsequent ordinance would establish the Idyllwild Historic District. Keith Herron, county preservation officer, will lead the effort to submit the necessary paperwork to establish the Idyllwild Historic Preservation District.

Sometime in the spring of 2011, a Idyllwild Historic Preservation District might be created. According to Kristi Lovelady, principal planner in the county

Planning Department, local guidelines could be drafted by summer 2011.

In other county business, the board has decided to cease its efforts to draft an ordinance regulating the collective or cooperative cultivation of marijuana for medical purposes. Supervisors John Benoit (Fourth District) and Jeff Stone (Third District) submitted a memorandum to the board stating that decisions in surrounding counties place Riverside County in a unique situation that they believe would be untenable.

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ICRC resolving issues with county

BY BETH NOTTLEY
STAFF REPORTER

At the Dec. 9 meeting of the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council (ICRC), the directors addressed four main items of business: the Town Hall reserve fund; new adult activities at Town Hall (see story page 12); the status of fulfilling county recreation requirements; and an update on the playground planned for the Idyllwild Community Center (ICC) site.

ICRC President John Simpson reported to the board that he had "just had a great conversation with

[County Service Area 36 Operations Manager] Bill Brown in regards to the county's recent request that a past \$20,000 advance made to the Town Hall Recreation Program be returned to the EDA [Economic Development Agency]."

Currently, the county prohibits advancing funds before receiving and approving an invoice for payment. The Recreation Operating Agreement between County Service Area (CSA) 36 and ICRC states, "CSA shall pay to ICRC each month the actual expenditures incurred by ICRC in operations of the

recreation center and recreation program, less any fees received during the previous month."

However, in 1995, a \$20,000 advance was made, after approval by former CSA Administrator Mel Bohlken, to allow Town Hall to cover expenses, such as payroll, that come due before reimbursement is received.

Simpson said that Brown has asked ICRC to compile documentation of the advance. Brown also told Simpson that it would help the county to see how the funds are used and replenished each month. Simpson

said he is collecting the documents and that he and other ICRC directors will meet with Auditor Jim Ludy to discuss how to change the financial reports.

Simpson also reported on the status of ICRC's fulfillment of two of the county's review requirements. In response to the demand that ICRC provide a confidential way for members of the public to communicate their concerns and complaints about Town Hall Recreation, the ICRC website, www.idyllwildrecreation.org, now has a place for anonymous comments to be made. Simp-

son will be the recipient of those comments and will share them with the CSA 36 board to which Town Hall Recreation reports.

"We are committed to creating the very best communication with the community," said Simpson.

Another unresolved county contract point is the county's stipulation that the ICRC and the Chamber (the Chamber holds Town Hall's deed) modify the lease for Town Hall, if the current county contract with ICRC were terminated. In such case, the county wants the lease transferred to the

county, with right of first refusal.

Simpson said that although he has discussed the issue with Idyllwild Chamber President Mimi Lamp, he believes the decision rests with the Chamber. "It's not within my power to negotiate with the county on behalf of the Chamber," he said.

Simpson said he expects the issues of the lease and the \$20,000 advance to be addressed by Brown and the ICRC at the next CSA 36 meeting scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Thursday, January 13.

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



On Dec. 4, several local women (from left), **Esther Bloom, Glenda Ackley Bloom, Shelley Kibby, and Dawn Miller** participated in the "Out of the Darkness, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention" 5K walk held in Rancho Cucamonga. PHOTO COURTESY OF DAWN MILLER



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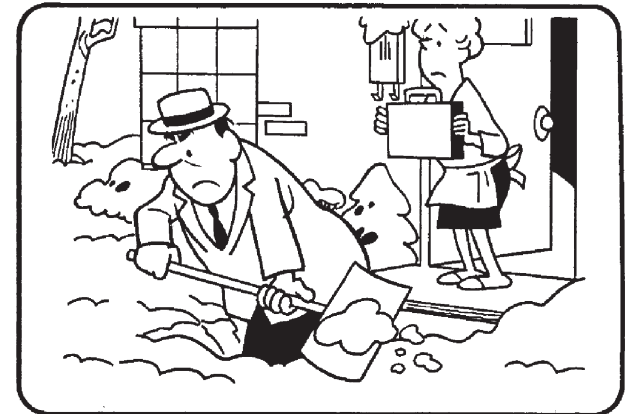
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Answers to Sudoku
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Answers to Crossword
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Handle a potentially awkward situation by warming up your confidence reserves and letting it radiate freely. Also, expect an old friend to contact you.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's not too early for the practical Bovine to begin planning possible changes for 2011. A recent contact can offer some interesting insights.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A request for an unusual favor should be carefully checked out. Also check the motives behind it. Your generosity should be respected, not exploited.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Party time beckons, but for some Moon Children, so do some workplace challenges. Deal with the second first, then you'll be free to enjoy the fun time.

changes in how to deal with a workplace matter. It very likely also validates a position you have long held.
SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) An attempt to get too personal could upset the very private Scorpio. Make it clear that there's a line no one crosses without your permission.
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The savvy Sagittarian might be able to keep a family disagreement from spilling over by getting everyone involved to talk things out.
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Be careful not to push people too hard to meet your ideas of what the holiday weekend's preparations should be. Best to make it a cooperative, not a coerced, effort.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A warm response to an earlier request might be a positive indicator of what's ahead. Meanwhile, Cupid could pay a surprise visit to single Leos looking for love.
VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) How you respond to a proposed change in a project could affect your situation. Be prepared to show how well you would be able to deal with it.
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) The revelation of a secret could cause some

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An unexpected request could make you rethink a position you've had for a long time. Meanwhile, plan a family get-together for the weekend.
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Someone might find that it was a fluke to try to use your sympathetic nature to get you to accept a situation you're not comfortable with. Good for you.
BORN THIS WEEK: You like challenges that are both mental and physical, and you enjoy always beating your personal best.

Letters

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completely crushed or lost, your item will likely be found to have been inadequately packed, or a more exotic exclusion will be found, like in my case. The Internet is full of such stories.

It would be wise to avoid sending anything valuable via USPS expecting this "insurance" to protect you. I'm out \$4,000, plus maybe \$1,000 in

repair costs, and the instrument's value has been cut at least in half.

DAVID PELHAM
IDYLLWILD

IFPD asked about abortion rights

EDITOR:

Recently, I asked each fire board commissioner to declare their interest as a "Pro Choice/Abortion Rights" or "Pro Life/Right to Life" commissioner providing emergency medical

services to our community.

To date, Paul Riggi, Ben Killingsworth, Pete Capparelli, Jeannine Stigall, and Charles Schelly have failed to publicly comment on this issue as it relates to their professional and personal beliefs.

I have asked them to do so because of a recent incident that has called into question my understanding of their purported beliefs in this matter.

It was easy for the board to avoid this topic, and the

press certainly didn't want to discuss such a divisive issue — after all, abortion is legal and a matter of law except that a number of candidates, partisan and nonpartisan, declared their support for and against abortion.

I guess it wasn't as pressing in their minds as say, finding lost assets, trying to fix suspect audits or trying to repair their reputations.

As a "Pro Life/Right to Life" member of this community, I want to know where these

elected officials stand. I will continue to ask until they clarify their positions.

JEFF SMITH
PINE COVE

The Monument

EDITOR:

Thank you David Roy for your beautiful monument creation! It's your greatest achievement to date. Thank you for all your many carvings that grace our community. One can't go a single block in

any direction without seeing a David Roy carving.

We also want to thank you for your generosity to our community by lending your gargoyles and giving of your time for this year's Halloween haunted house event. Over the years, you've contributed more to Idyllwild than any one person. You done good, David!

We can't wait for the start of your next major project.

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This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

DONNA LEE VAN LEUVEN
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 15, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-12134

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Nov. 25, Dec. 2, 9, 16, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as THE GLASS LASS, 54425 North Circle Drive, #4, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 81, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

DONNA JOYCE HICKMAN, 3737 Cedar Vale Way, Fallbrook, CA 92028.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

DONNA JOYCE HICKMAN
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 17, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-12285

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CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Nov. 25, Dec. 2, 9, 16, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as BROWN & RITNER, 1345 University Avenue, Suite G, Riverside, CA 92507, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 2008, Riverside, CA 92516. DEANNA MARIE BROWN, 5719 Old Ranch Road, Riverside, CA 92504.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

DEANNA M. BROWN
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 17, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-12277

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Nov. 25, Dec. 2, 9, 16, 2010.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described personal property will be held at the hour of 2:30 PM, Dec. 21, 2010 at Lockaway Storage, 1181 N. State St. in the city of Hemet, County of Riverside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, misc. tools and equipment.

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

Manager/Dominic Davidson
RE: Notice of Public Sale
Misc. Household Items and Furniture, Tools and Equip.

Lockaway Storage
1181 N. State St.
Hemet, Ca. 92543
(951) 929-2053
Unit # D122

Name: JASON STEWART
Unit # H4
Name: ROBERT SIMPSON
Unit # B310

Name: GLADYS RUIZ
Unit # G19
Name: ANNA GONZALEZ
Unit # F103
Name: VICKY BARTA
Unit # A105
Name: TIMOTHY LEEPER
Unit # B302
Name: CHRISTY PORTOR

Auction to be held on Dec. 21, 2010 at 2:30 PM.

Lockaway/Hemet
Dominic Davidson - Manager
American Auction Service
Bond # FS8632014
Pub. TC: Dec. 9, 16, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as HALIIMALE DISTILLING COMPANY, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, Riverside County. LEVECKE CORPORATION, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, a California corporation (A 27762).

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

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

Signed:

J. NEIL LEVECKE
President
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 19, 2010.

FILE NO.:
I-2010-03065

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON NOV. 19, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO NOV. 19, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: B. Villegas, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as CONQUEROR BASEBALL, 79831 Danielle Ct., La Quinta, CA 92253, Riverside County. ROBERT EARL RALPH JR., 79831 Danielle Ct., La Quinta, CA 92253.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

ROBERT E. RALPH JR.
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 22, 2010.

FILE NO.:
I-2010-03073

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON NOV. 22, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO NOV. 22,

age, 1137 S. San Jacinto Ave. in the City of San Jacinto, County of Riverside, State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: household items, misc. furniture, misc. tools and equipment.

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

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

San Jacinto Self Storage
1137 S. San Jacinto Ave.
San Jacinto, CA 92583
(951) 487-6112
Unit # 312

Name: Jose Huerta — Special information on this unit! Three rollaway toolbox sets, brand names. One is SNAPON and two are CRAFTSMAN. Other tools to include jacks, air compressor, hoses, jackstands and two mini motorcycles. Plus mechanic shop items. Speakers two tool carts, misc. handtools.

Unit # 128
Name: Isabel Anzures
Unit # 604
Name: Athiena Stafford

Auction to be held on Dec. 21, 2010, at 3 p.m.

San Jacinto Self Storage/San Jacinto
Ricky Marin - Manager
American Auction Service
Bond # FS8632014
Pub. TC: Dec. 9, 16, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing business as SUMMIT OVERLAND SECURITY S.O.S., 25677 Parkview Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3679, Idyllwild, CA 92549. TED (NMN) DICKEY and ANGELINA (NMN) DICKEY, 25677 Parkview Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549. This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.

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

Signed:

TED DICKEY
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 2, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-12767

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County Clerk

By: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 16, 23, 30, 2010, Jan. 6, 2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as CONQUEROR BASEBALL, 79831 Danielle Ct., La Quinta, CA 92253, Riverside County. ROBERT EARL RALPH JR., 79831 Danielle Ct., La Quinta, CA 92253.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

ROBERT E. RALPH JR.
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 22, 2010.

FILE NO.:
I-2010-03073

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: M. Duenas, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 16, 23, 30, 2010, Jan. 6, 2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD REALTY, RUSTIC THEATRE, MILE HIGH REALTY, PINE COVE REALTY, IDYLLWILD REAL ESTATE, IDYLLWILD ESCROW, HILLTOP REALTY, HILLTOP CONSTRUCTION, 54295 North Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549. RIDGEWAY VISION INC., 54295 North Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, a California corporation #2453469.

This business is conducted by a corporation.

Registrant began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on May 17, 2006.

Signed:

SHANE THOMAS STEWART
President
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 6, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-12874

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON DEC. 6, 2015. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO DEC. 6, 2015. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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By: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 16, 23, 30, 2010, Jan. 6, 2011.

INC10010478

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 46-200 Oasis Street, Indio, CA 92201.

PETITION OF JOSHUA MIERLY. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

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

a. Present name: EZEKIAL SHAWN MIERLY-DECASTRO changed to Proposed name: EZEKIAL SHAWN MIERLY.

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: 1/18/11 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 2H
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper

of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.

Date: Nov. 22, 2010
V. Rivera
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Dec. 16, 23, 30, 2010, Jan. 6, 2011.

LIEN SALE

CIVIL CODE 3071 & 3072
On 12-28-10 at 37701 Warren Rd., Winchester, CA 92596 a Lien Sale will be held on a 1978 RANGR vessel, HIN: RAYMO446M78F, CA CF#:598038 at 10:00 a.m.
Pub. TC: Dec. 16, 2010.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On Wednesday, January 12th, 2011, at the regular scheduled 10:00 a.m. Board meeting, at the Pine Cove Water District office, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Idyllwild, the Board of Directors of the Pine Cove Water District will hold a public hearing for the purpose of considering all oral and written objections to the declaration by the Board of Adopting Resolution No. 460, Establishing and Reaffirming Rates and Charges for Water Service, pursuant to Article XIII of the California Constitution.

Board of Directors
Pine Cove Water District
24917 Marion Ridge Rd.
P.O. Box 2296
Idyllwild, Ca. 92549
(951) 659-2675

Pub. TC: Dec. 16, 23, 2010.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing business as CHECKPOINT SOLUTION, 35006 Allium Ln., Winchester, CA 92596, Riverside County. GERALD RENE GAUTHIER and PAMELA ANN GAUTHIER, 35006 Allium Ln., Winchester, CA 92596. This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in January, 2009.

Signed:
GERALD GAUTHIER

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 16, 2010.

FILE NO.:
R-2010-12249

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Giving

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congregation decided to go one step further and is providing gifts for every family member.

The HELP Center puts children's gift suggestions on Christmas trees located throughout Idyllwild. Donors make selections, purchase the gifts, and deliver them to the Center. The agency will then turn them over to parents to place under their Christmas tree.

Colleen Manchee, HELP Center administrator, said that, in addition to the Bible Church, many other individuals and organizations have donated to the agency's holiday giving programs. "I've never seen such a year with so much response," she said.

At Thanksgiving, the Pine Cove Property Owners Association donated eight complete Thanksgiving dinner food boxes that were distributed to Pine Cove families in need. Mountain Disaster Preparedness members donated turkeys and ham for 12 families. Another 22 families got a food box containing enough food for a week of meals from the Community Presbyterian Church, which has pledged another 22 food boxes for Christmas. Tahquitz Pines donated 50 holiday food boxes. Some governmental officials even helped out, with California State Senator Bill Emmerman and Supervisor Jeff Stone contributing food and funds.

The spirit of generosity continued to grow and donations for the HELP Center's Christmas programs have poured in. Manchee reported that as of last week, all the Angel Tree tags had already been selected.

Manchee said that additional gifts have been received or pledged from every walk of the Idyllwild community. Mountain Disaster Preparedness held a holiday toy drive. The Idyllwild Association of Realtors donated food and toys. Members of the Mountain Quilters are putting the final stitches in child-sized quilts for kids to snuggle up with on cold winter nights. The Soroptimist's Love Train at BBVA Compass bank is stuffed with toys. Local firefighters have pledged gifts from their

Spark of Love toy drive. Many individuals have given anonymously to the HELP Center's holiday efforts. Manchee said that among them was a person who brought in 35 gifts, another who gave 40 fleece blankets, and a person who donated all the cash from a money hat won at the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. Another winner at the ceremony donated the 100 gallons of propane she won to a family whose propane tank was empty. Financial donations enabled the agency to allow clients to receive food for both Thanksgiving and Christmas, rather than having to choose one or the other as originally planned.

Joining in the effort for the second year is the San Geronio Pass Area California Highway Patrol (CHP) through its CHiPs For Kids toy drive. In addition to the gifts collected by CHP officers, Soboba Casino has contributed toys that will be given to local children by CHP Officer Scott Beauchene and Santa Claus at Idyllwild Pines Camp on Monday, Dec. 20.

In a year full of economic hardship and uncertainty, what has prompted such an outpouring of generosity from the community?

Pine Cove residents Annemarie and Lou Padula, who are volunteers with the Food Share Program that distributes food commodities each month, theorized that people just really want to help their neighbors who are struggling to feed their families. They reported that a record number of people received food this month after waiting in a line on Tollgate Road that stretched from the Mormon Church all the way to the entrance of the Idyllwild Arts Academy.

On behalf of his congregation, Pastor Westcott said, "It's a small thing to give to the community in a way that reflects God's love and care for us."

Perhaps a reason for the satisfaction people feel when helping and bringing joy to children and their parents can be found in a statement made by CHP Officer Beauchene.

"This is the most fun part of my job," he said.

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All the homeless cats and dogs want for Christmas is a home. Here are ARF's "Pets" of Christmas 2010.

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Beth Ann



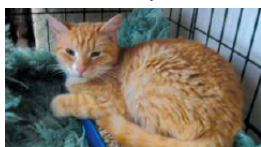
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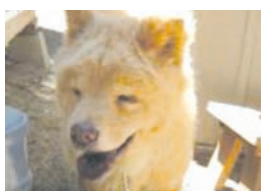
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Creature corner is sponsored this week by Fluffy, Maggie and Amber Marling, who gave up a month worth of cat treats for the less fortunate. To sponsor the column, call Shane Fender at the Town Crier, 659-2145.

PAST TENSE

60 years ago - 1950

Hill businesses were stocking up for the holidays. Woodland Crafts' beautiful hand-blocked luncheon cloths were "gifts to excite the most fastidious hostess," said a Town Crier article.

55 years ago - 1955

Idyllwild School was organizing a program, "Christmas Legends around the World," to be given in each room of the school.

50 years ago - 1960

The 30 people who gathered at the Harry Kibbons residence formed the Idyllwild Property Owners Association.

45 years ago - 1965

The County Board of Supervisors approved creating a special service district for fire protection in the Pine Cove area.

40 years ago - 1970

An Idyllwild man was collecting live snakes from around the world, including a Regal Python from Africa, which he kept in his home near Foster Lake.



An ad in a December 1965 edition of the Town Crier featured the California Water and Telephone Company's new "Starlite" phone, which has a "Panelescent" dial that serves as a night light and comes in five decorator colors.

FILE PHOTO

35 years ago - 1975

Lake San Marcos developer Mary Nelson won the grudging approval of the Riverside County Planning Department to develop land in downtown Idyllwild by clearcutting the area bordering Strawberry Creek.

30 years ago - 1980

The Idyllwild Fire Protection District approved a resolution to increase benefits for paramedics and EMTs.

25 years ago - 1985

The UC James Reserve was changing from an isolated mountain residence to a key unit in the University of California's Natural Reserve System.

20 years ago - 1990

Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts and Hemet Unified School District officials considered providing a local home for students from the defunct Elliott-Pope Preparatory School.

15 years ago - 1995

Teachers Willy Krebbers, Barbara Pelham and Tom Skinner were among nine recipients of mini-grants from the Hemet Education Foundation.

10 years ago - 2000

After announcing that he would be interested in purchasing the Idyllwild-Pine Cove Community Center, Riverside County Third District Supervisor Jim Venable discussed with officials the possibility of a Hill county and state offices building.

5 years ago - 2005

Kay Cenicerros of Idyllwild was awarded the Exchange Club of Hemet-San Jacinto's 39th-annual Book of Golden Deeds Award. Cenicerros was the first woman on the Riverside County Board of Supervisors and served for 16 years.


1 year ago - 2009

A large family of coyotes had been seen in the South Circle Drive and Fern Valley neighborhoods. One resident counted 11 coyotes traveling together.

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unanimous. For 30 days, they postponed the decision that would have withdrawn career staff from Station 63 in Poppet Flat and Station 77 in Lake Riverside.

During the interim, Luna is to find other alternatives including grant funds, the county's capital improvement funds, other sources and even possibly reserves.

To Hawkins, Stone said, "You've done your job." Then to his colleagues, he said, "I don't think the board or executive office has done their job. I believe we can fill the \$4 million gap and fill it from a number of sources."

Hawkins was forthright during his presentation. "This is the best recommendation of bad alternatives." If the county needed to reduce his department's budget by \$4.3 million dollars, this proposal was the one with the fewest repercussions, but the public safety and risk were inherent.

For example, the proposal would remove the career staff from Poppet Flat. The existing volunteer company

would have to assume the immediate responsibility. But Hawkins acknowledged in his presentation what several Poppet Flat residents told the board directly.

"[The volunteers] have jobs. There are usually only two on the Hill," Carol Hicks said to the supervisors. "If you do away with the paid staff, [it will] increase the response time to 30 minutes and that would be critical."

Ernest Wright, president of the High Valley Water District, and Rick Alexander, of the Silent Valley RV Park staff, both came and spoke against the proposal.

During his comments, Stone suggested that Luna work with District Attorney-elect Judge Paul Zellerbach. Both Stone and Supervisor Bob Buster (Second District) argued that the number of investigators in the District Attorney's office could be safely reduced.

"In my counting, if we reduce his investigators 25 percent, that still puts him 50 percent above the number of investigators that exist in San Bernardino County," Stone stated. "That one swift motion would save the \$4 million and we can proceed

Cohen

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what you don't know, always heading into a certain degree of uncertainty."

When he began drawing at age 14, Cohen said he recognized that art gave him the platform from which he acquired the skills to see and understand the world. That skill set includes the discipline and talent of one's chosen art form informed by a knowledge of the world in which the artist will practice, grounded in fundamental morality — a "whole" individual.

He remembers Jacob Lawrence, a mentor and professor at the University of Washington, as a great person, a great artist, and one who kept his ego out of the process of creating his art. Lawrence became famous at the young age of 21 but remained humble and collegial throughout his life. Cohen values that humility and the ability of artists, old or young, to appreciate the contributions of others.

and give the public safety our citizens demand and expect."



Brian Cohen

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While watching a dance concert on campus, Cohen was impressed that the audience was largely composed of IA students from across the disciplinary spectrum. "The kids recognize the value of other disciplines," he noted,

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giving support to his notion of building a "whole" person not intimidated or threatened by the talent and accomplishments of others.

"I recognize the value and place of competition [in the arts] as long as it does not cut off opportunities for collaborative thought." As advice to the student body he will inherit in July,

Cohen said, "Be thoughtful and persistent. There are no shortcuts to practice and discipline. But self-discovery [especially at the age of IA students] doesn't have to be played out against the marketplace [the goal of selling one's art]," he said. "At 14, you should be finding the joy in your art."

Cohen paid tribute to Bill Lowman. "There would be no academy without Bill," he said. "He envisioned it and went out and found the resources to build and sustain it. The work goes on, and I recognize my key role in furthering that effort. I will be out there talking about what we do at Idyllwild Arts and why it remains extremely important, not just to the students who currently benefit from a superb education, but to a society enriched by the insight and expression of this new generation of artists."

Cohen said he would take some time to ground himself in the culture of the school upon taking up his position, sitting in on classes, and hearing from students and teachers of their frustrations, goals and dreams.

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