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On Thursday, March 3, a rock tumbled down onto Highway 243 just before Saunders Meadow Road (as you enter Idyllwild). The obstacle was quickly removed, but reminded residents of the boulder that closed Hwy. 243 just past Alhatti and of our vulnerability during disasters. ([See MDP story on page 15.](#))

PHOTO BY MICHAEL FREITAS

Supervisor gives to Idyllwild

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

From Jan. 1, 2008 through March 7, 2011, Riverside County Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone has directed nearly \$2 million in community improvement funds to Idyllwild. Since his first election as supervisor in 2004, Stone has come to Idyllwild each month to confer with constituents. He has referred to Idyllwild as the “jewel of Riverside County” and has expressed concern about and has substantially contributed to Idyllwild and its residents’



Supervisor Jeff Stone

health and economic well-being. He championed creation of an Idyllwild Historic Preservation District as a means of adding tourist cache to the county’s only alpine resort, as a way of preserving its unique early to mid-20th-century archi-

tectural character, and as a means of creating some flexibility in code compliance for Idyllwild’s business and property owners. The district is likely to be approved and in place by this summer.

Stone supports a wide variety of community programs and projects, many associated with children or youths. For example, Stone supported the 2010 Summer Work Experience Program that provided summer work for 21 Idyllwild interns, paid by federal dollars. He has been

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HUSD cutting budget *Teachers struggle with wages*

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

With an impasse over statewide tax extensions looming, the budget scenarios for Hemet Unified School District (HUSD) grow darker. As an indication of how the district is scrambling to raise funds, it was forced for legal reasons to rescind a plan to hire substitute teachers for a 1-month contract.

The district could have netted \$300,000 had the plan moved forward. Deputy Superintendent Dr. LaFaye Platter and Assistant Superintendent Vince Christakos

said the number of potential temporary hires needed to qualify for state money under class size reduction laws would have exceeded the number of teachers currently out of classrooms but eligible to return.

“It was a good idea,” said Platter. “But a [legal] glitch,” observed Christakos.

And in a continuing budget standoff, at a Tuesday March 1 meeting of the HUSD board, the trustees fired back at Hemet Teachers’ Association (HTA) representatives for allegedly mistaking the board’s and

[See HUSD, page 9](#)

ICC playground plans progress

BY BETH NOTTLEY
STAFF REPORTER

It’s just past the mid-point in planning for the new Idyllwild Community Center Playground and Park being built by Idyllwild Community Recreation Council (ICRC). Organizers are taking stock of where they are at and what’s still to be accomplished.

At last week’s Playground Committee meeting, Dawn Sonnier, ICRC vice president and Playground Committee chair, presented fellow organizers with a “Playground Project Critical Timeline” report detailing critical dates for the project. The timeline

identifies major action items from the initial community brainstorming session held last October through the beginning of construction planned for June 22 to 26.

More than \$70,000 has been raised for the project, which is expected to cost \$100,000, exceeding the 50 percent mid-point fundraising goal. Funds have been raised through ICRC-sponsored events, from community organizations and businesses, through grants and through donations from individuals and families.

Additionally, the 30

[See Playground, page 14](#)

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, Feb. 28 to March 6, 2011:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

- Feb. 28 — Medical aid, Pine Cove Road, Pine Cove.
- Feb. 28 — Medical aid, Lodge Road, Idyllwild.
- Feb. 28 — Medical aid, Saunders Meadow Road, Idyllwild.
- March 1 — Medical aid, Highway 243.
- March 1 — Medical aid, Highway 74 at Keen Camp Summit, Mountain Center.
- March 2 — Medical aid, Highway 243, Idyllwild.
- March 2 — Walk-in medical aid.
- March 3 — Good intent call, Saunders Meadow Road, Idyllwild.
- March 4 — Medical aid, Tahquitz Drive and Fern Valley Road, Idyllwild.
- March 6 — Walk-in medical aid.
- March 6 — Public service, Darryl Road, Idyllwild.
- March 6 — Walk-in medical aid.
- March 7 — Medical aid, Highway 243, Pine Cove.

- Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove
- Feb. 28 — Medical aid, person down.
- March 5 — Medical aid, fall.

- Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley
- March 4 — Unknown type of fire, 65000 block of Highway 74, Garner Valley.
- March 5 — Ringing alarm, 61000 block of Scenic Drive, Idyllwild.

- Riverside County Fire, Pinyon
- Log unavailable.

- Riverside County Fire, Anza
- Log unavailable.

CHP log

- The resident post of the California Highway Patrol responded to the following call from Monday to Sunday, Feb. 28 to March 6. This may not be a complete list of responses:
- March 3 — Single-vehicle, noninjury traffic collision, Highway 74 east of Keen Camp Road, Mountain Center.

- Sheriff's log
- Nothing to report.



Another vantage point of the rock that fell onto Highway 243. PHOTO BY MICHAEL FREITAS

Anza Citizens Patrol seeks volunteers

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

Welcome help for veterans

There are 30,000 veterans returning to California every year from deployments around the globe. Many of these men and women are returning from combat units and forward operations bases. Most return to a state with few job prospects, a difficult housing market, and to families that haven't seen them in a year or more. This transition is often very difficult for veterans. Many face significant personal, financial, and health challenges and most are uncertain about how or where to get the help they need to successfully move forward.

Operation Welcome Home is a program of the California Department of Veterans Affairs that contacts returning veterans, assesses their needs, and connects them with the employment, education, housing and health benefits they have earned. Operation Welcome Home refers veterans to existing federal, state, and county service providers and helps the veteran navigate the complicated and frustrating VA benefits system.

For more information about Operation Welcome Home, please contact Dan Nelan at (916) 826-5681 or Daniel.nelan@cdva.ca.gov.

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Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service

Thursday 3/10	Friday 3/11	Saturday 3/12	Sunday 3/13	Monday 3/14
59/41 Sunny.	57/41 Mostly sunny.	55/37 Mostly sunny.	54/39 Sunny.	52/37 Mostly sunny.

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year				
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S	
2-28	na	na			49	25	.1		
3-1	57	22			56	29			
3-2	57	28			na	na			
3-3	57	36	.01		na	na			
3-4	60	27			na	na			
3-5	65	29			53	23			
3-6	61	34			47	34	.14		

Moisture in inches

To date this season (Idy): 27.94

To date last season (Idy): 19.17

Total last season (Idy): 23.61

To date this season (PC): 31.63

Total last season (PC): 30.92

Snow in inches

To date this season (Idy): 41.9

To date last season (Idy): 28.81

Total last season (Idy): 35.91

To date this season (PC): 60.00

Total last season (PC): 72.5

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

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

Editor's note: An error in addition in the rain measurements in early February has lead to the "To date this season (Idy)" figures to be a little high (.43 inches). The total has been adjusted this week. Thanks to Kelly at IWD for bringing the error to our attention.

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OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

By BRUCE WATTS

Lonesome dove

As many of my readers already know from my previous columns, I am a bird lover. I did a whole series on local birds in the past and more recently, I've written articles about the eagles at Lake Hemet.



The truth is that I am a bird watcher even though I don't run around with binoculars and a checklist of bird species. If I had a better camera, I would probably take a lot of bird pictures. But I guess I will leave that to the experts because it is very hard to capture good photos of birds with a point and shoot camera.

Last week, I was sitting in my truck when I saw a small bird take a snow bath. At least, that's what it appeared to be doing.

The bird hopped into a depression in the snow and after much flapping of its wings, which lasted about 45 seconds, it hopped back out again — just as it would act in a birdbath.

While visiting a friend a couple of days later, someone stopped and pulled a wire cage out of their car. After the person left the cage on the floor, I asked my friend what he was going to do with an injured band-tailed pigeon since he was in the process of moving. It seemed like a difficult time for him to take on the responsibility of dealing with a pigeon with a broken wing.

One thing led to another and I ended up trying to find someone who could help and care for the injured bird. Since I have two cats and a studio apartment, bringing the pigeon home was not an option.

My first lead was to look for Frank over at the Red Kettle. After a couple of tries, I found him out front sitting in the sun. He said there was nothing he could do. He suggested I inquire at ARF where he knew of a woman who took in birds; but he could not remember her name.

At ARF, the nice lady working there pointed to a name and number on the bulletin board. She was kind enough to dial the number for me and the woman I talked to had just got out of the hospital. Since she could not help, she recommended I take the bird to The Living Desert in Palm Desert.

I visited The Living Desert website and found they only care for native species. Then I did more research.

I discovered the ring-tailed pigeon, *Columba fasciata*, was indeed a native species. I called and left a message. When they returned my call, they said it was not a native species; therefore, they would not take the bird.

The Living Desert said I should call Wild Wings in



"The first blue birds means that spring is on its way," wrote **Vi Hallacy**. She captured this pair in her backyard.

PHOTOS BY VI HALLACY



Idyllwild sculptor **David Salk** displays his artistic pottery at the Wildflower Festival on Saturday. PHOTO BY HALIE JOHNSON

San Dimas. Wild Wings recommended I call a place in Murrieta — it no longer takes birds.

Finally out of frustration, I asked a neighbor who took me to a second neighbor's house. There, this neighbor called someone that wasn't home and left a message.

Today is another day. If the pigeon is still alive, I will once again try and find someone to care for it. I don't know if I can save this bird but I know I have to try.



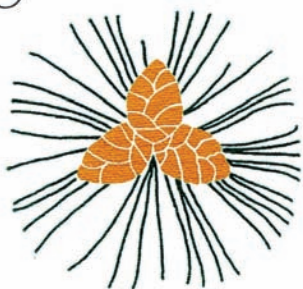
If any roses ever deserved the label "easy," surely it is the hybrid rugosa roses. The ancestor of this class is a central Asian species, *Rosa rugosa*. They are one of the hardiest and easiest roses to grow not only in cold climates, but in nearly every American growing zone. They are drought resistant, tolerant of poor soil conditions and very disease resistant. They are nearly immune to black spot and mildew, and actually don't like being sprayed with chemicals. PHOTO COURTESY OF HAROLD VOORHEIS



The Wildflower Festival in Palm Desert at the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Visitor Center was well-attended. Idyllwild Nature Center volunteer **Scott Fisher** answers questions about the Hill during the Wildflower Festival. PHOTO BY HALIE JOHNSON

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Historical commission hears Idyllwild application

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

On Thursday, March 17, the Riverside County Historical Commission will review an application to create an Idyllwild Historic Preservation District. Keith Herron, chief preservation officer, Riverside County Parks and Open Space District, will present the completed application to the commission. Parks and Open Space is the petitioner.

Herron noted the 11-member Historical Commission has been kept apprised of all steps to date in the over two year process leading up to presentation of the Idyllwild application. Those steps included the county's hiring of LSA Associates to survey Idyllwild's central business core to determine existence of buildings of historical significance; completion of the survey with a determination of the existence of significant historical resources within the proposed district; a series of informational meetings held in Idyllwild with residents and land-owners in the proposed district; and drafting by County Planning, Parks and Open Space and County Counsel, and passage by the Board of Supervisors of revised Historic District Ordinance 578.

Herron said the Historical Commission would meet

in open session at the San Geronio Pass Historical Society at 1:30 p.m. on March 17. "I'll be presenting the application with a recommendation to the commission to approve because the application for the proposed Idyllwild district meets the criteria outlined in Ordinance 578," said Herron.

Landowners within the proposed Idyllwild district may attend to raise questions or voice opposition. This is the penultimate opportunity for landowners within the proposed district to lodge opposition. The last opportunity will be a Board of Supervisors hearing and vote on district formation, which Herron hopes will occur in April. Barring significant opposition, the Board of Supervisors will likely vote to approve creation of an Idyllwild Historic Preservation District. The district is an idea Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone has championed to ensure preservation of Idyllwild's unique character and appearance and carve out some code compliance flexibility for its business core of mainly older commercial buildings.

The San Geronio Pass Historical Society meets at the Beaumont Women's Club building, 306 E. Sixth Street in Beaumont.

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

Announcement notices

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

For more information and a form, call Shane Fender at (951) 659-2145.

CLUBS

High Country Garden Club

Dr. Seymour Lesonsky will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the **High Country Garden Club** at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 12. Lesonsky's topic of discussion is "Mushrooms on a Log: Growing culinary mushrooms in your home garden."

The club meets at Lizzy Anne's Garden Center, Highway 371 and Contreras Road, in Anza. For more information, contact **Annika Knoppel** at (888) 834-9005, ext. 5, or e-mail hcgardenclub@gmail.com.

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

ONLY IN IDYLLWILD

Recently, I walked to town to enjoy the snow. I was loaded with books and I headed to the Gastrognome for breakfast and to catch up on my reading. I sat down, but when I opened my glass's case, I found I had forgotten to put my reading glasses inside. How dumb and frustrating. The waitress came over and asked me what was wrong. I explained the silly thing I had done. She left and returned in a few minutes with a box full of reading glasses. I found a pair that worked and enjoyed my reading and my meal ... only in Idyllwild.

Susan Swanson
Idyllwild

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



Last Friday, Mountain High Escrow celebrated its 1-year anniversary on the same day it became the latest business to join the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce. Holding the ceremonial ribbon at its location in Victorian Square, are **Steve Taylor**, far left, president of the Idyllwild Association of Realtors, and **Julie Johnson**, far right, Chamber director. Holding the scissors is **JoAnn Graham**, owner, accompanied by **Sue Westfall**, escrow officer. PHOTO BY CID CASTILLO

Birth Announcement Jack Michael Garrison



Beth Nottley, Town Crier staff reporter, is the proud grandmother of her first grandchild, Jack Michael Garrison.

Jack was born to Beth's daughter, Rachael, and son-in-law, Paul Garrison, at 10:47 p.m., Friday, Feb. 25, 2011 at Sharp Chula Vista Medical Center. At birth he weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 inches long. He also had a full head of hair.

The Garrisons are both employed by Sweetwater School District. Rachael works with developmentally disabled children and Paul with the afterschool mentoring program.

Jack is welcomed by a large and extended family and is already dearly loved.

MOUNTAIN FOLK

Proud and well-fed husband Joel Bratten let the Town Crier know that his wife, Holly, was a big winner at the Riverside County Fair and National Date Festival for her home cooking and home preserves entries. She won eight first-place ribbons, four best of division ribbons and five second-place ribbons.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 12.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

• Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.

• Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Honey Bunns & Joe Bakery, 54385 North Circle Dr. Ste. 154, next to ARF.

• Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.

• La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.

• Pine Cove Water District, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.

• 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).

• Women's Guild, speaker at noon, Community Presbyterian church, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.

• 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.

• Mountain Disaster Preparedness, 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave.

• Anza Municipal Advisory Council, 7 p.m. Anza Community Building, 56630 Hwy. 371, Anza.

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

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

• MEMSCOMM, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.

• "Forgotten God," Women's Ministry Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Chapel in the Pines Church office, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.

• Idyllwild Francophonie (fluent-French speakers), noon, Café Aroma, 54750 North Circle. RSVP, call Francoise Frigola at 659-4146 for information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal

Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

• Lemon Lily Festival Steering Committee, 1 p.m. Nature Center, 25225 Hwy 243.

• ESL class, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild School Library, 26700 Hwy. 243.

• Mile High Radio Club, 6:30 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.

• RACES, 6:30 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.

• CSA 36 with ICRC joint meeting, 5:30 p.m.; separate ICRC meeting to follow, IWD Board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 11

• 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, MARCH 12

• High Country Garden Club, "Mushrooms on a log," 10:30 a.m. Lizzy Anne's Garden Center, Highway 371 and Contreras Road, Anza.

• Stand in Silence Vigil for Peace, Justice and Nonviolence, noon. Town center. Call 659-2718.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7 p.m. Community Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

• 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.

• Mountain Communities of Resilience, Recycled denim utility aprons (all materials provided), 2 p.m. Call or e-mail for address and directions, Eve (951) 491-5622, EveAMC@aol.com.

• Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts" open meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

MONDAY, MARCH 14

• AA Women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Call Betty for location (951) 468-4032.

• Associates of Idyllwild Arts, 10 a.m. Wilson classroom, 52500 Temecula Dr.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, noon & 7:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

• 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.

• Pinyon Communities Council, 7 p.m. Pinyon Fire Station, 70080 Hwy. 74, Pinyon.

• Observational Drawing, 7-9 p.m. Town Hall.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

• Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council public board meeting, 9:30 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr. Call 659-5208 for information.

• Camp Alandale's Friends 4 Orphans, 10 a.m. 25420 Lodge Rd.

• 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.

• Healthy Lifestyle Class, 5:15 p.m. optional weigh-in; health talk by Brenda Scherlis, 5:30 p.m. Silver Pines Lodge, 25955 Cedar St.

• Cancer Self-help group, 5:30 p.m. Call 659-6262.

• Idyllwild Water District board meeting, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Water District, board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.

• ESL classes, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild School Library computer lab, 26700 Hwy. 243.

• Hemet Unified School District board meeting, 7 p.m. IWD board room, 25945 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.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

• Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.

• Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Honey Bunns & Joe Bakery, 54385 North Circle Dr. Ste. 154, next to ARF.

• Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.

• Garner Valley Book Club, 10:30 a.m. Call 659-6049 for location.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, women only, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.



Nineteen Marines and support personnel from Camp Pendleton's Combat Logistics Regiment 15 rode motorcycles to Idyllwild's American Legion Post 800 last Friday. While here, they enjoyed a hamburger and hot dog lunch hosted by Legion members. According to Legion Commander **Traci Phillipi** and House Committee Chairman **Danny Richardson**, several of the Marines decided to become members of the local post.

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(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).

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

• Idyllwild Library, 54185 Pine Crest Ave., 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday & Friday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Wednesday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, 659-2300.

• Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. 659-3850.

• Idyllwild Skate Park, Idyllwild Pines Camp, 26375 Highway 243, 2:30 p.m.-dusk Wednesday & Thursday; 1:30 p.m.-dusk Friday; noon-dusk weekends.

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Sunshine Week begins Sunday, as does daylight saving time (yes, at 2 a.m.). So remember Spring forward (we lose an hour) and Fall back. Sunshine Week is not a reference to "Mr. Sunshine" with one of my "Friends," Matthew Perry, nor do I mean "Little Miss Sunshine" or one of my favorites, "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind." Or even, "Good Morning Sunshine," but as the weather changes we can "take a walk in the sun" but it's no "Daydream."

Sunshine Week is the geek term for encouraging more open government. Just as legislators have deemed it appropriate to approve a sunset limit on legislation so that it does not advance into eternity without periodic review of its relevance. The second week of March is now called Sunshine Week (perhaps its an unconscious desire for Spring weather to return).

Let the sun shine on the acts of governments — national, state, county or local. Allow people access to the information that is theirs because they are citizens, residents and taxpayers of these jurisdictions.

Sunshine Week is the antithesis of Bell, Calif., and its supposed public servants. Rather than concealing actions and obfuscating the truth, Sunshine would allow you to see and know what those guys (or sometimes gals) are doing.

As a result of Bell's city management, John Chiang, California's Controller, is posting employee expenses, which are now available online (sco.ca.gov/compensation_search.html) anytime of the day. The Town Crier has published the data for the four Hill special districts — Fern Valley, Idyllwild and Pine Cove water districts and Idyllwild Fire Protection District.

While you may have some specific questions and other problems related to costs, I think there a general pattern of consistency among these agencies' salary rates.

On the other hand, I suggest you review the Lake Hemet Municipal Water District data on page 24. Some notable outliers can be seen there. For example, one director receives more health, dental, vision or other insurance than any employee. Hope his health improves.

I'd like to remind you that one of the directors — Larry Minor — recently pleaded guilty to campaign finance violations. He was

charged with perjury, but that charge was dropped as part of the plea bargain.

By the way, one of the conditions of the bargain was that he make no campaign contributions for three years. Hmm! The state attorney was really playing hard ball with that condition. Minor's term expires in four years, guess he can self-finance that.

I am not suggesting he is the director with the insurance benefits, but I know that after we wrote our story, both the Press Enterprise and the Valley Chronicle asked him to resign.

Maybe a little more sunshine, and its concomitant heat, are necessary to aid the public process. But there are local issues that more light and sunshine might help us residents understand.

For example, whatever happened to the 2007 complaint filed with the State Water Resources Control Board over Idyllwild Water District's claim to the full flow of Strawberry Creek? The SWRCB had someone visit the district and review the physical situation that summer. Maybe it got filed in the warehouse with the "Lost Ark."

What about IFPD's closed session last month? One of the reasons was the chief's evaluation — a legal reason for conducting a closed session. But his contract states his salary can be adjusted after six months on the job.

Since he was sworn into office on Aug. 1, the closed session might be connected to this contract clause. But interestingly, the agenda for last night's IFPD meeting did not mention the chief's compensation. Or those captains who claim former Chief Steve Kunkle had given them raises without consulting the commission. It's been on the agenda several times in the past year, but always deferred. The commission even tried to use a closed session, but fortunately some sunshine revealed the possible clandestine action.

Finally, what about the most egregious closet on the Hill — the San Jacinto Mountain Community Center, Inc. — otherwise known to the public as the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council? This is a private, self-appointed group who have no accountability to the public.

In the coming weeks, we'll shine some light on the actions that have not resulted in the promised community center. The donor's good will, we hope, will be extended, beyond the original 3-year deadline, which is nearly up.

J.P., EDITOR

READERS WRITE

Agree with Mr. Berezky

EDITOR:

I was quite disappointed in your "Initial thoughts" column titled, "How do we pay for state parks?" [in the March 3 issue].

I previously read the two columns ["Off the leash" by Conor O'Farrell and "Initial thoughts" in the Feb. 17 issue] written in the

Town Crier on this issue. While I did not agree with those columns, I respect the paper's right to publish those opinions.

Mr. Berezky's letter to the editor [in the March 3 issue] expressed my views on this issue very well and I am disappointed that you thought it was necessary to rebut and disagree with his opinion.

Mostly I am surprised

that you elected to call Mr. Berezky a "free rider" in the last paragraph of your column.

Is our local newspaper editor's column to be used to berate and label our citizens when their opinion does not agree with the paper's opinion? I expect better from professional journalists.

WILLIAM L. RAGLAND
 PINE COVE

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Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



Daylight saving time begins



Daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m. March 13, 2011. Change your clocks ahead one hour.

And remember, it is also a good time to change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Doing so helps ensure they will function properly.

Matter of fact

In the March 3 edition of the Town Crier, a photo of a truck without wheels at the Pine Cove Garage was published. The owner of the truck and operator of the garage, Tim Rood, says he is restoring the vehicle. He said its condition is not the result of vandalism of the truck as the photo caption stated.

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TOWN TALK

By CID CASTILLO, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Do you know when to change to daylight saving time?



Sharon Price
Idyllwild

Retired business owner
"I honestly don't know precisely when. I'll just watch the 5 o'clock news on TV."



Helle Pearson
Idyllwild and Carlsbad
Author – life coach

"I know it's this weekend. It affects what time you get up and take advantage of more daylight hours."



Viv Larson
Idyllwild

Retired registered nurse
"I know it used to be at the end of March but they moved it to the second Sunday of the month."



Chris Johnson
Idyllwild
Retired eighth-grade science teacher

"I know it's this weekend, but as to exactly when, I'm at a total loss. I know it's at 2 a.m."

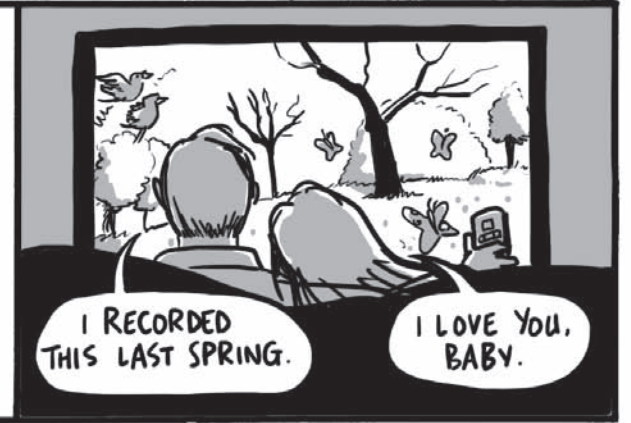
Strange but true

A form of air conditioning existed as far back as ancient Rome. Wealthy citizens had piping installed in the walls of their homes through which water from an aqueduct would circulate, cooling the interior.

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illustrator writer



OFF THE MAIN ROADS

By LES WALKER, RMRU MEMBER

Responsibility for the cost of rescues ...

Should those saved by search-and-rescue teams be billed for the cost of their rescue?

The issue has long been debated within the outdoor community — both here in Idyllwild and across the world. Organizations that respond to search and rescues have long opposed the concept of charging for their efforts.

The press release issued last week by National Association for Search and Rescue (NASAR), the Mountain Rescue Association and the National Park Service reiterated the stance of those groups. Consistently, they either oppose billing or do not bill people after a search-and-rescue operation.

"Although it remains a local decision, billing for search-and-rescue operations is a dangerous practice that should be avoided," said NASAR President Dan Hourihan.

Having been on both sides of the rescue, I have been giving serious thought to this debate. And, I feel the sooner the search-and-rescue team is notified and dispatched, the better the outcome will be for the endangered hiker, skier, boater or whomever needs rescuing.

Calling the team out as quickly as possible is essential. For every hour that passes, an injured subject's condition deteriorates. For example, a hypothermic subject can slip into unconsciousness or a lost subject can stumble away or slip over a cliff. An hour can make a dramatic difference in a rescue situation. Each minute of delay increases the possible search area.

We don't want anybody delaying their call to 9-1-1, hoping that little Johnny will finally make his way out the mountains on his own, simply because of the fear of possibly being charged for the rescue.

For the missing person's sake, we need to be called as soon as possible. Hiding from rescuers is a bad idea. We need to avoid the situation where the subject hides

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RENATE'S THOUGHTS

By RENATE CAINE, Ph.D.

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, NATURAL LEARNING RESEARCH INSTITUTE, IDYLLWILD

A different and effective teaching style (Part I) ...

I don't know how many people know that I grew up in northern (West) Germany after the war. For many Germans, this was definitely the worst of times. Individuals struggled to survive physically, but I wonder how many are aware of the tremendous number of individuals who were emotionally devastated. Many were in and out of mental institutions, and there were many teachers among them.

In the midst of this chaos, I had the great fortune to end up with a very exceptional teacher. She was young, gifted and talented and had grown up in a little town that had never been bombed. Although the Allies had actually scheduled to bomb it, the end of the war intervened.

What made this teacher and this time so unusual was that everyone had so much freedom. New regulations had not been established for schools and education. Also, there was little money to pay teachers so we only went to school two or three hours a day and from 8 to 10 a.m. on Saturdays.

On many days, too lovely to stay indoors, we would go on hikes to different places, which she felt to be educational. Most vivid in my memory are visits to the local "Schloss" or castle. Unlike many of today's museums, the various rooms were still as if the people lived there rather than rooms filled with isolated pieces that are grouped and labeled.

Rooms had been largely left intact. This allowed my imagination to run free as I saw myself living in this kind of environment. Our teacher didn't work with us from a prepared "lesson," instead she often pointed things out, linked items to historical events or told stories.

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By Appointment Only

Lt. Geoff Raya joins Hemet Station

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

New Hemet Station Lt. Geoff Raya is a self-described fitness buff and marathon runner who understands the importance of disciplined preparation prior to beginning any contest. That combination of fitness, preparation and endurance will be helpful given the station's large physical jurisdiction, expanding needs and budget challenges.

"I'm often in a sprint," he acknowledged, having covered much of his 890-square-mile territory since becoming the station's sole lieutenant on Jan. 27.

On how he intends to interact with the constituents he serves, Raya said, "I'll be a human being who tries to best represent your [constituent] interests as well as the interests of the Sheriff's Department." Raya affirmed that current community policing policies that maintain two deputies on the Hill at all times would remain station policy.

Raya is a poised and articulate communicator, reminiscent of a likeable and accessible young college professor. He credits two stints as an administrator at the Sheriff's Academy, structuring coursework and implement-

ing training programs with helping his communication skills. He noted that during his academy assignment he was, for all intents and purposes, an educator.

Raya also tips his hat to his first important job at Disneyland as another venue where he developed the ability to communicate with people of many different cultures. "It was hard to leave that job," said Raya, a self-acknowledged "railroad buff." When first hired, Raya worked the parking lot but was happy to find it was part of the same department as the Disneyland Railroad. And, typical of how Raya's career has accelerated on his chosen career tracks, the railroad was his next assignment.

While working at Disneyland, Raya took a course in law enforcement at Fullerton College and that experience moved him into his current profession. Just before graduating from the Sheriff's Academy in San Bernardino County, Raya was hired by Riverside County Sheriff's Department (RCSD). As a bright man in a hurry, he moved through a variety of RCSD assignments, including the county jail and Perris, Jurupa Valley and Moreno Valley stations.

Of his Hemet Station as-

Season's last eagle count Saturday

BY BETH NOTTLEY
STAFF REPORTER

Volunteers are still being sought to help the Forest Service count bald eagles at Lake Hemet and four other locations in the San Jacinto and San Bernardino Mountains on Saturday, March 12.

Although the bald eagle's population in the mountains of Riverside and San Bernardino counties has been declining over the past decade, there has been a permanent breeding pair observed at Lake Hemet since 2003, a turning point for local representatives of the national symbol when the pair successfully fledged two chicks — the first hatching of bald eagles in the wild in Southern California in 50 years.

A new female arrived at Lake Hemet in 2004 and mated with the same male. Since bald eagles mate for life, scientists speculate

signment, Raya said, "Every station has its own culture. Hemet is probably one of the most interdependent stations I've seen. People depend on each other. We're jacks of many trades." Raya said he was surprised to find there was no resistance whatever from other station staff to his posting as lieutenant.

that his previous mate had died.

This pair has been observed at Lake Hemet most years since and has produced chicks in many of those years. Although they were not seen in January's count this season, they were spotted in February. This year is the Forest Service's 32nd year counting the area's bald eagle population.

Volunteers for this Saturday's count, the final one of the season, should meet at the Lake Hemet Market at 8:30 a.m. No experience is needed. They are advised to dress warmly and bring binoculars and a watch, if possible.

For more information about the Lake Hemet count, contact Forest Service District Wildlife Biologist Ann Poopatanapong at (909) 382-2935.

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

Raya, who shares a youthful vigor and ease of communicating with prior station commander Captain John Pingel, acknowledged Pingel's influence on his career. "John Pingel has been a mentor to me," he said. "He inspired me to be better."

Raya is married with two

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One of the Lake Hemet bald eagles resting last week.

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Stone

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one of the regular sponsors for the Jazz in the Pines festival that benefits Idyllwild Arts student scholarships.

Marsha Lytle, this year's committee chair for Jazz in the Pines, said, "Stone has been one of our largest supporters financially. We really appreciate his support and hope to continue the relationship into the future."

Stone has, from 2004 to 2008, regularly gifted the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce from discretionary funds at his disposal. The last gift, through the Economic Development Agency, was for \$20,000 in 2008. Nick Todd, current president of the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce acknowledged that, given the county's current economic plight, the Chamber can't rely on future large gifts. Nevertheless, Todd noted the value of Stone's ongoing assistance. "Supervisor Stone has always asked how he can be of help, and has provided resources to help us bring visitors and businesses up the Hill," said Todd. "He and his

staff have never failed to answer questions, provide information and assist us, as he could, when asked."

Doug Yagaloff, business owner and Idyllwild Business Roundtable facilitator, said this of Stone's support: "As our business community has become more focused and unified, we have reached out to Supervisor Stone for support and leadership. Through financial and agency assistance, he has never said no when we needed the support of our county government."

And even as an economic recession began to affect Stone's ability to use his discretionary funds for constituent programs or projects, he continued to promote the economic viability of this community with contributions that totaled more than \$400,000.

In addition, Stone led the fight for a new Idyllwild Library and managed to secure commitment of over \$1.5 million in Community Development Funds for a remodel of the Cornet Building in Strawberry Creek Plaza. Construction begins this May.

On behalf of Idyllwild HELP Center, a frequent

Supervisor Stone's funds for Idyllwild January 2008 through March 10, 2011	
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2010	Riverside County EDA funds: Idyllwild Film Festival — \$5,000
2011	Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce booth at County Fair — \$300 booth at Temecula Balloon and Wine Festival — \$200; Idyllwild HELP Center food assistance — \$1,742.33
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beneficiary, President Lou Bacher, said, "Supervisor Stone has been a staunch ally of the Idyllwild HELP Center. He visited the center

last year with his staff and encouraged us to contact him for any specific needs we may have for our clients. Over the past few years, he has

contributed holiday turkeys and money for our utility fund and other services. He has clearly stated he would do anything within his power

to serve the community and continue our mission."

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

HUSD

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district's positions regarding agreements on teacher layoffs for academic year 2011-12.

HTA representatives claimed the district had agreed to limit next year's teacher layoffs to 13 (rather than 86 certificated teaching, counseling, psychologist and nursing staff announced by HUSD on Feb. 1).

As a result, HTA felt the district had violated its agreement and lambasted board members for "lack of integrity." Trustee and attorney Joe Wojcik stated the board was unaware of any such agreement and, in fact,

the agreement on 13 layoffs is nowhere reflected in the 2010 Tentative Agreement between HTA and HUSD that serves as the template for the upcoming year.

In a Tuesday, March 8 telephone interview, HTA President Jim Brigham acknowledged the layoff limit of 13 teachers had been a "gentlemen's agreement," and one that was never written. Brigham said the agreement moved forward last year with the blessing and participation of previous HUSD Superintendent Dr. Phillip Pendley and previous HTA President Jerry Hall. Brigham said that Platter had led the administration's negotiating team.

Brigham also acknowledged that a condition of

the verbal agreement was that more teachers might face the ax should budget conditions worsen. However, Brigham and HTA don't agree that budget conditions have worsened, notwithstanding the looming failure of Governor Brown's tax extensions. "There's enough surplus, \$23 million, in the district's budget, that we don't believe these additional cuts are necessary this year," said Brigham.

HUSD Trustee Bill Sanborn said that the handshake agreement may have targeted only 13 layoffs but that would have been based on financial conditions remaining the same, and that conditions have changed substantially. "I don't think Mr. Brigham

realized [on March 1] the 13 target layoffs were never put in the collective bargaining agreement and brought to the board," he noted. "Our job is to represent the community's interests. The union has a 2-year agreement for salaries that they don't want to change. We deal with what we've got."

Sanborn also posited that HTA does not want to reduce tenured salary levels because teachers want to retire at their highest pay grade, for reasons of retirement benefits. Brigham, when asked about that, replied, "We do not endorse layoffs of any kind, but if they have to happen, it's better to keep experienced teachers with multiple credentials."

Sanborn said that budget cuts will cause class sizes to grow and that would affect quality in the classroom. He also noted that the next

school year could be curtailed by 20 days.

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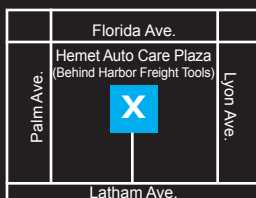
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Salter 9th in nationals

At the U.S. Skeleton National Championships this past weekend, Lauren Salter of Idyllwild finished ninth in the women's division. She competed against sliders with all different experience ranges, including Olympian (Katie Uhlaender), the World Cup team, and the developmental team experience.

"I'm a little disappointed in my performance, but I know that the experienced gained from that race will help me into the next season," Salter said.

Her skeleton season is not over yet. She will also be one of four female sliders representing the U.S. in the upcoming FIBT (Federation Internationale de Bobsleigh et de Tobogganing) driving school and in the final America's Cup race of the season on April 2 and 3. This is an international race, and will feature athletes from several different countries.

Steele and many over par in Florida

By JACK CLARK
PROFESSIONAL GOLF CORRESPONDENT

Brendan Steele returned to playing weekend golf at last week's Honda Classic in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. While his 291 — 74-71-76-70 was 11 over par, at this course, where only 13 golfers were under par and three more held par for the four days, he still earned a paycheck — a little over \$12,000.

Steele found himself in good company with some familiar names, including David Duval (also +11), Ernie Els (+16), this year's hottest young rookie, Jhonattan Vegas of Venezuela (+16) and Trevor Immelman (+18).

With total winnings of \$113,220 so far this year, Steele is positioned 120th on the all-important PGA Tour money list. He needs to finish the year in the top 125 in order to assure keeping his PGA Tour card for next year.

This week Steele plays in the \$3.5-million Puerto Rico Open, played on the Trump International Golf Club course in Rio Grande, Puerto Rico. The winner's share is \$630,000.

Idyllwild Triathletes begin 2011 well

Idyllwild's triathletes — Brad Rechtfertig and Bill Whitman — competed this weekend in the Desert Triathlon held at Lake Cahuilla in La Quinta.

The race's components were a 500 meter swim, 14 mile bike race and a three mile run. Rechtfertig finished fifth overall and was second in the men's 35 to 39-years-old group. Whitman was twentieth overall and sixth in his age group (men's 45 to 49 years-old).

"This is way earlier than I usually race but a few of my buddies from San Diego talked me into doing it," Rechtfertig said. "My first race is usually in June or so. It went pretty well though, especially for this early in the season ... It was a super close race, only 30 seconds of separation between first and fifth overall.

"It's early in the season for both of us, but we expect good things this year," Rechtfertig added.



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Girls soccer season ends sadly

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

On a sunny Tuesday afternoon, the Hemet High School girls soccer team lost to San Dimas High School 3-1. The afternoon's play was definitely not a delight and ended the team's extended season in the California Interscholastic Federation's Southern Section Soccer tournament.

Despite many scoring opportunities, including a long leading pass from defender Savannah Loutzenhiser to Rosie Robinson, the team was not able to finish the plays with a

score. Hemet's Bree Cambra's goal came late in the game after San Dimas had forged a 3-0 lead.

On Friday, San Dimas played St. Margaret's High School, from Orange County, in the Division 6 championship. St. Margaret's, who had lost in the semifinals for three consecutive years, won 2-0.

Despite losing several seniors from the team, Hemet returns most of its starters including Loutzenhiser and Robinson Megan Read. Idyllwild sophomore Danika Hitchcock may move up to the varsity.

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One of the San Dimas' three goals eludes the Hemet keeper.



Rosie Robinson takes the ball down field during one of many Hemet attacks on the San Dimas goal.

The Hemet High School girls soccer team lost its semi-final California Interscholastic Federation — Southern Section girls soccer game to San Dimas. Three current Idyllwild students — **Danika Hitchcock**, **Savannah Loutzenhiser** and **Megan Read** — and one former Idyllwild resident — **Rosie Robinson** — are members of the soccer team. PHOTOS BY J.P. CRUMRINE



Savannah Loutzenhiser (No. 3) thwarts an offensive attack during Tuesday's semifinal game.

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SPORTS

Town Hall Youth Basketball

Town Hall Recreation Director **Bob Lewis** reported on youth basketball for both the kindergarten through third-grade division and the third- through sixth-grade division.

Kindergarten through third-grade division

On Friday, March 4, the first place Suburban Propane Wildcats met the second place Rotary Buckeyes. The first half was back and forth and ended tied 5-5 at halftime. **Allyah Bride** played a good game for the Wildcats with good passing and dribbling. **Reese Whitney** also had a good game for the Buckeyes, scoring two points and playing tough defense. In the second half, the Buckeyes pulled away and won 13-9. Both teams are now 6-2 and tied for first place.

In the second game, the Rainbow Inn Ducks battled the Idyllwild Arts Wolverines. **Zach Gray** played a very good game for the Ducks with good passing and scored 2 points. **Aiden McLean** played well for the Wolverines with his hustle and teamwork, but it wasn't quite enough as the Ducks beat the Wolverines 15-6.

Division Standings

Team	Wins	Losses
Rotary Buckeyes	6	2
Suburban Propane Wildcats	6	2
Rainbow Inn Ducks	3	5
Idyllwild Arts Wolverines	1	7

Third- through sixth-grade division

On Monday, Feb. 28, the Forest Lumber Warriors played the Town Hall Hornets for first place and produced an exciting game throughout the contest. The Hornets jumped to an early lead thanks to **Chance Vladika's** good shooting, which netted five points. The Warriors responded and captured the lead for good in the third quarter when **Zach Fogle** scored four of his eight points as the Warriors beat the Hornets 14-12 and took sole possession of first place.

The second game between the American Legion Timberwolves and the Fairway Market Lakers went into overtime. The Lakers built a comfortable lead behind **Amara Wilson's** tenacious defense and great hustle. But the Timberwolves came roaring back in the final quarter to send the game



Left, Idyllwild's No. 5 **Micah Hitchcock** concentrates on the ball as he is closely shadowed by a player from Pinacate School, which won last week's game. Below, Idyllwild's No. 21 **Sierra Gehm**, far right, slaps the ball away from a Pinacate player and toward teammate **Grace Lehman-Alvarez**. Idyllwild's **Mallory Marcus**, left, gets in good position and readies for a pass. The Idyllwild girls defeated Pinacate.

PHOTOS BY CID CASTILLO



into overtime thanks to a key bucket by **Noah Rutherford**. In the overtime period, **Nick Anderson's** stole the ball in the back court and scored the only bucket as the Lakers squeaked past the Timberwolves 13-11.

Division Standings

Team	Wins	Losses
Forest Lumber Warriors	7	1
Town Hall Hornets	5	3
Fairway Market Lakers	3	5
American Legion Timberwolves	1	7

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Bring on the dogs!



Wiley, a springer spaniel, studies his prizes for being selected the 2011 Cutest Dog in the Town Crier annual contest. Accompanying Wiley were friends **Stephanie Webber** (center) and **Harry Griswold**. Webber accepted Wiley's new treasures from Town Crier Publisher **Grace Reed** (left). Not shown is ARF, which received \$55 in support from the contest fees.



Boss Hog sits patiently while companion **Shane Fender** (right) accepts the prizes from Town Crier Publisher **Grace Reed**. Boss Hog was chosen the 2011 Most Unusual Dog in the annual Town Crier Dog contest.

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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, March 9

"Black Swan," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
American Idol Telecast, 8-10 p.m. Café Aroma.

Thursday, March 10

Bridge, 12:30-4 p.m. Creekstone Inn. For information, call 659-4910.
"Black Swan," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
American Idol Telecast, 8-10 p.m. Café Aroma.

Friday, March 11

Live Entertainment, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Jo'An's.
Visual Art Junior Show, opening reception 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Show runs through March 18; Creative Writing Reading, 7:30 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Idyllwild Arts.
Sandii Castleberry, Paul Carman and Bill Saitta, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.
"Unknown," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Karaoke Night, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. Bone Daddy's.



Idyllwild resident **Jeff Freisen** (left) talks with attendees of his photography exhibition entitled "In Search of Water" at an artist's reception held last Saturday at Café Aroma. Many of the photos exhibited document the daily lives of people in the developing countries to which Freisen, a civil engineer, has helped to bring safe drinking water and sanitation through his volunteer work with the World Water Corps. His exhibit runs through April.

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Saturday, March 12

David Jerome, 9 a.m.-noon. Café Aroma.
"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," Historical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum.
Idyllwild Arts Day in L.A. 25th

anniversary of Idyllwild Arts Academy, Art and multimedia exhibitions, 2 p.m.; Student performances and documentary screening, 3 and 5:30 p.m. REDCAT, Walt Disney Concert Hall.
"Unknown," 2, 4:30 and 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Sandii Castleberry and Paul Carman, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

Eye of the Artist: Art Alliance Annual Fundraiser and Reception, drawings, silent auction and refreshments, 7-9 p.m. Rainbow Inn.

Karaoke with Kathy, 7-11 p.m. Jo'An's.

Live Entertainment, 9 p.m.-close. Bone Daddy's.

Sunday, March 13

Ernesto Ale, 9 a.m.-noon. Café Aroma.
"Unknown," 2, 4:30 and 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Idyllwild Arts Gala: Honoring William M. Lowman, founding headmaster of Idyllwild Arts Academy, Millenium. Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, call 951-659-2171 ext. 2338 for ticket information.

Monday, March 14

Children's Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.
Mutts of the Planet, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
"Unknown," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Music in the Meadow, 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Tuesday, March 15
Seniors' Wii activities, 10-11 a.m. Town Hall.
Jazz Night, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.
"Unknown," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, March 16

The Friends of the Idyllwild Library and ICRC present: "Pierre-Auguste Renoir," reception, 5:30 p.m.; 6 p.m. presentation, Rainbow Inn, 54420 South Circle Drive.
"Unknown," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Spring Dance Concert, 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.
American Idol Telecast, 8-10 p.m. Café Aroma.

Thursday, March 17

American Legion Auxiliary, St. Patrick's Day celebration, 5-7 p.m. dinner; 7 p.m. games and music by Billy Sheppard, American Legion Post 800.
Two Micks & A Chick, 5:30-9 p.m. The Creek House.

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Abrams an Idol finalist; Zorrilla not



By Marshall Smith
Staff Reporter

Viewers voted Casey Abrams one of the top five male finalists in American Idol's season 10.

Julie Zorrilla, who spent her freshman year at Idyllwild Arts, is out. Viewers did not vote her in and judges did not choose her to sing for redemption and a chance to join the finalists.

A sixth male finalist, Stephano Langone, was saved by judges after a "sing for your life" showdown among six contestants not tapped by viewer voting. Judges also chose two additional women, Naima Adeda-

po and Ashton Jones, taking the number of season 10 finalists to 13 — six men and seven women.

Bloggers quickly affirmed viewer voting as, by and large, the right picks, but divided on the judges' saves. Abrams, tellingly, is prominent in an official American Idol photo of the 13 finalists. And, in the blogosphere, many are picking Abrams to win.

The men finalists are: Abrams; Scotty McCreery, James Durbin, Paul McDonald Jacob Lusk and Langone. Idol reviewers note that none of the male finalists, with the possible exception of Langone, fit the mold of past male



Far left, Casey Abrams singing "Nature Boy" at his 2009 Idyllwild Arts senior recital.

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PAM PIERCE

Left, American Idol's 13 finalists, with Abrams at center front.

PHOTO BY
MICHAEL BECKER, FOX

Idyllwild School Principal Matt Kraemer's students of the week are third-grader **Emily Hill** and second-grader **Kaci Uecker**. Instructional Aide **Michelle Akins-Johnson** chose these students for always doing their personal best and for being kind to other students.

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Idol winners; each is just different enough from the traditional Idol cookie-cutter pop singer mold that the contest among the men should shape up to be very interesting according to online commentators.

Reviewers have characterized the female field as being "generic" — not particularly distinguished or interesting. The remaining women are: Pia Toacano, Lauren Alaina, Karen Rodriguez, Thia Megla, Haley Reinhart, Adedapo and Jones.

Idol airs on Wednesday and Thursday, March 9 and 10 at 8 p.m. Contestants sing live and 1 of the 13 finalists will be voted off, with the eliminated contestant announced on March 10.

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Saturday, March 12

Idyllwild Arts Day in LA. Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Idyllwild Arts Academy. Art & multimedia exhibitions, 2PM. Student performances and documentary screening, 3PM & 5:30PM. REDCAT, Walt Disney Concert Hall. Event is free and open to the public.

Sunday, March 13

Idyllwild Arts Gala. Honoring William M. Lowman, founding Headmaster of Idyllwild Arts Academy. Millenium Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles. Call 951-659-2171 x2338 for ticket information.

Monday, March 14

Music in the Meadow. 7:30PM, Stephens Recital Hall.



Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, March 16, 17 & 18

Spring Dance Concert. 7:30PM, IAF Theatre.

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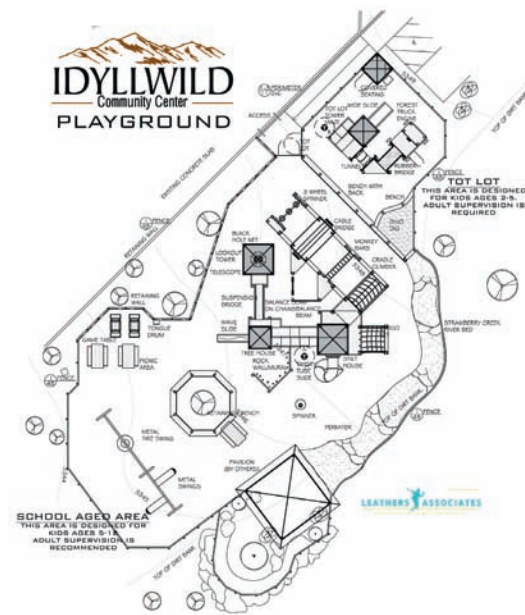
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Playground

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percent mid-point goal of recruiting 700 volunteers for the weeklong build was well exceeded, with 350 volunteers committed. "This does not include employees from All State (insurance), Lowe's and the Forest Service who have promised to help," said Sonnier.

Of the type of volunteer sought, she said, "We are looking for everyone. People ages 10 to 100, skilled and unskilled in construction, for every aspect of the build." She likened the effort to an old-fashioned barn raising and said that volunteers are even needed to cook and serve food to other workers. Spanish speaking volunteers and captains are also sought.

A drawing of the planned playground that will be located on the future Community Center site on Highway 243 is now posted on the ICRC website, www.idyllwildrecreation.org. It details the playground that will contain both a tot lot and a school-aged playground area. Seating and picnic areas that will have game tables for children and adults will also be part of the site.

An aspect of the Playground Committee's fundraising effort has been to obtain financial sponsors for the various components (tables, swings, slides, climbing walls, etc.) of the playground and park. According to Sonnier, \$8,000 has been committed for components and another \$12,000 in sponsorships is being sought.

Community members have also

sponsored fence posts at \$100 each, which can be engraved with the donor's name. They will be used to ring the playground. There are a total of 420 fence posts needed and about a third have been sponsored.

Playground organizers are now focusing on the next phase of the project, which includes obtaining county approval of building plans, getting more donations of needed materials and having 100 percent of funds raised and volunteers committed by May 25. They are also still recruiting for four more Build Captains who can work at the playground the entire five days of the build.

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

Grace Reed contributed to this article.

A&E

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American Idol Telecast, 8-10 p.m. Café Aroma.

Friday, March 18

Live Entertainment, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Jo' An's.

Don Reed, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

Spring Dance Concert, 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

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

Saturday, March 19

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

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

Skeleton Crew, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

Karaoke with Kathy, 7-11 p.m. Jo' An's.

Blues Disciples, 9 p.m.-close. Bone Daddy's.

Sunday, March 20

Ernesto Alé, 9 a.m.-noon. Spring Equinox, Local Color Sings, 4-5 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.

Monday, March 21

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

Idyllwild Library. Black Swan Blues, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Tuesday, March 22

Seniors' Wii activities, 10-11 a.m. Town Hall.

Jazz Night, 6-9 p.m. Café Aroma.

Anza Earth Day planned

The 4th Annual Anza Earth Day will be held on from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 14. The theme for 2011 is LIVE LOCAL.

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MDP conducts earthquake exercise

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

On Sunday, March 6, Mountain Disaster Preparedness (MDP) conducted a planned, but previously unannounced, post-earthquake field exercise. The scenario posited a 7.1 earthquake that left major damage in Pine Cove and Fern Valley. At 3:40 p.m. MDP Director David Alt issued a radio call to more than 80 local volunteer emergency responders.

Alt, also the Disaster Aid Station's (DAS) coordinator, asked members to report to the Pine Cove DAS (A) and DAS (C) in Fern Valley. Out of 90 called out, about 24 showed up, and the majority of them were the volunteers who regularly turn out for drills.

Alt fretted that in a real earthquake, in which most volunteers would have substantially more difficulty getting to DAS units, a disappointing proportional showing like this could cost lives. Peter Lent, deputy director of Riverside County's Office of Emergency Services (OES), notes that volunteers are plentiful after a disaster occurs, but

often scarce during valuable and essential training missions such as MDP's Sunday simulation.

The well-planned exercise featured eight houses, four at each DAS unit, to which teams were dispatched after reporting to their respective DAS locations. Volunteers found sealed envelopes at each house describing four to six emergencies for which respondents had to radio medical staff, headed by Dr. Dick Goldberg at IFPD's treatment room, for directives and triage advice. They also had to radio Incident Command (IC) regarding dangerous physical conditions on the ground.

In one medical emergency scenario, one Fern Valley team radioed seeing a man walk out of a badly damaged house and collapse. They reported he subsequently had no visible pulse. Medical radioed back, "If no pulse, you must leave him and just go on." In triage, the rule is you leave those who most likely cannot be saved and move on to others who can.

In another test of guidelines that put safety of



MDP's medical team at the Idyllwild Fire Station: (from left) Vivian Larson, nurse; Dr. Dick Goldberg, MDP's medical director; and Sallie Warwick, assisting.

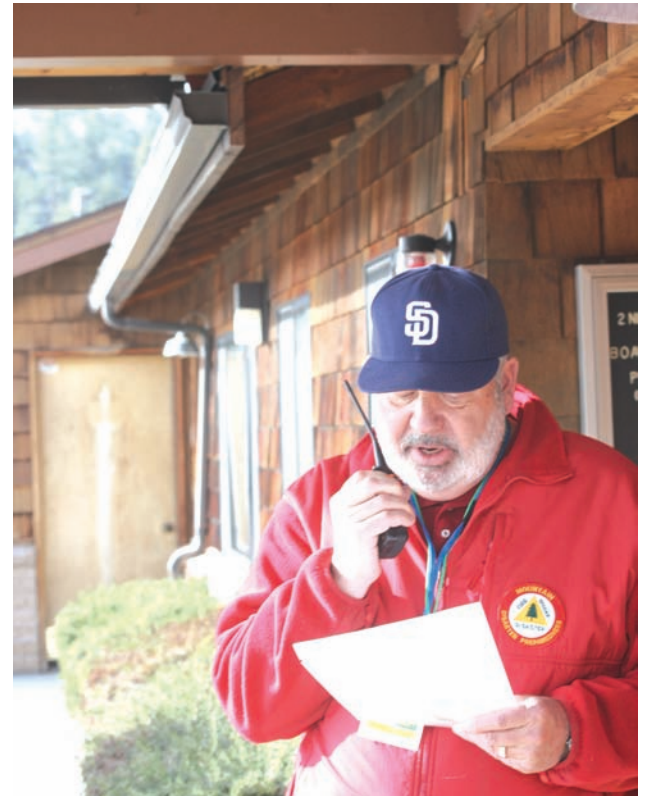
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team members first, one Pine Cove team reported a fire in a residence and the sound of a small child crying inside. Team members asked if they could enter, as required by safety protocol. Volunteers also reported additional dangerous physical conditions including an arcing power line down in a driveway laying across melting snow, a strong smell of propane coming from a house's interior and a power line fallen on top of a building.

Preparation is an integral part of MDP's name and training regimen. Lent

regularly advises Hill residents to be prepared to be isolated from outside help for a minimum of seven to 10 days, and possibly longer. Even local fire engines may not be able to get to fires in the community because of road blockages. And recently, IFPD Chief Norm Walker stated that the Fire Department building might collapse in a major quake and called for community groups to work together to be prepared.

Neighborhood disaster preparedness groups such as MDP, trained in search and report, and armed with



Mountain Disaster Preparedness Disaster (MDP) Aid Station Coordinator David Alt calling MDP volunteers for the previously unannounced exercise — a simulated 7.1 earthquake.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

radio communication and stocked DAS and medical units, will be functioning if a disaster occurs here. Alt reiterated that training missions are crucial to developing and maintaining

emergency rescue skill sets, and hopes for larger volunteer turnout for future drills.

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

Raya

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young children, a boy and a girl, and commutes from Rancho Cucamonga.

As a runner, and as a professional, Raya stated that crossing the finish line is the payoff. But he also stressed the importance of keeping one's mind and focus clear at every stage of a race or an assignment. As a marathoner, he seems to be in it for the long run.

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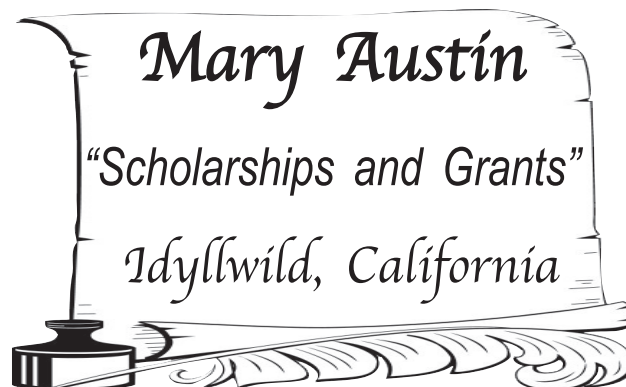
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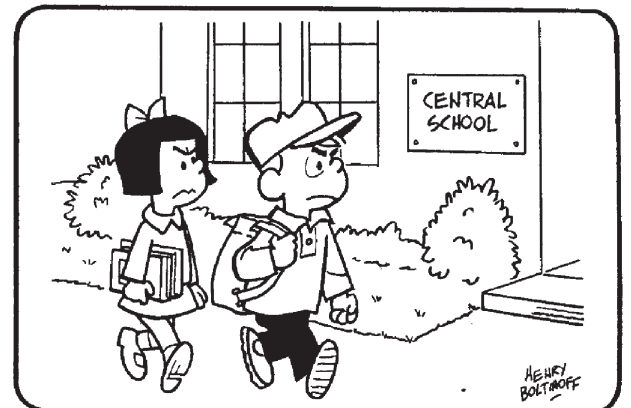
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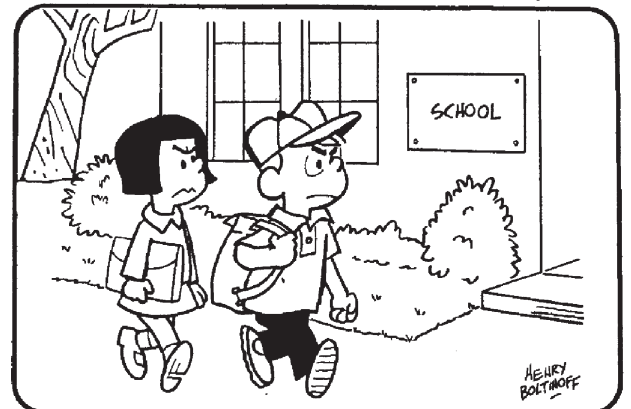
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Answers to Sudoku
(Puzzle on next page)

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HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The week promises a calmer aspect. Although there might be some lingering effects of a recent job problem, things should continue to ease up. Also expect a change in a home-based situation.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) If you feel uneasy about a colleague’s suggestion, it might be that your wise inner Taurean guide is alerting you to a potential problem. Stepping away could turn out to be the right thing to do.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A family get-together opens up new opportunities for renewing ties. It can be especially effective in dealing with disagreements that should have been, but never were, fully resolved.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might be surprised at the response you get to a recent decision. You might be even more surprised by the reasons behind it. In any event, you’ll learn something important.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your aspects favor resolving any tensions left over from a recent incident. You might want to consider having a “clear the air” talk as soon as you can. A call can lead to a change of plans.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Avoid repeating yourself. If your first few efforts fail to connect, maybe it’s because you haven’t found the right way to get your message across. Try changing your approach.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Good intentions

plus a strong resolve to succeed can take you where you want to go. Don’t give up just because someone suggests you might be pursuing an impossible cause.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) An unexpected setback can be a blessing in disguise. Use it to recheck your facts and how you’ve presented them. Meanwhile, look for ways to expand your contacts.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You should finally be seeing a positive change in a recent personal situation. However, an on-the-job matter might need more attention than you realized. Stay with it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While you should be close to completing an important matter, you still need to focus on being focused. But things ease up in time for weekend fun with family and friends.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A certain matter might take an unexpected turn. Don’t simply accept it; ask for an explanation. What you learn might be helpful in shifting the situation around to your benefit.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Projecting a positive attitude helps restore calm even when you’re confronting some pretty stormy situations. Stay the course. The outcome will be well worth your efforts.

BORN THIS WEEK: While you enjoy tradition and stability, you also appreciate the good things that change can bring.

Tax Hall of Shame nominees for 2011

Editor's note: "Tax tips" appears bi-weekly throughout tax season. Stephen T. Pepler, E.A., C.F.P., has graciously agreed to provide the tax information to our readers.

Just as baseball fans decry athletes who bulk themselves up with steroids, taxpayers are upset with a tax code that, with or without steroids, is putting on the poundage year after year. At 100,000 pages plus, it would never pass

random testing.

With so many deserving code sections it seems only fair to update my Tax Hall of Shame for those tax laws that distinguish themselves by their impenetrability, unfairness or that waste our time for little benefit.

Tax laws often have provisions that require indexing on an annual basis in order to take into account inflation and remain fair. Congress

often forgets to do the indexing, sometimes for decades.

The luxury car limits are a perfect example. Passed as part of Jimmy Carter's 3-mar-

TAX TIPS

BY STEPHEN T. PEPLER, EA, CFP



tini lunch tax bill, the law limits the amount of depreciation you can take on a business auto over its 5-year life. Today's definition of a luxury auto is one costing more

than \$16,000. You probably didn't realize you were driving a luxury car.

Social Security benefits start being taxed when you are "rich," which is determined by adding your income plus tax-exempt interest together with half of your Social Security benefits. If this total is greater than \$25,000 for those filing single or \$32,000 for those filing married joint, the

excess is taxed at 50 cents on the dollar.

For the "ultra-rich" with a combined income greater than \$34,000 single and \$44,000 married joint, 85 percent of the benefits over the threshold are taxed.

A perennial favorite in the areas of inscrutability and unfairness is the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT). For

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Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 8, 2011.

FILE NO.: I-2011-00421
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 8, 2016. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 8, 2016. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: M. Duenas, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 17, 24, March 3, 10, 2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD ARTS SUMMER PROGRAM, 52500 Temecula Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 38, Idyllwild, CA 92549. IDYLLWILD ARTS FOUNDATION, 52500 Temecula Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, a California corporation.

This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant began to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on June 1, 1950.

Signed:
DWIGHT HOLMES
Secretary
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 7, 2011.

FILE NO.: I-2011-00409
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 7, 2016. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 7, 2016. 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: T. Jensen, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 17, 24, March 3, 10, 2011.

RIC1102974
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92502.
PETITION OF TERESA RUIZ ZAMUDIO FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner: TERESA RUIZ ZAMUDIO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:

a. Present name: DANIEL REVOLLAR RUIZ changed to Proposed name: DANIEL REBOLLAR RUIZ

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: 4-8-11 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 06
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.
3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.
Date: Feb. 18, 2011
MAC R. FISHER
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17, 2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as CS GENERAL CONTRACTING, 624 Quince Street, Corona, CA 92879, Riverside County. SCOTT EDWARD LAW, 624 Quince Street, Corona, CA 92879.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.
Signed:
SCOTT EDWARD LAW
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 14, 2011.

FILE NO.: R-2011-01762
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 14, 2016. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 14, 2016. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Plunkett, Deputy
Pub. TC: Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17, 2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as CRAFTING IN THE PINES, 58804 Ramsey Rd., Anza, CA 92539, Riverside County. JENNIFER ANNE FEDDEMA, 58804 Ramsey Rd., Anza, CA 92539, and CHERIE ANN BANASH, 59291 Highway 74 #21, Mountain Center, CA 92561.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on Feb. 1, 2011.

Signed:
JENNIFER ANNE FEDDEMA
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 14, 2011.

FILE NO.: I-2011-00478
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 14, 2016. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 14, 2016. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Perez, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as COUNTRY CLUB LIMO, PALM SPRINGS LIMO, THE EVERYBODY SHOW, THE LIMO.ORG, EMPEROR PRODUCTIONS, PUBLIC COMMENT USA, NEW TALENT, 505 W. Sepulveda Road, Palm Springs, CA 92262, Riverside County. RONALD LELAND MILLER, 505 W. Sepulveda Road, Palm Springs, CA 92262.
This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in 1977.
Signed:
RONALD LELAND MILLER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 7, 2011.

FILE NO.: I-2011-00417
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 7, 2016. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 7, 2016. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: A. Chavez, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD BARBER SHOP, 54710 North Circle Drive, #4, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 3411, Idyllwild, CA 92549. DARWIN EDWARD PYNCOMBE and BOBBIE JEAN JOHNS, 49180 Boarder Road, Banning, CA 92220.

This business is conducted by a Husband & Wife.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in 2006.

Signed:
DARWIN EDWARD PYNCOMBE
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 16, 2011.

FILE NO.: R-2011-01884
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 16, 2016. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 16, 2016. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2011.

LEGAL NOTICE
30 Day Comment Period for May Valley Bike Event Special Use Permits
USDA Forest Service
San Bernardino National Forest

San Jacinto Ranger District
Opportunity to Comment on The May Valley Bike Event Special Use Permits.

The Forest Service, San Bernardino National Forest, San Jacinto Ranger District proposes to analyze the effects of permitting annual bike events on historically used trails within the May Valley system of trails. Events will be on approximately 40 miles of trails with tread widths ranging from 24" to 132", with a median width of 36". Directional signs on the course will be set up pre-event and taken down post-event. All camping activities and staging of these events occur in the Herkey Creek Campground.

Township 5 South, Range 2 East, Section 24
Township 5 South, Range 3 East
Portions of section 17, 18, 19, 28, 30, 31, 34
Sections 20, 24, 26, 29, 32, 33
Township 6 South, Range 3 East, Portions of Sections 3, 4 and 5

The purpose of the project is to implement the San Bernardino National Forest Land Management Plan (LMP) (2006) by providing recreation opportunities, outreach, activities and services that contribute to urban community well-being and visitors' physical and mental well-being. This project will provide recreation opportunities that represent a variety of skill levels, needs and desires in partnership with permit holders, private entities, nonprofit/volunteer groups, diverse community groups, state, federal and tribal partners. (LMP Part 1, Forest Goals and Desired Conditions, Goal 3.1 pg. 33) "Managed Recreation in a Natural Setting" Goal 3.1 Provide for Public Use and Natural Resource Protection. P. 33). The issuance of permits for the bike events will establish the responsibility for public education about threatened, endangered, proposed, candidate, and sensitive species with the permittees (LMP Part 2, Appendix B, REC 5 pg. 145).

A draft Environmental Assessment detailing the proposal is available for review at www.fs.fed.us/r5/sanbernardino Quick links/NEPA project and plans. Additional information regarding this action can be obtained from: Andrew Smith, Idyllwild Ranger Station, 54270 Pine Crest Ave. Idyllwild, CA, ansmith@fs.fed.us. This comment period is intended to provide those interested in or affected by this proposal an opportunity to make their concerns known prior to a decision being made by the Responsible Official. Those who provide comments or otherwise express interest in the proposal by the close of the comment period will be eligible to appeal the decision pursuant to 36 CFR part 215 regulations.

How to Comment and Timeframe
Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, and electronic comments concerning this action will be accepted for 30 calendar days following publication of this notice in the Idyllwild Town Crier. The publication date in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period for this proposal. Those wishing to comment should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source. The regulations prohibit extending the length of the comment period.

The preference for receiving comments is by email. Please send comments to: ansmith@fs.fed.us with the words "May Valley Bike Events" in the subject line. If you are unable to send comments electronically, you may send them to the following address: May Valley Bike Events, Attn: Andy Smith, San Jacinto Ranger District, 54270 Pinecrest Ave, P.O. Box 518, Idyllwild, CA 92549-518.

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

Pub. TC: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2011.

RIC1102804
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92502-0431.
PETITION OF ASHLEIGH ELIZABETH RHEA FOR CHANGE OF NAME.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner: ASHLEIGH ELIZABETH RHEA filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:
a. Present name: ASHLEIGH ELIZABETH RHEA changed to Proposed name: ELIZABETH ADDISON RHEA

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: 4-8-11 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 10
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.
3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.

Date: Feb. 18, 2011
MAC R. FISHER
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as QUIET CREEK, QUIET CREEK INN, QUIET CREEK INN & VACATION RENTALS, QUIET CREEK VACATION RENTALS, QUIET CREEK LIVING ROOM GALLERY, 26345 Delano Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 240, Idyllwild, CA 92549. JAMES DEAN NEWCOMB, Trustee of the Newcomb-Ahern Trust, and MICHAEL LELAND AHERN, Trustee of the Newcomb-Ahern Trust, 26345 Delano Dr., Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by a Trust. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on May 31, 2005.

Signed:
JAMES D. NEWCOMB
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on March 3, 2011.

FILE NO.: R-2011-02514
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MARCH 3, 2016. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MARCH 3, 2016. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: L. Rojas, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 10, 17, 24, 31, 2011.

LIEN SALE
CIVIL CODE 3071 & 3072
On 3-22-11 at 2429 S. San Jacinto Ave., San Jacinto, CA 92583 a Lien Sale will be held on a

BMW 4D, VIN: WBAVC53588F008564, CALIC#: 6DGV656 at 10:00 a.m.
Pub. TC: March 10, 2011.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No: K520666 CA Unit Code: K Loan No: 0031769417/MORRIS Min No: 100024200017151024 AP #1: 559-221-015-0
POWER DEFAULT SERVICES, INC., as duly appointed Trustee under the following described Deed of Trust WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (in the forms which are lawful tender in the United States) and/or the cashier's, certified or other checks specified in Civil Code Section 2924h (payable in full at the time of sale to T.D. Service Company) all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property hereinafter described: Trustor: JAMES M. MORRIS Recorded April 19, 2007 as Instr. No. 2007-0264189 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of RIVERSIDE County; CALIFORNIA, pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded December 6, 2010 as Instr. No. 0582065 in Book --- Page --- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of RIVERSIDE County CALIFORNIA. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED APRIL 3, 2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. 25444 HOTEL LANE, IDYLLWILD, CA 92549 "(If a street address or common designation of property is shown above, no warranty is given as to its completeness or correctness)." Said Sale of property will be made in "as is" condition without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest as said note provided, advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. Said sale will be held on: MARCH 30, 2011, AT 3:30 P.M. *AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 4050 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA At the time of the initial publication of this notice, the total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the above described Deed of Trust and estimated costs, expenses, and advances is \$184,274.19. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.54 that is undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date of the notice of sale is filed; The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 or 2923.55. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: March 1, 2011 POWER DEFAULT SERVICES, INC. as said Trustee, as Authorized Agent for the Beneficiary CHERYL L. GRECH, ASSISTANT SECRETARY T.D. SERVICE COMPANY 1820 E. FIRST ST., SUITE 210, P.O. BOX 11988 SANTA ANA, CA 92711-1988 We are assisting the Beneficiary to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose whether received orally or in writing. If available, the expected opening bid and/or postponement information may be obtained by calling the following telephone number(s) on the day before the sale: (714) 480-5690 or you may access sales information at www.tacforeclosures.com. TAC# 929510
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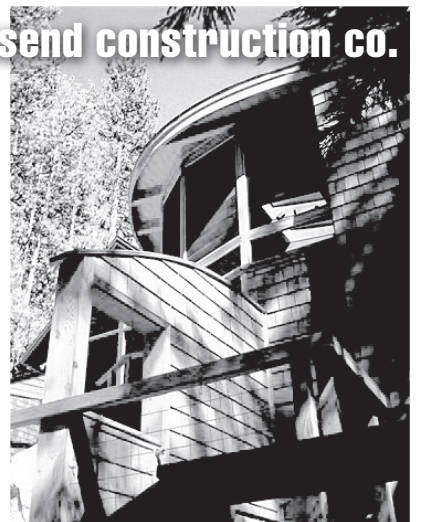
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Tax Tips

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those who want a flat tax, we already have it and it's called AMT.

Originally designed to ensure that the ultra rich, who used exotic tax shelters that no longer are available, pay a minimum amount of tax.

It now ensnares a growing number of taxpayers. In five years, it's projected that most taxpayers will pay tax based on AMT rules versus the regular tax rules. The Alternative Minimum Tax is a parallel way of calculating income tax, which throws out many deductions we take on regular tax such as medical deductions,

state and property taxes and miscellaneous deductions including employee business expenses.

Income sometimes needs to be recalculated. If the AMT result is higher than the regular tax calculation, you pay the AMT. That's why it should be called the Mandatory Maximum Tax. The unfairness of the AMT is compounded by Congress forgetting to index exemption amounts for 25 years or so. It now pulls in so much revenue Congress is afraid to eliminate it.

Acting as if the Social Security Administration is running a huge surplus, Congress has decided to lower employee Social Security contributions by a third, from 6.2 percent to

4.2 percent this year. These reductions will probably have little impact on our individual spending habits but added together total a huge amount that could have bolstered Social Security for the challenges ahead as baby boomers begin to retire.

Recognizing the value of higher education, Congress has passed several tax laws instituting various credits and deductions. Unfortunately, many parents who are able to pay for their

children's college education without government aid are unable to take advantage of the credits and deductions because their income is too high. For the six benefits I surveyed, there existed six different income thresholds where their phase-outs begin.

Winston Churchill referred to Russia as a riddle wrapped in mystery inside an enigma. This might be an apt description of our tax code.

Crafters display at library

The Idyllwild Library is currently displaying the work of local artists and crafters. Items range from pottery, button art and crafts to knitted items and more. Also on display are a collection of rare and unusual buttons. The display will run through April.

Off roads

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from the searchers thinking, "If I get to the parking lot before they find me then I won't be charged."

There have been instances in the past where the subject has deliberately tried to avoid the searchers. This makes our job substantially more difficult and goes against the entire search and rescue effort.

There will always be cases where the subject does something completely and obviously irresponsible, necessitating a rescue. Keep in mind that such cases are relatively rare.

Should local search-and-rescue teams draw the line on free rescues? At the very

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Renate

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Either as we returned to or back in school she had us recall the type of china that we saw. For example, she might ask, "Was it 'Dresden?'" Or she might ask about the furnishings, "What time period and country did it represent?" "Where did the carpets originate?" or "When was the castle built and why here?"

As a result of this almost casual exchange, I became fascinated with stories of royalty, their wars and relationships and other struggles — something that became linking themes and convinced me that I was meant to be an historian.

My entire education was incredibly challenging. For example, we didn't have spelling tests. Instead she would "dictate" a story slowly and we would write as she read to us. German is very phonetic (spelled largely the way it is pronounced) and I found following with my writing very exciting and challenging.

Despite shorter time spans, many opportunities were provided for us. We didn't have physical education every day, but we loved it because it was entirely on achieving our personal best. I can still remember my little sister and I walking to the local gym to practice on the ropes and do acrobatics.

We did this for fun, inspired by our limited exposure in school.

We learned to sing, went to local "children's theater" productions and acted in plays. Math was relatively easy because her instructions were so clear. Most science was taught on our walks, for example asking and discussing the trees, fauna or weather patterns we observed.

At the age of 12, when we came to the United States, with the exception of the English language, I was almost three years ahead of students in my classes in academics.

Not until college and graduate school did I once again come across the kind of teaching and "magical challenge" I had experienced early on.

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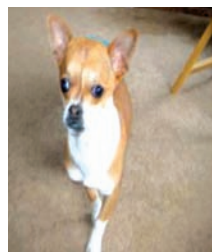
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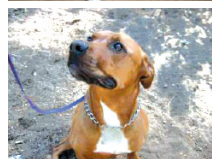
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to dance, this is a special girl.

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55 years ago - 1956

All Hill residents were invited to a baby shower given for Barbara Wilson Hunt, about to give birth to a third generation Idyllwild resident. The shower was held at Ida Wilder's home.

50 years ago - 1961

The first official step toward solving Idyllwild's looming sewage crisis was taken when the Chamber of Commerce voted to engage engineers to make a preliminary sanitation survey.

45 years ago - 1966

Hemet Unified School District authorized action on sale of sufficient bonds to cover construction costs for a new kitchen at Idyllwild School, which was using a small area off the



As seen on pages 1, boulders often roll onto our highways whenever rain or snow make the ground unstable. In this photo published in March 9, 1978, this boulder filled one lane on Highway 243 between Idyllwild and Mountain Center.

FILE PHOTO

main hallway that the school superintendent deemed as "terrible."

40 years ago - 1971

It was announced that permits would soon be needed for use of national forest and state park wilderness areas.

30 years ago - 1981

Memorial services were held at the Idyllwild community Presbyterian Church for longtime Idyllwild artist Jon Gnagy, known "Ameri-

ca's Television Art Instructor."

20 years ago - 1991

Local Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit members were helping to search for 2-year-old Travis Zwig who had wandered away from his father who was chopping wood in Pinyon Pines. The child was never found.

15 years ago - 1996

A petition signed by about 80 local residents influenced Fairway Market's

decision to stock organic produce.

10 years ago - 2001

Nearing the end of its 5-year capital campaign drive, Idyllwild Arts Academy had raised all but \$750,000 of its original \$9.3 million goal.

5 years ago - 2006

"Snow buries the Hill," read the Town Crier's front page headline after a snowstorm that began on Friday left 17 inches on Idyllwild and 22 inches on Pine Cove by Sunday. The local CHP dealt with 26 traffic collisions on the Hill and 30 vehicles stuck in snow over the weekend.

1 year ago - 2010

Dorothy "Dot" Lewis and longtime friend, the late Winifred "Winnie" Wood, received the Congressional Gold Medal — the highest civilian honor Congress can bestow — for their service as World War II Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs). Wood's niece, former U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno, accepted her aunt's medal.

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Emmerson and Brown at budget impasse

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

In a March 7 letter, a quintet of Republicans, including State Senator Bill Emmerson (R-37), informed Governor Jerry Brown they are not likely to support his goal of placing approval of a 5-year tax extension before voters on a June ballot. The five had been negotiating with Brown on a package of reform proposals in response to Brown's requests to find common ground in addressing the current budget crisis.

The package included proposals for "job creation, responsible state spending, elimination of abusive pension practices, and implementation of meaningful governmental reforms." Brown had met with the senators in closed-door sessions in hopes of harvesting at minimum two senatorial votes in support of placing the tax extension before voters.

Brown had set a Thursday deadline for scheduling

a June 7 election. If Brown cannot garner two votes in each house of the Legislature, the ballot measure will not move forward. Brown has said he will then be forced to pass a "cuts only" budget in order to close a \$26.6 billion budget deficit.

The letter to Brown is politely and carefully worded, noting Brown's "serious" efforts to reach accommodation. Emmerson, joined by Tom Berryhill (R-14), Sam Blakeslee (R-15), Anthony Cannella (R-12) and Tom Harman (R-35), noted that it seemed Brown was "unable to compel other [Democratic] stakeholders to accept real reform."

In response to a request for comment, Emmerson's office stated the letter spoke for itself. The senators appeared to leave the door open for further negotiation with their closing. "We are committed to engaging with you and hope to continue an open dialogue in our effort to balance California's budget and get Californians back to work," they stated.

Lake Hemet Municipal Water District (LHMWD) employee expenses reported to the State Controller

Classification	Annual Salary Minimum	Annual Salary Maximum	Total 2009 wages subject Medicare	2009 LHMWD Contributions Employee's Share of Pension	2009 LHMWD Contributions Health, Dental Vision benefits
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Ass't General Manager	\$160,843	\$160,843	\$160,843	\$11,463	\$11,900
Senior Water Operator	\$ 67,212	\$ 90,084	\$112,661	\$ 7,306	\$ 3,637
Water Operator 1	\$ 65,316	\$ 87,564	\$111,729	\$ 7,059	\$ 3,637
Construction Service Coordinator	\$ 58,308	\$ 78,168	\$103,955	\$ 6,194	\$11,685
Maintenance Manager	\$ 69,290	\$ 92,796	\$ 96,446	\$ 6,437	\$11,900
Construction Manager	\$ 69,288	\$ 92,796	\$ 95,751	\$ 7,055	\$11,900
Water Operator 2	\$ 49,390	\$ 66,130	\$ 93,619	\$ 5,029	\$ 1
Supervisor of Administration	\$ 69,288	\$ 92,796	\$ 93,505	\$ 6,432	\$ 8,863
Water Quality Specialist	\$ 58,308	\$ 78,168	\$ 92,789	\$ 6,496	\$ 9,747
Director of Administration	\$ 69,288	\$ 92,796	\$ 74,541	\$ 3,790	\$ 11,867
Senior electrician	\$ 63,528	\$ 85,044	\$ 71,404	\$5,147	\$ 13,050
District Secretary	\$ 59,976	\$ 80,400	\$ 81,797	\$ 5,953	\$ 9,747
Purchasing Agent	\$ 59,976	\$ 80,400	\$ 6,605	\$ 220	\$ 1,199
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Lake Hemet Municipal Water District (LHMWD) employee expenses reported to the State Controller. The LHMWD data has been posted on the Controller's site (http://sco.ca.gov/compensation_search.html). LHMWD has more than 80 individual entries. The first group of employees are the 10 who received the greatest total 2009 wages. The next group of seven represent job positions whose maximum salary is reported as greater than \$75,000.

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