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News bites

Bark beetle increases

A number of trees on Tollgate Road are among the recent bark beetle victims.

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Film goal reached

Scott Foster reaches his documentary fundraiser at \$28,000 with help from the Art Alliance. See page 14.

Another goal close

Photography equipment fundraiser about 80 percent

See page 4.

Metal artist Capitani

Turning an industrial manufacturing background into beauty.

See page 12.

Water supplies

Fern Valley not concerned while Idyllwild considers high water-use restrictions. See page 9.

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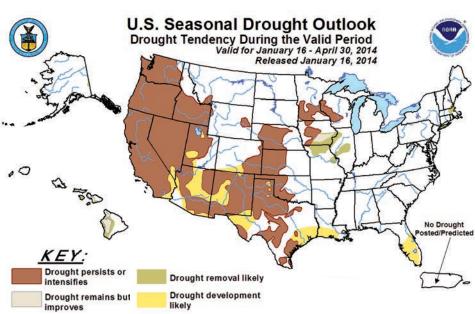
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Drought emergency Burglary suspect declared statewide



By J.P. Crumrine **News Editor**

The seemingly unending drought has engendered official action. On Friday, Jan. 17, Gov. Jerry Brown declared a State of Emergency and directed state officials to take all necessary actions to prepare for drought conditions.

We can't make it rain, but we can be much better prepared for the terrible consequences that California's drought now threatens, including dramatically less water for our farms and communities and increased fires in both urban and rural areas," said Brown. "I've declared this emergency and I'm calling all Californians to conserve water in every way possible."

The Governor also directed state agencies to use less water and hire more firefighters and initiated a greatly expanded water conservation public awareness campaign.

Statewide water resources have been dramatically imperiled. Earlier this month, the Department of Water Resources reported that the first snow survey of 2014 found the current snowpack was only 20 percent of normal for January.

In addition to the sparse snowpack, many areas of California ended calendar year 2013 with the lowest rainfall amounts on record. Downtown Los Angeles, which

The National Weather Service forecasts a persistent drought for most of the West, including the Hill, at least through the end of April.

Courtesy National Öceanic and Átmospheric ADMINISTRATION



More than a week ago, the unusually warm and spring-like winter weather encouraged daffodils to bloom in Mountain Center.

PHOTO BY DORIS LOMBARD

since 1906 has averaged 14.74 inches of rain, ended the year with 3.4 inches, beating the previous low of 4.08 inches See Drought, page 3

is arrested

By IAY PENTRACK STAFF REPORTER

suspect has been arrested in the burglary **L**of a local campground. A Riverside County Sheriff's deputy spotted Kristopher Niemi, 40, a local transient, walking along Highway 243 in Idyllwild on Thursday, Jan. 16, and arrested him for suspicion of the burglary.

The RCSD launched its investigation into the burglary of the campground on Nov. 12, 2013. The suspect was photographed running from a storage building on the property. The arrest comes after a spate of burglaries November 2013.



Kristopher Niemi Photo courtesy of Riverside County Sheriff's Department

According to court docuthroughout October and ments, Niemi was convicted See Suspect, page 3

EPA proposes new standards for woodstoves

By I.P. Crumrine News Editor

arlier this month, the federal Environmental ◀ Protection Agency announced plans to regulate ⊿ new wood burning stoves in the future. EPA has regulated residential wood heaters since 1988.

The proposed updates would strengthen the emissions standards for new woodstoves, while establishing federal air standards for other new wood heaters, including outdoor and indoor wood-fired boilers (also known as hydronic heaters). The proposed rule would not affect existing woodstoves and other wood-burning heaters currently in use in people's homes.

EPA will take public comment on the proposal for 90 days after it is published in the Federal Register. The agency will hold a public hearing Feb. 26, 2014, in Boston.

The proposed standards, known as New Source

See Woodstoves, page 24

News of record

Fire log

The Idyllwild Fire Station responded to the following calls, Tuesday, Jan. 14 to Monday, Jan. 20:

Jan. 14 — Medical aid, Idvllwild.

Jan. 15 — Medical aid, Idyllwild.

Jan. 16 — Two medical aids, Idyllwild.

Jan. 17 — Good intent call, Idyllwild.

Jan. 17 — Two medical aids, Pine Cove.

Jan. 17 — Cover assignment, highways 243 and 74, Mountain Center.

Jan. 18 — Unauthorized burning, Idyllwild.

Jan. 18 — Medical aid, Idyllwild.

Jan. 19 — Canceled en route, Anza.

Jan. 19 — Medical aid, Idyllwild-Pine Cove.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Hemet Station responded to the following calls Thursday, Jan. 9 to Thursday, Jan. 16:

Jan. 9 — Harassing phone calls, address withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 9 — Check the welfare, 24000 block of Fern Valley Rd., Idyllwild. Report

Jan. 9 — Narcotics, 40000

block of Sage Rd., Sage. Arrest

Jan. 9 — Vicious dog, 53000 block of Country Club Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Ian. 9 — Assist other department, 24000 block of Fern Vallev Rd., Idvllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 9 — Vehicle theft, 56000 block of E. Hwy. 74, San Bernardino National Forest. Unfounded.

Jan. 9 — Burglary, 53000 block of Hwy. 371, Anza. Report taken.

Jan. 9—911 hang up from cell phone, address undefined, San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 9 — 911 call, 35000 block of Reed Valley Rd., San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 9 — Burglary, 54000 block of Falling Leaf Dr., Idyllwild. Report taken.

Jan. 10 — Child neglect, address withheld, Anza. Unfounded.

Jan. 10 — Vehicle theft, 56000 block of E. Hwy. 74, San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 10 — Suspicious circumstance, 55000 block of S. Circle Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 10 — Public disturbance, 26000 block of St. Hwy. 243, Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 10 — Suspicious cir-

San Jacinto Rd., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 11 — Suspicious vehicle, 52000 block of. Cedar Crest Dr., Pine Cove. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 11 — Suspicious circumstance, address undefined, Anza. Report taken.

Jan. 11 — Shots fired, 37000 block of Wayward Rd., Sage. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 11 —Suspicious circumstance, address undefined, Sage. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 11 —Public disturbance, 54000 block of N. Circle Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 11 —Follow-up, address withheld, Idvllwild, Handled by deputy.

Jan. 11 —Prowler, 25000 block of Oakwood St., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 11 —Public disturbance, address undefined, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 11 —Public disturbance, address undefined, Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Alarm call, 25000 block of Glen Rd., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Burglary, 54000 block of Village Center Dr., Idyllwild. Unfounded.

Jan. 12 — Found property, 45000 block of Big Horn St., Poppet Flats. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Assist other department, 43000 block of Martha Ln., Anza. Handled by deputy.

cumstance, 54000 block of dress withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.

> Jan. 12 — Off-road vehicle, 47000 block of Kimberly Ann Dr., Aguanga. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Follow-up, address withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Burglary, 46000 block of Porter St., Old Banning/Idyllwild. Report taken.

Jan. 12 — Public disturbance, 42000 block of Lilac Ln., Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Assist other department, address undefined, Aguanga. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Assist other department, 43000 block of Dale St., Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Follow-up, address withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 -- Suspicious circumstance, address undefined, Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — 911 call, 54000 block of Strawberry Valley Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Suspicious circumstance, address undefined, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Follow-up, address withheld, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 12 — Alarm call, 16000 block of Hwy. 243, Twin Pines. Handled by dep-

Jan. 12 — Follow-up, address withheld, San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 13 — Danger to self/ Jan. 12 — Follow-up, ad- other, 57000 block of Benton Wy., Anza. Report taken.

Jan. 13 — Fraud, 50000 block of Bradford Rd. Hwy. 371, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 13 — Alarm call, 25000 block of Coulter Dr., Pine Cove. Handled by dep-

Jan. 13 — Suspicious person, 26000 block of Boulder Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 13 — Alarm call, 52000 block of Double View Dr., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 13 — Public assist, 38000 block of Mcdonald Ln., Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 13 — Alarm call, 24000 block of Upper Rim Rock Rd., Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 13 — Public assist, address undefined Pine Cove. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 13 — Vandalism, 54000 block of S. Circle Dr., Idyllwild. Report taken.

Jan. 14 — Alarm call, 21000 block of Hwy. 243, San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 14 — Public disturbance, address undefined, Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 14 — Civil dispute, 44000 block of Ginger Cir., Sage. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 14 — Shoplifting, 54000 block of Village Center Dr., Idyllwild. Arrest made.

Idyllwild this year

Jan. 14 — Attempt warrant service, address withheld, Idyllwild. Warrant.

Jan. 14 — Alarm call, 26000 block of Hwy. 243, Idyllwild. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 15 — Unlawful entry, 45000 block of Jojoba Rd., Sage. Unfounded.

Jan. 15 — Battery, 42000 block of Sage Rd., Sage. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 15 — Public disturbance, 50000 block of Bradford Rd., Anza. Handled by

Jan. 15 — Suspicious circumstance, 56000 block of Pena Rd., Anza. Unfounded.

Ian. 15 — Petty theft, 60000 block of Yucca Valley Rd. Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 15 — Public disturbance, 56000 block of Pena Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 16 — 911 call, 53000 block of Robin Ln., Anza. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 16 — Unknown trouble, address undefined, Aguanga. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 16 — Burglary, 44000 block of Oak Glen Rd., Sage. Report taken.

Jan. 16 — Shots fired, 51000 block of Old Mine Tr., San Bernardino National Forest. Handled by deputy.

Jan. 16 — Vicious dog, 39000 block of Cary Rd., Anza. Handled by deputy.

Idyllwild last year

Idyllwild Weather From the National Weather Service Thursday Friday Saturday Monday 1/24 1/23 1/25 1/26 1/27 59/32 65/32 61/33 63/33 64/33 Mostly Sunny Mostly Sunny Mostly Sunny Mostly Sunny

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measured by resident George Tate, also at 4 p.m. Moisture inches include all precipitation such as rain, melted hail and melted snow. Weather season is July 1 to June 30. For Hill road

conditions and Hill weather, visit the Internet at http:// www.idyllwildtowncrier.com or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.



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More trees succumb to bark beetle as drought worsens

By J.P. Crumrine **News Editor**

While the Hill water districts must manage the diminishing water supplies, one companion of the drought conditions is the native bark beetle, whose presence is much more apparent during dry times.

Typically, all the different tree killing beetles will start to thrive when trees are stressed with drought or other factors," said Kevin Turner, with University of California, Riverside. Turner's work is focused on the golden spotted oak borer now, but he is the former Cal Fire Division Chief on the Hill.

Dave Simmons, Southern California Edison's manager of the bark beetle project, reported an alarming number of dead and dying pines on the Hill and the San Bernardino

We're not seeing the cold weather," Simmons said. "So there's a lot of bark beetle activity."

"We've been working non-stop for the last three months," said Jacobus Pino of Idyllwild and owner of Pino Tree Service. He has had to hire on more crews to respond to Edison's need to take trees down before they fall across power lines and possibly cause a major fire.

Just last week, Pino was busy taking down a 140-foot tree on Tollgate and several trees along Village Center Drive near Strawberry Creek the next day.

Mountain Community Fire Safe Council project managers Pat Boss and Don Patterson, who spend significant time outside on the Hill, both said they are seeing more and more stressed trees. The Garner Valley area appears more vulnerable this time, they said.

"Unfortunately, the lack of water for 13 or more months has left the trees more vulnerable to the bark beetle," said Chief Gregg Bratcher, the current RCFD unit forester.

Technically, the bark beetle is not the only insect enemy of pines. The Ips beetle and the western pine beetle can be found in local forests. Each has its own favorite target area on the pine. For example, the Ips beetles attack near



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recorded in 1953.

While some northern California communities have already imposed rationing, the Hill water agencies are not affected in the same manner. Local water does not come from transfers from either the Colorado River or the Sacramento Delta area.

Weather forecasts offer little hope of the drought's Continued from page 1 early demise. This month, the National Weather Service reported, "California is one area where, for time scales ranging from a few days to the full month of January, almost all indicators favor below-normal precipitation. Drought persistence and potential deterioration is forecast here with high confidence."

Consequently, Cal Fire is warning firefighters about indicated a hearing date an "above-normal, large-fire potential in January along the coast" with a potential of "possibly returning to normal in February and March.'

The last measurable rainfall on the Hill was before Christmas. To date, the Forest Service has recorded 6.6 inches of rainfall at Keenwild Ranger Station. The normal rainfall through December is 9.2 inches and through January, it is 14.2 inches.

The three Hill water districts — Fern Valley, Idyllwild and Pine Cove — depend mostly on groundwater. While Fern Valley and Idyllwild do divert water from local creeks, only Idyllwild has declared a water emergency. IWD entered a Water Conservation Stage 2 in September.

Neither Fern Valley nor Pine Cove has declared a Stage 1, although both districts have been monitoring their groundwater resources.

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the tree's top and the bark beetle is found lower on the tree, near the middle.

The tree's normal defense is to cover the attacker with sap and force or pitch it out. But the lack of water inhibits the tree's ability to produce the protective sap, which is the reason that the pests' presence is more noticeable during droughts.

The Riverside County Fire Department still has grant money available for removing dead and dying trees, Bratcher said. The County can provide 75 percent of the cost and the property owner will pay 25 percent. Anyone interested in help can reach Bratcher at 659-3337.

For trees that may be endangering power lines, Simmons suggested calling his office at (909) 307-6828.

And the GSOB continues to attack local oaks. Bratcher said the number of confirmed attacks now totals 29. Call the Fire Safe Council at 659-6208 to request an inspection.

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Suspect

in 2000 of multiple counts of burglary, although time served and location is unclear. The Riverside County Superior Court docket of Nov. 21, 2000, at the Murietta court.

At the time of his arrest, at jay@towncrier.com.

Niemi had in his possession a collectable ticket stub from a well known college rivalry game played in the 1960s. Anyone with information regarding the owner of the ticket stub is asked to contact the Hemet Station at (951) 791-3400 or Riverside County Sheriff's Dispatch at (951) 776-1099.

Jay Pentrack can be reached



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Jon Pino, above left, is about to be lifted to the top of a 140-foot tall tree next to Tollgate Road. Southern California Edison had the dead tree felled because of the danger of it eventually toppling over power lines. This dead tree, above, was about 250 years old. Last Wednesday, Southern California Edison's contractor, Pino Tree Service, removed the tree after several hours of work by taking down sections to avoid danger to power lines along Tollgate Road. Riverside County Transportation assisted in traffic control and removed the remaining stump the following day because of its proximity to the road.

Photos courtesy of Jacobus Pino, Pino Tree Service

Repair work on 74 in Hemet

On Thursday and Friday, Jan. 23 to 24, a Caltrans' contractor will perform repairs to the water valves on Highway 74 in Hemet.

This work will take place between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and be located between Dartmouth Street to Willowbrook Road. There will be lane closures, according to Joy Sepulveda, Caltrans information officer.

While driving through the area on these days, Caltrans asks motorists to follow all directional signs and instructions provided by flaggers.

For more information on these and other Caltrans projects, visit www.caltrans8.info.



Town rallies around photographer na, passed away Friday, Jan.

By Jay Pentrack STAFF REPORTER

On the morning of Jan. 7, award-winning, local freelance photographer Jenny Kirchner discovered that her car had been burglarized and all of her photography equipment stolen while she was on assignment for a San Diego client in Palm Springs. The equipment, consisting of Canon camera bodies, lenses and a variety of supplies valued at more than \$12,000, all were taken. Kirchner's homeowner's insurance policy covered only \$750 of the loss.

Becky Clark, publisher/ editor of the Town Crier, launched a fundraising campaign that has received a remarkable response from the community. As of this date, \$9,505 of the \$12,000 needed for Kirchner to replace the to date. equipment she needs to continue her work has been donated. "It is obvious that



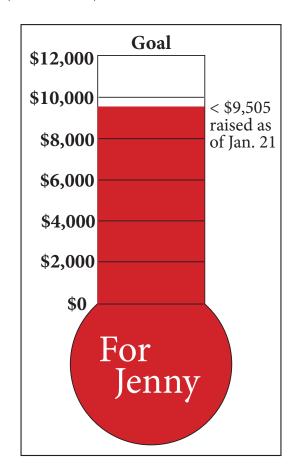
Artist Dore Capitani donated this metal sculpture valued at \$400 to help raise funds to replace photography equipment stolen from Kirchner's car. Anyone interested in owning this sculpture for \$400 may visit the Town Crier office. The community has raised more than \$9,500

PHOTO BY JAY PENTRACK

Jenny has a tremendous following in this community," said Clark. "She has a gift in capturing meaningful moments in our lives. And she possesses a great amount of courage, as we all saw in her photos of the Mountain Fire."

Metal artist and Idyllwild resident Dore Capitani donated a sculpture valued at \$400 to the cause. "Whoever purchases the piece will gain a beautiful piece of art and the knowledge that the proceeds will go directly to Kirchner," Clark said.

Kirchner is amazed. "I know this community has always supported each other, but to raise this amount of money by donations only in such a short time has me in shock,



Obituary — Judy Marsh

Judy Marsh, 57, of Ramo-

Born to John and Margaret Collin Feb. 21, 1956 in Minneapolis, Minn., Judy graduated from El Cajon Valley High School in 1974 and received a bachelor of arts degree in sociology from UCSD in 1978.

She married Patrick Marsh in 1977. Judy was a proud and loving mother

and grandmother, and is survived by husband Patrick Marsh of Ramona; twin sons David Marsh, of Escondido and Ian Marsh of San Diego; and grandson Aron Marsh. She is also survived by her mother, Margaret Collin of El Cajon, brother Bruce Collin of Chula Vista and sister Becky Love of Pleasanton.

Judy and Pat made homes and friends in San Luis Obispo, Boulder, Colo., San Diego and Idyllwild. Judy was an avid quilter, and loved to travel with friends and family. Her influence will be carried on by her family and

she said. "I'm speechless and so grateful for everyone's generosity."

She has set up a separate account for when she reaches her goal. Donations are being taken at her mother's store, Prairie Dove, Georgia's and the Town Crier. The Town Crier also has a website to donate through PayPal at idyllwildtowncrier.com/donations-jenny/.

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Trivia test

Geography: Where is Denali National Park?

Answer: Alaska

The Bloom Family would like to extend our thanks to the community for the prayers and support that have been offered during this difficult time. We ask for everyone to please respect our wishes for privacy and space to allow healing. If you would like to help, donations can be made in lieu of flowers. Please make donations to: The Tom Bloom Family, Attn: Issac Bloom. PO Box 1199, in Idyllwild. Thank you again for your understanding & support.



Mountain folk

Karina Li, the daughter of **Anna-Karin Li** of Idyllwild, has been named to the Dean's List of **Macalester College** in St. Paul, Minn., for academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2013-14 school year.

A graduate of **Idyllwild Arts Academy**, Li is a senior at Macalester last fall.

To be eligible for the Dean's List a student must have been registered as a full-time, degree-seeking student and may not have been on a study-away program. A student also must have achieved a semester GPA of at least 3.75, 12 or more credits on a regular grading option, no grades below C-, and no withdrawal or incomplete grades for the semester. Grades for activity, practicum and technique courses in dance, music and physical education are not factored into eligibility for the Dean's List.

Macalester College, founded in 1874, is a national liberal arts college with a full-time enrollment of 2,011 students

Send "Mountain folk" news with contact information to becky@towncrier.com.

Shanna Robb, organizer of the Art Alliance of Idyllwild's Deer Sightings public art installation, gave a presentation as part of the ICC Speaker Series at the Creekstone Inn last Thursday night. More than 50 people attended the presentation titled, "Idyllwild – A Secret Worth Sharing".

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Art Alliance of Idyllwild

The **Art Alliance of Idyllwild** pulled the names of the miniature deer statue winners at the end of last Thursday's **Idyllwild Community Center** Speaker Series.

Erich and **Patsy Everbach**, part-timers and one of the Deer Sighting sponsors, won the miniature doe.

Phyllis Mueller and **Glen Warren**, the **Mayor Max** staff, won the buck ...

The response to AAI's upcoming Friday, Jan. 24, gathering has been overwhelming, according to organizers. As a result, in order to accommodate the 70-plus attendees already registered, the venue has been changed from the **Rainbow Inn** to the **Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church**. Entrance to the social hall is through the double doors in the back of the church.

A social will start at 5:30 p.m. with breakout groups from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Bring a writing utensil and an appetite to have fun. This is an opportunity to hear AAI's future plans and be a participant in the planning of events and public art projects. It is open to all those supporting art in Idyllwild

Idyllwild Conversations

John Huddleston, an arborist from Santa Barbara, will be giving a fruit-tree pruning demonstration this Saturday as part of the Idyllwild Orchard Project. The event takes place at 26808 Saunders Meadow Road. It begins at 10 a.m. and will run about two hours.

Following that pruning, the group will meet for lunch at noon (bring a bag lunch). Another pruning demonstration begins at 1 p.m. at Rick Barker's house, 53810 Tollgate Ave. The public is welcome to these free events **Idyllwild Conversations** is sponsoring.

Sport fishing licenses

The 2014 sport fishing license is valid from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.

The annual sport fishing license for residents ages 16 and older is \$46.44. It allows the angler to take fish, mollusks, crustaceans, invertebrates, amphibians or reptiles in inland or ocean waters.

A non-resident must pay \$124.77.

Disabled veterans, recovering military service member, low-income seniors, Native Americans, and mobility impaired, blind or developmentally disabled may receive reduced-fee or free licenses.

Licenses may be purchased online at www. dfg.ca.gov/licensing/fishing. On the Hill, fishing licenses are sold at Village Hardware and Lake Hemet Market and may include a 5-percent license-agent handling fee.

An Adventure Pass is required at Lake Fulmor and on the north side of Lake Hemet.

Flu death rate increases rapidly; officials urge vaccination

By J.P. Crumrine News Editor

The 2013-14 flu season continues to worsen. Last week, Riverside County reported two more deaths related to influenza.

A man, 63, and a girl, 9, died after being hospitalized, according to Barbara Cole, director of disease control for the Riverside County Department of Public Health. The man died last week and tested positive for the H1N1 strain, Cole said in a Riverside County Department of Public Health press release. The girl died earlier this month and the strain of influenza for her has not yet been determined.

Both had underlying health issues that may have contributed to their deaths, Cole said.

"Flu activity continues to increase towncrier.com.

statewide, including reports of hospitalizations, severe disease and the number of deaths," Chapman said. "We are clearly in the midst of what appears to be an earlier-peaking, severe flu season, and I encourage everyone who has not yet gotten a flu vaccination to do so. The influenza vaccine remains the most effective way to protect yourself from the flu."

For the most recent reporting period, ending Jan. 11, an additional 38 influenza related deaths were confirmed in 20 counties throughout California. That brings the total of influenza related deaths for the season to 45. This compares to five deaths at this point in 2013.

An additional 50 deaths (such as the two most recently reported in Riverside County) are under investigation by CDPH.

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J.P., our Editor: news editor, received an unexpected call in December from a

man who identified himself as the new captain at the Riverside County Sheriff's Hemet Station.

Capt. Ray Wood told him he was interested in being more proactive in Idyllwild. Subsequently, they set a date and time to meet on the Hill.

On Friday morning, Jan. 10, Wood arrived, toured our office and then J.P., Jay (our staff reporter), Jack and I sat down with the captain over coffee.

We came away from that conversation with certain impressions. Wood might be a man of his word. He handed each of us a business card. Big deal? Yeah, it was a big deal — because it also listed his cell phone number, and he encouraged us to use it because he believes it's his job to be available to the press.

He showed deep concern about the burglaries in town and especially what seemed to be his department's lack of action, a situation he apparently first learned about from our news staff and stories we sent him later.

And then he called J.P. last week to tell him an arrest was made (see page 1).

We know the Sheriff's Department is struggling to bring its staffing back up after the Board of Supervisors mistakenly cut back the department a few years ago. But I think since Wood made the effort to come up to Idyllwild — where he patrolled as a rookie — we are seeing the presence of more sheriff's deputies on the Hill, and not just in the Anza and Aguanga areas.

Wood emphasized that the department is here to serve the public. "I know one thing, if I blow you off, we'll lose community support," he said.

Read through this week's "Sheriff's log" on page 2. It contains more Idyllwild and Pine Cove incidents than we've seen in some time, indicating that our tax-paid law enforcement is not blowing

I believe our new captain is a man of his word.

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

READERS WRITE

Plot twist for INK

INK Book Gathering. It's a long and rather cumbersome name, but there is a reason behind it, because it was never designed to be just a bookstore. It was created to be a gathering place; a place for book lovers to gather, to come together and share their love of books; and to tell stories, to recommend books and find new ones.

A place for authors to share their words, to meet face to face with people who have plucked their work off the shelf and got lost in the story,

and maybe even found a bit of themselves in their books.

A place for writers to come together, to gather in the energy of others who live our lives through words.

To infuse the discipline of creating and to diffuse the isolation we experience trapped in our stories.

A place for poets, singers and wordsmiths of all sorts to share their voices and be

side to the faces that smile at us in the post office.

To see a deeper, richer

I didn't open a shop with burning retail dreams.

INK is a magic re-tale

shop, where the stories that were shared were not simply bound between the covers of books, but were also written there, witnessed there and shared, bound between new friendships.

Perhaps the store didn't generate enough income to keep the lights on and door open, but INK — Inspiring New Knowledge — did just that: Children became readers, stories were passed on, and people learned more about themselves and each other.

And gather we did: in the Hand Basket, as a Tribe and in community bound together beyond these walls.

So, even as the door closes on this dream, I am filled with gratitude for those of you in this community and beyond who bought books from INK, but who shared your stories with us as well.

As one chapter ends, another begins. As the story wanes, we are thrown a plot twist. And although our closing may give you a book hangover, leaving you with the feeling of losing a friend, we will find another way to gather and our stories will continue.

> Julie Johnson INK BOOK GATHERING OWNER

'Shop local • read local • give local'

Editor's note: The headline is Rollie Atkinson's own slogan. schools and our charities. They pay local taxes. Atkinson, publisher of the Sonoma West Publishers in Healdsburg, gave the Town Crier permission to reprint this editorial published in the Healdsburg Tribune. I couldn't have said it

Did you have your cup of coffee this morning on your way to work? How much did it cost? A buck, \$1.50, two dollars? And, to think a cup of java or "joe" used to cost two bits (25 cents) not that long ago.

Is there anything you can buy for just a couple of quarters anymore? Well, how about this newspaper? Fifty cents for all this local news, grocery ads, school announcements, events and business calendar and all these words, ink and paper? How could that only cost 50 cents?

We're glad you asked. Now we'll tell you how we do it. First of all, subscription prices only pay for the cost of delivery. All of our other essential revenue comes from selling advertising. We hope this doesn't come as a surprise to anyone, but we don't charge for the news, except for the 50-cent cover charge. That means we don't charge to send a reporter to a meeting. There is no photographer's fee for publishing all those local youth sports photos, ribbon cuttings and breaking news images on the front page. We print dozens of local press releases in the newspaper every week for free and we publish items like local obituaries, police logs, weather charts and government updates that are not available anywhere else — at any price.

Our editors and other staff often listen to as many citizen complaints as does the mayor, police chief or school principal. We think listening to our readers is a big part of our job. First we listen, then we tell the story. No extra charge.

As you might imagine, we are extremely grateful for all the local advertising support we continue to receive. We keep the presses rolling and the local news flowing thanks to a very old business formula — paid advertising. Ads are a form of news, too. The butcher's special at the grocery store is a big weekly headline for us. And, so is the shopping specials at the local hardware store and other local shops. For instance, it's holiday shopping season right now and our local advertisers are beginning to offer some great gift giving ideas.

For the benefit of more than just this local newspaper, please don't take your shopping money out of town. Support our advertisers who support you, local jobs, our

Trivia test

History: What was the name of the treaty that ended the American Revolutionary War?

Answer: Treaty of Paris

Truth be told, we never have enough paid advertising for the week's newspaper and we always find more news around town than we have space to print it. How many pages we print each week is determined by how many ads we sell. Ink, paper and postage cost real money. But the real expense at newspapers is the people who gather the news, report it and hold themselves to a very high standard of credibility, accuracy, accountability and independence.

Newspapers are one of the most backwards business enterprises there is. First, we don't charge for more than 80 percent of what we do. We're like a restaurant that gives free food away or a gas station that gives free refills. Stranger than that, we absolutely never let our advertisers tell us what news to print or not to print. This newspaper may get its revenues from advertising but it gets its value from being a trustworthy news source. Our reputation is not for sale.

We are writing about all this because questions about our newspapers are brought to our attention almost every day in casual conversation with our readers. We are asked what else can be done to keep the local newspaper open for business and in print.

We have a simple reply — please support our local advertisers and encourage more local businesses to join them in these pages. We'll take care of the rest. Thank

How to get a letter published

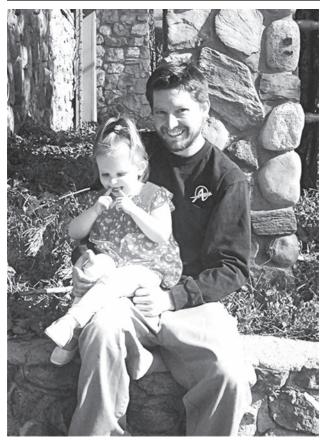
The Town Crier welcomes letters reflecting all opinions. Letters should be concise and to the point. They should be no longer than 400 words. Letters must be typewritten, double-spaced and in upper/ lower case (not in all caps).

Letters must be signed (unless e-mailed) and must be identified with the writer's name, address and weekday phone number.

Deadline is 10 a.m. Monday.

Exceptions: Anonymous letters will not be accepted. Letters of thanks are not accepted. A special advertising rate is available for thank-you letters. Political letters during election season cost 10 cents per word.

We reserve the right to reject or edit letters for length, taste, clarity or frequency of submission. Only one letter per author within a 28-day period. Letters do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Town Crier staff. Letters may be submitted in person, by mail, by fax (659-2071) or by e-mail (Becky@towncrier.com).



Jeff Adams, shown at the scene with his 2-year-old daughter, won the drawing after correctly identifying a side view of the front of the Community Presbyterian Church. Ray Vreeland, a former winner, also had a correct entry, but was outdrawn this time.

Only in Idyllwild

Doug and **Pat Austin** decided to make a \$200 donation to support ARF. Doug called me and told me he had learned of the theft of \$50 in donations to ARF from Gary's Deli where donations are being collected for the 2014 Mayor Max and the Mayors of Idyllwild Calendars. He wanted me to know he decided to replace the stolen \$50 and more.

I think this is a wonderful thing. He was fine with the entire thing being anonymous, but I told him that I would let people know about his generosity since it is so helpful to ARF, is vitally needed and sets such a good a week, the ticket prizes will accumulate. example. He was fine with that, too.

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Matter of fact

In last week's Idyllwild Fire Protection District story on page 16, the date of the next meeting was incorrect. The correct date is Tuesday, Jan. 28.

Town Crier regrets the error.

In the Mountain Community Patrol photo on page 14 of last week's issue, Dan Maring's name was submitted mispelled and Jon Engel was submitted as both secretary and vice president. Engel is vice president and Judi Milin is secretary.



I was surprised that anyone got last week's photo during the first week. I hope I made this one a bit more challenging.

Photo by Jack Clark

By Jack Clark Contest judge

This week you are again challenged to identify the particular spot depicted in this Hill photograph. It might be the exterior of a building or surrounding grounds of a commercial, governmental or nonprofit premises, or a public place in Idyllwild, Pine Cove, Fern Valley or Mountain Center. The prize is tickets to the Rustic Theatre, your picture in the Town Crier, and life membership in the No. 1 Hillbilly Detective Agency. If there is no winner during

Open to all ages. Only one entry per household. It PHYLLIS MUELLER doesn't matter how you submit your entry, as long as it's in writing, delivered by noon Monday (or Tuesday if the Town Crier office is not open Monday) to the Town Crier, attn: Jack, and you convince the judge that you found the exact spot. Just saying something like, "The wall around restaurant" is not enough. You must describe the actual spot by pacing off or some other specific description. Taking your own photograph of the spot would be ideal, but is not necessary to win as long as you persuade the judge that you have found the exact spot depicted in the contest photo. The decision of the judge is final. If there is no winner, clues will be given and the weekly prizes will accumulate. This is not a race. If there is more than one person with a correct answer, a drawing will determine the winner, so keep your answer to yourself. Check out this week's new photo.

Lola's KITCHEN

By Dolores Sizer

Football food ...

Well it's here again, football playoffs, Super Bowl and guy food, the food men love. To mention a few, there's pigs in a blanket, Lil' Smokies drenched in bottled barbecue sauce, onion dip with chips, guacamole with tortilla chips, pizzas, chicken wings, beer, sweets and Tums.



My Chargers ended their season two weeks ago. I write this on Sunday, Jan. 19: Go 49ers. I may eat those words later today instead of the snacks.

I never watched football until I met my late husband, John Sizer. He taught me to understand and love the game. Thank you, John.

Now, here is my guacamole recipe that is all fresh, so it's easy on the tummy.

Guacamole

Ingredients

- 3 ripe Haas avocados (medium to large in size)
- 3/4 cup sweet onion
- 2 diced roma tomatoes
- 1/8 to 1/4 cup chopped cilantro*
- 1 tbsp. fresh citrus juice or white vinegar **
- salt and pepper to taste.

Directions

Cut avocados in half and remove pits. Score each half with a knife into 1-half-inch cubes. Scoop avocado cubes into a bowl and mash with a fork.

Add onions, tomatoes, cilantro, juice or vinegar. Season with salt and pepper and combine. Keep covered and refrigerate until ready to serve. Makes about 2-1/2

f If you like the flavor of cilantro, use 1/4 cup.

**I have used lime juice, lemon juice or orange juice at different times. They are all good. I've also used rice vinegar with good results.

Note: This is a mild guacamole with lots of fresh flavor. If you prefer a punched-up version, simply add hot sauce to taste or a finely minced jalapeño pepper.

One more thing. Some of you may already know this. I would always make my guacamole after guests arrived so it would not turn brown on the top. One day I made this recipe in the morning to be served as an appetizer in the afternoon. I covered the bowl in plastic wrap, then shoved the wrap down so all the air was gone and the wrap sealed on top of the guacamole. It remained a bright green until ready to serve. I have also doubled this recipe for larger groups. Enjoy.

You can contact Lola at dolores.sizer@gmail.com. She also handles the front desk a the Town Crier.

Town Crier subscription winner

David Calvin Gogerty is the December 2013 winner of a free Town Crier annual subscription. Gogerty dropped his business card in the fish bowl at the newspaper officer's front desk. His card was the lucky one drawn.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Wednesday, Jan. 22

- · 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 951-659-2844.
- Living Gracefully With Pain, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Spanish Class for Homeschoolers, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 951-659-2523.
- · AWANA for ages 3-fifthgrade, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest
- 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).
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Thursday, Jan. 23

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- · Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Chapel in the Pines Church office, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.
- Free warm lunch, 10 a.m.p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- •Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pinecrest Ave. Show up or phone 951-659-4910.
- · American Legion Board of Directors meeting, 6 p.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.
- · Book Club, 7 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Friday, Jan. 24

- 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. Spiritual Living Cen-

ter, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (The Courtvard.)

- Stone, noon-4 p.m. Library, 54401 Village Center Dr. Call 866-383-2203 for appointment.
- Feeding America, 3 p.m. Chapel in the Pines, Mountain Center. Distribution at the former Morning Sky School on Hwy. 243.
- Celebrate Recovery. Christ-centered 12-Step program, 6:30 p.m.; Open Share meeting 7-9 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Child care on request. Call 951-659-0097 for information.

Saturday, Jan. 25

- White Feather Wellness, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- · Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.
- Jon Benson, "Your Right to Health," 1 p.m. Town Hall, 259256 Cedar St.

Sunday, Jan. 26

- Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- 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 meeting (closed), noon, Idvllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243; 5 p.m., Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Rd, Poppet Flats, across from Cal Fire Station 6.
- · Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts" open meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Monday, Jan. 27

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; meeting, noon St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- · Al-Anon, Open Meeting, 7-8:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Idvllwild Community Meditation, 7-8:30 p.m., the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. Instruction and consultation available at 6:30 p.m. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for information.
- · Hemet Unified School District town hall budget information session, HUSD Governing Board Room, 1791 W. Acacia Ave., Hemet.

Tuesday, Jan. 28

- · Alcoholics Anonymous, · County Supervisor Jeff noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.: AA Open Meeting and Big Book Study, 6-7 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
 - Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
 - Idyllwild Fire Protection District Commission, 6 p.m. Idvllwild Fire Station, 54160 Ma-
 - · Sons of the American Legion meeting, 6 p.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marion View Dr.
 - Celebrate Recovery, Christ-centered 12-Step Study meeting, 6:30-8 p.m. Former Morning Sky School, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. Call 951-659-0097 for information.

Wednesday, Jan. 29

- · 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.
- · Living Gracefully With Pain, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Spanish Class for Homeschoolers, 11:30 · Occupy Idyllwild stand and a.m.-12:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
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 - Awareness Meditation

Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.

- · AWANA for ages 3-fifthgrade, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest
- · Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

- (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Mountain Dr., 659-3335.
- · Idyllwild HELP Center, 26330 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-noon & 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. 659-
- Museum, 54470 North Circle Sunday. Group tours by appoint-
- 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; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, 659-2300.
- · Idvllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. 659-3850.
- 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday-Monp.m. Monday-Friday.

- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Oma's, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.

- · California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Resource Center, 25380 Franklin
- Idvllwild Area Historical Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday & ment. 659-2717.

· Idyllwild Transfer Station, day; Grinding F acility, 8 a.m.-4

Lodging **Directory of Idyllwild**

The Bluebird Cottage Inn

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Help building a business plan

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A well-thought-out plan also helps a business owner to step back and think objectively about the key elements of their business venture and informs their decision making on a regular basis, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration.

SBA's Business Plan Tool provides a step-bystep guide. All information entered into this tool is 100-percent secure and can only be viewed by accessing an account using a specified password.

Users may save the plan as a PDF file and update it at any time. Information will be saved for up to six months after the last last login date.

To get started, log in to www.sba.gov/tools/business-plan/1.

Churches and Spiritual Centers Directory of Idyllwild

Chapel in the Pines Christian Fellowship

Interdenominational, Pastor Wally Boer. Sunday Worship Service & Sunday School, 10am plus Weekly Studies. Call for info, 659-0097, 659-2038 International Healing Rooms of Idyllwild First 3 Tuesdays., 5-7pm 659-5255 • On Hwy 243 in Mountain Center.

Christian Science Church

25970 Cedar St. at River Drive, 659-2511, Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Service 10 a.m.; Wednesday meeting, 7 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room, in church building, open to the public, Wednesday, 6-7 p.m.; Sunday, 11a.m.-Noon.

Community Presbyterian Church 54400 N. Circle Dr. 659-2935 • Rev. Richard Olson

Sunday Worship - 9:30 a.m.

Celebration: 5th grade & under during worship ~ Child care available · Wednesday: Men's Breakfast, 6:15 a.m. - Women's Bible Study, 9 a.m.



Idyllwild Bible Church 25860 Highway 243, Pastor Tim Westcott.
A Family Friendly Bible Based Fellowship.
Sunday Worship & Nursery Care, 9 a.m.
Sunday Worship, Nursery Care & Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.
Mid-week Bible Studies & Youth Groups. Hymn Singing 6:30 p.m. 2nd Sunday Call Church Office for Information. 659-4775

Queen of Angels Roman Catholic Church

54525 N. Circle Dr., P.O. Box 1106, Idyllwild, CA Father Charles E. Miller Mass Schedule: Tues.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.; Sat. 4 p.m.; Sun. 8 a.m. + 10 a.m. Confession: Sat. 3:30 p.m. or by appt. 659-2708

Shiloh Christian Ministries ~ FULL GOSPEL ~

54295 Village Center Dr.w Pastor Kristeen Bandelin 659-2416 Sunday Worship 10 am - Thurs. Bible Study 7 pm

Spiritual Living Center

Idyllwild Religious Science 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building) 659-3464. Dr. Betty Jandl. Classes available - contact Church; Sunday service, 10:00 a.m. Sunday school, 10:00 a.m.;

Yokoji Zen Mountain Center

58900 Apple Canyon Rd., Mtn. Center, CA 92561 Zen Buddhist Retreat and Practice Center Sunday Program 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Morning and evening Zen Meditation: Wed.–Sun.

Practice here is open to all, regardless of prior experience.

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comfortable with By J.P. CRUMRINE water supply

News Editor

Despite worries about the statewide drought, General Manager Steve Erler said he is not worried about Fern Valley Water District's water supplies this spring.

During the board's Jan 17 meeting, Erler said, "The lack of rain and snow pack is a concern to me. But at this time we should be fine.

"I'm keeping an eye on resources," he stressed. "All the wells are looking pretty good."

While FVWD normally diverts water from Strawberry and Tahquitz creeks during the winter months, Erler said, "We haven't diverted water from Strawberry Creek in more than nine months. There's not much flow." But Tahquitz Creek is flowing and is a water source for the district.

Erler said the district also uses some storage as relief from the diminished stream flow. But he expects to increase groundwater usage during the rest of the winter and spring.

Reduced creek flow puts more pressure on the district's wells, which are stable and sufficient. "The production capacity of ground water is adequate to met the normal and projected demand for the future," he told the board.

The well levels have been rising. In his report, Erler wrote, "Static well level recording for January shows gains in all but two wells over the last month ... [but] well levels are zero to seven feet lower compared to

Old Town Criers now online

The 1949 to 1953 Town Criers are now available on the GenealogyBank.com website. Access requires a subscription to the website. the same time as last year."

For 2013, FVWD customers consumed 37.6 million gallons of water, which was 63,600 gallons less than in 2012. FVWD was the only Hill district that saw a decline in water consumption during 2013 and this is the lowest volume for FVWD since

The water consumption for the November to December billing period declined 3.8 percent from last year, but water revenue still increased 4 percent compared to 2012. This is the result of the new rates this year.

The first six months of the fiscal year (July 1 through Dec. 31, 2013), saw a \$650,000 deficit. This is entirely attributable to the pipeline project. The operating budget is positive and will improve as the fiscal year

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

Fern Valley GM IWD begins general manager interviews

News Editor

Signs of General Manager Terry Lyons' retirement are being seen more frequently at the Idyllwild Water District. At last Wednesday's board meeting, Lyons reported that 26 applicants had responded to the board's notices seeking a new general manager.

The list has been narrowed to six and the board will conduct interviews Thursday, Jan. 23. Lyons plans to leave at the end of February.

"I think we have a good list of GM candidates to interview," Lyons said Thursday in an email. "They are from all over Southern California ... We have some highly qualified applicants, [some of whom] have master's degrees."

The condition of the district's wells generally remained the same in December. Groundwater levels were virtually unchanged except for well no. 27 near the Nature Center. Surprisingly, the groundwater level for this well rose 19 feet.

However, Lyons is still monitoring all well levels. If they resume dropping, he will assess the need for moving to a Stage 3 Water Emergency. Currently, IWD is in a Stage

2, which began in September. \$120,000 and \$42,000 for the IWD had received several

Director John Cook expressed disappointment that the Emergency Water Stage 2 had not achieved the desired 10-percent reduction. Actual water production was 6.1 million gallons, 7.3 percent less than the December 2012 production volume of 6.6 million gallons.

The drop in water usage also resulted in revenue from water sales being 3.4-percent below projections, Hosny Shouman, chief finance officer, reported. The projected water revenue for December was \$87,000 and the actual billing was \$84,000.

Nevertheless, IWD's financial condition continues to be good. As previously reported, in December, IWD made its final payment on the 1997 loan and now is debt-free. For the first half of fiscal year 2013-14, the net income for the water program was sewer program.

During December, IWD received about \$100,00 for property tax receipts and anticipates another \$280,000 this month.

Total water production rose more than 10 percent in 2013. During the year, IWD produced 91.9 million gallons of water compared to 82.9 million gallons in 2012. This was the first-annual increase since 2009.

Also, Lyons reported that

awards from its insurer. The Association of California Water Agencies sponsors an insurance agency that recognized IWD at the ACWA Fall Conference for having 20 percent or fewer claims in the following areas: Liability, Property and Workers Compensation programs.

This will help maintain our premiums or lower the upcoming rates," Lyons said.

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

Nationwide, building permits down

According to the U.S. Department of Commerce Economics and Statistics Administration, building permits in December 2013 were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 986,000, down 3 percent from the November rate but up 4.6 percent from December 2012. In 2013 overall, building permits rose 17.5 percent from 2012 to 974,700.

Housing starts in December 2013 were at an SAAR of 999,000, down 9.8 percent from November but up 1.6 percent from December 2012. Housing starts for the full year increased 18.3 percent to 923,400.

Prayer and Healing Reliable Healthcare

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Your right to health:

A lecture with Jon Benson

1 p.m. Saturday, January 25, 2014

Idyllwild Town Hall 25925 Cedar St.

(Child care and refreshments provided)

Jon Benson has served in a wide variety of fields, from a U.S. Army officer, to a university instructor of public speaking, to a New York-based actor and director in the professional theatre, to a Managing Director of a non-profit organization providing planning and management facilitation for governments and volunteer organizations in the developing world (including Africa).



Assisting those in the developing world to find and implement solutions to problems, Benson eventually realized there would never be enough human solutions to bandage the world's wounds. Shortly after this, he felt impelled to take up the full-time practice of Christian Science healing turning to divine Mind, God as the only real remedy.

Benson is a member of the Christian Science Board of Lectureship. He travels from his home in Los Angeles County, California, USA.

This lecture is sponsored by the First Church of Christ Scientist, Idyllwild



Emergency response training offered

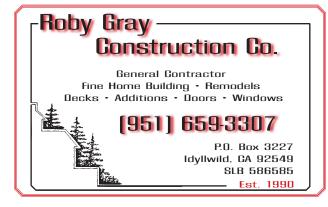
Protection District are partnering to offer Community Emergency Response Team Training to the mountain communities. The 20-hour basic CERT course will take place from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7, and from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, and Sunday, Feb. 9.

The classes and most of the exercises will take place at the IFPD Training/Conference Room and Training Yard behind and beside the fire station. The Federal Emergency Management Agency/California Emergency Management Agency-certified course includes training in Basic Disaster Preparedness, Disaster Medical/Triage, Small Fire Suppression, Disaster Psychology, and Light Search and Rescue/Safe Victim Extraction. IFPD Training Officer Capt. Mark Lamont will lead the training sessions with members of IFPD staff and MDP volunteers assisting.

We stage the final exercise so that participants' hearts race a bit and their skills are truly tested. For many people, this is their first introduction to disaster response

Mountain Disaster Preparedness elected its 2014 board last week. Shown (clockwise from top center) are **Bob Edwards**, treasurer; B.J. Brix, communications director; Michael Feyder, president; Susan Weisbart, vice president; Marty Krieger, DAS director; Chic Fojtik, public relations director; Annamarie Padula, secretary; Marsha Kennedy, co-vice president; Françoise Frigola, Internet communications director; Dick Goldberg, co-medical director; and (not shown) Gigi Kramer, co-medical director.

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Mountain Disaster Preparedness and Idyllwild Fire and it's quite an education. Even for our returnees who course, Layton asks that any previous CERT grads who'd decide to take the course as a refresher, they learn new things and get to practice what they previously learned," said MDP Training Coordinator Nancy Layton.

IFPD Chief Patrick Reitz supports the IFPD staff taking part in this community training, knowing how quickly his professional and volunteer staff could become overwhelmed in a major disaster on the Hill. The MDP and IFPD boards of directors and commissioners also support CERT training and are grateful for the cooperative partnership between the two local organizations.

CERT training is open to the public at no charge for the 20-hour course. A donation of \$15 is asked for any student who wishes to keep their printed manual. CDs of the course manual will be available at no additional cost. Refreshments will be served.

In addition to calling for students to sign up for the

like to volunteer as final exercise "victims" call or email her to sign up for that participation on Sunday afternoon.

For more information on MDP's educational and training programs, or to sign up as a student or volunteer assistant, contact Nancy Layton at 909-225-5127 or nl.consult@verizon.net, or IFPD Administrative Assistant Sherry Edwards at 951-659-2153 or sherry@idyllwildfire.

Adventure Pass waived for holiday

The U.S. Forest Service will waive fees at most of its day-use recreation sites from Saturday to Monday, Feb. 15 to 17, in honor of Presidents Day weekend. The fee waiver days are one full weekend offered by the agency during 2014.

IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT JANUARY 2014 NEWSLETTER

IWD Mission Statement: To provide reliable water & sewer service in a safe, cost effective & environmentally sound manner in accordance with the community needs.

NEW GENERAL MANAGER – General Manager, Terry Lyons, will be retiring in March 2014. After a total of 40 years in the water field, the last 10 years with the Idyllwild Water District, he has said "it's time for me to retire and spend more time with my family."

For the past two months the Water District has been receiving résumés from interested candidates for the GM position. Selecting a new General Manager requires time to find the right individual to fill this position. The General Manager oversees both water and sewer operations and eight employees. There are ongoing water and sewer issues that will need to be addressed. The new GM, when selected, will start work as soon as possible. We will keep you informed when a Board decision is made on hiring the new GM. Terry has agreed to continue working as needed to help get the new GM acquainted with the entire operation.

STAGE II WATER EMERGENCY - With California facing water shortfalls in the driest year in recorded state history, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. proclaimed a State of Emergency on January 17th and directed state officials to take all necessary actions to prepare for these drought conditions. "We can't make it rain, but we can be much better prepared for the terrible consequences that California's drought now threatens, including dramatically less water for our farms and communities and increased fires in both urban and rural areas," said Governor Brown. "I've declared this emergency and I'm calling all Californians to conserve water in every way possible." Each month IWD monitors the groundwater levels. With the lack of rainfall and snow pack the levels have not improved. Foster Lake remains dry, affecting the surrounding static well water levels. When Foster Lake is full it can store up to 20 million gallons of water. Currently the ground water levels are continuing to gradually drop. Normally the Lake percolates into the groundwater and recharges the surrounding wells. We appreciate our customers' help conserving water during this Stage II. However, we have no control over the weather and without adequate rainfall, we may have no choice but to implement a Stage III condition. A Stage III will be triggered when the Foster Lake static water level reaches 50 feet and the downtown well levels are at 30 feet. For December, the Foster Lake water levels are 32 feet and the downtown well levels are 19 feet. If you have any questions you can contact the District office at 951-659-2143.

TANK NEAR COMPLETION -The new 300,000 gallon Toll Gate steel tank has been constructed and is now waiting to be painted. The interior and exterior painting phase will be scheduled sometime in May or sooner when the weather warms up. For the tank painting process to dry properly, it requires at least 50° temperatures. In the meantime, the tank is closed up and secured until we can schedule the interior and exterior painting. The painting phase will require 6 weeks to complete. The new tank should be ready for use mid-summer.

A reminder to our customers....if your payment is 60 days late, you will be assessed a \$15.00 late fee.

Our next board meeting will be on February 19th at 6:00 PM.



Silver Pines, left, and Idyllwild Inn, right, took to the volleyball court Tuesday night at Idyllwild School during Town Hall Adult Coed Volleyball.

Photo by Jenny Kirchner



Isaiah Carman makes a play for the basket at an Idyllwild middle and high school scrimmage game last Friday at Idyllwild School. The kids were supposed to have jerseys, but they had not arrived.

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Bank of America Home Loans

Steele has ups and downs at the Humana

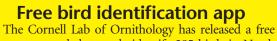
By Jack Clark
Pro Golf Correspondent

Idyllwild native Brendan Steele played about as well as anyone from tee to green last week at the Humana Challenge in La Quinta, but his flat stick did not cooperate. He shot a 7-under-par 70-70-69 — 209 for the first three days, but missed the cut by 2 strokes.

Steele hit 78-percent of the fairways with drives averaging 307 yards, and he hit 81-percent of the greens in regulation. On Saturday, his average proximity to the hole was super at 23 feet, 10 inches. But he averaged over 34 putts per round, which made it impossible to post a low score. He didn't putt terribly; many of his putts shirted or rimmed the cup, and one even hung over the edge without dropping — and he did sink a nice one for an eagle. But for whatever reason, the majority of his attempts didn't want to fall.

This week, Steele will regroup with his second new caddie in as many weeks at the Farmers Insurance Open on the Torrey Pines courses at La Jolla.

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



The Cornell Lab of Ornithology has released a free iPhone app to help people identify 285 birds in North America. Created with support from the National Science Foundation, the app asks just five questions, then displays photos of birds that match the user's description, customized to the location and time of year.

"We named the app 'Merlin' because of its uncanny, almost magical, way of guessing which bird you saw," says the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's Jessie Barry, whose team created the app with partner Birds in the Hand.

It also displays photos, ID tips, sounds and range maps for each species.

The Merlin Bird ID app can now be downloaded from the App Store. The Cornell Lab plans to release Merlin for Android and online use in the coming months and to continue adding more species.



Brendan Steele and caddie Will Farish survey an approach shot during the second round of the Humana Challenge on the Nicklaus Private course in La Quinta. Farish took over for Steele's regular caddie who experienced visa problems attempting to enter on a flight from New Zealand. Farish is an LAPD officer who was Steele's teammate on the golf team at the University of California, Riverside. He is sporting a pink wrist cast obtained recently after laying down his motorcycle.

Photo By Jack Clark

Trivia test

General Knowledge: Why is a catamaran different from other boats?

Answer: It has two hulls

SPORTS

Town Hall Adult Coed Volleyball

Ginger Dagnall, volleyball coordinator, gave this report on last week's volleyball games:

- Monday, Jan. 13, Forest Lumber beat Café Aroma in three games.
- Tuesday, Jan. 14, Idyllwild Inn beat Silver Pines in four games.
- Wednesday, Jan. 15, Forest Lumber beat Higher Grounds in three games.
- Thursday, Jan. 16, Silver Pines beat Café Aroma in three games.

	Standings as of	Jan. 16
	Wins	Losses
Forest Lumber	5	0
ldyllwild Inn	5	1
Silver Pines	4	2
dyllwild Garage	e 2	3
Higher Grounds	s 0	5
Café Aroma	0	5

Saturday, Jan. 25, will include a full day of volleyball games and possibly music, according to Dagnall.

Send sports reports about locals to becky@towncrier.com or drop them off at the Town Crier by 10 a.m. Mondays. Photos also are welcome. If sending by e-mail, resolution must be at least 300 dpi.





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Dore Capitani — industrial mechanic turned artist

By Jay Pentrack STAFE REPORTER

Dore Capitani has a wonderful sense of humor that is no more evident than in his "OUCH!" sculpture, complete with a crashed motorcycle as part of the piece, located in front of his property along Highway 243 between Idyllwild and Mountain Center. The installation is among the most recognizable, and likely the most viewed on the Hill.

"I put it there for grins," said Capitani. "Had I been thinking I would have had a motor on the wheel so the wheel would still be turning but I didn't think of it until after it was up."

Since the display has been up, a motorcycle wreck hasn't occurred on that infamously traffic-collision-stretch of highway, according to Capitani. "Before that there were a couple of guys that ended up right in our driveway here," Capitani said. "I can't take any credit for it, but it's how it has worked out so far."

Born in Kenosha, Wisc., most of Capitani's early career was spent in manufacturing, working first for a packaging manufacturer and later for a glass-container manufacturer. "I was an industrial mechanic for Stone Container and Anchor Glass," he said. "That's where I learned to work with metal. I barely made it out of high school and I haven't had any art education at job you ever do. I always worked in factories so I got turned from a picnic on Black Mountain about 10 all. I'm mechanically inclined so I was able to make a living in [manufacturing] plants."

But the work, combined with a stressful personal life, took its toll on Capitani. "I had terrible migraine headaches and I used to carry a card in my wallet that said, 'If involved in an accident, just let me die.' When you're married to an opponent, it just f---- you up. You can quote me on that.'

A background in the metal industry gave Capitani a working knowledge of the tools that eventually became an important part of his trade as a metal artist. After a failed marriage and a career-ending employer relocation to Mexico as a result of NAFTA, Capitani was ready for a change in his life, both personal and professional. "The secret is to learn as much as you can in every



Metal artist **Dore Capitani** created the Mountain Art Garden located at 28815 Highway 243. It features a display of Capitani's metal art. Visitors are invited to browse the 8-acre garden and galleries located on the property. PHOTO BY JAY PENTRACK

a million-dollar education that I wouldn't give a penny to relive," said Capitani.

It was a chance at love that brought Capitani to Idyllwild after his marriage ended. An old flame contacted him and the pair agreed to meet in Idyllwild. While it wasn't a love connection for the couple, Capitani did find love, a love for Idyllwild. "Things didn't work out with the old girlfriend, but it sure worked out with Idyllwild," he smiled.

A few years after his move to Idyllwild, Capitani met Trish Tuley, whom he married. "She's from Tennessee and was waiting for me when I got here," he laughed. The couple was married in a Crow Indian marriage ceremony. "Trish belongs to Local Color, the singing group, and we had Sam and Debbie [Crowell] there.

We walked in the National Forest and they sang," Capitani said. "Now, the five best years of my life have passed."

Capitani owns eight acres with a view of sloping hills and statuesque pines. "This property was almost to the dollar what I got from my somewhat less-than-half-of the divorce settlement," he said. In July 2013, Capitani dodged a bullet when the Mountain Fire roared within inches of his property, devouring everything surrounding it. "The fire couldn't have gotten much closer. We stood in the driveway and watched trees like this [points to a large pine] go up in seconds.

The couple had re-

minutes before the road closure order took effect. "Fire trucks were everywhere. We had two big tanks of water and I gave them 5,000 gallons of water." In preparation for future threats to his property, Capitani has a plan. "I'm going to make a fire station here. I have a pump and I'm going to make a little house for that stuff," he

Capitani's art garden is home to an impressive collection of metal sculptures spread over several acres. Visitors to the garden are treated to a relaxing walk throughout the property, complete with benches and shade trees for guests' comfort. Asked how many sculptures are in the expansive art garden, Capitani again displayed his wit, "If I knew how to count I wouldn't



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Arts & Entertainment Calendar

Arts & Entertainment Calendar listings are at the discretion of the editor. Submittal forms can be picked up at the Town Crier, or email becky@town-

Wednesday, Jan. 22

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; Modern Dance for Kids, 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.

Art for Ages 6-8 With Saffron, 3-4:15 p.m. ldyllwild Library. **John King,** 6:30-8:30 p.m. ldyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro. "12 Years a Slave," 7 p.m. Rustic

Thursday, Jan. 23

"12 Years a Slave," 7 p.m. Rustic

Friday, Jan. 24

Visual Arts Junior Show Artists Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center

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

Forest Folk Potluck & Movie Night, "The Butler," 5 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.

Unveiling of 2014 Art Alliance of Idyllwild events, 5:30-7 p.m. Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church.

Willy B. & Friends, 5:30-8:30p.m. Arriba's Mexican Food. Music, 6:30-9:30 p.m. lo'An's

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

"American Hustle," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Saturday, Jan. 25

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

Visual Arts Junior Show Artists Show, noon-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center.

"American Hustle," 2, 5 and 8 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Elaine Latimer & John King, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Arriba's Mexican Food.

Jac Jacaruso & the Reed Brothers, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Karaoke with Scott Foster, 7-10 p.m. Jo'An's.

Sunday, Jan. 26

Dr. Betty's Talk, "Whew," Violinist Dotty Goldfarb., 10 a.m. Spiritual Living Center.

David Jerome, II a.m.-2 p.m. Arriba's Mexican Food.

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

"American Hustle," 2, 5 and 8 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Monday, Jan. 27

Idyllwild Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon.; Children's story hour, "Let's Celebrate Chinese New Year," 10:30-11:30 a.m. Penelope Engard Talk: "Soiled Doves of the Old West," 4-6 p.m. Idyllwild Library.

Visual Arts Junior Show Artists Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center.

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, II a.m.noon.Town Hall.

Open Mic with Scott Foster, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.

"American Hustle," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, Jan. 28

Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon; Modern Dance for Adults, 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.

Visual Arts Junior Show Artists Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center.

Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m.; Christian author John Cole, "Dreamscapes from God," 6-8 p.m.

Idyllwild Library.
"American Hustle," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, Jan. 29

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m.; Modern Dance for Kids, 4-5 p.m.Town Hall.

Visual Arts Junior Show Artists Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center.

Andrew Simpson 6:30-8:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

"American Hustle," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Thursday, Jan. 30

Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center.

"American Hustle," 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Friday, Jan. 31

Visual Arts Junior Show Artists Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center.

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

The triptych "Heartbeat City," by Diana Dayun Ryu, attracted viewers with its vibrant colors and modern style at the Junior Arts opening exhibit at Idyllwild Arts Academy Friday

Forest Folk Potluck & Movie Night, "Captain Phillips," 5 p.m. Mountain Resource Center

Visual Arts Junior Show Artists $\,$ Willy B. & Friends, $\,5:\!30\text{-}8:\!30$ p.m. Arriba's Mexican Food. Live Music, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.

Saturday, Feb. 1

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

Karaoke with Scott Foster, 7-10 p.m. lo'An's.

Sunday, Feb. 2

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PHOTO BY JOHN PACHECO torical Exhibit, | | a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Soci-

Monday, Feb. 3

Idyllwild Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon.; Children's story hour, 10:30-I 1:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, II a.m.noon.Town Hall.

Open Mic with Scott Foster, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jo'An's.

Tuesday, Feb. 4

Free Senior Wii. 10 a.m.-noon: Modern Dance for Adults. 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.

night. The Parks Exhibition Gallery was full of student work ranging from paintings, sculpture and even a dress.

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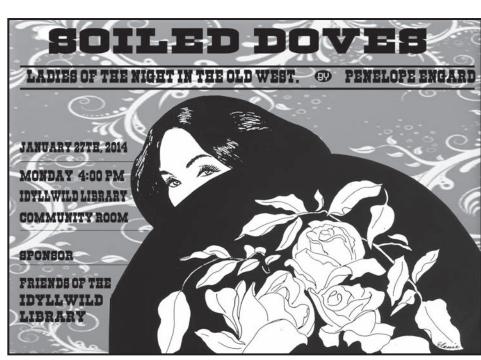
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Documentary reaches funding goal

By Jay Pentrack STAFF REPORTER

"The Herd Gathering," a documentary film project local filmmaker Scott J. Foster launched on Kickstarter.com, a crowd-funding website, reached its goal of \$28,000 in funding by the Sunday, Jan. 19, cutoff date. By 9 p.m., \$25,055 of the \$28,000 needed to go forward with the project had been raised. With only hours to go, a donor committed the money necessary to reach the funding goal.

Gary Kuscher, Art Alliance of Idyllwild president, was with Foster Sunday evening as they watched the progress on the final night to secure funding. "Gary told me on Saturday that he wanted to get together and be with me Sunday night to keep an eye on the ticker," said Foster. "A couple of friends — people who have been watching the campaign all along — were with us at Idyll Awhile. We were still a few thousand away when Gary says, "Hey, I'm going



Scott J. Foster (above) reached his \$28,000 funding goal for his documentary film project about Idyllwild, "The Herd Gathering." Fundraisers, like this one held at Idyll Awhile Wine & Bistro Shoppe last Thursday, helped Foster raise the funds necessary to begin filming.

to get another beer; let's go finish line; he did this right and that happens a lot with over to Café Aroma."

The pair headed over to the cafe when Kuscher mentioned that Foster should bring his computer in with him. A short while later, as the hours and minutes moved closer to the deadline, "Gary told me that the Art Alliance had already spoken and decided that they would take it past the

in front of me. The \$3,000 pledge took it over the mark. It was down to the final hour," said Foster.

Today, Foster is all smiles after having worked tirelessly to get the project funded through fundraisers, an email and Facebook campaign and constant promotion.

"I always thought that someone was going to step in

Stone's schedule now quarterly Riverside County Third District Supervisor Jeff Stone

is paring down future visits to Idyllwild from monthly to quarterly.

He will be at the Idyllwild Library from noon to 4 p.m. the Fridays of Jan. 24, April 25, July 25 and Oct. 24.

However, the Idyllwild community may schedule a meeting at any time in one of his three offices throughout the year. Call Legislative Assistant Rose Esparza at 951-698-7326.

Elder and dependent adult abuse

The Riverside County Adult Protective Services Department advises anyone who believes an elder or dependent adult is being abused to report that abuse at 1-800-491-7123.

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Also, for help with consumer fraud, call the Curtailing Abuse Related to the Elderly program at 1-800-476-7506.

Free lunch every Thursday

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was the miracle," he said. "It

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4-5 p.m.

Modern Dance for Kids

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Adult Yoga with Trine

2:30-3:30 p.m.

Crafty Kids with Wendy

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Dore Capitani points to one of his many metal sculptures in his Art Garden. "It's heaven here. I'm the happiest man on the Hill," said Capitani.

Photo by Jay Pentrack

Mobile health van coming to town

A Riverside County Mobile Health Clinic will begin bringing free health care services to Idyllwild usually the second Wednesday of every month.

Services will include general medical exams, sick-child visits and health screenings for blood pressure, diabetes and vision.

These services are offered to people who do not have health insurance.

The second event is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, because the second Wednesday that month is a holiday, Lincoln's birthday. For more information, call 951-486-5765.



Dore

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have this job."

As Capitani's talent evolves, so do his sculptures. Currently, Capitani's fascination is with "swirly" metal and powder-coating. "The powder coating just kicked the horizons out so far. I am actually in heaven now." Powder coating gives the metal texture and color, and also prevents rust; the coating is durable and can last outside for years. Deep colors and fades require several coats.

Two galleries exist on the property with work from Capitani, Tuley, a photographer, and several local artists. Adorning the outside walls of each gallery are a variety of metal sculptures Capitani created celebrating his sense of humor, like the "stupid" and "ignorance" shields. "When you have the shield of stupid, nothing can touch you. You're invulnerable," he said.

Walking along his art path, Capitani pointed to a piece and said with a laugh, "This is my current favorite. It's one I'm not disgusted with."

Most of his work comes via word of mouth, drive-by visits and his website, www.doresmountainart-garden.com. Commissions are a large part of Capitani's work. "Mainly I do maybe 80 percent commission work, custom gates, custom doors, railings, those kinds of things," Capitani said.

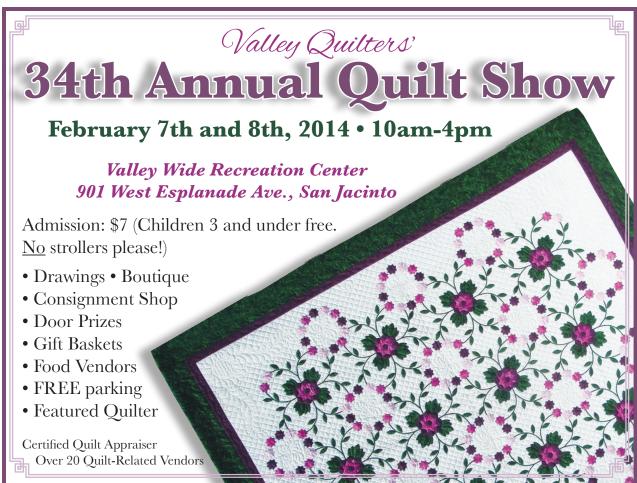
"This was meant to be. All it takes is 30 years of depression in the Midwest," he laughed. "It's heaven here. I'm the happiest man on the Hill."

Jay Pentrack can be reached at jay@towncrier.com.



One of **Dore Capitani**'s early pieces on display in the Art Garden. Currently, Capitani's fascination is with "swirly" metal and powder-coating. See an example on page 4.

Photo by Jay Pentrack



Idyllwild 2015: plans to expand next film fest

By J.P. Crumrine News Editor

The 2014 Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema ("Idyllwild 2014") is barely over with visions of favorite actors and rolling scenes still fresh in movie-goers minds. But Festival Director Stephen Savage is not bathing in his most recent success. Plans for an even bigger Idyllwild 2015 are already percolating.

Potential changes for 2015 start with the arrival of the festival's official nonprofit status. With more funding avenues now open, Savage envisions a full week of movies and additional venues to accommodate the larger capacity and earlier deadlines. "Two hundred films is my goal," Savage said. "I don't know how close we'll get but I think 175 is the minimum."

Idyllwild Pines Camp may become the fourth venue next year, Savage said, in advance of meeting with camp management this week. With more sponsorships available to nonprofit festivals, he hopes to provide IPC with a big screen and sound system it could use year-round.

Trinity Houston, a producer on Savage's film, "Vertical," is already working to secure corporate sponsorships for next year, Savage said.

If IPC is a part of the next festival, Savage is considering moving the Saturday awards ceremony there. While the Rustic Theatre will remain the festival's center, the seating is already limiting attendance at the ceremony.

Idyllwild 2015 will also utilize Idyllwild Library's con-

ference room. This site could be available for smaller films and seminars.

With a bigger film base, Savage indicated the next festival may focus on indigenous filmmakers. He is talking with both the Soboba and Pechanga tribes to secure funding for a festival segment featuring Native American film artists and makers.

Music videos may also expand next year. But Savage said the featurette category has been very successful. Films between 15 and 60 minutes get little attention at other festivals but have been very popular with the public and filmmakers here.

With a full week, starting Monday and concluding the following Sunday and the Awards Ceremony Saturday night, only the award winners' films would be shown Sunday. He imagines the Rustic Theatre devoting the day to just these films.

Along with a bigger film festival, Savage wants more local businesses involved in the week-long event. More participated this year and he sees opportunities for even more partnerships in the future.

To support the local business aspect, he anticipates a bigger festival presence in town weeks before the festival starts, including a 35-foot banner announcing its coming strung across North Circle Drive.

Savage's dreams and plans for IIFC do not end with an expanded Idyllwild 2015. "Some day we'll be as big as the jazz fest," he said. "In a year of so, we'll expand to a summer music festival with acoustic and bluegrass.

"[Idyllwild 2014] is the first festival that I'm excited about immediately after it," Savage said last week. "Usually, it takes four days or so."

The number of volunteers expanded and they were crucial to the festival's success this year, Savage said repeatedly. He was also happy with the public's response to the newest venue, Silver Pines Lodge. But these laurels are already memories for Savage as he begins preparing for the next film festival.

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Christina Nordella teaches fifth graders the idea of positive and negative space at an Idyllwild School smARTS class. Nordella made it fun for the kids by teaching a Russian fairy folklore story and dance last Friday. "The kids loved it," said Nordella. "It reminded them of magic."

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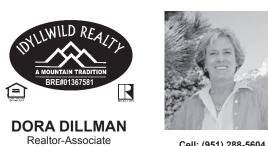
The Draft RODs and Final SEIS can be found on the project webpage at www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp. php?project=35130

This proposed amendment to the Land Management plan is part of the Settlement Agreement approved Jan. 3, 2011, in the case of California Resources Agency, et al. vs. United States Department of Agriculture, and Center for Biological Diversity, et al. vs. United States Department of Agriculture.

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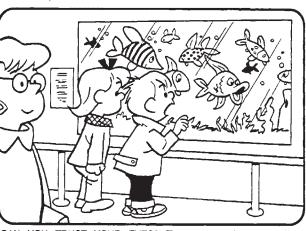
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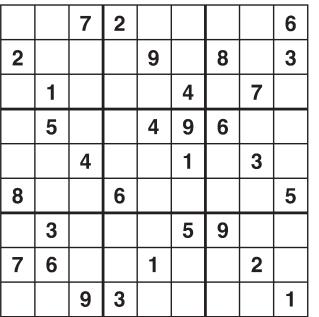
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R-2014-00081 — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JAN. 3, 2019. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JAN. 3, 2019. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE).

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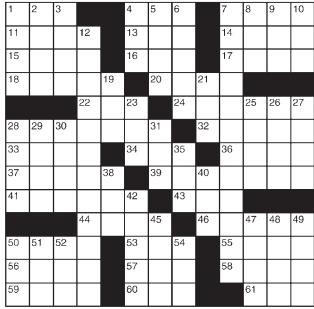
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LARRY W. WARD. County Clerk By: C. Teran, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2014.

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- paper moon, 51 Chips' go-with
- 52 Meadow 54 Sailor's assent

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as DIAN CABINET COMPANY, 68805 Perez Road #8 Cathedral City, CA 92234, Riverside County DENNIS RONALD HOYLE, 51825 Avenida

rmudas, La Quinta, CA 92253.
This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact ess under the fictitious name listed above

DENNIS RONALD HOYLE

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 26, 2013.

FILE NO.

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON DEC. 26, 2018. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO DEC. 26 2018. THE FILING OF THIS TATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE)

CERTIFICATION

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

LARRY W. WARD. By: J. Mendoza, Deputy

Pub. TC: Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2014.

HEC1303582 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

FOR CHANGE OF NAME
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 880 N. State St., Hemet, CA 92543, Mid County

PETITION OF Trenton Brooks Howard and orana Lynn Westall.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

1. Petitioner: TRENTON BROOKS HOW-ARD AND GIBRANA LYNN WESTALL filed a name as follows:

a. Present name: KEYLAN BROOKS WESTALL changed to Proposed name: KEYLAN BROOKS HOWARD. 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons

interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition

 Date: 2/3/14 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. H1. The address of the court is

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

Date: Dec. 27, 2013 KATHLEEN IACOB

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT Pub. TC: Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2014.

RIC1314517

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main St., (P.O. Box 431), Riverside, CA 92502-0431.

PETITION OF COURTNEY YOUNG-

HORSE.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioner: COURTNEY YOUNGHORSE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:
 a. Present name: COURTNEY YOUNG-

HORSE changed to Proposed name: COURTNEY

See Legals, next page

Horoscope

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Seeing the silly side of some really ridiculous situations helps give the Lamb a new perspective on how to handle them. Some important contacts can be made

this weekend. TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Try to complete your outstanding tasks by midweek. This leaves you free to take advantage of new possibilities -- both professional and personal -- opening up by week's end.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) With both your creative side and your energy levels rising this week, you should be able to tackle that too-long-neglected project again. A family member might have important news.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An explanation you requested seems to be more confusing than enlightening. You should insist on clarifications now, rather than deal with problems that might arise later.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your energy levels might be ebbing a bit. But that's no excuse for taking catnaps when you could be working on those unfinished tasks. There'll be time to curl up and relax by week's end.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to get those ideas out of your head and into a readable format if you hope to have them turned into something doable. A good friend is ready with worthwhile advice.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Careful -- you might be stepping into dangerous territory

if you decide to "exaggerate" the facts too much. Remember: The truth speaks for itself and needs no embellishment

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Although your workplace successes have earned you many admirers, there are some colleagues who are not among them. Be careful how you proceed with your new project.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might have to go into great detail to explain why you're currently reluctant to make changes to an already prepared plan. Be sure you have all the facts to back vourself up.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Travel plans might still be uncertain. But instead of getting upset about the delay, open yourself up to other possibilities, and begin checking out some alternative destinations.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Changing conditions might require you to alter some of your plans. While you might be agreeable to this, be prepared with explanations for those who do not want changes

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Although you might have to deal with some detractors who aren't too kind in their critiques, you gain points when you're willing to stand up and defend your work.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for creating a warm and loving environment between vourself and others.

Beating the taxman in retirement

While you are working, the taxman has you at his mercy. You can take advantage of tax-deferred accounts and pension plans but after that you have little defense.

When you are self-employed, you have more options available. When you retire, the situation changes dramatically and you can have a great deal of control over your taxable income and tax bill.

Social Security benefits become taxable according to a complicated two-tier formula at up to 85 percent. Once you go over the lower tax threshold, benefits begin being taxed at 50 cents on

the dollar and once over the second threshold at 85 cents on the dollar, up to a full 85-percent of benefits. Therefore, if you are paying tax on your Social Security benefits, a reduction in your regular income can result in a decrease on the taxability of your Social Security benefits. Tax-deferred annuities are often used to reduce taxable income and the tax on Social Security benefits since gains don't become taxable until withdrawn.

Municipal bond interest reduces taxable income but does not reduce taxability of Social Security benefits. Minimizing withdrawals income to the end of their of each payment is also able to withdraw from them

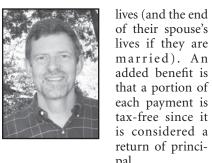
TAX TIPS

By Stephen T. Peppler, EA, CFP

from regular IRAs until you reach 70-1/2 years can also reduce benefit taxation.

You will want to discuss tax saving strategies with your financial advisor and tax preparer.

purchase immediate annu-



There is one variable Sometimes taxpayers will annuity I am aware of that has a guaranteed income ities that pay guaranteed provision whereby a portion

considered a tax-free return tax-free vs. regular IRAs that of principal.

I am beginning to see many taxpayers who invest money in special life insurance policies designed as income vehicles whereby they can grow their money when the market goes up, while avoiding losses when the market goes down. After their money has grown, they can take out their gains without tax via interest-free loans. This is a strategy you may want to discuss with your financial planner to learn the details.

Taxpayers who have invested in ROTH-IRAs are

are ordinarily 100-percent taxable.

If you have a ROTH-IRA, you will want to strategize with your tax professional and financial planner to use the ROTH-IRA withdrawals to potentially lower tax on Social Security income.

Many taxpayers postpone taking Social Security at the full retirement age of 66, while letting their future Social Security benefit increase until age 70. If you don't need the income immediately, this can increase your benefit by up to 32 percent while saving on taxes.

See Tax Tips, page 24

Legals

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ARELLANO.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING

- a. Date: 4/4/14 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 2. b. The address of the court is same as
- noted above.

 3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four essive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of

general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.

Date: Dec. 31, 2013

SHARON I. WATERS

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT Pub. TC: Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2014.

RIC1400003

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main St., verside, CA 92501.

PETITION OF ARTURO NEAL MCLEAN.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: ARTURO NEAL MCLEAN

- filed a petition with this court for a decree ng name as follows
- a. Present name: ARTURO NEALMCLEAN inged to Proposed name: ARTHUR NEAL
 - 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons

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NOTICE OF HEARING

- Date: 2/18/14 Time: 8:30 a.m. Dept. 2.
 The address of the court is same noted above.
- 3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county Idvllwild Town Crier.

Date: Jan. 02, 2014 SHARON J. WATERS

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT Pub. TC: Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2014.

Notice to creditors:
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE OF Isaac W. Carter DECEDENT

Notice to creditors: Administration of the estate of Isaac W. Carter 266 N. Palomar Ave, San Jacinto, Ca 92582 (deceased) as of:9/19/2013 has been commenced by Harvey Carter 9040 Cedros Ave # 36 Panorama, Ca 91402 818 605-8253 (per-Administration of estate act in Estate No.
MCP130082 in the Superior Court Temecula, Ca.. A hearing will be held as follows:Temecula Superior Court 41002 County Center Drive 92591 01/28/2014, Dept:T1 You must file your claim with the court and mail or deliver a copy to the personal representative within the last to occur of four months after ___ (the date letters were issued to the personal representative), or 60 days after the date this notice was mailed to you or, in the case of personal delivery, 60 days after the date this notice was delivered to you, as provided in Section 9100 of the California Probate Code, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Section 9103 of the California Probate Code. Failure to file a claim with the court and serve a copy of the claim on the personal representative will, in most instances, invalidate your claim.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as FOUNDERS 49 DISTILLING AND WHISKEY HOUSE, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, Riverside County, LEVECKE CORPO RATION, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, a California Corporation, CA A 27762. This business is conducted by a Corporation.

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

Signed: J. NEIL LEVECKE President

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 31, 2013.

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

LARRY W. WARD.

By: N. Medina, Deputy Pub. TC: Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business a: CALIFORNIA HOLISTIC CHAMBER COM-MERCE, 27341 Stanford St, Hemet, CA 92544 Riverside County. CECE STEVENS, 27341 anford St, Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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

CECE STEVENS Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 3, 2013.

FILE NO.:

NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON DEC. 3, 2018. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO DEC. 3 MENT MOST BE FILED FROM TO DEC. 3, 2018. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE). CERTIFICATION

By: L. Montes, Deputy ub. TC: Dec. 12, 19, 26, 2013, Jan. 2, 16, 23,

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that a public lien sale of the following described Personal property will be held at the hour of 10:00 a.m. February 6, 2014 at Lockaway Storage, 1181 N. State Street, in the city of Hemet, County or Riverside State of California. The items to be sold are generally described as follows: house hold items, misc. furniture, boxes, Misc. tools & equipment. This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of section 21700 ET. Seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California.

Manager/Noelle Seniceros Name: YVONNE MARTINEZ D305 Name: RENATE TAS D 106 Name: ANTONIO STOCKER D320

Auction to be held on February 6, 2014 at $\,$ of the original statement on file in my office. 10:00 a.m.

Lockaway Storage /Hemet Manager: Noelle Seniceros American Auction Service Bond # FS8632014 Pub. TC: Jan. 16, 23, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following person is doing business as MOUNTAIN PAW'S, 54380 North Circle Drive, Address: PO Box 3274, Idyllwild, CA 92549, CYNTHIA ---- IFOULD-DAHLSTROM, 24540 Forest Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, HAL ----DAHLSTROM, 24540 Forest Drive, Idvllwild, CA 92549

Registrant commenced to transact business nder the fictitious name listed above or

CYNTHIA ---- IFOULD-DAHLSTROM Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Jan. 17, 2014.

R-2014-00555

NOTICE - THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON IAN. 17, 2019. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE-MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JAN. 17: 2019. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE)

CERTIFICATION

Thereby certify that this copy is a correct copy

LARRY W. WARD. By: L. Sibley, Deputy Pub. TC: Jan. 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT The following person is doing business as SIMPLE MANUFACTURING, 24416 Marilyn St, Moreno Valley, CA 92553, Riverside County MICHAEL JOHN GALLAGHER, 24416 Marilyn

St, Moreno Valley, CA 92553.

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

MICHAEL J GALLAGHER Statement filed with the County Clerk of

Riverside County on Dec. 31, 2013.

FILE NO.:

R-2013-13163 - THIS FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON DEC. 31, 2018. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO DEC. 31, 2018. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT ITSELF AUTHORIZE THE USE IN THIS STATE OF A FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER FEDERAL, STATE, OR COMMON LAW (SEE SECTION 14411 ET SEQ., BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE). CERTIFICATION

LARRY W. WARD, By: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Jan. 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 2014

If you are starting a new business and need a Fictitious Business Name (Doing Business As,) the County Clerk has a new policy. You will need to sign the FBN in the presence of a Notary. This form must accompany the FBN being mailed to the County Clerk. The Town Crier has the new forms in the office.

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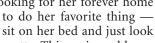
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Creature corner

By Mimi and Hootch

Hooray and paws up to **Dozer**, our Labmix, who has a new home minutes from the beach, and a new name - Luigi.

Chelsea is looking for her forever home



pretty. This senior gal has a gorgeous coat with a tail to match. She is a shepherd mix, quiet and shy at first. Chelsea loves to go for short walks, have a treat or two, and look pretty. She is good with other dogs and has no known health issues. And

her birthday is just around the corner. Chelsea will be 10 years old Feb. 11. Her wish is to have her own quiet home for the rest of her life.

Boomer just can't believe he has lived at ARF for almost a whole year now. His birthday is Feb. 27, and even though he will be a year old, he still is a playful, mischievous kitty. He has bravely said goodbye to his brothers and sisters, and being the youngest of



the cattery, has had to take matters into his own paws. So flipping the cat toys up in the air, scrambling to catch them, and tossing them across the room keeps him busy. Let's give Boomer his birthday wish to have his very own home and human.

Yep, I'm **Scrappy Doo**, and it's a good thing, because a human abandoned me in the ARF yard one chilly day.



So I had to learn really fast how to be a scrapper. I am a 1-year-old male Papillion/long-haired Chihuahua-mix weighing in at only 8 pounds. That doesn't stop me from playing with my favorite friend at the ARF house, Harley Dog, who, by the way, weighs in at 82. We play tug-of-war with the rope, which

means I get drug around the room. But I won't let go. Harley always shares his food bowl with me and doesn't even mind when I climb on his back for a ride. Harley was found with eye and head injuries, and no one ever called for him. So he is just like me, abandoned, but happy we are at ARF.



Harley absolutely loves the feline crowd, but Scrappy Doo wants nothing to do with them.

ARF has many cats and dogs available for adoption or fostering. Go to www.arfidyllwild.weebly.com and click on Petfinder. All pets are spayed, neutered and current on shots. ARF is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays.

Creature corner is sponsored In Memory of Fluffy. To sponsor the column, call Lisa Streeter at the Town Crier, 951-659-2145.

PAST TENSE

65 years ago - 1949

Idyllwild experienced 4 feet of snow over a 10-day period in which temperatures never rose above freezing.

60 years ago - 1954

Willard Payne recalled the early days. He and his wife came for camping trips in 1909 when Fern Valley was waist-deep in ferns with only an occasional tree. Loggers had laid bare the woods through the entire area.

55 years ago - 1959

A section of the famed George Thomas tree measuring 5-1/2 feet in diameter was put on display at Town Hall. The incense cedar tree was estimated to have been more than 800 years old when high winds felled it in 1957.

50 years ago - 1964

Horsemen's Park at Mountain Center was renamed McCall Park in honor of the late Fred McCall, former county supervisor who had been instrumental in developing the park.

45 years ago - 1969

ISOMATA faculty artists participated in workshops and special programs at the 1969 Fine Arts Festival of the Orme School in Mayer, Ariz.



The George Thomas cedar, blown down in a heavy wind storm in November 1957.

40 years ago - 1974

The local annual Audubon Society bird count yielded the highest tally since the event began here in 1967. A total of 3,254 birds, representing 85 species, were counted by 36 census takers.

35 years ago - 1979

teenagers should be allowed to hold dances at Town Hall. All the people questioned responded affirmatively, citing the need for some kind of recreational activities for the Hill's youth.

30 years ago - 1984

fell, but not enough to constitute a measurable inch so the Town Crier's annual Snow Guessing contest was still on but only four entrants were still eligible to win the

25 years ago - 1989

Retired Army Col. Lewis The "Town talk" question L. Millett Sr., a Medal of of the week asked whether Honor recipient, was invited to the inauguration of George H.W. Bush on Jan.

20 years ago - 1994

Local firefighters from the U.S. Forest Service joined forces with crews from local, state and federal agencies to A light dusting of snow provide emergency assistance

to victims of the Northridge Earthquake.

15 years ago - 1999

The California Highway Patrol set a date of Feb. 1 to have a residential post in Idyllwild.

10 years ago - 2004

Seventh-grader Max Conniff correctly spelled the word "debacle" to win first place in the Idyllwild School annual spelling bee.

5 years ago - 2009

As promised, the Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce discussed replacing the Idyllwild Tree Monument at its Monday evening meeting. While no decision was made at the Jan. 19 meeting, it was clear a majority of the five-member board was not prepared to replace David Roy, who was selected in 2007 to create the next Idyllwild Tree Monument.

1 year ago - 2013

The November confirmation of the Goldspotted oak borer arrival in Idyllwild, 30 miles north of its last point of detection in San Diego County, was almost certainly the result of firewood transported from San Diego County, according to authorities.



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Woodstoves

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Performance Standards, or NSPS, also would set particulate matter emission limits for newly manufactured adjustable-rate woodstoves, pellet stoves, wood-fired hydronic heaters, forced-air furnaces, masonry wood heaters, and a type of previously unregulated woodstove known as a "single burn-rate" stove.

While most pellet stoves are exempt from EPA's current standards, the proposed rule would require all pellet stoves to meet the same emission limits as for woodstoves.

Smoke from residential wood heaters, which are used around the clock in some areas, can increase particulate pollution to levels that pose serious health concerns. In some areas, residential wood smoke constitutes a significant portion of the fine particle pollution problem.

"I think these [regulations] are important,"

of Idyllwild Heating and Cooling, which sells wood burning stoves. "They will make stoves more efficient and may discourage a lot of people in Southern California from using them over the pollution concern."

In addition to the health benefits provided by the proposed rule, wood heaters meeting the proposed standards generally would be more efficient than older ones, meaning homeowners will be able to heat their homes using less wood.

EPA is proposing to phase in emission limits over five years for most wood heaters to allow manufacturers time to adapt emission control technologies to their particular model lines. The proposal would allow manufacturers of new residential wood heaters to meet PM emission limits in two steps. The first limit would take effect 60 days after the final rule is published. This step is identical to what is currently required by the State of Washington for

second limit takes effect five years later.

EPA also is seeking comment on whether to phase in the limits in three steps over an eight-year period.

In addition, EPA did not include new indoor fireplaces for regulation in the proposal, because fireplaces are not effective heaters.

To submit comments, EPA offers the following directions:

- · Please identify all comments with Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2009-0734.
- · Submit comments directly on www.regulations. gov: Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- E-mail your Comments to a-and-r-docket@epa.gov.
- Fax your comments to 202-566-9744.
- Mail your comments to Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20460

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New HELP Center board



Meet the 2014 Idyllwild HELP Center board. From left, Scott J. Foster, Vice President Deanna Collins, Nanci Killingsworth, Executive Director Karen Patterson, President and Treasurer Larry Edwards, Diana Kurr, Secretary Margaret Mary Leusch, Linda Anderson and Bill Whitman. (Not pictured were Lou Bacher and Sam Crowell.)

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Tax Tips

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Sometimes a taxpayer will file for a spousal benefit of 50 percent of their spouse's

allowing their own to increase to the age of 70. The Social Security Administration has a good website guiding your options, but you will probably also want to talk with a financial

retirement planning.

With the many tax-saving opportunities available to retirees, you will want to adopt a strategy that not only maximizes your income, but minimizes your

Don't be scammed

By Jay Pentrack STAFF REPORTER

As if tax season isn't challenging enough, identity theft and tax-related fraud increase significantly during tax season. California Attorney General Kamala D. Harris on Jan. 13 launched "Tax Identity Theft Awareness Week" with a list of tips to assist Californians in preventing identity

Tax-related identity theft includes filing tax returns using a stolen identity to obtain a refund; using a stolen Social Security number for employment; and obtaining personal information via phishing emails that appear official (such as Franchise Tax Board or Internal Revenue Service). These emails also may include links to bogus websites that also appear to be official.

To assist taxpayers in defending against fraud, the at-

torney general advises consumers that the IRS and FTB will never contact consumers via email, text or social media; consumers should store Social Security and other important documents in a safe place, not on their person; passwords should be a challenge for thieves so use a minimum of eight characters and a combination of upper- and lower-case letters, and numbers and/or symbols; and remove any documents on home computers that could be compromised, including e-filed returns. Store the information on a CD, DVD or flash drive outside of the home. Mail that contains important personal information should be taken directly to the post office; all mail should be stored in a locked mailbox.

Warning signs of identity theft include receiving a letter from the IRS or FTB stating that the taxpayer has filed more than one return; monies are owed or a refund offset has been applied to the taxpayer; the taxpayer's

Social Security number is being used by another party; or wages are reported by an employer the taxpayer does not recognize.

Taxpayers who receive such a letter (not an email) from the IRS or FTB should immediately contact the agency's identity theft unit at Internal Revenue Service (phishing@ irs.gov) or call the IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit at 1-800-908-4490.

For more information visit www.oag.ca.gov/idtheft/

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