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Fire Code Committee has open process, chief promises

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

During the Dec. 17 Mountain Area Safety Taskforce meeting, Riverside County Fire Chief John Hawkins re-emphasized the purpose of the county's Fire Code Committee he established this past summer.

"Several people indicated that they were concerned about the potential fire threats posed by unabated properties which

had no structures," he began. While there is some authority in existing Riverside County code for enforcement for fire hazard abatement on undeveloped lots, "It's not clear enough for areas above 3,000 feet," he stated.

The committee is still working on details and no decisions have been made, he stressed. Then he affirmed that he is committed to a public process and hearing before making a
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MAST studies danger from wood chips

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

For several years, members of the Mountain Area Safety Taskforce have been working with the U.S. Forest Service's Pacific Southwest Research to evaluate whether fuels treatments

that leave chipped woody material behind are contributing to fire abatement or creating a fire problem.

The lead investigator, Dr. Pamela E. Padgett, research plant physiologist at the research center, reported on the progress of the research at the Dec. 17 MAST
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MASTER CHORALE: Dwight "Buzz" Holmes conducts the Idyllwild Master Chorale in its annual concert at the Idyllwild School gym over the past weekend. The Winter Solstice Celebration combined music and fine art, collaborating for the second year with the Art Alliance of Idyllwild. More photos page 11.
PHOTO BY PETER SZABADI



NO SCHOOL, BUT PLENTY TO DO: Samantha Hoggan shows off her holiday face painting courtesy of Mrs. Claus who visited the library Monday morning.
PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

Celebrating a year in, a year out Idyllwild-style

By JAY PENTRACK
STAFF REPORTER

What better place to ring in the New Year than in beautiful, mile-high Idyllwild? Several local businesses will host festive New Year's Eve parties and many local restaurants and bistros will be open throughout the holiday; be sure to call ahead to confirm hours and make your reservations. This list is not intended to be exhaustive.

If you're interested in visiting a particular establishment, be sure to contact them directly for their
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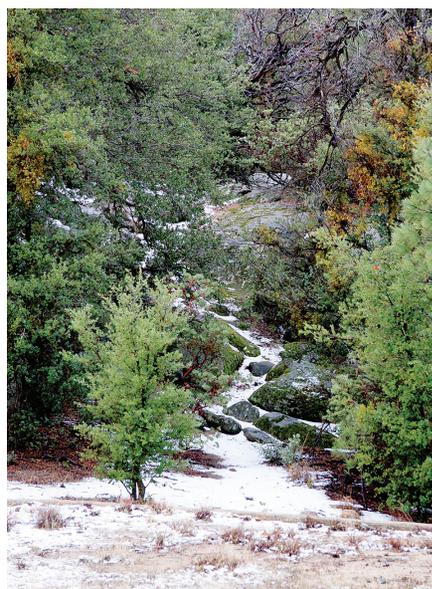
Rain only weakens drought

No evidence climate change created drought

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The third winter storm of 2014-15 brought less than an inch of rain to the Hill; however, some areas did see snow for a day. These rains have reduced the drought conditions from extreme to severe, according to the National Weather Service's Drought Monitor website.

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A flow of snow comes down the Hill at the Idyllwild Nature Center after the snow-storm Wednesday morning. Though this photo shows a patchy layer in Idyllwild, Idyllwild Fire Department reported 2 inches of snow that day.
PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE

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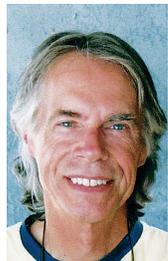


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Historic district review board hears new issue

By JACK CLARK
CORRESPONDENT

The Idyllwild Downtown Historic District review board met last Thursday afternoon at the Idyllwild Library. The public meeting was scheduled to begin at noon, but with only two board members then present — Chair Warren Monroe and Barbara Jones — a third board member was required for a quorum. Board member Ron Kammeyer did not arrive until just before 1 p.m., but the hour did not pass in silence.

During the one-hour wait for a quorum, Sanders Chase, a member of the public who owns property along the north side of North Circle Drive, publicly indicated his intention to speak to the board regarding new business not on the agenda. He voiced his displeasure at the meeting delay, that he had not been able to get anyone in government to do anything about trees that third parties had cut down on his property without his permission, and that Idyllwild was not like it used to be 30 years ago in terms of community-protection spirit. Monroe attempted to deal with Chase's tree issue informally during the wait, but clearly not to the satisfaction of Chase.

When the meeting was called to order at about 1 p.m., there was only one matter on the agenda, an item of old business involving the building at the base of North Circle Drive downtown that for-

merly housed The Greek Place. Monroe stated that it presented an interesting question because the former occupants should have sought approval for changes they made to the exterior front of the building, but did not, and the present occupants are not interested in making any changes, so they're not applying for approval of anything. It appeared that the matter would require further research.

When Monroe opened the meeting to new business not on the agenda, Chase filed his request-to-speak form with the board and outlined his problem. He alleged that third persons had cut down trees on his vacant lot on the north side of North Circle Drive, just east of Idyllwild Heating and Cooling, without his permission, and he wanted the board to take some action regarding it.

In an interview with the Town Crier, Chase stated that it was his understanding after hiring an experienced tree service to investigate that some 47 trees were cut down on his property. In a brief visit to the site, the Town Crier was able to identify at least 18 trees of 4-inch diameter or greater that appeared to have been recently cut.

By ordinance, the review board has authority to comment on alteration permit applications before the county planning director makes a decision, and Monroe quoted from a Riverside County publication entitled "Design



The Town Crier located at least 18 recently cut tree stumps of 4-inch or greater diameter, all of which had been numbered, apparently by the tree service hired by property owner Sanders Chase.

PHOTO BY JACK CLARK

Guidelines for Idyllwild Downtown Historic District," which states that an alteration includes the "placement or removal of any exterior objects such as signs, plaques, light fixtures, street furniture, walls, fences, steps, plantings and landscape accessories affecting the exterior visual qualities of an existing building, structure or façade within the boundaries" of the district.

Monroe then stated that since there was no "existing building, structure or façade" on Chase's lot, the matter appeared outside the purview of the review board.

Chase responded that he

thought the board should take a broad view of its function and consider that the removal of his trees affects not only the building that houses Idyllwild Heating (which is on an adjacent lot also owned by Chase) but, in a general sense, all the buildings up and down North Circle Drive and even the entire Idyllwild Downtown Historic District. The whole of North Circle Drive is included within the district's boundaries.

Monroe iterated that the absence of an existing building, structure or facade on the lot where the trees were cut

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Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service

Thursday 12/25



43/26
Slight chance of showers

Friday 12/26



40/27
Sunny.

Saturday 12/27



45/30
Sunny

Sunday 12/28



47/29
Mostly sunny.

Monday 12/29



43/27
Sunny.

Idyllwild this year

Date	High	Low	M	S
12/16	44	29	0.69	
12/17	42	32	0.21	2.0
12/18	44	31		
12/19	50	37		
12/20	na	na		
12/21	69	31		
12/22	na	na		

Idyllwild last year

Date	High	Low	M	S
12/16	70	49		
12/17	78	36		
12/18	69	36		
12/19	36	32	0.44	1.0
12/20	40	25	.01	
12/21	50	29		
12/22	52	30		

Moisture in inches

To date this season (Idy): 10.97
To date last season (Idy): 7.37
Total last season (Idy): 14.88
To date this season (PC): 11.72
Total last season (PC): 15.54

Snow in inches

To date this season (Idy): 2.1
To date last season (Idy): 2.6
Total last season (Idy): 5.0
To date this season (PC): 2.75
Total last season (PC): 13.0

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

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Christmas tree recycling helps fish in Riverside County

Who knew your holiday trees could make life a little better for fish? The Riverside County Waste Management Department is working closely with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to collect Christmas trees at county landfills and provide them for fish habitat.

CDFW will use the waste conifers in local lakes and waterways to create protective habitat for small fish. Christmas trees collected at the Badlands, Blythe, and Lamb Canyon landfill through the free Christmas tree drop-off program will be provided to CDFW, which will sink the trees in local lakes and waterways so that juvenile fish have a little more protection from larger predatory fish.

Trees must be prepared for recycling by removing all decorations, lights, tinsel, and tree stands. Flocked trees cannot be recycled and need to be cut up and placed in your regular trash container.

For those who don't have a curbside pickup program, there are several drop-off locations that will accept up to three residential prepared trees for free until Jan. 10:

- A. Lua Wood Recycling, 18938 Mermack Ave., Lake Elsinore
- B.P. John Recycling, 28700 Matthews Rd., Romoland
- Burrtec Recycle Center, 41-800 Corporate Way, Palm Desert
- Burrtec/Robert A Nelson Transfer Station, 1830 Agua Mansa Rd., Riverside
- California Department of Fish & Wildlife, 17041 S. Lovekin Blvd., Blythe
- Riverside County Badlands Landfill, 31125 Ironwood Ave., Moreno Valley

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Idyllwild Fire plans ambulance purchase Considering establishment of reserve accounts

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Cautious about short-term cash flow, the Idyllwild Fire Protection District Finance Committee still felt comfortable at last week's meeting to recommend that the commission authorize Fire Chief Patrick Reitz to investigate and evaluate financing to purchase one or two new ambulances.

Fire Chief Patrick Reitz told the committee he has had early discussions with several vendors. He has focused on the availability of units that have already been built but are still new. Patient comfort is an important criterion for IFPD ambulances, Reitz stressed, since the rides to hospitals are long and the roads are serpentine.

"I'm not looking for brand new or ordering that they build to our specifications," he said. "We can buy something on the floor. It will meet 90 percent or more of what we expect." Reitz added that the preliminary estimates of cost for the demonstration units are less than \$120,000 per ambulance compared to the range of \$125,000 to \$135,000 for off-the-assembly-line vehicles.

It will take some time to make a decision and secure financing, thus Reitz did not expect any costs to be incurred during the current fiscal year, which ends June 30.

The committee's recommendation was unanimous with the exception of Calvin Gogerty, who was absent.

No financial statements were available from the district's consultant, Rob Dennis, and the first property tax payment from the county had not been received. Consequently, a recommendation to establish a reserve account

or accounts from the proceeds of the 2013 sale of the cell tower lease was deferred.

However, during the discussion, the committee indicated it was considering three separate reserve accounts. One would be for unfunded liabilities. The district is currently awaiting completion of an actuarial report on these amounts. It is being done for the audit for fiscal year 2013-14, which ended June 30, 2014.

The estimated amount could be between \$45,000 and \$70,000, according to Reitz.

The other two reserve accounts would be for equipment repair, maintenance and replacement for vehicles and for district facilities.

After some discussion of the amounts for each reserve — for example, a minimum of \$25,000 to start — the committee decided to only recommend establishing the reserve accounts but without recommending an amount until after a review of the budget status in January.

Reitz also added that IFPD's legal expenses will be significant this year and he advised the committee to defer specifying any amount for the possible reserve accounts.

On a positive note, Reitz said he was expecting a check soon from the federal government for past emergency medical transports. The state has a program, Ground Emergency Medical Transportation, that provides additional funding to eligible governmental entities that provide emergency transport services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries. IFPD will receive supplemental reimbursements based on uncompensated costs for Medi-Cal fee-for-service transports.

The first check would be for about \$38,000 and the total recovery would be in the range of \$90,000 to \$100,000 from as far back as 2009, he said. Once received, these funds might also be dedicated to the future reserve accounts.

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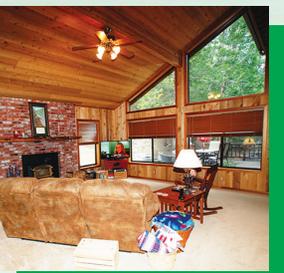
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OUT LOUD



I don't drink coffee. I love the aroma but not the taste, heat and jitters it produces. So it takes me a bit more time to get my feet moving in the morning.

After catching up on news, what I do try every morning are three online crossword puzzles — sometimes with a cup of Earl Grey tea — and only in a particular order: Yahoo, USA Today and the New York Times crosswords. They are in order from easiest to hardest.

The Yahoo puzzle provides just enough of a challenge while I'm at my groggiest. If I'm having that cup of tea, I'm feeling pretty comfortable when I call up that USA Today puzzle. I'm doing fairly well at that one and have mostly blinked the sleep from my eyes.

These two puzzles are mostly dependable as to their challenges. Once in a while, the two websites offer surprises but they tend to be about the same challenge every day.

But then I reach the notorious NY Times crossword. And if it's Friday or Saturday, I may leave it to come back to another day. As anyone who works this puzzles knows, it gets harder as the week wears on.

In between the news and the puzzles, the cats require their daily feeding routine, which also contributes to rousing a sleepy head.

Charcoal almost always trips me while Floyd knocks the spoon out of my hand by banging his head against my hand. All the while three sets of lungs — one tenor, two soprano — carry out choruses as if I didn't know they were hungry. I talk back at them, "Yes, yes, yes, I'm trying to walk to your food and you're trying to kill me," dodging their well-fed bodies. "Gee, Floyd, do you always have do that?" trying to avoid his hard head coming at my hand again.

I don't need coffee. This event in itself is equivalent to a strong cup of java.

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

Christmas is what it is

EDITOR:

December 25: What does this day mean to you? Spending time with family? Sharing a wonderful dinner? Exchanging gifts with them? Planning months ahead whose house to celebrate at? Do you love all the smells? It is amazing what this day brings to each of us and the memories we have.

Getting ready for this wonderful day, Dec. 25, we spend a fortune; go Black Friday shopping on Thanksgiving, find the perfect tree and cool decorations, and string lights all over our house.

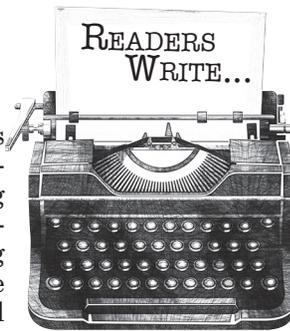
We participate in gift exchanges with co-workers, give to the needy and donate money. We send out cards to family and friends, stand in long lines at the post office to mail our cards and gifts, making sure we mail them in time to arrive before Dec. 25. We bake cookies, and breads, and make popcorn balls for our neighbors and friends. We watch all the specials on television.

I don't know too many people who don't go through this ritual every year. For this is Christmas we celebrate every year on Dec. 25. And yet, more and more, people are afraid to say "Merry Christmas" because we may "offend" someone.

Even the stores, who only say "Happy Holidays," will advertise Christmas ornaments, Christmas trees, Christmas decorations, Christmas lights, Christmas gifts, Christmas shopping, etc. Television is great for playing Christmas music and offering the Christmas specials.

When I asked at the beginning of this letter what Dec. 25 means to you, what was the first thing on your mind? Was it, "Oh, it is a holiday"? or was it, "Christmas Day"?

Christmas is Christmas no matter what you want to think or say. Christmas was started because of Christ's birth and the



wise men bringing gifts to our Lord. I, for one, am going to stand up for "Christmas" instead of "Holiday" from now on.

I realized that I am the one being offended. I don't wish to offend anyone else, but if you cannot say "Christmas" or know why you are celebrating Dec. 25, then quit being a hypocrite and stop celebrating this day. If you

don't believe in "Christmas" then quit participating and you won't be offended.

Let's stand up for what is truth. I challenge everyone out there who participates in "Christmas" to start calling it what it is and not let a few ruin it. It is what it is

SUE DRAPER
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Enjoyed last week's paper

Editor:

I can't let last week's issue go by without letting you know how much I enjoyed it. In fact, I thought it was one of the best issues you've ever published and I read almost every article.

I commend you for what I hope will become a new series, "Health on the Hill," with many contributors. It was a poignant and brave beginning by Bryan Asch. I'm wishing that it receives many positive replies that touch people who have had similar experiences in their own or family members' childhoods. This is all too common and it is helpful to all of us to have Bryan step forward to bring these sad stories to light.

Of course, I always, enjoy what Connor has to say in his column. "No complaints" is a great way to think about one's life.

I appreciate these so-called human interest columns.

LOREL CORNMAN
IDYLLWILD

HEALTH ON THE HILL

Our mental health, part 2 ...

BY BRYAN AND BRANDY ASCH
REPS TRAINING CENTERS

During the quiet moments of my day sometimes I will find myself thinking of something my first martial arts instructor would often say to me: "Do not allow yourself to be distracted by merely action,

for motive precedes all action, and if motive is defeated, action cannot exist." OK, so I took some liberty with the poetic nature of his words. But if his English was a bit more practiced I'm pretty sure he would have said it like that. I think of this often because I often think about where my worst thoughts and impulses come from. I attempt to trace the negative impulses and actions I've displayed to their origin. Where did/do they come from? Was I taught these things?

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Soroptimist International of Idyllwild's Christmas party and new member induction was held Thursday, Dec. 11, at Silver Pines Lodge. Shown, from left, are District 2 Membership Chair **Lori Oliver**, President **Karen Doshier**, new members **Tori Thomas**, **Carol Mendoza**, **Leandra George**, **Patricia Hayes**, **Roberta Melendez-Callahan**, **Lola Fisher**, **Shelly Adleta-McKay**, **Theresa DuBois Teel**, and former Soroptimist International Governor of Golden West Region **Fran Ballard**. PHOTO BY MARY MORSE



Health

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How does anyone know why they do what they do, like what they like, dislike what they dislike, etc? I go back through my earliest memories and try to find the beginning of it all. The earliest age I can recall with detail and certainty is 3. By this time I must have already been abused physically on a regular basis due to those moments occupying most early memories. However, I recall one event that I have had much difficulty explaining the hows or whys.

Our next door neighbor had a child about my age whom I remember playing with, usually in our yard or theirs. The child had a pair of Army-green walkie talkies we would play with together. One day I was playing by myself in the driveway and saw the neighbors leave in their car. For some reason, I decided to walk into their backyard and then see if their back door was open, then walk through their house into their garage and climb up onto a laundry basket up to the washer to get the talkies placed on the white-wired shelving. Now, the absolute criminal genius I was quickly became apparent as I made the supreme decision to play with my prize right in my neighbors' front yard — right up until the time they came home and greeted my efforts.

Motive: Besides being beaten on a regular basis I had zero toys of my own. Maybe that caused jealousy on my part but I was only 3 so that's a hard

one for me to swallow. OK, maybe motive in this case wasn't maliciously driven but more just a young boy with a want without the given knowledge of consequence.

Action: How did I know to do this? Did I know I was violating someone's personal space and property? Did I know I was stealing? If so, did I want to get caught?

As a deep-thinking adult, I force myself to ask tough questions and seek out the real truth, not just the one that allows me to justify my failures by pinning them on my misgivings. It doesn't make sense that an abused child would act out in any way to garner attention. I mean, wouldn't that child be afraid to be noticed at all for that matter? I understand, however, that this is exactly what we do. You see it's not the fist, paddle, belt, boot or even the knife put to my throat or the 30-ought-6 rifle put to my head that I learned to fear. Oh no, that's too easy. Let's be real honest here; it's the lack of attention that hurts so much more, that scars so much deeper. So we do exactly the opposite of what makes sense. We start to seek the "pat on the head" even if it leaves a bruise.

Ironically, the two worst memories I carry from the ages of 3 to 9 were closer to the end of my stay with the foster family and didn't include much of the physical pain to which I became accustomed. The family shared a Radio Flyer red wagon. The wagon had each family member's name custom-written in white paint on its sides. The only name not on there was mine. Yes, you guessed it.

I wrote my name in white crayon on a blank spot on the back. It took me a long time to get the crayon to stick properly and legibly but my persistence paid off. However, my beginning OCD was not appreciated. The kicks didn't hurt nearly as much as being told I was not part of their family.

My worst haunting memory is just a simple conversation overheard at age 9. I'm in my room with my ear glued to the heating vent in the floor. My room was right over the living room in which a meeting between the social workers and my foster parents was taking place. After a few more visits to the hospital than a young boy should experience, I assume the agency became suspicious of the way I was being treated. Back in those days though, the government was more afraid of the

people. (Or at least white, middle-class people.)

One of the social workers asked the foster father if they were going to adopt me because they had a couple of interests in an older child for adoption as opposed to a baby. (This is rare.) He replied, "No, take him away. We don't want him!" It will never matter how much I get all "Good Will Hunting" with myself; that wound has yet to heal.

The most sickening part of this memory for me, though, has helped me tremendously in my understanding that although my nurture was wrong by every definition, my nature is and will always continue to be stronger.

We are very interested in your thoughts and questions. Please send them to bryanandbrandy@gmail.com.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Hill businesses and institutions that will be closed Thursday, Dec. 25, to observe Christmas are:

- Area post offices (closes 11 a.m. Wednesday)
- BBVA Compass Bank
- Fairway Market
- Fern Creek Medical Center (closes noon Wednesday)
- Fern Valley Water District (also Wednesday)
- Hemet Unified School District (also Wednesday)
- Idyllwild Health Center
- Idyllwild Library (closes 5 p.m. Wednesday)
- Idyllwild Nature Center (also Wednesday & Friday)
- Idyllwild Pharmacy
- Idyllwild Town Crier & Visitors Center (closes noon Wednesday)

- Idyllwild Transfer Station
- Idyllwild Water District (also Wednesday)
- Pine Cove Water District (also Wednesday)
- Riverside County offices
- U.S. Forest Service

These will be open:

- Idyllwild Shell & Market
- Mt. San Jacinto State Park
- Pine Cove Market (8 a.m.-1 p.m.)
- Sky Island Natural Foods (10 a.m.-3 p.m.)
- Village Market

MATTER OF FACT

Regarding last week's Richelle Gribble story on page 10, her college minor was in social entrepreneurship, not social engineering. The school at USC from which she graduated is Roski School of Art and Design, not Toski School of Fine Art. And finally, she said, "We want to grab the concepts of connection, to explore the wonder of creating visual poetry ...," not visual policy.

Town Crier regrets the errors.

SBA offers help for small businesses

The Small Business Administration offers online classes for small businesses for everything from buying or selling a business to marketing, financial options, strategic planning and manning.

The SBA Learning Center is located at www.sba.gov/tools/sba-learning-center/search/training.

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The emotional benefits of sad music ...

Well, it's that time of year folk; the time where you are either happy to be around loved ones or sad you are by yourself.

For those of us in the latter category, I have good news for you. Sad songs can make you happy. (The operating word here is "can.")

Seems counter intuitive. doesn't it? Kind of like drinking booze to get sober, but let me explain. Humans listen to music depending on their mood. For example, when I'm at the gym I listen to Limp Bizkit or Eminem for the adrenaline rush. When I'm driving, I listen to the oldies station to help deal with the stress of rush-hour traffic. And, when I'm sad, I can't help but listen to Spanish love songs.

The reason for this, according to recent research, has to do with where you were raised. A recent study in *Frontiers of Auditory Cognitive Neuroscience* analyzed music not as entertainment but as language.

For those of us who listen to music in the western

hemisphere, we tend to associate sad music with what is known as "minor key tonality." Western music has major keys and minor keys. (Feel free to ask any musician if you are unfamiliar.)

In other areas of the world, major or minor tonality does not have the same meaning as it does to us.

The study looked at newborn babies and how they use rhythm and sound in order to process information. The researchers found that to non-verbal babies, speech sounds similar to music.

As we grow older we become acculturated to associate certain types of music as being sad or happy. The study defined sadness as "the negative and unpleasant psychology of emotion." When we hear "sadness," our brain processes it through our cultural lense.

However, researchers also found that when our brain listens to sad music, it already knows it's a cultural expression of sadness instead of personal sadness and automatically re-interprets that as pleasure.

A famous example is when we see Olympic athletes cry after they win a gold medal. To understand this, we need to remember the difference between felt emotion and perceived emotion.

Felt emotion is personalized and perceived emotion is understanding the emotion being conveyed without personalizing. Listening to music falls under the latter category. Even though we may sob while listening to it, it can actually have healing qualities that can even lead us to catharsis.

Sad music, similar to exercise and sunlight, can help us heal, but remember that just as with everything else in life, moderation is key. Listening to too much music (happy or sad) can give you a headache, just like too much exercise can cause muscle strain or too much sunlight can give you sunburn.

Now if you will excuse me, I have to go listen to "Luz de Dia" by Enanitos Verdes for the 30th time while I cry myself to sleep.

Just kidding ... happy holidays.

Two small quakes Monday night

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Two minor earthquakes occurred Monday night. The first, about 7 p.m., and nearest to Idyllwild was magnitude 2.1. It occurred about 4 miles south of Idyllwild and 10 miles east-southeast of Valle Vista, near Garner Valley. The tremor was barely felt on the Hill.

Just after midnight, another quake of magnitude 2.3 occurred east-southeast of Temcula and northeast of Fallbrook.

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By JACK CLARK
CONTEST JUDGE



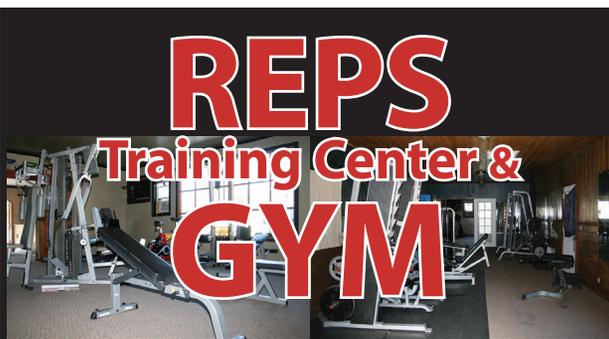
Last week's photo was pretty tough, but the following three found the location, a memorial column in the front-side garden of St. Hugh's Episcopal Church: **Merrie VonSeggern, Colin Smith** and, of course, **Jeff Smith**. VonSeggern's name came out of the hat, so she wins this week's gift card for two adult tickets to **Shane Stewart's Rustic Theatre**. This week's photo is of the front entrance to a unique Hill business.

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.

Confidential teen crisis line

A California Youth Crisis Line is available toll-free 24/7 to assist youth, teens and their families in crisis or in a time of need.

Calls are confidential and trained staff can provide appropriate referrals to assist with issues such as family problems, relationship violence, runaway, homelessness, depression, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, suicide and more. The crisis line is 1-800-843-5200.



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Idyllwild water users conserving

District still expanding water supply

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Directors of the Idyllwild Water District re-elected Jim Billman for a second term as president last week. John Cook was re-elected vice president.

Despite the recent siege of rainstorms, the district's Foster Lake reservoir remains empty. Although Strawberry Creek has been flowing in various locations, little surface water has passed near IWD's diversion site to Foster Lake.

The district continues to use its wells, reported General Manager Tom Lynch. Rehabilitation of the Oakwood well is complete and water samples have been submitted for testing. Lynch expects to connect the well to the distribution system within weeks.

He also reported on some preliminary discussions with the Camp Emerson Boy Scout camp representatives on the possibility of restoring a well on the camp property for their use and also connecting it to IWD's system.

As reported last month, IWD is working to rehabilitate the horizontal wells above Foster Lake in order to add them to the distribution system later this winter, once the testing of water quality is approved. Lynch also reported on the possibility of developing some vertical wells in this area once electricity is connected and the pumps evaluated.

During November, IWD produced nearly 7 million gallons of water, which was about 100,000 gallons more than October and 135,000 gallons more than November 2013.

For the 11 months since the beginning of 2014, total IWD production has been 79.6 million gallons, which is 6.2 million gallons (7.2 percent) less than the same period in 2013. But the water production for this year was more than during the same period in 2011 and 2012.

Chief Finance Officer Hosny Shouman reported that revenue was less than projected and Cook commented, "Our residents are conserving." For the first five months of the fiscal year, water sales have been about 7.5 percent less than projected, Shouman said after the meeting.

Lynch also reported that the unaccounted-for water usage in December was 2.4 percent, about two-thirds of the average since July and significantly less than the highs of 12 to 15 percent. "This is great news," Lynch said. "Leakage and losses are being reduced and our guys are making the repairs."

In other financial news, Lynch reported that he had submitted three grant requests to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The funding would help the district rehabilitate and restore production facilities such as the horizontal wells, tanks, pipelines, meters and solar facility.

Shouman is also investigating using actuarial consultants who can evaluate the district's unfunded post-retirement liabilities. Most special districts are in the process of obtaining these evaluations since they will be required to include them in future audits.

The board also approved an increase in employees' compensation and health-care benefits. Based on the consumer price index's 3-percent growth this year, the board unanimously granted a 2-percent salary increase and 1-percent increase for medical benefits. Shouman said the full year total cost for these changes would be about \$8,800.

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Water levels rising in Fern Valley

Water board election of officers in January

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

With only three of the five members of the Fern Valley Water District Board of Directors present last Friday, the election of new officers and committee assignments for 2015 was postponed until the January meeting. Board President Robert Krieger and Director Charles Wix were absent.

The recent rainstorms have improved the ground level of the district's wells, reported General Manager Steve Erler.

"Static well level recording for December shows increase in most well levels," he said in his operations report. "The largest increase is in well no. 7, an increase of 1.75 feet."

Stream flow has been low and continues to be low, he said. Wells continue to be a major source of water in recent months. Erler also said he is using water from storage tanks currently. This water will be replenished in the spring, from March to June, when streams are flowing well.

The most recent testing of FVWD's water treatment and by-product disinfection facilities produced excellent results, Erler told the board. These results "demonstrate that our granular-activated carbon adsorption facility is operating as it should," he wrote.

The final payment was made to El-Co Contractors, Inc. for the removal of Tank 5 and other related work. The project is complete and the cost was under budget, Erler said.

Albert Webb and Associates has started work on the district's rate study and Erler was hopeful he might have a progress report for the board in January. The study will be the basis for the district's decision on possible water rate changes — base or usage — in a Proposition 218 process during 2015.

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Year Out

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hours and New Year's Eve plans. Stop by the Visitors Center located at 54405 N. Circle Drive and pick up the "Explore Idyllwild Directory" and "Map" for more information.

Restaurants/bistros

Arriba Mexican Restaurant, 25980 Hwy. 243, 951-659-4960, NYE/NYD

Café Aroma, 54750 N. Circle Drive, 951-659-5212

CJ's Fast Fresh Food, 25980 Hwy. 243, 951-659-2413

Gary's Deli, 54423 Village Center Drive, 951-659-5600

Gastrognome, 54381 Ridge View Drive, 951-659-5055
Goodtimes Pub & Grill, 26345 Hwy. 243, 951-659-5222

Higher Grounds, 54245 N. Circle Dr., 951-659-1379

Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro, 54254 N. Circle Drive, 951-659-9463 (NYE only)

Idyllwild Bake Shop & Brew, 54200 N. Circle Drive, 951-659-4145 (NYE only)

Idyllwild Ice Cream & Jerky, 54262 N. Circle

Drive, 951-468-8118
Idyllwild Pizza Company, 54391 Village Center Drive, 951-659-5900
Idyllwild Shell Burgers, 26128 Hwy. 243, 951-659-3437

Idyology, 54905 N. Circle Drive, 951-659-5962

Jo'An's, 25070 Village Center Drive, 951-659-0295

La Bella Montagna, 26290 Hwy. 243, 951-659-2630

La Casita, 54650 N. Circle Drive, 951-659-6038

Lumber Mill, 25985 Hwy. 243, 951-659-0315

Mile High Café, 26600 Hwy. 243, 951-659-2008

Mountain Center Café, 23470 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center, 951-659-2600

Oma's European Bakery & Restaurant, 951-659-0203

Sky Island Natural Foods, 54423 Village Center Drive, 951-659-4555

The Red Kettle, 54220 N. Circle Drive, 951-659-4063

The Town Baker, 54385 N. Circle Drive, 951-659-3800

Tommy's Kitchen, 54700 N. Circle Drive, 951-468-4222

Village Market, Deli & Pizzeria, 26000 Hwy. 243, 951-659-3800

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

Free community healing offered

Christina Nordella offers free, 15-minute healing sessions from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church. The next date is Jan 6.

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



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

Wednesday, Dec. 24

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Pickle Ball, 8-10 a.m. Idyllwild Community Park.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Oma's, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, women only, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Codependents Anonymous meeting, 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

Thursday, Dec. 25

- Alcoholics Anonymous Marathon Meetings, 8 a.m.-midnight, Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; women's meeting (open), 9 a.m. & "We Don't Know" Agnostic & Atheist meeting, 6-7 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Free warm Christmas lunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30-9 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

Friday, Dec. 26

- 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 Court-

- yard.)
- Feeding America, 3-4 p.m. Cross Road 243 Church, Mountain Center.

Saturday, Dec. 27

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

Sunday, Dec. 28

- Peace Meditation Practice, 10 a.m. Tibetan Buddhist Dharma Center, 53191 Mountain View, Pine Cove.
- Occupy Idyllwild stand and discuss with the 99 percent. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Town center at Harmony monument. Call Sue at 909-228-6710.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, Book Study meeting (closed), noon. Idyllwild Water District, 25945 Hwy. 243; 5 p.m., Rancho Encino Mountain Club, 45915 Orchard Rd, Poppet Flats, across from Cal Fire Station 6.
- Al-Anon "Mixed Nuts" open meeting, 6-7:30 p.m. Spiritual Living Center,

26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

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

Monday, Dec. 29

- 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.
- Zen-style meditation & dharma discussion, 6-7:30 p.m., the Loft in the Courtyard Building, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for info.
- Al-Anon, Open Meeting, 7-8 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.; 7-8:30 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, "Just for Today," 7-8 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr.

Tuesday, Dec. 30

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; men's meeting 6-7 p.m. Spiritual Living Center, Church of Religious Science, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).
- Lovingkindness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.

Wednesday, Dec. 31

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Le-

gion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.

- Pickle Ball, 8-10 a.m. Idyllwild Community Park.
- Town Crier News Meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Oma's, 54241 Ridgeview Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 6 p.m., Spiritual Living Center, women only, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building).

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 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-noon & 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. 659-2110.
- Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 North Circle Dr., 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday. Group tours by appointment. 659-2717.
- Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday; noon-8 p.m. Tuesday; noon-5 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, 659-2300.
- Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday 659-3850.
- Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday-Monday; Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

NEWS OF RECORD

Fire log

The Idyllwild Fire Station responded to the following calls, Wednesday to Friday, Dec. 17 to Dec. 19. The station was unable to provide the rest of the week's report by the paper's deadline.

Idyllwild

- Dec. 17 — Medical aid, 11:49 a.m., one patient.
- Dec. 19 — Medical aid, 7:13 a.m., one patient.
- Dec. 19 — Medical aid, 9:18 a.m., one patient.
- Dec. 19 — Medical aid, 2:20 p.m., one patient.

Pine Cove

- Dec. 17 — Traffic crash with no injuries, 4:18 p.m., one patient.

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls from Sunday to Saturday, Dec. 14 to Dec. 20.

Idyllwild

- Dec. 14 — Suspicious circumstance, 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 14 — Public disturbance, 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 14 — Suspect info, address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 15 — Unattended death, address withheld. Report taken.
- Dec. 15 — Disoriented subject, Village Center Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 15 — Alarm call, 52000 block of Double View Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 15 — Petty theft, 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 15 — Alarm call, Marian View Dr. Handled by deputy.

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- Dec. 18 — Alarm call, N. Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 20 — Noise complaint, Tahquitz Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 20 — Public intoxication, 25000 block of Hwy 243. Arrest made.
- Dec. 20 — Danger to self/ other, address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 20 — Alarm call, 26000 block of Forest Hill Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 20 — 911 call from business, Maranatha Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 20 — Alarm call, 24000 block of Fern Valley Rd. Handled by deputy.

Mountain Center

- Dec. 14 — Missing person, address undefined. Handled by deputy.

Pine Cove

- Dec. 16 — Noise complaint, Hotei Ln. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 16 — Alarm call, Walters Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 19 — Vehicle theft, Cedar Dr. Unfounded.
- Dec. 20 — Shots fired, Pine Needles Ln. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 20 — Shots fired, Appleton Dr. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino National Forest

- Dec. 14 — Three 911 calls from business, 3:54 a.m., 10:37 p.m. & 11:57 p.m., Temecula Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Dec. 20 — Shots fired, Azalea Trails Rd. Handled by deputy.

Twin Pines

- Dec. 15 — Alarm call, Twin Pines Rd. Handled by deputy.



This flock of pelicans was photographed at Lake Hemet.

PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

HUSD intradistrict transfer requests

In January, the Hemet Unified School District will begin accepting intradistrict open enrollment transfer requests for the 2015-16 school year.

During this open enrollment window (from Jan. 1 to March 1), parents or guardians who live within the school district boundaries can request to have their child attend a school other than their home residence school. The request procedure is in accordance with Board Policy 5116.1.

Applications received after March 1 may not be processed until after the start of the 2015-16 school year and will be subject to space availability based on the date the request is received.

Parents or guardians may pick up an information letter and application at any district school or at the Centralized Registration Office, 2085 W. Acacia Ave., Hemet. Applications also may be downloaded from the HUSD website (www.hemetusd.org).



On the Town

Local Dining, Arts & Entertainment

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

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

Wednesday, Dec. 24

- Jazzercise, 7:15-8:15 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," noon. Rustic Theatre.
- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Celebration, 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Idyllwild Bible Church.
- Festival of Lessons & Carols With Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist, 6 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church.

Thursday, Dec. 25

- Jazzercise, 7:15-8:15 a.m. & 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Town Hall Tots Music & Movement (Infants-4 years), 9:45-10 a.m. Town Hall.
- "Santa Buddies," noon. Rustic Theatre.
- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Friday, Dec. 26

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Crafty Kids Art Class Holiday Workshop (5-11 years), 2:30-3:30 p.m.; Artistic Expressions (teens & adults), 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.
- "Rudolph and Frosty's Christmas in July," noon. Rustic Theatre.

- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

- Forest Folk Movie Night & Potluck, "The Edge," 5:30 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.

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

Saturday, Dec. 27

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Town Hall.
- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
- Wayne Cameron & Guests, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Sunday, Dec. 28

- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Monday, Dec. 29

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Storytime, "Polar Express" PJ Party, 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, Dec. 30

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m.; family

- holiday movie & popcorn, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.

- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Wednesday, Dec. 31

- Jazzercise, 7:15-8:15 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
- Sandii Castleberry, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.

Thursday, Jan. 1

- Jazzercise, 7:15-8:15 a.m. & 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Town Hall Tots Music & Movement (Infants-4 years), 9:45-10 a.m. Town Hall.
- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
- New Year's Eve at Jo'An's featuring The Sofa Kings, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Jo'An's Restaurant & Bar.

Friday, Jan. 2

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m.; Crafty Kids Art Class Holiday Workshop (5-11 years), 2:30-3:30 p.m.; Artistic Expressions (teens & adults), 4-5 p.m. Town Hall.
- Forest Folk Movie Night & Potluck, "If I Stay," 5:30 p.m. Mountain Resource Center.
- Holiday Hot Seat, 6-10 p.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.
- Chanukah Shabbot, 6 p.m. Temple Har Shalom



SPECIAL HOLIDAY STORY TIME: Mrs. Claus and "elves" Rylan Righetti and Carter Johnson help with a magic trick at Idyllwild Library's storytime on Monday.
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4-5 p.m. Caine Learning Center.

Monday, Jan. 5

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Storytime, "Mrs. Claus," 10:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.
- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

Tuesday, Jan. 6

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Free Senior Wii, 10 a.m.-noon. Town Hall.
- Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema begins, 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Rustic Theatre, AstroCamp and Caine Learning Center. Local discount passes available at the Idyllwild Town Crier & Visitors Center.
- Family holiday movie & popcorn, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.

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- Sandii Castleberry, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.

- Hojo Reynolds, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Idyll Awhile Wine Shoppe Bistro.
- Winter Solstice Celebration, Idyllwild Master Chorale & Art Alliance of Idyllwild, 7:30 p.m. Idyllwild School gym.

Sunday, Jan. 4

- December to Remember, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.
- Winter Solstice Celebration, Idyllwild Master Chorale & Art Alliance of Idyllwild, 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild School gym.
- "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies," 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Rustic Theatre.
- Spirit Mountain Retreat's Winter Solstice Celebration,

Saturday, Jan. 3

- Jazzercise, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Town Hall.
- Yu Gi Oh! Card Playing Club for teens, 10 a.m.-noon; Santa's Workshop Holiday Crafting for kids, 1-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Santa is Coming, 1 p.m. Jo'An's Restaurant & Bar.
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Dr. Kenneth Browning: Beyond the standard of care

BY JAY PENTRACK
STAFF REPORTER

Back in high school in Anaheim, California, self-proclaimed band geek Ken Browning had no idea that one day the wholesome young cheerleader who shared a few French classes with him would one day be his bride. He also did not foresee that one day he would be a doctor practicing medicine in the small mountain community of Idyllwild.

After deciding against a career as an architect and musician, a career in medicine became an obvious choice for Dr. Browning. "My father was a physician and he was an old fashioned GP. He delivered babies, took tonsils out on the kitchen table and all that stuff," Dr. Browning recalled. "I thought, 'All I know anything about is medicine, so I'll try that; plus, it is noble to want to help people.'"

Dr. Browning studied medicine at the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine on an Air Force scholarship and entered private practice in Riverside in 1984. He joined a family practice group that didn't do obstetrics and later joined another family practice group in Riverside that did obstetrics because it was an area of practice he enjoyed. Dr. Browning purchased a 1902 Heritage House that served as his office for 27 years.

With a son in the Boy Scouts, Dr. Browning visited Idyllwild's Camp Emerson many times and by 1995, and after a divorce, had started looking at "for sale" signs. "I found this place on Tahquitz right on the creek that was for sale ... I called my CPA and said, 'Could I ever afford something like this,' and he said, 'You can't afford not to, because you'll just give all of your money to the government.'"

In 1997, Dr. Browning and Sandy would have their first date after reconnecting on a high school 30-year reunion committee. "It was on a Friday, it was Memorial Day; she drove up from La Habra, we had lunch in Riverside, and then it's like, 'What do you do?' so we drove around and we ended up up here," he recalled. "I hadn't known that her fantasy had always been to live in a log home. So we went home, we came back, we spent the weekend, talked, listened to music and talked." The couple will celebrate 17 years of marriage next month.

After walking the dog one morning in Idyllwild, Sandy called home and said, "You'll never guess what building is vacant and available." By December, they had rehabbed what is now home to Fern Creek Medical Center with new paint, new flooring, new siding and many more improvements. "We opened on Valentine's Day. It will be three years ago this February," Dr. Browning recalled. "It was a snowy night and I had lots of friends help. This was truly a friend effort, a community effort and then we all walked across the street to



Dr. Browning and his staff at Fern Creek Medical Center take great pride in "going beyond the standard of care" for the Idyllwild Community.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

— it was still the Creek House, and ... we all had dinner there. The rest is history."

In addition to a traditional family practice, Dr. Browning has a passion for lifestyle medicine. "Basically, what that is is if you come in and you've got heart disease ... instead of just giving a statin or some kind of medication, [we question] 'Why do you have this, let's figure it out,' and fix that instead of just giving a Band-Aid. Dr. Browning's staff includes Nurse Practitioner Brenda Scherlis and lifestyle educator Jodi Sutherland. "I can work somebody up and see that they have these issues and then I can pass them off to her, and we call this amongst ourselves, 'Continuing the conversation,'" Dr. Browning explained. "She spends an hour or an hour-and-a-half with them figuring out, 'How do you eat? What is your stress like? What are your relationships like? Just life issues and then start working and teaching people how to eat better. All of a sudden for example, we can take a Type 2 diabetic that has cholesterol issues

Dr. Browning said.

Over a glass of wine one night at Idyll Awhile, Dr. Browning, Sandy and Sutherland had an epiphany. "At that time in medicine the buzz word was that physicians have to own up to the standard of care, so we're all being held to that standard," Dr. Browning explained. "And I said, 'We go beyond the standard of care, and this is great,' and then all three of us stopped and looked at each other and I grabbed a napkin and I wrote down on the napkin, and I said, 'That's a T-Shirt: Beyond the Standard of Care.'"

For Dr. Browning and Sandy, every day in Idyllwild is glorious. "We often ... go to the wine bar [with our friends] on a Friday night, and their kids come up or [our] friends come up. It's like Cheers," Dr. Browning said with a smile. "A lot of us lived in Riverside all at the same time and we never got together, because you just don't do that anyplace else. One of our other phrases is, 'Only in Idyllwild.'"

Idyllwild Death Cafe

Idyllwild Death Cafe is from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, and from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, 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 Tuesdays and Wednesdays of each month except in December when they are on the third Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

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The "gallery gang" who built the art gallery Thursday night for the Winter Solstice Celebration take a break from their work. Top row, from left, **Eric Yandell, Scott Corbett, Dave Robb, Jim Nutter, Thom Wallace and J.B. Leep.** Bottom row, from left, **Dave Schaffer and Jim Dunn.** Not shown is **Les Walker.** The Art Alliance of Idyllwild had 44 participating artists who submitted 115 pieces into this past weekend's Winter Solstice Art Show with 23 pieces sold during the two-day show. Winners of the People's Choice Award were **Ron Singerton** ("Night Flight") and **Lissa Evans** ("Through the Window").
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Above, the Idyllwild Master Chorale and Chamber Orchestra performing at the 39th Winter Solstice Celebration last Saturday at Idyllwild School.
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Above top left, an Idyllwild favorite, jazz singer **Sherry Williams** entertains at the Winter Solstice Celebration over the weekend.
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At left, Idyllwild Master Chorale performers.
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FRIDAY SERVICE: Chanukah Shabbat Service Friday evening at the Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild, held at the Caine Learning Center.
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GIVING STARTS: Local Color, above, performed at the annual Winter Solstice celebration sponsored by Spirit Mountain Retreat. The event, full of music and poetry, was held at the Caine Learning Center Sunday evening.
PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Phoebe Sandal receives a gift and a picture with Santa at New Spirit Vacation Homes' Toy Drive giveaway on Sunday.
PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE



CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP: Susan Righetti helps Nicholas Salesky with the glitter during the Christmas Present Workshop at Idyllwild Library on Saturday.
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SNOWY SCENE: Snow fell on Idyllwild and the Nativity Scene at Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church early on Wednesday morning, Dec. 17. PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON

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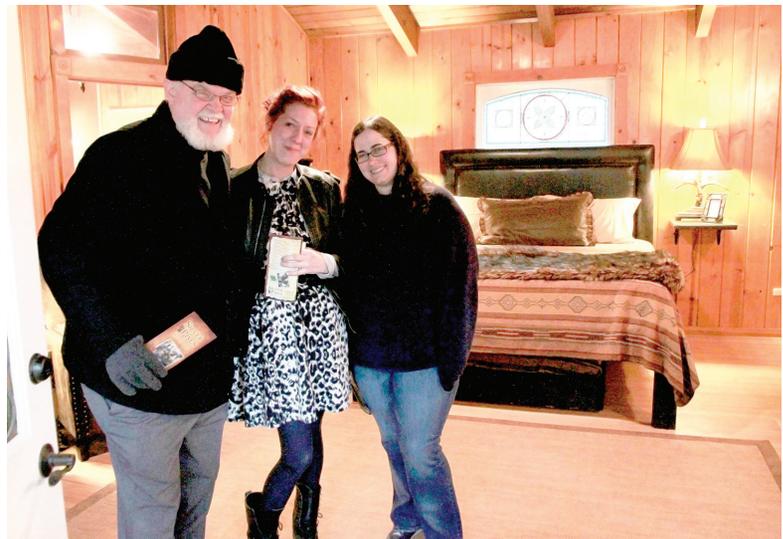
BEER TASTING: Jared Dillon, right, pulls a winter lager from tap at Idyll Awhile's Dec. 16 Christmas Beer Tasting event. Attendees enjoyed three featured beers paired



with a three-course meal. Above, cheers from locals Alicia Provenzano (left), Kirby Urutiaga (right) and Joyce Simanek as the friends enjoy the beers at Idyll Awhile's Christmas Beer Tasting last week. PHOTOS BY JOHN DRAKE



TURKEY OFFERING: Colleen Meyer (right) of the Idyllwild HELP Center accepts a donation of 30 Christmas turkeys from the Idyllwild Arts Foundation. PHOTO BY JOANNE BISCHOF



SILVER PINES VILLAGE OPENS: Doug Austin with friends Gina Rau and Shannon Levinsohn take in the cabins of the newly opened Silver Pines Village at the last week's opening.

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS

IdyllwildARTS

Idyllwild Community Fund continues long tradition of philanthropy

By Marshall Smith
Correspondent

The Idyllwild Community Fund Advisory Committee completed a successful year, continuing an almost 20-year tradition of providing grants to local nonprofits.

In 1996 a local couple, wishing to remain anonymous, provided the initial testamentary gift that would become the Idyllwild Community Fund. Their intention was that interest from the fund would be used to provide, in perpetuity, local charitable gifts within Riverside County or scholarship recommendations within the state of California.

The fund would be managed by the Community Foundation of Riverside and San Bernardino counties with a local advisory committee in Idyllwild that would make recommendations to the Community Foundation regarding gift distribution.

This year, the ICF Advisory Committee reviewed grant applications from local nonprofits, conducted site visits and recommended grants totaling \$12,120 to 11 organizations. Grant applicants sought funding to help them achieve a stated objective that without an ICF grant, might have gone unfulfilled.

This year's recipients included the Casa Center Against Sexual Assault of Southwest Riverside County, Chapel in the Pines Christian Fellowship, the Idyllwild Schol-

arship Fund, Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council, the Idyllwild School PTA smARTS program, the San Jacinto (Idyllwild) Community Center, the Idyllwild HELP Center, the Idyllwild School Booster Club, the Natural Learning Research Institute; the Art Alliance of Idyllwild, and the Idyllwild Master Chorale.

In addition, the Advisory Committee helps fund and mentor the Idyllwild Youth Grantmakers Program, a program at Idyllwild School organized by the Community Foundation, to teach philanthropy to Idyllwild School sixth through eighth graders. Launched in Riverside high schools by the Community Foundation, the Idyllwild program was the first to be implemented in middle schools. Now in its third year, the program attracts the best, the brightest and the most committed of Idyllwild Middle School students. They spend two hours in weekly afterschool sessions in an eight-week training program. They then review grant applications, conduct site visits and make grant recommendations, just as the Community Fund Advisory Committee does. They award, on average, \$4,000 annually to local nonprofits whose mission includes providing programs, information or assistance to local preteens and teens.

The ICF Advisory Committee's primary objectives are to acquaint the community with its

mission and accomplishments and to give community members a reason to contribute to the fund — in essence to encourage charitable giving to the Idyllwild Community Fund, that giving comes back to the very community organizations that use those grants to improve the lives of local residents. Whether it's a grant to help Chapel in the Pines maintain its truck to transport food from an off-Hill distribution center to its Mountain Center campus for its weekly food distribution program; a grant for the HELP Center to provide winter heating and utility funding for clients who cannot afford winter utility bills; or a grant for the Idyllwild Booster Club to continue to provide outdoor science education for Idyllwild Middle School students, donations to ICF are gifts that come back home.

This year, in addition to a year-end gala that honored grant recipients, the Advisory Committee conducted a July "Wine in the Pines Auction with a Twist" event outdoors at Rainbow Inn that grossed more than \$6,000 to aug-



The 2014 Idyllwild Community Fund Advisory Committee at its year-end luncheon at the Gastrognome. Front row, from left, Trish Tuley, Jayne Davis and Marshall Smith. Back row, from left, Jeri Sue Haney, Bill Sperling, Summer Brown, Jim Nutter, Ron Krull, Steve Taylor and Kathy Harmon Lubber.

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ment the fund and make more local grants possible. The idea was Summer Brown's. The event, with food, wine and entertainment, gave locals a chance to bring their personal auction item treasures for sale at the event. Donors could give either 25 percent or all of their sale to ICF.

This year's committee included Gigi Krammer, Ron Krull, Jeri Sue

Haney, Summer Brown, Mary Collier, Jayne Davis, Kathy Harmon Lubber, Jim Nutter, Bill Sperling, Steve Taylor, Trish Tuley, Adele Voell and Marshall Smith.

Ron, Summer, Trish, Adele and Gigi are termed out (members can serve two successive two-year terms). Joining the committee as new members are Holly Guntermann, Holly Owens, Mary

Morse, Bill Whitman, Suzanne Avalon and Larynn Carver. They begin their terms at the first meeting of the year on Friday, Jan. 9, 2015.

Part of the next year's mission is a new branding campaign designed to better familiarize the community with the ICF and its mission and to distinguish it from other local organizations with similar names.

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Documentaries offer adventure, danger and information

Schomer's explorations are thrilling, chilling

By J.P. CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Adam Schomer is the featured filmmaker for the 2015 Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema. Schomer is being recognized for his documentaries that both excite and reveal.

An adventurous documentarian is who Schomer is now, but that's not where he starts nor finishes. After graduating from Cornell in 1997, Schomer's adventuring and risk-taking began to evolve. First, he headed to Ecuador to learn Spanish and play soccer. After all, he was an all-Ivy League soccer player.

Since then he has learned and practices yoga, taught it to the Los Angeles Galaxy professional soccer team and began writing comedy at Second City. In 2010, he went to India to study meditation and his teacher invited him on a motorcycle trip through the Himalayas, which was the beginning of his documentary-making career.

"The Highest Pass" was Schomer's first documentary and has won several awards since its release.

"I fell in love with the adventure and the filmmaking. It's what you learn making a film," he said. "But I'm learning to seize life. There's something bigger than ourselves."

His work at Second City and work on children's films were important contributions to his apprenticeship. "I was learning the craft of story telling through film, set-

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According to a recent U.S. Census Bureau report, California is the state with the highest rate of impoverishment in the nation. More than 6.5 million Californians struggle with hunger at some point during the year.

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- Proteins, including lean meats, poultry, fish, beans, eggs and nuts.

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Adam Schomer, featured filmmaker at Idyllwild 2015.

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ting a pace," Schomer said.

However, Idyllwild 2015 will feature Schomer's two most recent documentaries: "One Little Pill" and "The Polygon." All of his films have a common denominator, "One thing I try to look for and find is a journey and follow it in real life."

"One Little Pill" is about the Sinclair method for treating alcohol abuse. In contrast to Alcoholics Anonymous, which relies on conscious and mental discipline to avoid alcohol, the Sinclair method is medicinal. Naltrexone has been demonstrated to reduce the craving for alcohol and to block the effects of opiate medication, according to the National Institute of Health. Taken in large doses, it can cause liver disease.

But Schomer and his producer, who financed the film through crowd funding, wanted to bring attention to this method, which has been kept under wraps for many years. Actress Claudia Christian has been a proponent of the Sinclair method, since it saved her life in 2009.

"For most people, there is only one way to stop alcoholism — abstinence. But this opens the eyes to another," Schomer said.

"The Polygon" takes the view to a Kazakhstan village that lies just 18 kilometers from a former Soviet nuclear test site — Semipalatinsk. More than 400 nuclear test were conducted at Semipalatinsk test site, also known as "The Polygon." Many of the tests were above ground.

The soil and water contain radiation and these people live with this condition daily. And according to the film's production site, "Those that live near this area everyday battle with high cancer rates, leukemia, deformations, irradiated food, irradiated water and even irradiated DNA which passes on from generation to generation."

When asked if he had any trepidations spending two months in the area filming, Schomer replied, "Yes, absolutely. I may have chosen to make the stakes higher. It was a real big risk to go there."

"We took a lot of precautions. We didn't drink the water and were always buying bottled water," Schomer explained. "But those people live there and have high cancer rates."

Idyllwild 2015 will not be Schomer's first time in Idyllwild. He's been here before and showed his first film, "The Highest Pass." Afterwards, one of the audience arranged from him to meet Stephen Savage, the IIFC director.

"Idyllwild is special. I like the town's energy and it's a pleasure to return," Schomer said.

For those who want to experience Schomer's adventures, his films will be shown starting at 11:45 a.m., Friday, Jan 9, at the Rustic Theatre.

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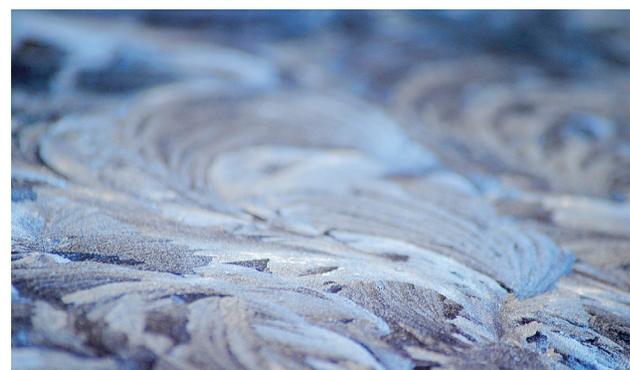
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MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL: Payton Priefer, of the Idyllwild Middle School girls basketball team, heads up the court against San Jacinto Wednesday. At left, coach Brennan Priefer gives the Idyllwild Middle School boys basketball team some guidance during a game against San Jacinto last Wednesday. *PHOTOS BY JENNY KIRCHNER*



BY NATURE: The freezing weather Thursday morning created a patch of swirls on this car roof. *PHOTO BY J.P. CRUMRINE*

HOLIDAY BOWL: During the annual Holiday Bowl between students and teachers at Idyllwild School, one of the students narrowly escapes teacher George Compniott. At right, Christopher Morris catches the ball for the student team. *PHOTOS BY JOHN DRAKE*





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Local family teaches children Christmas giving

By MARSHALL SMITH
CORRESPONDENT

Michael Fredric Rose and Siba Rose's three young children have a tradition each Christmas. For eight years, Aubrey, 13, Zen Lazarus, 12, and Emma 10, have delivered Christmas presents to needy families – first in San Jacinto where Michael was pastor of the Light of Love Chapel and now in Idyllwild.

"We wanted the children to learn the importance of giving to others," Michael said. "This tradition began with a food drive. The toys were the children's idea. We wanted to have the children see how they could be part of the solution, when so many are in need." The Roses worked to acquire food and gifts through private donations and sponsoring organizations – area casinos, Wal-Mart, the U.S. Army and local fire departments. "We did this out of necessity," Michael said. "There were so many families without adequate food. Food was first and most important."

Over the years, the food and gift drive grew as the Rose family found more sponsor organizations. "In an average year, we and the children were delivering 300 to 500 gifts to local families," Siba said. The family relocated to Idyllwild about two years ago, after a 13-year absence, and instituted their children's gift-giving tradition here. This is the second year they will be making the

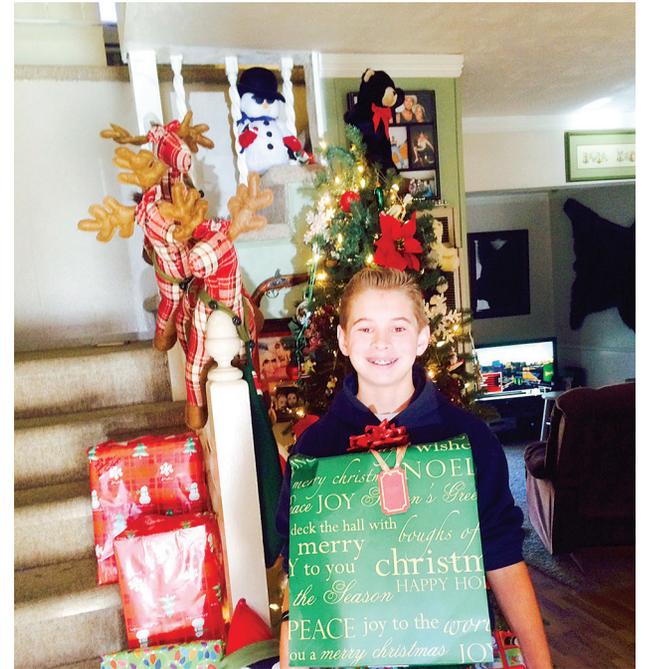
rounds to Idyllwild families, about 10 in Idyllwild and other families in San Jacinto. Presents are selected by age group and for boys and girls, Rose explained. Families are identified through local business contacts (Michael is a local contractor), churches and personal referrals.

"We're on call through Christmas Eve," Siba said. She recounted a domestic violence survivor woman who arrived several years ago in San Jacinto with her two children on Christmas Eve. "We were able to assist her and the children with food and gifts."

Zen Lazarus talked about what the experience has meant to him and why he and his siblings love continuing this tradition. "I see smiles on the kids' faces and it makes me happy to give to someone else," he said.

Michael explained that their goal in Idyllwild, if they could acquire a building, would be to have a full-time food pantry and outreach ministry. "We have our own 501(c)(3)," charitable organizational structure," Siba said.

The Rose family can be reached at (951) 659-5450 through the Christmas season for referrals of families in need. For more information on their mission of giving, see www.lightoflovechapel.webs.com. For more information on Messianic Judaism, see http://www.mjaa.org/site/PageServer?pagename=rd_messianicmovement_messianic_judaism.



Zen Lazarus Rose, 12, with gifts still to be given for Christmas. Each year since he was 4, he has learned the meaning of Christmas by giving to others. He is seen here at his home in Idyllwild. PHOTO BY MARSHALL SMITH

AA Marathon Meetings on Christmas

Alcoholics Anonymous Marathon Meetings, are scheduled from 8 a.m. to midnight Christmas Day, Dec. 25. The meetings are at the Spiritual Living Center, 26120 Ridgeview Dr. (the Courtyard Building). Call 562-233-3348 for information.

Festival of Lessons and Carols

Looking for an unusual Christmas Eve experience this year? St. Hugh's Episcopal Church is presenting a "non-traditional," traditional Festival of Lessons and Carols combined with the Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 24.

The original Festival of Lessons and Carols began in the late 1800s and was arranged from ancient sources as a Christmas Eve service for the Church of England. It consisted of nine scriptural lessons and nine meditative carols and anthems to match. The lessons ranged from the story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, to the birth of Jesus.

The service was first held at King's College, Cambridge, in 1918. It was presented by Eric Milner-White, dean of King's College, and it enhanced the worship services of the Church of England. Tradition says that the service was presented at a time to keep the men out of the pubs. Almost immediately other churches adapted the service for their own use but the general format does not differ from the original.

The service still begins with the hymn, "Once in Royal David's City," and concludes with, "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing." This year, St. Hugh's is breaking tradition by combining the Festival of Lessons and Carols with the Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist. Holy Communion will be celebrated. The event features the Rev. (Father) Daniel Rondeau, vicar; Edwin S. Hansen, organist, pianist and music director; James Sales, coordinator and cantor; Rene Hernandez, acolyte and saxophonist; Ruth Fountain, contralto soloist; and choristers Hans Bu, Ruth Fountain, Neil Passage, Sherry Rusch, James Sales, Susan Simmons and Jacque Swerdfeger.

Hill transportation survey

Idyllwild Elders is teaming up with Forest Folk to apply for a substantial grant from Riverside County to fund a shuttle bus for the Idyllwild area.

Visit www.surveymonkey.com/s/KKPW2R2 before Dec. 27, to answer the transportation survey.

The survey is self-explanatory. However, if you have questions, call Reba Coulter at 951-288-2002.

Art for the Animals seeks entries

Art for the Animals, a fundraiser to benefit shelter animals in Riverside County, is calling for donations of artwork from artists of all skill levels.

Selected pieces are auctioned off at a live auction event or on the Department of Animal Services' webpage to raise funds for homeless pets. All of the contributions are used to provide special care and enrichment for Riverside County shelter animals.

Submit artwork from Monday, Feb. 2 until 6 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 26.

A live auction is from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, March 29, at the Riverside Art Museum. Admission is free.

The online art auction is from Tuesday to Tuesday, April 7 to April 21 at www.rcdas.org/index.php/events/art-of-the-animals.

Volunteer Reserve Program

Riverside County Fire Department is accepting applications for Volunteer Reserve positions with Riverside County Fire Department.

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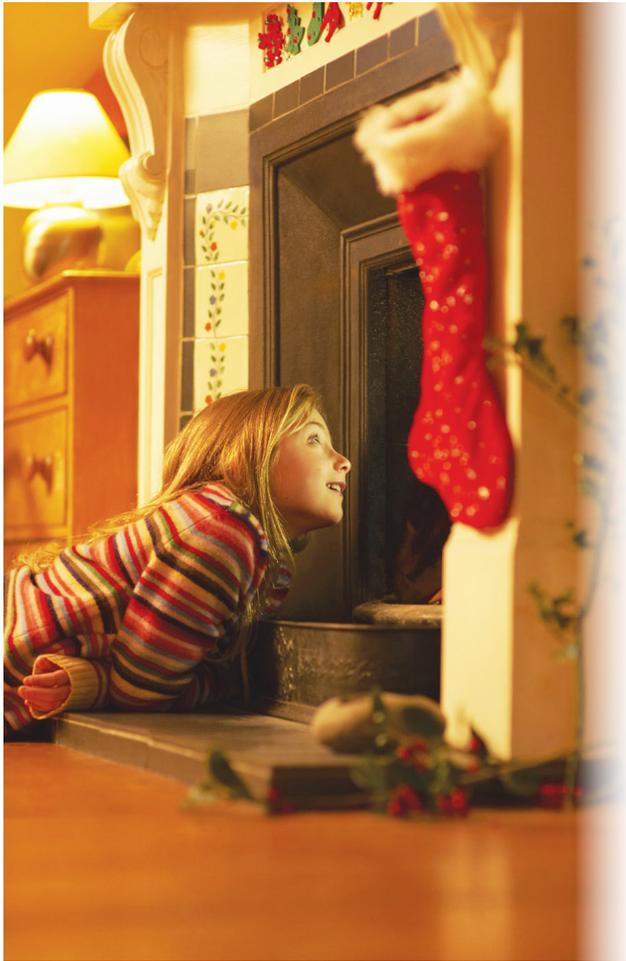
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Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus



This year marks the 108th anniversary of probably the most famous Christmas newspaper editorial of all time. It was written by Francis P. Church in response to a letter from 8-year-old Virginia O'Hanlon. It was published on Sept. 21, 1897, in the New York Sun.

We reprint it each year for the enjoyment of our readers:

Is there a Santa Claus? We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun:

Dear Editor:
I am 8 years old.
Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.
Papa says, "If you see it

in the Sun, it's so."
Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?
Virginia O'Hanlon
115 West 95th Street

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beau-

ty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith, then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable their existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your Papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies danc-

ing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

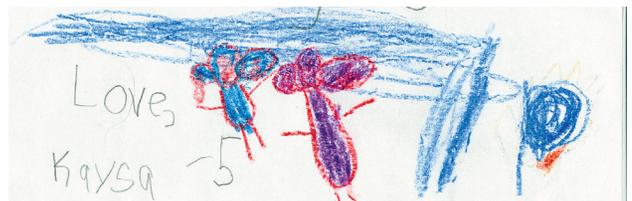
You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, not even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else more real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay 10 times 10,000 years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

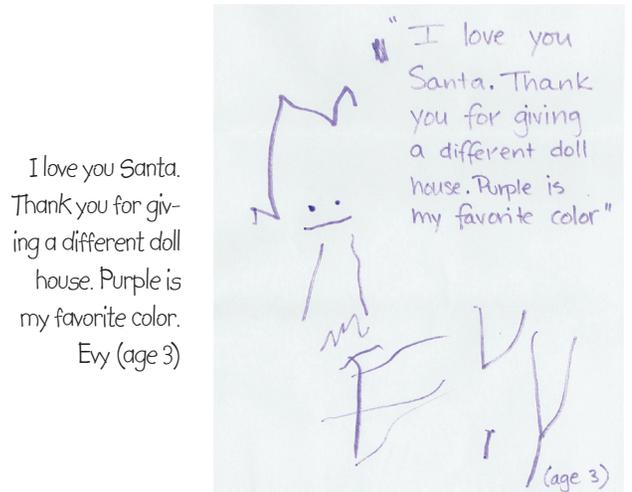
Idyllwild children's letters to the North Pole

Each year, Santa allows the Town Crier to publish local kid's letters on their way to the North Pole. Here's this year's crop of Christmas correspondence:

Dear Santa Claus all I Wont for christmas is a Minecraft horse Set
from Angel



Dear Santa,
I would like a bow and arrows, belts and an Elsa doll. I gave Jacob a Twilight Sparkle
Love, Kaysa - 5



I love you Santa. Thank you for giving a different doll house. Purple is my favorite color.
Evy (age 3)

Dear Santa,
I'm Zane Booth I Live at 5xxxx Wildwood Dr. Idyllwild CA 92549
I would like: 1. Roller Copter 2.Mip-Robot 3.Max Tow truck 4. Veltron Wave flying Saucer 5.Vex Dinosaurs
Zane

Dear Santa, You Are Kind.
This is What I Want is a Poke ball With a Pokeman Please. Thank you for Larry Gecko I Love You Santa, (flower & heart)
Quintin Hoggan age 5



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<p>Cross Road 243 Christian Fellowship Interdenominational, Pastor Wally Boer. Sunday Worship Service & Sunday School, 10am plus Weekly Studies. Call for info. 659-0097. 29375 Hwy 243 in Mountain Center.</p>	<p>Queen of Angels Roman Catholic Church 54525 N. Circle Dr., P.O. Box 1106, Idyllwild, CA Father Charles E. Miller Mass Schedule: Tues.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.; Sat. 4 p.m.; Sun. 8 a.m. + 10 a.m.; Confession: Sat. 3:30 p.m. or by appt. 659-2708</p>
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<p>Idyllwild Bible Church 25860 Highway 243, Pastor Tim Westcott. A Family Friendly Bible Based Fellowship. Sunday Worship & Nursery Care, 9 a.m. Sunday Worship, Nursery Care & Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Mid-week Bible Studies & Youth Groups. Hymn Singing 6:30 p.m. 2nd Sunday Call Church Office for Information. 659-4775</p>	<p>St. Hugh's Episcopal Church An Anglican House of Prayer for all people Rev. Daniel Rondeau • Sunday Service, 10:00 am Wednesday Service, 10:00 am 25525 Tahquitz Dr. (in Fern Valley off South Circle Dr.) Phone (951) 659-4471</p>
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Dear Santa,
I want These Things Please
- I want a Zoomer Dino
- And I want a Toy Dinosaur
- And Silly sand

- Victoria wants -Elmo -Snow-
man -Tree
Are reindeer real? Are elf's
real?
I hope you are Doing good?
From TONy SoLoRiO

Dear Santa, Age 6
I would like a Lego Brickmaster Set for christmas.
Thank You
Love, Griffin

Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus,
We have been very good at Lil Critters PreSchool. We wrote down what we want for Christmas this year. We will leave carrots for the reindeer at Teacher Kathy and Bob's house. Thank You!

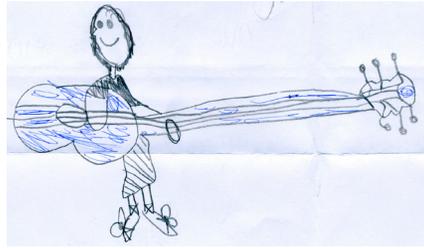
- Lil Critters PreSchoolers

- Makai-2yrs old- A tree for the Christmas songs. Dinosaur train!
- Gaige-3yrs.- I like a purple helicopter for my sister, and a blue one for me.
- Noah-4yrs.- Chima Legos. One more thing - a race car that goes 50 mph.
- Landen-5yrs.- I just said, "Santa, I want a hover ball." How about a army man that goes down a parachute? Next I want a target space on that Saturn is the target.
- Ruby-3yrs.- I want a yellow present, and purple and pink. I have presents at home. Another new book
- EY-3yrs.- I want her to bring me a Cinderella toy. I want Sleeping Beauty too with Cinderella.
- Kayson-2yrs.- A car. A book. Toys.
- Kayden-2yrs.- I want toys. I want crayons. Um, you can write

- candy on there?
- Cece-3-1/2yrs.- A new dress, a pink Easter dress. I want a toy sword like a pirate. A new sweater.
- Miles-3yrs.- A chainsaw to cut trees down with. I want a ball, and a tractor.
- Natalie-5yrs.- Ah, ha! I figured out what I want ... lipstick! Markers, so that's why I can draw on papers. A doll. I have a lot of dolls, so I need another one.
- Cade-3yrs.- A Captain America shield, a red hat like Santa, and a Christmas tree.
- Jonathan-2yrs.- A dinosaur. Cars. Transformers.
- Ethan-3-1/2 yrs.-Toys! A choo choo train with four cars. A tree feller, and don't forget a Back Hoe. It has a scoop and a bucket.

P.S.- Please bring a special gift for our one year olds - Jacob, Talon and Victoria, and our teenage helper, Breanna. Thank You!

Dear Santa,
When you get the chance may you please make me a Small Guitar. I relly need a small one because it is hard to do my cords. The cords I have lerned are A, eMiner, D, and F and I'm learning C. It is hard to play my cords with a grupup guitar.



love,
Samantha Renee Hoggan

Dear Santa,
I love you! How are you, Mrs. Clause, and the rein deer, and

Elves doing? I wish you a safe trip. I am going to leave you some cookies and the rein deer some carrots. I might even leave you a picture! If I do it will be a painting. By the way I like your clothes. For Christmas I want a scooter! My favorite animals are a cat and a sea lion and a owl. Just so you know.
Love, Lylia Kai Johnston
YOU ARE THE BEST SANTA EVER!



Dear Santa,
Have a great Christmas giving everyone their presents. I would like a scooter for Christmas. Have a safe trip. I love you. Kaelyah



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Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy today, I think. Maybe I could have a ninja turtle skateboard. I am going to a parade and I know you are going to be there, Santa. I live in Idyllwild Santa and there are boulders here. Watch out for the boulders Santa and if you see one in front of you turn because it would really not be good if you crashed. So watch out!

P.S. Lego freight train for Christmas
P.S.S. Kimi threw oranges on the floor.

LOVE JENS
(Jens Hansen) age 4

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CREATURE CORNER

BY MIMI AND HOOTCH

Just in time for Christmas, our little **Lima Bean**, aka **Mini Cooper**, has wiggled and smiled his way right into a forever home with a new pack and loving family. Paws up to you Coop. We will always love you.



Dear Santa Claws, Little **Juliet** has her Christmas wish to find her perfect home complete with an endless bowl of food, and a basket filled with her favorite toys. She is under a year old and full of the puppy play, so an energetic and patient family is a must. Juliet is a doxie/Chihuahua mix who

will bring you endless laughter through the New Year.

Ernie and **Wilson** thought they could have a wish for every toe they have, and since they are polydactyls, that's a lot of wishes, Santa. They are 8-month-old brothers. Ernie has a surprise too. He is polydactyl on all four paws. Wilson is a bit shyer than brother Ernie, so



we are working on socialization. They are still playful kittens with the cattery crowd. They wish for a home that



will love them and all of their toes. And lots of canned food! **Tommy** thinks all this Christmas stuff

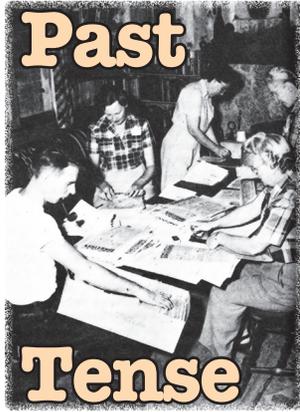
is for the birds. And that's exactly what his wish is to Santa. He would like his own outdoor cattery so he could nap in the sun, with one eye open always checking out the birds. He is a large male, about 3 years old. He's very mellow with other felines and gentle with humans

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The Kemp sawmill was sold to a Big Bear firm. All of its logging equipment was moved off the Hill.

60 years ago - 1954

The Valley Cab Company was advertising a weekly round-trip between Idyllwild and Hemet for \$2 each way.

55 years ago - 1959

Dr. Max Krone, then president of the Idyllwild Arts Foundation, received word from LIFE magazine editors that two pages of its Christmas issue would feature activities of the school.

50 years ago - 1964

Hillfolk were advised that making a local telephone call would require dialing seven numbers and that the prefix "659" must be used.

45 years ago - 1969

Taylor's Lodge in Mountain Center announced that the restaurant would be serving ham and eggs from 2 to 4 a.m. after the New Year's Eve music and dancing.

40 years ago - 1974

About 200 students from Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut planted 5,000 trees in the Soboba burn area. They planned to plant 3,000 more in February.



The Idyllwild Community Presbyterian Church choir in December 1961. **Becky Gooding** is in front at the left. FILE PHOTO

35 years ago - 1979

The Jim Snell Memorial Ambulance was dedicated at a ceremony at the Idyllwild Fire Station. Locals had raised nearly \$12,000 of the \$34,149 purchase price.

30 years ago - 1984

Idyllwild Fire Department officials issued an advisory telling residents not to burn their Christmas tree in the fireplace after the holidays because they could be highly explosive and cause a flash fire.

25 years ago - 1989

No one knew where it came from, but a little potted cedar tree appeared on South Circle Drive where the landmark giant pon-

derosa pine stood for 335 years before being felled in October. A traffic jam occurred as locals came to see the little tree.

20 years ago - 1994

Larry Donahoo, a paid-call firefighter, was named Idyllwild Fire Department's firefighter of the year.

15 years ago - 1999

Mild weather, with the thermometer reaching 80 degrees, was credited for the success of the Audubon Society's Centennial Christmas Bird Count on the Hill. Spotters counted 105 different species including two birds not previously seen at Lake Hemet and three

bald eagles.

10 years ago - 2004

It was announced that the new Village Centre shopping mall was scheduled to open in less than two weeks.

5 years ago - 2009

Valley Health System District voters finally accepted what the board had urged for several years — sell the district's public hospitals to pay off the accumulating debt.

1 year ago - 2013

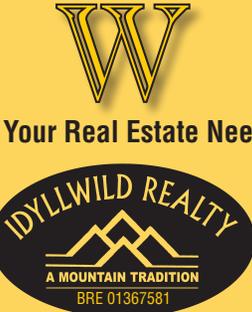
Pamela Jordan, head of school at the Chicago Academy of Arts, was to become the next president of the Idyllwild Arts Foundation.



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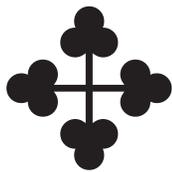
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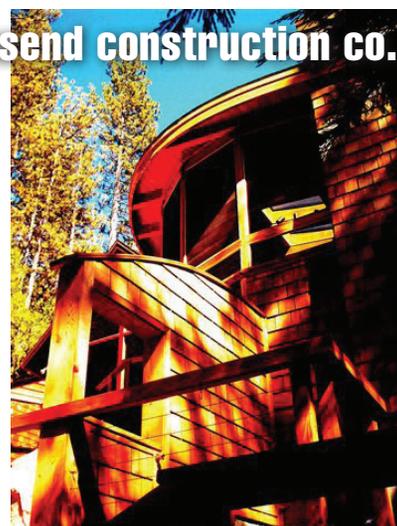
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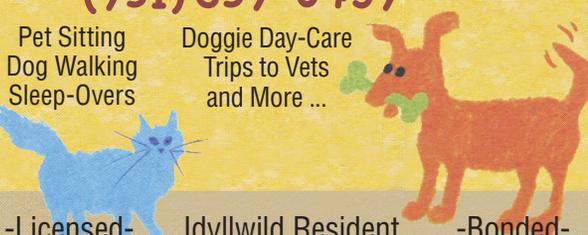
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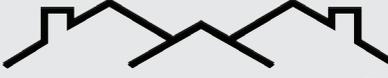
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Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 20, 2014.

FILE NO.: R-2014-11074

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT, AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES NOT OF 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), 6064.

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: D. Santana, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2014.

RIC 1411238
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main St., Riverside, CA 92501 RIVERSIDE HISTORIC COURTHOUSE

PETITION OF KIM SONG NGY AND THEAVY HOUT NGY.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner: KIM SONG NGY AND THEAVY HOUT NGY filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:
a. Present name: EMILY HOUT changed to Proposed name: EMILY HOUT NGY

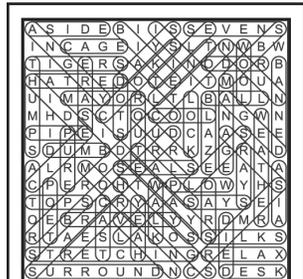
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes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

NOTICE OF HEARING
a. Date: 1/9/15 Time: 8:30 AM Dept. PS3.
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.
Date: 11-14-14
MICKIE E. REED
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2014.

NOTICE OF HEARING
a. Date: 1/5/15 Time: 8:30 Dept. 2.
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

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Date: NOV 24 2014
SHARON J. WATERS
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2014.



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RIC 1405822
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 3255 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs 92262, Desert PETITION OF INFELJ, FRANCIS KREMENIC.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner: J. FRANCIS KREMENIC filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:
a. Present name: J FRANCIS KREMENIC changed to Proposed name: JAY FRANCIS

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

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Date: 11-14-14
MICKIE E. REED
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Dec. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2014.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SPARKLE DUDS, GBOUTREACH AT 1025 N. Hemet Street Hemet, CA 92544, Riverside County. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 421 Hemet, CA 92546. MELANIE ANN BEAVER, 1025 N. Hemet Street, Hemet CA 92544.

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

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature: MELANIE A BEAVER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 3, 2014.

FILE NO.: R-2014-11395

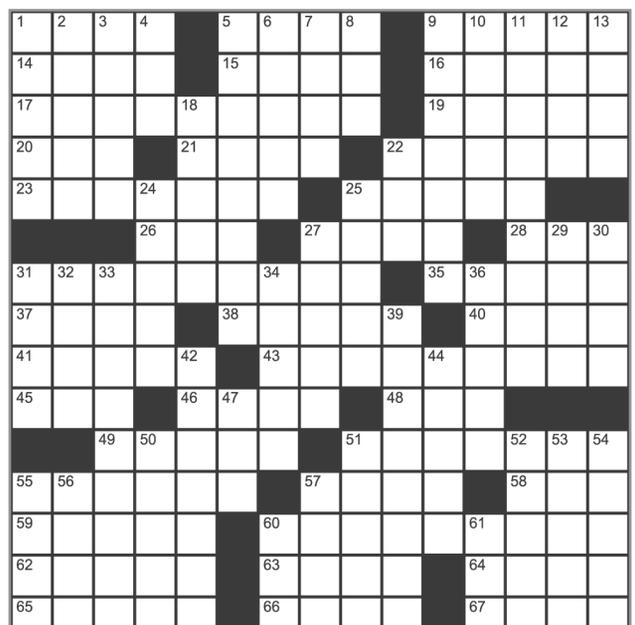
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THE FILING OF THIS STATEMENT DOES

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CROSSWORD

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- ACROSS**
1. "Frasier" actress Gilpin
 5. Poker action
 9. New moon, e.g.
 14. Twelfth month of the Jewish calendar
 15. ___ vera
 16. ___ pneumonia
 17. Luxurious, chauffeur-driven car
 19. A Muse
 20. "___ bad!"
 21. Catch, as flies
 22. Affixes in a scrapbook, say
 23. Creeks
 25. Butter up?
 26. "Act your ___!"
 27. Bit of dust
 28. Witty remark
 31. Sycophants (hyphenated)
 35. Gloomy, in poetry
 37. Face-to-face exam
 38. Little people
 40. A chip, maybe
 41. Resides
 43. Safe to fly
 45. Calendar square
 46. Coastal raptor
 48. "___ we having fun yet?"
 49. Complain
 51. Disrobe
 55. Tired
 57. "... or ___!"
 58. Basic monetary unit of Romania
 59. Annoy
 60. Acknowledging a new landlord
 62. Carries on
 63. "Fudge!"
 64. "Empedocles on ___" (Matthew Arnold poem)
 65. Church recesses
 66. Smeltery refuse
 67. Rip
- DOWN**
1. Animal hides
 2. "Four Quartets" poet
 3. Buzz
 4. 1969 Peace Prize grp.
 5. Fine, soft goat wool
 6. Assumed name
 7. Marathon
 8. "Malcolm X" director
 9. Delighted
 10. Ridge of land between two parallel faults
 11. Reduction
 12. Fill
 13. "Aeneid" figure
 18. Grammar topic
 22. Congratulations, of a sort
 24. American symbol
 25. Blunder
 27. Three-reeler, e.g.
 29. Solemn promise
 30. Deuce topper
 31. Grasp
 32. "Michiamano Mimi," e.g.
 33. Small, white kidney-shaped seeds (2 wds)
 34. Bias
 36. Harder to find
 39. Farewell appearance (2 wds)
 42. Female clairvoyant
 44. Command
 47. 2004 Oscar nominee
 50. Caffe ___
 51. The "U" in UHF
 52. A-list
 53. Medicinal plant
 54. Dearie
 55. City on the Yamuna River
 56. "That's a ___!"
 57. And others, for short
 60. Infomercials, e.g.
 61. After expenses

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HOROSCOPES

December 2014 — Week 4



March 21 – April 19
Doubts continue to nag at you. Explore your feelings, Aries. More efficient measures are put into place at work. Take advantage of them.



April 20 – May 20
Disaster strikes, but as always, you rise to the occasion. Bravo, Taurus! Rewards will come in a most unusual way. Travel plans take shape.



May 21 – June 21
You're a giver, Gemini, and much will be asked of you this week. Be careful that you do not overdo it. A letter makes an objective clear.



June 22 – July 22
Hypotheses are all well and good, Cancer, but if you want to make any headway, you're going to have to investigate the situation for yourself. An invitation beckons.



July 23– August 22
Some risks are worth taking, and this is one of them, Leo. Cast aside your reservations and take your friend up on their offer. A cancellation is a blessing.



August 23– September 22
Veer left, veer right. Oh, Virgo. Your indecisiveness is about to get the best of you. Be firm. Voice your opinion, make a decision and stick to it.



September 23– October 22
Help is always needed, but it isn't always wanted. Put your efforts where they will be the most appreciated, Libra. A crush is exposed.



October 23– November 21
The time has come for you to make your move. Be bold, Scorpio. Someone important is watching. The debate at home ends with the arrival of guests.



November 22– December 21
Celebrations of all kinds keep you busy all week long. Enjoy the revelry, Sagittarius. You will soon have more serious matters to attend to.



December 22 – January 19
The season is here. Let the festivities begin, Capricorn. A time-tested recipe gets a family gathering off on the right foot. A work request takes you by surprise.



January 20 – February 18
The competition heats up at the office. Join in if you dare, Aquarius. A curt discussion with a friend leads nowhere fast. Look to another to inspire change.



February 19 – March 20
Enough thinking. Time to act, Pisces. A shopping trip uncovers a treasure. Cherish it for a while and then pass it on. A phone call offers tips.

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appeared to exclude Chase's trees from the board's jurisdiction, but he stated that the matter would be referred to staff.

Immediately following adjournment, Monroe informally suggested that Chase write the board of supervisors seeking to broaden the district's charter and also that he consult legal counsel about this matter.

Later, when asked by the Town Crier what he expected the review board to do for his problem, Chase stated

that, while it appeared that technically the board had only an advisory capacity regarding applications for alteration permits, he felt the board could have taken a position and issued a public statement to the effect that anyone seeking to cut down trees within the historical district needs to first go through the application for alteration process.

Chase told the Town Crier he has attempted to resolve this matter informally with the persons involved, but that has not been successful. He said he has not filed a civil legal action regarding this incident.

State wants to return tax refunds

The Franchise Tax Board announced it is holding more than \$20 million in returned state income tax refunds.

This year, nearly 47,500 refunds, ranging from \$1 to \$50,000, were returned by the U.S. Postal Service. Taxpayers who moved after they filed their returns and failed to update their addresses are the main reason refunds are returned.

Taxpayers can update an address through the MyFTB Account feature on FTB's website (www.ftb.ca.gov). Once an address is updated, FTB reissues returned refunds automatically.

Taxpayers expecting a state refund or unsure if they received their refund may access FTB's "Check your refund" on its home website. This service is available in both English

and Spanish.

Preventing a delayed refund is easy. Taxpayers who choose direct deposit of their refunds into their bank accounts receive their refunds quickly. Direct deposit occurs within days rather than waiting weeks for a paper refund check.

For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit taxes.ca.gov.

Legals

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: K. Moore, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 11, 18, 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SAN GABRIEL BEVERAGE GROUP at 10810 Inland Avenue Mira Loma, CA 91752, Riverside County. LEVECKE CORPORATION, 10810 Inland Avenue, Mira Loma CA 91752. A California Corporation CA A 27762.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
JOSEPH R. LEVECKE
Secretary
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 25, 2014.

FILE NO.: I-2014-02969
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk

By: A. Chavez, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 11, 18, 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as CLUB HONUVOLLEYBALL at 1323 Rabbit Peak Way Hemet, CA 92545, Riverside County. EARLIN KEHAULANI SAWYER, 1323 Rabbit Peak Way, Hemet CA 92545.

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

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
EARLIN KEHAULANI SAWYER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 2, 2014.

FILE NO.: R-2014-11338

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT, AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: C. Berg, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 11, 18, 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as M & K BIKER SHOP at 54225 North Circle Drive, # 18, Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: PO Box 623, Idyllwild, CA 92549. MARK ALTON FORDHAM 1405 Lucerne Drive, Hemet, CA 92544, KATHLEEN ANN ROCKWELL 1405 Lucerne Drive, Hemet, CA 92544.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above May 30, 2014.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
MARK ALTON FORDHAM
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 10, 2014.

FILE NO.: R-2014-11587

NOTICE — IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISION (a) OF SECTION 17920, A FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT GENERALLY EXPIRES AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EXCEPT, AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (b) OF SECTION 17920, WHERE IT EXPIRES 40 DAYS AFTER ANY CHANGE IN THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION OF 17913 OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESS OF A REGISTERED OWNER. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION.

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CERTIFICATION
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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: L. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 18, 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 8, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as THE GROOMING SHOPPE at 41750 Rancho Las Palmas Drive Ste. J-2, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270, Riverside County. RAY CARL JOHNSON, 34851 Date Palm Dr. Space 205, Cathedral City CA 92234.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed above. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
RAY CARL JOHNSON
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec., 11, 2014.

FILE NO.: I-2014-03084

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: M. Duenas, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 18, 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 8, 2015.

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

The following fictitious business name HIGH COUNTRY JOURNAL, 56480 State Hwy 371 #8, Anza, CA 92539, Riverside County, has been abandoned by the following person(s): EDWARD VICTOR KOHOUT, 38915 Western Hills Road, Anza, CA 92539 and REBECCA -- BELL-SMITH 1830 Carfax Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90815.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Riverside County on 5/19/2014.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

Signed:
REBECCA -- BELL-SMITH
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 20, 2014.

FILE NO.: R-2014-05019

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

LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: L.M. Sibley, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 18, 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 8, 2015.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as EARTH TRAILS PUBLICATIONS at 54369 Jameson Dr Idyllwild, CA 92549, Riverside County. Mailing address: PO Box 3335, Idyllwild, CA 92549. GARY LEE GRAY, 54369 Jameson Dr, Idyllwild CA 92549.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name listed above on 1995.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)

Registrant Signature:
GARY LEE GRAY
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Dec. 18, 2014.

FILE NO.: R-2014-11870

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LARRY W. WARD,
County Clerk
By: J. Gonzalez, Deputy
Pub. TC: Dec. 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 8, 15, 2015.

RIC 1411883
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 MARIYA MICHELLE HERERA-SPAULDI.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner: MARIYA MICHELLE HERERA-SPAULDI filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows:

a. Present name: MARIYA MICHELLE HERERA-SPAULDI changed to Proposed name: MARIYA MICHELLE SPAULDING.

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

NOTICE OF HEARING
a. Date: 1/21/15 Time: 8:30 AM Dept. 2.
b. The address of the court is same as noted above.

3. a. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Idyllwild Town Crier.
Date: DEC 10 2014
SHARON J. WATERS
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
Pub. TC: Dec. 25, 2014, Jan. 1, 8, 15, 2015.

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Did you know?

- You are required to file a DBA (Doing Business As), also called an FBN (Fictitious Business Name), statement with the county when you start a business.
- Your DBA expires after 5 years, and you need to refile.

The Town Crier can file your DBA for you, saving you from the paperwork hassle and the time and gas it would take to go to the County Recorder's Office.

Call Dolores at (951) 659-2145 or stop by the Town Crier, 54405 North Circle Dr. (office open Mon-Fri from 9am to 5pm. Sat. 10am to 4pm • Sun. 10am to 2pm)

Obituary Allen Caswell Miller 1921-2014

Allen C. Miller, a 17-year resident of Idyllwild, passed away on Thanksgiving night, Nov. 27, 2014. He was 93.

Born on Jan. 3, 1921 to Gilbert A. Miller and Pauline Scott Miller, Allen was raised in the Hollywood Hills of Southern California and graduated from Hollywood High School. From his youth, Allen was an avid hiker who spent many happy hours exploring the hills near his home. While growing up, he also made frequent trips to Idyllwild, camping with his parents at Keen Camp.



Allen pursued a career in the aerospace industry and lived half of his adult life in Yorba Linda, California. His passion for hiking and spending time in the high Sierras led him to a decades-long association with the Sierra Club, where he spent many years as a mule-pack trail leader. His wife of 56 years, Lenore Miller, accompanied him by "taking the rear" on these trips.

They also traveled extensively throughout the U.S., Europe, Mexico, New Zealand, Canada, and the Caribbean. "Big Al" loved to cruise, and together with his wife, he traveled by ship more than 30 times.

The Millers have lived in Idyllwild full-time since 1997. Allen hiked the trails frequently into his mid-80s when doctors advised him to stop. Although he couldn't hike anymore, Allen relished the opportunity to continue living in his beloved mountains and was a well-known figure in town.

He enjoyed talking with folks at the post office and in his favorite restaurants. He dined so frequently at Cafe Aroma, the chefs knew his favorite "Al's Omelet" by heart: three eggs, cheddar cheese, tomatoes, avocado and crispy bacon.

Allen enjoyed attending concerts at the Idyllwild Arts Academy and meetings of the Garden Club, and donated frequently to just about every philanthropic group in town including Living Free and Animal Rescue Friends, the Master Chorale, Idyllwild Arts and many more. He was also very generous with a variety of charities outside Idyllwild, too numerous to recount. He was particularly drawn to charities that assisted children.

Allen is survived by his wife, Lenore Miller; and three children, Norman Miller (Idaho), Cynthia VandeBerg (Wisconsin) and Sharilyn Miller (Idyllwild). He also is survived by six grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 3 at the Community Presbyterian Church. Anyone who knew Allen Miller and would like to celebrate his life is welcome to attend the service and reception afterward.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the charity of your choice.

Obituary Bob Citrowski 1933-2014

Bob Citrowski, 81, of Idyllwild died Sunday, Dec. 14, 2014 of heart failure at the Riverside Community Hospital in Riverside.

He was born April 8, 1933, in St. Cloud, Minnesota. He had many occupations in his lifetime, including gas station attendant, truck driver, car salesman, telescope builder, aircraft factory worker, cable factory worker and builder of four rental homes.

He loved the outdoors, cars, dancing and keeping busy. His last request to one of his granddaughters was, "Take care of Grandma. I'm going to be with God."

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Arline Citrowski; two sons, Robert Citrowski and Brian Citrowski of Hemet; three daughters, Dana and Robin of California, and Patricia of Tennessee; and 10 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one sister.

Besides his parents, he was predeceased by three children, one grandchild, three brothers and four sisters.

He was interred at San Jacinto Cemetery on Friday, Dec. 19.



Grants Wildfire-Impacted Private Forestland

Grant funds are available to address the immediate impacts of fire on natural resources on land that has suffered impacts from recent California wildfires. The money is available from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service's Catastrophic Fire Recovery Initiative

This assistance is available to agricultural operators or private non-industrial forest owners and applications will be accepted and considered for possible funding on a continuing basis. Priority will be given to applicants implementing conservation practices within six months of funding to address erosion, adequate livestock water, and habitat protection.

The purpose of the Catastrophic Fire Recovery Initiative is to provide quick resource protection in areas burned by catastrophic fires in the past 18 months. Priority concerns include immediate soil erosion protection, minimizing encroachment by invasive plants, protecting water quality, protecting fish and wildlife habitat, bringing back forests, and restoring livestock infrastructure necessary for grazing management.

Financial assistance for conservation under this initiative is being made available through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Applications for this initiative can be submitted to your local USDA Service Center.

Interested landowners may contact the NRCS San Jacinto office at 951-654-7139 to learn more about the availability of assistance.

Recycling

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- Riverside County Blythe Landfill, 1000 Midland Rd., Blythe
- Riverside County Lamb Canyon Landfill, 16411 Lamb Canyon Rd., Beaumont

Unfortunately, trees that are not recycled at drop-off locations or through curbside pick-up will only occupy valuable space in our landfills. Make the last gift you give this year to the Earth.

If you would like more information on this program, please call Riverside County Waste Management Department 951-486-3200 or visit the website at www.rivcowm.org/. For more green holiday suggestions please check out our fact sheet at www.rivcowm.org/opencms/WasteGuide/FactSheets/GreenHoliday.pdf

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Rain

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The U.S. Forest Service's Keenwild Ranger Station recorded 0.42 inches and George Tate recorded 0.83 inches in Pine Cove. While the total rainfall, since the beginning of the rain year (July 1), at Keenwild is still below the long-term average through December, Pine Cove and Idyllwild have received more than the long-term average.

In Pine Cove, 11.7 inches have fallen through this week. The long-term average through the end of December is 9.22 inches. While more than 25 percent greater than the average, another 14 inches between now and June 30 is necessary to reach the annual average, which has occurred only twice since 2005.

Despite much discussion about climate change and its cause, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration released a report on Dec. 8 which concluded, "The comparison of these three studies employ-

ing different methods and models found no substantial effect of human-induced climate change on the severe precipitation deficits over California."

Weather researchers were unable to determine any long-term trend in the California weather. Nor did they find any conclusive evidence linking human-caused climate change to the current three-year drought and consequently attributed it to natural conditions.

An accompanying press release began with this statement, "According to a new NOAA-sponsored study, natural oceanic and atmospheric patterns are the primary drivers behind California's ongoing drought. A high-pressure ridge off the West Coast (typical of historic droughts) prevailed for three winters, blocking important wet season storms, with ocean surface temperature patterns making such a ridge much more likely."

For this winter, the re-

port predicts wetter than normal weather, but no deluge of rain. "It is therefore reasonable to assume that precipitation amounts will very likely be greater than last winter, but not necessarily much above the climatological normal," which is 25.67 inches of annual rain on the Hill.

While the NWS is forecasting a dry holiday period, its one-month and three-month forecasts predict above-average precipitation for Southern California.

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Fire Code

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recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

An example of the questions that need addressing before any decision or conclusion is made includes how to pay for the abatement if the property owner does not have the work done.

"This not cheap [on the Hill] because of the heavier fuels here," Hawkins said. "I don't know yet; maybe we can get grant funds from the State Responsibility Area fire prevention fees. We may go to other government sources or even may come to no funding."

The next committee meeting is 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, at the Mountain Resource Center, and it is "open to anyone," Hawkins promised.

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SBA offers free marketing course

The Small Business Administration is offering a self-paced course for small businesses called "Competitive Advantage" at www.sba.gov/tools/sba-learning-center/training/competitive-advantage.

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Wood Chips

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meeting. She described the research as looking at whether "we were altering a vertical fuels problem into a horizontal problem."

Several preliminary insights have been observed and Padgett is planning to obtain peer review of the work in order to publish it in 2015. First, the team found that the finer the wood is chipped the less flammable it is. The fine chips compact and compress more easily, thus reducing the amount of oxygen to the fuel below the ground surface. The more compact the fuel bed becomes, the less ignitable. Fine chips are considered less than an inch on the longest axis. The chips tend to be rectangular, with one axis much longer than the other, Padgett said to clarify.

Also, the fresher the fuel, the more volatile compounds that remain. These tend to be more ignitable and able to carry fire. However, composting the chips reduces volatile compounds and their fire capacity.

Not surprisingly, the softwoods, such as pine,

were found to be more flammable than hardwoods, such as manzanita and oak. However, in the laboratory, freshly chipped oak was found to have a very fast rate of fire spread compared to other wood chips.

Finally, the depth of the chips was also an important contributor to their capacity to burn and carry the fire. Fuel beds less than 5 inches deep "exhibited very little ignition or very little spread," Padgett said. The shallow beds were much less vulnerable than fuel beds 10 inches or more in depth. At these depths, the nature of the wood was almost irrelevant.

Work on the project started in 2010. Besides laboratory tests of chips, the final portion was a field test in the Poppet Flats fuelbreak area.

Padgett indicated that next year the brochures for the public will be prepared in addition to the professional publication of the results. The brochures will advise the public as to the best type of chipping for woody material.

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