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Dangerous weekend on the Rock

By Becky Clark
Editor

A rock climber fell from Tahquitz Rock, at 11 a.m. Saturday and was reported dead from his injuries at 1:02 p.m. the same day. He was identified as Bryan Rockwood, 49, of San Diego.

One day later, a female rock climber was injured on Lunch Rock, adjacent to Tahquitz.

Rockwood was climbing the Sahara Terror route. According to a climbers' website, he was on a block that gave way and both fell.

The Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit responded. Les Walker lowered Rockwood's body down to emergency responders. Besides RMRU, Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire Department, Idyllwild Fire Department, Riverside County Sheriff's and U.S. Forest Service were at Saturday's scene.

Just after 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Cal Fire/RCFD and IFPD responded to call of an adult female rock climber down. She apparently had a broken ankle. Cal Fire Copter 301 hoisted and then transported the patient to an area hospital for treatment of moderate injuries.



One year later ...

Mountain Fire recovery continues

By MARSHALL SMITH
CORRESPONDENT

Bright green new foliage has begun to carpet land ravaged one year ago by the Mountain Fire, which began at privately owned Gibraltar Ranch in Mountain Center on July 15, 2013.

Among the victims were Marty Prevosto and Sasha Fisher, who lost their home in the first hours of the Mountain Fire.

Just short of one year later, on Tuesday, July 8, they moved into their new home in the tiny Bonita Vista community at the end of Apple Canyon Road on land cleared of the
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Sasha Fisher and Marty Prevosto stand in front of their new home in Bonita Vista. PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH



Dylan Fisher studies a piece of melted metal after the Mountain Fire last July that destroyed his family's home. PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

Sewer rates may go up 50 percent

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The Idyllwild Water District will consider a 50 percent increase in sewer rates at a future meeting, probably in September. The district's sewer system and wastewater plan were built in 1971 and have been in use since 1972. Much of pipeline has reached its normal life expectancy and replacement is needed in several locations, said General Manager Tom Lynch.

A possible increase for stand-by fees may be proposed later this year, but Lynch plans more investigation of that initiative before it goes before the board.

At a workshop Wednesday, July 9, Lynch presented the history of the sewer program's
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The hole in this portion of the Idyllwild Water District's sewer pipe demonstrates the need for major repair work and pipeline replacement.
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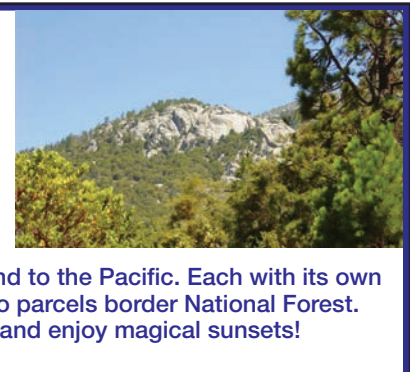
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TWINS: These twin fawns were seen exploring Mountain Center with their mother.

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SMALL FIRE: A debris and vegetation fire was quickly extinguished Tuesday night after Riverside County Fire and Idyllwild Fire responded to the site in Fern Valley.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



California Highway Patrol Officer **M.J. Murawski** investigates the scene of a one-vehicle rollover on Highway 74 about 1-1/2 miles west of Highway 243 Wednesday afternoon. **Nichole Hutton Darling**, 32, of Idyllwild, was traveling eastbound on Highway 74 just before 3 p.m. in a 1989 red Jeep Cherokee when she apparently dozed off, according to Murawski. The vehicle hit the side of the mountain and rolled over once. No passengers were in the Jeep and no other vehicles were involved. American Medical Response transported Hutton to Inland Valley Medical Center after she complained of pain to her left forearm, back and neck. Engines from Idyllwild Fire and Cal Fire in Garner Valley also responded. "I am doing OK," Darling said. "I am in a lot more pain today [Thursday] than yesterday, which is to be expected, but other than that I am good."

PHOTO BY BECKY CLARK



A call came into emergency personnel about 8 a.m. Tuesday morning, July 15, after **Dennis Okeefe**, 63, of Idyllwild was traveling southbound on Highway 243 near mile marker 1.75 when he fell asleep at the wheel, careening about 50 feet off the highway. Okeefe was uninjured and walked up with the help of fire personnel. CHP Officer **Chris Blondon**, Idyllwild Fire, Riverside County Fire, Idyllwild Garage and U.S. Forest Service all responded to the incident.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service

Thursday 7/17



77/54

Mostly sunny.

Friday 7/18



77/56

Sunny.

Saturday 7/19



81/58

Sunny.

Sunday 7/20



81/58

Sunny.

Monday 7/21



82/59

Sunny.

Idyllwild this year

Date	High	Low	M	S
7/8	89	60		
7/9	89	60		
7/10	83	55		
7/11	79	59		
7/12	86	53		
7/13	na	na		
7/14	na	na		

Idyllwild last year

Date	High	Low	M	S
7/8	95	57		
7/9	95	63		
7/10	86	65		
7/11	73	61	0.01	
7/12	81	57		
7/13	na	na		
7/14	88	56		

Moisture in inches

To date this season (Idy): 0.04
 To date last season (Idy): 0.01
 Total last season (Idy): 14.43
 To date this season (PC): 0.50
 Total last season (PC): 15.54

Snow in inches

To date this season (Idy): 0.0
 To date last season (Idy): 0.0
 Total last season (Idy): 5.0
 To date this season (PC): 0.0
 Total last season (PC): 13.0

TEMPERATURES AND 24-HOUR moisture and snow totals for Idyllwild are recorded daily at 4 p.m. at the Idyllwild Fire Station. Pine Cove totals are measured by resident George Tate, also at 4 p.m. Moisture inches include all precipitation such as rain, melted hail and melted snow. Weather season is July 1 to June 30. For Hill road conditions and Hill weather, visit the Internet at www.idyllwildtown-crier.com or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

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Grandmother sentenced for meth-laced tea

By BECKY CLARK
EDITOR

A grandmother visiting family in Garner Valley pleaded guilty and was convicted July 8 of willfully harming/injuring/endorsing her 2-year-old granddaughter's personal health after the grandmother left a cup of methamphetamine-laced tea unattended on a counter, and the child drank some of the contents on the night of June 29. Besides the felony, Cynthia Ann Watson, 51, of Aloha, Oregon, was convicted of misdemeanor possession

of controlled substances. The mother tried to put her daughter to bed on June 29 "but she would not fall asleep," according to a Riverside County Sheriff's report. "Her daughter was talking rapidly, scratching her skin, could not sit still and was very agitated. Thinking there might be some medical issue with her daughter, the reporting party took her to a local hospital to be examined. Over the course of the evening, the examination revealed the child tested positive for methamphetamine in her system."

Through the course of the investigation at the Pine Street house the next day, deputies discovered that Watson had made a cup of tea the night before and placed methamphetamine in the tea to get herself high. She was arrested that day. The Riverside County Superior Court sentenced Watson to 50 days in county jail, then 43 days to be served in a work-release program. She is required to pay victim restitution to be determined by the Probation Department. She also may not possess any controlled

substances without legal prescription and has to submit to tests and searches by probation or law enforcement officers. She also is restrained from having any direct or indirect contact with the family, and other restrictions, as well as requirements such as enrolling in a child-abuse treatment program, gainful employment or full-time education, and not leaving the state of California without the Probation Department's written permission. A criminal protective order for domestic violence against Watson expires July 8, 2018.

Idyllwild man pleads guilty to burglary

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

On Monday, July 14, Michael Darrenger Kellner, 21, pleaded guilty to one count of felony burglary. His sentencing is scheduled for July 31. Kellner was arrested in January, charged with shoplifting from Fairway Foods. The charge was changed to felony burglary when filed. "It was a shoplifting [charge] at Fairway Foods but burglary can be charged because a person goes into a business with no means of paying for items and then takes items," explained John Hall, Senior Public Information Specialist for the Riverside County District Attorney's Office. "In these cases, slightly less than \$5 in merchandise was taken." Although Judge Patrick Magers will decide on Kellner's sentence later this month, Hall said the defense proposed a one-year term with a Salvation Army work-release program. "[It] will be a way for the defendant to have both a place to stay and drug treatment as deemed necessary," he explained. *J.P. Crumrine can be reached at jp@towncrier.com.*

Candidate filing opens Monday for Nov. 4 general election

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Riverside County Registrar of Voters Rebecca Spencer announced Friday that anyone interested in running for office on the Nov. 4 general election ballot may take out candidate filing papers beginning Monday, July 14. The papers must be filed by 5 p.m., Friday, Aug. 8.

If an incumbent fails to file, the deadline for that office will be extended to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, for everyone except the incumbent. Hemet Unified School District Trustee Areas 1 and 2 will be open for election. Vic Scavarda currently represents Area 1 and was appointed in June 2013 to replace Bill Sanborn, who resigned. Paul Bakkom, current HUSD chair-

man, represents Area 2. Scavarda said he intends to file for election to a full term. "The need to support the service, education and the outlying schools is still there," he explained. The terms of trustees Horacio "Ross" Valenzuela and Joe Wojcik, who represent Hemet, expire this year. *J.P. Crumrine can be reached at jp@towncrier.com.*

First antivenom meeting July 17

All are welcome to the first meeting of Idyllwild Antivenom (for Southern Pacific Rattlesnake bites) Group at 4 p.m. Thursday, July 17, at the home of Kathy Keane, Space 5A, Royal Pines Mobile Home Park (the park is at the end of Delano Drive). Call Keane at 951-468-4186 for more information.

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OUT LOUD



A year ago today (Tuesday), July 15 — and it was Monday last year — just before 1:45 p.m., I heard a smoke report in Mountain Center on the scanner in my office. We all were on deadline but that's when events occur, right? When the timing is bad?

Who knew that by the end of the week our town would be nearly emptied of its residents running for their lives? Who knew that one small flame would cause that much destruction and bring heartache to people whose homes were in the Mountain Fire's path?

I am grateful still today that no one lost their life; that our firefighters remained safe throughout this disaster that they eventually managed to contain. All told, more than 27,500 acres burned at a battling cost of nearly \$26 million.

So, while we celebrate our return this week and attend the Idyllwild Fire celebration this Sunday, let's not forget those hundreds of fire leaders and fighters from not only the other government fire stations on the Hill, but from stations who sent heroes from other parts of the state and country to risk their lives to keep our mountain towns safe.

By the time most residents returned, most of these people had returned to their homes. We barely got the chance to thank them. Yet we have the occasional opportunity to do so. The fire stations are not in Idyllwild so they aren't as visible to us as our local fire department, but whenever you see a Forest Service or Cal Fire/Riverside County firefighter on the street, say, "Thank you." You never know when they will be dispatched to someone else's hometown to help save it, too.

Let's also never forget the personnel who provided law enforcement while those of us who evacuated waited anxiously to hear if not only our homes did not burn but they were not burgled or vandalized. And the Mountain Disaster Preparedness for its service in helping people evacuate and for welcoming us home. It is a time to be grateful and celebrate again.

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

Will IFPD punish the whistle blowers?

EDITOR:

How have we gotten to this point? The county grand jury has issued disastrous findings regarding the Idyllwild Fire Protection District.

Community members, firefighters and commissioners have been called to give sworn testimony that resulted in this scathing report. We all want a healthy fire department and a strong, efficient ambulance service. What we have is just the opposite: unqualified supervisors, undertrained EMTs and administrators who will do anything to hide mistakes.

The EMT/firefighters that exposed the errors to the administration, the commissioners and finally the grand jury wanted the community to be protected and safe. The EMT/firefighters should come out in public with their charges. They had the courage to try to help IFPD become a better organization and they put their jobs and careers on the line. What have they got to lose?

The commissioners are probably going to try to fire them anyway. This, of course, would be disgraceful and illegal. We have seen how they treat people who try to keep the public informed.

Look what they did to Commissioner Chip Schelly. They rounded up a lynch mob to vilify him. They backed down when too many folk showed up and supported Mr. Schelly. We need the chance to support the EMT/firefighters, too.

Another thing I don't understand is why the residents of Idyllwild don't seem to care. The majority of those attending IFPD meetings are from Pine Cove and all we care about is the ambulance service. Idyllwild residents have to worry about their firefighting abilities, too.

Pine Cove tried to improve things by taxing ourselves to support IFPD and Idyllwild turned down their attempted tax increase.

Maybe Idyllwilders know something that eluded the Pine Covians: IFPD is hopeless. You can't help them with money. And they won't let you help them with constructive criticism.

If they try to punish the whistle-blowing EMT/firefighters it will be clear to all that the commissioners and administration of IFPD cannot be trusted to protect and serve the public of this community.

NANCY BORCHERS
PINE COVE



Standby charges contribute to water shortage

EDITOR:

I recently received a copy of your article on the Pine Cove Water District budget and standby charges. The article also reported on emailed and public comments made by me regarding the 30th anniversary of standby

charges.

The article cogently identifies commingling of standby and other revenue as the culprit for a failure to accumulate greater water capacity by PCWD. Also, the standby charges encourage consumption — on top of rates that favor heavy users of water — not conservation.

For the record, I am a Pine Cove property owner who is required to pay a minimum \$55 bimonthly fee imposed by PCWD or face a lien on the property, even before the fees are due.

Second, I own two lots and a 5-acre parcel, and not several multiple-acre parcels. Third, the factors preventing development of the 5-acre parcel are the same today as in 1983 — terrain, access and riparian environment — not the failure to gain septic approval.

In addition, the county imposed a requirement for a certificate of compliance on all parcels not part of a subdivision that prevents development without paying \$7,000, and with paying \$7,000, denial of the merger of the parcel with one of the other lots.

Finally, PCWD, not me, proposes the standby charges be used to put in water lines to undeveloped properties. This year the district plans to install water lines across a board member's property to Red Hill Truck Road and perhaps past a cherished building site, but certainly not our property.

The standby charges supposedly make water available for domestic use and fire protection. But during the Bee Fire of 1996 that burned to within a quarter-mile of our property, my late father and I learned that water pressure was insufficient for the firefighters to do anything more than "blow and go," despite the presence of seven engines on and in front of our property.

Painting the fire hydrants were no doubt part of PCWD's version of improving the infrastructure, but a water shortage and a lack of adequate water pressure from the hydrants were the apparent outcomes of 30 years of standby charges. It would be much worse if the undeveloped properties had been developed and not remained undeveloped as predicted more than 30 years ago.

BILL AUSSIEKER
SAINT GEORGE, UTAH

Forest Service plans fuel break maintenance

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Last week, the U.S. Forest Service announced that comments on its proposed maintenance of the Pine Cove and Idyllwild West fuel breaks should be submitted Aug. 8.

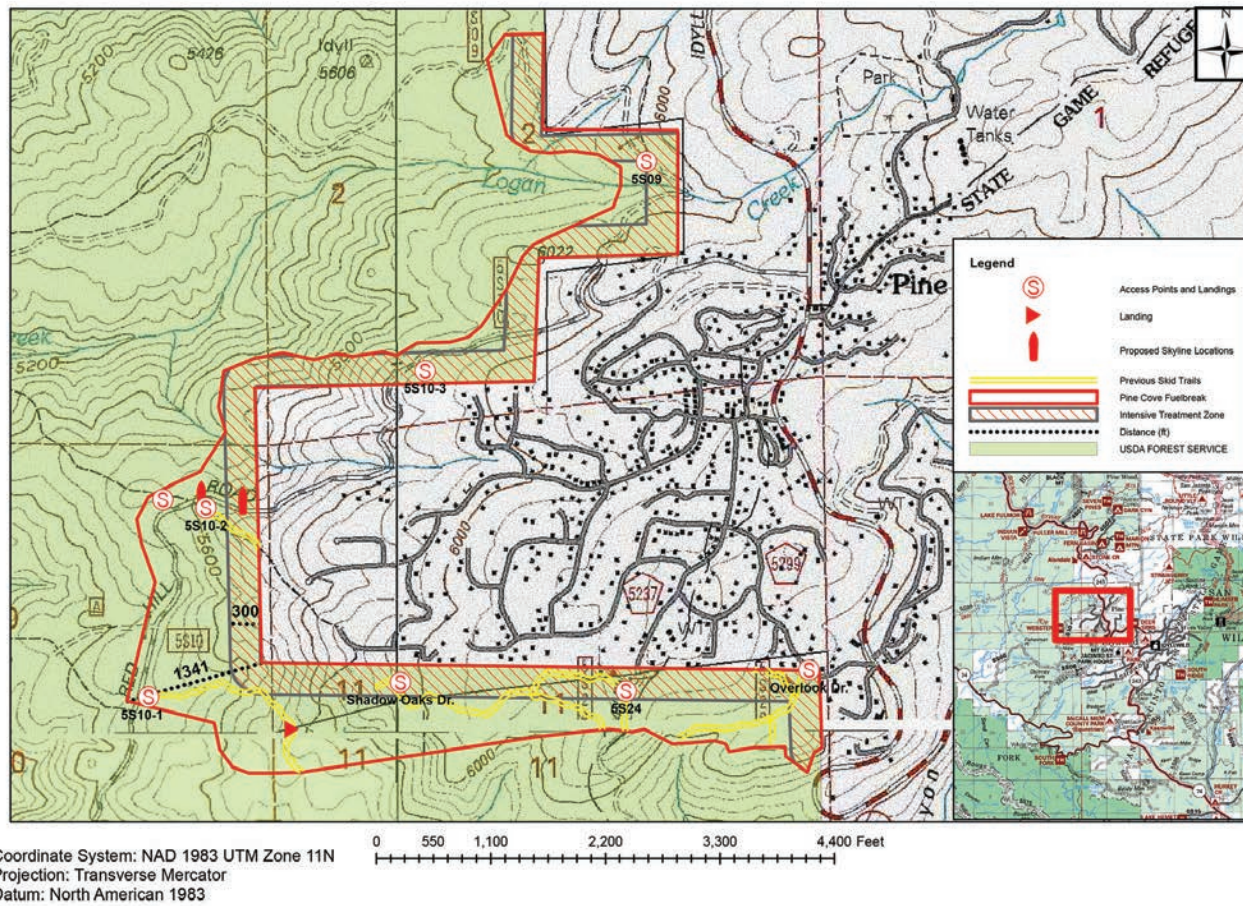
The work is the maintenance of existing fuel breaks. These fuel breaks combine with Strawberry, West Ridge, Fisherman's, and the South Ridge fuel breaks to provide protection around Idyllwild and Pine Cove from fires approaching from the west. The total affected area for this project is about 234 acres.

The Pine Cove fuel break was last treated in 2005. The regrowth of vegetation has reduced its effectiveness. The width of the fuel break will vary from a minimum of 300 feet to a maximum of 1,500 feet.

Two different treatment levels are proposed. In the first 300 feet, immediately adjacent to the private property boundary, Treatment Level 1 would create an open forest structure with no standing dead trees or down logs remaining.

Treatment Level 2 would be beyond the first 300 feet and extend to the outer edge of the fuel break. In this area, the fuel break would still be an open forest structure, but standing dead trees (snags) and down logs would not be removed. These meet the San Bernardino National Forest Land Management

Figure 1: Pine Cove Fuelbreak Maintenance Project Location



A map of the proposed work along the Pine Cove fuel break.

MAP COURTESY OF U.S. FOREST SERVICE

Plan requirements of 10 to 15 snags per five acres and six down logs per acre. However, leaving this material must not compromise the fuel break's integrity.

Fuel reductions will be maintained through a variety of methods, including whole tree yarding, slash yarding and removal, chipping, mastication, hand cutting, piling and prescribed burning. Options include removal and possibility public or commercial fuel-wood or manzanita sales. The biomass removal will use either designated skid trails or landings located by existing Forest System roads.

Depending on weather conditions and administrative restrictions, mechanical treatment could occur any time of year. Where terrain makes mechanical operations unfeasible, the brush would be cut with chainsaws, placed into piles, and then burned during the winter months generally December through May, according to the Forest Service planning document. Broadcast burning on the fuel break could also occur to reduce brush, tree litter and duff buildup. It is anticipated that 15 to 25 percent of understory vegetation cover would be left.

Please send comments in email text or in readable

format (.doc, .pdf, .txt, .rtf) to: comments-pacific-southwest-san-bernardino-sanjacinto@fs.fed.us, with "Scoping - Fuelbreak Maintenance NEPA" in the subject line or by mail to: Kayanna Warren, project lead, at U.S. Forest Service, San Jacinto Ranger District, Attn: Kayanna Warren, P.O. Box 518, Idyllwild, CA 92549. The Proposed Action and relevant project documents are available at http://data.ecosystemmanagement.org/nepaweb/project_list.php?forest=110512. Paper copies are available upon request.

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OPEN GOVERNMENT 101

Testifying before the grand jury

By JACK CLARK
LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

So you're called to testify before the grand jury about something you witnessed — saw or heard — regarding an investigation before them. While you're there, they admonish you that you may not reveal anything that took place while you were at the grand jury, which questions were asked or what responses were given, or anything else you learned while you were there.

Does this mean that you can never tell anyone whatever it was you saw or heard that interested the grand jury in your testimony in the first place? No. When the grand jury's term has ended, you are not prohibited from continuing to talk about what you already knew before you made your grand jury appearance.

The cases are clear on this point, most notably the unanimous United States Supreme Court in the Florida case of *Butterworth v. Smith* (1993) 494 U.S. 624, at p. 626: "We hold that, insofar as the Florida law prohibits a grand jury witness from disclosing his own testimony after the term of the grand jury has ended, it violates the First Amendment to the United States Constitution."

In Riverside County, the 2013-2014 grand jury term ended two weeks ago on June 30, 2014. The term of the new 2014-2015 grand jury began on July 1.

Further, in California, with regard to a matter before a civil grand jury, the attorney general has indicated that the admonition, which applies to anything "learned during your appearance before the grand jury" lasts only until the grand jury makes public its final report on the matter. (Op. Cal. Atty. Gen. No. 02-1108, June 6, 2003.)

It's illegal to relocate rattlesnakes

By BECKY CLARK
EDITOR

When asked what someone should do if they find a rattlesnake in their yard, California Department of Fish and Wildlife Biologist Kevin Brennan said, "Nothing. If it's threatening you or your pet and you're willing and capable, kill it. Otherwise, just spray it with a stream of water from a hose and it will go away."

Often, however, people relocate the snake to another property. "It is illegal

to relocate any species of wildlife in California," said Brennan. He said doing so is considered abandonment. The reason why is because the animal's chance of survival is very slim. "They usually die within a matter of weeks."

He said studies show the mortality rate of relocated wild animals is 90 percent. "It's true of all species," Brennan said. He said it is very difficult to re-introduce wildlife back into a former habitat for the same reason.

According to the Fish and Wildlife

Code section 2118: "These regulations do not authorize any person, facility or organization to accept, possess or relocate nuisance wildlife. Any healthy wildlife trapped in towns or cities or removed from under buildings or otherwise taken or trapped in accordance with Section 4152 or 4180, Fish and Game Code, shall be immediately released in the area where trapped or disposed of as directed or authorized by the department."

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IFPD committee created to respond to Grand Jury report

By J.P. Crumrine
News Editor

At last week's Idyllwild Fire Protection District meeting, Commission President Jerry Buchanan established a committee, composed of Vice President Larry Donahoo, Fire Chief Patrick Reitz and himself, to draft a response to the most recent Riverside County Grand Jury Report.

The commission spent two closed sessions (including July 9) reviewing employee matters addressed in the report, Buchanan said, and is prepared to draft a response. The grand jury report urged IFPD to charter an independent investigation into the allegations and sworn testimony included in the report, but Buchanan said the commission had not done that.

Although no outside witnesses have appeared before the

commission, Buchanan indicated full confidence in the chief.

Just before the establishment of the committee, the commission ratified the promotion of Administrative Captain Mark LaMont to full shift captain. Although LaMont's alleged unethical and illegal actions were the main subject of the grand jury report, the commission unanimously endorsed him as Reitz's selection for the next captain. He replaces former Capt. Mike Mulhall, who retired in March 2013.

"This is clearly within the purview of the chief promoting Capt. LaMont to shift captain. It removes the 'administrative' title. The chief handled the promotion, which was due for a long time," Buchanan said.

In other business, commissioner and treasurer Nancy Layton reported that the district finished

fiscal 2013-14 with a surplus of about \$57,000. While the exact amount won't be known for a month, this is the first year in several that the district has produced a surplus.

The major reason for the increase is growth in the district's property tax revenue. The actual amount was about \$30,000, or 3 percent, greater than the original estimate of \$1,079,993.

In addition, the district still has the cash (about \$220,000) from the sale of the telecommunications lease last fall.

The Finance Committee is still working on a final 2014-15 budget, Layton said. She expects a final budget to be presented to the commission at the August meeting and to be approved in September.

The revenue estimates do include the district's special assessment, she



At the Idyllwild Fire Protection District July 8 meeting, members of the Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild present a quilt to Hewy Wick, a member of the Idyllwild Volunteer Fire Company. The quilters are Lynn Hales, Agnes Wilkerson and Diana Kurr.

PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

confirmed. If there are no further changes to projected revenue, the district will collect \$1,127,962 this fiscal year, a 1.6 percent increase. However, the assessor's office said the value of properties in Idyllwild has

increased 3.9 percent from last year, so a small windfall may materialize next spring.

The Idyllwild Volunteer Fire Company selected the new board for the 2014-15 year, Vice President Paul

Riggi announced. Other officers are Ruth Wick, president, Rhonda Andrewson, secretary, Jon Engel, treasurer, and Tammy Vogel, activities chair.

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CSA 38 funds dwindling as ambulance contract costs increase

By J.P. Crumrine
NEWS EDITOR

The Advisory Committee for County Service Area 38 (Pine Cove) held a brief meeting Wednesday, July 9. The committee reviewed the current budget and also agreed to consider the level of its ambulance fee assessment next year as the three-year current contract with Idyllwild Fire Protection District approaches its expiration.

The CSA 38 funds balance was

slightly more than \$720,000 at the end of May. However, the county still has to deduct about \$124,000 for the fiscal year 2013-14 cost of the contract with IFPD.

The expected final balance at the end of June will be less than \$600,000.

Total revenues this year are about \$143,000, of which the special assessment was \$83,500. The balance comes from the ad valorem tax assigned to CSA 38 from county property taxes.

Overall, the total carryover has

declined in recent years due to increases in the ambulance contract, noted Bill Brown, Development Manager for the Community Services Division of Riverside County's Economic Development Agency.

"It's an incredibly healthy budget and the public should be pleased," he said.

In response to some questions regarding the quality of service from IFPD and the status of the renegotiation of the countywide ambulance contract, Brown suggested that the

Committee consider inviting Bruce Barton, director of the County's Emergency Medical Services Agency, to speak to those concerns at the January meeting.

Committee chair Jerry Holldber also reaffirmed the committee's continuing support for 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone's direction to include Pine Cove in the renegotiation of the county's contract with American Medical Response.

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Call for artists in annual show

Registration is open for the Art Alliance of Idyllwild's July Judged Art Show and Working Artist Event. The two-day art show and sale is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, July 19 and 20, with a reception on Saturday night.

The annual show allows AAI artist members to showcase and sell their creations. Participating AAI artists will submit one judged piece and have the option of submitting two pieces to the "Under \$100" gallery.

To register as a participating artist or to get more information about the event, visit artinidyllwild.org.

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Potential vegetative fire debris hot topic

Abatement and removal of trees subjects at MAST

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Local fire officials held their Mountain Area Safety Taskforce meeting last week, about one year after the Mountain Fire. No fires were burning on the Hill and the local agencies were working on fire prevention and protection projects in the middle of the current fire season.

Enforcement of abatement requirements on vacant lots on the Hill, a topic which was raised at the recent fire chiefs Town Hall meeting, was discussed. Riverside County Fire Chief John Hawkins announced the formation of a committee to address the issue. He plans to appoint two of his staff, two community members and also invited Idyllwild Fire Chief Patrick Reitz to join.

Riverside County Ordinance 695 requires the abatement of hazardous vegetation and can be enforced by chiefs of local fire districts. Property owners are responsible for ensuring their property is safe. If the county must abate the property, the owner is responsible for those costs.

If the owner does not pay these costs, the county has the authority to assess them against the property and collect the expenses as they would property taxes.

Hawkins said that the ordinance has only been applied on the western edge of the county and in the front country below the mountains. Further the state's applicable Public Resource Code (4291) does not apply

to vacant land.

However, with the help of Idyllwild resident Sue Nash, a former San Bernardino attorney, Cal Fire is investigating how abatement requirements are implemented there and whether this approach might work on the Hill. This will continue with the establishment of the committee.

Hawkins also suggested that a petition would be used to secure "some SRA [State Regulatory Area] funds for that purpose."

"There's good compliance in Idyllwild," Reitz said. "When necessary we bring in [Riverside County] Code Enforcement for some persistent offenders."

The goldspotted oak borer's presence on the Hill was also a major topic. Cal Fire Riverside County Unit Forester Greg Bratcher reported that the number of confirmed infested oak trees has now reached 40, a 25 percent increase since the middle of May. The most recently identified trees were in upper Fern Valley, he said. As of last week, Bratcher said, the GSOB has not been found within the National Forest.

He praised the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council for its "boots on the ground inspections."

He encouraged landowners who notice oaks with poor leafing patterns to contact the GSOB hotline. "The trees should be all leafed out, if you see questionable canopy call us," Bratcher said. Although the drought will affect the trees' health, Bratcher stressed the need to be sure the GSOB is not harming the trees' health.

If a property owners suspects that an oak tree may be infected, they should first visit the University of California, Riverside's GSOB site at <http://ucanr.edu/sites/gsoinfo/> to verify the infection. Next call Cal Fire's GSOB hotline at 951-659-8328.

Bringing green waste to grinding station

A discussion about the accumulation of green waste at the Transfer Station also occurred during the July 9 Mountain Area Safety Taskforce meeting. Rene Whitaker, from the county's Waste Management Department, said there is a program in place that would permit local residents to have another person haul debris to the grinding site for them.

"We have an application at the grinding station," Whitaker said. "It's one page and very simple. But please bring a copy of property tax bill to show you've paid the assessment fee."

Individuals can receive a card permitting them or another person with their card to bring up to 1,000 pounds of green waste per visit to the facility. The card allows four trips per year and is renewable, she added.

The form is titled "Idyllwild Grinding Facility Application: Self-haul Landowner Application," Whitaker said.

The Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council Woodies crew will make a preliminary inspection of the tree. If they identify a possible GSOB presence, Bratcher and Kevin Turner, GSOB coordinator for University of California Agricultural and Natural Resources Riverside, will visit to make a positive identification.

State Fire Assistance grant money is available through September to help landowners remove dead and dying trees. Bratcher encouraged residents who need assistance to contact his office at 951-659-335.

A California Firewood Taskforce grant is being used to buy several large signs warning travelers to the Hill about the GSOB. "We want to warn people about moving firewood and raise awareness that moving firewood is a bad thing," Turner said about the signs.

The drought reduces the pines' ability to produce sap and to protect themselves from the bark beetle. Consequently, fire officials are seeing more dead and dying pines on the Hill. In addition, Bratcher said he has found the presence of scale on several pines recently. "But it's treatable," he added.

"Keep your eyes on the tees and be vigilant," he advised the group. "It's a rough go this year and only getting worse."

In other news, Esnard is moving the community Wildfire Protection Plan forward. He is arranging meetings with both the Forest Service staff and Cal Fire.

New state emergency water rules may affect local districts

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Last week, the State Water Resources Control Board proposed an unprecedented step. Water users in urban areas could be fined up to \$500 each day for wasteful use of water during the drought.

The board plans to impose prohibitions on washing vehicles with a running hose (without a control nozzle), watering hardscapes such as driveways, sidewalks and asphalt, and using potable water without recirculation pumps for fountains and other decorative water fixtures.

However, the SWRCB's proposals are not limited to urban water suppliers and users. The board also wants all water suppliers, public or private, to take actions to limit unnecessary water use during the drought.

If a district has not established mandatory limitations for water use, the Board wants that imposed.

"For those districts with fewer than 3,000 connections, we'd like to see either a specific limit on outdoor use or implement mandatory restrictions," Max Gomberg of the SWRCB said.

All three local water districts — Fern Valley, Idyllwild and Pine Cove — have established water conservation emergencies. However, Fern Valley and Pine Cove are in Stage 1, which is voluntary compliance by customers. No mandatory compliance is required in those districts at this time.

One of the options for mandatory restrictions is to limit outdoor irrigation use to no more than two days per week. This limit is necessary to promote conservation to address

the drought emergency because outdoor irrigation accounts for 44 percent of urban water use. Outdoor irriga-

tion is generally more discretionary than other types of use and because studies have shown *See drought, page 24*

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For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 9.

Wednesday, July 16

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Oma's, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.
- Creekside Writers, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 659-2844.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.
- Garner Valley Book Club, 10:30 a.m. Call 659-6049 for location.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, women only, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- AWANA for ages 3-fifth grade, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest Ave.
- Idyllwild Water District board meeting, 6 p.m. IWD board room, 25945 Hwy. 243.
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Thursday, July 17

- 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, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church.
- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pinecrest

Ave. Show up or phone 951-659-4910.

- Lake Hemet Municipal Water District meeting, 3 p.m. LHMWD office, 26385 Fairview Ave., Hemet.
- Idyllwild Antivenom (for Southern Pacific Rattlesnake bites) Group, 4 p.m. Royal Pines Mobile Home Park, Delano Dr., Space 5 A.
- High Valleys Water District, 6 p.m. HVWD office, 47781 Twin Pines Rd., Twin Pines.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30-9 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Friday, July 18

- Idyllwild Play Group, 10:30 a.m. Call Monica Sierras at 951-659-5932 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 Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (The Courtyard.)
- Feeding America, 3 p.m. Chapel in the Pines, Mountain Center. Distribution at the former Morning Sky School on Hwy. 243.

Saturday, July 19

- Town Hall Volunteer Open House and Meet and Greet with County Parks, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. LiveScans will be available for the upcoming sports season.
- Bible Study 10:30 a.m., Room 202 (Courtyard Building) 26120 Ridgeview Dr.. For more information visit shabbatmeeting.org.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.
- Idyllwild Gay Potluck, 6 p.m. Email pin-kiemeringue@yahoo.com for location.

Sunday, July 20

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

Cove.

• Occupy Idyllwild stand and discuss with the 99 percent. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Town center at Harmony monument. Call Sue at 909-228-6710.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, Book Study meeting (closed), noon. Idyllwild 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).

• Narcotics Anonymous, 8-9 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Monday, July 21

- 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.
- Idyllwild Fire Protection District Finance Committee, 2 p.m. Idyllwild Fire Station, 54160 Maranatha Dr.

• Al-Anon, Open Meeting, 7-8:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

• Idyllwild 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.

• Mountain Non-fiction Writers Group, 7 p.m. For information and address, call Larry Kueneman 951-659-2567.

Tuesday, July 22

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 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).

• Teen Book Club for Homeschoolers, noon-2 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.

• Idyllwild Death Cafe, 2-4 p.m., Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Françoise Frigola, 951-659-4146, for more information.

• Sons of the American Legion board meeting, 6 p.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.

• English as a Second Language, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild

Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.

• Legacy of the Mountain Fire, 6-9 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Society Museum, 54470 N. Circle Dr.

• Hemet Unified School District board of trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. District Administration Board Room, 1791 W. Acacia Ave., Hemet.

Wednesday, July 23

• Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.

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

Community service hours

• California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (bark beetle issues), 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr., 659-3335.

• Idyllwild HELP Center, 26330 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-noon & 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. 659-2110.

• Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 North Circle Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday. Group tours by appointment. 659-2717.

• Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday; noon-8 p.m. Tuesday; noon-5 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, 659-2300.

• Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Highway 243, 9 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday 659-3850.

• Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday-Monday; Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday; 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

The Idyllwild Fire Station responded to the following calls, Tuesday, July 8, through Monday, July 14.

Idyllwild

- July 8 — Four medical aids.
- July 9 — Four medical aids.
- July 10 — Medical aid.
- July 11 — Two medical aids.
- July 12 — Two medical aids.
- July 12 — Power line down.
- July 12 — Rescue.
- July 12 — Smoke scare.
- July 12 — Unauthorized burning.
- July 13 — Extrication, rescue.
- July 13 — Three medical aids.
- July 14 — Medical aid.
- July 14 — Emergency medical service, other.

Mountain Center

• July 9 — Motor vehicle accident with injuries.

Pine Cove

- July 12 — Medical aid.
- July 13 — Dispatched, cancelled en route.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls from Sunday, July 6, through Saturday, July 12.

Idyllwild

- July 6 — Unknown trouble, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- July 6 — Public disturbance, 5400 block of River Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 6 — Incorrigible minor, address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- July 6 — Vehicle burglary, 2600 block of Hwy. 243. Report taken.
- July 6 — Danger to self/other, 5400 block of River Dr. Unfounded.
- July 6 — Welfare check, 26000 block of Saunders Meadow Rd. Handled by deputy.
- July 6 — Alarm, 54000 block of Crest Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 8 — Alarm, 25000 block of Fern Leaf Dr. Handled by deputy.

• July 8 — Alarm, 54000 block of Tanglewood Ln. Handled by deputy.

• July 8 — Assist other department, 54000 block of Maranatha Dr. Handled by deputy.

• July 8 — Assist other department, 55000 block of Encino Rd. Handled by deputy.

• July 9 — Assist other department, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• July 9 — Alarm, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• July 10 — Alarm, 54000 block of North Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.

• July 10 — Man with gun, 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

• July 10 — Public disturbance, 26000 block of Delano Dr. Handled by deputy.

• July 11 — Alarm, 54000 block of North Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.

• July 11 — Trespassing, 25000 block of Lodge Rd. Handled by deputy.

• July 12 — 911 call, 54000 block of South Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.

• July 12 — 911 call from business, 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.

• July 12 — Narcotics, 54000 block of Village Center Dr. Handled by deputy.

• July 12 — Vehicle theft, 25000 block of Cedar St. Handled by deputy.

• July 12 — Civil dispute, 25000 block of Glen Rd. Handled by deputy.

Pine Cove

• July 8 — Follow-up, address withheld. Handled by deputy.

Poppet Flats

• July 7 — Shots fired, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• July 7 — Petty theft, address undefined. Unfounded.

• July 8 — Suspicious circumstance, 45000 block of Canyon Rd. Handled by deputy.

• Public disturbance, 18000 block of Deer Trail. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino National Forest

• July 7 — Lost hiker, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• July 8 — Emergency notification, address withheld. Handled by deputy.

Second Saturday Art Fair

The Art Alliance of Idyllwild has its next Second Saturday Art Fair from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 9 at the Idyllwild Community Center site.

Member artists will display their creations for sale in the summer outdoor event.

On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

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

Wednesday, July 16

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m. Town Hall.
- Teen "On the Wild Side," "Eragon," film series, 3-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- John King, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Thursday, July 17

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m. Town Hall.
- Legacy of the Mountain Fire, a second reading, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild Area Historical Society Museum.
- Buddy Holly Tribute Band, 7 p.m.; Warm-up band Unwound, 6:15 p.m. Idyllwild Community Center site.

Friday, July 18

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Children's Center Open House & Culminations, 2:45 p.m., Children's Center; Theatre Production, 8 p.m. Junior Players Theatre; Music Faculty Recital, 8

p.m., Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

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

Saturday, July 19

- Children's Culmination, Drawing & Sculpture, 9:30 a.m., Children's Center; Youth Filmmaking Screening, 10 a.m., Rustic Theatre, HS Wind Ensemble, 1 p.m., IAF Theatre, HS Symphony Orchestra, 3:30 p.m., IAF Theatre, Theatre Production, 8 p.m., JPT, Idyllwild Arts.
- Art Alliance of Idyllwild art show, gallery working artist tour 10 a.m.-2 p.m., open exhibition of members art 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Rainbow Inn.
- Yu Gi Oh! Club for teens & children, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Living Desert's Wildlife on Wheels animal presentation, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Dan Papaila, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe & Bistro.

Sunday, July 20

- Art Alliance of Idyllwild art show, open exhibition of members art 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Rainbow Inn.
- Symphonic band performance, 1 p.m. Idyllwild Arts Foundation Theater, Idyllwild Arts.
- Chess Club, 3-5 p.m. Na-

ture's Wisdom.

- Idyllwild Author Series, Bernard Cooper, "The Bill From My Father," 3 p.m. Cafe Aroma.
- 2014 Nissan Titan Give-away, all day. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Monday, July 21

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Forest Folk Cribbage, 10:30 a.m.-noon; Story time, "Pet Paws," 10:30 a.m.; Paws Photo Contest for kids, all day; Penelope Engard, "Mary Francis Kennedy Fisher," 4-5:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Student recital: instrumental music, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Tuesday, July 22

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon, Town Hall.
- Student recital: instrumental music, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Wednesday, July 23

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m. Town Hall.
- Lawrence Spector, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.



Among friends are Miah Earl, Grace Davis, Josh Gray, Michaela Earl and Ayla Johnson with (back from left) Zach Gray, Malia Earl and Alex Vasquez. They helped out with the Stuffed Animal Sleepover held by the Idyllwild Public Library last Saturday night. The kids helped pose and photograph the stuffed animals doing various activities around the library. The results are posted on the library's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/IdyllwildLibrary>

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Thursday, July 24

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.

Friday, July 25

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Hojo Reynolds, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Saturday, July 26

- Three Skinz, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine

Shoppe Bistro.

Sunday, July 27

- 2014 Nissan Titan Give-away, all day. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Monday, July 28

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.

Tuesday, July 29

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon, Town Hall.

Fisher featured

The Friends of the Idyllwild Library continue their free series of monthly presentations by local historian, author and lecturer Penelope Engard at 4 p.m. Monday, July 21, in the library's Community Room with a Power Point lecture on Mary Frances Kennedy Fisher. Known primarily as a writer on culinary subjects in her younger years, Fisher developed her multifarious talents in a variety of written works

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By JAY PENTRACK
STAFF REPORTER

Local photographer Gina Genis has released Volume 2 of her "Everybody and Their Mother" series featuring photos of local residents. "My long-term art project is to photograph every full-time resident of Idyllwild who has lived here for five years or longer," Genis said. She publishes one book annually using about 67 to 70 people per volume. Residents complete a questionnaire so Genis can get a sense of who they are. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of the book go to a scholarship fund she created to benefit an Idyllwild Arts student.

A native Angeleno, Genis believes she was "born an artist" with a determination that surprised her family. "My first foray into creativity was when my mother refused to buy me a bikini," Genis said. "I took matters into my own hands and cut up my bed sheets which were bright colors of green, orange, yellow and pink, and made my own bikini." Genis was only 5 at the time. And, despite having to replace some of their household linens, Genis' family remained supportive. "My parents were very supportive of any creative endeavor I explored and were enthusiastic enough to provide private lessons," she added.

Her love for art would be a mainstay in her educational and recreational curriculum from elementary school through college. She played the piano, violin and guitar, took lessons in singing and photography, and acted in school plays. After high school, she earned her degree in fashion design from the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising in Los Angeles and followed that with her second degree in fine art from Parsons in New York — this while acting in commercials and serving as a fit and runway model.

Idyllwild would become a significant part of Genis' life in 2003. On the recommendation of a friend, she made the trip to Idyllwild in search of a rental property. "I was working full-time as a fit model for a major fashion company, so I wanted to stay in [Orange County]," she explained. "I had never been to Idyllwild, so I drove up to check it out.



Everybody And Their Mother - Environmental Portraits by Gina Genis

Gina Genis's "Everybody And Their Mother - Idyllwild California," Volumes 1 and 2.

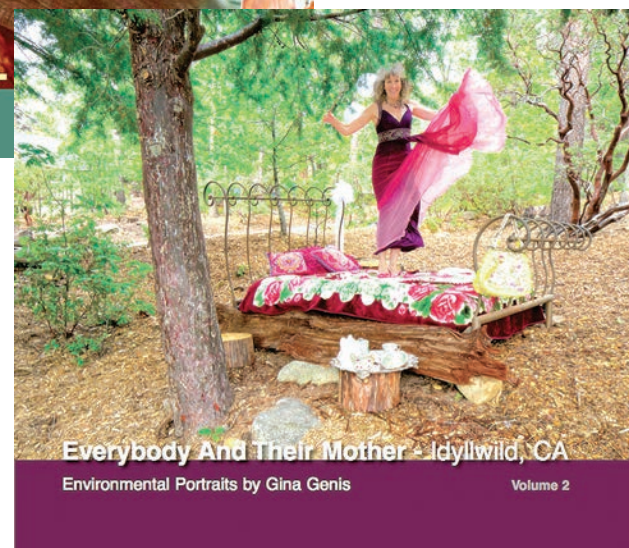
PHOTOS COURTESY OF GINA GENIS

Once I inhaled the crisp, clean air, I was hooked." Genis purchased her "treehouse" in Pine Cove, quit her job, moved and never looked back.

No one is more supportive of Genis' passion for her work than husband, Brent Lufkin, who is called upon from time to time to serve as a model for Genis. A Village Properties and military alumni, Lufkin also worked as a chief operations officer for art galleries so, according to Genis, "he understands the creative life."

"There are infinite reasons to love Idyllwild," Genis said. As with many mountain residents, nature is one of many reasons she enjoys life on the Hill. In particular, Genis loves the many talented and interesting people who call the mountain home. She also loves the fact that "the village is a true community that helps it's own people in times of need," she said.

With many volumes of her book series "Everybody and Their Mother" still to follow, Genis will touch the lives of many folk who call Idyllwild home. "I am about one-third of the way through photographing



Everybody And Their Mother - Idyllwild, CA Environmental Portraits by Gina Genis Volume 2

people for Volume 3, which will come out in the summer of 2015."

In addition to the "Everybody and Their Mother" Vols. 1 and 2, Genis also offers field and online workshops for aspiring photographers. More information can be found on her website at www.ginagenis.com.

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

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Idyllwild Arts 65th Annual Summer Program

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Friday, July 18 Children's Center Open House & Culminations 2:45 p.m. - Children's Center	Theatre Production 8 p.m. - JPT	Young Harpists Recital 7 p.m. - Stephens
Theatre Production 8 p.m. - JPT	Music Faculty Recital 8 p.m. - Stephens	Student Chamber Music Recital 8 p.m. - Stephens
Saturday, July 19 Children's Culmination: Drawing & Sculpture 9:30 a.m. - Children's Center	Youth Film Making Screening 10 a.m. - Ryan Soundstage	HS Wind Ensemble 1 p.m. - IAF Theatre
HS Symphony Orchestra 3:30 p.m. - IAF Theatre	Theatre Production 8 p.m. - JPT	Sunday, July 20 Symphonic Band 1 p.m. - IAF Theatre
Monday, July 21 Student Recital: Instrumental Music 8 p.m. - Stephens	Tuesday, July 22 Student Recital: Instrumental Music 8 p.m. - Stephens	Thursday, July 24 Student Recital: Instrumental Music 8 p.m. - Stephens

Register now at: idyllwildarts.org/summer or call 951.468.7265

IdyllwildARTS Summer Program

Yve Evans returns, just for the locals

By Marshall Smith
Correspondent

Yve Evans, locally popular jazz chanteuse, returns to the Hill “just for the locals.” She has appeared many times at Jazz in the Pines, the annual festival that draws many off the Hill visitors.

“It’s going to be a private party in a public place,” she said of her appearance for Ken Dahleen’s Idyllwild Summer Concert Series.

“This time I’m especially happy to be coming back up to sing for the locals and help celebrate how the town survived the Mountain Fire,” said Evans. Noting the tropical rains that arrived the weekend after the fire began on Monday, July 15, 2013, and helped douse the rapidly advancing flames, Evans said, “It was a miracle.”

Equally at home in gospel and jazz, Evans believes that music is, by nature, celebratory. She is coming to sing at the Idyllwild Summer Concert Series on Thursday, July 24 to



Yve Evans, shown performing at Jazz in the Pines, takes the stage next Thursday for the Idyllwild Summer Concert Series. FILE PHOTO

help Idyllwild celebrate the miracle of the rains and the survival of the town for which so many had prayed. “There is so much to celebrate,” she said. “And when one rejoices, we all rejoice.”

Joining pianist and vocalist Evans are Brad Bobo on bass and vocals, Larry Washington on drums and Mike Sims on guitar. Evans said she would also be bringing a horn player but was not yet sure who that would be. “You know how it is,” she said. “What we do is not a hobby, and this is a heavy time for players.”

Evans talked of how jazz is familial, not just a gig. Jazz creates and flows from a family of players united by the story, the history and the love of this uniquely American musical form. “I want to bring that camaraderie that is what we do,” she said.

Trained in opera and classical music, Evans brings a sophisticated pianistic style to her crystal clear and soaring vocals, with gorgeous straight tones that caress and lift the musical stories she tells. Evans’ piano playing



Doc Poster’s Rock Rave band performs last Thursday at the Idyllwild Summer Concert Series at the ICC site. Next Week, a Buddy Holly tribute band will take the stage. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Idyllwild Summer Concert Series

- 7/17 Buddy Holly Band
- 7/24 Yve Evans
- 7/31 Bohemio
- 8/7 New Sensations
- 8/14 Blue Breeze Band
- 8/21 Lisa Haley

recalls Errol Garner and George Shearing — easy on the ear and rich in texture.

Evans and Friends will make it an evening of smiles for a summer night. She takes stage at 7, after Paul Carman opens at 6:15 p.m.

Bring chairs and money — chairs for relaxation and money for the ritual passing of the donation jar that funds the series.

Idyllwild Summer Concert Series Needs Your Help!

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The public is invited to attend the show, purchase art and attend the awards ceremony on Saturday. This is an open show of works of member artists.

“Camillia Bowls”
by Lissa Evans

New businesses, ownership changes

BECKY CLARK
EDITOR

Family members of Jo and the late Don Shinkle, long-time Idyllwild residents, have opened a new nursery in the location of The Green Trees nursery on Highway 243. John and Lisa Shinkle, landscapers in Lake Arrowhead and part-time residents, opened Four Seasons Nursery in April.

Lisa said, "We always wanted a nursery." John grew up in Idyllwild so when the previous nursery closed for good after 35 years, they decided to open here. They specialize in ornamental and decorative plants, from flowers to succulents. "Ninety-eight percent of what we have is hardy and will keep but with a selection of annual bedding plants as well," said Lisa.

They brought back Bonnie Reynolds, who worked at the old nursery last summer. "We have a lot of shrubs and trees that do well, too," said Reynolds. They also hired Lani Reese and Christine Ziegenfuss-Holanda, a design specialist. The nursery is open six days a week from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Sunday, and from 9 a.m. to 4

p.m. Wednesday to Saturday, and will be open through October for fall plantings. "Come and walk through our beautiful garden," said Reynolds.

Shane Stewart has taken back the reins of the Rustic Theatre from Phil and Barbara Calderone who operated it from Feb. 15, 2013 until Monday, July 8, of this year. Stewart had owned and operated it since 2007.

He is painting the inside and outside, and making more upgrades. "It's going to be better than the way it was [when he updated it before]," Stewart said. But he is planning more than just aesthetic changes. He still is going to show movies but the focus will change to become "Idyllwild's entertainment center," he said. He will bring back more live theater and concerts but also wants to make the theater a daytime venue.

That includes bingo during the day, particularly for seniors who might not have air conditioning in their homes in 90-degree weather who can come into a cool place and leave later in the afternoon when temperatures have cooled. "But that is just the tip of the iceberg,"

he added, saying he may play older movies during the day, for example.

Peter and Antonietta Zuber of the Swiss Fondue House closed the restaurant mid-June and returned to their home country of Switzerland. They stated in the June 26 Town Crier that the decision was for health reasons. The restaurant was opened last fall in the old Bread Basket location.

However, Thomas and Kristen Bachmann are planning to open Tommy's Kitchen in the same location after they have made many renovations of the deck, kitchen and office. Since the couple is busy with many upgrades at this time, Thomas hasn't established a menu, and with county approval and licenses still ahead, they don't expect to open for another three months.

The Bachmanns knew the Zubers in Huntington Beach where Thomas was a chef. He has been a chef for more than 25 years. He also recently owned a restaurant in Switzerland for seven years and traveled back and forth. And for those seven years, he sought a location in the U.S. but the recession held him back.

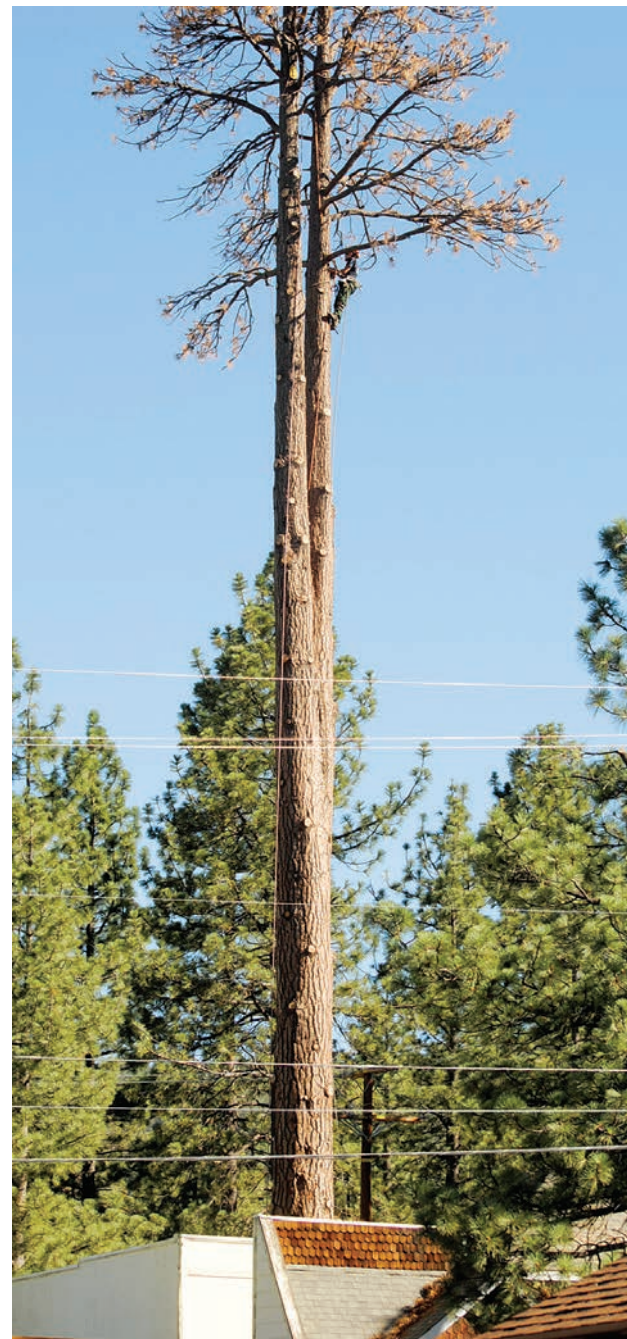
So, through the Zubers, the Bachmanns learned about Idyllwild and have moved here full-time. Son James, 11, a cancer survivor in remission for two years, will attend Idyllwild School and Steven, 16, will attend Hemet High School as a junior.

Thomas said they will open for breakfast and lunch in the beginning. As a chef and caterer in the past, he has prepared many fancy dishes. But in Idyllwild, "I want to take care of the local community. I want to make good, homestyle cooking using my own recipes, my own food, and maybe a little traditional Swiss food ... I am famous for my tossed salads and fruits."

Lori Davey of Wellness Waters and Massage moved from the building next door to Tommy's Kitchen to just across North Circle Drive at the corner of River Drive on July 1. The location gives her added space and has been completely renovated.

Look for the yellow barn house with the red door. She is in back upstairs. "This little house stands out," Davey said.

Becky Clark can be reached at becky@towncrier.com.



LOFTY TREE COMING DOWN: Southern California Edison trimmed the branches from this tree last week, which Bonnie's Happy Look is built around. Later this month, the entire tree will be removed. PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE



PHOTOGRAPHY AT BAKERY: Biologist and nature photographer Kathy Keane stands proudly with a photography collection that spans 35 years and the world including Africa and the Galapagos Islands. Keane's collection called "Images from Here, There and Afar" is available to view at Honey Bunsns and Joe Bakery.

PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE



AROMA EXHIBIT: Dining among art, Jessica Schiffman (center) and friends Tara Pennock, Christopher Pennock, Lynn Pennock and Dick Haligan, enjoy themselves at Cafe Aroma. Jessica's art pieces can be seen through July and August.

PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

VOTE FOR THE 2014 Ernie Maxwell Community Spirit Award Recipient

Please fill out and return to the Town Crier office, mail to P.O. Box 157, Idyllwild, CA 92549 or stop by our office at 54405 North Circle Drive by **Thursday, July 24.**



Ernie Maxwell and his wife Betty founded the Town Crier in 1946. Until his death in 1996, Ernie was a leader in the community on conservation, art and education, among many causes. He would have been 103 years old on July 7, 2014.

Ernie Maxwell Community Spirit Award 2014 Ballot

- ___ Jerry Holldber
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Lowman Concert Hall groundbreaking Saturday

At 5 p.m. Saturday, July 19, a groundbreaking celebration will mark the official start of construction for Idyllwild Arts Foundation's new \$6.5 million concert hall. The 298-seat facility will become the centerpiece of IAF's 200-acre, mountaintop campus and is named in honor of Idyllwild Arts' first

president, William M. Lowman. The construction process is estimated at 12 to 18 months.

Donations, spearheaded by two challenge grants and garnering extensive support from board members, Academy and Summer Program alumni, IAF faculty and staff, as well as individual support-

ers of arts education worldwide, fully funded the project.

Sander Architects of Santa Monica designed the hall in tandem with world-renowned acoustical and space-planning engineers at Arup North America in Los Angeles (designers of the Sydney Opera House).

The facility will echo Idyllwild's natural environment and campus architecture and will feature state-of-the-art acoustics; a performance stage 60-percent larger than the current facility (which will remain); a 298-seat audience house expandable into the lobby; an outdoor seating area; a backstage space for piano/percussion storage; and natural landscaping creating a community commons gathering place.

"A symphony orchestra becomes transcendent when its voice and the room are one," says Dr. Larry Livingston, professor of conducting at the University of Southern California and retired



As part of the Idyllwild Arts' 65th Summer Program, the Youth Jazz Concert performed Saturday. PHOTO BY CHERYL BASYE



Alice Lindsey eyes the utensil chimes at the 2nd Saturday Art Fair held at the Idyllwild Community Center and sponsored by the Art Alliance of Idyllwild.

PHOTO BY CHERYL BASYE



The Art Alliance of Idyllwild elected four new board directors. Back row, from left, Marc Kassouf and Nathan DePetris, and front row, from left, Elizabeth Miller and Lesly Martin. Kassouf and DePetris co-chair the Membership Committee, Miller will oversee the Hospitality Committee and Martin will head Marketing and Public Relations. "We are delighted to welcome each of these talented individuals to our community, organization and board," said Gary Kuscher, AAI president. "We welcome their new perspective and believe that their professional expertise will help AAI grow and achieve its mission of marketing Idyllwild as an arts destination and the work of its talented member artists."

PHOTO COURTESY AAI

dean of the Thornton School of Music, who has supplied leadership for the Idyllwild Arts Symphony Orchestra for 25 summers. "Lowman Concert Hall will be a crucible for our art, a sanctuary for our young artists, and a testament to the enduring legacy of our beloved president emeritus," said Livingston, speaking of retired IA President Bill Lowman.

At the Academy, music is traditionally the largest major with 92 percent of graduates moving on to conservatories, colleges and

universities, including The Juilliard School and the Colburn Conservatory of Music.

Alumni perform with renowned classical music ensembles such as the Los Angeles Philharmonic, London Philharmonic and New York Philharmonic. Graduates include jazz clarinetist Evan Christopher, Grammy-winning jazz trombonist Jason Jackson, the young jazz guitar prodigy Graham Dechter, and the 2011 American Idol sensation Casey Abrams.

Idyllwild Arts,

located on a 200-acre campus, offers a fully accredited, boarding arts high school Academy, and an extensive Summer Program with 100-plus hands-on workshops for students of all ages. The Academy, opened in 1986, offers majors in music, dance, theater, visual arts, writing, filmmaking and inter-arts. IAF also has a history of visiting artists such as Ansel Adams, Meredith Wilson, Bella Lewitzky, Fritz Scholder, Maria Martinez, Pete Seeger and Norman Corwin.

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Rachel Torre read her favorite children's book, "Skippy John Jones," by **Judy Schachner** at Storytime. She then helped the children make masks. Storytime is held at the public library every Monday morning except holidays.
 PHOTO BY JOHN PACHECO



So You Think You Know the Hill?

By JACK CLARK
 CONTEST JUDGE



Five entries correctly identified the rock wall at the entrance to Idyllwild School: **Kathy Nielson, Linda Otterbeck, the Schelly family, Jeff Smith and Merrie VonSeggern. Dolores Sizer** pulled out Nielson's name, so she gets the Rustic Theatre gift card with two adult tickets this week. Now have a try at this week's photo.

One entry per household. Contest deadline: Monday noon. Not a race — correct entries go into a hat for a drawing. Full contest rules and guidelines available at the Town Crier office.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL LEMON LILY FESTIVAL: A large crowd attended the fifth annual Lemon Lily Festival last weekend. Below, **James Wetzel** helps his son **Luke** aim his newly made sling shot at a Pioneer Town activity, which was at the Idyllwild Nature Center during the Fifth Annual Lemon Lily Festival. At bottom, **Scott Fisher** (left), of this year's Lemon Lily Festival committee, prepares a Lemon Lily soda during the Lemon Lily Launch Taste of Idyllwild which **Erin O'Neill** (center) hosted. **Beth Darling** (right) watches Fisher's careful bar keeping.
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Rob Roberge next in series

BY MARSHALL SMITH
CORRESPONDENT

Rob Roberge writes gritty, lean and powerful prose, drawing on his own struggles with alcohol and drug addiction, and the difficulty of balancing a day-to-day grip on sobriety. Eduardo Santiago, author and founder of the Idyllwild Authors Series, will interview Roberge 3 p.m. on Sunday.

In his fourth novel, "The Cost of Living" (Other Voices, 2013), Roberge chronicles his protagonist's seminal challenges of staying sober during and after his career as an indie rock guitarist and finding meaningful resolution to troubling family relationships that continue to haunt and hurt him.

This failure to understand and resolve deep set pain in his relationship with his father both drives and maintains protagonist Bud Barrett's addictive circle. "My next overdose could be my last, and I wasn't sure I was too scared by that anymore," said Barrett. "I've crossed so many ethical lines I said I would never cross in my life. I'd become a man I couldn't recognize



Rob Roberge, the next Author Series speaker
PHOTO COURTESY OF ROB ROBERGE

more times that I could ever count."

Roberge signals, with an introductory quote from James Baldwin, how hard the struggle to reclaim lost ground is: "We are responsible for our actions, but we rarely understand them."

Although redemption may be the goal in "The Cost of Living," the tension in the book comes from how easily that goal is forced away by choices — repetitive negative choices — Barrett makes. Of detox, Barrett says, "The first three days of cleaning out are a pain and suffering you can't believe are happening. And the suffering gets wrapped up in the awareness that you did this to yourself. That you've been doing it to yourself for years... Through all of that, you sit there, rolling on the floor, despising yourself and swearing

you'll never, never, never go through this again, no matter what." And yet, with another choice, one more relapse, Barrett does, and the cycle continues.

Roberge, a prolific writer, has a resume which includes a story collection, two previous novels, plays and a screenplay, "Honest Pete," made into a short film making the rounds of festivals. He just sold his first, and he said his last, memoir, "Liar," to a major publisher.

"I've never written anything that challenged a form," he said. But "Liar," written in the second person, does. "I know of only one other memoir written in that way," he said.

Roberge has taught as part of the UCR/Palm Desert MFA core faculty, at UCR's main campus, at Antioch University's MFA program and at the UCLA Extension Writer's Program where he received the 2003 Outstanding Instructor Award in Creative Writing.

Like his protagonist in "The Cost of Living," Roberge plays guitar, sings and does mini tours with indie band "The Urinals," which he joined

in 2006. "It's great," he said of his music career. "I never saw it happening. We have a new record coming out and we'll be playing some festivals in Europe. I do it for the fun of it. I am way beyond trying to be a rock star."

Of his writing process, Roberge said he never works from an outline. "I work from a sentence," he said. Quoting author William H. Gass, Roberge explains, "Every sentence creates opportunities and obstacles." "I write from language and character keeping in mind the two essential questions of readers — who do I care about [in the book] and who do they care about."

Roberge said he then listens to his characters. "I do a lot of listening rather than trying to direct. Characters say things that surprise me and I have to move from there. I am in a state of surrender and acceptance with hope rather than expectation."

Roberge, articulate, funny and direct in conversation, should be a provocative speaker for year four in Santiago's series. Santiago advises, since previous events have been standing room only, to arrive early to secure good seats.



Eduardo Santiago, left, speaks with award-winning author Josefina López on Sunday at Cafe Aroma as part of the Idyllwild Authors Series.
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CREATURE CORNER

BY MIMI AND HOOTCH

Paws up to you Miss **Ethel Mertz**. Posing pretty for the picture worked, along with having that smile, cause she wagged her way right into the truck and was off to a new adventure. We love you, Ethel.



Archie is learning that relaxing is a good thing to do. He is eager to go for walks, loves to be groomed so he can always look so handsome, and absolutely lives for his Kong toy with special treats. Archie is very shy at first except with the females. He gets along well with other small, calm dogs and cats, too. If you have a calm environment and like to walk, Archie is your guy.

Introducing the chiweenie sisters, **Lily and Lulu**. They were born in February 2014 and are both female. They are very smart girls as they are crate-trained, sit for their treats, and will look for direction to please you. They're good with dogs and cats, and just absolutely love bugs. Applications are being accepted now. They may be adopted separately or together. Hurry in to ARF because these girls won't last long. They will be available to go to their forever homes at the end of July. 951-659-1122.



Boomer on the table, **Bill** on the top level and **Whiskers** are sitting close to the door just in case that special someone comes in for them. Who will be first? Boomer is the youngest at 1-and-a-half, and Whiskers and Bill are about 2. They all are males and good with other felines. Boomer actually likes the canine crowd. They are still young enough to play, but enjoy just hanging around. They're good fly catchers, too. There's a special on all cats in the ARF cattery.

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

Creature corner is sponsored in Memory of Mattie, Spencer & Chelsea, this week. To sponsor the column, call Lisa Streeter at the Town Crier, 951-659-2145.

Past

Tense

65 years ago - 1949

"How would you suggest we improve the camp program?" solicitous officials asked Girl Scouts at Azalea Trails. One candid young lady answered simply: "Have boys."

60 years ago - 1954

Construction of six cabins and a four-unit motel was underway for the Idyllwild Inn.

55 years ago - 1959

Idyllwild Rotary voted to sponsor a Boy Scout troop on the Hill. Application was made for a troop charter.

50 years ago - 1964

Friday evening entertainment could be found at Sportland Park where a buffet dinner and three games of bowling could be had for \$3.85.

45 years ago - 1969

A petition signed by 101 "property owners and voters of the Pine Cove area" protested any inclusion of Pine Cove in a possible move toward incorporation with Idyllwild.

40 years ago - 1974

Famed dancer Bella Lewitzky and her distinguished dance company



Idyllwild Librarian **Lee LaCaff** with her audience during a July 1972 summer story hour when the library was located in Fern Valley. FILE PHOTO

appeared at Bowman Theatre at the Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts.

35 years ago - 1979

A dedication ceremony was held for the new Mt. San Jacinto Senior Center on Franklin Drive. Nearly 100 local senior citizens as well as county officials and community leaders attended. Senior luncheons were being served daily at the site.

30 years ago - 1984

A bid by Roy and Kay Johnson, owners of Pine Cove Center, to operate the Pine Cove branch post office, was accepted by the San Bernardino Sectional Center, allowing the post office to remain open at its present location.

25 years ago - 1989

The community was invited to an open house to celebrate the first birthday of WNKI, the

Idyllwild-area emergency radio station.

20 years ago - 1994

Plans were being finalized for the first Idyllwild jazz festival to be held in August at the Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts. Ticket prices were set at \$15 for adults and \$12 for children.

15 years ago - 1999

When former U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno attended Idyllwild's Fourth of July Parade, she overheard someone comment about how she looked familiar and then another person responding that Reno was the checkout person at the local supermarket. The story appeared in many Southern California newspapers.

10 years ago - 2004

Nearly 1,000 firefighters were battling the Verbenia

Fire. Almost 4,000 acres were burning at the northern base of the San Jacinto mountains.

5 years ago - 2009

Idyllwild HELP Center Director Karen Patterson announced that IHC was able to provide mortgage and rent assistance to qualifying Idyllwild residents through a \$15,000 grant from Catholic Charities of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties. "These grants are especially important in these harsh economic times," said Beverly Earl, CC director for San Bernardino County.

1 year ago - 2013

The Mountain Fire that burned more than 27,000 acres, destroyed numerous homes and forced the evacuation of Idyllwild started at about 1:45 p.m. Monday, July 15, on private property in Mountain Center.

Town Crier Photo Contest!

Deadline for entries: 5 p.m., Friday, July 25, 2014

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Contest is open to everyone. Submit up to ten 8" x 10" glossy color images. If images are digital, they must be submitted on a CD or DVD, be at least 300 dpi when scaled to 8" x 10" and must be accompanied by high-quality glossy color prints for judging. Include your name, address, phone number, e-mail and location on the back of each print (make sure you use a pen that doesn't smear or bleed onto other prints). Also, include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for safe return of your work.

You can drop off your entries at the Town Crier at 54405 North Circle Drive, or mail to Town Crier Photo Contest, P.O. Box 157, Idyllwild, CA 92549. Sorry, no email submissions.

While the Town Crier will reserve the right to publish the photos and use them in promotional material, photographers will still own the rights to their work. Questions? Email: halie@towncrier.com



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WORD SEARCH

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| Aunts | Eighties | Musician | Sight |
| Baking | Exist | Night | Skate |
| Bowls | Faces | Offers | Sorrow |
| Budget | Faint | Opens | Stern |
| Bulbs | Fieri | Outfit | Super |
| Clashes | Fifth | Parentheses | Those |
| Consult | Flask | Plait | Through |
| Crude | Fours | Radius | Trick |
| Cycling | Grandparents | Rafts | Tusks |
| Defend | Handy | Refuse | Useful |
| Devil | Insist | Seesaw | Vapor |
| Drift | Keeps | Sheep | Wound |

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Answers to Sudoku (Puzzle on next page)

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13	S	T	C	A	L	E	N	E	C	A	R	O	T	I	D
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Answers to Crossword (Puzzle on next page)

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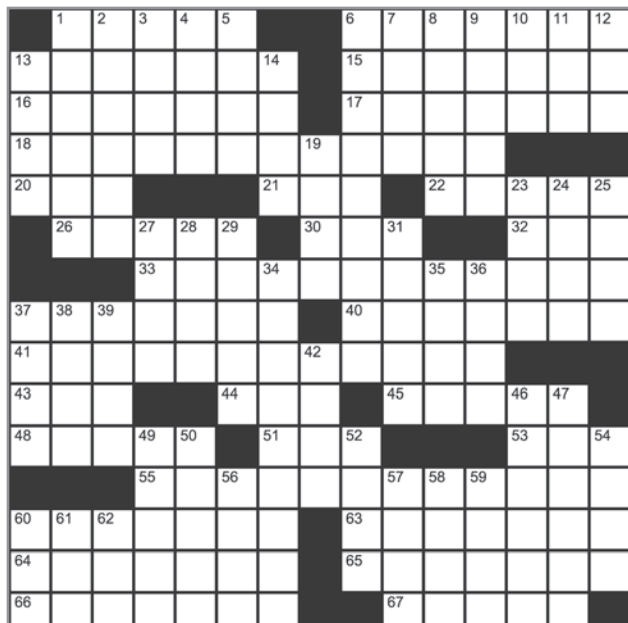
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CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

- 1. Air pollution (pl.)
- 6. Immeasurably deep chasms
- 13. Keen insights
- 15. Stone Age artifact
- 16. Knocking sound (hyphenated)
- 17. Occupancy by title, lease or rent
- 18. Extending from the U.S. to Japan
- 20. Last day of the week (abbrev.)
- 21. Big, fat mouth
- 22. Cut corners
- 26. Doozie
- 30. ___ de deux
- 32. Bill and ___
- 33. Absurd
- 37. One who fails to carry out a promise
- 40. Neophyte
- 41. Door-to-door (hyphenated)
- 43. Armageddon
- 44. Clod chopper
- 45. Donnybrook
- 48. Association of South-east Asian Nations (acronym)
- 51. ___ Tuesday (Mardi Gras)
- 53. Grassland
- 55. Pass allowing one to get on a ship (2 wds)
- 60. Like some triangles
- 63. Major neck artery
- 64. Cornmeal concoction
- 65. Hard, colored minerals composed of metal oxides
- 66. Passed out
- 67. File
- DOWN**
- 1. Sacred beetle of ancient Egypt
- 2. Undergo change
- 3. Arab League member
- 4. Catches on
- 5. Become unhinged
- 6. Italian appetizer
- 7. Strengthen, with "up"
- 8. Symbols representing Shakti
- 9. Remiss
- 10. Anger, e.g.
- 11. "Yadda, yadda, yadda"
- 12. Diffident
- 13. Song and dance, e.g.
- 14. "Don't go!"
- 19. Crime boss
- 23. Clickable image
- 24. Grimace
- 25. Ask
- 27. "Planet of the ___"
- 28. Advocate
- 29. Choppers, so to speak
- 31. Play, in a way
- 34. Work on a galley
- 35. "___ on Down the Road"
- 36. Cambodian currency
- 37. Perlman of "Cheers"
- 38. A long, long time
- 39. Art subject
- 42. Principal
- 46. Click beetle
- 47. In a spooky manner
- 49. Less inept
- 50. A great deal (2 wds)
- 52. Nervous twitches
- 54. Annexes
- 56. A chip, maybe
- 57. Back of the neck
- 58. Dismal
- 59. A type of geometric solid
- 60. Marienbad, for one
- 61. Bully
- 62. ___ mode (2 wds)

SUDOKU

Difficulty: Hard

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HOROSCOPES
 July 2014 — Week 3



March 21 – April 19

Watch it, Aries. The more you give this week, the more that will be taken. Give in reservation. A home chore is completed quickly with the right tools.



April 20 – May 20

Yell and scream all you want, Taurus, but for real change to occur, you are going to have to take a softer touch. A deadline is moved up.



May 21 – June 21

Greatness comes from within, Gemini. Rely more upon your skills and talents than your contacts for an upcoming project. A party is in the works.



June 22 – July 22

Expectations are running high. Do not disappoint, Cancer. Someone in authority is watching. A special occasion calls for some extra-special activities.



July 23– August 22

There is a choice to make. Bite the bullet, Leo. A loved one makes an offer you can't refuse. Travel is on the agenda for the weekend. Enjoy.



August 23– September 22

Some ideas look better on paper, Virgo. Sort through the options carefully. Delays at work lead to frustration. Do something fun to break the tension.



September 23– October 22

Your timing is lousy, Libra. Admit it and take a different approach. A cooking disaster turns into a family favorite with some creativity. Bravo!



October 23– November 21

Helping a friend is like pulling teeth, Scorpio. Keep plugging along, and you will get through to them. An art project finally gets off the ground.



November 22– December 21

Numbers matter, Sagittarius. Pay attention to the bottom line and do some budget crunching. You are nowhere near your goal. A loved one sends mixed messages.



December 22 – January 19

Give credit where credit is due, Capricorn. Don't be a glory hog. It was a team effort. A book points out the obvious. How did you miss that?



January 20 – February 18

Enough, Aquarius. You've skirted the issue for far too long. Address it with purpose. A web of opportunity begins to build at work. Don't miss out.



February 19 – March 20

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder, and you tend to see it more easily than others, Pisces. Don't let a crass comment deter you from a prized purchase.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as FOREST REALTY, 26600 Hwy 243, Suite B, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: PO Box 331, Idyllwild, CA 92549, GARY LEE AGNER, 53964 Marian View Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.
Signed:
GARY LEE AGNER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on June 18, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-05991
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JUNE 18, 2019. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JUNE 18, 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
I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Santana, Deputy
Pub. TC: June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as J O B ELECTRIC COMPANY, 26650 Fairway Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. PO Box 1467, Idyllwild, CA 92549. JEVON OAKS BROWNING, 26650 Fairway Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on April 18, 2009.
Signed:
JEVON OAKS BROWNING
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on June 20, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-06095
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Santana, Deputy
Pub. TC: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as BASS ARMOR, 23744 Vista Way, Quail Valley, CA 92587, Riverside County. PAUL MICHAEL KATIC, 23744 Vista Way, Quail Valley, CA 92587. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.
Signed:
PAUL KATIC
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on June 25, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-06280
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JUNE 25, 2019. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JUNE 25, 2019. THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT

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By: A Ribec, Deputy
Pub. TC: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2014.

**RIC 1406341
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 CAROLINE BOSIBORI NYAIRO.
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner: CAROLINE BOSIBORI NYAIRO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:
a. Present name: CAROLINE BOSIBORI NYAIRO changed to Proposed name: CAROLINE ZAHARA KRISTO.
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: Aug/08/14 Time: 8:30 p.m. Dept. 2.
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier, 54425 North Circle Dr, Idyllwild, 92549.

Date: June 26, 2014
SHARON J WATERS
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as TNT WINDOW CLEANING, 25605 Fir St Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 33 Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, VICKI BERNICE TOPPS, 25605 Fir St, Idyllwild, CA 92549.
This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 1-30-96.
Signed:
VICKI B. TOPPS
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 07/03/2014.

FILE NO.:
I-2014-01728
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JULY 3, 2019. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JULY 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).
CERTIFICATION

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: V. Boyzo-Saucedo, Deputy
Pub. TC: July 10, 17, 24, 31, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as DAN'S GOT CRABS, 40469 Murrieta Hot Spring Rd G-6 Murrieta, CA 92563, Riverside County. DAN'S GOT CRABS LLC, 29140 Wrangler Dr. Murrieta, CA 92563, a California Limited Liability Company. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 7/11/2014.
Signed:
DANIEL RUMORO
Owner, Manager

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on June 23, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-06164
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Flores, Deputy
Pub. TC: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as T-TOWN ACUPUNCTURE, 28936 Old Town Front St., Suite 104, Temecula, CA 92590, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 1502, Idyllwild, CA 92549. MALINDA ELIZABETH GIBBONS L.Ac., 25125 Lodge Rd., Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.
Signed:
MALINDA ELIZABETH GIBBONS, L.Ac.
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 3, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-06502
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Santana, Deputy
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as RUSSOS SAN CARLOS, 2334 Mission Inn Ave, Riverside, CA 92507, Riverside County. MELVIN A RUSSO (ANTHONY), 2334 Mission Inn Ave, Riverside, CA 92507.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.
Signed:
MELVIN A RUSSO
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 7, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-06549
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JULY 7, 2019. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JULY 7, 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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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Santana, Deputy
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as IDYLLWILD MOUNTAIN REALTY, 54695 Marion View Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing Address: PO Box 722, Idyllwild, CA 92549. WILLIAM BRIAN LOWRY, 54695 Marion View Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 7/17/2009.
Signed:
WILLIAM BRIAN LOWRY
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 3, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-06504
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as KINGDOM POPS, KINGDOM OF POPS, KING OF POPS, QUEEN OF POPS, PRINCESS OF POPS, PRINCE OF POPS, ROYAL POPS, 44466 Meadow Grove St, Hemet, CA 92544, Riverside County. EDWARD FLORENCIO MERAZ, 44466 Meadow Grove St, Hemet, CA 92544; and DELIA MELISSA MERAZ, 44466 Meadow Grove St., Hemet, CA 92544.
This business is conducted by a Married Couple.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above.
Signed:
EDWARD FLORENCIO MERAZ
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on June 20, 2014.

FILE NO.:
R-2014-06116
NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JUNE 20, 2019. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JUNE 20, 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

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.
LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: M. Gutierrez, Deputy
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF HOWARD A. KAY
Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the successor trustee for the administration of the

Permit required for cooking outdoors

By BECKY CLARK EDITOR

Anyone wishing to cook outdoors within the Idyllwild Fire Protection District is required to have a fire and barbecue permit issued from the Idyllwild Fire Station. This excludes campgrounds within the district.

Charcoal and wood fires are not permitted. Only electric or propane gas grills are allowed and only between the hours of 10 a.m. and 9 p.m.

The grill must be

at least 5 feet from the nearest combustible materials, such as a tree, hanging limb or LPG gas tank, unless the tank is part of the grill, and at least 10 feet from structures. It also must "be set up on a fire-proof platform extending at least 1 foot in all directions from the heat source," according to the permit application.

Also, a working fire extinguisher or garden hose must be within 10 feet of the grill.

A permit is good for one year.

Idyllwild Death Cafe

Idyllwild Death Cafe is from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, July 22, at Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood. It is limited to 12 participants. Register at 951-659-2523 or info@spiritmountainretreat.org. Call Francoise Frigola at 659-4146 for more information.

Meetings are the fourth Tuesday of each month. Small donations cover coffee, tea, paper plates, napkins and plastic ware.

Howard Kay Living Trust 1998, dated March 23, 1998, wherein the decedent was the settlor, residing at P.O. Box 3176 Idyllwild, CA 92549, within the later of four months after July 17, 2014 or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, 60 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you. A claim form may be obtained from the Orange County court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested to the following:
Linda Weinstock, Trustee of the Howard Kay Living Trust 1998
6841 Mt. Waterman Dr.
Buena Park, CA 90620
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
This is to notify the public that there will be a Public Hearing on August 20, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Idyllwild Water District boardroom. The Board will be considering a water usage rate adjustment beginning September 1, 2014. Information regarding this possible adjustment is available at the Idyllwild Water District office.
Resolution No. 693
Idyllwild Water District Board Room
25945 Idyllwild Road
Idyllwild, CA
(951) 659-2143
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Pertussis epidemic remains strong

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

California's and the nation's current pertussis (whooping cough) epidemic has not abated as spring turned to summer.

"California is currently experiencing a pertussis epidemic ... The last epidemic in California occurred in 2010, however, the overall incidence of pertussis has increased since the 1990s ... Young infants are at greatest risk of hospitalization and death from pertussis, therefore pregnant women are encouraged to receive pertussis vaccine (Tdap) during the 3rd trimester of every pregnancy," the California Department of Public Health wrote in its July 8 report.

Another 835 cases were confirmed in the two weeks from June 24 to July 8. The total confirmed cases in 2014 is at nearly 5,400, which is already twice the number of cases in all of 2013.

Riverside County reported 180 cases of pertussis, compared to 126 cases combined in 2012 and 2013 and 166 in 2011.

The majority of cases where the victim's age is known have occurred in infants and children less

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than 18 years of age and 278 (or 7 percent) were infants under 6 months of age. A total of 156 people have been hospitalized and 29 of these required intensive care. Of the hospitalized patients, 97 were infants less than 4 months of age.

The symptoms of pertussis vary by age. For children, pertussis typically starts with a cough and runny nose that can last up to two weeks. The cough then worsens and turns into rapid coughing spells that end with a tell-tale "whooping" sound.

Young infants may not have typical pertussis symptoms and may have no apparent cough. Parents describe episodes in which the infant's face turns red or purple.

For adults, pertussis may simply be a cough that lasts for several weeks. Older children, pre-adolescents and adults should also be vaccinated against pertussis according to current recommendations.

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



A female rock climber fell about 60 feet Sunday morning while climbing near Lunch Rock on Lily Rock, injuring her right ankle, leg and hip. Fire personnel from Riverside County Fire and Idyllwild Fire responded to Humber Park, sending crews on foot to meet with the patient. Cal Fire Helicopter 301 hoists the patient while other climbers (left) watch on. She was transported to Riverside Regional Medical Center to be treated for her injuries.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Idyllwild groups receive county funds

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

At the July 15 Board of Supervisor's meeting, 3rd District Supervisor Jeff Stone requested his colleagues approval to designate several gifts to Hill groups.

"Jeff is very encouraged by what Idyllwilders are accomplishing," said Verne Lauritzen, Stone's chief of staff. "He wants to help whenever he can."

The Idyllwild HELP Center will receive \$3,000 for winter

heating and utility assistance.

Mountain Preparedness will also receive \$3,000. These funds will be used for monthly tri-level training classes and exercises that complement the group's CERT

Also the Friends of the San Jacinto Mountain County Parks will receive a \$500 gift to help in the restoration of the native Lemon lily.

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Sewer

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finances, a current assessment of its condition and photos of the worst problems. Lynch concluded with several options for increasing the current usage rate.

The staff initially proposed a 100 percent rate increase, but the committee, composed of directors Warren Monroe and John Cook, is recommending a 50 percent rate increase, according to Lynch. This proposal would raise the current monthly rate of \$25.50 by \$12.75. The new monthly rate would be \$38.25.

The sewer revenue, exclusive of property tax assessments assigned to the sewer program, is estimated to reach \$360,000 in 2014-15 and would grow by \$180,000 to nearly \$540,000 annually with the proposed increase.

The costs of the sewer program have increased about 21 percent over the last 10 years to a total of about \$460,000 annually, which is about \$100,000 more than the fees collected from sewer customers. With the addition of property tax revenue, the net loss in 2013-14 was \$2,600. But the cumulative loss, over the same 10-year period is nearly \$140,000.

The sewer program's direct revenues do not cover its costs, Lynch showed the board. "The operating expenditures exceed the sewer revenue. That's the problem," Lynch said.

Further, these are operational costs, without including any capital improvement expenses. Since 2008, IWD has not pursued any major maintenance work. During the period, capital investment in the sewer program has come from the district's reserves, Lynch informed the board.

But new investment is needed now, Lynch said. Planning for some major sewer program capital investment, Lynch is encouraging the board to raise

the rates in order to improve the program's self-sufficiency and to protect the district's reserves.

Lynch is proposing a \$2.2 million sewer capital program over the next five years. The 2014-15 portion would be about \$530,000 and the final \$300,000 in 2018-19. Even with the addition of the proposed revenue increase (about \$180,000 annually), the district will still have to use reserve funds to pay the full cost of the improvements, Lynch told the board.

"The capital needs far exceed the program's revenue and we'll still use reserves," he said.

The most expensive project is a tertiary treatment facility, costing about \$900,000. Repairing and replacing the 1-mile effluent line between the sewer plant and the settling ponds will cost about \$500,000 and is scheduled to begin this fiscal year.

"This line is deteriorated and is at risk of failure," Lynch said. "The last mile between the plant and ponds is disintegrating. How serious? Very serious!"

The pipeline is more than 40 years old and is beyond the ability of the district to reweld it, Lynch confirmed to the board. While the district normally does a video inspection of the sewer pipeline system every 10 years, Lynch indicated that pipeline in this area is too fragile to accommodate the video equipment.

"The rest of the pipeline is generally in good condition," Lynch said. "It has been only 8 years since our last inspection."

"This is a pretty well-defined problem," said director Dean Lattin, "but a problem that needs to be acted on urgently."

Before Lynch brings the rate increase to the board for a decision he wants to mail a letter of notification to sewer customers 45 days in advance of the meeting.

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One year

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charred ruins of their old home — the ground resurgent and resilient, with new green growth everywhere.

Of seven Bonita Vista homeowners who lost their homes, Fisher and Prevosto were the only ones with insurance and the only ones who have returned to a permanent structure.

"One of our neighbors is staying on their land in their fifth wheel [RV] and plan to rebuild," said Fisher. But for the others, the loss, without insurance, makes rebuilding difficult if not impossible.

"It was an emotional moment," said Fisher, "being in our new home on that first night."

Shortly after the Mountain Fire began, Prevosto and Fisher were alerted to the possible danger it posed to their community. At 2 p.m. a friend who was at the Idyllwild transfer station, immediately above the fire's ignition point and could see the direction the fire was taking, warned Prevosto that it had already jumped Highway 243 and was moving east toward Bonita Vista.

Prevosto quickly left a contracting job, which he had been on in Pine Cove, and picked Fisher up from her job in Idyllwild. They were unable to get through to their home, horses and cats due to emergency road closures. First they tried through Mountain Center but fire officials had already shut the highway. They then drove through Banning and up Highway 74 from Palm Desert. This time they made it all the way to Apple Canyon Road; but they could get no farther than the dirt road that winds another mile into their community before being met stopped.

They stayed Monday night in Prevosto's truck,

at the Lake Hemet Market parking lot, watching flames that leapt hundreds of feet into the air in the direction of their secluded property. On Tuesday, fire officials permitted a delegation of Bonita Vista residents to gather at the head of the road leading into Bonita Vista. One resident was conducted back to the community. He returned to the assembled group of residents with tears in his eyes. "Everything's gone," he announced.

So began for Fisher and Prevosto the yearlong process of rebuilding and rebirth that only one of seven homeowners in the once tightknit community has yet been able to accomplish.

"It's been brutal year," said Prevosto of the process of dealing with Riverside County's Building and Transportation Departments [Transportation, because of the need to truck in their manufactured home]. "And I'm a contractor. For anyone else it would have been impossible."

Said Fisher of the many trips to Riverside to secure the necessary permitting, "It was a nightmare. We came in there not understanding the process, and we were treated like cattle. They could have had a better attitude. They could have been kinder."

But on Monday evening, July 14, a day before the one-year anniversary of the start of the Mountain Fire, Fisher and Prevosto were all smiles as they stood

say what all Californians should do. We're proposing the least Californians should do," said Board Chair Felicia Marcus during a conference call last week.

The proposed emergency regulations

Mountain Fire anniversary celebration

Idyllwild Fire is hosting a celebration of the community's return from the Mountain Fire evacuation a year ago. The purpose also is to show completion of Phase 1 of the Idyllwild Fire Station remodel that was possible through donations.

The event is from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 20, at the station. Free food and activities such as operating a fire hose, running an obstacle course and sitting in a fire truck are part of the event, as well as music by local folk band That's All Folk.

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"We're just barely back to where we were a year ago," said Stonitsch.

"The two fires put an end to our summer business," said Tallent, "It took until the holidays [Thanksgiving and Christmas] for people to realize we were still here and that the town was not charred."

Merkaba owners Ron and Kathy Campbell noted the same experience. "It took almost a year for us to see recovery," said Ron. "So many people thought the town was gone. Even after [Mountain Fire] evacuation was lifted, the smoke from the Silver Fire kept people away. All people from the desert could see was the smoke."

Innkeeper Chris Singer with two properties, Silver Pines Lodge and Creekstone Inn, saw a faster recovery. "By Christmas and New Year's things were returning to normal," she said. She noted a New York Times bestseller book by Cheryl Strayed, "Wild," an account of the author's Pacific Crest Trail hike, increased the number of PCT hikers that came through Idyllwild in 2014.

"Even with trail closures because of the fire, there were still more PCT hikers than any year in the past," said Singer. "I had my best spring ever."

For many who returned from the five-day evacuation, there was one word, sometimes uttered cautiously, but still heard frequently, that characterized the serendipity of tropical rain that drenched the Hill on the weekend after the fire began. Of that providential moisture that helped douse the fire then poised to mount the ridge above Fern Valley and make a run into town, many said, "It was a miracle."

"There were so many prayers," said Ron Campbell. "There is so much to be grateful for."

drought conditions. In April, Brown issued an executive order directing the SWRCB to adopt emergency regulations, which it deems necessary to limit outdoor irrigation and other wasteful water practices.

Drought

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that urban landscapes are often over-watered, according to the board's description of its proposals.

"We're not proposing to

were considered at the board's July 15 meeting.

In January, Gov. Jerry Brown proclaimed a State of Emergency and directed state officials to take all necessary actions to prepare for and respond to the current