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## Six Idyllwild School teachers retiring



Idyllwild School will suffer the loss of six long-time teachers next month. Here (from left) are Holly Guntermann, Diane D'Arcy, Vic Scavarda and Iva Botton. Small photos at right show Joan Gray and Patty Carratello.

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By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

When the school year ends in a few weeks, six Idyllwild School teachers — Iva Botton, Patty Carratello, Diane D'Arcy, Joan Gray, Holly Guntermann and Vic Scavarda— will close their classroom doors



for the final time. More than 125 years of experience will walk away from the local school.

Idyllwild School enrollment is barely one percent of Hemet Unified School District's total  
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## Kick off summer with an old fashioned treasure hunt

By BETTY BAILEY  
CORRESPONDENT

Treasure hunters are easy to spot on Memorial Day Weekend in Idyllwild. Fortified with sunscreen and equipped with maps supplied by the Town Crier, they inch their sedans and SUVs down the rural streets, looking for troves of riches in yard sales between Pine Cove and Mountain Center. This year, the Art Alliance of Idyllwild has a plan to ensure these eager hunters walk away with plenty of mountain swag with its Art and Treasures Weekend.

The mere mention of the Art and Treasures Weekend is enough to unlock special treasures (i.e. special gifts or discounts) at participating inns, shops and restaurants from Friday through Mon-

day. Be sure to drop the name when visiting local establishments.

The Art and Treasures weekend is sure to become an annual event. The AAI is partnering with the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce and the Idyllwild Town Crier is this year's sponsor. The entire town is encouraged to join in the fun. On Friday, business owners can download and print a free poster from the AAI web site (www.artinidyllwild.com), or pick one up at the Town Crier, to show they are taking part in the event.

On Saturday, May 26, visitors will get a glimpse into the world of the working artist from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., at the Idyllwild Community Center site, which is located across from the Shell Station on Highway 243. Enjoy music by locals

Joe Baldino, Jac Jacaruso and David Jerome as the artists create original works of art before your eyes. Chat them up, learn the secrets and techniques that make their work unique and take home a one-of-a-kind, hand-designed work of art for a direct-from-the-artist price.

The Art Alliance of Idyllwild is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to promoting artists and galleries in Idyllwild and promoting the town's reputation as one of the Top 100 Art Towns in America. AAI events include the Plein Air Festival and the Annual Art Walk & Wine Tasting in October.

For more information about the Art and Treasures Weekend, or other AAI events, please call 877-439-5278 or visit AAI's website at www.artinidyllwild.com.

## Community garden still without site

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

The Idyllwild Community Garden, proposed by the Forest Folk and supported by the county Economic Development Agency that runs Idyllwild recreation, may be on hold for a year because of lack of agreement upon an appropriate site.

The leading candidate for the garden had been a parcel at the Nature Center on Highway 243. The Regional Park and Open Space District found it unsuitable after Keith Herron, resource bureau chief for the agency visited it.

"I've communicated that we can't approve this site to Bill Brown, EDA and the board of supervisors," said Herron. Shelley Kibby, Nature Center park

interpreter had supported a community garden site at the center.

Herron's concern was that the garden's proposed location would require fencing or some way to secure it from wildlife, that the construction would mar the entrance to the Nature Center, and there were additional issues involving water and gate access and fees that would need to be resolved. Its appearance within the entry corridor was the deciding factor.

"That entry corridor is part of the Nature Center's beauty and appeal as a natural environment," said Herron. "It's a scenic entrance."

"We are open to working with the parties to find an alternative," said Herron, but acknowledged the difficulty  
*See Garden, page 13*







# OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

By BRUCE WATTS

## Wildflower extravaganza ...

The late April rains and snow made sure that we would have a strong spring wildflower bloom. Even though it was a drier and warmer winter season than normal (or is it the new normal), I am seeing lots of plants in bloom in town and, of course, the high country will be starting to bloom soon as well.

Besides the outstanding goldfields bloom in Garner Valley, I have seen one of the best Ceanothus blooms in a while with every bush covered in flowers. You can spot many of the delicate blue flowered Ceanothus on roadsides and on the lower sections of Deer Springs Trail.

Growing along side the Ceanothus is one of the most common plants in Idyllwild the pink flowered manzanita. Manzanita means "little apple" in Spanish and refers to the small, apple-like fruit. The small pink flowers hang in clusters on the ends of the branches and are quite showy despite their diminutive size. There are different species of Manzanita and they range from small bushes to almost tree-size plants.

At Lake Hemet, I saw many yellow turbans (Eriogonum pusillum), a buckwheat family member. They grow well in dry sandy soil around the lake. These two- to three-foot tall plants look almost leafless and the yellow flowers grow in clusters at the end of the stems.

Also at Lake Hemet, I have seen another common plant. The scarlet penstemon (Penstemon labrosus) grows in the same conditions as the yellow turbans. The trumpet-shaped flowers extend in rows on the vertical flower stalks. There are other species of the penstemon genus but the red-flowered plants are the most commonly seen locally.

One of the smaller, less noticeable, plants blooming in town is miner's lettuce (Claytonia perfoliata). This purslane family member is one of those tiny plants that mostly go unnoticed. I am one that enjoys looking at tiny white flowers, which appear to be growing in the center of a round green leaf.

Another wildflower that I have seen for the first time this year is the rockcress (Arabis) species which is a mustard family member. The rockcress has lavender-colored flowers that are trumpet-shaped with green bracts at the base and grow in clusters at the end of long flower stalks. I found these plants along the side of Double View near Inspiration Point.

Another very common plant of the Castilleja indivisa species known as Indian paintbrush. The dark green plants are topped with red on the ends and the small



Ceanothus blooming in Garner Valley



Manzanita blooms

PHOTOS BY BRUCE WATTS

inconspicuous flowers grow inside the red bracts. Indian paintbrush grows in many environments. It is one of the easiest species to identify because the tops make it look like the leaves have been dipped in red paint.

This is just a small smattering of species that I have found recently. There are hundreds of others out there either blooming or soon to burst into flower. For me, I look forward to seeing the yellow and scarlet monkeyflowers and hopefully photograph the orchids that grow in our mountains. I have seen the stream orchid Epipactis gigantea growing out at the James Reserve and heard a report of orchids growing at (where else) Halfway Spring.

Yes, I'll be returning to Halfway Spring again looking for golden eagles and stream orchids. At least, the orchids will pose for pictures.



A snowplant erupting through the cover of pine needles.

PHOTO BY MIKE RENO



Candle of the Lord, at least 12 feet tall, blooms in Idyllwild at the Paul Dunn's residence. He has had a home in Idyllwild since 1980.

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## Obituary Bill Matthews

Bill Matthews passed away May 8, 2012, at home. He was born in 1935 in Los Angeles, Calif. He worked in his father's auto repair shop until serving in the Marine Corps from 1953 to 1956. He had a career as a diesel truck mechanic and supervisor for the Los Angeles Times truck fleet and repair facility.

Matthews built a vacation home in Pine Cove in 1977 and eventually retired to Pine Cove in 1991. He served on the Pine Cove Water District Board of Directors for 12 years.

He was an avid fisherman, woodworker and loved cars, motorcycles and dogs. He will be dearly missed.

He is survived by wife Lynette; daughters Catherine Hargis and Brenda Mann; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, May 17, 2012, at Idyllwild Bible Church.

## Obituary Judith Hermanson

Judith Emery Hermanson, teacher, artist, wife and mother, was born in Lawrence, Mass. As the daughter of Colonel Harry R. and Evelyn Smith, Judi, an Air Force "brat" reared in a strict military family, moved around the country every three years. In her teenage years she attended Military Dependents School in Wiesbaden, Germany, and witnessed the misery of that country following WWII. The family returned to the U.S. in 1949, and, in 1952, Judi graduated from Washington & Lee High School in Arlington, Va.



After later graduating from Mary Washington College, an all women's college in Fredericksburg, Va., Judi taught for one year in San Bernardino, Calif., before being hired by San Diego City Schools. During the next few years, Judi and fellow classmates Hermie (also a military brat and daughter of a Navy surgeon), Barbara, and Corky lived on the beach of Mission Bay, and later La Jolla, in San Diego. This was a time of skin diving, bongo drums, the Kingston Trio and constant fun, when La Jolla was still a "village." In 1959, Judi and David Hermanson, whom she met while teaching at Mission Bay High School, were married at Norton Air Force Base where Judi's father was the commanding officer. The first years of marriage found Judi and Dave living in La Jolla, driving their favorite cars, a convertible MG and an Austin Healy. They later moved and made their home in Point Loma.

During the 30 years that she worked for San Diego City Schools, Judi taught many aspiring young art students at Mission Bay High School, Claremont High School, and Twain Alternative High School. In addition, Judi taught art classes for the San Diego Gifted Program and worked for the San Diego Community College District teaching adult art classes and high school GED classes. During her career, Judi took graduate classes at UCSD, San Diego State, and UCR and was awarded Mentor Teacher by the State of California and Excel Teacher by the SDUSD. Judi also was one of the founding patrons of the Art Alliance of Idyllwild and contributor to the Idyllwild Arts Academy.

Over the years, Judi and Dave traveled extensively to Mexico, Asia, Europe and Africa, with Egypt being their favorite. In the early 1970s, a friend introduced the Hermansons to Idyllwild and a few years later they purchased a charming "fixer upper" in Fern Valley where they spent many wonderful summers and holidays "on the Hill." In

## Obituary Patricia Joann Norrell

Patricia Joann Norell was the beloved daughter of James Peck and Opal Owens. She was born on Feb. 4, 1930, and died on April 11, 2012. A native Californian, Pat spent most of her life in San Diego County, a brief but wonderful time in Idyllwild in Riverside County, and her last years in Santa Clara County. She leaves behind many wonderful friends, a brother, Owen Peck; a son, James Randall; a daughter, Rita Randall; and a grandson named Jake (James' son) whom she adored. She will be remembered for being a generous, caring individual. Her journey was at times very beautiful and just as often very hard. But she worked hard and gave much to many. May she be at peace. Patricia Joann Norrell's memorial service will be held at noon Sunday, May 20, at the Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 N. Circle Dr.



1996, Judi and Dave became full-time residents. Prior to Dave's death in 2001, the couple developed an art studio in their home with supplies for a lifetime. Thereafter, Judi pursued her passions in poetry, watercolor, photography, oil, charcoal, acrylic, embroidery and designing and making jewelry. Most of her larger works reflect an interest in pursuing the relationship between nature and spirit.

During Judi's teaching years, she taught mental projection and encouraged students to never become slaves to detail, but rather to delve into the ideas and emotions of each individual. In doing so, Judi became a teacher-counselor, allowing students to express themselves more freely. After her husband's death, Judi became especially interested in ravens and started incorporating them into her art stating: "Whatever I paint, or photograph, or weave, it must have a passage of spirit, an interaction of life, a moment of spiritual connection."

Judi was also a collector of Southwestern tribal art and jewelry. During her pastime, she was a voracious reader and championed a conservative political stance, a rarity in the generally liberal art community. Judi was a lifelong animal lover and for the last ten years of her life was especially fond of Heidi, her German Shepherd who could be seen with her riding around the village in the backseat of her Jeep.

More recently, some of Judi's moments to celebrate included the birth of two new granddaughters, her brother and sister-in-law's purchase of a second home in Idyllwild, and accompanying her youngest brother Stephen to New York for the Explorers Club Centennial Dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria to meet with Sir Edmund Hillary, mountaineer, explorer, writer, and humanitarian. One of Judi's concerns was that there are no towering personalities to inspire children and adults today. As a young teenager she had a family dinner with the shy Charles Lindbergh. Judi mused, "Where are these people today? Today's youth are living life vicariously through TV reality shows and computers and not enjoying it first hand."

Judi chose to live in Idyllwild for its "village charm" and beauty. She was attracted to the rugged individualism and colorful independence of living in the mountains and especially the people it attracted — the next door neighbor who cared and reached out, the friendships at the local cafe, the hairdresser and friend who minded the cabin while she was traveling abroad, the kindness of the post office personnel and the local market people who called when she was sick. Each became a treasured friend over the years. Those who knew Judi knew she protected and celebrated people's privacy and diversities. In Judi's art studio, there is a poster that she proudly displayed entitled "Women Who Run with the Wolves," by Clarissa Pinkola Estes, which

## Obituary William Martin

William "Bill" Martin was born March 13, 1925, and passed away on May 5, 2012, in Hemet, Calif. He was 87 years old. Martin was born on a farm in Granbury, Texas. He served in the Navy for three years during World War II on a destroyer in the South Pacific. He worked in the industrial saw and tool industry for 42 years, and retired in 1988. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Shriners. Martin loved to golf and came to Idyllwild many times to visit his family.



He leaves his loving family, wife June, who has shared 66 wonderful years together; daughter, Carol Jones (David) of Idyllwild; five grandchildren, Mike VanZee (Shana) of Hemet, Jeff VanZee (Stacey) of Hemet, Justin Jones (Denise) of Idyllwild, Meghan Carey (Hal) of Virginia and Idyllwild, and Jenny Lozano (Ben) of Idyllwild; and six great-grandchildren.

states: "A healthy woman is much like a wolf — robust, inventive, loyal, fierce." Judi was all those things to those who knew her. She was one of a kind and will be forever missed but never forgotten. Judi had one last message for her friends and family, a poem by Colleen Hitchcock:

"Ascension"

And if I go,  
while you're still here ...  
Know that I live on,  
vibrating to a different measure  
— behind a thin veil you cannot see through.  
You will not see me,  
So you must have faith.  
I will wait for the time when we can soar together again  
— both aware of each other.  
Until then, live your life to its fullest.  
And when you need me,  
Just whisper my name in your heart,  
... I will be there.

Judi is survived by her daughter, Marden E. Hermanson; son, David P. Hermanson; brother, Russell and his wife Donna of Walnut, Calif.; brother, Stephen E. Smith of Walnut Creek, Calif.; five granddaughters, Caitlin, Natalie, Tara, Clare and Lotta; and niece Shannon Kavanagh, her husband Brian and their children Jake and Paige. A private celebration of life is pending. No services are scheduled. Donations in her name can be made to: ARF-Idyllwild Animal Rescue Friends. ARF is an official 501(c)(3) non-profit organization (website: idyllwildarf.org).



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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 14.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. 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.
- Lake Hemet Municipal Water District meeting, 3 p.m. LHMWD office, 26385 Fairview Ave., Hemet (moved this month from Thursday, May 17).
- 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.
- Idyllwild Historic Preservation District, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Idyllwild Nature Center.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

### THURSDAY, MAY 17

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr., Contact Betty
- 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.
- Lemon Lily Festival planning session, 1 p.m., Idyllwild Nature Center, Hwy 243.
- Forest Folk, 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 25925 Cedar Street.
- High Valleys Water District, 6 p.m. HVWD office, 47781 Twin Pines Rd., Twin Pines.

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

### FRIDAY, MAY 18

- Fern Valley Water District board meeting, 9 a.m. FVWD board room, 55790 South Circle Dr.
- Cancer Support Group for women and men, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr., For information, call Deanna (951) 659-8104.
- Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Jenny Stepien at (760) 445-6325 or e-mail 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.
- Feeding America, 3 p.m., Chapel in the Pines, Mountain Center, distribution at the former Morning Sky School, on Hwy. 243.
- 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, MAY 19

- Occupy Idyllwild for Peace, Justice and Nonviolence "teach-in" 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Town center at "Harmony" monument. (909) 228-6710.
- Idyllwild Gay Potluck, 6 p.m. Email pinkiemeringue@yahoo.com for location.
- 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, MAY 20

- Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, Book Study (closed) meeting, noon, Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243; 5 p.m., Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Road, Poppet Flat, across from CAL FIRE Station 6.
- Teen Group, 1:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center,

Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

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

### MONDAY, MAY 21

- 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 & 7 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idyllwild Community Meditation, meditation 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 Kyo-shin Velez at 659-5750 for information.
- Chamber of Commerce, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Water District board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.

### TUESDAY, MAY 22

- 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.
- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step Study meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Call 659-0097 for information.

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- "The Conversation/This is This," 6 p.m., 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.



At its May 9 meeting, Idyllwild Rotary Vice President **Dawn Miller** (right) presents a gift to **Patricia Davis**, professional ballerina, now teaching at Idyllwild Arts Academy, for being the group's guest speaker. PHOTO BY STEVE ESPINOSA



On Monday, April 30, **Sandy Burns** of the Idyllwild Town Crier selects the names for the Mountain Disaster Preparedness raffle. Holding the bag of names is MDP Board Secretary **Sherry Edwards** and reading the winners' names is Board Treasurer **Bob Edwards**. First Prize winners are **Robert** and **Barbara Haehnel** of Mountain Center. The second prize winner is **Barbara Jones** of Pine Cove. The third prize winner is **K. A. Metz** of Idyllwild. PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

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### County Supervisor Stone's Idyllwild meeting will be May 31

Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone has changed the date of his May visit to Idyllwild. Stone will be at Idyllwild Fire Station on Thursday, May 31 from noon until his community meetings finish, said Rose Esparza, his legislative assistant. Stone normally meets with Hill residents on the last Friday of the month.



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## INITIAL THOUGHTS

### Honors, "Good byes" and a joke ...

Last week, I took great pleasure sharing with you the number of awards the Town Crier recieved at the recent California Newspaper Publishers Association meeting.

Our staff invests much time trying to be timely and relevant for our readers. So four honors was significant.

In addition, I am proud to announce that Publisher Grace Reed was elected to the CNPA Board of Directors at their May 3 meeting.

Grace is not the first Town Crier publisher to serve on this august board. Former Publisher-Editor Becky Clark also served several terms on the CNPA board and is currently President of the California Press Association.

Gov. Jerry Brown announced his revised 2012-13 budget yesterday. The January budget deficit has grown 66 percent, from \$9.2 billion to \$15.7 billion. One of the reasons for this increased gap, according to the governor, is "a reduced revenue outlook."

The phantom \$4 billion he and the legislature added to the 2011-12 budget last June in order to claim it was balanced, has not appeared in the state coffers. To him, that's unexpected.

To the rest of us, we told you 11 months ago, it was a mistake. The May revision also assumes the governor's tax measure will be approved in November.

We'll write more about the state budget next week.

A bittersweet story appears on page 1. Six members of the Idyllwild School faculty will retire in June after the school year ends.

We wish them well in the future and hope they continue to contribute to our children's growth and maturity. We'll miss seeing them as often (Who will organize "Blast to the Past"? but new faces and names will join our community.

Good luck and have fun.



J.P., EDITOR

## SCE rate fee small compared to AB 32 costs

### EDITOR:

In response to the letter from Merrie VonSeggern [about the Southern California Edison proposed fee increase in the May 3 issue of the Town Crier], I hate to say it, but that fee difference of \$2 is nothing. Just wait.

California Assembly Bill 32 is not fully implemented yet and when it is in place, expect even bigger changes to come. [AB 32 is a California law that fights climate change by establishing a comprehensive program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from all sources throughout the state. It was approved Sept. 27, 2006.]

According to the California Chamber of Commerce, "California families will be facing increased annual costs of \$3,857 and consumers will be forced to cut discretionary spending by 26.2 percent in order to cope with the increased costs generated by the scoping plan."

Please read [www.calchamber.com/headlines/pages/studyab32implementationwillcostsmallbusinessesalmost50000.aspx](http://www.calchamber.com/headlines/pages/studyab32implementationwillcostsmallbusinessesalmost50000.aspx).

CHRIS JOHNSTON  
IDYLLWILD

## Protect pets from rat poisons

### EDITOR:

Recently, while painting the laundry room, I moved items from a shelf to the floor.

Bad move.

You see, one of the things I moved was rat poison.

If I open a bottle of aspirin, I have to fumble with a child-resistant cap. But rat poison comes in a flimsy plastic container whose lid has no locking mechanism. It requires no prescription. The traps it's designed to be used in have protective features, but the containers it comes in do not.

I blame no one but myself. It's poison, after all: I should have been more careful.

But it has been years since the kids were toddlers — years since I spent much time thinking about child proofing the house.

But I should have been

thinking about puppy proofing it.

When I woke one morning, our dog was lethargic and obviously not well. By noon, I knew it was time for the vet.

The vet did tests and drew a blood sample, taping gauze over the needle hole. Nothing conclusive.

When we got home, our dog chewed the gauze and tape off her leg. We were alarmed to see that blood kept coming out of the hole where the vet's needle had gone in.

A trip to the 24-hour emergency vet. A blood transfusion for the dog. A \$1,500 money transfusion for the vet (well deserved, well earned).

I've learned that rat poison works by letting you bleed to death. A scratch and there's blood everywhere. A bruise and there's unstoppable internal bleeding. The stuff takes a stealth approach — silently working its evil for up to 10 days before it kicks in. And puppies think it's yummy.

Even when you use this stuff carefully, rodents are not the only critters affected. Other animals eat rodents — think kitty, coyote, rattlesnake, hawk and owl.

Guess what happens when they snatch up a rodent whose belly is full of rat poison (the name is a bit misleading — a bit like saying nuclear fallout is rat poison). Yes, it kills rats, but ...

If you can live with the cute little guys, that's great. If not, there are better ways to deal with them. Use a snappy trap. Get yourself a cat. But please don't use rat poison.

If you have it in your house, get rid of it. Put the paper down right now and go get rid of the stuff.

DAN PIETSCH  
IDYLLWILD

## The value of building codes

### EDITOR:

I can't be silent on the two letters on evil building codes and their implications to this community.

International Building Codes [IBC] are adopted about every three years by most municipalities. Note the word "international." Most codes are common

## Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



and widely adopted by virtually every state. It's the enforcement that varies from none to tons.

For example, in most of the Idaho panhandle or northwestern Montana counties, the concern is building location. Building safely shifts to the homeowner or lender while neither wants to spend money raising or razing a death trap.

But it happens. Up there you get a septic permit, and Mr. Assessor follows. But their near 10,000 or so county populations with their 12 to 18 percent unemployment rate is quite different from the two million plus medley we have here. More people usually means less freedom to exercise poor judgment.

Secondly, enforced codes keep the Tijuana-effect in Mexico. And no building can rival the natural beauty

we came here for. Do we really want more handout-affordable housing with the idle going wild?

In the 1940s and 50s my late grandfather's buildings were inspected by another contractor on behalf of Hemet. There was no public inspector gravy train. Again, fewer people then meant a reputation mattered more than a profit margin.

Another issue affecting building code enforcement is similar to tax codes. Tax code compliance and enforcement requires many CPAs and tax attorneys, like building codes that require many draftsmen, architects and engineers. Anyone can draw pictures, but few can produce accurate drawings that pass plan check. Apparently life matters more to us than expediency.

I have contracted in four of the five southern

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## How to get a letter published

The Town Crier welcomes letters reflecting all opinions. Letters should be concise and to the point. They should be no longer than 400 words. Letters must be typewritten, double-spaced and in upper/lower case (not in all caps). Letters must be signed (unless e-mailed) and must be identified with the writer's name, address and weekday phone number.

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## TOWN TALK

By ISAAC DWYER AND RUTH RUIZ, INTERNS

*Do you think it is a good idea for the town to fund a community garden? Why or why not?*



**Karyn Lawrence  
La Verne  
Photo note cards**

*"I think people in this town would enjoy it a lot. It sounds like a great idea."*



**John Simpson  
Idyllwild  
Innkeeper**

*"I think it sounds like a great idea. It is important to the culture. The only thing that I wonder about is the security, water and maintenance of it."*

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



**Carmen Pratt (left) and Rose Griesgraber**, both sixth-grade students at Idyllwild School, were chosen as students of the week for the week of May 14. Principal **Matt Kraemer** chose these students because they have the highest GPA in the sixth grade. Congratulations Rose and Carmen!

PHOTO BY CAREENA CHASE

## SRA fee public mtg

The California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection is holding two special meetings this month to receive public comment on its draft permanent regulation for the State Responsibility Area (SRA) Fire Prevention Benefit Fee.

The first special meeting will start at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 16, at the San Diego County Board of Supervisors Chambers in San Diego. The second meeting will start at 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, at the Shasta County Board of Supervisors Chambers in Redding.

More information, including meeting locations and agendas, and a copy of the draft regulation can be found at: <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>.

Anyone unable to attend either of these meetings is encouraged to provide written comments by email to board.public.comments@fire.ca.gov or by mail to: Mr. George Gentry, Executive Officer, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460.

For more information, call (916) 653-8007.

## LIFELINES

TED EWING, PH.D.

### Stressed vines, fine wines ...

I enjoy spending time at the Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe and Bistro in the Village Centre. The music is entertaining, the conversation amusing, and the wine relaxing. Even more enjoyable than sipping the fermented fruit of the vine, however, is thinking about how the best wines are made.

Washington Post wine critic Ben Giliberti explained, "Great wines come from low-yielding vineyards planted in marginal climates on the poorest soils."

Though hard on the vines, these tough conditions are good for the wine, because vines that are stressed must work harder to produce fruit, which leads to fewer but more concentrated and flavorful grapes."

Here's the lifelines principle: stressed vines produce fine wines. The greatest wines come from marginal climates and poor soils. Tough conditions are hard on the vine, but good for the wine.

The growth principle that produces fine wine is one I want to avoid in my life. Don't get me wrong; I would love to be a fine wine. I'd like to emanate a sweet aroma, have a complex flavor, leave a taste that lasts, and grow better with age.

What I want to avoid is going through what produces those qualities. I don't like difficulty. When I encounter it, I want to get rid of it as quickly as possible. I don't like to be pressured. I don't enjoy being treated poorly.

I don't relish being the object of vindictive behavior. I don't like being too hot or too cold. In fact, I usually don't like being uncomfortable for any reason.

I'm a creature of comfort. I want to avoid hardship at all costs. The problem is that a lack of difficulty often produces the opposite of what I truly desire as a human being. Giliberti illustrated this by comparing fine wines found on the rack in a bistro with bulk wines found in a box at the grocery store.

By contrast, the vines used for bulk wines have it easy. They are planted in the fertile soils in ideal climates of regions such as California's Central Valley. Such regions are great for producing tons of grapes to fill up the bulk fermentation tanks, but not at all great for producing the complex, intense flavors needed to make great wine, because the vines are not stressed and the yields are way too high.

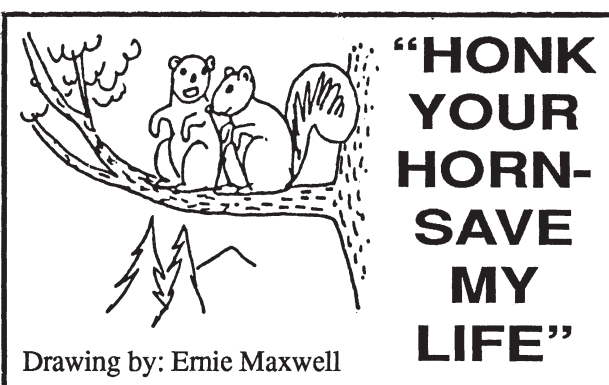
See *Lifelines*, page 30

### Strange but true

If you are a stay-at-home mom, you probably won't be surprised by a recent study that found lower levels of stress in mothers who work outside the home than in those who stay with their kids all day.

...

If you've been married for 40 years or more, you can be pretty confident that the union will last. Only 1 in every 1,000 marriages of such duration end in divorce.



Drawing by: Ernie Maxwell

## OFF THE LEASH

By CONOR O'FARRELL

### What's treason and who committed it ...

Recently, at a rally for GOP Presidential candidate Mitt Romney, a woman in the crowd accused President Obama of treason. Treason?

What has he done that qualifies as treason? As I see it, the president hasn't been able to do much. Health care reform has been hamstrung. There has been little, if any, change to financial services regulation. I guess he has come out in support of gay marriage recently and during his watch, the military did manage to find and kill Osama bin Laden. No treason so far.

He hasn't fixed the economy fast enough to most people's liking or "created" enough jobs. Maybe that is treasonous. I've got it, it must be the bailout of the auto industry ... oh wait, a good chunk of that money has been paid back. I'm failing to see treason.

If anything, in my opinion, President Obama hasn't done enough. He has been too moderate, too conciliatory. He hasn't fought hard enough for reforms to our broken system. President Obama has been too busy walking on egg shells around the Republican House to achieve anything even close to a treasonous act and yet it doesn't stop absurd and irresponsible comments by some of those on the radical right.

If it's treason you're interested in, let's take a look at former Secretary of State Colin Powell's recent book, "It Worked for Me: In Life and Leadership." In it, Powell writes that the decision to pursue a course of war with Iraq was never officially discussed with the National Security Council, a claim also made by former CIA chief, George Tenet, in his book "At the Center of the Storm: My Years at the CIA."

The decision to attack Iraq was a foregone conclusion, a policy looking for a rationale, that came from the vice president's office. According to Powell, the brief that sighted weapons of mass destruction as justification for the attack, was written by the vice president's assistant, Scooter Libby (later implicated and convicted of wrongdoing concerning the Valerie Plame debacle) not the NSC and that the brief was unintelligible.

According to British officials, it became clear that intelligence and facts were being fixed around a policy. In short, that the justification for attacking Iraq and holding them accountable for the attacks on 9/11 was fabricated.

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# IFPD accepts audit, assets now negative

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

At its May 8 meeting, the Idyllwild Fire Commission accepted the long awaited audit for the fiscal year that ended last June 30, 2011.

The commission forwarded the audit to the California Special Districts Association with which it is trying to refinance its vehicle and medical equipment leases and loans. If the CSDA approves, IFPD will have one consolidated annual payment and lease.

If approved, the finance time will be extended, and the borrowing rate will be lower, according to Commissioner Jerry Buchanan.

The first payment on the new loan would be in 12 months, thus eliminating the current year's payments. Postponing the payments will allow IFPD to begin rebuilding its reserves, he said.

The highlights (or low-lights) of the 2010-11 audit include recognition that the fire department's expenses again exceeded revenue last year. As of June 30, 2011, its net assets were a negative \$57,000 compared to nearly \$645,000 on June 30, 2010. And net assets at the beginning of the year were restated from the previous audit.

Part of the revision is because IFPD is now ac-

knowledging a long-term debt to CalPERS of about \$450,000.

The commission did adopt fixed-asset and investment policies that were recommended in the 2010 audit.

Buchanan added that the number of specific accounting adjustments was about 90 percent less than the auditors made a year ago. "It's a fairly clean audit," he concluded. "Actually a rather favorable audit, I'm more confident as we move ahead."

Buchanan also plans to bring a proposal for the firm, Rogers, Anderson, Malody and Scott, LLP of San Bernardino, to conduct the next two audits. His intent is to begin these audits in a more timely fashion so they will be completed in the fall of the same year.

During the public comment period, two people addressed the board about the current issue of ambulance service for Pine Cove and Zone 3 residents.

Marge Muir, local real estate agent with property in both areas, encouraged the board to be more open with County Service Area 38's Advisory Committee. "We're unhappy being shut out and only asking for transparency," she urged the commission.

Commission President Jeannine Charles-Stigall re-

sponded that the actual contract was between the fire district and the county and Pine Cove residents should address their concerns about involvement with Riverside County's Emergency Medical Services Agency (REMS).

Commission Vice President Dr. Charles "Chip" Schelly reported that IFPD's meetings with REMS were proceeding well and he expected them to be resolved before July 1.

The district and career firefighters are continuing to negotiate new contract terms, after the February announcement of an across-the-board seven percent reduction in salary. Buchanan said the negotiations were proceeding well and the two organizations were trading language for an agreement. "I'm extremely positive," he added and expects to bring a proposal to the board soon.

The commission also agreed to maintain its current policy of two meetings each month, the second and fourth Tuesdays. If insufficient business is available, the second meeting may be canceled. But several Commission members urged the continuation of the current policy, so no vote was taken on changing the policy.

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As usual, a large crowd gathered for the Idyllwild Fire Department's 51st annual Spaghetti Dinner at Idyllwild Pines camp on Saturday night.

PHOTO BY BARBARA REESE



Jim Kutsch and Bruce Connle serve up the spaghetti at the Idyllwild Fire Department's 51st annual Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday night. The event was held at Idyllwild Pines Camp.

PHOTO BY BARBARA REESE

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# Fire agencies prepare for fire season and beyond

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Optimism and good news were prevalent at last week's Mountain Area Safety Task-force meeting. Fire officials from forest fire agencies — U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and CAL FIRE — discussed their preparations for the 2012 fire season that has already begun.

CAL FIRE stressed the availability of air tankers and helicopters from its Hemet-Ryan Air base since the Forest Service's air tanker fleet has diminished in recent years.

Reporting for the Forest Service, Battalion Chief Richard Gearhart said current staffing is sufficient to man four effective engines seven days a week. By the end of May after additional

seasonal hiring, the agency will have seven engines seven days on the Hill.

Also the helicopter stationed at the Keenwild Ranger Station should be available the first week of June, he said.

Vicki Washington, BLM, said, "We're staffing now and have both engines ready."

CAL FIRE Battalion Chief Bill Weiser said all their stations were staffed and training was already started.

ON Friday, CAL FIRE had an open house at Hemet-Ryan for the public to see air tankers and helicopters stationed there (see accompanying story).

Everyone acknowledged this could be a dangerous fire season. Although the yearly rainfall has been below normal, the late winter

and early spring precipitation delayed the vegetation blooming.

In the valley, wild grasses have already cured creating danger. Last week, CAL FIRE had two fires greater than 30 acres.

The Forest Service is conducting environmental analyses of most of the existing fuel breaks, in order to begin maintenance work on these areas, according to the Forest Service's Forest Technician Lee Beyer.

In other business, Weiser established a committee to begin reviewing and preparing updates to the organizations of current

goals and objectives. He hopes to present a revised set to all the agencies at the August meeting. If anyone has suggestions, they can be emailed to Chief Weiser at Bill.Weiser@fire.ca.gov.

Although no major tabletop exercise is scheduled for this year, Weiser hopes to organize one for 2013. Peter Lent, Riverside County Office of Emergency Services deputy director, said his staff is working on ensuring communication links with Hill camps in case of emergencies.

J.P. Crumrine can be reached at jp@towncrier.com.

## Hours for the grinding station

Monday through Friday, open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturdays (through December 1) the station will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

# State fire officials ready for intense fire season

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

In a formal proclamation, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. declared May 6 through May 12 as "Wild-fire Awareness Week." As part of the week's activities, CAL FIRE held an open house at the Hemet-Ryan Air Base Friday, May 11.

Recently confirmed CAL FIRE Director Ken Pimlott spoke about the interdependent roles of his agency and the public. "The public must do your part. We'll bring the offense, the public brings the defense." This is the message being carried throughout the state.

CAL FIRE has equipment and firefighters that are mobile and have the capability to shift those resources around the state to where they are needed. "We have two air tankers here at Hemet-Ryan and two at Ramona Air Base," Pimlott stressed.

The public's responsibility is to bring the defense, Pimlott said and Riverside county Fire Chief John Hawkins stressed. Defensible space, the 100-foot clearance around homes and structures is critical. Not only will that provide defense from an approaching wildfire, but it can also



A CAL FIRE S2 air tanker ready to protect the unincorporated areas of Southern California.



CAL FIRE Director **Ken Pimlott** speaking at Friday's open house at the Hemet Ryan Air Base. Behind Pimlott is 3rd District Supervisor **Jeff Stone** (white shirt), Chief **Dale Hutchison**, head of CAL FIRE's southern operations, and to his right, Riverside County Fire Chief **John Hawkins**.

keep a house fire from escaping into the forest.

Officials discussed their preparation for the coming fire season. According to the state's final snow survey on May 1, the statewide snowpack water content is only 40 percent of normal. Since precipitation has been 50 percent of normal rainfall in southern California,

the fire season can begin early.

March and April snow and rain have delayed it, but have also created a longer growing season, which could increase fire intensity, according to Dale Hutchison, CAL FIRE south operation chief.

"Despite a rainy March, this year's overall precipita-



CAL FIRE Riverside County unit Chief **John Hawkins** stressed the importance of defensible space at Friday's event at Hemet Ryan Air Base.

PHOTOS BY J.P. CRUMRINE

tion is below average," said Pimlott. "As a result of the dry winter, the number of wildfires that CAL FIRE firefighters have already responded to is nearly three times that of last year." In 2011, there were more than 1,250 wildland fires in Riverside County, according to Hawkins.

See [CAL FIRE](#), page 22

## CERT training

Community Emergency Response Team Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

The next CERT training class on Hill is scheduled for June 22 through 24 at the Garner Valley Commons. For information call (951) 955-4700.

An Idyllwild CERT class, jointly run by IFPD and Mountain Disaster Preparedness is being planned for November.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability, Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Notice of Public Information Meeting

SR-74 Hurkey Creek Bridge Replacement Project

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED	The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes to replace the existing two-lane Hurkey Creek Bridge (Br. No. 56-0181) on State Route (SR-74) from Post Mile 62.5 to Post Mile 63.4 in Garner Valley near Mountain Center, an unincorporated community in Riverside County, California. The proposed project consists of demolishing and removing the existing bridge and replacing it with a new bridge, widening the roadway to two 12-foot lanes (one in each direction) and widening the road shoulders to 8 feet on each side. In addition, metal beam guardrail and four wing walls/retaining walls would be constructed on both sides of the highway and on both the approaches and departures.
WHY THIS AD?	Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. The results are detailed in Initial Study (with proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration). This notice is to advise of the availability of this document for review and comments, intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration, and to notify others of a public information meeting about the proposed project.
WHAT'S AVAILABLE	The CEQA Initial Study Checklist is available for review at the Caltrans District 8 Office, 464 W. Fourth Street, San Bernardino, CA 92401 on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To view electronic copies of the document go to <a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/projects/index.htm">http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/projects/index.htm</a> .
WHERE YOU COME IN	Do you have any comments about processing the project with a Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Initial Study? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? If you have questions or comments about the project you can send your written comments until June 18, 2012 to CALTRANS. Please submit your comments in writing to Kurt Heidelberg, Attention: Gita Tokhmafshan 464 W 4 <sup>th</sup> St., 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor MS 820, San Bernardino, CA 92401. Or via email <a href="mailto:SR_74_HurkeyCreekBridgeReplacement@dot.ca.gov">SR_74_Hurkey Creek Bridge Replacement@dot.ca.gov</a>
WHEN AND WHERE	The Public Information Meeting will be May 31, 2012 at Idyllwild Nature Center / 54000 County Park Rd Idyllwild, CA 92549 from 5:30PM to 7:00PM.
CONTACT	For more information on this project or any other transportation matter, call the Caltrans District 8 Public Affairs Office at (909) 383-4631. Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Individuals who require documents in alternative formats are requested to contact the Public Affairs Office at (909) 383-4631. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD line at 711 or District 8 TTY (909) 383-6300.





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To find out more about this friendly, family style care center, or any other information, phone **951-654-1325**. We, the writers of this 2012 Look At Business, know you'll be glad you did.



## Anza residents protest code enforcement tactics

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

At a capacity meeting hosted by the Anza Valley Municipal Advisory Council, nearly 100 residents lodged protests about tactics used by county code enforcement in issuing citations. Residents complained of unauthorized entrances onto their properties, even into their homes, by a particular officer they accused of using "Gestapo" tactics.

They complained of not receiving directives from code enforcement about how they should be complying and about receiving inadequate information about the nature of infractions once they receive them. One resident stated the fire department sends out compliance notices citing what needs to be remedied.

"Why doesn't code enforcement send us guidelines regarding what we need to fix? We need guidelines," she said.

Brian Black, newly appointed code enforcement 3rd district supervisor, began the meeting by announcing he would discuss the public nuisance process, types of cases in the Anza Valley and particular infraction statistics. He stressed that code enforcement is not charged to go looking for infractions; rather they respond when complaints are lodged with his agency, usually by neighbor. Once a complaint is lodged, code enforcement is required to investigate since the purported infraction could pose dangers to the community.

"I'm not seeing a huge spike in citation activity in Anza," said Black. Of the 106 current open cases in the valley, most fall into three categories — construction

without permits, excessive outside storage and accumulated rubbish.

Residents quickly began to disagree, noting the frequency of citations and rudeness of the officer assigned to their area. They asked how many of the complaints called in to code enforcement were anonymous. Black responded that his agency had been receiving a "large amount of anonymous complaints, usually about construction without permits." Resident Mike Machado, a construction supervisor, pleaded for county understanding for this rural area, given that few of the mostly large acreage parcels are fully compliant and that the way of life is very different in Anza than in other parts of the county. One resident shouted, "You guys [CE and county officials] are a bunch of thugs, just tax collectors."

Within a short period of time, the meeting grew so raucous that Verne Lauritzen, 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone's chief of staff, felt compelled to step in to defuse the situation and explain the county's role in following the rule of law and in overseeing code enforcement.

Lauritzen spent more than an hour trying to calm the audience. He assured residents that both code enforcement and the board of supervisors would look into charges of strong-arm tactics used by any code enforcement officers. "They are not sworn officers, they do not carry a weapon and they have no right to enter onto your property without your permission," said Lauritzen. "If they're doing that, we want to know about it," he said. Machado alleged that code enforcement trespass is a way of life in the Anza Valley.

## Pine Cove plans for next fiscal year

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Pine Cove Water District General Manager Jerry Holddber presented his board a draft budget for fiscal year 2012-13 (beginning July 1). The \$757,000 budget is an increase of \$7,000 more than the current year, less than one percent growth.

The proposed budget allocations are very similar to this year's, with slight increases in property tax collection (\$10,000) and a comparable decrease in revenue from

current services. "We're selling less water," Holddber said.

In projected operating expenses, Holddber forecasts nominal increases in communications (phone, Internet of \$1,500), system maintenance (\$7,000 for water meter fittings), and lab testing (\$10,000). Explaining this increase, Holddber told the board, "There's nothing wrong. There are just more testing requirements."

A projected \$2,000 decrease in the audit costs resulted from economies of scale that came from signing

a three-year contract with a new auditor.

In the proposed budget, salaries remain the same for district employees, but medical and life insurance premiums are projected to increase by \$4,000, "the result of an aging work force," said Holddber. Capital improvements increase \$60,000 for the pipeline extension from Dutch Flat, with a \$43,000 decrease in source development (less to complete on the Highway Tank project).

In other business, Holddber recommended that the board

continue with conservation rebates. "It's good for the customers and the community," he said.

Holddber reported that April water production is up from the same time in 2011 but still below 2010 levels. Static measuring Well 10 fell 2 feet, but is still higher than in some previous years.

On their attorney's recommendation, the board passed Resolution 470, setting in place rules for administration of employer-employee relations, including the right to organize.

## CSA 38 not included in ambulance discussions

BY J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Much of last week's County Service Area 38 Advisory Committee's meeting was devoted to discussion of the ambulance service contract with Idyllwild Fire Protection District.

The committee members unanimously felt shut out of the negotiations between Idyllwild Fire and Riverside County.

Committee member Marge Muir, who attended the IFPD meeting the previous evening, reported that the IFPD commission thanked the committee

for its letter the previous month, which thanked IFPD for its service during the current and past contracts.

But Muir emphasized, "These are public funds [CSA 38 residents pay a special fee for the service and if transport occurs, individuals or their insurance pays for that] and we were really shut out last night, but it's our funding." She added that she invited someone from the IFPD commission or department to attend the CSA 38 meeting, but no one attended.

Adding to her and her colleagues' frustration

was the development that Idyllwild Interim Chief Mike Sherman has prepared an analysis of the ambulance service costs.

"The chief has given these to REMS [the county Emergency Medical Services Agency]. We have asked and asked for that information," Muir said with disappointment.

Several members of the audience also spoke to the issue. Joseph Ashcraft, who has been a Pine Cove resident for more than two years and has extensive emergency medical service experience and training, discussed his experience

with IFPD and CAL FIRE paramedic service.

He was complementary of both and recommended solutions that would continue or expand either agency's emergency service. He spoke out against the possibility of American Medical Response staff providing medical service.

"If AMR were covering Pine Cove, then I would drive myself down to the Idyllwild Fire station for transport for medical emergencies," he told the advisory committee.

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Councilman Gordon Lanik suggested an amnesty program to give Anza's mostly rural and lower income residents some consideration in fees to bring their properties into compliance. Lauritzen stated that would probably create a legal vulnerability for the county to offer the program to one jurisdiction and not to another.

The meeting ended with Lauritzen promising to have the complaints about code enforcement tactics investigated and remedied. He said he would return to review the situation with residents.

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# Next up: ICRC playground

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

The Idyllwild Community Recreation Council is about to realize Dawn Sonnier and Emily White's long-held dream — to have a community playground become the first major construction at the Idyllwild Community Center site. And, not only will the project be completed

in a five-day scheduled construction, it will be built by the community it is designed to serve. Starting Wednesday, June 13, Sonnier and crew hope to shepherd and guide hundreds of community volunteers not only through the installation of the imaginative playground and recreation space, but also have community artists and children imprint

*Progress on the gazebo at the Idyllwild Community Center playground continued last week in advance of the playground construction, planned for June. Mike Wrench is working on the roof, while Dawn Sonnier, levels the ground in front, and contractor Paul Newkirk measures another beam. Also contributing to Saturday's progress, but not pictured, are Justin Lehr, Jody Posey, Debbie and Wes Rizzor and Jason Sonnier.*

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## Garden

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of finding something and getting a garden built for this growing season.

The Forest Folk had investigated two other sites — in Mountain Center at

Chapel in the Pines property and in Pine Cove on land jointly owned by the Pine Cove and Idyllwild Water Districts before settling on the Nature Center site.

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# IA dedicates sustainability garden



The Idyllwild Arts "Avant Garden" is dedicated Friday.

PHOTO COURTESY OF DARREN SCHILLING.

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

In what they hope will become a ritual spring event at Idyllwild Arts, students dedicated their "Avant Garden," just down hill from the campus pool. A gathering of students, several faculty members and President Brian Cohen watched while one student from Martha Ellen Wingfield's environmental class cut the dedicatory ribbon, formally opening the garden.

Speakers noted they had worked hard at making topsoil and planting seeds and that the activity had bonded them as a class

and as friends of the environment. They thanked the nonprofit EarthWitness Foundation for funding the project.

One student quoted famed anthropologist Margaret Mead just before the garden ribbon was cut: "Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world."

Theatre student senior Gemini Anderson said she looks forward to coming back for reunions; "We know our garden will always be here," she said.

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the space with Idyllwild art.

Tools are needed. The week prior to construction, Rotarian Rick Foster will begin to collect loaned tools, tagging them with owners' names and storing them in a locked container on site. Just as when the community built Town Hall, locals will prepare meals for volunteer workers. The entire \$100,000-plus project is scheduled to wrap on Father's Day, Sunday, June 17. Leathers and Associates, of Ithaca, N.Y., will oversee the playground build and certify it after completion.

Leathers and Associates has a long history of coordinating community-built playgrounds starting in the 1970s. Leathers and Associ-

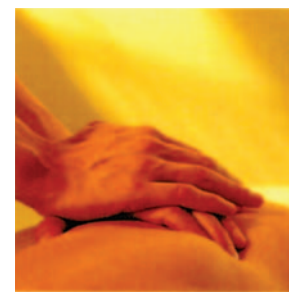
ates' staff provide administration, design, drafting, project management and construction supervision and are Certified Playground Safety Inspectors through the National Recreation and Parks Association. Sonnier and team are in the process of verifying volunteer commitment. If you are interested, contact her at (951) 315-7881 or at dawnrizzor@hotmail.com. Donors for the project come from all parts of the Idyllwild community as well as from off the Hill.

In other business, Gary Steven, ice rink entrepreneur, still has not paid a \$1,400 bill for water and electricity for the rink at the ICC site that never opened. Larry Kawano speaks on matters cosmological at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May

16, at Silver Pines Lodge. The final Speaker Series event on June 20 at Quiet Creek Gallery, "Painting in the Outdoors, Also Known as 'Plein Air Painting'" is a live demonstration by award-

winning oil painter Rich Stergulz of Murrieta. The event is co-sponsored by the Art Alliance of Idyllwild.

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# On the Town

## Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

# Arts & Entertainment Calendar



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

### Wednesday, May 16

**Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz,** 9-10 a.m. **Ballet & Tap Dancing K-4 grade with Annika Kay,** 3:30-4:30 p.m. **Fox Trot with Connie Wolfe,** 7-8 p.m. Town Hall.

**ICRC Speaker Series: "Astro Mythbuster,"** 5:30 p.m. Silver Pines Lodge.

**Jac Jacaruso,** 6-8 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe House.

**"The Avengers,"** 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Dance: Anatomia & Espiritu,** 7:30 p.m. Fisher Dance Studio.

### Thursday, May 17

**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,** 4-5 p.m. Quiet Creek Inn Barn Loft.

**Hojo Reynolds,** 5:30-8 p.m. The Creek House.

**Folk Music by John King, Elaine Latimer & Bill Shepard,** 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's.

**"The Avengers,"** 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Dance: Anatomia & Espiritu,** 7:30 p.m. Fisher Dance Studio.

**Senior Recitals,** 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall.

### Friday, May 18

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

**Sandii Castleberry with Anne & Barnaby Finch,** 6-9 p.m. the Creek House.

**Live Entertainment,** 6-9 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

**Visual Art Final Show,** 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center. Show runs through May 30.

**Change Required,** 7-11 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

**"The Avengers,"** 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Earth Fair Dessert Reception fundraiser,** 7 p.m. Town Hall.

**Theatre Production: Berlin to Broadway: A Musical Voyage with Kurt Weill,** 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre.

### Saturday, May 19

**Adult Field Trip to Temecula Wine Country,** 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Town Hall.

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

**23rd Annual Idyllwild Earth Fair,**

11 a.m.-5 p.m. Town Hall.

**Idyllwild Garden Club's Annual Lilac Walk & Tea,** 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Alpenglow Lilac Gardens.

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

**Change Required,** 12:30-4:30 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

**"The Avengers,"** 2 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Hojo Reynolds,** 6-9 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

**Don Reed & Friends,** 6-9 p.m. the Creek House.

**Live Entertainment,** 6-9 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

**Theatre Production: Berlin to Broadway: A Musical Voyage with Kurt Weill,** 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre.

**Change Required,** 7-11 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

### Sunday, May 20

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

**David Jerome,** 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

**Idyllwild Garden Club's Annual Lilac Walk & Tea,** 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Alpenglow Lilac Gar-

dens.

**Jerome Robinson,** 12:30-4:30 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

**Idyllwild Author Series featuring Quinn Cummings,** 2 p.m. INK Bookstore.

**"The Avengers,"** 2 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Theatre Production: Berlin to Broadway: A Musical Voyage with Kurt Weill,** 2 p.m. IAF Theatre.

**3 Skins,** 6-8:30 p.m. The Creek House.

### Monday, May 21

**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,** 4-5 p.m. Quiet Creek Inn Barn Loft.

**"The Avengers,"** 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Senior Recital,** 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall.

### Tuesday, May 22

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

**"The Avengers,"** 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Spring Jazz Concert,** 7:30 p.m.

IAF Theatre.

### Wednesday, May 23

**Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz,** 9-10 a.m.; **Ballet & Tap Dancing K-grade 4 with Annika Kay,** 3:30-4:30 p.m. **Fox Trot with Connie Wolfe,** 7-8 p.m. Town Hall.

**Don "Jac" Jacaruso,** 6-8 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

**"The Avengers,"** 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Creative Writing Senior readings,** 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall.

### Thursday, May 24

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

**Tom McNeary,** 5:30 p.m. The Creek House.

**Folk Music by John King, Elaine Latimer & Bill Shepard,** 6-9

p.m. Jo'An's.

**"The Avengers,"** 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Creative Writing Senior readings,** 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall.

### Friday, May 25

**Art Alliance of Idyllwild Art & Treasure Weekend,** All Day throughout Idyllwild.

**Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz,** 5-6 p.m.; **Teen Dance,** 6-9 p.m. Town Hall.

**Don Reed & Tom McNeary,** 6 p.m. The Creek House.

**Live Entertainment,** 6-9 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

**"Men in Black III,"** 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

**Change Required,** 7-11 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

**Moving Pictures Screenings,** 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre.

### Saturday, May 26

**Art Alliance of Idyllwild Art & Treasure Weekend,** All Day throughout Idyllwild.

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

**"Men in Black III,"** 2 & 7 p.m. The Rustic Theatre.

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

**Live Entertainment,** 6-9 p.m. Arriba Mexican Restaurant.

**Change Required,** 7-11 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant.

**Moving Picture Screenings,** 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre.

### Sunday, May 27

**Art Alliance of Idyllwild Art & Treasure Weekend,** All Day throughout Idyllwild.

**Idyllwild Rotary Club's Annual Apfel Pfannkuchen Pancake Breakfast,** 8 a.m. Town Hall.

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# 'Berlin to Broadway' closes theatre season

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The excursion begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 18 and 19 and a final tour begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 20. All of the voyages depart from the IAF Theatre, on the Idyllwild Arts campus.

This biographical journey of music offers songs that have become standards in the modern musical lexicon. For example, "Mack the Knife," "Lost In the Stars," "Surabaya Johnny," "September Song" and "My Ship" will be among many musical memories. These songs give a glimpse of Weill's life and recount his journey from pre-Nazi Germany, to his escape to France and ultimately to his new country, America.

Weill's amazing list of lyricists includes Bertolt Brecht, Alan Jay Lerner,



Ira Gershwin, and the cast sings and dances excerpts from "The Three Penny Opera," "Happy End" "Lady In The Dark," "Street Scene," "The Rise and Fall of the City of Mahagonny" and more.

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Howard Shangraw, director  
Patrick Doran-Sheeran, Nelms McKelvain, musical directors  
Donna Cory, choreographer  
Minnie Christine Walter, costume designer  
Ace Eure, set designer  
Todd Carpenter, lighting designer

## The Musicians

Nelms McKelvain, piano  
Patrick Doran-Sheeran, percussion  
Shen Liu, clarinet

At left, the full cast of "Berlin to Broadway."

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**Dance: Anatomia and Espiritu.** 7:30 PM, Fisher Dance Studio. (Sponsored by the Arts Enterprise Laboratory).

### Thursday, May 17

**Dance: Anatomia and Espiritu.** 7:30 PM, Fisher Dance Studio. (Sponsored by the Arts Enterprise Laboratory).

**Senior Recitals:** Josephine, bass, Alexandre, viola. 7:30 PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

### Friday, May 18

**Visual Art End of Year Sale.** Noon–5 PM, Ataloo Art Studio.

**Visual Art Final Show.** Opening reception, 6 PM, Parks Exhibition Center. Show runs through May 30.

**Senior Recital:** Corbin, horn. 7:30 PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

**Theatre Production:** Berlin to Broadway: A Musical Voyage with Kurt Weill. 7:30 PM, IAF Theatre.

### Saturday May 19 & Sunday, May 20

**Theatre Production:** Berlin to Broadway: A Musical Voyage with Kurt Weill. Sat., 7:30 PM, Sun., 2 PM, IAF Theatre.

### Monday, May 21

**Senior Recital:** Tyler, jazz guitar. 7:30 PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

### Tuesday, May 22

**Spring Jazz Concert.** 7:30 PM, IAF Theatre.

### Wednesday, May 23

**Creative Writing Senior Readings.** 7:30 PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

**Opera Scenes.** 8:30 PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

### Thursday, May 24

**Creative Writing Senior Readings.** 7:30 PM, Stephens Recital Hall.

### Friday & Saturday, May 25 & 26

**Moving Pictures Screening.** 7:30 PM, IAF Theatre.

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# Local author Sabrina Verney next at Author Series

By Marshall Smith  
Staff Reporter

Local author and United Kingdom native Sabrina Verney found paradise in 1966 on a beach in the Yucatan at the age of 19 with a dedicated group of truth seekers called The Process. The Process sought, according to Verney, to “peel away all your social training up to that point and replace it with what is true. It was a time of social revolt.”

Verney speaks about that experience, detailed in her memoir “Xtul” (Publish America, Baltimore, 2011) as the second author in Eduardo Santiago’s Idyllwild Author Series at 2 p.m., Sunday, May 27, in front of the INK Bookstore on North Circle Drive.

“For me it was an experience of paradise and at the same time a loss of paradise,” she recalled. I was only with them for three months.” Because she was underage at the time, her parents hired an attorney to come from the United Kingdom to repatriate Verney and several other underage English attendees.

She writes how that

single three-month episode reverberated throughout her life and profoundly influenced her choices. “It changed me,” she noted. “I could not go back to the life I knew before. I could no longer hide. I moved to New York City at the age of 27 and began my recovery period. I went from being very insular to becoming a citizen of the world.”

Verney is the only local author to have been included in Santiago’s series, both because of the subject matter and the quality of her book. Santiago likes

to vary the series by selecting authors who write in various fiction and nonfiction genres, as well as essayists and memoirists.

This is Verney’s first book. “I don’t know if I’ll write another,” she said, “but this is a book I had to write.” When Santiago asked why she had waited 30 years to write it, she replied, “I wasn’t ready.”



Sabrina Verney.

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Once she began in 1999 she said the story was not hard to write. “I wrote down everything I had remembered. I put everything in chronological order.”

Feeling she had to know more about form and make connections that might help get this book published, Verney enrolled in and completed a bachelor’s program in creative writing at the University of California Riverside. While in the program she showed her manuscript to her advisor. “This is a manuscript,” he said. “It is not a book.” Verney wanted to know how to make it a book and the advisor gave her a hint. “Before page three, I want to be in the center of the story,” she remembered him saying. “And that was it. I wrote the book.”

Verney talked about the process of writing this book and how re-experiencing this life-changing moment



Bill Sperling unloads boxes of files to shred from Marge Muir’s car at the shredding event held on Saturday at the Idyllwild Association of Realtors parking lot on Pine Crest Avenue.

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in time continues to ripple outward, shaping her life. “I’ve become seriously involved in this community and in issues that affect it,” she said. “We have crises everywhere. I want to learn the big picture and help shape what comes. I have kids, brilliant kids. What kind of a world do I want for them?”

In “Xtul,” readers will experience the beginning of her transformation. In the first chapter she writes, “It’s not a smooth running tale. The chronology is patchy. Mysteries remain. Time has stretched and compacted

in ways that don’t make sense, but I see no reason to tidy it up with the logic of hindsight. ... The surprise is how much I do remember ... atmospheres, smells, textures, remarks, feelings, that remain packed flat all these years, like clothes in a trunk which, when lifted and shaken out, resume their original shape. Style quaintly ostentatious perhaps, but colors still vibrant, buttons secure, their integrity, their tender dignity, intact.”

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# Local band in national battle

By Marshall Smith  
Staff Reporter

Local rock fusion band "Throw the Goat" is through round one of the national Battle of the Bands, competing for a place on the U.S. Warped Tour. United Kingdom based Warp, founded in 1989, is responsible for discovering some of the most edgy and popular electronic music bands.

Goat is Idyllwild born and bred, formed in 2011, "in the shag-carpeted living room of a small house on Cascade Drive," said Brian Parnell, 30, lead guitarist and back up vocalist. Parnell is a nine-year Idyllwild transplant from Ontario.

Other members are Michael Schnalzer, 30, bass and lead vocals, born and raised in Idyllwild, Johnny Wilson, 32, rhythm guitar and backup vocals, Idyllwild local since childhood and Tim Olivier, 31, drums, originally from Hemet and Idyllwild resident since 2007. The group started with Olivier and Schnalzer, then added Wilson and gelled with the unexpected addition of Parnell. "It was one of those moments that musicians live for. The music hits, hairs stand on end and everyone in the



Throw the Goat in performance.

PHOTO COURTESY OF BRIAN PARNELL.

room realizes that there's something there greater than any one of the individuals," said Parnell.

That cohesion and the fan base it has built will be needed as Goat moves forward in the Battle of the Bands competition. Next they play a local warm-up gig at the Lumber Mill starting at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 19. Then they move on to the Battle regional semi-finals in Corona on June 2. If successful there, they head to the House of Blues in Anaheim on June 19. One finalist comes out of each contest until a June 22 mega-completion at the Los Angeles County Fairgrounds pits regional winners to determine a

Southern California Battle finalist.

When asked to describe their music, Schnalzer said, "We're definitely rock and roll based, but there is some punk, metal moments and we're melodic, a fusion of a lot of different elements. We're really not like anything out there. We're big fans of music and we hear a lot of what's being played."

Goat is in the process of recording their first CD, "Black Mountain," engineered and mixed at AJP Recordings in Temecula. "We're releasing it ourselves through our own label and publishing via

retail, Internet distribution and we're planning a tour in support of the album release. It's our own stuff, all original material," said Schnalzer.

Throw the Goat possesses over 10 years of individual touring experience and as a new entity they are completely self-made, with all recordings, distribution, bookings, promotion, merchandising and videos done by the band itself.

For more information, see the band website, [throwthegoat.net](http://throwthegoat.net).

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Jennifer Palmer-Wong from Glendora, CA, performs Chakra Clearing and Balancing during the Holistic Fair at Merkaba Tea on Saturday.

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Elizabeth Reader reads the palm of a visitor at the Holistic Fair.



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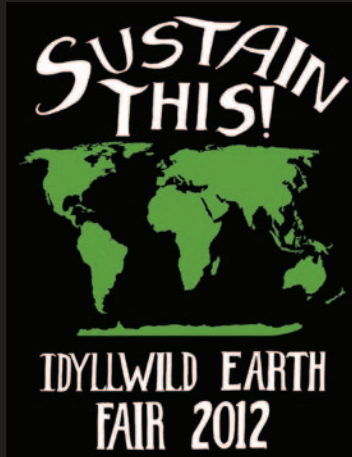
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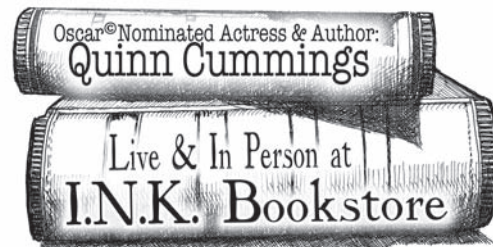
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Hemet High Varsity Teammates and coach watch on as **Wyatt Preifer** goes after the ball. Hemet defeated Saddleback, but lost its second round match to Oak Park, two days later.

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At right, **Josh Leih** goes to the net against the Saddleback Roadrunners Tuesday night, May 8, during the Varsity Volleyball game at Hemet High School. Hemet defeated Saddleback three games to one and moved to the second round of the CIF tournament.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

**Emma Klingaman**, Hemet High School, finished second overall in last week's Power the Pinnacles mountain bike race at Lake Arrowhead. Emma helped lead her Hemet High School team to its third consecutive SoCal Cycling League team title. Emma's time this year on the same course was nearly 10 minutes faster than last year. This weekend she goes to the state championships.

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# Steele has trouble in Florida

By JACK CLARK  
PROFESSIONAL GOLF CORRESPONDENT

Brendan Steele's consecutive-cut streak ended at two last week when he shot 72 and 79 for 151 total during the first two days of The Players Championship on the TPC Sawgrass course at Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., missing the cut by seven strokes.

The native Idyllwilder's stats hint at trouble hitting greens in regulation and long putts when he did, making scoring difficult, as it was the previous week in North Carolina.

But Steele will climb right back up on his horse this week at the \$6.5 million HP Byron Nelson Championship played on the course at the TPC Four Seasons Resort in Irving, Texas.

## Trivia test

Advertising: What product did Spuds MacKenzie help sell in the 1980s?

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## Teachers

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population, yet this year, the six Idyllwild teachers represent 12 percent of the total district teachers taking the special early retirement and almost 40 percent of the local school's faculty.

"It will be a huge impact," said Idyllwild School Principal Matt Kraemer. He's also hoping the future retirees will stay involved with school activities. Kraemer said he plans to continue many of the programs Carratello instituted such as trips to Los Angeles' Museum of Tolerance.

If he selects replacements from within the district, the new faculty may be in place before school ends. While this is a tremendous loss of experience, it is also an opportunity for new energy, new ideas and a new generation of teachers.

### Iva Botton

She is very happy with her decision and has no current plans for next year. She said her determination and ability to adjust to change is considerable since she did not start teaching until she was 50, only 15 years ago.

### Patty Carratello

She has been very active among Idyllwild School faculty, but the past twelve



**Iva Botton**

PHOTOS BY J.P. CRUMRINE

months have been very difficult because of her health. She said this is the right thing to do.

It also gives her time to finish her dissertation and earn her doctorate in education.

Despite the freedom, she said she'll "miss the joy of teaching. I love to teach. I enjoy being with students. I see possibilities, strengths, skills and hope."

### Diane D'Arcy



**Diane D'Arcy**

Teacher	Subject	Number of years teaching	
		Total	at Idyllwild
Iva Botton	K-5 resource	15	10
Diane D'Arcy	Lang. Arts & Soc. Studies	20	17
Patty Carratello	Lang. Arts & Soc. Studies	34	21
Joan Gray	Kindergarten	37	14
Holly Guntermann	PE	33	32
Vic Scavarda	Third & Fourth	37	32
Total experience		176	126

"I'm a little nervous," admitted this teacher. But she also confided that next year would likely have been her last year of teaching if her special retirement package had not been available this spring.

While she plans to stay in Idyllwild, there may be a little more travel in her future.

### Joan Gray

She plans to stay in Idyllwild. She'll devote time to her grandchild and will likely be a future smARTS volunteer. "I want to find out what it's like to not live by a school system schedule," she said with a smile.

She very much enjoyed her time with kids and eventually the second generation of some of her students. A local mother once told her how much she was reminded of her teacher at Desert Hot Springs. At the next conference, they discovered that Gray was that former teacher.

### Holly Guntermann



**Holly Guntermann**

She is well known in Idyllwild, not only as the school physical education teacher and coach of several sports, but as one of the founders of the Annual 5 & 10K Run and Fitness Walk to support the program.

As she reminisced about her career, Guntermann frequently mentioned the connections between the school and the community. These moments will always be important for her.

"I'll miss leaving the kids," Guntermann said.

"But I'll stay around." She would be available for coaching if none of the faculty wanted to coach a sport.

### Vic Scavarda

He leaves with the most and widest experience. His teaching career began in Australia. Both Scavarda and Guntermann began at Idyllwild School in 1979.



**Vic Scavarda**

He also admitted the idea of retirement was not a sudden event, but he's happy going this year because of the wonderful class. But he too is thinking about future involvement at the school, including smARTS.

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### Trivia test

**General Knowledge:** Which planet is associated with the astrological sign Gemini?

*Answer: Mercury*

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# RMRU rescues hikers in Mt. San Jacinto Wilderness

By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit reached two Orange County hikers, lost in the San Jacinto wilderness early in the morning of Wednesday, May 9. A Riverside County Sheriff's Department aviation unit was unable to retrieve them because of high winds.

Hikers Michael Blanc, 63, of Anaheim, and Margurzata Domagala, 39, of Mission Viejo, had become

disoriented at about the 9,900-foot elevation on the mountain. One of the hikers used a cell phone to summon help around 7 p.m.

RMRU reached the hikers at shortly after 1 a.m. and escorted them to the ranger station near the top of the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway. The hikers then took the first tramcar down the mountain in the morning, reaching their vehicle around 7 a.m. on the morning of May 9. They were in good health and required no

medical attention.

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department advises all hikers to prepare well for even day hikes, with maps, sufficient water and the appropriate clothing.

According to existing county protocol, the costs of rescue for out-of-county residents are billed to their respective county as part of mutual aid and recovery policy.

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## Rescue

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anchors and ropes to lower the man, who had been hit in the chest with a large piece of rock. "He was in bad shape," said Shelton, "having trouble breathing and making some gurgling sounds."

Within 20 minutes, cooperating in teams, the climbers lowered the man to waiting first responders. CAL FIRE transported the man by helicopter to Keenwild helicopter pad where he was transferred to a Mercy Air helicopter for transport to a hospital. The woman was transported by ground ambulance.

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Above, a CDF helicopter extracts a male victim of a climbing accident Saturday afternoon. He was flown by Mercy Air from Keenwild Forest Service Station to a nearby hospital with moderate to severe chest injuries. At left, onlookers help search for two rock climbers who had fallen Saturday afternoon.

PHOTOS BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Last week two hikers came across a six-foot rattlesnake while hiking on Cowbell Alley. The snake was sunning itself on the dirt road. The hikers stopped a safe distance away and waited for the snake to slowly move off of the road before they enjoyed the rest of their hike and the beautiful wildflowers now in bloom.

PHOTO BY CAREENA CHASE

## Record

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**May 12** — Medical aid, Pine Cove Road, Pine Cove.

**May 13** — Walk-in medical aid.

**May 13** — Public service assist, Hemstreet Place, Idyllwild.

**May 13** — Medical aid, Tahquitz Drive, Idyllwild.

**May 13** — Medical aid, Temecual Drive, Idyllwild.

### Riverside County Fire, Pine Cove

Report unavailable.

### Riverside County Fire, Garner Valley

**May 7** — Structure fire, 5300 block of Dusty Road, Anza.

**May 8** — Traffic collision, highways 74 and 243, Paradise Corner.

**May 11** — Medical aid, Lake Hemet Campground.

**May 12** — Technical rescue, Humber Park, Idyllwild.

**May 13** — Medical aid,

59000 block of Rogers Lane, Anza.

### Riverside County Fire, Pinyon

Report unavailable.

### CHP log

Log unavailable.

### Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls from Saturday, April 21 to Monday, May 14. This may not be a complete list of responses.

**April 21** — Felony bur-

glary, Highway 74 and Ramona Trail, Garner Valley. The case is open but suspended.

**April 28** — Felony burglary, Kirby Road and Mitchell Ave, Anza. The case is open but suspended.

**May 5** — Felony burglary, 40000 block of Furlong Way, Aguanga. The case is open but suspended.

**May 7** — Felony vehicle theft, Ramsey and Terwilliger roads, Anza. The case is open but suspended.

**May 10** — Felony burglary of a commercial establishment, 54000 block of N. Circle Drive, Idyllwild. The case is open but suspended.

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You can drop off your entries at the Town Crier at 54295 Village Center Drive, or mail to Town Crier Photo Contest, P.O. Box 157, Idyllwild, CA 92549. Sorry, no email submissions.

While the Town Crier will reserve the right to publish the photos and use them in promotional material, photographers will still own the rights to their work. Questions? E-mail: [halie@towncrier.com](mailto:halie@towncrier.com)



# Race for Superior Court judge examines experience and record

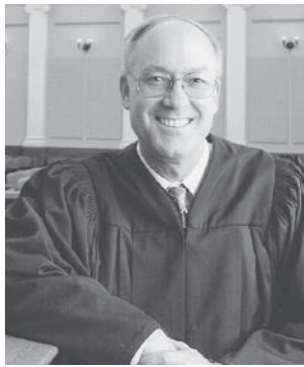
By MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

The race for Judge of the Superior Court Office Number 9 pits incumbent Judge Craig G. Riemer against Supervising Deputy District Attorney John A. Henry. This is the first opportunity in years for Riverside County voters to choose between two candidates for the same judgeship. While there are 12 judgeships up for election, eight are unopposed. This and three others have a race between two candidates for the first time since 1994.

Riemer urged voters to make their choice in the same way he evaluates other legal practitioners — by choosing someone who has demonstrated a commitment to the legal process, who has dedicated their time outside the courtroom to making that system the best, and by looking at the breadth and depth of experience that individual has acquired in his years of practice.

In his candidate's statement in voters' sample ballot information packet, Riemer notes he has been a Superior Court judge for nearly nine years. "I have upheld the law and protected the rights of crimes victims and held both lawyers and criminals accountable," he said. He notes he has presided over 168 criminal trials including murder, rape, child molestation and assault with a deadly weapon. "I have sentenced criminals to death, life without possibility of parole and life behind bars under the Three Strikes Law."

Riemer said that candi-



Judge **Craig Riemer.**

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dates are often evaluated by their endorsements and that they matter but in a Superior Court race it is experience that voters should carefully evaluate. "Is the challenger more qualified than the sitting incumbent to process constantly expanding case loads?" is the question he suggested voters ask when evaluating the candidates. "Because of budget cutbacks, we don't have abundant resources. We're [sitting judges] all doing the work of 1 and a half to two people and you want someone who is experienced enough that they are up to that level. This requires doing it right and doing it well."

Henry faults Riemer on several counts: that he has interfered with the timely issuance of search warrants, turning away warrant requests that are grammatically incorrect. "Where is the example of any search warrant I've rejected," said Riemer. "Let me get this right — a law enforcement official wakes me up in the middle of the night to approve a warrant and I'm going to send it back again

for faulty grammar so that he can wake me up again? That is just silly. Cops are not English majors and no one expects that of them.

"This race is not about Mr. Henry's run for office, it's about the union's political clout and aspiration, an effort to impress on the board of supervisors their political strength. There were three vacancies in 2011, any one of which Mr. Henry could have chosen. Why challenge a sitting judge, in a more difficult race and costly race?"

Henry also faults Riemer for what he said is a lapse in judicial ethics — asking for campaign donations from Norco city officials when cases involving the city had been before him. Riemer replied that the cases were procedural, involving no substantive legal issues and that they involved the city, not the city officials. He noted that he also disclosed these cases, the appropriate action. Riemer also stated that the District Attorney's office subsequently did not appeal or challenge any of his procedural rulings and that respected legal arbiters of judicial ethics found no fault in his actions given the facts.

When Stone was asked why he supports Henry, he replied that, as a conservative he (Stone) supports the death penalty and three strikes law, which Henry supports, and he questions Riemer's positions on these issues. "Judges should not legislate from the bench," said Stone. "The DA's office has lodged overwhelming complaints that Riemer does



Supervising Deputy District Attorney **John Henry.**

PHOTO COURTESY OF JOHN HENRY

not follow precedent."

Challenger Henry cites his experience as a sex crimes prosecutor and trial attorney and touts his endorsements by District Attorney Paul Zellerbach, the Riverside County Deputy District Attorneys Association, Assemblyman Brian Nestande, 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone and City of Jurupa Valley Mayor Pro Tem Verne Lauritzen.

In his resume Henry stresses that he has trained prosecutors, police officers and medical personnel on issues relating to domestic violence and sexual assaults. He said he also acts to mentor other sexual assault prosecutors statewide through the California District Attorneys Association. In the interview, Henry said he is making this race because he believes in the rule of law and its just prosecution. "Justice is only achieved when those in power are committed to understanding and following the law," he said.

Henry has challenged Riemer to public debate, a challenge Riemer has as yet

## Judge of the Superior Court races June 5

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not accepted. "I am looking for the opportunity to speak to him and compare our positions on the issues," said Henry.

Riemer notes that he is not a Supreme Court justice, that his job is not to interpret the law but to apply existing law to the facts of a particular case. He notes he has ruled for three strikes and for the death penalty based on the merits of the cases in front of him and that his personal positions on these issues are not at issue, given the responsibilities of his job as Superior Court judge is to apply existing law

to the particular faces of the case.

Lining up for Riemer are Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff, State Senator Bill Emmerson, County Supervisors Bob Buster, Marion Ashley and John J. Benoit, as well as Arthur Littleworth and 24 other past presidents of the Riverside County Bar Association.

For additional information see [www.reelect-judgecraigriemer.com](http://www.reelect-judgecraigriemer.com) and [www.johnhenry4judge.com](http://www.johnhenry4judge.com).

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## Library to hold a 'we're moving' book sale

The Friends of the Idyllwild Library will hold a Memorial Day weekend book sale from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 26 and 27, on the library deck at 54185 Pine Crest Avenue.

Riverside County planners and the contractor are moving rapidly toward the completion of property in Strawberry Plaza and soon Idyllwild will have a new library. The Friends of the Library need to move out all books and media on hand.

The Friends also are eager to raise monies to supply the many amenities, such as technological equipment and storage equipment, for the community to use in the new facility.

There will be many more books and videos available than in the past, as well as reasonably priced collectible books and book sets. A number of history, economics, crafts and children's books are available. There are also various media types available, such as VHS tapes and

CDs. All items are in great condition.

Sunday will feature "A Buck A Bag" sale, in which \$1 will buy shoppers a bag of books. This will continue throughout the entire day.

Refreshments will be served.

For more information contact librarian Teresa Brouwerat 659-2300.

### Trivia test

**General Knowledge:** By what other name do most people know Esther Pauline Friedman?

Answer: Ann Landers, her pseudonym

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# Earthquake scientist warns of risks to Idyllwild

## The danger of living between two major faults

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
STAFF REPORTER

Idyllwild is situated between two faults: the San Andreas to the east, and the San Jacinto to the west. That is both good and bad news, according to Dr. Robert de Groot, Southern California Earthquake Center education program manager. De Groot was in Idyllwild to speak at the May 10 Mountain Emergency Services Committee meeting.

The good news is that Idyllwild sits, for the most part, on bedrock granite created through tectonic action of the two faults. Seismic waves pass more rapidly through granite, thereby reducing shaking duration. The good news is also that the San Andreas' southern section has not produced a giant quake in nearly 400 years.

The long slumber of the southern San Andreas is also the bad news. The northern and central sections of the fault erupt in a major shake on average every 150 to 180 years. U.S. Geological Survey Cal Tech scientists recently predicted a giant 8-point or greater quake on the San Andreas southern section within the next 30 years to a 99 percent certainty.

The bad news is even Hill granite may not provide the relative shaking insulation other earthquake experts have discussed in interviews. De Groot stressed shaking duration and strength could vary widely depending on

the specific area's soil and ground composition. University of California Riverside Associate Professor of Geophysics David Oglesby suggested that many parts of the Idyllwild area, situated on granite, would be among the best places to be during a large earthquake because there would be no liquefaction or collapsing of soil structure. "Garner Valley, on the other hand, sits on an old lakebed," noted Oglesby. "There would be a pretty high degree of motion."

As background for his discussion, de Groot used the earthquake scenario for the 2008 Great California Shakeout. Although the USGS 7.8 magnitude scenario created major devastation along the Interstate 10 and Highway 101 corridors, the map of the ground motion (<http://earthquake.usgs.gov/regional/nca/simulations/shakeout>) showed comparatively less shaking and potential damage on the Idyllwild side of the mountain. The likely damage is in the range of levels VI through VIII as measured on the Modified Mercalli Intensity Scale. Idyllwild would feel initial intimations of a Salton Sea epicenter quake about 17 seconds after the eruption and would experience Level VI moderate shaking (falling objects) about 27 seconds later. Level VII strong shaking (nonstructural damage, falling plaster, weak chimney collapses) would



**Dr. Robert de Groot**, Southern California Earthquake Center education program manager, discusses the positive and negative aspects of fault activity in the area at the last MEMSCOMM meeting. PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

be felt 31 seconds after the initial quake. Very strong level VIII shaking (moderate damage, extensive to unreinforced masonry buildings, wood frame houses move on foundations if not

bolted down, loose partition walls thrown out, and tree branches down) could occur about 40 seconds after the quake began (shaking classification source from the Association of Bay Area

Governments, <http://www.abag.ca.gov>).

De Groot said a 7.8 quake on the San Andreas could produce about 2 and a half minutes of shaking. Damage to Idyllwild would depend on three things — quake magnitude, distance from the quake epicenter, and the local material upon which different Idyllwild areas are situated.

Also in the bad news category is that the greater danger posed to Idyllwild is not from the San Andreas fault but from the San Jacinto Fault network that runs closer to Idyllwild, said de Groot. The SJF experiences major quakes far more frequently than the San Andreas, some in the major quake range. "Even sitting on the most solid ground, if a major quake goes through the San Jacinto fault, it could still take the [Idyllwild] area out," he said.

The San Jacinto has generated four large quakes since 1899 when a 6.4

quake shook the Hemet/San Jacinto area. Three subsequent quakes were a 6.9M in 1918, a 6.3 shaker in 1923 further north near San Bernardino and Redlands and a 6.5 event near Borrego Mountain. The most recent quake, in 2010, was a moderate one in Borrego Springs, at 5.4M. Just for reference, de Groot said a 6-point quake is 30 times more powerful than a 5; a 7-point is 900 times more powerful than a 6; and an 8-point quake (very possible on the San Andreas because of the southern section's length) is 27,000 times more powerful than a 6. The very destructive Northridge quake was a 6.7 magnitude.

De Groot strongly emphasized the value of earthquake preparedness, with information available through the U.S. Geological Survey at <http://earthquake.usgs.gov/learn/fact/categoryID=14>.

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## CAL FIRE

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From January to April, CAL FIRE crews have responded to over 800 wildfires, nearly two and half times the number in 2011 when there were approximately 300 during that same time period. This year's number of wildfires is above the five-year average as well, where the normal average is over 600 wildfires.

All of the CAL FIRE officials expressed gratitude for 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone's efforts to stop the proposal to close Hemet-Ryan and move the

air resources to March Air Base.

"The third district is the most vulnerable of all in Riverside County," Stone said. "Air attack is very important to the security of Hill and community."

The county is within weeks of signing agreements to begin the remodeling of the base, Stone added. Two significant changes will occur when the rehabilitation work is complete. Even larger air tankers will be able to use the base and night flying helicopters will be stationed there.

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# Memorial Day Weekend Yard Sale Treasure Hunt!

Use the treasure map below to plan your yard sale adventure. The number at the end of each yard sale listing corresponds to the location number on the map.

**YARD SALE 25885 Oakwood Street, Fri., Sat. & Sun, 5/25, 26, & 27.** Furniture, household items & tools, 9-4. (951) 659-0366. **(13)**

**23011 Oakleaf Lane, Pine Cove, 9-2, Sat., Sun. & Mon. 5/26, 27, 28,** Kitchenware, books, games, linen, exercise equipment, dinner sets, puzzles, massage table & chair. **(12)**

Moving “Off the Hill” sale. 54725 Jameson, Idyllwild, May 26, 27 and 28, 10-6. Furniture, antiques, kitchenware artwork, books, yard tools & much more. Must Go! **(10)**

**Memorial Day Weekend, 2** family sale. Tools, clothing, toys, jewelry, collectibles, books, records, cassettes, CDs, etc! 25451 Shadow Oaks, Pine Cove. Sat. 5/26, 9-4, Sun. 5/27, 9-? **(11)**

**Big sale, moved from large** home to small cabin. Art, furniture, great stuff. **53335 Deer Foot Lane.** Sat., 5/26 & Sun., 5/27, 8-1. **(14)**

**Home Staging Inventory.** Must see quality furnishings: tables, lamps, dishes, home decor, accessories, furniture. Fri. & Sat., 5/25 & 5/26, 7:30-3, 55070 Upper Pinecrest. **(1)**

**27176 Bluegrass Court,** Fri., Sat. & Sun., 5/25, 26, 27. Office furniture, household items. **(15)**

**54640 Pine Crest, May 24 & 25, Thurs. & Fri., 8-? both** days. Beauty salon equipment, baby items, clothing, pictures, lots of misc. **(9)**

**This n’ that, new, old collectible,** things that have been in storage for many years. 9-3, Fri, Sat, Sun & Mon., 5/25, 26, 27, 28. 25740 Tahquitz Dr. **(8)**

**54342 Rockdale Dr. (Spur)** 9-6, Sat., 5/26 & Sun., 5/27. Womens clothing, accessories, household items, jewelry, home decor, books. **(17)**

**Mega multi-family yard sale.** 54295 Live Oak St. Fri-Sun., 5/25, 26, 27, 8-? Tools, tent trailer, snowplow, household goods & craft goods. **(2)**

**Back by popular demand!** Pottery & Mini-Yard sale. Featuring David Salk’s “imperfect but still nice” pottery. Sat. & Sun., 5/26, 5/27, 8-3. 53960 Lower Pine Crest. **(6)**

**Lots of garden items, plus** behind Community Church. Thurs., Fri., & Sat., 2 week-ends. 5/17, 18, 19 & 5/24, 25, 26, 9-3. **(4)**

**53627 Idyllbrook Dr., Sat.,** Sun. & Mon., 5/26, 27, 28, 8-4. Many household items, antiques, medical scrubs, home decor. **(18)**

## Something Old Made New Byou

6th ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY YARD SALE. 2 Locations: 25965 Hwy. 243 & 26740 Saunders Meadow Rd. (near Astrocamp), piano, vintage/antique singer sewing machines, stainless steel fridge, oak table & chairs, potters bench, propane fridge, oak computer desk, bookshelves, hutches (x3), vintage couch (x2), sectional w/hide-a-bed, double ox yoke collar horse plow Hames, household & kitchen stuff galore. Books, movies, music, clothing, jewelry. Way too much to list. Thurs. May 24 through Mon., May 28, 9am-6pm. We accept yard sale leftovers and may pickup. Call for info: 951-852-0568 **(19)** **(20)**

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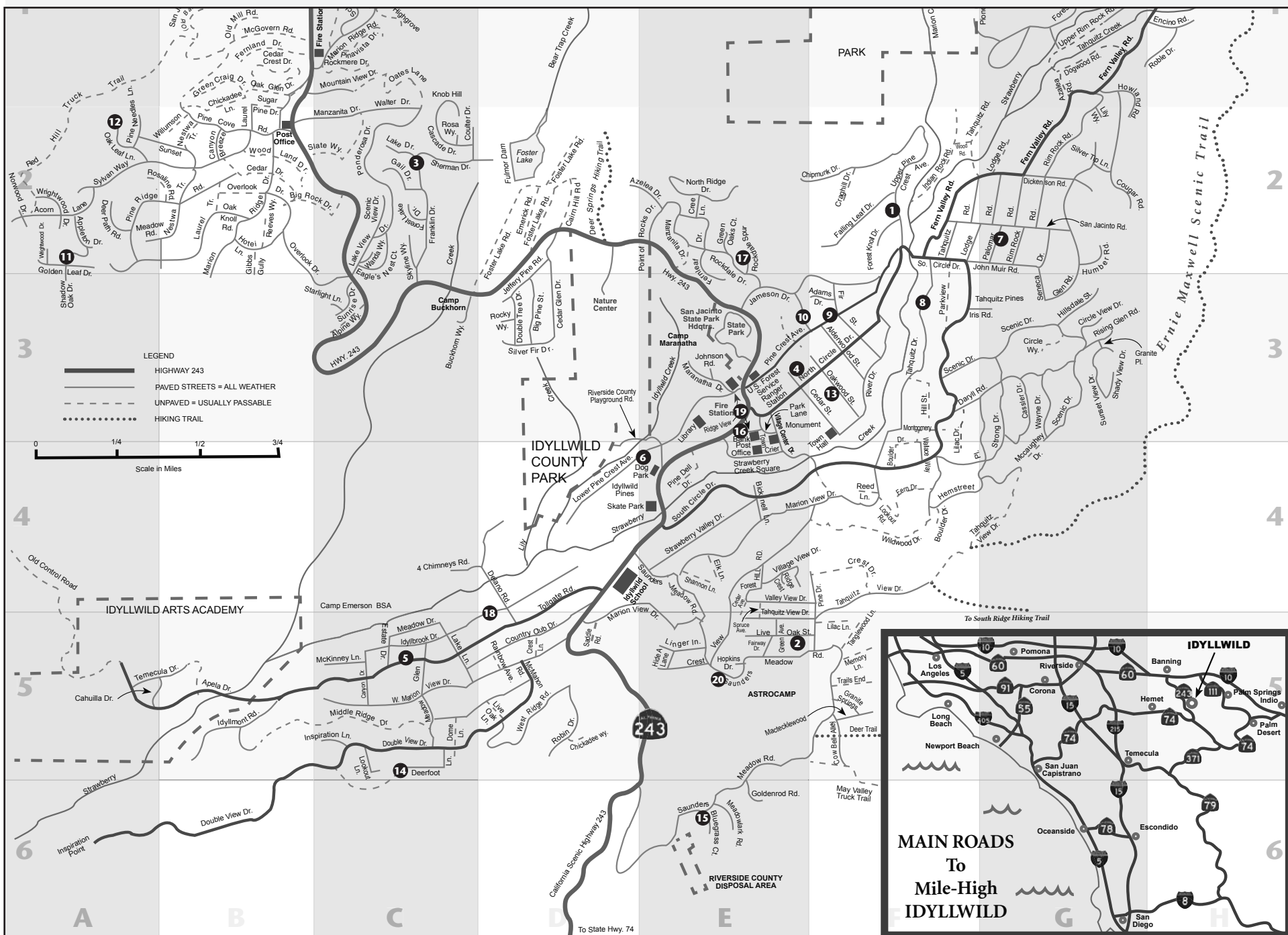
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**For Sale**

**Sofa, 3 pc.** first \$50, 26955 Rte. 243 corner of Marian View Dr. Saturday, May 19. (951) 659-5456.

**MOVING.** Side-by-side refrigerator, \$125. Maytag washer & dryer, \$150. All in excellent condition. 2 TV's \$30 each. Call for more information. (951) 659-5086.

**FREE 8 railroad ties,** 2-8 ft., 2-6 ft., 2-4 ft., 2 misc. Not pretty but usable. Delivered. (951) 318-1265.

**100 gallon, 6x4 fish pond** with waterfall. Pump & 2 filter systems. \$135. (951) 659-3207.

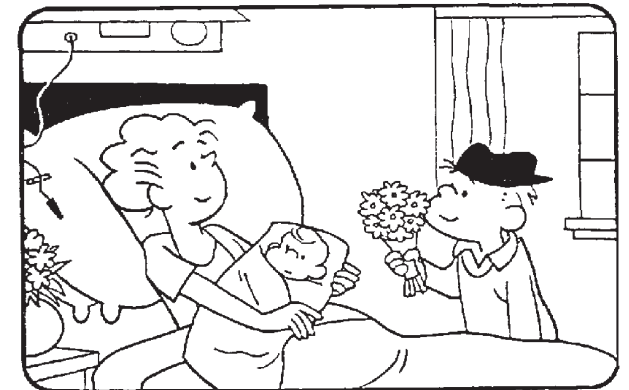
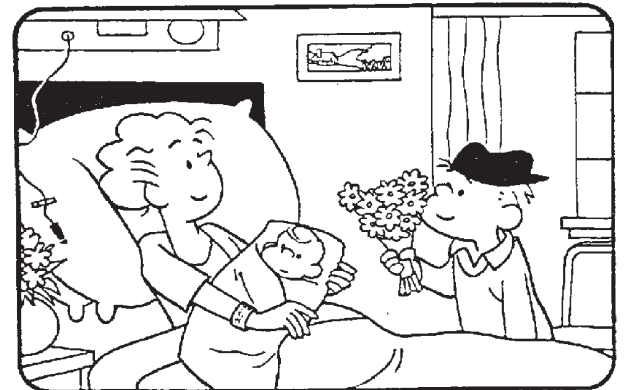
Four station cable **weight training system.** \$50. (951) 719-7859.

**Washer & dryer pair,** both work well, propane dryer, \$50. (951) 587-5429.

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**Answers to Sudoku**  
(Puzzle on next page)

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GHOUL	RUBY	
NIP	MISFIT	
WALTZES	GLIDE	
ICER	TAJ	ISLE
TRAYS	PATCHES	
TERCEL	WOK	
LAOS	YEAST	
DIEU	DNA	RUNE
ARAB	GOP	STAN
METS	EW	OPT

**Answers to Crossword**  
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**LAST**

# *It's that time again . . . the Town Crier's super . . .* **Memorial Day Weekend Yard Sale Bargain!**

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**Deadline: Noon Monday, May 21, 2012**

- Classified ad runs in the May 24 issue
- Maximum words: 25
- You get 9 brightly colored signs (including six fat arrows) to direct people to your house.
- Ad will also appear on the Town Crier's website for 1 week ([www.idyllwildtowncrier.com](http://www.idyllwildtowncrier.com))

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For Rent or Lease

Fern Valley 3 BR, 1-1/2 BA, large fireplace, W/D hook-ups, fridge, storage, fenced 1/2 acre, decks, front & back, seasonal stream in rear, maintained road. Pictures available. Pets? \$1,200/mo. + utilities, & deposit. (760) 489-8888.

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24800 Fern Valley Rd.  
1 BR, 1 BA, loft cabin, W/D. View of Lily Rock, partial furnished. \$750/mo., includes electric only.  
52171 Acorn Lane  
2 BR, 1 BA, large yard, W/D, wood burner. \$725/mo.  
54055 #3 Pine Crest  
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although you would prefer to move forward at a steady pace, it might be a good idea to stop and reassess your plans. You could find a good reason to make a change at this time.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Just when you thought you had everything planned to the smallest detail, you get some news that could unsettle things. But a timely explanation helps put it all back on track.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Home and work continue to compete for your attention. But you handle it well by giving each its proper due. Someone you trust offers valuable advice. Listen to it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Unsettling news creates a difficult but not impossible situation. Continue to follow your planned routine, but keep your mind open to a possible change down the line.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Lick your wounded pride if you like, but it's a better idea to find out why your suggestions were rejected. What you learn could help you deal with an upcoming situation.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Feeling a bit listless? No wonder. You might be pushing too hard to finish everything on your to-do list. Cutting it down could help get your energy levels up.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Taking time out

of your busy schedule might be the best way to handle that sensitive private matter. It will help reassure everyone involved about your priorities.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Insist on full disclosure by all parties before agreeing to be part of a "great deal." What you learn should help you decide whether to go with it or not.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your decision to protect the secret that was entrusted to you might irk some people. But it also wins you the admiration of those who value trust and loyalty.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Creative activities take on a practical approach as you realize you might be able to market your work. Ask for advice from someone experienced in this area.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) If you're suddenly a bit unsure about your decision, ask trusted colleagues and/or friends or family members for suggestions that could help resolve your doubts.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20). A workplace situation could get stormy. But stay on course until there's a solution that meets with everyone's approval, and things can finally calm down.

BORN THIS WEEK: You keep an open mind on most matters, making you the confidante of choice for people who need your honest counsel.

CROSSWORD

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- 13 Sticky stuff
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- 15 Norway's capital
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- 17 Buster Brown's dog
- 18 Grave robber
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- 22 Pinch
- 24 Round peg in a square hole
- 28 3/4 time dances
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- 36 Capri is one
- 37 Cafeteria carriers
- 39 Mends old jeans, maybe
- 41 Old Toyota model
- 43 Stir-fry pan
- 44 Cambodia neighbor
- 46 It makes dough rise
- 50 God, in Grenoble
- 53 "CSI" evidence
- 55 Ancient letter
- 56 Bedouin
- 57 Republicans
- 58 Ollie's pal
- 59 New York ball club

DOWN

- 1 Online journal
- 2 Wild party
- 3 Missile shelter
- 4 Past
- 5 Fly high
- 6 Nonsense
- 7 1991 movie for which Jack Palance earned an Oscar
- 8 Japanese sash
- 9 Lower limb
- 10 Hatchet
- 12 Golfers' mecca
- 19 Taylor or Claiborne
- 21 Huge
- 23 Favorite
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- 26 Not busy
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- 29 Land measure
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- 35 Mandible
- 38 Vast expanse
- 40 Plaything
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- 47 Car
- 48 Break suddenly
- 49 Campsite shelter
- 50 Beaver's construction
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#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as MEX AUTO CENTER, 83333 Hwy 111, Ste. B, Indio, CA 92201, Riverside County. MARCOS EMELQUIADES REYES, 45781 Fargo St., Indio, CA 92201.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

MARCOS REYES

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 4, 2012.

FILE NO.:

I-2012-00974

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 4, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 4, 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: Y.R. Cruz, Deputy

**Pub. TC: April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 2012.**

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD APPLIANCE & REPAIR COMPANY, 53885 Marion View, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1168, Idyllwild, CA 92549. CHRISTOPHER LEIGH ROCKWELL, 53885 Marion View, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on December 1994.

Signed:

CHRISTOPHER LEIGH ROCKWELL

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 19, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2012-04668

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 19, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 19, 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: April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 2012.**

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as PAT'S LIEN SALES, 42668 Whittier Avenue, Hemet, CA 92544, Riverside County. PATRICIA LEE BENSON-CHISM, 42668 Whittier Avenue, Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by an individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on December 9, 1997.

Signed:

PATRICIA LEE BENSON-CHISM

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 18, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2012-04638

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 18, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 18,**

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: M. Meyer, Deputy

**Pub. TC: April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 2012.**

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as YOKOJI ZEN CENTER, YOKOJI, ZMC, YZMC, ZEN MOUNTAIN CENTER, 58900 Apple Canyon Road, Mountain Center, CA 92561, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 43, Mountain Center, CA 92561. YOKOJI ZEN MOUNTAIN CENTER, 58900 Apple Canyon Road, Mountain Center, CA 92561.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

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

Signed:

CHARLES FLETCHER

President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 9, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2012-04198

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 9, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 9, 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).**

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: M. Meyers Deputy

**Pub. TC: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2012.**

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following persons are doing business as CONDOS AT INDIAN PALMS, 82650 Odium, Indio, CA 92201, Riverside County. EDWARD DEWAYNE HOUCK and MARY ROSE HOUCK, 82650 Odium, Indio, CA 92201.

This business is conducted by Husband & Wife.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on March 26, 2007.

Signed:

EDWARD DEWAYNE HOUCK

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 10, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2012-04289

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 10, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 10, 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).**

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: N. Medina, Deputy

**Pub. TC: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2012.**

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as INDIANA HOMES, 6833 Indiana Ave., Riverside, CA 92506, Riverside County. JOHN ANTHONY GUARDADO, 9104 Seal Beach Dr., Hesperia, CA 92344.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:

JOHN ANTHONY GUARDADO

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 23, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2012-04774

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME**

**STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 23, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 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).**

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: J. Vallejo, Deputy

**Pub. TC: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2012.**

#### STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following fictitious business name THE CIGAR BOX, 54225 NORTH CIRCLE DR. #8, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County; Mailing address: P.O. Box 1423, Idyllwild, CA 92549 has been abandoned by the following person: SHANNON CLAIR GERHARD, 41224 Toledo Dr., Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Riverside County on Sept. 28, 2011.

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:

SHANNON C. GERHARD

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 7, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2011-10513

#### CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: M. Llaneras, Deputy

**Pub. TC: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2012.**

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD PHARMACY, 54391 Village Center Drive, Unit 6, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1105, Idyllwild, CA 92549. IDYLLWILD PHARMACY INC., 8166 Branding Iron Lane, Riverside, CA 92508, a California corporation..

This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above in April 2007.

Signed:

BARRY SCOTT SHAPIRO

President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 30, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2012-05062

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON APRIL 30, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO APRIL 30, 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).**

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: N. Medina, Deputy

**Pub. TC: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2012.**

HEC 1201366

**AMENDED ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 880 N. State Street, Hemet, CA 92543.  
PETITION OF SHANE MICHAEL LAMB FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
1. Petitioner: SHANE MICHAEL LAMB filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:  
a. Present name: SHANE MICHAEL LAMB changed to Proposed name: SHANE JEAN-MICHEL DAVIES.

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: 7-23-12 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. H-1.

b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

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

Date: May 14, 2012

KATHLEEN JACOBS

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

**Pub. TC: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2012.**

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**Pub. TC: May 17, 2012.**

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as ACORN GALLERY, 54750 North Circle Drive, Suite D, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County; Mailing address: P.O. Box 1534, Idyllwild, CA 92549. KIRSTEN ANN INGBRETSEN, 25240 Wrightwood Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

Signed:

KIRSTEN ANN INGBRETSEN

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on May 7, 2012.

FILE NO.:

R-2012-05396

**NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON MAY 7, 2017. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO MAY 7, 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

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: M. Meyer, Deputy

**Pub. TC: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2012.**

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as WHIMSICAL PUPPY, 8 Ivy League Circle, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, Riverside County; Mailing address: 40048 Sagewood Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260. MEGHAN GLADYS-MAE BERKLEY, 40048 Sagewood Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

ness under the fictitious name listed above.

Signed:

MEGHAN BERKELEY

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on April 26, 2012.

FILE NO.:

I-2012-01180

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk

By: D. Perez, Deputy

**Pub. TC: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2012.**

RIC1206384

#### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92501.

PETITION OF SHELLY MARIE NEEDHAM FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: SHELLY MARIE NEEDHAM filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:



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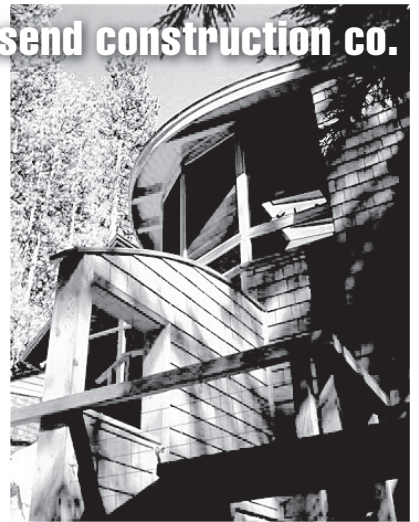
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The war against Iraq cost the U.S. around \$3 trillion. By the time of the war's official end, Dec. 15, 2011, close to 4,500 U.S. servicemen and women and 100,000 Iraqis were dead, over 32,000 U.S. soldiers wounded. This war took a huge toll in lives, dollars and American goodwill around the globe.

History is proving that there never were any WMDs and that the allegations that there were WMDs was erroneous and misleading. It appears that the president and vice president wanted Saddam Hussein held responsible for the attacks and they were going to make it stick no matter the cost. In my opinion, that is treasonous behavior and those responsible should be held accountable. History will not be kind to Mr. Bush or Mr. Cheney.

I feel as if the world has become a "Twilight Zone," where up is down and left is right and people can say whatever they want, no matter how delusional or devoid of evidence, and it becomes truth. I pray for sanity in our country but I fear that it is a long way away.

As for treason, we are all guilty and should take a long hard look of ourselves in the mirror. Our culpability began when we fell asleep and turned our republic over to the few who would use their power and our resources for their own gains. The ship is listing, the question is, how to right it?

## Letters

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California counties and it's simpler here. I haven't seen too many silhouettes go up so all the noticed homeowners within 600 feet can squawk about how big it's going to be like so many coastal enclaves.

Here on the Hill we don't have to pay the TLMA transportation mitigation impact fees they do down below saving thousands per home.

May the \$176 per billable hour inspection fees force the renewal of the declining property already here. If building here was

easy, everyone would do it and good bye beauty. The "less-government-over-us-is-always-best" approach makes a good sound bite but spells disaster.

Look at the 1924 mess called Pine Cove! The 0.10-acre tent lots and rutted one-car-wide unplowed pig trails bearing street names speak volumes. Only by merging lots in my end of Pine Cove could we have sanity through separation. I merged 3 lots for 0.47 acre and still can't have a horse.

Codes are needed here if only to save us from the too many.

MIKE RENO  
PINE COVE

## Lifelines

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Fertile soils make it too easy for the vines. Ideal climates produce quantity, not quality wine grapes. These conditions increase the yield, but decrease the flavor.

I understand the growth principle that stressed vines produce fine wines. I just don't live by it consistently. I prefer to condemn the parched soil in which I'm planted, carp about the arid climate, and curse the gardener when I'm pruned. My road to becoming a fine wine always seems to go through whine country.

Vines have it much easier. They don't have a choice. They have no control over where they're planted. They don't get to decide whether they grow up in Temecula, Paso Robles or Bordeaux. They must grow where they're planted. They can't influence the climate and they can't enrich the soil.

But the same is true of us. How much control do we really exercise over the external factors that affect our growth? We don't control where we're planted, the climate in which we grow, or the quality of the soil in which we're rooted. Maybe the only thing we can control is how we respond to the things we can't control.

If we're willing to trust the process from start to finish — where we're planted, when we're pruned, what our soil is like, and how much or little rain falls — then maybe, just maybe, we can become a bottle of Mouton Rothschild and avoid becoming a case of Boone's Farm.

## Genetically modified foods

EDITOR:

Congratulations to food-aware residents and visitors of small but mighty Idyllwild!

The Label GMOs campaign collected close to one million signatures, of which 803 were gathered in our town alone, from Californians who care what they eat.

All that effort was just to get the initiative onto the ballot in November. The next step is to vote "Yes."

Since the biotech indus-

try will launch a campaign of misinformation to defeat the ballot, we have to ask why.

If genetically altered crops are really so harmless, why not write it on the label, along with fat content, protein, etc?

Maybe they know that, as in Europe and China, consumers will not buy food that contains genetically modified organisms.

The biotech industry is not generously trying to feed a hungry world. The motive is money.

SABRINA VERNEY  
IDYLLWILD

## Public Notices

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PUBLIC NOTICE  
Garner Allotment Management Plan and  
Term Grazing Permit Project  
USDA Forest Service  
San Bernardino National Forest  
San Jacinto Ranger District

The San Jacinto Ranger District of the San Bernardino National Forest is initiating a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis for the Garner Allotment Management Plan and Term Grazing Permit project, which would authorize 1800 Head Months, which is 150 Head/year, of cattle on the approximately 15,117 acre Garner Allotment. The allotment occurs within portions of Township 5 South, Range 2 East, Sections 35-36; Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Sections 26-29, 31-35; Township 6 South, Range 2 East, Sections 1-2, 11-12; Township 6 South, Range 3 East, Sections 2-6, 8, 10-29, 34-35. Project information is available on-line at: [http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/project\\_list.php?forest=110512](http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/project_list.php?forest=110512).

San Bernardino National Forest Land Management Plan (2006) identifies the area as suitable for grazing and establishes the Livestock Grazing Utilization Standards. A new Allotment Management Plan needs to be developed for the Garner allotment that incorporates Forest Plan standards and new species information, formalizes monitoring for forage utilization, and emphasizes rotating livestock to avoid overuse.

Your comments are being requested to help identify key issues, develop alternatives and/or

mitigation measures, and analyze effects of the proposed action. Please be as specific as possible in expressing your comments so they can be effectively addressed. Comments received, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for this project and will be available for public inspection.

The Forest Service would like to receive your input on issues and concerns related to this proposal. The preference for receiving comments is by email. Please send comments to: [comments-pacificsouthwest-san-bernardino-san-jacinto@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-pacificsouthwest-san-bernardino-san-jacinto@fs.fed.us) by June 18, 2012 with the words "Garner Allotment Project" in the subject line. If you are unable to send comments electronically, you may send them to the following address: Garner Allotment Project, San Bernardino National Forest, Attn: Tom Hall, 602 S. Tippecanoe Ave., San Bernardino, CA 92408.

If you have questions about this proposal, contact Tom Hall, Environmental Coordinator at [thall@fs.fed.us](mailto:thall@fs.fed.us); (909) 382-2905.

Pub. TC: May 17, 2012.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the public that there is available in the Pine Cove Water District office, for public inspection, the written report of the water standby assessments for unimproved lots for the fiscal year 2012/2013. The assessments will be \$30.00 per acre or portion thereof. A hearing on said report will be held before the

Pine Cove Water District Board of Directors at 10 a.m. June 13, 2012, in the District Board Room located at 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove, CA.

Pub. TC: May 10, 17, 2012.

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON WATER ASSESSMENTS CHARGES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the secretary of the Pinyon Pines County Water District as follows:

(1) FILING OF REPORT. A written report has been prepared and filed with the secretary concerning the proposed Water Standby Assessments for the fiscal year 2012-2013 pursuant to Resolution #83.

(2) DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AND PROPOSED ASSESSMENT. This report contains a description of each parcel of land and the amount of the assessment proposed to be levied for said fiscal year on each parcel as follows:

(a) Thirty dollars (\$30) per year for each acre of land or parcel of land less than one acre for all lands within the boundaries of Pinyon Pines County Water District.

(b) Such water standby charge shall not apply to any parcel of land less than one and one-quarter acres (1 1/4) on which an active service connection exists thereon on or before July 1, 2012.

(c) With respect to tracts of one and one-quarter acres (1 1/4) or more, one and one-quarter (1 1/4) acres of land shall be exempted from the water standby charge for each active service connection which exists thereon on or before July 1, 2012.

No billing for such assessment shall be rendered, instead the amount of the assessment shall be added to the county tax roll and shall be

collected together with general taxes.

(3) INSPECTION OF REPORT. This report is available for inspection by calling the District at (760)349-3261.

(4) HEARING ON REPORT. A hearing on said report will be held before the Board of Directors at 9:00 am on June 3rd, 2012 at 69735 Indio Avenue, Pinyon Pines, California. At this hearing, the Board of Directors shall hear and consider all objections or protests, if any, to said report and upon conclusion of the hearing, the Board may adopt, revise, change, reduce or modify any assessment or overrule any or all objections. This Notice is given pursuant to Sections 31032.1 through 31032.9 of the Water Code of the STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

CHRISTY HUSS  
SECRETARY OF THE PINYON PINES  
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AND OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS THEREOF.  
Pub. TC: May 17, 24, 2012.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

To whom it may concern:  
This is to notify the public that there will be a public hearing on June 19, 2012 at 7 p.m. in the Idyllwild Water District boardroom regarding Water and Sewer Stand-By Assessments for unimproved lots for the fiscal year 2012-2013. The amount will remain unchanged - \$30.00 per acre (or portion thereof) per year within the Idyllwild Water District/Improvement District #1.

Resolution No. 652  
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Idyllwild Water District Board Room  
25945 Idyllwild Road  
Idyllwild, CA  
(951) 659-2143

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## CREATURE CORNER

By MIMI AND HOOTCH

In September of last year, **Missy's** family packed their bags, locked the door and walked away. And left Missy behind. She came to ARF, with a smile and plenty of energy in search of a best friend that would love her forever and never leave her again. With a little training, and a lot of playtime, our Aussie-pit bull mix has found her home complete with all that a dog could want. Paws up to you, Missy. We love you.



**Lucky** was found tied to a fence, hair covering his eyes, matted, scared and hungry. A few kibbles were thrown on the ground for his dinner and the dirt was his bed. We couldn't even distinguish his breed. Several hours of grooming revealed a starved cocker-poodle mix hungry for love more than anything. So he's gained a few pounds, his golden fur is filling back in, and he is in search now of a best friend like Missy found to snuggle and cuddle the hours away. Lucky can be seen at ARF on weekends, or during the week by appointment. Call (951) 659-1122.



If you want a true friend who stays by your side, then **Tucker**, the male basenji mix, should be yours. Devotion is what he is all about. Where you are is where he wants to be. Very independent, Tucker is good with other dogs, cats, and children. Being the only four-legged in the kingdom would not bother him in the least. After all, it's all about you. Good on the leash, Tucker turned one in March. He is looking for a lifetime best friend to tuck in at night.



**Michele**, a young terrier mix puppy, is being welcomed into the pack by **Chip**, our male teacup Chihuahua recently rescued with the Anza Gang. Michele wandered for weeks, hungry and covered with ticks. Both can be seen at ARF.



ARF has many cats and dogs available for adoption or fostering. Go to [www.idyllwildarf.org](http://www.idyllwildarf.org) and click on Petfinder. All pets are spayed, neutered, and current on shots. ARF is open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Sundays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call for appointment on any other day at (951) 659-1122. Email and donation opportunities are at [www.idyllwildarf.org](http://www.idyllwildarf.org) or email [arf@greencafe.com](mailto:arf@greencafe.com).

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## PAST TENSE

### 60 years ago - 1952

A meeting was announced to consider school unification. Under the proposal, Idyllwild's school would be combined with the Hemet-San Jacinto District.

### 50 years ago - 1962

Logging trucks started rolling in May Valley, where the Big Bear Timber Company began salvage operations on pines damaged by severe insect attack. About 4.5 million board-feet of lumber was to be cut.

### 40 years ago - 1972

Adults were only being charged \$1.50 to watch "Blue Water, White Death" at the Rustic Theatre. Students were being charged \$1 and children were charged \$.75.

### 35 years ago - 1977

The Idyllwild Elementary School Parents Club sponsored a Pancake breakfast in Town Hall.

### 30 years ago - 1982

A fundraising spaghetti dinner for the Idyllwild



*Ed Sher, then 32, passed through Idyllwild in May of 1982 on his way via horseback from San Diego to West Virginia to visit his three children.*

FILE PHOTO

Softball Association was scheduled for May 24.

### 25 years ago - 1987

For the third year in a row, Hill resident and potter David Salk received the "Award for Excellence" in ceramics at the La Quinta Art Festival.

### 20 years ago - 1992

At the RadioShack that used to be located in Strawberry Creek Square, cassette players were being sold for only \$29.95 - and that was with \$10 off.

### 15 years ago - 1997

A trio of angry parents complained about a school bus driver during the Hemet Unified School District board meeting. They criticized his behavior toward their teenage sons and daughters.

### 10 years ago - 2002

Riverside County Health Officer Gary Feldman announced that, due the shortage of antivenom nationwide, there wasn't enough antivenom at any hospital to treat a single case of serious snake bite.

### 5 years ago - 2007

The Riverside County District Attorney Rod Pacheco announced that he would seek the death penalty for Raymond Oyler, an arsonist responsible for the deaths of 5 U.S. Forest Service firefighters in October 2006.

### 1 year ago - 2011

The Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit and Sheriff's Department conducted two rescues of PCT hikers, both having become debilitated as a result of dehydration.

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On recent trips to the desert, these big horn sheep could be seen watching the traffic on Highway 74.

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Idyllwild resident **Shelley Kibby** was honored as Riverside County Parks and Open Space District Employee of the Year. She is the park's interpreter for the Idyllwild Nature Center. At the ceremony were County Parks officials **Kyla Brown**, Recreation Bureau Chief, 4th District Supervisor **John J. Benoit**, **Kibby**, **Scott Bangle**, General Manager of Riverside County Parks, **Keith Herron**, Resources Bureau Chief, and **Brande Hue**, Business Operations Bureau Chief.

PHOTO COURTESY OF PARKS AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT



Above, long-time part-time Idyllwild residents Jeff and Helen Hixon with daughter Hayley hold the Town Crier on the island of Ischia off the coast of Naples, Italy.

PHOTO BY CHARLES HIXON

At left, the Lewis family holds the Town Crier inside the courtyard at the Dublin Castle in Dublin, Ireland. **Breanna Lewis**, with the paper, competed in the 2012 Irish Dance World Championships in Belfast, Ireland. She represented USA in an 8-Hand Girls Ceili Team.

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