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County proposes 16-percent hike in trash fees

June public hearing scheduled

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Another public hearing concerning increasing fees for Hill residents has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 19.

The Riverside County Department of Environmental Health plans to increase the trash-service fees for Idyllwild, Anza and Pinyon. The last trash-service increase was July 2010, according to the county.

The current annual fee of \$116.88 would be increased \$19.80 annually through July 1, 2021, and then a fifth increase of \$19.92 on July 1, 2022.

This July, the trash service would increase to \$136.68 until July 1, 2019. By July 2022, the trash *See Trash fees, page A8*

'A Chorus Line' well done



Over the weekend, Idyllwild Arts Academy Theatre Department presented a rousing rendition of "A Chorus Line." *PHOTO BY PETER SZABADI*

Work to begin on Community Center site

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The Idyllwild Community Center has met a major milestone, one for which the community has waited several years. The official groundbreaking for work on the project will be 11:15 a.m. Saturday, May 26, at the ICC site.

And immediately following this ceremony, the dedication of Idypark will take place in the center of town.

Nearly 16 months after the Riverside County Planning Commission approved plans for the center, the initial site development will begin. Phase 1 will include grading, site preparation, a road from the Ridgeview Drive entrance to the lower area abutting the



At last week's Community Service Area 36 Advisory Committee meeting, Janice Lyle announces plans for the groundbreaking on May 26. *PHOTO BY JP CRUMRINE*

Idyllwild Brewpub and parking for the future ICC building.

The ceremony was announced at the Community Service Area 36 meeting last week. Janice Lyle, president of the ICC board, proudly and happily told the committee, "I am finally delighted to announce that Phase 1 of the ICC has begun. Since [December 2016],

our staff has met and complied with 93 conditions from the county. And we will ensure that Strawberry Creek remains pristine."

Among the numerous conditions are a contract with a Native American tribe to be cognizant of artifacts with historical value during all of the construction phases and compliance with the county's oak tree mitigation requirements. The latter resulted in marking and identifying the size of more than 200 oak trees on the site.

As Chris Trout, the community's representative on the design team, said, "I am thrilled to report that the shovels to be placed in the ground at the groundbreaking ceremony signify that contractor bids have been reviewed *See Community Center, page A8*

Recreation programs' popularity continues

Town Hall up for sale

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Recreation activities continue to be popular, Bob Lewis, director of the Idyllwild Community Center recreation program, reported to the Advisory Committee for County Service Area 36 (Idyllwild and Fern Valley) last Thursday night.

For example, the Youth Baseball program has 106 players, from kindergarten to middle school, on 10 teams — the largest number of baseball players in many years. He added, "That's about one-third of the school population. I'm very happy."

The Kinders program, which is noon to 3 p.m. Monday to Fri-

day, is popular and has a "... very consistent attendance of 14 to 17 kids daily," Lewis said.

But the Afterschool program is the single disappointment. "The number of attendees varies," he lamented. The number of students has been as few as four, and closer to eight or nine.

"I will evaluate the program at the end of the year," he told the committee. "I'll look for different things to tweak. Our last resort is to drop it." The problem, according to Lewis, is the free Afterschool program at Idyllwild School. "It's hard to compete," he added.

Committee member Peter Szabadi asked Lewis to confer with the parents, who are using the ICC program, to ensure the effect on them is known and possibly addressed.

Lewis also mentioned plans to meet with representatives of the home school community to

explore how programs might be more appealing to these students.

He also announced plans for another summer camp for students from kindergarten to sixth grade. Lewis hopes to offer more field trips to locations off the Hill, such as the Domenigoni Water Park, Temecula Children's Museum and a family fun center.

"It was very successful last year. We want to make it bigger and better," he said.

Then Janice Lyle, president of the ICC board, presented the current financial reports. ICC expects a small surplus at the end of 2018, if program attendance achieves the budgeted expectations.

The pickleball courts will be examined this week, Lewis shared. He hopes the manufacturer and local distributor will correct the current surface problems.

One concern about the future of all of the programs, children's

and adults', was the announcement that the Johnson family has put Town Hall up for sale.

If and when the building might sell, the lease gives ICC a 90-day period to shift its programs elsewhere. Lyle said many of the sports activities occur at the school and would be unaffected.

The building, constructed in 1946, is privately owned and leased to the county for recreation. Its sale puts pressure on ICC for a new facility. Some board members were hopeful grant money might be found to buy and preserve the building as a historical resource.

When the county established the Idyllwild Historic District, Town Hall was deemed a historic resource, even possibly with a national designation.

"Some nonprofits may get involved to preserve the history of *See Recreation, page A8*



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IFPD budget projected to produce a surplus

Ralph Hoetger new commissioner

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Three men asked to fill the vacant seat on the Idyllwild Fire Protection District's Commission after Jeannine Charles-Stigall resigned in March. All had some background with fire or emergency activities.

After some deliberation, and acknowledging a difficult choice, the three commissioners present (Commissioner Jerry Buchanan was absent) unanimously chose Ralph Hoetger to be their new colleague.

The other applicants were Don Robinson, former mayor and city councilman in Banning, and Steve Kunkle, former IFPD fire chief.

Robinson has served as a paid-call firefighter in Crest Forest and been involved in many other civic positions, including hospitals, transit, Habitat for Humanity, Guide Dogs and others. Robinson also said he owns the 1977 Crown fire engine frequently seen around town and in local parades.

Kunkle, who now instructs at Mt. San Jacinto College, was fire chief from January 2005 through the middle of February 2010, when he resigned unexpectedly.

Commissioner Henry Sawicki complemented all three, saying, "Anyone of them would be a good addition." He then asked them their views on support for a measure to increase parcel fees.

Only Kunkle unequivocally supported higher taxes. Both Robinson and Hoetger said they would have to review the audits and current financial status before committing to its support.

Commission President Rhonda Andrewson said, "I'm impressed with all three. All are extremely qualified." Then she asked their intention to run for a full-term position in the November election, to which all replied that, if appointed, they would be on the fall ballot.

After the questions and answers, Sawicki nominated Hoetger, who was chosen unanimously.

The commission next reviewed the current budget status and approved a draft budget proposal for fiscal year 2018-19, which begins July 1.

As of March 31, the end of the third quarter for fiscal year 2017-18, IFPD's expenses were about \$125,000 greater than revenue received.

One major reason is that reimbursement for several fires on which IFPD provided mutual aid has not been received. The salaries and benefits for staff who serve on mutual aid incidents must be paid when they occur.

Assistant Chief Mark LaMont said these reimbursement requests are pending. Also, in May, the second portion of property tax revenue from the county will be received.

Consequently, he is still projecting revenues will produce a slightly positive result and about \$40,000 may be available for the newly established reserve accounts.

In presenting next year's draft budget, LaMont said, "We're giving you time to digest. You'll have time to examine the numbers."

The proposed expenditures are about \$35,000 less than the final 2017-18 budget and revenues are projected to be about \$9,000 less. The result is an estimated balance of \$65,000. With the current projection of \$40,000 this year, next year's positive balance would provide about \$100,000 for reserves by the end of fiscal year 2018-19.

During the discussion of salaries, LaMont explained that currently he and Chief Patrick Reitz plan to fill only one of two vacant captain positions. He will continue to oversee the third shift. But they do plan to have a full complement of engineers and firefighters, assisted by the reserve and volunteer units.

LaMont also announced that fire-abatement inspections started last week. If residents do not receive a letter with identified violations, then the property was passed. He noted that sending only violation letters would save the department postage costs since most properties pass.

Ralph Hoetger prepares to serve on IFPD commission

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Editor's note: At its April 24 meeting, the Idyllwild Fire Protection District Board of Commissioners selected Ralph Hoetger as the fifth commissioner. He replaces Jeannine Charles-Stigall, who resigned in March. Since Hoetger did not campaign for the position, the Town Crier interviewed him so the community would have some knowledge of the new fire commissioner.

He will have to stand for election this November for a full, four-year term of office.

Ralph Hoetger may not be an Idyllwild native, but he has planted deep roots in the community since moving here in the early 1990s.

He is the facilities project director for Guided Discoveries, which is the parent company of AstroCamp. Becoming the plant operations director at AstroCamp drew Hoetger and his family to Idyllwild. Within a few years, he joined and became a member of the Riverside Mountain Rescue Unit until last year when he retired.

Hoetger and Jolene, his wife, have been married 37 years. They have three grown children and several grandchildren.

Hoetger admits he has an active attention span. He prefers learning about, investigating and completing new projects rather than repetition, which is why his current job with Guided Discoveries is so great.

"I oversee capital projects from Virginia to Catalina, including AstroCamp," he said. "I never do the same thing twice."

Hoetger also has a vital creative streak, which he has employed artistically and scientifically. He is a noted wood worker. In 2001, American Woodworker Magazine bestowed "master craftsman" on him. With this honor, they had him offer several woodworking classes and demonstrations across the country.

More recently, he created and obtained patents for his pressurized plastic bottle target. Target shooters — both guns and bows — have found the MegaBOOM a satisfying and exciting target.

As a member of RMRU, Hoetger met and worked with many of the IFPD crews in the past two decades. Since he left, he admits he missed not being involved in community activities, which was a motivation to apply for the vacant commissioner position.

A public-elected position is a new venture for him. So, he does not come with a package of preconceived goals and priorities.



Ralph Hoetger was selected as the newest Idyllwild Fire Protection District commissioner. Rhonda Andrewson, president of the IFPD commission, administers the oath of office to Hoetger.

PHOTO BY JP CRUMRINE

"I want to see how things go and take the time to learn about the commission. I'll throw myself into it and bring myself up to speed quickly," Hoetger promised.

When the commission was interviewing the three candidates, Commissioner Henry Sawicki asked them their views of a new ballot measure to increase the parcel fees or other revenue sources. Hoetger responded, "If we don't need it, don't put it on the people."

A few days later after sitting through his first commission meeting, Hoetger admitted, "I had my eyes opened on Tuesday when I saw the financial reports." The fire department does not receive its full charges for ambulance transports of certain patients, such as those covered with Medicare or Medi-Cal, or those who are uninsured.

"I can see losing money every year," he noted. "Mutual aid can underwrite the budget for the department so we don't raise taxes. But what if there is a year where there is not a lot of mutual aid. Then we'll have a short fall. I'm seeing a good reason now."

When asked about the relative priority of the fire or medical emergency responsibilities of the department, Hoetger said both were critical. And he believes a smaller local fire department controlled by the community will serve their needs better and more effectively than a larger, more bureaucratic, organization.

"Large government becomes more disenfranchised and wastes the taxpayers' money," he opined.

And as he said during the commission questions, he plans to run for election in November.

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Officials advise vigilance for presence of oak borers

Fire Safe Council recruiting more inspectors

By JP Crumrine
News Editor

As spring approaches, the flight season for the notorious Goldspotted oak borer also is approaching. Both the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council and Cal Fire are advising local residents to be alert to oak trees the GSOB may have infested last summer, fall or earlier.

With spring, trees begin to renew their leaf cover. If an oak is harboring a GSOB colony, the retention of its dead

fall leaves is a likely indicator, according to Division Chief Gregg Bratcher, Cal Fire's local forester.

"Symptoms include abnormal leaf growth. Any tree hanging on to dead leaves may be a GSOB issue," he said.

MCFSC normally conducts GSOB inspections, but these volunteers are suffering from some illnesses and the teams are short-handed, according to Edwina Scott, MCFSC executive director.

"We are recruiting more people," she said and asked those interested to call the MCFSC office, 951-659-6208.

Later this month, MCFSC will offer training for prospective GSOB inspectors. Both Bratcher and Kevin Turner, the former Cal Fire forester and now with the University of California, Riverside as coordinator of its GSOB program, will lead the class.

Currently, MCFSC does not have any grant money for removal of infested oaks, but Scott is still trying to obtain some, as is Cal Fire.

If a property owner wants to request an inspection, the GSOB hotline is 951-659-8328.

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Saturday 5/5 ☀️ 77/44 Sunny.	Find the latest weather information from the National Weather Service at www.weather.gov .	Moisture in inches	Weather season is July 1 to June 30. For Hill road conditions and Hill weather, visit us on the Internet at www.idyllwildtowncrier.com or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

It was a bengy Tuesday on the Hill with dense fog, little rain and temperature hovering in the 30s.
 PHOTO BY EDDIE ALCAZAR

Assault and battery outside library

BY JACK CLARK
CORRESPONDENT

An Idyllwild resident was assaulted and battered outside the Idyllwild Library at midday last Tuesday, April 24.

According to Jason Halvorsen, 56, a nearly two-year resident of Idyllwild, he was sitting at the benches and chairs the library provides at the west end of its front outside walkway, talking with a friend, Brandon. Suddenly, they became aware of a man and woman shouting and screaming at each other as they approached. The pair took seats near Halvorsen and his friend, but continued their yelling. Halvorsen said the man appeared enraged about something.

Halvorsen said he said something to the man like, "Could you please give us a little, here? I'm trying to talk with my friend."

At that point, the man turned and punched him square in the nose, causing a good deal of pain and a lot of bleeding. The man got up and left, with the woman following after.

Halvorsen said he knew his nose was broken, and, having had some training regarding such things, he actually reset it himself while he was still somewhat numb, thinking it would be less painful that way.

Two library employees, Yumi See and Susan Righetti, came to Halvorsen's assistance. They were like angels, he said, helping him deal with the pain

and the blood after they called Idyllwild Fire Department.

Interviewed by the Town Crier, See and Righetti said the library's surveillance cameras caught the incident, but they could not recognize the assailant. They said the man picked up a skateboard and walked off up the alleyway between the library and Fairway. The woman, they said, followed after him a bit later.

IFPD responded quickly, Halvorsen said, and they were surprised that he had reset his nose himself. They administered first aid and recommended they transport him to a hospital in Hemet, but Halvorsen demurred, saying he would care for his injuries himself.

Halvorsen describes his assailant as being a white male, perhaps in his early 30s, about 5-feet, 11-inches tall, weighing about 170 pounds. The woman he describes as also being in her early 30s, no more than 5 feet, 5 inches, small and thin. According to Halvorsen, the man and the woman both displayed bad facial complexions of the type seen on methamphetamine users.

The Idyllwilder said the man hit him with his right fist, but there was "no way" it was just bare. He said he saw rings on



Idyllwilder Jason Halvorsen, bearing the marks of the battery he suffered April 24.

PHOTO COURTESY JASON HALVORSEN

the man's fingers, which accounts for some of the damage, but said the rings he saw could even have been from brass knuckles.

Since the attack, he said he's experienced some pretty miserable pain from the injury, causing difficulty sleeping. When interviewed six days later, Halvorsen still displayed two blackened and yellowed eyes from the incident.

Halvorsen said although he'd earned a Karate brown belt in his youth, he didn't have time to try to use any such skills. Since the attack, he carries pepper spray, but he questions how it could have helped him under the particular facts of this

incident.

Halvorsen said Deputy Tully of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, responded to the scene in less than 40 minutes and took a report. When asked by the deputy, he responded that he indeed wanted to press charges in order to keep his assailant from injuring someone else. The Town Crier put in a call to the Sheriff's public information officer, but had not heard back by press time.

Anyone with information regarding the attack on Halvorsen is asked to contact the Hemet Sheriff's Station at 951-791-3400.

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New county staff introduced at historic review board

BY JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The Local Review Board of the Idyllwild Historic Preservation District met briefly Thursday, April 26.

The board is still working on possible revisions to its flowchart for a permit for historic district alterations. But it took no action at this meeting.

"We should discuss this, and I will have an update for the next meeting," said Yun Baird, planner with Riverside County Regional Park and Open Space District.

The board briefly not-

ed that some work had occurred at the Village Market. Baird said there was some paperwork at her office for the owners.

"If there is significant changes to the exterior, let us know," said board President Warren Monroe. "And please share the guidelines with them."

In other business, Baird introduced two new county employees who will be involved with any historic district alterations.

Evan Gattis is the new bureau chief for planning and development, and Tony Pierucci is the curator of history.

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Jack and I cannot afford the time to take full vacations — like a week away. But we wanted to celebrate my 60th birthday by taking our 1962 Terry travel trailer out camping on its first run since we had all the parts checked out, and repaired or replaced.

We had taken it for a dry run last fall to Lake Hemet but didn't use any of the hook ups since the couple we bought it from had never hooked it up and had no idea how anything worked.

That includes propane, electricity and water in this 12-footer. A tiny kitchen occupies the back that includes a three-burner propane stove and an oven.

Water includes a city hook-up and a pump with storage tank, so we have a choice of water sources for the little pink sink.

The repairman replaced the refrigerator/freezer because the part for the old one was obsolete. It operates either on electricity or propane. A few electrical sockets and lights complete the utility functions.

We had tickets to "Shen Yun" at the McCallum in Palm Desert for Saturday and two couples we wanted to visit down there so we built our four days around that, ending up at a camping spot in the southeast area of Palm Springs.

Since it was our first real time out camping in an "RV," if you can call it that, we wanted to be close to places where we could get help, if needed.

We arrived at the campsite Thursday afternoon and not long after, realized we needed things — like an electrical adaptor to plug into the electrical source. I had bought a couple of electrical adaptors but left them at home when I thought we had concluded we already had an adaptor. We did, but it was the wrong one.

And I think we both realized what novices we were when we stared at the faucet hook-up without a clue why we hadn't thought to bring a water hose.

Good thing we were in Palm Springs. Off we went — striking gold on what we needed and returning in time to hook up the utilities and find ourselves in business.

It was such a delight to turn on the water, turn on the lights and see at night for the first time without a lantern, and light a burner in the morning to make breakfast. Roughing it in Palm Springs!

We expected, without A/C, we would roast in the desert but the campsite included shade and we brought a large fan that kept us quite comfy.

Plus, we spent the first night visiting friends in Palm Desert, the second night spending lunch through dinner with friends in Indio and Saturday at the performance, then dinner out.

Every evening got chilly so we shut the windows down and the fan.

The RV place let us stay late Sunday so we could have one day in the Terry. We thought that would be the day we would use the pool but it also was the day the weather cooled down a bit and we spent more time relaxing by the pool than getting in it. But all in all, we had a wonderful mini-vacation and learned a lot about our new toy.

And, you never know who you're going to run into in the desert. At the performance, Idyllwild's own Robin and Sarah Oates, and their family appeared, as well as Roland Gaebert. We exchanged pleasantries there while waiting for the show to begin and then said goodbye.

Jack and I were led to our seats at the sold-out show and found ourselves smack dab next to Roland and Arianna Jones. The chances of that are slim but, hey, stranger things have happened.

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

Idyllwild talent at local fundraiser

The Idyllwild Community Center's second-annual fundraiser is called "Idyllwild's Got More Talent."

The event is at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5, at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Town Hall.

Advance tickets are \$30 at idyllwildcommunitycenter.org and at Idyllwild Pharmacy, or \$35 at the door. Students get a \$5 discount.

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Disputing trash fees

EDITOR:

Editor's note: This letter was sent to the Riverside County Department of Environmental Health.

Re: the letter from you proposing a rate increase for solid waste processing, franchise area 8.

With all due respect, your letter does not make a case for the increase you are proposing and I, Patti Hudson, protest this increase.

Here are my reasons:

1. You say that our rate is much lower than Banning, Anza and Palm Springs, and then admit that those areas have curbside service! How can you compare the rates when a multitude of large, extremely expensive trucks and many extra workers must be utilized to gather those customers' trash.

Plus, you give the absurd notion that we're getting a bargain because we can, conveniently to you, deliver our own trash up to the transfer station five days a week.

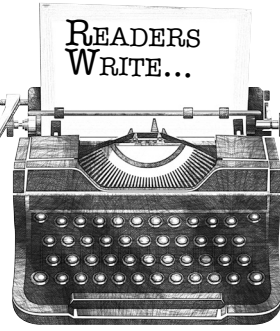
That is plain stupid. No one takes their trash to the transfer station every day! Are you saying that in the communities that get curbside service CR&R only works one day a week? I don't think so.

Plus, our community generates much less trash than those curbside areas since most of the properties here are vacation homes that create very little or no trash.

2. You say in the letter that "traditionally, these rates increase approximately 2 percent year." I did the calculations from 2010 to 2022. Starting from \$116.88 and increasing each year, 2 percent would come to \$154.13 not \$216.

3. You say that our rate is "not currently sufficient to cover the costs of operating the three transfer stations in your area" and yet you give no evidence to support this. What are the costs to operate these stations and how much do you get from the property owners?

It appears to me that our increase is in some way subsidizing those communities who get curbside service since it is apparently CR&R's desire for us to pay a rate somewhat comparable to theirs. Our rate should be



much, much lower than theirs, since we bring our trash to them and average out much less trash per home.

PATTI HUDSON
PINE COVE

MCP is still here

EDITOR:

This letter is written to correct the impression presented in your recent story of the possible dissolution of the Mountain

Community Patrol. I want to assure you this volunteer organization is alive and well with plans to continue service to our beloved Idyllwild community.

It is true we need and would welcome new members and appreciate the attention you gave to MCP in this matter, but be assured we will be here today, tomorrow and beyond.

You will see our members helping with the upcoming 5/10 K runs, our traditional Fourth of July Parade, Halloween and Christmas events, too. And our service is not just in these highly visible activities, but we also quietly serve our community with random patrols looking for abandoned vehicles, suspicious activities and other safety concerns.

While we never intervene directly, as we are not sworn law enforcement officers, we pass this information on to local authorities for their evaluation and response. We also help our visitors with friendly advice on where to find trail heads, restaurants, and other businesses.

We strive to help our community be a safe haven for residents and a hospitable retreat for visitors. If anyone is interested in joining our organization or for more information, please contact President Jon Engel at jonengel1@yahoo.com.

TOM EVANS
MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY PATROL

(Editor's note: As always, the views of our columnists and letter writers are not necessarily the views of the Town Crier editors. The Town Crier welcomes views from all writers, including those in letters to the editor.)



Idyllwild residents **Jeff and Nancy Meltzer** (left and center), while housesitting in Palm Desert, got a visit from Town Crier owners **Becky** (right) and **Jack Clark** last Thursday, who were on a mini-vacation in the desert.

PHOTO BY JACK CLARK

Thanks for advertising; more still appreciated

BY JACK CLARK
CO-PUBLISHER AND GENERAL COUNSEL

We've seen a welcome increase in advertising lately; very much appreciated. We'd like even more business, organizations and public entities to climb on board.

Remember that since our circulation is entirely all readers who know and love Idyllwild, when you advertise in the Town Crier you are not paying for thousands upon thousands of wasted newspaper ads. They all go to people who already care about our community. And our readers don't toss their Town Criers until a new one comes out,

so your ad remains active and is read and re-read for a week.

Please remember the Town Crier's news meetings are open to the public. Please join us each Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at the TC office at North Circle and Cedar. Come to the meetings and tell us what you want. We do listen.

Town Crier Charter Members Saving and Supporting the Town Crier for our Community

(493 Charter Members as of April 30, 2018)

Thank you, all!!

MATTER OF FACT

In the Idyllwild Demonstration Garden story on page B1 of last week's Town Crier, the Idyllwild Association of Realtors was not mentioned as working together with Young Idyllwild on this project. IAOR submitted a Place-making Grant to the National Association of Realtors and it was approved in April to benefit the garden.

Town Crier regrets the omission.

Free uke lessons at Royal Pines

Chris Johnson will offer free ukulele classes at the Royal Pines Trailer Park clubhouse at 11 a.m. Tuesdays. The event is open to the public.

For the record ...

Neither the Town Crier nor Idyllwild House Publishing Co. Ltd. has ever published Idyllwild Living magazine or Destination Idyllwild. Neither IHP nor the Town Crier bears any responsibility whatsoever for anything having to do with those publications. Jay Pentrack and Dolores Sizer have not been employed by IHP for two years. Please do not confront Town Crier employees with any concerns you may have regarding Pentrack's publications.

In October 2017, IHP and the Town Crier published our annual **Fall-Winter Explore Idyllwild Directory and Explore Idyllwild Map**. Thousands have been printed and distribution on and off the Hill.

Please contact **Lisa Streeter** at 951-659-2145 to place an ad for your business in our two Explore Idyllwild publications coming next spring.



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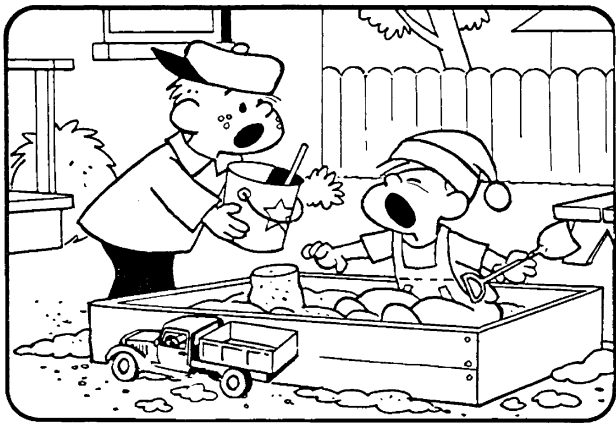
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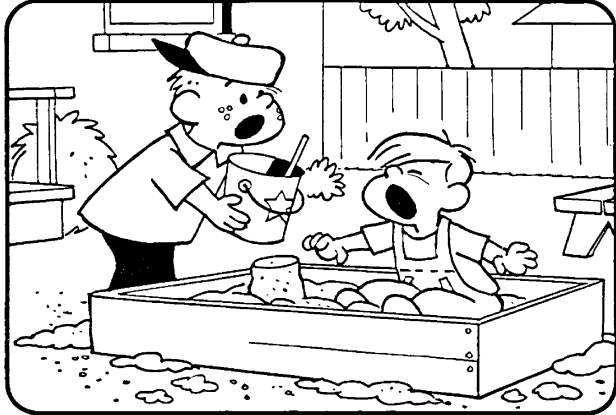
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Railing is lower. 2. Sieve is shorter. 3. Truck is missing. 4. Fence top is different. 5. Cap is missing. 6. Shovel is missing.



Nicotine is not a kids' food

BY COLLEEN TRESSLER
CONSUMER EDUCATION SPECIALIST
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Over the past several years, sales of electronic cigarettes have grown rapidly, especially among youth. They currently are the fastest growing part of the tobacco market.

Unlike traditional cigarettes, e-cigarettes are generally battery-operated and use a heating element to heat liquid nicotine (e-liquid). When heated, the e-liquid becomes a vapor, which users inhale.

Tobacco use, including e-cigarettes, by any child under the age of 18 is harmful. Ingesting the liquid nicotine used in e-cigarettes is especially toxic. Ingestion of less than a teaspoon of nicotine by young children can cause acute poisoning and even death.

To make matters worse, some e-liquids are marketed in packaging that very closely resembles products targeted to and primarily consumed by young children. If young children ingest what's inside boxes that look to be apple juice, cookies, cereal, candy, and whipped topping, they risk acute nicotine toxicity — poisoning that can result in seizure, coma, cardiac and respiratory arrest, and death.

Can you quickly tell the difference between these two



products?

The product on the left, "One Mad Hit Juice Box," is an e-liquid for e-cigarettes that can be fatal to kids who ingest as little as a teaspoon. The e-liquid label calls the product a "Juice Box" and mimics juice boxes you buy
See Scams, page A7

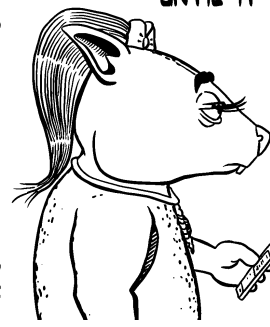
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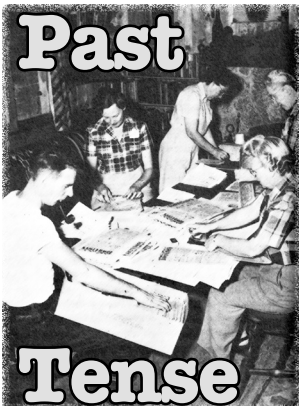
I THINK THAT'S THEIR GOAL.

TO KEEP UPDATING IT UNTIL IT STOPS WORKING.



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70 years ago - 1948
A handful of energetic men, women and children scrambled up and down Strawberry Creek, building little dams. The purpose was to deepen the pools and provide quieter living conditions for fish.

65 years ago - 1953
The Chamber of Commerce published a 32-page pictorial magazine called "We Live in Idyllwild" that featured photographs of the mountain, its hillfolk and town activities.

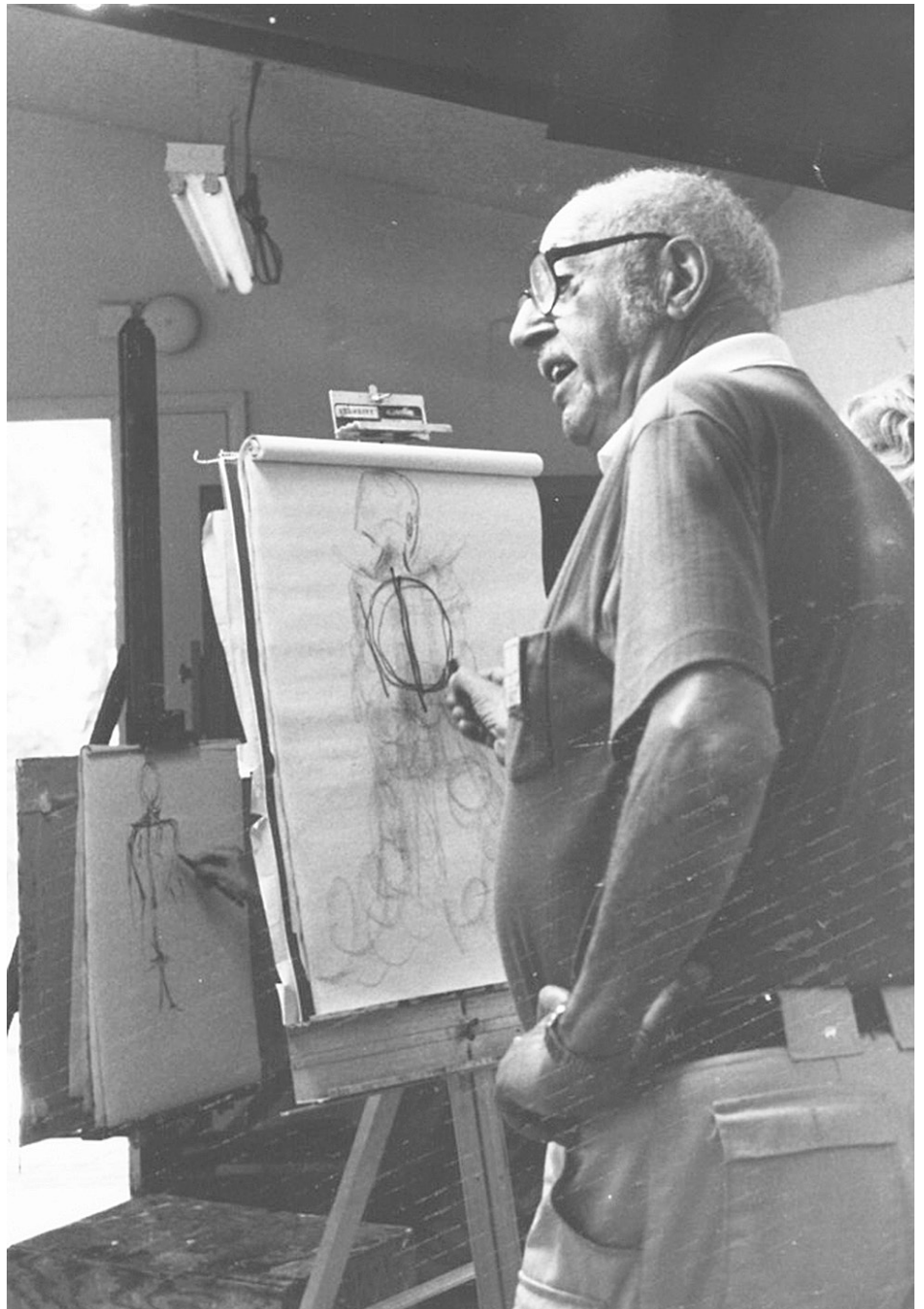
60 years ago - 1958
Rotarians were trying to form a club on the Hill.

55 years ago - 1963
The Rev. Eugenia Horowitz opened Chapel in the Pines on Tollgate Road for metaphysical services.

50 years ago - 1968
Only a slight indication of smog damage to ponderosa pines in the San Jacinto Mountains was reported by the U.S. Forest Service. In the Lake Arrowhead area, however, the forest was said to be dying.

45 years ago - 1973
Results of an opinion survey conducted by a University of California, Riverside team showed that mountain residents thought their communities were good places to live. The biggest advantage cited was the "natural environment."

40 years ago - 1978
An intensive pesticide program was started to rid Dark Canyon Campground of traces of bubonic plague. The opening of the camping site would be delayed at least two weeks until U.S. Forest Service officials determined there was not more than one flea on every rodent they examined.



ISOMATA (now Idyllwild Arts) Summer Programs drawing and painting instructor Harry Sternberg in 1971.

FILE PHOTO

35 years ago - 1983
The Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved the acceptance of Goldenrod Road into the County Road Maintenance System.

30 years ago - 1988
Fund-raising continued for the proposed Idyllwild-area emergency radio station with the sale of WNKI buttons, designed by local artist Jan Jaspers-Fayer.

25 years ago - 1993
Idyllwild Library had a new reading room thanks to the space being donated by Maureen Jones and funds for refurbishment by Elva Bess Cook.

20 years ago - 1998
Idyllwilders would have a say on a controver-

sial Hemet Unified School District policy barring donations that "created undue controversy." The policy was made after a resident offered to donate gay-oriented library materials.

15 years ago - 2003
Idyllwild parents and local artists, in response to the elimination of art in the school curriculum, helped the Idyllwild PTA form the smARTS committee, which would provide supplies, artists and parent volunteers to set up art classes.

10 years ago - 2008
An under-age drunk driver hit a power pole on South Circle Drive near Wildwood Drive, knocking out power for 1,642 Southern California Edison cus-

tomers. No injuries were reported from the collision.

5 years ago - 2013
Residential burglaries were reported to have decreased after Hemet Station Sheriff's deputies conducted a week-long Idyllwild crime sweep in August 2012, according to the Hemet Station. Arrests were made, drug houses were cleared out and, according to the Hemet Station, the raid seemed effective in reducing crime.

1 year ago - 2017
New Village Market owner Jay McCormack and family were close to completing a full make-over of the long-established Idyllwild grocery outlet.

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And we know our Members appreciate that we cannot allow the fact of their Memberships to control the paper's ongoing editorial policies and decisions. If you previously had an uncompleted subscription before we went "free on the Hill," or if you have an off-Hill subscription now, you may contact Becky for credit against or an extension of your new Membership. But she currently is extending Memberships for subscription holders without being asked.

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- ▶ Subscriptions to both printed and online issues of the Town Crier.
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- ▶ Invitations to what we hope will be the annual Town Crier Membership Party.
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Send completed form to Idyllwild Town Crier, P.O. Box 157, Idyllwild, CA 92549.
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You may contact Becky at 951-659-2145 or Becky@towncrier.com.





For the Idyllwild Arts & Entertainment Calendar, see "On the Town," on page B7. Submit listings and changes to becky@towncrier.com.

• Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30-9 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

Friday, May 4

• Free community Mat Pilates classes, 9 a.m. Call 760-200-5757 for information & directions.

• AA, Daily Reflections, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; Pick-a-stick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

• Women's Writing Group with fellow writers, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523

• Narcotics Anonymous, 5:30 p.m. Spiritual Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

• Feeding America, 2:30-3:30 p.m.; GriefShare Support Group, 6:30 p.m. Cross Road 243 Christian Fellowship, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.

• Celebrate Recovery (hang-ups, hurts & habits safe talk place), 7 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.

Saturday, May 5

• Tire disposal, 8 a.m.-noon, County Road Yard, 25780 Johnson Road.

• Pine Cove Property Owners Association, 9 a.m. Pine Cove Fire Station, 24919 Marion Ridge Dr.

• American Legion Post 800 general membership meeting, 10 a.m. Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 5:30 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

Sunday, May 6

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

• Alcoholics Anonymous, open meeting, noon-1p.m., 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. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

Monday, May 7

• Alcoholics Anonymous women, (open), 9 a.m. & Women's Alanon Step Study, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Spiritual Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.; AA, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

• Friends of the Idyllwild Library board, 9 a.m. Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.

• Science lunch, 11:30 a.m. Mile High Cafe, Hwy. 243.

• Wisdom in Spiritual Eldering, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Hill House, Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

Tuesday, May 8

• Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council public board, 9:30 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Drive. Call 659-6208 for information.

• Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild, 9:30 a.m. Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; AA Grapevine, 5:30 p.m. Spiritual Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

• La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 659-8321.

• Lovingkindness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m.; Self-Realization Fellowship Meditation, 6-7 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.

• Meditation & dharma study, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Yoga Studio, 54445 N. Circle Dr. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for info.

• Free ESL classes, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild School, computer room 26700 Hwy. 243.

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Wednesday, May 9

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

• Town Crier news meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Town Crier office, 54405 N. Circle Dr.

• Riverside County Mobile Health Clinic, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.

• Pine Cove Water District board, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.

• La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.

• Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.

• Cancer support group, 4:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.

• Co-dependents Anonymous, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

Community service hours

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

• Idyllwild Area Historical Museum, 54470 N. Circle Dr., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri., Sat. & Sun. (Mon. holidays.) Group tours by appt. 659-2717.

• Idyllwild Help Center, 26330 Hwy. 243, 10 a.m.-noon & 1-4 p.m. Tues.-Fri. 659-2110.

• Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr., Strawberry Creek Plaza, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon., Wed.; noon-8 p.m. Tues.; noon-5 p.m. Thurs. & Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat., 659-2300.

• Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wed.-Sun. 659-3850.

• Idyllwild Transfer Station, 28100 Saunders Meadow Rd., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Thurs.-Mon.; Grinding Facility, 8 a.m.-noon & 1-4 p.m. Mon., Wed. & Fri. beginning May 1.

• Idyllwild Ranger Station, 54270 Pine Crest Ave., 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fri.-Tues. 909-382-2921.

NEWS OF RECORD

Sheriff's log

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station responded to the following calls Sunday to Saturday, April 22 to 28.

Idyllwild

• April 23 — Noise complaint, 12:25 a.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• April 24 — Battery, 12:35 p.m., Village Center Dr. Report taken.

• April 24 — Petty theft, 1:06 p.m., Village Center Dr. Report taken.

• April 24 — Public disturbance, 8:46 p.m., 26000 block of Saunders Meadow Rd. Handled by deputy.

• April 24 — Assist other department, 9:04 p.m., 26000 block of Saunders Meadow Rd. Handled by deputy.

• April 25 — Alarm call, 12:49 p.m., 52000 block of Double View Dr. Handled by deputy.

• April 26 — Public disturbance, 4:47 p.m., 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.

• April 26 — Battery, 7:17 p.m., 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

• April 26 — 911 call from business, 10:02 p.m., Marnatha Dr. Handled by deputy.

• April 26 — Public disturbance, 11:45 p.m., Country Club Dr. Handled by deputy.

• April 27 — Battery 7:33 p.m., 53000 block of Marian View Dr. Handled by deputy.

• April 28 — Battery, 10:12 a.m., 53000 block of Double View Dr. Report taken.

• April 28 — Public disturbance, 12:32 a.m., Encino Rd. Handled by deputy.

Mountain Center

• April 28 — Public disturbance, 3:50 p.m., 29000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

Pine Cove

• April 23 — Alarm call, 12:34 a.m., Forest Lake Dr. Handled by deputy.

• April 23 — Suspicious cir-

cumstance, 11:51 a.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• April 23 — Check the welfare, 11:12 p.m., Appleton Dr. Handled by deputy.

• April 24 — 911 call, 10:51 p.m., Golden Leaf Trl. Handled by deputy.

• April 26 — Miscellaneous criminal, 3:15 p.m., 10 block of Hummingbird. Handled by deputy.

Garner Valley/ Pine Meadows

• April 23 — Alarm call, 2:42 p.m., Tool Box Spring Rd. Handled by deputy.

• April 23 — Follow-up, 9:03 a.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.

• April 26 — Alarm call, 3:07 a.m., Hop Patch Spring Rd. Handled by deputy.

Poppet Flats

• April 24 — Burglary, 4:41 p.m., Coyote St. Unfounded.

• April 24 — Public disturbance, 8:12 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• April 25 — Vandalism, 10:23 a.m., Park Dr. Report taken.

• April 28 — Trespassing, 3:22 p.m., 46000 block of Poppet Flats Rd. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino

National Forest

• April 23 — Suspicious circumstance, 4:40 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• April 24 — Suspicious vehicle, 11:31 a.m., 49000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.

• April 24 — Follow-up, 4:31 p.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.

• April 26 — Danger to self/other, 8:21 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

Twin Pines

• April 27 — Unlawful entry, 10:27 p.m., address undefined. Unfounded.

Sheriff to speed up issuance of concealed carry permits

In order to speed up the review of applications for permits to carry concealed weapons, Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff has directed staff to use some surplus funds to hire more trained part-time staffing, according to an RC Sheriff's press release. These people will be selected from available retirees to temporarily increase the size of the department's Carry Concealed Weapon unit.

The intent is to dramatically reduce the large backlog of CCW applications. The current backlog has resulted in a two-year wait simply to begin the processing of a CCW application. The actual processing time is still only the normal 30 to 60 days.

These funds are intended to at least double

the size of the unit to dramatically reduce the backlog. The CCW unit has three full-time and two part-time staff.

CCWs are issued pursuant to California statutes for both "good cause and good moral character" by either California county sheriffs to any county resident, or by local city police chiefs to their own city residents.

CCWs are not required to purchase or to own a firearm in California. They are legally required if a handgun — loaded or unloaded — is carried concealed into public areas such as driving on roads, going to the market, sports events or other areas open to the public.

Few city police chiefs issue CCWs to their residents for fear of divert-

ing precious staff resources. The few police departments that do so in Riverside County add requirements, and tend to have much higher fees and other requirements, such as psychological testing. In large part, the overwhelming demand is due to the Sheriff's Department dealing with CCW requests from all 2.4 million residents of the county, and not simply the 1.4 million for which it is responsible for policing.

The CCW fees that can be charged are capped by California statutes and are not adequate for full cost recovery.

The sheriff has long encouraged CCW issuance to responsible residents of Riverside County, and the Sheriff's Department continues to exercise "due

diligence" and carefully screens every applicant before issuance of CCW permits, according to the press release.

Prior to the December 2015 Inland Empire terrorist incident, the Sheriff's Department typically took 60 to 90 days to process CCWs. After that incident, overwhelming demand for CCWs occurred. This demand has continued to dramatically increase with each new mass shooting in the news.

A decade ago, CCWs issued by the department totaled roughly 500. Currently, active two-year permits total nearly 3,300. Each year sets a new record in numbers issued.

Information on the CCW application process is at www.riversidesheriff.org under "Firearms."

Repeated jail time for parole violations

BY JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Alfonso Altamirano, 34, of Poppet Flats, has been sentenced to 120 days in jail for repeated parole violations.

Altamirano was originally arrested on Feb. 9, 2016, for suspicion of inflicting corporal injury on a spouse. He pleaded guilty two weeks later. Judge Jorge C. Hernandez sentenced him to the custody of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department for 335 days and three years on probation.

He also was required to enroll in a domestic-violence program. He was required to provide the court

with proof of enrollment by the end of September 2016.

After Altamirano failed to appear for this court hearing, the judge revoked his probation. And a warrant was issued.

Since then, he has been sentenced to jail several times for failing to report to his probation officer and failing to enroll in the domestic-violence class.

In June, he was sentenced to more jail time for this violation. In December, he was sentenced to another 60 days for violating his post-release terms of probation.

JP Crumrine can be reached at jp@towncrier.com.

Scams

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at your local grocery. "Juice Box" even has an image of a sippy straw on the side of the box. Open it up and you'll actually smell apple.

The product on the right is what parents serve their kids at snack time.

Today, the FTC and Federal Drug Administration are sending warning letters to certain sellers of e-liquids that are using packaging that imitates foods or beverages popular with children. (The companies

whose products were mimicked have nothing to do with the marketing of the e-liquids.)

If you, or someone in your household, uses e-liquids, keep these safety tips in mind:

Keep these products out of reach of children, and in their containers with the caps tightly sealed.

Child-proof cabinets and drawers when storing these products, just as you would household cleaning and laundry items.

Completely close the container after each use, and immediately store it in a safe location away from children.

Idypark dedication on May 26

At noon Saturday, May 26, residents are invited to a dedication of the new Idypark to first responders who keep us safe and veterans who protect our freedom.

The American Legion Post 800 Honor Guard will raise the flag and the Idyllwild Master Choral will lead singing of songs celebrating the flag and country.

It is most fitting that we are having this dedication on Memorial Day weekend to honor those brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice," said Idypark co-owner Dave Butterfield.

Serves in work release

BY JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Brian Standish, 50, of Idyllwild, who pleaded guilty to the felony charge of grand theft greater than \$950 on March 6, was sentenced to the Riverside County Sheriff jail system for 180 days.

He was given credit for serving 48 days already. The remaining 132 days may be served in a work-release program. He also was ordered to pay victim restitution of \$1,035.

Besides the grand theft conviction, Standish also was convicted of a misdemeanor charge for contracting work without a license.

The crime was committed in December 2014.

Washington's quarterly meeting

Riverside County 3rd District Supervisor Chuck Washington will be at the Idyllwild Library for his quarterly meeting from noon to 2 p.m. Friday, June 1.

To reserve 15 minutes to speak with him about concerns, call Claudia toll-free at 866-383-2203.

Why the orange netting at Idypark?

Editor's note: John Huddleston, arborist with Precision Tree Experts on the Hill, is caring for the trees at the new Idypark. He responded to the Town Crier's question as to why the area is roped off with orange netting. Below are his words.

The Pine Cove Water District has donated three Sequoiadendron giganteum to the park. Those trees are about 25 feet tall.

Three trees currently in the park are infected with a disease called botryosphaeria. The cornerstone of the treatment regiment for that disease relies on careful

soil-moisture monitoring.

The first samples we took were all from overly wet areas, by coincidence. We pulled back the mulch and broke apart the compacted soil and mulch around the trees with an air tool.

What we found was that the soil in the park was anything but uniform, and contained a significant amount of man-made contaminants, as well as some undesirable organic substances that were affecting the soil's pH and its ability to hold water.

Many spots in the ground were completely dry, and we switched from

air to water to break apart the compaction in those areas, and began flooding those spots to penetrate those areas that were literally repelling water. We have had some recent success.

At this stage, we are continuing to remove contaminants and fine organic particles that are disrupting the trees' functions, and trying to locate the majority of the fine roots so they can be properly protected.

Current plans are to restrict foot traffic around the trees for as long as possible, which will likely involve the construction of a small and semi-permanent fence to dissuade people.

Trash fees

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service fee would be \$216.00 annually.

As part of the increasing trash service fee, CR&R, which has a contract with Riverside County to collect the trash in Franchise Area 8 (the unincorporated area from Poppet Flats to Pinyon and Anza) and service the local transfer station, will provide more services.

These new services include an Annual Clean-up Week, an antifreeze, batteries, oil and paint center in Idyllwild, as well as two free tire-disposal days and a trash-collection service in selected "Snow Play Areas."

The antifreeze, batteries, oil and paint center, which will be once a month, and the tire-disposal events will be in Idyllwild for Idyllwild residents. The Annual Clean-up Week events will occur at both the Anza and Idyllwild transfer stations.

Besides offering new services, CR&R and the county argued in the Proposition 218 notice, that, "The annual rate of \$116.88 ... is significantly lower than the rates in surrounding areas and not currently sufficient to cover the costs of operating the three transfer stations in your area."

The existing services CR&R currently provides include accepting, sorting, processing and disposing of solid waste, recyclables and greenwaste, and compliance with federal and state regulations governing solid waste disposal.

The June 19 public hearing will be in the Riverside County Board of Supervisors Conference Room in the County Building at 4080 Lemon Street in Riverside.

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Key dates for voters prior to June 5 primary

Voter information guides have been mailed to about 964,000 Riverside County voters before the consolidated primary election on June 5.

Important deadlines for the June 5 election:

- May 7: First day of early voting in the Registrar of Voters office and first day the registrar is allowed to mail vote-by-mail ballots to voters.

- May 21: Last day to register to vote for the June 5 election or to update your address or to change your political party preference. You can register online at registertovote.ca.gov or request a paper application by calling 951-486-7200.

- May 29: Last day the registrar may accept mailed requests for vote-by-mail ballots. After May 29, voters must go to the registrar's office to request and pick up a vote-by-mail ballot. Voters who have requested, but not received, a vote-by-mail ballot by May 29, should contact the registrar's office at 951-486-7200.

- June 5: Election Day

Use the voter guide

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- The office of governor has 27 qualified candidates. Vote for only one candidate.

- The office of U.S. senator has 32 qualified candidates. Vote for only one candidate.

The Registrar of Voters recommends that voters review the materials before casting an official ballot. If voters do not receive an information guide in the mail, it is available online at www.voteinfo.net. Voters also may call the registrar's office at 951-486-7200 or 800-773-8683 to request a mailed copy.

The June 5 election is a countywide election. Registered voters in all areas of the county are eligible to cast votes in this election. For questions about your eligibility to vote, call the registrar's office at 951-486-7200.

Voter polling-place locations are printed on the back cover of the information guide, which includes an application to request a vote-by-mail ballot. May 29 is the deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot. A Spanish-language ver-

sion of the guide will be available at www.voteinfo.net/sp_index.asp and a copy can be mailed upon request.

Polling places are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day. Vote-by-mail ballots must be received by the elections official no later than the close of the polls on Election Day, or be postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after Election Day to be counted.

Effective Jan. 1, 2017, conditional voter registration was available to eligible voters in California pursuant to Election Codes 2170 through 2173. Conditional voter registration extends the existing 15-day registration deadline to eligible voters, allowing them to register and vote 14 days prior to an election through Election Day. An eligible voter would need to register directly in the office of the Riverside County Registrar of Voters, 2724 Gateway Drive in Riverside, to conditionally register to vote and vote a provisional ballot.

CSA 60 to be dissolved

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The protest hearing on the proposed elimination of County Service Area 60 (Pinyon Pines and Pinyon Flats) attracted no speakers or objections.

The Riverside County Local Agency Formation Commission held the hearing on Tuesday, April 24. According to George Spiliotis, executive officer of the commission, no written objections were submitted either.

"We will prepare the resolution ordering its dissolution," Spiliotis said.

CSA 60 was formed in December 1968 to construct, operate and maintain a fire station in the Pinyon Pines area. Station 30, on Highway 74, is the result of that effort.

In August 2017, the Riverside County Board of Supervisor's passed a resolution requesting LAFCO review the need for CSA 60's continuation. In January, the LAFCO board unanimously approved its dissolution.

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Community Center

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and that FB&E [of Anaheim] has been chosen for its significant experience and best price. Let the grading begin."

Besides donating the acreage for the ICC, Loie and David Butterfield have given \$3 million for the completion of Phase 1. This will cover its expected costs.

Phase 2 is the ICC building. Much of the construction cost for this phase will be funded from a Community Development Block Grant, which Riverside County 3rd District Supervisor Chuck Washington helped the ICC obtain. The board plans more fundraising to complete this phase.

The ICC board and team have invited the entire community to join them for this memorable event.

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Recreation

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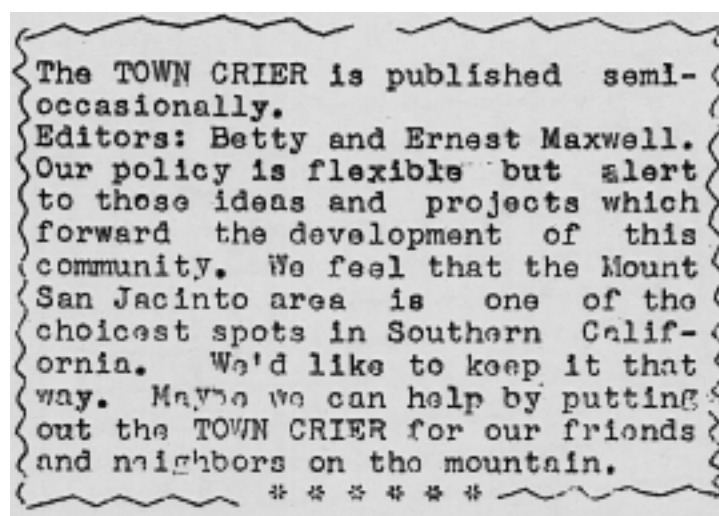
the building and convert it into a public theater and concerts," said resident Kathy Wilson.

Anyone interested in filling the vacant fifth position on the committee should contact Opal Hellweg of Supervisor Chuck Washington's staff at 951-955-1030. Applications can be downloaded from rivcodistrict3.org.

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THURS., MAY 3, 2018

Stratford Players debut 'Dear Elizabeth,' a play in letters

By **HOLLY PARSONS**
STAFF REPORTER

"Dear Elizabeth" by Sarah Ruhl is a theatrical adaptation from letters that passed between writers Elizabeth Bishop and Robert Lowell. Touted as one of the greatest exposés between two American literary giants spanning a period of 30 years, the play is culled and scripted from more than 800 letters of intricate friendship and supportive critique, replete with the inherent tensions present between two competing poets.

Pulitzer Prize recipients each, Elizabeth and Robert are the two most prominent members of the second wave of modern American poetry, the generation of poets who came of age after the groundbreaking achievements of T.S. Eliot, Marianne Moore and Wallace Stevens.

Rarely in one another's presence from the time of their fortuitous meeting in 1947 at a dinner party, Elizabeth writes in 1962, "You have no idea, Cal," using Robert's nickname, "how really grateful to you I am and how fortunate I feel myself in knowing you, having you for a friend. When I think of how the world and my life would look to me if you weren't in either of them at all — they'd look very empty, I think."

"Idyllwild actors Gina Kraut and Christopher Morris capture the brilliance and fragile essence of these intriguing characters," observes Stratford Players Director Marsha Kennedy. When asked about her choice of staging this play, Kennedy responded, "Many thoughts went into this choice. It's always interesting to learn more about artistic creative people and how they summit, overcoming through art the meaningfulness of life."

The formative lives of Elizabeth and Robert offer a vivid canvas of shared childhood loneliness. Dan Chiasson writes for The New Yorker Books, "Lowell, an unplanned and unwanted child, fathered by a meek mannered military officer, was subjected to a mother judged to be ironhanded and manipulative by standards of the time. Lowell was emotionally frail, unruly yet an altogether brilliant child."

An early diagnosis of manic depression with waves of bi-polar instability, Robert confides to Elizabeth, "I have been sick again, and somehow even with you I shrink both from mentioning and not mentioning." He goes on: "These things come on with a gruesome, vulgar, blasting surge of 'enthusiasm,' one becomes a kind of man-aping balloon in a parade — then you subside and eat bitter coffee-grounds of dullness, guilt etc."

"The metaphors capture the illness," writes Chiasson. "The manic self is an inflated 'man-aping balloon in a parade' — oversized, grotesque, dangerous. 'Man-aping' echoes the word 'mania,' while the flaccid self sits in recovery, eating morning-after 'coffee-grounds' of guilt. But the successful transformation of illness into metaphor is itself a sign of recovery. Lowell's recovery letters are among the most brilliant letters ever written, for the simple reason that the writing of them operates against such tragic stakes."

"Elizabeth Bishop," writes Agnes Colwell, "lost her fa-



Robert Lowell and Elizabeth Bishop ARTIST JULES JULIEN

ther from Bright's disease when she was eight months old. Her mother, psychologically distraught, spent the next five years in and out of psychiatric hospitals; diagnosed as permanently insane, she never saw Elizabeth again."

Loneliness, expedited by movement between the homes of well-meaning grandparents, was a dominate theme throughout Elizabeth's childhood. Assuaged by her Aunt Maud's love of literature, Elizabeth began to write poetry. "In the spring of 1934, the year her mother died and the year of her graduation, Bishop met and became friends with poet Marianne Moore. Through Moore's influence, Bishop came to see poetry as an available, viable vocation for a woman," writes Colwell.

"Dear Elizabeth" was met with critical acclaim after its 2012 premier at the Yale Repertory Theater. In his review, Frank Rizzo of Variety states, "Ruhl delicately explores through nothing more than the letters and her own theatrical imagination, the solitude of the artist, the

exactitude of the writer's craft, the balance between cohesion and privacy and, in the end, why poetry matters."

Kennedy studied writing, directing and producing at the University of California Los Angeles. She also studied directing at Los Angeles' American Film Institute, and later took classes in Readers Theater at Mt. San Jacinto College's Murrieta campus. Her love of theater began when she read "Pygmalion" in seventh grade. "Reading that play was like opening a door. I was smitten with theater."

She wrote, directed and produced the short films, "To Richard with Love" and "The Dragonslayer," and founded the San Diego Screenwriters Guild. Locally, her directing debut of "Enchanted April" for the Ramona Hillside

Players earned her an Inland Theater League Founders Award for directing as well as an ITL award for set design.

A subsequent play, "Cliffhanger," earned another ITL award for set design. She also has garnered awards for short-story writing and as a playwright. In 2011, Kennedy founded Stratford Players which performs classic theater and gives a nod to the writer and dramatist William Shakespeare each September in Idyllwild by offering "Will in the Woods" on an outdoor stage.

"Dear Elizabeth" will be performed at the First Church of Christ Scientist, 25970 Cedar Street, for three performances: 2 p.m. Sunday, May 13, and 7 p.m. Saturday, May 19 and Sunday, May 20.

A Hemet performance will take place at Diamond Valley Arts Center at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 12. Tickets are available at Stratford Players.com.

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Music students at Idyllwild Arts Academy performed their last Jazz Combo of the season. Members of the "Combo Armstrong" are (from left) **Michael Dunaevsky**, piano; **Moe Fienberg**, trumpet; **Francisco De La Garza**, tenor saxophone; **Mark Beebe**, saxophone; and **Caelen Perkins**, drums. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING



On Thursday April 26, Idyllwild Arts Foundation President **Pamela Jordan** (left), spoke at the Palm Springs Lions Club meeting. Joining her were **Jeffrey Dvorak**, chair of the IAF Board of Trustees and Foundation Council, and **Michael Slocum**, president of the Associates of IAF. Jordan spoke about Idyllwild Arts after she gave a eulogy at the memorial service for **Charles Buckman** at the Palm Springs Air Museum. Buckman not only was an active member of the Idyllwild Arts community, but also a member of the P.S. Lions Club and a docent at the P.S. Air Museum. Prior to Jordan's talk, Lions Club President **David Darrin** (right) presented Idyllwild Arts with a \$500 donation in honor of **Charles** and **Cheri Buckman**. Darrin, in appreciation of her time, also presented Jordan with a Lions Club pen. PHOTO BY JEFF DVORAK



Jenny Egan's production of "A Tapestry of Medieval Life" drew a crowd to the Idyllwild Library last week. In this scene are actors (from left) **Rena Lekach**, **Derick Lewis** and **Scott Wilson**. PHOTO BY PETER SZABADI



Idyllwild resident and Rotary member **Jim Gates** (left) receives a hearty "thank you" from Rotary President **Roland Gaebert**. Gates presented his life story to members at the Wednesday, April 25, Rotary meeting. It is customary for new members to tell the club about themselves. In doing so, Gates spoke about his early life and his extensive education and experience in water management prior to his retirement. PHOTO BY TOM KLUZAK



On Friday, April 27, the Len Tones entertained patrons at Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery. From left, the Len Tones are **Gilbert Hansen**, bass guitar and vocals; **Don Reed**, guest performer on guitar; **Lenny Hansell**, guitar and vocals; and **Rodger Reeder**, drums. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

Pelham to talk about making guitars

Dave Pelham will talk about making Paracho guitars from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 8, at the Idyllwild Library. This is a free event. Paracho de Verduzco is a Mexican city well known as a hub of lutherie. It is reputed to make the best-sounding guitars and vihuelas in Mexico. Pelham has spend much time studying the art and making Paracho guitars.



Monday morning, children celebrate "El día de los niños, y día de los libros" (a celebration of children and books) at the Idyllwild Library. After guest reader **Gus Peterson**, who grew up participating in story time at the library, finished reading, the kids went outside to bust a piñata. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

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CREATURE CORNER

By JANICE MURASKO

Last week in "Days of Our Nine Lives," Panther announced Little Girl's adoption.

Panther: We have a new dog! Everyone get in here to meet the new dog!

Shay: Yippee! Another dog! Who is it?

Panther: Meet Baby.

Baby: (enters room) Hello, everyone! I'm Baby, and I'm very happy to be here.

Mr. Gray: Nice to meet you. What's your story?

Baby: I am a 2-year old Poodle/Chinese Crested Powder Puff. I was in a pretty neglectful situation, but now I've been groomed, I've seen the vet and I'm with a loving foster.

Indigo: Good for you. You are very handsome.

Baby: Thanks. I want a forever home with a person who wants a full-time companion. I really like to have lots of attention. I'm a devoted friend and good at traveling in the car.

Shay: Well, I don't need as much attention as you do, but I do want an active family with a big, fenced yard. I love to hike and go for walks.

Indigo: Two great ARF dogs to join our amazing group of cats. What about the kitten?

Panther: Fortunately, a foster stepped up to take him home until he is old enough to join the cattery, but ...

Pepper: Let me guess. The foster is falling in love with him.

Panther: Pretty much. He might be staying there.

Pepper: But you know, more kittens are on their way to ARF.

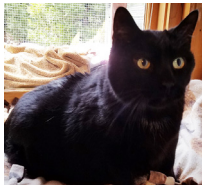
Indigo: So I've heard, but they won't be here for another week or so. Stay tuned!

Be sure to keep up with the animal antics of "Days of Our Nine Lives" each week. And please stop in to say hello to the entire adoptable cast at the ARF House, 26890 Hwy. 243 on Saturdays 10-4 and Sundays 10-2, or by appointment M-F by calling 951-659-1122.

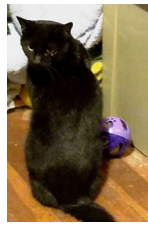
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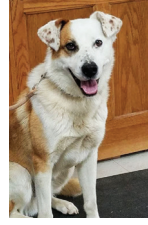
Panther



Indigo



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Shay



Pepper

Gary Kuscher shapes Manzanita Cantina's new look

By HOLLY PARSONS
STAFF REPORTER

"Life always gives more than it takes away," mused Gary Kuscher with a wistful glance. Born into a family of artists, his parents both Broadway actors, Kuscher majored in music, he even blew the sax with Ernie Watts — but piano was his first love. "While I can no longer caress my piano with that familiar snap or hold a camera, I love organic sculpture."

"When I first came to Idyllwild in 1986 and saw the manzanita, I thought it was gorgeous and then when I saw George Baker's work ... well, gratefully, he became my mentor." Idyllwild artist George Baker saw something in Kuscher and shared his techniques. He even showed Kuscher's work in his Oakwood Village gallery and basically opened two new captivating artistic worlds to him, photography and wood sculpture, circa 2004.

Whether it be manzanita rendered into hand rails inlaid with turquoise or walking sticks or candle sticks or Menorah's or custom kitchen utensils, Kuscher said, "I love doing organic sculpture."

Word got out. Luis Solis, the owner of Los Gorditos, commissioned multiple signature pieces of manzanita wrought by Kuscher for his new restaurant theme. Stay tuned, the Manzanita Cantina is poised to replace Los Gorditos later this summer.

"I have become my father ... well, not entirely," revealed Kuscher. "I'm far more flagrant and spontaneous but certainly insofar as inheriting his sense of community responsibility, I am like him. I think a lot about Idyllwild's potential but I'm no different than many of my peers. By the time an idea passes from person to person, it gets wings. A great little town is always a group effort and Idyllwild, for the most part, does it well, and I think it's because of its great history," he reminisced.

"What's that quote...?" he asked. "Great minds discuss ideas, average minds discuss events, small minds discuss people. The guiding voice of Eleanor Roosevelt sustains my focus to help bring art into public spaces in Idyllwild," said Kuscher.

"With that said, and in the spirit of embracing our rich history, there are plans in the works I can share," granted Kuscher. "Chic Fojtik and I are moving the



Manzanita sculpture "Adagio" by Gary Kuscher.

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Gary Kuscher at Alpenglow Gardens, Idyllwild.

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Fourth of July laser show off Tahquitz [Rock] and into town! Mountain games with Koojsje Piño will debut on Oct. 20 reminding long-timers of Timber [Festival] days," mused Kuscher.

"Who says the town can't commission affordable aluminum-cast sculptures of Ernie Maxwell reading his newspaper on a bench or leaning on his cane as a photo-op near the park — what the hay? Ernie showed Idyllwild how to hold onto its charm and I think that's the main reason we're here."

"Who says we don't need go-fund-me sites, 'cause we do. There are many who envision public art enticing inquisitive visitors to venture to the top of North Circle. The town of Julian labeled all their original buildings with early photos and a historic narrative. We could do that, too!"

"The AAF's deer sightings project is another outstanding effort. But I gotta go," and like a gust of wind, Kuscher bade farewell to join another circle of visionaries.

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4 TV watchdog org.
7 Obliterate
12 Shell game
13 Under the weather
14 Started eating
15 Take a whack at
16 Scrabble or Parcheesi
18 "Monty Python" opener
19 Wander off
20 Hack
22 Pilgrimage to Mecca
23 Prayer ending
27 Rhyming tribute
29 Burning
31 Magician's cry
34 Cow catcher
35 Triangular
37 Total
38 Constellation component
39 Eccentric
41 Unctuous
45 Twine fiber
47 Payable
48 Indiana university
52 Literary collection
53 "Drops of Jupiter" band
54 "Golly!"
55 Owns
56 Villain in a Christmas tale
57 Halves of 25-Down
58 Scrap
59 On top of the world?
23 Memorable mission
24 More, to Manuel
25 Type squares
26 Ultramodernist
28 Weir
30 Swine or bird
31 Anatomical duct
32 Frequently
33 Glass of NPR
36 Oklahoma city
37 Pistil counterpart
40 Grammarian's concern
42 Coeur d'Alene's home
43 Moon-related
44 You'll get a rise out of it
45 Fax
46 Dregs
48 To the — degree
49 Raw rock
50 Pitch
51 "Flying Down to —"

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

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April 2018 — Week 5

- March 21 – April 19**
ARIES
Taking advice isn't always easy for self-assured Rams and Ewes who think they know what's best. But it wouldn't hurt to listen to what close colleagues have to say.
- April 20 – May 20**
TAURUS
You know how to balance life's practical aspects with the poetic. This gives you a special edge this week in both your professional endeavors and your personal life.
- May 21 – June 21**
GEMINI
Focus on keeping a balance between your home-related activities and your workplace responsibilities. Be mindful of both without obsessing over one or the other.
- June 22 – July 22**
CANCER
A change in plans is likely as you discover more facts about a possible commitment. Continue to ask questions and, if you're not sure about the answers, demand proof.
- July 23 – August 22**
LEO
Be careful not to let that Leonine pride keep you from seeking wise, experienced counsel before making an important decision. A family member once again seeks your help.
- August 23 – September 22**
VIRGO
That surge of Virgo energy drives you to take on more work assignments. Be careful you don't overdo it, or you might find yourself overdone: i.e., burned out.
- September 23 – October 22**
LIBRA
Your decision to be upfront with colleagues on a touchy matter causes some consternation at first. But in the end, your honesty wins their trust and admiration.
- October 23 – November 21**
SCORPIO
As in the past, someone again wants to share a secret with you, knowing it will be safe. But do you really want to be this person's confidante? Think about it.
- November 22 – December 21**
SAGITTARIUS
As one of nature's straight shooters, you seek to correct misconceptions about a project. Do so, of course, but without giving away too much too soon.
- December 22 – January 19**
CAPRICORN
Creative pursuits continue to be strong in the gifted Goat's aspect. New friendships can come from sharing these experiences with like-minded art aficionados.
- January 20 – February 18**
AQUARIUS
Resolve lingering grumblings over your way of doing things by keeping your mind open to suggestions while continuing to show how your plans will work.
- February 19 – March 20**
PISCES
The perceptive Piscean might find that changing course in midstream isn't as workable as it would seem. Explore this option carefully before making a decision.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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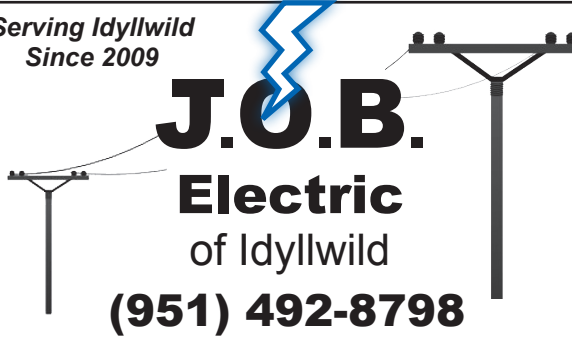
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CONTEST JUDGE



Only four names in the hat again this week: **Rochelle Ainsworth, Dave Hunt, Kris Kirschbaum and Grace Manues.** Same as last week, so you four are definitely the Cedar Street Irregulars.

All four found the pine (fir?) tree sign above the entrance to **Crazy Train Pub & Grill.** Mandy Johnson dug deep, didn't look and didn't pull out Kris' name. (Shocker!) No, she pulled out Dave's name. So Dave wins this week. Please come to the **Town Crier** office to claim your prize, Dave.

OK, so where can this little fellow be found? There's a hint in the photo, but I'm not tellin'. It doesn't affect the contest, but you'll get extra-honorable mention if you identify the hint, too.

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

Steele/Lovemark T10 at Zurich

BY JACK CLARK
PRO GOLF CORRESPONDENT

The team of Brendan Steele and Jamie Lovemark scored a tie-for-10th place finish in the Zurich Classic of New Orleans last week.

The native Idyllwildler is in the midst of a fine season. In 12 official PGA Tour events entered thus far, he has scored seven top-20 finishes, which included three top-10s, two top-fives and a win. He has earned more than \$2.1 million thus far this year in official earnings.

Brendan remains 12th on the FedExCup list. Finishing in the top 30 by season's end is a major objective, since it opens doors to play in this year's Tour Championship and several other high-level tournaments next year. He's now also moved up to 44th on the Official World Golf Ranking. The OWGR is a measure of the current best golfers in the world.

Brendan plays in next week's The Players Championship on the TPC Sawgrass course in Ponte Verde Beach, Florida. The Players is often spoken of as "the fifth major," and is one of the most prestigious tournaments in the world.

Jack can be reached at jack@towncrier.com.

Rumble-strip project on Highway 371

Caltrans will make safety improvements near Cahuilla in two locations on Highway 371 between highways 74 and 79 to place centerline and shoulder rumble strips, and install enhanced visibility, 6-inch striping.

The first location is from Wilson Valley Road to Cary Road (mile-post marker 60.2 to mpm 67.7) and the second area is from Kirby Road to Highway 74 (mpm 72.8 to mpm 77.1).

The estimated \$756,000 project, awarded to Jabre Contracting Inc., is scheduled to begin Monday, May 14, weather permitting, and is anticipated to last fewer than 30 working days.

Initially, the work will be done between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding holidays. One lane will be closed at a time with one-way lane traffic control in place. Motorists should be prepared to stop and plan for delays.

Free family events at library in May

Idyllwild Library is hosting two events in May for families. From 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 12, families are invited to make a mini-spring garden for mom.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

Arts & Entertainment Calendar listings are at the discretion of the editor. Email becky@towncrier.com. Event charges may apply.

Wednesday, May 2

- Jazzercise, 7:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- Alpenglow Lilac Gardens, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Idyllwild.
- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Student Choreography Concert, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Fisher Dance Studio, Idyllwild Arts.
- Chess Club (instruction), 1-4 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Holistic healing circle, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.

Thursday, May 3

- Jazzercise, 7:15 a.m. & 8:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- Alpenglow Lilac Gardens, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Idyllwild.
- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Student Choreography Concert, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Fisher Dance Studio, Idyllwild Arts.
- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekestone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave. If interested, show up or phone 951-659-4910.
- Chess Club, 1-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- "The C Word," movie, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.
- Associates of IAF's Chairs for Charity, 5-7 p.m. La Quinta Museum, La Quinta.
- Ping Pong, 6:30-8 p.m. Town Hall.

Friday, May 4

- Jazzercise, 8:30 a.m. Town Hall.
- Alpenglow Lilac Gardens, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Idyllwild.
- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Student Music Recital: Stefan Henning & Heyao Chu & Haitian "Christy" Liu, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Lowman Concert Hall; Student Choreography Concert, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Fisher Dance Studio, Idyllwild Arts; Student Showcase: Spotlight on Visual Arts Exhibition 5-7:30 p.m. and VIP Reception 5-6 p.m. Melissa Morgan Fine Art, Palm Desert.
- Willy B & John King (classic rock guitar & a touch of fiddle), 5:30-8:30 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- "Idyllwild's Got Talent!," ICC fundraiser, 6 p.m. Town Hall.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.

Saturday, May 5

- Jazzercise, 8:30 a.m. Town Hall.
- Alpenglow Lilac Gardens, 9

a.m.-5 p.m. Idyllwild.

- Florist in the Forest & Idyllwild Creative Company Grand Opening, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; East Coast swing dance class, 2:30 p.m. Florist in the Forest.

- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, noon-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Cinco de Pie-o: Clowns without Borders, 3-4 p.m. Rush Hall; Children's Dance Concert, 4-5 p.m. Lowman Concert Hall; Theatre Senior Showcase, 7:30-8:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.
- Cinco de Mayo Sidewalk Chalk Art Festival, Idyllwild Arts & Idyllwild School fundraiser for IS smARTS, noon-4 p.m. Village Centre Gazebo.

- Jac Jacaruso & Miles Thomas (pop & soft rock guitar), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- "Idyllwild's Got Talent!," ICC fundraiser, 6 p.m. Town Hall.
- Karaoke, 7-11 p.m. American Legion Post 800.

Sunday, May 6

- Alpenglow Lilac Gardens, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Idyllwild.
- "Idyllwild's Got Talent!," ICC fundraiser, 2 p.m. Town Hall.
- InterArts Performance, 7:30-8:30 p.m. TBA, Idyllwild Arts.

Monday, May 7

- Jazzercise, 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Children's Storytime, "Tea Time With Mom," 10:30-11:30 a.m., Idyllwild Library.
- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; AEL: Carlos Martinez, 7:30-8 p.m. Fisher Dance Studio, Idyllwild Arts.

Tuesday, May 8

- Jazzercise, 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Ukulele class, 11 a.m. Royal Pines Trailer Park clubhouse.
- Mahjong, 12:30-3:30 p.m.; Paracho Guitars, Dave Pelham, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Small orchestra rehearsal group, 1-3 p.m., Idyllwild Center for Spiritual Living.
- Pool Tournament, 6 p.m. American Legion Post 800.

Wednesday, May 9

- Jazzercise, 7:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.

tion, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Creative Writing Senior Readings, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.

- Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m.; Chess Club (instruction), 1-4 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- "The Jewish Journey to America — Jewish immigration to America through the centuries," Temple Har Shalom, 6 p.m. Community Church.

Thursday, May 10

- Jazzercise, 7:15 a.m. & 8:30 p.m. Town Hall.
- Alpenglow Lilac Gardens, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Idyllwild.

- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekestone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave. If interested, show up or phone 951-659-4910.

- Chess Club, 1-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- "Kumare," movie, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.
- "The Jewish Journey to America — Jewish immigration to America through the centuries," movie, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Community Church.
- Ping Pong, 6:30-8 p.m. Town Hall.

- Bridge, 12:30 p.m.; Idyllwild Book Club, 7-9 p.m. Creekestone Inn.

Friday, May 11

- Jazzercise, 8:30 a.m. Town Hall.
- Alpenglow Lilac Gardens, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Idyllwild.

- "Reframed," selected work from the permanent collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.

- Terry Jo & Jeff Hixon, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.

- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.

Saturday, May 12

- Jazzercise, 8:30 a.m. Town Hall.
- Alpenglow Lilac Gardens, 9

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From 1:30 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, kids are invited to an afterschool Photography Workshop. Both events are free to the public.

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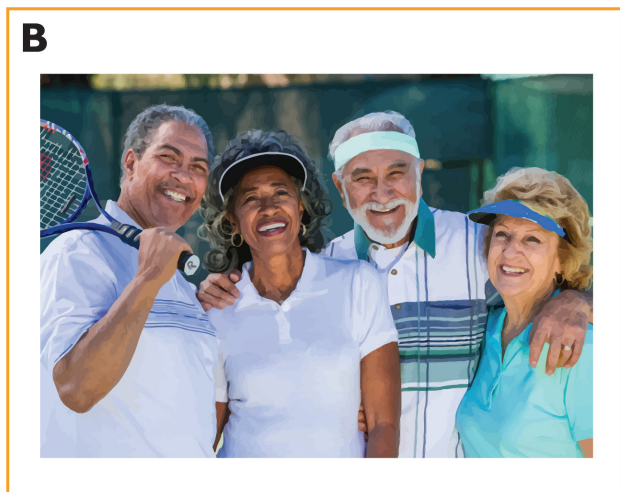
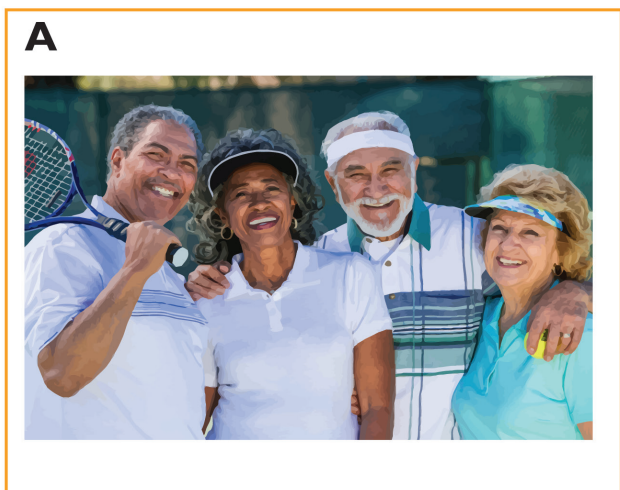
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Manlio Orozco, D.D.S.



What's the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?



Answers: 1. Racket has "R" on it 2. Man's head-visor is solid color
band is darker 3. Tennis ball missing 4. Woman's

GET THE PICTURE?

Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: BASEBALL & BAT

THIS DAY IN... HISTORY

MAY 21

- **1881:** CLARA BARTON FORMS WHAT WOULD BECOME THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.
- **1932:** AMELIA EARHART BECOMES THE FIRST WOMAN TO FLY SOLO ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.
- **2005:** THE TALLEST ROLLER COASTER IN THE WORLD OPENS IN JACKSON TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY.

How they SAY that in...

ENGLISH: Score
SPANISH: Marcador
ITALIAN: Punteggio
FRENCH: Score
GERMAN: Punktstand



The Idyllwild Middle School Mountain Bike Team practices on the local trails. While taking a rest, Coach Josh White took this photograph of (from left) Coach Tanya Wampler, Seth White, Mei Li Stroud, Jake Fey, Colby Sonnier, Coach Tom Dillon and trail dog Buddy. PHOTO BY JOSH WHITE



Baseball

Mike Holato of Town Hall gave this report on Youth Baseball:
The schedule for Opening Day Saturday, May 5, is:
9 a.m. T Ball Dodgers vs. Giants
10:30 a.m. Minors As vs. Blue Jays
noon Minors Braves vs. Red Sox
1:30 p.m. Majors Blue Jays vs. Dodgers
3 p.m. Majors Giants vs. Red Sox

Basketball

Mike Holato of Town Hall gave this report on Adult Basketball:
Yellow defeated Green 21-5, 19-23, 23-2.
Red defeated Blue 21-19, 21-16, 13-21.
Black defeated White 22-3, 15-21, 21-11.
Blue defeated Black 21-24, 21-16, 22-10.
White defeated Green 21-17, 19-23, 21-9.
Red defeated Yellow 22-18, 22-19, 9-21.
Green defeated Red forfeit, 21-11, 21-18.
Yellow defeated Black 21-11, 21-0, forfeit.
Blue defeated White 21-10, 22-19, 21-15.

Standings	Wins	Losses
Brian's Yellow	11	3
Buddy's Black	8	6
Derrick's Blue	8	6
Noah's Red	8	6
Matt's Green	4	10
Colin's White	3	11

Playoffs started Tuesday, May 1, and end Tuesday, May 8.

Mountain Biking

Idyllwild School Mountain Bike Coach Josh White gave this report:
On April 14, the Idyllwild Middle School Mountain Bike Team competed with the Hemet High School Mountain Bike Team in the Victory at Vail Race at Vail Lake.

All six middle-school racers were able to race and had a really successful weekend. Mei Li Stroud turned in her best performance this season finishing sixth in a field of 36. Jakob Parsons turned in another solid performance finishing 15th in a field of 36 Level-2 boys.

Out of a field of 68 Level-1 seventh-grade boys, Michael Stroud overcame a fairly significant crash (free of injury) to finish 36th on the day.

The Level-1 sixth-grade boys finished 32nd (Seth White), 36th (Colby Sonnier), and 39th (Jake Fey) in a field of 57.

The team is practicing hard for their final race of the season, which is May 5 in Tehachapi.

Volleyball

Mike Holato of Town Hall gave this report on recent Youth Volleyball games.
Tidal Waves defeated Net Ninjas 23-25, 25-17, 25-20.

Standings	Wins	Losses
Village Market Net Ninjas	3	3
Suburban Propane Tidal Waves	3	3

The championship game is at 5 p.m. Thursday, May 3.

Temple offers three-part film festival

A free, three-part film festival, sponsored by Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild, is at 6 p.m. the second Wednesdays of May, June and July.

The series is an outgrowth of interest from members of the community who attended the Judaism 101 sessions led by Rabbi Malka Drucker. All showings will be at the Community Church, 54400 North Circle.

Initiating the series on May 9 is the acclaimed PBS-produced documentary "The Jewish Journey to America — Jewish immigration to America through the centuries," which includes an interview with Rabbi Malka.

The June 13 showing is "Paper Clips," nominated for 12 News and Documentary Emmy® awards in 2006.

July's presentation is "Weapons of the Spirit," 1987 special award winner, Los Angeles Film Critics Association Awards.

For more information, email Ira Chomsky at irathec8@yahoo.com.

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Wednesday: Men's Breakfast, 6:15 a.m. - Women's Bible Study, 9 a.m.

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