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## Three sequoias transferred to Idypark

**First responders and veterans to be honored at dedication**

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

The dedication of Idypark is noon Saturday, May 26, where Jo'An's, and before that, Eleanor Park existed.

Idypark, in the center of Idyllwild, with a 50-foot flag pole the focus of the park, will be dedicated to first responders and veterans, said Dave Butterfield, who is largely responsible for it.

"I feel we owe that to veterans and first responders," he said. "They take a lot of abuse for things they haven't done." Many will be present at Saturday's dedication, led by American Legion Post 800's Honor Guard.

He and local realtor Shane Stewart began the conversion of the property last fall after the annual Christmas Tree Lighting.

"We couldn't have done it See Idypark, page A11



On Wednesday, May 16, three young sequoias were transported from Pine Cove to a new home at Idypark. Here, the first of the three is being lowered into its new location. Pine Cove Water District donated the trees and Eric Hess arranged to have them transferred. Each weighed thousands of pounds.

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## Customers question IWD's need for more money

**District agrees to workshop on May 30**

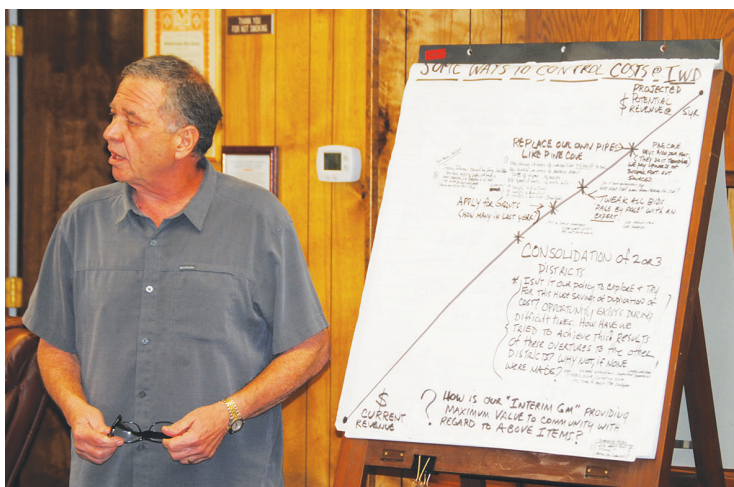
By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

A large group of customers came to the Idyllwild Water District board meeting last week. The proposed water-rate restructuring and rate increase were the targets of their comments.

Having received the notice of a public hearing on June 20 for the board to consider adopting the higher rates, these customers were not convinced of the need for more revenue. In general, they expressed dissatisfaction with the board's lack of justification for more money.

Several people spoke out with concerns and frustrations, but the first speaker, Vic Sirkin, former IWD director, opened the evening with his own five-page poster-board presentation.

He urged the board to delay the hearing and to look at several options to reduce costs



On Wednesday evening, May 16, the Idyllwild Water District conference room filled with customers telling the Board of Directors their thoughts about the proposed water-rate increase. Here, Vic Sirkin, former director, presents his ideas for reducing costs, which he felt may alleviate the need for rate increases.

PHOTO BY JP CRUMRINE

before deciding to seek more revenue from Idyllwild residents.

He suggested four areas to evaluate for savings. First, he noted that the Pine Cove Water District installs pipeline for about one-third of the cost of IWD's latest pipeline project.

During the winter board meetings, Inter-

General Manager Jack Hoagland acknowledged the high cost of IWD's latest effort and promised to reduce future costs from \$300 per foot to about \$200. PCWD's cost, using its own staff, is much closer to \$100 per linear foot.

Sirkin estimated that IWD may need to See IWD, page A11

## Pine Cove water theft case settled

**District receives reimbursement**

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

Joel Vargas-Hernandez, 28, of Mead Valley, who was arrested in September for the theft of water from the Pine Cove Water District, pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor for vandalism on May 17.

However, one of the terms of the plea bargain was he reimburse the water district \$21,335. This is for the water taken and repairs of the hydrant, which was damaged. Vargas-Hernandez used the water for an illegal marijuana plantation in the San Bernardino National Forest.

Pine Cove General Manager Jerry Holldber deposited the check on the same day as the court hearing and complimented the Riverside County District Attorney's Office for

its effort to obtain the cost of the water from the defendant.

When PCWD discovered the water theft, Holldber estimated that more than 2.3 million gallons of water was taken and its value exceeded \$17,000.

Vargas-Hernandez, who has had been released on bail in September, was also sentenced to two days in the Riverside County jail.

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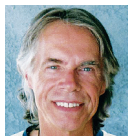


**Joel Vargas-Hernandez**  
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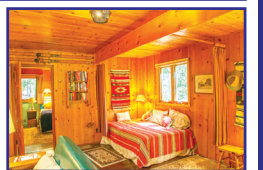
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# Help Center Resource Fair connects clients and services

By HOLLY PARSONS  
STAFF REPORTER

“Our charter is wider than is largely understood,” reports Idyllwild Help Center Executive Director Colleen Meyer. “Our upcoming summer Resource Fair is but one example of how we view our role. For this event, we have invited providers from on and off the Hill,” Meyer continued. “Our primary goal is to connect clients to services creating partnerships and we encourage all Idyllwild residents to re-use, re-purpose and recycle. As an added note, the USDA commodity food share on Tuesday of each month, will

be at 11 a.m. on June 5 at the Resource Center.”

Resource Fair attendees can speak with Charise Karjala regarding health insurance. Voter registration will be available. A Community Action Partnership representative will explain utility assistance, and Forest Folk will highlight senior services and how to access the Idyllwild Shuttle.

Parents can receive nutritional services education for infants and children. Young Idyllwild will share opportunities for local youth and Soroptimist International of Idyllwild will outline its programs.

Riverside County Office on Aging is



The Idyllwild Help Center is the venue for the summer Resource Fair.

PHOTO BY HOLLY PARSONS

bringing its information van and Animal Rescue Friends of Idyllwild will offer advice regarding pet care assistance. The Salvation Army will outline its food and utility assistance programs and the Idyllwild Community Center will detail available recreation programs at Town Hall. Spirit Mountain Retreat will out-

line Riverside County Mental Health Department's outreach services.

The summer Resource Fair will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 5, at the Idyllwild Help Center. For transportation assistance, call Idyllwild Shuttle 951-659-2110.

Holly Parsons can be reached at [holly@towncrier.com](mailto:holly@towncrier.com).

## 'I remember Ernie'

The Idyllwild Town Crier, in conjunction with the Idyllwild Area Historical Society, is asking for written stories from folk about their memories of Ernie Maxwell to be published in the Town Crier and, possibly, at an event at the Courtyard Gallery in June.

Email your stories and a photograph of yourself to [becky@towncrier.com](mailto:becky@towncrier.com).

## Crime victim protection bill

Senate Bill 1146 by Sen. Jeff Stone (R-Riverside County) to protect crime victims from harassment by incarcerated individuals today received unanimous support from the State Senate.

The bill would give prison officials the authority to open and inspect outgoing mail from incarcerated individuals for the purpose of enforcing a restraining or protective order against the inmate.

“SB 1146 gives an additional level of protection to those victims who have already suffered enough,” said Stone.

SB 1146 now advances to the Assembly for consideration.

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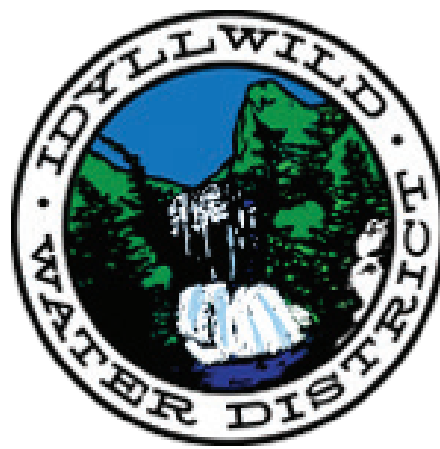
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## Proposed new water rates for Idyllwild Water District

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## Idyllwild Weather

From the National Weather Service

<p><b>Wednesday 5/23</b></p> <p> <b>69/42</b></p> <p>Sunny.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Thursday 5/24</b></p> <p> <b>71/42</b></p> <p>Sunny.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Friday 5/25</b></p> <p> <b>65/40</b></p> <p>Sunny.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Saturday 5/26</b></p> <p> <b>62/41</b></p> <p>Sunny.</p>	<p><b>Sunday 5/27</b></p> <p> <b>72/44</b></p> <p>Sunny.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Monday 5/28</b></p> <p> <b>77/54</b></p> <p>Sunny.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Tuesday 5/29</b></p> <p> <b>80/54</b></p> <p>Sunny.</p>
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**Idyllwild this year**

Date	High	Low	M	S
05/15	71	35	0.00	0.0
05/16	72	40	0.00	0.0
05/17	67	39	0.00	0.0
05/18	68	38	0.00	0.0
05/19	75	43	0.00	0.0
05/20	71	43	0.00	0.0
05/21	64	46	0.00	0.0

**Idyllwild last year**

Date	High	Low	M	S
05/15	49	29	0.00	0.0
05/16	52	37	0.00	0.0
05/17	57	38	0.00	0.0
05/18	69	36	0.00	0.0
05/19	73	39	0.00	0.0
05/20	80	41	0.00	0.0
05/21	81	43	0.00	0.0

**Moisture in inches**

To date this season (Idy): 7.58  
To date last season (Idy): 17.70  
Total last season (Idy): 28.61  
To date this season (PC): 0.86  
Total last season (PC): 37.56

**Snow in inches**

To date this season (Idy): 5.0  
To date last season (Idy): 1.0  
Total last season (Idy): 31.3  
Total last season (PC): 63.3

Idyllwild temperatures, moisture and snow totals are recorded daily at 4 p.m. at Idyllwild Fire Station, an official NWS COOP reporter. Lower Pine Cove moisture and snow totals are recorded daily at 4 p.m. by resident Thom Wallace. 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 us on the Internet at [www.idyllwildtowncrier.com](http://www.idyllwildtowncrier.com) or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.

*A cool marine layer made its way onto the Hill on Monday and Tuesday, bringing cold temperatures and fog off-and-on.*

PHOTO BY EDDIE ALCAZAR



A group of Idyllwilders attended the spring Joshua Tree Music Festival Saturday with the Town Crier. From left, back row, **Kayanna Warren, Monica Sierras, Colin Smith, and Heidi and Todd Hoggan.** Bottom row, from left, **Quintin and Sammi Hoggan, and Orion Colinson, son of Sierras and Smith.** PHOTO COURTESY HEIDI HOGGAN



Riverside County Fire was out in Garner Valley Monday training for the fire season that's just around the corner. Incident command, structure protection and wildland training were just a few of the drills practiced. Here, firefighters are practicing filling a "pumpkin" with water. Helicopters, which can carry water, will use pumpkins to fill if a natural water source is too far from the incident. One is usually full and ready near Foster Lake all summer. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

## Bank of America gives ATM update

BY HOLLY PARSONS  
STAFF REPORTER

In our April 19 issue of the Town Crier, we reported about the planned closure by Bank of America of its only Idyllwild ATM. In the course of that article, we spoke and had email communications with Sr. Vice President of Media Relations for B of A Colleen Haggerty to express community sentiment and to understand the bank's position.

To our most recent request for comment, we received the following from Haggerty on May 18: "We appreciate

your checking back on this important matter. We understand our customers' concerns and continue to actively pursue both short term and long term options to keep an ATM in Idyllwild.

"Given it's unclear how long negotiations may take, there unfortunately may be a gap of ATM service for local customers. For business clients and large depositors, we have remote deposit and other options available. Bank of America small business and business banking managers can provide more details."

Holly Parsons can be reached at [holly@towncrier.com](mailto:holly@towncrier.com).



While visiting Washington, D.C., **Holly Owens** (right) of Idyllwild, met up with former Idyllwild resident **Gina Genis**. They shared time reading the Town Crier. PHOTO COURTESY HOLLY OWENS

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Baths: 1.75  
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Yr. Built: 1987  
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Price: \$489,000



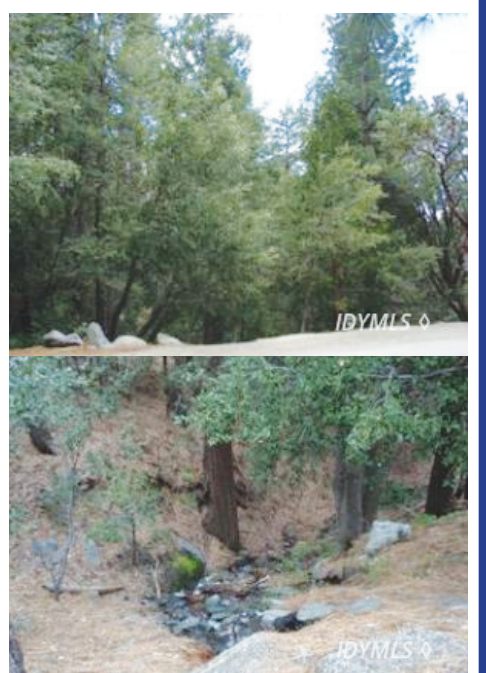
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This Memorial Day weekend not only is the best time to sort through yard and garage sales, but a boatload of events occurring should attract both locals and tourists: music line-ups at many venues, the Art Alliance's annual Plein Air Art Festival, the Associates' Chairs for Charity fundraiser, the Rotary's annual apple pancake breakfast, the Legion's annual BBQ, the Nature Center's annual Wildflower Show, the Stratford Players' performance and the Friends' semi-annual book sale, to name a few.

If you have no plans this weekend, look to the Arts and Entertainment Calendar on B1 and all the advertising in the TC this week.

In addition to those events above, Dave and Loie Butterfield invite you to the groundbreaking ceremony of the Idyllwild Community Center, and the dedication and flag raising in honor of veterans and first responders at Idypark. Both of these generous community supporters, along with Shane Stewart, gave us a town park, and have worked tirelessly to make sure our little village benefits from a community center.

Last but not least, the American Legion Post 800 opens its doors to everyone at 11 a.m. Monday for the reason we enjoy a three-day holiday the last May of every year — to remember those who have died fighting to protect our country.

Ironically, in May 1949, the American Legion held a Memorial Day service at what was called "the Legion flagpole" in the village. A small parade preceded the event.

Considering that the Butterfields will have the American Legion Honor Guard at the Idypark event, I think it would be great if the Legion, in future years, brought the Memorial Day ceremony to Idypark each year so more people would attend — including our visitors — and honor the reason we have this three-day weekend. A free lunch following, which the Legion always generously offers, wouldn't be necessary. People can fan out to the local restaurants afterward, or go home and fire up their own barbecues.

Also, in 1949, the Town Crier reported that Memorial Day was so jammed that "people were sleeping in their cars." Considering that Idyllwild has been "found," as we've noticed over the past few years, that could occur this year, too. Not only are we seeing increased snow visitors, but weekends, in general, seem to be swarming with flatlanders.

So, a Memorial Day ceremony at Idypark, I think, would be greatly appreciated by tourists. Post 800 is off the beaten path, after all, and folk forget the reason why they get to enjoy the barbecues and other events we offer this weekend that tends to start off the summer.

Much is happening in our little town, thanks to innovative and far-thinking folk who have found a reason to build their nests in and around Idyllwild.

For one thing, a noisy downtown restaurant is no longer a bone of contention in the center of town. And that means folk turn their attention to other things — much of which is focused on water and trash rates rising. Keep the letters coming!

BECKY CLARK, EDITOR

### Another boondoggle

EDITOR:

Miles of neglected, substandard, bad, old pipe; a district pipe-replacement crew the manager doesn't trust to replace pipe in a reasonable time frame, hence outsourcing expensive district projects; difficulty retaining highly qualified employees; a substandard employee payroll/retirement plan inconsistent with surrounding district plans; and an overdependence on unreliable surface water availability for diversion creates a recipe for disaster and, more importantly, outrageous rate increases disproportionate to other mountain districts.

Is Idyllwild Water District knee-jerk reacting to a grand jury that recently showed up? What can be said is that the district is passing off neglect/negligence to customers when it should be immunizing itself to further fee increases, while stabilizing district operations.

IWD should offer competitive salaries and benefits packages so as to retain highly qualified certified welders and water-treatment operators, avoiding having to pay prevailing wages on outsourced projects, replace its own pipe and build out its ground water production system such that its costs are similar to those of surrounding districts.

The savings alone would pay for employee benefits and salaries, and most importantly, keep rates down.

Wake up Idyllwild. Throw the bums out, including their manager and engineer, who threw away hundreds of thousands of dollars on a wasted boondoggle project that enriched the pockets of those who knew the project would not work, and replace them with people who get it.

JEFF SMITH  
PINE COVE

### A letter from the IWD president

EDITOR:

The Idyllwild Water District began having public meetings about the current rate changes last year on Dec. 6. There have been no fewer than eight meetings and workshops that IWD implored the public to attend.

The Town Crier has published several articles encouraging the public to attend during that time. Each and every meeting was noticed to the public.

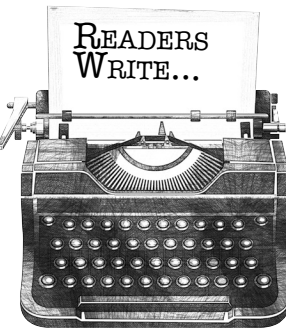
At IWD, open dialogue is welcomed as evidenced by the last two-hour meeting. The meeting before that was a three-hour discussion. The rate plan and other subjects were discussed at length. The proposed changes have been posted, advertised and mailed to all IWD members. The changes are on the website, with a rate calculator that compares your current bill to the new rates.

To say that IWD has not tried to include the public is either illiteracy or feigned ignorance.

Many have found that initially, their water bill is actually lower under the new rate plan during the first year and then goes up over the next four years. Large users (gardeners and summer landscapers) see smaller proportionate increases.

The bigger question is why change the rates at all? First of all, Idyllwild shouldn't end up with brown water like Compton or the fourth worst water in the nation like Riverside. Neglect of their infrastructure has resulted in terrible water with inadequate funds to fix it. Pipes rarely burst at the right time. (LA burst floods UCLA.)

The second reason is that IWD must be compliant with new state law. IWD did the research and this is the safest, most reasonable solution that a team of experts



has determined will work for our community. "A stitch in time saves nine" echoes in the mind.

Everyone who attended the meetings understands the implications. IWD has a 10-year plan that replaces old pipes and maintains sufficient reserves for emergencies, all approved at the meetings referenced.

It is difficult to increase rates over the next five years, but it is necessary to ensure safe water and the stability of IWD.

The IWD mission is to provide reliable water and sewer service in a safe, cost-effective and environmentally sound manner in accordance with the community needs. This is the best way to achieve that mission at this time.

This is my opinion and has not been approved by the full IWD board.

CHARLES SCHELLY, AA, BS, DC, NRCME  
IWD PRESIDENT

### A dangerous parking lot situation

EDITOR:

Good morning, Idyllwild. We have a problem in our town that I would like to bring to your attention (although I'm sure most of you have experienced a similar event).

The problem is wrong-way drivers and excessive speed in the Strawberry Creek parking lot. Within two weeks, I have been involved in two near-hits that could have resulted in serious injury.

The first incident occurred when I was exiting the parking lot onto Village Center Drive. After looking both ways to make sure there was no traffic, I started to turn left, when all of a sudden, a driver exited the parking lot from the entrance side, turned right into my path, and rapidly accelerated past me, missing my car by what couldn't have been more than an inch or two.

The second incident occurred by the entrance to the Fairway market. I was driving toward the entrance, ready to make the left turn past the entrance, when a driver entering the lot from the right side of the market, at a very high rate of speed, drove past the front of my car and attempted to turn left against the intended flow of traffic, once again, just missing me by inches.

Neither situation resulted in an accident or injury, this time, but what if the next time it would be a mother with a baby in a stroller, or an elderly person who could not react quick enough to avoid an accident.

It's not a matter of "if" but "when." Just because we don't have a police station or city council doesn't mean we shouldn't do something about it. We live in a society and we should all look out for each other.

The current methods of traffic control are not working as intended. I want, as I'm sure the rest of Idyllwild and the tourists that support our town would want, a safer town that we can all enjoy. I don't have all the solutions, but bigger, brighter and more obvious signage, (maybe a yield sign), would be a good start.

ROBYN WORDEN  
IDYLLWILD

*(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.)*

### Summer reading program at library

"Reading Takes You Everywhere" summer reading program begins Saturday, June 1, at the Idyllwild Library and ends July 31.

Everyone is encouraged to sign up. The theme "Reading Takes You Everywhere" will take readers around the world with quite a few exciting activities that celebrate locations and countries. Stop by and pick up a printed calendar of events.

From 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 2, Pacific Animal Productions of Fallbrook, brings "Passport to Animal Adventure." Meet animals from around the world and learn how they survive each and every day. From deserts to swamps, from hunting to hiding, animals are perfectly suited for the adventures they will face in their homes, no matter where in the world they live.

The whole family is welcome to this free event which celebrates the summer reading program.

## ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW

### Getting wiser about pesticide safety

Age brings wisdom, but not always knowledge about pesticide safety. With Older Americans Month upon us, what better time to look at this issue as it relates to maturing Californians?

Department of Pesticide Regulation data shows a quarter of all non-agricultural, non-occupational illnesses reported in the state between 2005 and 2014 involved those ages 55 and up. It's important because many pesticides can have a greater impact on people with underlying health issues that affect the heart, lungs or immune system.

Most all of the reported incidents were the result of careless pesticide storage and not following label instructions.

### For the record ...

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In April 2018, IHP and the Town Crier have published our annual **Spring-Summer 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.

One example: In 2013, an El Dorado County man, 59, was hospitalized for three days after exposure to fumes from an insecticidal fogger used to kill bedbugs. Rather than leave the house after setting it off, as the label instructs, he went to take a nap. He was treated at a hospital for breathing difficulties, exacerbated by his COPD.

Mixing bleach or bleach-containing cleaners with other common cleaners can have serious consequences because of the release of toxic gases, which can damage lungs and sinuses. Most product labels, including bleach labels, warn users not to mix with other chemicals.

Example: In 2011, a Los Angeles County woman, 61, had scrubbed out her toilet with a cleaner and, thinking the bowl didn't look clean enough, added bleach. She accidentally inhaled the resulting fumes. She was hospitalized for wheezing, shortness of breath and chest pain.

Ingestion was the second most-common cause of illness. This is usually the result of putting cleaners or pesticides in improper containers.

One case, in 2013, involved a Fresno County woman, 70, who brought home a herbicide (paraquat) in a tea bottle from work. Her son thought the bottle contained tea and put it in the refrigerator. A week later, his mother drank it and became ill. She died 14 days later.

Takeaways from such tragic accidents: Follow product labels carefully, never mix cleaners and never store pesticides in containers other than their factory container.

Following these guidelines will make us all, regardless of age, wiser and safer.

BRIAN R. LEAHY, DIRECTOR  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PESTICIDE REGULATION

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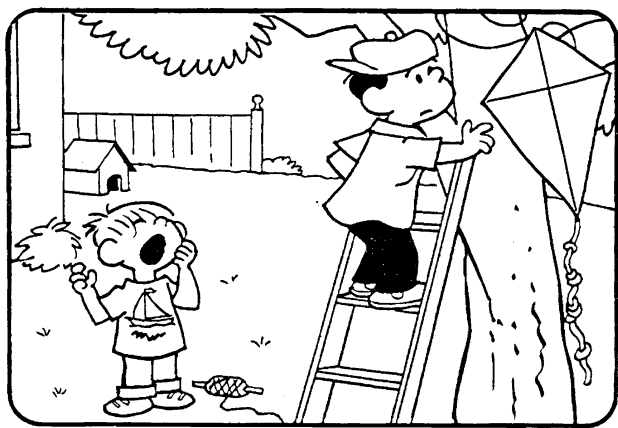
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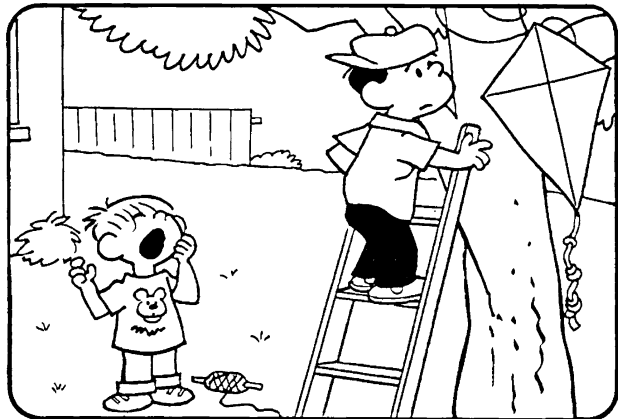
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By JACK CLARK  
CO-PUBLISHER AND GENERAL COUNSEL

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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. Exception: When Monday is a Town Crier holiday, like this Memorial Day, the news meeting is on Thursday at the same time and place. Come to the meetings and tell us what you want. We do listen.

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Seeking EMax award nominees

For the eighth consecutive year, the Idyllwild Town Crier is requesting nominations for the annual Ernie Maxwell Community Spirit Award. Bring your nomination to the Town Crier office at 54405 N. Circle Dr., mail it to P.O. Box 157, Idyllwild, CA 92549, or send by email to becky@towncrier.com by Friday, Aug. 31.

The honor is given to an individual or group who represents EMax's spirit of community and volunteerism. Prior awardees took actions that created a spark sufficient to bring others into the fray just as Maxwell did with his activities involving the environment.

The nomination information should provide the reason why the individual or group has been nominated. They should have demonstrated a tangible, perhaps physical, effect on the community. The Ernie Maxwell Scenic Trail is an example of accomplishment.

How long has your nominee been active in the community?

Provide a description of their vounteer contributions and accomplishments for the community.

And finally, can you show how these efforts have been adopted or expanded by the community?

The five previous awardees were the Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council in 2011, Dawn Sonnier in 2012, Robert Priefer in 2013, Annamarie Padula in 2014, Wendy Read in 2015, Janice Murasko/Robert Hewitt in 2016 and Jay Mulder in 2017. A plaque in the Town Crier office lists the awardees' names.

Later, you will have an opportunity to vote for the top three 2018 nominees. Group noting, e.g. collecting a list of signatures at a meeting, is not permitted. Votes must be on original, not copies of, ballots available in the Town Crier.

Holiday closings

Hill businesses and institutions that will be closed Monday, May 28, to observe Memorial Day are:

- Area post offices
- BBVA Compass Bank
- Fern Creek Medical Center
- Fern Valley Water District
- Hemet Unified School District
- Idyllwild Health Center
- Idyllwild Library
- Idyllwild Town Crier
- Idyllwild Water District
- Pine Cove Water District
- Riverside County offices
- U.S. Forest Service

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- Idyllwild Pharmacy (10 a.m.-4 p.m.)
- Idyllwild Transfer Station
- Mt. San Jacinto State Park

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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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- ▶ Recognition of your Membership in the Town Crier, unless you request anonymity.
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- ▶ Invitations to what we hope will be the annual Town Crier Membership Party.
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# Proposition 70 proposes to change cap-and-trade spending policy

Requires a one-time, two-thirds vote in both houses of the Legislature

By MARSHALL SMITH  
CORRESPONDENT

Proposition 70 proposes to change the way cap-and-trade revenues are deposited and spent beginning in 2024.

The state's cap-and-trade program began in 2012 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by issuing a limited number of permits to manufacturers to emit greenhouse gasses.

Under current law, in-state companies that emit high levels of GHG must obtain, through purchase or other means, permits for each ton of GHG they emit. The state gives about half of the permits away to certain industries for free and sells the remainder at auction.

Revenue from permit sales is spent through the state's annual budget process on programs that reduce GHG.

Prop 70, authored by high desert Assemblyman Chad Mayes (R-42), resulted from negotiations among Gov. Jerry Brown (D), legislative Democrats and legislative Republicans over the future of the state's cap-and-trade program. The negotiations resulted in three bills that passed in July 2017 — an extension of cap and trade until 2030 (AB 398), new air pollution regulations (AB 617) and ACA 1 (Prop 70).

For Mayes and legislative Republicans, Prop 70

seeks to ensure that members of the minority party (presently Republicans) may be needed to approve spending of cap-and-trade revenues.

Prop 70 would require, beginning in 2024, that cap-and-trade revenue be deposited and accumulate, during a specified period, in a new fund in the state treasury called the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Reserve Fund.

These funds could not be spent unless the Legislature votes by a two-thirds majority (a "super majority") to authorize spending the accumulated reserves. Once that two-thirds legislative vote occurs, the requirement that new revenues accumulate in the fund will expire.

If a two-thirds vote is not secured, cap-and-trade revenues would continue to accumulate in the new fund and could not be spent — in effect locking them until and if a super-majority vote occurs.

Prop 70 is on the ballot to secure a one-time, super-majority vote in each chamber of the Legislature to help assure the current minority party would have potentially decisive input into how cap-and-trade revenues are spent — clout to demand concessions in cap-and-trade spending, including on Brown's legacy project, high-speed rail.

After the effective date of the spending bill secured by the super majority, fu-

ture revenue would go back to being deposited in the GGRF and could be spent by a majority vote of the Legislature.

According to the non-partisan Legislative Analyst's Office, estimated 2017-18 cap-and-trade spending of \$3.3 billion includes:

- \$810 million for incentives for low-emission vehicles and equipment
- \$730 million for high-speed rail
- \$584 million for affordable housing near transit
- \$438 million for forestry and fire prevention
- \$250 million for agricultural emission reductions
- \$187 million for "other" allocations

Between Jan. 1, 2024, and the passage of the spending bill by two-thirds majority, the measure would also suspend a sales-tax exemption for manufacturers, potentially increasing state-tax revenue by about \$260 million per year. But that increase would not continue after passage of the spending bill.

Mayes, Brown and Allan Zaremberg, president of the California Chamber of Commerce, wrote official arguments supporting Prop 70. "The future of California's signature climate change program depends on demonstrating that we can protect our environment while growing our economy ... Proposition 70 helps ensure that the money to reduce greenhouse gases is spent in the wisest and most cost-effective way."

Prop 70 is opposed by the California Democratic Party and numerous environmental groups and unions.

Writing in opposition in a ballot argument, Chris Chavez, deputy policy director for the Coalition for Clean Air, said, "Supposedly ACA 1's two thirds vote requirement in 2024 is to ensure that cap and trade allocations maintain support from the state Legislature. We agree that it makes sense for the program's allocations to be reviewed, but the Legislature should do that every year through the budget process ... the fact is ACA 1 itself was part of a deal to get two thirds vote for the cap and trade extension."

Media editorial opinion is mostly in opposition to the measure. The Los Angeles Times opines, "[voters] should reject this pointless exercise. There is little indication that a supermajority vote in 2024 would result in more responsible spending. History shows that when legislators need to find enough votes to reach a two thirds threshold, they are more likely to end up funding pet projects to persuade [or buy the votes of] on the fence lawmakers."

Said the Sacramento Bee, "This measure is an attempted end run around a much-needed public works project [bullet train] that a lot of Californians want and that the majority of voters approved, at the behest, by the way, of a Republican governor [Arnold Schwarzenegger]."



Edeline Felizor spoke to a full room at Idyllwild Library about her eponymous school in Haiti, Edeline Institut. Enrollment is greater than 200 students, but the area is impoverished. Felizor, who has been to Idyllwild before, described the school's progress and current needs.

PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

## Secretary of State announces 2018 Quick Guide to Props Tool

Last week, California Secretary of State Alex Padilla announced the relaunch of the free, online "Quick Guide to Props" tool for voters.

"Quick Guide to Props" provides voters a helpful list of the top 10 campaign contributions, funding totals for each of the five statewide propositions, as well as a brief nonpartisan analysis.

Information available in the "Quick Guide to Props" includes:

- Summaries of each ballot measure written by the Attorney General's Office;
- Fundraising data depicted in bar charts of the total funds raised by all committees primarily formed for and against a proposition. This information is based on data from Power Search and analysis by the Secretary

of State's Political Reform Division;

- The 10 largest contributions during the 2017-18 election cycle to committees formed primarily for and against each proposition;

- What a "yes" and "no" vote means for each proposition, written by the non-partisan Legislative Analyst's Office; and

- Arguments for and against each proposition submitted by the proposition's proponents and opponents.

The campaign finance elements are updated daily. This tool was developed in 2016 in partnership with MapLight, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, nonpartisan research organization that tracks money in politics.

To view the Quick Guide to Props, visit: <http://quickguidetoprops.sos.ca.gov/>.

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Thank you, all!

### Cal Fire suspends burn permits

Due to potential for wildfire, Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire Chief Daniel L. Talbot is suspending burning by permit and other uses of open fire in all State Responsibility Area lands within the county.

The restrictions also went into effect Monday, May 14, 2018, and apply until further notice:

- Use of campfires is restricted to within established campfire facilities located in established campgrounds open to the public.
- Cooking fires with a valid permit are permissive when no alternate means of cooking is available and requires an on-site inspection prior to the issuance of a permit.
- Warming fires are permissive and require an on-site inspection prior to issuing a permit when weather conditions exist to justify the request.

State rangers or other authorized agents of the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection may issue restricted temporary burning permits whenever it can be shown that burning or use of open fire is essential for reasons of public health, safety or welfare.



**The Idyllwild Water District Board of Directors invites you to a Study Session/ Workshop Meeting on the NBS Financial Rate Study and the Proposed Rate Changes.**

**WE WANT YOUR INPUT!!!**

**Please join us on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at 6:00 pm at the Idyllwild Water District Board Room**

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU HERE!**



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

### Wednesday, May 23

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Town Crier news meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Town Crier office, 54405 N. 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.

### Thursday, May 24

- Alcoholics Anonymous women, (open), 9 a.m. Spiritual Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.; meeting, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; "We Don't Know" Agnostic & Atheist, 6-7 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.
- "Power Outages," SCE & Mountain Disaster Preparedness, 6 p.m. Town Hall.
- Free ESL classes, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild School computer room, 26700 Hwy. 243.

### Friday, May 25

- 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
- 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.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 5:30 p.m. Spiritual Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.
- Celebrate Recovery (hang-ups, hurts & habits safe talk place), 7 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.

### Saturday, May 26

- Healing Rooms, 10 a.m.-noon & 2-4 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries, 54295

Village Center Dr.

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

### Sunday, May 27

- 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 28

- 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.

### Tuesday, May 29

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; AA Grapevine, 5:30 p.m. Spiritual Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.
- 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.
- Idyllwild Community Forum, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Meditation & dharma study, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Yoga Studio, 54445 N. Circle Dr. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for info.

### Wednesday, May 30

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Marian View Dr.
- Town Crier news meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Town Crier office, 54405 N. Circle Dr.

### Thursday, May 31

- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Cancer support group, 4:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Idyllwild Water District rate structure workshop, 6 p.m. IWD office, 25945 Hwy. 243.
- 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, May 13 to 19.

### Idyllwild

- May 13 — Burglary, 8:16 a.m., Cougar Rd. Report taken.
- May 13 — Public disturbance, 10:02 p.m., 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 14 — Check the welfare, 10:40 a.m., Country Club Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 14 — Public disturbance, 4:35 p.m., 54000 block of South Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 14 — Alarm call, 5:31 p.m., 54000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- May 14 — Follow-up, 7:59 p.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- May 16 — Alarm call, 9:39 a.m., Cassler Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 16 — Check the welfare, 1:39 p.m., Glen Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 16 — Petty theft, 4:01 p.m., Lilac Dr. Report taken.
- May 16 — Area check, 6:48 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 17 — Public disturbance, 7:49 p.m., 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 18 — Alarm call, 10:36 p.m., 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 18 — Noise complaint, 11:48 p.m., North Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 19 — Suspicious circumstance, 5:16 a.m., Country Club Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 19 — Battery, 6:16 a.m., Glen Rd. Arrest made.
- May 19 — Petty theft, 9:16 a.m., Wildwood Dr. Unfounded.
- May 19 — Danger to self/other, 2:11 p.m., Cougar Rd. Report taken.
- May 19 — Public disturbance, 9:41 p.m., Crestview Dr. Handled by deputy.

### Mountain Center

- May 18 — Embezzlement, 2:46 p.m., 53000 block of E.

Hwy. 74. Report taken.

### Pine Cove

- May 16 — Unattended death, 2:37 a.m., address withheld. Report taken.
- May 19 — Petty theft, 10:37 a.m., address undefined. Unfounded.
- May 19 — Alarm call, 4:48 p.m., Franklin Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 19 — Alarm call, 9:42 p.m., Franklin Dr. Handled by deputy.

### Garner Valley/

### Pine Meadows

- May 16 — Public disturbance, 9:16 p.m., 59000 block of E. Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.

### Poppet Flats

- May 13 — Alarm call, 6:21 p.m., Huston Dr. Handled by deputy.
- May 14 — Suspicious person, 10:49 a.m., Keyes Rd. Handled by deputy.
- May 15 — Follow-up, 7:06 a.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- May 15 — Follow-up, 8:11 a.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- May 15 — Found property, 6:28 p.m., 46000 block of Poppet Flats Rd. Report taken.
- May 17 — Burglary, 9:21 a.m., address undefined. Report taken.
- May 19 — Follow-up, 3:23 p.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.

### San Bernardino

### National Forest

- May 15 — Suspicious vehicle, 7:26 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.
- May 17 — Unlawful entry, 3:05 p.m., 56000 block of Hwy. 74. Handled by deputy.
- May 19 — Alarm call, 12:12 p.m., 19000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- May 19 — Suspicious person, 7:31 p.m., Morris Ranch Rd. Handled by deputy.

### Twin Pines

- May 17 — Area check, 8:05 p.m., Valley Hi Dr. Handled by deputy.

## Two quakes greater than 3.0 hit Anza Saturday

No injuries or damage reported

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

This weekend, a series of earthquakes occurred on the San Jacinto Fault, in the Anza and Aguanga area.

On Saturday afternoon, May 19, the two largest, magnitudes 3.2 and

3.5, occurred just west of the Cahuilla Indian Reservation near Highway 371, and were only two minutes apart.

These quakes were felt as far north as Idyllwild, south to Oceanside and east to Cathedral City.

Just two weeks ago, a magnitude-4.5 quake occurred in the same area.

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## Monsoon season coming, Caltrans warns

[The following is a press release submitted by Caltrans.]  
Monsoon season is on the horizon for the deserts and mountains of Southern California, according to Caltrans. A monsoon is a seasonal prevailing wind blowing from the southwest between May and September bringing rain. These storms typically drench these regions causing the creeks and washes to overflow their banks with water, debris and mud, which ultimately sheet across state highways.

District 8 Maintenance is preparing for these storms by removing loose debris from slopes, making roadway repairs and grooming highway shoulders in anticipation of the summer storms. Caltrans also hires extra maintenance staff to work the 24/7 schedules that go into effect during rain events.

The following tips may aid you in your travels through monsoon territory:

- First, check the weather and traffic conditions before you leave. View real-time traffic and road conditions on Caltrans QuickMap (<http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov>).
- Always make sure your car is in good running condition before you drive long distances. Check your tires, brakes, fluids and wiper blades, and always have a full tank of gas in case you encounter traffic delays and a gas station is inaccessible.
- Bring plenty of water and snacks, required medications, a charged cell phone with car charger, blankets and sturdy shoes in the event you need them during an emergency.
- Be especially cautious at night. Flood dangers are much more difficult to see in the dark.
- Pay attention and follow any directions given by road signs or the overhead Changeable Message Signs.
- Follow all directions given to you by road work personnel, law enforcement or emergency responders. Call 911 in the event of an emergency.
- Never drive past "Road Closed" signs or attempt to cross flooded roadways.
- Be alert for Caltrans crews that are cleaning highways after a monsoon event and give the crews plenty of room. Slow down, be prepared and turn around, don't drown.

## Hit and run on North Circle

By HOLLY PARSONS  
STAFF REPORTER

At 5 p.m. Saturday, May 19, a non-injury, hit-and-run collision involving two vehicles occurred on North Circle Drive, south of Pine Crest Avenue.

A parked car, a 2015 gray Honda Odyssey,

parked in a marked parking stall facing south on North Circle, was struck by a car traveling south on North Circle. There were no witnesses. A small dent was observed on the Honda.

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## Appeals Court denies Aklufi motion to end prosecution

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

Joseph Aklufi, former city attorney for Beaumont, and one of seven city officials charged with embezzlement, had his Friday, May 18, hearing continued to Sept. 14. He also is a former Idyllwild Water District attorney.

In January, Aklufi's attorney filed a motion to have the charges for public corruption and embezzlement from the city of Beaumont against his client dismissed.

His motion argued that in 2016, Aklufi did not waive his right to a speedy trial and too much time has occurred.

On Jan 26, Riverside County Superior Court Judge Mac Fisher ruled that Aklufi's motion was

not supported.

So, his attorney filed an appeal with the Fourth District State Court of Appeals. This court rejected his petition on May 15.

The May 19 hearing was basically an opportunity to set a new court appearance.

In March, the Riverside County District Attorney filed a statement with the court that it would pursue only one count of embezzlement of public funds against Aklufi, although more were initially filed.

In the statement, the DA reported that several of the co-defendants said Aklufi knew about the embezzlement scheme.

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## CREATURE CORNER

By JANICE MURASKO

Last week in "Days of Our Nine Lives," Panther introduced six new ARF dogs.

**Panther:** Time for the ARF dog and cat update.

**Sadie:** Perfect, because here come some new family members!

**Freda:** (enters) Hi, everyone! I'm Freda, and I am really happy to meet all of you. I love other dogs and cats. I'm a Basenji-mix, about 6 years old.

**Jax:** And I'm Jax, a 2-year-old adorable terrier-mix, and I also like dogs and cats.

**Zoe:** And so do I! I'm also a super cute terrier-mix, about 5 years old.

**Pepper:** And we have yet another dog who likes cats and other dogs. Meet Daisy.

**Daisy:** Hi, there! If you can't tell by looking at me, I'm a miniature apricot poodle, 6 years old.

**Mr. Gray:** And what about the kittens?

**Panther:** Four of the eight are now at ARF.

See Critters, page A9



Jax



Zoe



Daisy



Freda



### NOTICE OF VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a vacancy exists on the Board of Directors of the Idyllwild Water District, a public agency, as of May 1, 2018. Interested registered voters may submit a letter of interest and resume containing a statement of qualifications and other information that will assist the Board of Directors in making its decision to appoint. Letters, resumes and any questions should be directed to the President of the Board of Directors, Dr. Charles Schelly, by mail at P.O. Box 397, Idyllwild, CA 92549 or in person at 25945 Highway 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549. Applications will be accepted until 5:00 pm on June 13, 2018.

# Christensen seeks election as county treasurer

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

*Editor's note: Jon Christensen is the current treasurer and tax collector for Riverside County. Hakan Jackson is challenging Christensen. Unfortunately, Jackson has not responded to phone calls or emails from the Town Crier requesting an interview.*

Jon Christensen has been with the Riverside County Treasurer's Office for nearly 16 years. He rose from chief deputy to senior chief deputy. Then in July 2017, the Board of Supervisors appointed Christensen as treasurer and tax collector when Don Kent, the former treasurer, resigned to take the post as the county's finance director.

As he finishes the final 10 months of Kent's term, Christensen is ready to stand for election as treasurer for a full, four-year term. The last time the incumbent treasurer was challenged was 1998. Since then, in four elections, no one opposed the incumbent.

Running and campaigning for the first time, he said, "... is absolutely a humbling experience to see people rally around you.

"I felt alone going into the process, then when support begins, it absolutely blows your mind," Christensen said. "The board supports me, but they are political folks. But when the custodian made a sign, it was overwhelming."

All five supervisors have endorsed him, as well as Sheriff Stan Sniff and Peter Aldana, the county assessor, and Paul Angula, the county auditor.

After his military service, Christensen entered the financial profession. He was a stockbroker. After several years with Morgan Stanley, he was asked to run the county's investment portfolio and agreed.

This work led to one of his proudest achievements. "A lot of counties lost money during the 'Great Recession.' But we didn't lose any and maintained our AAA rating. Still have it today," Christensen said.

And the other portion of the job, tax collector, has created some of the hardest moments in his career. "Dealing with disadvantaged taxpayers, who are losing a home or have medical or other expense, it makes us the bad guy and can be very difficult," Christensen lamented.

His office mails tax bills to county property owners, but it is the Assessor's Office that establishes the tax amount,



Jon Christensen, candidate for Riverside County Treasurer and Tax Collector. PHOTO COURTESY JON CHRISTENSEN

he stressed. His staff collects more than \$3.6 billion annually.

The county's tax delinquency rate is about 1.3 percent, he added. When he assumed responsibility for that staff, it was 3 percent, due to the recession.

In the short term, Christensen is looking forward to the final steps leading to the county's adoption of a new taxation system. This will integrate the Assessor's, the Auditor's and his office, which is ready to go.

"This should be live later in 2018 or early 2019," he added. The current taxation system is 45 years old and based on mainframe computer technology.

If he is elected, his long-term goals are to simplify the system of money coming into the county, including the accounts receivable, with a unified portal — one website.

As a first-time candidate, Christensen said, "Unfortunately, people don't care about the Treasurer's Office until they read about it in the paper, such as the Orange County fiasco years ago. I care deeply about Riverside County."

He is a fifth-generation Riverside County native. Including his children and grandchildren, there are seven generations of Christensens from this county. The first generation arrived in the 1870s, from Northern California, according to Christensen.

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# Stan Sniff says his experience is critical for Sheriff's Department

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff is seeking re-election to his third term. In 2010, he was re-elected with more than 65 percent of the votes cast. In 2014, Sheriff's Lt. Chad Bianco ran, but Sniff received 63 percent of the vote.

In 2018, nearly 11 years after his original appointment as sheriff, he is facing two challengers in the election — Dave Brown, former chief of Hemet City Police, and Bianco. Miguel Garcia, a deputy sheriff in the Moreno Valley station, has filed papers to run, but has not replied to email and phone requests for an interview.

Sniff is a native to Riverside County. He grew up in Indio, where his father served on the city council while a member of the Sheriff's Department. Sniff began his 43-year law enforcement career as a member of the Coachella Police Department in 1975. Four years later, he transferred to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, where he rose through the ranks to assistant sheriff. In 2007, when former Sheriff Robert Doyle resigned to take a state position, the Board of Supervisors chose Sniff as sheriff.

Sniff is seeking re-election in a turbulent time for the department's budget. But that is exactly why he wants to continue. To him, the department's leadership is not an issue, rather it is the ability to grapple and balance the effect of the state propositions (47 and 64, and Assembly Bill 109) affecting jail terms and criminal charges with the financial resources the county can provide.

Sniff realizes that he is elected by county voters, but the board provides the funding. And he has always said he will manage the department with what the board authorizes.

"I'm experienced and independent," Sniff said proudly. He will tell the board what he honestly believes is the effect of its funding decisions. He recognizes that, while his department is the county's largest, it is just one of many.

He will tell them that the ratio of deputies to population in the unincorporated areas is too low. Yet once the budget is approved, he will implement it and manage it for the good of the whole county.

"But in the end, my job is to be a good manager," Sniff affirmed. "I'm to be independent and honest and open. It's not my decision; my role is to give input.

"If I acquiesce to the costs, if the department malfunctions, it is not the board at fault. I'm ultimately accountable. If I don't speak the truth, it's hard for them to make an informed decision," he stated.

While he and the board know that the fiscal year begins with an expected deficit for the sheriff's office, he manages to finish the year without needing reserves to augment the department's costs.

Last year, we had a \$2.7 million surplus," he said. And this week, the County Executive Office told the board that the sheriff's budget would end the year with another surplus.

Sniff also feels the department has changed and improved during his tenure in other ways. "I'm proud that the department has dramatically reshaped its diversity. It matches the demographics of the communities and will continue to."



Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff is running for re-election. FILE PHOTO

In addition, he pointed to the educational level of its staff and how it has increased. "It's a different work force than 1975," he noted.

Staffing statistics are not the only accomplishments Sniff highlights. "We cut the crime rate last year. In cities that contract with us, and the county, the crime has gone down," he emphasized, "and down while costs are up."

But Sniff maintains that his long-term goal is to raise the staffing in the unincorporated areas of the county, which includes Idyllwild and the whole Hill. He argued that the staffing ratios are a relevant measure. "It's a visible deterrent to see patrol cars once a day rather than one per month."

Also, he wants to hire more deputies to re-fill the task forces from which he had to cut staffing in the past.

"My costs are driven by people costs. It's 90 percent of the budget," he stated. "The rate of growth [in our budget] is based on salaries. The 50-percent increase in the last decade is not sustainable."

While staffing has been reduced in response to the budget, that is only one piece, Sniff emphasized. The overcrowding of jails and prisons has resulted in federal court orders, state propositions and AB 109 that require the early release of many non-violent offenders or reduce their sentences.

Regarding the current issue of sanctuary city laws, Sniff's opposition is that they are bad public policy. These laws interfere in the exchange of information between law enforcement agencies at different governmental levels.

In fact, he said, "Just a small percentage of our crime is committed by undocumented immigrants. It's a myth that there is a local crunch." Rather, he attributed the lack of adequate jail capacity as a bigger challenge.

Sniff acknowledged the cheating that occurred on the sheriff's exam. But he accentuated that the allegations "were looked at closely. The attorneys involved defended the disciplinary actions. The department meted out discipline."

But these are law enforcement personnel actions, and he and others cannot discuss them. So, his defense of the charges of "not caring" is limited. He noted that a county Grand Jury was formed as an independent review and had no report.

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On Tuesday, May 15, Valerie Velez presented a discussion on "Mindfulness" at the Idyllwild Library. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

## Scholarship donations accepted

The Idyllwild Scholarship Board is requesting community donations to support scholarships for 2018 high school graduates.

Donations may be sent to Idyllwild Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 778, Idyllwild, CA 92549. All donations are tax-deductible.



## Baseball

Mike Holato of Town Hall gave this report on Youth Baseball:

(Note: Players of the game (POG) for both teams receive a game ball after each game.)

### T-Ball

The Muirs Mountain Dodgers and the Earth 'N Fire Giants played two games this week.

Both games were close and exciting as all the boys and girls are improving their baseball skills. POG for the Dodgers this week were **Danielle Rodriguez** and **Jelle Taylor** in the first game.

In the second game, POG were **Wyatt Luke** and **Talon Duckett**.

The Giants' POG in the first game were **Augie Titus** and his brother **Levi Titus**. **Bon Donovan** and **Manasjah Zimmerman** captured the honors in the second game.

### Minors

Idyllwild Shell Blue Jays, behind POG **Aiden Pritchett** and **Nicholas Sanchez**, defeated the



Idyllwild School students Brody Posey (left) and Cole Kenyon play Bronco baseball division at Valley Wide in Hemet. Both boys are coached by their fathers Jody Posey and David Kenyon. The boys are practicing for their final playoffs. PHOTO BY HOLLY KENYON

Idyllwild Automotive A's 16-5. The two POG for the A's were **Cainan Cooper** and **Noah McCaughey**.

In a thriller, the Mountain Mechanical Red Sox edged the American Legion Braves 10-9. Players of the game were **Roger Gonzalez** and **Ben Taylor** for the Red Sox, and **Arron Inquez** and **Etan Castro** for the Braves.

Saturday, the American Legion Braves scored 15 runs in the last inning to defeat the Idyllwild Shell Blue Jays 21-16 in a slug-fest. Braves' POG were **Eli Bloom** and **Makai Githaiga**. Blue Jays' POG were **Will Archer** and **Jack Taylor**.

In a game of great defense by both teams, the Mountain Mechanical Red Sox defeated the Idyllwild Automotive A's 6-2 in a rare, low-scoring game. POG for Red Sox were **Hailey Olivier** and **Oliver Agee**. POG for the A's

were **Ruby Adams** and **Brynnley Meyer**.

Standings	Wins	Losses	Ties
Mountain Mechanical Red Sox	5	0	0
American Legion Braves	3	2	0
Idyllwild Shell Blue Jays	2	3	0
Idyllwild Automotive A's	0	5	0

### Majors

In a brief majors schedule this week, POG **Gavin Vandermoon** led the Town Real Estate Blue Jays to a 7-2 win over POG **Mason Sanchez** and the Pino Tree Service Red Sox.

The Golden Nugget Giants came from behind to defeat the Ridgeline Roofing Dodgers 3-2. POG were **Mathen Brown** of the Giants and **Kannon Lozano** of the Dodgers.

Standings	Wins	Losses	Ties
Golden Nugget Giants	4	1	0
Town Real Estate Blue Jays	3	2	0
Pino Tree Service Red Sox	2	3	0
Ridgeline Roofing Dodgers	1	4	0

## Track

On Thursday, May 10, the Idyllwild Middle School Track Team participated in a middle school track meet at San Jacinto High School.

These results were furnished by Idyllwild School Physical Education teacher **Darren McKay**.

**Katelyn Sonnier** won the long jump and was third in the high jump.

**Vicky Lovett** had the second-longest throw in the shot-put event.

**Breanna Sheppard** finished third in the 800-meter race.

And **Ryan Foglesong** placed fifth in the shot put.



# Joy Silver steps into political arena Jeff Stone enjoys the exchange of ideas during the campaign

Supports health care and education

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

*Editor's note: The Hill is part of the 28th state Senate District. Jeff Stone, Republican from Temecula, is the incumbent. Joy Silver, of Palm Springs, is one of two Democrats challenging him.*

Joy Silver, born in Pennsylvania, spent much of her early career on the East Coast. She moved to New Mexico, was involved in healthcare and in 2007 settled in Palm Springs, where she continues to be concerned about services for people who need help.

Two issues on the tips of most politicians' tongues are healthcare and housing. Silver has devoted much of her adult life to both of these issues. And she was able to combine both when she became involved in senior care.

"All of my background combines the issues of our time," she said proudly.

While she has managed healthcare and housing programs, she has not been a political candidate until now. However, she is not a novice in the political arena. For years, she has been an advocate for LGBT and health issues.

Her calling to these issues naturally led her onto a path of advocating for them

and then, eventually, becoming an activist for several issues. Following the 2016 presidential election, she and others organized Courageous Resistance in the desert communities. From this platform, she acknowledged that being a legislator was how she could help her clients and her community even more.

Silver's experience providing and expanding healthcare to women and underserved populations fills her with pride and confidence taking this step. "I want California to continue to move forward. Waiting will destroy critical pieces of what keeps our population progressing," she stated.

Donald Trump's election as president discouraged her. But as she watched public events and actions during the past two years, she became motivated. Silver sees Sen. Jeff Stone, the incumbent, as another representative of the Far Right's agenda.

"He is walking in lock step with Washington politics," she argued. "So, it was time for me to stand up and do something."

And if elected, her primary goals will be support for more affordable housing, education and healthcare for all. She also will support programs that help create a green-energy economy, she added.

She also wants to find



**Joy Silver**, Democratic candidate for the state Senate District 28 seat.

PHOTO COURTESY TOM KUHN

more state money for Riverside County. This is something she believes Stone fails to do successfully.

Finally, she is a strong defender of the sanctuary state laws. She opines that these are simply local enforcement and support of the 10th Amendment of the Constitution.

In other words, while the federal government can enforce the immigration laws, it cannot force local governments to do federal work.

"Basically, feds do federal work and locals do local," she summarized. "We won't use our resources for local enforcement to do federal jobs."

The issue of single-payer health insurance, which Bernie Sanders emphasized during his campaign, has become a major issue in the current California gubernatorial election. From her healthcare background, she acknowledges and supports its establishment.

However, Silver points out that there are many nuances to its success. For example, the supply of doctors and other health providers must be expanded.

Just as important, but rarely identified with healthcare, is the building for better, faster and more reliable technology networks. Silver points out that the future will bring computers into the debate because X-rays, videos and other health records will need high-speed networks to transmit these data between physicians.

The Internet infrastructure is less of a problem in urban areas, but Silver sees the need for more communication technology and support in rural areas in order for single payer to serve everyone.

Idyllwild is not a point on a district map to Silver. She has been here several times before and since starting her campaign. "At this stage of the election, I'm amazed at the support of the people," she said.

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Seeking aid for homeless and mental health issues

By JP CRUMRINE  
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Jeff Stone (Republican) is the incumbent state senator representing the 28th District, which includes all of the Hill communities. He is a former Riverside County supervisor, whose 3rd District also encompassed the Hill.

In June 2004, Stone defeated the incumbent supervisor. He was re-elected in 2008 and 2012 with more than 65 percent of the vote in each campaign.

In 2014, he set out to fill the vacant state senate seat and succeeded. He was the top vote-getter in the June primary and defeated fellow Republican Bonnie Garcia in the November general election.

The only defeat on his ladder was in 2016 when he challenged Congressman Dr. Raul Ruiz.

When asked how he compared the Senate to the Board of Supervisors, he said he enjoyed both positions, but for different reasons.

"In the Senate, we send money to the county to work on problems," he said. "It's a challenge and harder to fix. You need 20 people to pass a bill. On the board, you only needed two more to join you."

In the Senate, which is a partisan body compared to the Board of Supervisors, Stone, as a Republican, is in the minority. Not only does he need 20 more senators to join him, but most of them will be Democrats.

And this situation is what he learned to overcome. As a senator, "I'm proud that I can work across the aisle," he said. "I'm not afraid to do that."

"One thing I don't like is the partisanship [in Sacramento]," Stone

stated. "I don't like the label Republican or Democrat. They all are trying to improve lives."

Demonstrative of this attitude is his support for Gov. Jerry Brown's budget proposals. Stone agreed with Brown's decision to put more of the growing revenues in the Rainy Day Fund.

He argued that elected officials are just as much public servants as executive employees, whether at the federal or state level. Washington, D.C. is very political.

Assuming he is one of the two candidates receiving the most votes, he expects the fall campaign to be much more competitive. Campaigns are for clarifying issues, not a personal attack on your opponent, he said. "Voters will get ideas and democracy will work."

He also stated that he is proud that his "principles haven't changed during all of his campaigns. I'm a businessman first."

Throughout his political career, Stone has always said that public safety is "the number one responsibility of an elected official."

"My experience as a small businessman is just as important for government as an entrepreneur," he stated.

As businesses leave California, he sees society coalescing into two classes — the poor and very wealthy. Almost 40 percent of the population is receiving some government assistance, he noted. "With unemployment at its lowest level, we shouldn't have that."

As a pharmacist, he understands the complexity and facets of healthcare issues. So, he challenged the legislative Democratic majority over support for mental-health programs.

"We've got problems out there," he stressed. "Local government needs funding to help. People deserve help and to be treated humanely."

With more than 100,000 Californians needing mental-health assistance, he is urging his colleagues to use \$1 billion of the additional \$9 billion in unexpected revenue for mental-health programs, such as job training for these individuals.



**Jeff Stone**, Republican and incumbent candidate for state Senate District 28 seat.

PHOTO COURTESY JOHN HUNNEMAN

"The homeless need help. We're driving middle class jobs out of California," he lamented. "It's appalling there are more homeless in Los Angeles than [the population of] some counties."

Stone argued that counties are in the position to help these populations; however, "they can't respond without funding. If counties had money, I believe they could solve the problem."

"These conditions shorten life span as much as 15 years. We have to fix this horrific problem. It's an epidemic in the state," Stone said plaintively. "It breaks my heart, and I know we can do better."

Stone had submitted legislation to impose state income tax on part-time visitors, but he was quickly advised that many of these people spend the winter months in the desert and Coachella Valley.

He withdrew it and is revising the bill. "I want to go after the very wealthy — \$20-, \$40-, \$100-million." His goal is to help middle class families suffering from taxation.

So, Stone is looking forward to the summer and fall campaign. He does not consider it a luxury to have no challenger in a race. "I strive more and learn a lot from the campaign. I respect people who put themselves out there. It's tough to take a position. It can tick some people off."

"I believe in what I'm doing, but an election is a progress report," he concluded. "And the final report card is in November."

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## So You Think You Know the Hill?

By JACK CLARK  
CONTEST JUDGE



Eight names in the hat this week, all the usual suspects: Rochelle Ainsworth, Dave Hunt, Marsha Kennedy, Kris Kirschbaum, Grace Manues, Chris Morse, Marc Reis and John Thomford, precisely the same eight who got the puzzle photo last week. All spotted the bell-swing mechanism the atop the Community Presbyterian Church at the corner of North Circle and Cedar.

Names in the hat, Evey Johnson pulled out Rochelle's slip, so she wins this week's prize. Please come to the Town Crier for it.

OK, this week's photo is tougher. Those little black oaks are ambitious, aren't they? Good hunting!

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. Email entries to [jack@towncrier.com](mailto:jack@towncrier.com).

## Critters

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The others will be here later this week.

**Indigo:** So far we have Topsy, Pompom, Cricket, and Spanky.

**Panther:** They will be ready to go to their forever homes on Memorial Day. They are so darned cute!

**Indigo:** You know, a lot of ARF's family members are finding forever families.

**Mr. Gray:** That's right. They're disappearing faster than a cold beer at the June 2 beer fest at the Nature Center!

**Jax:** I hope I'm next.

**Zoe:** Me, too.

**Sadie:** We all deserve forever homes. Let's hope

when the humans come to ARF's yard sale this weekend, they'll take the time to meet us.

**Freda:** I bet when they do, they won't leave empty handed, if you know what I mean.

**Daisy:** It will be love at first sight!!

Be sure to keep up with the animal antics of "Days of Our Nine Lives" each week. And please stop in finding forever families.

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## Silver maintains fundraising lead over Stone

Corporations, unions and PACs all contribute to their campaigns

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

While Joy Silver (D) of Palm Springs, who is challenging incumbent state Sen. Jeff Stone (R) of Temecula, has raised more money from January through April, he has spent more on the election campaign.

Nearly 80 percent of his expenses were paid from the balance of his 2014 campaign account. This includes payments of about \$42,000 for campaign literature and mailings, and \$12,000 to a campaign consultant. Most of these costs were in the summer and fall of 2017, and totaled \$160,400, according to his financial reports to the Secretary of State's Office.

With only a few weeks until the June 5 primary, Silver has raised more than \$103,000 in 2018, along with her \$156,000 in 2017. As a result, she has more than \$106,000 in cash for the remainder of the campaign compared to Stone's \$39,000.

However, he is optimistic he will be able to raise the financing needed to win the election, even if it goes on to the November general election.

Through April 21, Stone had 10 contributions greater than \$3,000, of which one was from an individual. Another 25 con-

tributions were greater than \$2,000.

Silver had far more contributors and only 20 contributions greater than \$2,000. Labor unions and desert residents were the majority of these donors. However, the largest donor was Silver, who loaned her campaign \$50,000.

Six of Silver's contributors were from Idyllwild, giving from \$100 to \$625.

Silver has been the beneficiary of substantial out-of-state contributions. Contributors are from Massachusetts, New Jersey, Florida, Washington and Alaska.

Since April 21 and through May 20, Stone has received another \$23,000 in contributions. All were from corporations or Political Action Committees, such as the California Highway Patrolmen.

Silver has garnered \$11,200 in the same period and more than half has come from labor unions or their PACS, such as the Iron Workers Political Action League.

Anna Nevenic, a Democrat, filed to run in January, but has no financial reports with the Secretary of State yet. She was state senate candidate in 2010 and 2014.

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### 2018 state Senate District 28 primary Campaign contributions and cash from Jan. 1 to April 21, 2018

	Contributions	Expenditures	Total Cash Available
Silver	\$103,300	\$102,500	\$106,700
Stone			
(2018 acct)	\$55,100	\$47,100	\$37,600
(2014 acct)	\$3,700	\$160,440	\$1,500



# Fern Valley Water reviews next year's budget

## Water sales revenue growing as expected

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

At their May 18 meeting, directors of the Fern Valley Water District reviewed the proposed budget for fiscal year 2018-19, which begins July 1, and took other financial actions.

Revenues are expected to grow 23 percent from the initial 2017-18 estimates. The contributor is water sales revenue, which is projected to be \$650,000 compared to the original estimate of \$500,000. This 30-percent growth is the result of the board's rate increase in December. Next year, the preliminary estimate is \$780,000.

Expenses are planned to increase from \$1.3 million to \$1.7 million, or 32 percent. Operating costs are growing almost \$250,000 from the initial approved

budget, but only \$35,000 from the final projections for expenses.

The increase this year is the result of the board's decision last month to pay off the unfunded liability for retiree health benefits. According to its actuary's analysis, the district owed about \$504,000 to bring the unfunded level to zero. The board agreed to pay half at the end of this fiscal year and the balance at the end of the next fiscal year.

Smaller increases for general engineering costs and staff salaries are included in the operational costs.

A year ago, the board approved a capital investment program of about \$450,000. Hydrant replacement was budgeted for almost \$200,000; however, this project has been delayed.

By the end of fiscal year 2017-18, June 30, capital expenditures will be about \$155,000. For next year, the district is planning on a \$625,000 capital program, which will include another \$130,000 for the customer meter replacement proj-

ect, \$155,000 for the hydrant project and about \$145,000 for a new backhoe. Materials and work at the filter plant are expected to cost about \$60,000.

Approval of the final budget is scheduled for the June 15 meeting.

Other financial decisions included the approval of a salary step schedule for the district and the emergency replacement of the booster pump for Well no. 11.

Restoring this well to production is a priority, according to General Manager Victor Jimenez. As the stream flow decreases, FVWD's dependence on wells grows. For example, wells were the source of nearly 35 percent of April's production compared to 9 percent in 2017, which was a much wetter year.

"Well no. 11 is a very efficient well. Its gallons-per-kilowatt are very low," Jimenez told the board. "This is our best producer now, and I want to get it back into service."

With respect to water conditions, Jimenez reported, "The wells are all do-

ing well. There have been moderate decreases in well levels." But the groundwater level of three wells actually increased a few inches.

Consumption during the March and April billing period was 4.5 million gallons, about 75,000 gallons (or 1.7 percent) greater than in 2017. Total consumption in 2018 has been 9.4 million gallons, about 60,000 gallons less than the same period in 2017.

The unaccounted-for water estimate was 25 percent; however Jimenez stressed, "This is wrong. We have found no significant leaks that would account for this level. The older meters are reading bad and when the replacement project is finished, we'll have a significant improvement."

The Memorandum of Understanding with the local Mountain Disaster Preparedness group to establish a disaster assistance station on the district's land near Upper Rim Rock was signed recently.

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Val Hansen and Milovan Rade "Zubi" Zarubica, two local colorful characters, in the 1950s. During the summer when there was a water shortage, Hansen started growing a beard. It was to be shaved off when there was "enough water." It was never shaved off. Zarubica, born in Yugoslavia, fought in both World War I and World War II. When he died in 1980, Bill Chase's sculpture of him was donated to the Idyllwild County Park Visitor Center. FILE PHOTO



## Rumble-strip project on Highway 371

Caltrans will make safety improvements near Cañuilla 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., was 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.

## Dedication and groundbreaking

At 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 26, the community is invited to the groundbreaking ceremony at the Idyllwild Community Center site.

Then at noon, 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 Chorale 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 who also, along with his wife Loie, donated the ICC land.

## 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.

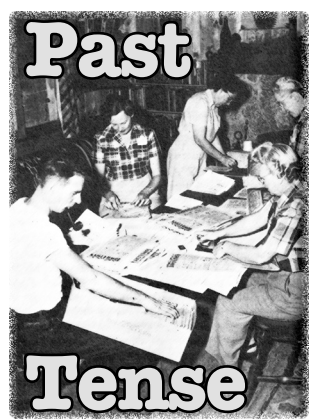
## Patient safety bill passes committee

Sen. Jeff Stone's (R-Riverside County) bill to require a pharmacist at a hospital to obtain an accurate medication profile for each high-risk patient admitted to that hospital received unanimous support from the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee.

Working closely with the committee and the California Hospital Association, Stone accepted amendments to SB 1254 to narrow the bill to apply only to hospitals with more than 100 beds, only during the hospital's operating hours and only upon admission of a high-risk patient.

"This bill will enhance patient safety and reduce physician and hospital liability," said Stone. "I honestly believe this bill will save lives."

Senate Bill 1254 now moves on for consideration in the Senate Appropriations Committee.



### 50 years ago - 1968

The Idyllwild Property Owners Association pressed county supervisors to enact a leash law.

### 45 years ago - 1973

In a notice mailed to property owners, the Idyllwild Fire Board of Commissioners reminded residents that property abatement inspections would soon begin.

### 40 years ago - 1978

Eddie Rankin was the featured speaker at the Idyllwild Historical Society's annual picnic held at Town Hall.

### 35 years ago - 1983

Bidding was opened for passing-lanes construction on Highway 74 about 6 miles east of Valle Vista to 5 miles west of Mountain Center.

### 30 years ago - 1988

The U.S. Forest Service targeted more than 200 acres of chaparral south-

west of the Strawberry Creek Fuelbreak below Inspiration Point for prescribed burns. Local firefighters were on hand to make sure the fires did not burn out of control.

### 25 years ago - 1993

Preparations were being made for the Idyllwild 5K and 10K Run and Fitness Walk. A pancake breakfast was a scheduled part of the event.

### 20 years ago - 1998

The American Legion Post 800 held its Memorial Day ceremony and luncheon. Col. Lewis Millett, a medal of honor recipient and Idyllwild resident, was the guest speaker.

### 15 years ago - 2003

Idyllwild Earth Fair opened with a drumming circle where attendees were invited to drum along.

### 10 years ago - 2008

After a year in the making, a lot-line adjustment

finally cleared the county. The adjustment was part of the transfer from land donors to the Idyllwild Community Recreation Council of the land on which the Idyllwild Community Center would be built.

### 5 years ago - 2013

Memorial Day, formerly known as Decoration Day, honors men and women who died while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. At 11 a.m. Monday, May 27, American Legion Post 800 held its annual honor guard ceremony, the emotional centerpiece of the Memorial Day weekend.

### 1 year ago - 2017

Notices of Violation and Order to Abate overgrown weeds, dry grasses and other flammable vegetation were mailed to property owners of unimproved parcels within the unincorporated areas of Riverside County.

## IWD

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replace nearly 18,000 feet of pipeline over the next decade. Reducing the costs to the neighborhood of PCWD's costs would save millions for IWD, he argued. Further, with this much pipe to replace and recent costs, the district's reserves, which are in the millions of dollars, could be eliminated within the decade.

He also recommended that, when contractors are needed, their proposals receive a "fine-tooth review" in order to avoid unnecessary costs or use of expensive materials.

"A page-by-page review [of bids] could save a lot of money," he suggested.

He also urged the board to seek more grants, from either the federal or state water agencies, to help defray costs.

Finally, he encouraged the board to initiate an overture with Fern Valley and Pine Cove water districts, who both have recently raised water rates, to consider consolidation of the water districts. Ultimately, this effort would save several hundred thousand dollars for all three communities.

"Consolidation would not occur in six months, might take two to five years, but the dialogue should begin," he urged.

"First, try to mitigate the [dis-

trict's] costs. Cancel the [June] hearing and re-establish what we really need," he advised the board.

David Lilieholm, a local home designer, expressed dismay at the size of the rate increase compared to inflation and other costs.

"I estimated my costs would increase 60 percent over the five years," he said. "That's about 10 percent annually, which is about four to five times the rate of inflation. I need some understanding of how the district got into this situation. You should justify that increase before asking for money."

He also asked the board to postpone the scheduled rate hearing to give more customers time to understand how the proposal would affect them.

The board remained implacable following all of the public comments. However, later in the meeting, directors David Hunt and Steve Kunkle acknowledged some of the comments and pocketbook concerns.

Hunt wanted to hold the hearing as scheduled on June 20, but to defer the vote on the rate increases for at least a month to allow more time. Kunkle recommended the board hold another workshop to help educate the public about the future capital needs of the district. His colleagues agreed with this suggestion.

An IWD workshop on the proposal will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 30.

A specific agenda has not been developed, according to Hoagland. But he is considering inviting NBS, the consulting firm who did the rate-increase analysis, to the meeting.

In other business, the board acknowledged the resignation of former Director Catherine Dearing. Individuals interested in joining the board should send letters of interest to the district. President Dr. Charles "Chip" Schelly said the replacement would be chosen at the June 20 meeting.

The board did hold a public hearing on the annual stand-by fees and adopted a resolution to impose the \$30 per-parcel or acre. This has been the fee for many years.

In water business, Hoagland reported that the level of Foster Lake was now less than 3 feet, but he felt the district supplies were in good condition and has no intention of moving to any water-emergency stage in the near future.

IWD production in April was slightly more than 7 million gallons, but nearly 400,000 gallons less than April 2017. For the first four months of 2018, production has been almost 24.5 million gallons, which is 210,000 gallons more than the first four months of last year and the most water consumed during this period since 2013.

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## Idypark

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without the work of Shane," Butterfield said, pointing to the man who oversaw the work.

The massive sequoia trees remain on the property. Butterfield and Stewart have found a registered arborist, Sam Knapp, to oversee their recovery.

"This won't be easy," Knapp said. "The soil was compacted so densely around the trees' roots that water had a hard time nourishing the tree." He added that it might take a couple of years to assess their recovery before the wooden fence around the trees can be removed.

Besides the flagpole and new stonework on the sidewalks, three young sequoias, which the Pine Cove Water District has donated, complete the park setting. While the younger sequoias are big — 30 feet tall and 17,000 pounds — they clearly have many dozens of feet to grow and years to live compared to the sequoias towering above the town.

The Butterfields — Loie and Dave — gave love and attention to this project as deep as the other gifts and investments they've given to Idyllwild. Just to move the three young sequoias cost more than \$50,000.

Originally from New England, Butterfield said, "It's not unusual to see a village square in the towns. Every time we looked at this it was a perfect place — a present for the community.

"There's no place in town to just sit and talk," he continued. "Here, the community can enjoy the village square and it's always been a vision of ours."

And to make it work, Stewart, who likewise is very passionate about Idypark, said, "It's the details that make it work."

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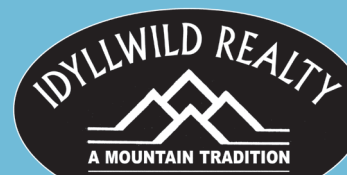
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## Last chance to see 15 Chairs for Charity



One of the 3D chairs available at the auction online and at the Associates of Idyllwild Arts Foundation's 50th-anniversary celebration this Saturday. PHOTO BY TOM KLUZAK

After months of anticipation, the 15 chairs for the Associates of Idyllwild Arts Foundation's Chairs for Charity fundraiser are returning to Idyllwild.

For one week only, May 21 to 25, the chairs will be on exhibit at Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery before heading to the 50th-anniversary celebration on May 26.

Event tickets to the 50th-anniversary celebration on Saturday, May 26, are available at Middle Ridge, the Town Crier and online. They are \$45 each and include dinner, drinks, music, silent auction and live auction of

four of the 15 chairs.

The event is at Nelson Dining Hall on the Idyllwild Arts Academy campus starting at 5 p.m. All net proceeds go toward art scholarships for Idyllwild Arts Academy and Summer Program.

You may also purchase raffle tickets for one of the chairs at Middle Ridge. Raffle tickets are five for \$20.

To learn more about how to win one of the 3D or 2D chairs, visit [www.associatesofiaf.org/chairsforcharity](http://www.associatesofiaf.org/chairsforcharity) or call 951-659-2171, ext. 2333.

**Memorial Day**  
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<p><b>Friday, May 25</b> 5:30-8:30 pm <b>The Len-Tones</b> Classic Country, Rock and R&amp;B</p>	<p><b>Sunday, May 27</b> 4-7 pm <b>Hot Flash &amp; Men of Pause</b> (minus Kathleen) Fusion Bluegrass</p>
<p><b>Saturday, May 26</b> 5-8 pm <b>Jason Lohrke</b> Neil Diamond Tribute Artist</p>	<p><b>MIDDLE RIDGE</b> WINERY Tasting Gallery</p>

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**Idyllwild Community Forum to meet**

The Idyllwild Community Forum meets from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 29, at the Idyllwild Library.

This is an adult discussion group that brings a wide variety of subjects to their meetings. This month's topic is to be announced.

The public is always welcome.



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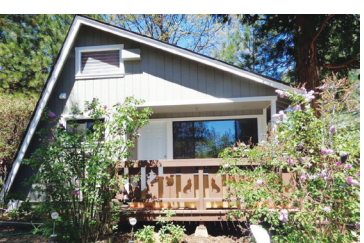
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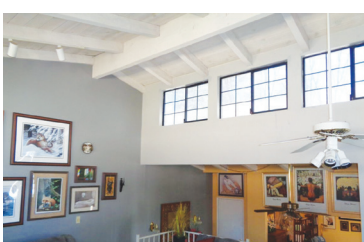
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Mayor Max celebrates his fifth birthday with friends at Mountain Paws on Saturday. PHOTO BY GLENN WARREN

Fourth-annual Paws for Rhythm and Brews June 2

Fundraiser for lost and abandoned cats and dogs

By JP CRUMRINE  
NEWS EDITOR

The fourth-annual Paws for Rhythm and Brews will be Saturday, June 2, at the Idyllwild Nature Center.

There will be plenty of beer, 16 different brewers, a winery, a bigger and better Kids Zone, and an intriguing silent auction. All of the proceeds help "keep the doors open," said Janice Murasko, director of Animal Rescue Friends of Idyllwild.

Several of this year's brewers were recently announced as gold, silver or bronze winners in the 2018 San Diego International Beer Competition.

Among the returning and popular breweries are Garage Brewing of Temecula, La Quinta Brewing, Ritual Brewing of Redlands, Claremont Craft Ales and Oceanside's Belching Beaver Brewery. Four breweries will be making their first appearance at Paws for Rhythm and Brews this year — Alosta of Covina, Euryale of Riverside, R T Rogers of Sierra Madre and Transplants of Palmdale.

Sixteen is the maximum number of breweries the festival can accommodate. By December, Murasko and spouse Robert Hewitt start confirming the breweries' intents to return. "Some years, I get calls from breweries wanting to participate," she said.

The idea for the event originated during one Idyllwild's biggest events, the Art Alliance's annual October Art Walk and Wine Tasting. This was a few years before the first ARF Paws for Rhythm and Brews. She overheard several walkers ask, "Where's the beer?" After contemplating this question, she and Hewitt decided to have a "beer" festival as an ARF fundraiser.

And, of course, there is always a winery present for See Paws, page B6

★ STUDENTS OF THE WEEK ★

This week's Idyllwild School students of the week were chosen because they have the highest GPAs for the entire eighth-grade class: Grace McKimson and Rosalind Gong. Grace heads to high school in the fall at Western Center Academy and Rosalind will attend Hemet High School. PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON



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# Plein Air festival includes personal participation

The many visitors to Idyllwild over Memorial Day weekend will be able to enjoy the art in action that is Plein Air, the act of painting outdoors. Dotted throughout town beginning at 7:30 a.m. Saturday will be Art Alliance of Idyllwild Plein Air artists competing for a first-, second- or third-place ribbon with cash prizes of \$300, \$200 or \$100, respectively.

The award-winning pieces will be on display at the Courtyard Gallery (54240 Ridgeview Drive) at an Artists Reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday. These and oth-

er Plein Air art will be for sale at the gallery.

Shuttles will be available during the day to take visitors to watch the artists create magic with their brushes, as well as stop at other places around town, including the outdoor art fair, Art in the Park, and many of the fine-art galleries throughout town.

Rob Padilla will lead a sketchbook walking tour starting at 10 a.m. from the Courtyard Gallery. Join this free tour and sketch some of Padilla's favorite sites.

People may learn how to paint an outdoor scene of beautiful Idyllwild from award-winning artist Jessica Schiffman. She will conduct this artist workshop from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$30 per person. Artists should bring their own materials.

To register and find a materials list, visit [www.artinidyllwild.org](http://www.artinidyllwild.org). A shuttle from the Courtyard Gallery will transport you at 8:45 a.m. to an ideal location to learn or practice your Plein Air techniques.

Visitors may enjoy Idyllwild in the fresh air while sipping a craft beer or glass of wine at a Beer and Wine Garden from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Courtyard Gallery. Listen to live music provided by Stone's Throw and take a moment to learn more about the AAI and its mission to support arts education and bring art lovers to Idyllwild.

Pop in to the Courtyard Gallery where a visitors center is set up. Learn more about what is going on in Idyllwild. Get a map and get exploring.

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**SATURDAY • MAY 26 OPEN AT 8am**

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Casey Abay & Stephen Perricone - 10pm-1am

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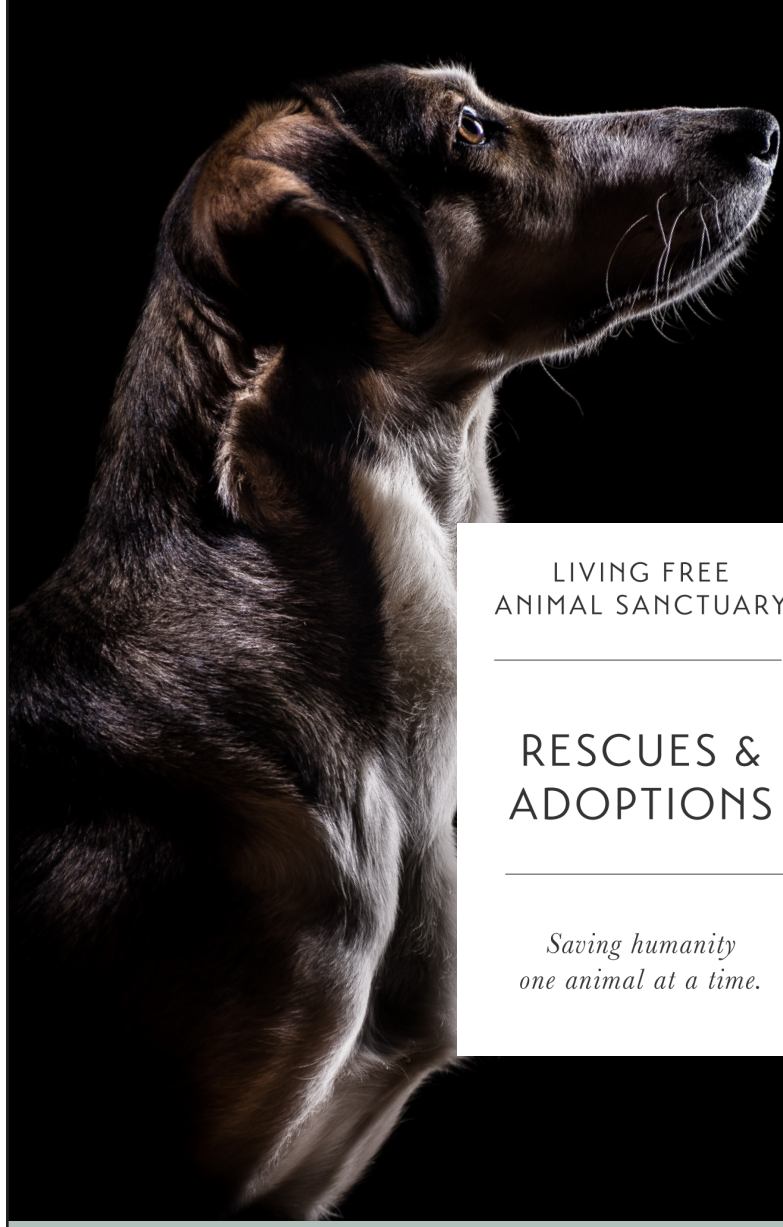
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# Plant Food Supper Club relocates and expands view

BY HOLLY PARSONS  
STAFF REPORTER

"I've committed my life to creating a delicious vegan culinary experience," states Kelly Johnston-Gibson, founder of Plant Food Supper Club. "Before moving to Idyllwild, I was orchestrating organic, vegan, gourmet, multi-course, pop-up, ticketed dinners in LA and Orange County," said Johnston-Gibson.

Having no intention of relocating anywhere that did not host a natural-foods offering, Johnston-Gibson contacted Michael Winkler, then owner of Sky Island Organics, and let him know she was a big supporter. Soon after, she began working in Meadow Greens deli, quickly moved into management and ultimately took over the space when Sky Island closed; rebranding Plant Food Supper Club as an innovative, organic, vegan destination in Idyllwild. They grew exponentially and outgrew the space.

Dave Butterfield offered her the lease of the former Uncle B's on Ridgeview Drive, a building she had long envisioned as home for her next incarnation, and the rest will soon be history.

Johnston-Gibson hails from a food and restaurant background and is a self-trained vegan chef. "I entered the food business early in life, studying graphic and product design. I worked in the home furnishing industry as a creative director.

"Because everyone around me was getting sick, I returned to creating healthy food," she shared. "Most of the dining-out options in this country reflect the use of harmful ingredients. After witnessing failing health with friends and family, I became seriously committed. I want to help humans live a more vibrant life. My ethos is do no harm and avoid contributing to



Kelly Johnston, proprietor, in her location for the new Plant Food Supper Club.

PHOTO BY HOLLY PARSONS

the cruelty industry as a whole," said Johnston-Gibson.

Inspired by films like "Cowspiracy" and "Earthlings," she came to understand how animal cruelty impacts the environment and health. "What the Health," a follow-up film by Kip Anderson, reinforced her purpose. "I get it now; the broad-spectrum effect of abandoning our ethics is huge. I believe in the concept of Ahimsa, an eastern philosophy which equates to 'do no harm' while giving people a unique dining experience," said Johnston-Gibson.

As a vegetarian for 12 years, she connected the dots — people are getting sick because we're not physically designed to consume animal products, dairy, designer oils and chemically enhanced, GMO foods, she believes.

"My vision for a new location is fulfilled. We now have a full commercial kitchen and a beautiful outdoor deck for live music, and offer free WIFI. We're expanding our grab-and-go selection to include artisanal food for people on the move.

"We open for breakfast and lunch in June and extend our hours to include dinner once beer and wine

licenses are in place. At that point, we'll provide seamless service all day, expanding our catering and events-based services over time.

"The bread-and-butter precept of our brand is a percentage of our profits go to a nonprofit," added Johnston-Gibson with a smile.

Lou Felix is kitchen manager, sous chef partner in the kitchen. There are seven kitchen staff, and nine to 10 wait staff in the front of the house managed by Caitlin Sickels and Lindsay English. This relocation basically triples the staff.

"In honor of Memorial Day, we are offering a teaser, an exciting, yet limited, menu for the weekend," she said.

Their official breakfast lunch menu will begin in June and a formal grand opening will be announced this summer. Themed Sunday brunches will begin in June, featuring eclectic music and accompanying music. Husband Ken Gibson is booking music and invites interested musicians to contact him at ken@plant-foodsupperclub.com.

Holly Parsons can be reached at holly@towncrier.com.



Idyllwild Fire Chief Patrick Reitz gives first-grade students from Idyllwild School a tour of the Idyllwild Fire Station. Teachers Diana Kirkham and Christina Tirheimer accompanied their students to the station Friday, May 18. Reitz also offered advice on how to react to fires and other emergencies. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

## Memorial Day Legion events

American Legion Post 800 will serve a barbecue from 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 26.

Then at 11 a.m. Monday, May 28, the Legion will hold its annual Memorial Day ceremony, followed by a free Ladies Auxiliary buffet.

The public is invited to all of these events.

## ADA course for small businesses

David Kelly, a CASp inspector and Idyllwild landord, will give a talk on Americans with Disabilities compliance for small businesses at the Idyllwild Library.

The course is from 5 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 6. The course will review laws, fines, lawsuits, compliance and legal protection. The course is geared toward small businesses, motels, rentals and churches. Landlords and business owners should attend. The course is free.

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# Hot ticket 'Heaven on the Loose,' a comedy by Ken Lubber

BY HOLLY PARSONS  
STAFF REPORTER

"When the plot line for 'Heaven on the Loose' first introduced itself about five years ago, I thought it was a funny notion," muses Idyllwild resident Ken Lubber, who adds, "Living and being barraged by 'our global reality' challenges hopefulness."

"In our story, God expresses as two energies: the Almighty Creator, aka Izzy, and His Holy Consort Lady Gina, equal in every aspect of power and dimension," he said.

The male energy Izzy, sweeping a close eye over the planet, proclaims, "It's over on Earth. I want a do-over." Gina doesn't agree. His retort: "Find me three good people, and I'll keep the world going."

Marcos, who died saving a bunch of people and was the greatest most loving gardener ever, is deployed to Earth on this vital task and gets lost. Izzy then sends his main man, Raj, a beneficent spirit from Mumbai, to find Marcos ... and the rest is a hilarious play reflective of the age and inspired by hope.

Chic Fojtick, who plays one of the play's central characters, said, "I like the play because it strikes just the right balance between irreverence and recognition of the serious challenges facing the world. Quite naturally, I play God-as-creator, who wound up the world and let it run, but doesn't know how to clean up the mess mankind has become. It's the tension of choosing to save or destroy the world that appealed to me."

Raj Panchal, cast in the enviable role of God's "favorite" person, muse and examiner of new souls, confides, "I was always behind the scenes in Mumbai as an editor, producer of commercials and TV series for Disney and Nickelodeon. When Ken offered me this role, I thought, 'This is a relevant question. Does individual goodness still exist?'"

Lubber's penchant for storytelling surfaced young. Compelled to find his voice, he attended writing courses while in high school, developing the bones for what would become his life work. Captivated by theater arts during his college years at Ripon, the role of writer-editor of "The Scribbler," the school's literary magazine, provided a forum.

After graduation, he applied and was accepted into a renown writer's workshop at the University of Iowa. "And that experience derailed my course. My professor of 16th century poets ... sent me out to feel the world; I toured globally for two years and it deepened me. It was in India where I transformed from an orthodox Jew to a student of theosophy," Lubber recalls. "Upon return, my ship literally landed in Los Angeles, where I briefly worked for a PR firm, but quit because I didn't want to walk around in a suit. Virtually by accident, I entered the world of acting in sitcoms, improv, stand up and even had a small role in 'Rosemary's Baby.'"

Marriage 11 years to actress Bonnie Bedelia produced two sons, and, while working for CBS as a writer-producer on promo pieces and directing commercials, Lubber was invited into the American Film Institute after a play he was working on was submitted by a friend. Boldly stating to the AFI, "I want to direct my own work ... changed my life; I was cocky, but it worked," smiles Lubber.

He entered the film industry writing and directing his own scripts and began writing novels. One of his films, "Howzer," was screened at the U.S. Film Festival and at the New American Director Series at the Whitney Museum in New York City, and written up in multiple film publications.

Lubber recently wrote "The Musical of Hope ... Esperanza." This story, about three "has-been" injured athletes and their journey to wholeness, staged to sell-out audiences in Palm Springs for four seasons.

He has published two books, "Match to the Heart"

and "Sun Jumpers," which won the coveted "Award of Literary Excellence," and "Everybody's Shadow," a book of poetry.

What's next for Ken Lubber? "Last year, I blogged a novel, uploading a chapter every two weeks for a year. I now plan to polish the work. I also teach basic adult education GED and ESL four days a week in Hemet."

"... [A]s a writer," says Lubber "I want my work to catch fire. I must say, from Idyllwild, it's tough to get projects going and yet I've experienced amazing plays staged here. Idyllwild Actors Theatre productions always knock me out and there are others, but it's hard to get legs on an original production performed on the Hill. Hopefully, that will one day change."

"Heaven on the Loose" performs at the Rainbow Inn at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 3. One general admission ticket is \$16. Get two tickets for a special price of \$30.

Doors open at 7 p.m. and 1:30 p.m., respectively. No children under age 12 are allowed.

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Holly Parsons can be reached at [holly@towncrier.com](mailto:holly@towncrier.com).



Playwright Ken Lubber in Idyllwild. PHOTO BY HOLLY PARSONS

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The Idyllwild School Chorus performed a medley of songs Monday evening. Members of the chorus are (from left) Adan Vazquez Ortiz, Tagan Brown, Lilyan Johnston, Emma Isaac, Emily Brosterhous Agner, Amalie Peebles, Harley Johnston, Mathen Brown and Cameron Gage. Choir Director/Music Teacher William Beuche is at piano in back. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING



The Idyllwild Middle School Spring Band and Orchestra Recital performed their spring concert last week. Conductor and Idyllwild School Music Teacher William Beuche is shown in the center. The student members of the orchestra are (from left) Bailey Easley, Lilyan Easley, Brighten Millhouse, Joel White, Zach Russo, Nayla Lopez and Claudia DeLucien. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

**Paws**

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those who might ask, "Where's the wine?"

It's been successful, she said, "based on ticket sales, some people are coming from as far away as Anaheim Hills."

The music will be familiar to regular patrons. Super 300 Swing Loaded Blues Band is returning for the fourth year.

The Kids' Zone is expanding this year with more activities, Murasko promised. And the Art Alliance of Idyllwild will offer assistance entertaining the kids while adults sample some of the libations.

The silent auction will feature a pair of Southwest Airlines tickets, round trip, to wherever it flies; and tickets to family activities such as the San Diego Zoo, Davy's Locker for whale watching, Sky Zone, an indoor trampoline park, Aquarium of the Pacific and more.

The stein-holding event will be held again. And the

home-brewing competition has become very competitive this year with noticeably more entrants, according to Murasko. Entries close May 25 and the winners will be announced June 2.

The Coachella Valley Homebrew Club will be present and offer demonstrations for prospective home brewers. Living Free may bring some canines, who will be available for adoption, Murasko said.

Regular tickets are \$31 online ([www.arfbeerfest.com/apps/webstore/](http://www.arfbeerfest.com/apps/webstore/)) and \$35 at the gate on June 2. There are also tickets for those older than 12, who are non-drinkers, for \$5. Tickets may also be bought locally at Mountain Paws, Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery, Idyllwild Bake Shop and Brew, and the ARF House.

And as of Sunday, May 20, several VIP tickets are still available, for details please visit the website.

JP Crumrine can be reached at [jp@towncrier.com](mailto:jp@towncrier.com).

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1	9	2	8	5	6	7	4	3
3	6	4	9	7	1	2	5	8
5	8	7	3	4	2	9	1	6
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4	3	6	2	9	8	5	7	1
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Q N L E J G U E O L C Z X V T  
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Y W V T R R D F F I I P N T L  
K I G E C A E B I B A B Z R X  
W U S R E P N M R A R U E O O  
M L J D I G E D E L T S I H W  
B A Y X W U K C U R T I P S T  
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally  
Back Emergency Labial Sudden  
Bus Fire Pit Train  
Dead Four-way Rest Whistle  
Door Full Short

**CROSSWORD**

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**King Crossword**  
**ACROSS**  
1 Paddington or Pooh  
5 That guy's  
8 Edinburgh native  
12 Soft cheese  
13 Shril bark  
14 Perspiration outlet  
15 Laos neighbor  
17 Leak out slowly  
18 Single  
19 Timesaving type of necktie  
21 PC shortcut  
24 Ring out  
25 Persia, now  
26 Sheer undergarment  
30 Part of RSVP  
31 "Family Guy" dog  
32 Skillet  
33 Race for a seat  
35 Flex  
36 Ceremony  
37 Wild West show  
38 Acid neutralizer  
er  
20 Rested  
21 Uncategorized (Abbr.)  
22 Met melody  
23 Tranquil  
24 Baseball's Satchel  
26 Decisive  
27 Newspaper pg.  
28 Highway division  
29 Within (Pref.)  
31 \$50, in Monopoly  
34 Orison  
35 Tackled tent-pins  
37 Fish eggs  
38 First victim  
39 Easy bounding gait  
40 Elbow counter-part  
41 Urban pollutant  
44 Time of your life?  
45 Secular  
46 Anger  
47 As well as  
**DOWN**  
1 Telly letters  
2 Mound stat  
3 Intent  
4 Given new energy  
5 Jekyll counterpart  
6 Square root of IX  
7 Astronaut, usually  
8 Goes bad  
9 Henhouse  
10 Pasta resembling rice  
11 Adolescent  
16 Yoko of music

**HOROSCOPES**  
May 2018 — Week 4  
**March 21 – April 19**  
An apparent act of injustice might turn out to be either an error in judgment or just plain stupidity. So calm down and cool off, and let the explanations roll out.  
**April 20 – May 20**  
It's upsetting when someone you trusted might have failed you. But with new opportunities ahead, you'll soon be too busy to feel even a wee bit sorry for yourself.  
**May 21 – June 21**  
A sense of uncertainty could be a good reason to change your position on an important matter. Someone close might try to talk you out of it, but it's your decision to make.  
**June 22 – July 22**  
Being too zealous in pursuing your goal could create some resistance. Try to be more mindful of what you ask people to do, and they'll be more likely to do it.  
**July 23 – August 22**  
Things change as you go from being ignored to being Lionized once again. This is a good time to reintroduce those previously rejected ideas to a more receptive audience.  
**August 23 – September 22**  
Someone new in your life creates both anticipation as well as anxiety. Avoid the potential for misunderstandings by watching what you say and how you say it.  
**September 23 – October 22**  
Watch your budget so that you don't overspend now and have less to invest when the time is right later on. Arrange to share your weekend with someone special.  
**October 23 – November 21**  
The temptation to involve yourself in a friend's or family member's personal problems is laudable. But get the facts before you make a firm commitment.  
**November 22 – December 21**  
You might be upset by some of your critics. But most of your associates continue to have faith in your ability to get the job done, and done well.  
**December 22 – January 19**  
You've reached an important point in your ongoing pursuit of your goals. You might now want to consider letting someone you trust join you on your journey.  
**January 20 – February 18**  
You've been going through a spate of uncertainty involving people you care for. But it might be time to take a stand on a position you feel sure you can defend.  
**February 19 – March 20**  
Trading water keeps you busy, but it won't get you where you need to go. Time to stop making excuses and to start moving ahead toward your goals.

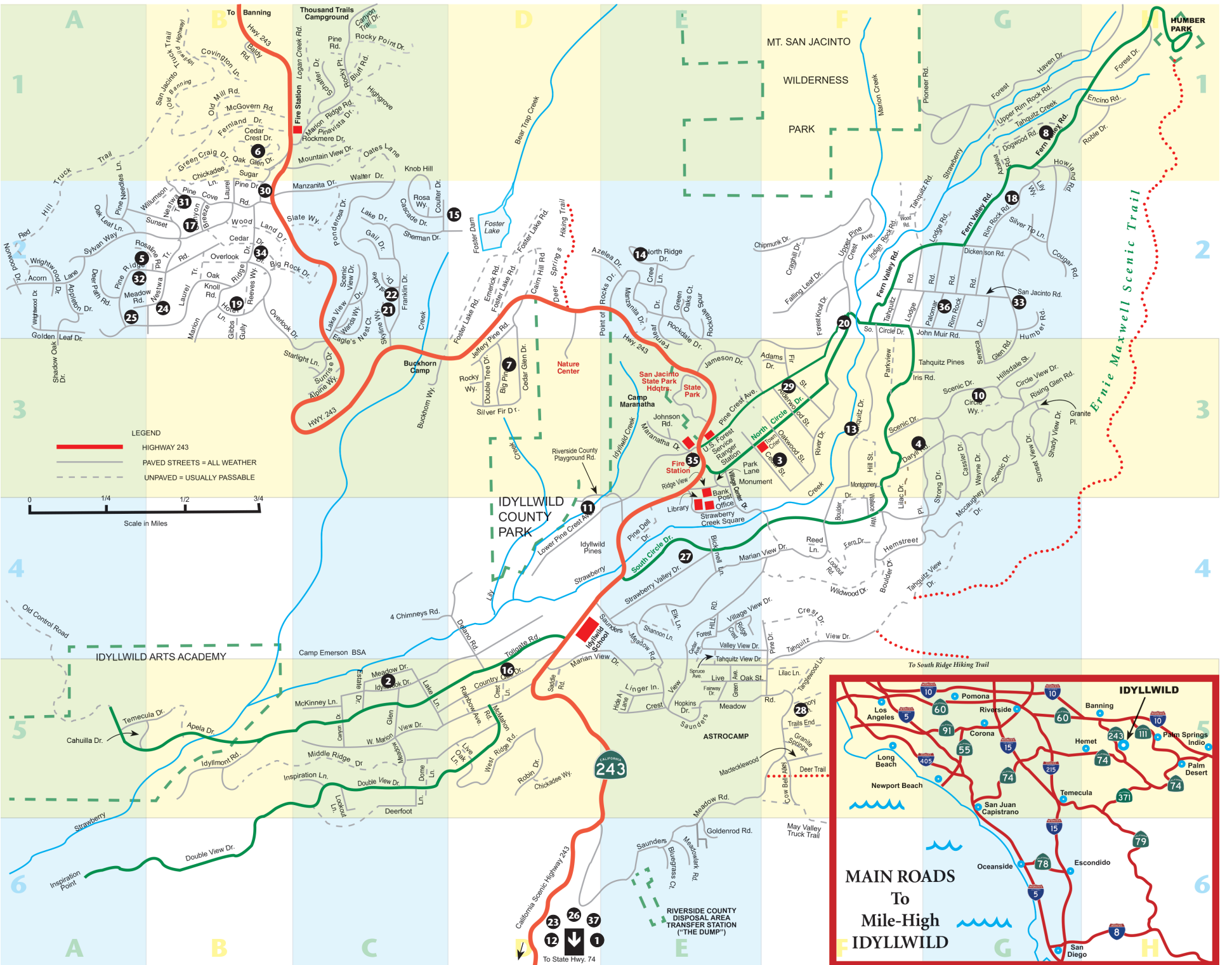
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**Weekly SUDOKU**  
by Linda Thistle  
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.  
**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦**  
♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
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# Memorial Day Weekend Yard Sale Treasure Map

Use the treasure map below to plan your yard sale adventure. The number at the end of each yard sale listing corresponds to the location number on the map.



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**Yard Sales**

**Entire Home - Moving Sale** of Pam Goldwasser & Tim Wurtz  
**54080 North Ridge Dr. (14)**

May 25th - 27th  
 Fri. 11am-4pm, Sat. 9am-3pm, Sun. 9am-2pm

NO EARLY BIRDS • CASH ONLY

- Frank Gehery Hat Trick Chairs
- Hayward Wakefield Dining Room Set with Cradenza
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**It's gotta go.** Cabin full of furniture, kitchen items, lots of stuff! Sat. & Sun. May 26 & 27. 54615 Pine Crest Ave. For some pics and info go to <https://robattzyz.com/robattzyz.com/idyllwild-yard-sale/> (29)

**25071 Rimrock. Saturday Only.** 7am-11am. Canon AE film camera, telephoto lens, WII games, Guitar Hero, Kayak rack, basketball hoop, sportsman/hunting, antiques, wing back stuffed chairs, fishing rods, reels, tennis rackets. (18)

**25420 Skyline Way.** May 26 & 27, Fri. & Sat., 10am-1pm. Decoys, Stiff toys, collectibles, pewter, 6 ft Jonathan carved bear, queen bedroom set, Steinbach smokers & nuckrakers & much more. Looky Lous forget it. (21)

**Yard Sales**

*Idyllwild's StopLight Indoor Vintage Market Place & Resale Boutique*

**HUGE SALE! (35)**  
**Store Wide Celebration!**  
**10-50% OFF**

**Friday-Monday, 10am-7pm**  
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Come see the nearly 2000 sqft of treasures, furniture, rusty junk, books, clothing, jewelry, albums, household items & so very much more!

For more info call:  
**951-852-0568**

**Thousands of collectible pins!** Plus other treasures and household goods, tools. Friday & Saturday, May 25 & 26, 8am-2pm. 25436 Hotei Lane, Pine Cove (19)

**25220 Glen Rd.** - Fri. noon-4pm, Sat. 9am-2pm, Sun. 9am-noon. Household goods, wood/glass cocktail & end table, antique cabinet, 78 LPS dog crate, misc. cool stuff. No early birds, thanks! (33)

**4 Family Sale.** Motorcycle Ramp. Newborn, kids & ladies clothing. Lu La Rue clothing, Origami Owl Jewelry, Scentsy items, bathroom sink, Thomas Kincade collectibles, holiday items, Beanie Babies, costume jewelry & lots more. 25628 Big Pine off Hwy 243 off Cedar Glen. May 24th - May 27th. 8am-5pm. (7)

**Cleaned out the attic.** Snow gear, yard equipment, clothes & much more. 52870 Cedar Crest. Sat. & Sun., May 26th & 27th, 8am. (6)

**Yard Sales**

**Vintage items, craft supplies, fabric, lace, wood supplies, scrapbooking, books, leather tools, music & tons more!** Fri. 5/25 & Sat. 5/26. Starts at 9am. 52890 Pine Cove Rd. (30)

**Large Sale w/furniture, desk, office phones, kitchenware, lots of candles, dolls, clothing & much more.** Large selection of new & used Scuba equipment & accessories. Includes wet suits, masks, fins, used scuba tanks & much more. Adult & child sizes. May 25 - 27, 8am. 55050 Daryll Rd. (4)

**52537 Pine Ridge Rd.,** Pine Cove. Fri. & Sat., May 25 & 26. 9am-4pm. Misc. household items, motorcycle helmet & jacket - new - art - kitchen. Good stuff. No junk. (32)

**Saturday & Sunday Sale.** 8am. 52659 Pine Cove Rd. Come & See! Standard king bed frame, box springs, matching night stands, Toshiba 32" TV, virtually new, dresser, rocking chair, kitchen stuff, women's clothes - size 10-12 tall, sleeping bag, etc. (31)

**Huge Estate/Moving Sale.** Sat., May 26th & Sun., May 27th at 8am. Lots of antiques & rustic furniture. Moving - All must go!!! 25370 Nestwa Trail. (24)

**52315 Pine Ridge Rd.** Fri., Sat., Sun., May 25-27, 7am. Queen bedroom set, electric fireplace, bar stools, chairs, armoire, folding ladder. misc. stuff. (25)

**AWESOME garage sale!** 1 large dark wood dresser drawer & 2 matching night stands. Kitchen stuff, furniture, books, games, antiques, collectibles & a little bit of everything. Better than ever! May 25-27, Fri., Sat., Sun., 9am-1pm. 26105 Tahquitz Dr. (13)

**Yard Sales**

**Everything cheap! 24855 Fern Valley Rd.** May 26 & 27. Bought a furnished house & don't need most of it. Sleeper couch, futon, chairs, tables, lamps, grill, bed & lots of free stuff. (8)

**Furniture, billards table, TempurPedic eastern king headboard, couch with love seat, office desk & chair and much more.** Fri., Sat., Sun., May 25 - 27, 8am - 3pm. 34312 Morris Ranch Rd. in Garner Valley. (1)

**Large yard sale in Garner Valley.** 5/26 - 5/28, 8am-3pm, 3 days. Furniture, tools, household & kitchen items, surveying equipment. No early birds. 60691 Table Mountain Road, then follow signs. (26)

**Multiple family yard sale.** A little bit of everything, household items, jewelry, you name it. 53680 Country Club Dr. Friday and Saturday, 5/25 & 5/26, 9am-1pm. No early birds, please. (16)

**Antiques, collectibles & other cool stuff.** Plates, platters, tea cups & pots, salt dips, oil lamps, stereo-scope viewer & cards, 78 rpm album sets, bar stools, satin comforters & many other unique items. Reasonable prices. 52560 Pine Ridge. Fri. - Sun. 9am (5)

**Lots of good stuff - collection of antique kerosene lamps & furniture, books, clothes, mirror sliding doors, heaters, fans - you name it!** 25230 Palomar Rd. May 25-27, Fri.- Sun., 8am-5pm. (36)

**Estate Sale on Saturday and Sunday, 8am-2pm.** Couches, refrigerators, coffee table set, lamps, kitchen items, twin bed, bunk beds, 2 dressers, lg oak kitchen table w/3 extension leafs & chairs, washer & dryer, portable heater. 52660 Sylvan Way. (17)

**Yard Sales**

**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY** May 25 & 26 from 8am-2pm. No early birds, please. Multi-family sale. Dining room table, baby/toddler items, misc. household items. Great deals! 59292 Donna Mae Pl., Garner Valley. (12)

**Antique Iron Bed double.** Excellent mattress, box springs, all bedding. \$200 or best offer. 25140 Coulter Dr., Pine Cove. 951-452-0790. Fri., Sat., Sun., May 25-27. (15)

**25890 Cedar Street.** May 25th & 26th, Fri. & Sat. at 8am. (3)

**54270 Strawberry Valley Dr.** 3 Family Yard Sale. Fri., Sat., Sun., May 25-27, 8am. 6 Leather dining chairs, teenage boy clothing, bookshelves, lamp, twin bed frame, Harley trailer (2 bikes), leather king size sleigh bed, framed artwork, household goods. (27)

**Moving Sale. 53299 Forest Lake Dr.** The Big Log House. Fri. & Sat. 8am-4pm, Sun. 8am-12pm. Lots of different stuff. Clothes, household stuff, quilt/sewing fabric, quilt patterns & quilts, xmas dec., lighted tree, 2 ext. ladders, tools, Wms clothing, shoes, mens jackets, golf clubs, etc. (22)

**Garage Sale Featuring** lots of furniture! High quality beds, dressers, lamps, kitchen items, TV stand, books, linen, duvets, size 6 & 8 jeans & tees, dining, coffee & end tables. 61116 Devils Ladder Rd. Mountain Center. Sat., 5/28 Only. 8am-3pm. (23)

**Huge Yard Sale.** Friday, May 25 & Saturday, May 26, 8am-1pm. 25601 Scenic Drive, Idyllwild (off South Circle). Oodles of household items, collectibles, sports & camping gear, electronics, etc. Check it out! (10)

**Yard Sales**

**We're Back! Lots of garden decorations, furniture and a smorgasbord of everything BUT the kitchen sink.** Sneak preview: Fri., 5/25 11am-3pm; Sat., 5/26 9am-3pm. 53960 Lower Pine Crest. No early birds, please. (11)

**New teddy bears, handmade dolls, childrens books, ink stamps, dishes & other vintage treasures.** 54965 North Circle Dr. Saturday, May 26, 8am-2pm. (20)

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**Idy's Best Value.** 53245 Meadow Dr. May 25 - 27, Fri. - Sun. at 8am. Something for everyone. Tools, clothes, household wares, etc. (2)

**3 Family yard sale:** tons of stuff. Housewares, antique dishes, jewelry, men's and women's clothing, curtains & lots of misc. Fri. & Sat., May 25 & 26, 7am til? 54555 Memory Lane (28)

**35181 Barbara Lee Dr.** Fri./Sat., 9am-3pm. Vintage drop leaf dining set, vintage trunks, Whirlpool Electric Dryer, bookcase, dining chairs, art, misc. household goods. Quality items. (37)

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**Demonstration Garden update**

Riverside County has given Young Idyllwild the go-ahead to begin developing the garden site on North Circle Dr.

Garden work days are scheduled from 9 to 11 a.m. the Saturdays of May 26, June 2 and June 9.

Volunteers are needed. Focus will be on weeding moving rocks, trenching for the water tank piping from the tank to the garden, as well as grading for the greenhouse and toolshed areas.

Bring water gloves and sunscreen. If you have iron rakes or picks, bring them along as well. No experience is necessary, just a desire to get your hands dirty and develop a beautiful garden, said organizer Bob Greenamy.

**Nurses honor Sen. Stone**

The California Association For Nurse Practitioners has recognized Sen. Jeff Stone (R-Riverside) as the 2017 CANP Advocate of the Year at its annual Lobby Day event at the Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel.

"You have been a constant champion of the nurse practitioners over the years and we are grateful for your friendship and support of our profession," wrote Theresa Ullrich, CANP president.

Stone is just the seventh legislator to receive the CANP award since the organization was established more 40 years ago.

Stone said, "It is an honor to work to help Nurse Practitioners better serve the people of California."

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

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

Wednesday, May 23

- Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Billy & Rob, 6 p.m. Idyology.
- "Heal," movie, 7 p.m. Idyllwild Center for Spiritual Living.

Thursday, May 24

- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. If interested, show up or phone 951-659-4910; Idyllwild Book Club, 7-9 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave.
- Chess Club, 1-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Michael Britton, 6 p.m. Idyology.
- Ping Pong, 6:30-8 p.m. Town Hall.

Friday, May 25

- Yard/garage sales. See Classifieds this issue.
- Shake & Boogie with the Len-Tones (classic rock dance tunes), 5:30-8:30 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Casey Abay & Stephen Perricone, 7 p.m. Idyology.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.

Saturday, May 26

- Yard/garage sales. See Classifieds this issue.
- Plein Air Art Festival, Art Alliance of Idyllwild: artists throughout town, 7:30 a.m.; art workshop, 9 a.m.-noon; walking sketchbook tour, 10

- a.m.; beer/wine garden, 3-8 p.m.; reception, 5-8 p.m. Courtyard Gallery.
- Friends' semi-annual book sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Wildflower Show, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center.
- Idyllwild Community Center groundbreaking ceremony, 10:30 a.m. ICC site.
- Family fun & health, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Gardens of Wellness.

- Idypark Dedication & Flag Raising, noon. Idypark.
- Memorial Day Weekend BBQ, 2 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
- Associates of IAF "Chairs for Charity" fundraiser and 50th anniversary, 5 p.m. Nelson Hall, Idyllwild Arts.
- Jason Lohrke (Neil Diamond tribute artist), 5-8 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.

- Hill Williams Band, 6-9 p.m.; Casey Abay & Stephen Perricone, 10 p.m.-11 a.m. Idyology.
- Karaoke, 7-11 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- Mustang Giveaway. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Sunday, May 27

- Yard/garage sales. See Classifieds this issue.
- Apfel Phan Küchen Breakfast, Rotary Club, 8 a.m.-noonish. Town Hall.
- Wildflower Show, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center.
- Family fun & health, 11

- a.m.-7 p.m. Gardens of Wellness.
- Bellstar, 1 p.m.; Cole Withers, 6-9 p.m. Idyology.
- Hot Flash & Men of Pause (minus Kathleen) (fusion bluegrass), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.

Monday, May 28

- Yard/garage sales. See Classifieds this issue.
- Family fun & health, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Gardens of Wellness.
- Memorial Day Ceremony, 11 a.m.; luncheon following. American Legion Post 800.
- Ghosts of Kelso, 1 p.m.; DJ Billy, 5 p.m. Idyology.

Tuesday, May 29

- Idyllwild Knitting Club, 9:30 a.m. Idyllwild Community Church.
- Ukulele class, 11 a.m. Royal

- Pines Trailer Park clubhouse.
- Mahjong, 12:30-3:30 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.
- Mikele, 7 p.m. Idyology.

Wednesday, May 30

- Holistic healing circle, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.

Thursday, May 31

- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn, 54950 Pine Crest Ave. If interested, show up or phone 951-659-4910.
- Chess Club, 1-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Ping Pong, 6:30-8 p.m. Town Hall.

Friday, June 1

- "Reading Takes You Ev-

- erywhere" Summer Reading Program, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Willy B & John King (classic rock guitar & a touch of fiddle), 5:30-8:30 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- "Heaven on the Loose," play, 7:30 p.m. Rainbow Inn.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.

Saturday, June 2

- Paws for Rhythm & Brews Craft Beer Festival, ARF fundraiser, noon-4 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center.
- Summer Reading Kick-off, Pacific Animal Productions, 1-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Change Required (classic rock hits), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Karaoke, 7-11 p.m. American Legion Post 800.

- "Heaven on the Loose," play, 7:30 p.m. Rainbow Inn.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.

Sunday, June 3

- "Heaven on the Loose," play, 2 p.m. Rainbow Inn.

Monday, June 4

- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Children's Storytime, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.

Tuesday, June 5

- Ukulele class, 11 a.m. Royal Pines Trailer Park clubhouse.
- Mahjong, 12:30-3:30 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.



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**Temple offers film festival**  
 A free film festival, sponsored by Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild, is at 6 p.m. the second Wednesdays of 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.  
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# Idyllwild Arts class of 2018 graduates



The Idyllwild Arts Academy Class of 2018 graduated Saturday on campus in the Holmes Amphitheatre. PHOTO BY SHAUNNA LEHR



Gaby Wakford, an Idyllwild Arts Academy student, received a citizenship award and \$100 from Idyllwild Rotary President Roland Gaebert at an IAA awards ceremony last week. PHOTO BY SHAUNNA LEHR



Carlos Martinez, an Idyllwild Arts Academy student, received a citizenship award and \$100 from Idyllwild Rotary President Roland Gaebert at an IAA awards ceremony last week. PHOTO BY SHAUNNA LEHR



Adrian Hernandez, Idyllwild Arts Academy visual arts senior, received the Richard H. MacNeal Award, given to the senior who has excelled most in all aspects of the school mission: arts, academics and personal growth, at an awards ceremony last week. Ben Champion, composition major, received the Jon and Lillian Lovelace Outstanding Artist award. PHOTO BY SHAUNNA LEHR



Idyllwild Rotary Club gave two citizenship awards to Idyllwild School students Wednesday, May 16, at its meeting. Shown are Trenton Randall with his family behind him and Aurora Wackford with her father hiding behind her with Rotarian John Graham (far right). Both students also each received \$100. PHOTO BY THOM WALLACE



Harley Johnston, daughter of Martha Pearson and Roy Johnston of Mountain Center, earned her black belt in Taekwondo last Saturday. Here she is with Master Shim of the World Black Belt Center in Hemet. "Harley was 4-1/2 when she started Taekwondo," her mother wrote in an email. She is in fourth grade and will be 10 years old in August. PHOTO BY MARTHA PEARSON

## 2018 Mary Austin Grants and The Idyllwild Rotary Club

Proudly Present two \$1,000 Idyllwild School Charles Dickens Essay & Poster Contest Scholarships to Chloe Schelly and Evan Biley



Rotary President Roland Gaebert, Chloe Schelly, Doug Austin, Evan Biley and Idyllwild School Principal Matt Kraemer. PHOTO BY JOHN DRAKE

In 2004, the Austins created the "Idyllwild School Charles Dickens Essay & Poster Contest." The recipients of the contest monies are now college bound. A committee selected 2 students who will each receive \$1,000 in scholarships.

The Idyllwild Rotary Club's motto: "Service Above Self" is a sentiment shared by Promoting Literacy and Reading Programs. These two organizations cheerfully provided half of the scholarship funding. Doug Austin and the Idyllwild Rotary Club feel if a Middle School student is encouraged to read Charles Dickens and other classics, they are on their way to mastering the English Language.