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Fire chiefs discuss the still-burning blaze.
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How the Mountain Fire affected Hill wildlife.
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Monday at noon, many local citizens pitched in to stop the Strong Fire by laying water on the fire and digging lines as firefighters were arriving.

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New fire burns 2 acres

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The Strong Fire, reported shortly after noon Monday along Strong Drive, was no match for human strength. Following on the heels of a mandatory evacuation because of the Mountain Fire in July, the vegetation fire in Idyllwild brought panic but quick response as not only firefighters, but neighbors, readily quashed the blaze.

By 1 p.m. it had burned about 2 acres, according to Idyllwild Fire Chief Patrick Reitz. It was quickly contained and controlled.

Firefighters from Idyllwild Fire Department, Cal Fire, and the U.S. Forest Service immediately surrounded the blaze, which produced several clouds of smoke visible throughout town. Air resources were also dispatched to the fire, but were not needed and released.

Before fire engines and

crews arrived, local citizens began fighting the blaze themselves as it moved from Strong Drive toward Tahquitz View Drive. If it had escaped that area, the Ernie Maxwell Trail's lower terminus and forest below Southridge were next in the fire's path.

Anne and Steve Erler, who live on Tahquitz View, were about to have lunch when Steve got a call from his wife Anne alerting him to the fire. He called 9-1-1 and reported the fire. Erler, Fern Valley Water District general manager, also asked one of his staff, Adam Baker, to get the hose from FVWD's warehouse. After Baker arrived with the equipment, Erler attached it to a hydrant on Tahquitz Valley Drive and began putting water on the fire until firefighters arrived.

Mike Morton and Cail Myer of Idyllwild Heating and Cooling saw the smoke plumes and "coded to the site," Morton said. He grabbed a shovel

and began constructing a line on the fire's right flank while fire units arrived but he kept working.

Besides the aircraft, units had been dispatched from Cal Fire stations on the Hill, Reitz said, as U.S. Forest Service and four hand crews were assembling to come. IFPD's initial response was the fire engine and ambulance, quickly followed by the brush truck, squad and Messiah Water.

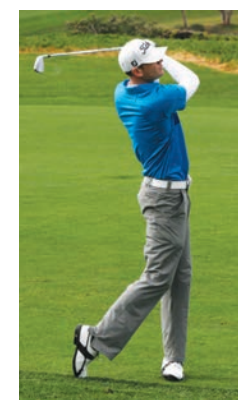
"It was a good coordinated effort. We appreciated the help and needed everybody," Reitz said Monday evening.

Once secured, IFPD handed the investigation to Cal Fire. At this time the cause has not been identified but some observers thought they saw downed power lines in the vicinity. "But whether they were the cause of the fire or the fire caused that, I don't know," said Reitz.

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Steele fourth at Reno- Tahoe

By JACK CLARK
PRO GOLF CORRESPONDENT



Brendan Steele
FILE PHOTO

Brendan Steele got his game back big time at the Reno-Tahoe Open outside of Reno, Nevada. The native Idyllwilder shot 71-70-65-72 — 278, but more important for this tournament was his Modified Stableford score of 5-8-17-3 — 33, which was good enough for outright fourth place, his first top-5 and second top-10 finish of the season.

His standout play came in the third round; Saturday's back nine was astonishing. He fired an unheard of 28, including 6 birdies and an eagle, playing the final six holes in 7 under par. He tallied 17 Stableford points in nine holes, a tournament high.

For the week, Steele earned another 80 FedEx Cup points, and also earned \$140,000 in prize money. This places him in 89th place on the FedEx Cup points list with 511, and raises him to 100th place on the official money list with \$770,120 — either one of which is well more than needed to qualify for next season's play on the PGA Tour.

Steele's performance last week turned around his play over the previous two tournaments — at the John Deere, in which he missed the cut when he injured his back stepping into a hole as he left the practice putting green before round two, and at the Canadian Open where he led the field after day one, but lost his game for the next three rounds.

Steele has this week off, not playing in the PGA Championship this year.

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

Hill fire stations responded to the following calls, Tuesday, July 30, to Sunday, Aug. 4:

Idyllwild Fire Department and Ambulance

July 31 — Medical aid, Idyllwild.

Aug. 1 — Three medical aids, Idyllwild.

Aug. 3 — Dispatched and canceled en route.

Aug. 3 — Medical aid, Pine Cove.

Aug. 4 — Medical aid, Idyllwild.

Aug. 4 — Smoke scare, odor of smoke, Mountain Center.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls from Sunday, July 28 to Saturday, Aug. 3. This may not be a complete list of responses:

July 28 — Noise complaint, address undefined, Pinyon Pines. Handled by deputy.

July 28 — Disoriented subject, 26000 block of Saddle Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 28 — Unattended death, address withheld, Anza. Report taken.

July 28 — Public disturbance, 58000 block of Burnt Valley Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.

July 28 — Public disturbance, 53000 block of Hillsdale St., Idyllwild. Handled by

deputy.

July 28 — Unattended death, address withheld, Sage. Report taken.

July 28 — Alarm call, 26000 block of Estate Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 28 — 911 call, 52000 block of Fern Land Dr., Pine Cove. Handled by deputy.

July 28 — 911 call from business, 54000 block of N. Circle Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 28 — Danger to self/other, 54000 block of N. Circle Dr., Idyllwild. Unfounded.

July 28 — Shots fired, address undefined, Sage. Handled by deputy.

July 28 — Illegal lodging, 25000 block of Lakeview Dr., Pine Cove. Unfounded.

July 29 — Burglary, 55000 block of Hwy. 371, Anza. Report taken.

July 29 — Alarm call, 53000 block of Circle View Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — Alarm call, 55000 block of Hwy. 371, Anza. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — Noise complaint, address undefined, Anza. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — Vandalism, 36000 block of Tripp Flats Rd., Anza. Report taken.

July 29 — Alarm call, 26000 block of Estate Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — Follow-up, address withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — Narcotics, ad-

dress undefined, Pine Cove. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — Assist other department, 50000 block of Bradford Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — 911 call, 25000 block of Fern Valley Rd., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — Public intoxication, 53000 block of Marian View Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 29 — Follow-up, address withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.

July 30 — Burglary, 54000 block of Rockdale Dr., Idyllwild. Report taken.

July 30 — Follow-up, address withheld, Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 30 — Public disturbance, address undefined, Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 30 — Shots fired, address undefined, Sage. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Barking dog, 43000 block of East Benton Rd., Sage. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Alarm call, 25000 block of Franklin Dr., Pine Cove. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Assault with deadly weapon, address undefined, Poppet Flats. Unfounded.

July 31 — Public assist, 25000 block of Cedar St., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Civil dispute, 25000 block of Scenic Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Public disturbance, 25000 block of Scenic Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Public assist,



According to California Hwy. Patrol Officer Mike Murawski, at about 1 p.m. Sunday, **Charles Marquis**, 69, and **Bertha Marquis**, 68 (on backboard), of Hemet were riding their 1998 Honda Valkyrie northbound on Hwy. 243 near South Circle when the back tire began to fishtail causing the them to lose control and T-bone a 2005 Dodge Ram driven by **Jackie Louise Nichols**, 58 of Spring Valley, as she was pulling to the side of the road. Idyllwild Fire transported Bertha Marquis to Hemet Valley Medical Center with facial swelling. No other injuries were reported. Oil from a leaking vehicle may have contributed to the crash. Idyllwild Volunteer Fire Company 621 and Cal Trans mopped up the excess oil and the Riverside County Sheriff conducted traffic control during the incident.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

54000 block of Marian View Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Public assist, 11000 block Santos, Anza. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Assist other department, address undefined, Pinyon Pines. Handled by deputy.

July 31 — Follow-up, address withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Aug. 1 — Fraud, address undefined, San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by

deputy.

Aug. 1 — Miscellaneous criminal, 29000 block of Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Handled by deputy.

Aug. 1 — Vandalism, 40000 block of Hampshire Dr., Sage. Report taken.

Aug. 1 — Battery, 22000 block of Azalea Trails Rd., San Bernardino National Forest.

Handled by deputy.

Aug. 1 — Unattended death, address withheld, Idyllwild. Report taken.

Aug. 1 — Alarm call, 21000 block of Hwy. 243, San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by deputy.

Aug. 1 — Alarm call, 61000 block of Manzanita Rd., Pin-

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82/46 Sunny	82/48 Sunny.	85/51 Sunny.	88/53 Sunny.	90/55 Sunny.

Idyllwild this year					Idyllwild last year			
Date	High	Low	M	S	High	Low	M	S
7-30	na	na			na	na		
7-31	na	na			na	na		
8-01	na	na			81	55		
8-02	90	58			85	58		
8-03	89	57			83	57		
8-04	90	60			na	na		
8-05	na	na			91	59		

Moisture in inches		Snow in inches	
To date this season (Idy):	0.23	To date this season (Idy):	0.00
To date last season (Idy):	0.00	To date last season (Idy):	0.00
Total last season (Idy):	14.02	Total last season (Idy):	42.8
To date this season (PC):	0.50	To date this season (PC):	0.00
Total last season (PC):	19.94	Total last season (PC):	44.75

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

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

Stage 2 Water Shortage terms

Idyllwild Water District General Manager Terry Lyons has ordered that the district advance to Water Conservation Stage 2, effective Sept. 1. Water conservation in Idyllwild is no longer optional.

Specifically, IWD's Ordinance No. 62 requires users of district water to:

- Limit irrigation of outdoor plants and gardens to the period between 6 p.m. and 8 a.m. daily, and stop all water runoff.
- Cease filling or refilling swimming pools, except that a small amount of water may be used to replace evaporation losses in a filled pool.
- Wash motor vehicles and equipment only from a bucket using a hose with a shutoff nozzle.
- Make immediate repairs to any and all leaking water lines and faucets in household plumbing and yard piping.
- Cease irrigating native vegetation and unplanted areas for dust control. Also, restaurants shall only provide drinking water upon request.

Filling outside large portable irrigation water tanks with IWD water would put more demand on the system. IWD is seeking water haulers for non-potable irrigation water to assist customers.

While Stage 2 is in effect, the district's third tier water rate will increase by 100 percent. For Residential 1 customers, usage exceeding 1,000 cubic feet in one billing period will double from \$0.1007 to \$0.2014 cubic feet.

For other customer groups the increase is R2, above 1,500 cf; R3, above 2,900 cf; R4, above 5,000 cf; and for R5, above 8,800 cf. Construction water will be sold at the third tier.

Violations of Stage 2 restrictions will activate penalties

MOUNTAIN FOLK

The Idyllwild Library is hosting an open house farewell to **Bonnie Doshier**, a long-time member of Friends of the Idyllwild Library.

The free event is from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 20, at the library ...

Attorney **Susan Nash** of Idyllwild is July's winner of a free Town Crier annual subscription. Nash's business card was picked from the jar on the front desk at the Idyllwild Town Crier and Visitors Center. An August winner will be chosen Aug. 31 ...

Idyllwild resident **Gina Genis'** exhibit, "When I'm 64" opened Saturday, Aug. 3, and runs through Sunday, Oct. 13, at the Lancaster Museum of Art and History.

The exhibit, originally shown at the Wignall Museum of Contemporary Art last year, garnered enough critical acclaim, that it is traveling to MOAH. Addressing issues of an older population in America, it shows how "the elderly" spend their golden years. At once poignant and hilarious, "When I'm 64" is an exhibit enjoyed by all ages. Seven other artists are included in this show along with Genis, a photographer.

Lancaster Museum of Art and History is located at 665 West Lancaster Blvd., at the corner of Ehrlich and Lancaster Blvd. in Lancaster. The phone number is 661-723-6250.

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for failure to comply. A written warning notice will be issued on the first violation. Further violations will result in imposition of disincentive surcharges amounting to two or three times the amount of the total water bill and installing a flow-restricting device. Continued violations could result in termination of water service.

Priefer chosen as volunteer of the year

Town Crier readers chose local building designer Robert Priefer as the 2013 Ernie Maxwell Community Spirit Award recipient last month.

Emcee Doug Austin made the announcement at last week's Idyllwild Summer Concert at the Community Center site.

Priefer has been instrumental in volunteering his time with plans for the new Community Center, and been involved with the project for many years.

He is the third recipient of the award. His name has been added to a plaque in the front office of the Idyllwild Town Crier and Visitors Center.



Records

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yon Pines. Handled by deputy.

Aug. 2 — Found runaway, address withheld, Anza. Arrest made.

Aug. 2 — Danger to self/others, 36000 block of Hwy. Howard Rd., Anza.

Aug. 2 — Suspicious circumstances, 24000 block of Fern Valley Rd., Idyllwild.

Handled by deputy.

Aug. 2 — Burglary, 26000 block of Hwy. 243, Idyllwild. Report taken.

Aug. 3 — Four follow ups, addresses withheld, Idyllwild.

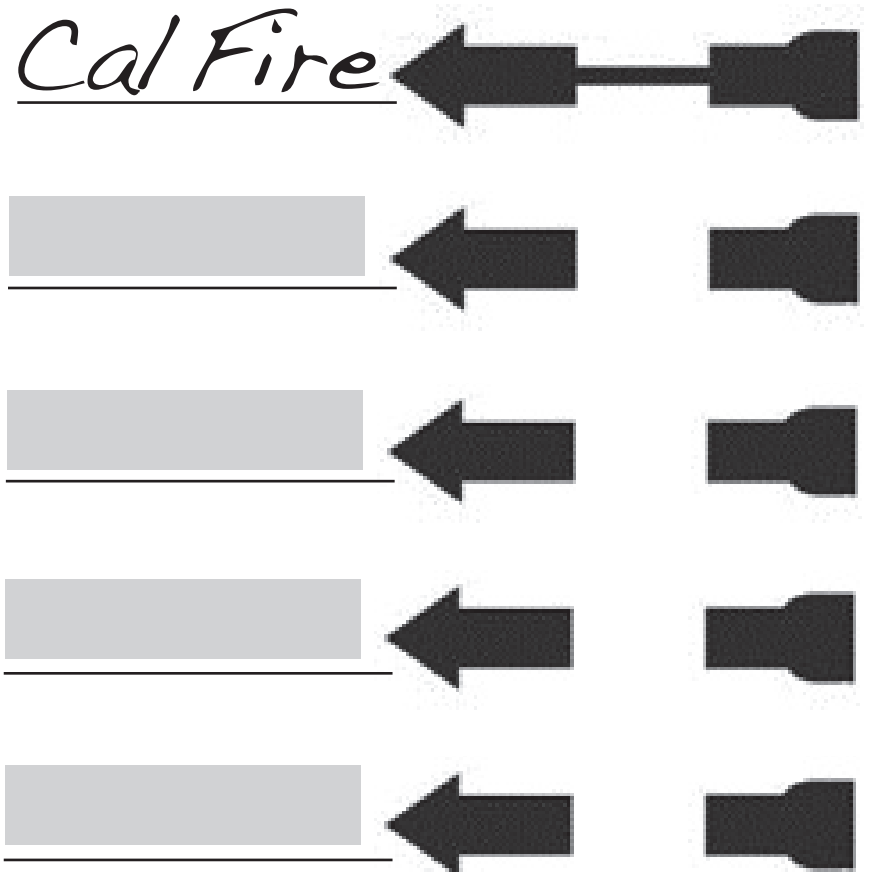
Aug. 3 — Suspicious circumstance, 56000 block of Hwy. 371 and Contreras Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.

Aug. 3 — Suspicious circumstance, 40000 block of Reed Valley Rd., Sage.

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Janey Espinoza, second base for Ajax Rock Co. is just a step ahead of Creekstone Inn Keepers' **Kristin Collis** in Thursday night's fast-paced and close game that Ajax won 9-7.

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Author to speak at library

Idyllwild resident Robert Ferguson, author of "The Knights Templar and Scotland," will give a talk from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, at the Idyllwild Library.

He will describe how the Knights Templar became not only the world's most feared warriors but also the first international bankers, the first multinational conglomerate and the only Mediterranean shipper that could guarantee delivery free of pirate attacks.

The event is free.



Above, winners of this week-end's American Legion Post 800 horseshoe tournament are, from left, first place winners **Bob Lewis** and **Matt McDonauld**, second place winners **Jim Nutter** and **Brian McWilliams**, and third place winners **David Schnalzer** and **Sandy Froetschel**.

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Patching of Highway 243 (above) between the Nature Center and Pine Cove began Wednesday, July 31, in preparation for the repaving project. Long lines of patient traffic waited to move in both directions as one lane of the highway was closed to accommodate heavy equipment.

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West Nile Virus now in San Jacinto

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

A 60-year-old woman is the first confirmed human case of West Nile Virus in Riverside County this year, said Dr. Cameron Kaiser, Riverside County public health officer. The individual, who was hospitalized and is now recovering at home, lives in southwest Riverside County.

On July 22, the state confirmed that mosquitoes collected from several locations in the Nuevo area, and two locations in San Jacinto, tested positive for West Nile virus. The samples were collected on July 16 from locations at the Nuevo Fire Station; near the San Jacinto River, north and south of Ramona Expressway; and the Eastern Municipal Water District wetlands and district ponds in San Jacinto.

Health officials emphasized that the risk of serious illness to humans is low. Most individuals infected with the virus will not experience any illness. Elderly individuals and those with compromised immune systems are at greatest risk for serious illness.

The virus is transmitted to humans and animals through a mosquito bite. Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds.

The Department of Environmental Health also received confirmation last week that a dead crow in the city of Banning and a sentinel chicken at the San Jacinto Wildlife Area both tested positive for West Nile virus antibodies. Certain species of birds, such as crows and raptors, seem more susceptible to the virus while others such as chick-

ens, sparrows and finches react with antibodies without showing physical signs of infection.

In 2012, 19 human cases were confirmed in the county with no deaths from the illness since 2008. It is not unusual for mosquitos and birds in parts of Riverside County to test positive for the virus, especially during the summer. In 2012, 133 mosquito samples and 63 sentinel chickens tested positive for the virus.

Individuals can reduce their risk of mosquito-borne diseases by taking these precautions:

- Avoid spending time outside when mosquitoes are most active, especially at dawn and dusk.
- When outdoors, wear long pants, long-sleeved shirts and other protective clothing.
- Apply insect repellent according to label instructions.
- Make sure doors and windows have tight-fitting screens. Repair or replace screens that have tears or holes.
- Eliminate all sources of standing water on your property that can support mosquito breeding.
- Contact the local mosquito and vector control agency if a significant mosquito problem occurs where you live or work. Idyllwild's local agency is Riverside County Vector Control Program, 800 South Sandersen Ave., Hemet, CA 92545, 951-766-9454.

The Department of Environmental Health's Vector Control Program, local mosquito and vector control districts and other state and local agencies have established a surveillance program to monitor for the virus in Riverside County.

Anyone who becomes ill after exposure to mosquitoes should contact their health care provider. The Disease Control Office can be reached at 951-358-5107 for more information on West Nile Virus.

Information about WNV is available at www.westnile.ca.gov/ or www.rivco-diseasecontrol.org/Services/WestNileVirus.aspx.

Dead birds can be reported on the state's website or by calling toll-free 1-877-WNV-BIRD (1-877-968-2473).

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Supervisors want more transparency

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Last month, the Riverside County Board of Supervisor's took action to improve the transparency of its meetings' agenda.

For example, no longer will items be on the agenda with details to come later. A complete Form 11 (the description and discussion of the item) must be available when it is placed on the agenda.

Financial implications of the item must be clearly stated in Form 11, rather than obscured within attachments. This includes the project's total cost, whether new or being modified. In addition, the long-term operating costs to support a capital project should be stated, too.

Finally, the board wants included some identification of the project's effect on the private sector. This would

be a discussion of the fiscal or regulatory impact, if any, to taxpayers, residents or employers in the county.

As a model, Supervisors Kevin Jeffries and Jeff Stone referenced San Diego County's agenda, which identifies a fiscal and business impact within board reports.

Both felt these changes, which were adopted, would "... increase transparency and accessibility to the public as well as improve our ability to obtain relevant information on issues appearing before the board."

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OUT LOUD

Precious space ...



Here at the editor's desk, I receive overwhelming requests for precious space in the Town Crier — space that varies depending on the size of the newspaper.

People sometimes think it's easy to add one page to the paper but it's not that simple.

So, for those who've never lived in a world of commercial publishing, I'll lay out a simple description of how the Town Crier comes to look like it does when it arrives in your hands each week.

We print on a web press that prints on continuous rolls of paper versus sheet-fed presses.

If you take apart your Town Crier, and unfold just the center, you will see that each cut sheet is actually four pages, two on each side. We cannot just add one page. Four pages is a significant part of any size Town Crier. Printing that four pages is a large expense and requires an important decision each week.

On Monday after our advertising deadline, we look at the percentage of advertising for that week's paper to determine how many pages we can afford to print.

That percentage determines how much news space we have to work with. In a 24-page paper, that's plenty of room to keep us busy but not enough room to get in all the news fit to print.

The greatest challenge is living in a town of more than 100 nonprofits, government agencies, clubs, etc. — most of whom believe that because they are nonprofit, we should run their events and fundraising programs in our premium news space for free.

If we did that, we would be out of business in a short space. If we did that, we would be donating to every organization on the Hill. No one does that and it's unreasonable to expect it.

We definitely want to support your organizations and events. But we want to do it without going broke.

What we offer are lower rates for nonprofits to advertise. We also never promise news space because, as you saw this week, we never know when a fire will break out.

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

READERS WRITE

Keeping us well informed

EDITOR:

My love affair with the San Jacinto Mountains began when I was 9 years old and attending Girl Scout Camp at Azalea Trails.

I spent 14 consecutive summers there ending the summer of my last year in college as a unit leader for a group of backpackers you remembered in your recent edition "Past tense," 45 years ago — 1968.

In 1968, a thoughtful Town Crier staffer was generous enough to send me a copy of the paper containing the original report of the incident: Vol. 33, No. 36 dated July 19, 1968. I have saved

and treasured that copy ever since.

It is no way surprising that the Town Crier became my lifeline for information while I rode out the evacuation in San Diego at my daughter's.

It speaks volumes that it also provided a wonderful learning experience for my grandchildren. To say that I am indebted to you goes back a long, long way.

So, God bless those super-hero firefighters who saved our lives, homes and community. But, let us not forget those who stayed and kept us so well informed. You, too, are super-heroes.

With a lifetime of gratitude.

KATHLEEN MASEY
IDYLLWILD

Town Crier earns national honors

The award-winning Idyllwild Town Crier was again honored for the high quality of its work this year. The National Newspaper Association's 2013 Better Newspaper Contest recognized the Town Crier for two community-oriented stories.

News Editor J.P. Crumrine's 10th-anniversary story about the Idyllwild School smARTS program, "Smart art: who can ask the value," earned first place in the education category for papers with circulation less than 6,000.

"This was the complete package: solid writing, great photo accompaniment, strong layout design and placement," noted the judges.

In addition, Marshall Smith's June 2012 coverage of the construction of the playground at the Idyllwild Community Center site, "Hundreds work to complete playground," merited an honorable mention in the feature category. He was also recognized in the state-level 2012 Better Newspapers Contest for "Prostate cancer survivors favor the PSA test."

"The Town Crier is annually recognized by its peers as producing quality work. The community should be proud to have an award-winning newspaper that also looks out for its best interests," said Publisher-Editor Becky Clark.

This not the first time the Town Crier has garnered national best story recognition. In 2002, the paper had the best environmental story. Just three years ago, NNA bestowed a second place on the Town Crier for its community service efforts following the December 2008 snowstorm, the resulting damage within the community and the uncoordinated governmental and private corporate responses to that disaster.

Daughter needs service dog

Melissa Wilson, a teacher at Idyllwild Arts Academy for the past 12 years, has a daughter, Amara, 14, with Type 1 diabetes. Amara has had the disease since age 2-1/2. Mother and daughter, who live on campus, are raising funds to for a diabetes alert service dog to help keep Amara safe and healthier overall.

These dogs are trained like FBI drug-detecting dogs but, instead, detect blood sugar levels. The dog will alert Amara before she hits dangerous levels.

The family needs to raise \$9,000. For more information, view Amara's video at www.youcaring.com/nonprofits/a-life-saving-diabetic-alert-dog-for-amara/76791 or email Wilson at meldesigms@mac.com.

Mr. Funny Guy

by Chris Fisher



Riverside County Third District Supervisor **Jeff Stone** delivers a proclamation the five supervisors signed to **Jack and Becky Clark** in recognition of their new ownership of the Idyllwild Town Crier. Stone said he supports newspapers and the local ownership of the Town Crier when he gave the proclamation on July 26 at the Idyllwild Library.

PHOTO BY TERESA GARCIA-LANDE

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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FIRE AND FOREST

By MIKE ESNARD, PRESIDENT
MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

Lessons ...

We are all glad that our town was unharmed by the Mountain Fire, but I don't want to celebrate too much. I don't want us to draw the wrong lesson, which is that fire agencies will always have the personnel and equipment to save us. After all, can't they just keep pulling in more and more resources until the fire is stopped in its tracks? I am guessing they can't.

Did you read about another big fire in the region that desperately needed people and planes that week? Yeah, neither did I. We were the big show at the time. We needed big aircraft to drop retardant and we got them. We needed lots of firefighters and we got them.

But what would have happened if a big fire was burning toward the subdivisions in San Diego? Remember 2003 and 2007 — huge fires burning in many places? In that situation I doubt we would get 3,400 firefighters, or the exclusive use of the DC-10 and two C-130s.

Then there was the weather. It rained on the fire. Could they have controlled it without the rain? I don't know. But it seems we were pretty lucky to get a storm that brought moisture rather than a lot of wind from the east.

I love organizations that can get big things done, and I deeply admire the ability of the agencies to come together in days and put thousands of people to effective, well-coordinated work. It's wonderful. It requires planning, experience, intelligence and courage.

But while we acknowledge that, our minds should be on what could have been done to prevent the fire, or to keep it small. The lesson should be about doing what the Zen Center and Fleming Ranch did to not lose a building, though they were in the path of the fire.

Bonita Vista has been a target of Forest Service concern for years. It did some large fuels projects, but wanted to do more. Preliminary analysis indicates that work slowed the fire and helped save many homes in the area. What if the FS had been allowed to do what it intended?

Mountain Fire suppression costs were somewhere around \$30 million. What would have happened if we had taken a 10th of that amount to apply toward fuel reduction in critical areas in the last two years?

I realize that prevention is not sexy and does not command the rapt attention of a giant fire fight. Our brains evolved, sensibly enough, to treat the danger in front of us more



LOLA'S KITCHEN

By DOLORES SIZER

Key Lime cupcakes ...

Last Sunday afternoon I attended a baby shower. What was different about this shower? I have known the mom-to-be since she was a little girl. At times I feel she is my child.

She has grown up to be a gentle, loving woman who will be a great mom.

Watching her grow through the years has been a gift for me. Thank you, Halie.

Now let's get serious. I volunteered to make cupcakes for the shower. Duh, what else.

This time I chose Betty Crocker Key Lime Cupcakes with Key Lime Cream Cheese Icing. I love making cupcakes.

Wow, I am changing the subject briefly. It is about 3 a.m. Monday. The History Channel is featuring the history of ice cream. Fascinating.

Back to the cupcakes. The presentation turned out well, with the icing from the pastry bag a nice lime color. Sprinkled with tiny edible gold stars and a Gummy Bear center made the cupcakes perfect for a baby shower.

I admit, when I make cupcakes, I frequently use cake mix but always adding extra ingredients. However, my icing is always from scratch.

Enjoy the cupcakes. They have a great key lime flavor, also good for a potluck dinner.



Betty Crocker Key Lime Cupcakes

- 1 box Betty Crocker SuperMoist Lemon Cake Mix
- 1 box (4-serving size) lime-flavored gelatin
- 3/4 cup water
- 1/3 cup Key lime juice *
- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
- 3 eggs
- 2 or 3 drops green food coloring

Heat oven to 350 F (325 F for dark or non-stick pans). Place paper baking cups in each of 24 regular-sized muffin cups.

In a large bowl, beat cupcake ingredients with electric mixer on low speed 30 seconds, then medium speed 2 minutes, scraping bowl occasionally. Divide batter evenly among muffin cups, filling each about two-thirds full.

Bake 19 to 24 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pan 10 minutes. Remove from pan to cooling rack.

Makes 24 cupcakes. Recipe from bettycrocker.com

* I use Nellie & Joe's Key West Lime Juice, available at most super markets.

Key Lime Icing

- 2 (8) ounce packages cream cheese, softened
- 1 stick butter, softened
- 2 lbs. confectioner's sugar
- 2 tsps. vanilla

Juice of one lemon. Here I substitute with Key West lime juice. About one generous tablespoon.

Using a mixer, blend the butter and cream cheese together until well blended. Gradually add in the confectioner's sugar until fully incorporated. Finally, mix in the vanilla and lime juice. Spread on cupcakes or use a pastry bag for a pleasing design.

Note: This is my favorite icing recipe. It is delicious with the consistency perfect for a smooth spread.

I have also substituted almond extract or rum extract to get different flavors depending on the cupcake flavor. When using the extracts I add a scant tablespoon of Half & Half to keep the consistency the same as the original recipe. Enjoy.

Contact Lola at dolores.sizer@gmail.com. She also handles the front desk at the Town Crier.

Trivia test

General Knowledge: What percentage of people are left-handed?

Answer: About 10 percent

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 13.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7

- 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. Newspaper office, 54425 N. Circle Dr.
- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- Pain Without Meds Group, 10 a.m. Community Room, Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Lemon Lily Festival planning session, 10 a.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, Hwy. 243.
- Garner Valley Women's Club, 10:30 a.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devil's Ladder Rd.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, women only, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- AWANA for ages 3-fifth-grade, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest Ave.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr., Contact Betty (619) 895-0934 for location.
- MEMSCOMM, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Chapel in the Pines

Church office, 29430 Highway 243, Mountain Center.

- Idyllwild Francophonie (fluent-French speakers), noon. Café Aroma, 54750 North Circle Drive. RSVP. Call Françoise Frigola, 951-659-4146, for more information.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Drive.
- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pinecrest Avenue Show up or phone 951-659-4910.
- Idyllwild Water District closed session, 1 p.m., 25945 Hwy. 243.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Drive. (the Courtyard Building).

FRIDAY, AUG. 9

- Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Jenny Stepien at 760-445-6325 or e-mail jenny-leeslater@yahoo.com for information and location.
- Feeding America, 3 p.m. Chapel in the Pines, Mountain Center. Distribution at the former Morning Sky School on Hwy. 243.
- 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. Barbecue 6-7 p.m.; Open Share meeting 7-9 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Child care available. Call 951-659-0097 for information.

SATURDAY, AUG. 10

- ARF and Living Free Pet

Adoption Day, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Village Center Complex.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr; 7:30 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.
- Raw Food Potluck, 5-7 p.m. Nature's Wisdom.

SUNDAY, AUG. 11

- Rattlesnake Avoidance Training for Dogs, 9 a.m. Idyllwild Community Center site.
- 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.-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 Rd, 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, AUG. 12

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Drive.
- Children's story hour, 10:30 a.m. Library, 54401 Village Center Drive.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Drive.
- Al-Anon, Open Meeting, 7-8:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Drive.

Idyllwild Community Meditation, meditation, 7-8:30 p.m., the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Drive. Instruction and consultation available at 6:30 p.m.. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for information.

TUESDAY, AUG. 13

- Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council public board meeting, 9:30 a.m. Mounain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Drive. Call 659-6208 for information.
- Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild, 9:30 a.m. Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 North Circle Drive.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Drive; AA Open Meeting & Big Book Study, 6-7 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Drive (the Courtyard Building).
- La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 659-8321.
- International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild, 5-7 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54960 Pine Crest Avenue.
- ICRC board meeting, 5:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Avenue.
- Idyllwild Fire Protection District Commission, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Drive.
- Mountain Disaster Preparedness board meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Avenue.
- Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step Study meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Highway 243, Mountain Center. Call 951-659-0097 for information.

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- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- Pine Cove Water District, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.
- Pain Without Meds Group, 10 a.m. Community Room, Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.

- 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).
- MAST, 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243.
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- Sadie's Clinic Vet Day. Call 659-1122 #2.

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De Eskew newest Pine Cove Water director

By J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

On July 10, the Pine Cove Water District Board of Directors elected Diana "De" Eskew to fill the remainder of former President Tom McCullough's term through December 2015. The following is an interview with Eskew on her views about the District and water issues.

TC: Why join the water board?

DE: "I've lived and worked here more than 18 years," Eskew said. "The only thing I haven't done is get involved with local groups." So knowing the board was filling a vacancy, Eskew decided to get involved. In addition, she noted, "I think they needed a woman on the board." Her four colleagues are all males.

TC: What are your goals?

DE: Just beginning her water board tenure, Eskew said she has much to learn about the district and its operations. But one issue that recently came up is the water needs for the Stonewood community just north of Pine Cove's boundary. She plans to learn more about this topic.

TC: What's your view of PCWD?



De Eskew, newest PCWD director.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

DE: "Pine Cove [Water District] has the best water, absolutely best, on the Hill," she said enthusiastically and proudly. "When I worked in Idyllwild, I used a filter or drank bottled water. At home, I just drink out of the faucet."

She attributes this to the effort of General Manager Jerry Holldber and his staff.

TC: Do you have any concern about water supply?

While Eskew is aware that Idyllwild Water District is entering a Stage 2 conservation effort in September, she urges Pine Cove residents to continue to conserve.

She expressed confidence that Holldber would keep the board informed about the district's water conditions.

"Everybody in Pine Cove tries to conserve, which is the reason we don't have any major conservation emergency," she said.

TC: Your thoughts about water rates?

DE: "This may be unpopular, but in Pine Cove, we're getting a lot more than we're paying for," she said without hesitation.

In conclusion, Eskew said she is happy to have the

opportunity to serve and as she learns more, she hopes she can extend this opportunity. She also encouraged residents to attend the board meetings at 10 a.m. the second Wednesday of each month, although she recognizes that is difficult for those with full-time jobs.

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

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Fire chiefs discuss condition of still-burning fire

By J.P. CRUMRINE
News Editor

The Mountain Fire is still burning and smoldering in places, said both Dan Felix, San Jacinto Ranger District fire chief, and Battalion Chief Chris Fogle, who assumed the role of incident commander following the departure last week of the Type 1 Incident Management Team.

"There is still a potential for the fire to spot," Felix said. During the past week, Fogle has employed two wildland fire modules. These 10-person teams, who are still here and are more common in the Sierras, have technical and ecological-based expertise in the areas of ignitions, holding, suppression, hazard fuels reduction, and fire effects monitoring in timber lands or wilderness.

"They are our eyes and recording mechanism for where the fire is at and what it's doing," Fogle explained.

In addition, the district has been using Type 6 engines from Arizona to patrol the fire area. Also, the helicopter assigned to the Keenwild Helibase will fly the burned area regularly and various teams from the district, who will be assessing the resource damage and repairing damage, will



Chris Fogle, U.S. Forest Service battalion chief.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

monitor the area throughout the summer and fall.

Both fire managers confirmed IMT leader Jeanne Pincha-Tulley's initial assessment that the areas within the fire may continue to burn into late fall. In the wilderness, there are many dead and fallen trees from the intense bark beetle infestation during the past decade, according to Fogle.

Furthering the fire's life is the depth of the duff (dead leaves and needles) on the ground and residual heat on the forest's floor. In the absence of periodic natural fires, the duff is much deeper at the top of the mountain than in normal timberlands, said Felix.

"It will take a long time to put out the fire," he said. These islands of heat are well inside the fire boundary and present no current threat of spreading. But in Southern California, weather is always a dominant player in fire activities.

"I'm fairly confident the fire will not grow," Fogle said. "But the primary threat will be the right wind, which could

throw something outside the line."

The fire and subsequent rains appear to have damaged several of the trails at various points, both men said. "Sections of the trail have been lost," said Fogle sadly, who has hiked these trails since childhood, their loss felt personally.

The danger to hikers has not been fully assessed and until the Burned Area Emergency Response Team has finished its assessment and reported to District Ranger Arturo Delgado, the forest will not open the trails around Saddle Junction and those connecting with the Pacific Crest Trail south to Highway 74.

The fire has changed the natural resource at the top of the mountain. Trees, undergrowth and chaparral have burned. While this is good for the forest's health, "our kids will never see what we were used to seeing there," Fogle said.

Areas burned in past fires, such as the Apache and Tahquitz fires, suffered less damage from heat intensity and burning, both observed.

Within the next few weeks, the BAER team will issue a resource damage assessment to Delgado. This will be the basis of future repair decisions and eventual opening of all remaining trails.

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Dan Felix, U.S. Forest Service fire chief during the Mountain Fire.

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The Desert Chamber Orchestra highlighted harpist **Vanessa Sheldon** during the performance at the Summer Concert series last Thursday evening.

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Singer **Yve Evans** was the special guest soloist at the Spiritual Living Center's Sunday morning service. Evans sang several songs throughout the service to an appreciative congregation.

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City Beat to rock Aug. 15

By JACK CLARK
CONTRIBUTOR

They've rocked Idyllwild before, and up they come again with horn-blasting pop, soul, rhythm, blues and rock 'n' roll.

City Beat, a high-energy gang of mostly law enforcement personnel, will have Summer Concert Series enthusiasts jumpin' and jivin' at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15, at the Idyllwild Community Center site.

Leader Ed Riojas' motley-blue crew of 11 beat-heavy musicians plan to knock our socks off with tunes from the 1950s to today.

Seven different law enforcement agencies will be represented on stage: Bob Binder, Los Angeles Police Department, tenor sax; Ryan Clarke, Drug Enforcement Agency, baritone sax; Dan Glass, El Monte Police Department, trombone; John King, keyboard; Kevin Kline, trumpet; Johnny Martinez, California Highway Patrol, drums; Michelle Moratinos, vocals; Paul Orłowski, Burbank Police Department, bass; Dr. Jack Poster, Redlands Police Department, trumpet; Ed Riojas, Burbank Airport Police Department, guitar, vocals and leader; and Jonny Walker, LAPD, lead vocals and front man.

The opening group has yet to be announced.

Ken Dahleen's Summer Concert Series brings Thursday-evening concerts free to the public during July and August each year. Donations are accepted at the concerts and they may be sent to Idyllwild Summer Concerts Inc., P.O. Box 1542, Idyllwild, CA 92549-1542.

Jack Clark may be reached at jack@towncrier.com.

A 'Valentine' for jazz lovers

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Billy Valentine, jazz vocalist, will perform for the first time at the Jazz in the Pines festival on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 18.

Valentine has been singing for years and fans of "Boston Legal" have heard his voice from the theme song to the credits.

Rhythm and blues are his favorites, but the audience in The Barn will also be enchanted with his renditions from the "Great American Songbook."

Valentine is a big fan of Ray Charles and Sam Cooke pieces, too, and has been influenced by Otis Redding, Nat King Cole and Carmen MacRae.

"I've been singing all my life. I'm from a big family — 13 children — and we always had a little competition," he said. Valentine is from Beckley, W.Va. and his father worked in the coal mines until they moved to Columbus, Ohio.

There, his father, who was always interested in music, bought and opened a night club. It was a family club and became quite successful, Valentine said.

Valentine and his brother, John, formed the duo, The Valentine Brothers. They still occasionally work together, he added.

While this year will be his first appearance at the jazz fest, he has been coming to Idyllwild for years.



Billy Valentine

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AMY LIEBERMAN

"I love the hikes and the community," Valentine said about Idyllwild. He's seen the bark beetle devastation and was concerned about the threat the Mountain Fire posed.

Festival Artistic Director Bubba Jackson recruited Valentine, who was anxious to return to his familiar haunt and perform here.

But similar to many great jazz performers, Valentine also has a huge following in Europe. He travels frequently to London and plays in the clubs there.

His popularity there began in the 1980s when an English group, Simply Red, performed a song, "Money's Too Tight (To Mention)," which Valentine and his brother had written and originally recorded here on their album. The Simply Red version became a number one record throughout Europe.

"There's a lot of enthusiasm for jazz in Europe," Valentine said. "They treasure it."

His current project is a tribute to the great music of English songwriters — The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Eric Clapton and Elton John. "I'm doing it in my own style, with r&b foundation," he said.

Valentine sings in the barn at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 18. Accompanying him are Stuart Elster, piano; Alphonso Johnson, bass; Lee Spath, drums; and Jimmy Roberts, saxophone.

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Summer Reading Program ending

The Idyllwild Library Summer Reading Program ends Saturday, Aug. 10. The awards ceremony and storytime is at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, at the library.

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Wednesday, Aug. 7

Student Recital: Instrumental Music, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.
Adult Yoga with Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; **Cribbage**, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Town Hall.
Michael D., 6:30-8:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
"The Heat," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, Aug. 8

Modern Dance With Wendy, 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.
Idyllwild Summer Concert Series, Sandii Castleberry and Friends, 6:15 p.m.; **Harold Wherry and the Blue Breeze Band**, 7-9 p.m. Idyllwild Community Center.
"The Heat," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Chamber Music, Host Rich Capparella, 7:30 p.m.; **The Pacific Trio**, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Friday, Aug. 9

Children's Center Open House: Multi Arts, 2:45 p.m. Children's Center; **Student Performance: Sketch Comedy**, 8 p.m. Junior Players Theatre; **High School Festival Choir**, 8 p.m. IAF Theatre; **Student Chamber Music Recital**, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.
Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon; **Crafty Kids Art Class, Wendy Watts**, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Town Hall.
"The Heat," 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Food.
Sandii, Kathleen and Gordie, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
Karaoke, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The Lumber Mill.

Saturday, Aug. 10

Wings, Beaks and Songs of Idyllwild Bird Walk, Kathy Keane, 8-9:30 a.m. County Park entrance.
Art From Many Cultures, 9:30 a.m.; **Improv Workshop**, 9:30 a.m.; **Young Writers Workshop**, 10 a.m.; **Theatre of Myth and Folklore**, 11:30 a.m. Children's Center; Idyllwild Arts.
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Fiction Reading, 10 a.m. Todd Quad, Idyllwild Arts.
Sketch Comedy Performance, 10 a.m. Junior Players Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.
Second Saturday Art Fair, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Community Center site.

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Shakespeare's World, 10:30 a.m. Hummingbird Hollow, Idyllwild Arts.

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

High School Festival Choir, 1 p.m.; **Chamberfest Chamber Orchestra**, 8 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.

Michael Britton, 1-4 p.m. The Lumber Mill.

"The Heat," 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Live music, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Food.

Keith McCabe, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Sunday, Aug. 11

RMRU Pancake Breakfast, 8-11:30 a.m. Town Hall.

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

Michael Britton, 1-4 p.m. The Lumber Mill.

Wings, Beaks and Songs of Idyllwild Bird Talk, Kathy Keane, 1 p.m. Nature Center.
"The Heat," 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Monday, Aug. 12

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.

"The Heat," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, Aug. 13

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Wednesday, Aug. 14

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Thursday, Aug. 15

Modern Dance With Wendy, 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.
Idyllwild Summer Concert Series, band to be announced, 6:15 p.m.; **City Beat**, 7-9 p.m. Idyllwild Community Center.

Michael Britton, 1-4 p.m. The Lumber Mill.
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Friday, Aug. 16

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon; **Crafty Kids Art Class, Wendy Watts**, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Town Hall.

Willy B., 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba Mexican Food.

Karaoke, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. The Lumber Mill.

Saturday, Aug. 17

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

Sunday, Aug. 18

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

Michael Britton, 1-4 p.m. The Lumber Mill.

Monday, Aug. 19

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Rich Capparella high on Idyllwild Arts, the town

JACK CLARK
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Listeners of KUSC 91.5 FM are quite familiar with Rich Capparella, long a celebrated classical music announcer on that station. His bio relates that in 1972 he declared his desire to be a classical music radio announcer when asked by an employment counsel to name the career he would most like.



Rich Capparella

FILE PHOTO

Twelve or 13 years ago, as Rich Capparella remembered, Steve Fraider asked him to host concerts here at Idyllwild Arts. His wife, Marcia, had known Bill Lowman since they were age 6, and that gave them all the more incentive to visit Idyllwild. The couple's love affair with Idyllwild blossomed from there.

"We love the Hill. My wife and I love the Hill. We got married on Wildwood [Drive] ... a rental house there back in '95 ... We love hiking, we love the people there, we love hanging out with the musicians and members of the faculty ... We just love Idyllwild. The only reason we haven't bitten the bullet and bought property in Idyllwild is because everyone has been so generous saying, 'Stay with us!' ... They keep on saying, 'Why haven't you bought a house?' I say, 'You, that's why!'" Capparella said in praise of Idyllwild.

Speaking of the music Idyllwild Arts students perform, Capparella said it is "the overall cohesiveness of the ensembles that I find so impressive ... It's surprising. If you closed your eyes and didn't know you were listening to high school-aged performers, you would not know. They sound so professional. And that's why I've always said that Idyllwild [Arts] is one of the undiscovered gems in Southern California. It's right up there with the quality of Interlochen ... no difference. It's just absolutely top-notch performance quality throughout. And it doesn't matter if it's orchestra or chorus or whatever, it's just really, really good."

Capparella related that "way back when" he attended a performance by Idyllwild Arts students of what he remembers was the "Mahler Fifth" at Royce Hall, UCLA. He said, "I went on my radio show raving about the concert I'd been to the



David Jackson on tenor trombone and Edie Orloff on piano performed "Piece en forme de Habanera" by M. Ravel Friday night, Aug. 3, during the Chamberfest Music Faculty Recital.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

night before, saying 'OMG, you wouldn't believe these kids.' This is what might have made Fraider think that it would be good to have him hosting events at Idyllwild Arts, as he has now done for so many years.

Capparella's attraction to chamber music is the individual lines of the music, which comprise a back and forth dialogue between the individual instruments that can be distinguished.

He particularly enjoys piano quartets (violin, viola, cello and piano) and horn trios (violin, horn and piano), especially the French horn, and "anything by Brahms as a chamber piece."

The Brahms "Horn Trio in E-Flat Major" originally was written for natural horn (a French horn with no valves), but now is often played on a valved instrument. Capparella especially noted the wonderful viola part in the Fauré "Piano Quartet," featured in the first evening of the Distinguished

Artist Chamber Music Series Capparella hosted at Idyllwild Arts on July 31.

The Brahms "Piano Quartets" performed by Yo-Yo Ma, Isaac Stern, Jaime Laredo and Emanuel Ax are his favorite chamber music.

Capparella noted that while most chamber music comes from the Baroque, Classical and Romantic periods, he enjoys modern chamber works as well, particularly Philip Glass' small ensemble pieces.

When asked if he had taken a turn at writing music himself, Capparella laughed and related that in high school in 1966 he had written a rock piece entitled "Cheatin' Girl." He said that in the 1990s he reunited with his high school band buddies playing a three-day weekend of nearly non-stop rock music. That experience inspired him to form a new rock band in 1998. Otherwise, "Normal" is now a four-member rock cover band playing at various locations throughout the greater Los Angeles area.

Capparella is currently hosting and providing half-hour pre-concert talks for this year's Distinguished Artist Chamber Music Series at Idyllwild Arts. The last of the three-concert events will be this week. Capparella speaks at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, and the concert begins at 8 p.m., both at the Stephens Recital Hall on the Idyllwild Arts campus.

That final performance will feature a notable piece by Zemlinsky, among others.

Jack Clark may be reached at jack@towncrier.com.

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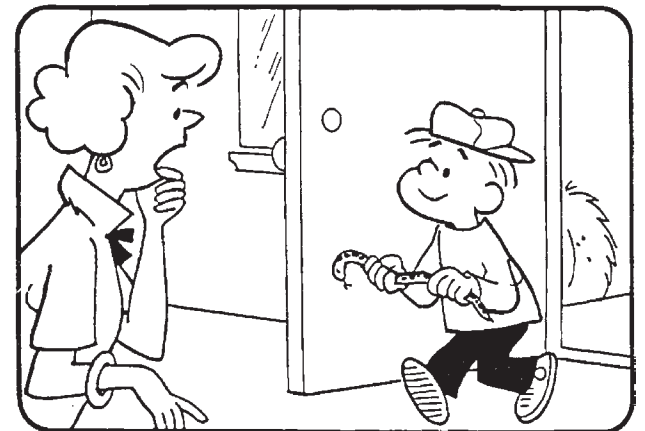
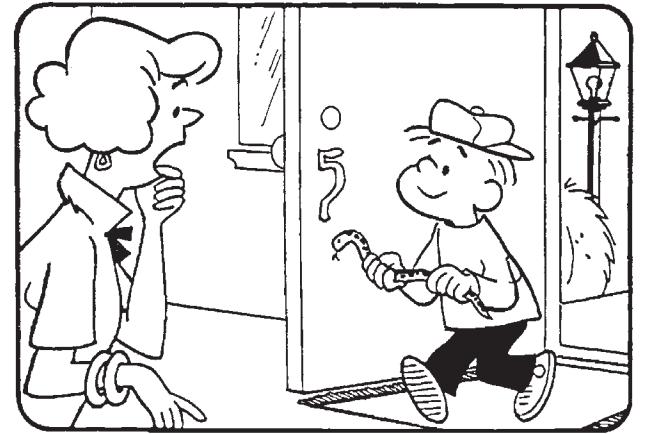
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Answers to Sudoku
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Answers to Crossword
(Puzzle on next page)

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CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least six differ-
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Classifieds

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2 BR, 1 BA with dining room, laundry room & carport. No smoking/pets. \$850/mo. Call Jackie at (951) 306-9769.

Peaceful Idyllwild cabin. 1 BR, 1 BA, sleeps 4. Furnished, BBQ, cable, views. Books & movies, WiFi, A/C. Week \$400, month \$1,200. (949) 466-8717. Must see.

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2 BR, 2 BA, Pine Cove cabin, sunny location. \$935/mo. Minimum 1 year lease. Contact Jason, (951) 452-0840.

Large completely renovated 1-bedroom, 1-bath apartment. New paint, flooring, windows, doors and appliances including washer and dryer, includes water. Close to town. No smoking. \$825/mo. Pete owner/agent, 659-2320.

For Rent or Lease

Idyllwild Property Management
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Fax: (951) 659-4206
TOLL FREE: 866-669-4200
Check out our website: www.idyllwildpm.com
54055 #3 Pine Crest Ave.
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25151 Wrightwood-Pine Cove
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25291 Cree Lane
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53268 Idyllbrook Drive
Absolutely charming! This is a wonderful 3-story log home with 3 BR, 2.5 BA, central heating/air conditioning. Large open plan living room, basement area incl. laundry. Large deck and back garden. \$1,400/mo.
53685 Marion View Drive
2BR/1BA, wood-burning stove, with eat in kitchen, laundry hook-up in basement. Nice deck on good size lot. \$800/mo.

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HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Impatience with those who don't keep up with you can cause resistance, which, in turn, can lead to more delays. Best to be helpful and supportive if you want results.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A surprise announcement from a colleague could put you on the defensive. Gather your facts and respond. You'll soon find the situation shifting in your favor.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Time spent away from a project pays off with a new awareness of options you hadn't considered before. Weigh them carefully before deciding which to choose.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Consider confronting that personal conflict while there's still time to work things out. A delay can cause more problems. A longtime colleague might offer to mediate.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some emerging matters could impede the Lion's progress in completing an important project. Best advice: Deal with them now, before they can create costly delays.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your aspect continues to favor an expanding vista. This could be a good time to make a career move, and taking an out-of-town job could be a good way to do it.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Disruptive family disputes need to be settled so

that everyone can move on. Avoid assuming this burden alone, though. Ask for — no, demand — help with this problem.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Patience is called for as you await word on an important workplace situation. A personal circumstance, however, could benefit by your taking immediate action.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Don't lose confidence in yourself. Those doubters are likely to back off if you demand they show solid proof why they think your ideas won't work.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A temporary setback might cause the usually sure-footed Goat some unsettling moments. But keep going. The path ahead gets easier as you move forward.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) There's welcome news from the workplace. There also could be good news involving a relationship that has long held a special meaning for you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might still need to cut some lingering ties to a situation that no longer has the appeal it once held. In the meantime, you can start to explore other opportunities.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your sense of what's right can inspire others if you remember not to push too hard to make your case. Moderation works best for you.

CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

- 1 Gets a glimpse of
- 5 Tree fluid
- 8 One of the Three Bears
- 12 "Gone With the Wind" plantation
- 13 Actress Carrere
- 14 Letter jumble (Abbr.)
- 15 "Yeah, right!"
- 16 Dig
- 18 Soothe
- 20 On an angle
- 21 Tiers
- 23 Homer's interjection
- 24 Rough calculation
- 28 Outlet
- 31 "Humbug!"
- 32 "Top Chef" network
- 34 Cattle call?
- 35 Bjorn of tennis lore
- 37 Weaken
- 39 Anger
- 41 Leg joint
- 42 Party souvenirs
- 45 Standard
- 49 Move to another country
- 51 Crimson
- 52 — -a-ling
- 53 Auto fuel
- 54 From the beginning
- 55 Nervous
- 56 Tummy muscles

DOWN

- 1 Impale
- 2 Facility
- 3 Rocker Clapton
- 4 Jungle expedition
- 5 Good glasses
- 6 — -en- Provence, France
- 7 Treaty
- 8 "Conditioned reflex" doctor
- 9 Curse
- 10 Cracker spread
- 11 Elderly
- 17 Help
- 19 Bausch's partner
- 22 Reeked
- 24 Recede
- 25 — Paulo, Brazil
- 26 Prosperous
- 27 Uniformity
- 29 "To be or - ..."
- 30 Sock part
- 33 Sandwich cookie
- 36 Needing more sleep, maybe
- 38 Oral
- 40 Make a mistake
- 42 Big party
- 43 In the thick of
- 44 Long story
- 46 Horse's neck hair
- 47 Prayer ending
- 48 Legislations
- 50 Bill

SUDOKU

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Mountain Fire’s effect on wildlife

By JACK CLARK
CONTRIBUTOR

The Mountain Fire’s black-
ening of a large portion of
the wilderness caused many
animals to lose their habitats
last month.

Small burrowing animals
can sometimes escape the
flames by going underground,
said Dr. Jennifer Gee, director
of the University of California’s
James San Jacinto Mountains
Reserve. When they emerge
after the fire, those who sur-
vive face numerous problems.

Their blackened habitat is
now useless, and they often
don’t know in which direction
to go to find a new one. Fur-
ther, since they now are out
in the open, they are more
vulnerable to predators as they
attempt to relocate, according
to Gee.

Most birds can fly to a new
habitat, Gee said, unless the
fire occurs during nesting sea-
son, which can cause distress.
Fortunately, the Mountain Fire
occurred after nesting season
was over this year, so the birds
were not as affected.

During the Mountain Fire,
Anne Poopatanapong, U.S.
Forest Service district wildlife
biologist, who was head of the
resources unit for the Incident
Management Team, said the
breeding pair of bald eagles at
Lake Hemet seem to be largely
undisturbed by the blaze.
During the fire, helicopters
avoided the eagle’s side of Lake
Hemet as much as possible.
The eagles, including their
offspring who were flying on
their own when the fire broke
out, already have returned to
the area.

Quail are usually able to
outrun the fire, as many other
ground animals do, stated Gee,
a quail expert.

Creatures at the top of the
food chain seem generally
not to be affected by a fire as
much as those lower down,
according to Gee. Being larger
animals, they can more often
avoid the blaze by moving into
unburned areas, and they feed
off their natural prey there.

The Mountain Yel-
low-Legged Frogs, many of
whom were released at the
James Reserve in June, seem

not affected by the smoke in
that area. They breed quickly
and are doing fine, Gee said.
However, a planned release of
frogs in Dark Canyon now is
delayed due to a paucity of
water at that location.

However, “the fire did burn
the habitat where we have two
MYLF populations in upper
Tahquitz Valley and Willow
creeks. We are still assessing the
situation there,” said Dr. Adam
Backlin, U.S. Geological Survey
Western Ecological Research
Center ecologist, two weeks
ago.

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This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above in 2004.

Signed: BEAU JAMES PELTZ
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 10, 2013.

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By: V. Boyzo-Saucedo, Deputy
Pub. TC: July 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as BRILLIANT A/C, 44850 San Pablo Ave, Palm Desert, CA 92260, Riverside County. SEAN MICHAEL HAROLD NORMAN, 418 Paseo Vista Cirde, Palm Desert, CA 92260.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on July 1, 2013.

Signed: SEAN MICHAEL HAROLD NORMAN
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as BAILEY INSURANCE SERVICES, 33506 Emerson Way Unit B, Temecula, CA 92592, Riverside County. KATHERINE RUTH BAILEY, 33506 Emerson Way #B, Temecula, CA 92592.

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Signed: KATHY BAILEY
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 18, 2013.

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By: G. Gould, Deputy
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as OUTTA MY GOURD DRUMS N SUCH, 76-629 Florida Ave., Palm Desert, CA 92211, Riverside County. DIANE LESSTRANG MATHIAS, 76-629 Florida Ave., Palm Desert, CA 92211.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on Apr. 11, 2008

Signed: DIANE L. MATHIAS
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as SURGE ELECTRIC, 3908 Las Palapas Court, Perris, CA 92571, Riverside County. CHRISTOPHER DAVID ADAMS, 3908 Las Palapas Court, Perris, CA 92571.

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

Signed: CHRIS ADAMS
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 2, 2013.

FILE NO.: R-2013-07028

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: J. Gonzalez, Deputy
Pub. TC: Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as MOUNTAIN MECHANICAL SERVICES, 25262 Deer Path Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 1389, Idyllwild, CA 92549, TIMOTHY JAY OLIVER, 25262 Deer Path Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on July 1, 2008.

Signed: TIMOTHY JAY OLIVER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 2, 2013.

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By: J. Gonzalez, Deputy
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as N.Y.M. RECORDING CO., 52590 Idyllmont Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Mailing Address: PO Box 2053 Beverly Hills, CA 90213-2053 Riverside County. STEVEN MICHAEL KRIKORIAN 52590 Idyllmont Road, Idyllwild, CA 92549-1209.

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Signed: STEVEN MICHAEL KRIKORIAN
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 31, 2013.

FILE NO.:

R-2013-08158
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as HIPPIE GIRL JEWELRY, 43320 Acacia Ave., Hemet, CA 92544, Riverside County. KAREN M. BELLIS (MARIE), 43320 Acacia Ace. Hemet, CA 92544.

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Signed: KAREN M. BELLIS
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 31, 2013.

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LARRY W. WARD,
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IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT WATER SHORTAGE EMERGENCY ALERT

September 1, 2013
Due to prevailing and projected drought conditions, Idyllwild Water District is declaring a Stage 2 Water Shortage Emergency beginning September 1, 2013. During the period of November 2012 through the present, we have been in Stage 1. Rainfall conditions have not improved, in fact they have become even more severe. Foster Lake levels are now critical. Strawberry Creek flow is not flowing and the District is diverting less water.

In view of these conditions, the General Manager has ordered that the District advance to Water Conservation Stage 2, effective September 1, 2013. During Stage 2 it is imperative that water users conscientiously employ water conservation practices. Water conservation in Idyllwild is no longer optional. Specifically, users of District water are required by Ordinance #62 to:

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3. Wash motor vehicles and equipment only from a bucket using a hose with a shut off nozzle; and
4. Make immediate repairs to any and all leaking water lines and faucets in household plumbing and yard piping; and
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Terry Lyons
General Manager.
Pub. TC: Dec. 8, 15, 2011.

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Pub. TC: May 30, 2013.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as TRINKETS AND TREASURES OF IDYLLWILD, 54545 Lower Pine Crest, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Mailing address: PO Box 1249, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. LAURA ANN SWANSON, 54545 Lower Pine Crest, 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: LAURA ANN SWANSON
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 11, 2013.

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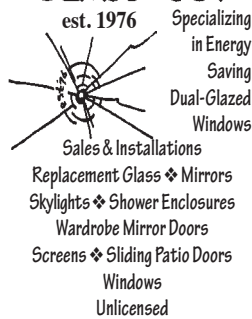
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Mixed results in first court battle over fire fee

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Plaintiffs contesting the 2011 State Regulation Area Fire Fee convinced a Sacramento Superior Court judge that their case merited treatment as a class action. However, if their argument ultimately prevails, refunds may be limited to members who have officially appealed their payment with Cal Fire.

On July 19, Judge Eugene Balonon dismissed the state's contention that the case does not qualify as a class action filing. In his ruling, Balonon stated that there was enough reason to believe that a class of taxpayers exists.

The judge rejected the state's arguments regarding four specific plaintiffs and allowed the litigation to move forward. The Howard Jarvis

Taxpayers Association has brought the suit on behalf of various individuals and argued that it was for the whole class of fire fee taxpayers.

The issue is likely to be challenged again in the future when the HJTA requests certification of the class, according to Timothy Brittle, HJTA attorney.

However, with respect to the future award of refunds, if HJTA arguments prevail, Judge Balonon limited the class eligible for refunds. He relied specifically on the fee legislation, which states that "the administrative remedy to contest the validity of the fire prevention fee" is "to petition for a redetermination of whether the fee applies to that person."

Consequently, he ruled that several plaintiffs did not exhaust those administrative

remedies prior to joining a suit for a refund. "AB 29 is clear that a person challenging the fee must file a Petition for Redetermination and not a Claim for Refund," Balonon ruled.

These plaintiffs may not automatically receive a refund, but they may still be part of other aspects of the suit.

They also may file for the redetermination for this year's fee. As July 29, the state has received more than 105,000 petitions for redetermination of the fee assessment, according to Janet Upton, deputy director of communications for Cal Fire.

"However, over 70 percent of those appeals had no statutory basis on which they could be granted — for example, claiming, 'it's a tax, I'm not paying,'" she continued. "We were able to grant

approximately 15,000 appeals for reasons allowed under the law, such as number of qualifying structures, as an example."

However, Bittle argues that if the fee is found to be illegal, he believes the refund process should be inapplicable as well. "Both the fee and process were all stuffed in the same envelope — AB 29," Bittle said.

Assembly Bill 29, enacted in July 2011, imposed a \$150 fee on all structures within the State Regulated Areas. The fee is to be used to defray fire prevention costs in high-fire areas. Properties within local fire districts, such as Idyllwild Fire Protection District, receive a \$35 reduction in the fee, for a total of \$115 annually.

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

County OKs IFPD advance

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Last week, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved the Idyllwild Fire Protection District's request for an advance of its December property tax revenue.

The district submitted the request for \$400,000 in June and the board unanimously approved it. This is the third consecutive year IFPD has needed to obtain an advance to help it through the fall period. Each year, the request has declined from the original amount of \$450,000 in 2011.

"This has been the past practice of the board for a number of years," said Idyllwild Fire Chief Patrick Reitz.

"The amount is going down every year as the econ-

omy recovers; also, as we have changed things within our system to better business practices," Reitz said.

Reitz added that he is optimistic the advance will eventually no longer be needed as the district and economy improve.

"Long-term — that is the goal," he said. The possibility of a cell tower on the station site, with its rental payment, will be a significant contribution for future reserves, he explained.

In other action, supervisors approved two local emergencies as a result of the Mountain Fire. Besides the Mountain Fire's direct damage, the board added recent and future potential flood damages to the county's request for recovery funds.

The county is seeking assistance to recoup the

Riverside County Office of Emergency Services is asking business owners to estimate their economic loss from the Mountain Fire. Forms are available at the Idyllwild Town Crier & Visitors Center and online at idyllwildtowncrier.com/2013/08/01/businesses-asked-to-fill-out-economic-loss-survey-for-mountain-fire/.



Bill Baker, left, accepts the Citizen of the Year honor from Mike Esnard, president of the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council, who said to Baker, "You're the model of what other people have modeled — unbelievable generosity for what needs to be done."

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

costs for suppressing the Mountain Fire and flooding, which may result from vegetation damage. Other costs associated with the fire include evacuations, shelters, law enforcement personnel, county roads and animal services.

The proclamations ask for relief for these expenses through a presidential declaration, Small Business Administration disaster declaration and California Disaster Assistance Act funds.

On July 19, California Lt. Gov. Gavin Newsom issued an emergency proclamation

for the fire. The county has also requested a governor's proclamation for the second emergency pertaining to flooding.

The July 30 board actions ratify proclamations previously issued when the board was not in session. A county ordinance empowers Riverside County's director of emergency services to proclaim the local emergency when warranted and necessitated by conditions of extreme peril, subject to subsequent board confirmation.

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

CREATURE CORNER

By MIMI AND HOOTCH

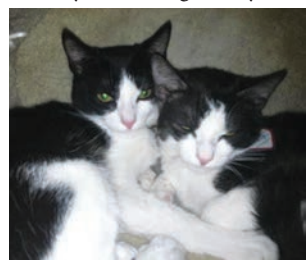
Buddy the cat and **Samson** the dog had been lost since the Mountain Fire. Imagine the stories they could both tell now that they have returned. Such a relief. **Monte**, the little guy, has returned home, also.

Tippycanoe seems to be a bit shy for the camera this week, so **Tyler II** decided to give his best pose. Maybe Tippy thought she needed freshening up to look her best for her audience. No need to meow over spilled milk, Tippy. You are cute as a button. Tyler is the typical big brother flying on all fours through the room, sliding to a quick stop only to flip a toy mouse or ball in the air.



He can scale the cat tree in nothing flat, looking back only to make sure sister is watching his expertise.

On the other hand, these sisters are calm, cool and collected in the cat tree, in each other's arms, as you see. **Sadie** and **Carly** are identical twin sisters with a 1-year birthday coming soon. Sadie is a bit shy, allowing Carly to take the



lead. Together, they make a great gift and addition to your home. Patience will be important to allow them to become adjusted. All they ask for is a cat tree and you.

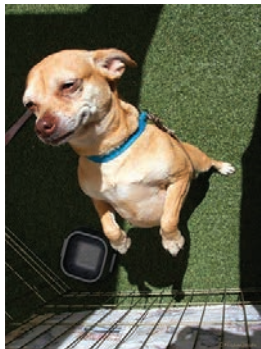
Sandy can often be found dancing on just two legs for treats or at mealtime. Such a gentle Chihuahua-mix, she was the perfect mom for her brood. She has

her girly figure back, and is in search of a semi-quiet home. Sandy is good with other dogs, cats and people. She loves to walk on the leash and is our sun goddess. She will follow the sun and simply lay in the warmth. Surely you have a piece of the sun you would share with her.

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65 years ago - 1948

The district school board accepted a bid of \$80,272 for a new Idyllwild School building. Work was to be completed in six months.

60 years ago - 1953

The first production of a Shakespearean play in the history of Idyllwild occurred when "A Midsummer Night's Dream" was presented at the Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts (ISOMATA).

55 years ago - 1958

Residents were invited to attend the dedication of a new Olympic-sized swimming pool at Buckhorn Camp.

50 years ago - 1963

Showing on the big screen at the Rustic Theatre was "Bye Bye Birdie," starring Janet Leigh and Dick Van Dyke.

45 years ago - 1968

William Stahlberg was named to replace Robert Waggoner as supervisor of Mt. San Jacinto State Park. Stahlberg transferred from Jediaiah Smith Redwoods State Park.

40 years ago - 1973

A rare and valuable violin, made in 1751 by Carlos Antonio Testore, was given to ISOMATA by Mrs. Mary Stow



*This small dog apparently knew a good show when it found one during an afternoon dance session on the USC-Idyllwild (now Idyllwild Arts) campus in 1978. The dog seldom strayed from its mistress, **Regina Carrol** of Palm Springs.*

FILE PHOTO

Warring, Desert Sun School director.

35 years ago - 1978

Area residents rated fire protection at the top of the list of community needs at the Community Development Block Grant meeting.

30 years ago - 1983

The Pine Cove Water District board approved a budget of \$341,500 — an increase of nearly 48 percent over the prior year's budget.

25 years ago - 1988

Many real estate signs on properties in the Big Cedar Glen area were taken down as a result of action taken by

the Big Cedar Glen Property Owners Association. Members were concerned that the 19 "for sale" signs in the three-street neighborhood created a depression-like atmosphere.

20 years ago - 1993

The temple of the Idyllwild branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was nearing completion.

15 years ago - 1998

The tragic loss of legendary children's entertainer Shari Lewis was mourned on the Hill where Lewis and her husband, Jeremy Tarcher, had a second home for seven years.

10 years ago - 2003

Local peace advocates held a peace march to mark the 100th day after President Bush declared war on Iraq.

5 years ago - 2008

Congresswoman Mary Bono Mack's bill, H.R. 4841, settling the decades-long dispute between the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians and several local water districts, was signed into law.

1 year ago - 2012

New Idyllwild Fire Protection District Fire Chief Patrick Reitz took the oath of office from Riverside County Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone.

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Stone among three seeking state Senate

BY J.P. CRUMRINE
EDITOR

Riverside County Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone announced his candidacy for the new 28th state Senate district. This will be the first election for a senator representing this district.

Prior to the 2010 Census, Idyllwild's state senator was Bill Emmerson. But the redistricting process placed Idyllwild in a new district with no incumbent senator. In November 2012, the state's odd-numbered districts elected senators. Consequently, the 28th District remained unrepresented.

In November 2014, a senator will be elected to represent the district whose eastern edge is the Colorado River, continues west incorporating the desert cities, south of San Jacinto and Hemet, west through French Valley, Temecula, Murrieta and north to Corona.

Stone, a Republican, represents a large portion of the district on the Board of Supervisors.

Two other Republican

candidates have announced intentions to run for this seat. Bonnie Garcia, former Assembly member from the 80th District from 2002 through 2008, and Glenn Miller, an Indio councilman since 2008, have already established campaign committees.

As of June 30, Garcia had collected about \$105,000 for the campaign and Miller has reported a fund of about \$90,000. Although Stone had not yet reported any campaign funds with the California Secretary of State's office, he had two active campaign funds in Riverside County, whose balances totaled about \$25,000.

California's "Top Two Candidates Open Primary Act," which took effect January 2011, created "voter-nominated" offices. Consequently, the results of the June 3, 2014 primary will likely pit two of these three Republicans in the November 2014 election for the 28th District's first senator.

"Our state government is broken and no longer serves the needs of California's

citizens," Stone said in a press release announcing his candidacy. "We cannot keep trying the same things over and over again, and expect a different result. We need new ideas and new energy in Sacramento and a representative willing to shake up the status quo and do what's right for the state and its people."

"I am proud of my many accomplishments that have enhanced the quality of life of Riverside County's citizens. I announced in my last election it would be my last as a county supervisor ... a self-imposed term limit," he continued. "I will have accomplished all of my goals as a county supervisor once my Wine Country Plan is approved, and the funding and design of our new mid-county hub jail, that meets the needs of our sheriff and consideration of Coachella Valley residents, is complete."

In 2010, Stone ran for a Senate seat, which extended into San Diego, but lost to incumbent Joel Anderson.

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Five local ladies, from left, **Janice Lyle, Chris Trout, Carol Murrell, Veda Roubideaux and Suzy Capparelli**, share the Town Crier during their inn-to-inn walk in Vermont during July.

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SUZY CAPPARELLI



Chance Vladika, right, celebrates his 13th birthday in Las Vegas with Dad **Mike Vladika**.

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