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Forty or more women, and those that love them, gathered at noon Thursday to support the event, "One Billion Rising," joining women from around the world (208 known countries) to share their story, read poetry, sing, and dance to let their voices be heard. Passionate **Trine Bietz** led the group, dancing in the streets, from the monument to Idyllwild Post Office. "One Billion Rising" was an event to draw attention to the violence done to women worldwide and to try to stop it. Local organizers were **Esther Kennedy**, Spirit Mountain Retreat, **Francoise Frigola** and Bietz.

PHOTO BY CAREENA CHASE

## Calderones buy Rustic Theatre business

Shane Stewart retains building ownership

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

A major venue in town has changed hands Friday, Feb. 15. Phil and Barbara Calderone bought the Rustic Theatre business from Shane Stewart, who has owned it since 2007. Stewart will continue to own the theater building.

Phil Calderone is the chairman of the Idyllwild CinemaFest and is himself a filmmaker. "This is beyond a dream," said Calderone of the purchase. "I never thought we could do this, although Barb brought it up a couple years ago."

"This was one of those daydreaming things," Barb said, "but once it got close to the day we took over, I couldn't sleep for a week."



New Rustic Theatre owners, **Phil and Barbara Calderone**.

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MARSHALL  
SMITH

The Calderones plan to be very hands-on with management of the theater. "I'd like the theater to be one of the hub spots in town, and make it more than just about the theater, but also about helping the town," Phil said. "We're open to suggestions from locals regarding programming and concession items." He encouraged those with ideas and suggestions to email them to mail@canyon

fallsproductions.com.

Calderone said he would continue the first-run film policy that Stewart had established. And as Stewart had also contemplated, the Calderones hope to be able to offer two first-run movies on the same day at some point in the future. "Right now we're running an action movie (Bruce Willis in 'A Good Day to Die Hard'),"

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## Chamber considers auctioning monument to pay legal costs

BY MARSHALL SMITH  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Directors of the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce are considering liquidating a Chamber asset, Harmony, the town monument, to pay for legal fees and costs incurred to defend the Chamber board. Directors say the lawsuits are baseless and grudge-motivated. In August, monument creator David Roy filed a lawsuit claiming unpaid fees. He subsequently refiled a nearly identical suit last month.

On Wednesday, Feb. 13, Chamber Director Peter Buhl, with support from six of the seven board members, described how the board is considering paying its legal costs. "This morning, we, as a group, decided to look into dismantling the Harmony monument and auctioning off individual pieces. This could help pay for the constant legal fees and court costs associated with it [the lawsuit] due to this new filing against the Chamber by David Roy, and his 'shadow' lawyer, Ken Carlson. The Chamber is discussing the steps we need to take to do so."

Should the board take this

course, money raised through auction of monument pieces would only be used to defend the Chamber in the suit, clarified Director Mimi Lamp.

"I think it is very important to reiterate that we are having to consider dismantling and auctioning the monument due to the cost of the attorney for the Chamber, not for the individuals," Lamp noted.

Chamber President Chris Titus concurred. "The lawyer fees it [the auction] would be used for would only be for the chamber's costs. I have and will continue to pay my own lawyer expenses," Lamp commented about the need to raise defense funds, "All are in agreement that we need to raise money [to defend the Chamber] and it [the monument] is the only thing that the Chamber has [owns] of monetary value. The bus has very little value."

Roy has also sued directors as individuals, since the Chamber directors' insurance for the board lapsed under Carlson's presidency.

Buhl added, "If an auction were to be held, it is my opinion that it would be an ethical, considerate and proper use of some of the funds to be used for some

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## GSOB in MAST hands

BY J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

In a sparsely attended meeting, the Mountain Area Safety Taskforce focused on the arrival of the Goldspotted oak borer on

the Hill. The discussion addressed future actions, such as a census and mapping of the most vulnerable oak trees as well as potential protective actions and procedures for destroying infected trees.

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# OUTSIDE IDYLLWILD

By BRUCE WATTS

## A love letter to Idyllwild ...

Winter seems to be a time for reflecting on seasons past, present and future. April will see the end of a year-long photo safari, which started with the goldfields in Garner Valley and continues with snowy peaks crowned with ever-changing clouds and cobalt blue skies.

There really is not a bad time of year to be a photographer in Idyllwild.

Whether you are looking out over a magnificent panoramic vista of mountain peaks or a honeybee perched on an Ericameria flower, something of interest is always available to see and to photograph. With this in mind I would like to take a stroll down memory lane and look at some of the highlights from the past year.

It was a mostly clear April morning with large, scattered clouds spanning across the mountain peaks. I left early and the sun was still below the Desert Divide as I drove past Lake Hemet. I had been driving down to Garner Valley two or three times a week to check out the goldfields blooms and find the right lighting for what was to be my biggest photography project ever.

The goldfields were in full bloom and it looked like you could see forever with the clear, clean spring air and morning sun spilling golden rays over the valley. Golden rays that matched the color of the valley floor which was now saturated with yellow.

This was the moment when everything changed for me. I could not stop shooting photos. I parked my car on Fobes Ranch Road and walked the dirt road shooting pictures from every possible angle and direction.

The camera I used, and the only one I had at the time, was my Canon 8-megapixel point and shoot. But it didn't matter. With conditions as perfect as these, I could have shot everything blindfolded with a disposable camera and still would have gotten good results.

A month later, in May, Norm Johnson and I drove down the dirt road past Idyllwild Arts to view the blooming wildflowers. The fields below 5,000 feet were in full bloom; instead of fields of gold, they were covered in a multicolored tapestry of flowers.

Scarlet penstemons, bluedicks, white popcorn flowers,



An Idyllwild sunset seen from Inspiration Point.

PHOTO BY BRUCE WATTS

golden yarrows, tiny purple monkeyflowers, lilac-colored lupines, mustard-colored bush poppies and so many others all seemed to shout for my attention.

As spring closed and summer opened, in June and July, I saw a profusion of wildflowers everywhere in Idyllwild and the surrounding areas. Trips to the top of Thomas Mountain and Toro Peak revealed dozens of new, to me, species. I needed to try to capture a photograph of them one and all.

During that period, I took many trips to Lake Hemet and Lake Fulmor to see the flora and fauna of these two liquid gems. Each looked as unique as precious opals when the sunlight reflected on the water's surface as it arced across the sky.

And then there were the butterflies — yellow, black and white tiger swallowtails, regal orange monarchs, orange sulphurs, highly decorated admirals, painted ladies and so many more showing off the apex stage of their magical lifestyles.

Each time they land to feed on a wildflower a multi-colored work of art is created by Mother Nature.

All this color and beauty is there for all to see and to be photographed if you are so inclined.

To be continued ...

## Garratt Aitchison leaving Mt. San Jacinto State Park for Ocotillo Wells

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

Mt. San Jacinto State Park Superintendent Garratt Aitchison is leaving for another assignment at the end of February.

Aitchison has been the local park sector superintendent for nearly five years and has had to endure and implement some of the department's budget reductions.

Next month, he will become district superintendent at Ocotillo Wells State Vehicular Recreation Area.

"The momentum that the San Jacinto staff has gathered over the last few years will continue. Multiple multi-year trail projects, park-wide interpretive im-



provements and campsite upgrades in the works will be in good hands."

This is the second time Aitchison has left Mt. San Jacinto. He had previously served as park ranger here and left for assignments on the Southern California coast.

J.P. Crumrine can be reached at [jp@towncrier.com](mailto:jp@towncrier.com).

## Strange but true

If you're an oenophile — that's an aficionado of wine — you probably won't be surprised to learn that as the cost of a wine goes up, so does a drinker's appreciation of that wine. It seems that it's not all about the quality of the vintage, though: In a recent study, tasters were offered two samples of the same wine, but each sample was labeled with a different price. The tasters overwhelmingly preferred the more expensive vintage.

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I'm happy to report that I'm doing well and will be back at the Town Crier soon.

— Grace, Don & Rusty

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## Obituary Elizabeth Courtney Haworth Windsong

Humanitarian. Writer. Poet. Artist. Activist. Idealist. Individual. Elizabeth lived in an elevated state of personal and spiritual awareness. An ever-faithful servant to a higher level of ideals, Elizabeth dedicated her life to sharing her gifts, assets and talents to help those in need. In all that she did, Elizabeth embodied the religious virtues of faith (in mankind), hope (for tomorrow) and charity (to the needy).

Elizabeth believed that all life was holy and all life was one. Elizabeth was as simple as she was complicated. A trusting soul but not a dummy; a helping hand but rarely a push-over; an angel with a pitchfork; a true and devout believer in Christ with an open and explorative mind; a social liberal but a stickler for conservatism and conservative values; never punctual but always right on time; trying everything once, twice if she liked it; a wandering spirit with a need for a home; Elizabeth was as simple as she was complicated. Elizabeth passed peacefully in her son's home. She was the daughter of Elsa Lanphier and John Courtney.

She is survived by her sons, David Haworth and Kilma Lattin; daughters-in-law, Beth Haworth and Season Marie Lattin; grandchildren, Tiffany Haworth, Nicolas Haworth and Royce Lattin; and great-granddaughter, Kaylee. Elizabeth had a third son, Michael Haworth, who passed away in 2009.

Elizabeth, a full-time resident of La Jolla for over 60 years, graduated from La Jolla High School (class of 1958), San Diego State University and went on to attend the University of San Diego School of Law. She owned homes in both La Jolla and the vacation town of Idyllwild. Her favorite things in life were: Trivial Pursuit and Scrabble (in any form), music (of any culture, but particularly jazz and blues), playing musical instruments (autoharp, bass guitar and keyboard), surf and sunsets at Wind 'N Sea beach, and comedy (satirical comedy, she particularly loved Robin Williams and Garrison Keillor).

The surviving family would like to give a special thank you to all the friends and family for their outpouring of love and support for Elizabeth. They only ask that you say a prayer for Elizabeth, who undoubtedly will be with her friends and Christ in Heaven. The family would like to thank Dr. Ryon Nakasone who worked tirelessly with Elizabeth during her two-year battle with cancer.

Services will be held on Saturday, Feb. 23, 2013, at 10 a.m. at the University Lutheran Church located at 9595 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, CA, 92037. Following the service there will be a paddle-out at Wind 'N Sea Beach.



## Obituary Laura-Eloise Ray

Laura-Eloise Ray entered the presence of her Lord peacefully on Saturday, Feb. 9, 2013. She was 101 years old. Born Laura Eloise Lillie on July 5, 1911, in South Orange, N.J., she was orphaned in 1917 upon her mother's death, and was then raised by her godly grandmother Laura B. Anderson. Laura-Eloise grew up in Colorado Springs, graduating from Colorado College in 1933. She was a member of Gamma Phi Beta.

From her earliest age, she recalled knowing Jesus and loving the Lord. Her spiritual convictions shaped the whole of her life. She began teaching Sunday School classes in her church in her mid-teens, and for eighteen years she was soprano soloist at the First Presbyterian Church of Colorado Springs.

She married Frank Oliver Ray Jr. in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church of New York City on April 14, 1945, while he was stationed in the Air Force at Mitchell Field, Long Island. Frank and Laura-Eloise had one child, an infant son, Frank III, who died in 1946. After the war, they lived in Colorado Springs until moving to Koloa, Kauai, Hawaii, in 1955. They worshipped at the Koloa Missionary Church where they established deep and lasting friendships. After 14 years, they moved to Laguna Hills, Calif., where they were members of the First Christian Church, serving in various leadership roles there. They purchased a home in the Southern California mountain resort town of Idyllwild in 1970. The early years in Idyllwild found Laura-Eloise caring for her physically ailing husband whom she lost in 1977. She purchased a home in Hemet in 1978 while keeping her home in Idyllwild, and enjoyed spending time in both communities from then on.

Laura-Eloise was part of the inception of Idyllwild Bible Church, and watched it grow to become a thriving church in the community. She was the Bible Church's longest-standing member, always taking intense interest in the church's work and serving as she was able. She also had a great heart for training the next generation of Christian leaders and was a fervent supporter of Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. Blessed with a keen mind and always hungry to learn more about the Word of God, Laura-Eloise in her late 60s enrolled as a student at the Institute of Holy Land Studies in Jerusalem, Israel. She completed the "Physical Settings of the Bible" course in 1980. She was a faithful attendee of Women's Bible Study Fellowship and completed their five-year course in 1991 at the age of 80. She became legally blind shortly after and started attending the Braille Institute of Palm Springs. Even though blind, Laura-Eloise continued to live on her own and independently until age 97, at which time she became a resident of Emeritus Assisted Living in Hemet.

Laura-Eloise leaves behind a rich legacy of faith and Christian service and will be missed by those who knew and loved her sharp wit, infectious laughter, authentic friendship, and her deep love for God's Word and her Savior Jesus Christ.

A memorial service in celebration of the life of Laura-Eloise will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, at the Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest Ave. Weather Pending. For more information call the church office at (951)659-4775.

## Obituary Betty Louise Webley

Betty Louise Webley passed away peacefully Dec. 31, 2012, in Beaumont, Calif., at the home of her daughter, Jo Ellen Champion, after a brief decline. Her daughter Jane Louise Heth of Fayetteville, Ark., was also at her side.

Born in Eagle Grove, Iowa, on April 22, 1927, to Richard Kenneth Albee and Edith Dayberry Albee, Betty was one of five children.

She lived the majority of her adult life in Des Moines, Iowa, where she married and raised three children. She was employed by several companies including Farmers Insurance and the Principal Financial Group. Betty also volunteered time in support of many nonprofit agencies. At age 69, Betty moved to Idyllwild, Calif., where she continued her volunteer activities.

Betty is survived by her brother Winton Albee; her two daughters; and two grandchildren, Summer Heth and Jared Heth. She was preceded in death by her son, Jefferson Kenneth Webley; and siblings, Curtis, Ardis and Leon.



### Send in your questions for local experts

The Town Crier staff is working on the 2013 Homes and Land Improvement edition, which comes out on March 7. Like last year, we're asking readers to send in their questions for local service providers.

The best questions will be answered in an informative "Ask the Experts" feature. Questions can range from landscaping to roofing, chimney cleaning to plumbing. One example: "With the extreme highs and lows in temperature on the Hill, my cement driveway cracks more and more every year. I'm ready to replace the cement, but want to know if you recommend an alternative material that is less susceptible to the extremes?"

Please send your questions to [towncrier@towncrier.com](mailto:towncrier@towncrier.com), or stop by the office to drop off your questions. Questions must come from mountain communities residents (part-times included) and include your name and phone number.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

## WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20

- 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., Oma's, 54241 Ridgeview 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.
- IWD Special Meeting of the Personnel Committee, 5 p.m., Existing Litigation (Gov. Code Section 54956.9), IWD board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.
- 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 Water District board meeting, 6 p.m. IWD board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

## THURSDAY, FEB. 21

- 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.
- Idyllwild Francophone (fluent-French speakers), noon. Café Aroma, 54750 North Circle Dr. RSVP. Call Francoise Frigola, 659-4146 for more information.
- Bridge, 12:30 p.m., Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pinecrest Av., Persons interested may show up or phone (951) 659-4910.
- Lemon Lily Festival planning session, 1 p.m., Idyllwild Nature Center, Hwy 243.
- Lake Hemet Municipal Water District meeting, 3 p.m. LHMWD office, 26385 Fairview Ave., Hemet.
- 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, FEB. 22

- Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Jenny Stepien at (760) 445-6325 or email jennyleeslater@yahoo.com for information and location.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; Pick-a-stick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church, Manse Alcove, Fellowship Hall, 54400

North Circle Dr.

- 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, FEB. 23

- 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, FEB. 24

- Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- Occupy Idyllwild stand and discuss with the 99 percent. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Town center at "Harmony" monument. Call Sue at (909) 228-6710.
- 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).
- A Sunday Afternoon Series with Joseph Campbell, 2-4:30 p.m., "On Being Human and From Goddesses to God," Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.
- Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts" open meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120

Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

## MONDAY, FEB. 25

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr., Contact Betty (619) 895-0934 for location.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idyllwild Community Meditation, meditation from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Drive. Instruction and consultation available at 6:30 p.m.. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 659-5750 for information.

## TUESDAY, FEB. 26

- 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.
- "This is This conversation" 6 p.m., Community Room, Idyllwild Library.
- 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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**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, 54401 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, noon-8 p.m. Tuesday, noon-5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and 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.

## Trivia test

**U.S. Presidents:** Which president eventually courted and married a woman who was briefly his schoolteacher?

Answer: Millard Fillmore. Millard and Abigail Fillmore were only a couple of years apart in age.

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# Wayne Parker, longtime musician, driver, dies at 81

By MARSHALL SMITH  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Richard Lewis "Wayne" Parker, musician, singer, songwriter, arranger, music producer, Idyllwild Arts van driver and 10-year Town Crier employee, died Sunday night, Feb. 17, after a three-month struggle with lymphoma. He was 81.

Music-producing partner Ron Combes, who has known and worked with Parker for more than 30 years, said of him, "There was not a negative bone in his body."

He remembered several of Parker's successes as a singer and songwriter in the 1970s. An album Parker co-produced with Mike Curb in the 70s, "Oklahoma Twilight," received national attention. One of Parker's songs from that album, "Good News,

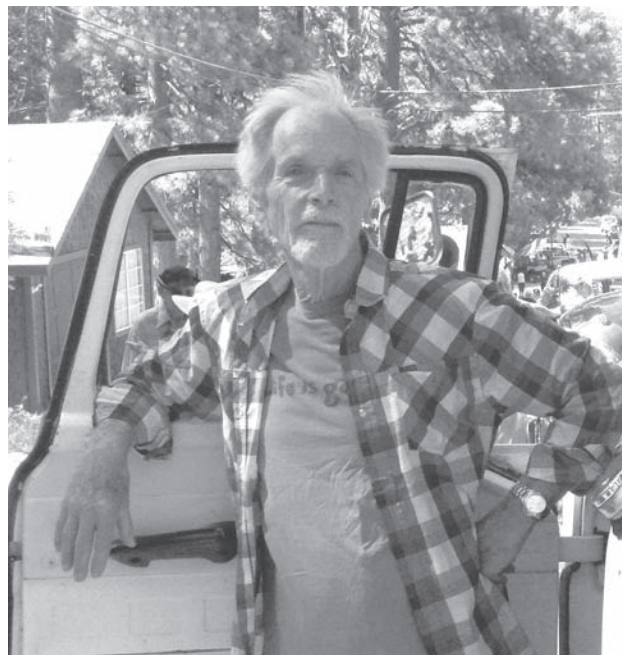


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Bad News," which country singer Eddie Raven covered, made it to number 27 on the country charts in 1975.

Combes remembers

Parker started as a stand-up bass player and singer. At one point in his career, he played bass, backing Jimmie Rodgers ("Honey Comb"). Said Combes,

## Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



"We'd do weekend concerts with Rodgers."

Parker graduated from Hamilton High School in West Los Angeles, from UCLA with a bachelor's degree in art design, and served in the U.S. Army as

a paratrooper. He is survived by wife Lori, son Richard, daughter Melanie and stepdaughters Diane and Susan.

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## TODAY'S HEALTH ISSUES

By ALBERTO MANETTA, M.D

### How to choose a hospital ...

Sooner or later we are all going to need to be admitted to a hospital. Most of the time the decision is made for us by our physician. Unless you are going to be admitted for a very minor procedure (very few "minor" procedures require hospital admission), I would suggest patients should investigate all available choices.

Many criteria can be used to select a hospital.

Let's start with what those that should not be avoided. First, geographical considerations should not be taken into consideration under most cases. We take pleasure trips of many hours duration, to take a one- or two-hour trip to a more appropriate health care facility should not be considered a burden.

Sadly for many of us, health insurance is a very important factor and limits our choices. Often we cannot consider out-of-network institutions because of the significant financial penalties.

This is an area of active legislation in some states including California. However, under some extreme circumstances exceptions may be made. Always explore alternatives with your health insurance company. Most likely you will start your conversation with the consumers service center, but do not hesitate to ask for a supervisor's opinion.

Very few medical centers excel in every specialty. The reason for the hospitalization should have a significant impact in your decision. Although the internet provides a wealth of information, it is also a fact that health providers and hospitals use it for advertising. You must use unbiased resources, and try to separate true patient surveys



and data from hospital advertisements.

Some basic criteria should be considered in your choice. The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) is responsible for the accreditation of hospitals as well as long term care facilities. Relatively few long term care facilities have agreed to go through the scrutiny of JCAHO. On the other hand, most hospitals have.

If a hospital does not participate in this process, it is usually for a good reason, and in most cases you do not want to be there. The Joint Commission's Annual Report on Quality and Safety is a good place to start. Their web site is [www.jointcommission.org](http://www.jointcommission.org) and provides a wealth of information, including the Joint Commission Annual Report which names 620 Hospitals as "Top Performers on Key Quality Measures" in 2012.

Another excellent source is the Medicare program. Specifically, they provide an exhaustive list of parameters used to compare hospitals. The information is based on surveys conducted among patients. They can be found at [www.medicare.gov/hospitalcompare/](http://www.medicare.gov/hospitalcompare/)

Another area with which to be concerned is medical errors. Under extreme conditions, these errors may lead to the death of the patient.

The Institute of Medicine ([www.iom.edu/](http://www.iom.edu/)) estimated that as many as 98,000 deaths a year in U.S. hospitals were attributable to medical errors in 1999. Most data would indicate that little progress has been made in this area since then.

Among medical errors, the most seri-

ous are the "never events". The National Quality Forum defined "never events" as "errors in medical care that are clearly identifiable, preventable, and serious in their consequences for patients". A list of 28 "never events" has been compiled, including wrong-site surgeries, pressure ulcers (bedsores), falls or trauma, administration of incompatible blood, and hospital-acquired infections associated with surgeries or catheters.

New Medicare regulations make hospitals responsible for the costs associated with a never event. Hospitals cannot bill the patients for this additional care. Several private insurance companies are following Medicare's lead and will not pay for the costs associated with or attributable to never events.

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## OFF THE LEASH

BY CONOR O'FARRELL

### Let us now praise simple things ...

A father and his young son leave the big warehouse store and push their cart across the crowded parking lot toward their car.

After loading the groceries into their car, the father asks his son to return the shopping cart to the cart return area. The son glances around the parking lot and sees carts strewn everywhere across the parking lot, some carts blocking parking spaces.

The son then asks the father, "Dad, nobody returns their shopping carts to the cart return area, why do we have to?"

The father tells his son, "There are two types of people in this world, those who return their carts and those who don't; you want to be one who does."

Returning shopping carts is small price to pay for an orderly system that maximizes available parking space, but few do it. It's a simple gesture that speaks volumes about



who we are and what we value.

Many people who have any interest in the world around them often focus on the big gesture as a means of affecting change. We often walk around with our heads in the clouds, contemplating the next big thing we can do to "save the world" while missing the opportunity for that small stroke of kindness that stands right before our eyes several times a day.

It is the small gestures of civility that define the quality of a culture. The simple act of holding a door open for a stranger, and that stranger thanking you as they pass through the open door, is the glue that bonds us together.

A simple act that prompts a grateful response, these short human exchanges make us feel better about the world; they give us hope that civility is still possible.

But when we fail to consider "the other," or that stranger walks through that door without so much as a nod of recognition for a kind and considerate act, we lose that moment of connection and go about our day one step closer to alienation and estrangement. Little things matter, they do count for something.

Do you want to do your part to save the environment? Try hanging your wet laundry outside on the line to dry.

You'll experience a few minutes of glorious sunshine and pure sweet quiet, except for the sound of the birds singing in the trees; that will bring some much needed refreshment into your hectic day. Also you'll knock a few dollars off your propane bill.

Simple pleasures. Or kill two birds with one stone. Forgo the gym and the car, instead take a walk into town to get your mail. You'll save some gas and have a much more enjoyable workout than you would plodding along on a mechanical treadmill in a small room with stale air.

When it comes to our environment, the little things we can do to make a difference are endless, all right in our own backyard.

There is a Buddhist saying, "pray for peace in the world, work for peace in your neighborhood." Let's not underestimate the power of small things, the things we do when no one is looking, the things we do for ourselves and no one else, not for a pat on our backs but for a spark in our heart; this is our contribution to the world we want to live in.

There are two types of people in this world, those who return their carts and those who don't ... which one are you?

## Tax myths

### TAX TIPS

BY STEPHEN T. PEPPLER, EA, CFP

In an 1939 BBC broadcast, Winston Churchill called Russia "a riddle wrapped in mystery inside an enigma." This would also be an apt description of our tax code.

Our tax laws are written piecemeal year after year by lawmakers unfamiliar with our existing body of tax laws and with little thought toward coherence or consistency. It is therefore easy to understand how myths and misunderstandings of our tax laws grow each year.

Many people feel they don't have to report income

if they don't receive a W-2, 1099 or other reporting document. Taxable income always must be reported whether you receive a document or not.

The Internal Revenue Service curbs the temptation of the self-employed and independent contractors to underreport income. Auditing them five times as often as others is a strong discouragement.

Bank deposits help ascertain "real income." Also, expenditures and lifestyles often tip them off to unreported income. Willfully

underreporting income can lead to negligence or fraud penalties.

Some taxpayers think they don't have to report income from transactions or investments if they don't receive any money. This common sense misconception is refuted by our complex tax code.

Limited Partnerships can report "phantom income" to the taxpayer that accrues to one's interest in the partnership but is not distributed. Cancellation of debt income reported on 1099-C results when you are forgiven a debt for which you are personally responsible. Certain



installment sales involving recapture of excess depreciation can result in immediate recognition of recapture income although little or no principal is received in the year of sale.

Taxpayers often think they can receive a current deduction for home improvements. Unless done per the instructions of a doctor for medical reasons, home improvements simply increase your cost basis in your home. With a high exclusion on principal residence gains when the home is sold, seldom is any tax benefit received.

When taxpayers are re-

financing their homes they are sometimes told they can deduct the points paid. This is only true in regard to acquisition debt, i.e. buying a home or pulling out money to be spent on improving your home.

Points on refinances are amortized over the term of the loan, commonly 30 years.

After the real estate market crash, many taxpayers thought that when they sold their homes at a loss at least

they could deduct the loss on their taxes. Although this sounds logical it is not true.

Homes and all "personal use property" sold at a loss do not create a deductible tax loss for you. However, gains may be taxable (the heads I win-tails you lose rule).

It's often thought that getting an extension and filing by Oct. 15 will increase your chance of audit. Since

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### Strange but true

Jack Nicholson has been nominated for an Academy Award 12 times (more than any other actor in history) and has won the award twice. He also appeared in two episodes of "The Andy Griffith Show."

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# Two major Idyllwild businesses face changes

## Higher Grounds sold, Community Lumber for sale

By MARSHALL SMITH  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Two prominent Idyllwild businesses face changes, one prospective and the other a done deal. Higher Grounds, the centrally located coffee and Internet bistro in the Village Centre will have new owners Mimi and Don Lamp, beginning March 1. And in what they describe as a felicitous exchange, the Lamps will keep in place what Chris Fourroux and staff have built — a cozy and comfortable meeting place for locals and tourists. “They’ve created a great business with good people,” Mimi said. “We’ll keep it as it is. We just want to grow it.”

“Everything fell into place,” Don Lamp said of the sale. “This is a heart thing. The driving force is to keep alive a wonderful gathering place and provide good solid jobs for townspeople. We’re going to be committing a percentage of profit to a charity that has personal meaning for us, Teen Challenge.” Teen Challenge provides residential treatment for teens struggling with addictions.

Mimi Lamp has experience both in restaurant and retail management, having started a restaurant in San Jose and a carpet cleaning



**Don and Mimi Lamp** accept keys for Higher Grounds from the Fourroux family, **Chris and Julie** and children **Becky, Phillip, Jacob and Anna**.

business with 17 employees. Lamp is a present Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce director and former president. She said she is looking forward to being at Higher Grounds on a daily basis. “I want to be part of it,” she said. “We’re thinking of bringing in more food items that go with coffee.” Don said, “This is just a happy day for us.”

Richard and Karin Greenwood’s Community Lumber has been a mainstay of the Idyllwild business mix for 34 years, and while the Greenwoods stress they are not leaving Idyllwild, they are putting their business up for sale. “While continuing business as usual and supplying you with the lumber, building supplies and U-Haul

equipment you need, we are also beginning the process of finding a new owner for Community Lumber,” Karin said in her announcement of the couple’s plans. “We want to be the ones to tell the



**Richard and Karin Greenwood**, at the Community Lumber business they have built over a 34-year period. They are putting the land and business up for sale.

PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

community what our plans are. We’ll see where this leads us now.”

“Everything about this place is made of something used, rejected, crooked, extra or left over,” said Richard with a smile, looking out over buildings that came about by necessity, made of what was available at the moment. Richard explained that it all began with a truck that he used to haul lumber from the San Diego area to Idyllwild in the early 1970s. Then came the land in 1984, the present location of Community Lumber. And it was just land, Karin pointed out, no structures. But over time, and as opportunities arose, the Greenwoods added new structures, new features and expanded the services they

provided.

The Town Crier will profile the Greenwoods in a longer article about their many contributions to the civic life of this community. But for now, Karin wanted readers to know that even when the business sells, their home will be Idyllwild and they

will continue to participate in community activities.

“The land and house we have in Alabama will be for vacations,” Karin said.

Management of the Rustic Theatre is also changing. See story on page 1.

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# Idyllwild Fire re-creates labor committee

By J.P. CRUMRINE  
EDITOR

The Idyllwild Fire Protection District Commission focused mostly on house-cleaning business during its latest session last week.

At the request of Commissioner Jerry Buchanan, the commission added the issue of a standing committee for labor negotiations to the Feb. 12 agenda. For third time, the commission had to establish a committee for negotiations and labor relationships.

At the October meeting, the commission established the committee to address changes to the CalPERS retirement systems and, ac-

cording to Buchanan, "all labor relations." With this breadth of responsibility, the committee would have to publish notices of meetings and provide an agenda.

In November, the commission chose to abolish this committee and limit its responsibilities to September state legislation, changing employee contributions to CalPERS and retirement qualifications.

"We should appoint an ad hoc committee to deal with the impacts of CalPERS on retirement and its work should be finished no later than June 2013," Buchanan said at the November meeting, justifying the switch from meetings

open to the public to those that are closed.

This month, the commission reversed course again. "Because the ad hoc committee only covered CalPERS, but there are other personnel items coming up that need to be discussed," Buchanan told his colleagues. "The committee needs broader perspective including labor practices."

The change was approved 5-0.

In other business, the commission adopted "IFPD Rules and Regulations," which were essentially a set of job descriptions, according to Fire Chief Patrick Reitz. "This is not a compete set of policies and procedures."

The package included codes of conduct for officers and staff.

The job descriptions covered the current staff configuration — career, reserve, volunteer — from fire chief to fire fighter and administrative assistant. Also included were specific assignments such as fire marshal and EMS coordinator. The department's position classifications were also expanded to include assistant chief and battalion chief, including how to test and hire for these positions, which do not currently exist in the IFPD hierarchy.

Reitz told the commission these were necessary in case the commission wants to expand in the future. Both he and Commission President Jeannine Charles-Stigall affirmed that these additional positions, which were being approved, were not based on any plan or planning effort. However, they also stressed the current budget did not provide for staffing these positions.

While discussing staffing, Reitz announced that Captain Mike Mulhall was planning to retire at the end of next month. Reitz was not sure if the commission planned to advertise the position or hire from within

the IFPD ranks.

The good news in the IFPD budget is the continuing growth of its emergency medical revenue. At the end of December, the department had received nearly \$180,000. The current year's budget forecast \$290,000 for the year, based on collecting \$278,000 in fiscal year 2011-12.

Reitz also reported that only \$35,000 of the \$425,000 property tax advance remains to be repaid to Riverside County. This will be completed when the May property tax revenue is disbursed.

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**Jeri Sue Haney**, BBVA Compass Idyllwild branch manager, spoke to the Idyllwild Fire District Commission about the bank's promotions which could help raise money for the district and its auxiliaries.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

## Fire auxiliary moving forward

By TERESA GARCIA-LANDE  
SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Idyllwild Fire Protection District Auxiliary is coming together. The third meeting occurred Monday evening, Feb. 18. The primary purpose of these first meetings is to get the program up and running. There was also a tour of the fire station, highlighting some of the improvements that the auxiliary may be part of in the coming months and years.

The auxiliary is currently in the process of creating articles of incorporation as

well as bylaws, which will help to govern it. The plan is that after adopting the articles, they will be sent to the State of California for incorporation as a nonprofit organization. A 501(c)(3) designation from the IRS will follow, which would allow donations to the auxiliary to be a federal tax deduction. These two documents would also be important for funding and grants later.

Though temporary board members were chosen previously, temporary directors for functions such as membership and WNKI manage-

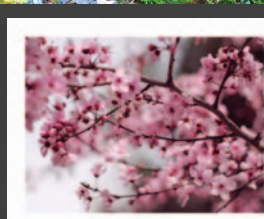
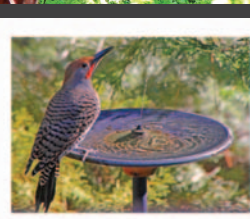
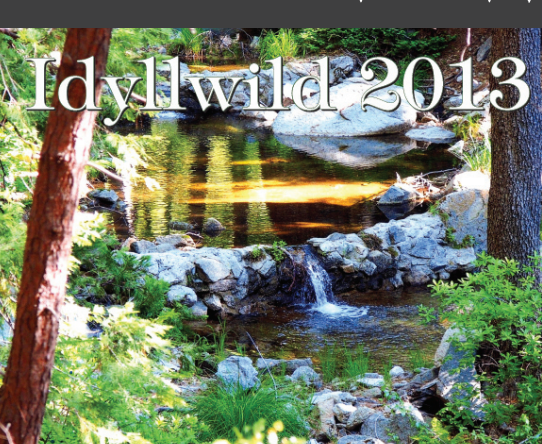
ment were sought Monday evening. Nancy Layton and Jeannine Charles-Stigall will begin organizing the membership function and a WNKI chairperson is being recruited. These temporary board members and directors will remain in office until the state approves the auxiliary's nonprofit status. At that time, officers and directors will be elected for permanent positions.

At the Thursday, Feb. 14 Mountain Emergency Services Committee **Bill Baker** (right) receives a plaque from CAL FIRE Battalion Chief **Justin McGough** honoring his years of service to RACES and Mile High Radio Club, fostering and building emergency communication systems for the mountain.



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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, Feb. 20**  
Adult Field Trip to Balboa Park, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Town Hall.

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**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Thursday, Feb. 21**  
**2013 Riverside County Fair & Date Festival**, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Riverside County Fair Grounds.

**Visual Artist Speaker John David Mooney**, 5 p.m. Krone Library, Idyllwild Arts.

**Forest Folk Movie Night & Potluck** Featuring "Goldfinger," 5:30 p.m. Town Hall.

**ICRC Speakers Series**, 5:30 p.m. Wine & Cheese Reception, 6 p.m. Larry Kawano, "The Short History of Physics and Astronomy Explorations in

and near Idyllwild," Creekstone Inn.

**Barleywine Style Ale Tasting**, 6:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Friday, Feb. 22**  
**2013 Riverside County Fair & Date Festival**, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Riverside County Fair Grounds.

**Krafty Kids Art Class with Wendy Watts**, 2:30-3:30 p.m.; **Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz**, 5-6 p.m. Town Hall.

**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Willy B.**, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba's.

**Bingo Night**, 6 p.m. Spiritual Living Center.

**Unity & Diversity: Contemporary Western Ceramic Artists**, 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.

**That's All Folk**, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.

**Keith McCabe**, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

**Guest Recital: Definiens Project with Tony Arnold**, 7:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

**Saturday, Feb. 23**  
**2013 Riverside County Fair &**

**Date Festival**, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Riverside County Fair Grounds.

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

**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Live entertainment**, 6-9 p.m. Arriba's.

**Unity & Diversity: Contemporary Western Ceramic Artists**, 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.

**Bill Saitta & Peter Curtis**, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

**Karaoke with Scott Foster**, 8-11 p.m. Jo'An's.

**Sunday, Feb. 24**  
**2013 Riverside County Fair & Date Festival**, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Riverside County Fair Grounds.

**David Jerome**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Arriba's.

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

seum.  
**Unity & Diversity: Contemporary Western Ceramic Artists**, 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.

**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 2, 4:30 & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Monday, Feb. 25**  
**Free Cribbage**, 10 a.m.-noon Town Hall.

**Wine Wars Trivia Game**, 6, 6:30, 7 & 7:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

**Open Mic Night with Scott Foster**, 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's.

**Unity & Diversity: Contemporary Western Ceramic Artists**, 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.

**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Tuesday, Feb. 26**  
**Free Senior Wii**, 10 a.m.-noon Town Hall.

**Unity & Diversity: Contemporary Western Ceramic Artists**, 6 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.

**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Jazz Concert**, 7:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

**Wednesday, Feb. 27**  
**Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz**, 9-10 a.m. Town Hall.

**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Thursday, Feb. 28**

**"A Good Day to Die Hard,"** 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

**Friday, March 1**  
**Krafty Kids Art Class with Wendy Watts**, 2:30-3:30 p.m.; **Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz**, 5-6 p.m. Town Hall.

**Artists Reception With Amanda Taylor**, 4-8 p.m. Idyllwild Living Room Gallery.

**Willy B.**, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba's.

**That's All Folk**, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.

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**Sunday, March 3**

**David Jerome**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Arriba's.

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

**Monday, March 4**

**Free Cribbage**, 10 a.m.-noon Town Hall.

**Wine Wars Trivia Game**, 6, 6:30, 7 & 7:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile.

**Open Mic Night with Scott Foster**, 6-9 p.m. Jo'An's.

**Tuesday, March 5**

**Free Senior Wii**, 10 a.m.-noon Town Hall.

### Trivia test

**History:** What was the name of the system of racial segregation used in South Africa in the second half of the 20th century?

Answer: Apartheid

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# Local runner qualifies for the Boston Marathon

By Teresa Garcia-Lande  
Special correspondent

Idyllwild is on the map, at least on the map of Boston Marathon participants. Local runner Mark Dean has qualified and plans to participate in the event on April 15. His time in the June 2012 San Diego Rock and Roll Marathon qualified him for the 2013 Boston Marathon.

Dean's marathon experience consists of just two races — the San Diego Rock and Roll Marathon in 2006 and again in 2012. About a week after the 2006 Rock and Roll Marathon, a running partner told Dean, "Had you been a year older, your time would have been good enough to qualify you for the Boston."

"I was 53 when I ran it, and had I been 54 then, my qualifying time for Boston would have been 3 hours and 45 minutes. My time was 3:45:35," Dean said in an email. "But the seed had been planted, I could conceivably qualify for Boston. That was the

first time I seriously considered the idea."

He received confirmation of his Boston entry on Dec. 1, just in time to begin his 18-week training ramp up for the mid-April race. Dean is following a preparation schedule from [www.sport-fitness-advisor.com](http://www.sport-fitness-advisor.com). He used the same site to prepare for his 2012 San Diego run.

Though Dean has always been a runner, participating in track and cross-country in high school, he gave little thought to running a marathon. He attended Mesa College in San Diego, where his attention instead turned to soccer. As in most sports, speed was important. Despite his limited soccer experience, Dean could race the ball down the sideline and then center to the middle.

"Soccer became my love and I kept playing up until a few years ago, which left me in good condition for marathons," he said.

It wasn't until a business trip many years later that Dean considered his

## Rustic

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Calderone said, "that appeals to maybe 40 percent of my audience. I'd like to be able to run a drama as well that would appeal to the balance of my audience. I like options and I'd like to be able to offer the

best options we can to our Idyllwild audience."

He observed that if you have a theater, an audience is entrusted to you. "You don't want to turn people on and off with your programming choices. You want to keep them engaged." Calderone will be watching, just as he does with the film festival, to see what films are successful



**Bill Guy (right) and Gary Glasheen, the Idyllwild Twins,** shared their annual Valentine's Day cheer at the Idyllwild Post Office. The two gentlemen handed out candy kisses (and even some real kisses!) to everyone who entered the post office Thursday afternoon.

PHOTO BY BARBARA REESE

first marathon after a conversation with a Marine sergeant. She was stationed in San Diego and they were to run the Rock and Roll Marathon together. But she was shipped to Iraq and Dean trained with another friend. He knew an experienced runner in San Diego and convinced this friend to help him train for the 2006 San

Diego event. His finishing time planted the seed in his mind that Boston was possible, and in 2012 he qualified.

"It was cool to go to the Boston Marathon website and go to the list of qualifiers and just type in the word 'Idyllwild' under city and have my name come up, that was really cool," Dean said.

with particular demographics. He said he'd be making what he feels are the best selections for Idyllwild audiences that are available from the distributor.

Barb suggested that some of the changes they are planning involve upgrading available theater concession choices. "We'd like to add some meal-type items, but we won't be in competition with local restaurants," she said. "Just adding in some higher-end selections. We're really energized and excited and hope to serve the community well." Phil noted that for special events, more food might be made available, possibly brought in from local restaurants. He noted the fact that more theaters in metropolitan areas are offering upscale

meal items as part of their concession operations.

Calderone said he'd like to purchase a digital marquee and may do a fundraiser to help make that happen. "It would give us a lot more ability to communicate with the public," he said. "We want some of the quality available in the theater [digital audio and projection] to be visible as well on the outside of the theater."

"This purchase is really an extension of what I've done since I was a kid. I always watched till the end credits of a movie were done." Now he said, he'd again be watching film end credits, but this time in his own theater.

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**HoJo Reynolds and Vince Day** performed at Idyllwild Awhile on Sunday afternoon.

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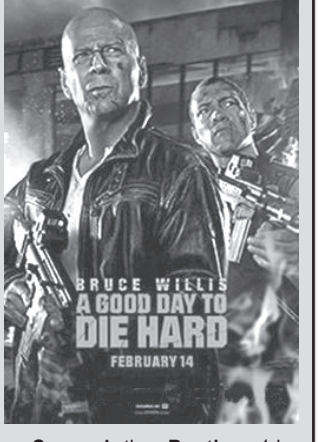
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# Steele improves play at Riviera

By JACK CLARK  
PROFESSIONAL GOLF CORRESPONDENT

The tough Riviera Country Club course, home of the Northern Trust Open, has never treated Brendan Steele kindly during his three years on the PGA Tour. Last week, Steele improved his performance at the Pacific Palisades course.

In his rookie year, the Idyllwild native stood 12-over-par after two rounds and missed the cut at Riviera. Last year he carded an 11-over-par 295 for the four rounds and ended up tied for 69th, making just over \$13,000.

This year, he was his best yet on the course. He shot a two-over-par 70-71-73-72 — 286, tied for 46th place, and earned \$18,295 in official prize money.

Steele did collect 13 birdies in last week's tournament, but they were countered by 13 bogeys and one double bogey, his first double of the season.

His drives averaged just over 300 yards, and he hit 64 percent of the fairways while reaching 83 percent of the greens in regulation. His approach shot proximity to the

hole was a very average 37 feet, but his putting average, which generally stands better than the rest of the field, was off a bit at 2.0.

Steele now stands 42nd on the official money list at \$279,907 and 46th in the FedEx Cup race.

This week, he will take a break from competition. Then in March, he resume play when the PGA Tour moves east and competes on Florida's courses.



The Idyllwild Middle School Boys basketball team celebrates its 31-27 victory over San Jacinto Valley Academy Wednesday, Feb. 13. The team is 6-1 this season.



Natalie Quintero was the leading scorer Wednesday, Feb. 13, when the Idyllwild School Girls basketball team defeated San Jacinto Valley Academy, 20-13. Natalie had 12 points. The team is undefeated in seven games. PHOTOS BY MIKE VLADIK

## SPORTS

### Town Hall Adult Volleyball

Town Hall Sports Coordinator **Jeremy Teegarden** reported on Town Hall Adult volleyball for the week of Feb. 11.

On Monday, Feb. 11, the match was between the league's top two teams — Silver Pines Lodge and Idyllwild Garage. Each game was close as the teams battled the whole match. Silver Pines took the first two games as **Chris Fogle** had a bunch of great sets to his teammates. Idyllwild Garage came back to win game three behind **Kyle Owen**, who led the way with big hits. Silver Pines bounced back to win game four and the match. The game scores were 25-20, 26-24, 20-25, and 27-25.

On Tuesday, Forest Lumber and Idyllwild Inn played. Each game was up for grabs as both teams played great. Idyllwild Inn took the first game as **Todd Stepien** played great at the net. **Matt Cox** helped lead Forest Lumber to a win in the second game as he went on a long service run. Idyllwild Inn won the next two games and the match in four games (25-20, 24-26, 25-20 and 27-25).

### Volleyball Standings

Team	Wins	Losses
Silver Pines	11	0
Idyllwild Garage	7	4
Idyllwild Inn	6	5
Idyllwild Chevron	5	5
Forest Lumber	3	8
Red Kettle	0	10



On Saturday, Feb. 16, the Arnson girls lead the way in a 5K trail run fundraiser for the Diabetes Foundation. **Brooke** (left), 9, won her age group and **Riley**, 13, was first girl to finish and the overall woman's division winner. The race was in San Jacinto at the Oaks Retreat at Soboba. PHOTO BY LEE ARNSON

### Trivia test

Language: What is something that can be described as "quadripartite"?

Answer: Divided into four parts



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We must again thank the Woodies for cutting all the wood that gets distributed to our clients (as well as the tree companies that donate the wood). Hundreds of our friends and neighbors would have cold fireplaces if not for their generous volunteering. Then there's our hard-working,

do-everything handymen, fondly called "Moan and Groan," who didn't work as hard as they do now before they retired. They just love our 7-day schedule as they never get a volunteer day off. Their wives have forgotten what they look like and have requested that we put them on the night shift as well. And yet another thank you to the Idyllwild Bible Church for its generous contributions throughout the year. These folks among many other organizations and individuals continue to share their resources and love with us. Thanks to all of you.

Our Board is actively in the process of planning several fun events for the coming spring and summer. Lots of new ideas for the Fashion Show and great fun being planned with Conor O'Farrell. He's searching for the perfect comedy to torture the actors with while making the audiences hysterical. Can't wait!

Please keep those Thrift Store donations coming in. Every item sold contributes funds to our client services. Thank you all and have a happy and healthy month ahead.

LOU BACHER  
BOARD PRESIDENT

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## SPORTS

## Town Hall Youth Basketball

Town Hall Sports Coordinator **Jeremy Teeguarden** reported on youth basketball for both the College League (kindergarten through third-grade) and the Pro League (third- through sixth-grade) Championship games on Friday, Feb. 15.

## College League (Kindergarten through third-grade)

This week, the College League (grades K-3) began its playoff season continued.

On Tuesday, Feb. 12, the semi-final games were played. The first game was between the second-seed Rotary Bears and the third-seed Gastrognome Broncos. The Bears held a two-point lead at halftime. **Ethan Teeguarden** played great leading the Broncos offense and playing tough defense. The Bears broke the game open early in the fourth quarter as **Preston Pino** made several important baskets. The Bears won the game 19-7 to move into the championship game.

The second game matched the fifth-seed Bluebird Cottage Inn Jayhawks and the first-seed Wooley's Wildcats. **Ethan Scott** played great defense and got an early basket to give the Jayhawks the lead. The Wildcats played great in the second half as **Cody Fogle** got a few breakaway baskets. The Wildcats pulled away and won 18-10 to advance to Friday's championship game against the Bears.

On Friday, the Gastrognome Broncos took on the Bluebird Cottage Inn Jayhawks in a battle for third place. The Broncos' defense in the first half held the Jayhawks scoreless. But the Jayhawks' **Fiona McMullen** played super in the second half, scoring ten points. Every time the Jayhawks came within a basket, the Broncos' **Layton Teeguarden** sank a basket to maintain their lead. The Broncos won the close game 12-10.

In the championship game, the top two seeds — Wooley's Wildcats and the Rotary Bears — faced off again. The teams split their two regular season games. The Wildcats played outstanding defense the whole game as the Bears struggled to get good looks at the basket the first three quarters. **Macino Reynosa** played great and scored two baskets and **Seth White** scored one basket as four different players scored in the first three quarters for the Wildcats. The Bears mounted a late rally as **Katelyn Sonnier** scored a couple of baskets in the fourth quarter. But the Wildcats won the College League Championship game 18-8.

## Pro League (Third- through sixth-grade)

On Monday, Feb. 11, the playoffs started with two semifinal games. In the first game, the fourth-seeded Town Crier Cavs played the top seed Fairway Market Lakers. The game was close and both teams played great in stretches. **Payton Priefer** led a balanced attack with six points. Six different players scored to keep the Cavs ahead much of the game. The Lakers rallied late in the fourth quarter to tie the game and send it into over-



The Wildcats fight to hang on to the ball.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

time. Both teams traded baskets and eventually a third overtime period was needed to determine a winner. The Lakers' **Stephan Carmen** hit a critical three-pointer and the Lakers won a thrilling game, 22-20, and advanced to the championship game.

The second game pitted the second-seed Idyllwild Arts Clippers and the third-seed Suburban Propane Heat. The Clippers played outstanding at both ends of the floor. They held the Heat scoreless in the first half. **Fernando Garcia** scored five points as the Clippers built a double-digit lead, 10-0, at halftime. The Heat didn't give up and battled back in the third quarter as **Brian Mabery** hit a shot to pull the Heat to within a basket. While the Heat played superb defense in the second half, the Clippers got the key defensive stops late in the game and won another great game.

On Friday, Feb. 15, the battle for third place was between the Town Crier Cavs and the Suburban Propane Heat. The Heat's **Jake Mabery** led his team in scoring again with eight points and played great defense. The Cavs played awesome as they put on the best passing display by any team all year. **Joseph Tiso** had his best

game of the year and scored six points to lead his team. The Cavs held the lead the whole game and got key baskets from **Aly Fogle** in the second half and won the game 17-12. The Pro League Championship game also matched the top two seeds — the Fairway Market Lakers and the Idyllwild Arts Clippers, who jumped to an early lead on great defense and led 12-4 at halftime. In the third quarter, the Lakers' **Isaiah Carmen** got hot and led a Lakers' comeback. They took a one-point lead into the fourth quarter. This was one of the most thrilling championship games in recent memory. The game went back and forth as **Stefan Carmen** hit a big basket for the Lakers. The Clippers **Chayton Kenyon** then got hot from three-point range sinking three in the fourth quarter. Every time the Lakers scored, he answered with a three-point basket. Isaiah hit a three-pointer for the Lakers, who re-gained the lead with less than a minute to go. The Clippers fouled to put the Lakers on the line where **Jeremiah Whitney** hit one of two free throws to give the Lakers a two-point lead. The Clippers last shot from outside the three-point arc with seconds remaining was just short as time ran out. The Lakers won their third consecutive championship game 23-21 in an unbelievable finish to a great game.

Send sports reports about locals to [itc@towncrier.com](mailto:itc@towncrier.com) or drop them off at the Town Crier by 10 a.m. Mondays. Photos are also welcome. If sending by email, resolution must be at least 300 dpi.

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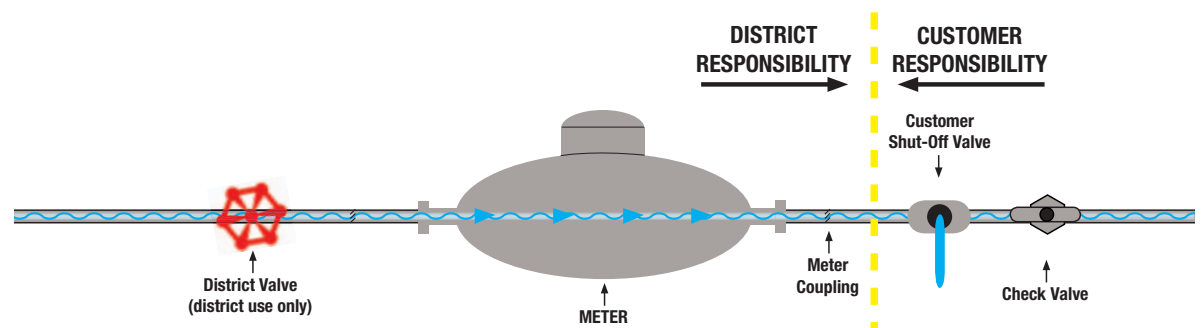


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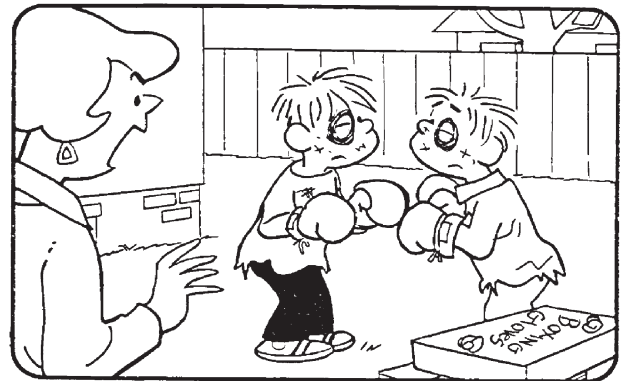
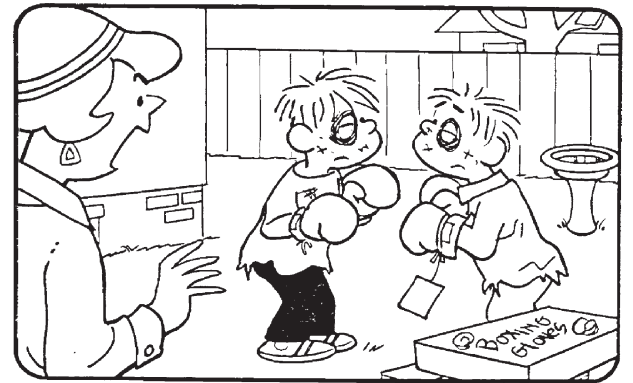
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**Answers to Sudoku**  
(Puzzle on next page)

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







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Riverside County Fire Department officials have met with 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone, his staff and the county agricultural commissioner about possible legislative and enforcement actions, according to Dave Fulcher, Bautista Division chief.

“They are very supportive and getting involved,” Fulcher reported. “We may actively pursue legislation.”

The issues which county officials are beginning to address range from combating the virulent pest to dealing with the results of its damage.

Fulcher identified specific issues that are being discussed, such as how to transport dead or dying trees, marking trees that are infected, storage areas for those trees once cut and sectioned and prior to grinding, warning or alert signs on local highways, and possible pesticides and their use and efficacy.

Dave Simmons, the Southern California Edison contact for the bark beetle and now for GSOB issues, confirmed that they Southern California Edison found one of the trees and will continue to treat them as they have the dead and dying pines — removing them at no cost to homeowners if the

trees threatened SCE power lines.

However, Fulcher and Simmons stressed that SCE’s participation depended upon the governor continuing to maintain the bark beetle emergency declaration. As long as the state’s emergency proclamation is in force, the state’s public utilities commission can support and authorize SCE’s expenditures to remove these trees.

Fulcher affirmed that CAL FIRE views the Goldspotted oak borer as a threat to the community, not simply to individual trees along the highways. So far, identification of the insect has been limited to six trees along the

highway and one near the village center. All are on private property.

The Goldspotted oak borer investigative team is concentrating on oaks within the village. Tom Scott, University of California Riverside GSOB expert, estimates that 2,500 Idyllwild trees may be vulnerable. But this estimate does not include any oaks on state or federal lands.

However he stressed that the task force was proceeding cautiously in order not to needlessly alarm residents.

And Chic Fojtik, the Mountain Disaster Preparedness representative and a Garden Club member, announced that the Idyllwild

Hotline for questions regarding the Goldspotted oak borer (951) 659-8328

Garden Club was planning on setting up signs at the bottom of the Hill in Hemet and Banning to discourage people from importing firewood to Hill locales.

The timeline of the discovery of beetle’s presence is very short and expanding, said Mic Sebastian, CAL FIRE. The first identification was made in early November. By January, another positive identification was made and the third within two more

weeks. By early February, four more infested trees had been identified.

In other local forest business, Fire Safe Council Executive Director Edwina Scott reported on the meeting with Federal Emergency Management Administration officials and progress toward final approval of a grant to help residents replace cedar roofing with asbestos shingles.

J.P. Crumrine can be reached at [jp@towncrier.com](mailto:jp@towncrier.com).

Health Issues

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Some of this information may be found at the Agency for Health Care Research and Quality. Although not particularly a user-friendly database, the quality of the data is excellent ([www.ahrq.gov/](http://www.ahrq.gov/))

Medical errors total more than \$4.5 billion in additional health spending a year, according to Centers for Disease Control & Prevention. Other sources have calculated a much larger price tag for errors.

Another source of information for hospital rankings in some of the most common adverse outcomes is Consumer

Reports at “How safe is your hospital” [www.consumerreports.org](http://www.consumerreports.org). Consumer Reports requires a subscription for their online service; is also available in some public libraries.

The recent increased requirements for hospitals will make it, even easier in the future to find hospital data.

One area of caution is that when choosing a hospital one should take into consideration the type of services they provide and the community being served. For instance, if you are interested in comparing rates of Cesarean section, hospitals that provide specialized perinatal and neonatal care will have a higher rate than others.

One more excellent source of information is the Leapfrog Group ([www.leapfroggroup.org/](http://www.leapfroggroup.org/)). The Leapfrog Group rates hospitals for overall safety and also within the context of

certain surgical procedures. You will find many hospitals under the “Fail to Respond” rubric in several important parameters. It is up to the consumer to evaluate how critical is that information for the particular case.

In summary, not all hospitals have the same outcomes even for relatively common conditions. The possibility of being readmitted for serious complications varies from hospital to hospital. It is up to the consumer to determine what the best match for him or her is.

This is by no means a complete list of resources; I would encourage you to use this as your starting point.

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LARRY W. WARD,  
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By: R. Anderson, Deputy

Pub. TC: Feb. 21, 28, March 7, 14, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as LILY ROCK NATIVE GARDENS, 25220 Palomar Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 1193, Idyllwild, CA 92549. BRONWYN ELIZABETH JONES, 25220 Palomar Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549; EDITH — BRIX, 52525 Idyllmont Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549; and JACKIE LYNN LASATER, 54480 Jameson Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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

Signed:

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Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 11, 2013.

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By: R. Anderson, Deputy

Pub. TC: Feb. 21, 28, March 7, 14, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as COUNTRY MARKET, 24400 Canyon Trail Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: 24892 Rosebrugh Lane, Hemet, CA 92544. JANET KAY BOSS, 24892 Rosebrugh Lane, Hemet, CA 92544.

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Signed:

JANET K. BOSS

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Feb. 8, 2013.

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By: N. Medina, Deputy

Pub. TC: Feb. 21, 28, March 7, 14, 2013.

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Signed:

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Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 22, 2013.

FILE NO:

I-2013-00182

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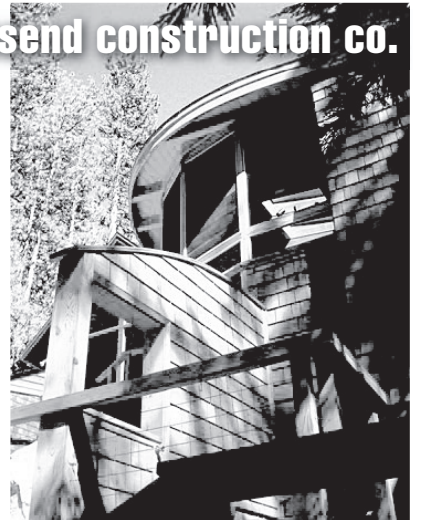
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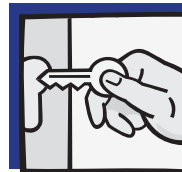
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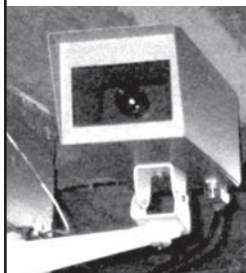
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# Idyllwild Downtown Historic District board holds first meeting

By MARSHALL SMITH  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

The local review board for the Idyllwild Downtown Historic District convened officially for the first time last week. This was only two weeks after the Riverside County Board of Supervisors appointed the five members — Nancy Borchers, Barbara Jones, Ron Kammeyer, Warren Monroe and Christina Stewart.

Four of the board members attended the first session Thursday, Feb. 14, with county Historic Preservation Officer Keith Herron. They begin the process of preparing to take up the board's primary function, reviewing applications for alteration permits for downtown buildings considered historic resources.

Herron will act as liaison between the local board and the county planning department, which makes the final decisions on historic district alteration applications. The local review board is advisory, similar to county service area advisory committees, and, as such, cannot make policy, or by itself approve or deny applications. As an advisory board, it will advise both the Idyllwild building owner on how to comply with district design guidelines and the planning department on the board's opinion as to whether or not

the application conforms to district design guidelines.

Herron explained the historic district permit process for buildings listed as contributing resources (of historic value). An Idyllwild applicant with a building in the historic district who desires to make modifications to the exterior of the building goes in person to the planning department to submit a permit application.

All buildings in the historic district are listed by address in a planning department database, so an application for historic resource structures with addresses in the district will automatically be flagged, Herron is then notified, and the applicant is directed to appear before the Idyllwild review board. Building addresses listed as noncontributing resources are exempt from the local review board process.

At the hearing, the local board compares the applicant's plans and drawings with the Idyllwild district design guidelines. The board, familiar with the design guidelines, is tasked to work with the applicant to fine tune the application to conform to design guidelines and to better ensure planning department approval. After meeting with the applicant and reviewing the application, the Idyllwild

board makes its recommendations to the planning department.

The test of whether a proposed alteration is permissible is if it does not substantially change the defining features of the historic building. Herron gave handouts to the board listing buildings in the district by address and whether they are of historical significance and under the board's jurisdiction. Fifty-six of 84 properties within the district are designated as contributing, and therefore covered by county ordinance and subject to review by the local board.

Many of the remaining buildings on the list were built in the early to mid-20th century. Although they might have had historic significance, their original appearance had been significantly altered, thus decreasing their historical value.

Among the board's first actions was the election of officers. Monroe will serve as chairman, Jones as vice chair, and Herron will act as board secretary and will attend all meetings. Nancy Borchers, Ron Kammeyer and Christina Stewart are the other board members. Stewart did not attend the initial meeting.

Herron also directed the board to review the design guidelines, currently in final draft form, and either approve as is or suggest

changes to county. Once the Idyllwild board sends its recommendations, the county approves and issues the final guidelines.

Herron directed the board to draft a set of goals for the district. "Your overall objective is to preserve the [historic] character of the district," Herron said. He advised that how they work with the community could either advance or inhibit the success of the district. "Your primary function is to network successfully with the public," he said, noting that interactions are better when supportive and consultative rather than adversarial.

In response to a question on whether the planning department permit staff is fully informed about the Idyllwild historic district permit process and how it differs from standard permitting, Herron said he plans to meet with planning and have at least one designated contact person whom he can work with on historic district permit issues.

The board is subject to Brown Act open government laws. Its meetings are public and noticed in advance according to Brown Act requirements. At Thursday's session, the board said it would meet monthly as it begins to operate.

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

## Monument

*Continued from page 1*

form of restitution to all who donated to the monument fund. This restitution could be in the form of a new monument to replace Harmony or some other form that would honor the donations given in the past and give the town something to again be proud of."

Directors, both as a board and individuals, have already incurred filing and legal fees for the first lawsuit Roy filed in August 2012. Roy dismissed that suit on Jan. 23, the same day he filed a second, almost identical, lawsuit against the board and the same named directors. The claims in Roy's second suit remain similar to those

in the first. The only major difference is which Superior Court judge will hear it.

If the second lawsuit proceeds, as directors anticipate it will, they would again be forced to pay filing and legal fees. They believe these fees will continue to mount as long as Roy continues to pursue what Chamber directors say is a frivolous and maliciously motivated lawsuit — frivolous because the claims cannot be factually substantiated, and malicious because of a grudge attorney and former Chamber President Ken Carlson holds against the Chamber. In 2010, he was ousted as president and Chamber member by a previous board of directors.

Roy is suing for \$1,500 for work he performed in applying a sealant to his

carving prior to its July 2013 dedication. There was no signed contract between Roy and the Chamber. Roy also alleges the Chamber embezzled funds from the Chamber monument maintenance account although Chamber check records, dating from the time Carlson was Chamber president, account for all money dispersed from that account. Roy has filed the lawsuit as if representing himself without attorney. Carlson is acting as Roy's behind-the-scenes legal advisor, as court records from the first suit document.

Directors said Roy's lawsuit is baseless and Chamber records, which Roy and Carlson were invited to inspect, would confirm all monument funds were properly disbursed and accounted for.

Carlson and Roy declined the invitation to inspect Chamber records.

Directors maintain that Roy was never "hired" to apply a coating of sealant to the monument prior to its July 2012 dedication and there was no contract or agreement for him to do so. Even so, President Chris Titus said both Roy and Carlson were invited to discuss with the board how best to resolve Roy's claim for \$1,500 for work performed. Carlson and Roy declined to meet with the board.

In 2007, the Chamber commissioned the carving by Roy, paid him an agreed fee to complete it, and is the legal owner of Harmony.

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## CREATURE CORNER

By MIMI AND HOOTCH

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### 60 years ago - 1953

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### 55 years ago - 1958

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### 50 years ago - 1963

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### 45 years ago - 1968

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FILE PHOTO

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### 40 years ago - 1973

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### 30 years ago - 1983

The Idyllwild Fire Protection District and Riverside County Fire

### 25 years ago - 1988

American Legion Post 800 offered to sponsor a community softball program on the Idyllwild Softball Association fields at Dutch Flat.

### 20 years ago - 1993

All seven of the Hill's Cub Scout dens celebrated the 1910 birth of the Boy Scouts of America by having dinner together and putting on skits.

### 15 years ago - 1998

Valentine's Day was a special occasion for a dozen local half-pint dancers. Instructor Dawn Jackson hosted her first dance recital at Town Hall.

### 10 years ago - 2003

Help would be on the way to take down the estimated 20,000 dead trees on private land locally when a congressional committee approved a bill that would fund the Forest Service with \$3.3 million.

### 5 years ago - 2008

A Hemet woman was struck and killed by a car while trying to warn oncoming traffic of a collision blocking Highway 74 near Wilson Way.

Idyllwild Pines Camp Director Paul Schlenz was asking the community to be more respectful of the camp grounds and spaces open to the public, and to be more diligent at correcting and reporting abuses.

### 1 year ago - 2012

The HELP Center received a grant from Riverside County to aid clients' children to participate in Town Hall Recreation programs.



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you are required to send in the estimated amount you owe, the IRS doesn't mind if you extend. If you are due a refund the IRS is perfectly happy to sit on it till you file your return.

Filing after April 15 may actually decrease your chance of audit since your information reaches their audit data base later.

Many people who have foreign investment accounts think they are in compliance as long as they report the income on their tax return. It may be necessary to file Form 8939 with your return. It could also be necessary to file an information return Form TD F 902-22.1 by June 30. To fail to do so when required can result in a penalty of \$10,000 or more.

Unfortunately logic, fairness and consistency are only occasionally used in devising our tax code. It's a good idea to rely on your tax professional throughout the year to ensure you understand the tax implications of proposed actions ahead of time.



A dance contest brought some students to the dance floor showing off their break dance skills Friday afternoon at Idyllwild School.

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Party decorations, food, drink and music greeted customers at Jo'An's on Valentine's Day evening. **Madison Kuhn** (center left), **Katelin Olson** (center), and **Cassandra Olson** (center right) sing for the crowd at Jo'An's during dinner on Valentine's Day. **Scott Foster** (black hat) set up the music and encouraged the girls.

PHOTO BY BARBARA REESE



Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro's offered a special Valentine's "Wine & Chocolate Tasting" Tuesday evening, Feb. 12. Candy Cupboard owner **Patty McGee** (center) describes the chocolates which the guests will be tasting. Idyll Awhile's **Dave Dillon** (right) then explained the complementary wines.

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On Valentine's Day, Pine Cove's **Mike Reno** (standing right) wed bride **Patti Reno** (standing center). The wedding was in Post Falls, Idaho. With the assistance of the Town Crier, Reverend **Gil Reno** (standing left), Mike's father, presided over the nuptial ceremony. Guests included Idyllwild luminaries **Mayor Max** his campaign manager **Phyllis Mueller** (front left) and her husband **Glenn Warren** (with Town Crier).

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