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CONCERT HALL GROUNDBREAKING: Bruce Ryan, Building and Grounds Committee chair, Bill Lowman, past Idyllwild Arts president; Faith Raiguel, immediate past board chair; Pamela Jordan, Idyllwild Arts president; Lillian Lovelace, Board of Governors and Buzz Holmes, campaign cochair, pose for a photo and sing some songs Saturday during the Groundbreaking Celebration of the William M. Lowman Concert Hall. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



WELCOME VISIT: Living Desert's Deidre Ousterhout shows KoKo the owl to the audience at Idyllwild Library last Saturday. As part of the Living Desert's "Wildlife on Wheels" outreach program, Ousterhout brought several desert animals to IdvIlwild. РНОТО ВУ CHERYL BASYE

Residents recall the days of the Mountain Fire

By Marshall Smith Correspondent

everal days after the year anniversary of the Mountain Fire, Hill residents gathered in the late afternoon to listen to their neighbors' personal recollections of the days and nights of the fire.

ominous clouds or smells of recalled where they were and how they coped as the

Idyllwild. From Monday, July 15, to Sunday, July 21, 2013, from the time the fire began in Mountain Center until mandatory evacuation orders were lifted, Hill residents lived in fear of the fire's destructive progress.

Each resident who worried through those seven At 6 p.m. Thursday, days has a story. A project, July 17, 2014, on a sunlit begun to encourage writearly evening unmarred by ers to recall those events, "Creating a Legacy in Writsmoke, writers and readers ing: Fire Stories of the Mountain and Silver Fires, 2013," facilitated by Katya

Mountain Fire threatened Williamson, sought to collect and archive some of those stories as written and oral history.

These were the memories shared by a number of writers who read their accounts on Thursday. Robert Smith, Gina Genis, Barbara Reese, Marilyn O'Connor Beauchesne, Lola Fisher, Jon Engel, Richard Mozeleski, Sister Rose Marie Stevens, Francoise Frigola, Kristy Baker and Melissa Severa remembered where they See Fire, page 24



Idyllwild Fire, Cal Fire and the U.S. Forest Service pose in front of Truck 621 at the Idyllwild Fire Station Sunday afternoon during the one-year anniversary of the Mountain Fire PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

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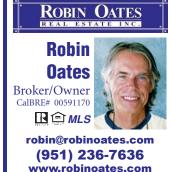
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BUNGALOW COTTAGE IN MAGICAL SETTING

A charming example of a craftsman bungalow in a mountain design. Beautiful open living room with cathedral ceiling and stone fireplace. Cottage style kitchen with adjoining dining nook, pine paneled bedroom and tile bath. Wonderful, private setting on two lots, with river rock walkway and steps among majestic oaks and pines. Multi-level decking



offers tree top views and connects to a separate sleeping room for guests. There is a circular driveway, and detached storage shed/ work shop. Arts & crafts style furniture is included. \$179,000

Efforts underway to secure rattlesnake antivenom

News Editor

Efforts began last week to help Idyllwild residents in case a person or pet is bitten by the notorious Southern Pacific rattle-

Kathy Keane, whose dog Lucky died from a bite this summer, organized the session which 10 people attended. "I don't want anyone else, parent or dog owner, to

go through what I did," she rangement with a veterisaid at the beginning.

During the initial meeting, the attendees discussed several steps, including acquiring a supply of the antivenom and training individuals to administer it. One person asked about the possibility of liability if the person administering the treatment is not a trained medical professional.

narian from Anza. Keane has spoken with her and she may be "willing to come to Idyllwild to administer the antivenom, but as yet has no experience with CroFab [the veterinary name for the antivenom].'

Other topics discussed included meeting with and educating the various summer camps and schools on One possibility is an ar- the Hill about the presence

snake, which carries a neurotoxic venom.

However, Keane and Iver Scott's research discovered that the antivenom could cost between \$2,500 to \$4,000 per vial or \$5,000 to \$6,000 for a pair, the common retail distribution. If bitten, a child or large dog might need four to five vials to recover from the venom's toxic results.

"I'm hoping we have

and potential danger of the enough money to purchase the antivenom so that anyone bitten - human or dog doesn't have to pay for the antivenom," Scott said.

So fundraising will be a major topic as the group goes forward. Also, they will investigate the opportunity to establish and gain a nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) status.

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Injured hiker rescued at Wellman's Divide

On Saturday, July 19, California Department of Parks and Recreation, with the assistance of the California Highway Patrol Aviation Unit, rescued an injured female hiker from Mt. San Jacinto State Park.

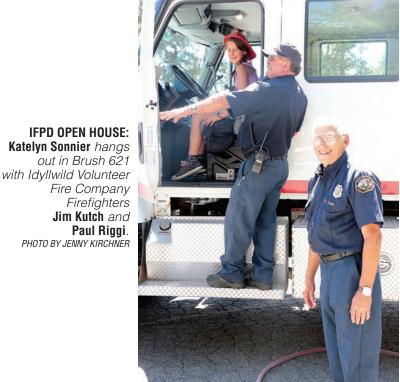
About 4 p.m., the state parks received a brief cell phone call about an injured hiker at Wellman's Divide; unfortunately, the call was dropped. A rescue team was quickly assembled consisting of one ranger and four park aides.

The first member of the rescue team hiked 3 miles to Wellman's Divide with rescue and medical equipment, and found the subject in less than an hour. On scene, the rescuer de-

termined that the injured hiker, from Culver City, could not make it down the mountain on her own, said Todd Friedman of the state parks. The rest of the state parks rescue team with additional equipment arrived on scene to assist.

The aviation unit was contacted to help coordinate rescue efforts. The rescue team carried the injured person about 1 mile to Round Valley where the CHP helicopter was waiting.

From there, CHP transported the subject to Long Valley where the injured hiker rode the Palm Springs Tram down the mountain and was released about 7 p.m., according to Fried-











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Idyllwild Weather **From the National Weather Service**

Thursday 7/24



90/64 Mostly sunny.

Friday 7/25

89/63 Mostly sunny.

Saturday 7/26



86/61 Mostly sunny

Sunday 7/27



86/61 Slight chance of thunderstorms.

Monday 7/28

85/60 Mostly sunny

Idyllwild this year High Low 85 59 80 80 56

7/16 7/17 50 7/19 85 60 7/20 80 58

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55 Idyllwild last year

Date	High	Low	M
7/15	86	59	
7/16	84	55	
7/17	87	49	
7/18	83	55	
7/19	88	60	
7/20	80	62	
7/21	73	57	0.22

Moisture in inches

To date this season (Idy): 0.04 To date last season (Idy): 0.23 Total last season (ldy): 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.idyllwildtowncrier.com or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

Public hearings on IWD rate increases

By J.P. CRUMRINE NEWS EDITOR

The Idyllwild Water District board set a public hearing on the proposed sewer rate increase for Sept. 10. This will be a busy end of summer for the board since the public hearing on the water program increase will be Aug. 20, only three weeks earlier.

During discussion of the date for the sewer rate public hearing, directors Mike Frietas and John Cook expressed some worry that the increase would not be sufficient over the next decade.

But General Manager Tom Lynch responded, "You could raise it in the future or possibly lower it, too. I'm happy to bring it back on an annual basis for your review."

IWD will consider a

sewer rates. Its sewer system and wastewater plant 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 Lynch.

This proposal would raise the current monthly rate by \$12.75, from \$25.50 to \$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.

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 ad-

50-percent increase for ditional revenue, IWD will Edison's analysis of the said it would be testing still have to use reserve funds to pay the full cost of the improvements, Lynch told the board at the July 9 workshop.

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

Preliminary financial results are positive for both the water and sewer programs, according to Chief Financial Officer Hosny Shouman. The water program ended the year with a net surplus of about \$168,000 and the sewer program had a surplus of about \$37,000. However, both estimates are before depreciation and healthcare benefits for retirees have been deducted.

> Southern California

use and efficiency of IWD's pumps and pumping plan has been completed. As the staff reviews it, implementing some changes may generate future savings, Lynch said.

Over the next several months, we will be testing changes in our operational procedures, for example, pumping in off-peak hours. This may entail modifying certain well equipment and how we use it," he told the board.

When asked about the IWD's water situation, Lynch replied, "We're real close [to Stage 3] ... If it's dry through August and high temperatures continue, we might be there. The well levels are holding the same position as last month."

He did mention that Idyllwild Fire Department

Salaries and benefits

its equipment later this month, but were cooperating with the district by using greywater for the exer-

Construction of the Tollgate water tank has been completed and IWD has begun filling it, Lynch reported. A state public health inspection is scheduled for July 23.

Although IWD remains precariously in Stage 2, June production was 8.1

600,000 less than June 2013. This is the seventh consecutive month that the comparison to the previous year's month has been less.

For the first half of 2014, IWD has produced 39.5 million gallons of water, which is 6.1 million (13.4 percent) less than the first six months of 2013.

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PCWD's non-water income under pressure

Lessees want lower rent

By J.P. CRUMRINE News Editor

Actual revenues for the Pine Cove Water District in fiscal 2013-14 came within \$809 of the projected total of \$760,000, but the board had to confront the question of whether its funds from communications leases will begin to erode in the future.

Several lessees, including Riverside County, have asked the district to consider lowering its annual fee or risk losing the lease.

"I told them there would be no changes this year. I need more information for the board to make a decision," General Manager Jerry Holldber said to the directors. "I'll get back to the board in a few months.'

PCWD has leased space at its Rocky Point facility to telecommunication providers for several years. Lessees include cell companies such as Sprint and government entities.

PCWD collects more than \$160,000 annually from these leases. This amounts to slightly more than 20 percent of its reve-

At the July 9 meeting, three separate lessees — Riverside County, Comtronix and Sprint — asked to renegotiate their leases, otherwise, they said, they may have to end them upon expiration.

"The board is sensitive to their situation, but also wants the water district to come out well," affirmed Board President Michael Esnard. He then directed Holldber to find a solution satisfactory to the district and Comtronix.

Some of the directors were more sympathetic to the plight of the lone businessman rather than the county. However, Pine Cove resident Marge Muir reminded them that Pine Cove residents pay county property taxes, too.

Expenses for the fiscal year 2013-14 budget were about \$7,000 more than projected, at \$832,237, which was about \$73,000 more than revenue. Reserves supplied the difference, which was largely for capital investments when the budget was adopted in

During the year, the district purchased a lot on Franklin Drive and repaired its tractor. Also Holldber purchased sufficient totaled about \$440,000, or and future work.

"I'm still expecting to put in 5,000 feet [of pipeline] this year," he said. "It all depends on the weather." During 2013-14, his crew was able to install about 4,000 feet of new pipeline.

pipe for the current project more than half of all expenses, but were 2 percent under the projected budget amount. Holldber also announced that final payment (\$33,000) to CALP-ERS for post-employment benefits, other than retirement, is now fully funded. See PCWD, page 5

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BC: I'm taking a break this week to let Jack Clark comment.

So, whom do you believe?

You've read the grand jury's account of sworn testimonies it received from present and former IFPD firefighters and EMTs. (TC, July 10, p. 5.) IFPD commissioners read it, too, then unanimously ratified promoting Admin. Capt. Mark LaMont. (TC, July 17, p. 6.) So we've got to be asking ourselves: Who's lying here?

Obviously, the commissioners know LaMont far better than most of us and clearly don't believe he did the dishonest acts firefighters and EMTs testified he did, else they wouldn't have ratified his promotion. Which means they believe multiple past and present firefighters and EMTs lied under oath to the grand jury, perjuring themselves. And, perjury is a felony punishable by a term of two, three or four years in the state penitentiary.

The commissioners apparently believe their department hired people capable of perjury to respond to our medical and fire calls. We don't want to believe that. We want to believe these people are honest, and officially, FULLY trained and certified to do the jobs taxpayers pay them to do. We do not want to believe a dishonest administrator helped them fake their certifications. Future employers of IFPD firefighters and EMTs won't want to believe that either.

Firefighters and EMTs are our heroes, not just for what they've done, but for what they stand ready to do, even to the point of risking their lives to save second homes of people they don't know. They deserve the best we can afford to give them: the best salaries, the best benefits and the best equipment and facilities we can afford.

They deserve the best administration we can give them, too.

Jack Clark

Fire protection

Though several people in Idyllwild have generously at- 🄏 tempted to explain to me the areas of great consternation that surround the Idyllwild Fire Protection District, Riverside County and the grand jury, I yet fail to understand the problem. Just can't get my mind around it. Could be

my age, my unwillingness to focus or my general impatience with almost everything.

But I have to comment, nonetheless. Of course. It's what I do.

Living in Idvllwild, I feel safe, I am protected by firefighters and emergency technicians who, thus far, have not failed

Obviously, we are living on the edge of great peril. But for this moment, I am OK and can only feel gratitude for IFPD. For their protection. For their steadfastness and willingness to live in danger for

Simplistic, perhaps. Genuine, of course.

> BOBBIE GLASHEEN IDYLLWILD

READERS

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Idyllwild, don't be silent

EDITOR:

Are the citizens of Idyllwild willing to stay silent while a handful of Pine Cove residents and this newspaper does everything in their power to replace our own Idyllwild Fire Protection District with Cal Fire? I would hope not, but it sure seems that way.

These aforementioned people, for reasons known only to them, are determined to destroy the fire department that has served us since 1946.

One would think that since they are already served by Cal Fire they would be content, but no, they are also served by our ambulances, and, oh my gosh, the service is terrible. They dream up one more bogus problem after another, like saying the IFPD ambulance service has the worst on-time record in the county,

when, in fact, it has the best - a 98.2-percent record of responding within the allotted time.

If people get their wish and start being served by American Medical Response instead of IFPD they'll see what waiting forever for an ambulance while you're having a heart attack or a stroke is like.

And as for Riverside County Fire Department supplying an ambulance, consider the fact that when asked how much that would cost, RFCD Fire Chief John Hawkins, along with several top level assistants, agreed it would cost about \$900,000 per year. That was at a meeting the grand jury asked IFPD to have with RCFD several years

It's difficult to determine the cost for one RCFD fire engine and three firefighters because RCFD doesn't have budgets for each of its 23 fire stations. Most of them consist of one RCFD fire engine and three firefighters at an estimated cost of \$1.500,000 a year. Compare that to the \$1,800,000 IFPD costs us, which includes three ambulances.

Remember that when you hire a RCFD/Cal Fire firefighter, you're paying for what it costs the department to supply that one firefighter, which includes a small share of the cost for every administrator from the chief on down, all of the support staff, the cost of equipment, etc. plus 11 percent of the total to cover state-level administrative and training costs. An example of how this works is how much it would cost us if we were a city and contracted with the sheriff for law enforcement services — about \$65 per hour per deputy.

So, good citizens of Idyllwild, take charge of your future. Don't leave it to the Pine Cove malcontents.

> BEN KILLINGSWORTH IDYLLWILD

Editor's note: For the record, the Town Crier has never advocated replacing Idyllwild Fire Protection District with Cal Fire.

MATTER OF FACT

In last week's story about Gina Genis, her husband, Brent Lufkin, was described as a military alumni. He is, in fact, on active duty in the U.S. Army.

In last week's Idyllwild Fire Protection District story, Tammy Fogle's name was misspelled.

Town Crier regrets the errors.

How to get a letter published

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

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IFPD revenue estimates improve

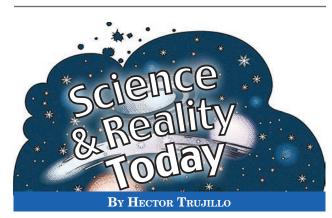
By J.P. Crumrini News Editor

Revenue for fiscal 2014-15 is looking much more favorable for the Idyllwild Fire Protection District. At the July 21 Finance Committee meeting, Chair and Commissioner Nancy Layton announced that the July estimates have increased \$156,000 since the original May estimate was released.

IFPD's revenue estimate for this fiscal year is now \$2.32 million, up from \$2.16 million, a 7.25-percent increase. Layton said that Capt. Mark LaMont received new projections from the county.

According to Riverside County's Assessor's Office, the assessed value of property in Idyllwild has increased 4 percent in 2014, to \$740.9 million from \$713 million.

In addition, the Finance Committee added \$72,000 to the revenue projection for the collection of two state revenue streams —in-lieu taxes and homeowners' property tax relief. These amounts were received in 2013-14 and prior years, so the committee felt they should be included in the 2014-15 estimate.



Neuroplasticity and the learning brain...

We've all had that moment of running around like a chicken with its head cut off.

Perhaps it happened when we couldn't find the car keys and feared we were going to be late for work. It's only after a few minutes that we realize the keys were in our hand all along—joke's on you: You're fired.

The term neuroplasticity is derived from the words neuron and plastic. The human brain consists of 10 billion neurons. Every single neuron has the entire human genome in it. Every neuron is connected to thousands of other neurons with which it communicates.

The number of connections reaches the hundreds of trillions, which means when we learn something new it physically changes our brain.

Once people believed that the human brain could not generate new neurons after a certain age; so once a neuron was lost it was lost forever. This assumed that we are born with a finite number of neural cells and once the cell died no new one could grow. More recent data shows this assumption is wrong.

Our brains receive an astonishing amount of input everyday. At night while asleep (which is why enough sleep is such a crucial part of health) that new information is organized and pieced together.

When college students study all night "cramming" for an exam they are actually hurting their chances of obtaining that good grade. No matter how much information is taken in they will not be able to retain it for the next day (especially when you order pizza at midnight as we did).

So what is the key to learning and memory? One word—innovation.

Think about it. When you take the same route to work everyday, go to the same places every weekend or only talk to the same people, your brain is not being challenged. Your brain is not receiving new input from different ideas or experiences; so it has no reason

Overall, the revenue forecast is nearly \$230,000 more than the May estimate.

The committee will suggest some changes to the expenditures for the current year, but the total will be available at its next meeting on Aug. 4. Examples of these changes include budgeting \$1,000 for fire prevention and community education, and \$3,600 for the cost of renting the site for its repeater tower.

The committee also devoted significant effort to modifying the budget structure to ensure it meets commission and management needs, for example, establishing an account for travel, transportation and training. Within this account would be subaccounts for the commissioners, staff and others.

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PCWD

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Future payments will keep the account current.

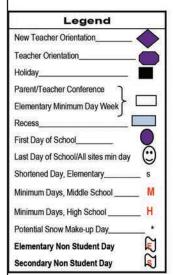
"The amount was refigured and this is the last payment," Holldber told the board. "Now we have no unfunded liability."

In water business, PCWD produced 4 million gallons of water in June, compared to 3.6 million last year. For the first half of 2014, PCWD customers have used about 25,000 gallons more than during the first six months of 2013.

"It's dry and summer is here," Holldber said about the production. "Also I think recent years are closer to normal than not. The past 50 years were probably wet and 15 to 20 inches is more normal. This year, the problem is most of the rain fell last summer and not much in the winter."

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Labor Day - September 1, 2014
Veterans Day - November 11, 2014
Thanksgiving Day - November 27, 2014
Local Holiday - November 28, 2014
Local (Floating) Holiday December 24, 2014
Christmas Holiday - December 25, 2014
Local Holiday - December 31, 2014
New Year's Day - January 1, 2015
MLK's Birthday - January 19, 2015
Washington's Birthday - February 16, 2015
Lincoln's Birthday (obs.)- February 20, 2015
Memorial Day - May 25, 2015

School Recesses
Thanksgiving Recess
November 24-28, 2014
Winter Recess
December 22, 2014 – January 2, 2015
Presidents' Days Recess
February 16-20, 2015
Spring Recess
March 30 – April 3, 2015

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State limits outdoor water use

By J.P. CRUMRINE News Editor

At its July 15 meeting, the State Water Resource Control Board adopted emergency regulations to curtail wasteful use of water outdoors where those in violation in urban areas could be fined up to \$500 each day during the drought.

Prohibitions include washing vehicles without a nozzle on the hose; watering of hardscapes, such as driveways, sidewalks, and asphalt; and using potable water without recirculation pumps for fountains and other decorative water fixtures.

While these regulations were aimed at large urban suppliers, even small water districts are subject to them, according to Kathie A. Smith, SWRCB public informa-

In the staff briefing to the board, Max Gomberg said, 'For smaller water systems, they'll be expected to implement mandatory outdoor irrigation restrictions and limit outdoor irrigation to no more than two days per week. Or implement other mandatory conservation measures to achieve a comparable reduction in water consumption relative to the amount consumed in 2013."

El Niño may mitigate, not end, drought

By J.P. CRUMRINE News Editor

Last week, Alex Tardy, meteorologist with National Weather Service in San Diego provided the following YouTube video comments about the current drought and the possibility of relief if a fall or winter El Niño pattern develops. [These comments are paraphrased so are not in quotes.1:

An El Niño is the warming of the equatorial Pacific Ocean. This change in ocean conditions can alter the jet stream. The result is that the jet stream tends to move across Southern California bringing more storms

The Pacific Ocean, in the region monitored for developing El Niños, has warmed significantly over the past couple months. Recently, it has leveled

Based on the forecasts from various computer models, we expect to go into a moderate El Niño between the fall and early winter.

Southern California would need about 150 percent of normal precipitation to end the drought or to call it a drought buster.

While wet and rainy weather are associated with El Niños, past El Niños have resulted in variable precipitation. For example, during the winters of 2004-05 and 2006-07, similar El Niño conditions occurred but dissimilar weather resulted.

The winter of 2004-05 is famous for significant floods in Southern California. It was a very wet year overall with numerous storms moving across that region. In contrast, in 2006-07, with a similar strength El Niño, very little precipitation fell. In fact, it was near record-breaking precipitation on the dry side across the state and a drought ensured.

The average rainfall in San Diego from October to April during an El Niño season is 11.8 inches. But it ranges from 3.8 to 22.5 inches The large variability in seasonal precipitation mainly occurs during weak to moderate El Niños. The strong El Niños have been more consistent with above-normal precipita-

The Climate Prediction Center has just released its outlook for temperature and precipitation for the rest of the summer and early fall. While this forecast unfortunately projects continued warm weather, optimistically it expects above-normal precipitation in Southern Califor-

This winter, from December through February, the NWS is forecasting an above normal chance of precipitation.

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Franz Huber of Idyllwild is concerned about the trimming of his Virginia Creeper during a Southern California Edison abatement project. He had nurtured the vine for 19 years and was disappointed to see it cut in half, especially since it was under the power line, not over it. PHOTO BY CHERYL BASYE



Chris Fox, on the Safe and Well Committee for Mountain Disaster Preparedness, blasts at an imaginary fire target with a common household ABC chemical extinguisher. Use of various extinguishers was part of the Small Fire Safety and Suppression training, which MDP held last Thursday at the Idyllwild Fire Station. PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE



Idyllwild Arts to perform at UCLA In celebration of the 65th year of its Summer Pro-

gram, Idyllwild Arts is hosting a free concert at UCLA in Los Angeles. The event is at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, in Royce Hall on campus. The performance marks the culmination of Chamberfest and Festival Choir, intensive two-week programs held for outstanding high-school level musicians.

Idyllwild Arts High School Chamberfest Concert, under the direction of Larry Livingston will include the classical repertoire of Beethoven's "Symphony No. 4," Bruch's "Kol Nidrei," Tchaikovsky's "Waltz and Polonaise" and Felix Mendelssohn's "Hebrides Over-

Idyllwild Arts High School Choir Concert, under the direction of Dr. Joseph Modica, will perform "Requiem Mass" by Maurice Duruflé.







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Congress seeking solution for paying wildfire costs

By J.P. Crumrine News Editor

Last week, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee held a hearing on the U.S. Forest Service 2014-15 budget request. However, the focus of most of the witnesses and Senate members was on possible solutions to the perennial "forest borrowing" problem.

If the costs of firefighting exceed the funds Congress has appropriated, the Forest Service can only rely on using funds that were originally for other purposes, such as forestry, recreation

construction, to pay immediate fire suppression expenses. This has happened in eight of the past 10 years. Usually, Congress will pass a supplemental bill after fire season restoring the borrowed amounts, but the total does not always equal the borrowed funding.

Recently, two separate bills have been introduced to alleviate this problem. Senators Ron Wyden, D-Ore., and Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, proposed S. 1875 and a week before the hearing, Senators John Mc-Cain, R-Ariz., Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., and John Barrasso, R-Wyo. offered S. 2593.

Meanwhile the administration proposed its own solution, similar to S. 1875, in its fiscal 2014-15 budget proposal.

As the hearing began, Chair Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., defined the issue: "The exponential growth in the cost of fighting larger and more intense fires has put a real strain on the budget of the Forest Service in particular. In 1991, the Forest Service spent 13 percent of its overall budget on wildfire management, but today that number is over 40 percent."

The Wildfire Disaster Funding Act, S. 1875, would place wildfire in the same category as oth- McCain and the other sener natural disasters, such as hurricanes, floods and earthquakes. This approach was also included in President Barack Obama's 2014-15 budget request for the Forest Service.

Seventy percent of the anticipated cost of fire suppression would be funded in the traditional appropriation process, but any costs exceeding that level would come from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's disaster funding.

S. 2593 offers a slightly different cure to the "forest borrowing" conundrum.

ators see a difference between wildfires and natural disasters.

"... wildfires deserve some level of budget flexibility. But unlike hurricanes and earthquakes, the federal government can take action to reduce wildfire severity through forest thinning," McCain told the senate committee.

Thus, this bill would make disaster funding available only if 100 percent of the anticipated fire suppression costs have been budgeted. Another criterion is the investment of funding in hazardous fuels reduction project and insect disease treatment projects.

Forest Service Chief Thomas Tidwell testified that S. 1875, similar to the administration's proposal, would "stop fire transfers and that disruptive process and promote stable funding sources."

In support of thinning projects, Tidwell We've analyzed more than 1,000 of our hazardous fuel treatments and over 90 percent of these treatments have reduced the severity of the fire's behavior. So it's easier for us and safer for firefighters.'

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Future and present wildfire funding for the Forest Service

By J.P. CRUMRINE News Editor

During this month, some progress has occurred regarding wildfire funding for the U.S. Forest Service. Congress has taken its first step to provide funding for next fiscal year while President Barack Obama is seeking more money for the current fire season.

Fiscal year 2014-15

Last week, the U.S. House of Representatives Appropriations Committee approved a fiscal vear 2014-15 funding bill for the U.S. Forest Service, the Department of Interior and other agencies.

Overall, the committee recommended a \$5.6 billion appropriation for the Forest Service, which is \$85.7 million more than the amount enacted for 2013-14 but \$141.9 million less than Obama had requested.

Funding for wildland fire management and con-

struction were increased, while funding for the National Forest System and land acquisitions were decreased.

The committee recommended funding fire suppression at a 10-year fire expenditure average. Another \$470 million in fire suppression funding is provided to address projected suppression shortfalls during the 2014 fire season. The Forest Service already has forecast that this year's funding for suppression will be short of needed resources.

The committee indicated that the administration's proposal to use Disaster Relief funding for future wildfires was outside its jurisdiction. Until Congress changes the funding mechanism, this committee will fund suppression activities directly.

Funding for wildfire preparedness was \$130 million more than the president's request to acquire two next-generation firefighting aircraft.

The committee also recommended another \$23 million for hazardous fuels reduction. The committee directed the Forest Service to implement effective treatments in frequent-fire forests that restore forest resiliency and reduce hazardous fuels. Treatments should be placed to effectively modify fire behavior and protect assets at risk,

including life and property. The committee pressed concern about the threat of invasive forest pests and directed the

agency to prepare a report the border-crossing situaon its efforts to eradicate or mitigate these threats.

For every category of capital improvements and maintenance — facilities, roads trails and deferred the committee recommended more funding than available last year or than the president requested.

Fiscal year 2013-14

On July 8, the president requested Congress to appropriate another \$3.7 bil-

tion. However, \$615 million was for wildfire funding; but no congressional action has yet been taken.

This funding would provide the necessary expenses for wildfire suppression and rehabilitation activities this fiscal year so we can fight fires without having to resort to damaging transfers from our wildfire treatment and protection activities," the president said in his letter to Congress. "Too often in lion, most of which was for recent years, this cycle of

transfers has undermined our efforts to prepare for and reduce the severity of wildfires, which is both fiscally imprudent and self-defeating."

The purpose of the supplemental funding is to avoid the continuing problem of using funds from other Forest Service programs, such as forestry and recreation, to fund the unplanned costs of summer firefighting.

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Health care for local uninsured

A Riverside County Mobile Health Clinic brings free health care services to Idyllwild at Town Hall, usually the second Wednesday of every month.

The next event is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13. Services include general medical exams, sickchild visits and health screenings for blood pressure, dia-

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

For more information, call 951-486-5765.





For the Idyllwild Arts & Enter- 54360 Marian View Dr. tainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page 9.

Wednesday, July 23

- 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 951-659-2844.
- Awareness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 951-659-2523.
- · AWANA for ages 3-fifth grade, 5:45-8 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church, 54400 Pine Crest Ave.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, women only, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard
- Idyllwild Contemporary Book Club, 6 p.m. Nature's Wisdom, 54377 Ridgeview
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Thursday, July 24

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.: meeting, noon. Št. Hugh's Episco-pal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m.-noon. Cross Road 243 Church office, 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center. 951-659-0097
- Free warm lunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Teen Book Club for Home-schoolers, noon-2 p.m.; Idyllwild Elders, 3:30-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pinecrest Ave. Show up or phone 951-659-4910.
- American Legion board meeting, 6 p.m. Post 800,

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

• Narcotics Anonymous, 8-9

p.m. Spiritual Living Center,

Monday, July 28

- Alcoholics Anonymous women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Al-Anon, Open Meeting, 7-8:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahauitz 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.

Friday, July 25

• Book Club, 7 p.m. Creek-

stone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest

7:30-9 p.m. Spiritual Living

Center, Church of Religious

Science, 26120 Ridgeview

Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Narcotics Anonymous,

- 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. Cross Road 243 Church, Mountain Center. Distribution at the former Morning Sky School on Hwy. 243.

Saturday, July 26

- Mountain Disaster Preparedness Boots on the ground exercise, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. IdvIIwild Fire Station.
- Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. in room 202 (Courtyard Building) 26120 Ridgeview Drive. 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.

Sunday, July 27

- 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. IdvIIwild 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).

Tuesday, July 29

- 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 Drive (the Courtyard Building).
- English as a Second Language, 6-8 p.m.; Inlandia Writers Group Reading, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.

Wednesday, July 30

- 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.
- 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).
- Fireside Book Club, 2-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center 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.

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

Golf volunteers needed

Grandfathers for Golf, the nonprofit organization that teaches kids how to golf for free, needs men and women volunteers to help with the summer program, and they don't have to be a grandparent to volunteer. Record numbers of children have been signed up to learn the game at the two participating golf courses: Echo Hills in Hemet and Golden Era in San Jacinto, according to Board Director Jim Cran-

Volunteers work in groups with kids, teaching them golf fundamentals — putting, chipping and swinging away — in addition to teaching the rules of golf and golf etiquette. The

program not only teaches kids how to play golf but also gives them fundamentals for a good life: sportsmanship, honesty, integrity, humility and tenac-

Volunteers may work one, two or three mornings a week. Sessions are from 7:30 to 9 a.m. and from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. In addition to the rewarding work of helping teach kids a great game, volunteers may golf for free at Golden Era Golf Course.

For more information, contact Grandfathers President Tony Viola at 909-754-4148 or grandfathersforgolf@ yahoo.com.

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

The Idyllwild Fire Station responded to the following calls, Tuesday, July 15, through Monday, July 21.

Idyllwild

- July 15 Rescue.
- July 15 Public service assistance.
- July 16 Medical aid.
- July 17 Medical aid.
- July 18 Rescue.
- July 18 Two medical aids.
- July 20 Four medical aids.
- July 21 Medical aid.

Mountain Center

• July 17 — Dispatched and canceled en route.

Pine Cove

• July 17 — Rescue.

Sheriff's log

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

Idyllwild

- July 13 Check the welfare, 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by dep-
- July 13 Search and rescue operation, 24000 block of Fern Valley Rd. Handled by deputy.
- July 14 Noise complaint, Lodge Rd. Handled

by deputy.

- July 14 911 hang-up from cell phone, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- July 14 Vehicle theft, Cedar St. Handled by deputy.
- July 14 Public disturbance, 25000 block of Rim Rock Rd. Handled by deputy.
- July 15 Fraud, Deer Foot Ln. Únfounded.
- July 15 Suspicious circumstance, 53000 block of Marian View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 15 - Public disturbance, 52000 block of Double View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 16 Vicious dog, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- July 16 Silent alarm, address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- July 17 Battery, N. Circle Dr. Report taken.
- July 17 Follow-up, address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- July 17 Assist other department, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- July 18 Alarm call, N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 18 Area check, Delano Dr. and Four Chimneys. Handled by deputy.
- July 18 Suspicious person, Strawberry Valley Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 18 Noise complaint, Hemstreet Pl. Handled by deputy.
- July 19 Suspicious person, 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Unfounded.

Pine Cove

- July 14 Check the welfare, Cedar St. Handled by deputy.
- July 16 911 call, Rockmere Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 16 Check the welfare, Overlook Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 17 Assist other department, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- July 19 Harrassing phone calls, address withheld. Unfounded.

Poppet Flats

- July 17 Shots fired, Cryer Dr. Handled by deputy.
- July 17 911 hang-up from cell phone, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- July 17 Shots fired, Granite Rd. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino **National Forest**

- July 15 Alarm call, 56000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.
- July 15 Area check, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- July 15 Area check, 47000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.
- July 16 Suicide threat, address withheld. Unfound-
- July 18 Petty theft, 49000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Unfounded.
- July 18 Found property, 56000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.
- July 18 Shots fired, 27000 block of Bluegrass Ct. Handled by deputy.

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 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday 6593850.

•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.



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 23

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m. Town Hall.
- Art With Saffron, 3-4:30 p.m. Ages 6-9. Idyllwild Library.
- Lawrence Spector, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Thursday, July 24

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Idyllwild Summer Concert, Dan Papaila Group, 6:15 p.m.; Yve Evans Group, 7 p.m. Idyllwild Community Park.
- Student instrumental recital, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Friday, July 25

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Children's Center multiarts open house, 2:45 p.m. Children's Center; Young Harpists Recital, 7 p.m. &

Student Chamber Music Recital, 7 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall. Idyllwild Arts.

- Hojo Reynolds, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
- Stratford Players theater, "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike," 7 p.m. Caine Learning Center.

Saturday, July 26

- Children's/Junior Artists' Culminations: fashion design, modern art, clay/ sculpture & Magic of Art, 9:30 a.m.; computer animation, Page to Stage, 10 a.m.; Acting for Camera, 10:45 a.m.; musical theater, 11:30 a.m. Children's Center; youth art exhibit, 10 a.m., Parks Center; youth fashion show, 10 a.m. old dining hall; youth readings, 10 a.m., Todd Quad; dance culmination, 10 a.m., Fisher Studio; Acting/Directing for Camera, 10 a.m., Ryan; Symphonic Band, noon, High School Wind Ensemble, 2 p.m., High School Symphony Orchesra, 4 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.
- Three Skinz, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
- Stratford Players theater,
 "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike," 7 p.m.
 Caine Learning Center.

Sunday, July 27

• Stratford Players theater,



Last year at this time, Idyllwild was evacuated due to the Mountain Fire, and the Wind Ensemble performance wasn't able to happen. Many who were at Idyllwild Arts last year returned this year and performed Saturday afternoon to a standing-room-only crowd at the IAF Theatre.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

"Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike," 2 p.m. Caine Learning Center.

• Idyllwild Author Series, Rob Roberge, "The Cost of Living," 3 p.m. Cafe Aroma.

Monday, July 28

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Storytime, "Paws Party," 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Tuesday, July 29

• Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.;

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

- Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Parks Exhibition Center opening, 7 p.m. Idyllwild Arts

Wednesday, July 30

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 9-10 a.m. Town Hall.
- Tim Hornsey, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
- Chamber Music in Idyllwild Series, pre-concert talk with Rich Capparella, 7:30 p.m., Concert, 8

p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Thursday, July 31

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Idyllwild Summer Concert, Swift Pony, 6:15 p.m.; Grupo Bohemio, 7 p.m.. Idyllwild Community Park.

Friday, Aug. 1

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- That's All Folk, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine

Shoppe Bistro.

- Stratford Players theater, "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike," 7 p.m. Caine Learning Center.
- Faculty Recital, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Saturday, Aug. 2

- Lenny Hansell, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
- Stratford Players theater, "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike," 7 p.m. Caine Learning Center.
- Chamber Music in Idyllwild Series, pre-concert talk with Rich Capparella, 7:30 p.m., Concert, 8 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

Sunday, Aug. 3

- Stratford Players theater, "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike," 2 p.m. Caine Learning Center.
- Idyllwild Author Series, Dete Meserve, "Good Sam," 3 p.m. Cafe Aroma.

Monday, Aug. 4

- Idyllwild Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon & noon-5 p.m.; Adult Yoga, Trine Bietz, 11 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Tuesday, Aug. 5

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

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Stratford Players to perform comedy

Called a "sublime state of hilarity" by New York Magazine, "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike," a Tony Award-winning comedy by Christopher Durang, opens at 7 p.m. Friday, July 25, at the Caine Learning Center, 54835 Pine Crest Ave.

It continues at 7 p.m. Saturday July 26, Friday, Aug. 1, Saturday, Aug. 2 and Saturday, Aug. 9, and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. July 27, Aug. 3 and Aug.

Stratford Players Artistic Director Marsha Kennedy scored a producing coup by securing one of the first non-professional company licensing rights to this farcical riff on some of the characters from the plays of Anton Chekhov. Initially rebuffed in her attempt to get the rights and having been told to contact again after October 2014 when they could then "predict the play's future availability," Kennedy remained undaunted and persisted.

She wrote, "Our town is a mountain town so small that it does not have a stoplight. You have to really want to get here ... All this is to say we won't be taking audience away from any other theatre. People who live here would rather commit suicide than drive into L.A. Please let us do this play this summer."

So, instead of some other oft-produced comedy, Stratford is mounting the very recent, very fresh and very funny "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike," a nod to Chekhov's characters' dashed dreams, squandered hopes and unfulfilled longings that L.A. Times reviewer Charles McNulty called a giddy and hilarious farce.

Two dour siblings in their 50s and 60s have spent their lives caring for their aging parents at the family home in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, while their sister traveled the world as a B movie queen. After the parents die, movie star Masha returns with boy toy Spike in tow with the intention to sell the house. Toss into the mix an in-your-face, tart-tongued, sooth-saying cleaning lady and a sweet young girl from next door, and the result becomes hilariously combustible.

At turns sweet, laughout-loud funny and profoundly moving, "Vanya"

careens, cavorts and captivates. No audience can resist.

Directed by theater veteran Marshall Smith, VSMS stars Preston Sparks as Vanya, Debbie Overman as Sonia, Jeri Greene as Masha, Todd Fowler as Spike and Celeste Oliva as Nina.

Tickets for opening night are \$12. All other performances are \$15.

After each matinee, a Q and A will occur with producer, actors and director for audience members who wish to stay.

For more information, visit www.stratfordplayers.com.

At right, Judy Peebles watches her son Prasad Peebles, who seems happy to get his fingerprints taken as part of the volunteer application process at Town Hall's open house last week. This would be Prasad's second volunteer job as he is currently helping out at Living Free Animal Sanctuary. Riverside County Parks and Open Spaces held the special event for Idyllwild locals who would otherwise have to go to Hemet during the work week.

PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE



The Art Alliance of Idyllwild held a judged show this weekend. The Artist of the Year award is shared by two winners this year - Johnathan Wiltshire (left) and Gwen Novak (right). Molly Colman (middle) presents the award to the 2014 winners.





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Author Dete Meserve finds decency in the dark

By Marshall Smith CORRESPONDENT

Author Dete Meserve asks in her novel "Good Sam" (Melrose Hill, 2014) whether acts of kindness would ever make the nightly news or front pages of print media. "We are constantly bombarded with stories about senseless murders, natural disasters, tragic accidents, massive fraud and the dark side of the American dream," she notes on her home page. "I wondered what would happen if someone were doing extraordinary good? Would the news media even cover

Meserve is the final author in year four of Eduardo Santiago's Idyllwild Author Series. She and Santiago wrap the series at 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3, on the deck of Cafe Aroma.

With a background in broadcast media, much of it in public radio and television, Meserve understands the headline-grabbing nature of what is dark — accidents and atrocities to which we are drawn and cannot look away. In her present career as president of Wind Dancer Films, she develops and funds films



Dete Meserve, next speaker at local author series PHOTO COURTESY OF DETE MESERVE

and television series, and must, therefore, know what the public wants to see and what sells.

However, just as Kate Bradley, her central character in "Good Sam," understands the dark underbelly of urban living, covering the "Bummer Beat" (tragedy) — the alleyways and neighborhoods of Los Angeles that are avoided by most — for a TV station, Meserve is fascinated by how even the most deeply wounding acts and events call out people who come to help, motivated by a desire to assist and do good. That was her impetus to write "Good Sam," reviewed by Kirkus Reviews as "a fastpaced mystery/romance that's well grounded in the nitty-gritty details of TV

And in a life-imitates-art story, "Good Sam" the novel has inspired readers to perform acts of kindness. Meserve posts their "Good Sam" stories on her Facebook page www.facebook.com/Good-SamBook.

Meserve has moved steadily through the corridors of Hollywood power in her job bankrolling major studio film and television projects. She knows, as she said, how to "land your ship on a dime," and that every dollar spent needs to show up in the product. Because of her experience as a movie executive, she decided, as a first-time novelist seeking publication, to go the self-publishing route. She had won the 2013 Readers Favorite Book Awards Contest in Women's Fiction and wanted to retain rights and control of how her novel would be marketed. "This way it's my own and the readers'," she said. "This is a powerful message, the search for good, and I wanted it to be handled in a certain way.'

Asked about how she writes, Meserve said, she starts with character, in this case her protagonist

and the central idea of how a jaundiced news reporter, good at covering the seamy side of back-alley beats, learns to find hope in following a good Samaritan story to its conclusion — who is the person or persons leaving \$100,000 in cash on the front porches of the down and out in Los Angeles and why is he, she or they performing these acts. Asked if she knew how her novel would end when she began, she said no, she didn't. "There are three phases to writing a novel," she said. "In the beginning you start out, in the middle you get stuck and an ending must be earned," - from the progress of the characters and events that play out in an engaging fashion.

Said Meserve of "Good Sam" and a second novel also featuring Bradley, "I'm truly convinced that there is far more good going on in this world than the news media have time or commercial inclination to tell us."

There is no charge for Santiago's interview with Meserve, but Santiago advises, since all events have been standing-room only, to arrive early to secure good seats.



Edwardo Santiago interviews Bernard Cooper about his book "Guess Again" at the Idyllwild Author Series event at Cafe Aroma last Sunday.

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The Buddy Holly Tribute Band was the headline band at the Idyllwild Summer Concert Series Thursday, serving up rockabilly music from one of the most influential artists in rock and roll history.

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Four new businesses and one closing its door

By Becky Clark Editor

When the House of Jerky upstairs in the Fort closed last October, Bryan Tallent and John Stonitsch, owners of Spruce Moose just two doors away, saw an opportunity. Originally, Tallent said, "We took the jerky into our main store during the holidays," and it was successful.

So on March 15, they opened Coyote Red's in the old jerky location, a gourmet country store that still carries House of Jerky products but also carries eight citrus marmalades, jams, jellies, sauces and rubs, among many other things. Nearly 50 percent of the merchandise is from small businesses all over the country, including the Amish jams. Tallent said, "You won't find these products anywhere else in Southern California."

Some of the barbecue sauces are award-winning from competition entrants. "We really looked for merchandise that was unique," Tallent said. They also carry some locals' products: Roberto's Jalapeño Sauce by Roberto Garcia, owner of La Casita, and several products by Fairway Foods' Linda Higgins, including Vanilla Bourbon Apricot Jam, which Tall-

ent said is "to die for."

The shop is closed Wednesdays and open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. other weekdays and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekends.

At the far left upstairs at the Fort on Park Lane, Mark Fordham and Kathy Rockwell of Vista have opened M&K Biker Shop, a motorcycle apparel shop. The shop, which opened Memorial Day, is only open weekends from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The rest of the week the couple travel as motorcycle vendors.

"We're avid motorcyclists," Rockwell said. The shop is a new venture and they searched all over, including in Julian, for a place to open. "We dearly fell in love with Idyllwild," she said. "There was something about the town that spoke to us. And people here have been incredibly nice to us."

Idyllwild's newest restaurant, CJ's Fast and Fresh Food, primarily a take-out place, opened on the Fourth of July right next to Arriba's. Juan and Carol Garces Martinez offer American-Mexican food from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day except Sunday when they close at 2:30 p.m. No alcohol is served.

They serve breakfast, including pancakes, waffles, burritos and huevos rancheros, as well as milk

shakes, burgers, fruit cocktail, fish tacos and vegetarian food, and — for those reminiscing about the old Donut Cellar — donuts, too.

Fernando Lopez of Idyllwild was being served fish ceviche when Carol said, "People like the food," and he responded, "People like the price, too." Everything on the menu is under \$10. "Really fresh food," Lopez added.

One menu item is the LA hot dog, a 100-percent beef dog wrapped in bacon and topped with grilled onions and jalapenos, and fresh tomatoes. Drop by and pick up a card to get the 10th item free after buying nine.

Speaking of restaurants, locals may be unhappy to hear that after nearly four years, Dan and Laura Slattery are closing Honey Bunns & Joe's Bakery on Sept. 1, Labor Day.

The couple is moving to Murrieta. "We've decided it's time for a new adventure," said Slattery. Asked what that might be she said, "We're not sure yet."

And just down from the Town Crier building, Laura Posselt has opened Somewhere in Time carrying antique and vintage things, gifts and collectibles. Posselt and her husband have had a home in Idyllwild and Palm Desert



Bryan Tallent holds a bottle of barbecue sauce in the new gourmet country shop Coyote Red's he and **John Stonitsch**, both of the Spruce Moose, opened in the Fort in the old House of Jerky building. The Spruce Moose has been in the Fort for nine years.

PHOTO BY BECKY CLARK

for some time and opened this antique store March 1.

About 80 percent of their large item sales are to locals and she offers a 5 percent discount to locals, too.

The shop is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday to Sunday.

Idyology, the restaurant that was to open in the former The Greek Place, has announced it is moving to the former Creek House.

Note: For future business news, look for a new column and send your business changes — such as new ownership, new manager, closure, etc. — to becky@towncrier.com.



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On The Town Idyllwild Town Crier, July 24, 2014 - Page 13 Grupo Bohemio, Santana cover band at concert series

By Marshall Smith Correspondent

Hot music, a hot summer night and hot dancing driven by popping percussion. That is what you'll experience when Grupo Bohemio, Santana cover band, returns for its fourth **Idyllwild Summer Concert** Series appearance.

Six musicians, united by their Latin roots and love for beat-driven music, take the stage at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 31.

Jancito "Chad" Cancino, drummer and lead vocals; Ruben Cancino, keyboard and vocals; Manny Torres, rhythm and lead guitar; Lupe Garza, bass guitar; Juan Hernandez, sax and vocals; and Enrique Cano, percussion will be cooking with jalapeños, serving up traditional Latin, rock en Española, Tex-Mex, R&B, classic rock, soft country and mainstream top 40 music for the soul to bring out the inner dancer.

Torres said mio would be adding new tunes — maybe some Journey or Eagles — for its Idyllwild gig.

No matter what they play, Torres said to be sure to fill the dance floor, feel the beat and lose yourself in the percussive lilt of Latin music, some of the best music for dancing.



The crowd was up and on the dance floor right away last year when the Latin sounds of Grupo Bohemio, a Santana Tribute band, began to play at the Idyllwild Summer Concert Series. PHOTO BY BARBARA REESE

6:15 p.m. is local group Swift Pony.

is free. According to producer Ken Dahleen, more than \$4,000 still needs to signed by producers to be be raised from donations just for locals.

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Art and Farmers Market

Sandra Brunet, owner of Mountain Feed and Hay, hosts an Art and Farmers Market from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every third Saturday of the month through October.

The event is held on the green at 29470 Highway 243 in Mountain Center.

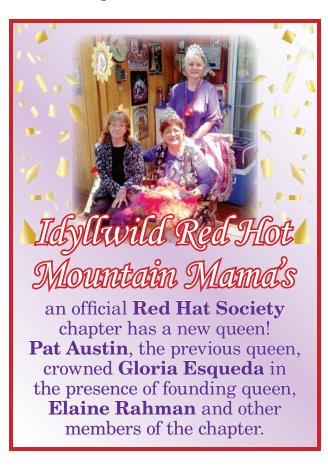
Free community healing offered

Christina Nordella offers free, 15-minute healing sessions every Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church.

She is a 15-year Jin Shin Jyutsu practioner, Reiki master and Shaman. The sessions are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

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.





Midwestern artist blossoms in Idyllwild

By Jay Pentrack Staff Reporter

Minburn, Iowa welcomes visitors with its maxim, "A small town with a big heart," and in addition to boasting a grain elevator, a church, two veterinarians, a phone company and a nature center, visitors can also pick up a free cup of coffee from the local library or bank. [Cue "Twilight Zone" theme.]

Minburn, near Des Moines, was the first home of artist Mandy Johnson. A Midwesterner by birth, she embodies much of the storied kindness and values that folk in major cities and along the Pacific and Atlantic coasts admire. The family lived in Cedar Rapids for a time and when Mandy was 9, her parents' divorce resulted in Mandy being shuttled between Missouri and Iowa until she graduated from high school.

In high school, with an interesting combination of seemingly opposing skills, Mandy had a decision to make. "When I got into high school I was really good at math and I was really good at art and I thought, 'What do I want to end up doing?" she said. "I liked art and I had a knack for it." Her work was composed mostly of painting and drawing and she excelled at it. "Have you ever heard of the Duck Stamp competition," she asked. "I entered [the contest] in high school and I won several awards which was kind of cool because it's the whole state." Duck Stamps (also known as the Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps) are pictorial stamps produced by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and were originally created in 1934. And while the stamps cannot be used for postage, they help fund the purchase or lease of wetland habitats. It is considered by many to be one of the most successful conservation programs ever created.

Mandy's art teacher, Chip Stamper (no kidding, that's his name), encouraged young Mandy to pursue the million-dollar Duck Stamp grand prize, but her interest in drawing and painting ducks waned and she went on to pursue other means of expression. "I couldn't see myself just drawing ducks all the time," she said, laughing.

After high school, Mandy attended Kansas City Art Institute in Missouri. "The only place I applied to was the art institute in Kansas City and I got a scholarship there, but it was really expensive. It was almost \$30,000 a year when I entered. It's a private art school," she related. "There were just over 500 students for the entire school so it was very small. Lot a few scholarships. I had grants and I had loans; I had



Mandy Johnson in her Idyllwild studio.

PHOTO BY JAY PENTRACK

tons of stuff [financial aid]." A regular on the Dean's List, Mandy thrived in college, academically as well as socially.

Mandy enjoyed a friendship with Zac Johnson, also a KCAI student from Idyllwild, from her freshman year on. In the summer preceding their senior year, the friendship blossomed. "We hung out a whole lot in that summer before our senior year and we [decided], 'We should just date.' Our friends had been telling us [to date] forever," Mandy recalled. "Within two weeks we knew we were going to get married."

The "proposal" was more like friendly contract negotiations. "No one proposed. We were on the lawn at the Nelson Atkins Art Museum just hanging out ... and we said, 'We should get married.' We agreed and then we went out and got rings." The couple married one year later.

After college, Zac introduced Mandy to Idyllwild where

he had been raised, but her first experience did not prove to be a happy one. The couple relocated to Idyllwild where Mandy would have their two children, son, Carter, and daughter, Evelyn, both born at Desert Regional Medical Center in Palm Springs. "When we first moved, [Zac] started at Cafe Aroma, and he was a chef there. He loved to cook, which is nice. Then he ended up working as a ceramicist at Idyllwild Arts part-time," Mandy related. "I was by myself a lot; Zac was [rarely] home and I didn't know anybody up here." Two and a half years later, the couple returned to Kansas City.

A constant in Mandy's life was her art and despite her unhappy experience living in Idyllwild initially, the Art Alliance of Idyllwild is a pleasant recollection. "Becky [Clark, Zac's Mom] signed us up. We couldn't afford it at the time," Mandy said. "This was eight years ago. Becky was still on the board, she was treasurer." A vacancy on the AAI board would be filled by Mandy and she worked as volunteer coordinator for the annual Art Walk and Wine Tasting hosted by AAI. "It was a good experience. I like being an artist in the Art Alliance."

Back home in Kansas City, husband Zac joined the military, which came as a total shock to Mandy. "Within a few months he decided to join [the service]," Mandy recalled. "He told me and I thought he was joking. He's such an artist and so liberal, I was like, 'Really? You really think you're going to join." But, despite her misgivings, the Navy proved a good fit for Zac and, as with most military families, they moved frequently, (10 times over a six-year period), which proved taxing. Orders for Zac to relocate to Southern California gave the couple hope that the "roots" they both now craved could be a reality. And while the allure of buying a home near a Southern California beach beckoned both of them, the reality was that inflated prices and suitability for child-rearing proved prohibitive. Zac was justifiably hesitant to suggest Idyllwild, but Mandy was surprisingly open given the change in the family dynamic. Her focus was on what was best for her family.

"I love that we have family here, and friends. We've been moving around for so many years now; it's nice that I can make relationships and I can have a job and the kids can make friends and we don't have to say goodbye," Mandy said passionately. She also loves her second go-round with AAI. "The AAI up here is amazing. I've been part of several art alliances across the country and this is by far the best," she said. "I've entered into other shows before, and they hardly See Artist, next page



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Artist

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take anyone, and you have to pay a ton to get in and they don't show everybody. Here, it is just so open and everyone is friendly and nice. They give everybody an opportunity to be seen. I haven't experienced that before.

Last Saturday, Mandy won third place in AAI's Judged Members Show and Working Artist Tour. In addition to selling the winning piece to an Idyllwild local, she also sold a drawing she entered in the show. "If someone buys your work, it means someone loves your stuff enough to own it and pay for it. It's a really good feeling," she said with a smile.

With the kids attending Idyllwild School (like father Zac had done so many years ago), and a new job at Town Hall on the horizon, life is good for Mandy. Throughout the interview for this article, Mandy remained calm and smiled broadly even while 8-year-old Carter climbed onto her back and actually tried to stand on her shoulders all while loudly proclaiming his winning score on the video game he played. Evelyn, 7, rubbed Mandy's shoulders and asked to have the "peetee" [teepee] her Aunt Halie Wilson made for her assembled all while the new puppy, Riley McJohnson, ran wild as puppies do. Mandy shook her head, laughed and said, "This is my life. If you're writing about me, this is my world. It's amazing I can be productive.'

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SPORTS

Town Hall Sports Coordinator Richard Mozeleski gave this report on adult softball:

Adult co-ed softball is up and running in Idyllwild. Last year's champ, Creekstone Inn, is repeating its slow start of last season but is showing it will be a force to be reckoned with.

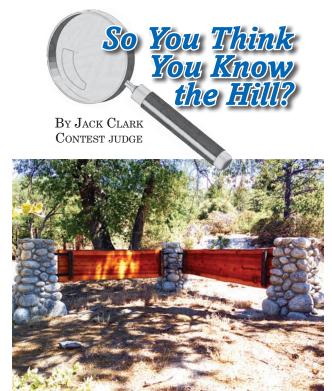
This season, two new teams are on board with Ridgeline Roofing and Idyllwild Arts sponsoring. This good fortune has expanded the league to 14 games each for all teams compared to the 10 of last year. It will also provide for two divisions of playoffs to bring a full and, hopefully, satisfying season for all, and allowing the younger teams to further develop and mature to strengthen the league into future years.

Anyway, Ajax, Forest Lumber and Pacific Slope are off to good starts and getting in control of their own destinies, but others are taking note of mistakes and adjusting, which will make next week's report interesting.

Also, sports leagues up here will continue to expand By Jack Clark with, hopefully, the addition of adult soccer and adult three-on-three basketball to run during current soccer and basketball youth seasons. Stay tuned.

Standings (July 10-19)

	Wins	Losses
Ajax	3	0
Forest Lumber	3	0
Pacific Slope	2	0
Idyllwild Arts	1	1
Creekstone Inn	1	2
Ridgeline Roofing	0	1
Perez	0	3
Higher Grounds	0	3



We had lots of correct entrants this week: Maurie Bousquet, Kathryn Gorzny, Kathy Muir, Kathy Nielson, Linda Otterbeck, Yvonne Smith and Ray Vreeland, Merrie VonSeggern, Elizabeth Walker, and Josh and Emily White. They all correctly identified the steeple at the Christian Science Church on the corner of River Drive and Cedar Street. Dolores Sizer pulled Muir's name out of the hat, so she wins the Rustic Theatre tickets this week. Congrats to Muir and thanks to all for entering. So now, spin your mind around 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.

Steele experiences The Open

PRO GOLF CORRESPONDENT

Last week at Hoylake, England, Brendan Steele made his first appearance in The Open Championship, sometimes known in the U.S. as the British Open. After a very rocky double-double start Thursday morning, the Idyllwild native played the back nine in a sizzling 3-under-par 34. However, he was not able to carry that over into Friday's play, and he missed the cut after the second

Still, what an experience it must have been just to play in the oldest golf tournament in the world.

Steele is sitting out the Canadian Open this week.





MOUNTAIN FOLK

Travel Weekly, the leading travel industry publication, announced that Robert "Bob" Romano of Travel Leaders, Your Travel Center, a member of the Tzell Travel Group and an Idyllwild resident, was selected from among hundreds of applicants to attend the Global Travel Marketplace in Hollywood/Fort Lauderdale, Florida, July 9 to 11. GTM is an appointment-only event for travel agents and suppliers seeking to conduct business face-to-face.

Only 103 North American applicants met the strict requirements to attend, which included booking a minimum of \$1 million in annual sales and maintaining a global book of business. More than 11,000 appointments were requested, 5,316 face-to-face meetings were conducted and 144 presentation sessions were hosted during the three-day event.

Romano said after the conclusion of the event: "This event was an excellent opportunity to refresh prior contacts and meet new suppliers I could use in the future in planning my valued customers' vacations. It was also an excellent opportunity to network with some of the top travel professionals in the industry."

CLUBS

Idyllwild Area Historical Society

The Idyllwild Area Historical Society holds its annual general meeting at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, at the Creekstone Inn.

The guest speaker is Dr. William Beachum "Pete" Lee, an anthropologist, linguist, professor, researcher, diver, consultant and technical advisor. He also is a co-producer, editor and cinematographer with film, media and television credits and appearances, and a licensed pilot.

He will share his experiences as past director of three major museums as well as serving on the board of the Hamilton Museum in Anza.

The event is free and includes refreshments ...

Red Hat Society

Pat Austin is stepping down as queen of the Red Hot Mountain Mamas and the new queen is Gloria Esqueda.



CREATURE CORNER

By Mimi and Hootch

Little purrs and four paws up to our youngest kitten, Suki. Didn't take her long to find (her forever home.



Miss Sadie is

about 3 years old, and is still ready for the old cat-and-mouse game. She loves to gracefully move along, step by step, as you walk. She is not vocal, and is fine with other cats, kittens and small dogs. She has very good eating habits and knows her man-

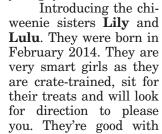
ners with the litter box. She's ready to move on to a Fern Valley Corners. forever home with her very own bed and dancing partner. Could that be you?

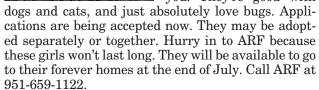
Archie is learning that relaxing is a good thing to do. He is eager to go for walks, loves to be groomed so he can always look so handsome and absolutely lives for his Kong toy with special treats. Archie is very shy at first except with the females. He gets along well with other small, calm



dogs and cats, too. If you have a calm environment and like to walk, Archie is

your guy.

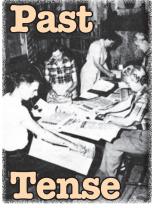




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65 years ago - 1949 Street lights came to

60 years ago - 1954

Members of the Riverside Community Settlement Association were the cilities of Camp Lawler, an 80-acre estate given to the county by a Los Angeles attorney.

55 years ago - 1959

Chamber of Commerce trustees voted to have the necessary work done to make Town Hall suitable for school classes pending completion of a new classroom at Idyllwild Elementary School.

50 years ago - 1964

Ella Lewis, 86, and Edith Poore, both of Hemet, made their seventh-annual hike to Tahquitz Peak.

45 years ago - 1969

Following the astronauts via TV as they walked on the moon, Ernie Maxwell noted that they left litter behind, and feared the Milky Way was in danger of becoming the Murky Way.

40 years ago - 1974

The long-hoped-for expansion of Idyllwild County Park got under way officially with an informal groundbreaking on the site. The addition would add 120 acres to the park.

35 years ago - 1979

Bus service between Idyllwild and Hemet was approved by the Riverside Transit Agency Board of Direc-

30 years ago - 1984

Dialing a five-digit number on the Hill no longer worked. Residents were required to dial the full seven digits because of changes made in the local telephone switching office.



first guests to enjoy the fa- Betty and Ernie Maxwell, pre-Town Crier days, when Ernie was in the Air Force. PHOTO COURTESY KENNY CHAPMAN

25 years ago - 1989

It was reported that the Fern Valley Water District for years had disregarded state regulations and diverted more water than allowed from Strawberry Creek away from downstream users.

20 years ago - 1994

A report by the Riverside County grand jury recommended that the Hill's three main water districts Idyllwild, Pine Cove and Fern Valley — merge, citing a savings of \$390,000.

15 years ago - 1999

With more than 400 visitors, the Art Alliance's first all-member exhibit with 43 artists presenting 108 works of art was hailed as a triumph.

10 years ago - 2004

Idyllwild had a new 951 area code.

5 years ago - 2009

The 16th-annual Jazz in the Pines was only a few weeks away and was to feature saxophonist Mindi Abair on Saturday, and the legendary jazz and salsa percussionists Pete and Sheila Escovedo, father and daughter, on Sunday.

$1\,year\,ago \cdot 2013$

Stars greeted The and Stripes Idyllresidents as they returned from the previous week's evacuation from the Mountain Fire. Idyllwild Fire hung the flag on its ladder truck as people arrived Sunday afternoon.

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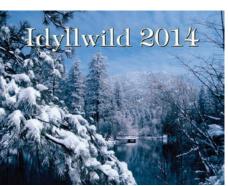
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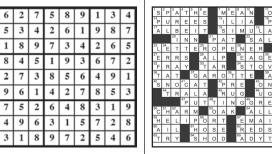
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

ing person is do J O B ELECTRIC COMPANY, 26650 Fairway Drive Idvllwild CA 92549 Riverside Count Drive, Idyilwild, 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.

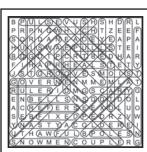
IEVON OAKS BROWNING Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on June 20, 2014.

R-2014-06095

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Answers to Word Search (Puzzle on previous page)

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 siness under the fictitious name listed above

Signed PAUL KATIO Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on June 25, 2014.

FILE NO:

CROSSWORD

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R-2014-06280 NOTICE — THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES ON JUNE 25, 2019. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATE MENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO JUNE 25, 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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of the original statement on file in my office.

LARRY W. WARD. County Clerk 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: CARO-LINE 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

3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall See legals, next page

NOTICE OF HEARING a. Date: Aug/08/14 Time: 8:30 p.m. Dept. 2. b. The address of the court is same as

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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

A special event draws near. Relax, Taurus. You will rise to the occasion. Email correspondence settles a debate once and for all.



May 21 – June 21

Greedy Gemini. That is what you must be this week if you are going to get anything done. You have fulfilled your commitments. Say no.



June 22 – July 22

You can run, but you cannot hide, Cancer. Fess up and face the consequences. A challenge at home proves worthwhile. A deadline is extended.



July 23- August 22

Storms are brewing at home. Take cover, Leo. This is one battle you do not want to fight. A glowing review deserves a night on the town.



August 23 – September 22

Congrats, Virgo. All of your hard work at the office does not go unnoticed. Some people never learn. Try not to be too disappointed with a young friend.



September 23- October 22

Work takes a back seat to love this week, Libra. Clear your schedule and plan a little getaway. A financial risk is worth taking. Seize the opportunity.



October 23- November 21

Slow down, Scorpio. You are so busy trying to accomplish the impossible that you are missing out on the big picture. A loved one shares some news.



November 22- December 21

Roll out the welcome mat, Sagittarius. Visitors are coming. A party allows you to cut loose and have some fun. A business venture expands.



December 22 – January 19

A coworker has something to share with you. Be attentive, Capricorn. Brilliance comes when you need it most. A mystery is solved at home.



January 20 – February 18

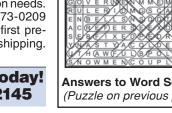
A health condition improves with changes in dietary habits. Good job, Aquarius. A home improvement proposal deserves a second look.



February 19 - March 20

Financial burdens ease with a household addition. Good thinking, Pisces. An old friend makes a bombshell announcement. Be there for them.

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One-person board gives 'little guy' a voice

By Becky Clark EDITOR

Idyllwild Property Owners Association, once a thriving community club, now serves the purpose of giving "the little guy a voice," by getting discounts for its members from five different propane companies, and making anonymous donations to community causes, said its only board member, Trish Seward, acting member chair.

Seaward said she has repeatedly tried to call meetings and get others to join the board but has had no takers. Seaward does all the work — taking orders for propane, filling out propane forms and collecting a \$15 an-

nual membership fee. "Around the beginning of each ing and, "One of the donations about three years ago year, an email is sent as a membership reminder," Seaward said. "To those that do not have an email address, I make a telephone call.

Ed Hansen receives a phone call from Seaward every year and gladly mails in his \$15 dues to get the propane

The dues are put into a CD at BBVA Compass because she wanted the funds to stay in the community. She was not willing to go on record as to the CD's value but did say donation causes have included a local wanting to go to Ireland to learn a dance, a family whose house burned down, the Christmas Tree Light-

R-2014-06504

County Clerk

By: D. Santana, Deputy

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CERTIFICATION

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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.,

This business is conducted by a Married

Registrant has not yet begun to transact

Statement filed with the County Clerk of

EDWARD FLORENCIO MERAZ

FILE NO.:

business under the fictitious name listed above.

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Riverside County on June 20, 2014.

Hemet, CA 92544.

Pub. TC: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2014.

was to Sadie's Clinic," she added. "I read that they didn't have enough monies to continue. So the IPOA donated enough to keep the clinic available for six months and that donation was matched by another donor — enough to run the clinic for another year."

She said, "I wait to see what's going to occur and I make donations." She makes the decisions alone based on "my ethics, my morality," because no one else has stepped up. Donations are made anonymously because she doesn't want to be involved in controversy if someone objects. She tells members who ask, where the money is

See IPOA, next page

Legals

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be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hear-ing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this cou Idvllwild 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.

STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as TNT WINDOW CLEANING, 25605 Fir St das INI WINDOW CLEARING, 25005 Fit St. Idyllwild, CS. 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: P.O. Box 33 Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, VICKI BERNICE TOPPS, 25605 Fir St, Idvllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual. under the fictitious name listed above on 1-30-96.

VICKI B. TOPPS

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on 07/03/2014.

FILE NO.: I-2014-01728

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LARRY W. WARD, County Clerk

ucedo, 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.

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

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. Idvllwild, CA 92549, MALINDA ELIZABETH GIBBONS L.Ac., 25125 Lodge Rd., Idyllwild,

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant has not yet begun to transact siness 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:

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LARRY W. WARD. By: D. Santana, Deputy
Pub. TC: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2014.

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 ess 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:

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LARRY W. WARD County Clerk By: D. Santana, Deputy

Pub. TC: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 7, 2014.

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 BRAIN LOWRY, 54695 Marion View Drive, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business der the fictitious name listed above on

WILLIAM BRIAN LOWRY Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 3, 2014.

County Clerk By: M. Gutierrez, Deputy Pub. TC: July 17, 24, 31, Aug. 07, 2014.

decedent, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the successor trustee for the administration of the 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:

ring Trust 1998 6841 Mt. Waterman Dr.

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 Idvllwild Water District office.

Resolution No. 693

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following person is doing business as TWO CHICKS ON A DIET, 10810 Inland Av-enue Mira Loma, CA 91752, Riverside County. LEVECKE CORPORATION, 10810 Inland nue, Mira Loma, CA 91752, A California

Corporation CA A 27762.
This business is conducted by a Corporation.
Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above

J. NEIL LEVECKE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF

HOWARD A. KAY

Notice is hereby given to the creditors
and contingent creditors of the above-named

Linda Weinstock, Trustee of the Howard Kay

Pub. TC: July 17, 24, 31, 2014.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING his is to notify the public that there

Idyllwild Water District Board Room 25945 Idyllwild Road Idyllwild, CA (951) 659-2143

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STATEMENT

Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on July 10, 2014.

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LARRY W. WARD,

County Clerk By: N. Medina, Deputy Pub. TC: July 24, 31, Aug. 07, 14, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as MFG, LLC, 1655 E 6th St. Suite A1 #208 Corona, CA 92879, Riverside County. Mailing Address: 9668 Milliken Ave. Suite 104-195, Rancho Cucamonga CA 91730. MALDO FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC, 1655 E 6th St Suite A1 #208, Corona, CA 92879. A Delaware and California Limited Liability Company.

This business is conducted by a Limited

Liabiliry Company.

Registrant has not yet begun to transact

business under the fictitious name listed above.

MIKIA LUCIEN Statement filed with the County Clerk of

Riverside County on July 14, 2014. FILE NO:

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County Clerk By: J. Wray, Deputy

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CIVIL CODE 3071 & 3072 On 08/05/2014 at 441 W ESPLANADE AVE STE I HEMET, CA, a Lien Sale will be held on a 2007 TOYT VIN:JTKDE177470157190 STATE: CA LIC: 6PPX694 at 10:00 a.m. Pub. TC: July 24, 2014.

LIEN SALE CIVIL CODE 3071 & 3072

On 08/05/2014 at 140 S. WESTERN AVE. HEMET, CA, a Lien Sale will be held on a 2005 DODG VIN:1D4HD48N85F515432 STATE: CA LIC: 6ZPA579 at 10:00 a.m. Pub. TC: July 24, 2014.

LIEN SALE

CIVIL CODE 3071 & 3072 On 08/05/2014 at 3020 BARRETT AVE PERRIS, CA, a Lien Sale will be held on a 2006 NISS VIN:3N1CB51D86L456266 STATE: CA



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LARRY W. WARD.

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

For more information, contact dolores@towncrier.com

Ruiz maintains substantial campaign funding lead

By J.P. CRUMRINE NEWS EDITOR

During the third quarter of 2014, contributions to Assemblyman Brian Nestande's (R) campaign for California's 36th Congressional seat were the most he has received in one quarter since formally entering the race to unseat incumbent Congressman Dr. Paul Ruiz (D).

However, Ruiz still maintains an overwhelming lead in the cash-available category. As of June 30, the first-term congressman had more than \$1.9 million available to defend his seat, while Nestande had \$234,000 available.

Nestande's nearly invisible race against fellow Republican Ray Haynes required him to expend nearly \$350,000 during the weeks leading up to the California primary on June 3. Ruiz, comfortable that he would be the leading vote getter in the top-two primary, spent only \$145,000 in the third quarter.

Most of Ruiz's expenses for payroll included a polling consultant at the beginning of April for \$21,000, several thousand for campaign fundraising consultants but nothing else larger than \$5,000.

Nestande, on the other hand, had 13 disbursements greater than \$10,000 mostly for a television ad and mass mailers before the primary.

Haynes reported only two campaign contributions as of the end of June, one of which was a \$13,400 personal loan.

As of June 30, Ruiz had received more than 2,200

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spent but also tells them, "If you want to take the reins, go ahead." But she said they usually hang up satisfied.

"I would love to be a Pine Cove [Property Owners Association] that cleans up the road and holds potlucks but I have my own business [Natural Solutions]. I don't have time," Seaward said.

Currently, IPOA has a little over 400 members. She believes PCPOA became so popular because it was allowed to partner with the Pine Cove Water District's newsletter mailings. But when she approached both Idyllwild Water District and the Idyllwild HELP Center to grow the membership and board so it could be more active in the community, she said she was turned down.

Why does she continue? "I dearly love this community. I want to help the community and I don't mind doing the work for the propane discounts." Seaward said if anyone wants to know about the donations, or join IPOA or the board, call her at 951-468-2072.

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

separate contributions; however, individual contributors may have given multiple times. His total contributions from individuals exceeded \$1.5 million, of which about 47.2 percent (288 separate contributions) were for more than \$2,000 each.

Nestande had 726 individual contributions, but multiple contributions from several contributors. For example, David Cooper, a certified public accountant in Rancho Mirage, has given \$250 three times. Nestande's contributions have ranged from \$2,600 to \$10. Since he began raising funds for the campaign, he has received 151 contributions for more than \$2,000, representing 57 percent of his individual contributions.

Nearly 70 percent of Ruiz's benefactors are Californians and they have contributed about 62 percent of his funding. He has received one contribution from Idyllwild for \$250.

2014 Congressional District 36

Campaign contributions and cash as of June 30, 2014

	ntributions th	nis quarter	Total cash
	vidual	Committee	available
Ruiz \$ 34		\$ 190,000	\$ 1,908,424
Nestande \$ 17		\$ 86,500	\$ 234,631
Haynes \$ 1		\$ 0	\$ 0

Another \$823,000, almost a third of his total, came from political committees, many related to medical specialties such as the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the American Hospital Association.

Various political committees have given Nestande 3145,300 through the end of June.

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Pape pleads not guilty to Pinyon murders

By J.P. CRUMRINE NEWS EDITOR

On Friday, July 18, Robert Pape pleaded not guilty to the 2006 murders of Becky Friedli, her mother and her mother's boyfriend. After six deferrals, Pape made a formal plea during a hearing at the Larson Justice Center in Indio.

On the night of Sept. 17, 2006, Becky, 18, her

mother, Vicki Friedli, 53, and Vicki's boyfriend, Jon Hayward, 55, were found dead. Becky's body was found burning in a wheelbarrow outside the house. The other bodies were found inside the burning home.

On March 11 of this year, both Pape, 26, and Cristin Smith, 25, were arrested and charged for these murders. They were high school friends.

Both are to reappear in court on Aug. 1. There may be a motion to combine the trials.

Pape's attorney, Richard Blumenfeld, requested a hearing to review the lack of bail for his client, but Judge Michael Naughton did not change the status of no bail allowed.

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Idyllwild

Death Cafe

Idyllwild Death Cafe is from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26, 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.

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Science

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to create new connections.

Think of it like exercise. If you don't challenge your muscles in new ways, they have no need to grow and strengthen since these muscles are now accustomed to a certain way of doing things.

Little changes in our everyday lives can go a long way. Something as simple as finding new routes home, joining a new activity group in your area or trying out a new routine at the gym can help improve neuroplasticity.

I'm currently learning a third language and venturing into a new career field. (I can't tell you what since my columns are supposed to be G-rated).

I also suggest starting out with something simple like holding your keys in a different hand everyday one day the left, the next day the right — so you are never late to work again. Or, if you can afford it, buy pants that have pockets and ignore my previous suggestion.

Fire

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were, what they did and how they felt as the fire threatened to change their

The event, sponsored by the Idyllwild Area Historical Society, the Riverside County Library System and the Idvllwild Library and the Friends of the Idyllwild Library drew an audience of more than 30 people.

Smith, IAHS archivist and historian, began the evening with his "Snippets from an Unplanned Vacation." "The Mountain Fire is again encroaching on the places I love," he read. He recalled, as did others, sorting through precious belongings to begin the evacuation process what to take and what to leave. He spoke of the cloud of smoke behind Tahquitz Rock growing into a golden cumulous just as he and wife Adele were preparing to evacuate. As the fire grew, it gained the nation's attention. "The Forest Service incident commander announced the Mountain Fire had become the they left.



Many local residents shared their written memories of the 2013 Mountain Fire last Thursday evening at the Idyllwild Area Historical Society Museum. Here, Marilyn O'Connor tells the gathered of the personal passage she made during the fire and of facing crisis with good friends and Canadian Meatloaf. PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

nation's number one firefighting priority," recalled Smith. "I filled a quart bottle with our good mountain water, closed the blinds and interior doors, and placed the hang tag on the door that read This house is evacuated." And then

Others recalled waiting off the Hill wondering what, if anything, they would return to.

Readers spoke of their shared loved for the Hill's particular way of life and their common fears that it could be changed forever.

memories of the relief, the tears, the hugs and greetings of friends and neighbors when they returned - the town itself spared, but sadness for the wilderness and wildlife destroyed and, of course, gratitude for the firefighters who And, for all, there were made the return possible.

Free webinars on health care

The Small Business Administration and Small Business Majority have teamed up for a free weeklv webinar series where small business owners can learn the basics of the Affordable Care Act and what it means for their business and employees. Webinar content will generally be the same each week, always on a Thurs-

To register, visit www. sba.gov/healthcare.

Taize worship at St. Hugh's

St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church invites the public to a unique worship experience in the style of Taize at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20.

Taize originated Taize, France, following World War II in an attempt to bring reconciliation among divided Christians and among separated peoples to Europe. No preaching is involved. The worship takes place the third Wednesday of each month.

Wednesday, July 30

Chamber Music Concert

Hosted by Rich Capparella, KUSC Radio Host 7:30 p.m. - Pre-Concert Talk

8:00 p.m. - Concert

Featuring works by Beethoven, Bartok, and Brahms Stephens Recital Hall

Friday, August 1 **Faculty Concert**

8:00 p.m. - Stephens Recital Hall



Saturday, August 2 **Chamber Music Concert**

Hosted by Rich Capparella, KUSC Radio Host

7:30 p.m. - Pre-Concert Talk

8:00 p.m. - Concert

Featuring works by Francaix, Poulenc, Gershwin and Brahms

Stephens Recital Hall

Thursday, August 7

Hosted by Rich Capparella, KUSC Radio Host

8:00 p.m. - Concert

Featuring works by Mozart, Brahms and Schubert

