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A sledder picks up speed on a run created on Sunday at the popular spot for visiting families along Highway 243.

PHOTO BY BARBARA REESE

FVWD adopts new personnel policies

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Directors of the Fern Valley Water District adopted three new personnel policies that changed retirement and health benefits for new hires and the requirements for what employees must pay into their own retirement. At the March 16 board meeting, directors voted to reduce retirement benefits from the existing 2.7 percent of salary per years served at age 55 for new hires to 2 percent at age 60.

The personnel committee, which has been meeting on these changes, recommended 2.5 percent at 55. The revision of the personnel committee's rec-

ommendation came at the urging of Director Robert Krieger, who argued that the tighter policy was consistent with current changes at the county level.

Approval came on a 3-2 vote, with directors Charlie Wix and Trisha Clark dissenting. Clark said she voted no because she felt the personnel committee had looked into the matter, done the investigation, talked to the appropriate people and made their recommendation. "I think we should have left it the way it was," she said. Even though he voted against the 2 percent at 60 retirement package, Wix said he thought ultimately it was fair and the direction other districts and public

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50 years — 3 generations

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

February 1962, more than 50 years ago, John and Teresa Friemoth arrived in Idyllwild. Although born in Long Beach, John moved with his parents back to Ohio where he grew up. Western Ohio, near Lima, is where he and Theresa met, married and managed a young family until his father invited him back West.

His father George was working in California and visited Idyllwild in the late 1950s. It seemed to offer better possibilities. He got a job working with Burt Sarvera at his garage, the Idyllwild Garage. About 18 months later, Burt wanted to retire and offered the business to George.

He thought about the offer, the town of Idyllwild,



John Friemoth

and Ohio. He called his son and offered him a partnership in the garage business. John and Teresa, a little warily, visited Idyllwild in July, before making a decision. While investigating the small mountain town, they stayed in the County Park.

But the couple with two small children decided this was a good investment for business and family rea-



Teresa Friemoth

sons. "I was living in Ohio and working in a factory. Seemed better to go into business with my Dad," John said.

But they left a large family in Ohio. Teresa had seven siblings. "We all lived within 90 miles and got together on all the holidays," she said. "I missed the family." But they visited

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CSA 38 to purchase new fire engine

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Amid its discussion of the budget for fiscal year 2012-13, which begins June 30, the County Service Area 38 Advisory Committee thought that county officials had granted approval with a long-standing effort to purchase a new fire engine for Station 23 and the Pine Cove community.

However on Thursday, Bill Brown, County Service Area Manager for the county, stated that a final decision has not yet been made.

The advisory members and attendees had left with the understanding that a new engine would be purchased within the year. Brown confirmed that his organization, the Economic Development Agency and the Riverside County Fire Department, are in agreement that an engine purchased with CSA 38 funds would have to supplement fire protection in Pine Cove and contribute to encouraging a larger volunteer company.

CSA funding cannot supplant county responsibilities.

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NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Monday to Sunday, March 12 to 18, 2012:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

March 13 — Walk-in medical aid.

March 14 — Walk-in medical aid.

March 15 — Medical aid, Saunders Meadow Road, Idyllwild.

March 15 — walk-in medical aid.

March 15 — Cover assignment.

March 15 — Medical aid, Alderwood Street, Idyllwild.

March 16 — Two false alarms, Temecula Drive, Idyllwild.

March 16 — False alarm, Jameson Drive, Idyllwild.

March 17 — Traffic collision, Highway 243, Idyllwild.

March 17 — False alarm, Temecula Drive, Idyllwild.

Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

Report unavailable.

Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

Report unavailable.

Riverside County Fire, Pinyon

Report unavailable.

CHP log

The resident post of the California Highway Patrol responded to the following calls from Tuesday, March 13 to Monday, March 19. This may not be a complete list of responses:

March 13 — Solo collision with injuries, 1500 block of Mitchell Road, west of Kirby Road, Anza.

March 16 — Solo vehicle rollover with no injuries, Highway 74, west of Palm Canyon Drive, Pinyon.

March 17 — Two-vehicle, head-on collision with multiple injuries, Highway 243 and Marion View Drive, Idyllwild.

March 18 — Road closure, Highway 74 from the intersection of Highway 371 to Bighorn Drive, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. due to blizzard conditions.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls from Saturday, March 10 to Monday, March

Crime town meeting at school on Saturday

By Marshall Smith
Staff Reporter

The Hill community is invited to two meetings over the next three weeks that address the recent local crime spree. County officials and the Riverside County Sheriff's Department representatives aim to address these issues and help residents reduce the problems.

The first meeting takes place this Saturday, March 24. Hemet Station Commander Scot Collins will bring chief special investigator Sgt. Wally Clear and Sgt. Jim Wilson. Scheduled for 2 p.m. at Idyllwild School, Collins wanted to make it easier for second homeown-

ers to attend and learn what actions they can take.

Collins said he would discuss the recent surge of crimes in the Idyllwild community and the overall trends.

"I'll talk about crime prevention, neighborhood watch and about the Mountain Community Patrol, all volunteers with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department," Collins said. "For those interested, I will discuss what is required to join the ranks of our volunteers." Collins said he would focus on crimes recognized nationally as barometers of upswings in local criminal activity.

Collins and staff will also respond to attendee ques-

19. This may not be a complete list of responses:

March 10 — Felony theft of a vehicle, 50000 block of Bradford Road, Aguanga. The case remains open but suspended.

March 11 — Felony burglary, 51000 block of Wheeler Road, Anza. The case remains open but sus-

ended.

March 15 — Felony vehicle theft, 60000 block of Rim Rock Canyon Road, Anza. The case remains open but suspended.

March 16 — Felony burglary of a commercial establishment, 58000 block of Highway 371, Anza. The case remains open but suspended.



People enjoying the snow in the meadow at County Park.
PHOTO BY BARBARA REESE

tions.

Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone will also hold a community meeting on April 9, also at Idyllwild School, at 6:30 p.m. The Board of Supervisors sets budget and priorities from which the Sheriff's Department works. County Sheriff Stan Sniff said Stone understands the importance of staffing the unincorporated parts of the county, but that






the board majority makes the decisions.

Representatives from Riverside County Fire, California Highway Patrol and the Riverside County Sheriff's Department will also attend. Focus at this meeting will be more on staffing issues and budgetary constraints that dictate these choices.

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

Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service

Thursday 3/22	Friday 3/23	Saturday 3/24	Sunday 3/25	Monday 3/26
 64/36 Sunny.	 60/36 Sunny.	 55/29 Mostly sunny.	 47/28 Chance of rain.	 51/31 Mostly sunny.

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year			
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S
3-12	61	na			65	32		
3-13	58	29			64	33		
3-14	60	31			67	36		
3-15	na	na			71	40		
3-16	na	na			na	na		
3-17	46	32	.95		66	37		
3-18	36	22	1.62	11	67	27		

Moisture in inches				Snow in inches			
To date this season (Idy):	17.27	To date this season (Idy):	39.1				
To date last season (Idy):	28.20	To date last season (Idy):	41.9				
Total last season (Idy):	29.38	Total last season (Idy):	44.9				
To date this season (PC):	16.53	To date this season (PC):	59.5				
Total last season (PC):	36.11	Total last season (PC):	78.5				

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.idyllwildtowncrier.com> or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

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OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

By BRUCE WATTS

In like a lamb, out like a lion ...

Another March miracle? No, just a normal winter occurrence. Something us Hill folk deal with every year.

One day it's 70 degrees. Two days later we have a high of 30 degrees and a couple of days of daytime temperatures below freezing.

For once, Miss Wyoming gets to tell me about walking around in shirt sleeves and riding her bike while I am huddled in my home trying to stay warm. My mom said it was going to be near 80 degrees in Denver on Sunday. My friend Gary Stevens called to tell me he had seen the web cam on North Circle and all the snow while Connecticut is enjoying 72-degree weather.

So it goes. When it comes to living in the mountains, you never know what will happen weather-wise. It does no good to gloat when it is in the 70s in February. Sooner or later we will get what we had coming to us.

I am thankful that my knee has improved enough that I can walk to town and take some photos. Sunday was so gray that nothing really looked that great but on Monday morning, there was some blue sky above Strawberry Valley. The peaks and Tahquitz Rock were playing peek-a-boo behind the fast moving clouds.

I ran into an early bird Pacific Crest Trail hiker and we had a long discussion about gear and hiking in winter conditions. He seemed unfazed by his current plight, which is being stuck in town until his snowshoes arrive on Tuesday.

I explained that he obviously was hiking a little earlier than normal and he would have to deal with snow again



when he got to Big Bear and the Angeles National Forest.

PCTers always think they can skip ahead and find easier conditions and then come back and hike the area that they skipped.

The reality is that this early in the year it just doesn't matter where you go to hike. Even in the deserts, there will be a shortage of water because the water caches may not be put in place until a month from now.

At any rate I found that it is very hard to talk a PCTer out of anything. They are a stubborn lot and that I suppose is one of the requirements for a successful thru hiker. If you are not stubborn and determined you won't get very far.

Speaking of Miss Wyoming, she will be making her first trip to Idyllwild in early April. She is a schoolteacher and she will be on her spring break. If the snow melts enough, I will have a good time showing her around to all my favorite trails and places.

We plan to go out to Lake Hemet to look for eagles and Lake Fulmor to have a picnic and enjoy the view. We'll hike around County Park, Ernie Maxwell, Devil's Slide and Deer Springs trails.

It will be great fun to show her around my home town and introduce her to my many friends. I also hope to introduce her to Joshua Tree, Palm Springs, Palm Desert, Desert Hot Springs and Anza Valley.

Of course, we will be taking lots of photographs and it will be great to have a new hiking partner for a week or so.

Until next week have fun, be safe.



Top, Sunday afternoon, **Gina Witz** of Temecula puts gloves on a snowman she and her family just finished creating on Village Center Drive. Above, a snow-covered Tahquitz on Monday morning. PHOTOS BY CAREENA CHASE



A flock of white pelicans land at Lake Hemet.

PHOTO BY GARY KUSCHER

Do you enjoy our National Forests? Would you like the chance to give back to those same forests?

The **Forest Service Volunteer Association** is looking for volunteers to **help staff the front desk of the USFS station here in Idyllwild – especially on weekends.** Work includes everything from answering visitor's questions to selling items in our small retail store. Training will be provided and you'll get to work with some really great people! If you're interested, please contact **John Ladley** at **909-382-2934** for more details.



Soroptimist International of Idyllwild



Celebration of Women in the Arts

Thank you to Nam of Mile High Cafe for hosting our special night, the talented artists who donated artwork, the musicians who performed as well as the Creek House and Café Aroma for your generous contributions and to Idyllwild for making the night such a success!



PCPOA
Pine Cove Property
Owners Association

Join us for the Riverside County
Sheriff's Department
community meeting to
address the increase in local crime

March 24, 2 p.m.
Idyllwild School Gym

PCPOA Board Meeting

Scott Ebers of Inland Training
will speak about firearm safety and
availability of gun safety classes.

April 1, 9 a.m.
Fire Station 23,
Marion Ridge Drive and Hwy. 243,
Pine Cove

MOUNTAIN FOLK

Danielle McKnight, Hemet High School 2011 graduate, has been selected to attend the U.S. Naval Academy, class of 2016.

After her graduation from the Maine Maritime Academy in early May, she will return to Idyllwild for some rest before begin her duties in Annapolis in late June, according to her grandfather, **Jim Kent**.



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

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



Lisa Draper's fourth grade students transport an "injured person" to the triage area during a Mountain Disaster Preparedness exercise held on Wednesday morning. The students from left to right are: **Kate Taylor, Olivia Hernandez, David Cohen, Maggie McKimson, Emma Johnston, Destiny Mikroulis, Pierce Pramuka and Sidney Tschuor.**

PHOTO BY CAREENA CHASE



During Wednesday's Mountain Disaster Preparedness exercise **Sidney Tschuor** and **Emmiline Norris**, of **Lisa Draper's** fourth grade class, have located the missing person and are checking his pulse before moving him onto the stretcher.

PHOTO BY CAREENA CHASE

Soroptimist event raises nearly \$2K, draws more than 60



Mary Morse makes a presentation on human trafficking at the Soroptimist International of Idyllwild's March 15 event. The evening event raised \$1,900 to fight human trafficking. The evening of art, music and information featured **Marge Muir** (back left) as emcee. Donated art, which local women created, was featured in a silent auction and — along with the admission fee — accounted for the money raised. Local musicians provided entertainment and local businesses donated food and beverages for attendees. The event drew more than 60 attendees.



Left, **Suzi Capparelli** looks at artwork during a silent auction. All the pieces are donated by local women artists to raise funds to fight human trafficking, one of the Soroptimist International Club's missions.

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ONLY IN IDYLLWILD

While enjoying our winter wonderland Sunday morning, I proceeded to clean the white stuff off our vehicles. Never quite recovered from having my spine fused, I contemplated letting the 30-inch berm melt and venturing out in June.

Along came a compassionate soul with a plow. The driver made three passes and the berm was gone. With a wave and smile, he was gone also.

Jon Kibby
Idyllwild

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21

- 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., Quiet Creek Gallery, N. Circle Dr.
- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.
- 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. (the Courtyard Building).
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 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.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

THURSDAY, MARCH 22

- "Living through transition and loss" support group, 10 a.m. to noon, Spirit Mountain Retreat, call (951) 659-2523.
- Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Chapel in the Pines Church office, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

- Forest Folk, 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 25925 Cedar Street.
- ICRC Book Club, 7 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

FRIDAY, MARCH 23

- Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Jenny Stepien at (760) 445-6325 or email jennyleeslater@yahoo.com for information and location.
- 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.
- County Supervisor Jeff Stone, noon-3 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr. Call 1-866-383-2203 for appointment.
- 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 24

- Stand in Silence Vigil for Peace, Justice and Nonviolence, noon. Town center at "Harmony" monument. Call 659-2718.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7:30 p.m. Community Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, 54400 North Circle Dr.

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

- Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243; 5 p.m., Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Road, Poppet Flat, across from CAL FIRE Station 6.
- Teen Group, 1:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Spring Equinox Celebration, 4-5 p.m., Spirit Mountain Retreat.
- Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts" open meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

MONDAY, MARCH 26

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr., Contact Betty (619) 895-0934 for location.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idyllwild Community Meditation, mediation from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. at the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Drive. Instruction available by appointment. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 659-5750 for information.
- Movie Night: "The King of Masks," 6:30-9 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27

- Valley Quilters Guild,

9:30 a.m. 305 E. Devonshire, Hemet.

- 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).
- Idyllwild Fire Protection District Commission, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.
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- AWANA for ages 3 to fifth-graders, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest Ave.
- "The Intersection of Spirituality & Democracy," 6 p.m.,



At its March 8 meeting, the Idyllwild PEO Chapter UE installed new officers. **Jean Reid** (left) is installing the officers (from second to left) **President Adele Voell**, **Vice President Elaine Lockhart**, **Recording Secretary Mary Zimmerman**, **Corresponding Secretary Janice Duquette**, **Chaplain Bonnie Doshier** and **Treasurer Joanne Selby**. Not pictured is **Jeanne Buchanan**, **Guard**. PEO is an international Philanthropic Educational Organization that provides women with scholarships, grants and loans for continuing education.

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- St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- 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 and Fire Protection (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 & 1-3:30 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, Wednesday & Friday, 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 Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday-Monday; Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW

Prescription drugs: legal epidemic

Last year, a man walked into a Long Island pharmacy and murdered four people for 11,000 hydrocodone pills — an opioid used to manufacture powerful painkillers such as Vicodin.

It was June, and 17-year-old pharmaceutical clerk Jennifer Mejia was set to graduate high school in a few days. Instead, she was buried in her prom dress.

The other victims? A young woman who was engaged to be married, an elderly man picking up medication for his ailing wife, and a 45-year-old pharmacist who was covering his colleague's shift so he could spend Father's Day with his children.

Prosecutors have since called this crime "the most cold-blooded robbery-homicide in Suffolk County history," but sadly, it isn't rare. Violent pharmacy robberies have been occurring all over America due to the ever-growing and extremely dangerous prescription drug abuse epidemic that, until recently, was considered too taboo to talk about openly. It's not just troubled celebri-

ties who are affected, either — prescription medications kill nearly 30,000 Americans each year.

A quick Google search will reveal hundreds of websites and news stories on this topic. Public forums where mothers trade heart-wrenching stories about losing their children to pills have become commonplace, and accompanying photos of once lively, healthy Americans serve as eerie reminders of our friends, neighbors and relatives who lost their way due to prescription drugs.

Recently, I met in California with dozens of parents who have lost children to this horrible epidemic. Their stories range from a high school athlete who died after trying a painkiller for the first time to another who used pills for years before finally turning to heroin for a cheaper high.

We've been told for years to talk to our children about how to say no to street drugs like cocaine and methamphetamine. As parents, we've searched our kids' rooms and backpacks, smelled their breath and added drug education to school curriculums. But no one prepared us for how dangerous the seemingly

safe orange bottles doled out to us by trusted physicians would eventually become.

What's scary about this epidemic — which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention call the leading cause of accidental death in America — is that in many cases, the very drugs that are killing people were recommended and prescribed to them by doctors they trusted.

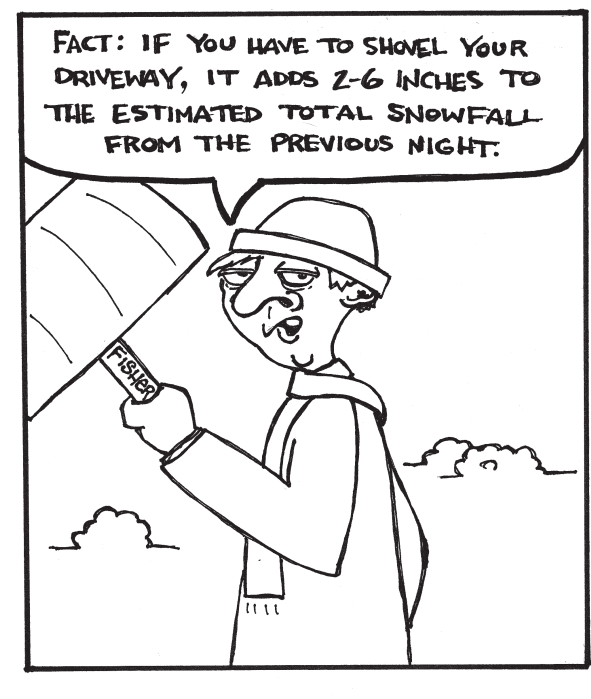
These powerful narcotics were originally intended for patients in the most severe pain, and yet they are being prescribed in extremely high doses for minor ailments such as knee soreness or wisdom teeth removal. Just last year, the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) took back more than 995,000 pounds of pills from people who turned in their old and unused medications.

I commend the DEA on the success of these "take-back days," but the question is, why are this many pills flooding the marketplace to begin with?

As Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing and Trade, I am doing all I can to investigate and reverse this American tragedy. I have held

Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



hearings on the topic and have met with agents from the DEA and FDA. I've met with attorneys general, doctors, parents, other members of Congress and have spoken out on TV.

Finally, I've introduced two pieces of legislation that aim to educate prescribers and decrease the amount of OxyContin prescribed to patients. Yet as a mother, it pains and saddens me to see this hap-

pening all around us.

I believe that through awareness, hard work and persistence, we can save thousands of lives and spare millions of American families from the heartache of addiction. No child should be buried in her prom dress at the hand of a man desperate for a pill.

MARY BONO MACK
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Capital gains and losses

TAX TIPS

BY STEPHEN T. PEPPLER, EA, CFP



invested is to sell the stock or fund and immediately buy a similar stock or fund, e.g., sell Exxon and buy Chevron.

Long-term capital gains are generally taxed at the lower rates of zero to the extent that the taxpayer is in the 10-percent and 15-percent bracket, and 15-percent for income falling into the higher brackets.

A long-term capital gain occurs when an asset has been held for more than one year. These special rates are due to expire at the end of 2012 unless Congress renews them.

However, higher rates apply to the recapture of depreciation when selling business or rental assets and collectibles. You will want to discuss situations involving these with a tax

professional.

Bad debt rules are often misunderstood. Business bad debts are reported on Schedule C and must arise from cash actually loaned out or amounts previously included in income. Non-payment of expected income does not qualify.

Non-business bad debts are reported as short-term capital losses and may be deducted only in the year that they become worthless. There are steps you must take to establish the

worthlessness of the obligation and documentation that needs to be attached to your tax return.

An important tax benefit we can receive is when appreciated assets are inherited. The cost basis is reset to the fair market value at the date of death. This rule has been in effect for more than 20 years and Congress renewed it again for 2011-2012.

For 2010 only, you had the choice of sticking with the original basis if you accept the phase out of estate tax for this one year. If electing the no estate tax option for 2010 it was possible to step up assets to a limited extent.

When one of two joint owners dies, his or her half of the asset receives a step-up in cost basis. Many married taxpayers hold title to assets as community property, since when one spouse passes on, the property receives a 100% step-up in cost basis.

Sometimes when a person has a terminal illness they will gift their residence or other property to relatives to simplify their affairs. To do so can create a large future income tax liability for the heirs since the tax benefit of a step-up in cost basis will be lost.

A living trust is one way title can be passed on without probate while still preserving the step-up in cost basis.

Once we get past the election, Congress will decide whether to renew the Bush tax cuts with their preferential capital gains tax rates and whether to extend the estate tax-provisions established for 2011-2012.

Their discussions will have a serious impact on capital gains.

TOWN TALK

BY HALIE JOHNSON, PRODUCTION MANAGER

How did the weather affect your weekend?



George Foote
Fern Valley

"Digging out of the snow was a pain. But it's beautiful."



Dennis McDougall
Idyllwild

"I love the weather. I just got two puppies, so they were diving and burrowing beneath it. It slowed them down a lot and tired them out, which was good."



Jacquie Cardenas
Idyllwild

"Usually, I don't have to leave the Hill when it snows. But this time I have a lot to do off the Hill, so I had to borrow a friend's car with 4-wheel drive."



David Ledbetter
Idyllwild

"It just made us stay in the house and keep the fire going. It can be difficult, I know, but when you live in the mountains you just take it as it comes."

Trivia test

Comics: What is the name of the family duck in the "Hagar the Horrible" comic strip?

Answer: Kwik

SITTING BY THE FIRE

BY MICHAEL B. SHERMAN, INTERIM FIRE CHIEF

My mission ...

Hopefully, this article will be the first of many informative reports to the community of Idyllwild about the status of its fire and medical emergency services provider, the Idyllwild Fire Protection District.

One of the main purposes that moved the IFPD Board of Directors to bring me onto the IFPD team in January was to assess the financial condition of the district and to shore up the finances.

The entire intent behind getting a quick and accurate handle on the district finances was to insure the continuation of excellent fire and medical emergency response to the citizens that created and pay taxes for those services.

The board is keenly aware that the Idyllwild citizens have elected its members. Therefore, the board has a strong fiduciary responsibility to them.

I believe the citizens of Idyllwild deserve the best fire and medical emergency services that can be provided for the funds available; that those services need to be managed in a manner that accounts for long-term continuation of those services; and that the board's first priority is always to the citizens in the Idyllwild Fire Protection District's boundaries.

Because the board understands that the Idyllwild citizens are the ones for whom they work, the board will strive to keep the IFPD services under local control, the control of the IFPD voters. With the above tenets in mind, I began my task more than two months ago. I am happy to report that because of the efforts on the part of board members, the IFPD labor group, paid-call firefighters, reserves, and volunteers, the future of IFPD is looking much brighter.

A few weeks ago, the IFPD labor group stepped up and volunteered to roll back wage costs by 7 percent effective Feb. 1, 2012. This action, combined with cuts and tightened up operations, is already leading toward a balanced budget that should not fall into the red again. There are no guarantees, but as I stated earlier, the future is looking much brighter.

There is a lot more work to do to insure long-term success, like finishing the current audit; restructuring the debt; reviewing our dispatch options; and completing a new labor MOU. But there is now room to focus on those and many other issues while continuing to perform on fire and medical emergencies at the highest levels possible.

As the district gets back on solid financial ground, my job at IFPD will change to helping the board recruit the future IFPD fire chief. Hopefully, that change of direction will be warranted in the next month or so.

Stay tuned for future developments as the district makes positive steps toward insuring the best fire and medical emergency services remain available to its citizens and under the control of those same citizens.

Until next time, its time to put out the dog and douse the fire.



SUSTAINABILITY

BY ALEX GANDIONCO
JUNIOR, IDYLLWILD ARTS ACADEMY

Go green, going green ...

"Going green" — it's a fairly large statement and even larger commitment to make. For a school to go green, it involves a lot of thinking, planning, encouraging, perseverance, dedication, and curiosity.

Idyllwild Arts Academy is moving toward becoming a greener school and joining the green schools' movement that has caught fire throughout the United States.

One of the first steps towards this movement was our participation in the Green Schools National Conference earlier this week in Denver, Colo. I was fortunate enough to attend this conference, together with three other students, Michelle McMillan (11th grader), Katherine Kearns (11th grader) and Devin Debowski (10th grader). The four of us were initially interested in making the school more environmentally friendly and also making ourselves more aware of environmental issues; but nothing prepared us for what the Green Schools Conference offered and its effect on us.

After settling into our hotel rooms in Denver on Monday afternoon, we immediately started roaming the exhibition hall filled with products and organizations advocating how to make our world more sustainable. The five of us, including Shannon Jacobs, were eager to find more ideas and products that we could use at our school.

There were a number of well-renowned and fantastic speakers at the general session, including Majora Carter, the founder of Sustainable South Bronx, Philippe Cousteau, CEO of EarthEcho International, and Laura Turner Seydel, chairperson of the Captain Planet Foundation. These speakers hit home with us and intensely inspired us to really care about what is happening to our world, and that we are able to make a difference.

An important aspect of the conference was the relationships and connections we made. We were always keen to make conversation with people we would run into, who happened to be leaders of environmental organizations, teachers from other schools, or simply interesting people with innovating ideas.

The exchange of business cards became second nature to us, as we jumped at opportunities to be able to stay in touch with people from all over the country that may come in handy in the future. Relationships between our school and these people can be very valuable and useful, and we did not hesitate to build them with whomever we thought we could.

As artists, we had a special appeal to others. There is an allure behind the idea of an arts boarding school in the mountains. Adults tend to find passionate and driven young artists very intriguing.

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Pine Cove Water board tours new construction

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

In an addition to its monthly board meeting, Pine Cove Water District directors toured the new pumping infrastructure installed at the highway wells off Highway 243, south of the district office. The new pumps will provide a 400-gallon per minute flow from Dutch Flat to the tanks atop

Rocky Point, which will give the district flexibility in water movement, storage and distribution, especially in the event of a natural disaster.

The new pumps are housed in a soundproof structure, which the district staff constructed. Describing the new infrastructure, PCWD General Manager Jerry Holldber said, "We fulfilled a promise in get-

ting this built. This can be all generator-powered if needed." Holldber expects the new pumps to be online by summer of this year.

February well production was 11 percent more than the 2011 and 2010 levels. But for the first two months of the year, production was about 10 percent less than the same period in 2011. The groundwater level of monitoring Well No. 10 is

down 2 feet in a month, demonstrating a slight, but continuing decline.

Holldber also reported to the board that he had meet with a group of seniors, the Forest Folk, to discuss the possibility of a community garden on Dutch Flat land jointly owned by Pine Cove and the Idyllwild water districts. While there are still many unanswered questions about the project, Holldber

said that if those questions could be answered to his satisfaction, he would be favorably disposed toward the project.

The board tabled action until its next meeting on a resolution that would place the district in compliance with state regulations. The resolution includes employee's right to organize for representation and negotiate on all matters in-

volving employer-employee relations (hours, wages, and other terms and conditions). Board members wanted more time to review the resolution, which, if passed, would make the district compliant with California Government Code Section 3507, the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act.

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Anza names members to water committee

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

The Anza Municipal Advisory Council selected the members of the Anza Area Groundwater Steering Committee at its Wednesday, March 14, meeting. The group will develop ground rules for how it seeks funding for a comprehensive water study and provide advice on local groundwater management planning.

Members serve voluntarily and are not compensated. The 14 members (one position remains unfilled) and one alternate were chosen to represent the various valley water stakeholders. They are: Brian Baharie, Cahuilla Band of Indians; a yet unselected representative from Agri Em-

pire; Joanna Crombie, resident for agricultural interests; Eric Haley, Heritage Well Service; Joseph Hamilton, Ramona Band of Indians; Merl Johnson, Ramona Water Company; Annika Knoppel, High Country Garden Club; Mike Machado, Anza Electrical Cooperative; Elena Mafla, Boojum Institute (serving as interim chairperson); Dan Marlin, AVMAC; Jackie Spanley, Rural Communities United, Anza Branch; Marea Stinnet-Levine, High Country Conservancy; Nancy Swanson, Anza Community; Ed Wall, resident; and Corey Wallace, Ranch California Water District. The group next meets on April 5.

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Video encourages voting by mail

A tech-savvy baby who touts mail-in balloting is the star of a new Registrar of Voters video aimed at increasing the number of Riverside County residents who vote by mail.

Registrar of Voters Kari Verjil said she wanted to take a new approach in reaching out to voters who might not have considered voting by mail.

"It's so easy," Verjil said. "You make your choices in the comfort and privacy of your home and drop your ballot in the mail. Then, you just sit back and watch the results roll in on Election Night."

Because vote-by-mail ballots are tallied first on Election Night, vote-by-mail voters also are the first to see their ballot results, usually just minutes after the polls close. In Riverside County, about 43 percent of registered voters have shifted permanently to vote-by-mail status. With that segment so representative of the general community, results from vote-by-mail balloting often are strong indicators about the final tally in many races.

The video can be viewed at http://youtube.y_S5ok51tqM (or visit idyllwildtowncrier.com and find the video there). Verjil hopes the light-hearted message, reminiscent of the E-Trade Baby commercials, will hook residents' attention about all the benefits voting by mail offers.

"Everyone loves those commercials," she said. "This is a way to combine an amusing message with important information for voters."

For more information about voting by mail, go to www.voteinfo.net.

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agencies are going.

In an example distributed by the personnel committee, previously an employee with 25 years of service and final year compensation of \$50,000 would receive \$33,750 annual retirement beginning at age 55. The committee's recommendation would result in an annual pension of \$31,250, while the approved policy change yields an annual pension of \$25,000 at age 60 for 25 years of service or \$30,000 for 30 years of work.

Separately, the board voted unanimously that future new employees would pay the 8 percent employee portion of their retirement. The board also changed the

policy for existing employees. Currently, employees do not contribute toward their pension. The district pays the employee share. Now, current employees will pay 2 percent annually, which will be increased 2 percent each year for four years until they are paying the 8 percent employee share. General Manager Steve Erler said he had not been consulted prior to the board meeting on either the adopted 2 percent at 60 or the mandate for existing employees to pay their 8 percent employee contribution. District Office Manager Jessica Priefer said of the 8 percent mandate, "It was quite a shock. I was prepared for the 1 percent per year for four years [from the personnel committee recommendation] but not for the doubling of what had

been proposed."

A bargaining unit does not represent Fern Valley Water District employees, so the board's action did not require prior negotiation, according to an informed source.

In addition, the board unanimously adopted a vesting policy for employees to receive health benefits after retirement. Employees with 10 years of total CalPERS payments, of which, at least, 5 years are with FVWD, will receive 50 percent of the employer contribution. Each additional service credit year after ten increases the employer contribution percentage by 5 percent until at 20 years, the retiring employee is eligible for 100 percent of the employer contribution.

The board noted these changes are consistent with

what other public agencies are doing to meet financial exigencies created by the economic downturn. The board said it was also motivated to address these issues by the imminent retirement of one of their employees. The board authorized an additional \$6,000 above previous budget projections to cover two months of crossover training time for the new hire.

In other business, Sam I. Gershon, engineer and senior vice president of Albert A Webb Associates, advised the board on the process of requesting bids on pipeline replacement projects scheduled for summer 2013. The area in question is upper Fern Valley Road. A portion of the project would cross Tahquitz Creek, thereby creating a number of envi-

ronmental considerations. Gershon said he would address environmental and other considerations in a preliminary proposal, and present it to the board at their April meeting.

General Manager Steve Erler said \$500,000 had been budgeted for the replacement project as part of this fiscal year and an additional \$500,000 would be budgeted next year to cover engineering and full project infrastructure replacement costs.

Erler also reported that well levels remain 1 to 10 feet below last year's levels and streams are holding steady. Erler said he felt comfortable with where the district is at this point in the year with regard to water availability. February's production was 280,000 gallons more than last month largely because

of refilling tank 11, Erler explained. After filling the tank, the district received no complaints about water quality from district customers.

The total January-February production was nearly 20 percent less than a year ago.

Tank levels are being maintained at 5 to 7 feet, approximately 40 percent of the 3 million gallon tank capacity, to maintain maximum circulation given present demand. First quarter tests for disinfection by-product contaminants showed substantially reduced levels compared to same quarter last year. "The treatment facility is working well," said Erler. "I'm really happy with the results."

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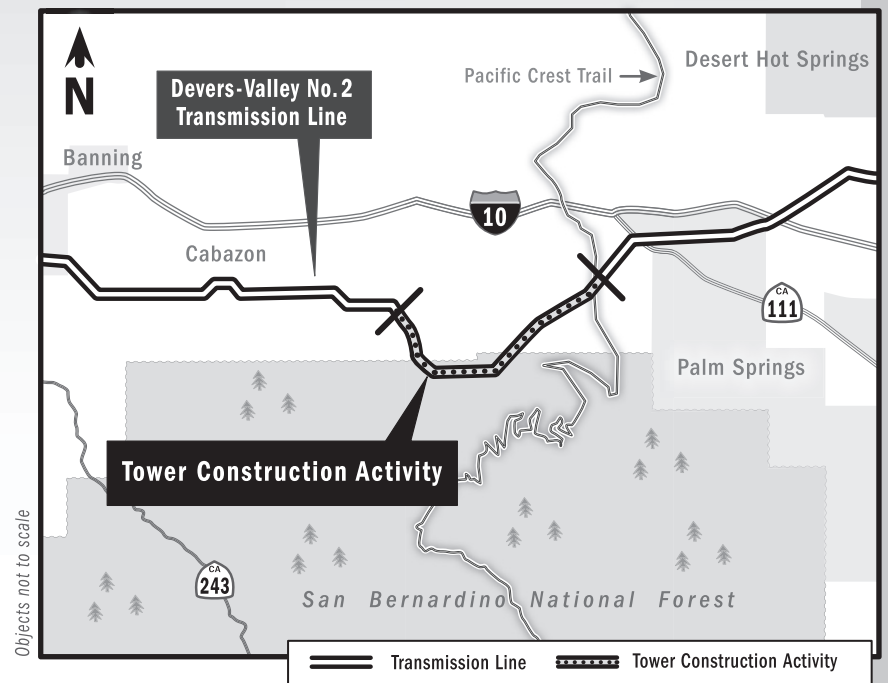
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IFPD planning ambulance contract negotiations

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

In a brief meeting, the Idyllwild Fire Protection District Commission directed the absent interim fire Chief Michael Sherman to discuss the ambulance contract with the district's attorney.

The current contract expires at the end of June. The contract is between the county and IFPD for provision of emergency medical services to Pine Cove and Zone 3 — north of Pine Cove and Keenwild.

In preparation, the district's ad hoc committee, composed of commissioners Jeannine Charles-Stigall and Dr. Charles "Chip" Schelly, has had preliminary meetings with county emergency medical service staff. On Wednesday, they met with the County Service Area 38 (Pine Cove) ad hoc emergency service committee, composed of committee members Marge Muir and Robert Hewitt.

The commission also directed Sherman to discuss

a letter of understanding with American Medical Response (the county ambulance service) for backup.

"We're talking with legal counsel and chief," said Schelly in response to a question regarding the need to consult with counsel on the contract. "We're getting and still gathering information. No decision has been made. We're still fact finding."

Schelly also initiated a discussion of the current dispatch contract with Riverside County. The commission agreed that Sherman should identify whether there are any other organizations available to provide this service and what their cost might be. Schelly, in response to a question from the public, emphasized that he was not reacting to any problems with the current arrangement.

"We should be looking at all expenses ... If we don't ask [other entities for costs], we might lose opportunity to save some money," he explained. "We're not locked in to accepting low

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Republican state lawmakers, a significant minority of the California Legislature, will try to repeal the state fire fee. Various legislators have proposed its repeal within days of its passage in July.

On Thursday, Republican legislators from both the Assembly and the Senate held a joint press conference to call attention to the levy, which they oppose and feel is illegal, and their Assembly Bill 1506 is to repeal the tax. A hearing on the bill is scheduled for March 26 in the Assembly's Natural Resource Committee.

The Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association announced its opposition and intention to file a lawsuit almost simultaneously with

the fee's enactment.

Several local assemblymen have initiated this issue. Assemblyman Kevin Jeffries, from Lake Elsinore, has strenuously objected to the fee since summer. He is the original author of AB 1506.

"It's time for the Legislature to stop this uncalled-for and needless assault on rural residents," said Assembly member Kevin Jeffries, a former 29-year volunteer firefighter. "The state should not be taxing these homeowners more for providing the same level of fire service they have come to expect. It's unfair, it's unnecessary, and it's very likely unconstitutional."

The 2011-12 budget included language authorizing the state to collect a firefighting fee from owners of property within the

State Responsibility Areas. The Board of Forestry was authorized to establish the fee amount and promulgate regulations for its implementation.

In late August, the board approved a \$90 fee, but also approved conditions, which would have lowered the fee, especially in areas such as Idyllwild. The top fee of \$90 was for high fire prone areas; otherwise the fee would have been \$70 annually. Most of Riverside County state-regulated areas (SRAs) are considered high fire risks.

The fee would have been reduced \$45 if the property owner paid a local fire protection district fee. Another \$10 reduction would be for properties that passed local inspections.

However, in October, Gov. Jerry Brown appointed four new members to the board. At its November meeting, the board approved a revised fee level of \$150 per parcel, with a \$25 dollar reduction for local fire district areas.

The implementation regulations were approved this winter and the Board of Equalization is expected to begin collecting the fee this summer.

The governor's 2012-13 budget estimates the state will collect about \$84 million from the fee.

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"It wrongly labels a 'tax' as a 'fee' and also double-taxes residents by combining new 'fees' with current local fire district assessments," said Assemblyman Brian Jones, Republican from Santee. "This will have a disproportionate and devastating financial impact on the residents of my district in East San Diego County."

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Idyllwild Elementary School is now registering children for the kindergarten session of fall 2012. **Mary Norris** (right), secretary at Idyllwild School, gives a registration packet to **Rocio Lopez** for her daughter **Dayra Lopez**. School Principal **Matt Kraemer** looks on.

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Idyllwild Scholarship Fund news

The Idyllwild Scholarship Fund is accepting donations from the community. These funds provide scholarships to graduating Idyllwild students (from both Hemet High School and Idyllwild Arts) who are continuing on to higher education in the fall. Last year the community raised over \$14,000, which provided eight scholarships for Idyllwild kids.

Donations can be sent to Idyllwild Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 778, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

The committee is grate-

ful this year for generous donations from Sandy and Jeff Kasper, the Rotary Anns, Melody and Bill Blaschko, Quiet Creek Inn and Vacation Rentals, Gerald Van Zanten, Silver Pines Inn, Ned Roberts, Karen Smith, Carl Cripe, Katie Grigsby, Lewis Leih, Pete and Suzon Capparelli, Lawrence Kawano, Beverly Johnson, Dore Capitani, Idyllwild Glass Co., Jeri Sue Haney, Marilyn Kemple, Joy Woodman, David Sandlin, Gerald and Marianne Cory and Donna Van Leuven.

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Wolfgang Hannah-Diaz and **Leath Daley**, both first grade students, were Students of Week for March 5. Their speech teacher, **Maureen McElligott**, selected them. She said, "These students were chosen for making great progress in speech."

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At the end of February, **Mrs. Tirheimer**, Kindergarten/First Grade teacher chose **Nicholas Fletcher**, first grade, and **Mei Li Stroud**, Kindergarten as the students of the week. Tirheimer said, "They are excellent role models and always try their best."

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At its St. Patrick's Day celebration, **Brianna Lewis** entertained the Idyllwild Rotary with her Irish dancing. The Rotary co-sponsored her upcoming trip to Ireland to represent the U.S. in Irish dance competition. The dinner was held at the Creekstone Inn.

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Trine
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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 21

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; **Ballet & Tap Dancing K-4 grade** with Annika Kay, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.
Lindsay Speed, 5:30-8 p.m. The Creek House.
ICRC Speakers Series Featuring "Degas" with Ken Young, 5:30 p.m. Rainbow Inn.
"John Carter," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, March 22

1/2 Price Bottles of Wine, The Creek House.
Children's Yoga with Trine Bietz, 4:15-5 p.m.; **Wii games** for all ages, 7-8:30 p.m. Town Hall.
Mixed Level Yoga, 5-4 p.m. Quiet Creek Inn Barn Loft.
Tom McNeary, 5:30-8 p.m. The Creek House.
Change Required, 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.
"John Carter," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.
"The Hunger Games," special midnight showing, The Rustic Theatre.

Friday, March 23

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 5-6 p.m. Town Hall.
Live Entertainment, 6-9 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.
Change Required, 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.
Hot Flash, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.
"The Hunger Games," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Saturday, March 24

"Climbing Tahquitz Rock," His-



Madison Marlow, left, and **Mauricio Fernandez Robles**, center, play the part of Cinderella and the Prince in the opening performance of "Cinderella" at the Spring Dance Concert at Idyllwild Arts Wednesday night. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

torical Exhibit, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Museum.

Mixed Level Yoga, 9-10 a.m. Quiet Creek Inn Barn Loft.

"The Hunger Games," 2 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Youth Sports Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser, 5-8 p.m. American Legion Post 800.

Hojo & The Halfnotes, 6-9 p.m. The Creek House.

Barnaby Finch & Friends, 7 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

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

Sunday, March 25

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

"The Hunger Games," 2 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

"The Station Agent," Presented by ACT, 4:15 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Willy B., 5:30-8 p.m. The Creek

House.

Monday, March 26

Childrens Story Time, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Introduction to Theatre Arts with Kirsten Ingbreetsen, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.

Mixed Level Yoga, 5-4 p.m. Quiet Creek Inn Barn Loft.

"The Hunger Games," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, March 27

Seniors' Wii activities, 10-11 a.m.; **Beginning/Intermediate Tap** with Annika Kay, 4-5 p.m.; **Adult Dance** with Connie Wolf, 7-8 p.m. Town Hall.

Spring Beer Tasting, 6:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Wednesday, March 28

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; **Ballet & Tap Dancing K-grade 4** with Annika Kay, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.

Don "Jac" Jacaruso, 5-7 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Scotch Whiskey Pairing Dinner, 6 p.m. The Creek House.

"The Hunger Games," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, March 29

1/2 Price Bottles of Wine, The Creek House.

Mixed Level Yoga, 5-4 p.m. Quiet Creek Inn Barn Loft.

Children's Yoga with Trine Bietz, 4:15-5 p.m.; **Wii games** for all ages, 7-8:30 p.m. Town Hall.

Change Required, 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

"The Hunger Games," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Friday, March 30

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 5-6 p.m. Town Hall.

Change Required, 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

"The Hunger Games," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Saturday, March 31

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

Mixed Level Yoga, 9-10 a.m. Quiet Creek Inn Barn Loft.

"The Hunger Games," 2 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

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



The Zekley Family Band, Mickie, Corwin and Elizabeth Zekley play authentic Irish music on a number of instruments which included the bagpipes on St. Patrick's Day at The Creek House Restaurant in Idyllwild. Corwin Zekley is a student at Idyllwild Arts Academy in the songwriting program.

PHOTO BY ANNIKA E.S. KAY

Sunday, April 1

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

"The Hunger Games," 2 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, April 3

Seniors' Wii activities, 10-11 a.m.; **Beginning/Intermediate Tap** with Annika Kay, 4-5 p.m.; **Adult Dance** with Connie Wolf 7-8 p.m. Town Hall.

"The Hunger Games," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Monday, April 2

Childrens Story Time, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Introduction to Theatre Arts with Kirsten Ingbreetsen, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.

Mixed Level Yoga, 5-4 p.m. Quiet Creek Inn Barn Loft.

"The Hunger Games," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, April 4

Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; **Ballet & Tap Dancing K-grade 4** with Annika Kay, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Town Hall.

"The Hunger Games," 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

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Blast to the Past returns Friday

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

The students of Idyllwild School, from kindergarten to middle school, will display their dancing, vocal and instrumental talent at Friday night's "Blast to the Past," a long-popular annual fundraiser. Come and see fourth graders dancing Flash Dance and the Limbo; hear Autumn Detzel sing "Over the Rainbow," and listen to talented middle school instrumentalists. And that's only a small selection from the 20 acts from Idyllwild School that will appear.

Performers from youth classes at Town Hall Recreation will augment this year's school performers. Annika Kay's ballet and tap classes, 19 strong, will perform, as will Kirsten Ingbretsen's drama class. Kay's troupe will perform

to songs from "The Little Mermaid," and Ingbretsen's will stage "The Grouchy Ladybug."

Each year, proceeds from the event fund field trips for the school's students.

The event takes place at the school gymnasium multipurpose room on Friday, March 22 from 5 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$3 and a "family pack" admission price of \$10 admits all members of one family.

Also featured is a trio of Irish dancers, Brooke and Riley Arnson as well as Brenna Lewis. Brenna is headed to Ireland to compete in the World Irish Dancing Championships.

From tot to teen, these performers will surely delight and make you smile. And it's all for a good cause.

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Students from Mrs. Draper's 2010 fourth-grade class give a rock-and-roll rendition of "Hair" at Idyllwild School's Blast to the Past.

PHOTOS BY BETH NOTTLEY



Fifth-grader Nick Anderson demonstrates his hula-hoop skills at Idyllwild School's Blast to the Past event in 2010. A contestant in the hula-hoop contest, he won a prize.



Nichole Shanks donated her services to photograph locals with the fees from the shoot dedicated to the ICRC playground construction project. She is seen here photographing resident Gary Weber and his four footed companion.

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Friday, April 6

Visual Art Senior Show I. Opening reception, 6 PM, Parks Exhibition Center. Show runs through April 13.

Friday, April 13

Senior Recital: Katharina, jazz drums, Katie, jazz bass, 7:30 PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

Monday, April 16

Senior Recital: Mary, jazz bass. 7:30 PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

Friday, April 20

Visual Art Senior Show II. Opening reception, 6 PM, Parks Exhibition Center. Show runs through April 27.

Theatre Production: Time and the Conways. 7:30 PM, IAF Theatre.

Saturday & Sunday, April 21 & 22

Theatre Production: Time and the Conways. Saturday, 7:30 PM & Sunday, 2 PM, IAF Theatre.

Tuesday, April 24

Music from the Pines. 7 PM, Rancho Mirage Public Library, 71-100 Highway 111, Rancho Mirage, CA.

Saturday, April 28

Idyllwild Arts Academy Orchestra New Music Concert. 7:30 PM, IAF Theatre.

Sunday, April 29

Idyllwild Arts Academy Orchestra New Music Concert. 4 PM, Barndall Gallery Theatre, Los Angeles.

Wednesday & Thursday, May 2 & 3

Theatre One-Person Shows. 7:30 PM, Rush Hall.

Friday, May 4

Visual Art Senior Show III. Opening reception, 6 PM, Parks Exhibition Center. Show runs through May 11.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, May 9, 10 & 11

Student Choreography. 7:30 PM, Fisher Dance Studio.

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Idyllwild Arts jazz combo takes gold at Berklee Jazz Festival

By Marshall Smith
Staff Reporter

The Idyllwild Arts Academy jazz combo took first place for the second consecutive year at the prestigious Berklee College of Music High School Jazz Festival, now in its 44th year. Last year in its inaugural outing at the festival and in its first out-of-state performance, the Idyllwild Arts combo made history by upending schools that had often won in previous years.

This year, as in last, Idyllwild Arts won first place in the prestigious arts school category and its guitarist, Oregon resident Lake Jiroudek, won for Superior Musicianship in the combo division.

This year's winning combo was a quartet. In 2011, the school sent a sextet. Jiroudek is the only member from both combos. This

year the pianist was Luca Jacaruso, from New Jersey; on bass, from Hemet, was Mary Duffy; and from Russia, on drums, was Maxim Kazakov.

The quartet played to a standing-room-only audience that had come to hear musicians from the school that had placed first last year. "This year, the attendance at our performance was all driven by reputation from last year," said Paul Carman, who, along with Marshall Hawkins, accompanied the group to Boston.

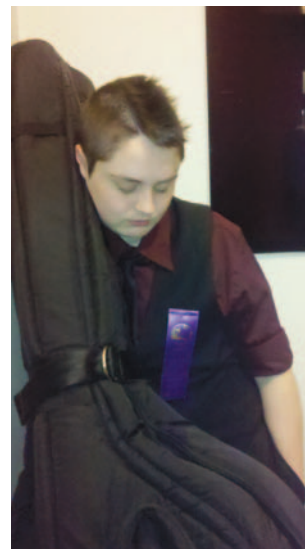
Neither the packed house nor the judges' presence intimidated the group, according to Carman, who added, "They grew from the challenge, playing the best they had ever played." And once again the Idyllwild Arts combo took the gold. "Marshall and I continually stress we're not going



At breakfast, the quartet prepares the day of their Berklee College of Music High School Jazz Festival appearance. From left clockwise, combo members are **Mary Duffy**, **Luca Jacaruso**, **Lake Jiroudek** and (back to camera) **Maxim Kazakov**. Atright, Hemet native **Duffy** "in the moment" with her bass, outside the competition room, just before playing at the festival.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF MARSHALL HAWKINS

there to win," said Carman. "We're going there to play really good music in venues away from our school. And that's what they did. They went out and played." Carman recounted that Mary Duffy, who attended



Hemet High School before coming to Idyllwild Arts for her senior year, has played in local ensembles since she was very young, including the Mt. San Jacinto Symphony. "She is extremely talented and plays at a high level," he noted. "She carried them [the combo] all the way to the finish line," said Hawkins proudly.

Following the procedure used last year, the combo rehearsed three tunes, timing them to allow improvisation within the 18 minutes allotted by festival rules. "Other groups rehearse their solos and lock them in," Carman said. "But that's not jazz. That's why we built in time for improvisation to give each of them a chance to

stretch out."

"This is Paul's combo," stressed Hawkins. "I just assign these students to the combo. I'm very proud of what they've accomplished."

In April, the students will compete in the Reno Jazz Festival. And just as they did last year in Reno, they will change out one of the three tunes played at Berklee: "Moments Notice" by John Coltrane, "Monks Mood" by Thelonious Monk, or "Straight Up and Down" by Chick Corea, to keep it fresh and in the moment. "It gives us three weeks to learn a new tune," said Carman. "In the real world it's one rehearsal and then the gig."

"One of the things we worked on this year was teaching Lake leadership skills," Carman said. "That was a lot of what Lake learned." When asked about his role at Berklee, Carman said, "I set them up and from then on it was Lake's band."

Lake is a senior, Mary is also a senior but will return next year for a post-graduate year and both Luca and Max are sophomores.

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Dr. Julia Bucci new dean at Idyllwild Arts

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Dr. Julia Bucci has been appointed the new Dean of Academics for Idyllwild Arts Academy. Idyllwild Arts President Brian D. Cohen announced the selection on Thursday, March 15. He said Bucci will begin in June and replaces Anna-Karin Li, who has been instrumental in strengthening the academic program at Idyllwild Arts.

Bucci is the chair of the English Department at the Dana Hall School in Wellesley, Mass.

Bucci earned her doctorate in English from the University of Massachusetts and her bachelor's from the University of Chicago.

She has taught at the Moses Brown School in Providence, R.I., at Salve Re-

gina University in Newport, R.I., and at Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts.

She has authored numerous articles and has written reviews for various publications. As an educator, she has been active in curriculum development, teacher and leadership training, and instructing in all aspects of writing and speaking.

Her goals as an educator are to "to kindle intellectual passion, to fan the flames of creativity, and to nurture fiery resilience." She feels that her strengths as an administrator "lie in my ability to develop plans and procedures for leading a group through major projects, to understand both the big picture and how the smaller pieces fit in — and also to inspire others through my example."



Julia Bucci, new Idyllwild Arts Dean of Academics.

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Jim Crandall, Palms to Pines Golf Association handicap chair, provided this report on the Friday, March 16, golf tournament:

The club held its regular monthly tournament at The Oak Valley Golf Club. It was so foggy in the morning that if you hit a good drive off the first tee, you couldn't see where your ball landed. The fog lifted mid-morning, revealing a sunny, chilly day with light winds.

John McAndrews (course handicap 39) came in first with a net 69. **Bill Ragland** (15) took second with a net 72. between **Robert Priefer** (24) and **Bill Sanborn** (29) with net 74s tied for third, and **John Brower** (10) rounded out the top five with a net 76.

Of the four par 3 holes, the closest to the pin contest winners were **Pete Capparelli** on hole 3, Brower on hole 6, **Bob Stearns** on hole 11, and Crandall on hole 14.

Here are the year-to-date point standings for the 2011-2012 season:

Place	Golfer	Points
1	Gary Leong	17.5
2	McAndrews	17
3	Chuck Alkire	16.5
4	Brower	15.25
5	Capparelli	13
6	Priefer	12.5
7	Stearns	12.25
8	Sanborn	11.25
9	Ragland	11
10	John LoGiudice	10.25
11	Les Widerynski	9.5
12	Crandall	7.5
13	Dan Slattery	5.5
14	Gary Brown	2.5
15	Wayne Sleme	2
16 tied	Mona Gutierrez-Portales	1
	Greg Piersol	1
18 tied	Dale Calderon	.5
	Mike Feyder	.5
	Deborah Gmeiner	.5
	Ryan Righetti	.5

Points are awarded at each tournament. The club is a member of the Southern California Golf Association and is sanctioned to establish SCGA handicaps for members.

Generations

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and this may explain why their California family lives within 50 miles.

Steve is managing the family business. Steve's sister Lori and brother Jeff, both live in Hemet.

The original tow truck was a converted milk truck, John said. Its maximum speed was 45 miles per hour, which was a significant limitation. He once was pulled over on the freeway for going too slow and was reprimanded.

"Don't bring this on the freeway again," the CHP officer said, according to John.

Teresa said she and John met at a church social in Ohio, and were married in April 1954.

Seven years after the family partnership began, George retired and John had the business himself. But Steve always seemed interested in cars and spent a lot of time in the garage.

After graduating from

Hemet High School, Steve went to the University of California, Riverside. He considered a career in biology and possibly medicine, but after graduating in 1980, in an earlier poor economy, he returned to the garage and the second father son partnership germinated and blossomed.

The family business is not the only family tradition. Both John and Steve have served as volunteer firefighters. John was involved for 33 years before retiring and Steve is one of the few remaining members of the paid-call company.

Fifty years later, both John and Teresa say Idyllwild is different. "There's more people," she said. "Then you knew everybody by their first names."

Today, John is still at the garage, but not every day and often you can pass Teresa walking home along Highway 243.

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The Friemuths' early years, John (right) with daughter, Lori, and son, Steve, and father George.

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The current garage team, Steve Friemuth (left) with his parents, Teresa and John.

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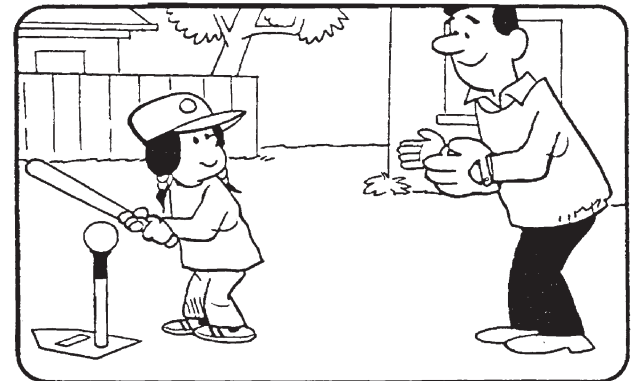
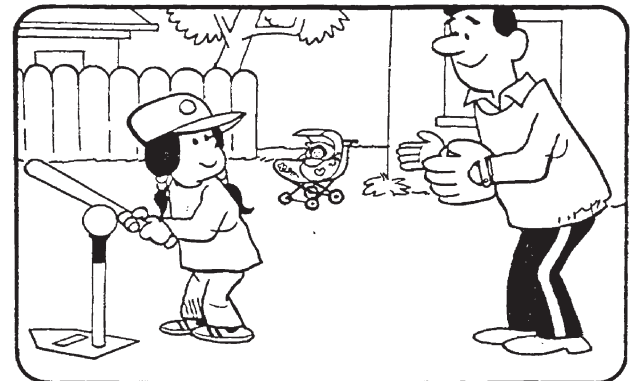
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AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With tensions easing at the workplace, a more positive environment once again encourages the free flow of ideas so typical of the always-innovative Aquarian.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Show some of that usually hidden steel-strong Piscean backbone, and stand up for yourself if you hope to make a case for that promotion you know you deserve.

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy doing new things and staying ahead of the crowd. You would make a fine sports coach or military leader.

Public Notices

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Signed:
 CHARLES C. VAN ZEE
 CFO
 Statement filed with the County Clerk of
 Riverside County on Feb. 23, 2012.

FILE NO.:
 R-2012-02185
 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME
 STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 23, 2017. A
 NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-
 MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 23,
 2017. 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: N. Medina, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2012.

STATEMENT OF
 ABANDONMENT OF USE OF
 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
 The following fictitious business name REAL
 LIVING PREMIER REALTY, 7359 Indiana Ave.,
 Riverside, CA 92504, Riverside County, has been
 abandoned by the following person: ALPAC
 FUNDING, INC., 7359 Indiana Ave., Riverside,
 CA 92504, a California corporation.

This business is conducted by an Indi-
 vidual.

The fictitious business name referred to
 above was filed in Riverside County on March
 18, 2010.

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

Signed:
 CHARLES C. VAN ZEE
 CFO
 Statement filed with the County Clerk of
 Riverside County on Feb. 23, 2012.

FILE NO.:
 R-2010-03075
 CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
 County Clerk
 By: N. Medina, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
 STATEMENT
 The following person is doing business
 as COCKTAILS SUR LIE, 27495 Diaz Road,
 Temecula, CA 92590, Riverside County. Mail-
 ing address: 31 Remington, Irvine CA 92620.
 MIDDLE RIDGE, INC., 31 Remington, Irvine,
 CA 92620.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.
 Registrant commenced to transact busi-
 ness under the fictitious name listed above on
 Feb. 1, 2012.

Signed:
 CHRIS JOHNSTON
 President
 Statement filed with the County Clerk of
 Riverside County on Feb. 22, 2012.

FILE NO.:
 R-2012-02148
 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME
 STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 22, 2017. A
 NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-
 MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 22,
 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT
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 BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
 County Clerk
 By: S. Ranabauer, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2012.

HEC1200587
 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
 FOR CHANGE OF NAME
 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 880 North State
 Street, Hemet, CA 92543.
 PETITION OF JASON A. WINDH FOR
 CHANGE OF NAME.
 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
 1. Petitioner: JASON A. WINDH filed a
 petition with this court for a decree changing
 name as follows:
 a. Present name: DUSTIN HAWK PONCE
 changed to Proposed name: DUSTIN AARON
 WINDH.
 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: 4-16-12 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept.
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 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 hear-
 ing on the petition in the following newspaper
 of general circulation, printed in this county:
 Idyllwild Town Crier.
 Date: Feb. 22, 2012
 MAC R. FISHER
 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2012.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY
 (PROB. CODE § 10300)
 CASE NO. PSP 1100552,
 In the Matter of the Estate of JACK BRYSON,
 Deceased.

Please take notice that the Riverside County
 Public Administrator, acting as Administrator
 of the Estate of Jack Bryson, deceased, will sell
 at private sale, under the terms and conditions
 specified below, on or after the 12th day of Janu-
 ary, 2012, at the office of TONI EGGEBRAATEN,
 77-564A Country Club Drive, Suite 191, Palm
 Desert, California, to the highest and best net
 bidder, all the right, title, and interest of said
 deceased at the time of death, and all the right,
 title, and interest that the estate of said deceased
 has acquired by operation of law or otherwise,
 other than or in addition to that of said deceased
 at the time of death, in and to the REAL PROPERTY
 SITUATED IN THE CITY OF IDYLLWILD,
 RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, AND
 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Lot 12 of Tract 2507 as shown by map on
 file in book 46 pages 79 and 80 of maps, records
 of Riverside County, California, APN 565-192-
 014-5; more commonly known as 54471 Village
 View Drive, Idyllwild, California.

Terms of sale are all cash in lawful money of
 the United States with a deposit of \$1,000.00 to
 accompany the offer and the balance to be paid
 on close of escrow. The personal representative
 reserves the right to reject any bids that are less
 than 90% of the appraised value as determined
 by the Probate Referee. The property to be sold
 is on an "as is" basis, except for title.

All sales are subject to confirmation by the
 Superior Court, and no sale may be consummated
 and no deed may be recorded and delivered to
 a purchaser until court confirmation has been
 acquired by the personal representative.

Bids or offers are to be in writing and will
 be received at the aforesaid office of TONI EG-
 GEBRAATEN at any time after the first publication
 hereof and before date of sale.

Dated: 2/7/12
 Toni Eggebraaten, Esq., 77-564A Country
 Club Drive, #191, Palm Desert, CA 92211
 (760) 772-4292
 Attorney for Riverside County Public
 Administrator
Pub. TC: March 8, 15, 22, 2012.

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT
 APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING
 AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS
 TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING
 APPLICATIONS
 (February 8, 2012)

On January 20, 2012, John B. Crockett filed
 an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant
 to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA),
 proposing to study the feasibility of the East
 Fork Ditch Hydroelectric Project (East Fork
 Ditch project) to be located on East Fork Ditch
 in the vicinity of Council, in Adams County,
 Idaho. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit,
 if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority
 to file a license application during the permit
 term. A preliminary permit does not authorize
 the permit holder to perform any land-disturb-
 ing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or
 waters owned by others without the owners' express
 permission.

The proposed project will consist of the fol-
 lowing: (1) a concrete intake structure on the East
 Fork Ditch with a trash rack and steel stand pipe;
 (2) 11,150-foot-long, 24-inch-diameter penstock
 from the East Fork Ditch intake structure; (3) a
 28-foot-by-32-foot concrete powerhouse contain-
 ing one turbine/generator unit with a capacity
 of 1.35 megawatts; (4) an approximately 1,900-
 foot-long, 69-kV transmission line which will
 tie into an undetermined interconnection; and
 (5) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual
 generation of the East Fork Ditch project would
 be 4.0 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: John B. Crockett, 3296
 Snowflake Way, Boise, ID 83706; phone: (208)

344-5319.
 FERC Contact: Ryan Hansen (202) 502-8074
 or ryan.hansen@ferc.gov.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to in-
 tervene, competing applications (without notices
 of intent), or notices of intent to file competing
 applications: 60 days from the issuance of this
 notice. Competing applications and notices of
 intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR
 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices
 of intent, and competing applications may be
 filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR
 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the
 Commission's website <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief
 comments up to 6,000 characters, without
 prior registration, using the eComment system
 at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecoment.asp>. You must include your name and contact
 information at the end of your comments. For
 assistance, please contact FERC Online Support.
 Although the Commission strongly encourages
 electronic filing, documents may also be paper-
 filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven
 copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal
 Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street,
 NE, Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project,
 including a copy of the application, can be
 viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of
 Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket
 number (P-13455-000) in the docket number
 field to access the document. For assistance,
 contact FERC Online Support.
 Kimberly D. Bose,
 Secretary.
Pub. TC: March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
 STATEMENT
 The following person is doing business as
 QUIET CREEK VACATION RENTALS, 54300
 North Circle Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riv-
 erside County. Mailing address: 31839 Cercle
 Chambertin, Temecula, CA 92591. VALLEY
 VIEW VACATION RENTALS LLC, 31839 Cercle
 Chambertin, Temecula, CA 92591. A California
 corporation.

This business is conducted by a Limited
 Liability Company.

Registrant commenced to transact busi-
 ness under the fictitious name listed above on
 Feb. 1, 2012.

Signed:
 PATRICK L. MARTIN
 Managing Member
 Statement filed with the County Clerk of
 Riverside County on Feb. 16, 2012.

FILE NO.:
 R-2012-01922
 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME
 STATEMENT EXPIRES ON FEB. 16, 2017. A
 NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-
 MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO FEB. 16,
 2017. 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. Meyer, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
 STATEMENT
 The following person is doing business as
 TOTAL AUTO BODY & FRAME SHOPPE,
 491 E. Menlo Ave., Hemet, CA 92543, Riverside
 County. STEVEN DAVID DESROCHER and
 JANA LADON DESROCHER, 26709 Lore
 Heights Ct., Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by Husband
 & Wife.
 Registrant commenced to transact business
 under the fictitious name listed above in 1993.

Signed:
 JANA L. DESROCHER
 Statement filed with the County Clerk of
 Riverside County on March 7, 2012.

FILE NO.:
 R-2012-02756
 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME
 STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MARCH 7, 2017. A
 NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-
 MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MARCH
 7, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT
 DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE
 IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
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 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
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LARRY W. WARD,
 County Clerk
 By: C. Teran, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2012.

RIC1203190
 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
 FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street,
 Riverside, CA 92502.

PETITION OF ANDRENESE MARTELLO,
 RANCE BAILEY FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
 1. Petitioner: ANDRENESE MARTELLO,
 RANCE BAILEY filed a petition with this court
 for a decree changing name as follows:
 a. Present name: RHYLEN ANDREW MAR-
 TELLO changed to Proposed name: RHYLEN
 ANDREW BAILEY.

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 objec-
 tion that includes the reasons for the objection at
 least two court days before the matter is schedu-
 led 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: 4-30-12 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 04
 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 hear-
 ing on the petition in the following newspaper
 of general circulation, printed in this county:
 Idyllwild Town Crier.
 Date: March 6, 2012
 MAC R. FISHER
 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 2012.

RIC524880
 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
 FOR CHANGE OF NAME
 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street,
 Riverside, CA 92502.

PETITION OF BRENDA JOHNSON FOR
 CHANGE OF NAME.

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

a. Present name: BRYNN KAYRON SCOTT
 changed to Proposed name: BRYNN KAYLANI
 CINNAMON SCOTT.

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 objec-
 tion that includes the reasons for the objection at
 least two court days before the matter is schedu-
 led 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: 4-30-12 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 04
 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 hear-
 ing on the petition in the following newspaper
 of general circulation, printed in this county:
 Idyllwild Town Crier.
 Date: March 6, 2012
 MAC R. FISHER
 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: March 15, 22, 29, April 4, 2012.

RIC1203029
 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
 FOR CHANGE OF NAME
 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street,
 Riverside, CA 92502.

PETITION OF MICHAEL E. SULLIVAN
 FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
 1. Petitioner: MICHAEL E. SULLIVAN filed a
 petition with this court for a decree changing
 name as follows:

a. Present name: MICHAEL E. SULLI-
 VAN changed to Proposed name: GREGARY
 OLSON.

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

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 at the hearing to show cause why the petition
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 is timely filed, the court may grant the petition
 without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
 a. Date: 5-2-12 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 04
 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 hear-
 ing on the petition in the following newspaper
 of general circulation, printed in this county:
 Idyllwild Town Crier.

Date: March 2, 2012
 MAC R. FISHER
 JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: March 15, 22, 29, April 4, 2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
 STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as
 ECOSSE ELECTRIC, 54570 Tanglewood Lane,
 Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing
 address: P.O. Box 1217, Idyllwild, CA 92549.
 JOHN — MACMILLAN, 54570 Tanglewood
 Lane, Idyllwild, CA 92549-1217.

This business is conducted by an Indi-
 vidual.

Registrant commenced to transact business
 under the fictitious name listed above in 2007.

Signed:
 JOHN MACMILLAN
 Statement filed with the County Clerk of
 Riverside County on March 12, 2012.

FILE NO.:
 R-2012-02947
 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME
 STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MARCH 12, 2017. A
 NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-
 MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MARCH
 12, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT
 DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE
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 BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
 County Clerk
 By: N. Medina, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2012.

LIEN SALE
 CIVIL CODE 3071 & 3072
 On 4/3/2012 at 28720 Spruce Ave., Moreno
 Valley, CA, a Lien Sale will be held on a 1978
 HAWAIIAN, HULL: HBG119570878, AZ CF:
 3950U; and a 1977 ROADR, VIN: RR10712, CA
 LIC: NT1914 at 10:00 a.m.
Pub. TC: March 22, 2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
 STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as
 IDYLLWILD FEED AND NEEDS, 25880 Hwy
 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County.

Mailing address: P.O. Box 3714, Idyllwild, CA
 92549. BENJAMIN KEITH DAVIS, 25880 Hwy
 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Indi-
 vidual.

Registrant has not yet begun to transact busi-
 ness under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:
 BENJAMIN KEITH DAVIS
 Statement filed with the County Clerk of
 Riverside County on March 9, 2012.

FILE NO.:
 R-2012-02929
 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME
 STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MARCH 9, 2017. A
 NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-
 MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MARCH
 9, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT
 DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE
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LARRY W. WARD,
 County Clerk
 By: M. Meyer, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
 STATEMENT

The following person is doing business
 as STAGING PARTNERS, 55070 Pinecrest,
 Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing
 address: P.O. Box 3150, IDyllwild, CA 92549.
 VICTORIA — STREETER, P.O. Box 3150, 55070
 Pinecrest, Idyllwild, CA 92549-3150.

This business is conducted by an Indi-
 vidual.

Registrant commenced to transact busi-
 ness under the fictitious name listed above in
 January 2007.

Signed:
 VICTORIA STREETER
 Statement filed with the County Clerk of
 Riverside County on March 9, 2012.

FILE NO.:
 R-2012-02908

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME
 STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MARCH 9, 2017. A
 NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-
 MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MARCH
 9, 2017. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT
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LARRY W. WARD,
 County Clerk
 By: M. Meyer, Deputy
Pub. TC: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2012.

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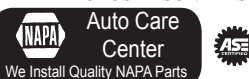
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Committee OK's Bluegrass festival

By Marshall Smith
Staff Reporter

In an effort to incorporate local businesses and the business district into the third annual Lemon Lily Festival, organizers are planning to add an in-town Bluegrass Festival for Saturday, July 21. Idyllwild had a Bluegrass Festival from 1974 to 1979, and at the time it was the only Bluegrass Festival in Southern California.

In a departure from last year's festival, nearly all events will be held at the Nature Center rather than having some at Town Hall. Because of this change, organizers felt they could best secure support from local businesses by providing in-town entertainment, which would attract patrons to the town core.

"We depend on the donations and sponsorships of the businesses," said acting Chairperson Toni Bertho-

lette. The likely location for the Bluegrass Festival is the street between Jo'An's Restaurant and the Fort.

Committee member, local businessman and festival supporter Bryan Tallent, along with Town Crier Publisher Grace Reed, pitched the idea of the Bluegrass Festival. They referred to last year's in-town post Jazz Festival concert at Jo'An's beer garden as a starting point for what they envision could build to a multi-day festival in its own right. "The history of this town was not built around art or jazz," said Tallent. "It was built around logging and sawmills and the bluegrass music that would have accompanied that industry and those workers."

Since the Lemon Lily Festival recalls the same time period when the lily was most ubiquitous, Tallent said it's appropriate to feature the music of that period. He cautioned, "This

must be true bluegrass, so that it would bring true bluegrass fans to this mountain town."

Tallent proposed that every business in town would be asked to help sponsor the Bluegrass Festival with a \$25 donation. He felt the amount of the donation is appropriate given the current economy and the fact that the proposed festival is being produced to benefit the town, its merchants, restaurants and inns. Local non-profits could have booths at the festival but no off-Hill business that would compete with local merchants would be permitted.

With a go-ahead from the committee, Tallent and Reed will start planning a budget and searching for a headliner.

In other business, the committee agreed to meet weekly beginning Thursday, March 22, at 1 p.m. at the Nature Center. Other ar-

eas of ongoing discussion include public outreach to other festivals including the Temecula Balloon Festival, the Lavender Festival in Beaumont and the Big Morongo Spring Fest; a banner project to be undertaken with the Art Alliance of Idyllwild, the logistics and cost of providing shuttle vans, the creation of an event timeline, and updates on all the events currently under discussion which include: high country hikes, Pioneer Town, the Lemon Lily quilt raffle, a local Bikeathon, public walks at the Nature Center, Idyllwild Garden Club hosted walks and the viewing of blooming lemon lilies creek side at Erin O'Neill's Alpen Woods property.

"We need more volunteers," Tallent stressed. "This festival is completely volunteer produced."

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Sustainability

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We found that there was much curiosity behind how we would integrate eco-friendliness into our art forms and all of us were more than ready to present our ideas.

Our majors cover a broad spectrum and offer many ways of incorporating the ideas gained at the conference into our art. Michelle is a dance major, Katherine majors in film, Devin is in Interdisciplinary Arts with a focus on interior design, and I am a classical vocalist.

There is always a way to make our art more eco-friendly. As artists, thinking outside of the box is instilled into us, and this is very much essential in the process of creating projects to make our environment more sustainable.

Ideas for our school were constantly on our minds. On the 2-1/2-hour ride back home, we discussed ideas. Everyone was already looking forward to putting what we learned into action.

For me, personally, this conference enriched me in

more ways than one. I have not only learned and been educated, I have been inspired and motivated to push for this movement like no other. The conference, in short, made me care. There is nothing like the feeling of wanting to go out and save this planet.

And how could you not want to? Idyllwild is beautiful and so rich in its nature and wildlife. As students that live here, we can sometimes take its magnificence for granted. But we all must face the facts — if we do not act now towards becoming more eco-friendly, this may all be lost. I know that none of us could even begin to imagine what Idyllwild would be like without the abundance of the beauty it currently holds. For us, the ideas of "environment" and "nature" are not distant or detached — we are living in it. And that is why we feel so strongly that this green movement is extremely important.

"Idyllwild Arts is going green." Yes, it is a large statement, but it is nothing short of possible. It is something that us four students, our leader Shannon Jacobs, together with the rest of Idyllwild Arts, are absolutely going to put in everything we have, to make happen.

CSA 38

Continued from page 1

"It cannot replace CAL FIRE's obligation to supply the station," Franklin told the Committee. A discussion of the options for purchasing the engine followed.

On Friday, Advisory Committee Chair Jerry Holldber said he thought the decision was up to CAL FIRE and they had approved it. Vice Chair Marge Muir and member Robert Hewitt confirmed that they left Wednesday's meeting believing the purchase would move forward.

"Yes, I did," said Muir. "But

two years ago we voted to buy an engine and it hasn't happened."

The committee did approve a proposed budget for fiscal 2012-13, which starts June 30. This will be submitted to the county for inclusion in the overall budget package, which goes to the Board of Supervisors in June.

In the past month, the Committee's subcommittee, composed of members Lou Padula and Thom Wallace, had met with Station 23 Capt. Scott Bethurum to discuss it. These discussions led to an increase in the capital improvements item

and compensating reductions elsewhere.

The total budget is \$533,000, which includes \$380,000 for a new fire engine.

Michael Franklin, the county's representative at the CSA 38 meeting, said he was working with the County Assessor to resolve the issue of the mistaken CSA boundaries and consequently uncollected property taxes.

Holldber requested that county counsel be consulted, particularly about the back tax revenue and possible parcel fee questions.

In August 2004, 213 CSA 38 voters approved the parcel

fee to support the ambulance contract. This was 76.3 percent of the votes cast, according to the Registrar of Voters. Another 41 voters, all casting a "No" vote would have been necessary to stop the fee's collection.

Members of the medical service ad hoc committee, Muir and Hewitt, reported that they had meetings with Idyllwild Fire. "It's a good beginning, with very positive steps, but a ways to go," Hewitt said. "It's one community here. There are no lines between the communities."

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CREATURE CORNER

By MIMI AND HOOTCH

What a busy week for goodbyes at the ARF house. **Feather**, our terrier mix, has found love with her new pack. The last two "Girl Scout" kitties, **Fire** and **Spit** are snuggled in their new cattery with their forever human. And **Reilly**, our German shepherd mix, wagged and talked her way right into her new forever hearts. **Teddy Cooper**, the Pomeranian will enjoy his new digs on Friday.

That leaves **Blackjack**, our one-year-old, male tux a bit lonely. Still loving to play, he is looking for a home with other four-leggeds — felines preferred; however, Blackjack is OK with canines, too. Blackjack minds his manners, he is not vocal, and lives to play hide and seek.

Abandoned in the ARF yard, **Nellie** is our sweet-heart papillon mix. She's groomers, so get that pretty pillow ready for this pretty girl. She'll sing for her supper, and then snuggle in for a good nap. Nellie likes a slow walk, with rest areas in between, loves food, but most of all she likes to just flash those great eyes and make you fall in love. Unlike a diva, Nellie is willing to share her forever home with other four-leggeds. She is sure someone has a space for her and her pillow.

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The Chamber of Commerce boasted 66 business members and 223 nonbusiness members.

55 years ago - 1957

The Forest Service reported the poorest snow pack since the annual surveys began. Average depth on the course was 3.15 inches, with several of the measuring points bare.

50 years ago - 1962

There was rain, snow, hail and a blizzard during the week. The mountain was deep in snow. Water prospects for the summer were excellent.

45 years ago - 1967

Idyllwild Fire Protection District commissioners approved purchase of land for a new fire station. The property, priced at \$32,000, adjoined Idyllwild Inn.

35 years ago - 1977

Parents of the child who started the disastrous Lake Hemet Fire in 1975 were ordered to pay the Forest Service a \$50,000 settlement.



This photo, published March 19, 1987, shows then County Supervisor **Kay Cenicerros**, standing, at a Town Hall meeting to address Idyllwild's parking problem. Cenicerros said a parking lot downtown would help solve most of the area's parking problems. Compounding the problem was a new Caltrans policy that would have eliminated parking in the state right-of-way that extends 100 feet in either direction of a state highway. In Idyllwild, the right-of-way was only 23 feet. Because of the liability problem, the state passed a law in 1978 that prohibits backing into a state right-of-way. Riverside County had waived some of its parking requirements for businesses in Idyllwild that were built before the parking law took effect. Also pictured were County Supervising Planner **Jerry Joliffe**, Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce President **Jim Goff** and Administrative Assistant **Melba Hoffman**. More than 60 people attended the meeting.

FILE PHOTO

30 years ago - 1982

Fairway Foods opened its door to customers.

20 years ago - 1992

The Idyllwild Fire Protec-

tion District board accepted a 41-percent increase in the ambulance fee. The base rate was \$255 but changed to \$360.

15 years ago - 1997

Idyllwild School was chosen for the month to be one of 50 WeatherNet sites. Weather information from the school was broadcast on NBC 4's television news program.

10 years ago - 2002

A San Diego nonprofit group announced plans to build a Jewish youth summer camp and retreat center on the 153 acres of land occupied by Living Free Animal Sanctuary.

5 years ago - 2007

Idyllwild Arts appealed the CalOSHA proposed citations resulting from the August 2006 death of an employee.

1 year ago - 2011

Drug stores throughout the state, including Idyllwild Pharmacy, were reporting depleted stocks of potassium iodide, as customers rushed to stock the radiation-combating pills as a precaution against spread of radioactivity from Japan's growing nuclear crisis.

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ICRC hopes for staffing grant

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Representatives from the Morongo Tribe of Mission Indians will be coming to Idyllwild on April 2, according to Idyllwild Community Recreation Council Director Cheryl Vladika. She has applied to the tribe for a \$10,000 grant to staff the Idyllwild Skate Park.

Tribal representatives want to inspect the ICRC's Skate Park, Vladika reported, prior to deciding upon grant approval. The funds for additional staff will allow ICRC to maintain regular hours for the skate park. Vladika said the scheduled walk-through is good news because it indicates the grant request is being seriously considered.

In other business, Sonnier stated that failed ice rink proprietor Gary Steven has until April 1 to remove all equipment from the Idyllwild Community Center site. Steven still has

not paid the \$1,446.52 bills for water and electricity. Director Emily White said Steven had requested to make two payments. Steven's rink, scheduled originally to open in November 2011, never opened. Steven cited equipment issues as the reason.

ICRC has begun ramping up its plans for constructing the playground on the ICC site. Vice President Dawn Sonnier's intention is to replicate the community building event of Town Hall in the 1940s. She said that 100 to 200 volunteers are needed onsite each day of the scheduled five-day (June 13 to 17) project. For more information on the project, see www.idyllwildrecreation.org.

Finally, ICRC is considering adopting a fee schedule for use of the Idyllwild Community Center site. Whatever schedule the board adopts, the charges would be in the form of "suggested donations," not a contractual fee.

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

The committee of Forest Folk did their homework and came well prepared to seek support for a community garden from the County Service Area 36 Advisory Committee. What they had not counted on was the support the County Economic Development Agency proffered.

EDA has experience in planning and creating community gardens. They offered to bring that expertise to the Hill garden. The Folk produced diagrams showing 13 raised bed containers, fruit trees, a pumpkin patch, a storage container, a water storage tank and picnic tables for a plot of land in Mountain Center owned by Chapel in the Pines.

Since well water and electricity to operate a well at the Mountain Center site could be a problem, the plan is configured with a storage tank that would rely on water being brought to the site. The Folk also came with sample agreements

and contracts under which the garden, available to the entire wider Idyllwild community, could operate.

Mike Franklin, county EDA CSA 36 representative, said at other gardens EDA had built, it graded the ground, built the beds, brought in the soil, ran the watering lines and provided the operational agreements by which the garden functions. In the county model, there are no fees that gardeners have to pay to use the beds, just agreements about how they would work communally with other gardeners.

Costs to supply these initial infrastructure elements would come from CSA 36 funds if the advisory committee so authorized. They did authorize Franklin to contact the county Parks and Open Space Department to see about the feasibility of using part the Idyllwild County Park. Franklin had suggested that possibility. He noted that in other community gardens a primary purpose was to involve gardeners of all ages, with seniors mentoring children, and participation



Example of the raised garden beds EDA has constructed in other county communities.

PHOTO COURTESY OF EDA

by people of all economic strata.

Franklin indicated that once the initial infrastructure was in place, a non-profit or group of nonprofits would manage the garden.

In other business, the advisory committee asked for an update on the Town Hall lease. The Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce has several concerns and consequently has not signed a new lease yet.

Franklin noted that once an agreed upon lease is signed by the chamber, the county could replace

the playground at Town Hall. The playground had been closed since inspection by the county Human Resources Safety Division. The inspection identified a number of structural deficiencies, as well as non-compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act.

The approximately \$30,000 replacement costs would come from now-available Community Development block Grant funds, similar to the support for the library, and not from CSA funds.

Advisory Committee Chair Bob Schraff inquired about the county inspection report of Town Hall itself. The report, based only on a visual inspection, indicates a number of fixes that must be made, none of them major at this point in time. Schraff noted that proper safety labeling of the propane tank and installation of a new regulator were important, as was removal of other cited hazards.

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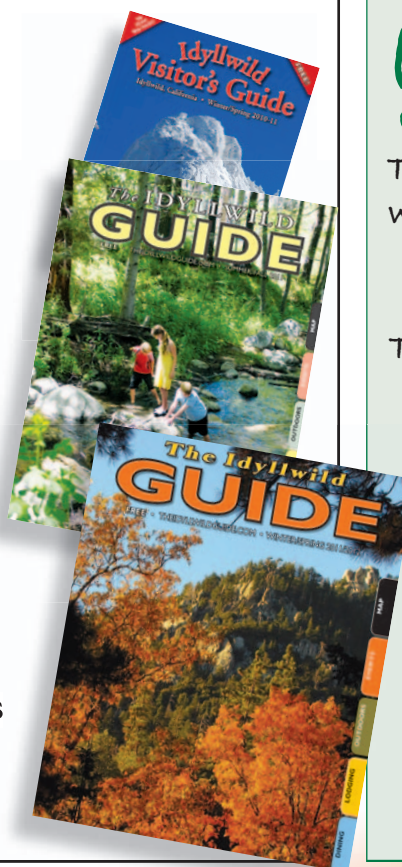
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