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The family talks about Bradish, a missing man

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

"He responds more to Dave than 'David,'" said David Bradish, whose father 'Dave' Bradish has been missing from his Idyllwild home for more than week.

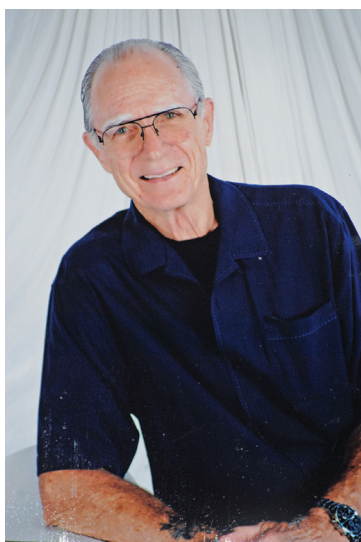
Monday afternoon, Nov. 26, Dave, 80, left his home and has not been seen since then.

That afternoon, Dave and Linda, his wife of 58 years, were sitting on the front porch of their Idyllwild home. They had just moved here in late October. His son, David, and his wife, Jenni, had moved here at the end of the summer.

Linda had been working on the side of the house. She was cleaning a small pool and painting. As she went inside to do another errand, she asked what he wanted. "To spend a little time with you," he said. "That may be the last time I spoke to him," she said.

She was inside the house about 10 to 15 minutes. When she returned, Dave and his dog, Ginger, were not on the porch or in the yard. The wicker chairs were tucked under the table on the porch; so his family doubts that he left suddenly or in a rush.

In his brief time in Idyllwild, Dave had already found a familiar routine. He would walk from the house, near Alderwood and North Circle Drive, to the Community Presbyterian Church Thrift Shop. He might take a seat and watch the visitors.



Dave Bradish was photographed during his favorite cruise. He and his wife, Linda, have taken more than 60 cruises.

PHOTO COURTESY LINDA BRADISH

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While snow fell in the high country Saturday night, the center of town was experiencing fog and drizzle. And while the cold temperatures and the wind chill were a bit uncomfortable, the scene projected beauty just in time for the holidays.

PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER

Fire agencies will conduct prescribed burns this winter

North and south of town, fuelbreaks will be maintained or created

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Local residents should expect to see smoke in the sky and perhaps some flames nearby. Local state and federal fire agencies will be conducting prescribed burns and pile burns this winter.

On Tuesday, the U.S. Forest Service was possibly to begin burning piles created from brush clearance of 12 acres around the Vista Grande Fire Station. Later in the week, there could be pile burns of slash near the Keenwild, Kenworthy and Cranston fire stations. These might be delayed if "weather conditions

degrade," according to the Forest Service.

On Thursday evening, Nov. 29, state and federal fire officials held a community meeting at the Idyllwild Nature Center to discuss their plans this winter for maintaining and expanding the fuelbreaks around Idyllwild and Pine Cove, and elsewhere on the Hill.

Representatives from Cal Fire, Riverside County Fire Department, the California State Parks, the U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management all attended and discussed their plans for prescribed burns this winter.

But everyone emphasized that the timing and ability to burn is totally dependent on the weather. The recent rains have been helpful.

Several existing fuelbreaks have already been constructed and were instrumental in shielding Idyllwild from the

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CHP partners with IFPD, Snow Group on snow visitor video

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

The California Highway Patrol San Geronio Pass Station has joined with the Idyllwild Fire Department and the Idyllwild Snow Group to create an educational video for off-Hill visitors who flock to Idyllwild during heavy snow incidents primarily to play in the snow.

The video is a further indication that law enforcement is committed to addressing the trash, trespassing and traffic obstruction issues off-Hill visitors cause, who come to Idyllwild to play in snow — wherever they can find it, whether on public or private land.

As pointed out by IFPD Chief Patrick Reitz, Idyllwild has no "designated" snow play areas as do mountain resorts in the San Bernardino Mountains. Reitz did mention other areas that snow visitors could use, including the state and county parks, where special fees could be charged.

Idyllwild Snow Group head Marsha Kennedy noted

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Bradish

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His wife worried because Dave suffers from Alzheimer's. She drove to the Thrift Shop, around IdyPark, the Post Office, to Pine Crest Avenue, then to Fern Valley corners and back home.

She visited all the usual places to which he might go. Unfortunately, Dave does not have cell phone so she couldn't call him.

"How could anyone disappear with a dog?" Linda asked. "It's beyond belief. I thought I'd find him in the first hour!"

She didn't see him anywhere. Her concern grew and she called his son, David, and his wife, Jenni. They also did a quick search. With no success, they contacted the Riverside County Sheriff's Department and the Idyllwild Fire Department.

"Nothing makes any sense," Jenni said about her father-in-law's disappearance.

The Sheriff's Department initiated a search, including helicopters, Monday afternoon. (See accompanying story about the formal search.) Unfortunately, the rain and light snow ended this search.

"It's sad. We appreciate everything they did. We don't feel they came up short," David said. And Jenni added, "We feel they did everything within their capability."

But Linda, David and Jenni are continuing. Family has come to help. David's sister flew in from India and a cousin arrived from Denver.

Thirty-five years ago, David and Jenni met in Idyllwild. She lived here and attended Hemet High School. They have lived here off and on since marrying, and in the past year, made the move here permanent. He is still working, but aiming to retire.

With help from some of the people they know, a phone group was organized. It started in Jackie Kretsinger's real estate office with eight or nine women. Now it has grown to nearly 100.

Each day, they contact every hospital, Alzheimer's clinic, animal control unit and animal shelter in San Bernardino, Riverside, Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego counties.

Also, David and Jenni have created another flier with Dave's photos and information. This has been distributed off the Hill. Phyllis Mueller has taken some to Banning, Palm Desert and Hemet.

"We're in shock. I don't know what to think. It doesn't add up," David said in despair. "I'm constantly brainstorming about how we missed something."

He wondered if there were any other way to search or perhaps a different approach to examining the mysterious disappear-



Dave Bradish, recently moved to Idyllwild from Huntington Beach. He has been missing for more than a week.

PHOTO COURTESY LINDA BRADISH

ance. He suggested anyone with an idea might call the sheriff's station with the suggestion or post something on a Facebook page.

The sheriff's canine crew did track Bradish and Ginger to Mountain Center. But the trail goes no further. "If somebody picked him up in a car, why are they afraid to mention that? We feel that he had to have gotten in sometime; otherwise, why would the scent have ended there?" Jenni said.

They even tried to walk Highway 74 to Hemet looking for him. But a friend saw them and told them that was not a safe action.

Linda agrees with the sheriff's search team that Dave would not have wandered into the forest. While he loved to walk and could do 5 miles or more in Huntington Beach, there the terrain is flat. He was less stable on the trails and uncomfortable walking on them, she added.

Dave loved Idyllwild. He loved being here and wanted to help his son build the new house. "We've been here many times. He was so happy here, seeing the mountains from the window," Linda said.

Linda and Dave lived in Huntington Beach before coming to Idyllwild. Officials and the family have contacted the Huntington Beach police and the security at their former condominium to look for Dave.

And Linda and family are just astonished by the support and expression of concern from the local residents.

"I can't believe the town is taking care of us. People have come by to keep me company, people I don't know! It's a different place, almost like Disneyland," Linda said. "I'm overwhelmed with gratitude for the community."

Anyone with any information into the whereabouts of Bradish is encouraged to contact the Hemet Sheriff's Station at 951-791-3400 or after hours at 951-776-1099.

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Man missing more than week, searchers unable to find him

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The intensive search for David Elliot Bradish, 80, ended Thursday, Nov. 29. He has been missing since about 3:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 26, and has not been found. Thursday's rain and snow made this kind of search more and more difficult.

Bradish is a white male, 6 feet tall, 180 pounds, with gray hair and blue eyes, and was wearing a black jacket, black denim pants, a black baseball cap and glasses when he was last seen. He was last at a house in the 54500 block of North Circle Drive in Idyllwild.

"Idyllwild is a hard area to search," said Lt. Zach Hall of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department. "The tree canopies make aerial searches hard. There are many unoccupied homes and structures."

Idyllwild and the Hill were the scene of an intensive search effort that grew each day through Nov. 28, when nearly 100 searchers, not including volunteers, were involved in the effort to find him.

The Sheriff's Department enlisted aid from multiple search and rescue units from throughout Southern California. The response was exceptional. Not only did Los Angeles County send search and rescue units, but jurisdictions such as for Montrose responded. Among the other counties and agencies offering help were San Diego County, San Bernardino County and the Sierra Madre Forest unit from the Angeles National Forest. Many were up before sunrise to get to the Hill and assist in the search.

RCSO Sgt. Kenneth Reichle said this search is the largest contingent of law enforcement on the Hill in his career.

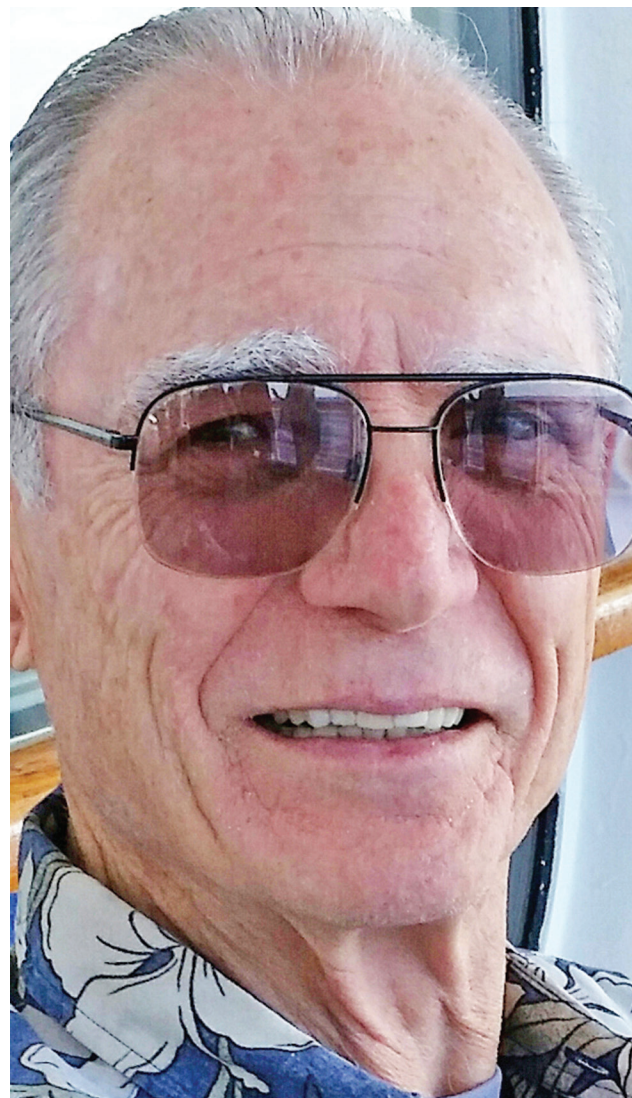
Even the Huntington Beach police were contacted to help look for Bradish. That is where he previously lived before moving to Idyllwild. They went to his previous residence, local hospitals and other locations without finding him either.

Wednesday's efforts included a major door-to-door search throughout town. But the possibility of him reaching Mountain Center was included in the search area.

Monday night, searchers used a canine corps to try to locate a trail to follow. Bradish was thought to have walked away with a reddish-colored dog.

A helicopter began circling Idyllwild late Monday afternoon. Unfortunately, neither searchers in the air nor canines on the ground were able to locate Bradish.

Tuesday morning, the sheriff's search unit regrouped at its Command Center at the Idyllwild Fire Station to develop new search plans for Tuesday.



Dave Bradish
PHOTO COURTESY LINDA BRADISH

By Monday evening, the Sheriff's Department issued a press release. This was used to activate a Silver Alert broadcast throughout the region.

It reported, "Bradish suffers from stage-two Alzheimer's. Bradish does not drive and, according to family members, his disappearance is out of character. Bradish does not have a mobile phone."

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Legion hosts two holiday events

The American Legion is hosting two free Christmas events for the community.

The first is a Children's Christmas Party that Santa will attend at noon Saturday, Dec. 8, at Post 800. The event promises holiday crafts, great food and fun for all. All are welcome.

From 5 to 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 10, the legion offers a free senior dinner as part of its regular Monday Night Dinner. Guests at least age 55 may enjoy this dinner at no cost. For all others, the usual cost of \$7 applies.

Bald eagle count Dec. 15

The U. S. Forest Service has scheduled one more bald eagle count for this winter. The count will be on Saturday morning, Dec. 15.

Two bald eagles reside on the shores of Lake Hemet. In 2014, they produced two eaglets.

The local count will be at Lake Hemet. Volunteers meet at the Lake Hemet Market at 8:30 a.m. on the above dates for orientation. Call Lareina Van Sant at 909-382-2935 for more information.

Other counts that day within the San Bernardino National Forest will be at Big Bear Lake, Lake Arrowhead, Lake Gregory, Silverwood Lake State Recreation Area and Lake Perris State Recreation Area.

Track Santa's journey Christmas Eve

The North American Aerospace Defense Command is a United States and Canada bi-national organization charged with the mission of aerospace warning, aerospace control and maritime warning in the defense of North America.

It also tracks Santa Claus every Dec. 24 through the NORAD Tracks Santa program.

Now, the 63rd iteration of NORAD Tracks Santa kicked off Dec. 1, with a more mobile-friendly website, social media channels, "Santa Cam" streaming video and a call center that will be operating around the clock on Dec. 24. More than 1,400 volunteers are expected to join NORAD on Peterson Air Force Base in Colorado Springs to help track Santa's journey.

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Thursday 12/6

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Saturday 12/8

53/33
Sunny.

Sunday 12/9

56/35
Mostly sunny.

Monday 12/10

55/26
Mostly sunny.

Tuesday 12/11

45/27
Rain.

Find the latest weather information from the National Weather Service at www.weather.gov.

Idyllwild this year

Date	High	Low	M	S
11/27	65	34	0.00	0.0
11/28	60	34	0.00	0.0
11/29	46	38	1.34	0.0
11/30	44	37	0.82	0.0
12/01	43	29	0.00	0.0
12/02	45	28	0.00	0.0
12/03	54	26	0.00	0.0

Idyllwild last year

Date	High	Low	M	S
11/27	56	46	0.00	0.0
11/28	61	33	0.00	0.0
11/29	67	42	0.00	0.0
11/30	65	41	0.00	0.0
12/01	66	39	0.00	0.0
12/02	65	38	0.00	0.0
12/03	64	40	0.00	0.0

The Town Crier's Idyllwild daily high and low temperatures and rain and snow totals in the past were taken directly from the National Weather Service website, which gets its Idyllwild weather information from automatic weather sensing equipment at Idyllwild Fire Station, an official

NWS COOP reporter. The amount of rain plus the amount of water present in snow would be the "moisture" total for that day. But we cannot accurately report "moisture" since we currently receive no report of how much water is contained in any particular snowfall. [We are seeking reliable Idyllwild and Pine Cove full-time residents to provide this information. Residents who follow CoCoRaHS procedures would be strongly preferred. CoCoRaHS is an organization of private, amateur weather observers that provides carefully collected data for use by the NWS. If you are interested in providing us with rain and snow reports, please contact jack@towncrier.com or (951) 659-2145.]

Our weather season is July 1 to June 30. Our season totals now have been corrected for the period July 1 through September 17, 2018, which prior to this issue of the TC had been in error. For Hill road conditions and Hill weather, visit us on the Internet at www.idyllwildtowncrier.com or call Caltrans road update at 1-800-427-7623.



The sun shone bright through patchy clouds Tuesday on the Hill. Cold temperatures kept locals and visitors indoors or bundled up outside. PHOTO BY EDDIE ALCAZAR

A community galvanized by the disappearance of a man with Alzheimer's

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

A recent arrival in Idyllwild, David Elliot Bradish, 80, left his new residence on North Circle in Idyllwild in the afternoon of Monday, Nov. 26 to walk his dog Ginger.

According to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department press release, Bradish suffers from stage two Alzheimer's.

News sped quickly throughout the town, with residents alerted by a helicopter with searchlights plying the night skies on Monday in and around Idyllwild's downtown corridor and the county park.

The Sheriff's Department alerted Mountain Community Patrol to round up volunteers early Tuesday morning to help search for Bradish.

As previously reported, the manhunt for Bradish involved professional responders from many jurisdictions and was one of the largest search missions mounted by authorities.

For the civilians tapped to help in the search, the experience was profound. "I felt desperation for this poor man," said MCP member Bob Edwards, "so upset for someone, a new arrival,

to have this happen to him. We searched for hours on Tuesday, and there was not a person we encountered who was not aware of Mr. Bradish being missing. In fact, many people we talked to had already begun searching on their own."

Jon Engel of MCP got the call from the Sheriff's Department to round up as many of his patrol as he could. "Everyone I reached came out. There were eight or nine of us. Some I woke up with my call. We had two teams and were given grids to knock on doors and survey the area. There was not a single person we talked to that did not know about his being missing. Many had already gone door to door on their own. I stopped pedestrians in town and vehicles asking if they had heard about this missing man and his dog. 'Oh yes, we know,' was what I heard from everyone."

Engel explained he rounded up radios (handi-talkies) to give to a church group that was going to search on Sunday in the area leading up to Humber Park. "It was heartening to see people still searching," Engel said the level of people volunteering on their own to search was striking.

Annamarie Padula was part of a team searching for about four hours from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. "We were given a grid. One of the people I spoke to, Coleen Mettler, said her son Ben had seen a man walking a dog in front of Bubba's Bookstore near Fern Valley Corners late on Monday around 10."

In a telephone interview, Ben Mettler recalled what he had seen. "I was walking my dog around 10 across the street from Bubba's Bookstore. I saw a man walking a dog near Bubba's. The man kept calling his dog Ginger and trying to keep his dog from coming to see my dog." Mettler said he had not read or seen a description of Bradish but remembered the man he saw was wearing dark clothes. And he was certain he had heard the man call his dog Ginger.

RCSD Sgt. Kenneth Reichle noted the department had followed up this lead but found no workable leads from these reports. Said Reichle, "We received two reports of this sighting, another male walking his dog [from] two patrons at Café Aroma. Video surveillance was obtained from Café Aroma which covers both sides of the street and

we did not see Mr. Brandish [sic] in the video. The area was searched by search crews on Tuesday and again this weekend by volunteers."

Rush Strong, also on MCP, recalled, "We were canvassing close to where he lived, knocking on doors. Everyone we talked to was extremely cooperative. Some had already been searching on Monday night in efforts organized by community members.

We were also stopping FedEx trucks and SoCal Propane trucks and asking them if they had seen anyone matching Bradish's description. They were very cooperative. But what impressed me most was how informed the community already was about the search and how many were out on their own searching."

Marilyn Kemple had also started searching before being called up by the Sheriff's Department, walking her dog down by the creek area where she lives. "That was a good place to be checking; things have happened there in the past," she recalled. "With MCP, our grid was from Upper Pine Cove to River



The mobile command center, which the Riverside County Sheriff's Department deploys to incidents in the field, was the focus of the search for Dave Bradish last week.

PHOTO BY JP CRUMRINE

Road, Oakwood and Alderwood. We knocked on doors and went into yards. Everywhere we went, people were aware. I stopped a runner at 7:30 in the county park and he knew of Bradish's being lost." She said the news of Bradish's disappearance had travelled like wildfire throughout the community.

Idyllwild is known for its residents' commitment to pulling together when there is difficulty. It also is known for its spirit of volunteerism. Both were at work in community members coming together to try to find Bradish and his Cocker spaniel-mix, Ginger.

There are many rumors,

but what is known as of this writing is that there are no leads that have proven productive and that Bradish is still missing. Authorities in Riverside County have contacted authorities in Huntington Beach where Bradish previously lived, but those inquiries have led nowhere.

There are many prayers now being offered by this community, hope against hope, that Bradish will be found. His story and his plight have touched a deeply emotional nerve in this community in which many residents are older.

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- CHRIS PERREAULT

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By JACK CLARK
CO-PUBLISHER AND GENERAL COUNSEL

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The jets continue to soar

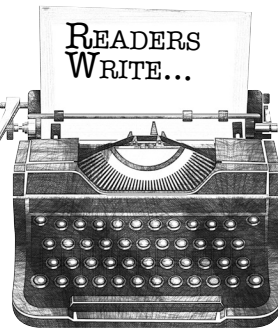
EDITOR:

We awoke to jets flying over our house this morning. We went to the Nature Center and had a wonderful hike accompanied by pretty much non-stop jets, now I am in my studio, jets galore.

Tonight our sleep will probably be to the sound of jets flying through the night.

This started in 2017 when the routes were changed by the FAA to go directly over Idy. I hope Quiet Skies Idyllwild can get somewhere with the FAA to change the jet paths to what they were in 2017.

PETER DAVIDSON
IDYLLWILD



Another alternative for power outages

EDITOR:

I commend Mountain Disaster Preparedness for helping to prepare the community to deal with a wise policy of preventive power-grid shutdowns during hazardous fire weather. The recent community meeting ("MDP meeting covers, purchase, use of generators," Town Crier, Nov. 22, 2018) focused on using fossil-fuel energy sources, but I would strongly encourage most Idyllwild residents to consider the solar alternative.

When Adele and I moved to Idyllwild in 2001, in part to escape the constant city noise we had lived with for decades, we were plagued with irritatingly frequent, unplanned shutdowns. Spending Christmas Day 2003 in a cold, dark house spurred us to action.

We treasured Idyllwild's quietude and had already experienced years of trouble-free solar power at our backwoods cabin. So, we had a contractor size a system for our house just large enough to support only essential daily activities, and we backed it up with enough battery capacity to carry us through at least 72 sunless hours.

For the next 14 years, until we needed to move off the Hill, we never once noticed the onset of an outage. The system switched back and forth instantaneously between Edison's grid and our batteries.

As a bonus, the surplus daytime energy it supplied to the grid cut our net monthly power consumption nearly in half. Aside from maintaining and replacing batter-

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(once, at the end of their normal lifetime), the system required zero attention. Through it all, we did not have to endure the obnoxious roar of a generator.

Equipment costs have dropped dramatically in the past decade, and solar panels are remarkably sensitive, even when partially obscured by trees. Based on our experience, solar power in Idyllwild's sunny climate is an obvious choice, both to avoid interruptions and to reduce power consumption.

BOB SMITH
HEMET

Re: America's priorities

EDITOR:

What happened to logic and common sense in our country?

We have 40,000 citizens in California who lost everything in the wildfires; tax-paying, contributing, members of our society.

We have several thousand people at our borders, many of whom have not respected or complied with our laws. They are forcefully trying to enter our home, the United States of America.

We are a country of immigrants who came here legally, in a democratic society that passed laws enabling us to become the greatest country on Earth.

We talk about taking care of others who are less fortunate? Wonderful. That's what makes us different and exceptional as a country.

Let's get our priorities straight and help our fellow American brothers and sisters first.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah and any other precious holiday you celebrate.

KERRY BERMAN, USMC, VIETNAM VET
PALM DESERT

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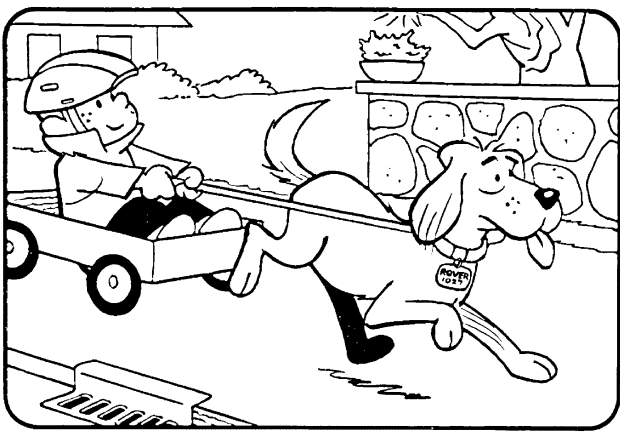


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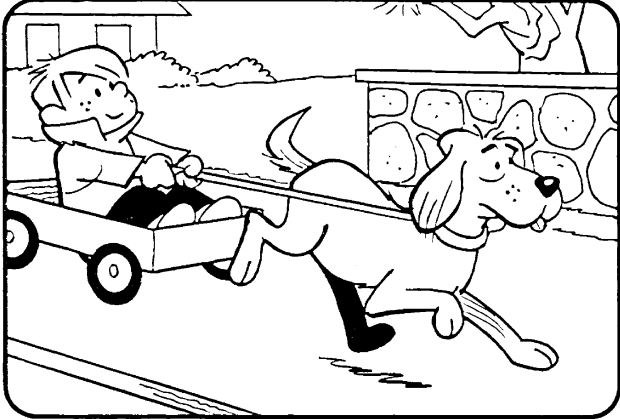
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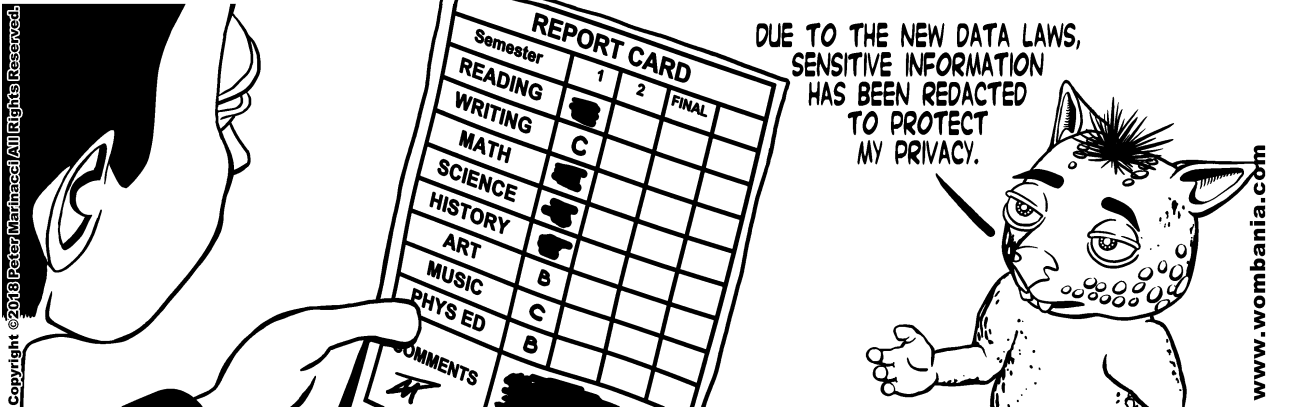


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by PETER MARINACCI

Needed precipitation came and is coming back

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Rain started falling on the Hill hours before sunrise Thursday, Nov. 29, and continued into the next morning. By noon Friday, about 2.16 inches had been recorded at the Idyllwild Fire Station. The U.S. Forest Service's Keenwild Ranger Station had received about 2 inches of rain.

The higher elevations did receive snow, which could be seen from town. By early afternoon, Nov. 30, the Palm Springs Tramway reported nearly 1.25 inches of snow had fallen there.

Another storm system is expected the middle of this week; it could bring an inch or more of rain and snow, possibly at the higher elevations. It should clear through Southern California by Friday. And perhaps a third system will arrive the middle of next week.



Last week's rain brought snow to the top of the local mountains. By early afternoon, Thursday, Nov. 29, 1.25 inches were reported at the Palm Springs Tram.

PHOTO BY JP CRUMRINE

No road closures were needed in the Cranston Fire burn area, although roads in the Holy Fire area were closed and mandatory evacuation of some areas required. The county did alert residents that

evacuation might be needed this week.

Total rainfall since July 1 is approaching the long-term average for rainfall from July through November. The average for these five months has been 5.8

inches. With this week's rain, the Keenwild site has now exceeded 5 inches of rain and the National Weather Service indicates that Idyllwild Fire has reported 6 inches of rain through Nov. 30.

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Sen. Stone to host Holiday Open House in Indio and Murrieta

State Sen. Jeff Stone will hold two Holiday Open Houses at his district offices. From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12, an Open House and Sock Drive will be held at his district office in Indio.

From 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, he will have an Open House at his Murrieta office.

The Indio Office is located at 45-125 Smurr Street, Suite B, and the Murrieta office is at located at 25816 Hancock Avenue.

Those attending the Indio event are encouraged to bring new socks to be donated to the Coachella Valley Rescue Mission, and Martha's Village and Kitchen.

Those attending are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy for the United States Marine Corps Re-

serve "Toys For Tots" campaign.

But the senator stressed that donations are not required to attend either event.

Light refreshments and drinks will be served at both Open House occasions.

No appointment is necessary to meet with the senator and his staff during the holiday Open Houses.

If you are unable to attend, sock donations or toys for tots also are being accepted at the senator's offices from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

For more information about the Indio event, call the Indio office at 760-398-6442.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 4050 Main Street, (P.O. Box 431), Riverside, CA 92501. Branch name: MARIA F. LARA VELASQUEZ TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

1. Petitioner: MARIA F. LARA VELASQUEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: a. Present name: MARIA FELICITA LARA VELASQUEZ changed to Proposed name: MARIA FELICITA LARA VELASQUEZ

NOTICE OF HEARING
a. Date: 1-03-19 Time: 8:30AM, Dept. 12.
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Registration Signature: GABRIELLA REDDING MANAGING MEMBER
Pub. TC: Nov. 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13, 2018.

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GROUP at 27262 Via Industria, Temecula, CA 92590, Riverside County. Mailing Address: 27262 Via Industria, Temecula, CA 92590. TIFFANY MARTIN BAKER at 27262 Via Industria, Temecula, CA 92590.

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

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

Registration Signature: TIFFANY M BAKER
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 14, 2018.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person (persons) is (are) doing business as SUNKISS TAN at 333 N Palm Canyon Dr #101, Palm Springs, CA 92262, Riverside County.

Registration Signature: JAMES ALTON DODSON
Statement filed with the County Clerk of Riverside County on Nov. 28, 2018.

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

PETER ALDANA, County Clerk
Pub. TC: Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20, 2018.

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Registration Signature: MICHELLE ANN NEHEZ
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Wednesday, Dec. 5

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Mari-an View Dr.
- Town Crier news meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Soroptimist International of Idyllwild, 9 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Dr.
- Garner Valley Women's Group, 10:30 a.m. Garner Valley Common, 61600 Devil's Ladder Rd.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Cancer support group, 4:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Al-Anon, 4:45-5:45 p.m.; Co-dependents Anonymous, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St.

Thursday, Dec. 6

- 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.
- Idyllwild Rotary Anns, 11:30 a.m. Call 951-852-2306 for more information.
- Feeding America, 1-2 p.m. Cross Road 243 Christian Fellowship, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.
- Healing Rooms, 3-5 p.m. Shiloh Christian Ministries,

- 54295 Village Center Dr.
- Free ESL class, 5:30-8 p.m. Computer Room, Idyllwild Elementary School, 26700 Hwy. 243.
- Cub Scouts Pack 96 den meeting, 6 p.m. Camp Emerson, 53155 Idyllbrook Dr.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30-9 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

Friday, Dec. 7

- Free community Mat Pilates classes, 9 a.m. Call 760-200-5757 for information & directions.
- AA, Daily Reflections, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; Pick-a-stick candlelight, 7:30 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.
- Women's Writing Group with fellow writers, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 5:30 p.m. Spiritual Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.
- GriefShare Support Group, 6:30 p.m. Cross Road 243 Christian Fellowship, 29430 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center.
- Celebrate Recovery (hang-ups, hurts & habits safe talk place), 7 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.

Saturday, Dec. 8

- Climate Change Lobby, 9:45 a.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; 5:30 p.m. Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.

Sunday, Dec. 9

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

Mountain View, Pine Cove.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, open meeting, noon-1 p.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, Dec. 10

- 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.
- Quiet Skies Idyllwild, 3 p.m. Cafe Aroma, 54750 N Circle Dr.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

- Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council public board, 9:30 a.m. Mountain Resource Center, 25380 Franklin Drive. Call 659-6208 for information.
- Mountain Quilters of Idyllwild, 9:30 a.m. Community Presbyterian Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.; AA Grapevine, 5:30 p.m. Spiritual Oneness Center, 151 Cedar St.
- La Leche League, 1 p.m. Call 659-8321.
- Idyllwild Death Cafe, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- Free ESL class, 5:30-8 p.m. Computer Room, Idyllwild Elementary School, 26700 Hwy. 243.
- Lovingkindness Meditation Group, 5-5:30 p.m.; Self-Realization Fellowship Meditation, 6-7 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat, 25661 Oakwood St. Call 659-2523.
- Meditation & dharma study, 6 p.m. Idyllwild Yoga Studio, 54445 N. Circle Dr. Call Valerie Kyoshin Velez at 951-659-5750 for info.
- Hemet Unified School District, 3:30-4:30 p.m. organizational; 6:30-8:30 p.m. board meeting. 1791 W. Acacia Ave., Hemet.

Wednesday, Dec. 12

- Idyllwild Rotary Club, 7:30-9 a.m. American Legion Post 800, 54360 Mari-an View Dr.
- Town Crier news meeting, public welcome, 8:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
- Riverside County Mobile Health Clinic, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Town Hall, 25925 Cedar St.
- Pine Cove Water District board, 10 a.m. PCWD, 24917 Marion Ridge Rd., Pine Cove.
- La Leche League, 10 a.m. Call 659-8321.
- Community Church Guild, noon. Church, 54400 North Circle Dr.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon. St. Hugh's Episcopal Church, 25525 Tahquitz Dr.
- Mountain Area Safety Taskforce, 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild Nature Center, 25225 Hwy. 243.
- Cancer support group, 4:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library, 54401 Village Center Dr.
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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. Wed. & Fri.
- 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, Nov. 25 to Dec. 1.

Idyllwild

- Nov. 26 — Unlawful entry, 2:51 p.m., Robin Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 26 — Missing person, 4:11 p.m., North Circle Dr. Report taken.
- Nov. 26 — 911 call, 8:20 p.m., Delano Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 26 — Alarm call, 9:16 p.m., 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 27 — Alarm call, 9:06 a.m., 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 28 — Found property, 10:09 a.m., 26000 block of Hwy. 243. Report taken.
- Nov. 28 — Alarm call, 6:45 p.m., 26000 block of Fern Valley Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 29 — Alarm call, 3:30 a.m., 25000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 29 — Follow-up, 3:16 p.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 29 — 911 call, 7:10 p.m., Estate Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 29 — Trespassing, 8:32 p.m., North Circle Dr. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 29 — Public assist, 8:51 p.m., 55000 block of Pine Crest Ave. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 29 — 911 call, 10:56 p.m., 25000 block of Fern Valley Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 29 — 911 call, 11:56 p.m., Idyllmont Rd. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 30 — Public assist, 2:37 p.m., 25000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 30 — Follow-up, 2:56 p.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.
- Nov. 30 — 911 call, 5:25

p.m., 52000 block of Double View Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 1 — Alarm call, 4:19 a.m., San Jacinto Rd. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 1 — Suspicious vehicle, 6:33 a.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 1 — Follow-up, 6:13 p.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 1 — Trespassing, 10:46 p.m., North Circle Dr. Report taken.

Mountain Center

• Nov. 27 — Open door, 8:39 a.m., 29000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

• Nov. 29 — 911 call from business, 10:40 p.m., 29000 block of Hwy. 243. Handled by deputy.

Pine Cove

• Nov. 27 — Check the welfare, 9:30 a.m., Walters Dr. Handled by deputy.

• Nov. 30 — Follow-up, 7:15 a.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.

• Nov. 30 — Assist other department, 9:23 a.m., Oak Leaf Ln. Handled by deputy.

• Nov. 30 — Follow-up, 10:41 a.m., address withheld. Handled by deputy.

• Nov. 30 — Suspicious vehicle, 11:23 a.m., Cedar Glen Dr. Handled by deputy.

Garner Valley/ Pine Meadows

• Nov. 26 — Alarm call, 8:37 a.m., Gold Shot Creek Rd. Handled by deputy.

• Nov. 26 — Vehicle burglary, 4:15 p.m., address undefined. Handled by deputy.

San Bernardino National Forest

• Nov. 26 — 911 call from business, 2:26 p.m., Canyon Tri. Handled by deputy.

• Dec. 1 — Lost hiker, 7 p.m., address undefined. Report taken.

Sufficient evidence to try alleged Cranston arsonist

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Brandon McGlover, 32, of Temecula, had his second arraignment in Riverside County Superior Court where he was charged with 15 counts of

arson, including igniting the Cranston Fire on July 25.

His next scheduled court appearance is Feb. 1, 2019, for a trial readiness conference.

The District Attorney's office did file a request for

discovery with McGlover's defense attorney. The DA requested a list of possible witnesses McGlover's defense may call, and identification of any physical evidence to be introduced or expert witnesses to be relied upon as witnesses.

He is currently being held in custody and bail is \$3.5 million. If convicted as currently charged, McGlover faces a potential life sentence.

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

Volunteers needed to survey Riverside County's homeless population

Volunteers are needed in communities throughout Riverside County to help with the 2019 Point-in-Time Homeless Count and Survey. The Riverside County Department of Public Social Services conducts the survey each January.

The 2019 survey is a one-day, street-based and shelter-based effort to identify how many people in the county are homeless on a given day.

The countywide count will be done between 5:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29. A survey focusing on identifying homeless youths under age 25 also will be conducted that day.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requires Continuum of Care communities that receive HUD funding, including Riverside County, to perform a one-day, point-in-time count.

Results of the 2019 Homeless Count and Survey provide critical updates on national and local progress toward ending homelessness.

The 2019 count will use ESRI Survey 123 as the primary data collection tool, replacing the paper-based forms. The mobile application was tested during the 2018 count and the tool was user-friendly.

Community volunteers will be asked to attend a training to learn how to use Survey 123, what to do if a person is uncooperative, and learn other safety and logistical information. Volunteer trainings will be held in early January.

To register as a survey volunteer, visit <https://rivcoexchange.com/>.

Questions may be directed to Laura Gonzalez-Rivera, Point-in-time count coordinator, at 951-358-3844 or by email at RivCoPIT@RivCo.org.

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her group puts out fliers during snow events and has two online presences (a website — idyllwildsnow.com and a Facebook page for Idyllwild locals) that identify six places snow visitors can go that do not lead to trespassing and conflict with private home and land owners.

Included are the ones Reitz cited (adding the Nature Center as part of the county park) plus McCall Park in Mountain Center, Hurkey Creek Park near Lake Hemet and Thousand Trails in Pine Cove.

Thousand Trails is a private RV park but, according to Kennedy, management welcomes snow visitors.

"We're working with the county to get signage for those areas identifying them as snow play locations," said Kennedy.

In the video, CHP Officer Graham Aanestad advised visitors to obey speed limits, not to park in designated winter "no parking" areas and not to enter the forest when it's closed.

CHP said it is committed to being "out there" in force in Idyllwild during snow events to "aggressively enforce" trespassing complaints on private property and blocking of roads such as Fern Valley Road, a snow play thoroughfare plagued by illegal parking during snow emergencies. Regarding trash, Aanestad advised, "If you pack it in, pack it out. If trash cans are full, take it with you."

On request from CHP Pass Station Commander Capt. Mike Alvarez, Kennedy forwarded photos and videos of traffic congestion, blocked highways, trash from snow visitors and other issues caused by the visitors in 2017.

She also noted that, contrary to some public voices, the visitors do not contribute to the financial health of the town. "They don't shop," she said, noting that snow-play visitors generally bring their own food. She also cited the many complaints from private land and home owners in Fern Valley and elsewhere of snow-play visitors using homeowner land and yards for bathrooms.

"I do think the video will promote safety for snow events," she said. She also noted the growing reach of the Snow Group's website and Facebook page. "In January 2018, our website had 6,555 hits and in Novem-

Two multi-vehicle crashes on Hill roads over the last week

Two crashes involving multiple vehicles occurred on Hill roads over the last week. Both were on Highway 74.

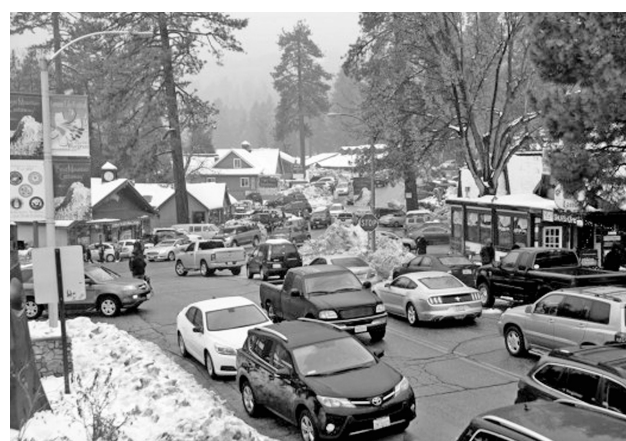
The first occurred at 3:20 a.m. Friday, Nov. 30, during dark and rainy conditions, according to Darren Meyer, California Highway Patrol public information officer.

Efuan Simms, 43, of Moreno Valley, was driving a blue 2002 Hyundai Santa Fe SUV eastbound on Highway 74, 1 1/2 miles east of Keen Camp Road in Mountain Center, when he made an unsafe turn to the left, causing his vehicle to collide head on with a Caltrans International Harvester truck driven by Luis Hezler, 55, of San Jacinto.

Simms complained of injury to his hands but did not require transport. Hezler was uninjured. Simms' Hyundai was towed by Idyllwild Garage with moderate damage. The Caltrans vehicle was not seriously damaged and was able to drive away. The collision occurred at relatively low speed, according to the CHP report.

At 11:55 a.m., also on Friday, Nov. 30, Wolfgang Felix, 77, of Canada, was driving a black 2018 Jeep Wrangler southbound on Palm Canyon Drive in Pinyon toward the intersection with Highway 74. Although he stopped at the intersection stop sign, he made a left turn onto Highway 74 and collided with silver 2004 Chevy Silverado driven by Abraham Rodriguez, 18, of Coachella.

Rodriguez had been driving eastbound on 74 at the time of the collision. Felix said he did not see Rodriguez' vehicle when he pulled onto the highway. Meyer noted the report said conditions were daylight and clear. Neither party was injured, and both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene.



Impassable downtown streets with cars blocking access during heavy snow weekends in 2017 in Idyllwild. PHOTO BY FRAZIER/DRAKE

ber of 2018, we had 18,418 hits, she noted. "In January 2018, our daily average hits were 211; in November, 1,713. We're getting the word out about snow safety in Idyllwild by sharing with sites in Hemet including Hemet Valley News and Hemet News (Official Page) and Hemet Eye News Public Group on Facebook."

The CHP snow safety in Idyllwild video can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/o6YaZKSBMUw>.

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U.S. Forest Service and volunteers replanting trees in burn area

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

The Cranston Fire burned more than 13,000 acres of the San Jacinto Ranger District in July and August. It will take years for nature to recover completely from this damage.

But the U.S. Forest Service is assisting nature. Charles Wentz, the forester on the San Jacinto Ranger District, already has begun the reforestation effort with the help of volunteers.

The Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council's Woodies group, better known for cutting wood for the needy, has spent several days planting saplings in the burned area near Apple Valley, said MCFSC President Norm Walker.

Discussion of the joint effort began in September, Wentz said. "And I put it to the Woodies at a work session," Walker added.

The saplings are about one-year-old Jeffrey pines. All have been germinated from seeds from the San Bernardino National Forest and grown at the Forest Service's Placerville Nursery in the Eldorado National Forest.

The area where the planting is being done is near the May Valley Road. It has been burned over during both the 2013 Mountain Fire and this summer's Cranston Fire.

Unfortunately, the Cranston Fire burned most the young growth planted after the Mountain Fire, according to Wentz. These were about three years in the ground and about 18 to 24 inches tall.

"It takes a significant amount of time for these trees to grow," he said. "In Southern California, we expect a



Robertus Darren Radyan (left) and Hannah Wakelin were two of more than a dozen Idyllwild Arts Academy National Honor Society students who helped with replanting of the local forest.

PHOTO BY KIM HENDERSON



Charles Wentz (left), forester for the San Jacinto Ranger District, instructs the Woodies (from left) John Laddley, Norm Walker, Allen Graham (behind Walker), Elliott Taylor and Kim Fryer (behind Taylor) on planting techniques. They are planting Jeffrey pines in areas that were burned and damaged from the Cranston Fire.

PHOTO BY EDWINA SCOTT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

low survival rate."

Besides the Woodies, members of the Idyllwild Arts Academy's National Honor Society helped with planting this past weekend.

Idyllwild Arts, through one of Wentz's co-workers, approached the Forest Service for a volunteer activity.

"I told them that I manage the public land for the public. You're the public and this is your forest," Wentz related how he recruited 10 to 15 student volunteers.

The 10- to 15-acre area is relatively flat, which makes the planting easier, Walker said. During the first day, about 150 trees were planted. This past session, with experience and the IA students, between 800 and 1,000 saplings were planted, Wentz estimated.

"There is plenty of space left. I think the next effort will see 300 to 600 more trees planted," he said.

With winter's arrival, the planting will stop soon. In the spring, Wentz will survey the area and evaluate its success and determine the next step in the plan. His goal is a 30-percent survival rate over time.

While equipment for planting crews is limited, potential volunteers may contact Wentz at charleswentz@fs.fed.us.

No mail delivery this Wednesday

All federal offices, including the Idyllwild Post Office and the Idyllwild Ranger Station will be closed Wednesday, Dec. 5, to observe a national day of mourning for former President George H.W. Bush.

Gift Wrapping Station at library

From Monday, Dec. 17, to Saturday, Dec. 22, Idyllwild Library will offer a free Gift Wrapping Station where community members may create their own gift bags. All supplies are provided.



U.S. Forest Service Battalion Chief Matt Ahearn describes the prescribed burns that the Forest Service plans to conduct this winter. The burns will range from the Vista Grande Fire Station south to Thomas Mountain.

PHOTO BY JP CRUMRINE

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Cranston Fire, said several of the firefighters.

"We're striving to string together all the fuelbreaks," said Cal Fire Capt. Michael Sebastian. "I'm convinced we would have had fire in the town without these fuelbreaks."

While the fuelbreaks did not themselves stop the fire, they slowed it down sufficiently for firefighters and air resources to engage the conflagration, and prevent it from burning Idyllwild. This is why they want to ensure the fuelbreaks are maintained and why new fuelbreaks will be added.

Cal Fire plans work to maintain the Southridge and Westridge breaks around Idyllwild and more work in the Stone Creek area, Sebastian said.

Work will continue on the Red Hill Fuelbreak, which complements the Pine Cove Fuelbreak. Cal Fire has obtained agreements from private property owners for fuelbreak work on their property.

Battalion Chief Matt Ahearn, on the San Jacinto Ranger District, discussed last winter's burns and this winter's Forest Service plans for the Pine Cove Fuelbreak and also on Thomas Mountain.

Last February and March on the Pine Cove Fuelbreak, the Forest Service burned nearly 3,000 piles of debris and slash. This year, Ahearn said there will be more pile burns but they also intend to conduct a major broadcast burn in the area, too.

He stressed that these types of burns are intended to reduce ground fuels and not damage mature trees. By eliminating the ground fuel, the likelihood of a major and fast-moving wildfire is reduced.

"Citizens envision a 'clear cut' as the result, but it's not that at all," Ahearn said. "There shouldn't be much of a long-term visual impact."

They will be working on Westridge this winter, too. These types of prescribed burns can continue for nearly 10 hours and some overnight, but he added the fire crews monitor the burns and are prepared to stop the burn if necessary.

The Forest Service will again be conducting a broadcast burn in the Thomas Mountain area. In the winter of 2018, 770 acres were burned. This year's plan will include that many and, if weather helps, more than 1,000 acres may be burned.

California State Parks has a plan to extend its fuelbreak along the northern and eastern side of Pine Cove, said Ken Kietzer, senior environmental scientist in the Inland Empire District for California State Parks. This area is about 270 acres.

"Most of [Mt. San Jacinto State Park] is wilderness and there have been no wildfires there for a long time," he said. "Our work near Stone Creek Fuelbreak will dovetail with the Forest Service project. We've been doing thinning and pile burning for a while. This year, we hope to do a broadcast burn. It's a very narrow window for acceptable conditions."

According to James Gannon of the BLM, its winter 2019 project will be below Poppet Flats, more likely seen from Banning. "It's about 10 acres of grasses."

The Forest Service's San Jacinto Ranger District Forester Charles Wentz began the session with an explanation of the benefits from the prescribed burns.

"First and foremost is community defense," he stated. The network of fuelbreaks do slow wildfire, which gives firefighters a better chance to keep the fire away from homes and other structures. "Removing the ground fuels makes it more effective," he added.

Prescribed burns also benefit the forest. Wildfires in forested areas are natural. Historically, the natural fires have not been as large not as intense as the recent ones. But fire does improve the nutrient soil for trees and saplings.

"Making the forest healthier makes the forest more resilient to fires," he said.

Thirdly, prescribed burns, which mimic natural fires, create a discontinuous range of ground fuels. Reducing this fuel loading inhibits the fire's ability to just run without anything to slow it, according to Wentz.

Among the audience questions was one about what incentives would encourage more logging on the Hill and thus greater thinning of the San Jacinto forest.

In response, Wentz did say that he would try to sell some of the burned and damaged logs from the Cranston Fire. But salvage sales of burnt timber have not always been beneficial. Exacerbating the difficulty on the forest is the lack of any nearby lumber mills. Any savings from reduced timber costs are offset by the higher costs for transporting the logs.

Another reason logging here is discouraged is the lack of forest roads. Much of the area would need helicopter logging, according to Wentz. This also raises its cost.

Several other attendees expressed frustration with the lack of abatement on their neighbor's property. Officials said Idyllwild Fire does conduct inspections in the town and Riverside County Code Enforcement is responsible in the other unincorporated areas.

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Local artist donates 9/11 sculpture to fire district

Idyllwild Fire went to 16 mutual aid fires in 2018

By JP CRUMRINE
NEWS EDITOR

Local artist and sculptor Jan Jaspers-Fayer offered an artwork to the Idyllwild Fire Protection District and the Board of Commissioners accepted it.

The piece, a memorial sculpture of 9/11, is his design and made of steel plates. It is the numbers "9 and 11" in Roman numerals, Chief Patrick Reitz told the commission. He indicated that its likely permanent location is the patch of grass to the right of the station, near the intersection of Highway 243 and Maranatha Drive.

Commissioner Henry Sawicki reported that several citizens have approached him and expressed interest in leading the effort to gain approval of a new parcel-fee measure.

While this is preliminary, he said he intended to meet with Rebecca Spencer, the Riverside County registrar of voters. He will seek answers to several questions, such as the number of voter signatures needed for a citizen initiative, and other requirements.

Reitz stressed that if citizens wish to initiate a parcel measure, that is their right, but the district must not be involved in active support of that

kind of action. But the district needs to pursue this effort independently unless a citizen group can formally undertake the effort.

The commission did discuss what steps might need money to complete, such as mailings and a voter survey. While no action was taken at this meeting, Commission President Rhonda Andrewson reminded her colleagues that work must proceed faster if a measure is to appear on a ballot in 2019, either in August or November.

In other business, the commission approved a resolution identifying three vehicles as surplus and to be disposed of. These include a pick-up truck, an ambulance and eventually, a utility vehicle.

"[The pick-up] has outlived its useful life and will cost too much to put on the road," Reitz told the commission. "The same for [the ambulance], which is basically a parts vehicle for ambulance 625."

The district will retain the utility vehicle, since it is used to plow snow off the station's parking areas. Once a replacement is acquired, this vehicle will be disposed of too, Reitz added.

The commission reviewed several policies, such as committees, training and minutes of board meetings. The latter was the only one of five policies deferred until the December meeting.

In financial business, after the first four months of fiscal year 2018-19,

expenses are still ahead of the actual revenues. This is routine until the IFPD begins to receive its property tax revenue in December and January.

Also, the costs, such as salaries and fuel, to respond to requests for mutual aid on fires outside the district, have to be paid. Currently, IFPD requests reimbursement for them but it can take several months before payment is received.

While the formal financial statements show that the expenses are about \$52,000 more than revenue, much of the revenue is simply accruals, such as reimbursement requests or medical-aid costs, which have not yet been paid.

Assistant Chief Mark LaMont provided the commission with a status report on the mutual-aid missions to which IFPD responded this fire season. Since the end of June, IFPD has sent firefighters to 16 incidents.

The total cost is slightly more than half a million dollars, of which only \$40,000 has been recouped through November, La Mont reported. The total time at these fires is about 14,500 hours for all of the staff, who have gone.

Besides the local fires — Cranston and Holy —, IFPD firefighters have helped on the Ferguson (97,000 acres), Woolsey (97,000 acres) and Donnell (36,000) fires.

HUSD receives two models of excellence awards from the county education office

Hemet Unified School District is making great strides in providing a learning environment in which all students can succeed. Recently, the district received recognition from the Riverside County Office of Education and was awarded two Models of Excellence for its work in providing a Culture of Continuous Improvement and Integrated Systems Framework Development.

Idyllwild's trustee on the HUSD governing board, Vic Scavarda, said, "I think these two awards represent a serious effort on the part of the district to provide support for site principals and staff according to what they identify as resources they need to help their kids."

"A lot of thought and effort has gone into this, and it is gratifying that Riverside County recognized this," he continued in his email.

At the 16th-annual Riverside County Education Summit, HUSD staffed two workshops to describe their progress in Continuous Improvement and Integrated Systems Framework Development.

HUSD Superintendent Christi Barrett and Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Tracy Chambers led the first workshop — Culture of Continuous Improvement: Implementation of Academic Standards, School Climate, Student Achievement and Student Engagement.

They described the district's need to create systems

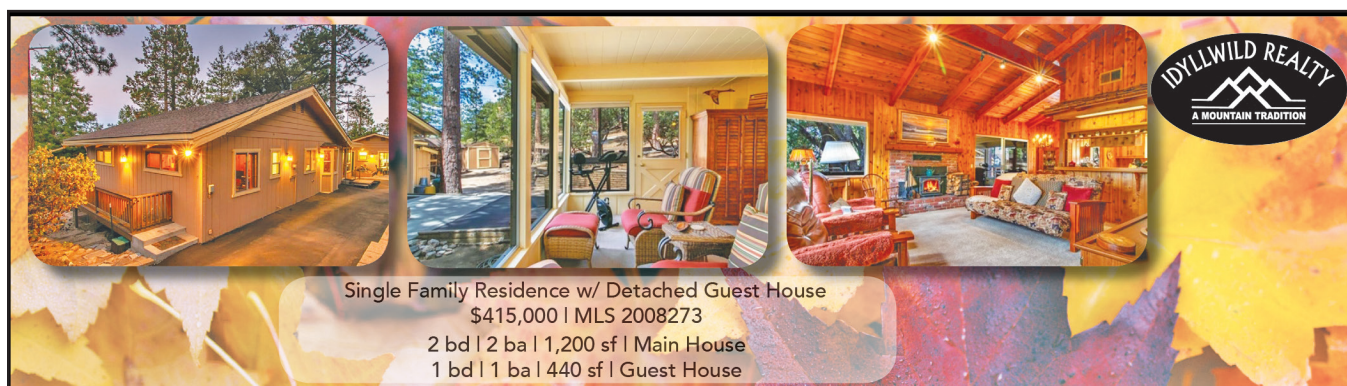
and processes to refine the work of staff to improve the outcomes for all students. They went into detail about new systems, which were put in place, such as the district office becoming a structure of support for staff instead of the district office telling sites how they should run.

Barrett and Chambers also described the work-around action plans and how data show support staff's decisions for implementation and revisions.

Assistant Superintendent of Student Services Dr. Karen Valdes and Director of Student Support Services Dr. Tracy Piper led the Integrated Systems Framework workshop. This workshop focused on the district's development to weave Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports Response into Intervention, and physical/mental health services, into a tiered system.

This system was designed to enhance school climate, school-based services and community collaboration, and meet the needs of all students academically, behaviorally and socio-emotionally. The two described the work-around community collaboration and its partnerships with various organizations that can further support the needs of students and their families.

Barrett has said, "With the continued support of the community, we know we will reach our goal of becoming the Premier Choice School District."



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'It's the Holidays' and the Idyllwild Master Chorale is serving a feast

BY MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

The Idyllwild Master Chorale presents its popular holiday-fusion concert, "It's the Holidays," a delectable musical feast with something for everyone's palate.

This Idyllwild signature Christmas event is popular with young and old because it fuses Christmas classics with chorale and orchestra, and a tuneful and sprightly jazz/vocal set with a Marshall Hawkins quintet and Southern California vocal jazz luminaries.

Artistic Director and Conductor Dwight "Buzz" Holmes has programmed Christmas favorites with something for everyone. For classical music stalwarts, there will be choral highlights from Vivaldi's "Gloria" and Handel's "Messiah." Contemporary choral standouts are John Rutter's evocative arrangements of French carols, and Robert Shaw/Alice Parker and Holmes' arrangements of eclectic and rhythmic Hispanic holiday music.

Guest artist and mezzo soprano Christina Esser joins the chorale and orchestra with "Un Flambeau Jeanette, Isabelle," "O Holy Night," "Ya Vienne La Vieja" and "Alegria." Soprano Linda Wallace and Esser present the stunning aria "He Shall Feed his Flock" from "Messiah." From Broadway composer Andrew Lloyd Webber comes a gorgeous duet, "Pie Jesu," from Webber's "Requiem" featuring sopranos Wallace and Luana Canty with choral backing. These shimmering sung songs will be remembered after the final notes of the concert have faded.

Also featured are Morten Lauridsen's heart-stopping "O Magnum Mysterium" and Donald Fraser's "Christmastide," some of the most beautiful contemporary choral music ever composed.

Led by Hawkins' combo, the post intermission jazz set features the cho-

rale and guest artists Sherry Williams, Charles Owen, John Fleming and Arranger/Conductor John Rodby. Scintillating Rodby arrangements of "A Child is Born" and "Sleigh Ride" feature, respectively, Williams and Owen, and Fleming.

In the years since 1975 when Robert Evans Holmes, father of Dwight Holmes, seeded the beginnings of the IMC, Idyllwild has grown more sophisticated and upscale. Yet though all those years of Idyllwild's cultural evolution, IMC has maintained an extraordinary level of musicianship, quality and consistency.

Now presented in the acoustically astonishing William M. Lowman Concert Hall on the Idyllwild Arts campus, the annual IMC Christmas event is everything one needs to glide warmly and comfortably into the holiday season.

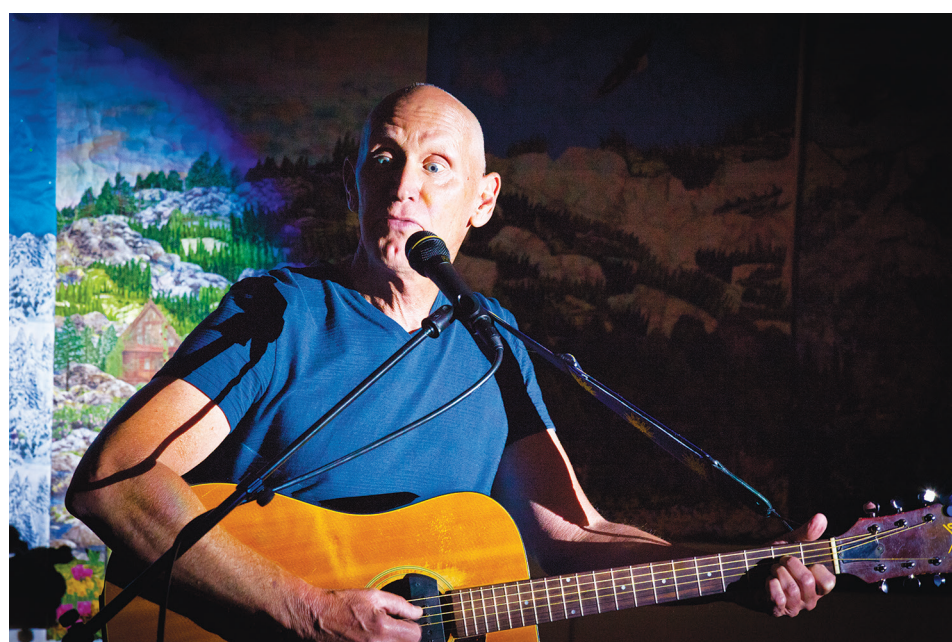
"It's the Holidays" is presented at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, and at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students available on the IMC website www.idyllwildmasterchorale.org, at Prairie Dove on North Circle and at the door.

Following the concert on Sunday, Dec. 16, from 6 to 9 p.m. is an intimate musical soiree and fundraising gala in the great room of Idyllwild's premier craftsman inn, the Grand Idyllwild Lodge.

With food, wine and a splendid silent auction, the holiday ambience alone could be reason enough to attend. But this gala is irresistibly sweetened with up close and personal jazz from Idyllwild's jazz icon Hawkins and his quintet, SoCal favorite jazz chanteuse Sherry Williams, tenor John Fleming, arranger, conductor and master of the 88 John Rodby. Also featured is Two t Suite, a classical duo pairing of the piano and cello of Nelms McKelvain and Julianna Buffum Holmes.

Tickets for the gala are available online at \$75 per ticket. Seating is limited.

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Darien Martus performed his unique folk music called "Waldenwild" at the Idyllwild Library on Tuesday, April 10. FILE PHOTO

Darien Martus CD release concert, 'Love in the Apocalypse'

Local independent recording artist Darien Martus will perform a CD release concert for his album "Love in the Apocalypse" at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, at Higher Grounds Coffee House. Cole Withers will join Martus as his special guest.

Martus will perform all 10 songs from his latest album, which will be released commercially on the same day and available everywhere music is streamed and sold. There is no cover charge but seating is limited.

Martus is a voting member of The Recording Academy, and his albums "Side Trip" (2016) and "Waldenwild" (2017) were both listed for Grammy consideration. Martus' album "Pockets" charted at #1 Amazon Hot New Releases in Folk/Rock and #3 in sales in June 2014. His album "Waldenwild" charted at #5 Amazon Hot New Release in Folk in July 2017.

Martus is from Detroit where he studied piano as a child and received a Bachelor of Arts in music from Oakland University. After moving to Los Angeles, he worked in theater, film and television as a composer, arranger, musical director and pianist.

In 2000, he completed a master's degree of music in composition at the University of Redlands. He has received several awards for his work, including the Bay Area Drama Critics Award for Outstanding Musical Score ("Some Love"), University of Redlands Composer of the Year, and five Desert Theatre League Awards including Best Original Musical ("The Incredibly Awesome Pied Piper").

Please Pass the Indie, in a review of the new album at www.pleasepasstheindie.com/single-post/2018/11/28/Darien-Martus---Love-in-the-Apocalypse, wrote: "From the moment Darien sings his first note, you will get shivers down your spine and a lump in your throat. He evokes gentle tenderness, passionate angst, and raw emotion with vocal refinement . . ."

"Darien's lyrical genius takes center stage and it wouldn't surprise me he earns some lyric writing awards. He is a songwriter and a poet who shows no fear. . . As the album continues, every song brings you deeper into a crushed heart world. You feel like you are listening to more than songs on an album — you are listening to a novel and a Broadway show and an album, all at once.

"Whether Darien's songs are about exploring our ability to love and heal or a metaphor for what humanity has lost in a world filled with turmoil, Darien shows us — through emotionally packed music and lyrics — that we can still feel and we can feel deeply, and it is our emotion, uncovered and revealed in his songs, that will save us."

AAI's CD Release Party

On Sept. 9, the Art Alliance of Idyllwild staged a live concert with 13 local musicians. This concert was recorded and then made into a CD.

AAI will host a CD Release Party at Idyology at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6. It also is an AAI Member Mingle and an Appreciation Event for Art Walk and Wine Tasting volunteers.

The cost for AAI members is \$5 and \$10 for guests and the general public. Included in the price is a buffet and one drink. Musicians and volunteers are treated to the buffet and two drinks.

Cole Withers will start the evening followed by a jam session with other musicians.

"Call of the Wyld 2018" CDs will be available for sale at \$10. They make great stocking stuffers. The CDs also are available at the Courtyard Gallery.

For more information and to RSVP for the event, visit www.artinidyllwild.org.

New Spirit offers 12th toy drive

New Spirit Love, a nonprofit, is hosting its 12th-annual Holiday Toy Drive. From 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, Santa will be at the New Spirit office to hand out presents to needy children.

Families are asked to sign up at 562-387-6610 or 951-294-3317, and provide family name, phone number, and kids' ages, names and gender.

New app for landmarks

"Historic Riverside County" is now available in the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. In this free app, you can explore the historic landmarks in your own backyard. It explores more than 100 landmarks throughout Riverside County.

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Wyatt Priefer reads to fellow poets during the local Beat Nite last Wednesday, Nov. 28, at the Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery. Poetry was the theme during the evening. PHOTO BY PETER SZABADI



Santa's Mail Box was delivered to the Idyllwild Post Office last week to receive letters from local children such as Finley Wilson, 5, shown here dropping off his wish list. From left are postal workers Christina Reitz, Kelsi Lehman, Officer-in-Charge Raymond Wilson and Town Crier Editor/Co-publisher Becky Clark. Children mail their letters to Santa at the North Pole, and every year, Santa gives the Town Crier permission to print some of the letters he receives from Idyllwild boys and girls in the newspaper. To get them to the North Pole on time, children need to mail their letters by noon Monday, Dec. 17. PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON



Michael Staff of Idyllwild entered the Golden Classical Musical Awards International Competition and won a first prize gold medal. Then he was one of several musicians invited to perform at Carnegie Hall in New York Saturday, Nov. 3. Afterward, he wrote, "The concert went great, and it was an amazing experience. ... I played last on the roster, which was kind of crazy, but I was surprised at how nervous all the other musicians were. Anyways, it was really awesome." PHOTO COURTESY MICHAEL STAFF

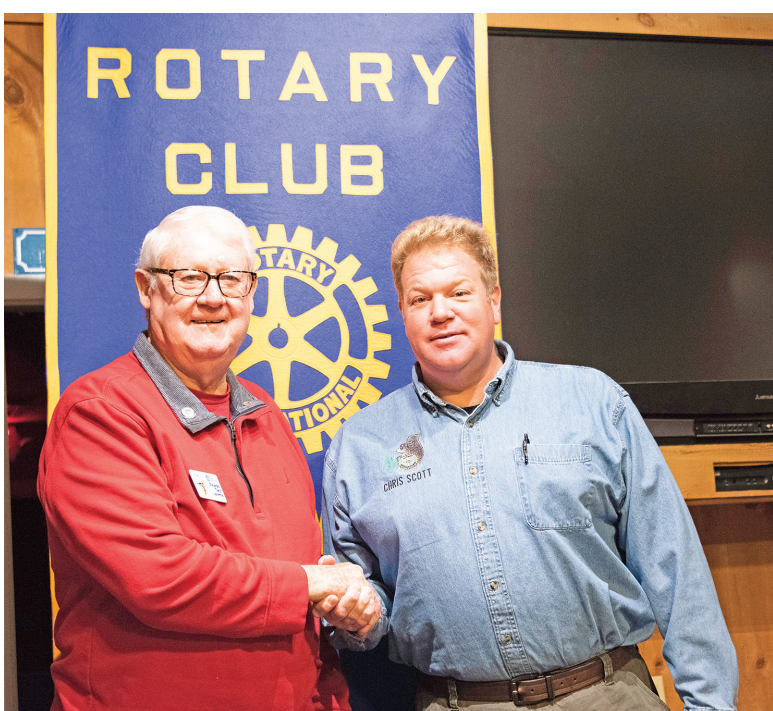


The Idyllwild Arts Winter Fashion Show "Phoenix Rising" was an exciting compilation of students' work Saturday night at the IAF Theatre on campus. Students employed the Cranston Fire as the inspiration for the designs — from ashes to beauty. PHOTO BY JENNY KIRCHNER



Idyllwild student Nikki performs her song "Avalanche." Accompanying Nikki were Caelen on drums, Tanzanite on bass and an unidentified student on guitar. Their performance was part of the Songwriting Concert on Dec. 1 at Idyllwild Arts. Nineteen other songwriters performed with musicians and vocalists, some of whom are part of Idyllwild Arts' permanent and visiting faculty. No other event at the school shows the talent of its students in quite the same way. The standing-room-only crowd in Stephens Recital Hall had a very enjoyable evening. PHOTO BY TOM KLUZAK

Ricardo Taco Loretta, (left) Rotary district governor, was the featured speaker at the weekly meeting of the Idyllwild Rotary Club on Wednesday, Nov. 28. Rotary President Chris Scott thanked Taco Loretta, who updated members and guests on happenings in the district and the International Rotary. Every resident of the Hill is familiar with



the many things the local Rotary does to enhance their lives, but many projects the district and International Rotary sponsor throughout the world include vaccinations that have come very close to totally eradicating polio. PHOTO BY TOM KLUZAK



Rabbi Malka Drucker teaches kids about Hanukkah traditions such as the Menorah and "Grandmas Latkes" (a Jewish potato pancake story) during Storytime at the Idyllwild Library Monday morning. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

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A singer CEO finds his way back to Idyllwild

By MARSHALL SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Eric Bolton remembers being given the solo in "In Idyllwild" as part of four summers with the ISOMATA music program. He sang under the direction of Robert Evans Holmes for whom the Idyllwild Arts amphitheater is named.

Now as a recent full-time resident of Idyllwild, he is singing under the direction of Dwight "Buzz" Holmes, Robert Evans Holmes' son, as part of the Idyllwild Master Chorale. And for attendees drawn to this must-attend upcoming Christmas concert, you'll be able to hear Bolton once again in solo form, at his tenor-level best.

In a sense, he has found his way home. In the years from high school and ISOMATA until today, Bolton developed a successful career as an actor in Hollywood. Later, after receiving a master's degree in Social Work from the University of Utah, Bolton became a CEO of an addiction treatment facility in Napa Valley, a field in which he is still working — now as a clinic director of the Desert Comprehensive Treatment Center in Palm Springs.

On his resume, summarizing his job responsibilities and professional management approach as CEO of Duffy's Napa Valley Rehab, regarded as Northern California's top drug and alcohol addiction treatment facility, Bolton said, "I work to motivate for excellence and accuracy, though leave plenty of room for the humanness of others and myself. I practice a servant leadership approach, though I fully understand how to implement disciplinary action when necessary and do so with an emphasis on treating each individual with respect, dignity and fairness." Bolton's words about his work ethic in many ways define him — a soft-spoken gentleman with extraordinary ability who is defined by his decency and respect for others.

Recalling his introduction to Idyllwild during those ISOMATA summers, Bolton said, "It altered who I am and changed my life for the better. We were learning to sing such challenging music and perfecting it in such a short amount of time. And the setting in which we were singing, often outdoors in Studio D, was magical."

Sometimes in growing up, one is shaped by seminal events. For West Covina native Bolton, it was singing with his high school men's glee club and his four summers at ISOMATA. Singing opened a door to a career as an actor in stage, television and movies in Hollywood.

As a high school student, he was a member of The Young Americans, a highly popular singing and danc-

ing ensemble that toured, did television and performed in major concerts. He worked at Disneyland playing famous Disney characters, his favorite being Pluto.

In performance vernacular, Bolton "made some noise" in the business, finding recurring work in television on series "General Hospital," "Boston Legal," "Murphy Brown," "Port Charles" and "Melrose Place." He was a founding member of a highly acclaimed Los Angeles-based theater troupe, the Friends and Artists Theatre Ensemble (F.A.T.E) helmed by acting coach Sal Romeo who became a trusted friend and mentor to Bolton. "We did socially relevant theater," said Bolton.

He took classes at The Groundlings and at the Lee Strasberg Theatre Institute, New York. He graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in Theatre, with a focus in acting and directing, from California State University, Los Angeles.

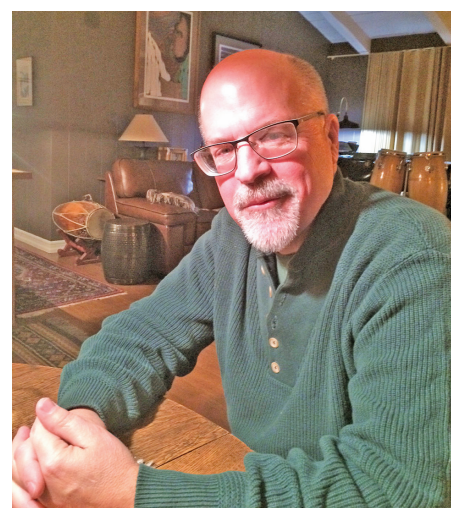
Along the way, through his regular work on screen and stage, Bolton acquired the prized guild cards, Screen Actors Guild (SAG), American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (AFTRA) and Actor's Equity Association (AEA). A bit of a Renaissance man, Bolton wrote music for a full-length musical and a children's musical that toured Los Angeles schools.

He's been in commercials for Time Warner Cable and 7-Up, has done radio announcing for public radio station KPCC and also has done voice-over work.

Bolton served in various management capacities for the Los Angeles Philharmonic, Walt Disney Concert Hall and the Center Theatre Group, where he honed skills in customer service, team building and employee conflict res-

Eric Bolton, actor/singer/healthcare executive, is newly arrived as a full-time resident but has Idyllwild roots dating back to singing in the ISOMATA Festival Choir for four years while in high school.

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Eric Bolton, during his musical comedy days, as Sky Masterson in "Guys and Dolls" at Cal State Los Angeles.

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Focusing on presence in the moment of creativity on Dec. 8

The art studio is a "sacred space where transformation happens" for David Reid-Marr, chair of Idyllwild Arts Academy's Visual Arts Department.

The commitment to spiritual growth that affects the academy's students so deeply will be shared with the wider community in Ataloo Studio on campus Saturday, Dec. 8, when Reid-Marr leads a workshop called "Full Circle: A Day of Art for the Community."

In addition to his academy duties, Reid-Marr teaches adult artists for the Idyllwild Arts Summer Programs and throughout the year in Idyllwild Arts auxiliary workshops. "Full Circle" is part of his heavy, but invigorating, load.

The 20-year veteran of Idyllwild Arts and native of Kent, England, studied in England with David Hockney and Francis Bacon, earning his Master of Fine Arts degree from the Royal College of Art in London. But Reid-Marr's approach to art-making has been shaped just as powerfully by his studies of Zen Buddhism in the U.S., with the late Zen Master Hakuy Taizan Maezumi.

"Appreciate your life" because "there is nothing extra," Maezumi taught. Reid-Marr's Zen focus on giving everything to the present moment expresses itself in teaching that art is process rather than product.

Reid-Marr's students are "allowed to make mistakes, as am I," he says, echoing Maezumi's humility about his own imperfections.

Admitting fault is necessary for growth. Reid-Marr's insistence on reminding his students that he remains a student himself earns their devotion, and earlier this month attracted large crowds to five workshops he led in East Asia.

He'd never been before, and he recalls not only the passion for art, but "a lot of good food."

Participants in Reid-Marr's "Full Circle" workshop will be well fed spiritually.

The workshop is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8. Tuition and lab fees are \$100 at idyllwildarts.org/aux-painting/. Space is limited.

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April 20 – May 20
A positive attitude helps you weather annoying but unavoidable changes in holiday plans. Aspects favor new friendships and reinforcement of existing relationships.



May 21 – June 21
Demands on your energy level could be much higher than usual as you prepare for the upcoming holidays. Be sure to pace yourself. Friends and family will be happy to help.



June 22 – July 22
Don't allow a suddenly icy reaction from a friend or family member to continue without learning what caused it -- and what can be done to restore that once warm and caring



July 23 – August 22
A relationship seems to be unraveling, mostly from a lack of attention. It might be a good idea to ease up on whatever else you're doing so you can spend more time working to mend it.



August 23 – September 22
New facts emerge that not only help explain the recent rift with a trusted colleague, but also might provide a chance to wipe the slate clean and make a fresh start in your friendship.



September 23 – October 22
A family member's personal situation is, fortunately, resolved in time for you to get back into your hectic round of holiday preparations. An old friend might bring a new friend into your life.



October 23 – November 21
Pace yourself in meeting holiday pressures and workplace demands to avoid winding up with a frayed temper and a Scorpion stinger that lashes out at puzzled kith, kin and colleagues.



November 22 – December 21
A financial matter requires close attention. Also, news from a trusted source provides the means to help sort out a long-standing state of confusion and put it into perspective.



December 22 – January 19
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King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Yard activities
 - 6 Measuring device
 - 11 Wig
 - 12 Show up
 - 14 Hang around
 - 15 Vocalist
 - 16 Big bother
 - 17 Formal pronouncements
 - 19 Yoko of music
 - 20 Spill the beans
 - 22 Bear hair
 - 23 Coaster
 - 24 Black-and-white movie, e.g.
 - 26 90210, for one
 - 28 Always, in verse
 - 30 Mongrel
 - 31 Sways from side to side
 - 35 "Gone With the Wind" star
 - 39 Look lasciviously
 - 40 Three-man vessel?
 - 42 Intend
 - 43 Grazing area
 - 44 Filleted
 - 46 Suitable
 - 47 Identify
 - 49 Sarcastic remark
 - 51 Stag's lack
 - 52 With malice
 - 53 Butcher's wares
 - 54 Keglers' venue
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Large beer glass
 - 2 Golfer Palmer
 - 3 Schlep
 - 4 — out (supplemented)
 - 5 Helvetia lack
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 - 31 "Look Homeward, Angel" author
 - 32 Anti-elderly bias
 - 33 Quick look
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WORD SEARCH

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

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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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Marshall Hawkins plays with the students during the Jazz Ensemble at Idyllwild Arts on Nov. 30. PHOTO BY STEVEN KING

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

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

Wednesday, Dec. 5

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Chess Club (instruction day), 1-4 p.m.; Holiday Music Program with Local Color, 5-6 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Holistic healing circle, 2-4 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.
- Benefit for the Whitney family, 5-8 p.m. Cafe Aroma.

Thursday, Dec. 6

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Vocal Showcase, 7:30-9 p.m. Stephens Recital Hall, Idyllwild Arts.
- IdyTalks, Josh Thomas, 6-8 p.m. Town Gallery.
- "Call of the Wyld," Art Alliance of Idyllwild CD Release Party & Members Mingle, 7 p.m. Idyology.
- DJ Mike, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Friday, Dec. 7

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Chamber Concert, 7:30-9 p.m. Lowman Concert Hall; Creative Writing & Theatre Lab: Original Short Plays, 7:30-9:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.
- Sandii Castleberry (soft rock & folk guitar), 5:30-8:30 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Interfaith Service of Solace, 6 p.m. St. Hugh's Episcopal

- Church.
- Karaoke, dancing, DJ & music videos, 6 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
- Lentones, 7-10 p.m. Idyllwild Brewpub.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- DJ Eazy, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Saturday, Dec. 8

- "Full Circle: A Day of Art for the Community," 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Ataloo Studio; Visual Arts Student Theme Show, noon-4 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Creative Writing and Theatre Lab: Original Short Plays, 7:30-9:30 p.m. IAF Theatre, Idyllwild Arts.
- Friends Winter Book Sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Associates of Idyllwild Arts Foundation annual Holiday Brunch & Gift Basket Raffle, 11:30 a.m. Fireside Room, Nelson Dining Hall, Idyllwild Arts campus, 52500 Temecula Dr.
- Children's Christmas Party, noon. American Legion Post 800.
- Jac Jacaruso & Miles Thomas (pop & soft rock guitar), 4-7 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- The Illegal Sweedes, 7-10 p.m. Idyllwild Brewpub.
- Motown Christmas, 7:30 p.m.; DJ Tren-D, 10:30 p.m.-1 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.

Monday, Dec. 10

- Forest Folk Cribbage Group, 10 a.m.-noon; Children's Storytime, "Seasons Readings," Rachel Torrey, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Visual Arts Student Theme Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Free senior dinner, 5 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
- Net of Light Gathering, 5-7 p.m. Spirit Mountain Retreat.
- "Artist on Art" film, "Toshiko Takaazu," Dr. Arthur Tobias, 7-8 p.m. Mountain Pottery.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

- Idyllwild Knitting Club, 9:30 a.m. Idyllwild Community Church.
- Visual Arts Student Theme Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center; Moni Simonov, Violin Masterclass, 5-6:30 p.m. Lowman Concert Hall, Idyllwild Arts.
- Ukulele class, 11 a.m. Royal Pines Trailer Park clubhouse.
- Mahjong, 12:30-3:30 p.m.; "Butterfly Secrets Revealed," Photographer Bruce Watts, 6-8 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Free pool, 6 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
- Latin night, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Wednesday, Dec. 12

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks

- Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Knit Wits, 1-3 p.m.; Fireside Book Club, STEAM Faux-stained glass, 1:30 p.m. Idyllwild Library.

Thursday, Dec. 13

- Visual Arts Student Theme Show, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts.
- Bridge, 12:30 p.m. Creekstone Inn. If interested, show up or phone 951-659-4910.
- Ping Pong, 6:30-8 p.m. Town Hall.
- DJ Mike, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Friday, Dec. 14

- Mountain Area Genealogy Group, 1-2:30 p.m.; Chess Club, 1-5 p.m. Idyllwild Library.
- Keith McCabe & Ken Carter (American roots blues & country music), 5:30-8:30 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Darien Martus CD release party, "Love in the Apocalypse, 6:30 p.m. Higher Grounds Coffee House.
- Lawrence & Clare Trio, 7-10 p.m. Idyllwild Brewpub.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- DJ Ozeer, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Saturday, Dec. 15

- Bald Eagle Count, 8:30 a.m. Lake Hemet Market.
- Don & Dennis Reed (acoustic roots Americana music), 4-7 p.m.; Idyllwild Storytellers, 7-9 p.m. Middle Ridge Winery Tasting Gallery.
- Pentagrams & Daisies, 8-11 p.m. Idyllwild Brewpub.
- Idyllwild Master Chorale, "It's the Holidays," 7:30 p.m. Lowman Concert Hall, Idyllwild Arts.
- Karaoke, 8 p.m.-midnight. Lumber Mill Bar & Grill.
- Caliber Band, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Sunday, Dec. 16

- Idyllwild Master Chorale, "It's the Holidays," 1:30 p.m. Lowman Concert Hall, Idyllwild Arts; Afterglow fundraiser, 6-9 p.m. Grand Idyllwild Lodge.
- Holiday Toy Drive, 2-5 p.m. New Spirit Love.

Monday, Dec. 17

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

Tuesday, Dec. 18

- Ukulele class, 11 a.m. Royal Pines Trailer Park clubhouse.
- Small orchestra rehearsal group, 1-3 p.m., Idyllwild Center for Spiritual Living.
- Free pool, 6 p.m. American Legion Post 800.
- Latin night, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Soboba Casino, San Jacinto.

Holiday with Local Color

Idyllwild Library will host a late afternoon of holiday song and music with Idyllwild's a Capella singing group, Local Color, a group of a dozen local women. The free event is from 5 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5, at the library.

Essay contest for young hunters

California Fish and Wildlife and the California Wildlife Officer Foundation are co-sponsoring the annual "Passing on the Tradition" essay contest for young hunters. The grand prize winner will receive a lifetime hunting license, valued at more than \$600.

This year's contest invites entrants to share their thoughts about how hunting has positively influenced or affected their life. The contest is open to all junior hunting license holders, as well as youth under age 18 who have earned a hunter education certificate.

Entrants should submit an essay of

500 words or less. Entries should be submitted via email to Capt. Robert Pelzman at robert.pelzman@wildlife.ca.gov no later than 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14. Applicants must provide their date of birth and a contact telephone number. For more information, call Pelzman at 916-653-9727.

Karaoke is back at the Legion

Karaoke night is returning to the American Legion but now also will include dancing, DJ music and music videos. The free event begins at 6 p.m. the first and third Fridays of the month.

Master potter at Mountain Pottery

Dr. Arthur Tobias, a master potter, will give another presentation at Mountain Pottery in December.

From 7 to 8 p.m. Monday Dec. 10, Tobias will present another "Artists on Art" film, "Toshiko Takaazu." Snacks will be served and a discussion will follow. The event is free and open to the public.

CREATURE CORNER

BY JANICE MURASKO

Last week in "Days of Our Nine Lives," the ARF cats adjusted to New Sadie taking the spot of office cat.

New Sadie: Great news everyone! All the puppies in the litter have been adopted.

Bernard: But not I.

Pepper: That's OK, Bernard. You are so sweet, low-energy and loving, you'll soon find your forever home.

New Sadie: Pepper is right! Hope my forever family finds me pronto.

Tex: And don't forget about me! I'm still hanging in, waiting for my forever family. I

want one where I'm the only pet, kids would be great, and a yard where I can run and fetch balls.

New Sadie: It seems we all want the same thing, including George.

Zeus: George? Who is George?

George: I am! Don't you remember me? I was here for quite a while, then I was adopted. But sadly, my forever mom cannot be

forever. I'm so sad, but happy to see my old friends.

Mr. Gray: Welcome back, George. I see you're still that beautiful orange color. You are just as handsome as

ever.

Bernard: And he is kinda big.

New Sadie: Well, so am I.

Bear: And Zeus and I. We are all big cats.

Sadie: There is a cat for every kind of home, here at ARF.

New Sadie: So true! It's one-stop "shopping"!

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

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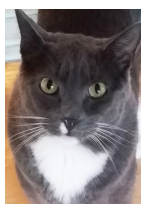
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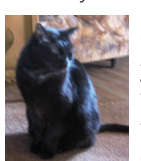
A bit tougher photo last week, I think. You had to find the right back-alley viewpoint for that one. It was of the back wall of the Mile Hi Plaza building on North Circle Drive, near the north end of Shane Lane. Three of you got it and were in the hat: Rochelle Ainsworth, Dave Hunt and Kris Kirschbaum. Dave won the drawing this week. So, Dave, please come to the Town Crier to get your gift certificate, which are provided courtesy of Higher Grounds Coffee House and Red Kettle restaurant, both in downtown Idyllwild.

This week's photo is a bit unusual and could be a bit tricky. Can you spot where this one is?

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.



Mr. Gray



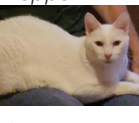
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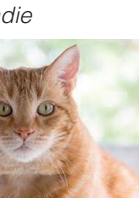
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Volleyball

Town Hall Sports Coordinator **Michael Holato** gave this report on recent Co-ed Adult Volleyball games. The season began Monday, Nov. 26, with pre-season practice games.

Games

- Idyllwild Garage defeated Silver Pines 25-14, 13-25, 25-18, 18-25 and 15-13, and defeated Piño Tree Service 25-20, 25-22, 21-25 and 25-21.
 - Wilson Woodworking defeated Silver Pines 25-15, 25-22 and 25-11 but lost to Idyllwild Brewpub 8-25, 17-25, 25-23, 25-16 and 8-15.
- Regular season is Monday, Dec. 3 to Friday, Dec. 14, and resumes after Christmas break Monday, Jan. 7. Playoffs are on Saturday, Feb. 16.



Idyllwild School math teacher Mrs. **Curcie** chose eighth-grade student **Michael Stroud** and seventh-grade student **Sarah Brosterhous Agner** as students of the week. Of Michael, she said: "I have taught Michael for three years now at Idyllwild School and have watched him grow into a wonderful young man. He is dedicated to his studies and doing his best in school, but also excels in his extracurricular activities. Michael is currently the treasurer for the ASB and his leadership skills are really starting to shine." Of Sarah, she said: "She is one of the sweetest and most persevering students I have ever taught. She makes time for friends and doing the things that she loves while doing her best in school."

PHOTO BY HALIE WILSON

Winter Sports Word Find

Find the hidden words in the puzzle.

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| CURLING | ICE DANCING | SLEDDING |
| FREESTYLE | LUGE | SNOWBOARDING |
| HIKING | SKATING | SNOWSHOEING |
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Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

W N S O H U C M N F U

Answer: Show much fun



70 years ago - 1948
 Work was begun on the Idyllwild Fire House between the Trading Post and Ice & Fuel.

65 years ago - 1953
 Joan Crawford, Kathryn Grayson and Elizabeth Taylor were in holiday pictures at The Rustic Theatre.

60 years ago - 1958
 Santa Ana winds pushed the temperature to 80 degrees and reduced the humidity to 6 percent. Fire crews went on around-the-clock standby.

55 years ago - 1963
 Junior bowling got underway with the formation of a league for youngsters at Sportland Park.

50 years ago - 1968
 Sheriff's deputies made a narcotics raid on a house on Tahquitz Drive and took seven people into custody. This followed a raid earlier in the week by Idyllwild vigilantes as a result of which three men were charged with trespassing.

45 years ago - 1973
 The Sierra Madre Girl Scout Council purchased the 320-acre Kolisch Ranch in Garner Valley.

40 years ago - 1978
 The Idyllwild Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the grand opening of Florist in the Forest.



Santa's Mail Box was at the Idyllwild Post Office ready to receive letters from local children in 2008. Town Crier elf **Sandy Burns** (second from right) transferred the box to the post office from the Town Crier, where it is kept in the off-season. From left were postal workers **Kelsi Holmes**, **Jeremy Teegarden**, Postmaster **Dawn Miller**, **Sherry Kaufman**, **Burns** and **Christina Edwards**. Children mailed their letters to Santa at the North Pole, and every year, Santa gives the Town Crier permission to print some of the letters he receives from Idyllwild boys and girls in the newspaper.

FILE PHOTO/PHOTO BY JAMES LARKIN

35 years ago - 1983
 Idyllwild Arts Foundation expressed general approval of a plan that would provide space for a California Conservation Corps crew on the Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts campus.

30 years ago - 1988
 Noah Whitney, 9, of Idyllwild, was one of the youngest winners ever in the Town Crier's annual Snow Guessing Contest. His name was drawn from the 95 contestants who correctly picked the date of the first snowfall of Friday, Nov. 25.

25 years ago - 1993
 Shock, grief and disbelief were just some of the feelings expressed in the community after getting news of the murders of Pine Cove residents **Rebecca Ruth Volldedt-Ghazal**, 38, and her daughter, **Khadijah Ghazal**, 13.

20 years ago - 1998
 Idyllwild Arts announced its newly appointed music director, **Ransom Wilson**.

15 years ago - 2003
 The Riverside County Fire Department, in conjunction with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, announced the availability of funds to reimburse property owners for the removal of dead trees.

10 years ago - 2008
 Rainbow Inn owners **Lon Mercer** and **John Simpson** visited **Lyasomboro Primary School** in Marangu, Tanzania, on the slopes of **Mount Kilimanjaro** in October, taking with them gifts of sweaters for 50 boys orphaned by AIDS.

5 years ago - 2013
 Break-ins throughout Idyllwild continued to grow. **Capt. Scot Collins** of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department Hemet Station confirmed the recent spate of burglaries.

1 year ago - 2017
 The holiday season begins at the U.S. Postal Service. It again expected to deliver more than 15-billion mail pieces.

PEOPLE FACT!

MANY PEOPLE CONSIDER THIS SNOWY DOWNHILL ACTIVITY THEIR FAVORITE WINTER SPORT.

ANSWER: SNOWBOARDING

THIS DAY IN... HISTORY

DEC 3

- 1818: ILLINOIS BECOMES THE 21ST U.S. STATE.
- 1967: DR. CHRISTIAAN BARNARD PERFORMS THE WORLD'S FIRST SUCCESSFUL HUMAN HEART TRANSPLANT.
- 1999: NASA LOSES RADIO CONTACT WITH THE MARS POLAR LANDER MOMENTS BEFORE IT ENTERS THE MARTIAN ATMOSPHERE.

New Word

FRIGID

very cold in temperature

GET THE PICTURE?

Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: CHILD RIDING SLED

How they SAY that in...

ENGLISH: Cold

SPANISH: Frío

ITALIAN: Freddo

FRENCH: Froid

GERMAN: Kalt

Did You Know?

IF YOU BUILD A SNOWMAN IN A SPOT THAT IS SHADED, IT WILL LIKELY LAST LONGER THAN IF YOU BUILD IT IN A SPOT WHERE IT IS EXPOSED TO THE SUN.

Churches & Spiritual Centers Directory of Idyllwild

<p>Calvary Chapel Idyllwild To Know Jesus Christ & Make Him Known Meeting at 10 am Sundays at Tahquitz Pines Camp, 55251 S. Circle Drive Tuesday Bible Study Pastor Earl Somerville: 714-333-7493</p>	<p>Queen of Angels Roman Catholic Church 54525 N. Circle Dr., P.O. Box 1106, Idyllwild, CA Father Charles E. Miller Mass Schedule: Tues.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.; Sat. 4 p.m.; Sun. 8 a.m. + 10 a.m.; Confession: Sat. 3:30 p.m. or by appt. 659-2708</p>
<p>Christian Science Church 25970 Cedar St. at River Drive, 659-2511. Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Service 10 a.m.; Wednesday meeting, 7 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room, in church building, open to the public, Wednesday, 6-7 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-Noon.</p>	<p>Shiloh Christian Ministries ~ FULL GOSPEL ~ 54295 Village Center Dr. Pastors Wayne & LaDonna Sleme 659-2416 Sunday Worship 10 am - Thurs. - Bible Study 6 pm Healing Room on first three Thursdays from 3-5pm and 4th Saturday from 10am to noon.</p>
<p>Cross Road 243 Christian Fellowship Pastor Wally Boer • 29375 Hwy. 243, Mountain Center Sundays at 10:00 am - Worship service Children's & Youth Ministries Weekly Bible Studies & Home Groups 951-659-0097</p>	<p>Idyllwild Center for Spiritual Living 54240 Ridgeview Dr., Ste. 102 (Courtyard Building) 659-3464 Classes - Weddings - Memorials Sunday service, 10:00 a.m.</p>
<p>Idyllwild Bible Church 25860 Highway 243, Pastor Tim Westcott. A Family Friendly Bible Based Fellowship. Sunday Worship & Nursery Care, 9 a.m. Sunday Worship, Nursery Care & Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Mid-week Bible Studies & Youth Groups. Call Church Office for Information. 659-4775</p>	<p>St. Hugh's Episcopal Church An Anglican House of Prayer for all people Rev. Daniel Rondeau • Sunday Service, 10:00 am 25525 Tahquitz Dr. (in Fern Valley off South Circle Dr.) Phone (951) 659-4471</p>
<p>Idyllwild Community Church 54400 N. Circle Dr. 659-2935 Sunday Worship - 9:30 a.m. • Rev. Dr. J. Matthew Soeter Celebration: 5th grade & under during worship ~ Child care available • Wednesday: Men's Breakfast, 6:15 a.m. - Women's Bible Study, 9 a.m.</p>	<p>Temple Har Shalom of Idyllwild Rabbi Malka Drucker 3rd Annual Latkas & Vodka Hanukkah Party \$18 per person at the door - Guests are welcome \$15 optional wrapped exchange gift. December 9th at 6pm - Please call for address 951-468-0004 • templeharshalomofidyllwild@gmail.com</p>